

Dean's Steam-Boat Alphabet

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TITLE

Dean's Steam-Boat Alphabet : A Companion to The Railway Alphabet.

VARIANT TITLE

Title from advertisement

Steam-Boat Alphabet.

First line

A is the Arch.

PUBLISHED

London : Dean & Son, [1855].

SERIES

[Brother Sunshine's new series](#) : 1

[Dean & Son's Coloured Six-Penny Books](#)

PRICE

6d.

AUTHOR

[Dean & Son](#) (printer and publisher)

TPOLOGY

[Alphabet book](#)

DESCRIPTION

Size

24,5x16,5 cm

Format and pagination

8° : 8 ll. : [8] leaves of plates : ill.

Signatures

A⁸

Signatures note

1 gathering, sewn (binding thread between A4.5), paginated 1 [2-8]

2 leaves of publishers' advertisements for "Educational and School Books", printed on peach paper, inserted between A1.8, paginated 1-4

Covers

Pink wrappers; upper wrapper, reproducing vignettes from page 1, printed in black; on upper wrapper, at head, type-set series name: "Brother Sunshine's Series. | See list at back of cover. | 13 sorts.] | [6d. each."; pictorial title, drawn: "Dean's Steam-Boat | Alphabet"; below, type-set title complement: "A Companion to | The Railway Alphabet."; two vignettes for letters A and B; at foot, type-set publishers' caption: "London: Dean & Son, 31, Ludgate Hill, | Three

Doors West of Old Bailey, | Printers, Lithographers, and Book and Print Publishers. | [fancy] Bible and Prayer Book Warehouse."

Variant B of lower wrapper, pink, dated September 1855: lower wrapper printed in black; as variant A (see [pcb758](#)) but, outside the frame, on the left: "4000,9,55."

Illustrations

8 pages of text and illustrations, unsigned, printed on one side of the sheet in black on white paper, hand-coloured

Source for date

Printers' mark

Advertisements

List of titles on lower wrapper and endpapers

BL accession stamp

NOTES

First and last leaves pasted to wrappers

Title and publication information from upper wrapper, which serves as title page, and from lower wrapper publishers' advertisements

ADVERTISEMENTS

Publishers' Circular (November 1, 1855), 421: "Dean and Son's New Series of thirteen sixpenny coloured toy books are entitled Brother Sunshine's: they are the most striking and attractive of any of the series of sixpenny coloured books yet published by them. Size, 8vo. imperial. – Or mounted on cloth, one shilling each. Steam-Boat Alphabet. | Historical Alphabet. | Dogs' Grand Dinner Party. | Simple Simon, and Other Stories. | Punch and Judy. | Sing a Song of Sixpence, &c. | Pleasing Pastimes for Little Folks. | Death and Burial of Cock Robin. | Old Mother Hubbard. | Cinderella and the Glass Slipper. | Children in the Wood. | Watts's Divine and Moral Songs. | The Wonderful Brothers. | Jack and the Bean Stalk. | Little Goody Two Shoes."

COPIES

BL: [C.194.b.70\(1\)](#) (accession stamp dated 1NO55; obsolete shelfmark: 12806.g.56.; 12824.g.54/3; copy rebound and re-sewn; with other 12 titles of the series)

BrCL: [ABC TREBBI R.421.1 DE](#) (first and last leaves pasted to wrappers; gift of Jean Trebbi; not analysed)

MMI: [PE1145.D5 Rare](#) (dated [186?-187?]; not analysed)

MUBL: [760.2/10](#) (inscribed: Th. T. Adams; dated ca. 1856; not analysed)

YCBA: [VM351.D43.1855](#) (illustrations mounted in a scroll and inserted in a wooden box; in box 18x23x5 cm; note that letters are coupled two by two instead of three by three (i.e. letters O and P are printed on the same page, while in the BL copy they are in page [5] and [6] respectively); not analysed; [Digital copy](#))

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