

of pure confusion of the mind stand still, he bawls out—"Oh, stubborn, are ye! I'll soon thrash that out of ye!" Then it is ten to one that either from terror, or just indignation, I take to my heels and run.

Well that's my master. Now then here's my mistress. As soon as I hear her footstep the water begins to run from my mouth, for I know it means an apple or a carrot, or a lump of sugar or salt. Then while I'm munching, she pats my neck, and smooths my nose the right way, and rubs her little soft hand over my eyes till I shut them up and begin to grow quite stupid with pleasure. Then she gets in and gives the lines a jerk, and says so politely,—"Now, old fellow!" and then she keeps on jerking. About a dozen times a minute, jerk goes that iron against my jaws, till I declare, if it were anybody else I'd take the bit in my teeth and run away with her. Now I can't talk, but if some of you ladies or gentlemen would only tell her that all you have to do is to say, "There's a good fellow," and I'll trot till I drop; or if I should happen to be meditating touch me with the whip—that's legitimate, and I'm not the horse to complain of it; but I can't bear this continual nagging jerk, jerk, jerk at my jaws.

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