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Muskrat Farming in Maryland.

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Skunks, muskrats, mink, and foxes are reared in captivity or on preserves under control of breeders. The great demand for breeding animals and the reluctance with which successful breeders part with their stock of black foxes have caused large prices to be asked for mature animals, preventing the business from becoming general, and confining the industry in the hands of a very few.

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"An egg," explains a Kansas youth, "is composed of four parts-the shell, the yolk, the white, and the price. The shell is very fragile, like one of the Ten Commandments, and can be broken without an effort. The price is the biggest part of the egg, and its greatest protection. The price alone has saved millions of innocent young eggs from being boiled and eaten. Eggs are very delicate, and spoil very quickly. When an egg spoils it puts its whole heart into the performance. One can tell a spoiled egg as far as it can be seen. and with one's eyes shut at that, if the wind is in the right direction. There was a time when everyone ate fresh eggs in summer, and went without in winter. Nowadays, however, business methods have led men to buy all the fresh eggs in summer and store them until winter, when they have acquired a rich russet flavor.

