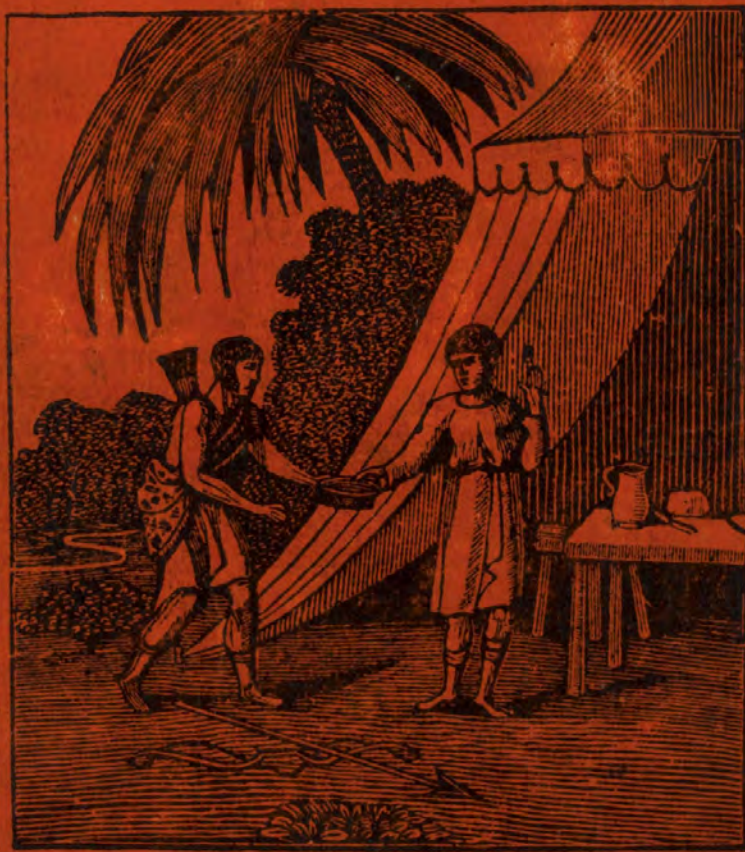


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but Gideon, with only three hundred men, routed the whole host of Midian, and released his country. During the rest of Gideon's life the Israelites were at peace; but falling again into their old errors, the Lord permitted the Philistines and the Ammonites to harass and distress them, from whose bondage they were rescued by Jephthah. Under this judge the Israelites rested thirty-one years, when they again became subject to the Philistines for forty years. Their deliverance from this captivity was effected by the wonderful strength and valour of Samson, whose deeds made him the terror of the Philistines. On his way to visit one of their daughters, he was suddenly attacked by a lion, but he took hold of it, and rent its jaws asunder, as if it had been a young kid. Among other unparalleled actions, he slew 1000 Philistines with the jawbone of an ass; but his concubine betrayed him into their hands, by shaving away his locks (wherein his strength lay) while he was asleep. The Philis-



*Samson killing the Lion.*

tines put out his eyes, and chained him in the prison; but at a great feast given in honour of their god Dagon, he was brought into their temple, which he pulled down, and killed more at his death than he had done in his lifetime.

The Israelites were in a miserable state when God raised up the prophet Samuel, who anointed Saul to be their king, and put into his hands the reins of government.

At first Saul was successful against his enemies; but being rash and imprudent, Samuel was commanded to anoint David, to be king, which he did without Saul's knowledge.

The Philistines soon after invaded the country, and Saul and the Israelites went out against them; but the gigantic Goliath, the champion of the Philistines, challenged them all to single combat. No one would engage him, till David, arriving at the camp with provisions for his brethren, accepted the challenge, and after killing the Philistine with a




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