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Haping to see all my old customers and ay new ones this Spring, I return my d sincere thanks for the very liberal pa sage I have already received, and will cavor to please all who may call, whethbey buy or not. FRANCIS W. HAY.

Johnstown, March 7, 1867. CREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES

#### TO CASH BUYERS! AT THE EBENSBURG USE-FURNISHING STORE.

ersigned respectfully informs the cas of Ebensburg and the public gener that he has made a great reduction in es to CASH BUYERS. My stock will sist, in part, of Cooking, Parlor and Heat-Sloves, of the most popular kinds; Tinre of every description, of my own manture; Hardware of all kind, such as ks, Sciews, Butt Hinges, Table Hinges, atter Hinges, Bolts, Iron and Nails, Win w Glass, Putty, Table Knives and Forks, ving Knives and Forks, Meat Cutters, de Parers, Pen and Pocket Knives in variety, Scissors, Shears, Razors and ps Axes, Hatchets, Hammers, Boring nes, Augers, Chissels, Planes, Coms, Squares, Files, Rasps, Anvils, Vises, s. Rip. Panel and Cross-Cut Saws. s of all kinds, Shovels, Spades, Scythes Snaths, Rakes, Forks, Sleigh Bells, Pegs, Wax Bristles, Clothes gers, Grind Stones, Patent Molasses s and Measures, Lumber Sticks, Horse s, Horse Shope, Cast Steel, Rifles, Shot Caps, Lend, &c., Odd Stove Plates, des and Fire Bricks, Well and Cistern ps and Tubing: Harness and Saddlery of all kind : Wooden and Willow Ware t variety ; Carbon Oil and Oil Lamps, Lard Oil, Linseed Oil, Lubricating SUITS FOR OLD PEOPLE! sin, Tar, Glassware, Paints, Varnish

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OF HIS OWN MANUFACTURE, nd GENERAL JOBBER in SPOUTING

and all other work in his line.

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COOK STOVE, the most perfect complete and satisfactory Stove ever introduced to the public.

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A. G. FRY Has taken possession of the rooms on High Street, (three doors from Centre Street,) recently occupied by R. H. Tudor, into which he has just introduced a mammoth assortment of

DRY & DRESS GOODS,

Groceries, Hardsvare, &c., consisting of everything and much more than any dealer in this " neck of timber " has ever pretended to keep, and every article of which will be

SOLD VERY CHEAP FOR CASH OR IN EXCHANGE FOR COUNTRY PRODUCE, NO DEALER KEEPS BETTER GOODS! NO DEALER KEEPS MORE GOODS! NO DEALER SELLS CHEAPER!

NO DEALER SELLS MORE! TRY FRY! TRY FRY!! TRY FRY!!! Buy from Fry! Buy from Fry!!

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TRY FRY IF YOU WANT TO BUY Muslins, Checks, Ginghams, Tickings, Shirtings, Denims, Drills, Jeans, Cloths, Cassimeres, Satinetts, Delaines, Lawns, Prints, &c., &c., and wish to get the full worth of your money.

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Oh my! my eye! it is no lie. That at the Dry Goods Store and Grocery Just opened by A. G. Fry, On the street called High, More for your money you can buy

Than from any one else, far or nigh. I design to keep a full line of DRESS GOODS of the most desirable styles and textures, and as I am determined to still as CHEAP AS THE CHEAPEST, I respectfully solicit a call rom all the ladies, and especially from those who have been in the habit of visiting other places to make their purchases. Whatever you want to buy, be sure first to try the store A. G. FRY. Ebensburg, May 27, 1869.

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CLOTHING BAZAAR!! STILL RIGHT SIDE UP!

is, florse Shoes, Cast Steel, Rifles, Shot Spain All SIMIR CLOTHIE IN IMMENSE PROFUSION!

ALL WANTS SUPPLIED! ALL TASTES SUITED!

ALL BUYERS PLEASED! SUITS FOR MIDDLE AGED! SUITS FOR YOUNG AMERICA!

