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Preface.



THIS little Book aims at variety of subject, clearness of expression, and simplicity and regularity in the form of the words employed.

It is hoped that the contents and method of the book are suited to the needs and wants of young children. Great care has been taken in the graduation, and in the selection of the subjects and the kind of information given; and dialogue has been introduced here and there.

The columns at the head of each lesson—which can be used as exercises both in spelling and in correct pronunciation—will, it is hoped, be found of great use.

The sentences—in *script*—for writing have been selected so as to give practice in the more difficult combinations of letters; and all the capital letters have been gradually introduced.

The unusually wide spacings which occur throughout the poetry are for the purpose of indicating the pauses to be made by the reader between each group of words.

Addition, Subtraction, and Multiplication Tables will be found at the end.



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A DAY AT THE FARM.

farm'-yard	kiss'-ing	com'-ing	lad'-der
milked	strok'-ing	go'-ing	hal'-lo!
house	bee'-hive	hon'-ey	field

cow'-shed, a house where cows are kept. | barn, a house where corn and hay are kept.

1. We are just in time to see the cows go into the farm-yard. Will has let down the

bars; and the cows are making their way into the cow-shed. They are going to be milked.

2. Now let us go and look at the horses. They are in a field at the back of the house.

3. See! there is the old white mare with her foal. She is kissing and stroking it; and they are both very fond of each other.



4. Now we can go and take a look at the bees. The bee-hives are in the garden; and bees keep coming to the hives and going away from them.

5. Those that come in bring honey and wax; those that fly away are going to look for more.

6. But see! Now it is going to rain. So we had better run into the barn. Let us go up this ladder and get among the hay.

7. Hallo! Here is a nest! What a noise the hen makes as she flies away!

There are five eggs in it. Just come up and look!

8. Mary has a pet lamb, which she keeps in a field on the other side of the farmhouse. She is very fond of her lamb; and her lamb trots about after her.



EXERCISE.—Write this line:

Here is a nest

LOOK AND LISTEN AND THINK.

re-peat, say over and over again.

1. Two ears, one mouth: heed this, I pray—
Much should we hear, but little say.
2. Two eyes, one mouth: O, mark this well—
Use both your eyes; but little tell.
3. Two hands, one mouth: this oft repeat—
Two hands for work, one mouth to eat.