

What ails thee,
king's daughter? thy tears
would melt a heart of
stone."

And when she looked to see
where the voice came from, there
was nothing but a frog stretching his
thick ugly head out of the water.

"Oh, is it you, old waddler?" said she; "I weep
because my golden ball has fallen into the well."

"Never mind, do not weep," answered the frog; "I can help you;
but what will you give me if I fetch up your ball again?"

"Whatever you like, dear frog," said she;
pearls and jewels, or even the golden

"Thy clothes, thy pearls and jewels, and
for me," answered the frog; "but if thou
have me for thy companion and play-fellow,
at table, and eat from thy plate, and drink
in thy little bed, if thou wouldst promise all
would I dive below the water and fetch thee
golden ball again."

"Oh yes," she answered; "I will promise it
whatever you want, if you will only
ball again."

But she thought to herself, "What nonsense he talks! as if he
could do anything but sit in the water
and croak

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from thy cup, and sleep
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with the other
frogs, or could possibly
be any one's
companion."

But the frog, as soon as he
heard her promise, drew his
head under the water and sank
down out of sight, but after a while he
came to the surface again with the ball in
his mouth, and he threw it on the grass.

The King's daughter was
pretty play-thing again, and
ran off with it. She was
overjoyed to see her
she caught it up and

"Stop, stop!" cried the frog; "take me
as fast as you!" up too; I cannot run

But it was of no use, for croak, croak
she would not listen to him, but made
soon forgot all about the poor frog,
and to betake himself to his well again.
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The next day, when the King's
daughter was sitting at table with
and all the court, and
golden plate, there
something pitter patter up the marble stairs, and
then there came



and knocking at the door, and a voice crying "Youngest King's daughter, let me in!"

And she got up and ran to see who it could be, but when she opened the door, there was the frog sitting outside. Then she shut the door hastily and went back to her seat, feeling very uneasy. The King noticed how quickly her heart was beating, and said,

"My child, what are you afraid of? is there a giant standing at the door ready to carry you away?"

"Oh no," answered she; "no giant, but a horrid frog."

"And what does the frog want?" asked the King.

"O dear father," she answered

came all at once a prince with beautiful



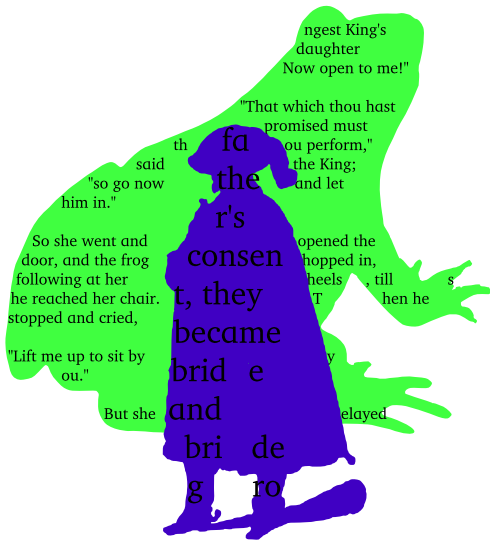
"when I was sitting by the well yesterday, and playing with my golden ball, it fell into the water, and while I was crying for the loss of it, the frog came and got it again for me on condition I would let him be my companion, but I never thought that he could leave the water and come after me; but now there he is outside the door, and he wants to come in to me."

And then they all heard him knocking the second time and crying, "Youngest King's daughter, come to me!"

