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CHAPTER I.

A GREAT SWELL.

"BUY a box of matches, sir? Do please buy a box of matches."

It was a little ragged barefooted boy who spoke. He had a dirty face and rough matted hair, and was running by the side of a rather stylish-looking young gentleman, and thrusting his little tray of wares under his nose.

"Buy a box sir, please, sir; only a penny, sir," he kept on repeating.

"I don't want anything of the sort," said the other, looking straight before him and swinging a light cane round and round as if he had been turning a wheel.

"Only a penny, sir; just to get me a bit of bread, sir. I'm so hungry, sir."

"I tell you I don't want any. Get out of my way, do."