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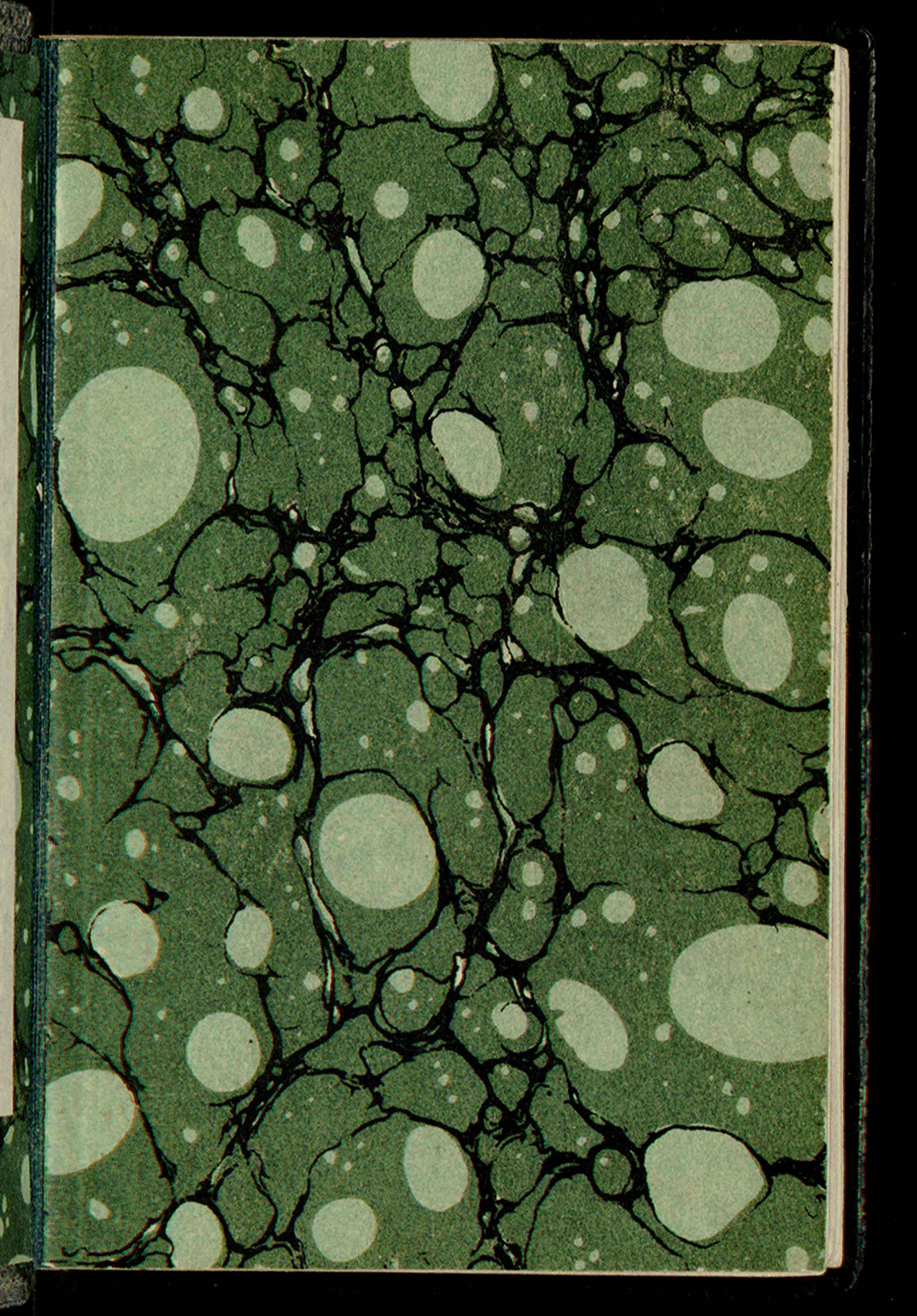


