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**WAS CAPTAIN KELLER'S DEATH AN ACCIDENT—  
 OR DID THE CATS CLAIM A TERRIBLE VENGEANCE?**



"I am Simon Gaunt, your story-teller. Dogs will happily perform all sorts of tricks for their masters. Not so cats, however—especially the big cats of the circus."

# BIG CAT

"Captain Keller was an animal trainer. One day he was at practice with a tiger."



Move, you stupid brute! You'll jump through that hoop or I'll flay the hide off you!



Keller! What are you doing? Don't ill-treat the animal like that!

I'll show the stubborn devil who's master! I'll break its spirit!



All animals are afraid of fire! You'll only get him to work for you if you're kind to him, win his confidence.

Pah! What do you, a clown, know about it?



Look out! It's going to spring!

Back! Back, you brute!