

SAVED FROM THE HORSES' FEET, AND OTHER SKETCHES.



A stalwart trooper seized and lifted the child on to his saddle.

THE following incident occurred during a general review of the Austrian Cavalry a few years ago.

A little girl standing in the front row of spectators, either from fright or some other cause, rushed out into the open field just as a squadron of cavalry came sweeping round from the main body. They made the detour for the purpose of saluting the Empress,

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who was seated in that part of the parade ground. Down came the flying squadron, charging at a mad gallop—down directly on the child. The mother was paralysed, as were the others, for there could be no rescue from the line of spectators.

The Empress uttered a cry of horror, for the child's destruction seemed inevitable, and such terrible destruction—the trampling to death by a hundred iron hoofs.