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IN WHICH THE SPELLING AND MEANINGS OF NUMEROUS WORDS
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AND MANY NEW ONES HAVE BEEN ADDED,

ADAPTED TO THE PRESENT TIME.

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PREFACE.

An Expositor is indispensable for every learner who has gone through the Spelling Book ; and accordingly the present one is adapted to the wants of the age by the introduction of many words and phrases that abound in modern works both of science and art, the knowledge of which should be rendered familiar to the rising generation.

Many new words, as well as foreign phrases, have been introduced into this work that are to be met with in modern publications commonly read by youth, but which were hardly known when Knowles, and perhaps others, half a century ago, wrote their Expositors ; hence something more in correspondence with the literature of the present day would seem to be desirable.

As the admirable Dictionary of Dr. Noah Webster includes everything of value and importance to be derived from our earlier lexicographers, with the addition of more recent matter, that work has been carefully consulted, particularly as to the more modern information which it affords. Nor can the Editor withhold his admiration of a work so complete, so correct, and so unique. For schools, however, the cheap edition of Walker's Pronouncing Dictionary, critically revised, enlarged, and amended, by Dr. Nuttall, is admirably adapted for the use and consultation of youth.

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The Letters and Marks explained which occur in the following pages.

s. stands for substantive, *a.* for adjective, *v.* for verb, *pro.* for pronoun, *ad.* for adverb, *prep.* for preposition, *conj.* for conjunction, *part.* for participle, *intj.* for interjection, *pr.* for pronounced.

Note.—The letters put in italics are not to be sounded; as, *wrap.*

lg. The *g* must have the sound of *j*; as, *pa'ge*, *hed'ge*, *lar'ge*.

**s.* The *s* preceded by *s* must be sounded as *z*; as, *noi'se*, *new's*.

g. The *c* with this mark under it sounds like *s*; as in the words *thriçe*, *branch*, *choiçe*.

ch^k. Here, the *ch* must be sounded as *k*; as, *ar'-ch^k-i-tect*, *ch^k-ol-er*.

â. The circumflex over *a*, requires that letter to be sounded long, as if written *av*; as, *bâid*, *tâil*.

These marks, however, will be used only where there may seem to be a difficulty as to the proper pronunciation of particular words; as too pedantic a display of them would only tend to puzzle the learner.

THE LEARNER'S NEW SPELLING ASSISTANT.

FIRST PART.

WORDS OF ONE SYLLABLE.

<p>Ache (pr. ake), <i>s. a continued pain</i> Act, <i>v. to do, perform, imitate</i> Add, <i>v. to join or put to</i> Age, <i>s. any space of time; 100 years</i> Aid, <i>s. help, support</i> Aim, <i>s. an intention, a design</i> Apt, <i>s. ready, quick</i> Arms, <i>s. weapons</i> Ay, <i>ad. yes</i> Aye, <i>ad. always, to eternity, for ever</i></p> <p>Babe, <i>s. an infant</i> Back, <i>v. to encourage, to assist</i> Bad, <i>s. ill, vicious</i> Badge, <i>s. a distinguishing mark</i> Balk (pr. hawk), <i>v. to disappoint</i> Balm, <i>s. an herb</i> Ban, <i>s. a public notice, a curse</i> Band, <i>s. a company</i> Bane, <i>s. a poison, ruin</i> Barb, <i>v. to put armour on a horse</i> Bask, <i>v. to lie in the sun</i> Batch, <i>s. a number made at one time</i> Bate, <i>v. to lower the price</i> Bay, <i>s. a colour inclining to chestnut</i></p>	<p>Bay, <i>s. a road for ships; v. to bark at</i> Beak, <i>s. a bird's bill</i> Beam, <i>s. a ray of light</i> Beast, <i>s. an irrational animal</i> Bed, <i>s. a place to lie upon</i> Beef, <i>s. the flesh of a cow or an ox</i> Beg, <i>v. to ask alms</i> Bench, <i>s. a seat; a seat of justice</i> Bet, <i>s. a wager</i> Bile, <i>s. the gall; anger</i> Bland, <i>s. soft, mild</i> Blank, <i>s. an empty space</i> Blast, <i>v. to injure, to wither</i> Blaze, <i>s. a flame</i> Bleak, <i>s. cold, exposed</i> Blear, <i>s. watery, dim</i> Blend, <i>v. to mingle</i> Bless, <i>v. to make happy</i> Blight, <i>v. to milder, to blast</i> Bliss, <i>s. the highest happiness</i> Blithe, <i>s. gay, lively</i> Bloat, <i>v. to swell</i> Block, <i>v. to stop up</i> Bloom, <i>v. to produce blossoms</i> Board, <i>s. lodging and diet</i> Bomb, <i>s. an iron shell filled with gunpowder</i></p>
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- Boom, *v.* to rush with violence
 Boon, *s.* a gift, a favour
 Boss, *s.* a stud, a kind of button
 Bound, *v.* to limit, to leap
 Brace, *s.* a couple
 Brag, *v.* to boast
 Braid, *v.* to weave together
 Brain, *s.* of the head
 Brake, *s.* a thicket of brambles
 Brawl, *s.* a noisy quarrel
 Bribe, *v.* to pervert the judgment
 Bridge, *s.* a passage over water, &c.
 Brief, *s.* a concise written statement
 Brine, *s.* salt pickle; the sea
 Brogue, *s.* corrupt dialect
 Brook, *s.* a rivulet
 Brow, *s.* the forehead
 Browse, *v.* to eat branches or shrubs
 Bruise, *v.* to crush; to hurt the flesh
 Bulb, *s.* a round root
 Bust, *s.* a half statue
 Butt, *v.* to strike with the head

