



BALDWIN PRIMER

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The lessons in this book have been prepared in accordance with well-established principles of mental science and child study. In addition to the ideas common to most primers I have adopted the principle of progressive expansion, whereby the more complex notions of language, number, and form, are built up by successive steps from elementary ideas. In teaching words the synthetical and analytical methods are followed simultaneously. The letters of the alphabet, as set tasks, are deeply impressed on the mind, while at the same time the child learns to read by recognition of words as wholes; finally he instinctively unites the results of both methods to a complete and detailed understanding of the words. Another recognized principle is that of proceeding from the known to the unknown; in a primer the most familiar objects should form the basis of the lessons.

The script alphabet is as important as the usual Roman alphabet. The child should learn to read both from the start. Do not begin the writing lessons too soon; they should be preceded by a considerable amount of free-arm movement at the blackboard or with the brush. The first lessons in writing must be on a large scale, with movements free from the shoulder; a brush dipped in ink, a piece of chalk on the blackboard, a good-sized pencil and the like are the proper materials.

It is not yet sufficiently understood by teachers that the movements of writing cannot be successfully learned until the child has gained control over his arms, hands, and fingers. The stick laying, paper folding, modeling, and the songs have this end in view in addition to the particular facts they are designed to teach.

The choice of familiar objects for the material of each reading lesson gives it a basis in the child's personal interest. The use of classical pictures is designed to awaken and develop the instinct for the beautiful.

In giving lessons let the teacher remember certain rules of hygiene. 1. Fresh air is needed all the time. 2. Marching, running, or other exercises should break up the strain of a long lesson. 3. The book should be placed in a good light. 4. The book should be held by the teacher whenever possible. 5. If placed in the child's hands, he should hold it as far away from the eyes as possible. The reasons for these rules cannot be given here; it is sufficient to state that they are firmly established on considerations of common sense and the science of hygiene.

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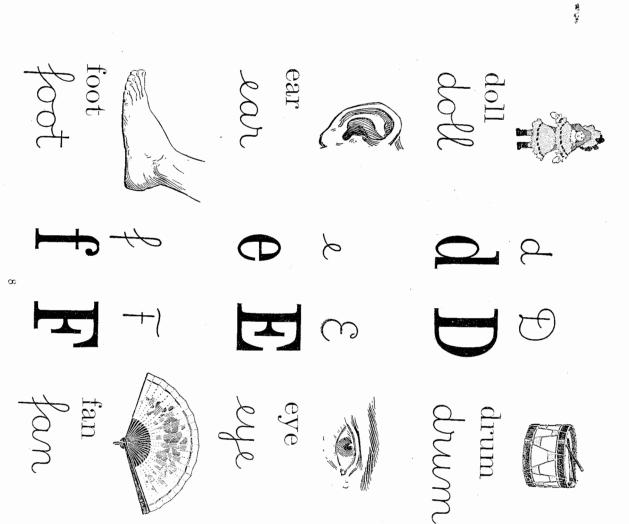
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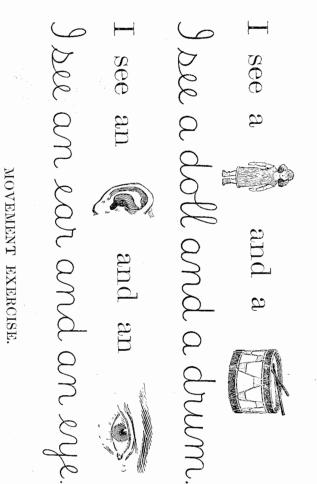
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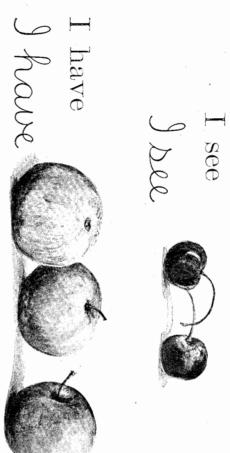
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Note. — These are suggestions for exercises with brush, chalk, or pencil. They should be performed with the left hand as well as with the right.



Here are

Here are



one two three

Here are some butterflies.

One, two, three butterflies.

Two and one are three.

One britterfly.

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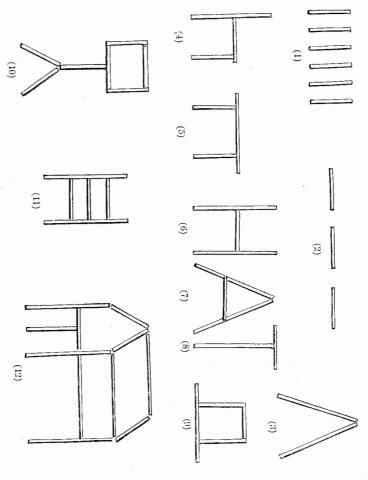
One doll and one ball.



Three eggs and two fans.

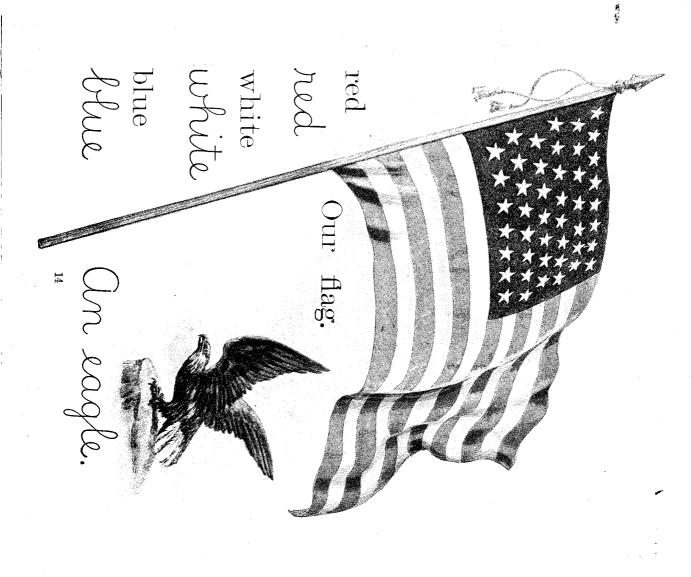
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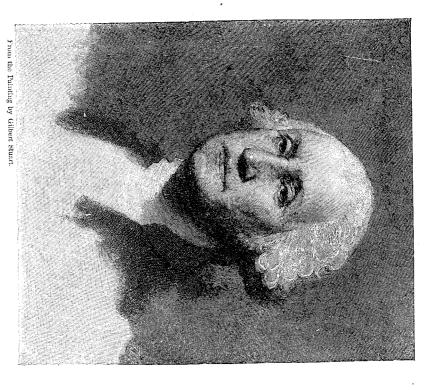
PLAY AND WORK.



lines with brush, chalk, or pencil to illustrate the points mentioned:— Note. - The teacher may tell the following story, and have children use sticks, or make

some in tents (Fig. 3). The little boy wished he could be a soldier, too, but his mother and sons he would go out into the barnyard to play with his ladder (Fig. 11). Then he would are the little chair (Fig. 4) and table (Fig. 5) which he used while doing his work. He soon father told him he must first learn many things at home; so he began to learn to read. returning after a long march, all tired out, ready to lie down, some on the ground (Fig. 2) and man he went with the soldiers to war. climb up into the loft of the barn (Fig. 12) to hunt for eggs. When he grew up to be a young hat (Fig. 9). Next he learned to write this on his little blackboard (Fig. 10). After his lesknew how to make Fig. 6, Fig. 7, and Fig. 8, and he learned that these letters together meant them standing up in straight lines ready for marching (Fig. 1). Then he would see them Story. -- A little boy who used to watch the soldiers getting ready for war, sometimes saw





I love the name of Washington,
I love my country, too,
I love the flag, the dear old flag,
Of red and white and blue.

The cow has four feet.

An eagle has two feet. The cour has four & & & &

Un eagle has two &

I see three see three flags.

