

THERE WAS EVEN A SQUIRREL ONCE AND SHE WAS REALLY BEAUTIFUL OR BETTER TO CALL HER GRACEFUL AS HER APPEARANCE DID NEVER STRIKE AT ONCE NEVER ANY CREATURE FOUND ANYTHING STRIKING OF HER RIGHT AT THE FIRST GLANCE BUT THEY WOULD HAVE HAD TO WAIT WITH HER AND CONTEMPLATE HER TO START TO FIRST APPRECIATE HER AND SLOWLY BUT IRREVERSIBLY FALLING IN LOVE WITH HER FOR ETERNITY BUT THIS COULD NEVER HAPPEN IN THOSE TIMES WHEN NO CREATURE REALLY HAD ANY TIME FOR PROFOUND ACQUAINTANCES AND EVERYONE WAS LITERALLY RUSHING ON TO THEIR OWN BUSY BUSINESS AND OUR MOST GRACEFUL SQUIRREL WAS NEVER REALLY NOTICED NOT EVEN WHEN THE BUSINESS OF THE OTHER CREATURES AT TIMES STOPPED AND EVERY CREATURE WAS LITERALLY IN A RAGE FOR THE MOST WILD PARTY AND IN THE FIRST PLACE SHE WAS NOT COMFORTABLE THEN AND STAYED IN THE HOLE OF HER TREE WITH HER ANCIENT GRANDMOTHER AND IN THE SECOND PLACE NO ONE WOULD ANYWAY FIND ANY ATTRACTION JUST BY MEETING HER AND SO THE TIME PASSED AND HER ANCIENT GRANDMOTHER DIED AWAY AND SHE WAS LEFT A SINGLE AND KEPT IN HER HUMILITY TO CARRY ON BY HERSELF THE DAILY DUTY OF COLLECTING NUTS IN HER HOLE A SWEET AND MODEST HOLE AS SHE ALSO WAS AND WINTERS CAME AND THEN THE GOOD

SEASONS ALWAYS FOLLOWED AND SHE WAS OUT AGAIN FOR THE SAME YET WHAT CHANGED WAS THAT SHE WAS INDEED GETTING OLDER AND NOTHING SHE WOULD DO ANYWAY TO IMPROVE HER GRACEFUL LOOK INTO SOMETHING MORE ATTRACTIVE YET ONE WINTER SHE WAS REALLY ASLEEP WHEN LIKE OUT OF NOTHING BURST INTO HER HOLE A SQUIRREL MOST FROZEN SEEKING HELP AFTER A RAID OCCURRED IN HIS HOLE AND HE WAS THE ONLY SURVIVAL AND COULD NOT GET BACK AND HE WAS IN A STATE OF COMA AFTER WALKING FOR SUCH A DISTANCE IN SUCH A COLD AND IN SUCH A STATE THAT HE WAS LITERALLY FAINTED AND OUR LADY SQUIRREL COULD NOT BUT START TO TAKE CARE OF HIM IN THE LONG WINTER DAYS THAT FOLLOWED AND TREAT HIM WITH ALL THE LOVE SHE WAS ABLE TO SHOW TO SUCH CREATURE THAT SOON SHE REALIZED TO BE OF A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FUR AND CERTAINLY A DIFFERENT BODY INDEED BUT THAT WAS ALSO BECAUSE HE BELONGED TO THE OTHER SEX AND WILLING OR NOT SHE HAD TO TAKE COMPLETE CARE OF HIM FROM FEEDING HIM SLOWLY WITH HER SPECIALLY MADE SYRUP TO EVEN CHANGING THE LEAVE SHE WOULD USE FOR HIM AS A PAMPER YET EVEN THOUGH HE KEPT VERY MUCH ALIVE HE WAS NOT IN THE LEAST GIVING ANY SIGNS BUT IT WAS AS HE HAD FELT IN A LONG SLEEP AND SHE COULD NOT SLEEP THE ENTIRE TIME SO

