

The Bridge.

CHAPTER IV.

ELIZABETH'S PREMATURE DEATH.

I am the resurrection, and the life."-John xi. 25.

In bringing the history of this dear child to a close, it is now my painful task to record the affecting circumstances that attended her death. Perhaps some young persons may wonder what disease carried her away in the spring-time of life to an early grave. Well do I remember telling her one evening of the sudden death of a neighbour, and, endeavouring to improve the circumstance, remarked how necessary it was for young and old to be prepared for death, as we did not