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## PREFACE

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THE Second Primer introduces the child to new sounds, while it makes free use of the words learned in the First.

The words which are arranged at the head of each lesson need not be read until the pupil has become familiar with them in the sentences in which they occur. They may also be used for spelling exercises.

"Revision" and "Word Lessons" have been continued in this book.

# THE SECOND PRIMER.

## THE HAY.



day may play lake take make  
hay way stay rake shake stăck

1. The day is hot, and the lads may go to the hay to play.

2. The men are at the lake, and if the lads take a rake with them they may help to make the hay.

3. They must shake the hay out, or turn it with a rake.

4. The sun will dry it and make it fit for the stack.

## THE PET BIRD.

Kate tame came Dick sad  
 cage name crumb pick said (sěd)

1. Kate had a tame bird in a cage.  
 He was a gift from her mam-ma.

2. Kate fed the bird day by day.  
 He sat on her hand to pick up  
 crumbs.



3. Kate had  
 a name for her  
 bird. His name  
 was Dick. He  
 came to her  
 when she said  
 his name.

4. Kate did  
 not wish the cat  
 to get Dick. At

last puss got at him in his cage. It  
 was sad for Kate.

5. See, Kate has Dick in her hand.  
 What will she do with him now, do  
 you think?

6. I cannot tell what she will do.





## RAIN.

rain sail tail fair wait shall  
 pain hail pail pair horns shell

1. We may not sail on the lake to-day. The lake is not still, and the sky is dark.

2. Do you see the rain or the hail on the far off hills? Yes, the rain or hail will fall and we shall get wet if we sail on the lake.

3. Let us wait till it is fair for our sail. We shall go if it is dry and the lake is still.

4. See a snail on the pail. The snail stays out in the rain.

5. He has his shell on his back. He can go in-to it if it is wet.

6. His pair of horns is out, and that is his tail. Do not pain a snail.



### THE HARES.

hare care side fine does (düz)  
snare scare white fond mild

1. Do you see Dan's pet hares? His pa-pa got them for him. He did not get them in a snare, but he got them in a bush on the hill-side. They had hid there.

2. The fur of the hares is soft and fine. In the cold months the fur of the hare is white. When it is mild the fur is gray.

3. Dan has his hares in a box, but he lets them play in the grass.

4. He does not let a dog or a cat scare them. The hares are fond of Dan for he takes care of them.

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## NIGHT.

far    farm    bark    yard    moon  
star    harm    dark    guard    soon

1. The sun has set in the far west. The cows, the ducks, and the pigs are in the farm-yard. The hens are on their roost. All is still.

2. It is dark, but the stars are out in the sky. Soon we shall see the moon and all will be lit up by it.

3. The big dog will bark if he sees this sly fox. The fox will try to get the ducks in the yard.

4. As we go to bed, let us pray to God who made the sun and the moon and the stars.

5. All who pray to God are safe. He sees in the dark as well as in the day. He will guard us from harm.