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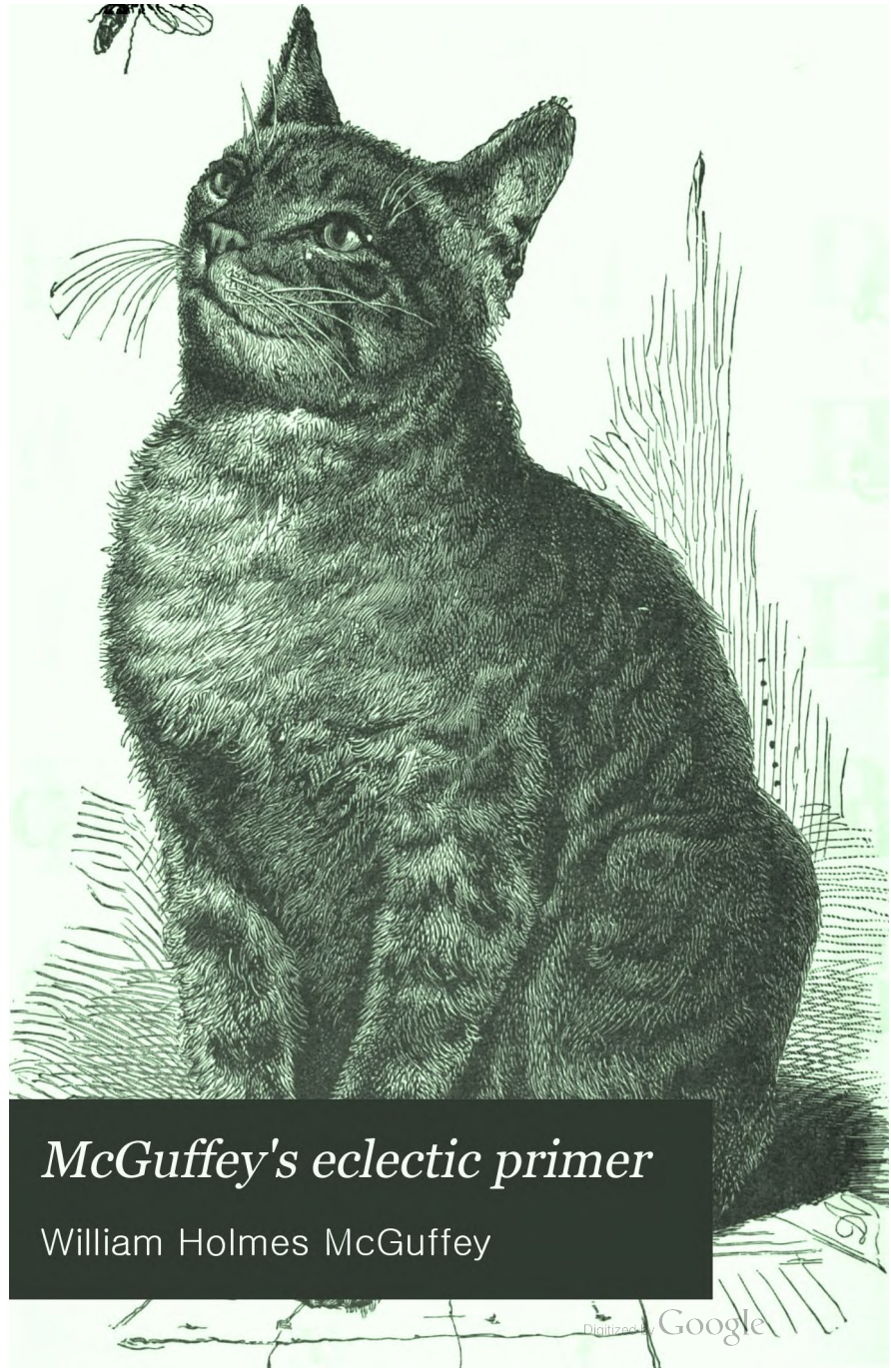
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PREFACE.

The flattering success of McGuffey's Revised Readers, and the inquiry for more primary reading matter to be used in the first year of school work, have induced the Publishers to prepare a REVISED PRIMER, which may be used to precede the First Reader of any well arranged series.

The method pursued is the same as that in McGuffey's Revised Readers, and the greatest possible care has been taken to insure a gradation suited to the youngest children. Only about six new words are to be mastered in each lesson. These new words and the new elementary sounds are always to be found in the vocabulary of the lesson in which they are first used.

