

SADDLER TO HER MAJESTY,  
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London, Oct. 22. – As the day is rapidly approaching when the International Exhibition, instead of a delight of the present, will only be a wonder of the past, I take shame to myself on reflecting how many objects well worthy of inspection I have neglected to point out to the especial notice of your readers. Though I proposed originally to chronicle only that which was supereminent of its kind, I still find that even of such emitted the name is "legion. " There is one "Case, " however which I feel doubly bound to echo the verdict of the Commissioners who have honoured it with the rare award of a Medal – one, indeed, out of only two conferred for that particular branch of our manufacture. I say "doubly" – firstly, because it exhibits the very perfection of invention, taste and workmanship in the articles which it contains; and secondly, because those articles are the production of your own countrymen. I allude to the case of Saddlery and Harness exhibited by Mr LENNAN, of Dawson street, Dublin *There is nothing of the sort superior to its contents in the whole building, and consequently in the whole world;* and the Commissioners have left it on record that it has only one equal; *no other exhibitors in that line, save Mr Lennan, and Mr Merry of St James's street,* equally popular as a tradesman and a sportsman, *having received a Medal for the double proficiency in both Saddlery and Harness.* Mr LENNAN'S case is quite a study. There are Sets of Double and Single Harness, Bridles, Girths, and Bits, exhibiting every variety of which the objects are capable, but all evincing the perfection of finish and workmanship. The Saddles are first-rate, for the road, the chase, or the course; nothing can exceed their make. The Racing Saddle weighing just two pounds, is at once the prettiest and the firmest thing of the sort I ever examined. The Lady's Saddle (beautifully worked) has an ingenious movement by which the third Pommel can be sent downwards so as to enable the rider to mount or dismount with greater facility, but which does not in the least detract from its strength or security. I ought not to omit calling attention to a set of American Trotting Harness, in which the lightness and power are combined in a wonderful degree, and to which beauty of workmanship has been added in a degree still more wonderful. But the crowning triumph of Mr. LENNAN, and one for which the gentle sex ought to be eternally indebted to him, is his "Patent Safety Stirrup, " by means of which that dreadful contingency of being dragged along the ground after having been thrown, is rendered almost impossible. The foot rests upon a firm leather sole of its own size, and is thus thrust well *into* the Stirrup (as the foot of every rider should be), instead of depending for its spring on the muscles of the toes, which were never intended exclusively to bear so much weight. The instep is protected by a softly lined shoulder of Leather; but in the event of a fall, and the weight of the body being below the Stirrup instead of above it, the Leather Sole tilts up displaces the shoulder, and comes up through the iron arch of the Stirrup and releases the rider – the very violence of the action serving the more effectually to secure the liberation. As it was one of Asshoton Smith's axioms that a man is seldom safe on horseback a lady never, I think your fair Equestrians of the Phoenix will have themselves only to blame if any evil befall them which might have been averted by the acquisition of one of Mr Lennan's "Patent Safety Stirrups. " – *London Correspondent of Saunders's News Letter.*