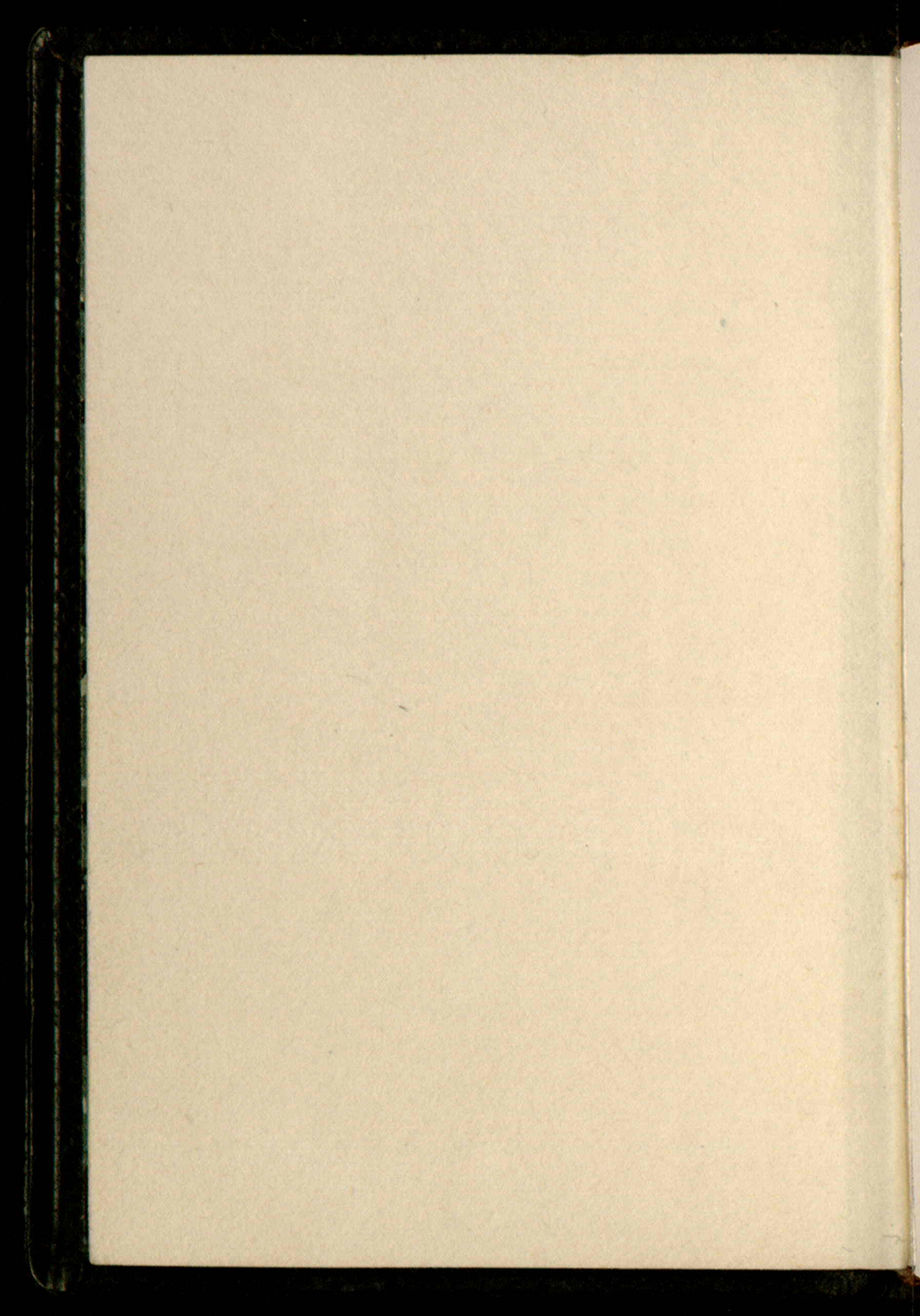
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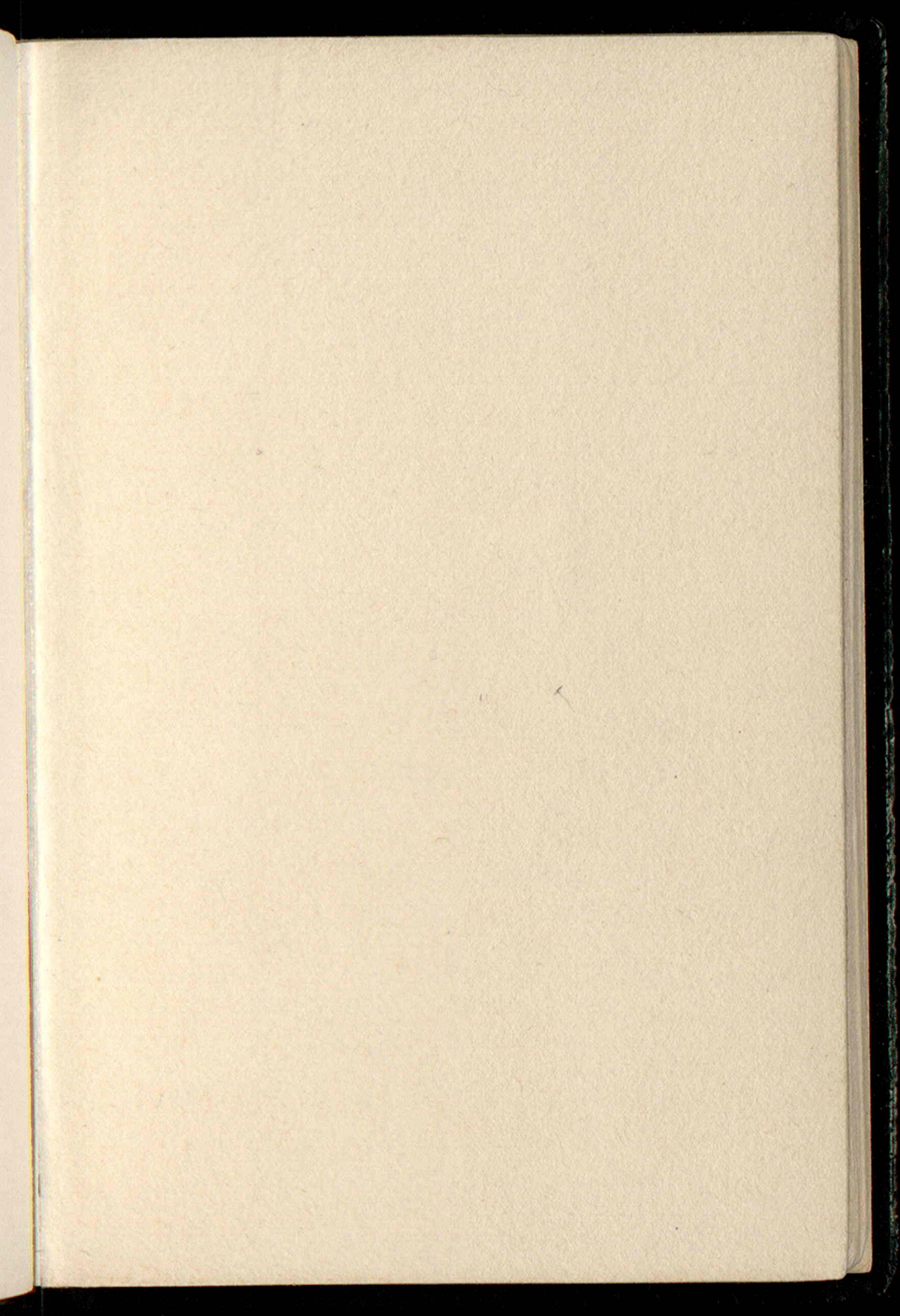
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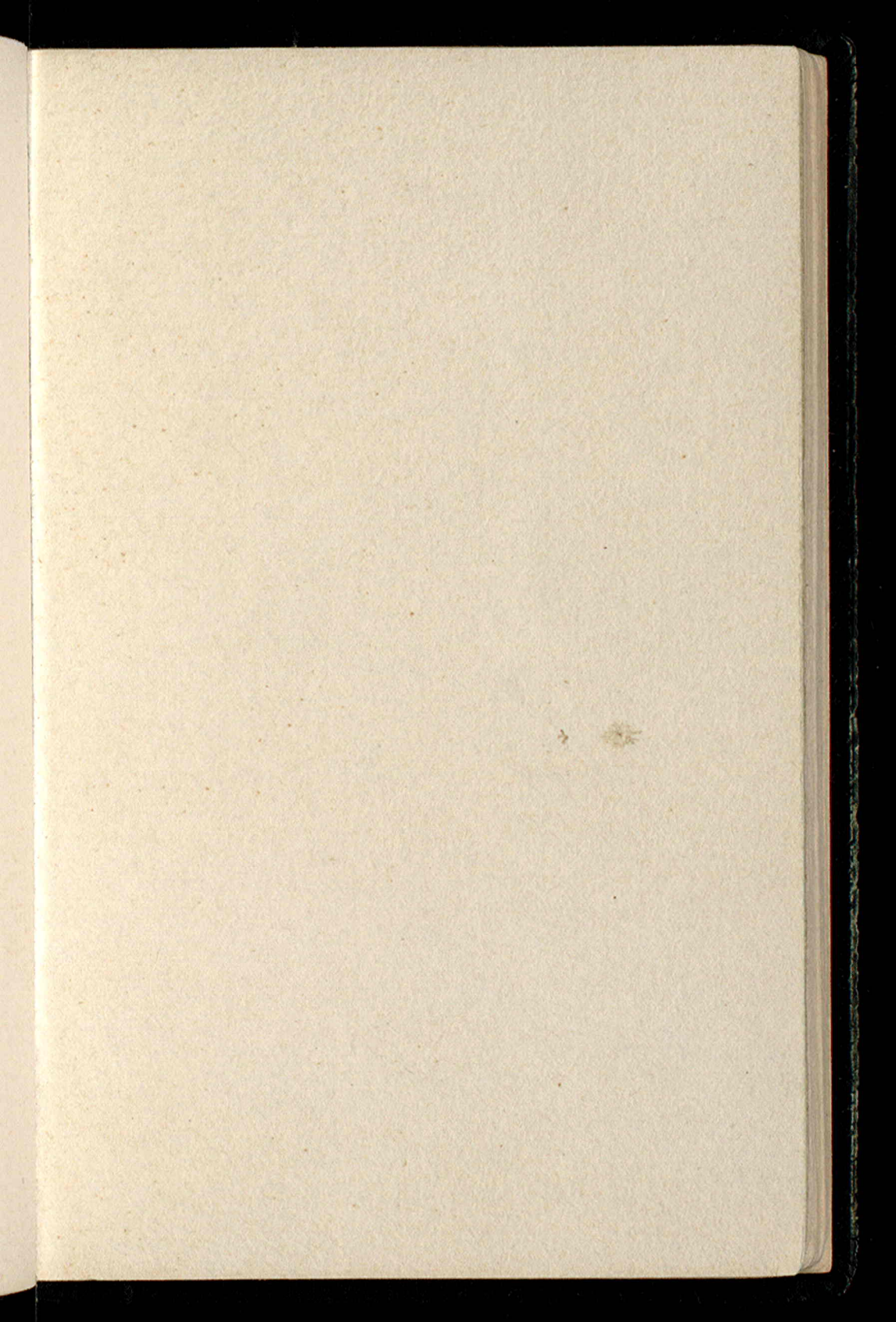
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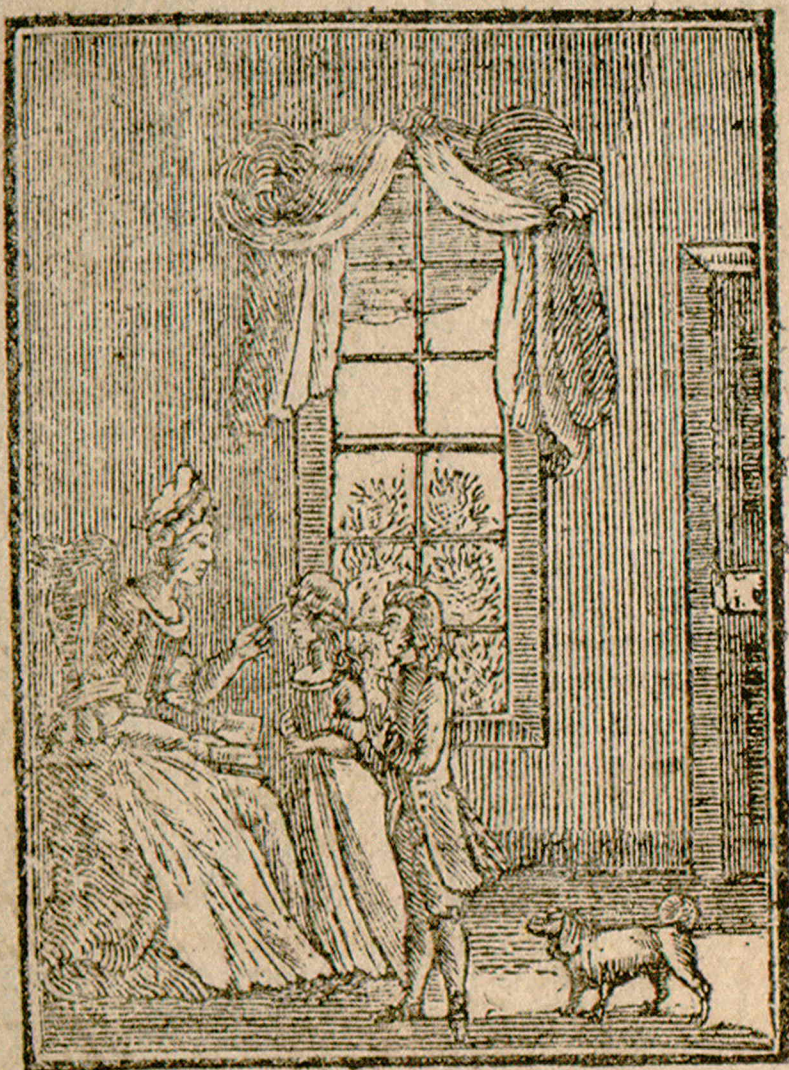












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A LITTLE PRETTY
POCKET-BOOK,
INTENDED FOR THE
INSTRUCTION and AMUSEMENT
OF
LITTLE MASTER TOMMY,
AND
PRETTY MISS POLLY.

With Two LETTERS from
JACK the GIANT-KILLER;

AS ALSO
A BALL and PINCUSHION;
The Use of which will infallibly make TOMMY
a good Boy, and POLLY a good Girl.

To which is added,

A LITTLE SONG-BOOK,

BEING

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the Use of the English Alphabet, by Way
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IN THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
THIS LITTLE
POCKET-BOOK
IS ESSENTIALLY
BY
THEIR MOST Eminent SERVANT
THE EDITOR



A LITTLE PRETTY
POCKET-BOOK, &c.

THE grand Design in the Nurture of Children, is to make them *Strong, Hardy, Healthy, Virtuous, Wise, and Happy*; and these good Purposes are not to be obtained without some Care and Management in their Infancy.

Would you have your Child *Strong*, take Care of your Nurse, let her be a prudent Woman, one that will give him what Meat and Drink is necessary, and such only as affords a good Nutri-
ment, not salt Meat, rich tarts, Sauces,

Wine, &c. a Practice too common amongst some indulgent People. She must also let the Child have due Exercise; for it is this that gives Life and Spirits, circulates the Blood, strengthens the Sinews, and keeps the whole Machinery in Order.

Would you have a *Hardy* Child, give him common Diet only, clothe him thin, let him have good Exercise, and be as much exposed to Hardships as his natural Constitution will admit. The Face of a Child, when it comes into the world (says the great Mr. *Locke*) is as tender and susceptible of Injuries as any other part of the Body; yet, by being always exposed, it becomes Proof against the severest Season and the most inclement Weather; even at a Time when the Body (though wrapped in Flannels) is pierced with Cold. It is beside my Purpose to give a physical Reason for

this ; nor indeed will the Brevity of my Design admit of it. It is a Fact sufficiently known, what every Man must be sensible of, and therefore can need no Demonstration.

