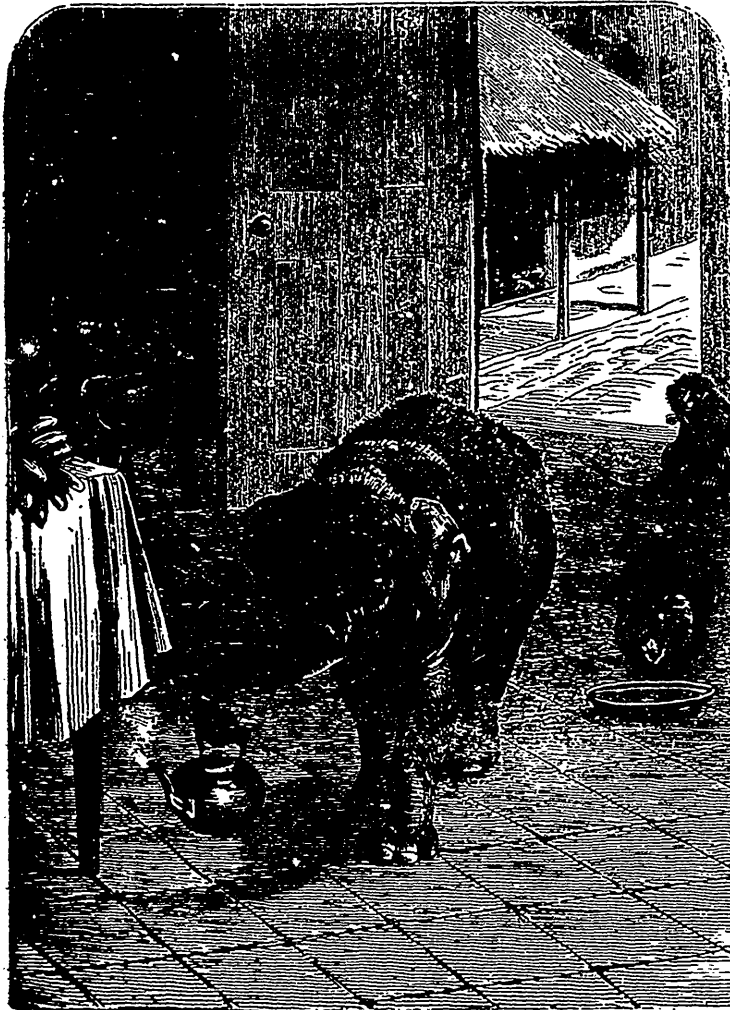


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**A** GENTLEMAN in India had a present made to him of a young elephant, just six months old. At the end of two months he became thoroughly tame and domesticated, and was allowed to ramble about the house and grounds; but his favourite place was by his master's side, whether he was in the house or out of it. He followed him like the most faithful dog for long distances, and this devotion was at times somewhat troublesome; for he succeeded in following him to places where he was not wanted, as at church, soldiers' hospital, and even the parlours of his friends. When his master was at home in the heat of the day, the elephant generally stood