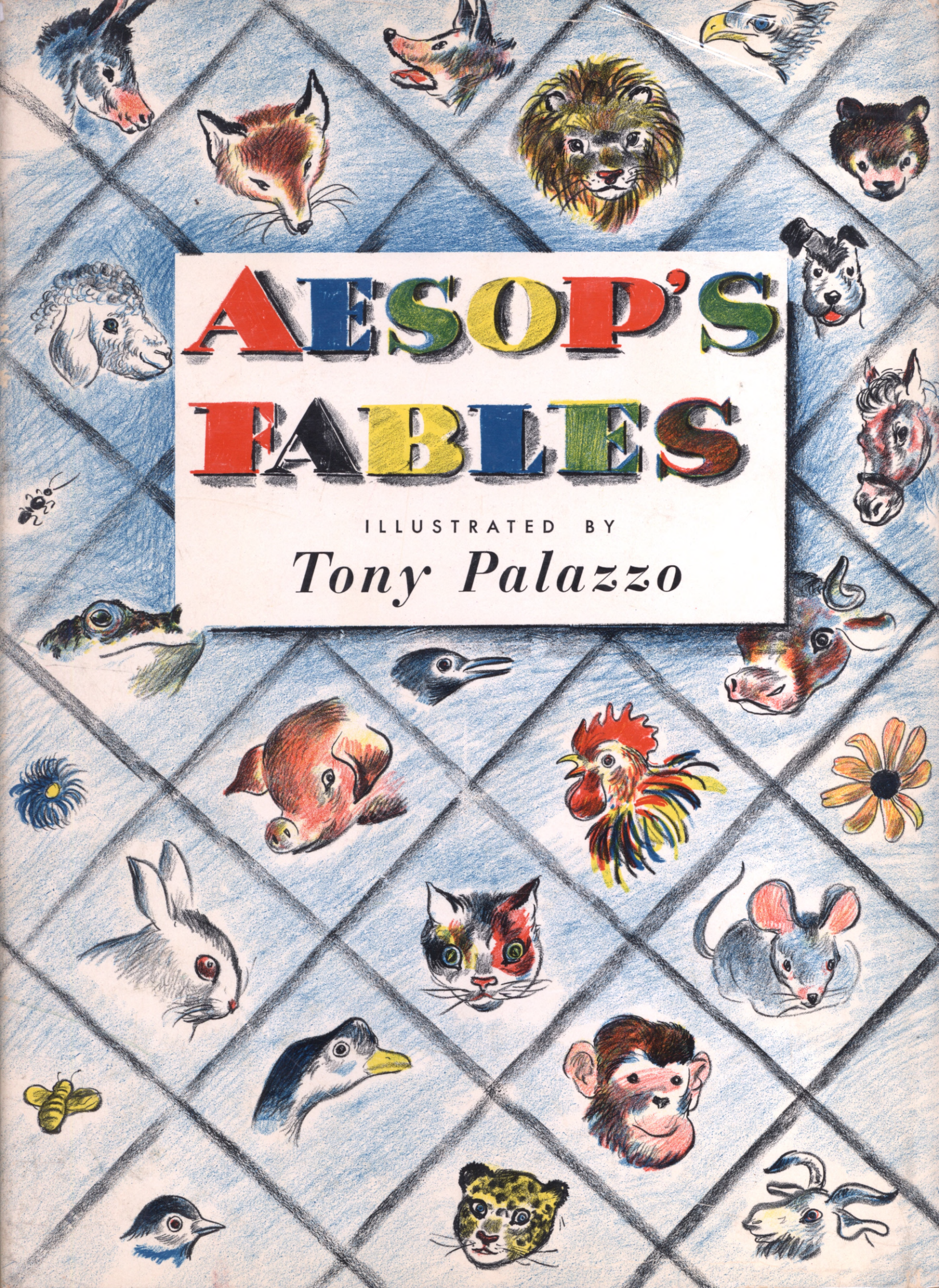
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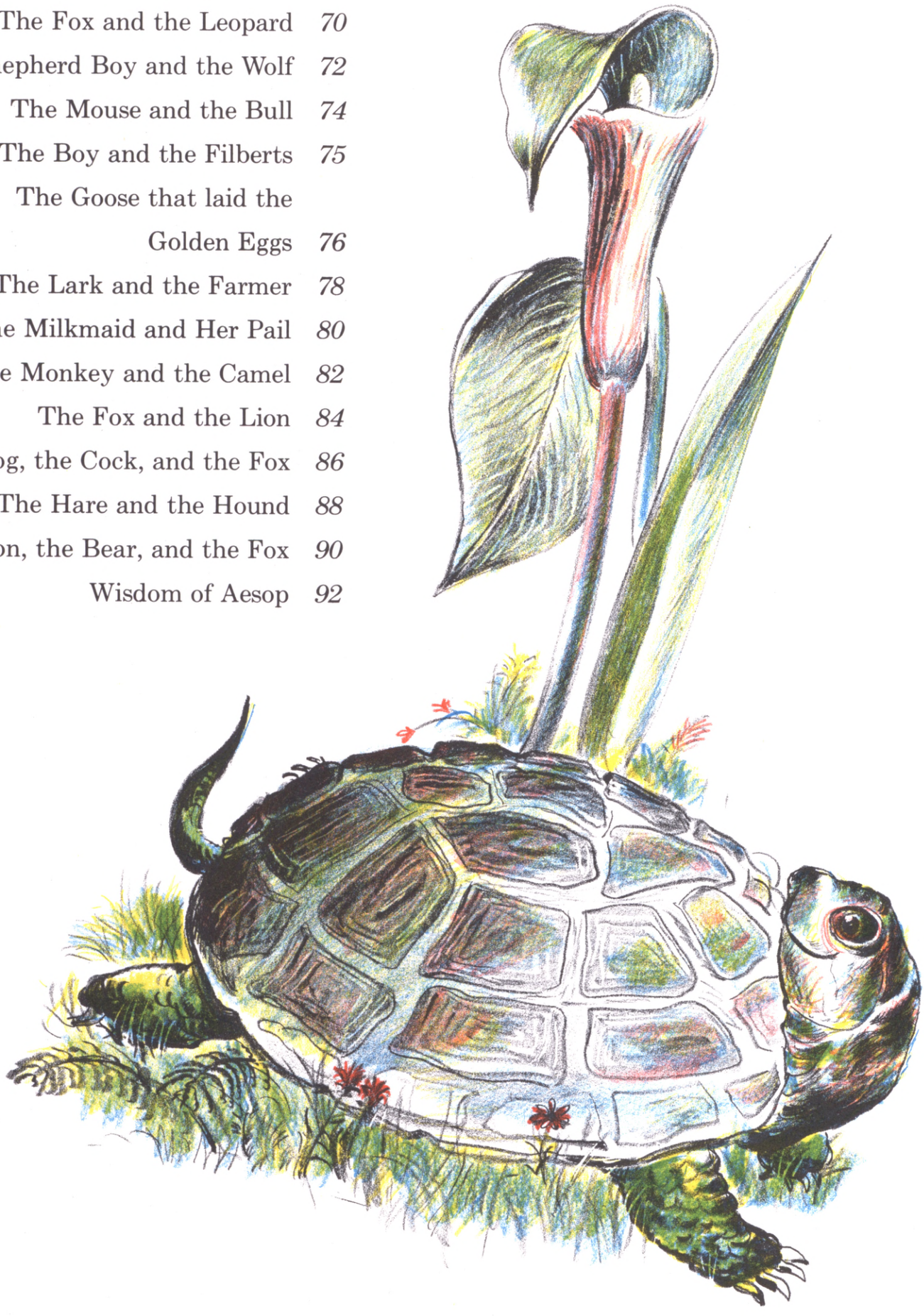

LAUGH AND REMEMBER

A FABLE is a story and a story is a wonderful thing. At the start, it makes us want to know what happens next, and next and after that until the end. It may make us laugh — or cry — or wonder. If it is a good story it may make us think about ourselves, or the people around us and why we behave the way we do — or why we love or hate, feel pleased at some things, hurt by others.

A fable is the kind of story that shows us what happens as a result of foolish, greedy, selfish, or vain actions. The "people" in a fable are animals who talk and think and act very much the way humans do. When the cunning fox is also very mean he still delights us so that we remember always the stories of his adventures. If a human being did the same things as the fox, the stories would be about so unpleasant a person that we wouldn't even read them, much less believe that a real, live human being would ever be so mean or greedy or vain, because real human beings,