

EVIL WISHES, LIKE CHICKENS, COME HOME TO ROOST

THE BEE AND JUPITER.

(From Aesop's fables.)

Wishing evil to others, brings evil to ourselves
Revengefulness costs dearly.
Don't cut your nose to spite your face.

A Bee, the queen of the hive, presented Jupiter –the King of the gods - some honey fresh from her combs. Jupiter, delighted with the offering of honey, promised to give her whatever she would ask.

She asked him: "Give me, I pray you, a sting that if any mortal shall approach me to take my honey, I may kill him."

Jupiter was much displeased, for he loved the race of man, but could not refuse the request because of his promise.

He thus answered the Bee: "You shall have your request, but it will be at the peril of your own life, because if you use your sting, it shall remain in the wound you make, and then you will die along with the one you killed. "