Would you have a *Healthy* Son, observe the Directions already laid down with regard to Diet and Exercise, and keep him, as much as possible, from Physick ; for Physick is to the Body, as Arms to the State ; both are necessary, but neither to be used but in Cases of Emergency and Danger.

Would you have a *Virtuous* Son, instill into him the Principles of Morality early, and encourage him in the Practice of those excellent Rules, by which whole Societies, States, Kingdoms, and Empires are knit together. Take heed what Company you intrust him with, and be always sure you set him a good Example yourself.

Would you have a *Wise* Son, teach him to reason early. Let him read, and make him understand what he reads. No Sentence should be passed over without a strict Examination of the Truth of it; and though this may be thought hard at first, and seem to retard the Boy in his Progress, yet, a little Practice will make it familiar, and a Method of Reasoning will be acquired, which will be of Use to him all his Life after. Let him study Mankind; shew him the Springs and Hinges on which they move; teach him to draw Consequences from the Actions of others; and if he should hesitate or mistake, you are to set him right: But then take Care to do it in such a Manner, as to forward his Enquiries, and pave this his grand Pursuit with Pleasure. Was this Method of Reasoning put more in Practice by Tutors, Parents, &c. we should not see

so many dismal Objects in the World, for People would learn by the Misfortunes of others to avert their own.

I doubt not but every Parent, every Father and Mother, would gladly contribute what they could towards the Happiness of their Children; and yet it is surprising to see how blind they are, and how wide they mistake the Mark. What the indulgent Parent generally proposes for the Happiness of his Child, is a good Fortune to bear him up under the Calamities of Life; but daily Experience tells us, this is insufficient. Happiness and Misery have their Source from the Passions: If in the Midst of the greatest Affluence, we are always repining, and think ourselves poor and miserable, we are so; and the Beggar in the Straw, who is content, and thinks he has sufficient, is rich and happy. The whole Matter subsists in the Mind, and the

Constitution : Subdue therefore your Children's Passions ; curb their Tempers, and make them subservient to the Rules of Reason. And this is not to be done by chiding, whipping, or severe Treatment, but by Reasoning and mild Discipline. Were I to see my Son too much ruffled and discomposed, I should take him aside, and point out to him the Evils that attend passionate Men ; tell him, that my Love for him would make me overlook many Faults, but that this was of so heinous a Nature, that I could not bear the Sight of him while he continued so wicked ; that he should not see his Mother, nor any of his Playmates, until he had sufficiently repented of that Crime : Upon which, I would immediately order him (in a very calm Manner) to be shut up from any Company for five or six Hours, and then, upon his Confession of the

Fault, asking Pardon for his Offence, and promising Amendment for the future I would forgive him. This Method, regularly pursued, would soon break his Passion of Resentment, and subdue it to Reason. The next prudent Step to be taken, is to check his inordinate craving and desiring almost every Thing he sees; and this, I think, might be as easily effected as the other; for, in the first Place, I would lay down this as a Maxim with him, that he should never have any Thing he cried for; and therefore, if he was willing to obtain any Favour, he must come with some reasonable Request, and withdraw without the Appearance of any Uneasiness in Case of a Disappointment.

Some over-fond People will think these are harsh Precepts. What, say they, are Children never to be obliged? answer, Yes, I would have them

obliged and pleased, but not humoured
and spoiled. They should have what
they asked for in a proper Manner;
but then they should wait my Time,
without seeming over solicitous, or cry-
ing after it. I would make them exer-
cise their Patience, that they might
know the Use of it, when the Cares of
the World came on. And therefore,
I say again, Children should never
have any Thing they cried for; no,
not on any Consideration whatsoever.

*Children, like tender Officers, take the Bow,
And as they first are fashion'd, always grow.*
DRYDEN.

*'Tis Education forms the tender Mind;
Just as the Twig is bent, the Tree's in-
clin'd.* POPE.



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L E T T E R

F R O M

JACK THE GIANT-KILLER,

T O

LITTLE MASTER TOMMY.

My dear Tommy,

YOUR Nurse called upon me To-day, and told me that you was a good Boy; that you was dutiful to your Father and Mother, and that, when you have said your Prayers in the Morning and the Evening, you asked their Blessing, and in the Day-

time did every Thing they bid you. She says, you are obedient to your Master, loving and kind to your Play-fellows, obliging to every Body ; that you rise early in the Morning, keep yourself clean, and learn your Book ; that when you have done a Fault you confess it, and are sorry for it. And though you are sometimes naughty, she says you are very honest and good-humoured ; that you do not swear, tell Lies, nor say indecent Words, and are always thankful when any Body gives you good Advice ; that you never quarrel, nor do wicked Things, as some other Boys do.

This Character, my Dear, has made every Body love you ; and, while you continue so good, you may depend on my obliging you with every Thing I can. I have here sent you a *Little Pretty Pocket-Book*, which will teach you to play at all those innocent Games

that good Boys and Girls divert themselves with : And, while you behave so well, you shall never want Play, I assure you. But my dear *Tommy*, in order that you may be as good as possible, I have also sent you a *Ball*, the one Side of which is *Red*, the other *Black*, and with it *ten Pins* ; and I must insist upon making this Bargain, that your Nurse may hang up the *Ball* by the String to it, and for every good Action you do, a *Pin* shall be stuck on the *Red Side*, and for every bad Action a *Pin* shall be stuck on the *Black Side*. And when by doing good and pretty Things you have got all the *ten Pins* on the *Red Side*, then I will send you a *Penny*, and so I will as often as all the *Pins* shall be fairly got on that Side. But if ever the *Pins* be all found on the *Black Side* of the *Ball*, then I will send a *Rod*, and you shall

be whipt, as often as they are found there. But this my Dear, I hope you will prevent by continuing a good Boy, that every Body may still love you, as well as

Your Friend,

JACK *the* GIANT-KILLER.

P. S. When you are tired with playing, I have added, for your further Amusement, a Collection of pretty Songs, which your Nurse will take Care to teach you; and I must insist on your getting them perfectly, because the Knowledge of these Songs will recommend you to the Favour of all the Gentlemen and Ladies of *America* who sing in that Manner.



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L E T T E R
F R O M
JACK THE GIANT-KILLER,
T O
PRETTY MISS POLLY.

Dear Miss Polly,

YOUR Nurse called upon me To-day, and told me that you was a good Girl; that you was dutiful to your Father and Mother, and that, when you have said your Prayers in the Morning and the Evening, you

asked their Blessing, and in the Day-time did every Thing they bid you. She says, you are obedient to your Mistress, loving and kind to your Play-fellows, and obliging to every Body ; that you rise early in the Morning, keep yourself clean, and learn your Book ; that when you have done a Fault you confess it, and are sorry for it. And though you are sometimes naughty, she says you are very honest and good-humoured ; that you do not tell Lies, nor say indecent Words and are always thankful when any Body gives you good Advice ; that you never quarrel, nor do wicked Things, as some other Girls do.

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ADVERTISEMENT.

A worthy and learned Gentleman, whose Presence I am at this Time honoured with, intimates, that it would not be amiss for some Gentlemen to keep a *Ball* contrived in this Manner, and some Ladies a *Pincushion*, by Way of Diary, especially if they are often apt to forget themselves.





CHUCK-FARTHING.

AS you value your Pence,
At the *Hole* take your Aim;
Chuck all safely in,
And you'll win the Game.

M O R A L.

Chuck-Farthing, like Trade,
Requires great Care;
The more you observe,
The better you'll fare.

*Flying the KITE*

UPHELD in Air, the gaudy Kite,
High as an Eagle takes her Flight;
But if the Winds their Breath restrain,
She tumbles headlong down again.

RULE of LIFE.

Soon as thou see'st the Dawn of Day,
To God thy Adoration pay.



Dancing round the MAY-POLE.

WITH Garlands here the May-
 Pole crown'd,
 And all the Swains a dancing round,
 Compose a num'rous jovial Ring,
 To welcome in the cheerful Spring.

RULE of LIFE.

Leave God to manage, and to grant
 That which his Wisdom sees thee want.



MARBLER.

KNUCKLE down to your *Taw*,
 Aim well, shoot away :
 Keep out of the *Ring*,
 And you'll soon learn to play.

MORAL.

Time rolls like a *Marble*,
 And awes ev'ry State :
 Then improve each Moment,
 Before 'tis too late.

HOOP *and* HIDE.

GO hide out, and hoop,
 Whilst I go to sleep :
 If you I can't find,
 My Post I must keep.

MORAL.

With Carefulness watch
 Each Moment that flies,
 To keep Peace at Home,
 And ward off Surprize.



THREAD *the* NEEDLE.

HERE Hand in Hand the Boys
unite,
And form a very pleasing Sight;
Then thro' each other's Arms they fly,
As Thread does thro' the Needle's Eye.

RULE *of* LIFE.

Talk not too much ; sit down content,
That your Discourse be pertinent.



FISHING.

THE artful Angler baits his Hook,
And throws it gently in the
Brook ;
Which the Fish view with greedy Eyes,
And soon are taken by Surprise.

RULE of LIFE.

Learn well the Motions of the Mind ;
Why you are made, for what design'd,



BLINDMAN'S BUFF.

BEREFT of all Light,
I stumble along ;
But, if I catch you,
My Doom is your own.

M O R A L.

How blind is that Man,
Who scorns the Advice
Of Friends, who intend
To make him more wise.

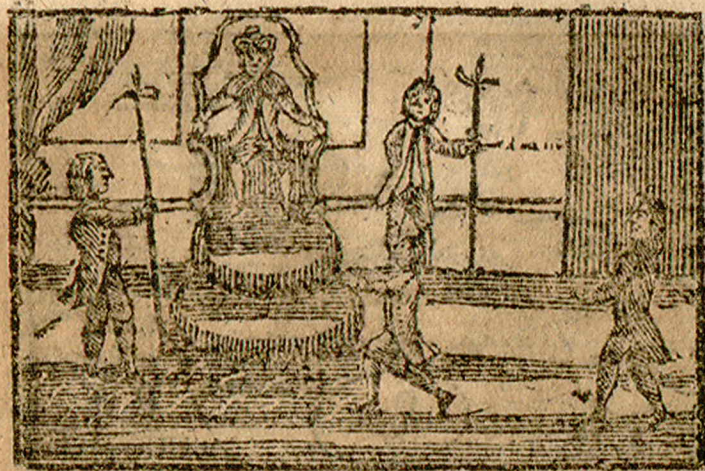


SHUTTLE-COCK.

