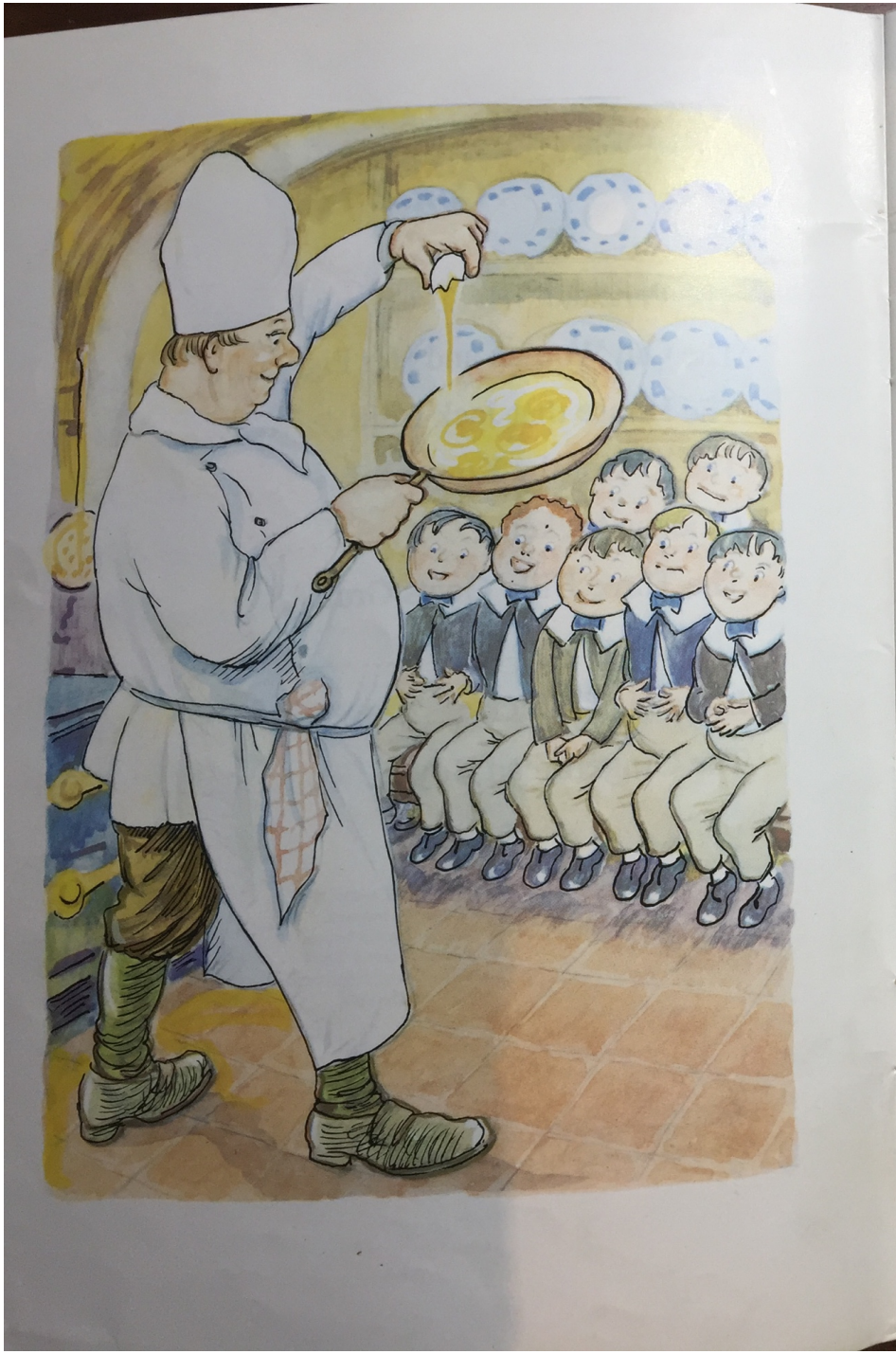


The Pancake

A big fat cook made a big fat pancake.

Near the cook were seven hungry little boys.

"We like big round pancakes, Mr. Cook," said all the little boys.

"This pancake will be good to eat," said Mr. Cook.

But the pancake in the pan said,

"I will not, not, not be eaten."

So the big round pancake gave a hop.

The pancake gave a jump.

And off he rolled out of the pan.

Mr. Pancake rolled round and round and round.

And oh! so very, very fast.

"Stop! Stop! Mr. Pancake!" said the cook.

But the pancake rolled faster and faster.

Then the big fat cook began to run after the pancake.

"Stop! Stop!" said all the little boys.

But the pancake rolled faster and faster.

Then all the little boys began to run.

The pancake met a little man.

"Stop, Pancake, stop! I am hungry! I want to eat you," said the little man.

"The cook can't stop me.

The boys can't stop me.

You can't stop me," said the pancake, and rolled faster and faster.

Then the little man began to run.

The pancake met a hen.

"Stop, Pancake, stop! I am very hungry!

I want to eat you," said the hen.

"The cook can't stop me.

The boys can't stop me.

The man can't stop me.

You can't stop me."

And the pancake rolled faster than ever.

Then the hen began to run.

The pancake met a duck.

"Stop, Pancake, stop! I am very, very hungry!

I want to eat you," said the duck.

"The cook can't stop me.

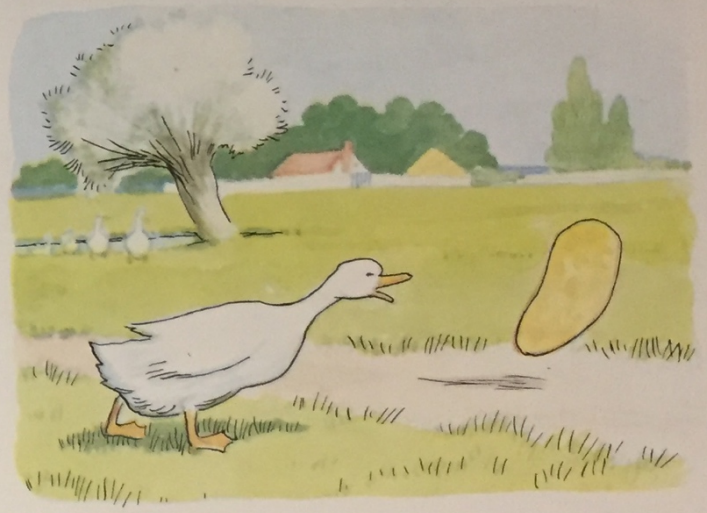
The boys can't stop me.

The man can't stop me.

The hen can't stop me.

You can't stop me."

And the pancake rolled faster and faster.



The pancake met a pig.

"Why do you run so fast?" said the pig.

"Can't you see?

The cook, the boys, the man, the hen, and the duck all want to eat me."

"That is too bad. I will run with you," said the pig.

So the pig and the pancake went on and on and on.

They came to a wide pond.

"I can't swim," said the pancake.

"I can," said the pig.

"Jump upon my nose, and I will take you across."

So the pancake jumped upon the pig's nose.

The pig gave a big grunt.

And snip! snap! he ate up the big round pancake.

Yes, the pig ate up every bit.