## GOING FOR WOOD



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"We need fire wood," said Grandpa.

"I will go!" said Johnny.

The big boys laughed.

"Ha! Ha!"

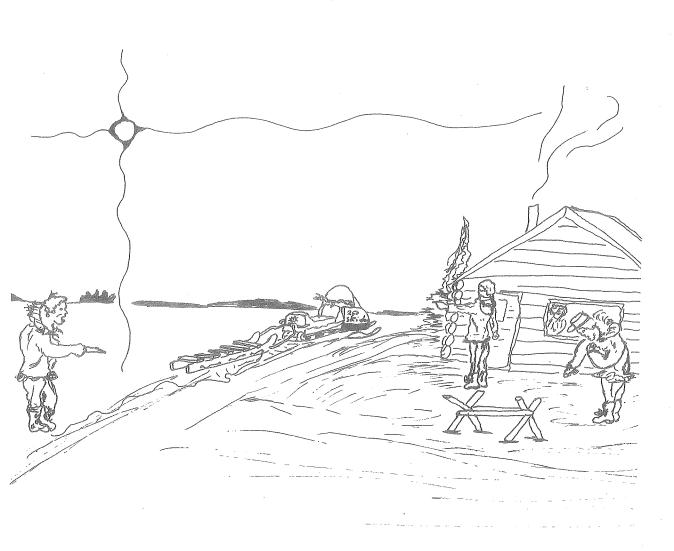
"I can go for wood. I

promise!" said Johnny.

"You have no ski-doo.

"You are a little boy,"

said the big boys.



"Can I borrow your old 250 ski-doo?" Johnny asked Grandpa.

"Please Grandpa? I can go for wood.

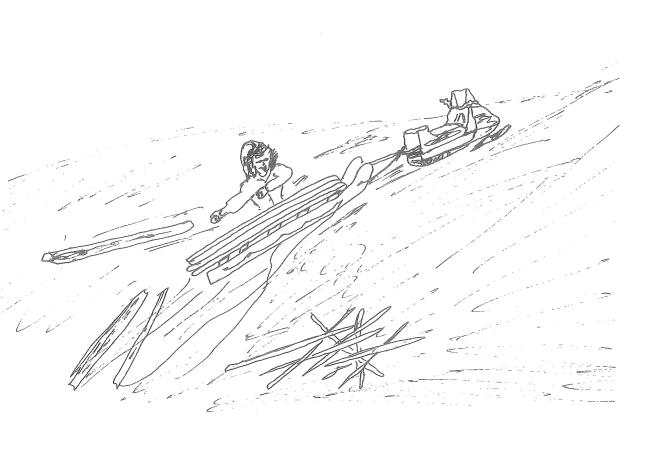
I promise," said Johnny.

The big boys laughed again.

"Ha! Ha! Johnny is too little.

The ski-doo is too old. The 250 is no good," said the big boys.





"Johnny can go for fire wood. He is almost big. He can borrow my 250," said Grandpa.

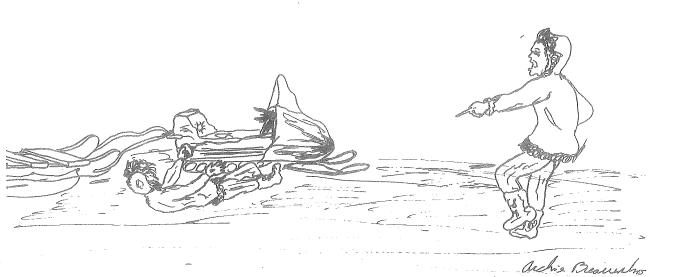
Johnny went to the ski-doo and the sled. He looked at the 250.

"The 250 is old," said Johnny.

Grandpa went to the ski-doo and
the sled.

"Can you go for fire wood
Johnny?" asked Grandpa.

"Yes I can do it!" said Johnny.



Johnny pulled the starting rope.

He fell down.

The big boys laughed.

"Ha! Ha!"

Johnny pulled the starting

rope again.

Vroom!

Vroom went the ski-doo.

## Part Two - In The Bush

Johnny went to the bush.

The ski-doo was slow.

But soon Johnny was in the bush.

Soon he was cutting down trees.



Johnny walked into the

bush.

He cut down a tree.

He cut the branches off

the tree.

He carried the tree

to the sled.

He put the tree on the sled.

Johnny walked back to the bush.

He cut down a tree.

He cut the branches off the tree.

