

# Grins' Fairy Tales

A 20th Century Version of Stories You Have Heard Before

**DICK WHITTINGTON**  
BY GREGORY GRIN

Old Horatio Alger was no slouch when it came to slinging the bunk about poor-but-proud working boys about the neck in the nick of time to save the daughter of the local banker off a runaway horse and are rewarded by more horses than there are red noses in the Bowery.

Well, there is a certain popular magazine whose editor would like to see a side dish of "Ruff-n-tus" in an issue ever appeared which failed to carry a feature article concerning the lad who rose to the Grandma's bread from 10 below to a position where he passes out orders to John D. Henry and the rest of the high-pressure lads.

You know the type—the kind of boy that girls forget—the kind who sign the coupon and burn the midnight oil when the rest of the night are out burning the midnight gasolene.

Well, the Old Bird who wrote the "Dick Whittington" hokum would spot Alger and the editor of the Blah Book the fifteen ball and no out in one shot.

If you don't believe it, give a listen to this tale and if it doesn't take the cake, then neither does the bak-ry wagon.

Dick Whittington, at the time our hero was, was an orphan and so poor that he made a tenant farmer of the cyclone belt seem a bloated landlord by comparison.

Some one slipped him the old rag about the streets of London being paved with stuff that runs down to the ton, so he lit out for the Big Burg.

When he arrived he hadn't passed more than two traffic lights before he was wised up to the fact that while there was plenty of Gold Diggers at work, none of them used pick or shovel, and that there was not any more gold in the mine than there is fur on a carp. He walked until his dogs were as se as a defeated candidate, then he picked out a soft-looking door-step, curled up like a mail-ordering and called it a day.

Next morning the silent partner of the firm of Mr. and Mrs. Warren found him on the steps. Fitz was about to give him the bum's rush, figuring that Dick was older than the guy who stays up all night to keep from washing his face in the morning.

But Dick stopped him long enough to tell him for a job, saying that the man had anything to eat, for so long that his stomach thought he had the lockjaw or that his throat went.

Fitz wasn't a bad old wart, so he took Dick to go in and take some exercise on the manhole cover, which the cook called pancakes, and which he could put on a spinning match with the kitchen maid help out generally around the house.

Getting his chow and flop regular, Dick would have been as happy as a fly in a restaurant if it hadn't been for the cook.

This big Paluka was a rascal. Dick was an offside play to Fitz—as popular as a book agent in Wall Street—and she didn't overlook a bet in making Dick feel as fat at home as a bum in the bath.

She gave him a room in the garage, where there were six more men than there are grains of sand in the Sahara. But Dick wasn't so dumb for one day he saw a little bit with an animated mousetrap with Pussy and he high-pressed her out of it for a penny.

Living Puss the run of that garage was like turning the star salesman for a kyp stock company into a convention of widows.

He cleaned up like a mop, and he became as scarce as night in the Zion City.

Now old Fitz had a proposition to make the Florida land racket like a penny ante game at

Monte Carlo. In addition to taking up the collection at the local fifted orn gems, he frequently Woolworth and traded with the Fiji Islands and set sail for the natives. And that Baby was good! When he got through there wasn't anything left on the island but the scurvy and a few coconut empties.

Calling together one day all the members of what the writers of the highbrow literature would term his menage, he told them that if they were willing to add a few speckles to the kitty they could be in on the Great Divide of the swag.

They all put in their jack except Dick, who, as usual, as busted as the Ten Commandments. How- ever he dragged in Puss and told her that he would take a little of the excursion win, lose or draw. Feeling sorry for the kid, Fitz took the cat and called it a bet.

After the old gent had sailed Dick was as happy as a duck in a desert, for the cook lay awake nights, thinking up new ways of riding him.

Finally he decided to shake the joint. So, packing his trunk, which consisted of buttoning his coat and putting on his hat, he started to hit the breeze.

He walked as far as Highgate, where becoming tired, he sat down on a big stone which even to this day is pointed out by the orators on the rubberneck wagons as "Whittington's Stone."

