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(The morning after the incident of  
"The Emperor's New Clothes")

The latest word from the palace  
is spread throught the land.

Horsemen ride; trumpets blast;  
heralds shout in every square:

"Quite true it is our Lord is naked.  
This hath from him no glory taked.  
There never were such things as clothes;  
'tis all a hoax contrived by foes,  
to undermine the splendor of our state."

"Let loyal subjects stand and hear.  
Only traitors need have fear."

The word is spread throught the land.  
Horsemen ride; trumpets blast;  
heralds shout in every square.

— Darrell Schweitzer