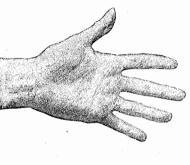


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A hand has five fingers. My hand has five fingers. four five

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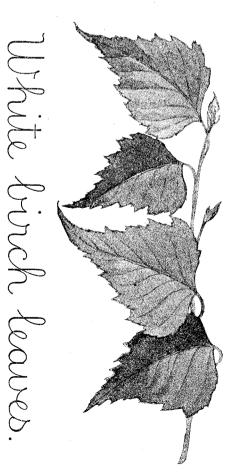
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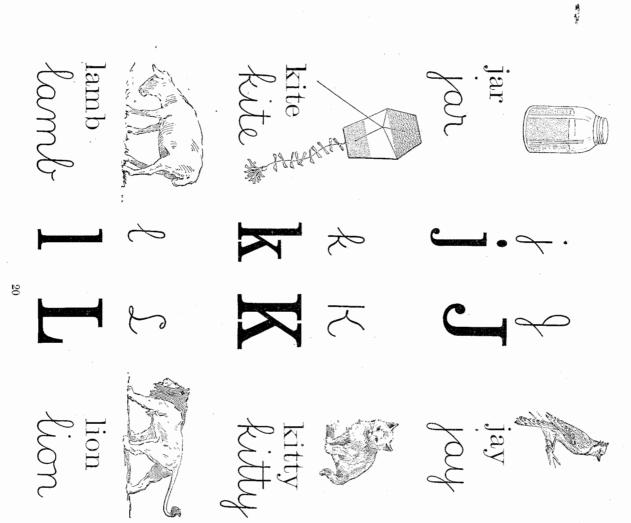
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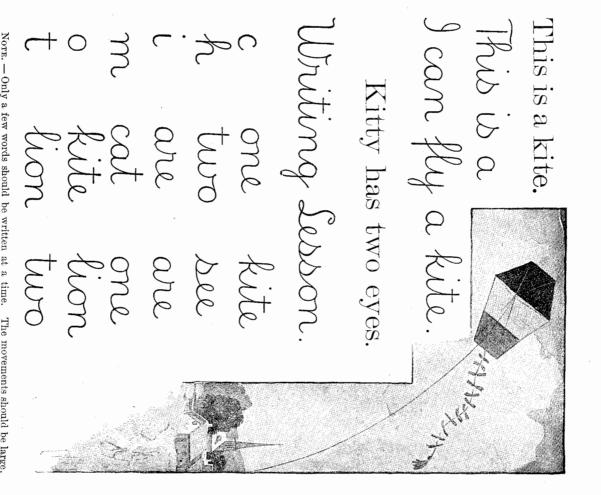
> The goat has two ears. l am a girl. I have two hands. I have two eyes. I have a hat.

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Ink and iron are black Ink and iron are black. The goat has two ears







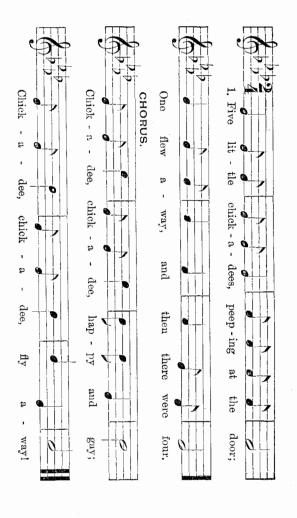
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l see a lion.

lamb lion The jay is a little bird Can you see the lamb? leaf leaves eaglejay $\sin g$ bird wings

FIVE LITTLE CHICKADEES



Four little chickadees Sitting on a tree;

One flew away,

And then there were three.

One flew away, Two little chickadees Sitting in the sun;

And then there was one.

Three little chickadees Looking at you;

One flew away,

And then there were two.

One little chickadee He flew away, Left all alone; And then there was none.

will suggest the movements. Flying movements of the hand and arm may accompany the FINGER PLAY. —The thumb and fingers represent the chickadees. The words of the song

chorus after each verse

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Can the owl see you? An orange will roll. The mouse has four feet. Do you see the owl? [have a mouth and a nose.

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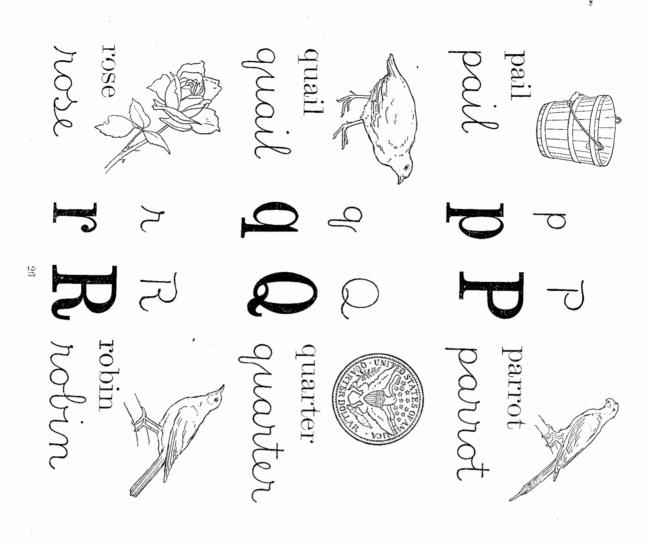
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rollfeet foot Can you play ball? A ball will roll. The ball is round. can roll a ball. play you can will four ball

Two balls and one bat



pretty parrot

robin quail

bird birds

rose

roses

The robin and the parrot are birds.

The quail is a bird.

Do you like roses?

Yes, roses are pretty.

Have you a pail?

I have some pretty roses

Four roses and one rose are five roses. l have a 🖨 and a 🧲

Can the robin sing?

Yes, he can sing and fly.

Kitty has a red ball Will the ball roll?

No, it is a quail Is this bird a parrot?



a sphere

a ball



a cube a box

stand



A sphere will roll. A cube will stand

The cube will not roll



The Earth



Rolls like a ball. A ball is a sphere.

A box may be a cube. Stands like a cube.

CLAY MODELING



A slice of clay.



First step.



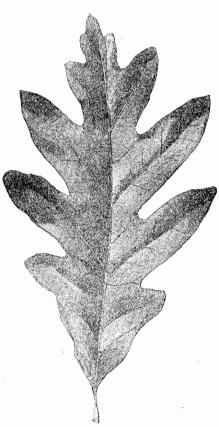


Modeling a cube.

out sticking to the cloth, expose it to the air for a short time. Knead it thoroughly until the mass is perfectly free from lumps. If it is too wet to knead with on it enough water to cover it. Let it remain in the water until it is soft enough to knead. clay is bought dry in lumps or powder, tie it up in a large cloth, as if it were a pudding. Pour by wetting it about once a week. Before using it see that the mass is soft and elastic. If the should be kept covered), or an earthen jar. Cover the clay with a damp cloth and keep it damp Note. - Care of the clay: If the clay is purchased wet, place it in a tub or pail (which

and rapidly. Turn the fingers backward that the palms may be as flat as possible Modeling a sphere: Holding a piece of clay carefully between the two palms, mold it gently

times; turning it, strike the opposite side; and so on until six faces are made sphere lightly between the thumb and fingers, strike it gently upon a slate or a board three Modeling a cube: Take a piece of clay and roll a sphere rapidly. Then, bolding the



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On oak leaf.

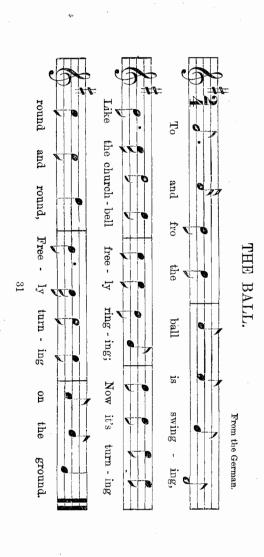


Note. —The figures may be made with sticks, or with brush, pencil, or chalk

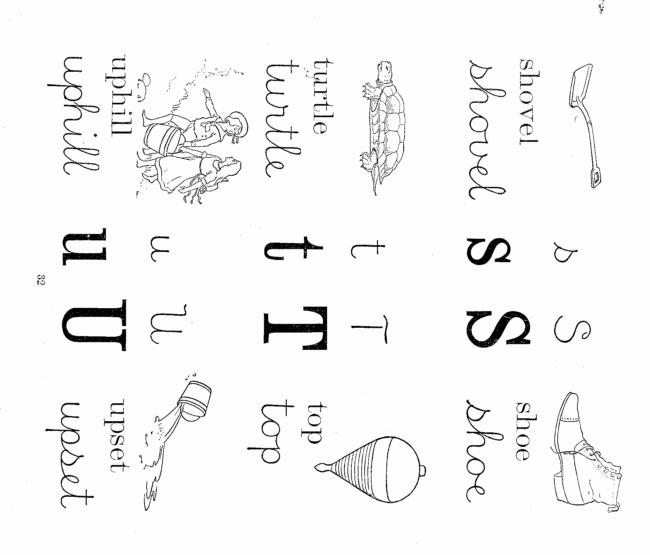


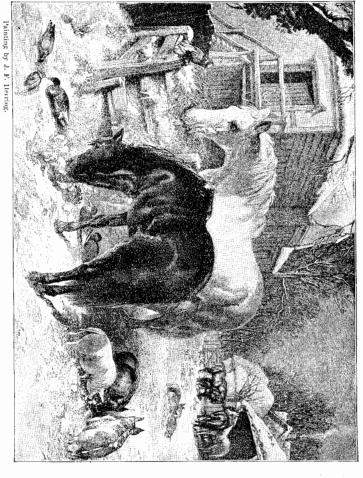
A chestnut leaf.

