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WITH TWO PICTURES.

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"Ye therefore who love mercy, teach your sons
To love it too."———

COWPER



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THE DYING MONKEY.

EXPLANATION OF THE ENGRAVING.

"A propos of the East——

A relation of mine, always better satisfied at succeeding in his aim, than in the result of his shot, brought down a monkey from a high tree. The poor creature, mortally wounded, was able to catch at the branches as it fell; and having so reached the ground, was shocked to see it as large as a child of three years. He put away his gun, and hastened to it. The monkey placing its hand on the wound, looked into his face with an expression that seemed to imply, "*What have I ever done to you that you should kill me?*" He took it in his arms, and tried to stop the bleeding, while the creature growing weaker, yielded itself to the comfort that he gave:—

"And the big round tears
Chased one another down his innocent nose,
In piteous course.

Still there was the expression of reproach, heightened by the misery of poor ——, who, in the distraction of his mind, felt at that moment as if he would have given even his life for the recovery of his victim. He then took it gently to a pool, to put a period to the protracted sufferings of nearly an hour, and exerted his resolution by immersing it in the water. Holding it during the brief struggle, he turned from the sight; but when all was still, and he ventured to look, there were the monkey's eyes wide open under the water, with the same sad reproachful expression, and fixed upon his. From that day he never used his gun; and being a man of acute sensibility, he often said, "*that hour's experience had embittered his life.*"

From a work entitled, "Life at the Water Cure, or a Month at Malvern." A Diary by Richard J. Lane. Longman, Brown, Green, and Longman, London.

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The desired object of this little tract is to stimulate to an increased consideration of the claims of the brute creation upon the individual care of man; to which end a variety of extracts are made from able advocates in the cause of humanity. Two of the anecdotes given are illustrated by pictures. The subject of *Cruelty in general* is also included by quotations from different *writers*. May *their* pleadings reach the hearts of those who have it in their power to lessen the sum of human woe.

"Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy."

Matthew v. 7.

"If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain; if thou sayest, behold we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth *not* he know it? and shall not he render to every man according to his works?"—Prov. xxiv. 11, 12.

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The humane man will be found careful not to overload his beast; he will ease it up-hill and let it recover its breath, instead of inflicting severe strokes with his whip—he will see that the collar and the gearing fit well—he will not allow loaded panniers or heavy burdens to remain long on the back.

As to poor Dogs, and Cats, they too will fare well with him. Unless bitten by a rabid animal, they will probably escape all danger of the dreadful malady, Hydrophobia, for they will be well supplied with *water* as well as food.*

The Butcher too, who has a tender heart, will resort to the easiest method of taking life, so far as he is acquainted with it; and he who conveys calves to market will try to do it in the least objectionable way, neither tying their legs too tight, nor packing them so close in carts with their heads hanging over the sides, as to cause some of them to die on the

* However frequent the censure on what are called dog carts, it may be feared that nothing short of a legislative enactment will fully put down these dangerous and public nuisances, or check the wonted career of their often cruel keepers.

road; neither will he strike the legs of poor sheep and lambs, these also the emblems of innocence.

The stowing of Poultry into hampers and baskets, and laying them upon the ground, perhaps most of the day, in hot weather, until they appear almost sweltered to death, as though they were so many lumps of inanimate matter, supplies a grievous charge of cruelty, which the feeling heart will recognise as such. So also will the plan of tethering poor animals demand attention, that it be effected in the easiest possible way. We must reprehend the plan of tying the feet together, and turning upon the road to be half starved, those poor horses, and donkies, which have been working hardly, and may perhaps have neither had bite or sip on coming home. If too at night these have a shelter, where is it? in some close, shut up place where they can hardly stand, or in a cold shed, the direct reverse of comfort.

Many of the foregoing hints have been supplied by the writer of an excellent tract, entitled, "Cruelty exposed, and Humanity pleaded;" it is number 20 of the collection issued by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and well worthy of extended circulation. The following are the concluding lines, which are inserted with confidence and pleasure, the committee having obligingly granted leave to a private individual for the reprint of the whole; if such were desired.

"Have you a horse or an ass? See that he is sufficiently fed, and not worked beyond his strength.