CLOTHING! CLOTHING! TO FIT EVERY MAN AND BOY !

GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

BOOTS & SHOES, HATS & CAPS, OF ALL STYLES AND SIZES.

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STOCK THE LARGEST! GOODS THE VERY BEST! STYLES THE NEATEST! PRICES THE LOWEST

CLOTHING MADE TO ORDER of any goods or style desired.

{ CALL AND SEE! } { CALL AND SEE!

CAN SUIT YOU IN GOODS & PRICES.

STORE ON ANNIE STREET, one door north of the Post Office. Don't mistake the place and there will be no mistake about you getting good bargains.
GODFREY WOLFF. Altoona, April 28, 1869.-tf.

WORD FROM JOHNSTOWN! JOHN J. MURPHY & CO.,

Have constantly on hand a large and well selected stock of seasonable

and a general variety of NOTIONS, &c .-Their stock consists of almost every article usually kept in a retail store, all of which have been selected with care and are offered at prices which cannot fail to prove satisfactory. Call and examine for yourselves. Feb. 28, 1867.-tf.

# The Poet's Department.

SELFISHNESS, Three little bugs in a basket, And hardly room for two; And one was yellow, and one was black, And one like me or you.

The space was small, No doubt, for all. But what should three bugs do? Three little bugs in a basket,

And hardly crumbs for two, And all were selfish in their hearts, The same as I or you; So the strong ones said, "We'll eat the bread, Asd that is what we'll do."

Three little bugs in a basket, And the beds but two would hold, So they all three went to guarding, The white, the black, and the gold; And two of the bugs Got under the rugs, And one was out in the cold.

So he that was left in the basket Without a crumb to chew, Or a thread to wrap bimself withal When the wind across him blew, Pulled one of the rugs From off the bugs, And so the quarrel grew.

And so there was none in the basket, Ah, pity 'tis, 'tis true! But he who frozen and starved, at last A strength from his weakness drew; And pulled the rugs From both of the bugs, And killed and ate them, too.

Now, when bugs live in a basket, Though more than it can hold, It seems to me they had better agree, The white, the black, and the gold, And share what comes Of bread and crumbs. And leave no bug in the cold.

# Tales, Shetches, Anecdotes, &c. "BEVIE"-A TALE OF A DOG.

TRY FRY IF YOU WANT TO BUY there was still a vacant seat, and the por- now defile borders a precipice; there he slaying the robbers who had attacked him. ter called "Monsieur Dermann!"

of countenance advanced, holding in his arms a large black greyhound, which he vainly tried to place on the roof. "Monsieur," said be, addressing me,

Bending over, I took hold of the animal, and placed him on the straw at my feet. I observed that he wore a handsome silver collar, on which the following

words were tastefully engraved: "Bevis. I belong to Sir Arthur Burnley, given him by Miss Clara." man, yet my fellow traveler, who had now strangers who frequented our inn, while horses at the little town of Mentua. Here

either a Swiss or a German, and his name was Dermann, Trifling as was the mystery, it excited my curiosity, and after I had been out to take a walk, accompa- bands with him cordially, and then called two or three hours' pleasant conversation | nied by Bevis. When I returned, I found | Bevis, who seeing me on such good terms had established a sort of intimacy between seated by the fire, in the common hall, a with his master, placed his large paws on

A LTOONA NOT YET IN RUINS! story of its wearer. Bevis belongs to me, but it is not many years since he owned another master, whose name is on his collar. You will see why he still wears it.

Here, Bevis! speak to this gentleman." The dog raised his head, opened his bright eyes, and, laying back his long ears, uttered a sound which might well | English. pass for a salutation.

Mr. Dermann placed the animal's head

with a violent jerk, and darted toward the luggage on the bind part of the roof .-There, growling fiercely, he lay down, eyes glowing with fury.

it. 'Here, Bevis,' said he, in a soft, caressing tone, 'I won't touch it again, poor fellow ! Come and make friends !"

