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PREFACE.

IN these days of trained specialists it seems useless to base a primary reader upon some particular method of teaching. The trained teacher has his *own* method, and only needs good material to work with; while the *untrained* teacher cannot use a particular method, even though the book is made to fit it.

Every method for teaching primary reading seems to have some points in its favor; but after many years of trial and investigation I am convinced that the best primary reader is the one that contains the *best* material, arranged in the *best* order, without reference to a particular method of presentation.

The following points in favor of this book will be readily perceived:

1. The pages are free from irrelevant matter.
2. The subjects are interesting to all children.
3. The sentences are short, and the lines wide apart.
4. Frequent pages of review sentences that are numbered, for convenience of tests.
5. The *whole lesson* is always in sight.
6. The vocabulary is unexceptionable.
7. The grading is nearly perfect.

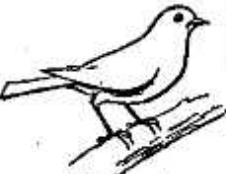




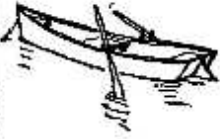

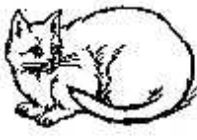
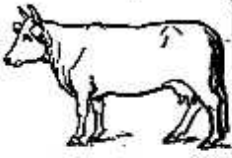
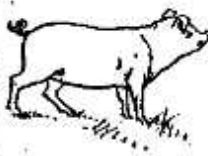


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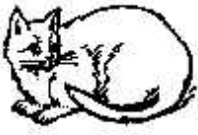
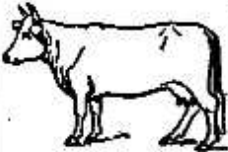
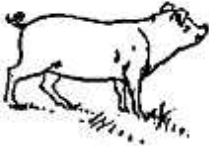


Most of the common nouns used in this book are pictured out in the following pages. The teacher may create a profitable amusement for little beginners by using the pictures in the following manner: Direct the children to open books at the desired page; then write, or print, on the blackboard one of the words, telling the children to find the picture that tells what the word is. Children raise hands and teacher calls upon some one for the answer. When the correct name is given, erase the word and write another.

Make no effort whatever to teach the word, for that would spoil the play.

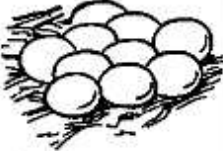



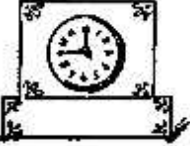



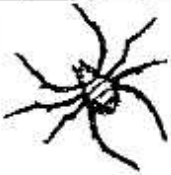

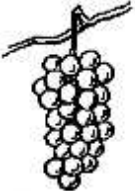
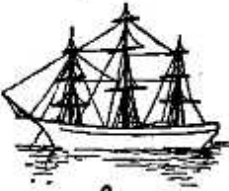
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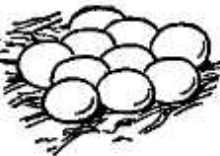









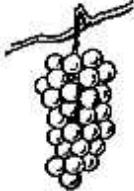
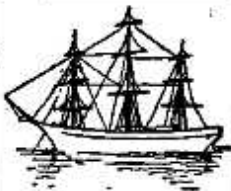
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