THE Shuttle-Cock struck
Does backward rebound ;
But, if it be miss'd,
It falls to the Ground.

M O R A L.

Thus chequer'd in Life,
As Fortune does flow ;
Her Smiles lift us high,
Her Frowns sink us low.



KING I AM.

AMBITION here fires every
Heart,
And all assume the Monarch's Part,
For a few Minutes, though in Play,
Each rules with arbitrary Sway.

RULE of LIFE.

Descend into thyself, to find
The Imperfections of thy Mind.

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PEG-FARTHING.

SOON as the Ring is once compos'd,
The Coin is in the Centre clos'd ;
And then the wish'd-for Prize to win,
The Top that drives it out must spin.

RULE of LIFE.

Be silent if you doubt your Sense,
And always speak with Diffidence.



KNOCK OUT *and* SPAN.

STRIKE out your Man strong;
For the very next one
Will bear off the Prize,
If you come to a *Span*.

M O R A L.

This *Span*, my dear Boy,
Shou'd your Monitor be;
'Tis the Length of a Life,
As we oftentimes see.



HOP, STEP, and JUMP.

HOP short and *Step* safe,
 To make your *Jump* long ;
 'This Art oft has beat
 Th' Efforts of the strong.

M O R A L.

This old Maxim take,
 T' embellish your Book :
 Think well ere you talk,
 And, ere you leap, look.



Boys and Girls come out to Play.

AFTER a sultry Summer's Day,
When the Moon shines, and
Stars are gay ;
The Nymphs and Swains well pleas'd
advance,
And spend the Ev'ning in a Dance.

RULE of LIFE.

Reflect To-day upon the Last,
And freely own thy Errours past.



I sent a LETTER to my LOVE.

THE Lads and Lasses here are seen,
 All gaily tripping o'er the Green;
 But one among them, to her Cost,
 The Treasure of her Heart has lost.

RULE of LIFE.

If prosperous, of Pride beware:
 Changes of Fortune frequent are.



PITCH *and* HUSSEL.

POISE your Hand fairly,
And pitch plum your Slat ;
Then shake for all Heads,
And turn down the Hat.

M O R A L.

How fickle's this Game !
So Fortune or Fate
Decrees our Repentance,
When oft 'tis too late.



CRICKET.

THIS Lesson observe,
 When you play at *Cricket*,
 Catch *All* fairly out,
 Or bowl down the *Wicket*.

M O R A L.

This Maxim regard,
 Now you're in your Prime ;
 Look ere 'tis too late ;
 By the Forelock take Time,



STOOL-BALL.

THE *Ball* once struck with Art and
Care,
And drove impetuous through the Air
Swift round his Course the *Gamester*
flies,
Or his *Stool's* taken by Surprise.

RULE of LIFE.

Bestow your Alms whene'er you see
An Object in Necessity.



SWIMMING.

WHEN the Sun's Beams have
warm'd the Air,
Our Youth to some cool Brook repair;
In whose refreshing Streams they play,
To the last Remnant of the Day.

RULE of LIFE.

Think ere you speak ; for Words once
flown,
Once utter'd, are no more your own.



BASE-BALL.

THE *Ball* once struck off,
 Away flies the *Boy*
 To the next destin'd Post,
 And then Home with Joy.

MORAL.

Thus Seamen, for *Lucre*
 Fly over the *Main*,
 But, with *Pleasure* transported
 Return back again.

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TRAP-BALL.

TOUCH lightly the *Trap*,
And strike low the *Ball*;
Let none catch you out,
And you'll beat them all.

MORAL.

Learn hence, my dear Boy,
To avoid ev'ry Snare,
Contriv'd to involve you
In Sorrow and Care.



TIP-CAT.

THE Gamester here his Art displays,
And drives the Cat a thousand
Ways,
For should he miss, when once 'tis tofs'd
He's out—and all his Sport is lost.

RULE of LIFE.

Debates and Quarrels always shun ;
No one by Peace was e'er undone.



FIVES.

WITH what great Force the little
Ball
Rebounds, when struck against the
Wall;

See how intent each Gamester stands;
Mark well his Eyes, his Feet, his Hands!

RULE of LIFE.

Know this (which is enough to know)
Virtue is Happiness below,



LEAP-FROG.

THIS stoops down his Head,
 Whilst that springs up High ;
 But then you will find,
 He'll stoop by and by.

M O R A L.

Just so 'tis at Court ;
 To-day you're in Place ;
 To-morrow perhaps,
 You're quite in Disgrace.



BIRDS-NESTING.

HERE two naughty Boys,
 Hard-hearted in Jest,
 Deprive a poor Bird
 Of her young and her Nest.

M O R A L.

Thus Men, out of Joke,
 (Be't spoke to their Shame)
 Too often make free
 With another's good Name.



TRAIN-BANDING.

THE Serjeant Hero here appears,
Strutting before his Grenadiers;
And leads his mighty valiant Men,
First up the Hill, then down again.

RULE of LIFE.

Judge not between two Friends, but see
If you can bring them to agree.

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50 The great O Play.



All the BIRDS in the AIR.

HERE various Boys stand round,
and soon,
Each does some favourite Bird assume;
And if the *Slave* once hits his Name,
He's then made free and crowns the
Game.

RULE of LIFE.

Live well, and then die soon or late,
For ever happy is your State.



HOP-HAT.

O'ER this *Hat*, and that,
Boys hop to the last ;
Which once in their Mouths,
Behind them is cast.

M O R A L.

Thus Men often struggle,
Some Bliss to obtain ;
Which, once in their Pow'r,
They treat with Disdain.

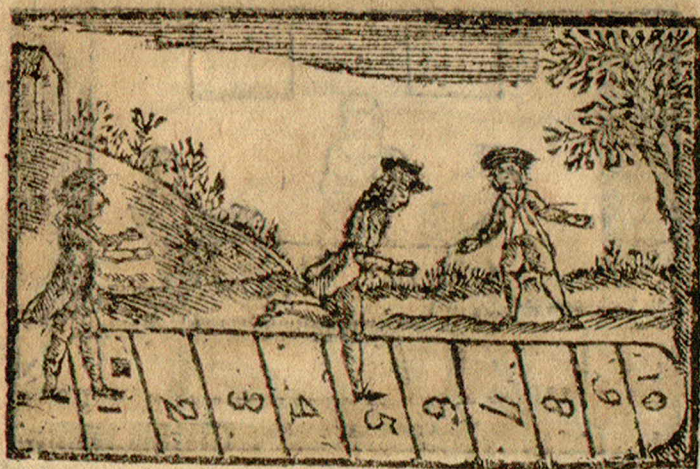


SHOOTING.

THO' some *Birds*, too heedless,
Dread no Danger nigh ;
Yet still by the *Fowlers*
They instantly die.

M O R A L.

From hence we may learn
That, by one thoughtless Trip
Strange Accidents happen
'Twixt the Cup and the Lip.



HOP-SCOTCH.

FIRST make with Chalk an oblong
 Square,
 With wide Partitions here and there;
 Then to the first a *Tile* convey;
 Hop in—then kick the *Tile* away,

RULE of LIFE.

Strive with good Sense to stock your
 Mind,
 And to that Sense be Virtue join'd.

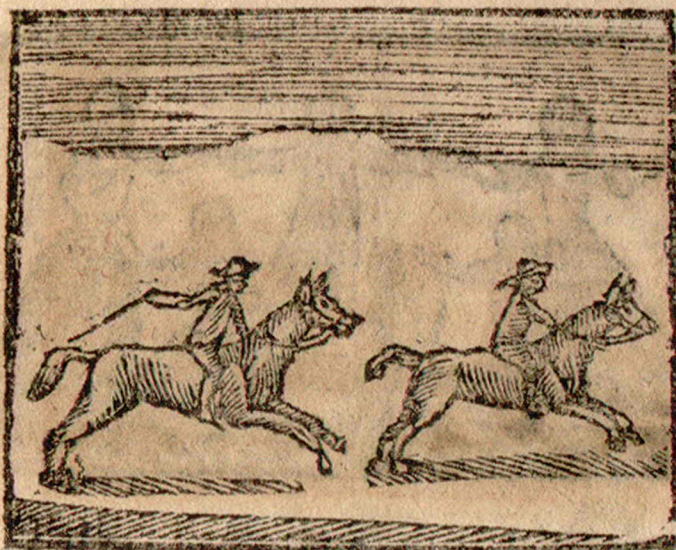


Who will play at my SQUARES?

THIS well-invented *Game's* design'd
 To strike the *Eye* and form the *Mind*;
 And he most doubtless aims aright,
 Who joins *Instruction* with *Delight*.

RULE of LIFE.

So live with Men, as if God's Eye
 Did into every Action pry.



R I D I N G.

IN Quest of his Game,
The *Sportsman* rides on,
But falls off his Horse
Before he has done.

M O R A L.

Thus Youth without Thought,
Their Amours pursue,
Though an Age of Pain
Does often accrue.



GREAT A, B, and C,

And tumble down D,

The Cat's a blind buff,

And she cannot see.

a, b, c, d.



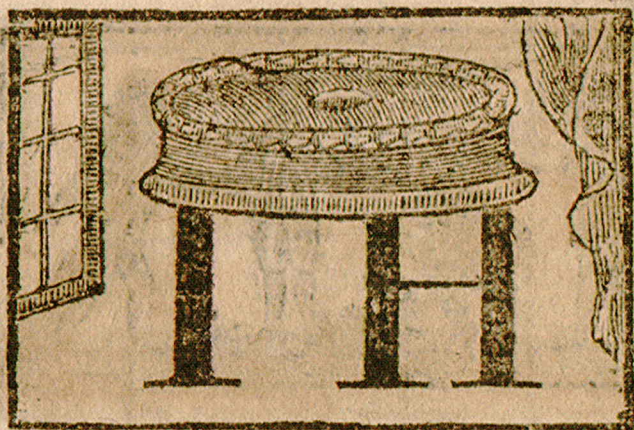
GREAT E, F, and G,

Come here follow me,

And we will jump over

The Rosemary Tree.

e, f, g.



