

trampling down among the rocks, was mangled almost as much as if he had been torn to pieces by the dogs.

The fox is mentioned in Scripture. Samson employed three hundred foxes to burn the vineyards and corn-fields of the Philistines. Herod, the tetrarch of Galilee, who beheaded John the Baptist, was called a fox by Christ, on account of his craftiness. And our Saviour makes an affecting allusion to this animal, when he says, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has not where to lay his head."

THOMSON'S LESSONS.

LESSON III.

THE FOX AND THE GOAT.

sul-try	mu-tu-al-ly	pos-ture
de-scri-ed	pro-pos-ed	as-sist-ance
de-scend-ed	re-ject-ed	ha-zard
suf-fi-cient-ly	con-fi-dent	ad-vice
al-lay-ed	ex-tri-cate	ven-ture
ex-pe-di-ents	dif-fi-cul-ty	con-si-der-ed

A fox and a goat, travelling together on a very sultry day, found themselves exceedingly thirsty, when, looking around the country, in order to discover a place where they might meet with water, they at length descried a clear spring at the bottom of a pit. They both eagerly descended; and having