

The Farmers Plan

The farmer had an idea. He looked at the hole	10
where his horse had stepped. Then he called down to	20
the troll, "Well now, Troll, I'm sorry I had to dig in	32
your hill. But I have thought of a very good plan."	43
"Ha! I bet, said the troll in a cross voice. "Well,	54
don't just stand there. Tell me your wonderful idea,	63
and don't try to trick me!"	69
"Each year I will plant and grow something on	78
this hill," said the farmer. "I will do all the work	89
myself. At the end of the year I will give you half of	102
the crop growing on your hill. One year you can have	113
the half that grows above the ground, and I will take	124
the half that grows below the ground."	131