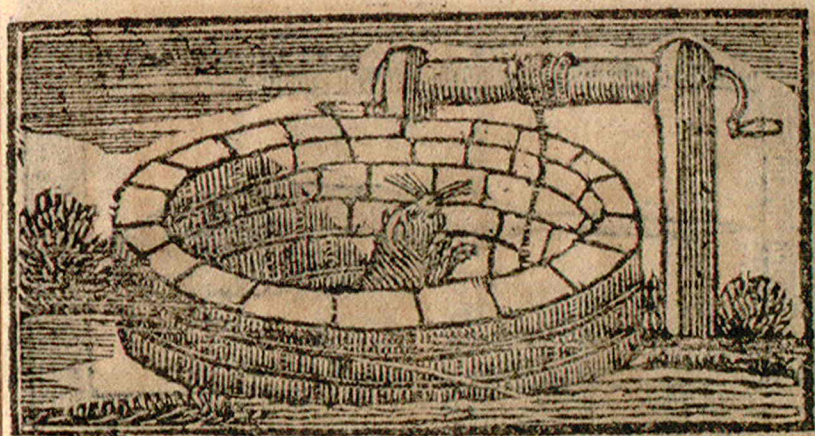
HERE's great **H**, and **I**

With the Christmas Pye ;

Who will eat the Plumbs out ?

I, **H**, and **I**.

h, i.



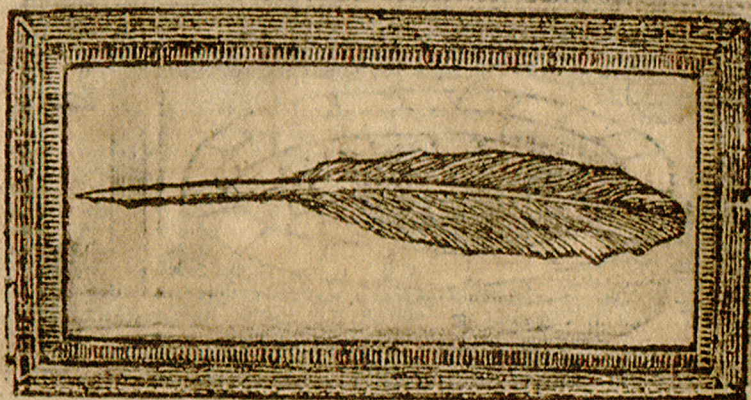
HERE's great K, and L,

Pray Dame can you tell,

Who put the Pig-Hog

Down into the Well?

k, l.

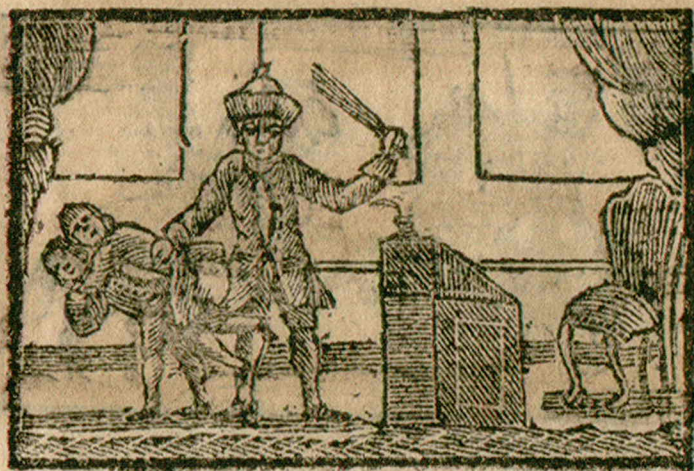


HERE's great M, and N,

Are come back again,

To bring the good Boy

A fine Golden Pen.

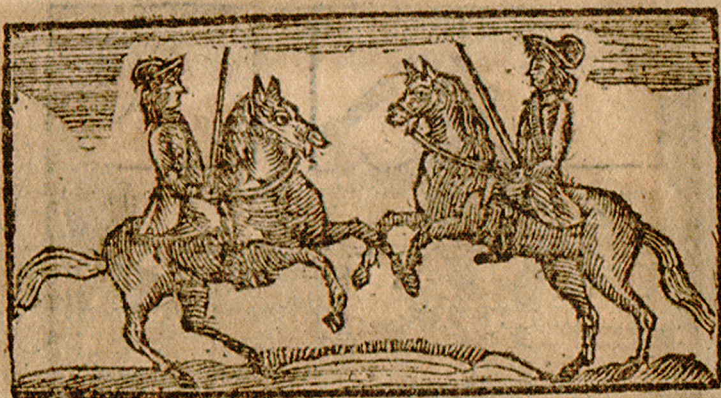


So great O, and P,

Pray what do you see?

A naughty boy whipt;

But that is not me.



HERE's great Q, and R,

Are both come from far,

To bring you good news

About the late War.

q, r.



So S, T, and U,

Pray how do you do ?

We thank you—the better

For seeing of you.

s, t, u,



HERE'S great W, X,

Good Friends do not vex,

All things will go well

Dear W, and X.

W, X.



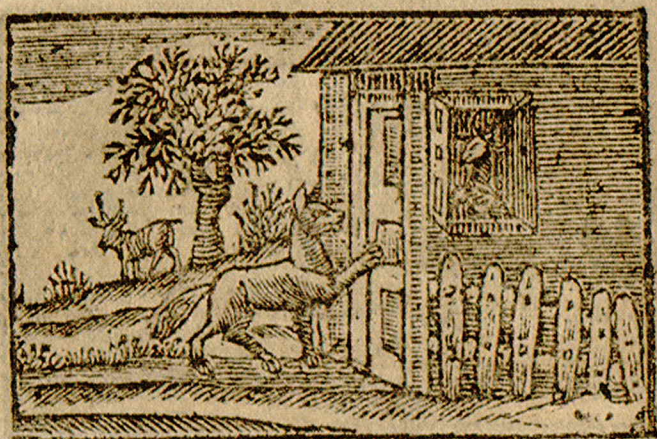
T HERE'S great Y, and Z,

On a Horse that is mad :

If you fall down, Farewel

Poor great Y and Z.

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FABLE I.

The WOLF and the KID.

AS the Goat went to brouze,
 Thus her Charge did begin
 Be advis'd, my dear *Kid*,
 And let nobody in.
 The *Wolf* hearing this
 For Admittance did try,
 But the *Kid* answer'd, No
 I'll not trust you, not I.

To Master Tommy, or Miss Polly.

YOU see, my Dear, the little Kid, by taking her Parent's Advice, preserved her own Life; for had she been so wicked as to have neglected what the Goat (her Mother) said to her, and had opened the Door, the Wolf would certainly have torn her to Pieces. Take Care therefore to do always as your Papa and Mamma, or your Master and Mistress shall direct you, and you will oblige,

Your old Friend,

JACK the Giant-Killer,



FABLE II.

The HUSBANDMAN and the STORK.

A STORK, thro' Misfortune,
Trepann'd by a Crane,
Was pleading his good Deeds,
But pleaded in vain.
The Crane is a Villain,
The Farmer replies,
And he that's his Comrade
Most certainly dies.

To Master Tommy, or Miss Polly.

YOU see, my Dear, the sad Effects of keeping bad Company ; if the poor harmless *Strork* had not been in Company with the wicked *Crane*, he might probably have lived until this Day ; therefore of all Things take Care what Sort of Children you play with, for those that are wicked will make you so too ; and nothing will more displease

Your sincere Friend,

JACK the Giant-Killer.



FABLE III.

The SHEPHERD'S BOY.

A WANTON young *Shepherd*,
 Tho' no Danger near,
 Cries out to his Neighbours,
 The *Wolf*, Sirs, is here.
 They come, and are laugh'd at ;
 Soon he roars out again,
 Now the *Wolf's* here indeed !
 But his Cries are in vain,

To Master Tommy, or Miss Polly.

THIS Boy's Fate, my Dear, is a remarkable Instance of the Folly and Wickedness of telling Lies; if he had not deceived the People before, they would have believed him, and ran to his Assistance, by which Means both him and his Sheep might have been saved, which are now torn to Pieces: I hope you will remember this, my Dear, and resolve in yourself never to tell a Lie; for if you do, I shall be very angry.

I am,

Your hearty Friend,

JACK the Giant-killer.



FABLE IV.

MERCURY *and the* WOODMAN.

A WOODMAN, at Work,
 Dropp'd his Ax in a Pond,
 And in Sorrow and Tears,
 His Disaster bemoan'd.

Merc'ry brings one all Gold,
 And cries, Friend, is this thine?
 No Sir, (says the Woodman)
Mine was not so fine.

Then he shew'd him the right,
Ah ! that's mine by my Troth :
 Thou art honest, says *Merc'ry*,
 So, Friend take them both.

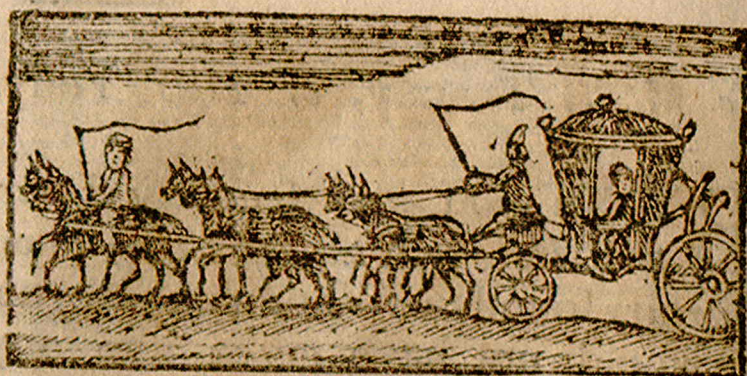
To Master Tommy, or Miss Polly.