The greyhound hesitated, still growling. At length he returned slowly towards his master, and began to lick his hands; his muscles gradually relaxed, and he trembled like a leaf.

Lie down now, and be quiet."

eler then turning towards me, began :

Gothard. About two years since there kindness you have shown him." arrived at our house one evening a young Englishman, with a pale, sad counter- to his room, after having caressed Bevis, ance; he traveled on foot, and was fol- who escorted him to his door, and then lowed by a large greyhound, this, Bevis, returned to his accustomed place before whom you see. He declined taking any the fire. My parents and the servants refreshments, and asked to be shown had retired to rest, and I prepared to folto his sleeping room. We gave him one low their example, -my bed being placed over the common hall, where we were all at one end the common hall. While I seated around the fire. Presently we was undressing I heard a storm rising in heard him pacing rapidly up and down; the mountains. Just then there came a Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Groceries, from time to time uttering broken words, knocking at the door, and Bevis began to addressed no doubt to his dog, for the an- growl. I asked who was there? A voice

> stop, and apparently strike the dog a blow, ragged men, each leaning on a large club. for the poor beast gave a loud howl of I did not like their looks; and knowing

agony, and seemed as if he ran to take | that several robberies had been committed refuge under the bed. Then his master in the neighborhood, I refused them adgroaned aloud. Soon afterwards he lay mission, telling them that in the next down, and all was quiet for the night - village they would readily find shelter. Early next morning he came down, look- They approached the door, as though ing still more pale than the previous eve- they meant to force their way in ; but ning, and having paid his lodging, he took | Bevis made his voice heard in so formidahis knapsack and resumed his journey, ble a manner that they judged it prudent followed by the greyhound, who had eats to retire. I bolted the door and went to en nothing since their arrival, and whose bed Bevis, according to his custom, lay master seemed to take no further notice down near the threshold, but we neither of of him than to frown when the creature us felt inclined to sleep. ventured to caress him.

at the door, looking toward the direction | came the loud, shrill cry of a human which the Englishman had taken, when I being in distress. Bevis rushed against heard howls of distress, proceeding from a the door with a fearful howl; at the same wounded dog that was dragging himself moment came the report of a gun, followed

lishman's greybound. His head was torn, and holding a dark lantern; my father evidently by a bullet, and one of his paws and the stranger, armed, accompanied me. broken. I raised him in my arms and As for Bevis, he had darted out of the carried him into the house. When I bouse and disappeared. ger every moment, he scratched at the Bevis grasping a man by the throat .door of the room where his master had We harried on, but the dog had completed myself. I opened the door, and with a sought admittance to our inn, lay dead, great effort he got into the room, looked strangled by his powerful jaws. Further

fell down motionless. all possible assistance, taking indeed as master of Bevis!" much care of him as though he had been Here M. Dermann paused; the recolthe purpose of binding up his wounds - words. As soon as he was able to walk, he would sorr Arthur was mortally wounded, often go toward the mountain, and be ab- but he lived long enough to recognize his The Lyons diligence was just going to sent for hours. The second time this oc- dog, and to confess that in a moment of start from Geneva. I climbed on the curred, we followed him. He proceeded desperation, he had tried to kill the faithful roof, and chose my place next the driver; as far as a part of the road where a nar- creature who now avenged his death, by continued for a long time, smelling and He appointed the stranger his executor, A tall young man with a German style scratching about. We conjectured that and settled a large pension on Bevis, to the Englishman might have been attacked revert to the family of the inn-keeper, by robbers on this spot, and his dog wishing thus to testify his repentant love no event of the kind had occurred in the | those who had succored him. The grief of "will you have the kindness to take my | country; and after the strictest search no | Bevis was excessive; he watched by his therefore, the manner in which the tray- with caresses, and for a long time lay eler had treated his dog, I came to the stretched on his grave, refusing to take conclusion that he had tried to kill the nourishment; and it was not until after