A chestnut bur.



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barn yard hay

eats

ducks

pigs hen grass doves

See the pigs and hens. Who eats the hay?

Do ducks eat grass?

This is a farm yard. See the pigs and Hay is in the barn. Who eats the ha Do doves like hay? Do ducks eat gr One horse is in the barn. Horses eat hay. Who eats the hay?

shovel of Shoe shoe

turtle
turtle
top

Writing Lesson.

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an

Oh, look at the moon!
She is shining up there.
Oh, mother, she looks
Like a lamp in the air!

Last week she was smaller,
And just like a bow,
But now she is bigger,
And round as an O.

upset

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fill in spin up hill my swim upset

I can spin the top.
I have a shoe on my foot.
A turtle can swim.

Jack and Jill went up the hill Jack upset the pail.



I see a red ball.



Apples are red and green



Here are three oranges.

The yellow ball will roll.

Will the blue ball roll?



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Jack and Jill went up the hill
To get a pail of water.

Jack fell down and broke his crown,
And Jill came tumbling after.

Up Jack got, and home did trot
As fast as he could caper,
And went to bed to mend his head
With vinegar and brown paper.

A Cylinder.

A cylinder will roll.

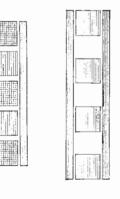
A cylinder will stand.

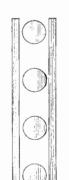
A cylinder has two ends.

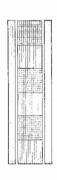
Is a cylinder round?

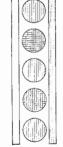
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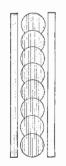
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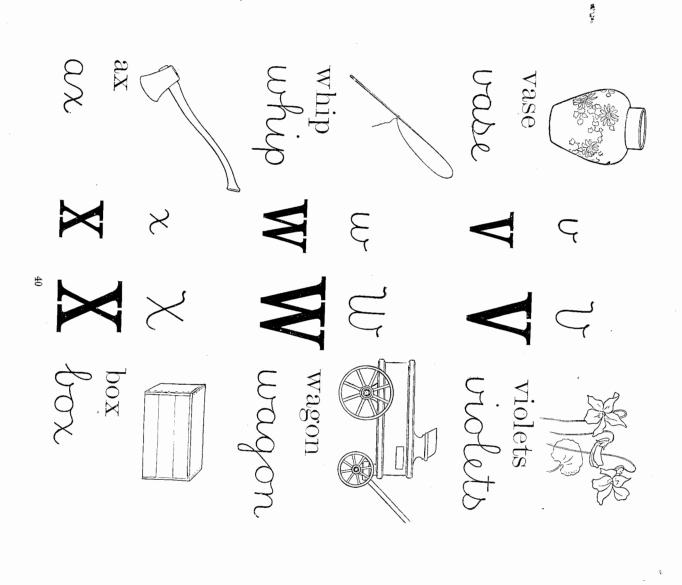








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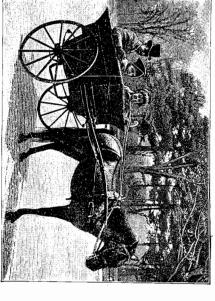
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Shall I whip the horse?



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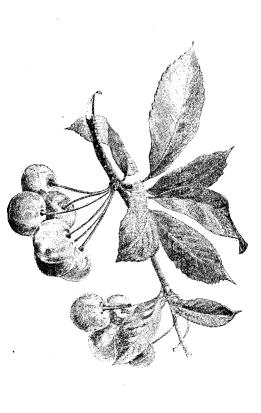
No, it is a good horse.

Is the box in the wagon?

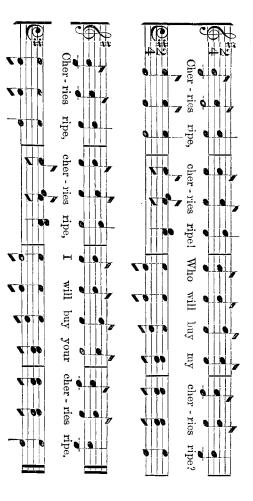
No, an ax is in the wagon.

We put violets in a vase.

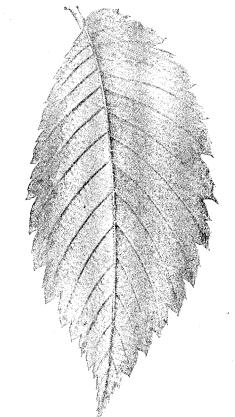
Violets sweet, violets sweet!
Who will buy my violets sweet?
Violets sweet, violets sweet!
I will buy your violets sweet.



CHERRIES RIPE



Nore. —Game to be played while singing. One child stands in the center of a ring of children and holds a basket or apron full of colored balls, which represent the fruit to be sold. The child who buys takes from the basket the fruit he wishes.



On elm leaf.

four

3 and 2 are 5 2 and 2 are 4 5 and 4 are 9

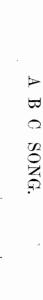
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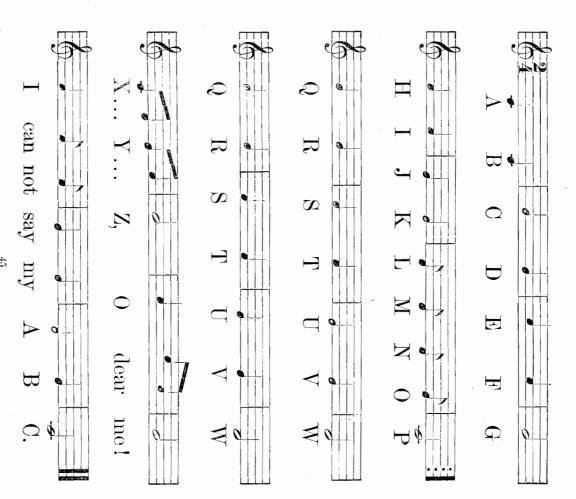
Five and four are nine.

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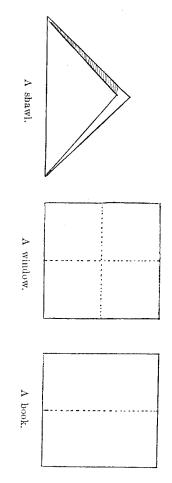
The barn swallow has black wings. Here are two little birds.





PAPER FOLDING.

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lower right and left corners. Noть. — Teach right and left edges, upper and lower edges, upper right and left corners,

Book. Fold right edge of a square to left edge, having upper corners touching, and crease. Screen: Stand the folded square half open on the table.

Mat: Leave the square folded.

leave unopened. Window: Fold a square on both diameters and open.

Shawl: Fold the lower right corner of a square to the upper left corner. Crease and

Teach diagonal. Teach vertical and horizontal diameters.

BLOCK LAYING.

A cube. A cylinder. A sphere.

A cube. A sphere.

A cylinder.



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How I wonder what you are, Twinkle, twinkle, little star! Like a diamond in the sky! Up above the world so high,

I see you

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Here is the school.

Mary had a little lamb;
Its fleece was white as snow;
And everywhere that Mary went,
The lamb was sure to go.

Mary Had a Little Lamb.

