

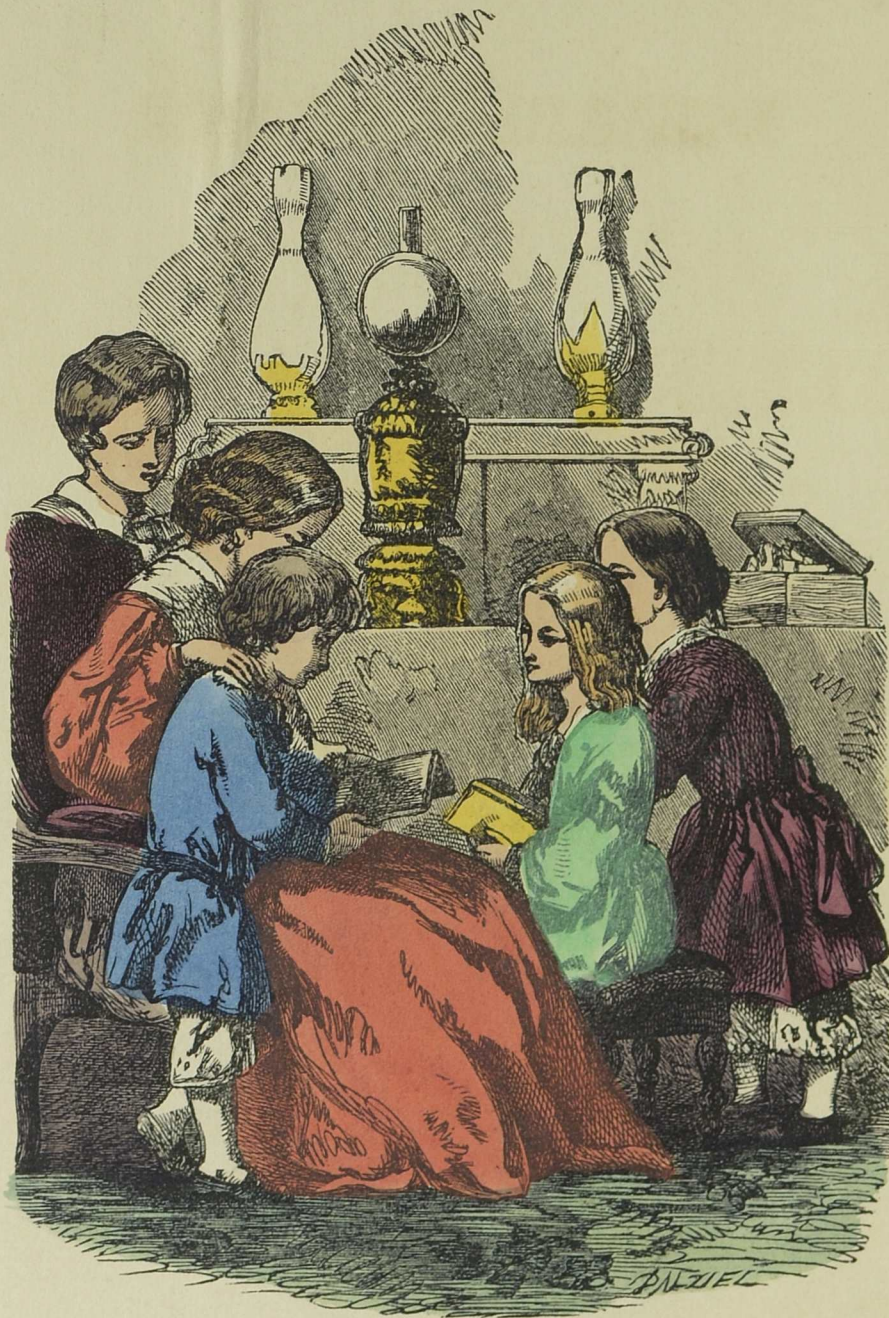
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EXERCISES.

o c e s a g v x z
t r n w m u y i j
l f h k b d q p

CONSONANTS.

B b C c D d F f

G g H h J j K k

L l M m N n P p

Q q R r S s T t

V v X x Z z

VOWELS.

A a E e I i O o U u

AND SOMETIMES

W w and Y y

LESSON ON LETTERS.

ab eb ib ob ub



APE.

ac ec ic oc uc



CAT.

ad ed id od ud



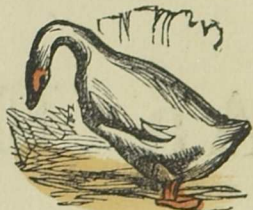
DOG.

af ef if of uf



FOX.

ag eg ig og ug



GOOSE.

ah eh ih oh uh



HEN.

