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They Made a Boy Run Away

An old man was telling me what happened to him when he was young. He was twelve years old when he cut wood in a forest his late father used to have. All day they would cut timber and his father would go to sell it in Green Bay. Finally the young man became dissatisfied that he hadn't given him one cent and when he was seventeen they disagreed because he had asked his father to give him a little for what they had cut. His father got mad and said, "If you're not liking the way I support you, you know where the door is."

The young man thought this over quite a bit. Because he didn't have any money, it was just as if his father had cast him out when he said, "You know where the door is." In the morning they again went to get wood but he couldn't keep his mind on his work. At 11 o'clock he went back by the house and told his mother that he would go elsewhere. She talked to him a bit. She said, "Be careful!"

He went up north and was there for two years. He worked in the forest where they cut timber and after a while he returned. He had lots of money and he gave money to his mother and his father even though it was just as if his father had cast him out.