The Book of the Bear: Being Twenty-one Tales newly translated from the Russian

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Remark:
This little (4" x 6¼") book offers delightful illustrations to various traditional Russian stories, including several fables. I watch for the attributions in the beginning T of C and find those stories attributed to Krylov, like "The Bear’s Dinner Party" (30), where Mishka dances like a drunken fool and is praised by the fox. When the wolf queries the fox, she answers something like "It makes him happy and gets us a dinner invitation!" Other Krylov fables are "The Hermit and the Bear" (50) and "The Bear and the Bees" (75). For fable-lovers, there are also "The Industrious Bear" (56) and "The Two Friends" (61). The three-color illustrations are well done. Do not miss the epilogue "To Bad Children" on 108!

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