LESSON ON LETTERS.

am em im om um



MOUSE.

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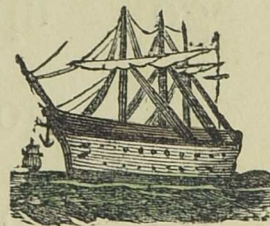
PEAR.

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ROSE.

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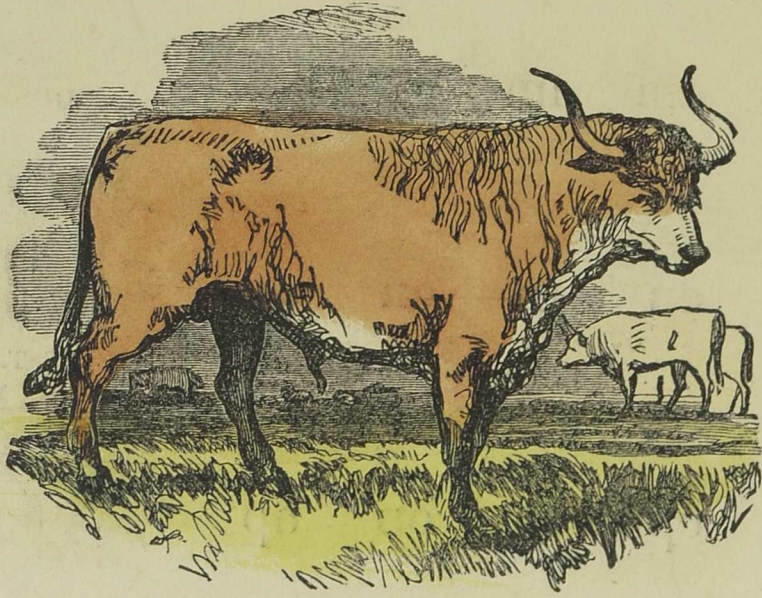
SHIP.

at et it ot ut



TIGER.

LESSON IN WORDS OF TWO LETTERS.



IS IT AN OX ?

go	up	is	it	an	ox
ye	go	to	me	in	he
do	so	at	us	if	in
no	ox	up	to	by	do
or	we	lo	of	ye	as

LESSON IN WORDS OF THREE LETTERS.



A MAN AND HIS ASS.

The ass is of use to man; it can eat all it can get; and Bob can run to it; do it no ill; the dog bit it; let us get hay for it.

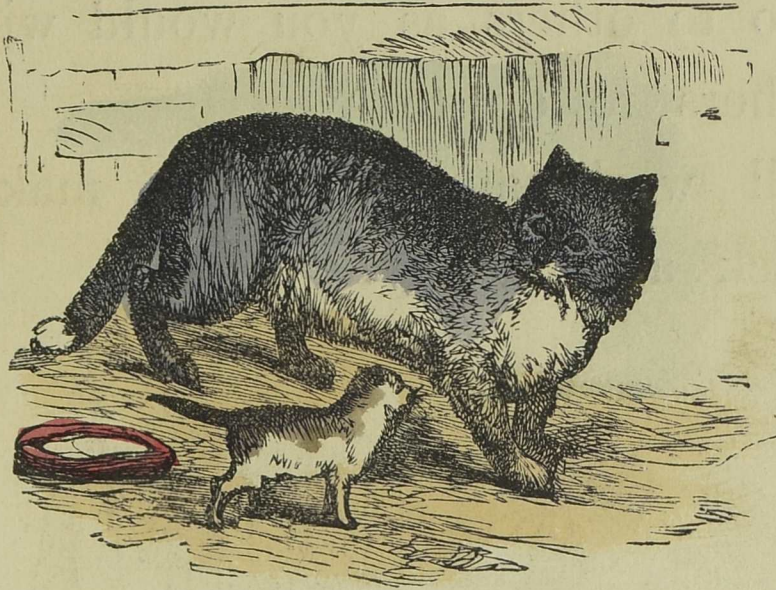
LESSON IN WORDS OF FOUR LETTERS.



JANE AND HER PET LAMB.

My lamb is so fond of play;
she can run so fast, and has a
nice coat of wool on her back,
which keeps her warm. I love
my lamb very much.

LESSON IN WORDS OF FOUR LETTERS.



PUSS AND HER KITTEN.

See how kind puss is to her kit,
plays with it, and keeps it clean ;
she likes to be near mama, and
wags her tail and purrs when
she is glad.

EASY LESSONS.

Do to others as you would wish
others to do to you.

All work and no play, makes
Jack a dull boy.



Take care not to play with bad
boys or girls, for in a short time
they will soon teach you to be
as bad as they are.

EASY LESSONS.

