25. *The Lion and the Bulls.*

Several Bulls feeding on a meadow, made a vow among them to live peacable and unanimously to defend themselves against their common enemy. The Lion therefore, who long since had a mind to attack them, could not posſibly execute his design, fearing their united power. But unhappily it once came to paſs, that they quarrelled, and grumbling left each other. Now the Lion waylaid, seized every Bull, one after the other and devoured them. Too late they repented having broke so fickly the band of friendship and concord.

Application.

Insignificant force, when united is often capable of resisting great power. So may small and weak nations, by a firm alliance make head to a superior enemy; but easily he will attack and destroy them singly, if once a disharmony takes place between them. Unity, therefore is the soul of social life, by which all good and great aims are attained.

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