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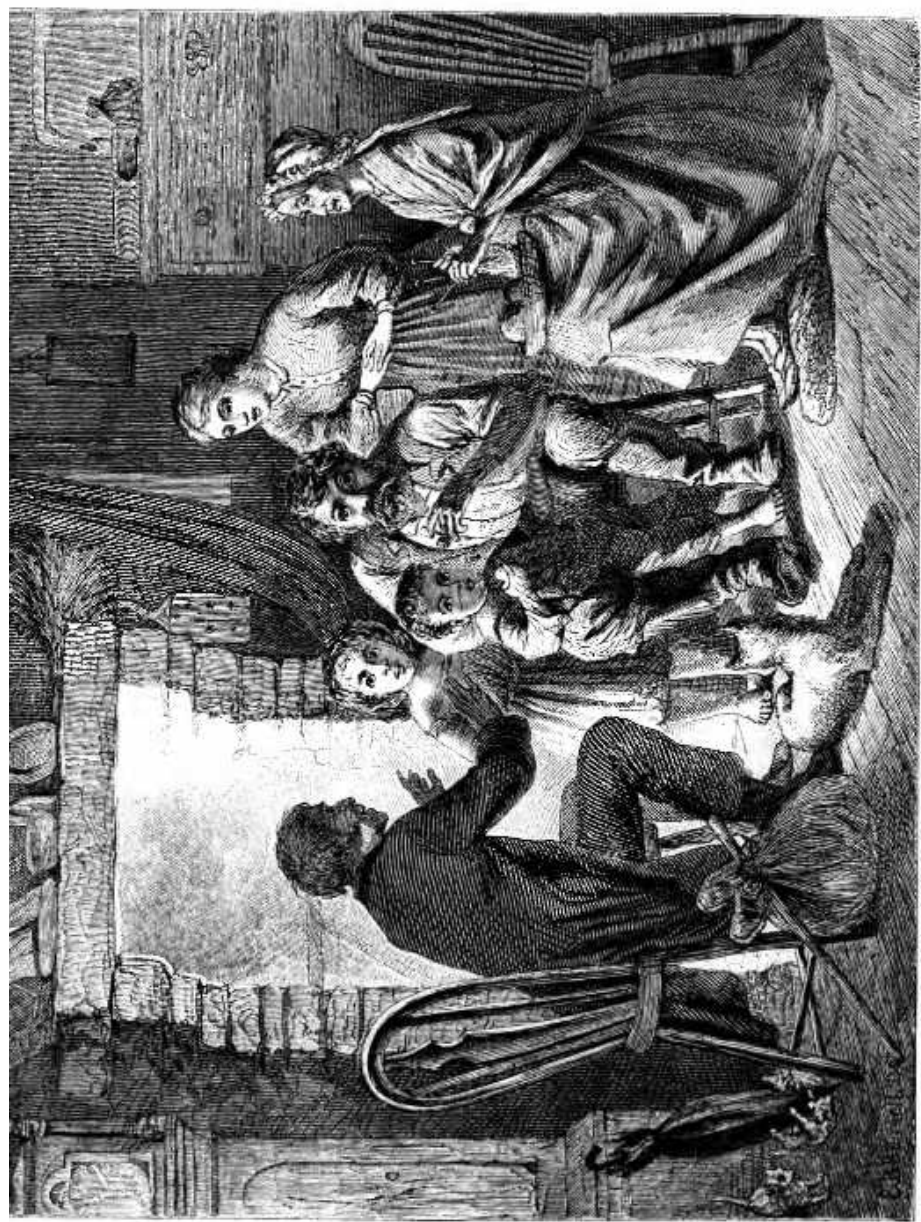
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ONE VOICE AND ANOTHER.

*Her voice so pure, so heavenly high,
Runs winningly along, —
A sweet impatience in her cry,
And wonder in her song :*

*For on her listening ear there fell
A voice I may not hear,
And like a bird she tries to tell
The secret to my ear.*



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