 Cake, *s.* a kind of sweet bread
 Calm, *s.* repose, stillness
 Calx, *s.* powder made from burnt lime
 Camp, *s.* tents arranged for soldiers
 Can, *v.* to be able; *s.* a cup
 Cant, *s.* wheedling
 Cape, *s.* a head-land
 Car, *s.* a cart, a chariot of war
 Care, *s.* concern, charge
 Carle, *s.* a rude man, a churl
 Carp, *v.* to censure; *s.* a fish
 Cash, *s.* money, ready money
 Catch, *v.* to stop, to seize
 Cates (pr. kates), *s.* viands, food
 Cave, *s.* a den, a hollow place
 Caught, *part.* seized
 Caw, *v.* to cry as the rook
 Cede, *v.* to yield, to give up
 Cess, *s.* a tax
 Chafe, *v.* to fret
 Chaff, *s.* the husks of corn
 Chain, *s.* a line of links
 Chair, *s.* a moveable seat
 Chaise, *s.* a carriage
 Chalk, *s.* a white earth
 Champ, *v.* to bite, devour
 Chance, *s.* fortune, accident
 Chant, *s.* song, melody
 Chap, *v.* to divide, to open
 Char, *s.* a fish
 Char, *v.* to work at others' houses by the day
 Charge, *v.* to accuse, to attack
 Charm, *v.* to bewitch, to delight
 Chart, *s.* a map of coasts
 Chasm (pr. kazm), *s.* a wide opening, a cleft
 Chase, *s.* a hunting ground
 Cheap, *s.* to be had at a low rate
 Cheat, *v.* to impose upon
 Check, *v.* to repress, curb
 Cheer, *v.* to encourage
 Chess, *s.* a well-known game
 Chest, *s.* a box of wood; the breast
 Chick, *s.* the young of hens
 Child, *s.* an infant
 Chime, *s.* of bells, agreement
 Chirp, *v.* as birds
 Chough (pr. chuff), *s.* a bird which frequents the rocks by the sea
 Chub, *s.* a river fish
 Chuck, *s.* the voice of a hen; a kind word
 Church, *s.* a place for worship
 Churl, *s.* a rustic, a rude man
 Churn, *v.* to make butter
 Chyle (pr. kyle), *s.* a white juice of the stomach
 Clack, *s.* the noise of a mill
 Clank, *s.* a loud, sharp noise
 Clay, *s.* common earth
 Clean, *s.* free from dirt
 Cleft, *s.* a crack
 Clench, or Clinch, *v.* to hold fast
 Cliff, or clift, *s.* a steep rock
 Clip, *v.* to cut short
 Cloak, *s.* the outer garment
 Clock, *s.* an instrument to show time
 Cloth, *s.* linen or woollen woven