BY this you may see, my Dear, that *Honesty is the best Policy*; had Mercury found the Woodman a Rogue, he would not have given him any Thing; but as he was an honest Man, he not only gave him his own Ax, but a golden one also. Consider, my Dear, it is a fine Thing, to have a *Golden Ax*, and at the same Time the Love and Esteem of all the World besides, and that you will certainly have if you are strictly honest.

I am,

Your affectionate Friend,

JACK the Giant-killer.



S I R,

THERE was in my Country a little Boy who learned his Book to that surprising Degree, that his Master could scarce teach him fast enough, for he had his Lesson almost as soon as it was pointed out to him; which raised the Attention of every Body: And as he was also very dutiful to his Parents and obliging to his Playmates, every Body loved him. His Learning and Behaviour purchased him the Esteem of the greatest People, and raised him from a mean State of Life to a Coach and Six, in which he rides to this Day. Learning is a most excellent Thing, and easy to be acquired too, when little Boys set themselves earnestly about it. I know several Masters at this Time, who all bid fair for the same Honour the above Gentleman enjoys.

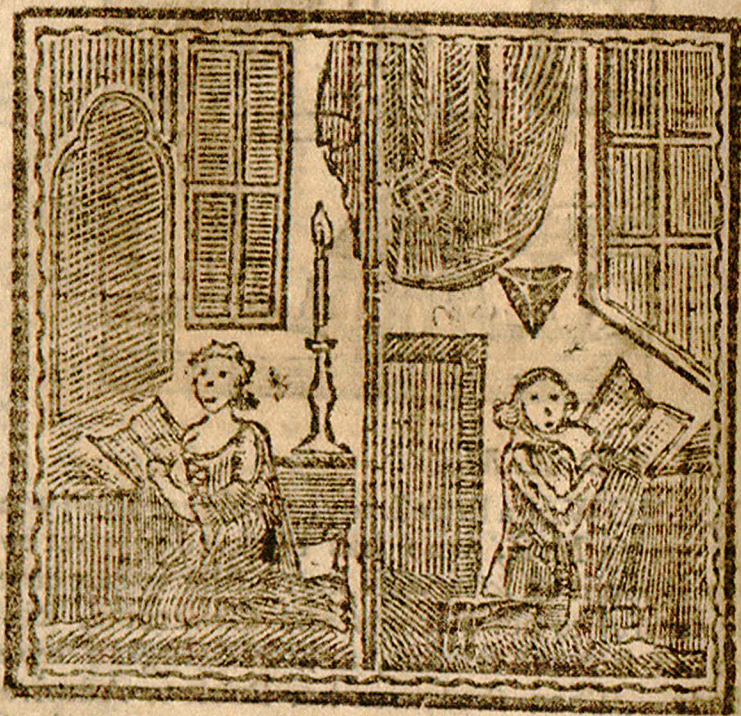
I am, Sir, &c.



M A D A M,

I KNOW of a little Lady, no bigger than your pretty Miss, who has behaved so that every Body is in love with her. She is extremely dutiful to her Parents and Governess, kind to her School-fellows, and obliging to every Body. Then she learns her Book to Admiration, works well with her Needle, and is so modest, so willing to do as she is bid, and so engaging in Company, that my Lady *Meanwell* has made her a Present of a fine Gold Watch, and declares that she shall ride in her own Coach. It is this Learning, Madam, and good Behaviour, that brings us the Esteem of the whole World.

I am, Madam, Yours, &c.



A little Boy and Girl at Prayers.

ALL good Boys and Girls say their Prayers at Night and in the Morning, which makes God Almighty love and bless them.



*A little Boy and Girl asking a Blessing
of their Parents.*

ALL good Boys and Girls kneel down every Morning and Evening and ask their Parents Blessing in these Words, "Pray Papa and Mamma, pray to God to bless me, and make me his true and faithful Servant." Which makes their Friends love them.



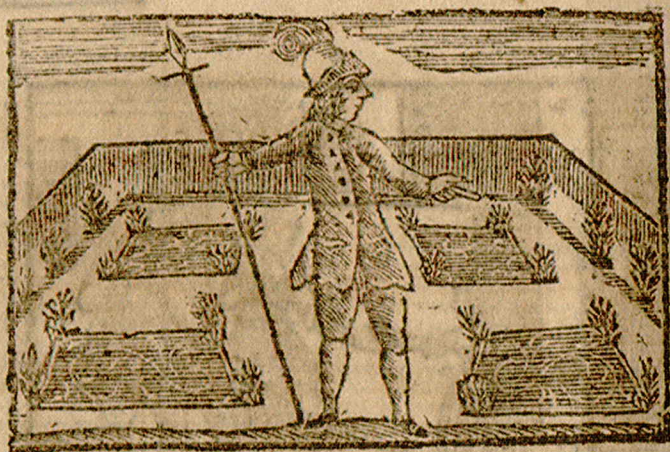
A little Boy and Girl reading.

ALL good Boys and Girls take Care to learn their Lessons, and read in a pretty Manner; which makes every Body admire them.



*A little Boy and Girl bestowing their
Charity.*

ALL good Boys and Girls, when they see a poor Man, or Woman, or a Child in Want, will give them either Money or such Meat and Drink as they have to spare; which makes the whole World love them.



A

POETICAL DESCRIPTION

OF THE

FOUR SEASONS.

I. SPRING.

THE Bloom of Youth upon his
 Cheek is seen,
 And where he treads fresh Flowers
 deck the Green ;

His fragrant Breath perfumes the
 Ev'ning Skies,
And turn'd to him the *Sylvan* Strains
 arise;
A pointed Jav'lin in his Hand he bears,
And on his Head a golden Helmet
 wears.
For then begins the stern *Bellona's*
 Rage,
And hostile Realms in Bloody Wars
 engage :
His calm Approach revives the peace-
 ful Plain,
But leads on Death where Discord
 holds its Reign.





II. SUMMER.

IN filken Garb array'd of cheerful
 Green,
 Was sportive *Summer* next advancing
 seen ;
 A gilded Quiver at his Shoulder
 hung,
 And in his Hand he trail'd a Bow un-
 bent along.

His tawny Brow with faded Flow'rs
was crown'd,
And studded with thick Drops of
Sweat around.
As iffatigu'd with the laborious Chace,
Or faint with Heat in sultry *Titan's*
Rays ;
He moving slow, invok'd the friendly
Air,
And sought the cooling Streams to
quench his burning there.





III. A U T U M N.

AUTUMN succeeds, in flaming
 Yellow clad,
 With Fullness smiling and with Plenty
 glad.
 Laden with sunny Fruits of ev'ry
 Kind,
 He dar'd the Cold that waited close
 behind.

A Wreath of ripen'd Corn his Tem-
ples bound,
Enrich'd with Leaves and clust'ring
Grapes around.
An Harvest Crook employ'd his better
Hand,
To reap the Grain and ease the bur-
den'd Land.





IV. W I N T E R.

WINTER was last in woolly
 Robes array'd,
 And bent with feeble Age his hoary
 Head ;
 Shrunk in himself he wrapt his Gar-
 ments close,
 And inly trembled as the Tempest rose.
 His Length of Beard and deep intend-
 ed Brow,

Were whiten'd o'er with an eternal
Snow.

Prone to the Earth his bending Back
declin'd,

And almost froze, he shiver'd in the
Wind ;

Propp'd on a Staff he slowly mov'd
along ;

And round him loud insulting *Boreas*
rung.





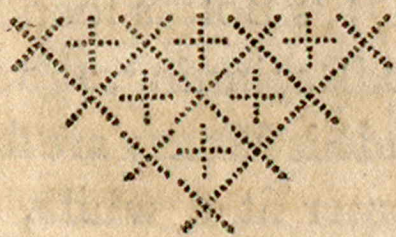
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 PLUTUS and CUPID.

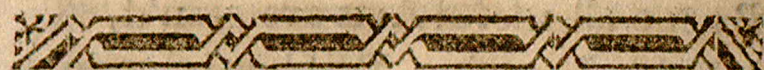
By Way of APPLICATION.

'TIS I who measure vital Space,
 And deal out Years to human
 Race.

Tho' little priz'd and seldom sought,
 Without me Love and Gold are
 nought ;

By me all useful Arts are gain'd,
Wealth, Learning, Wisdom is attain'd;
So subtle and so swift I fly,
Loves not more fugitive than I.
How heedless then are Mortals grown;
How little is their Int'rest known;
In ev'ry View they ought to mind me;
For when once lost they never find me.





S E L E C T
P R O V E R B S

For the U S E of
C H I L D R E N.

A FOOL's Bolt is soon shot.
A good Beginning, a good Ending.
A Fool and his Money are soon parted.
After Dinner sit a while,
After Supper walk a Mile.
After a Storm cometh a Calm.
As good sit still, as rise up and fall.
A hasty Man never wants Woe.

Birds of a Feather will flock together.

The burnt Child dreads the Fire.

Better the End of a Feast than the Beginning of a Fray.

Enough's as good as a Feast.

Fine Feathers make fine Birds.

First come, first serv'd.

Faint Heart never won fair Lady.

Fair and softly goes far.

Fast bind, fast find.

Good Wine needs no Bush.

Hunger is the best Sauce.

If a Man deceive me once, 'tis his Fault;

If twice, it is my own.

It's a good Horse that never stumbles,

It's a good Wife that never grumbles.

Make Hay while the Sun shines.

Nothing's so certain as Death.

Neceſſity has no Law.
New Lords, new Law.
None ſo proud as an enriched Beggar.
Pride will have a Fall.
Proffered Service ſtinks.
Set a Knave to catch a Knave.
Two Heads are better than one.
Too much Familiarity breeds Con-
tempt.
They who are bound muſt obey.
Time and Tide ſtay for no Man.
Tell the Truth and Shame the Devil.
The beſt may mend.
Truth may be blam'd, but can't be
ſham'd.
The new Broom ſweeps clean.
The Eye is bigger than the Belly.
The weakeſt goes to the Wall.

