



## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### Bedtime Stories For the Children.

#### UNCLE WIGGLY'S WHITE TROUSERS.

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One bright, beautiful summer day, when Uncle Wiggly Longears, the nice rabbit gentleman, came back to his seashore hotel from having been down on the boardwalk, the mud turtle messenger boy said:

"Here is a letter for you, Mr. Longears."

"A letter! How nice!" exclaimed Uncle Wiggly. "I wonder from whom it can be."

So he opened the letter and read it and when he had finished he exclaimed:

"Hi! Hi! Hurray!" and he waved his tall stick hat in the air.

"Why, you sound just like Fourth of July," said the mud turtle boy, who was a mud turtle chap, on purpose so he would not so fast and make the animal people at the hotel feel nervous and excited.

"Well, I feel even better than the Fourth of July," said Uncle Wiggly. "This is a letter at all."

"No," said Uncle Wiggly. "It is an invitation to a codfish ball—a sort of dance party you know."

"Are you going?" asked the mud turtle in a very slow and easy voice, so as not to awaken the eelies in the hall.

"Of course I'm going!" Uncle Wiggly cried. "I will go with Nurse Jane and we'll do the 'boardwalk slide' dance, all sorts of fun."

"Where is the codfish ball going to be?" asked the mud turtle boy messenger.

"The codfish ball will be on the lawn tennis courts," said the rabbit gentleman, and there will be a net fence all around so no one will fall off. I must go and tell Nurse Jane. Furry Wuzzles. She'll be real pleased."

And the mud turtle boy said he had heard about the codfish ball.

"Of course, well go," said Uncle Wiggly. "And you must wear your white trousers. You will look quite nice in them. Every one at the seashore you know wears white trousers and a blue coat. So you must also."

"Alas! Likewise sorrowfulness," said Uncle Wiggly, sadly.

"What is the matter?" asked Nurse Jane.

"I cannot wear my white trousers," said the mud turtle gentleman.

"Why not?" Nurse Jane wanted to know.

"Because I had them on when I fell in the lake the other day, and when the lobster pulled me out to save me he tore them."

"But I will sew them for you," said Nurse Jane.

"Alas! That is not all," went on Uncle Wiggly. "My white trousers are so stained with salt water that they are nearer black than white. If I have to wear them, I can't go to the codfish ball."

"Yes, you shall go," cried Nurse Jane. "This is going to be a fine dance, and I want to go and I want you to take me. Not only will I sew up the hole in your trousers, but I will wash them as if they were as white as ever—as good as new."

"Well, if you do that I'll go," said Uncle Wiggly.

"I'll do it," said the mud turtle lady. So the next day, which was the day before the codfish ball party, Nurse Jane fixed Uncle Wiggly's trousers. She mended them with darning cotton and washed them as white as snow.

"Now, I'll have them out on the line to dry," said the mud turtle lady. For she and Uncle Wiggly were stopping at a nice seashore hotel, where they didn't mind if you washed out a bedspread or a table cloth and hung it out of the window to dry. In some hotels they won't let you do that, not even wash a handkerchief.

So nurse Jane washed Uncle Wiggly's trousers, and when she hung them out to dry she stuffed the legs full of old towels so the trousers looked just as if they were as white as snow.

All the next day, until toward evening, the white stuffed trousers hung out on the line to dry. To and fro they swung in the wind and several of Uncle Wiggly's animal friends, passing, stopped for a moment, thinking it was the rabbit gentleman himself hanging there, and having a swim on the clothesline. But it wasn't.

"I think you had better dress now," said Nurse Jane to Uncle Wiggly, on the evening of the codfish ball party. "Go out and bring in your white trousers from the line, and put them on. I'll be getting dressed myself and we won't be late."

Uncle Wiggly went into the hotel yard to get his white trousers, and he was just going to reach them down off the line, when, all of a sudden, some thing black jumped up from behind the rain water barrel, made a grab for the stuffed trousers, and, tearing them off the line, ran away with them, calling out:

"Ah, ha! This is the time I have

Vincent Letourneau—I am not sure if I have seen you name correctly, Vincent, as I can hardly make the writing out, the ink having run. I am glad to have your assistance towards the fund, and if you could manage to send me some particulars re your Aunt's adventures, as we are always glad to get such news. Shall I send you a collecting card?

