

INTRODUCTORY.

MRS. SAVIGNY is already favourably known as an authoress, and does not require to be introduced to the public. She is an active member of the Humane Society, and has written "Lion, the Mastiff" to promote a cause which is very dear to her. It is the production of a lady whose sentiments and feelings are in harmony with all that is true and good. Every page testifies to the kindness of her heart. Her moral standard is the Christian standard. She instinctively shrinks from cruelty, and no one, we hope, can read this story without catching somewhat of the humane and gentle spirit which characterizes the writer of it.

The style of this book is pleasant and interesting, and shows throughout the quick appreciation and delicacy of touch which belong to a refined and cultivated woman. Mrs. Savigny understands "Lion" exceedingly well in all his moods of joy and sorrow, anger and love, hope and fear; and she interprets almost equally well the horses, cows, cats and birds that come into relations with the hero of the story.