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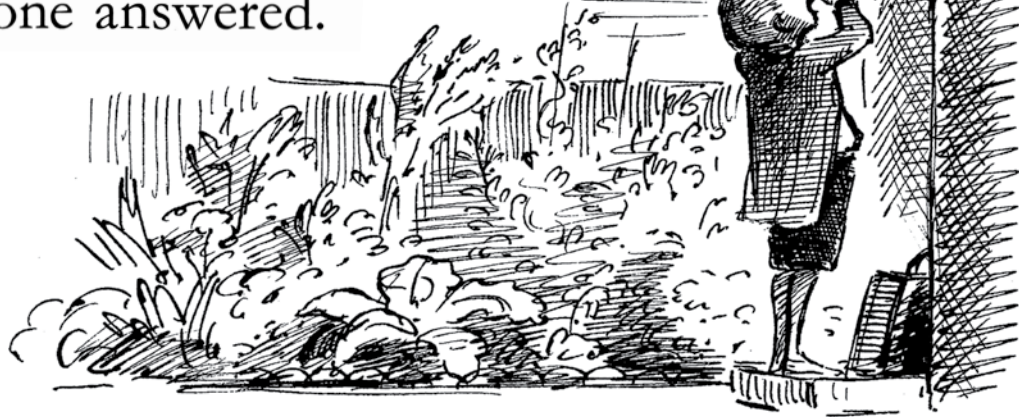
One day Tim arrived back at his home by the sea. He had been away for a long holiday and was therefore longing to see his mother and father again.

Imagine, however, his surprise when he found the windows shuttered and the door locked.

He looked through the keyhole and found nobody.



He shouted but no one answered.



Then he noticed a bit of paper pinned beside the door. It said 'Gone away. House to Let'.

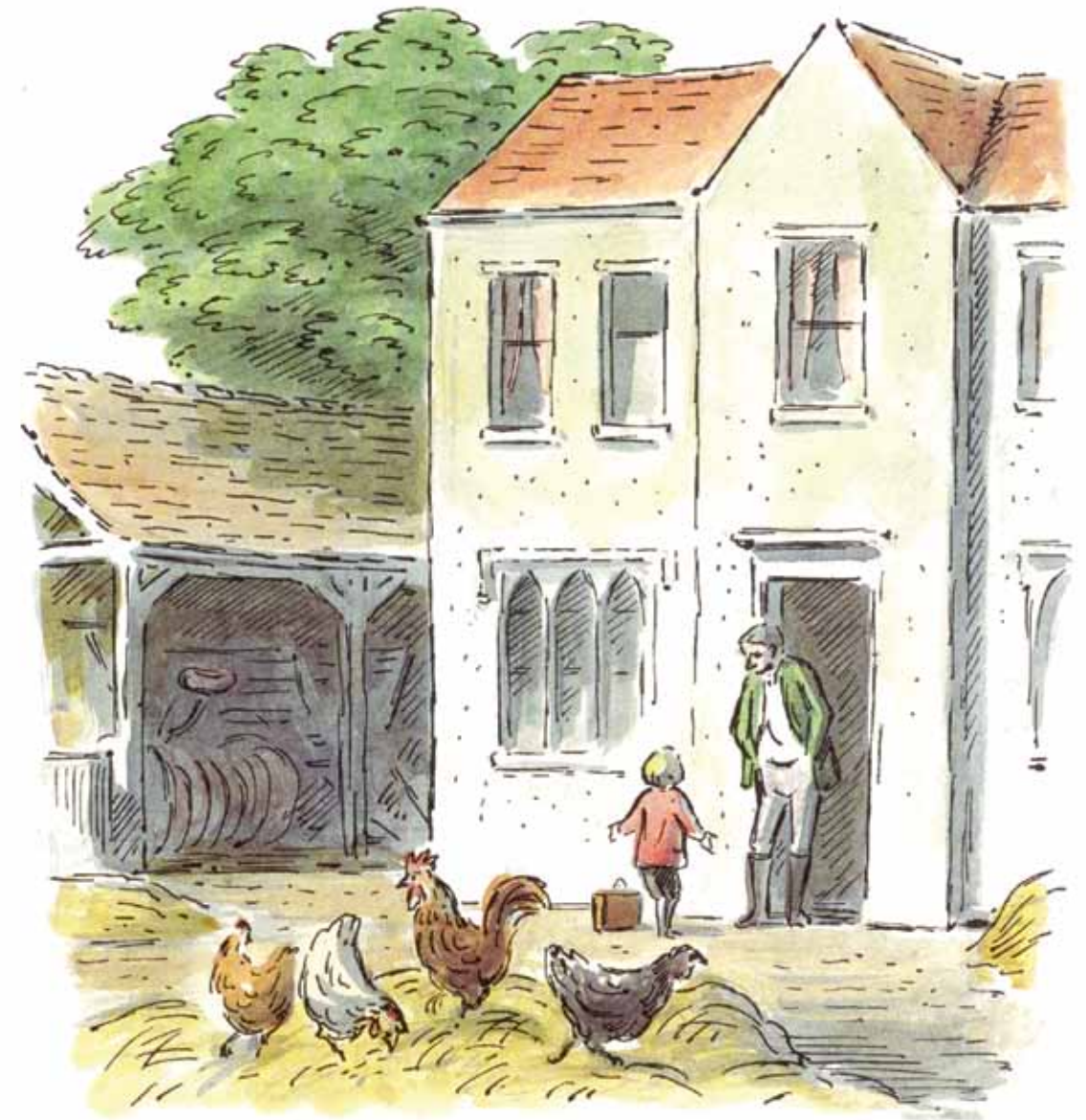
Poor Tim. He sat down on the step and wondered and wondered what strange thing could have happened.



However, when he had cried a little – and he could not help that – he remembered to say his prayers and felt a little comforted.

Then he got up, turned his back on the house and set out on his way once more.

He was determined to search, if necessary, the whole wide world until he had found his parents.



But Tim had no money, so he stopped at a farmhouse and asked the farmer to give him a bed for the night.

“You can sleep in my hay loft,” said the