The plan of the book enables the teacher to pursue the Phonic Method, the Word Method, the Alphabet Method, or any combination of these methods.

Illustrations of the best character have been freely supplied, and the skilled teacher will be able to use them to great advantage.

The script exercises throughout the book and the slate exercises at the close, have been specially written and carefully engraved for this Primer; they may be used to teach the reading of script, and as exercises in learning to write.

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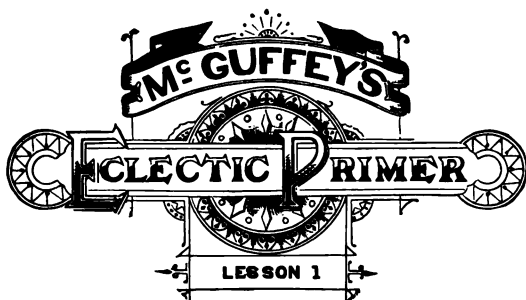
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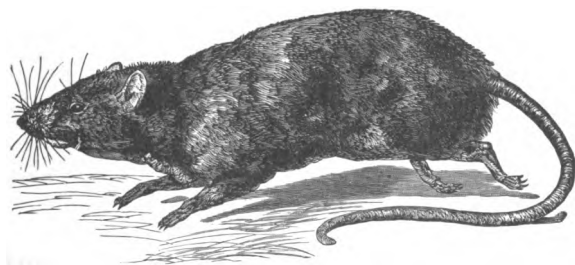
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A cat

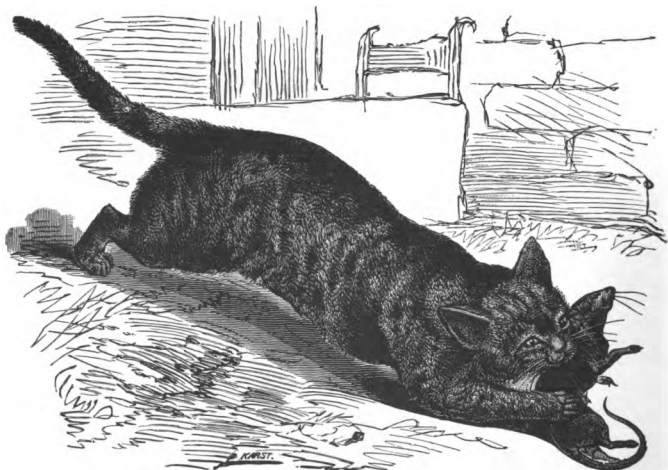
A rat

A cat and a rat.

A rat and a cat.

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LESSON II.



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The cat the rat

The cat has a rat.

The rat ran at Ann.

Ann has a cat.

The cat ran at the rat.

LESSON III.

Năt hăt făn eăn
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a fan

a hat

Ann and Nat.

Ann has a fan.

Nat has a hat.

Ann can fan Nat.

LESSON IV.

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a cap the lad

A man and a lad.
The man sat; the lad ran.
The man has a hat.
The lad has a cap.

LESSON V.—REVIEW.

The cat and the rat ran.

Ann sat, and Nat ran.

A rat ran at Nat.

Can Ann fan the lad?

The man and the lad.

The man has a cap.

The lad has a fan.

Has Ann a hat?

Ann has a hat and a fan.

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The cat ran. Ann ran.

The man has a hat.

LESSON VI.



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Nat's cap

a fat dog

Has the lad a dog?

The lad has a fat dog.

The dog has Nat's cap.

Nat and Rab ran.

Rab ran at a cat.

LESSON VII.

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a log

the frog

See the frog on a log.

Rab sees the frog.

Can the frog see Rab?

The frog can see the dog.

Rab ran at the frog.

LESSON VIII.



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a mat

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See the lamp! It is on a mat.

The mat is on the stand.

The lamp is Nat's, and the mat
is Ann's.

LESSON IX.

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See the nag ! It is Tom's nag.

Can Tom catch his nag ?

He can not catch him.

The dog ran at the nag, and the
nag ran.

LESSON X.—REVIEW.

Tom's nag is fat; his dog is not
fat. Nat is on Tom's nag.

Nat's dog, Rab, can not catch
the rat.

See the frog on the log.

