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THE STORY OF POOR COCK ROBIN.

"And all the birds felt in sighing and sobbing
When they heard the bell toll for poor Cock Robin."

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Title The Story of Poor Cock Robin.

Date 1852-1853

Primary Maker Elijah Chapman Kellogg

Medium Lithography; printer's ink and watercolor on wove paper

Description Three young children, a boy and two girls, sit on the grassy ground beside a small bush. The boy wears a shirt and pants and has a bow tied at this

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neck. His broad-brimmed straw hat is on his lap. He is reading from an open book which he holds in his right hand. His left arm is around the waist of the girl on the right, who leans her chin on her hand and her elbow on the boy's left knee. She wears a short-sleeved dress with a gathered bodice and holds a straw bonnet by its ribbon ties. The girl on the left wears a dress and a straw bonnet. A fringed blanket or shawl lies across her lap. Both her hands rest on the boy's right shoulder. A small drawstring bag or reticule lies on the ground. Two tall trees are at the left beside a wide stream or river. Two horses (or two teams of horses) draw a wagonload of hay across a wooden bridge in the left background. A house with a picket fence is in the right background. A dead tree is on the far right, with a rail fence nearby. Grassy fields slope down towards the river. Additional trees are in the background; hills or mountains are in the distance. Birds fly in the sky at the left.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 11 7/8 x 8 9/16in. (30.2 x 21.7cm) Sheet (height x width): 16 13/16 x 13 3/16in. (42.7 x 33.5cm)