

The ONLOOKER
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The LITTLE BOYS NIGHTMARE



I had a awful dream las' night; I dreamt th' schoolhouse bell Come rummin' after me an' give a awful fiendish yell. An' that it chased me through the town an' out across th' creek. An' then it stopped an' yelled at me: "You think you're might sick! But I'll be comin' after you another day 'fore long. An' when I do I think that you will sing another song."

I drempt the schoolhouse glared at me; Its windows looked like eyes An' that the big doors was a mouth of most tremendous size. An' that it rolled its window eyes an' gnashed its big door teeth. An' shook its front-stair chin that swung an' wobbled underneath. An' growled: "All right for you, my boy. But you can't get away. I'll have you back inside o' me first thing you know some day."

An all the words in all the world jumped out of all the books. An' come a-runnin' after me with most bloodthirsty looks— All of them had their letters wrong, which made them look real queer. Th' big five-syllabul ones, too, was scattered far an' near. An' all of them kept chatterin' as long as I's in sight: "You got to come back to th' school an' learn to spell us right."

An' then a lot of 2-and-2's come from th' schoolhouse door. An' kept a-singin' all th' time about how they made 4. An' Long Division hobbled up an' made a face at me. An' some one kept a-cryin': Can't you find that G. C. D.?" Th' Jiggerphry jumped up at me and scared me half to death. By tellin' me to bound the lands an' never stop for breath.

So I woke up an' pinched myself to see if I was here. But all today I've gone around an' felt extremely queer. I walked a-past th' schoolhouse an' it looked about th' same. But something somewhere muttered, "I thought it called my name. Aw, what's th' good o' havin' any old vacation? Say! It spoils it all to know you've got to go to school some day."

Immunity.



"Kitty Flirtleigh says she already has become engaged to fifteen men." "Yes. I knew her when she was a child. She was vaccinated twenty times, and it never took."

O, Happy Fate.

"O, happy death!" the lover sighed The while the lovely girl he eyed. "Oh, happy death, to kiss your hair And taste the bleaching compound there. To press your cheek, which like a rose With artificial blushes glows. To finish off with lengthened sips Of the bright red upon your lips— And, my blood with your beauty filled, Be by your loveliness thus killed!"

Has To.

They are discussing the new summer boarder. "Yes, he seems to be a decent sort of a fellow," says the man with last month's magazine and the carved ivory toothpick, "but he eats like a horse." The man who is waiting for a remittance before settling last week's board bill comments upon this charge thus: "Of course, he does. He mustn't be one of these health food cranks? I've seen him eat nothing but chopped feed and whole wheat."

In Return.

"My dear," said Mrs. Wunder, "you remember that the Jiggines gave our little Henry a boy's tool chest last Christmas. What shall we send them as a mark of appreciation this year?" "Send 'em a bill for the damage he has done with the hammers and saws."

A Call for Diplomacy.

"He sends me his photo, and proposes matrimony—and I don't want him; but it is so near Christmas that— Oh, dear!"

Michael Nesbit

Pre-Inventory Clearance Sale

Owing to the very backward season we have postponed taking stock till the first of February, and we are offering to the people of Blackfoot and vicinity the greatest bargain feast ever offered by any concer in Bingham County

Our Regular Prices are Low---None Undersell Us

Judge then, as you read every item quoted here, what a money saving opportunity we are presenting

Read it through, every word of it means dollars to you. There have been sales and sales, but nothing like this one.

:: :: This sale is straight from the shoulder---Honest, Bona Fide, Reliable---A money maker for you :: ::

DON'T MISS THIS GREAT BARGAIN PICNIC

\$30,000 Worth of Seasonable Merchandise

TO BE SACRIFICED

We are getting ready for the great spring business which we anticipate having, and as a result of these preparations, we must clear out all winter goods. It is our rule not to permit goods to remain on our shelves from season to season. At the close of the season all goods must go. Such bargains as have never been offered, in this or any other store of this vicinity, will be given in this sale. Prices quoted here will quickly reduce our stock, which is just what we want to do at this time of the year, just before stock taking the first of February.

¶ Peruse this advertisement carefully, for in every item lurks a story of money saving you cannot afford to miss. Look for the colored tags with blue pencil marks. Every sale item has a colored tag with the price marked plainly.

We are closing out all Men's and Boys' clothing and Ladies' and Misses' coats. Cost will be no object from now on---Profit is out of the question on these lines.

FREE! **FREE!**

On the back of this bill is a number. Every morning during our sale we will place articles in our window, all bearing numbers. The party presenting a circular numbered the same as any article in the window will be presented with the article free of charge. Following is the list of articles to be given away:

- A \$3.50 Pair of Trousers.
- A \$3.50 Boy's Overcoat.
- A \$3.00 Child's Coat.
- A \$2.25 Lady's Waist.
- A \$1.50 Man's Shirt.
- A \$1.25 Lady's Scarf.
- A \$1.00 Pair Baby's Leggings.
- A 50c Muffler.
- A 50c Pair Lady's Hose.
- A 40c Lady's Collar.

Keep this bill and bring it to our store. If the number on the back corresponds to the number on any article in our window, you get the article free. The only thing we ask you to do is to leave the article in our window till the last day of the sale.

SALE STARTS PROMPTLY AT 9:00 A. M. JANUARY 7, AND CONTINUES FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY. This will be the greatest merchandise slaughtering ever held in Blackfoot. Be here early. Something doing all the time. All sale goods are strictly cash.

Men's Clothing

Lot 1—This is a grand assortment of men's suits, ranging in price from \$12.50 to \$16.50. These suits are all exceptional values and are made from choice suitings of this season's styles of stripe, novelty, cashmere, worsted and serge. Your choice of this lot \$7.95

Lot 2—The greatest snapp ever offered on men's overcoats. A grand array of patterns and materials in coats ranging in price from \$8.50 to \$12.50—monthly \$12.50 coats. Your choice, \$6.10

Equal values in all other quantities of men's clothing.