- Clothe, *v.* to cover with dress
 Coach, *s.* a carriage of pleasure
 Coal, *s.* a mineral used for firing
 Code, *s.* a book of laws
 Cog, *s.* tooth of a wheel
 Coil, *v.* to roll up a rope
 Coin, *s.* money legally stamped
 Coke, *s.* a cinder made from pit-coal
 Comb, *s.* an instrument for the hair
 Conch (pr. conk), *s.* a shell, a sea shell
 Cook, *s.* dresser of victuals
 Coomb, *s.* a corn measure
 Coop, *s.* a cage for poultry
 Core, *s.* the heart or inner part of anything
 Course, *s.* a race ground
 Court, *s.* the residence of a prince
 Cowl, *s.* a monk's hood
 Crank, *s.* the end of an iron axis
 Cratch, *s.* a frame for hay
 Cream, *s.* the oily part of milk
 Crease, *s.* the mark made by folding
 Creed, *s.* a confession of faith, a belief
 Cress, *s.* an herb
 Crick, *s.* a stiffness in the neck
 Crisp, *s.* curled, brittle
 Croft, *s.* a small close or enclosed field near a house
 Crumb, *s.* the soft part of bread
 Czar, *s.* the title of the emperor of Russia
 Dale, *s.* a low place between hills
 Dame, *s.* a lady; a mistress of a family
 Dare, *v.* to challenge
 Dart, *v.* to throw or spring suddenly
 Date, *s.* the time any event happens
 Daub, *v.* to smear
 Dawn, *s.* break of day
 Deal, *v.* to give each his due
 Dearth, *s.* great scarcity
 Debt, *s.* that which is owing
 Deck, *v.* to dress out
 Deed, *s.* an action
 Deem, *v.* to judge, be of opinion
 Dell, *s.* a shady covert
 Delve, *v.* to dig
 Den, *s.* a cavern
 Die, *s.* a small cube, a stamp
 Dike, *s.* a ditch, a bank
 Din, *s.* a loud, continued noise
 Dint, *s.* a mark, a blow, force
 Dirge, *s.* a mournful ditty
 Disk, *s.* the face of the sun, moon, &c.
 Dive, *v.* to plunge into water
 Dock, *s.* a ship-builder's yard
 Doff, *v.* to strip, put off
 Dole, *v.* to grieve, distribute alms
 Dolt, *s.* a heavy, stupid fellow
 Doom, *v.* to destine, condemn
 Dote, *v.* to grow silly; love to excess
 Down, *s.* the softest feathers
 Drain, *v.* to empty or clear of liquor
 Dram, *s.* a glass of spirituous liquor
 Dread, *s.* awe, great fear
 Drear, *s.* dismal, gloomy
 Dredge, *s.* an oyster-net
 Dregs, *s.* the worthless part, sediment
 Drench, *v.* to soak
 Drift, *v.* to drive together in heaps
 Drill, *v.* to teach soldiers their exercises
 Drone, *s.* a bee that makes no honey, an idler
 Dross, *s.* the worthless part, rust
 Drought, *s.* thirst, dry weather
 Drove, *s.* a crowd of animals together
 Drud'ge, *v.* to labour in mean offices
 Drug, *s.* a substance used in medicine
 Dub, *v.* to confer a title

- Duct, s. a channel or passage
 Due, s. a right
 Dupe, s. one easily cheated or duped
 Dwarf, s. any person below the usual size

 Earl, s. a title of nobility
 Earn, v. to gain
 Earth, s. the world, mould
 East, s. where the sun rises
 Ease, s. freedom from pain
 Ebb, v. to flow back into the sea
 Elf, s. a fairy, an evil spirit
 Ere, ad. before
 Err, v. to mistake
 Eye, s. the organ of sight
 Ewe (pr. yu), s. a female sheep

 Face, s. the countenance, visage
 Fact, s. reality
 Fag, v. to labour hard
 Fail, v. to miss, to neglect
 Fain, ad. gladly; n. glad
 Faith, s. trust, belief
 Fame, s. celebrity, public praise
 Fane, s. a temple, a weathercock
 Fang, s. long tusk, a talon
 Farce, s. a mock comedy
 Fare, s. provisions, the charge for a journey
 Fast, v. to abstain from food
 Fate, s. destiny, death
 Fawn, v. to flatter meanly
 Fee, s. payment for services
 Feign, v. to pretend, dissemble
 Fell, v. to knock down
 Felt, s. stuff used in making hats
 Fen, s. a bog, wet land
 Fence, v. to enclose
 Feud, s. a quarrel
 Fiend, s. a devil
 Fierce, a. furious, savage
 Filch, v. to steal
 File, s. a rank of soldiers
 Film, s. a thin skin
 Fin, s. the wing of a fish
 Fine, s. a forfeit
 Firm, s. steady, solid

 Flag, v. to grow weak and spiritless
 Flag, s. an ensign or colours
 Flail, s. a threshing instrument
 Flake, s. hanging loosely together, as a flock of wool
 Flank, s. the side
 Flare, s. a momentary glaring light
 Flask, s. a powder horn, a kind of bottle
 Flaunt, v. to give one's self airs
 Flaw, s. a defect, a crack
 Flay, v. to strip off the skin
 Flat, a. even, smooth
 Fleece, s. the wool of one sheep
 Fledge, v. to furnish with wings
 Fleet, a. swift
 Flinch, v. to shrink from pain
 Flint, s. a kind of hard stone
 Flirt, v. to jeer, flatter; s. a coquette
 Flit, v. to flutter, to fly away
 Float, v. to swim, not to sink
 Flock, s. a company of sheep or birds
 Flounce, v. to turn about hastily
 Flue, s. a passage for smoke
 Flush, v. to reddens suddenly
 Flux, s. the act of flowing
 Foam, v. to froth
 Foe, s. an enemy
 Foil, v. to defeat
 Foist, v. to insert fraudulently
 Font, s. the vessel for baptismal water
 Fop, s. a coxcomb
 Force, s. strength, power
 Ford, s. a shallow part of a stream
 Forge, s. a furnace for making metals malleable
 Form, s. ceremony, a bench, a seat
 Foss, s. a moat or ditch
 Fount, s. a spring of water
 Frame, v. to form, to plan
 Frank, a. liberal, open-hearted
 Fraud, s. cheating, deceit
 Fraught, part. laden