The KITE flies high in the air. It is nice to see it rise so high, like a thing of life. How glad the boy looks who holds it by the string! It does one good to see him look so glad, but just think how sad he would feel were the string to break. The kite would then fly off, and be torn to shreds. His heart, I think, would be like to break. And so it is with grown up men, as well as boys. Small gains often make them glad, and small losses often make them sad.

EASY LESSONS.



THE OAK TREE.

Do you see this old OAK TREE?
Well, our Jack made his way up to-
day, and sat on one of the boughs.

I dare say he thinks he has done a great feat, for he seems very proud of it. But though he sat on a branch of this fine old oak, he may not have had one thought of the use to which the wood of the tree may yet be put. Here he comes, and we will now ask him if it came into his mind that the oak on which he sat might yet form part of a large ship. Jack said it had not. He was then told that the wood of the oak is very hard, of great use, and lasts a long time, and that the bark is used to make skins into leather.

EASY LESSONS.



THE HORSE.

The HORSE is of very great use to man. Indeed, we could not get on well without him. What a loss we would be at! Let us then treat the

horse very kindly. He is dumb and can not tell his wants, so we ought to think of what is best for him, and do all we can for his good. Some men work the horse by far too hard, and do not give him the food he needs for such hard work. Some, too, when he can not work as they would have him to do, are so cruel that they lash him with the whip. It is a shame and a great sin to all such. A good man regards the life of his beast.

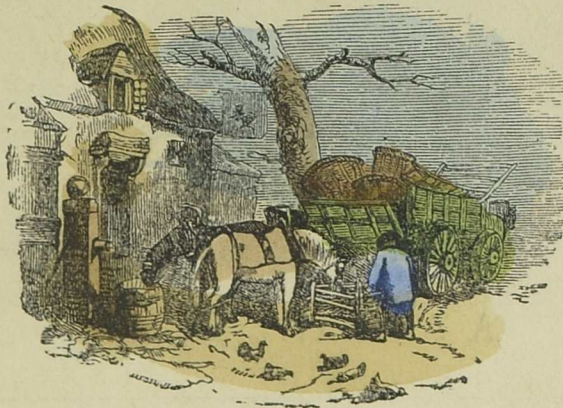
EASY LESSONS.



THE PLOUGHMAN.

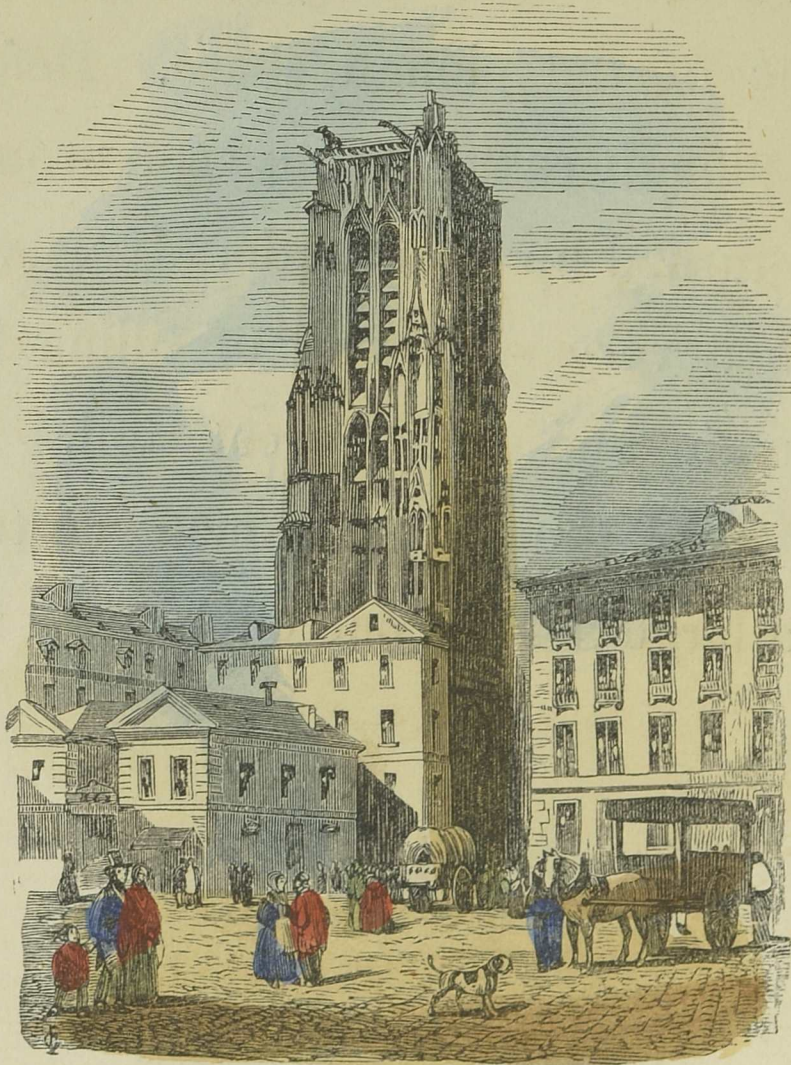
The PLOUGHMAN ploughs the ground to make it ready for the seed to grow. The small trench made by the plough is called a furrow. The part of the

