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Excerpt: . DE PERIER If I can gain Heaven for a pice. Why need you be envious? IWAS sitting, one day, while journeying to Tonquin, on the ledge of a two-storied hen-coop in the stern of the vessel. There were other hen-coops on the opposite side, and sheep-pens farther along; wisps of hay were sticking to the bars of the pens, and paddy -- that is, unthreshed rice -- was scattered about the coops. At Singapore we had taken more sheep aboard, -- an Asiatic breed, with broad, flat tails. Were the chickens Brahmans, or Cochin-Chinas, or Plymouth Rocks ? I could not tell. I saw that they looked low-spirited as they crouched in a corner, and I called, Biddy! biddy! and Chick! chick! but they gave no heed. Soldiers of the Foreign Legion and of the Marine Infantry went strolling up and down the...

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