

The Family.

THE CHILD AT PRAYER.

Into her chamber went
A little child one day,
And by a chair she knelt,

"Pray Thee, Lord," she said,
"Thou wilt condescend
To tarry in my heart,

"Fear not, I will not leave thee, child alone,"
She thought she felt a soft hand press her own.

"They tell me, Lord, that all
The living pass away;
The aged soon must die,

"Fear not, my child; whatever ill may come,
I'll not forsake thee, I'll bring thee home."

THE LEEK-SEED CHAPEL.

Soon after the promulgation of Methodism
in England, it spread with great rapidity
over the counties of Devon and Cornwall,

"Among the uneducated local preachers
was one known by the name of 'The Old Gardener.'
This old man was no common character,

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a burglary and attempt at robbery. He lived
with his wife in a small and somewhat dilapidated

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it to be the unmistakable voice of the 'Old Gardener.'

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"'The Lord will be my defence,' rejoined
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"'We must and will have it,' said we,
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"A candle was burning on the table, and the
old fellow had a steel in one hand and a large flint
in the other. We were all three completely

absolutely froze our blood, and made cowards
of us all. The gardener saw the impression he
had made.

"'What! do you want to rob and murder?'
exclaimed he; 'you had better join with me in
prayer, miserable sinners that you are! Repent,
and you may be saved. You will soon be
in another world!'

"'Ryder first recovered his speech.
'Please to hear me, Mr. Gardener. I feel
that we have been wrong, and if we may depart
we will make reparation, and give you all the
money we have in our pockets.'

"'We laid our purses on the table before
him. The Lord has delivered you into my hands;
it was so revealed to me in a dream. We shall
all soon be in another world. Pray, let us
pray.' And down he fell upon his knees, close

"'I have unfastened the door; when you
hear me move make a rush.'
'The 'Old Gardener' then pouring out the
contents of the second purse, exclaimed,—
'Why there is almost enough to build our
new house of God! Let me see what the third

"'We did so, and at the same moment heard
the old fellow humming away with his flint
and steel. We expected to be instantly blown
into fragments. The front door, however, flew
open before us; the next step we found ourselves
in the garden. The night was pitchy dark.

"'Our horses were soon found, and we galloped
to Ryder's residence. Lights were procured,
and we sat down. We were black, ragged,
and dirty. We looked at each other,
and in spite of our miserable adventure, roared
with laughter.

"'We may laugh,' exclaimed Tom, 'but if
this adventure is blown, and we are found out,
Cornwall will be too hot for us for the next
seven years. We have made a pretty obliged
to pretend to pray for two long hours before a

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were spread that three men, disguised as black
demons, with horns and tails, had entered the
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terrified them, but had frightened them out
of a good sum of money, which he intended
to devote to the purpose of a new Methodist

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Down in the realms of hell
They held a council long ago;
And round their chiefs the dark fiends came,

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