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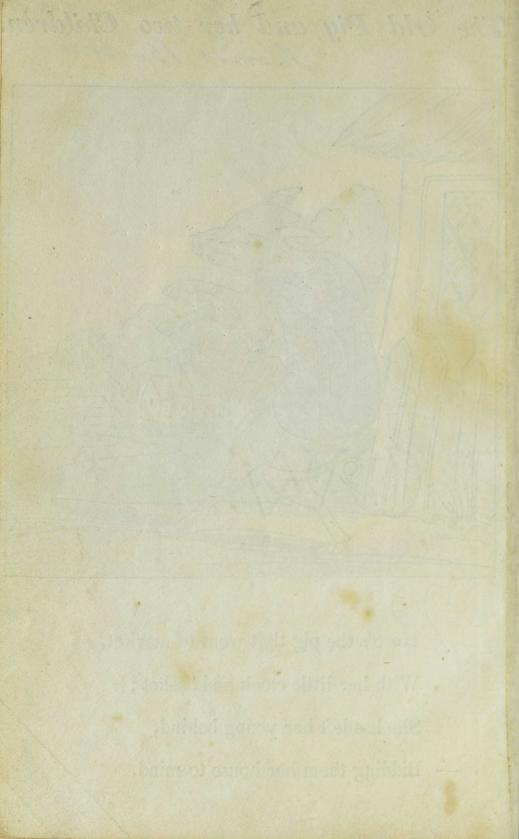
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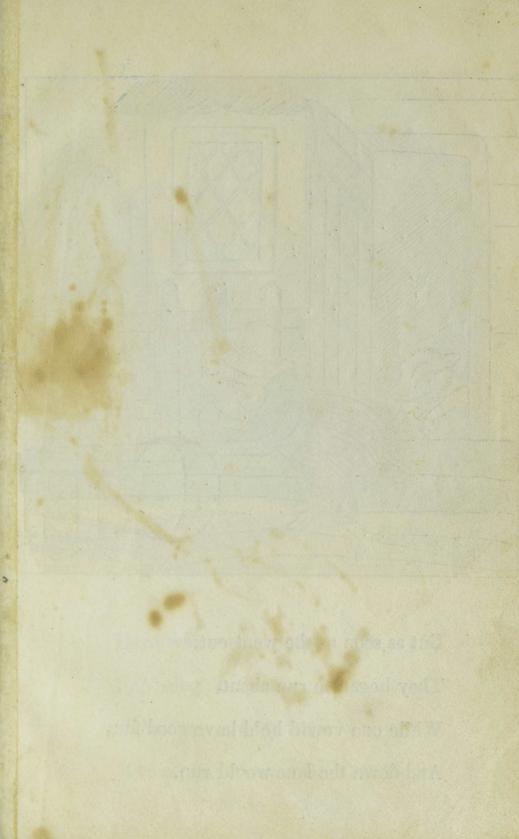


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Here's the pig that went to market,
With her little cloak and basket;
She has left her young behind,
Bidding them her house to mind.







But as soon as she went out,

They began to run about,

While one vow'd he'd have good fun,

And down the lane would run.



Hard was master piggy's fate,

For being obstinate;

A butcher passing, chanc'd to see,

And with the truant bold, made free.

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Taking pig beneath his arm,

Heedless of his great alarm;

To the Fair he bore his prize,

And pig too late, learnt to be wise.



See here's the mountebank,

Pig is led now in the rank;

Now the chase has just begun,

Pig is caught- the prize is won.



Now the dreadful hour is nigh,

Poor master pig is doom'd to die,

Now the knife shines oe'r his head,

Now poor pig lies still and dead.

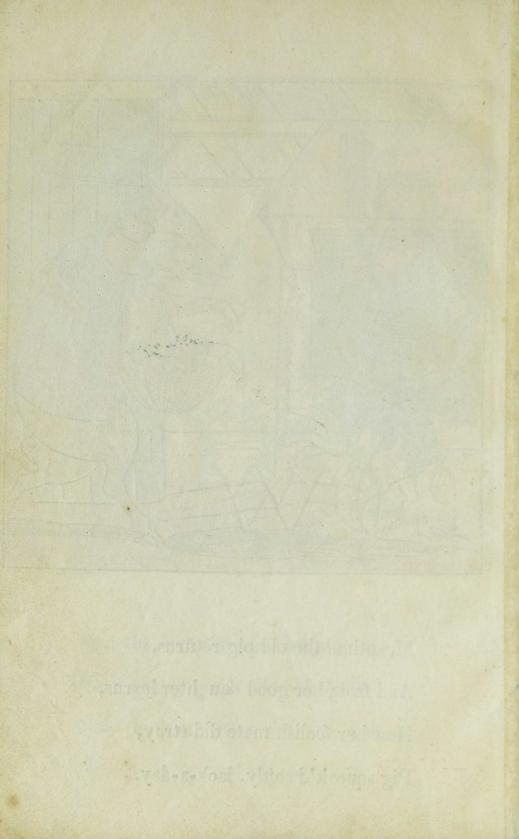


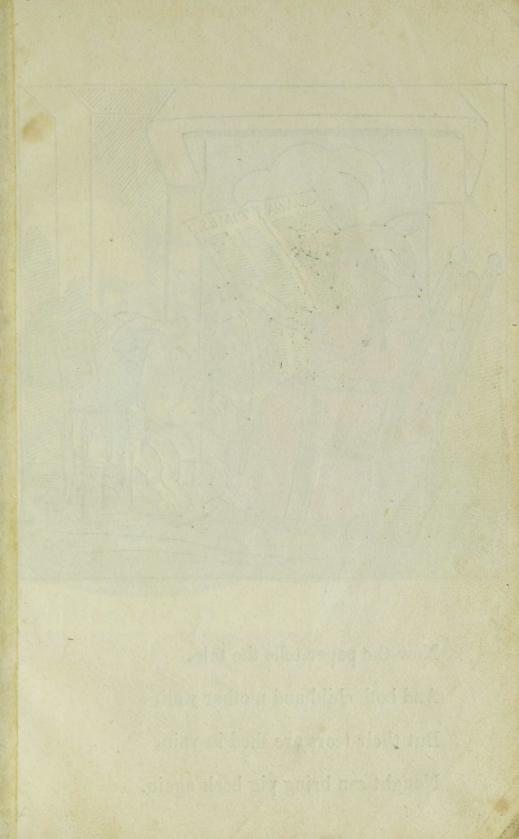
Meantime the old pig returns,

And from her good daughter learns,

How her foolish mate did stray,

Pig squeak'd softly, lack-a-day.







Now the paper tells the tale,

And both child and mother wail,

But their tears are shed in vain,

Nought can bring pig back again.

