

The butterfly's ball

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TITLE

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VARIANT TITLE

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But-ter-fly's ball, and grass-hop-per's feast.

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PUBLISHED

London : George Routledge & Co., [1854].

SERIES

[Aunt Mavor's picture books for little readers \[second series\]](#) : 12

PRICE

6d.

AUTHOR

[Crowquill, Alfred \(Alfred Henry Forrester\)](#) (illustrator)

[George Routledge & Co.](#) (publisher)

DESCRIPTION

Size

25x17,5 cm

Format and pagination

8° : 8 ll.

Signatures

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Signatures note

1 gathering, sewn, paginated 1-8

Contents

1-8, text and wood-engraved vignettes

Covers

Upper wrapper uniform for the series (see [pcb2395](#)), on light blue paper; specific for this title: "[fancy] THE BUTTERFLY'S BALL."

Lower wrapper uniform for the series (see [pcb2395](#)), on light blue paper

Illustrations

8 illustrations, unsigned, printed in black on one side of the sheet only and hand-coloured; text and illustration on the same side of the sheet

Source for attribution

Statement on the title page of the collective volume *Aunt Mavor's nursery tales for good*

little people, gathering all the series' titles: "With one hundred coloured illustrations by Alfred Crowquill" (see 2006 Masaki, I.375ff.)

Source for date

Documents

Advertisements

NOTES

Printed on one side of the sheet only; first and last page pasted to upper and lower wrappers
Title and publication information from upper wrapper, which serves as title page, and from lower wrapper publishers' advertisements

Listed in Routledge's wholesale catalogue of November 1855

PRINTING TECHNIQUES

Hand-coloured

BIBLIOGRAPHY

2006 Masaki, I.389-90, II.C6 (NAL-ReC copy, not traced)

COPIES

BL: [12806.g.55\(11\)](#) (accession stamp dated 17AP55; bound with other titles of the series, eleventh title)

NAL-ReC: (quoted and reproduced in 2006 Masaki, II.C6; not analysed and yet untraced)

PUL-CCL: [28719](#) (inscribed on lower wrapper: "Mrs. Major, Cromwell House")

DRAWINGS, OBJECTS, DOCUMENTS

Drawings

Sotheby: [English Literature, History, Children's Books and Illustrations, 09/07/2019, lot no. 246](#) (32 ink on paper drawings on 16 sheets for *Tom Thumb*, *The dog's dinner party*, *Puss in Boots* and *Butterfly's ball*, and *Grasshopper's feast*, unsigned and undated, sold for £6,250 (estimate 3-5,000))

Documents

UCL-RKP: [RKP 8](#) (p. 127: "Aunt Mavor 2nd series 12 books [sic] 1854 Nov. 3, 1st edition 2000. 1855 March 13, 2nd edition 2000")

OTHER VERSIONS

Included in

[Aunt Mavor's nursery tales for girls. - London ; New York : George Routledge & Co., 1856](#)

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[Aunt Mavor's book of nursery tales. - London ; New York : George Routledge & Co., 1856](#)

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