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The third Dialogue.

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You not espy the three Tygers there? *J.* Yes, Yes, in coming by little and little nearer I ſee them. *Ch.* There is a high Hill, ſhall we not go thither? *J.* Yes, I will go along with You. Away! away! There is a big mountain-Snake, I never ſaw in my Life ſuch great a Serpent. How many Yards is ſhe long? *Ch.* She is, as it ſeemes, about nine Yards long. *J.* Huſh! It is not good to make here a long Stay. Let us haſte preſently to ſlip away. *Ch.* Look a little on high upon this Oak. *J.* What is that, pray, I ſee a winged Cat. *Ch.* No Cat at all, but it is a big Dormouſe of this Country. *J.* For what is ſuch a Dormouſe good? *Ch.* That I can't tell You. Some People do eat them. *J.* I ſee there Abundance of Parrots. *Ch.* What is their Colour? *P.* They are all green coloured. Are here in this Place any Crocodills? *Ch.* No, as far as I know, I believe not, but at *Bengall* there is a great Abundance thereof. *J.* The Sun is at Setting; Come let us go home.

The third Dialogue.

The Maſter talkes with his Tupas *about procuring of a* Pallaquin.

Maſter. From whence are you? Where are you born, What is your native Country?

Tup. Sir, My Birth-Place is this Town, and my Father and my Mother ſelf are all born here. *M.* Will You ſtay with me in my Service? *T.* Yes, Sir, with all my Heart. I will ſerve You. *M.* How much do you ask for your Wages a Month? *T.* Sir, All Gentlemen allow one *Pagoda* a Month. *M.* Very well, I will give you the ſame. *T.* Is now at preſent any Thing, Sir, that You have Occaſion for? *M.* I have Occaſion for a *Pallaquin*, for *Pallaquin*-Boys and a Bearer of a Boon-Grace. *T.* It is very well, I ſhal take Care of all. *M.* Your native Country is exceeding hot; It is impoſſible to go on Foot: What Convenience is to be got therefore? *T.* Sir, when any Men of note (in this Country) will go abroad, they will go on Horſe-Back, or they will ride in a Chariot, or they will go in a *Pallaquin.* *M.* When any Body keepes a Chariot for him Self, will he put Horſes into it, or Mules, or Oxen? *T.* Sir, Every one may do, according to his own Pleaſure. *M.* But is it not an un beſeeming Thing to put Oxen to a Chariot? *T.* No, Sir, all the great Moormen and Gentoumen do put every Day Oxen into Chariots. *M.* And thus they will ride on Oxen? *T.* Yes, Sir, But ſome Gentlemen will lay firſt a Saddle upon the Ox. *M.* For my Part I never in my Life ſhall go abroad in ſuch a Manner. *T.* Sir, You don't

don't want it, You must procure for You self a *Pallaquin*. *M.* For what must I keep my own *Pallaquin*? Is it not better to hire one? *T.* Sir, When You hire one, You must pay the Matter of four *Fannams* every Day for it. *M.* If it is so, I have no Mind to hire, but to keep my own *Pallaquin*. *T.* Yes, Sir, that is a great Deal better, and besides this all Gentlemen keep their own *Pallaquins*- *M.* How much will cost the making of a new *Pallaquin*? *T.* The making only of a new *Pallaquin* will cost six *Pagodas*. *M.* But how many *Pagodas* will cost the *Pallaquins*-*Bambo*? *T.* Some Times when the *Bambo* is well bowed according to the best Fashion, they will pay thirty *Pagodas* for one. *M.* Is there such a high Price upon all the *Bambos*? *T.* No, Sir, some *Bambos* will cost twenty *Pagodas*, some ten *Pagodas* and some seven *Pagodas*; The Price is not one and the same. *M.* But what will cost all the other Things, as the Couch-Bed (Polster) the Pillows (Cushions) and Tossels? *T.* Every Body makes it so, as it pleases himself. *M.* How shall I go on? *T.* Sir, The best Way is to buy Scarlet-Cloth, and Cotton, and then to call for the Taylor to make it. *M.* To what will probably amount the Expense for this *Pallaquin*? *T.* Sir, When we cast up the Account, it will cost the Matter of forty *Pagodas*. *M.* How many *Pallaquin*-Boys

muſt I keep? *T.* Sir, You muſt keep ſix *Pallaquin*-Boys. M. What is their Wages a Month? *T.* Sir, According to the Companys Order You will pay five *Pagodas* a Month. *M.* What is the Wages for the Rondell-Boy? (Bearer of the Umbrello)? *T.* Sir, The Wages for the Bearer of the Boon-Grace is twenty four *Fannams*. *M.* But in Caſe I would take a Journey to *Fort St. David* or any other Place, will ſix People be enough, or muſt I keep other men beſides them? *T.* Sir, Beſides theſe ſix *Pallaquin*-Boys You muſt keep four People more, and when You ſtay longer in the Way, than three Days, You muſt give to every Body of them their due Victuals. *M.* Well then! Call the *Pallaquin*-Boys, bid to make ready the *Pallaquin* preſently, I will go abroad. *T.* Sir, All is ready at Your Service. *M.* Come on! lift, lift take up, take up! go ſwiftly on. *T.* Sir, Shall I follow along with You? *M.* Yes, Come behind me, I will go near that Houſe there. You! You! Boys, ſtop here, ſet down!

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