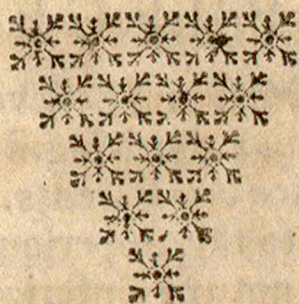
When the Fox preaches beware of
the Geese.

Wisdom is better than Riches.

Try your Friend before you trust him.

Look not a gift Horse in the Mouth.

A Bird in the Hand is worth two in
the Bush.





R U L E S
F O R
B E H A V I O U R
I N
C H I L D R E N.

C H A P. I.
M I X T P R E C E P T S.

- 1 **F**EAR GOD and believe in CHRIST.
2 Honour the Magistrates.
3 Reverence thy Parents.
4 Submit to thy Superiours.
5 Despise not thy Inferiours.
6 Be courteous with thy Equals.
7 Pray daily and devoutly.
8 Converse with the Good.
9 Imitate not the Wicked.

- 10 Hearken diligently to Instruction.
- 11 Be very desirous of Learning.
- 12 Love the School.
- 13 Be always neat and cleanly.
- 14 Study Virtue and embrace it.
- 15 Provoke no Body.
- 16 Love thy School Fellows.
- 17 Please thy Master.
- 18 Let not Play entice thee.
- 19 Restrain thy Tongue.
- 20 Covet future Honour, which only
Virtue and Wisdom can procure.



C H A P. II.

*Containing One Hundred and Sixty three
Rules for Children's Behaviour, viz.*

At the MEETING HOUSE.

At HOME.

At the TABLE.

In COMPANY.

In DISCOURSE.

At the SCHOOL.

When ABROAD; and

When among OTHER CHILDREN.



CHILDREN'S BEHAVIOUR *at the*
MEETING HOUSE.

- 1 **D**ECENTLY walk to thy Seat or Pew ; run not, nor go wantonly.
- 2 Sit where thou art ordered by thy Superiours, Parents or Masters.
- 3 Shift not Seats, but continue in the Place where your Superiours order you.
- 4 Lend thy Place for the easing of any one that stands near thee.

5 Keep not a Seat too long that is lent thee by another, but being eased thyself, restore it to him that lent it to thee.

6 Talk not in the Meeting House, especially in the Time of Prayer or Preaching.

7 Fix thine Eye on the Minister, let it not wildly wander to gaze on any *Person or Thing*.

8 Attend diligently to the Words of the Minister: Pray with him when he prayeth, at least in thy Heart; and while he preacheth, listen, that thou mayest remember.

9 Be not hasty to run out of the Meeting House when the Worship is ended, as if thou wert weary of being there.

10 Walk decently and soberly Home, without Halte or Wantonness; thinking upon what you have been hearing.

BEHAVIOUR *when at* HOME.

1 **M**AKE a Bow always when you come Home, and be instantly uncovered.

2 Be never covered at Home, especially before thy Parents or Strangers.

3 Never set in the Presence of thy Parents without bidding, though no Stranger be present.

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4 If thou passest by thy Parents at any Place where thou seest them, either by themselves or with Company, bow towards them.

5 If thou art going to speak to thy Parents, and see them engaged in Discourse with Company, draw back and leave thy Business until afterwards; but if thou must speak, be sure to whisper.

6 Never speak to thy Parents without some Title of Respect, *viz.* Sir, Madam, &c. according to their Quality.

7 Approach near thy Parents at no Time without a Bow.

8 Dispute not, nor delay to obey the Commands of thy Parents.

9 Go not out of Doors without thy Parents leave, and return within the Time by them limited.

10 Come not into the Room where thy Parents are with Strangers, unless thou art called, and then decently; and at bidding go out; or if Strangers come in while thou art with them, it is Manners with a Bow to withdraw.

100 RULES *for* BEHAVIOUR.

11 Use respectful and courteous, but not insulting or domineering Carriage or Language towards the Servants.

12 Quarrel not nor contend with thy Brethren or Sisters, but live in Love, Peace and Unity.

13 Grumble not, nor be discontented at any Thing thy Parents appoint, speak or do.

14 Bear with Meekness and Patience, and without Murmuring or Sullenness, thy Parents Reproofs or Corrections : Nay, though it should happen that they be causeless, or undeserved.





BEHAVIOUR *at the* TABLE.

1 **C**OME not to the Table without having your Hands and Face washed, and your Head combed.

2 Sit not down until thou art bidden by thy Parents or other Superiours.

3 Be sure thou never sittest down until a Blessing be desired, and then in thy due Place.

102 RULES *for* BEHAVIOUR.

4 Offer not to carve for thyself, or to take any Thing, though it be that which thou dost greatly desire.

5 Ask not for any Thing, but tarry until it be offered thee.

6 Find no Fault with any Thing that is given thee.

7 When thou hast Meat given thee, be not the first that begins to eat.

8 Speak not at the Table; if thy Superiours be discoursing, meddle not with the Matter; but be silent, except thou art spoken unto.

9 If thou wantest any Thing from the Servants, call to them softly.

10 Eat not too fast, or with greedy Behaviour.

11 Eat not too much, but moderately.

12 Eat not so slow as to make others wait for thee.

13 Make not a Noise with thy Tongue, Mouth, Lips or Breath, in eating or drinking.

14 Stare not in the Face of any one, especially thy Superiours, at the Table.

RULES *for* BEHAVIOUR. 103

15 Grease not thy Fingers or Napkin more than Necessity requires.

16 Bite not thy Bread, but break it ; but not with slovingly Fingers, nor with the same wherewith thou takest up thy Meat.

17 Dip not thy Meat in the Sauce.

18 Take not Salt with a greasy Knife.

19 Spit not, cough not, nor blow thy Nose at the Table, if it may be avoided ; but if there be necessity, do it aside, and without much Noise.

20 Lean not thy Elbow on the Table, or on the Back of thy Chair.

21 Stuff not thy Mouth so as to fill thy Cheeks, be content with smaller Mouthfuls.

22 Blow not thy Meat, but with Patience wait until it be cool.

23 Sup not Broth at the Table ; but eat it with a Spoon.

24 Smell not of thy Meat, nor put it to thy Nose ; turn it not the other Side upward to view it upon thy Plate.

25 Throw not any Thing under the Table.

104 RULES *for* BEHAVIOUR.

26 Hold not thy Knife upright in thy Hand, but sloping ; and lay it down at thy right Hand, with the Blade upon thy Plate.

27 Spit not forth any Thing that is not convenient to be swallowed, as the Stones of Plumbs, Cherries, or such like ; but with thy left Hand, neatly move them to the Side of thy Plate.

28 Fix not thine Eyes upon the Plate of another, or upon the Meat on the Table.

29 Lift not up thine Eyes, nor roll them about while thou art drinking.

30 Foul not the Napkin all over, but at one Corner only.

31 Bend thy Body a little downwards to thy Plate, when thou movest any Thing that is sauced to thy Mouth.

32 Look not earnestly on any one that is eating.

33 Foul not the Tablecloth.

34 Gnaw not Bones at the Table, but clean them with thy Knife, unless they be very small ones, and hold them not with a whole Hand, but with two Fingers.

35 Drink not nor speak with any Thing in thy Mouth.

36 Put not a Bit into thy Mouth until the former be swallowed.

37 Before and after thou drinkeſt, wipe thy Lips with thy Napkin.

38 Pick not thy Teeth at the Table, unleſs holding up thy Napkin before thy Mouth with thine other Hand.

39 Drink not until thou haſt quite emptied thy Mouth, nor drink often.

40 Frown not nor murmur if there be any Thing at the Table which thy Parents, or Strangers with them, eat of, while thou thyſelf haſt none given thee.

41 As ſoon as thou ſhalt be moderately ſatiſfied ; or whenſoever thy Parents think meet to bid thee, riſe up from the Table, though others thy Superiours ſit ſtill.

42 When thou riſeſt from the Table, having made a Bow at the Side of the Table where thou ſatteſt, withdraw.

43 When Thanks are to be returned after eating, return to thy Place, and ſtand reverently until it be done ; then with a Bow withdraw out of the Room, leaving thy Superiours to themſelves, unleſs thou art bidden to ſtay.

BEHAVIOUR *when in* COMPANY.

- 1 **E**NTER not into the Company of thy Superiours without command or calling, nor without a Bow.
- 2 Sit not down in Presence of Superiours without bidding.
- 3 Put not thy Hand in the Presence of others to any Part of thy Body, not ordinarily discovered.

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4 Sing not nor hum in thy Mouth, while thou art in Company.

5 Stand not wriggling with thy Body hither and thither, but steady, and upright.

6 Play not wantonly like a Mimick, with thy Fingers or Feet.

7 In coughing or sneezing, make as little Noise as possible.

8 If thou canst not avoid Yawning, shut thy Mouth with thine Hand or Handkerchief before it, turning thy Face aside.

9 When thou blowest thy Nose, let thy Handkerchief be used, and make not a Noise in so doing.

10 Gnaw not thy Nails, pick them not, nor bite them with thy Teeth.

11 Spit not in the Room, but in the Corner, and rub it with thy Foot, or rather go out and do it abroad.

12 Lean not on the Chair of a Superior standing behind him.

13 Spit not upon the Fire, nor sit too wide with thy Knees at it.

14 Sit not with thy Legs crossed, but keep them firm and settled and thy Feet even.

108 RULES *for* BEHAVIOUR.

15 Turn not thy Back to any, but place thyself so that none may be behind thee.

16 Read not Books, Letters nor other Writings in Company, unless there be necessity, and thou askest leave.

17 Touch not, nor look upon the Books or Writings of any one, unless the Owner invite or desire thee.

18 Come not near when another reads a Letter or any other Paper.

19 Let thy Countenance be moderately cheerful, neither laughing nor frowning.

20 Laugh not loud, but silently smile upon any Occasion.

21 Stand not before Superiours with thine Hands in thy Pockets; scratch not thy Head, wink not with thine Eyes, but modestly be looking strait before thee.

