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TIGER LOOSE IN A DAIRY. Surprise of a Thrifty Bull When the Big Cat "Went Wild." There was considerable excitement at Mysore recently. One of the maharajah's tigers got loose and was not recaptured for over 48 hours. Allowing tigers and other wild animals to escape out of confinement seems a common event in Mysore. During the time of the late maharajah one got out of his cage in the menagerie, and also during his father's reign a tiger leaped all over the fort a whole day, going in and out of people's houses, but strange to say, on none of these occasions has anyone been injured. The tiger in the present instance is one which is kept by his highness' dairy to keep away the "evil eye" from the cattle. He was netted for Lord Launceston to shoot when a few years ago and is a splendid brute. The dairy is a very large yard, with open sheds all round, in which the cattle are tied, the tiger's cage being close to one end and a fountain near the other. The tiger got out about seven p. m. and calmly strolled around, the place being full of cattle and people at the time; but, fortunately, he had no desire whatever to taste stall-fed beef or Hindoo either, although he passed within a few feet of the cows and the men, and after examining them all quietly lay down by the fountain. By nine o'clock a couple of elephants brought down the nets and a cord was run around the place, preventing the tiger coupling or getting at the cattle, when two rather amusing incidents occurred. A cow managed to get into the yard, and after skipping about for some time rushed into a part of the

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