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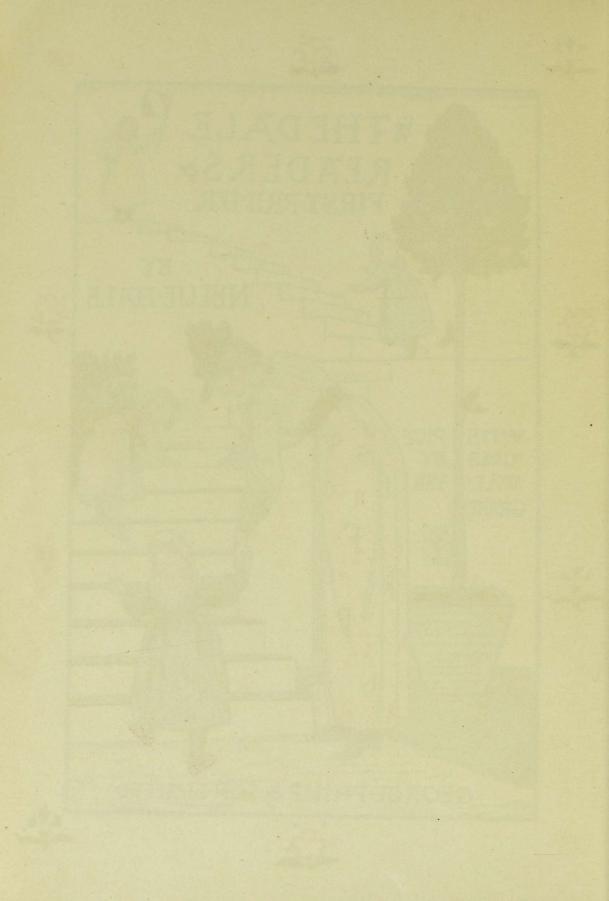




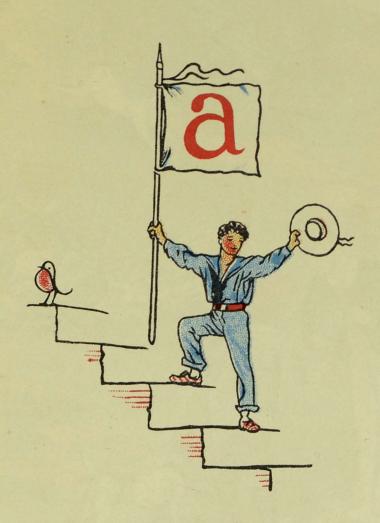




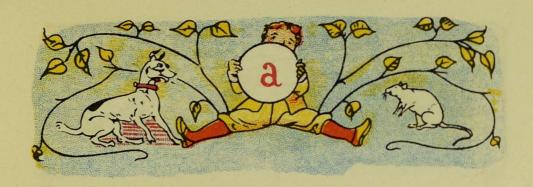




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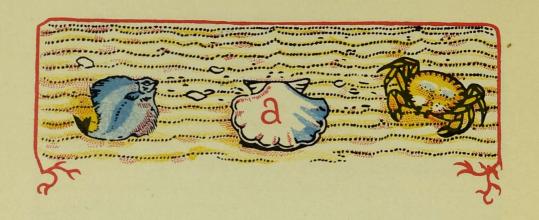


1. cap sap trap nap snap strap

Pat got his cap and ran up the hill with his dog Snap.

Pat sat on a log to mend his whip. Snap had a nap on his lap.

When Pat gets back, Dan will tell him that Tom has sent him a pet rat.



## 2. dab cab crab

Dan and Pat sat in a cab. Pat had his cap on his lap. Dan had a crab in his bag. Dan and Pat had a nap. The crab got in Pat's cap.





# 3. Pat rat flat bat hat chat

Nan has a cat. It sat in that hat and had a nap.

Pat ran in with his pet rat in his hand.

The rat is fat.

Pat had a chat with Nan and then ran to get his bat. And Nan put the rat to bed. 4. pad lad had bad sad glad

That lad is Jack. Nan is with him. Jack has a bad cut on his hand. This is sad!

Nan will strap it up. Jack is glad that Nan can help him.





5. pack sack Jack

stack black quack

Jack can pack the black and red caps in that sack.

Pat ran with the sack on his back.



Dan sat on a stack with Snap.

Dan had on his best black hat.

Pat got Dan a red cap from the sack and ran to the stack with it.

A duck got in the sack.

Quack, quack, quack!





a shop and got Jack a flag. Jack ran up the crag with his flag and sat with Dan.

Dan had a bag of buns.
Will that stag get a bun from him?

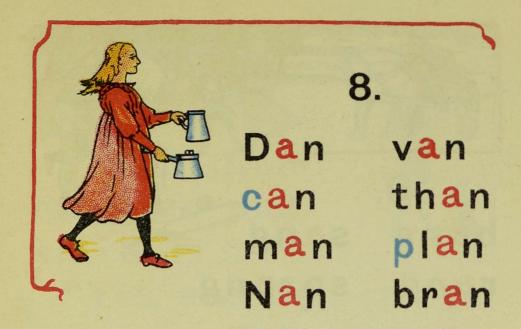


## 7. ram Sam jam

Sam fed the ram and ran in to lunch with Dan.

Dan will help Sam to ham. Dan has a pot of jam on that shelf.

When Sam has had his ham, Dan will get the jam and will let him help himself to it.



That man has a van full of pans and cans.

"Run Nan and get a red pan and a tin can from him."

The man will tell Nan to bring him a shilling. Nan will run back to get it. Dan will fill the pan with bran.



Jack had a bang on his leg from a cricket bat.