22 Walking with thy Superiour in the House or Garden, give him the right, or Upper Hand, and Walk not even with him, *Cheek by Jole*; but a little behind him, yet not so distant as that it shall be troublesome to him to speak to thee, or hard for thee to hear.

RULES *for* BEHAVIOUR. 109

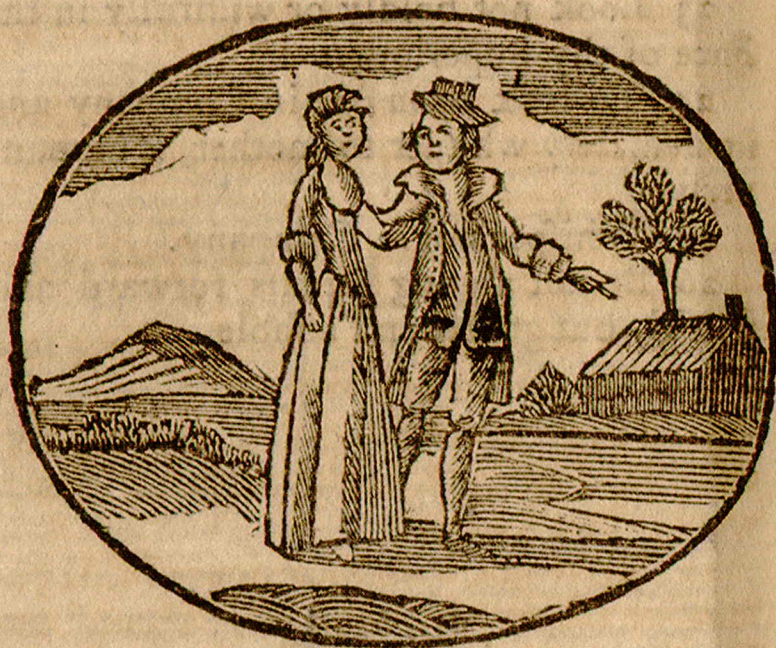
23 Look not boldly or wishfully in the Face of thy Superiour.

24 To look upon one in Company and immediately whisper to another, is unmannerly.

25 Whisper not in Company.

26 Be not among Equals forward and fretful, but gentle and affable.



BEHAVIOUR *in their* DISCOURSE.

1 **A**MONG Superiours speak not until thou art spoken to, and bidden to speak.

2 Hold not thine Hand, nor any Thing else before thy Mouth when thou speakest.

3 Come not over near to the Person thou speakest to.

4 If thy Superiour speak to thee while thou sittest, stand up before thou givest any answer.

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5 Sit not down until thy Superiour bid thee.

6 Speak neither very loud : Nor too low.

7 Speak clear, not stammering, stumbling nor drawling.

8 Answer not one that is speaking to thee until he hath done.

9 Loll not when thou art speaking to a Superiour, or spoken to by him.

10 Speak not without *Sir*, or some other Title of Respect, which is due to him to whom thou speakest.

11 Strive not with Superiours in Argument or Discourse ; but easily submit thine Opinion to their Assertions.

12 If thy Superiour speak any Thing wherein thou knowest he is mistaken, correct not nor contradict him, nor grin at the hearing of it ; but pass over the Errour without Notice or Interruption.

13 Mention not frivolous or little Things among grave Persons or Superiours.

14 If thy Superiour drawl or hesitate in his Words, pretend not to help him out, or to prompt him.

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15 Come not too near two that are whispering or speaking in secret, much less mayest thou ask about what they confer.

16 When thy Parent or Master speaks to any Person, speak not thou, nor hearken to them.

17 If thy Superiours be relating a Story, say not, I have heard it before, but attend to it as if it were to thee altogether new: Seem not to question the Truth of it: If he tell it not right, snigger not, nor endeavour to help him out, or add to his Relation.

18 If any immodest or obscene Thing be spoken in thy hearing, smile not, but settle thy Countenance as though thou didst not hear it.

19 Boast not in Discourse of thine own Wit or Doings.

20 Beware thou utter not any Thing hard to be believed.

21 Interrupt not any one that speaks though thou be his Familiar.

22 Coming into Company, whilst any Topick is discoursed on, ask not what was

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the preceding Talk, but hearken to the remainder.

23 Speaking of any distant Person, it is rude and unmannerly to point at him.

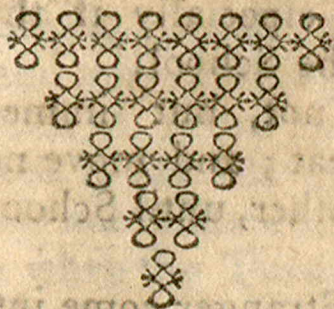
24 Laugh not in, or at thy own Story, Wit or Jest.

25 Use not any contemptuous or reproachful Language to any Person, though very mean or inferiour.

26 Be not over earnest in talking to justify thine own Sayings.

27 Let thy Words be modest about those Things which only concern thee.

28 Repeat not over again the Words of a Superiour that asketh thee a Question, or talketh with thee.



BEHAVIOUR *at the* SCHOOL.

1 **B**OW at coming in pulling off thy Hat; especially if thy Master or Usher be in the School.

2 Loiter not, but immediately take thine own Seat; and move not from one Place to another, until School Time be over.

3 If any Stranger come into the School rise up and bow, and sit down in thy Place again, keeping a profound Silence.

4 If thy Master be discoursing in the School with a Stranger, stare not confidently on them, nor hearken to their Talk.

5 Interrupt not thy Master while a Stranger or Visitant is with him, with any Question, Request or Complaint; but defer any such Matter until he be at leisure.

6 At no Time quarrel or talk in the School, but be quiet, peaceable and silent. Much less mayest thou deceive thyself, in trifling away thy precious Time in Play.

7 If thy Master speak to thee, rise up and bow; making thine Answer standing.

8 Bawl not aloud in making Complaints. A Boy's Tongue should never be heard in the School but in answering a Question, or saying his Lesson.

9 If a Stranger speak to thee in School, stand up and answer with Respect and Ceremony, both of Word and Gesture, as if thou speakest to thy Master.

10 Make not haste out of School, but soberly go when thy Turn comes, without Noise or Hurry.

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11 Go not rudely Home through the Streets, stand not talking with Boys to delay thee, but go quietly Home, and with all convenient Haste.

12 When it is Time to return to School again, be sure to be there in Season, and not loiter at Home whilst thy Master is at School.

13 Divulge not to any Person whatsoever, elsewhere, any Thing that hath passed in the School either spoken or done.





BEHAVIOUR *when* ABROAD.

GO not Singing, Whistling nor Hallowing along the Steet.

2 Quarrel not with any Body thou meetest or dost overtake.

3 Affront none, especially thy Elders, by Word or Deed.

4 Jeer not at any Person whatsoever.

5 Always give the Right Hand to your Superiours, when either you meet or walk

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with them ; and mind also to give them the Wall, in meeting or walking with them ; for that is the Upper Hand, though in walking your Superiour should then be at your Left Hand. But when three Persons walk together, the middle Place is the most honourable : And a Son may walk at his Father's Right Hand, when his younger Brother walks at his Left.

6 Give thy Superiours leave to pass before thee in any narrow Place, where two Persons cannot pass at once.

7 If thou go with thy Parents, Master or any Superiour, go not wantonly nor even with them ; but a little behind them.

8 Pay thy Respects to all thou meetest of thine Acquaintance or Friends.

9 Pull off thine Hat to Persons of Desert, Quality or Office ; shew thy Reverence to them by bowing thy Body when thou seest them ; and if it be a Person of high Station, Governour, Magistrate, Justice of the Peace, Minister or Deacon, &c. stay thyself until they be passed by thee.

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10 If a Superiour speak to thee in the Street, answer him with thy Head uncovered ; and put not on thy Hat until he either go from thee, or bid thee once and again be covered ; take not Leave at the first bidding, but with a Bow [and saying, *by no means, Sir*] modestly refuse it.

11 Run not hastily in the Street, nor go too slowly ; wag not to and fro, nor use any antick or wanton Postures, either of thy Head, Hands, Feet or Body.

12 Stare not at every unusual Person or Thing which thou seest.

13 Throw not any Thing in the Street, as Dirt, Stones, &c.

14 If thou meetest the Scholars of any other School, jeer not nor affront them, but shew them love and respect, and quietly let them pass along.

15 Especially affront not the Master of another School, but rather, if thou knowest him, or if he live near either thine House or School, uncover thy Head to him, and bowing pass by him.

BEHAVIOUR *among other* CHILDREN.

1 **A**S near as may be converse not with any but those that are good, sober and virtuous. *Evil Communications corrupt good Manners.*

2 Be not quarrelsome, but rather patiently take, than mischievously occasion any Wrong.

3 Reprove thy Companions as oft as there shall be occasion, for any evil, wick-

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ed, unlawful or indecent Action or Expression.

4 Give always Place to him that excelleth thee in Quality, Age or Learning.

5 Be willing to take those Words or Actions as Jestings, which thou hast reason to believe were designed as such; and fret not at thy Companions innocent Mirth.

6 If thy Companion be a little too gross or sarcastical in speaking, yet strive not to take notice of it, or be moved at all therewith.

7 Abuse not thy Companion either by Word or Deed.

8 Deal justly among Boys thy Equals, as solicitously as if thou wert a Man with Men, and about Business of higher Importance.

9 Be not selfish altogether, but kind, free and generous to others.

10 Jog not the Table or Desk on which another writes.

11 At play make not thy Clothes, Hands or Face dirty or nasty, nor sit upon the Ground.

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12 Avoid sinful and unlawful Recreations, and all such as prejudice the Welfare of Body or Mind.

13 Scorn not, laugh not at any for their natural Infirmities of Body or Mind; nor because of them, affix to any a vexing Title of Contempt and Reproach, but pity such as are so visited, and be thankful that you are otherwise distinguished and favoured.

14 Adventure not to talk with thy Companion about thy Superiours, to raise Discourse reflecting upon, or touching another's Parents or Masters; nor publish any Thing of thine own Family or Household Affairs. Children must meddle only with the Affairs of Children.

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