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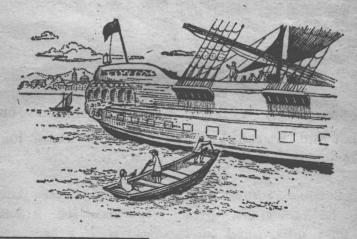
#### A VOYAGE'TO LILLIPUT

#### Chapter 1

I AM LEMUEL GULLIVER<sup>2</sup>, and I am a doctor. One day I met the captain<sup>3</sup> of a ship. 'Will you be the doctor on my ship?' said the captain.

'Yes, 'certainly,' I replied4.

The ship was called the Antelope<sup>5</sup>, and it was sailing to the South Seas<sup>6</sup>.

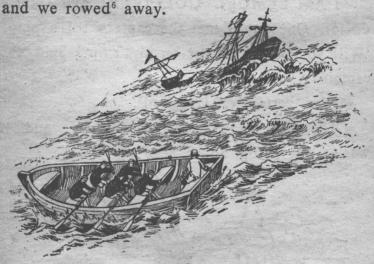


<sup>1.</sup> voyage[voidʒ]n. 航海, 航行。 2. Lemuel Gulliver['lemjuəl 'galivə] 莱缪尔·格里佛。 3. captain ['kæptin] n. 船长。 4. reply [ri'plai] vt. 回答。 5. the Antelope ['æntiləup] 羚羊号(船名)。 6. the South Seas 南海。sea n. 海,海洋。

We left Bristol1 on the 4th of May, 1699.

At first the sea was calm<sup>2</sup>. Then there was a very bad storm<sup>3</sup>. The ship struck<sup>4</sup> a rock<sup>5</sup>, and broke in two.

I climbed into a boat with five more men, and we rowed away.



Suddenly a large wave overturned our boat and it sank. I had to swim for a long

<sup>1.</sup> Bristol ['bristl] 布里斯托尔(英国港市)。 2. calm [ka:m] adj. (天气、海洋等)静的,平静的。 3. storm n. 风暴, 暴(风)雨。 4. strike [straik] (struck [strak], struck) vt. 打,击,撞。

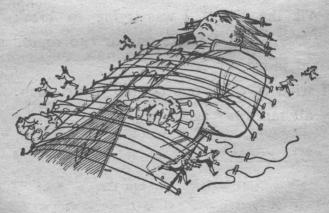
<sup>5.</sup> rock n. 岩石; 礁石。 6. row [rou] vt. & vi. 划船; 划行。

time until I came near to land. The other men were all drowned.<sup>2</sup>



I swam to the shore<sup>3</sup>, and lay down on the short, soft grass<sup>4</sup>. I was very tired, and soon I went to sleep.

When I awoke<sup>5</sup>, it was early in the morning, and I tried to get up.



<sup>1.</sup> land n. 陆地,地面。 2. The other men were all drowned. 其他的人都淹死了。drown [draun] vt. 把……淹死。 3. shore [fo:] n. 岸。 4. grass n. 草,草地。 5. awake [əˈweik] (awoke [əˈwəuk], awoke) vi. 醒。

I could not move. I was lying on my back, and my arms and legs were pinned<sup>1</sup> to the ground. My long hair<sup>2</sup> was pinned down in the same way.

After a few minutes, something climbed on to my leg, and crept<sup>3</sup> up to my chin<sup>4</sup>. It was a very little man. He was about six inches<sup>5</sup> high, and he had a bow<sup>6</sup> and arrow<sup>7</sup> in his hands.

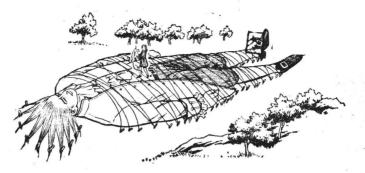
Afterwards<sup>8</sup>, forty more little people climbed on to<sup>9</sup> me. I was very surprised, and I shouted 'Oh!' in a loud voice<sup>10</sup>.

At once, all the little men ran away, but they soon came back.

All the time<sup>11</sup>, I was trying to break the ropes<sup>12</sup>. At last, I broke one or two ropes, and I could move my left arm.

I tried to catch one of the little men, but they all ran away again.

