

about like "a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour." And Jesus Christ is styled the "Lion of the tribe of Judah," because he subdues the enemies of his church and people.

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## LESSON XVI.

### ANECDOTE OF A LION.

The country for many miles around the Cape of Good Hope, in Africa, is inhabited by farmers from Europe, chiefly Dutch settlers. One of these men, whose name was Van Wyk, gave this interesting account to a traveller of the visit which a lion one day made to him and his family. "It is now," said he, "two years since it happened; my wife was sitting within the house, near the door; the children were playing around her, and I without, near the house, busied in doing something to a waggon, when suddenly, though it was mid-day, an enormous lion appeared, came up, and laid himself quietly down in the shade, upon the very threshold of the door. My wife, stupified with fear, or aware of the danger attending any attempt to fly, remained motionless in her place, while the children took refuge in her lap. The cry they uttered, however, attracted my attention, and I hastened towards the door; but my astonishment may well be conceived, when I found the entrance to it barred by the lion. I glided gently, scarcely knowing what I meant to do, to the side of the house, up to the window of my chamber, where I knew my loaded gun was standing; by a happy chance it was in the corner,