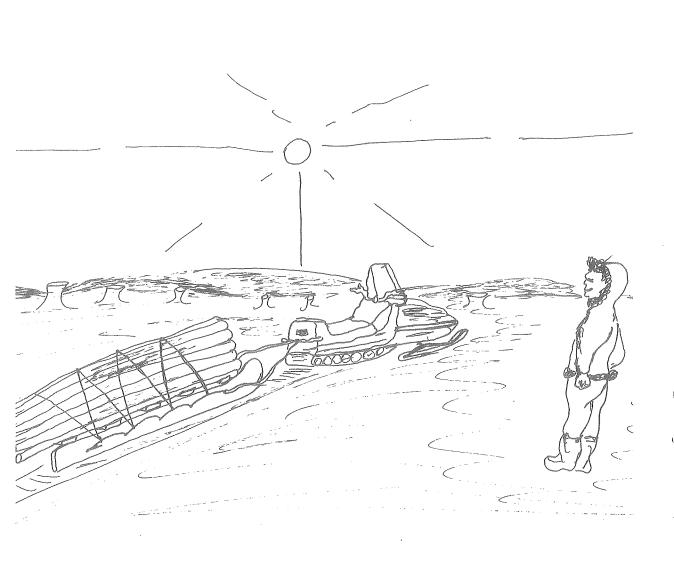
Johnny carried the tree to the sled.

Back to the bush for more wood. Back to the sled.

Back to the bush.

"This is hard work,"

Johnny said.



Soon Johnny had a lot of fire wood.

Johnny looked at the sled and the wood.

"This is a lot of fire wood.

Grandpa will be happy," he said.

Johnny was happy too.

"The big boys will not laugh."

Johnny said.

Johnny took the sled rope.

He put the rope on the

wood.

He pulled the rope.

He tied the rope.

Johnny looked at the sled

and wood.

"No good," said Johnny.



Johnny took the sled rope off.

He put the rope back on the wood.

He pulled the rope hard.

"Good!' said Johnny.

Johnny pulled the starting rope.

Vroom! The ski-doo started.

He gave it gas.

The ski-doo pulled but

the sled would not move.

The ski-doo track was spinning fast.

So Johnny pulled the ski-doo back to the sled to get some speed.

He gave it gas again.

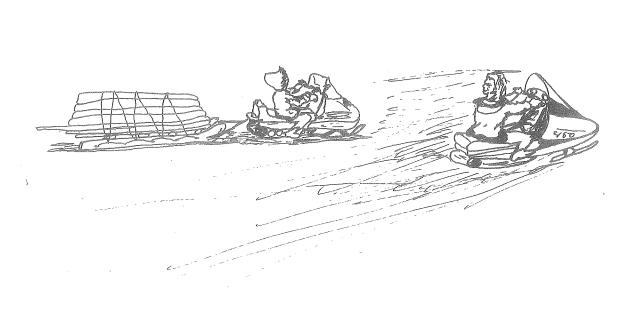
The ski-doo started to go fast.

It stopped hard.

But the sled started to go slowly.

The ski-doo and the sled moved slowly. Slow! Slow! Slow!

But it was moving!



The 250 moved slowly.

A boy on a big 450 ski-doo went by fast.

The big boy went back to Johnny.

The big boy looked at

Johnny and the 250.

"No good!' he said.

The big boy laughed.

The big 450 ski-doo went away fast.

Johnny looked and saw a big, big hill.

"The ski-doo is too slow," said Johnny.

"No. I can do it!

I can do it!"

Johnny gave the ski-doo gas.

The ski-doo went faster!

The ski-doo went faster!

Up the hill!

Up the hill!



But soon the ski-doo went slower.

"I can do it," said Johnny.

The ski-doo went slower.

Johnny pushed the ski-doo.

The ski-doo went slower.

Slower!

Slower! Slower!

The ski-doo stopped.

Johnny was sad.

A big ski-doo went by fast.

The big boy laughed!

"Ha! Ha!"

"I know," said Johnny.

He took some fire wood off the sled.

He gave the 250 gas.

Vroom!

The ski-doo started to go fast.

The sled moved slowly.

The ski-doo stopped.

"I know," said Johnny.

He pulled the ski-doo

back to the sled.

He gave the ski-doo gas again.

The ski-doo moved fast.

The sled moved slowly.

The ski-doo moved slowly.

Johnny pushed the ski-doo.

It was moving faster and faster.

Johnny gave the ski-doo

lots of gas.

The sled moved faster and faster and faster.

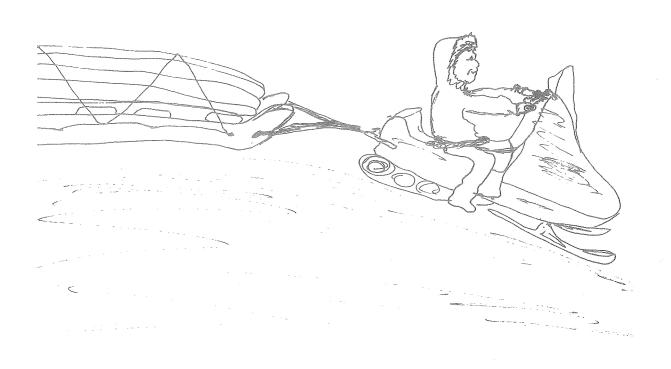
Up the hill.

Up the hill.

"I can do it!" said

Johnny.

Johnny and the ski-doo went up the hill.



Johnny went fast down the hill.

Johnny went to Grandpa's.

Grandpa looked at the fire wood.

Grandpa looked at Johnny.

Grandpa said, "Lots of fire

wood. Good Johnny! Masi."

The big boys stopped laughing.

Grandpa was happy.

Johnny was happy too.