Mary had a little lamb;

Its fleece was white as snow;

And everywhere that Mary went,

The lamb was sure to go.

He followed her to school one day,
That was against the rule.
It made the children laugh and play
To see a lamb at school.

And so the teacher turned him out But still he lingered near, And waited patiently about Till Mary did appear.

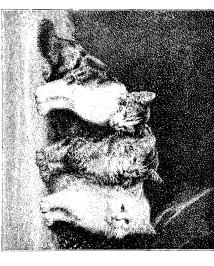
"What makes the lamb love Mary so?"
The eager children cry.
"Oh, Mary loves the lamb, you know,"
The teacher did reply.

dark

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Pussy

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night

The cat has two eyes and four feet.

Can pussy see at night?



Pussy's eyes are like this in the dark.

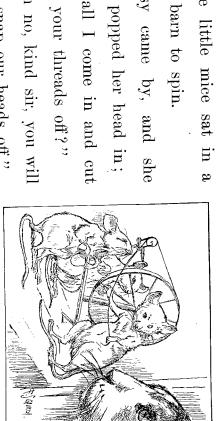
Pussy's eyes are like this in the day.

The cat can catch the mouse.

Can pussy see at night?

Some little mice sat in a "Shall I come in and cut Pussy came by, and she popped her head in; barn to spin

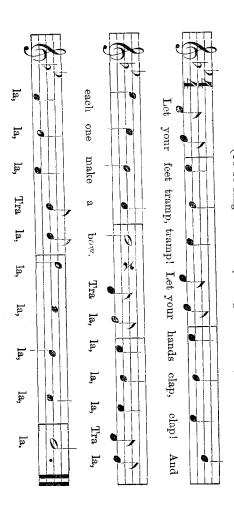
"Oh no, kind sir, you will snap our heads off."



mice barn gpin snap pussy little comecame threads heads

MARCH

(To be sung with corresponding movements.)



boys red six little boys blue big horse

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white



Here are six boys.

One boy has a flag.

Is it a red, white, and blue flag?

The big boy has the flag.

A little boy has the drum.

One boy has a horse.

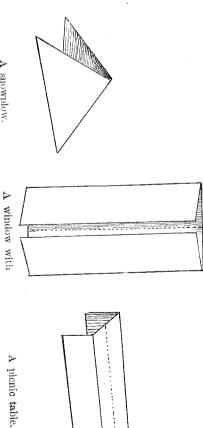
Five little boys and one big boy.

Four boys have hats.

Writing Lesson:

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PAPER FOLDING.

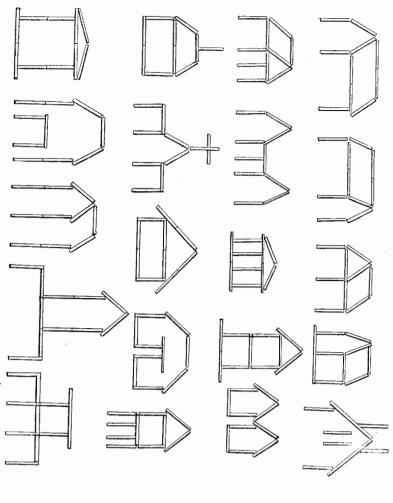


Nore. — Snowplow: Fold both diagonals of a square and leave them folded. Open the last half-way and stand on the edges of the square.

Window with blinds: Fold the vertical diameter of a square and open. Fold the right and left edges to meet this diameter.

Picnic table: Fold the horizontal diameters of a square and open. Fold upper and lower edges to meet at the diameter. Crease and open half-way. Stand on the long edges of the oblongs at top and bottom for the table.

STICK LAYING.



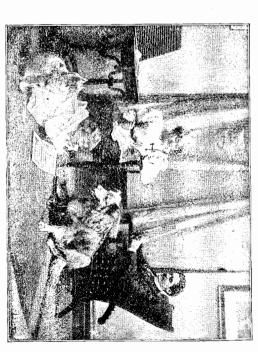
Mamma

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house

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lives



This is a room in a house.

Who lives in this house?

Is Papa in the room?

Yes, and I see Mamma, too.

Do you see the dog and the cat?

I have in a house.



1 and 1 are 2

6 and 1 are 7

5 and 1 are 6

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yes moon sun yes redblack mouse house lives sky round white blueviolet Mamma Papa little violet

The sky is blue.
The moon is round.
The sun is warm.
Pussy has four feet.
I live in a house.
Mamma has a black hat

VIII IX X

This is a woodpecker.

His bill is black.

Do you see his nest?

It is in the tree.

Once I saw a little bird Come hop, hop, hop; So I cried, "Little Bird, Will you stop, stop, stop?"

and was going to the window To say "How do you do?"
But he shook his little tail
and away he flew.



sleeps bed

baby

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Is this a bedroom?

Yes, I see a bed in it.
Who sleeps in the little bed?

Baby sleeps in the little bed.

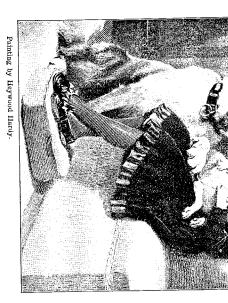
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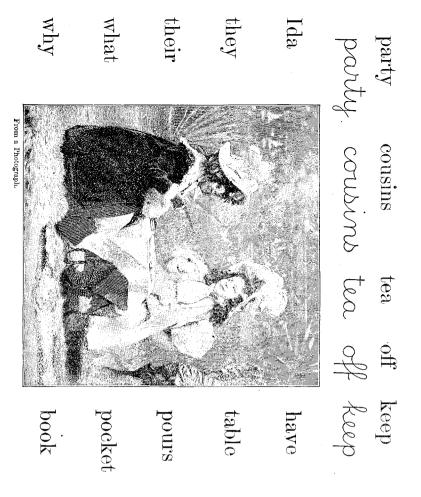


This little girl is Margery.
She has two pretty dogs.
The big dog is Rover.
The little dog is Jip.
Look at Rover's big paw!
Does Rover like Jip? He likes the little girl.

Jip . Rover she

girlMargery

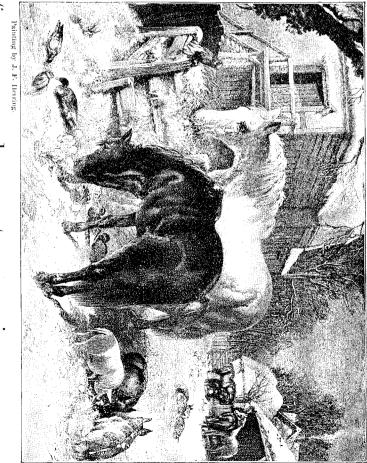
does pretty



A TEA PARTY.

Two little cousins, Ida and May, have a tea party.

What does Ida keep in her pocket book? Who pours the tea for them? Why do they not take their hats off? Do you see their little table?



barn farm yard hay ducks eats pigs hen doves grass

This is a farm yard. Hay is in the barn. Do doves like hay?

One horse is in the barn. Horses eat hay. See the pigs and hens. Do ducks eat grass? Who eats the hay?

Who eats the hay?

THE FARMER.



FINGER PLAY TO "THE FARMER."—The movements to this song are made only in the second part of each stanza. The plowing is shown by the action of two children. One, with his hands stretched out behind him, is the horse; the second holds the hands of the first, and drives him up and down the cracks in the floor, or the seams in the carpet, thus making straight furrows. For the other occupations the hands and arms can imitate the movements.

Would you know how does the farmer, Would you know how does the farmer, Reap his barley and wheat? *Etc.*

Would you know how does the farmer Thrash his barley and wheat? *Etc.*

Would you know how does the farmer Sift his barley and wheat? *Etc.*

Would you know how does the farmer Take home his barley and wheat? Etc.

Would you know how does the farmer When his day's work is done?

Look you, so, so, rests the farmer. Etc.

Would you know how does the farmer When he's rested again?

Look you, so, so, plays the farmer. Etc.