APPREHENSIVE SHE WAS TO LOOK AFTER THIS SQUIRREL WHO WAS INDEED VERY YOUNG SHE NOW REALLY REALIZED AND SO GIFTED HE SEEMED TO BE SHE COULD NOT BUT OBSERVE IN THE LONG HOURS OF MONITORING HIM IN HIS CONSTANT SLEEP THAT SO PEACEFUL IT WAS AND SO LONG WAS THE WINTER THAT BY THE END OF IT SHE HAD NOT DONE ABSOLUTELY ANY SLEEPING YET VERY TIRED SHE FELT RIGHT WHEN THE FIRST WARMTH CAME THAT SHE COLLAPSED IN THE DEEPEST OF SLEEPS WHILE OUR MALE SQUIRREL SO RESTED AND WELL TAKEN CARE OF AWOKE FEELING THAT HE WAS NOT GETTING ANY MORE FOOD AND THAT THE TEMPERATURE WAS MOST NICE AND WHAT A SURPRISE TO FIND HIMSELF IN SUCH A TIDY HOLE AND WITH SUCH A LADY SQUIRREL SLEEPING ON HIS SIDE YET SOON HE REMEMBERED WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM IN THE SNOW STORM AND SOON REALIZED WHAT FOLLOWED AND WHO WAS HE TO THANK ABOUT HIS PERFECT RECOVERY THAT SO MUCH PITY AND GRATEFULNESS HE NOW FELT IN HIS HEART THAT NOW IT WAS CLEARLY HIS TURN TO TAKE CARE OF THIS LADY SQUIRREL AND ALL THE ENTERPRISE WHICH NOW HE HAD THE RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE IT RUN AS SHE WAS MOSTLY ASLEEP AND BY THE TIME SHE WOULD WAKE UP IT WOULD BE TOO LATE AND THE WINTER WOULD CERTAINLY RUIN HER WHICH HE COULD NOT PERMIT TO HAPPEN AND IT WAS THAT OUR REFRESHED MALE SQUIRREL

IN THE MIST OF A MOST PROMISING SUMMER SAT TO WORK AND IMPROVE THE HOLE JUST LIKE ONLY A MALE COULD DO AND ALTERNATE THE CARPETING WITH THE STORING OF FOOD FOR THE WINTER AND WHEN THE SUMMER EVENING CAME HE WAS ALWAYS AT HER SLEEPING SIDE TAKEN CARE OF HER AND NOURISHING HER AND PROTECTING HER FROM MOSQUITOES AND OTHER INSECTS AND THE HOLE WAS SOON REALLY TRANSFORMED INTO A FINE HOLE WITH ALL THE COMFORTS HE COULD WITH HIS IMAGINATION THINK FOR HER WHO TIME AFTER TIME EVEN IF SHE LOOKED OLDER WITH THIS UNUSUAL SUMMER SLEEP SHE WOULD GET SO PRETTY PARTICULARLY AS THE SUN WOULD SET AND NOW FILTRATE THROUGH THE WINDOW HE HAD PURPOSELY BUILT FOR LIGHTING YET UNAWARE OF THE SPECTACLE OF SUCH GRACE WHICH GAVE HIM AN IMMEASURABLE PASSION TO TURN THE HOLE IN THE MOST MARVELLOUS OF PLACES AND SOON IT WAS TIME FOR HIM TO LEAVE AFTER HIS DEBT WAS SO LARGELY REPAID YET SO TIRED HE FELT THAT HE TOO COLLAPSED INTO A DEEP SLEEP RIGHT WHEN OUR SO REFRESHED LADY SQUIRREL HAD INDEED RESTED HER POSTPONED HIBERNATION AND TIME IT WAS FOR WINTER ONCE AGAIN AND WHAT A SURPRISE NOW FOR HER IT WAS TO FIND HERSELF IN SUCH MAGNIFICENT PLACE IN SO MUCH THAT SHE WAS PROMPTLY ABOUT TO LEAVE THINKING IT WAS SOMEONE ELSE'S YET OUT SHE WENT THAT IN THE

