Tom Sawyer lives with hisAunt Polly and his half-brother Sid. He skips scholl to swim and is made to whitewash the fence the next day as punishment He cleverley persuades his frinds to trade him small treasures for the priviliege of doing his work. He then trades the treasures for Sunday School tickets which one normally receives for memorizing verses consistently redeeming them for aBible, much to the surprise and bewilderment of the superintentdent who thought it was simply preposterous that this boy had warehoused two thousand sheaves of Scriptural wisdom on his premises-adozen would strain his capacity without a doubt.

Tom falls inlove with Becky Thatcher, a new girl in town, and persuades