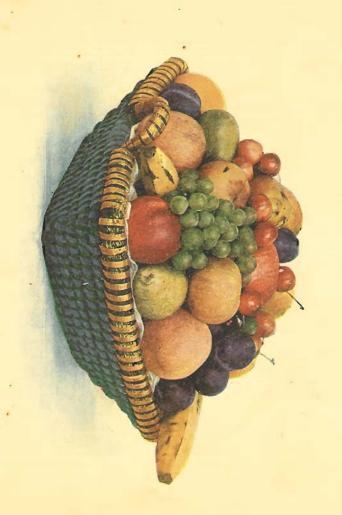


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apple plum some peach



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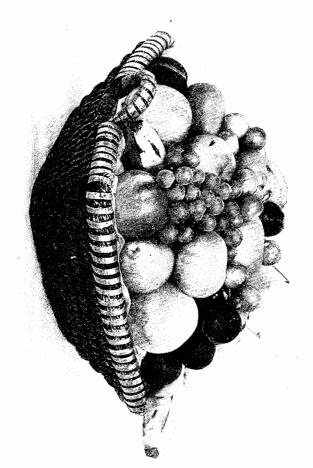
White

Orange Shack

white

Nors.—To teach the spectrum colors, get a glass prism and a big sheet of white cardboard. Darken the room and let in a beam of sunlight through an opening in the window shutter. Put the prism in this streak of light in such a way that the rays are thrown upon the cardboard; a band of colors like a rainbow will be seen. This band of color is called the spectrum. If the spectrum is a clear one, at least six colors can be picked out; namely, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, violet.

apple plum some peach



Some apples are red. Some all A pear is green. Cherries Bananas are yellow. Do you

grapes banana pear cherries

Some apples are green.
Cherries are red.
Do you like plums?

These are birds that I know.

horse

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Turkey.

Hen.

Swan.

These are animals that I know.



Lamb.



Dog.

These are flowers that I know.



Pansy.

Rose.





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A horse's foot is called a hoof. These are horses' heads. How many feet has he? How many ears has a horse? How pretty they are! Here is a hoof.



Here are four red poppies.



See the pretty daisies!

I see some blue forget-me-nots.



How many buttercups do you see?

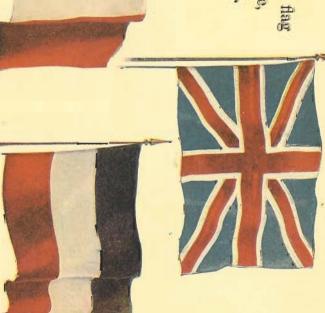


Here are some green leaves.

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The English flag is red, blue, and white.



The German flag is black, white, and red.

The French flag is blue, white, and red.

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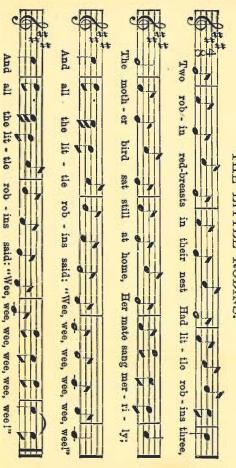
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Here is a pretty bird. Is it a robin?

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THE LITTLE ROBINS.

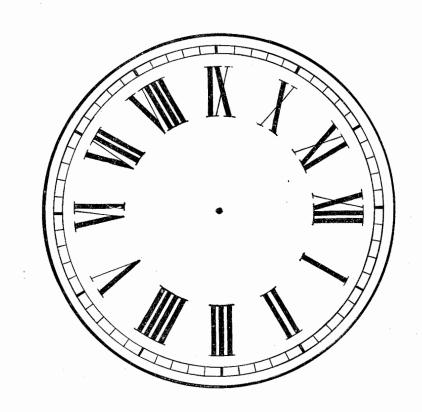




This is a leaf of This is an Here is an the apple tree. apple blossom. apple.



This is an apple tree.
It has roots, trunk,
branches, and leaves.
The trunk is like a
cylinder.

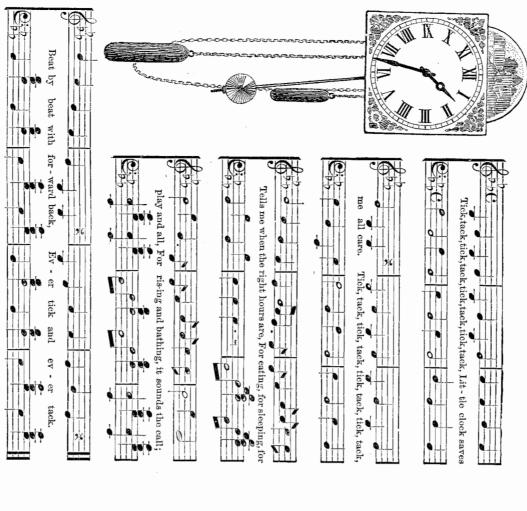


What time is it?

Norg. — Cut out two pieces of colored paper like these, and run a pin through the dots. Then the hands can be moved around the face and an idea of time given; such as dinnertime, bed-time, etc.

SONG — TICK, TACK.

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FINGER-PLAY TO "TICK, TACK." — The motion of the pendulum may be imitated by the swinging of the arms from the shoulder, or by swinging a ball by a string.

What time is it?

Note.—Cut out two pieces of colored paper like these, and run a pin through the dots. Then the hands can be moved around the face and an idea of time given; such as dinner-

time, bed-time, etc.

oak

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maple

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AUTUMN LEAVES.

The leaves fall off the trees in autumn. Some leaves turn red in autumn.

Some leaves turn red in Outumn.

Can you draw these leaves?

Can you draw these leaves?



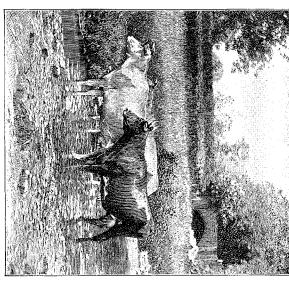
Writing Lesson.

a pretty blue bird. a pretty blue bird. a pretty blue bird.

gues

bell bell

clover



milk

milk

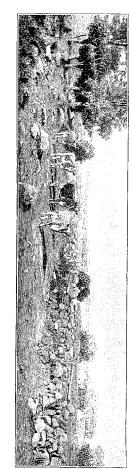
farmer farmer

THE COW.

Cows' feet are called hoofs. The farmer puts a bell on the cow. The cow gives us milk. The cow eats grass and clover What does the cow eat? Here is a cow's hoof

The cow ques is milk.





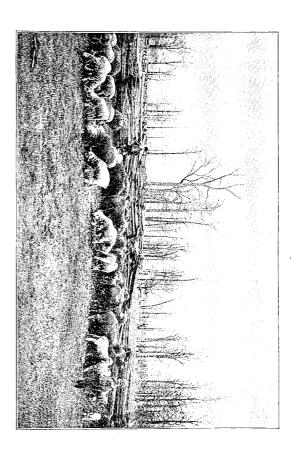
The Cour.

She gives me cream with all her might The friendly cow all red and white, I love with all my heart. To eat with apple-tart.

Oll in the pleasant open air, She wanders lowing here and there, Und yet she cannot stray, The pleasant light of day.

and blown by all the winds that pass She walks among the meadow grass and wet with all the showers, and eats the meadow flowers -R. L. STEVENSON.

coat wool his made sheep



The sheep gives us wool.

My coat is made of wool.

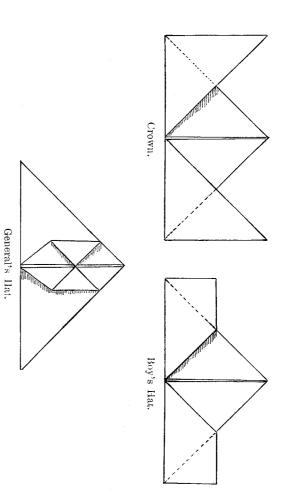
My coat is made of wool.

A little sheep is called a lamb.

A lamb likes to play.

The sheep and lambs are eating

PAPER FOLDING



Nore.—Ground form: Fold the diameters and the diagonals of a square. Fold each corner to the center and do not open. Fold the new corners under to the center and do not open. Ground Form shows four squares on the upper side and eight triangles on the under side.

Crown: Fold Ground Form, and open. Place the square on the desk with a diagonal vertical. Fold the upper and lower corners to center. Fold the lower edge thus obtained to the upper edge and hold firmly together between the thumb and finger at the middle of the two folded edges. Fold the front upper corners down to the middle of the lower folded edge in front, and the back upper corner to the middle of the edge at the back. This brings the extreme right and left corners up even with the corners now made at the middle of the top.