A lad sees the frog.

The lad can not catch it.

A cat is on the mat; the cat
sees a rat.

Ann's fan is on the stand.

The man has a lamp.

A dog ran at the man.

Ann sat on a log.

Tom sees Nat's dog.

A fat frog is on the log.

Can not Rab catch it?

LESSON XI

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 the box a nest

This is a fat hen. The hen
 has a nest in the box.
 She has eggs in the nest.
 A cat sees the nest, and can
 get the eggs.

LESSON XII.



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Can this old fox catch the hen?
 The fox can catch the hen, and
 get the eggs in the nest.
 Run, Rab, and catch the fox.

This nest has eggs in it.

LESSON XIII.

pōnd dūcks thēm fēed

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Nell is by the pond.

I see ducks on the pond.

Nell sees the ducks, and will
feed them.

She can not get the ducks.

LESSON XIV.



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blind Mā'rŷ

hānd kind

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This old man can not see.
He is blind.

Mary holds him by the hand.
She is kind to the old blind
man.

LESSON XV.—REVIEW.

I see ducks on the pond; Tom
will feed them.

Tom is blind; he holds a box
in his hand.

Nell is kind to him.

This old hen has a nest.

Mary will run and get the
eggs.

LESSON XVI.

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Sue has a doll.

It has a new dress.

She will let Ann hold the doll in her hands, and Ann will fan it.

Sue is kind to Ann.

LESSON XVII.

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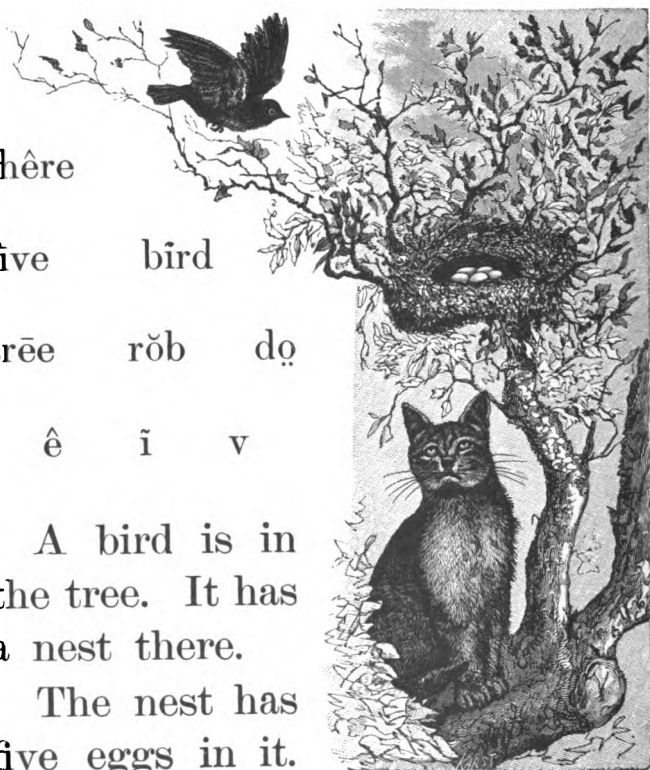
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A bird is in
the tree. It has
a nest there.

The nest has
five eggs in it.



Do not rob the nest.

Will the bird let the cat get
her five eggs?

LESSON XVIII.

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This is a pet bird.

It lives in a new cage.

It will stand on Sue's hand,
and sing.

Sue loves her pet bird.

So do I love it.

LESSON XIX.

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Do you see the boys at play?
 Yes, I see them; there are five
 of them.

Tom is too fat to run fast.
 Nat can catch him.

I like to see boys play.

LESSON XX.—REVIEW.

Sue has a doll and a pet bird.
Her doll has a new dress and
a cap.

Sue loves Mary, and will let her
hold the doll.

The pet bird lives in a cage.
Sue and Mary will stand by the
cage, and the bird will sing.

There are birds in the tree by
the pond. Can you see them?

Yes; there are five of them in
a nest.

Tom will not rob a bird's nest.
He is too kind to do so.

Nell will feed the ducks.
Sue has a new dress.

LESSON XXI.

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What bird is this?

It is an owl.

What big eyes it has!

