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### The Illustrations

Each book of the ten comprising this children's Library has been supplied with numerous decorative head and tail pieces as well as cleverly executed line drawings illustrative of the text. All these emphasize the humorous and grotesque note to the rich and mellow text of these child's classics, and add a distinction that is sufficient to the ordinary booklover. But with the thought of Children (and who is not a child when it comes to colour), the publishers have gone a step farther, and each volume of the set is supplied with eight full-page drawings in colour, similar to that which appears in this advertisement. The artists who have accomplished this are the well-known English artists Arthur Rackham, R. Anning Bell, Herbert Cole, Dora Curtis and the Brothers Robinson. The list of titles also appears herewith. The editor of the series is F. C. Tilney.



Specimen Illustration.

### The Titles

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2. Robin Hood.
3. Fables of La Fontaine.
4. Æsop's Fables.
5. English Fairy Tales.
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7. Perrault's Fairy Tales.
8. Gulliver's Travels.
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