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SMALL TOWN GIRL
BY BEN AMES WILLIAMS

"I know you were a gambler," he said. "And I've tried to make it a winning gamble, tried to bring you along as fast as possible. But Kay to make good all the energy a person can summon to the task. It isn't a half-time job."

"Half-time!" Kay protested. "I've worked till midnight many a night!"

"But many a morning you've come in so tired and sleepy you weren't good for much before noon," he told her. "Kay, you can't run around till the small hours with a lot of irresponsible kids, and then be bright and shining at your desk at nine."

"I suppose you'd have me tucked in at seven every night!" she exclaimed resentfully.

He hesitated and his eyes shadowed. "I didn't mean to start an argument with you, Kay," he said, more stiffly. "What you do at night is none of my business, but the firm has a right to expect that you'll be on hand in the morning, fit and ready for the day's work."

"I haven't been late a dozen times this year."

"Kay," he told her. "You were an investment with us. On a cost-accounting basis, it's an expensive proposition to take a person who knows nothing of the business, and show her how the wheels go round."

Kay's lips stiffened. She laughed unhappily. "This is a joke on me, you feel this way?"

He nodded. "As a matter of fact," he said, "Mr. Gould has twice urged that I let you go."

She came to her feet, white with angry pride, sick with despair. "You don't need to keep me if I'm not earning my salary," she exclaimed. "I'll quit!"

"I don't want you to quit, Kay," Chick told her, in a friendly tone. "I want you to knuckle down and earn what we pay you. You could earn a great deal more; and when you do, we'll be glad to pay it."

She shook her head. "Thank you very much," she said. "But I'm resigning. I didn't realize that I was such a burden. You've been very kind! Goodbye."

And she turned toward the door. He stood up quickly. "Wait, Kay," he urged. "Don't be stiff-necked. I'm trying to help you."

She opened the door, and he caught her arm. "You're wrong to walk out like this," he insisted. "What will you do?"

She flamed at him. In a sudden blind fury. "Take your hands off me, and let me go!"

And she switched away from him, through the door. She caught it, jerked it shut after her with a resounding crash. She fairly ran along the office corridor to get her hat, to be gone.

On the street outside, she walked with head high and cheeks blushing; but her eyes burned with unshed tears, and her heart was sick. She walked for she knew not how long a time, in a dead despair; came home at last with lacerated feet and drooping shoulders. She hurried up to her room as though she raced for sanctuary. Genevieve would not be there; she could be alone.

She found a note pinned to the door. It read:

Mr. Ripley telephoned. He's at the Copley. He wants you to call him.

Kay stood for only an instant, in the briefest hesitation. Then she darted down the stairs to the telephone.

"Dane?" she cried, when she heard his voice in her ear.

"Kay! Where are you? When can I see you?"

"Whatever are you going in Boston?"

"I came to fetch you!"

"Fetch me?"

"Down to the boat races! I told you I wouldn't give up. Will you come peacefully, or much I kidnap you?"

QUALITY IN SILVER FOXES

(By G. Ennis Smith, Superintendent, Experimental Fox Ranch, Summerside)

In the first part of this paper the contention was brought forward that quality in the fur of silver foxes was the all important factor from a breeding standpoint, a quality independent of colour, density, life and lustre; that there might be outstanding inherent quality, yet the fur of the foxes might be off colour, open and lacking life and lustre, whilst foxes might have a favorable colour, a good density and desirable life and lustre, and still not have inherent quality, and with such foxes breeders were against an impossible proposition to make any decided improvement in their breeding stock.

On the other hand, with a favourable inherent quality, by proper breeding and feeding methods, a continued improvement could be made and ultimately a better colour, a greater density and a more desirable life and lustre could be obtained than with average foxes.

Evidence was presented which demonstrated that even leading fox breeders had sold for a mere song the foxes produced in their ranch with superior fur qualities and had not retained the best foxes that they had produced for breeding purposes. Also a still more serious aspect was presented, that the foxes bred by fox breeders to produce superior fur qualities had been ruthlessly culled, which was a severe loss to the silver fox industry as a whole. These foxes being killed off because the quality was not labelled with colour, density, life and lustre, the only characteristics that they could associate with quality.

