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PREFACE

In The New Sloan Readers the author plans to give in three books a basal series of readers that attract and interest the child through content and illustration and that give to the child in the most direct way and in the shortest time, the independent power to read.

The subject matter of the lessons in these readers is of primary interest to the child and closely connected with his daily life and experience. The technical drill necessary in the teaching of reading is provided in charming lessons of story, rhyme, and play, and does not in any way detract from the interest or reduce the reading value of the lessons.

THE FIRST READER

This First Reader continues the method employed in The Primer and advances the student by easy stages and interesting lessons in learning to read successfully and rapidly. The process begins with a little introductory story in rhyme that is to be read by the teacher and talked over with the class. Here the opportunity is given to emphasize the importance of the vowels and to show how they are really the keynotes of words. This introductory story is followed by a demonstration of the uses of the vowels, illustrated by words, drilled in sentences, and applied in a reading lesson. This process is repeated until the phonetic facts are learned and the phonetic principles acquired that are necessary in independent reading.

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FAIRY GUIDES TO STORYLAND[1]

To the wonderful land of stories,
My little children dear,
Here come some little fairies
To make your way quite clear.

In all the words, in all the books,
In all the country round,
Tucked away in every word,
Some of these elves are found.

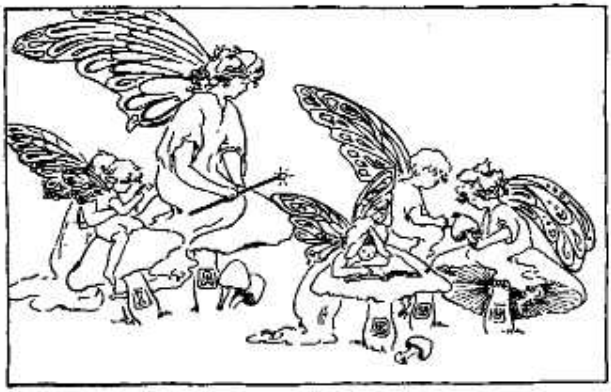
In traveling on to Storyland,
To know this busy throng
Will make your path so easy,
The way not half so long.

[1] This story is to be read to the pupils by the teacher.

Here's Mistress a, so bonny,
And little e, oh my!
She's such a busy fairy,
Although she is so shy.

Then laughing o, and sober u,
And little brother i,
Who is so very tiny,
He's often helped by y.

This sturdy band of workers,
One to another true;
Each helps the other tell its name,
a, e, i, o, and u.



FAIRY e AT WORK

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hat	hide	rod	cute
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mad	dime	not	cube
made	fin	note	tune
cap	fine	mope	us
cape	rid	rob	use
pan	ride	robe	plum
pane	Tim	Pope	plume
slat	time	slop	Hume