

FIRST SUNDAYS AT CHURCH.

This mention of the elder son and brother occasioned a deep feeling in the whole party, and was followed by a temporary silence. The conversation was then resumed by Alice, with the following remark:— "If I remember aright, papa, you have told me that the exhortation "Let us pray," is copied from the practice of ancient churches.

ing of his imagination recalled them, and in all the fluctuating varieties of passion they are never like to reach to God at all. But he sits him down and sighs over his infirmity, and fixes his thoughts upon things above, and forgets all the little vain passages of this life, and his spirit is becalmed, and his soul is even and still, and then it softly and sweetly ascends to heaven on the wings of the Holy Dove, and dwells with God, till it returns, like a useful bee, laden with a blessing and the dew of heaven."

third time, saying the same words." (Matt. xxvi. 44.) There is nothing, my dear Alice, with which people may not find fault, when they are disposed so to do: let us rather thankfully make use of those helps to devotion which our Church has so richly provided, and seek that our souls may rise up, by God's grace, into those holy regions of charity and peace, where we shall have left the atmosphere of calumny and caviat at an immeasurable distance beneath us.

the effect was, that there was soon a Christian Church planted even among the heathen, and the power of God's Holy Spirit attended the preaching of the crucified Saviour, and sinners were converted to the faith of Jesus.—Rev. T. Mortimer.

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