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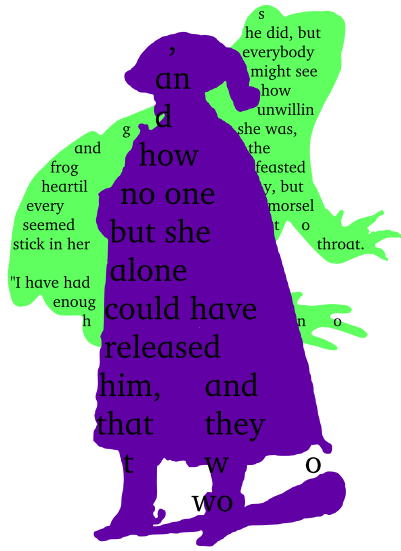
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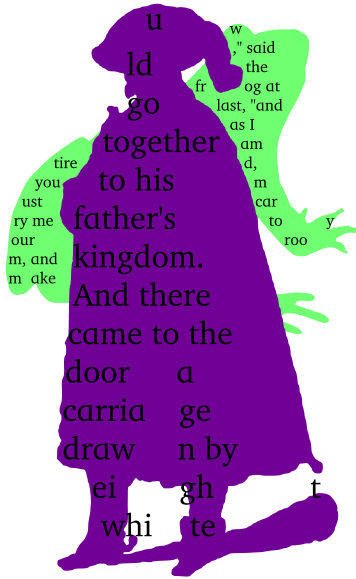
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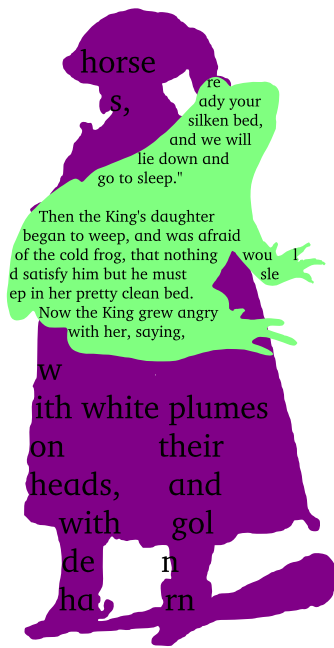
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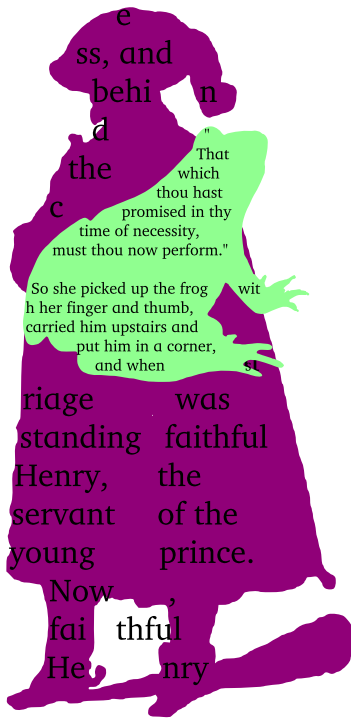
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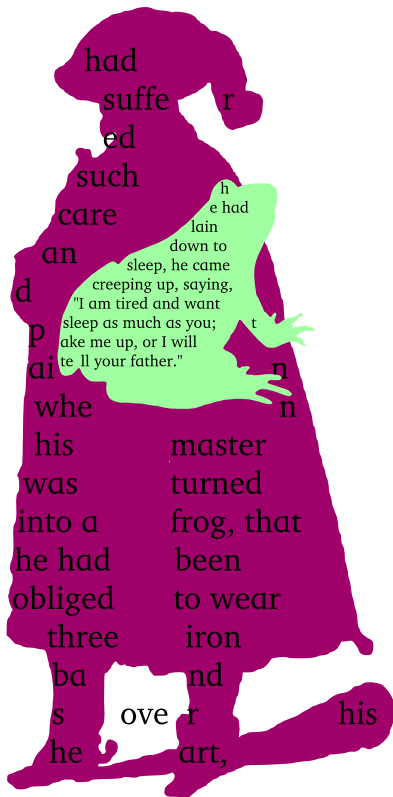
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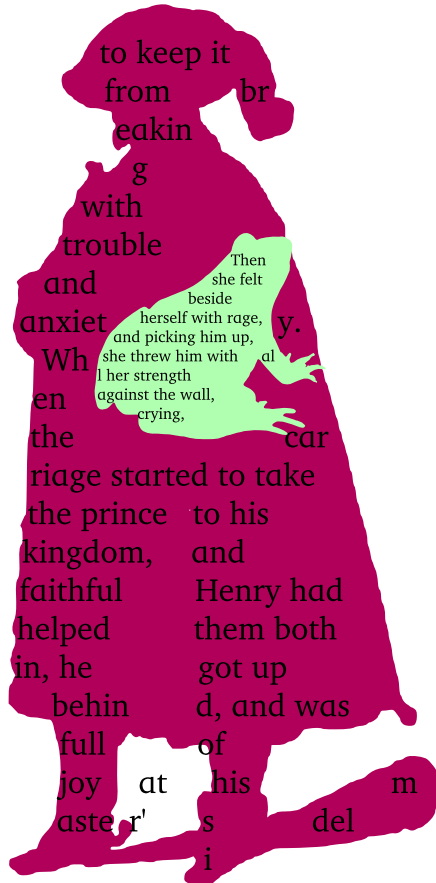


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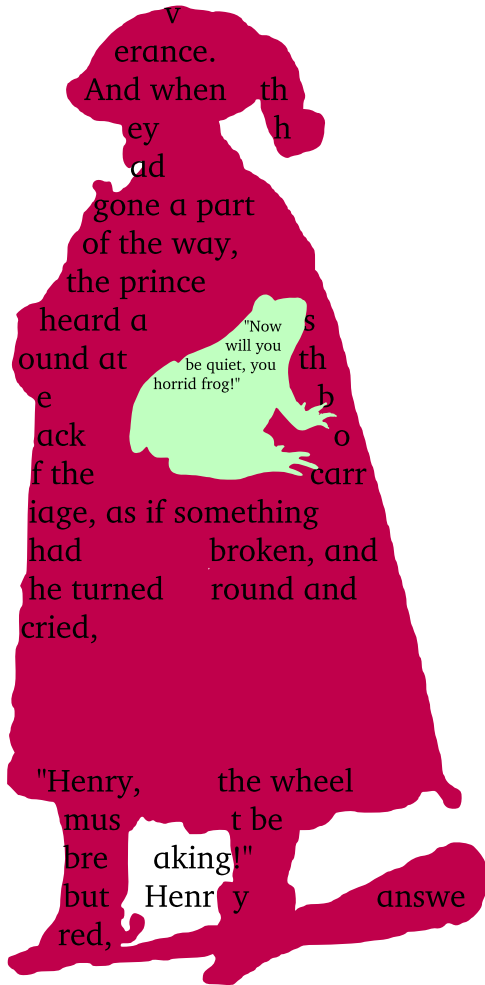
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breaking, but it
was the breaking of
the other bands from
faithful Henry's heart,
because it was
so relieved and
happy.



