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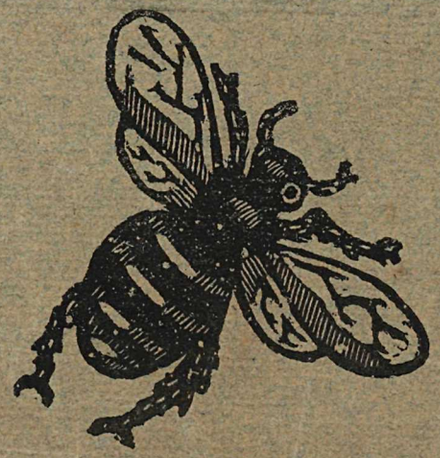

Humph!
your A B C
Chubbies
are all very
well,

But they
need n't
come here—
WE're
going to
ſpell.

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BLESS us all! OLD AUNT ELSPA again! What a funny old darling! We all took great pains to learn her **ABC.** and now ſhe tells us that letters are of no uſe except to make words, and that we muſt join the letters together, and then we'll be able to read the pretty ſtories in this book, after we've had a jolly little game at

SPELLING.

a·l·l - all.
b·a·l·l - ball.
C·r·a·w·l - Crawl.
d·r·a·w·l - drawl.

ALREADY you ſpell
Uncommonly well,
And you're certainly Prizes earning:
Very ſoon you'll all read,
And then, indeed,
You'll have laid the foundation of learning.

e·a·t ▪ eat.
f·e·e·t ▪ feet.
g·r·e·e·t ▪ greet.
h·e·a·t ▪ heat.

LITTLE Maidens and Men,
Let us try once again,
To hear you ſpell 's quite a pleaſure:
All feeling pray ſmother,
One's good as the other,
In learning you're juſt equal meaſure.

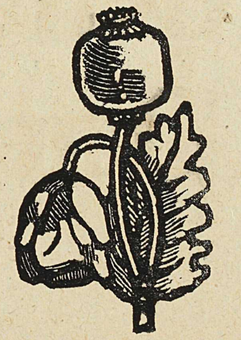
i·n·k - ink.

j·i·n·k - jink.

k·i·n·k - kink.

l·i·n·k - link.

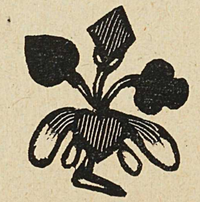
OF your Books take great care;
Of dogs' ears beware:
Never ſmear your copies with ink:
For often dogs' ears
Are apt to bring tears,
Which ſometimes get mixed with the ink.

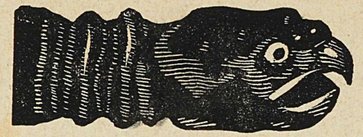


m·o·r·e ▪ more.
n·o·r ▪ nor.
o·a·r ▪ oar.
p·o·r·e ▪ pore.

"ALL work and no play"
The Proverb doth ſay,
"Makes JACK a dull boy," it is true:
P for Play—alſo Pore,
But at times each give o'er:
Turn about is much better for you.

q·u·i·c·k - quick.
r·i·c·k - rick.
s·t·i·c·k - stick.
t·r·i·c·k - trick.

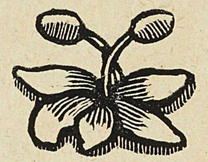




WITH pencil or quill
You'll very ſoon fill
A large ſheet of paper with ſcrawls :
Clean and tidy your books,
And ſuch charming pot-hooks,
Fit to decorate drawing-room walls.

U·s·e ▪ Use.
V·i·e·w·s ▪ Views.
W·h·o·s·e ▪ Whose.
THIS RHYME YOU'LL
X·c·u·s·e ▪ Xcuse.

WE are very near through—
Then "Little Boy Blue,"
And other good tales you can read:
Rhymes W and X
Poets ſorely perplex—
Try yourſelves—and we hope you'll ſucceed.



Y·o·u · You.
Z·o·o · Zoo.

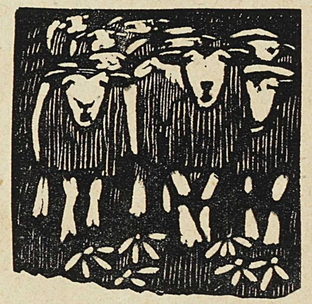
Our Leſſons are finiſhed, And well we've got through:

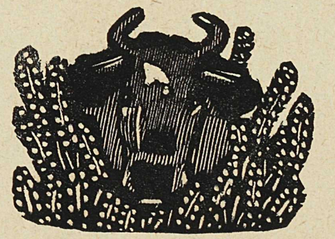
Now for ſome pretty ſtories,

First—

LITTLE BOY BLUE.

LITTLE Boy Blue, come blow your horn,
The Sheep's in the meadow, the Cow's in the corn:
Where's the little Boy that looks after the Sheep?
He's under a hay ſtack faſt aſleep.

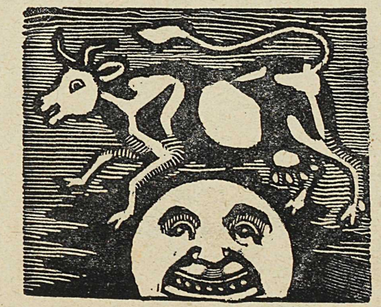




FIVE black Crows
Sat upon a tree,
Two flew away,
And then there were—
(How many did you ſay?)

The Cat's over-leaf.

HEY! diddle, diddle!
The Cat and the Fiddle,
The Cow jumped over
the Moon:
The little dog laugh'd
To ſee ſuch ſport,
And the diſh ran away with the ſpoon.



PUSSY Cat, Puſſy Cat,
Where have you been?
I've been to London
Seeing the Queen.
Puſſy Cat, Puſſy Cat,
What did you there?
I frightened a little Mouſe
under a Chair.

LITTLE Tommy Tucker
Sings for his ſupper,
What ſhall he have
But white bread and butter?
How can he cut it
Without a little knife?
How can he marry
Without a little wife?

"Tarry a while *faire Miſtreſſe* and *gentle Sir:* ſtep in and freely examine "without ſtinte ye quainte and curious bookes ſet forth below. Have ye "half-an-hour to ſpare, ye reading of them will pleaſure ye greatlie."

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