

# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

(By Thornton W. Burgess)

## WHO WAS SCARED?

All too often you will find, Fright is just a state of mind. —Old Mother Nature.

What Old Mother Nature says is very true. It happens very often that folks are badly scared by nothing at all. They run away when there is nothing to be afraid of. It is because they do not stop to think, or to find out if there is anything to be afraid of. The danger is all in their minds.

Over at the sugar house in the Green Forest there was a sudden silence. There had been a great racket there. It had sounded as if some one were tearing everything to pieces inside. Farmer Brown's Boy and another boy had been startled by the noise as they approached the sugar house. Farmer Brown's Boy had yelled for whoever was in there to come out. At the same time he had picked up a stout stick. Now there was stillness that could almost be felt. There was not a sound of any kind inside that little house. You



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never would have guessed that any one was inside. Nor was there any sound outside except the distant cawing of Blacky the Crow. The two boys stood undecided what to do.

Farmer Brown's Boy shouted again. "Come out of there!" he shouted.

No one came out. Still there was no sound from within the little house. "You may not be scared, but I would feel a whole lot better if I knew who is in that house," said the other boy.

"There's one way to find out," said Farmer Brown's Boy. "Come on. Let's open the door."

"Not me," replied the other. "Pooh! Don't be 'fraydy,'" replied Farmer Brown's Boy and started on. The other started on too. Somehow he was more afraid to be left behind alone than he was to go on.

Now inside that sugar house were Mother Bear and her cubs. They had gotten in by way of a hole in the roof, but they couldn't get out the way they had gotten in. They were trapped! When she found this out Mother Bear had become almost crazy with fright. Being trapped does this to folks.

She had torn about like crazy, snarling and growling, as she tried to find some way out. Then she had heard Farmer Brown's Boy about. Instantly she had stopped rushing about. She had stopped growling and snarling. It wasn't that she was less frightened. She was even more frightened, if that were possible. She stood listening. The cubs, seeing how still Mother was keeping, kept still also. Mother Bear's ears are very good ears. Presently she knew that one and perhaps two of the dreaded two-legged folk whom all Green Forest folk, big and little, distrust and fear, were just outside the door.

She heard Farmer Brown's Boy and the other boy talking in low tones and knew they were very near the door, which she herself could not break open or break down.

The door was locked. Farmer Brown's Boy took a key from his pocket. "You better not open that door," said the other boy. He backed away hurriedly.

"Pooh! There is nothing and no one in the Green Forest to hurt us," said Farmer Brown's Boy, and reached out to open the lock on the door. He hesitated a moment, listening. There was no sound from inside. He put the key in the lock and turned it. He took the padlock off and lifted the latch.

The door flew open with a suddenness that sent Farmer Brown's

# FORMAL OPENING

NEW GYMNASIUM - AUDITORIUM  
ST. DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20th

Highland Pipe Concert Outdoors—7:30.  
Dedication Ceremonies—8:45.  
Dancing—9:30 to 1:00  
Music by "The Downtowners"

Tickets on Sale—  
Charlottetown: Milton's Old Spain; Reddin's Drug Store.

Summerside: Enman's Drug Store; Foley's Drug Store.

Everybody Welcome — Invitations Not Required

Admission \$5.00 a couple; lunch included.

Band Concert Free.

# IMPORTANT MEETING

A general meeting of the Queen's County Branch P.E.I. Fish and Game Protection Association will be held in the Vocational Training School at Prince of Wales College, Thursday, June 21st, 8 P.M. Interesting movies will be provided. Please attend.

Boy sprawling. The other boy where she was going. She bumped turned to run, stubbed his toe and fell headlong. Out of the open door rushed Mother Bear with the two cubs at her heels. She was a scared Bear. Yes, sir, she was a scared Bear. And of course the little black imps at her heels were just as badly scared, if not more so. They headed for the nearest trees. Mother didn't even look

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# DAILY CROSSWORD

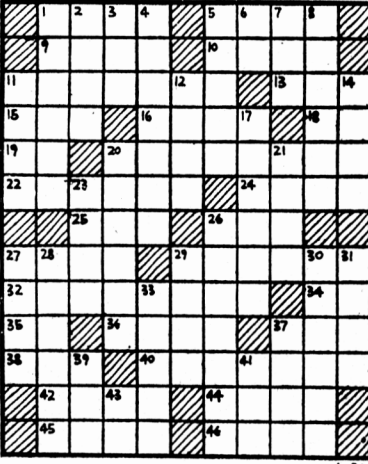
- ACROSS
- Bird's nest
  - Kind of crop
  - Crowns
  - Stocking
  - Leave out
  - Part of "to be"
  - Apple seed
  - Undivided
  - Sign of infinity
  - King of Bashan (Bib.)
  - Animal house
  - Unit of work (Peru)
  - Final
  - Moves along
  - Keenly
  - Mother
  - Alight
  - The Orient
  - Stitch
  - Slope
  - Smother
  - Source
  - Close to
  - Rim
  - Precious stones