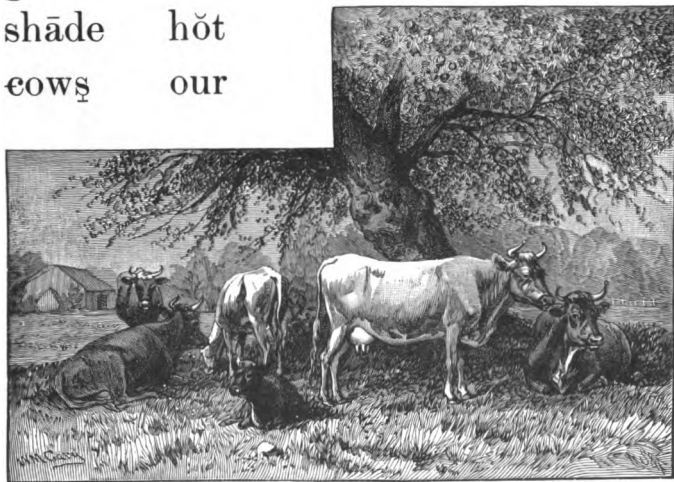
Yes, but it can not see well by day.

The owl can see best at night.

Nat Pond has a pet owl.

LESSON XXII.

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The day is hot.

The cows are in the shade of
the big tree.

They feed on the new grass.

Our cows do not run off.

At night they come to the
barn.

LESSON XXIII.

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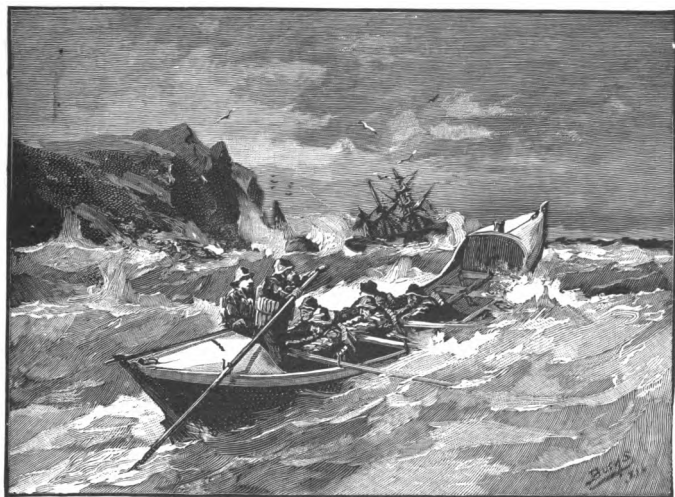
The cows are on their way to the barn.

One old cow has a bell on her neck. She sees our dog, but she will not run.

Our dog is kind to the cows.

LESSON XXIV.

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The ship has run on a rock.

Five men are on the ship.

If the boat can not get to them, they will drown.

The boat has brave men in it.

They will save the five men.

LESSON XXV.—REVIEW.

Come, boys, and feed the cows.
The sun has set, and they are
at the barn.

Sue has a bell on the neck of
her pet cat.

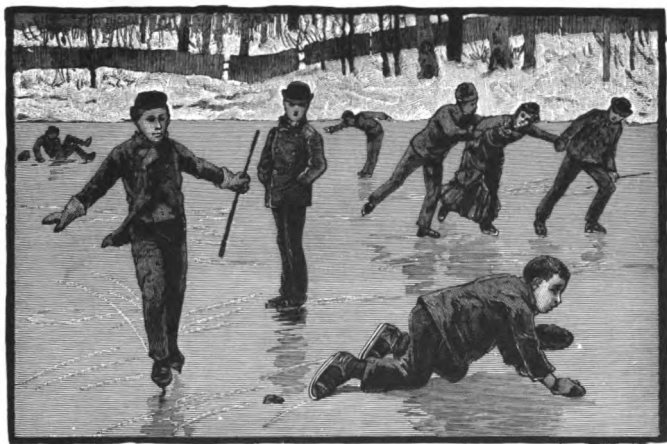
One hot day Ann and Nell sat
on the grass in the shade of a
big tree. They like to rock their
dolls, and sing to them.

The brave men in our boat
are on their way to the ship.
They will save the men in the
ship, if they can. They will not
let them drown.

What bird has big eyes? The
owl. Can an owl see at night?
Yes, an owl can see best at
night.

LESSON XXVI.

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The boys are on the ice with their skates.

There is a stone on the ice. One boy did not see it, and has had a fall.

But he is a brave boy, and will not cry.

