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PREFACE.

SMALL as this work is, it may be advisable to offer a few words by way of Preface, as I wish to assure my young readers that the Faggot-House is no fiction, and that the following pages are chiefly the recollections of former happy hours. The history of the Cook is unfortunately true; the water-spout and its devastations were watched and inspected by my brothers and myself. George still lives, who ran away from the viper; and the singularity of the currant-bush growing on an elm was an object of curiosity to my own neighbourhood. A few events of more modern occurrence have been combined with the story; but they are not inventions, and the whole book may be accepted with but little reserve as to its veracity.

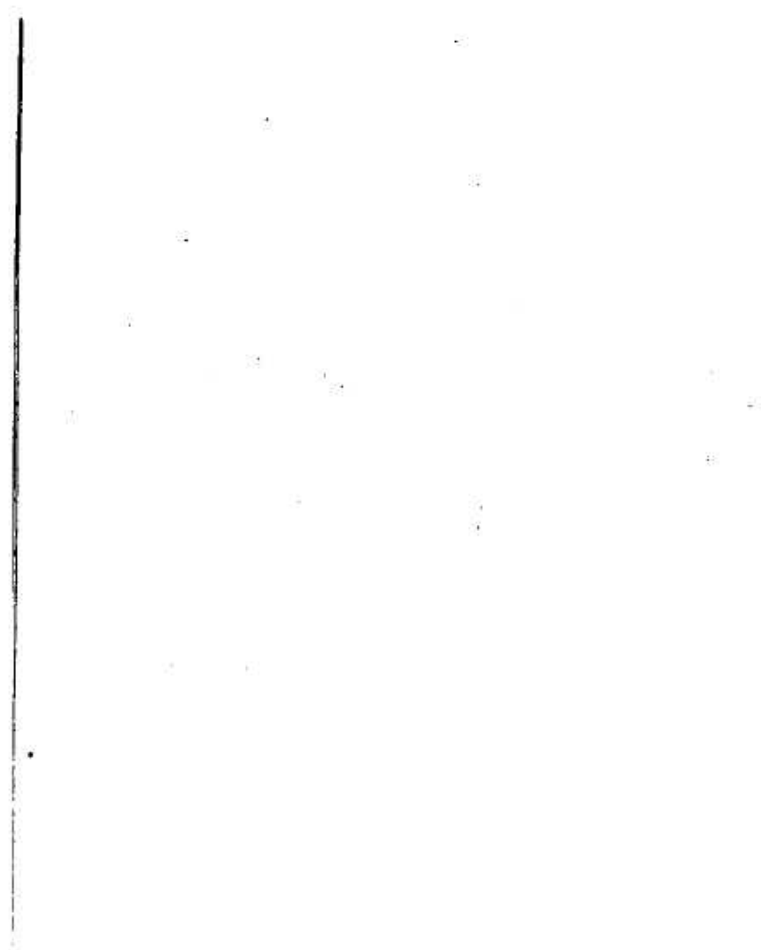


Figure 1. Relationship between the number of children and the number of children.