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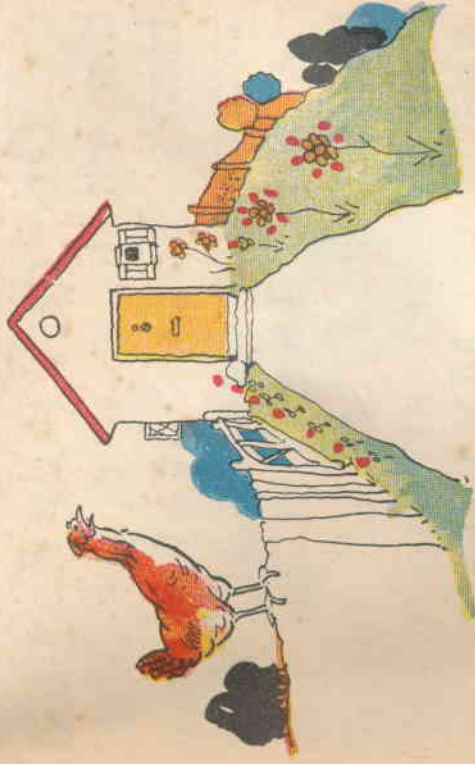
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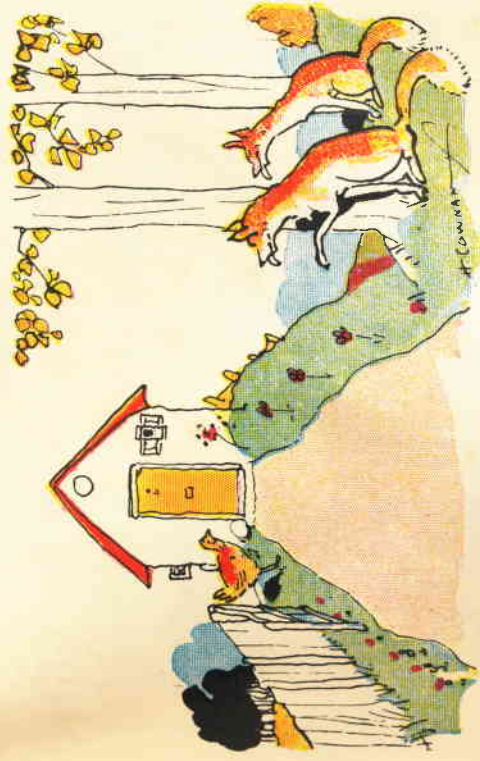
1. Mrs. Hen lived in a sweet little hut at the top of the hill.
2. Not far off, Mrs. Fox had a little hut. It was not a snug little hut. It was very dark and bare.

3. One day, Billy Fox hid himself in a tree by Mrs. Hen's hut. She was not aware that he was there.

4. Mrs. Hen put on her bonnet and set off to fill her bucket at the well. And, OH! MY! she forgot to lock her door.

5. "Ho! ho! ho!" said Billy Fox, "now I can get into her hut. When she runs in, I will jump out and scare her."

6. He went into her hut and hid under her bed.



By and by, Mrs. Hen ran back to her hut. She was so happy. She was humming a little song.

7. Then, with a yell, out sprang Billy Fox. How he did scare her!

8. But she sprang up on her top shelf. There she

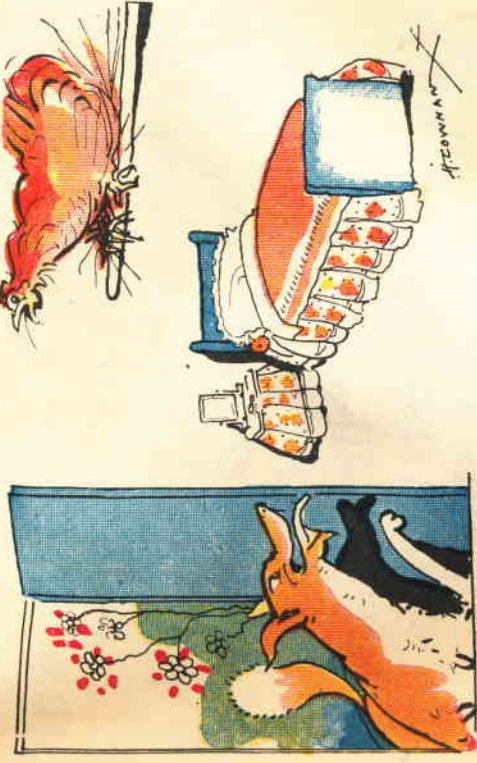
sat and she said, "Billy Fox, you cannot get me."

9. Billy Fox was mad. How he did glare at her! He said to her, "I WILL have you, my plump little hen, and you will be sorry."

10. Billy Fox said to himself, "How can I get her off that shelf?"

Then he ran round, and round, and round. Mrs. Hen had to stare at him.

11. As she did so, she felt very giddy. Round and round and round went the



fox. "Oh! Oh!" said Mrs. Hen, "I am so dizzy to see him go round and round." 12. At last, she was so giddy that she fell off the top shelf.

13. "Ha! ha!" said Billy Fox. "At last I have you, my plump little hen."

14. "I will share you with my mother for supper."

15. Billy Fox put Mrs. Hen into his bag and off he went.

By and by, he said, "I think I will rest under this tree." He put the bag on the grass and he fell fast asleep.

16. But Mrs. Hen was not asleep. Peck, peck, peck, and she went at the bag, and at last she got out.

17. She put a log into the bag and shut it up.



18. Soon Billy Fox got up. He ran off to tell his mother of the supper he had for her.

"It is grand," said his mother. "The big pot is on the hob. Pop her in and let her simmer."

19. Splash! went the log

into the pot, and splash!
 went the hot drops on
 Billy and his mother.

20. How they did yell
 when they saw the log in
 the pot! "Where is the
 plump little hen we were
 to share?" said his mother.
 21. But the little hen was
 in her hut.

22. Did she shut her door?
 Did she lock it? She
 DID! She said to her-
 self, "I do not think Mrs.
 Fox will enjoy her share
 of the supper!"

TELL ME

1. Who hid in Mrs. Hen's
 hut?
2. How did Billy Fox get
 Mrs. Hen off the shelf?
3. What was in the bag for
 Mrs. Fox's supper?
4. Where did Mrs. Hen
 run to?