For Young Readers y

son. After watching her till his heart

seemed bursting, Hans softly leaped

mother, returning from the door for

the twentieth time. "I am so fearful

Then Hans' father, accompanied by

several good citizens of the village,

came up the mountain without the lost

some harm has befallen you."

A BOY o the MOUNTAINS the Result of his Foolish Wish

By William Wallace, Jr.

pretty village where a good master such pains to tell him. kept a school to which Hans' parents | And through the long, long day he sent him to learn as soon as he was roamed about the mountain side, havof age. But Hans did not like to be shut ing many fights with other squirrels, boy. They came into the house with

anything save romp and play."

Then, waving round his head the the form of a pet.

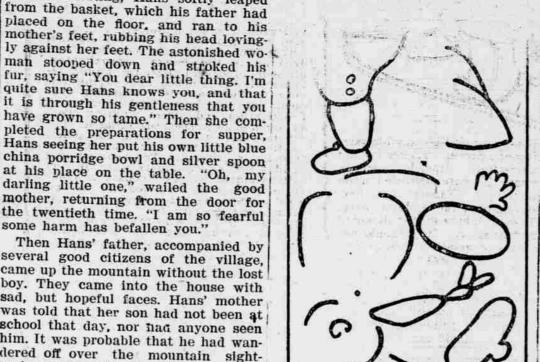
wished and wished that he might be a boy again and go to the school which Far up on a high mountain side now appeared to him in such a happy lived little Hans with his father and light. After all, it was pleasant to learn mother. Down in the valley nestled a the many things the good master took

in the schoolhouse for certain hours who seemed to resent the coming of a sad, but hopeful faces. Hans' mother daily, neither did he love his books. stranger in their midst. And when at was told that her son had not been at He delighted only in roaming about the last, late in the afternoon, he returned school that day, nor had anyone seen wild mountain side, playing with the to the big oak tree to find a morsel him. It was probable that he had wanlittle squirrels that lived in the woods of cake and fowl in his basket, for he dered off over the mountain sightwas very hungry and tired, to his great seeing and had lost his way. So a One morning as he was on his way dismay he found that other squirrels searching party had been formed and to school he sat down under a big oak had dared to tear the lid from the were going out to scour the surroundto idle awhile and watch his fa- basket and had eaten all the luncheon ing country for the missing child. curved lines a noted character in one worites as they frolicked about on limb his mother had put in it. So he sat Hans' father gave his wife instruct of Dickens' books will appear. Answer and ground. "Oh I wish, I wish, I wish down to think over some plan for his tions that if the child should return given next week. with all my heart," said Hans afoud, future. Feeling cold—for the evening she should give the signal by blowing That I was a squirrel and did not have wind was growing chill—he conceived the great dinner-horn. She would be paws." 10 go to school nor ever have to do the idea of getting into the basket for kept informed of the whereabouts of shelter. Once there another idea came. the hunters, who were to go singly to the good fairy to make Hans disclose which made him immensely rich in Now in that wood there roamed an Why not stay hidden in the basket till cover all parts of the mountain as rap- the truth of his identity. He sat bolt later years. old witch who possessed the power to his father, who he knew would soon idly as possible, by their firing off upright and clasped his little paws, grant idle, foolish wishes but who had come to see what detained his Hans guns at short intervals to keep each turning the most thankful and adornnot the gift to grant good, wise ones. after school, should come and find other aware of their locations. If one ing eyes on the fairy, who waved her At the very moment that Hans made him? To be sure, he could not tell his of them should chance upon the boy silver wand, repeated some pretty his wish she happened to be passing dear father and mother that the little he was to fire his gun three times in words under her breath, touched his behind the tree and heard him. At gray squirrel was their beloved son quick succession, whereupon all would forehead and caused a deep sleep to once she threw her spell over him and Hans, but he could have the satisfac- gather at the house again. caused a sleep to deaden his senses, tion of being in his own dear home in

