

# IMOGENE'S ANTLERS

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On Thursday, when Imogene woke up, she found she had grown antlers.



Getting dressed was difficult,



and going through a door now took some thinking.



Imogene started down for breakfast...



but got hung up. "OH!!" Imogene's mother fainted away.



The doctor poked, and prodded, and scratched his chin. He could find nothing wrong.



The school principal glared at Imogene but had no advice to offer.



Her brother, Norman, consulted the encyclopedia, and then announced that Imogene had turned into a rare form of miniature elk!



Imogene's mother fainted again and was carried upstairs to bed.



Imogene went into the kitchen. Lucy, the kitchen maid, had her sit by the oven to dry some towels. "Lovely antlers," said Lucy.



The cook, Mrs. Perkins, gave Imogene a doughnut, then decked her out with several more and sent her into the garden to feed the birds.



"You'll be lots of fun to decorate, come Christmas!" said Mrs. Perkins.



Later, Imogene wandered upstairs. She found the whole family in Mother's bedroom. "Doughnuts anyone?" she asked.



Her mother said,  
“Imogene, we have  
decided there is only  
one thing to do.  
We must hide your  
antlers under a hat!”  
Norman telephoned  
the milliner.



kissed the family...  
and went to bed.



Imogene sighed,  
remembering the long,  
eventful day.



On Friday, when  
Imogene woke up,  
the antlers had  
disappeared.



At three o'clock the  
milliner arrived.



When she came  
down to breakfast,  
the family was  
overjoyed to see her  
back to normal...



Rapidly he sketched a  
few designs, then set to  
work.



“*Voilà!*” said the milliner.  
“*Bravo! Bravissimo!*”  
cried his assistants.

**THUD!** Imogene’s  
mother had to be carried  
away once more.



until she came  
into the room.



After dinner,  
Imogene practiced  
her piano lesson.



Then, yawning, she  
folded her music...

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