Obviously for fox breeders to make an improvement in their breeding stock, it is very necessary that they should retain for breeding purposes the foxes that have inherent quality that they produced from year to year, and one of the most important breeding problems is to recognize quality. If fox breeders have used a systematic method in mating their foxes and have marketed their pelts in such a manner that they are actually aware of the market value of the pelts of the foxes raised in their ranch, they are in a better position to attack their breeding problems than those breeders who have mated their foxes in a promiscuous manner and sold their pelts in a haphazard method. The evidence of where the quality lies in every ranch is in the ranch itself, and to that extent it is an individual breeding problem for each individual fox breeder to solve for himself.

There is no royal road to silver fox ranching, and like every other sound and profitable business, a decent and honest living can only be earned by the "sweat of the brow". Fox ranching cannot be carried on by sitting in the office, writing advertisements, or studying pedigree papers; pedigrees may help, but fox breeders must get into their ranches and study the foxes individually and take advantage of every source of information, working in a systematic method so that all the facts associated with their foxes as available as possible, and that they actually know what they are doing. If a person is conscious of his ignorance on any particular phase affecting his livelihood, wittingly or unwittingly, phase and eventually becomes well posted, but if he is ignorant of his ignorance, inevitably he will remain ignorant. The majority of fox breeders confess to knowing nothing about worms. Be that as it may, the majority have become so well versed that worms are not a menace nor any worry to them at the present time, but a stage has been reached where the majority of fox breeders on Prince Edward Island and other parts of Canada know more about worms than they do about foxes. It would be the advantage of all fox breeders to realize that they have a great deal to learn about foxes.

When the Experimental Fox Ranch was established it was the agreed policy of the Department of Agriculture that the ranch should not be stocked with high-class animals, and it appears to have been a very wise decision. It is fairly well known that the initial breeding stock at the Experimental Fox Ranch was of an inferior standard, but a stage has been reached where high-class animals with very desirable fur qualities are now being produced by the Experimental Fox Ranch. In the ranch there are different foxes that have produced twenty to thirty pups. Although many of their offspring of the second and third generations were used for

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No. D. 378

Pursuant to an Order of the Vice-Chancellor bearing date the 28th day of December, A. D. 1935 I HEREBY NOTIFY all persons having any claims against the Estate of the said Charles Dalton to come in and prove their claims before the said Vice-Chancellor at the Law Courts Building in Charlottetown on Wednesday the 29th day of January, 1936 at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon and take notice that all claims not so proved before him will be DATED this 26th day of December, A. D. 1935.

LEITH E. BRECKEN
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Mortgage Sale

There will be sold by Public Auction in front of the Law Courts Building in Charlottetown in Queen's County Prince Edward Island, on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, A. D. 1936, at the hour of twelve o'clock, piece or parcel of land situate lying and being on Township number 19 in Kings County in Prince Edward Island, bounded and described as follows: to be sold COMMENCING at the south west corner of Block 12 of the western boundary of land in possession of Francis Bradley, known as number 19, thence along said road 13 chains and 71 links to the boundary of farm number 21, thence along said road 54 chains and 55 links, thence east 13 chains and 71 links to the boundary of farm number 19 and thence along said boundary north 54 chains and 55 links to the place of commencement containing 75 acres of land a little more or less.

The above sale is made under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Indenture and Mortgage bearing date the 1st day of September, A. D. 1927 and made between James Hughes of Riverton in Kings County aforesaid, Farmer (of the first part) and J. Augustine Macdonald and H. Francis MacPhee of Charlottetown aforesaid, Barristers (of the second part), default having been made in payment of principal money and interest thereon respectively. Dated this 10th day of December, A. D. 1935.

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Dated this 27th day of December, 1935.

J. W. BOULTER
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