

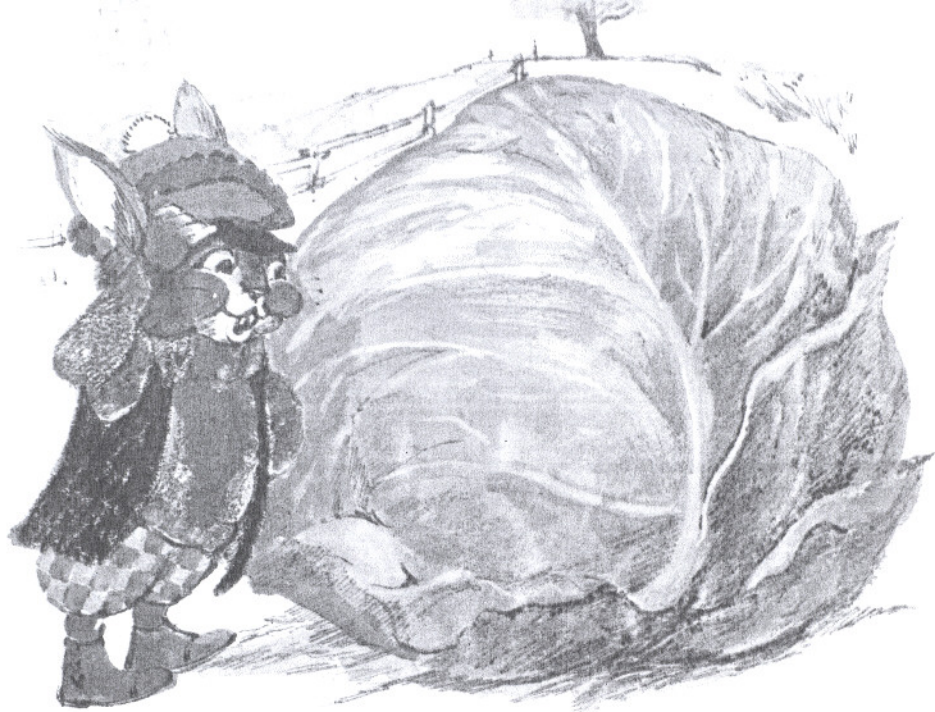
THE WONDERFUL DAY

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Roger Rabbit couldn't believe his eyes.
He stood still in the middle of the road.
He stared, and he stared, and he stared.
Then he just had to believe his eyes.
That really was a giant cabbage sitting
there in the road.

"I never saw a cabbage like that," Roger
told himself. "This is the most wonderful
day I've ever had! A giant cabbage all
crisp and green, just waiting for me!"



He began to roll the cabbage home. It was a big cabbage, and Roger was a small rabbit. Every once in a while he had to stop and rest. But at last he rolled the giant cabbage right up to the door of his house. And he pushed, and he pushed, and he pushed. ✓

“Something’s wrong,” he thought. “This cabbage is too big, or my door is too small. I can’t get the cabbage into my house. This isn’t such a wonderful day after all.”

And because Roger couldn't help himself,
he began to cry. Big splashy tears bounced
off the cabbage.

"I'd better stop crying," he said to the
cabbage. "Crying never helps anything.
Thinking helps. I'll do some good thinking."

✓ So he thought. And then he had an idea.

He left the cabbage where it was. And
he ran through the woods calling
"Rabbits big and rabbits small,
rabbits, rabbits, one and all,
follow, follow, follow me—
I've got a surprise for you to see!"

And suddenly a long line of rabbits, all
colors and all sizes, was running after
Roger. He led them to his house. Then he
turned around and said to them, "See this
cabbage? It's too big to go into my house.
But I don't want it wasted, so you are all
invited to a cabbage party, here and now!"





And Roger didn't have to ask them twice. They all began to pull bits of leaves off the cabbage and to nibble and chew and nibble and chew.

Then one by one they stopped eating. The biggest and oldest rabbit said, "Thank you, Roger. We've all had enough to eat. The cabbage was delicious. And remember, if you ever need a meal, just call on us."

All the rabbits hopped home. This time they hopped slowly because they were all very full.



Roger looked at his cabbage. It wasn't a giant cabbage any more. In fact it was a rather small cabbage.

Roger rolled it closer to the door. He rolled it right into his house. Then he picked it up and put it on the table. Roger Rabbit stood back and looked at the cabbage. Then he began to laugh.

"Yes," he said. "This is the most wonderful day I've ever had! A giant cabbage, a big party, and a little cabbage just the right size for a rabbit like me!"

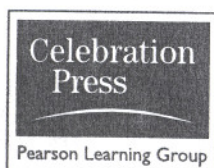
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