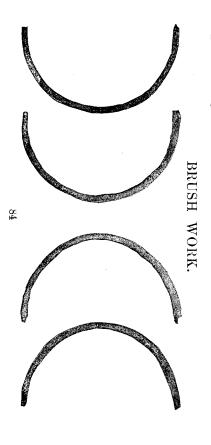
Boy's Hat: Fold the crown and fold back the upper right and upper left corners to the lower right and lower left corners.

General's Hat: Fold one diameter of a square, open and turn the paper over. Fold one diagonal, open and fold the other. Take the square at the ends of the diameter and bring them together backwards, with the outside of the fold touching. Press down together the front and back triangles. Place on the desk with the long edge of the triangle at the base and horizontal. Fold the right and left corners of the upper triangle to the apex, and crease. This gives two triangles meeting at their long sides, forming a square in the center of the large triangle. Fold the right and left corners of this oblique square to the center.

heads pretty round heads grapes robin peach somepeach strong grows apples what apples what wings
fly
nest
breast breast

The little bird has a nest. Horses are strong. They have pretty heads What can a horse do? What can a bird do? A horse can run. A robin can fly.

Grapes are round. A pear is green. Some apples are red. Do you like apples? The robin has two wings and a red breast. The peach grows on a tree.



baby do afraid hand trying its geese shal



What do the geese eat? Is the baby afraid of the geese? The geese will not hurt the baby. What are the geese trying to do? What has the baby in its hand? What shall the baby do?

days week school church schoolchurch



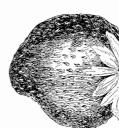
I go to school on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday, and Friday.

Seven days make one week. play on Saturday. I rest on Sunday.

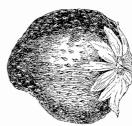
Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday



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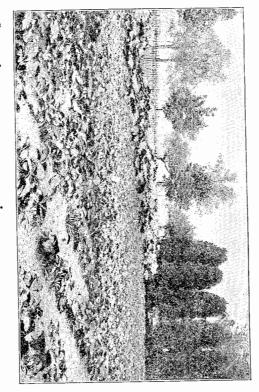


strawberry. Here is a





strawberry leaf. Here is a



strawberries them blossom Strawberries grow on vines. Are strawberries red? The sun and rain help them to grow.

AN ÆSOP FABLE.

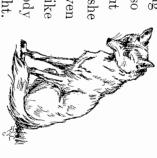
(To be read to the children.)



THE FOX AND THE STORK

The Fox poured out some rich soup upon a flat dish, and asked the Stork to dine with him. But the Stork could not eat the thin soup with her slender beak, and the Fox made much fun of her. In return for this, when the Stork invited the Fox, she brought the dinner on the table in a jug

with a long, narrow neck, so that while she herself could put in her beak and eat all she wished, the Fox could not even get a taste. He did not like this very well, but everybody that it served him right.



no yes school catch no yes behool catch day dark tail this

The dog has big ears.
The cat can catch a rat.
Is the day dark?
The, the night is dark.
Do you go to school?
How many days make a week?

This is a square.
It has four sides and four corners.

This is an oblong.
It has two long sides and two short sides.

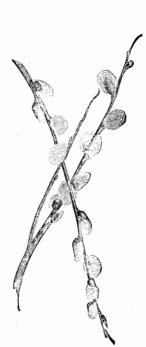


SPRING BLOSSOMS.

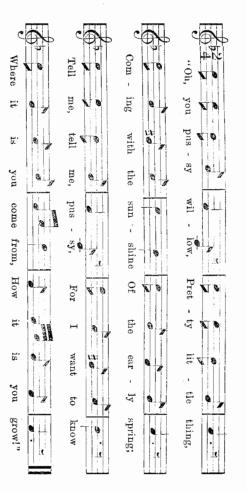
buds trees after time
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Spring is come. Spring comes after winter.

Spring is come. Spring comes after winter. The buds and blossoms are on the trees. After the buds come the leaves. In the springtime the grass is green. The little lambs play in spring.

Do you like the springtime?

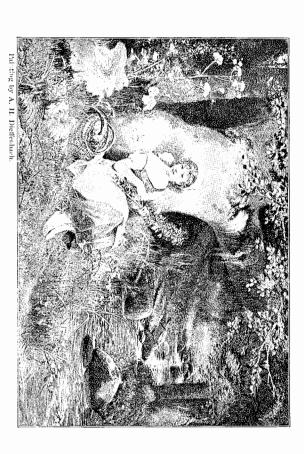


PUSSY WILLOWS.



Now, my little children,
If you'll look at me
And my little sisters,
I am sure you'll see
Tiny little houses,
Out of which we peep,
When we first are waking
From our winter's sleep.

As the days grow milder,
Out we put our heads,
And we lightly move us
In our little beds;
And when warmer breezes
Of the springtime blow,
Then we little pussies
All to catkins grow.



SUMMER DAYS.

children under pick hear children under pick hear Little children like summer.

They play under the trees. They pick flowers. They hear the little birds sing. Is it very warm in summer? The grass is green. The leaves are on the trees. The grabb is green in summer.

Rain in Summer.

How beautiful is the rain:

Ofter the dust and heat,

In the broad and fiery street,

In the narrow lane,

How beautiful is the rain!

Ocross the window pane

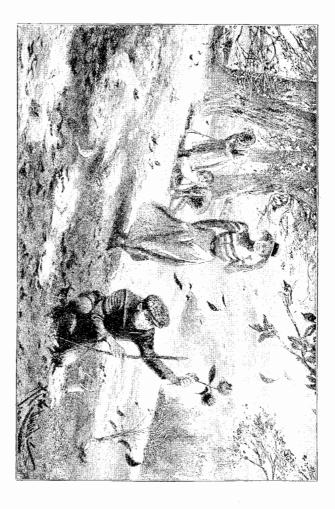
It pows and pows;

Ond swift and wide,

With a muddy tide,

Like a river down the gutter rows

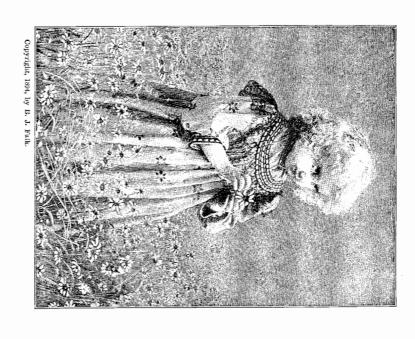
The rain, the welcome rain.



AUTUMN LEAVES.

(To be read to the children and memorized by them.)

"Come, little leaves," said the wind one day—
"Come o'er the meadow with me, and play;
Put on your dresses of red and gold—
Summer is gone, and the days grow cold."
Soon as the leaves heard the wind's loud call,
Down they came fluttering, one and all;
Over the brown fields they danced and flew,
Singing the soft little songs that they knew.



THE DAISY.

The daisy is a field flower. It has white petals.

The daisy has a pretty white dress.

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ground
ground
skate
skate
ice
ice
sleds
slide
slide

WINTER IS HERE.

Snow and ice are on the ground.
Snow and ice are on the trees.
The boys and girls have sleds.
The boys make snowballs.
The boys skate on the ice.
The girls slide on the ice.

Winter is here.

SNOWFLAKES

(To be read to the children and memorized by them.)

Whenever a snowflake leaves the sky, It turns and turns to say "Good-by! Good-by, dear cloud, so cool and gray!" Then lightly travels on its way.

And when a snowflake finds a tree, "Good day!" it says; "Good day to thee! Thou art so bare and lonely, dear, I'll rest and call my comrades here."

But when a snowflake, brave and meek, Lights on a rosy maiden's cheek, It starts—"How warm and soft the day! It is summer!"—and it melts away.

"Brank,—"

N ÆSOP FABLE.

(To be read to the children.)



THE OX AND THE FROG

An Ox, as he was drinking at the water's edge, crushed a young Frog under foot. When the mother Frog came to the spot (for she happened to be away at the time), she asked his brothers where he was. "He is dead, mother," they said; "a few minutes ago a great big four-legged thing came up and crushed him with his hoof." And they all began to cry.

