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James Monteith

First copyrighted in 1854, a small world geography book published in New York was reissued many times, with the pages increasing from sixty-two to sixty-eight. The work was written by James Monteith 'on the plan of object teaching' and was 'designed for beginners'. It had decorated printed covers, 175 x 130 mm. and in the text were thirteen wood engraved maps usually with hand-colour:

*Map of the World; Western Hemisphere; Eastern Hemisphere; North America; Map of the United States; Eastern States; Middle States; Southern States; Western States; South America; Europe; Map of Asia; Africa.*



The world map was only 60 x 40 mm. but the other twelve were about 100 x 140 mm. The book was issued again in the twentieth century.

*First lessons in geography.* New York, A.S. Barnes & Co., 1855, 1856, 1858, 1862, 1863, 1866, 1867, 1869, 1871, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1884; American Book Co., 1887, 1889.