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Every dragon in the forest of Nogard was a meat-eater. Meathook was their leader. In the middle of the forest of Nogard stood Castle Dark. There was nothing Meathook liked better than to raid the castle at night with his friends. He particularly liked the sweet taste of royal princesses, and the crispy crunch of brave knights was almost as delicious.



But one dragon was different. While Meathook and his friends sat in his cave planning their next raid, Herb was happy to tend his vegetable patch. He grew turnips and tomatoes, leeks and lettuces, cauliflowers and carrots. He grew peas and parsnips, red and yellow peppers, potatoes and parsley. For Herb was a vegetarian.