Geraldine O'Creay—After replying to you above, I find I have another letter from you conveying your compliments to Miss McKel. I am publishing part of your letter so that she may see same. I trust you will have great success among the people of Gagetown, and collect a great deal towards the fund.

Lily Palmer—I was beginning to wonder why you had not written, Lily. I wonder if you could manage to send me some particulars re your Aunt's adventures, as we are always glad to get such news. Shall I send you a collecting card?

Audrey Etta Waddell—I don't remember having noticed your name before, but you are going on splendidly. You must let me know how you get on. You have made a very good reply in the contest, and no doubt will be pleased to see your name among the prize winners. You will have to go on trying and see if you cannot get top place next time.

Myrtle Cox—Through an oversight, your book was not despatched until yesterday, however, it is in my hands. I will send you a copy as soon as I can. I have no record of what contest it was for. On receipt of same I shall at once let you have it. You will be pleased to see that the fund is going on splendidly. I am sending you a collecting card.

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and be marked in the top left hand corner "Children's Fund." All articles and subscriptions, received will be acknowledged through this corner. No prizes are of course offered in this work, as the object, that of helping to make other poor kiddies happier this coming Xmas, ought to be the reason for working very hard. Now my kiddies let me see how well you can all work to make this fund and heap of toys a very large one.

This is open to Boy Scouts also, in fact I shall look for their special assistance.

members of our large corner, so I have decided to let any who may wish to do so, write to any other member of the fund, or desire to know, through these columns. The letter or mail bag column, and then those to whom the message is sent will be able to read same.

This week I have had a number of calls from some of my kiddies living in the city, and they have all told me of great results with their cards, in collecting towards the big Toy Fund. I am sure you all deserve the credit for the way in which you are working. One of my nieces tells me she has already got seven dolls and four scrap books ready, and is also getting some things for the boys.

Whist, collecting, one little niece tells me that some whom she has asked for help towards the fund, have replied that they have children of their own to look after. That may be so, and many have only too good reason for that. But the children of the brave soldiers' kiddies are not very badly off, still they need it, so far as we can say, have their papers to get them their toys this Christmas, and their stockings will not contain that looked for special present which faith always puts in.

It is for the purpose of trying in some measure to supply this lack that Uncle Dick's Toy Fund has been started, and now is meeting with such success. From all sides comes word of cards being rapidly filled, and dolls and toys being gathered together.

Go on therefore with your splendid work boys and girls, and when at cards you will have some reward by hearing of many little faces being lit up with pleasure, and lips thanking you for the beautiful toys, etc., as the dear little kiddies open their stockings, the same time that you are doing your best to find out what your gifts consist of.

With best wishes to all my kiddies, From Your

Uncle Dick,  
The Standard,  
St. John, N. B.

Uncle Dick's Toy Fund  
FOR SOLDIERS' CHILDREN

This week I am pleased to be able to acknowledge further receipts towards the above fund. This of course does not by any means represent the full amount collected, but shows the amount actually received. I trust you will all do your very best to make this amount increase each week, but naturally you must have the collecting cards to enable you to gather the money for the fund, so, will those who have not as yet written, send at once.

I have much pleasure in acknowledging the following:

M. G. St. John, N. B.	\$1.00
A. Nephew, St. John	0.50
E. Gunn (Collecting Card)	0.15
T. E. Mantle (Collecting Card)	0.15
Ernestine Friars, St. John	3.00
Total	\$5.10

Magazines, Scrap Books, etc.

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The following are the particulars of the fund.

Will all my kiddies who read this Corner every week, help me to provide a big fund, for the purpose of giving a toy or gift to boys and girls whose fathers will not be able to see that their stockings are filled with this coming Xmas? You can help me in three ways. First, by making toys, dressing dolls, etc. Second, by giving a cent or two each week. Third, by getting your friends to assist you.

I have some special collecting cards which have squares marked out on them, each square to represent five cents, then as you collect or save five cents you must put a pin hole through the centre of the square, thus you will see how much you are getting towards the fund.

Will those of my kiddies who wish to have one please send me their names and addresses.

If you are not able to help in this way, perhaps you will dress dolls, make little toys, knit children's warm stockings, and in other ways assist.