<sup>1.</sup> pin vt. (用钉等)钉住。 2. hair [hsə] n. 头发。 3. creep [kri:p] (crept [krept], crept) vi 爬行。 4. chin n. 下巴。
5. inch n. 英寸。 6. bow [bəu] n. 弓。 7. arrow ['ærəu] n. 箭。
8. afterwards ['a:ftəwədz] adv. 后来。 9. on to 到……上。
10. in a loud voice 大声地。 11. all the time 一直,始终。
12. rope n. 绳,素。



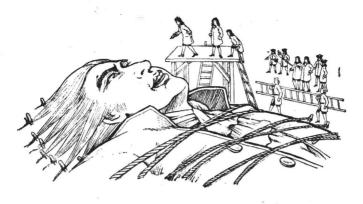
Then there was a loud shout, and they shot their little arrows at me. The arrows pricked my left hand and my face, and made them smart<sup>2</sup>.

I did not break any more ropes, and they shot no more arrows at me. I lay still<sup>3</sup> and did not move.

Some of the little men near me started to work. They were making a platform<sup>4</sup> by my head.

After one hour the men had finished. Then they fetched<sup>5</sup> ladders<sup>6</sup>. Several<sup>7</sup> of them climbed up the ladders on to the platform. One of the men spoke to me. I asked for some food.

<sup>1.</sup> prick [prik] vt. 刺痛。 2. smart [sma:t] vi. 针扎似地作痛。 3. still adj. 静止的,不动的。 4. platform ['plætfo:m] n. 平台。 5. fetch [fetf] vt. (去)拿来。 6. ladder ['lædə] n. 梯子。 7. several ['sevrəl] pron. 几个,数个。



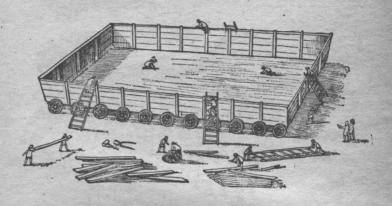
The little men fetched more ladders and put them by my sides. More than one hundred people climbed on to me. They carried baskets full of meat. They gave me some of their tiny¹ loaves² as well³. I put two or three in my mouth at the same time⁴. Then they brought a barrel⁵ of wine⁶, and I drank¹ all of it.

I finished my meal, and the men brought me some ointment<sup>8</sup>. I put it on my hands and face, because they were still smarting. In a few minutes the pain went<sup>9</sup>. I was very tired, and soon I went to sleep.

<sup>1.</sup> tiny ['taini] adj. 极小的。 2. loaf [ləuf] n. 一块面包。
3. as well 也,又。 4. at the same time 同时。 5. barrel ['bærəl] n. 桶。 6. wine n. 酒。 7. drink [driŋk] (drank [dræŋk], drunk [drʌŋk]) vt. 饮,喝。 8. ointment ['ointmənt] n. 药膏。 9. the pain went 疼痛消失了。pain [pein] n. 疼痛。

#### Chapter 2

I was in the country of Lilliput<sup>1</sup>. The Emperor<sup>2</sup> of Lilliput told his men to make a very big truck. He wanted to take me to Mildendo<sup>3</sup>, the capital<sup>4</sup> city of Lilliput.



Five hundred carpenters<sup>5</sup> helped to make the truck, and it was soon ready. It was made of wood. It was seven feet<sup>6</sup> long and four feet wide, and it had twenty-two wheels<sup>7</sup>.

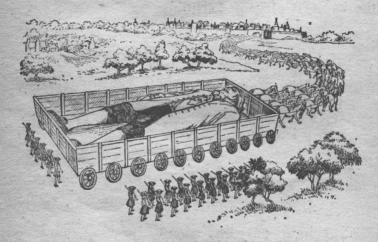
Tiny horses pulled the truck to my side.

<sup>1.</sup> Lilliput ['lilipat] 小人国。 2. emperor ['empərə] n. 皇帝。 3. Mildendo ['mildəndəu] (地名)。 4. capital ['kæpitl] adj. 首位的, 重要的; n. 首都。 5. carpenter ['kɑ:pintə] n. 木匠。 6. foot [fu:t] (复数 feet [fi:t]) n. 英尺。 7. wheel [wi:l] n. 轮, 车轮。

The little men raised me on to it with poles<sup>1</sup>, pulleys<sup>2</sup>, and ropes. Then they tied<sup>3</sup> me there.

I was still asleep4.