Once the boodle was deposited in the ships strong box, he ordered all sales set and started for London, where he arrived in due time. Just as soon as he reached home he sent for Dick and told him that alongside of his cat, the goose that laid the golden egg was a blank cartridge.

When Dick realized that he had six dollars more than Rockefeller he was fit to be tied. First he went down to the dollar-down emporium and got a set of scenery which would make a fit running mate yet, for those who have good health and wish to keep it, plenty of water every day is an absolute necessity. "Plenty" is about six glasses. There are several reasons why so much water is necessary. Water softens the food we eat, making it more easily digested and absorbed. It softens the digestive juices that they can reach the food. It dilutes every particle of food. It dilutes the blood and lymph and keeps the membranes moist. It helps to regulate the body temperature by distributing heat to various parts and by disposing of surplus heat through perspiration. It is a most important factor in the removal of waste.

Body is Two-thirds Water

The food which is burned in the body to keep us warm and give us the power to work and move produces waste just as the burning of coal produces ashes. Then, too, there is a constant breaking down and wearing out of the cells and tissues. This broken down and worn out material is thrown into the blood to be excreted by the skin, lungs, kidneys and intestines. Copious water drinking aids the action of these organs and prevents the accumulation of poisons in the system.

Every tissue and every organ of the body, even the teeth contain water. In fact, the body is about two-thirds water and this proportion must be maintained. Every day about five pints of water are lost through the various organs of elimination and this loss must be made up if the human machine is to do its work properly. Since only a part is replaced by the food that we eat, it is necessary to make up the deficit, which amounts to about six glasses.

Too Little Water May Cause Headache.

Simple and necessary as it is to drink plenty of water there are many who do not take a sufficient quantity. Such people are accustomed to give their systems less than the required amount and although they may suffer from headaches and indigestion they never dream that lack of water has anything to do with such disturbances. If, therefore, you have not been in the habit of drinking six glasses of water each day commence to do so now. Take one or two glasses in the morning before breakfast, preferably hot. This will tone up the stomach for work. Take the other four during the day. They will not only act as a flush to the stomach and intestines but will stimulate the liver, kidneys and skin to healthy action.

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When Dick Whittington stepped out of that gent's furnishing shake-down he made the fancy kids in the magazine ads look like a bunch of bums.

Now, while it was never officially acknowledged, Dick must have been looking at the sky through the bottom of a bottle, for while he was sitting there the bells of Bow Church began to ring, and, being foggy in the bean, Dick thought they said:

"Turn Again, Whittington, Lord Mayor of London."

Taking another kles at the bottle, Dick remarked "So's your Old Man." But again the bells rang, and again Dick thought they seven- eated the same words.

"There are four thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven things I would rather be than Mayor of London, but I can't think of any of them right now," thought our Boy Scout. And so he took a load and Fitz made a cleaning of the rock and ankle back to the house.

Old Fitz, after a voyage that was rougher than a Flapper's conversation, finally reached a safe port in the Fijis. The natives fell for the phony jewelry hard and often, and Fitz made a cleaning that even Ponzl couldn't sneer off. Just while he was getting ready to take it on the run, in case one of the yokels tried to cut glass with the synthetic gems and get wised up to the swindle, Fitz was invited to a party at the castle.

Scarcely were they seated at the table when a gang of rats flocked over the table helping themselves to the food with all the enthusiasm of poor relations at a family reunion.

Now ordinarily, the King was as close as the hands of a clock at noon, but he was so burned up that he told Fitz he would give half of all the gold in his kingdom to be rid of the rats. Where money was concerned, Fitz's mind worked faster than a starboarder at meal time and he thought of Dicks cat.

Cats were as unknown in the Fijis as beer cheeks in the Sunday Offering, so when Fitz returned with puss and turned her loose among the cheese destroyers the King could not have been more surprised if one of his subjects had complained that taxes were not high enough.

Puss went through the castle like Sherman went through Georgia and when she had finished the King figured that getting her for half of his gold was like buying the Flat-iron building for two bits Mex.