Thereupon the old Frog began to puff herself out, and asked whether the animal was as big as that. "Stop, mother, don't put yourself about," they said; "you will burst long before you can make yourself the

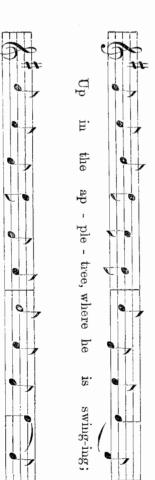
spring buds Birds come in spring.
summer grass Grass is green in summer.
autumn leaves Leaves fall in autumn.
winter ice We have ice in winter.

THE BLUEBIRD

Mrs. E. II. Miller



know the song that the blue-bird is sing-ing,



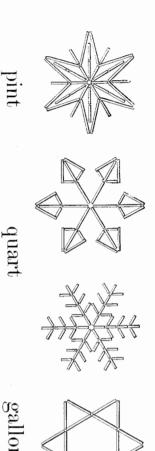
Brave lit - the fel - low! the skies may look drear-y,-



Noth - ing cares he while his heart is so cheer - y.

same size as that beast."

STICK LAYING



gallon



gallon

pint

quart

Four quarts make one gallon. In 1 gallon there are 4 quarts. Two pints make one quart. How many pints make two quarts? How many pints make one gallon? In 1 quart there are 2 pints

Four quarts make one gallon Two pints make one quart.

> He's under the haycock, fast asleep. The sheep's in the meadow, the cow's in the corn. Where's the little boy that looks after the sheep? Will you wake him? No, not I; Little Boy Blue, come blow your horn; For if I do, he'll be sure to cry.

HUSH-A-BYE BABY.

When the bough breaks, the cradle will fall, When the wind blows, the cradle will rock, Hush-a-bye haby on the tree top, Down comes hush-a-bye, baby, and all.

January

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January

March March

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"March winds and April showers Bring forth May flowers."



August



August September September



October



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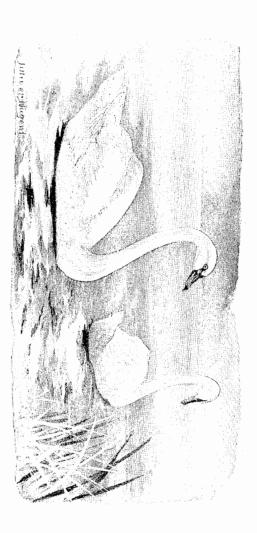
April, June, and November.
All the rest have thirty-one, Thirty days hath September, Till leap year gives it twenty-nine. Except February alone, Which hath but twenty-eight, in fine,



A horse chestnut leaf and a horse chestnut.



A hickory leaf and a hickory nut.



The swan lives in the water.

It is as white as snow.

Ducks, geese, and swans are cousins.

All can swim and fly.

fishes them scales covered know

The sun fish is a little fish.

All fishes live in water.

The cod fish is a big fish.

It lives in salt water.

Some fishes are covered with scales.

The fins and tail help them to swim.

What other fish do you know?

all fishes live in water

coat boots boots show shoes

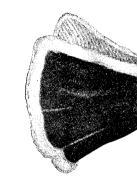
drasm drasm wears

My shoes are made of leather.

cape

cloth

leather













Papa wears a coat and boots A boy wears a little hat. Mamma wears a cape and shoes

Shoes are made of leather. A man wears a big hat.

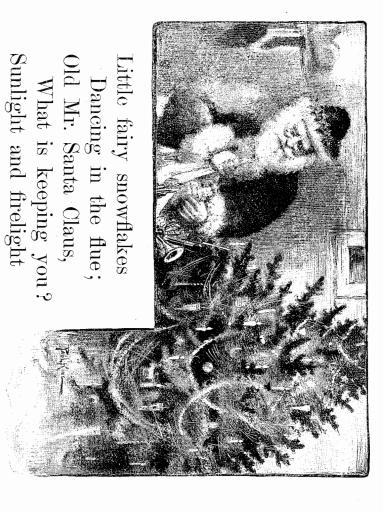
What is a hat made of?

Some cloth is made of wool. My coat is made of cloth. Swans like the water. Geese and ducks fly. Geese swim in the water What is a hat made of? Wool comes from sheep.

Do sheep swim? Do guese fly?

ess	hat	shoes	cloth
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$\bar{\text{amma}}$	swim	sheep	leather
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Here is Santa Claus. Here is the Christmas tree



proud proud

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long

fur

Do you see Mrs. Rabbit? She is very proud. She has five little rabbits. See their long ears. What nice fur they have! Can they run?

What do they eat?

The pleasantest time of all?-T. B. ALDRICH.

Mother knitting stockings,

Merry chimes of sleigh bells

Tinkling through the snow;

Shadows come and go:-

Don't you think that winter's

(Pussy's got the ball)—

with my eyes. with my ears. with my I smell nose. with my mouth. I taste with my fingers.











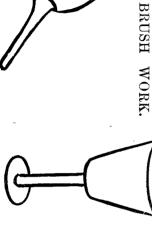


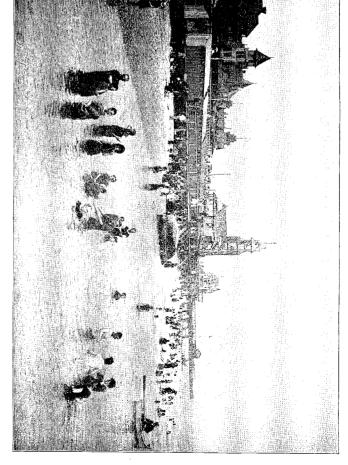
two eyes. two ears. one nose. one mouth ten fingers I have I have I have I have

I have

How many nails have you? What are on your fingers? How many fingers have you on one hand? How many eyes has a fish? How many ears has a horse? How many have you on two hands?







It is a day in summer.

See all the people on the sand. They will bathe in the water;

See the people in the water. They will get shells to take home. and the little boys and girls will play.

they take sand bathe people

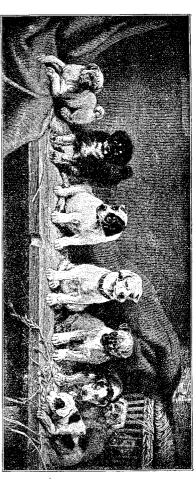
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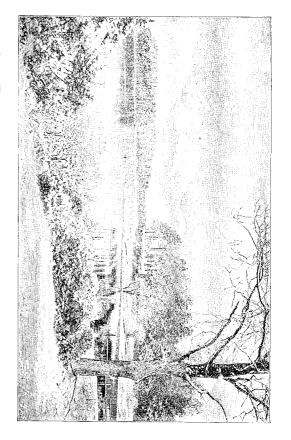
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One inch.

36 inches make one yard 3 feet make one yard. 12 inches make one foot.

Four inches.

yard; silk is so many inches wide; carpet, rugs, and rooms are so many feet long. inches. Place twelve side by side to make a foot, etc. Tell how cloth is measured by the Norg. - Tablets one inch square may be helpful in applying the use of measuring by



Rain in April.
Buds in May.
Roses in June. Snow in January. Wind in March. Ice in February.

Play in July.
Warm days in August. Apples in October. Cold days in November. School in September. Christmas in December

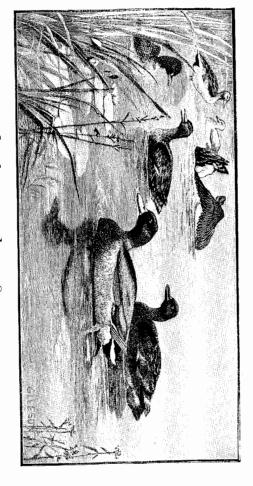
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duck wings many with dog water their tail feathers swim pretty here feet what how swim robin many feathers What pretty feathers the duck has! Can a dog swim in the water? How many wings has a duck?
How many fins has a fish?
Fishes swim with their fins and tails. How many ducks are here? How do ducks swim?

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cells

Bees live in hives.

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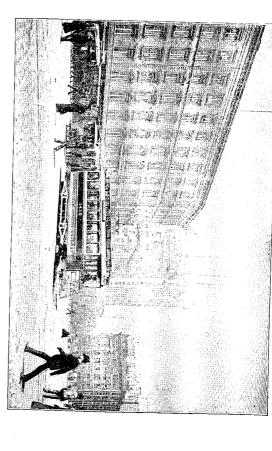
gather

We say "busy as a bee!" Bees are hard workers. Bees get honey from the flowers. They make cells for the honey. Do you like to eat honey? The cells are made of wax. Many bees live in one hive



Improve each shining hour? He gathers honey all the day From every bud and flower How doth the little busy bee

busy hour on play yes bud best not live each much city street must place



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city street must ground city street must ground

This is a street in a city.

