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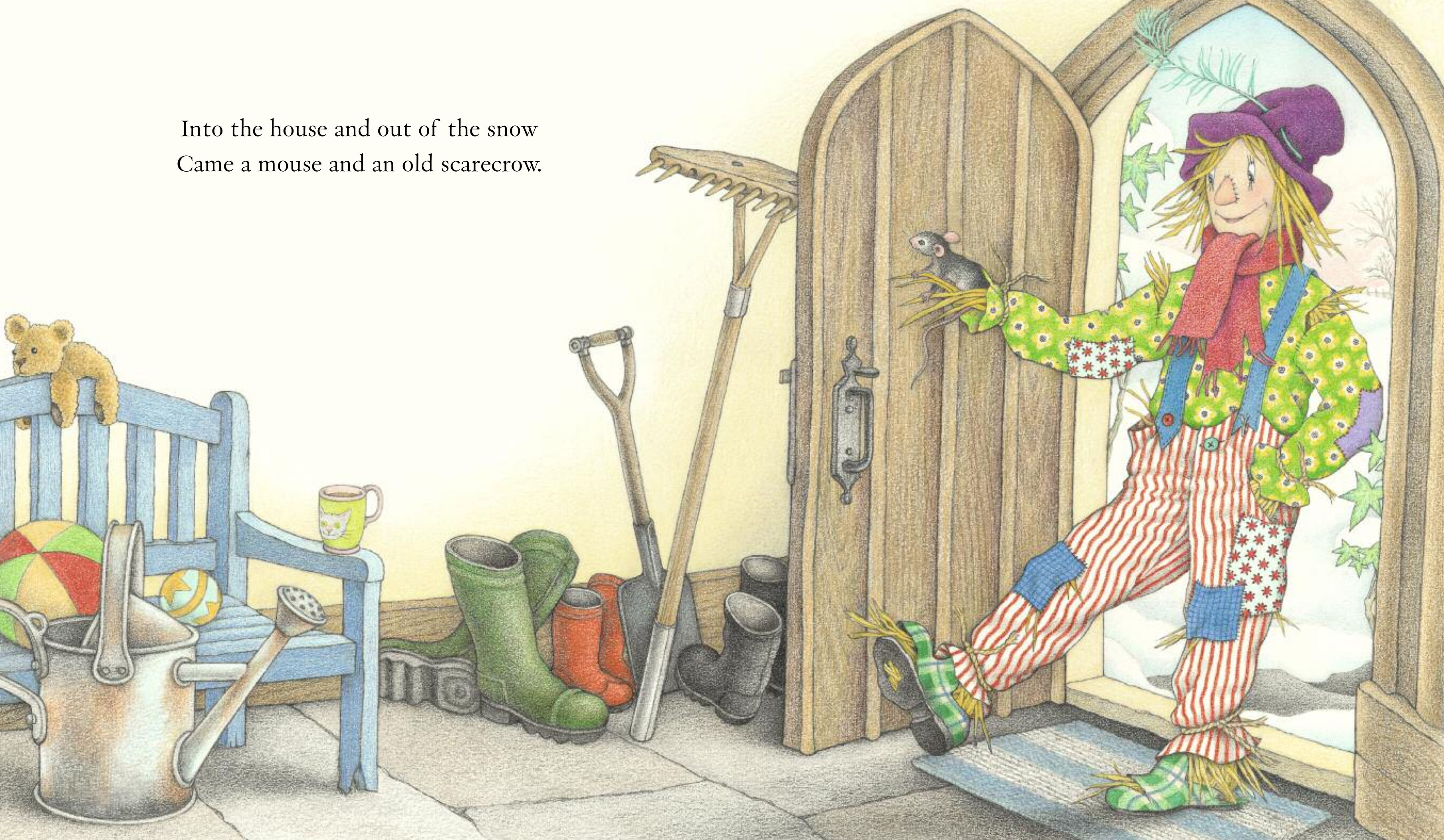
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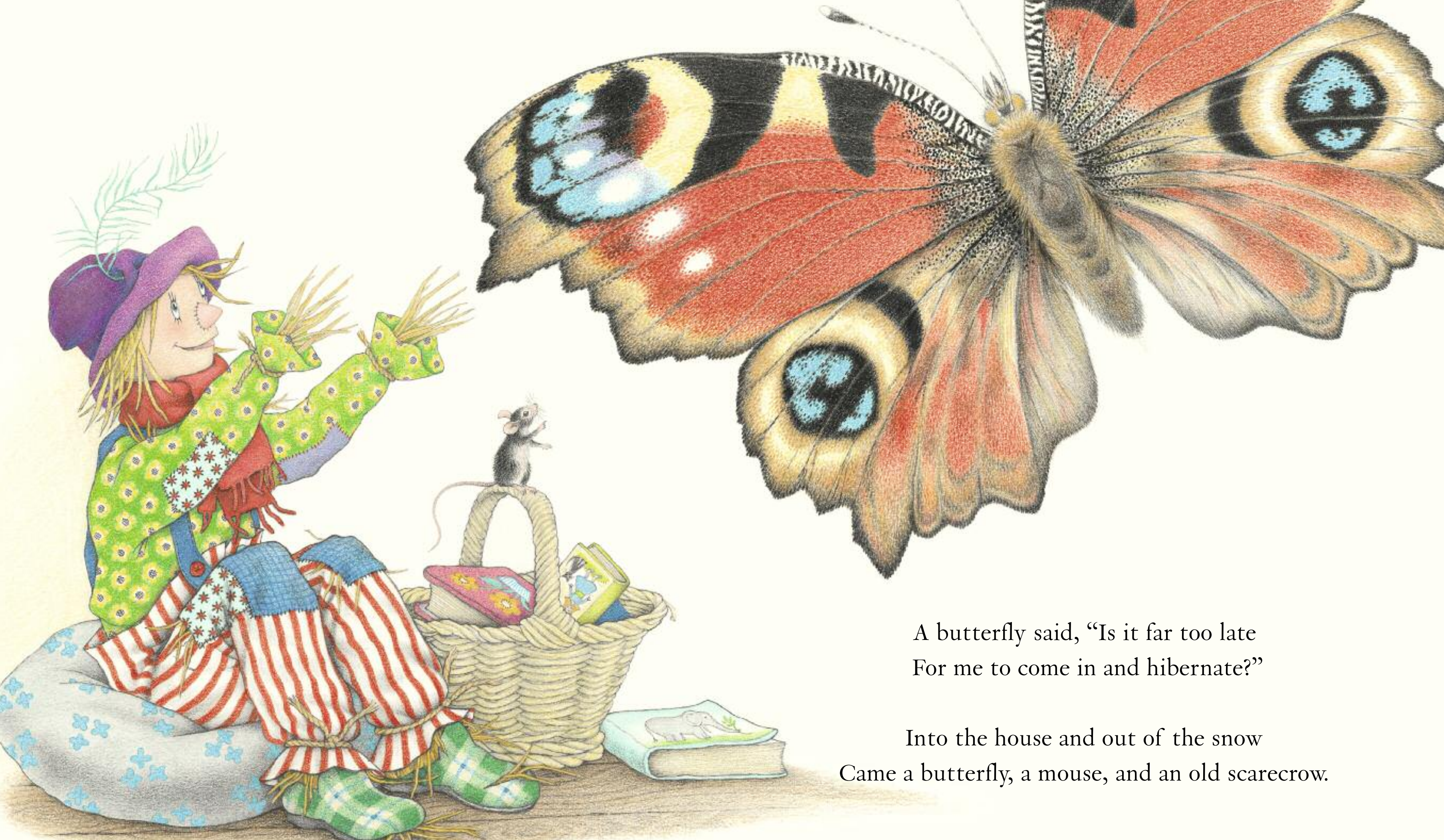
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I asked a scarecrow in out of the snow,
“Please be a guest in my house.”
The scarecrow said, “Can I bring a friend,
For in my sleeve lives a mouse?”



Into the house and out of the snow
Came a mouse and an old scarecrow.





A butterfly said, "Is it far too late
For me to come in and hibernate?"

Into the house and out of the snow
Came a butterfly, a mouse, and an old scarecrow.