

# Three bears

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## TITLE

Three bears.

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## VARIANT TITLE

Title from page 1

The three bears.

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## PUBLISHED

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

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## SERIES

[Aunt Mavor's picture books for little readers \[second series\]](#) : 4

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## PRICE

6d.

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## AUTHOR

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

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

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## DESCRIPTION

Size

25x17,5 cm

Format and pagination

8° : 8 ll.

Signatures

A<sup>8</sup>

Signatures note

1 gathering, sewn, paginated 1-8

Contents

1-8, text and wood-engraved vignettes

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

List of titles on lower wrapper

Documents

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## 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

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## PRINTING TECHNIQUES

### Hand-coloured

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## VARIANTS

### Variant A

[1854]: upper wrapper uniform for the series, printed in black (see [pcb2395](#), variant B) on orangish paper, with plain title: "THREE BEARS."; lower wrapper uniform for the series: inserted in a lace-decorated frame, printed in black: "[fancy] Illustrated Juvenile Books, | PUBLISHED BY GEORGE ROUTLEDGE AND CO., FARRINGDON STREET. | In fcap. 8vo, price ONE SHILLING each, carefully edited, | PICTURE READING BOOKS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN, | In large type, with numerous Illustrations, strongly bound in cloth. | [titles 1-4] | Careful Editing, Excellent Illustrations, Good Paper and Print, are the recommendations of this Series above all | others. | ROUTLEDGE'S EVERLASTING BOOKS. | PRINTED ON CLOTH. | Under this title are being published a Series of Juvenile Works, printed in a very superior manner, on Fine Cloth, of | a quality very much better than has hitherto been used for works printed in this manner. | In double fcap., 64 pages, large type, | ROUTLEDGE'S EVERLASTING ONE SHILLING PRIMER. | Printed on Cloth. With Illustrations by JOHN GILBERT, HARVEY, &c. | In double fcap., 96 pages, large type, | ROUTLEDGE'S EVERLASTING EIGHTEEN-PENNY BOOKS. | Printed on Cloth. With Illustrations on almost every page, viz.: – | [titles 1-4, the same as above] | The Cheapest Primer ever Printed. | AUNT MAVOR'S PICTURE BOOKS FOR LITTLE CHILDREN. | Large 8vo, with COLOURED ENGRAVINGS, bound in stiff covers. | Price SIXPENCE, on paper; or, on cloth (everlasting), each ONE SHILLING. | [titles 1-13 for both series]"

### Variant B

[1854]: same as variant A, on greenish blue paper

### Variant C

[1854]: same upper wrapper as variant A, on greenish paper, but rustic title; same lower wrapper as [pcb2395](#)

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## BIBLIOGRAPHY

ISFD, [458990](#) (erroneously as printed by Edmund Evans, with wrong picture)

1975 Osborne, II.613

2006 Masaki, I.380-81

2011 Lotherington, 56, 192

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## COPIES

**BL:** [12806.g.55\(4\)](#) (variant A: [1854]; accession stamp dated 6SE56; bound with other titles of the series, fourth title)

**PUL-CCL:** [28710](#) (variant B: [1854])

**TPL-OsC:** [FT THR](#) (variant C: [1854]; analysed through digital reproductions)

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## DRAWINGS, OBJECTS, DOCUMENTS

### 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")

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#### OTHER VERSIONS

Included in

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

Included in

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

Reissued as

[The three bears. - London : George Routledge & Co., \[1857\]](#)

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