

Number Forty—ABATTOIR OR PACKING HOUSE

John and the man go into the abattoir or packing-house. They see the men driving the pigs up the runway. They drive them into the **shackling-pen**⁷. In the shackling-pen a man takes the hind leg of the pig. He fastens a **chain**⁸ to it. He fastens the chain to the **shackling-wheel**⁹. The shackling-wheel turns around and pulls the pig up by the leg. The chain fastens to a **slide-rail**¹⁰ and the pig slides on the slide-rail to the **sticker**¹¹. The sticker is a man who sticks the pig. He sticks the pig in the throat with a **knife**¹². The **blood**¹³ spurts out and the pig dies. A man takes the **hose**¹⁴ and sprays the pig. They put the pig in the **scalding-tub**¹⁵. They leave it there from six to ten minutes. The water in the scalding-tub is very hot. Then they put the pig through the **scraper**¹⁶. This takes off some of the hair. The **polisher**¹⁷ takes off some more hair. The pig is put on the **rolling-table**¹⁸ and a man scrapes off the rest of the hair with a knife.

In the picture there are six men. One puts the pig on the shackling-wheel; one sticks the pig with a knife; one turns the hose on the pig; one puts the pig through the scraper and polisher, and one scrapes it on the rolling-table with a knife.