meantation and went her way. In half the mountain top Hans heard the guns. Walking the floor and clasping when his mother's joyful kisses and hour Hans awoke to find himself sound of footsteps coming down the her hands in prayer, her eyes full of warm embrace waked him. "Oh, my changed into the form of a squirrel, path leading from his home to the vil- misery, went Hans' mother bending darling Hans," sobbed the happy wo-At once he tried to rise on his feet, lage. In another minute a hand seized her ears every time she heard a gun, man, weeping for very joy. And the which he found to be paws. Then he hold of the basket and his father's waiting to hear the other two quick half-dazed fellow opened his eyes, feeldiscovered that to go on all fours was voice soliloquized: "Strange that Hans reports. But midnight came, and she ing that it had all been a terrible much easier than to try to walk on should have left his books and basket still listened in vain. At last, exhausted dream. But the reality was proved to two. And a great busy tail waved over here all day, for it's plain he did not with her grief-for she now had no him when his mother bore him quickly his back and caused him great discom- take them to school with him. Ah, ha! hope of ever seeing her child alive to the bed, lay him down tenderly and fort. Upon this discovery Hans tried to What have we in the basket?" and again—she thref herself on the bed then ran to the side of the fireplace eleculate "Oh!" but his tongue had Hans felt his father's warm hand and buried her face in the pillow, and took down the dinner-horn. And stroke his back. "Why, it's a little Hans, who had kept close beside her what a joyous prow-blow she

eyes smarting for want of the tears mountain searching with all their But just as he sat there a white- In half an hour the searching party him. He bounded from the bed, careful And then it was, as they all assem-

> his mother, and ran to the door. was in trouble here and in need of my of her evil powers. charm. As I was on my way hither I "Wel, dear father and mother," said outside the cave to cool. One of her useful to those who love me.' became violently ill. After I went to happiness reigned ever afterward. her she seemed to become easier, and said she knew that she could not get well and that she wished me to find a It may not be generally known that little gray squirrel whom she had this many of our greatest inventors began ent shape; that the little fellow was early teens. Marconi, the famous in enough to cure Rheumatism also redie in peace with her bad deeds on her 14 when he set up his first crude ap- diseases. conscience. After, I promised to find paratus, which tin biscuit boxes held mountain. Now, little gray squirrel, if Whitney conceived the idea for the cotyou are the one whom I seek manifest ton-gin when he was only 13. Sir John



close his eyes. Then she unfolded her The night was setting in as the gauze wings and flew far, far away.

dozen good men, led by Hans' father Hans never knew just how long he empty skin of a snake, she spoke some | Just as the sun was dropping behind set out equipped with lanterns and slumbered, but it was towards dawn At this minute the old witch came squirrel, one that Hans has likely made feet, walking when she walked, and sounded on it, sending the happy back to see if her spell had worked friends with as he went to and from sitting when she sat for a minute at a news to the anxious rather and his astime, crept on the bed beside her, his sisting friends, who were still on the

> winged figure flitted past the open door reached the mountaineer's cottage, and glanced in. Back it passed again, where little Hans was folded lovingly and this time paused beside the open in his father's arms once more. "And window. Hans' heart gave a bound. where is the pretty little squirrel, wife Suppose this was the Queen of the Air that I found in Hans' basket? Bring Fairies! She and she alone could help him to the boy, cried the happy man.

> to not make any noise lest he disturb bled round the breakfast table, that Hans told them they would never again As he stood there the most beautiful see the little pet squirrel who had come creature he had ever seen came and to their house so willingly; and, to the bent over him. "Are you the little amazement of all, he related his most mountain boy who idly wished to be- unusual experiences of the previous come a squirrel, and whose foolish day. And not one doubted the truth of wish was granted by the old Witch of his story, for it and been known in that the Woods? If so, I am in quest of you part of the mountains that a very bad to undo the wrong she did you. All day old witch roamed hither and thither, I have had warning in the air that one but it had not been known the extent

> heard the old Witch of the Woods wail- Hans, putting his arm round his ing in great agony. L went to her in mother's neck, "I'll never wish to be her cave and found her dying. She anything again except myself. I'm sathad distilled some of her poison to kill isfied to be just Hans and to go to snakes with and had set it in a basin school and learn and make myself

> victims came along, and knowing it to | And it came to pass that Hans was be the drug that could alone kill the one of the most studious pupils in the bad old witch he took a part of the school down in the village from that poison and poured it in a drinking ves- day, and never, never did he loiter sel that held some spring water which along the way of a morning, but went the witch had brought to drink. Grow- directly to the schoolhouses, always ing thirsty, the witch took a deep returning laughing and happy in the draught form the poisoned water and evening to his home, where peace and

> > Boy Inventors.

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"If it is woman's duty to see that boards and in the store windows of class day coach Washington to Jackis it not her duty to keep the streets clean? San Francisco needs a mother ton-Salem, Raleigh and Goldsboro. No matter how good a woman is at to keep it clean. Life in all its under-

of men and women working together. There is too much separation. We have separated the mission work in of it to the women, and we have made ton and all points North, Pullman sleepers to New York; first-class coach to Washington. Close connections at Danthe church and given a special part train Dowie said lately that the curse of ville for Richmond, Va. Dining car serthe temperance question in the United | the problems of life.

