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## NOTE.

THE interest in Nature, awakened in the previous Books, is here extended and deepened.

Various quadrupeds, and several kinds of birds, as well as some other animals, engage attention to their habits and conditions of life. Certain familiar trees are surveyed in the forest, and followed to the workshop. There is tea, and coffee, and cocoa, with sugar to sweeten them. There are a few incidents from history, and a few scenes from fiction. There is a dash of adventure, and a spice of humour. The activities of youth are considered; good impulses are encouraged and strengthened; and the mind is touched with the joys and sorrows of one's fellows. The prose is lightened by alternations of poetry, and the scenes of both are rendered vivid by numerous illustrations.

The lessons are carefully graduated. After each, lists for spelling are arranged, and meanings are fully explained.

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## MARKS.

THE system of marking pronunciation adopted here is borrowed from Professor Bain's *Higher English Grammar*. It is based on the original suggestions of Dr. Thomas Clark. It possesses the important advantage of indicating *accent* and *quality of vowel sound* together.

It is not intended that the pupils should be oppressed or distracted with much regular study of these marks. By careful attention to the cases that arise in the lessons, they will quickly and easily associate the marks and the sounds represented. An occasional reference to these explanations may be found quite sufficient.

(1) *á, é, í, ó, ú.* The *acute* mark (´) placed over a vowel shows that the vowel is *long* and also *accented*. For example: *mán* is for "main," or "mane"; *mén* = "mean," or "mien"; *mín* = "mine" (in any sense); *món* = "moan"; *mún* = "moon." Before the vowel *ú* the sound of "y" is often inserted; as, *tyún* = "tune."

(2) *à, è, ì, ò, ù.* The *grave* mark (`) placed over a vowel shows that the vowel is *short* and also *accented*. For example: *màn* = "man," *mèn* = "men"; *pìn* = "pin"; *gòn* = "gone"; *fùn* = "fun."

(3) *ê, ê, û.* The *acute* and *grave* marks are combined (¨) to indicate long vowels pronounced more quickly than usual. The last, *û*, is most common as *pûl* = "pull." Compare *pûl* = "pool."