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pants etc. etc. And you, Smith, take your tongue out
of your inkpot! As none of you know javanese I will
give you a free translation of the old fibulist's parable.

Audi, Joe Peters! Audi, Paxle
The Mookse and the Gripes

A Mookse he would a walking go (My hood! cries
Antony Romeo) so one evening, after his good supper
of gammon and spittish, having rubbed his eyes,
perforated his nostrils, packed up his ears and comforted
his throats, he put on his impermeable, seized his im-
pugnabile, harped on his crown and stepped out of his
immobile *De Rure Albo* and set off a spasso to see how
badness was badness in the weirdest of all pensible ways.

As he set off with his father's sword he was girded on,
and with that between his legs and his tarkeels, our
great and only Breakspeare, he clanked, to my clinking,
every inch of an immortal. He had not walked over a
year of parsecs when at the turning of the wrong lane
near Saint Patrick's-without-his-Walls he came upon
the most unconsciously boggylooking stream he ever
locked his eyes on. It looked little and it smelt of
brown and it thought in narrows and it talked show-
shallow. And as it rinn it dribbled like any lively parl-
it-easy: *My, my, my! Me and me! Little down dream,
don't I love thee!* And, I declare, what was there on
the yonder bank of the stream that would be a river,
parched on a limb of the olum, but the Gripes? And
no doubt he was fit to be dried for why had he not been
having the juice of his times?

His pips had been neatly all drowned on him; his
polps were charging odours every older minute; he was
quickly for getting the dresser's desdaign on the flyleaf
of his frons; and he was quietly for giving the bailiff's
sistrain on to the bulkside of his *cul de pompe*. In all
his specious heavings, as he lived by Optimus Maximus,
the Mookse had never seen his brooder-on-low so nigh
to a pickle.

Adrian (that was the Mookse's restingname) stuck

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