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PREFACE.

THE experience of more than a quarter of a century in the school-room has only strengthened the belief, that the more a child is interested in any task, the faster he will learn.

Words may paint a scene, or an action, to the full conception of a matured mind; but a child needs the actual representation before his eyes to make a distinct, true, and vivid impression.

In this Primer, therefore, the aid of PICTURES has been called in, at every step, to illustrate fully the meaning of the entire text, as well as of individual words.

Thus, the child is, at the outset, taught, by objects set before his eye, to look for meaning in single words and thought in language; and just so far as he understands, he will be interested.

No time is here to be wasted in fruitless experiment on some *exploded* theory, boldly set forth as a *new* discovery. The book is merely and strictly as it purports to be,—*progressive*. The child is called upon to learn words of *two* or *three* letters first; then those of more than two or three. It thus accords with the other books of the Progressive Series already before the public.

Each *reading* exercise is followed by words arranged for a *spelling* lesson; and these, on the first few pages, are in *larger type*. Thus the pupil learns to spell more than six hundred words besides those in the reading lessons.

The *true* teacher, it is hoped, will recognise in this little book what has so long been sought for elsewhere in vain.

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I go. See me. I go so. See
me go so. do so. See me do so.

so, go, me, see, do.



See me. I am up. So is he up.
 See us. I am on it. He is on it.
 See me on it. See us on it. I
 am up on it. He may go on it.



We go up so.
 Let us go up.
 Go up as we do.
 Up we go. Do
 we go up so?
 We do. Do go
 up as we go.

is, it, on, may, he, let.



Here they go, as fast as the boys can skate. What a queer sled! But it is a very good one for the ice.

This is right, boys. Draw the girls on your sleds. You can not be too kind to them.

A boy is a man when he can put himself to please some one else.

sled

good

hill

face

sled

wood

mill

race



What a time for the dolls! One is in arms, and one in lap, and four sit up to eat.

Well, girls, you do have a way of your own for play in doors. And a good one it is, too.

Jane, do rock that doll. One thing can be said of dolls. They sit still, and do not cry.

flies	then	lime	tea
mies	when	time	sea



Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name. Thy
kingdom come. Thy will be done
on earth, as it is in heaven. Give
us this day our daily bread. And
forgive us our trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass against
us. And lead us not into tempta-
tion, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory, for ever and
ever. Amen.