Do you live in a city?

See the horses and the cars.

You must look out for the cars.

Do boys play in the street?
Yes, but there is not much room to play.
The playground is the best place to play.

I live in a big city.

surface edges surface edgesoutsideoutside cube cube overJOUR sphere sphere flat cylinder cylinder turn point point round round

Turn the sphere round and round.

Turn it over and over.

Turn the cube over. Turn the cylinder over. The outside of a sphere is called the surface. Point to the edges of the cube.

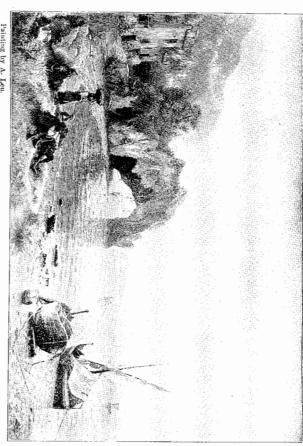
Has the sphere edges?

Has the cylinder edges?

How many edges has the cube?

The cube has flat surfaces.

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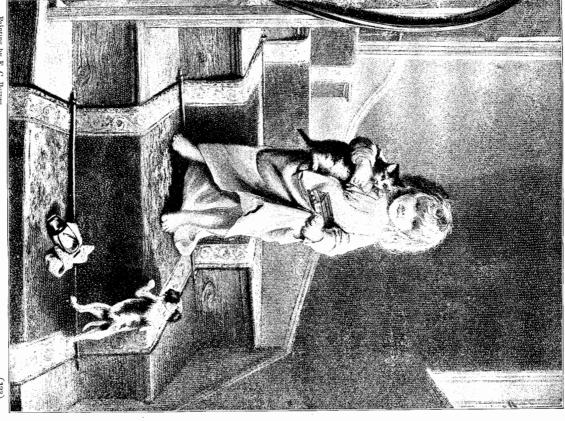


ing by A. Leu.

THE END OF THE DAY.

The birdie has gone to its nest,
And baby must go to her bed,
For the sun has sunk down in the west
In curtains of purple and red.

Yes, this is the end of the day;
The lambs are asleep in the dew;
So baby must leave off her play,
And go to her little bed too. —Axosxxous.



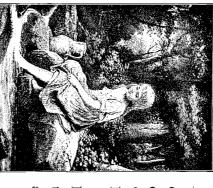
GOOD NIGHT!

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THE STORY OF THE WAVES

(To be read to the children.)

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HE SPRIN

A little girl was sitting by the seashore watching the waves that rolled up and broke over the rocks at her feet. "What do you do all the time, little waves?" she asked. "Do you spend all your lives washing this little bit of shore?"

The waves answered never a word but kept on rushing over the rocks. Finally the little girl grew tired questioning them and went to sleep.

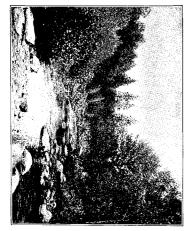
The sun was shining brightly on the water, and soon a light mist began to rise. It was something like the mist which you saw rising from the teakettle the other

morning, except that it was so thin and light that it could hardly be seen. Up it went over the ocean, up into the blue sky. The little girl asleep

going so high as the white mist dared to go. Stretched below it, lay a beautiful picture of the ocean and the ships and the rocky coast.

on the rocks had never dreamed of

Far up there in the blue sky something else happened. The cold air touched the mist and made it grow thick and white, but it was still light enough to float above



THE BROOK

The cloud floated along far away. All day and all night it sailed in the deep blue. The next morning the wind died down and the cloud rested over a little village.

While the cloud was resting there another wonderful thing happened. As the cold air struck it the cloud shrank a little and some of the mist particles turned into shining drops of water and came pattering down to the ground—a real April shower. Oh, how glad everything was to see it! The flowers lifted their heads and smiled; the pine trees rustled; the rabbits peeped out of their burrows; and the little earthworms began to wriggle and turn up the soil.

Some of the drops soaked through the ground and made it moist and soft, and others ran along underground until they came to a hollow where they bubbled up as a spring. Others fell on a rocky hillside and ran

down as fast as they could to join the water from the spring. Then, all together, they flowed on as a brook. The brook danced along, over the stones and through the sunny meadows, until, with a gurgle of delight, it emptied into a great river.

Here there was plenty of work to be done, keeping



THE RIVER

the banks green and fresh, carrying the boats that ran between the great cities, and sometimes stopping to turn mill wheels. So life in the great river was very busy and happy.

On and on went the water until the river bed began to grow very wide, and some queer fish came and poked their heads up the stream. One morning the bed grew so wide that the banks seemed to have faded



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THE SEA

away, and in their place was a wide stretch of water. But the water was not like the water in the river, for it tasted very salty.

Perhaps you have guessed what had happened. The water was back in its own ocean home. Now the waves could once more play with the little girl. Some time perhaps she may learn to understand their story.

A MAY-DAY STORY.

(Illustrated by block building.)

One morning the Sun, being high enough in the sky to look over the roofs of the city, spied the house where two little girls lived, and he said to himself, "I'll just look in at their window and see if they are awake." He looked in, but all was quiet; both Bessie and Mary were fast asleep in their beds.

He sent one of his golden beams to peep into their faces, for he knew they would be sorry if they slept too long and were late at the kindergarten.

Bessie was the first to open her eyes. "O Mary," she cried, "do wake up and say 'good morning' to the kind Sun; see how bright he is to-day!"

Both jumped up, and, while they were dressing, the Sun heard them tell of the visit they expected to make that afternoon, at grandmamma's, in the country. What big bunches of buttercups they would pick, and perhaps they might find a few daisies.

The Sun listened to the children, and said to himself, "I know the meadow where these two little girls gathered flowers last spring; it is full of baby buttercups now, and I'll help those buttercups grow to-day. Down in one corner of the meadow is a little white daisy. I know she will look her very best when I tell her these two little girls are coming to look for her. I do what I can to make everything beautiful, and what I do is done for all, but there are only a few who, like these little girls, ever say 'good morning' to me, or even thank me for what I do."

By and by the Sun saw Bessie and Mary start from home, and he watched them until they reached the kindergarten.

The Sun looked into the kindergarten, and through the windows, he sent bright-colored fairies dancing along the walls, around the chairs and over the piano.

These are the chairs and the piano.

Here the Sun loved to linger and

to see the happy children working and playing together.

Twelve o'clock came and the little ones went home. The Sun was now

into the windows of the dining room and to catch a glimpse of papa, mamma, Bessie, and Mary seated at the lunch table.

These are the chairs and the table.

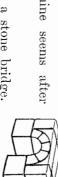


In a little while the family started for grandmamma's. The Sun lost sight of their train while it was in the long tunnel.

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This is the tunnel

After they came out of it, he was glad to hear Bessie say, "How much brighter the sunshine seems after going through that dark tunnel!"



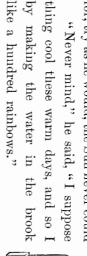
Then they went over the brook on a stone bridge

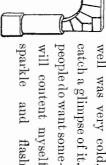
Soon the station was reached, and then there was a long, dusty ride in the carriage. It did seem rather hot, but the Sun was doing his best

to make the flowers smile and grow beautiful. A drink, sparkling and clear from the well, refreshed every one.

This is the well.

The water at the bottom of this deep for, try as he would, the Sun never could





The meadow was yellow with golden buttercups, and the Sun was glad when he heard Bessie and Mary shout at the sight of their beauty. What a glad cry the children gave when they found that little daisy! Bessie came back to the house, her arms filled with buttercups. "See, what a great, big piece of the sunshine I'm bringing!" she said.

At the lower end of the garden there was a hedge which separated the garden from the pasture. Here they sat down to rest.

The Sun saw Bessie and Mary sitting there after supper that evening, and he painted a beautiful picture in the sky, all purple and red and gold. That was the way he said "good night" to his little friends as he went down behind the hills.