All toys etc, when completed, cards when filled in collecting, and other communications must be addressed to

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## Canadian Boy Scouts



ST. JAMES' TROOP, No. 7, (1910)

The above picture shows members of the St. James' Troop, No. 7, taken whilst the boys were encamped at Oak Point, in 1910, and is most interesting on account of the fact that some of the boys are now in the first line in France, whilst others occupy good positions in the business world. This troop was one of the first formed in the business district in St. John, and the boys have advanced after having received their initial training in scoutcraft, speaks volumes for the efficiency of the teaching they thus obtained. Among those shown in the above photograph, are Ernest Evans, Jack Fitzmaurice, Harry McDonald, G. Scovill, Roy Thompson, Murray Nixon, M. Evans, Gordon Metcalfe, Fred Chipman, Jack LeCain, Jack Thompson, Ben Boyes, and Jack Murray.

How to Run a Troop.

Instructions B

These are the same, with the alterations of names of tribes and meeting places, for both Indian tribes.

Envelope.

To the Chief of the ..... Proceed by the shortest known route to ..... and there open this letter. Read contents to the patrol.

Inside.

O Chief, a number of Palefaces have trespassed upon your hunting grounds, and at present, are somewhere upon ..... You are not strong enough to attack them, as you find it necessary to send out scouts to ascertain where they are and what they are doing. Your scouts will bring you all the information they can get.

The patrol must keep under cover as much as possible. If the settlers see any of you, their snipers will pick you off one by one. A band of Indians (the other lot) are watching the Palefaces, but as they are not of your tribe, you must avoid them.

The Head of all the Red Men is waiting at ..... You are asked to make a written report of all that your patrol has been able to find out, and to hand it to him, personally, by 6 p.m.

You may bring it yourself along with your patrol, but you must not be seen by the Palefaces.

Your report should show the strength of the enemy, what baggage they have with them, what your scouts have seen them doing, and your own of their encampment, position, size, disposition, etc.

(This was devised for the 4th Harrow Troop, by one of their Scoutmasters, M. Tucker.)

Things Worth Knowing

Blackberrying

Picking blackberries is great sport as well as a profitable one, and all Scouts should take an early opportunity of going out into the country to pick the fruit. Not only are black berries good for pies and puddings, but they also make excellent jam.

When you go out you can work as a patrol and hold a competition among yourselves, by seeing who can gather most berries.

Don't eat the fruit as you pick it. The more you eat the more you'll want, and then you might get the stomach ache.

A basketful of blackberries will make a nice gift for an old lady who is unable to pick them for herself, or an invalid who is too unwell to get about. You can also sell them for troop funds.

Remember that people do not care to buy mashed up dirty fruit, or unripe berries mixed with the ripe ones. Only the good ripe berries should be picked, clean and clear of stalks, etc.

Don't break down the bushes in an endeavor to get the berries; a long crook-handled walking stick is for reaching tall branches.

Only gather the berries when they are quite dry or they will rot.

The Silver Wolf

The "Silver Wolf" the "Victoria Cross" of the Scouting Movement is awarded to King's Scouts or King's Sea Scouts of two years' service at least, who have gained twelve proficiency badges, and also performed some special piece of Scout work (such as the saving of life under exceptional circumstances or the performance of some extraordinary or repeated acts of bravery, endurance, or self-sacrifice.)

The "Silver Wolf" is worn around the neck on a green and yellow ribbon.

Home-Made Union Jacks

Wouldn't it be fine to make your own Union Jack? If you follow the instructions given below you will be able to do this quite easily. The first thing to do is to cut four pieces of cardboard to represent these four shapes.

Now get a piece of white calico of the correct proportions (that is, the length must be twice the depth).

Lay your red cross (No. 4) in position and mark round it with a pencil. Place the other pieces of cardboard in their correct places and mark round them in the same way.

The next thing is to fill in the colors, which you can best do with a stencil brush and paint. The hints given on Scout Chart No. 21 (Stencils and Stencilling) will help you to make a good job of it.

You must, of course, remember to leave enough margin for the hem, into which the stick has to be inserted.

Scout News

Scouts Escort Major Guthrie

During the welcome reception given to Major Percy A. Guthrie, last Friday night, it was not generally noticed that he was escorted from the Depot to the recruiting meeting, and then afterwards to the Royal Hotel, by a large number of Boy Scouts. At very short notice some sixty or seventy Scouts were assembled under Scout Commissioner Ingleton, and having met the returned hero on his arrival in the city, they escorted him to the meeting on King Square, at which the Major spoke. At the conclusion of his address the boys again formed an escort and were of great assistance in keeping back the large crowd, forming as they did, a cordon with their staves.

