

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

SOMETHING SURPRISING HAPPENS

Every one it should be plain who ventures naught will nothing gain.

—Peter Rabbit.

Peter Rabbit had no business to be at the plants growing in Farmer Brown's garden. He didn't know his. To Peter, as to all the Green Meadow and Green Forest folk, anything and everything is free for the taking. To them there is nothing wrong in taking what they can get. So Peter could see no reason why he shouldn't help him-

self to certain things in Farmer Brown's garden, things of which he was very fond and which he could find no where else.

Farmer Brown's Boy understood this. That was why he didn't really blame Peter for the mischief he was doing. Still he couldn't let Peter go on ruining the garden which was just what he was doing.

"There must be some way of teaching the scamp a lesson he won't forget and that will keep him out of the garden," said Farmer Brown's Boy. "Of course a fence of wire netting would do it provided he didn't dig under it, which

he probably would do, but such a fence would cost too much. I thought I could catch him in a box trap and take him off where he wouldn't get in mischief, but the rascal had been caught in that kind of a trap two or three times. He remembers it and keeps away from it. I thought if I made a watchman of that Owl I'm caring for until he can look out for himself, it might keep that Rabbit away. No one is more feared by Rabbits than Hooty the Great Horned Owl. It worked all right until Blacky the Crow found him out there in the garden. Then he and his black friends made life miserable for young Hooty. They might even have killed him if I hadn't rescued him. I must think of some other way of keeping Peter out of the garden."

For a while he was in what is called a brown study. Suddenly his good-natured freckled face lighted up. "I wonder!" he exclaimed. "What do you wonder?" asked Mother Brown. "I'll tell you later," replied Tommy, his eyes twinkling. "I think perhaps I have thought of a way to teach Peter Rabbit to keep out of our garden."

"I hope it isn't anything to hurt him," said Mother Brown of the tender heart.

"It may shock him a little, but it won't really hurt him," declared Tommy. Whistling, he headed for the barn.

"Now what is that boy up to," thought Mother Brown, but she said nothing further.

Over in the dear Old Briar-patch sat Peter Rabbit. He had told Mrs. Peter all about his adventure of the night before when he had visited the garden and young Hooty had frightened him almost out of his wits by hooting almost over his head.

"I hope that will be a lesson



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to you and hereafter stay at home here in the dear Old Briar-patch where you belong," said Mrs. Peter severely.

"Hooty never was over there before. I have been there more times than I can remember and until last night never saw or heard him there," said Peter.

"That doesn't mean that he won't come back there. You just stay at home, Peter Rabbit. Then you'll have no frights and I'll stop worrying," said Mrs. Peter.

Peter made no promises. In fact he said nothing at all. For a couple of nights he did stay at home. Then temptation and curiosity were too much for him. As jolly, round Mr. Sun went to bed behind the Purple Hills and the Black Shadows stole across the Green Meadows Peter slipped out of the dear Old Briar-patch while Mrs. Peter's back was turned and headed straight for Farmer Brown's garden.

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He reached the garden fence at the place where he had been in the habit of slipping under it. He started to do this now. Something surprising happened. Yes, sir, something very surprising happened. Peter suddenly found himself on his back well back from that fence. And he had a funny feeling. It was as if he had been hit by something, hit hard enough to be knocked over on his back, yet he didn't have a sore spot. He didn't ache anywhere. It was very, very strange.

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Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

STRONG RECOVERY

South made a strong recovery in the following hand after an initial setback.

South dealer. North-South vulnerable.

♠ K1094 ♠ 652
♥ A63 ♥ QJ10
♦ A532 ♦ 84
♣ 84 ♣ Q10632

♠ KQJ ♠ 652
♥ 10974 ♥ QJ10
♦ K6 ♦ 84
♣ J97 ♣ Q10632

The bidding:
♠ A Q J 7 3 ♠ 6 5 2
♥ 8 5 2 ♥ Q J 10
♦ 9 7 ♦ 8 4
♣ A K 5 ♣ Q 10 6 3 2

South West North East
1 ♠ 4 ♥ 4 ♠ Pass

West, having made one valiant effort to keep North quiet and having failed because North refused to be shut out, subsided when the four-spade bid came around to him. It was not simply a matter of estimating the cost of a five-heart sacrifice - from West's point of view, the opponents might be able to make a slam, and might get there if pushed.

When West opened the heart king and East ruffed away dummy's ace, it looked as though any sacrifice by East-West would have been extravagant, because the four-spade contract was immediately jeopardized. Presumably, South would have to lose two natural heart tricks and one diamond in addition to the first-trick ruff.