- DOWN
- Alter
  - Capital of Italy
  - Viper
  - Removing, as weeds
  - Kind of short surplus
  - Part of "to be"
  - Apple seed
  - A sculptured figure
  - Entrance
  - Keep roof
  - Vaulted
  - Large merchant vessel
  - Merit
  - Troubles
  - For fear
  - Preserving with salt
  - Praise
  - To long
  - Obnoxious person
  - Arabian, chieftain (Var.)
  - Cutting tools
  - Savor
  - Bang

GOVERNMENT ANSWERS

ACROSS: 1. BIRD'S NEST, 2. KIND OF CROP, 3. CROWNS, 4. STOCKING, 5. LEAVE OUT, 6. PART OF "TO BE", 7. APPLE SEED, 8. UNDIVIDED, 9. SIGN OF INFINITY, 10. KING OF BASHAN (BIB.), 11. ANIMAL HOUSE, 12. UNIT OF WORK (PERU), 13. FINAL, 14. MOVES ALONG, 15. KEENLY, 16. MOTHER, 17. ALIGHT, 18. THE ORIENT, 19. STITCH, 20. SLOPE, 21. SMOTHER, 22. SOURCE, 23. CLOSE TO, 24. RIM, 25. PRECIOUS STONES.

DOWN: 1. ALTER, 2. CAPITAL OF ITALY, 3. VIPER, 4. REMOVING, AS WEEDS, 5. KIND OF SHORT SURPLUS, 6. PART OF "TO BE", 7. APPLE SEED, 8. A SCULPTURED FIGURE, 9. ENTRANCE, 10. KEEP ROOF, 11. VAULTED, 12. LARGE MERCHANT VESSEL, 13. MERIT, 14. TROUBLES, 15. FOR FEAR, 16. PRESERVING WITH SALT, 17. PRAISE, 18. TO LONG, 19. OBNOXIOUS PERSON, 20. ARABIAN, CHIEFTAIN (VAR.), 21. CUTTING TOOLS, 22. SAVOR, 23. BANG.



# DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

AXYDLBAAXE, ALONGFELLOW. One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation  
NUT STGN IUG WGN I UAN YAHYOV  
NIMCYG MEETKN, STGN KGE, MYIN  
CTWEB—BTOCP.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: MIDNIGHT, AND YET NO EYE THROUGH ALL THE IMPERIAL CITY CLOSED IN SLEEP—SOUTHEY.

By Al Capp

# KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED



By Ham Fisher

# JOE PALOOKA



By Carl Anderson

# HENRY



By Ruforo

# DOTTY DIPPLE



By L...

# TIPPY AND "CAP" STURS



By George McManus

# BRINGING UP FATHER



By Westover

# TILLY THE TOILER



By Harry Haenigsen

# PENNY



By Alex Raymond

# Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

# THE SUIT - PREFERENCE SIGNAL

The suit-preference signal is now so well known, in theory, that most partnerships use it as a matter of course. The great trouble, however, is that they don't always apply simple logic to its use! The following case is too typical.

North dealer. Both side vulnerable.

♠ K J  
♥ Q 9 7  
♦ K Q 8  
♣ 10 9 8 4

♠ Q 10 8 7  
♥ 6 2  
♦ 10 6 5 3  
♣ 2

♠ A 6 5 3 2  
♥ 4 3  
♦ 9 7 4  
♣ A 3 2

♠ N  
♥ W  
♦ E  
♣ S

The bidding:

|       |      |       |      |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| North | East | South | West |
| 1♣    | Pass | 2♥    | Pass |
| 3♦    | Pass | 4♥    | Pass |
| 5♠    | Pass | 5♥    | Pass |
| Pass  | Pass |       |      |

North-South who were not using Blackwood, did a little floundering before they finally agreed on a five-heart contract.

West, on the good chance of finding his partner with a singleton club, opened the ace of that suit and followed up with the club three. East ruffed, but he made an absurd return. He had very carefully scrutinized the low rank of West's second club play — the three — and, convinced from this that West wanted a return of the lower side suit, East "obediently" led back a diamond! This, of course, was in the nature of a reprieve for South, who very soon got rid of his losing spade!

West, who was naturally not pleased with the outcome, asked East why he hadn't returned a spade, which not only would have given West his spade ace but also would have resulted in a second club ruff, and a two-trick defeat of the contract.

East defended himself by saying that he couldn't tell that the club three was West's highest card in the suit, aside from the ace, and that he (East) naturally had read it as a suit-preference signal. There, in a nutshell, is one reason why this signal should be used more sparingly and cautiously by the average player! East should have realized that West's club three had no special significance. There was no reason whatsoever to assume that West was void of diamonds.

# WAKE UP YOUR LIVER BILE

Without Calomel—And You'll Jump Out of Bed in the Morning! The liver should pour out about 2 pints of bile juice into your intestine every day. If this bile is not flowing freely, your food may not digest. It may just decay in the digestive tract. The gas builds up your stomach. You get constipated. You feel sour, sunk and the world looks punk. It takes those mild, gentle Carter's Little Liver Pills to get these 2 pints of bile flow. Use freely to make you feel "up and up." Get a package today. Effective in making bile flow freely. Ask for Carter's Little Liver Pills, 36¢ at any drugstore.

# LIL ABNER



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# RIP KIRBY



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