86. *The captive Lion and the Rat.*

A Rat hearing a terrible roaring in a forest, was led by curiosity to see, who had so dreadful a voice. She found a Lion caught in a net, and recognised him to be the same in whose power she had been some time ago, and who generously had saved her life. Full of gratitude she hastened to his relief, gnawed asunder one thread of the net after the other and in this manner set the Lion at liberty.

Application.

It is not only acting humanly, but even wise, to make friends with the lowest man. Insignificant as he appears, cases may occur, when he will be able to render us great services. Besides, a friendly and affable behaviour towards every body, is a great virtue in human society.

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