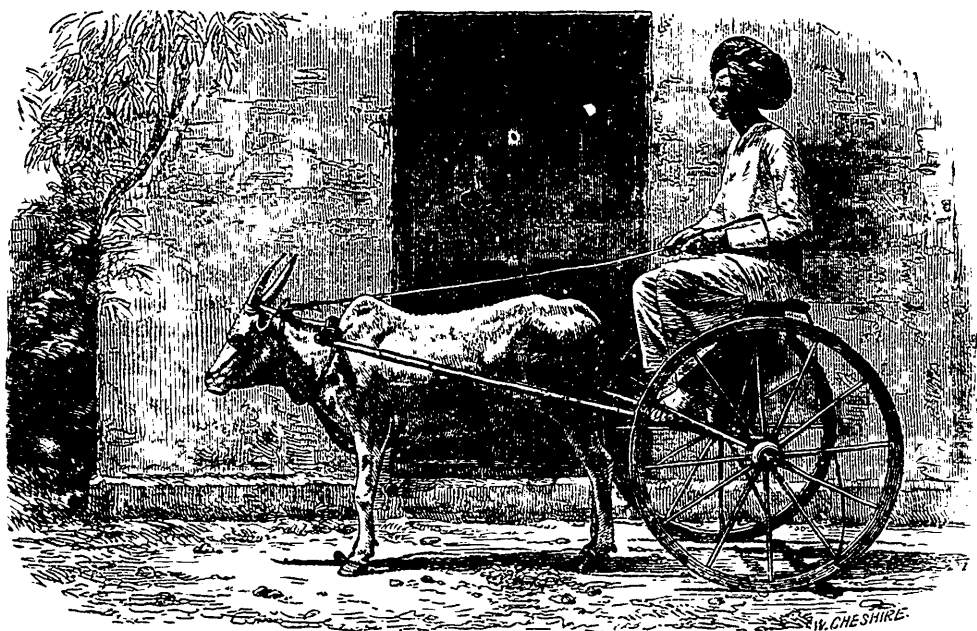


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## A BULLOCK HACKERY.

**I**N India bullocks are used almost entirely instead of horses. The land is ploughed, harrowed, drilled and weeded, and the grain trodden out and carried to market by their labour. They are very generally used by Europeans in India for chaises, palankin carriages, travelling coaches, and other conveyances.

Hindus take good care to keep the rule—"Never walk when you can ride;" and they are very ingenious in gaining their point at a small expense, like the driver of the *Hackery* in our picture. A pair of old wheels, bought

for almost nothing at an auction, fitted with a pair of bamboo shafts, a yoke and strap, with a rope through the single bullock's nose for a bridle, and a whip made of a piece of bamboo and twine, with a nail at the end of the stick, complete his outfit.

"But what is he sitting on?" you ask. Why, dispensing with a big, grand case of wood, leather, glass, cushions, paint, varnish, coat-of-arms, springs, and other needless affairs: out of an old packing-case he makes a plain seat, fixed on two upright pieces upon the axle, thus forming as light a body to his carriage as you can well fancy. Yet even this luxury is often dispensed with, and the gentleman, who