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TO THE CHILDREN WHO READ THIS BOOK.

MY DEAR LITTLE FRIENDS:

THIS book was written on purpose for you. While I was writing it, I often said to myself. I hope this will please Mally and Willie! I wonder how Sarah and Louisa will like it? Then I thought that I would read what I had written, to a few children, to see what they would say. Because if it failed to interest *them*, I should be ashamed to have it printed and sent to other children. So I read it to several. Some of them were quite large children, larger than any of you; and the others were small. One of them was nine years old, and one seven, and one six, and one five; and

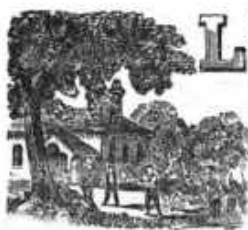
when I saw them smile, as if they were pleased, I was very glad, indeed. And when one of them said she hoped I would print as many as *two*, one for her and one for her cousin, I felt still more delighted, and thought I would have one for everybody's cousin. A great many little Johnnies and Geordies; many little Nellies and Hatties, will read about Susy's birthdays. Wherein she was good, I hope you all will be like her; and then your birthdays will be happy ones. Sometimes little children don't live to spend six birthdays in this world. They go to heaven and spend them there; and they are better and happier days than any little Susy ever knew. But now I must bid you good-bye. Perhaps I shall write another story for you one of these days.

AUNT SUSAN.

LITTLE SUSY'S SIX BIRTHDAYS.

CHAPTER I.

THE FIRST BIRTHDAY.



LITTLE Susy is a year old to-day," said her mamma, "and I must give her a birthday kiss!" So she kissed the sweet red lips of the darling baby. Now

Susy had never kissed any body in her life. She did not know how. But I suppose she thought it was high time to begin, now that she was a whole year old; so she doubled up her lips and gave her mamma the funniest little bit of a kiss you can imagine. Her mamma was pleased, and Susy was pleased herself; and I dare say she thought she was doing something great, as she saw every body laughing. Pretty soon her papa came in, and then baby

doubled up her lips, and gave him a little bit of a kiss, too.

Now all this was early in the morning, and Susy was in her night-gown. But her mamma washed and dressed her very nicely, and put on her red frock and clean white apron, and those tiny shoes that looked as if they were made for a doll; and then Susy had some breakfast—good bread and milk.

After this, she slipped down from her mamma's lap, to play