Fitz drove a bargain that would make a Connecticut Yankee look like a weaking. He even insisted on his share of the gold in the King's teeth and when he finally left the castle he had so much swag that it made him bowlegged to carry it.

now signed his checks R. Lancaster Whittington—went in for politics. "Well, when the word got around among the wise boys that Dick would stand for a good shaking down for the campaign fund, they started to play him like a big casino.

First he was made an Alderman, next Sheriff and finally Lord Mayor of London.

And here is one that will put furrows in your gray matter—Why, if Whittington was such a feature act as the Lord Mayor, did they put his statue over the archway of the Old Prison at Newgate?

Figure that one out and we will send you, all charges prepaid, a beautiful set of gold incrustated glass golf balls.

## Weak And Nervous

A Condition Always Due to Thin, Watery Blood.

Thin blood and weak nerves generally are found together. Red blooded people seldom complain of nervousness. The reason is that the blood feeds the nerves and keeps them toned up to do the work nature intended. When the blood is thin and weak it fails in this important function and nervous troubles follow. The following cases will interest those who need a tonic for the blood and nerves. Mrs. D. Veno, Union Square N. S., says:—"With a feeling of gratitude I write to tell you what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills did for me. I had become badly run down, and reached the stage when I could not do my housework. I was not only weak, but my nerves seemed completely shattered. The least noise would startle me and I was subject to nervous headaches. Worse still, I could not sleep at night. Perhaps I would get an hour or two sleep, and then lie awake for the rest of the night. I had reached a stage when I actually feared I would lose my mind. Up to the time I decided to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, nothing I had taken seemed to do me any good. I got a few boxes of these and soon there was no doubt they were the medicine to help me. As I continued the use of the pills I gradually grew stronger, ate better and could sleep at night, and now I am as well and strong as a woman could wish to be. I hope some other weak, nervous person will be benefited by my experience."

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## Health Literature

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### DRINK SIX GLASSES OF WATER A DAY.

"Drink six glasses of water every day" was advised in recent radio health talk of the New York state department of health. This is the doctor's order, not for the invalid, but for the person of health.

The prescription is so simple and inexpensive that many do not appreciate its importance. And yet, for those who have good health and wish to keep it, plenty of water every day is an absolute necessity. "Plenty" is about six glasses. There are several reasons why so much water is necessary. Water softens the food we eat, making it more easily digested and absorbed. It softens the digestive juices that they can reach the food. It dilutes every particle of food. It dilutes the blood and lymph and keeps the membranes moist. It helps to regulate the body temperature by distributing heat to various parts and by disposing of surplus heat through perspiration. It is a most important factor in the removal of waste.

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## Revival in Annual Flowers

Only a few years ago garden writers were warning against using annuals, maintaining that they cluttered up the garden and interfered with the more valuable perennials. The warning was undoubtedly justified at the time because the annuals were not properly grown or handled. They were strewn about so thickly they had no chance to develop their true worth.

Annuals, for the most part, given proper treatment are as effective as perennials and usually give a greater wealth of bloom over a longer season. They are indispensable for furnishing a supply of garden gay when perennials have gone out of bloom or are yet to give their display. They are the liaison officers of the perennials, filling the breaches and keeping the display hooked up, from spring till frost.

But the annuals resent poor treatment as earnestly as the perennial. It needs as careful soil preparation, cultivation, fertilizing and room to grow. The greatest fault and one of the reasons for the loss of esteem for annuals was that they never had a chance to be anything but spindly and weedy.

Most of the annuals, for best results, should be sown early, in March or early April, either in seed boxes in the house or in hotbeds or cold frames. They will then be ready to transplant into the beds as soon as the weather is safe. The wealth of annuals now offered for garden display and a glance over the catalogue that are now coming to us show a feast of rare splendor offered for the season's decoration.

Illinois ranks first among the states in the number of farms equipped with radio sets and Kansas is second.

A number of combs spaced by a frame and held in place with hair pins make up a device with which the inventor claims a woman can obtain a marcel wave at home without assistance.

