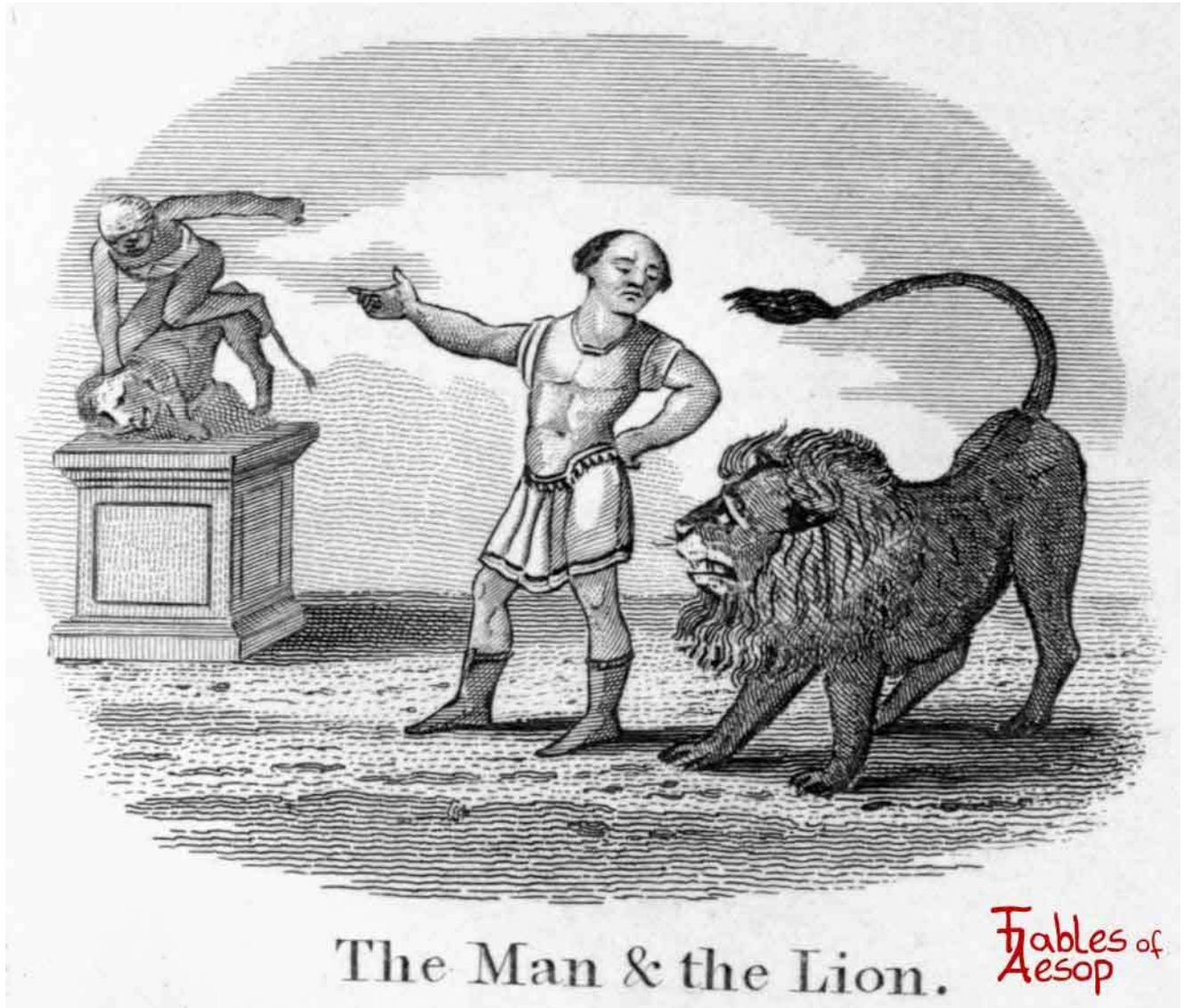


The Man and the Lion - English Aesop Fable

The man and the lion is one of old and famous Aesop's Fables. In the Perry Index, it has the number 285. The story "[The Man and the Lion](#)" is a very famous [Aesop's Fables](#) story which is more than a few hundred years old. In this story, a man and a lion are friends and the man boasts about man's greatness and how man is the strongest. The lion corrects him by providing him some wise advise.



The Story

One upon a time, there was a traveler who was traveling through the forest. He saw a Lion and made good friends with him. They had lunch together and were boasting to each other.

The Lion said, "I am the King of the forest. There is no animal stronger than I am."

The Man said, "Ha! That is not true. Man is the strongest. He is stronger than any Lion. He is also the wisest."

The Lion said, “Ha! The wisest? The Lion is the wisest of all animals and hence he is the king.”

They were quarreling when they saw the great statue of Heracles. Heracles was tearing a Lion with his bare hands.

The Man said, “Ha! Look at that statue. That is Heracles, a Man. He can kill a Lion so easily. Man is the strongest.”

The Lion said, “Ha! The statue is made by a man. If a Lion made the statue, the Lion would be eating Heracles.”

Moral of the story:

The moral of the Aesop's Fable is that the source of evidence should be examined before it is accepted.

Other stories which you can read

[The Farmer and His Sons](#)

[The Farmer and the Cranes](#)

[The Farmer and the Snake](#)

[The Farmer and the Stork](#)

[The Cat and the Birds](#)

Questions on "The Fisherman and the little fish"

1. Who are the main characters of the story?
2. What was the man's point of view?
3. What did the lion say in the end?
4. What is the moral of the story?

Answers:

1. The main characters of the story are a lion and a man

2. Man is the strongest. He is stronger than any Lion. He is also the wisest.
3. The lion said that the statue was made by a man. If a Lion made the statue, the Lion would be eating Heracles.
4. The moral of the Aesop's Fable is that the source of evidence should be examined before it is accepted.