

LESSON 134.

Look at the picture called the "Judgment of Paris." When you know the story you will understand the title.

Paris, the son of Priam, King of Troy, was celebrated far and wide for the beauty of his person. A dispute arose among three lovely Greek goddesses, Juno, Diana and Venus, over a golden apple that was to be awarded "*to the fairest.*" King Jupiter sent the three goddesses to Paris, who was tending his flocks on Mount Ida, and bade him adjudge the apple. To influence his decision Juno offered him power, Diana martial glory, and Venus the most beautiful of women. Paris awarded the apple to Venus.

The title of this picture is taken from this story.

Who stands for Paris in this picture? Which of the three girls is Venus? Diana? Juno? Is the apple a golden one? Is Paris very beautiful? Do you think he is handing the apple to the right goddess?

Write the real story of the "Judgment of Paris."