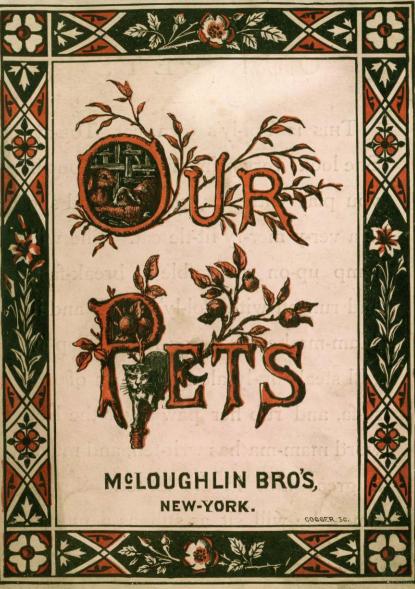
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This is Pol-ly's own cat, Top-sy. She looks very prim and quiet; but if you play with her, you will find she is a ver-y mer-ry lit-tle cat. She will jump up-on the ta-ble at break-fast, and run off with Pol-ly's toast; and if Mam-ma be writ-ing a let-ter, Top-sy will steal soft-ly along the arm of the so-fa, and rub her paw o-ver the last word mam-ma has writ-ten, and make a great blot in the let-ter. Sometimes she will sit as still as a mouse

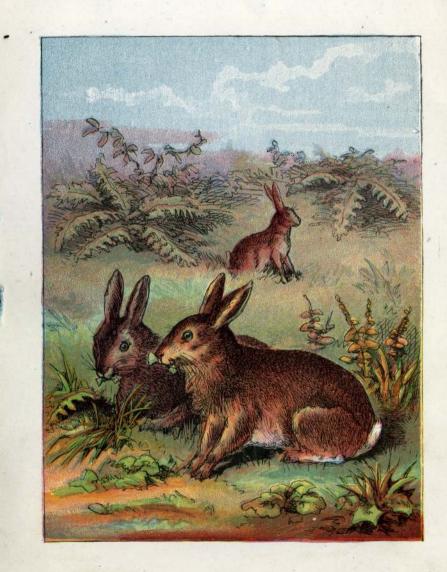


on Un-cle Tom's shoul-der while he is read-ing, and look so grave-ly on the book that you might think she was read-ing too: but she is not quite wise enough for that.

Car-lo is Har-ry's dog, and a ver-y good dog he is. If you were to throw a stone twen-ty times in-to the foaming sea, Car-lo would plunge in, without a-ny fear, and bring the ver-y same stone out to you. And if Har-ry los-es his ball a-mong the long grass, Car-lo brings it in a min-ute. And

he can do bet-ter things than these, for one day in win-ter, when the riv-er was froz-en, and Har-ry was skat-ing on it ver-y nice-ly, he came to a place were the ice was thin, for a hole had been bro-ken the day before, and there had not been time for it to get hard a-gain. Poor Har-ry broke through the ice and sank down in-to the wa-ter: he would have been drown-ed, but Car-lo div-ed down, and brought him out safe. No won-der Car-lo is a pet.

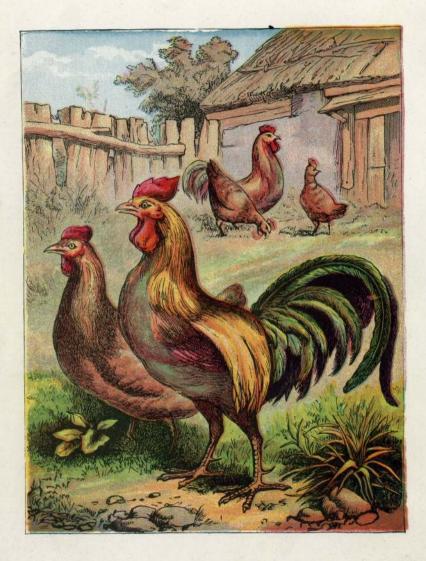




Rab-bits are pret-ty mild crea-Some-times they live on tures. moor's, where they hide in bur-rows, which are holes in the ground, then they run a-bout the fields and eat the green corn, and tur-nip tops, and some-times in win-ter are ver-y hungry. But Har-ry's tame rab-bits have a warm house, and plen-ty of clean straw, and fresh food ev-er-y day, and are as well off as rab-bits can be that are in pris-on. Har-ry goes in-to the fields to pick clov-er and rib grass for

them, the gar-den-er gives him lettuce and cab-bage leaves; and he some-times gives them dry corn, for he likes them to have a change of food. The large, fine old rab-bit is call-ed Bun-ny. She is a great pet.

Lit-tle Pol-ly went ev-er-y morn-ing to the Poul-try yard to see the Poultry wom-an feed the fowls. Her mam-ma had given her a Cock and a Hen, and a fine brood of chick-ens, to be her own. She fed them her-



self, and they were al-ways read-y to come round her when they heard her say, Chuck! chuck! Pol-ly was nev-er a-fraid of the fine, bold Cock, even when he crow-ed so loud-ly that you might have heard him a mile off. He was ver-y fierce if a-ny oth-er cock came near his fam-i-ly, but he was quite tame with Pol-ly, and bowed like a gen-tle-man when she gave him his bar-ley.

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