Dan ran to help him. Jack had to hop back on his left leg. Pat got him a leg-rest, and Nan sang to him.

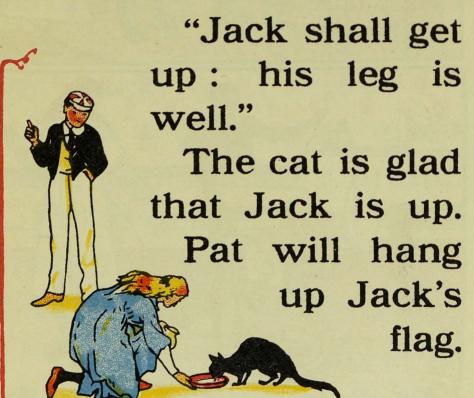
Tom sprang from his gig and rang the bell. Jack had a chat with Tom.

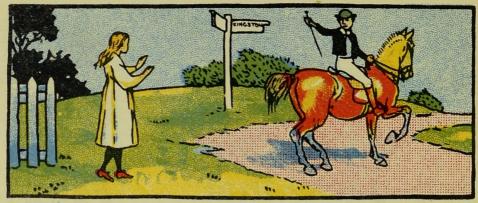
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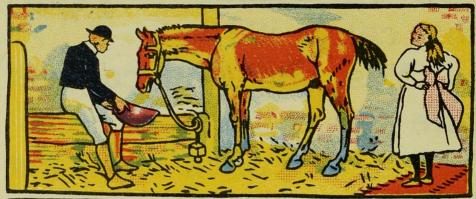
"Shall Dan tell Jack that his cat is ill?"



"Yes, and Nan can get the cat milk."









11.

ash sash crash cash hash smash mash flash splash

Dan went on his nag to Kingston to get Nan a pink sash. Dobbin had a bran mash when Dan got back.

Nan put on the pink sash and felt very grand.

Pat is getting Dan hash from the pot. Crash! Pat has let the hash drop! Did it splash that pink sash? Yes; just a spot went on to it.



Run Nan and bring that cash-box!

The dog tax is in it.

12.

Snap! Snap! That man Max must get the tax from Pat. Max will put it into his pocket and then get into his cab.

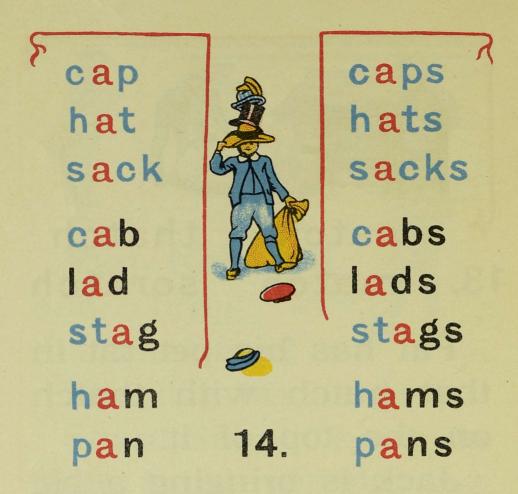
Nan had flax in that pot on the sill. Snap bit the flax and Nan felt very sad.



Pat has his pet rat in that hutch with thatch on the top of it.

Jack is bringing a big box. Pat will lift up the latch of the hutch and let the rat run into this box. Then Jack will help him to catch it.

Will the rat scratch? It will not scratch Pat.



Tell Pat to bring in the caps and hats.

The lads, Jack and Dan, can help him.

Then Jack can run to the shop and beg them to send six hams.



damp tramp
15. camp stamp
lamp cramp

It is damp in the camp. Jack must tramp from the camp with Pat. But Jack has cramp! Dan met them and sprang from his nag and let Jack get on

him.

Dobbin champs his bit and stamps as Pat helps Jack to get up.

Dan pats Dobbin and begs him to stand still.

The sun has set and the fog is thick. It is sad that Jack has left his lamp in the tent!

Will Dan and Pat slip into a bog?

But Dan had his lamp with him and lit it with a match that Pat had in his match-box.



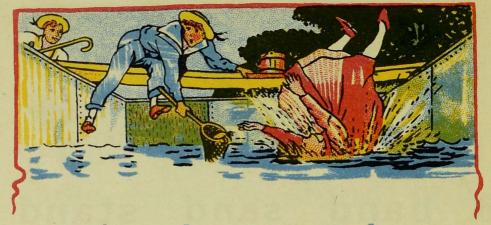
16. band sand stand

Jack and Pat can dig in the sand.

Jack has a crab in his hand, and Pat has six in his bucket.

"The band is in the grand stand! Let us run, Jack. That big drum is splendid."

The man with the drum let Jack and Pat sit next to him.



bank sank
17. tank plank
thank Frank

"That tank on the bank has the crabs in it that Pat got on the sands. Nan, let us get a net and catch them."

"Yes, Jack. The net is in the box and the bucket is on the hat-stand."

Nan and Jack went up the bank and sat on a plank.

Just as Jack had the biggest crab in the net, Nan fell in.

Splash! Splash!

"Help! Help! Nan is in the tank!"

Frank ran with a stick and got Nan from the tank.

Jack ran back and got a cup of hot milk.

Nan drank this and did not get a chill.



wash wasp
18. watch swan
want swamp

### what

Lily and Dan went to the swamp to pick flags to put in Daddy's jug in the study.





bunch but Dan was watching a wasp. It kept flitting from the swamp to the bank.

What can it want in that bank?

Dan thinks its nest is in it and runs up to it.

But the nest is at the very end of a long tunnel, and, unless an elf with a magic wand helps him to shrink, Dan cannot get in.

