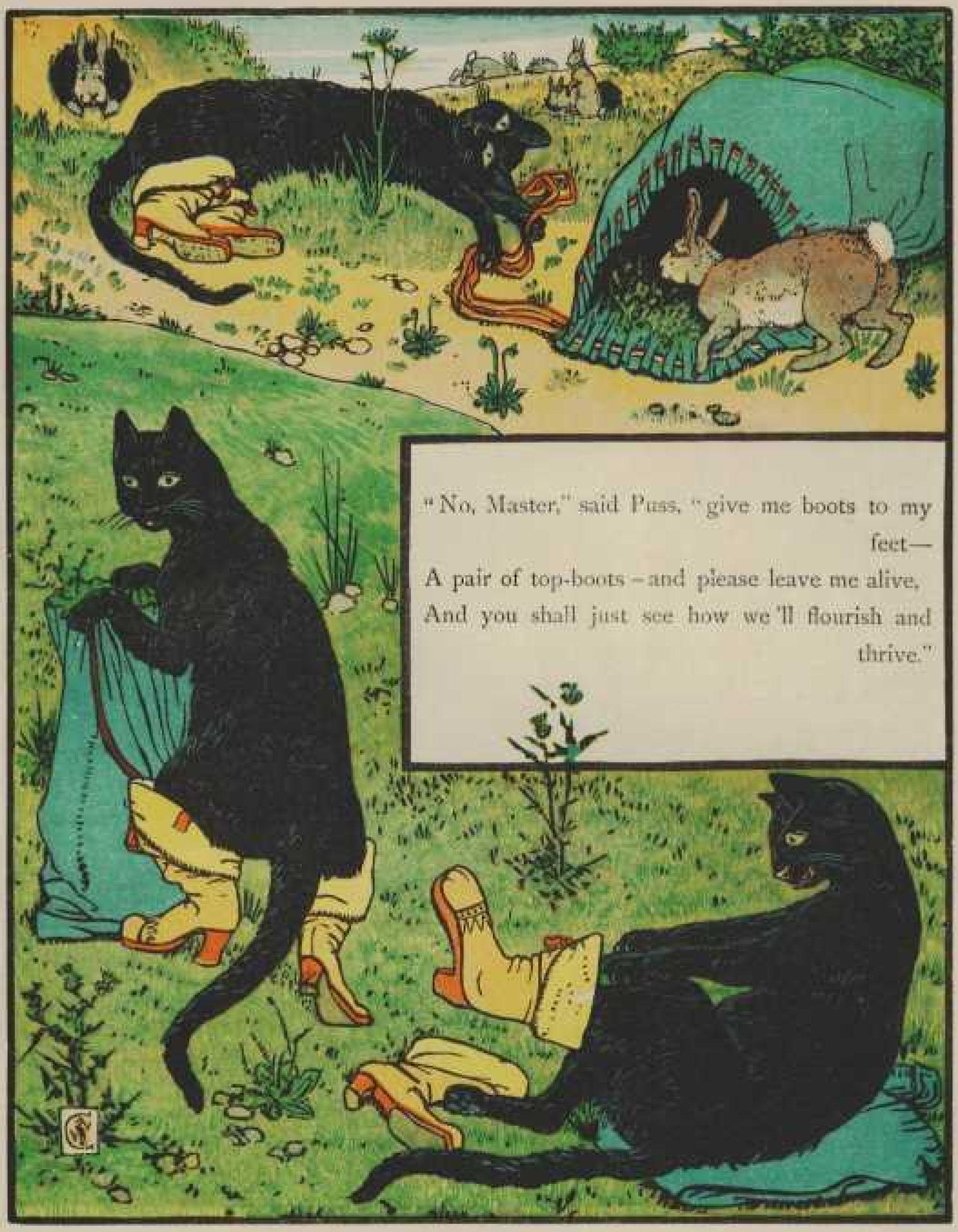

"No, Master," said Puss, "give me boots to my feet—
A pair of top-boots – and please leave me alive,
And you shall just see how we 'll flourish and thrive."