NEWLY BUILT BALCONY A MALE SQUIRREL WAS LAYING AS DEAD YET IT WAS HIM AND SLEEPING HE WAS ONCE AGAIN AND ONCE AGAIN SHE WAS TO NOW REALIZE ALL THE IMPROVEMENTS HE MADE FOR HER AND OUT OF THE MOST PITY AND GRATITUDE SHE CARRIED HIM CAREFULLY INSIDE AND CAREFULLY THROUGHOUT THE WINTER SHE WAS NOW AGAIN TAKING CARE OF HIM AND FOR HIM AND THE HOUSE STITCHING AND MENDING WITH WHAT HE HAD SO GENTLY PROVIDED HER WITH ALL THE POSSIBLE CARE AND LOVE THAT WERE SO GRACEFULLY PENETRATING HER AND HIM TOO AS OFTEN NOW IN HIS LONG DREAMING HE WAS REVEALING HER HIS LOVE IN SUCH A WAY THAT SO EMBARRASSED SHE FELT THAT WHEN SPRING WAS NOW COMING AGAIN SHE FELT THE BIGGEST DILEMMA WHETHER SHE SHOULD KEEP AWAKE AND TRY TO MEET HIM OR WHETHER TO JUST GO TO SLEEP AND SEEING HERSELF REFLECTED AND SO TIRED AND WITH HER FACE SO UNREST SHE PROMPTLY OPTED FOR THE LATTER AND ALSO WENT TO SLEEP THIS TIME IN THE BED THAT HE HAD SO CONSIDERABLY BUILT FOR HER NEAR THE WINDOW YET IT OCCURRED THAT HER SOUL FELT IN SUCH AN AGITATION THAT EVEN WHEN THE WARMTH OF THE FIRST SPRING DAYS CAME SHE WAS NOT ASLEEP YET AND WHEN HE WAS AWAKENING SHE REALLY HAD TO MAKE AN EFFORT FOR A FEW DAYS PRETENDING TO SLEEP AND LAYING DEAD STILL

AND HOW CHARMING THIS YOUNG SQUIRREL WAS AND HOW OLD SHE FELT AND HOW SILLY NOT TO BE ABLE TO SLEEP BUT SOON HE WAS REALLY AWAKE AND ON HER SIDE THAT SHE REALLY FAINTED AND THE SLEEP CAME AT ONCE AGAIN A LONG SUMMER SLEEP IN WHICH TIME HE WAS STILL IN AND OUT TO MAKE THE WINTER PROVISIONS AND CONTINUING TO PURSUE THE HOME IMPROVEMENTS HE HAD DREAMED OF AND SO MUCH OUR MALE SQUIRREL WORKED AND IN SUCH A SPIRIT OF CONTEMPLATIVE JOY HIS HEARTH WAS FILLED THAT SO BEAUTIFUL WERE HIS CREATIONS AND SO BEAUTIFUL SHE THE GRACEFUL FEMALE SQUIRREL BECAME TO HIS EYES AND AFTER A WHOLE SUMMER OF FEELING SO MUCH LOVE THE WIND BROUGHT THE NEW SEASON AND ONCE AGAIN IT WAS THAT HE MADE TO GO BUT ONCE AGAIN FELT EXHAUSTED AND ONCE AGAIN SHE WOKE UP AND AGAIN TO HER BIG SURPRISE TOOK CARE OF HIM FOR THE DURATION OF THE WINTER YET TAKING OCCASIONAL NAPS SO TO READJUST TO THE SUMMER AND FINALLY BE ABLE TO BE WITH HIM BOTH AWAKE BUT REALLY ANOTHER WIND BRUSHED AWAY THE SNOW AND SET IN THE SPRING SUN AND ONCE AGAIN SHE FELT TERRIBLY AFRAID TO MEET HIM AND PRETENDED AND THIS TIME ONLY PRETENDED TO BE ASLEEP AND KEPT IN THIS TIME FOR THE DURATION OF THE COMING SUMMER OVERJOYED TO SEE HIM SO PASSIONATELY IN ACTION YET

