

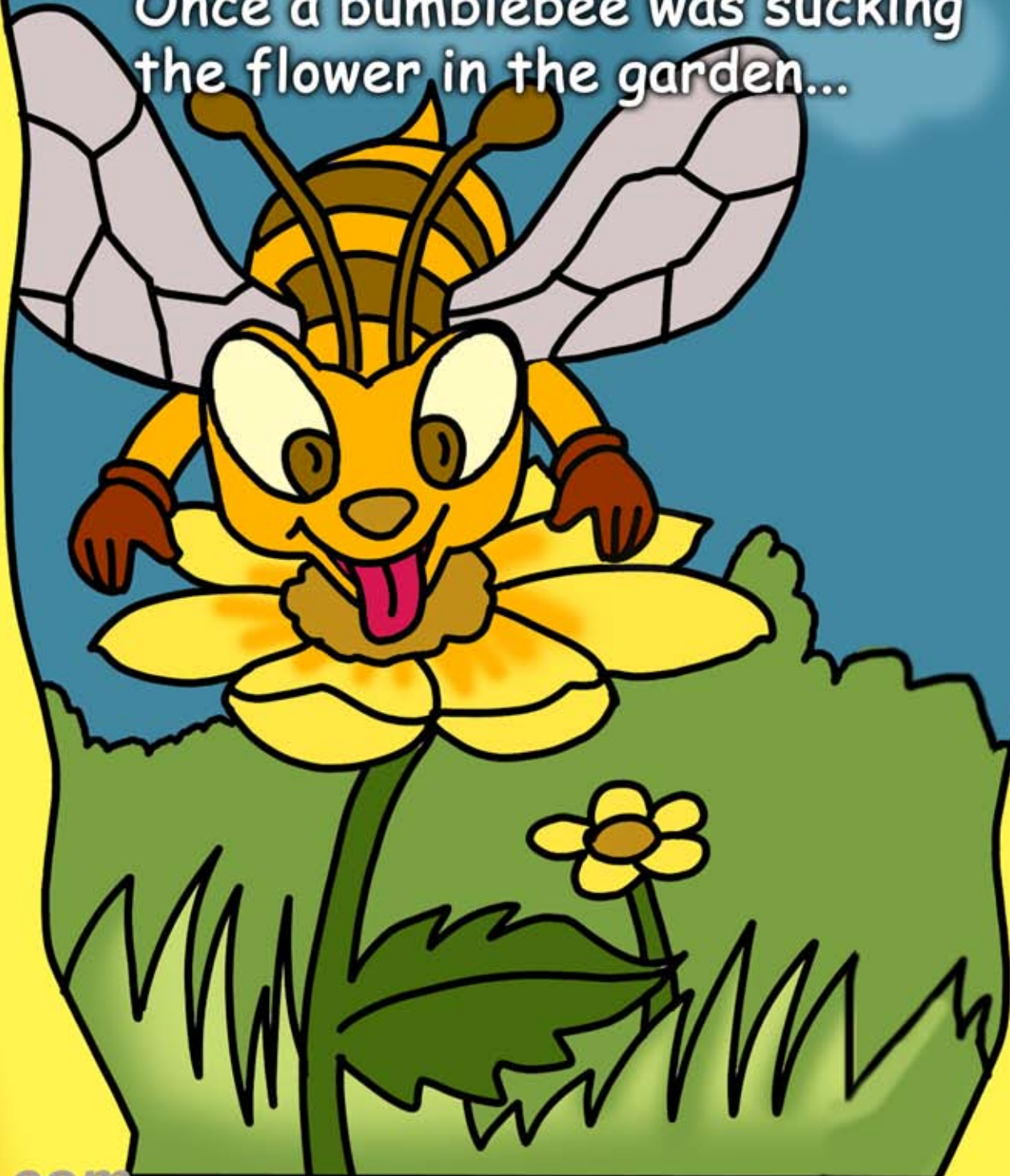


The Foolish Bumblebee

*Instructive Stories from teachings of
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Once a bumblebee was sucking
the flower in the garden...



...saw a transparent glass bottle
full of honey.



Why should I work hard sucking the honey from the flowers. Here there is so much honey ! Let me enjoy



Without realizing that the honey was covered by the glass bottle, the foolish bee tried again and again to relish it.

Ah! Ah! Ah!



Alas! The Bumblebee could not touch the honey, what to speak of relishing it's sweetness.



The foolish Bumblebee was simply
deceived & frustrated

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PURPORT

The materialistic persons and commonplace so-called vaisnavites believe that they have relished the nectar of devotion. In fact, they can not even discover the source of transcendental mellows of devotion, Lord Krsna.

In modern times, some people while listening to chanting and performing musical recitations of the compositions of such stalwarts like Candidas, Vidyapati and the like on the pastimes of Lord Sri Krsna, believe that they have relished the transcendental mellows of love from Lord Sri Krsna. In fact, they never reach the province of Lord Sri Krsna's pastimes or His transcendental mellows.

Some awful religious renegade and turbulent heretic like Kalapahadh, the notorious iconoclast, may think that they can demolish and destroy Deities and temples of the

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Supreme Godhead, or some egotistic so-called preachers may boast of finding out quite a good number of faults and discrepancies in the holy scriptures like Srimad Bhagavatam and Srimad Bhagavad Gita!

Even Ravana, the great king of demons, intended to abduct Sita Devi with an idea of enjoying her. In fact, they could not even have a look at the object of their lust and desire, not to speak of touching them. Ravana simply deceived himself by abducting only the shadow-form of Sita Devi and failed in his attempt to enjoy her.

If anyone tears up a map of India in anger and jealousy, and thinks that he has destroyed the entire state of India, then it is nothing but his foolishness. Similarly, people who are inclined to go against Sri Hari and the spiritual masters including all Vaisnavas,

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under the illusory materialistic knowledge, simply expose themselves as the most foolish entities on this earth.

Sri Caitanyadeva has said:

***aprakṛta vastu nahe prakṛta gochar /
vede puranete ei kahe nirantar //***

"Spiritual substance is never within the jurisdiction of the material conception. This is always the verdict of the Vedas and Puranas."

(Cc.Madhya Lila 9.195)