Fifteen hundred of the Emperor's largest horses pulled the truck. Each horse was nearly four-and-a-half inches high.<sup>5</sup>



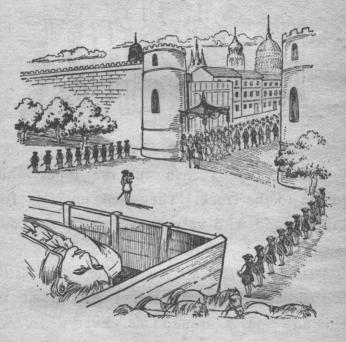
After four hours I woke up. All day the horses pulled the truck along the road. In the evening they stopped and rested.

At night there were five hundred guards on each side of me. Some of them had torches<sup>6</sup>,

<sup>1.</sup> pole n. 杆,柱。 2. pulley ['puli] n. 滑轮。 3. tie [tai] vt. 扎, 系,绑。 4. asleep [ə'sli:p] adj. 睡着。 5. Each horse was ... high. 每匹马大约四英寸半高。nearly ['niəli] adv. 将近, 几乎。6. torch [to:tʃ] n. 火炬。

and others had bows and arrows. They were ready to shoot me if I moved.

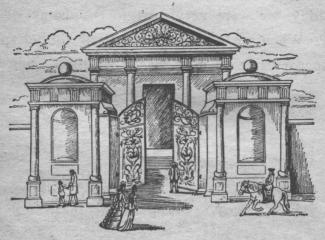
The next morning we set off<sup>1</sup> again, and by midday<sup>2</sup> we were very near to the gates of the city. When we got to the gates of the city, the Emperor came to meet us.



There was an old temple not far away from the city<sup>3</sup>. It was the largest temple in Lilliput,

set off 出发。
 by midday ['middei] n. 到正午时。
 not far away from the city 离城不远。

and the Emperor told his men to take me there. The big gate at the front was about four feet high and almost two feet wide.



The Emperor's men cut the ropes which tied me to the truck.<sup>2</sup> They tied my left foot to the ground with very strong chains<sup>3</sup>. I could not run away.

I stood up, and all the people were astonished because I was so big. I looked at the fields and houses around me. Everywhere was

<sup>1.</sup> The big gate ... two feet wide. 前门大约四英尺高, 两英尺宽。
2. The Emperor's men cut ... to the truck. 皇帝的卫士砍断了把我绑在车上的绳子。
3. chain [tfein] n. 链条。
4. all the people were astonished 所有的人都感到惊讶。astonish [əs'tənif] vt. 使惊讶。



beautiful, and everything was very small. The tallest trees were only seven feet high.

At last, I crept into the temple, and lay on the floor because there was no bed.

After two weeks the Emperor told his men to make a big bed for me.

They carried six hundred of their little beds to the temple and fastened them together. The bed was soon finished.<sup>2</sup>

Some days later the Emperor told two officers<sup>3</sup> to look in my pockets.

I picked up<sup>4</sup> the two officers, and put them into one of my coat pockets. Then I put them into all my other pockets.



The officers told the Emperor what they had seen in my pockets.<sup>5</sup>

in my pockets. 官员们告诉皇帝在我口袋里看到了什么东西。

<sup>1.</sup> fasten ['fa:sn] vt. 扎牢,扣紧。 2. The bed was soon finished. 床很快做好了。 3. officer ['əfisə] n. 官员。
4. pick up 捡起。pick vt. 取,摘; 挑选。 5. The officers told ...

The Emperor told me to throw down my sword, my pistols, and some other things. I did not give him my glasses. I kept them in my pocket.

The Emperor liked my watch very much. He told two officers to take it away. They carried it on a pole.



One day I was talking to the Emperor. A messenger<sup>5</sup> came and spoke to him.

'We have found something huge and black on the shore,6' he said. 'Nobody knows what

<sup>1.</sup> throw [θrəu] (threw [θru:], thrown [θrəun]) vt. 扔, 抛。
2. sword [so:d] n. 剑, 刀。
3. pistol ['pistl] n. 手枪。
4. glasses ['gla:siz] n. (复数) 眼镜。
5. messenger ['mesindʒə] n. 送信者。
6. We have found ... on the shore, ... 我们在海岸上发现一个又黑又大的东西…… huge [hju:dʒ] adj. 巨大的。