There once was a pretty Sarcee girl who always wished she could marry a certain star in the sky. Her mother always told her not to wish for things like that. One morning they went out to gather some wood, and she saw this strange young man approach. He grabbed her by the wrist and told her, "You were wishing you were married to me. I came a long way to find out if you're still wishing you could be married to me. If you still want to, close your eyes." So she closed her eyes and when she opened them, she was in a big white tipi. Then she looked outside and saw there was a big prairie as far as she could see. There were two people in the tipi. He told her, "They are my father and mother." Then he gave her some kind of medicine to eat. He told her, "This will help you. You won't be afraid of anything." So she started living with him. As time passed, they had a baby boy. As the boy grew a little older they used to go for walks. She used to dig some plants for him. The husband noticed that and warned her to be careful, "Don't dig anything by where there's buffalo manure, even those big plants." So they continued their walks. Then this one time the boy really wanted this big plant. He cried and cried for it so his mother finally agreed to dig it out. In order to get it she had dug a big hole. She was curious
because she was told not to dig a hole near a buffalo manure. When she looked close she could see through the hole. She saw there was a big gathering of people camped below.

At the same time the medicine that he gave her wore off, she started to cry. She was lonesome for her people. Then after that she couldn't do anything but go back to her tipi. When she got back her husband already noticed she had been crying. He told her, "Just as I said. You really hurt me." He knew she wanted to go back to where he took her from.

Next day he got on his horse and went hunting and killed a buffalo. He brought it home and told his wife to spread the hide out and start making pemmican. She also was told to make dry meat. He went hunting again and brought back another buffalo. Then he started to make rawhide ropes out of hides. He went out several more times and killed buffaloes. He made rawhide ropes out of all the hides he had. He never told her what he was going to do. They just kept making dry meat and rawhide ropes. When he knew he had enough of what they were making he took her to the place where she dug a hole. When they got there he fixed a hide so she could get on it. Then he tied the ropes to it and told her and the boy to get in the hide. He placed the dry meat inside with them. He even gave them some water. He told her, "When you touch the ground shout to them, tell them to 'throw me aside'." He told them, "You are never going to see me again." He started to lower them through the hole. There was a young warrior looking up to the sky. He told his friends, "Look! What's that coming down? I could see a spot up there." Nobody believed him. They told him, "It must be the gum in your eyes." Then he wiped his eyes and went back to lay down again. He was still looking up to make sure he saw something up there. He saw it again. He told them, "Look, it's there again." This time they saw it. They said, "He's right. There is something coming down." Everybody was gathering around them, everybody looking up, as it came closer and closer. It finally landed near them. They saw that it was a buffalo hide and there was somebody shouting inside it, "Throw me aside, throw me aside." They did this and the rope that was hanging from up there fell down, it was piled up like a hill. They opened the hide up and somebody said, "It's the girl that was missing for a long time." They sent somebody to bring her parents.

Her friend told them, "I said, always said, she went to marry a star, but you won't believe me. I was right." Then the girl told them that's true, she told them the whole story. "This is his child." She gave away all the dry meat that was in the buffalo hide. As the young boy was growing up his hair used to glow at night. His grandmother warned him, "Don't fool yourself and marry a star." His name was Starboy.

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