"I sometimes feel very tired about the ways members of my own sex talk tanburg for Hendersonville and Asheabout the sphere of women. If home is the place for woman, then home is the place for man. They are co-partners to work together."

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figures, she can never learn to count takings is a problem for the solution and Southwestern Limited, Pullman drawing room sleepers, New York to New Orleans and Birmingham; Pullman observation car New York to Ma-con; dining car service; selid Pullman

the church should work together. Washington. Close connections at Dan-

11.60 a. m. No. 28 daily; for Davidson States was that it had been made a Mooresville, Barber Juntion, Cooleemee, woman's question. There is no sex in Mocksville, Winston-Salem and Roa-

noke, Va., and local stations.
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S. C. and local points.
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ground-I am in no danger, of death. it." witch went her way again.

that he had seen his dear mother fix that tore his very heart strings.

successfully. On beholding Hans rise school. Well, I'll carry the books and on all fours and look about him in a basket-with Mr. Squirrel, too-up to dazed sort of way she came before the house, for it may be that Hans him and said: "I am the Witch of Fol- has gone home by another path. And hes, and hearing your wish to be a how pleased the little man will be to find a pet squirrel coming for him."

Then it was that Hans realized fully 'So saying, Hans was taken up the the extent of his folly. A squirrel—was mountain side to his own dear home to he?-doomed to go on four feet all his become a pet animal. Oh, how bitterly day; a little animal deprived of the he repented his folly of the morning, power of speech, one that must live and in vain did he try to cry out in

the dead leaves and dirt. The thought As they neared the house Hans peepmaddened him, and being unable to re- ed over the side of the basket and saw From the old witch in words he made his dear mother sitting just inside the leap for her face and bit and scratch- open door knitting a nice, warm pair ed her unmercifully. She frantically of leggings for him and watching for ore him off and throwing him against her little boy. "Where is Hans? Didn't the hard ground she screeched out in you find him?" she called out in an ones of rage "For this ungrateful and anxious tone, seeing her husband

all your life, for there are just two. "No, wife," replied the worried man. ways by which my spell can be "I found his books and basket down broken; my death puts an end to my under the oak tree, and thinking that power and returns to their original maybe he had returned home by forms the victims of my charm; but another path I came back to see and as there is but one way for me to die- to bring these. See-here's a pretty pet which is through the administering of squirrel, that is as gentle as a kitten, a certain poison extracted from a se- and stayed in the basket to be brought

The other means is through the work- But the anxious mother had little inings of the Queen of the Air Fairies, terest in the squirrel, or in anything who was never known to come to this else, till her boy should come home. wood. Therefore, content yourself as "Maybe he has been kept after school to complete some task," she suggested, Then waving her snakeskin the old with a newborn hope that such was the case. "Go, husband, to the village Hans sat down under the tree and at once and see if he is not being degave himself up in grief. There be tained by the schoolmaster. It is time side him lay his schoolbooks and his that he were here half an hour ago. I dear little luncheon-basket filled with am much worried." And Hans heard

cret vine which grows beneath the here. Hans will be much pleased with

for his noonday meal to be eaten at His father set out toward the village. And as after kissing the anxious mother, and the schoolhouse in the village. And as after kissing the anxious mother, and the schoolhouse in the village. And as after kissing the anxious mother, and the schoolhouse in the village. And as after kissing the anxious mother, and the schoolhouse in the village. And as after kissing the anxious mother, and the schoolhouse in the village. And as after kissing the anxious mother, and the schoolhouse in the village. And as after kissing the anxious mother, and the schoolhouse in the village. And as after kissing the anxious mother, and the schoolhouse in the village. if to bring his sorrowful condition to begging her to not worry, as he would him more forcibly the happy shouts of doubtless find their child loitering along the way. So the good woman rose and filled his ears. Then he leard the bell ring that called the merwould go to the door and look for her would go to the door and look for her

the dainty biscuits, cake and cold fowl the poor woman sigh heavily, a sigh

water-colors and lay the sun in a stone wall brownish yellow. The cap.

Carefully cut out the above picture ing at the top with a dark, cold gray. Paint the girl's dress bright pink and

and paste smoothly on a piece of card-

bright orange yellow, tinting the sky broom should be a light umber. Shade When the picture is dry take a warm

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