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· BOTTLE DOLL ·



O^{NE} day a small girl asked me if I could fix her doll for her. It was an old wooden doll and its neck, body and one leg were broken beyond repair.

I did not know much about fixing dolls, but I managed to tell her what to do to save and make use of the good parts from her old toy.

I told her to get a bottle of about eight or ten inches high, some sand and one or two candle sticks. After she came back with these materials, I took out the head of the doll from its neck and fitted a round stick of about three inches long into the head in place of its neck. (Figure 1)

I filled up about four-fifths of the bottle with sand. Then I melted the candle sticks

and powered it on top of the sand while it was still hot and then pushed the stick in the head into the melted candle sticks. (Figure 2) A piece of cloth was then wrapped and sewed around the neck of the bottle to make it bigger.

Then I told the girl to take off the hands of the old doll and attach them on the cloth which was placed around the bottle. After this was done, I told her to make a new Filipina dress to fit her and that I'll come back after a day or two to see how her new playmate will look.

Three days later, I visited my small friend and found her doll beautifully dressed and I never thought she made it out of an old broken doll and an old bottle.

