

him very hot and tired. Then he stopped to rest under a big maple tree. The first little boy began to climb the fine old maple tree, with his big straw hat tilted over his eyes, and soon fell fast asleep.

Pretty soon Dan, the fat little boy, popped out from Jimmie's left-hand pants pocket. Then he looked out at Jimmie. His sharp eyes looked at Jimmie again and again to see if the boy would climb the tree. But Jimmie's face grew pale and slowly, lightly, crawled and crept to Jimmie's shoulder.

Dan kept peeping still for a while. Then he stretched and stretched his neck, and standing as high as he could on his hind legs, placed his mouth close to the boy's ear.

Dan, the horned toad, seemed to be whispering to Jimmie, "Run, run, run. Pretty soon Jimmie be waken to talk in his sleep, as if he were answering his mother's."

"Why, no, mother," said Jimmie.

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