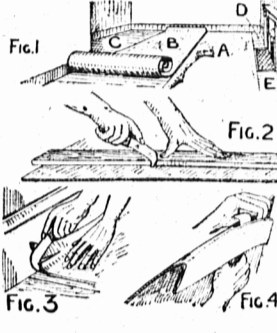
## The Handy Man's Corner

### LAYING LINOLEUM.

Laying linoleum is a simple operation in most rooms. But to do it successfully and avoid waste there are a few points which will be of assistance to the novice. First ascertain how much linoleum will be required to cover the particular floor, allowing a little for waste. The amount will depend upon the shape of the room, its dimensions and on the pattern of the material. If the room is of awkward shape it will be wise to allow an extra amount equal to the area of the recesses.

Commence laying the linoleum by unrolling it so that the longest strip can be laid in one piece. In the illustration Fig. 1 the first piece is shown at A and the second piece at B and it will be seen that the two strips just reach from the edge of the hearth to the opposite wall. This is the best way to arrange the first two strips, covering afterwards the recess C and the two spaces on either side of the hearth at D and E with separate pieces.

When unrolling the material, leave a small amount standing up at the starting end, and allow a small amount, say 1 in. for final fitting at the other end. There are several ways of cutting the linoleum as shown in Figs. 2, 3 and 4. All should be performed with the regulation hooked-end knife. The best way to cut a piece off the roll is to mark the position for the cut, unroll the material a little beyond this mark, and slide it along the floor until it can lay flat. Then lay a batten on the material and draw the point of the knife across the surface while guiding the blade



against the batten as shown in Fig. 2. Two or three cuts will suffice to sever the linoleum completely. It is held then be trodden out from the middle towards the ends and temporarily fixed. Adjust the second piece so that the pattern matches before cutting it from the roll, sliding the roll along one way or the other until the pattern matches.

To fit the ends of the material closely to the wall, proceed as shown in Fig. 3. Press the linoleum with the left hand, firmly on to the

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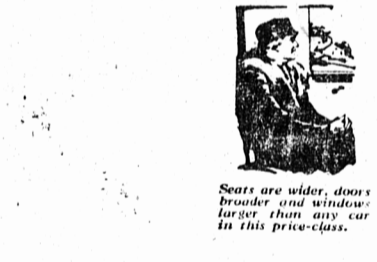
motion and thus cut off the surface to tinctacks which have un- plus. Press the line down on the floor and if the cut is nicely made fix the line to the floor with a very it will fit closely to the wainscote. In some cases, the wainscote is an ordinary flour paste with the addition of some glue water, or a paste of which will have the effect of breaking or cracking the material on the face side. To finish the cut, coat with paste and the line run the knife along from under- neath as shown in Fig. 4, taking care to follow whatever the shape may have to be. This method if flat or go over with a heavy polish- ing brush, to bring it into firm contact with the pasted floor a few inches being driven in here and there to fix it.

If the lino is to remain permanently in position it is best to cut the pieces and let them lay for two or three days, to allow the material to stretch and lay out flat. It should then be removed, a good result in a nicely fitting piece of floor. To finish the cut, coat with paste and the line run the knife along from under- neath as shown in Fig. 4, taking care to follow whatever the shape may have to be. This method if flat or go over with a heavy polish- ing brush, to bring it into firm contact with the pasted floor a few inches being driven in here and there to fix it.

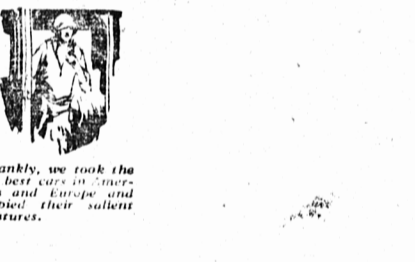
Linoleum is best fastened by nailing down its edges with fine brads, known as lino pins or tacks. These should be used in prefer-

When a man is in love it is awfully hard to interest him in your troubles.

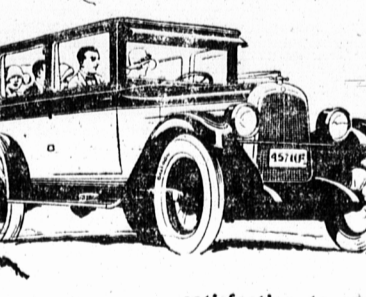
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