They certainly deserve great praise not only for the smart way in which they responded to the call, but also for the splendid manner in which they carried out orders. Recently the Boy Scouts have had a number of tests as to the efficiency of their organization. They have responded to a number of hurried calls at very short notice, and have proved themselves very valuable to the public.

Mr. F. R. Perrott

Mr. Perrott has just returned to the Maritime Provinces, for a continuation of his organization work, after having been at headquarters, Ottawa, for some time. He gave a most instructive lecture to the St. John Boy Scouts at the headquarters of the German Street Troop, last night, further particulars of which are given elsewhere in this issue.

Ambulance Work.

Unconsciousness or insensibility may arise through several different ways. Fainting, stroke, sunstroke, heavy drinking, etc. This is when a scout always needs a clear head, therefore when you see a person about to become unconscious, try to prevent him from fainting, and see the tongue is clear of all air passages. Plenty of fresh air must be had at all times, and if breathing cannot be noticed apply artificial respiration. Give them no food or fluids by the mouth, and if the patient is fractured, it must be fixed and maintained at rest. If the patient is in a convulsion, support his head, and wrap a clean handkerchief around something hard and put in his mouth, this will prevent him biting his tongue, and keep him quiet, on his return to consciousness, give him water to drink. Encourage him to sleep, in all cases except opium poisoning, which you will notice by the pupils of the eyes being constricted. Watch for the next article on "Concussion of the Brain."

Quartermaster.

Frequent Turning

First have your pan red hot and drop in a piece of suet about the size of a hickory nut. Take your steak, a sirloin or porterhouse, at least one and one-half inches thick, two inches thick is better. Lay down the steak first on one side then on the other for searing. This is to keep the juices in. Keep turning the steak constantly at intervals of three to five minutes until done, rare, medium or well, as desired, and then turn it over to the other side and broil it.

Another way to fry steak is to sear it three minutes on each side, then place a cover on the pan and let it cook slowly seven minutes more on each side, when it is medium.

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## Fashion Notes

### Handkerchiefs of Vols

The newest thing in handkerchiefs and there are new things in these accessories as well as in any other, those of vols. Of course, the fine of vols is used for the purpose, that it will not be disagreeable use.

One style of handkerchief is of solid pale pink vols, and is bound with narrow white hem. Blue, lavender and green vols are also used, and the color of vols is used for the purpose, that it will not be disagreeable use.

Some of the vols handkerchiefs are embroidered with a fancy hem, and the color of vols is used for the purpose, that it will not be disagreeable use.

Blocked designs are very prominent in the new vols handkerchiefs. The separate sections of the material hemstitched into the corner of handkerchief.

Not only are women's handkerchiefs made of vols, it is used also for men's handkerchiefs, and the color of vols is used for the purpose, that it will not be disagreeable use.

One reader has reduced to a science the buying of short lengths, remnants and mill ends for her three little girls, dresses and undergarments. With the past few years she has, by patronizing the remnant corner, kept down very materially "the high cost of living" in so far as the clothing department is concerned, not for the little girls alone, but for all of her family. Here are a few of the points in her system:

She says that she never saw a white remnant of good staple fabric that she could not use for some purpose, and without waste.

White Remnants Always Good

If it be a remnant of dimity or cambric or linen or longcloth or muslin or mullin or awning, it was cut, with out waste or undue piercing, a garment for some one of the three girls or maybe a shirt waist or corset cover for herself.

The difference in price makes it very much worth while to look for the remnants first, that she says, that it is very rarely indeed that she buys a dress for one of the children for "off the bolt."

Of course, in order to do this successfully, one must be a pretty good judge of fabrics, in the first instance, must be able to tell, in other words, when a remnant is offered at a very low price, what would have been the probable cost of the goods, by the yard, in regular stock.

Do Men Like Boudoir Caps and Film Negligees?

Who was it that said recently that boudoir caps were because the women who would wear a boudoir cap in the morning was the woman who was too untidy to arrange her tresses neatly before noon? Obviously, of course, no man loves a slattern.

But do men dislike boudoir caps. When Worn Appropriately

Of course, this is a rather difficult question to answer because most women haven't any very adequate way of discovering more than a man's taste on the subject of boudoir caps, although some ingenious debutantes have been known to discuss the subject by way of small talk.

Most men really do like all those many indescribable nothings, cute negligees, be they fluffy caps or ruffled slippers, but with a man's characteristic feelings for the fitness of things, he does not like to see the contraptions worn inappropriately.

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