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"I BELONG TO THE PRINCESS LOUISE, WHOSE DOG ARE YOU?"

The citizens of Ottawa were much surprised on the arrival of the Princess Louise in their city to see her day after day, whether it were bright or overcast, fine underfoot, or slippery or slushy, taking long walks out into the country and enjoying the bracing air and attractive scenery of the Canadian capital. She was always plainly, neatly and warmly clad, in this, as well as in her walking, setting a good example to American ladies. In her

royal mistress; the other cowers at the inquisitive advances of his newly-found friend, uncertain what is to follow, yet is perfectly willing to be friends if friendship is to guide the order of things.

Poor fellow, his burdens have taken away some of his spirit. But in his lowly sphere who dare say that he is not useful? He evidently carries his load to some purpose, and he has those who pet him and fondle him as his prouder neighbor is fondled, and while the dog of the Princess is useful as her companion

position he now occupies; no one then would care for him. His kind, intelligent face shows he is a different kind of dog from that. If the mongrel were disagreeable also, there would be little chance of him belonging to any body, unless for the purpose of frightening strangers away from the house. It is their kindly disposition and usefulness that makes them valued, and if our young readers desire to be much thought of, respected and loved they must endeavor to be useful to all around them, and so act that it may be said

his skin and gave it its first taste for blood. Then its ferocious nature awoke. Fury gleamed from its eyes, and crouching, it made ready to spring upon its master. Fortunately, the gentleman had a loaded pistol on his table, and saved his life by shooting his former pet.

Human nature is fallen and the propensity to sin is lurking in every human soul. It may appear at times to be dead or dormant, or not to exist, but in the moment of temptation, unless the grace of God interposes, it will spring into life, and woe be to the soul in



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wanderings she was accompanied by one faithful companion at least, her beautiful collie dog. The latter has been immortalized by the pencil of the artist of the *Graphic*, a high class English illustrated paper, and with him a much more humble neighbor, who seems to have strayed away from his master, dragging behind him the load to which he was attached. These two faithfully represent classes in the human race. The one has never known any burden but the one imposed by love of his

and protector, the dog of the peasant is as useful in his more humble way. It is hard to say which is the better loved; it is hard to say which would be the more missed; perhaps the loss of the mongrel would cause the shedding of more tears than the loss of the high-bred collie.

There may be a lesson in this for all readers of the *Messenger*, of whatever condition. Were the collie bad tempered, cross and unattractive, he would not have the honorable

when their course on earth is finished of them that the world was better because of their presence in it.

THE TIGER IN THE SOUL.

A gentleman in India once raised a tiger cub. His kindness seemed to eradicate the ferocity of its nature, and it grew up as a pet. One day its owner, being alone with it in his library, caressed it, and gave it his hand to lick. The rough tongue of the animal grazed

which the evil nature is not kept down by the almighty hand of God. A new heart and constant divine restraint is the only hope.

THE GROWTH of Christianity is marked by the preserved sanctity of the home. As religion found its first shelter and support in the heart of the family life, so it will only accomplish its great object in the world, as it conserves human welfare, in purifying life in the home.—*Western Christian Advocate*.