plough that cuts the ground gets the name of the plough share. Before the plough came into use the ground was turned up by a spade. This was both a very slow way of tilling the ground, and very great toil. By means of the plough a man can turn up a large field in one day.



ALBERT'S

EASY LESSONS.



A MARKET PLACE.

The MARKET PLACE in this town

is a fine square. Here, on market days, you may see farmers, men-servants and maid-servants, horses and waggons. Rich and poor, young and old, are to be met with in the market place. Some come to sell, some to buy, and some only to learn the market price, and look on. Hard by, there is a high tower, from the top of which you may see many miles around you.

EASY LESSONS.



ABOUT SHIPS.

The SHIPS that now lie in the port are called sailing vessels. They get this name because they move in the

water by means of sails. But the sails would be of no use without wind. When the sails are all set, and the wind is fair, these ships sail very fast. But there are some ships that sail by means of steam. These are called steam-ships, and some of them sail at the rate of twelve miles in an hour, when the wind is against them. How fast they may go when they have a fair wind and steam too, I do not know. Such ships would take us to the ends of the earth in a very short time.

EASY LESSONS.



The Hog has a strong neck, small eyes, a long snout, a rough and hard nose, and a quick sense of smell. He loves to bask in the sun, and to wallow in the mire. He is filthy, greedy, and stubborn while alive, but very useful after his death. The Jews so hated the hog that they would not so much as name it, but called it "the strange thing."

EASY LESSONS.



The HEDGE-HOG has more to do with hedges than with hogs. It is in no way like to the hog. It lives in hedges, and it may be said that a hedge grows upon its back. The head, back, and sides are covered with spines or thorns, but the nose, breast, and belly with fine soft hair. Were you to try and catch it, it would neither fight nor run away, but roll itself up like a ball. It seems to know that it is clad with thorns.

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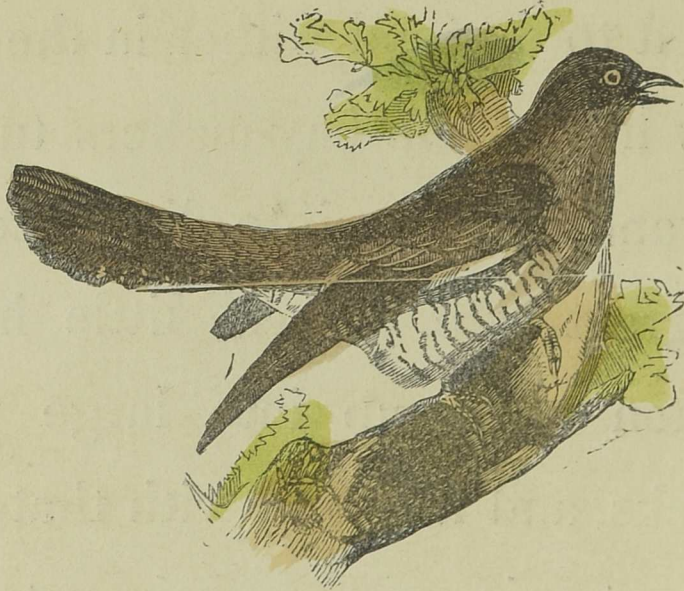


THE HAYMAKERS.

Jane and Mamma have been to see the HAY-MAKERS at work with their forks and rakes. The long grass that

was lately cut down by the scythe, and left to dry and wither in the sun, is now hay. The hay-makers turn it over, and rake it into little heaps, with great care. These little heaps are then made up into large piles or stacks, and laid over with thatch to keep out rain. When rain gets into a hay stack it heats, and if care be not taken it will go on fire. The hay-makers will soon be done with their work, and then they will have a merry dance.

EASY LESSONS.



THE CUCKOO.

This bird gets its name from its note or song "Cuckoo." It tells us of the return of fine and warm weather. But the cuckoo does not stay long with us. It is said to take flight and leave us at the sight of the first haystack that appears in the meadows.

EASY LESSONS.

Be kind and good to all, help the poor, pray for mama and papa, and all who know you will be sure to love you.



You are a good child if you are able to read all this little book, and can tell the names of all the pretty Pictures. Mama, will you buy me

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