

## *The Hallows Murders*

Slash. Goes the sound of the knife as it hits the body of its victim.

Gorge Bowman, a Victorian inventor, was not the most perfect at inventing actual things, but when it came to his ideas they were phenomenal.

Gorge is busy down in his basement binging ideas on a singular sheet of paper. He drew his design for his newest murder weapon. The backwards beartrap. The backwards beartrap is a trap that is clamped on to a person's face while they are sleeping, when there is one movement of the person or twitching the trap clamps tighter with every movement until it is so tight it crushes the person's skull.

He waited for Halloween to arrive, while jotting more ideas for weapons. As Gorge was not the best at making his inventions, he worked alongside one of his colleagues, his friend Benjamin Charles, who would make all of the weapons from his inventions, allowing Gorge to do the stabbing.

Gorge needed Benjamin's approval for one of his new ideas. A grandfather clock with removable hands and pendulum. the hands of the clock stab the victim's eyes, and if that doesn't kill

them, they are beaten to death by the enormous swinging pendulum.

Benjamin loved Gorge's idea for the new weapon, but it needed some tweaks here and there. The day was finally here, it was HALLOWEEN!

On a quite dim Halloween night, when all little children had their sweets under their pillow and were knocked dead asleep by the sugar, Gorge and Benjamin's plan was in action. Gorge snuck into the house of a child called Angelina Sutherland at 36 Leona Lane in a small seaside town. He carefully placed the backwards beartrap around her face. Her back jerked, making Gorge jump back from the bed, before getting back to attaching the deadly beartrap. Twist. Screw. It was ready, they just needed to wait. He waited. A shiver went down his spine, as if this was the first time he had ever killed a child. No movement. Gorge had forgotten the most important step. To check the victim's pulse after every jerky movement. Gorge lifted up her arm carefully so as not to wake her, but her arm was as cold as the deep sea, and as pale as a ghost. Sh-she was dead.

Dropping her arm back onto the bed, he dug a knife into her ribs to make her look like a victim of murder. Although this

wasn't Gorge's usual weapon, it was good enough to scare people and finish the job.

People knew about the Hallows murders, as they had been going on for centuries in Gorge's town. Just, no-one knew who it was. He removed the beartrap from Angelina's head and placed it back in his bag ready for the next victim - and left the house. Little did Gorge know that Angelina had been awake during the whole torturous episode, and was very much alive – as a ghost! The ghost of Angelina still haunts the Hallows murderer – and town - to this day

# Boo!

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