MOST TERRIFIED TO HAVE TO ACQUAINT HIM FOR REAL AND THUS SHE KEPT HALF AWAKEN UNTIL EVEN THAT SUMMER WAS ABOUT TO BE GONE AND BOTH WERE STARTING TO FEEL VISIBLY VERY TIRED TO THE POINT THAT IT WAS REALLY STARTING TO HAPPEN THAT FINALLY THEY WERE GETTING SYNCHRONIZED YET IN THAT VERY MOMENT THEIR VERY TREE WAS ATTACKED BELOW BY SOME UGLY CREATURES WITH THEIR SHARP TEETH AROUND THEIR TREE AND JUST THEN OUR MALE SQUIRREL KNEW THAT THERE WAS NOTHING TO BE DONE AND THEY HAD TO FLEE AT ONCE IF THEY DIDN'T WANT TO BE PRECIPITATING TOGETHER WITH THEIR DWELLING AND AT ONCE HE AWOKE HER EVEN THOUGH AWOKE SHE WAS ALREADY YET MOST TIRED AND WITH MUCH VIOLENCE AND NO PREAMBLE DRAGGED HER FOR THE FIRST TIME AWAY OF HER HOLE AND OUT ON A BRANCH AND DOWN FROM ANOTHER TREE AND AWAY FROM A FOREST WHICH THEY FOUND TOTALLY COLLAPSED BY THE TEETH OF THOSE UGLY ANIMALS AND TOTALLY MESSED UP IN SO MUCH THAT BY THE TIME THEY WERE OUT THE WINTER HAD ALREADY SET IN AND IT WAS COLD AND THE FIRST SNOW WAS ALREADY IN THE AIR AND THERE WAS REALLY SOMETHING TO BE DONE OR YET NOTHING REALLY AS THEY SOON GOT CAUGHT IN A TRAP AND SOON AN UGLY BEAST WAS SNIFFING ON THEM AND BARKING LIKE MILLION FALLING TREES AND SOON A MAN

GOT THEM OUT TO ONLY PUT THEM IN A DIFFERENT CAGE AND SOON IT WAS NICE AND WARM IN SOME PLACE VERY NICE AND WELL MADE HOLE WHERE SUCH MAN LIVED WITH HIS FAMILY BUT SOON HIS WOMAN DEMANDED THEIR TAILS AND THEY WERE CUT OFF WHILE THE REST WENT TO THE CHILDREN WHO SO RAPTUROUSLY PLAYED WITH THEM THAN SO RAPTUROUSLY THEY GOT COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN AND LEFT IN THE CAGE STARVING AND ONLY FED OCCASIONALLY OUT OF COMPASSION AND WITH NO VANITY LEFT AND MOST OF ALL NO ROMANCE WHICH WAS VERY SOON TO BE REPLACED BY MUCH INTOLERANCE TOWARDS ONE ANOTHER IN SUCH INDECOROUS CONDITIONS THAT SOON THEY EVEN GOT INTO SMALL FUSS THAT SOON GOT INTO RAGING FIGHTS THAT THE CHILDREN GOT ONCE MORE INTERESTED IN THEM AND EVENTUALLY MADE EVEN THEIR SMALL YET EVIL FRIENDS INTERESTED THAT EVEN THEIR FATHERS HAD TO GO AND TRAP SOME SQUIRRELS FOR THEM AND CHOP THEIR TAILS AND CAGE THEM WITH LITTLE FOOD AND SLEEP AND WHAT FIGHTS THEY MADE IN SO MUCH THAT NO GRACE WAS LEFT IN OUR FEMALE SQUIRREL AND BY LOOKING AT HER ONLY A SENSE OF DEEP RAGE AROSE IN SUCH A DISFIGURED CREATURE.