THE PARENTS' CABINET

OF

AMUSEMENT AND INSTRUCTION.

PASSE-TOUT:

OR,

THE NEW FISHING SMACK.

ONE fine morning, in the village of Dive in Normandy, a large crowd of people were gathered on the sea beach round a new fishing boat. The bells of the village church were ringing merry peals, and many people were still coming out at the church door. It was not Sunday, but there had been a short service this morning previous to the ceremony of blessing the new boat, which the village priest was about to perform. All the people as they issued from the church porch directed their steps towards the groups on the beach.

On a bench, before the door of a poor cottage hard by, a fisherman, by name François Grandet, was