South, however, was a declarer of resource. He recovered!

East made the correct return of the diamond queen and South politely let him win the trick. (This was a vital preliminary; taking the trick with dummy's ace would have left West with a sure entry.) East next led the diamond jack. The ace won and declarer drew East's two remaining trumps, keeping the lead in dummy. South then ruffed a diamond, cashed the ace and king of clubs, ruffed his own last club and led dummy's last diamond. Once again, East was presented with a trick which South could have taken away from him. South discarded a heart - and on East's next lead, whatever it was, South could get rid of his last heart while dummy ruffed.

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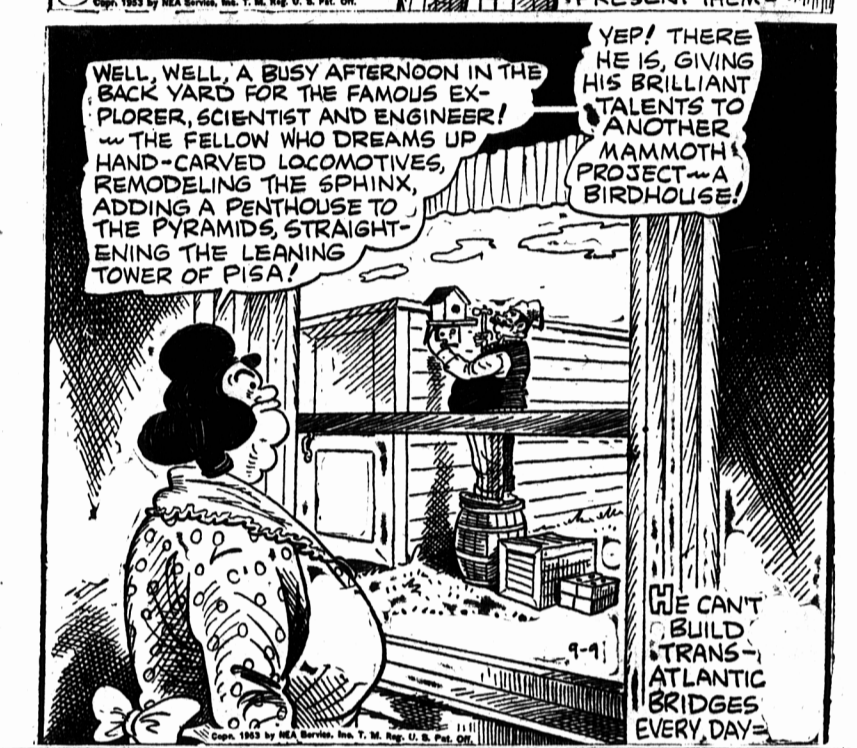
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I'VE GOT NEWS FOR YOU, MR. PERPETUAL UNMOTION! THE VACATION SEASON IS OVER, AND I'M NOT GOING TO SPEND ANOTHER YEAR WATCHING YOU RENEW THE EXPERIMENT OF GRAFTING YOUR HIDE TO AN EASY CHAIR!

MY WORD, MARTHA! I HAD COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN THIS GIFT I BROUGHT YOU FROM THE WEST! THE LEGEND AROUND THE WIGWAMS IS THAT SACAGAWEA, THE "BIRD WOMAN", WORE THESE MOCCASINS WHEN SHE GUIDED THE LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION - HAR-RUMPH!

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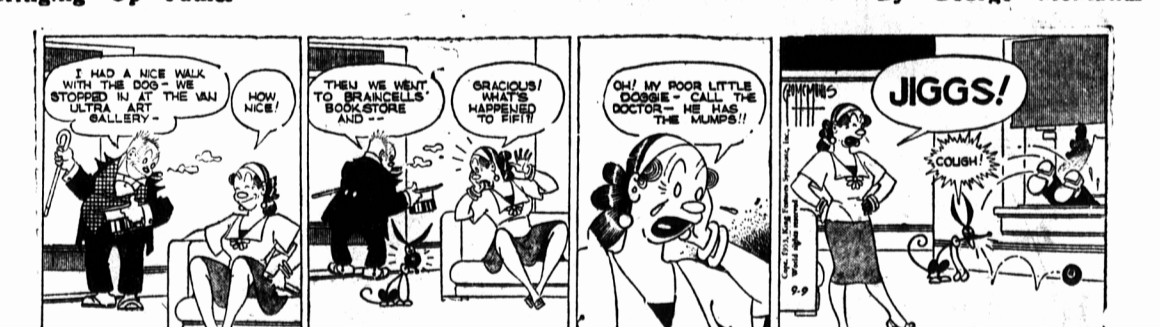
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