

lery Guard-house, attached to the Military Hospital, where the sentinel used to walk. At the corner of two roads, a gentleman in a gig passed with great speed, and as I could not hear and not having seen it coming, the horse struck me to the ground with his feet, and the wheel passed over my heel, but my boot was very thick and strong, and prevented it from cutting deeply. The horse stamped with its feet on my breast and I lay groaning on the road, and I began to bawl very loud, as I felt great pain; he tried to go backward from my heel with great difficulty, for ten minutes. After that I saw the gig run away from me for a considerable distance, when the gentleman looked behind his back at me. I think he began to be frightened and ran away full speed. A number of people were soon collected, and seeing I was deaf and dumb, they became very much excited; amongst them was a female benefactor, who lifted me up from the ground, and carried me in her arms to the Druggist shop, where the Surgeon wrapped my heel with ointment and cloth; this done, she brought me to the Military Barracks, where my parents lived. I was put in a bed until my heel was recovered. I have been informed that it was Captain Fraser's son who ran over me; he did not give me anything for it.

My parents left the barracks where I spent so many happy days in viewing the soldiers' uniforms and seeing the firing of cannon, which I felt, but could not hear. My parents had removed to Red Lion Street. On one day I entreated my mother for permission to go to London; she gave her consent, and afterwards I started with a beaming countenance; joy filled my breast. My kind mother filled a bottle with water and put it into a large basket along with something to eat, and then told me that I must take care not to break or crack the bottle. "Oh! yes, indeed," answered I, that I will do as you advise me." After that moment I went away from her, and began to run along the streets very gaily with the basket on my arm, and came in sight of the River Thames. I, however, did not buy a ticket at the Pier Office for my fare, because I was ignorant. As I sat in the steamboat, and a few minutes after when the bell began to ring, it commenced to plough into the