"Bevis remained with us, testifying the him for the loss of Sir Arthur." we had to tell of him, failed not to excite taken down his luggage, he asked me to their curiosity. One morning in autumn, assist the descent of his dog. I shook as I entered. As soon as he perceived bark. Shortly after they both disappeared "that this collar should puzzle you; and | dog immediately started toward him with | as this little narrative has proved. I have great pleasure in telling you the fantic demonstrations of joy. He ran round him, smelling his clothes, and uttered the sort of salutation with which he honored you just now, and finally placing

gan to lick his face,

The noble dog howled piteously, and laid down at the traveller's feet. Then ested in mining operations, have been enon his knees and began to unfasten his col- the latter begged us to explain his presence. gaged in the discovery of what is com-I did so ; and as he listened, I saw a tear | monly known as black sand (magnetic ox-Instantly Bevis drew back his head fall on the beautiful head of the greybound, ide of iron), but the greatest difficulties

who he leaned over to caress. "from what you tell me, I venture to hope from the sand. The difficulty may now while his muscles were stiffened and his that Sir Arthur still lives. We have been be considered at an end, judging from the friends from childhood. About three years excellent manner in which this new in-"You see monsieur, how determined he since he married a rich heness, and this vention performed its duty at the trial in be the man who would try to rob him of was highly cherished for his fidelity, a ers are no doubt familiar with the conquality which unhappily was not possess- struction of the Howe cylinder printing ed by his mistress. She left her fond and press, and the instrument at present under loving husband, and eloped with another notice resembles it in a great many parobtained it; then having arranged his iron, separated from each other at a disaffairs in England, he set out for the Conti- tance of four feet three inches, and benent, followed only by his dog. His tween which a series of rollers revolve in friends knew not whither he went. Doubt- succession. It is five feet six inches in "There, boy, there," said Mr. Derman, less, the presence of Bevis, evermore re- height, and about six feet in length .caressing him, "We won't do it again. calling the memory of her who had so Eight hundred powerful magnets or load-The dog nestled between his master's heart, and at length impelled him to des- magnetic properties of which attract the not having been mortal, the dog, I im-"I am a native of Suabia, but I live in agine, when he recovered consciousness, side. a little village of the Sherland, at the foot | was led by instinct to seek the house where of the Grimsel. My father keeps an inn his master last slept. Now, Monsieur, he for the reception of travelers going to St. is yours, and I heartily thank you for the

"About 10 o'clock the stranger retired imal moaned occasionally, as if replying replied, 'Two travellers, who want a to, and sympathizing with, his master. | night's lodging.' I opened a small chink "At length we heard the Englishman of the door to look out, and perceived two

"A quarter of an hour passed, when "About noon I happened to be standing | suddenly, above the wailing of the wind, by another cry. Two minutes after I I ran to him, and recognized the Eng- was on the road, armed with a carbine

crossed the threshold he made evident ef- "We approached the defile which I forts to escape; so I placed him on the mentioned before, at the moment when a ground. Then, in spite of the torture he flash of lightning illuminated the scene. was suffering, which caused him to stag- A hundred yards in advance we saw slept, moaning at the same time so pit- his work ere we reached him; for two eously, that I could scarcely help weeping | men, whom I recognized as those who had about, and not finding whom he sought, he on, we discovered another man, whose bloody wounds the noble dog was licking. "I called my father, and perceiving The stranger approached him, and gave a that the dog was not dead, we gave him | convulsive cry : it was Sir Arthur-the

a child, so much did we feel for him. In lection seemed to overcome him; and he two months he was cured, and showed us stopped to caress the sleeping greyhound much affection; we found it impossible, in order to hide his emotion. After a however, to take off his collar, even for while he finished his recital in a few

wounded in defending him. However, toward his dog, and his gratitude toward corpse could be discovered. Recollecting, master's couch, covering his dead body faithful creature. But wherefore? This the lapse of many months that the affecwas a mystery which I could not solve. | tion of his new master seemed to console

utmost gratitude for our kindness. His As my fellow-traveller finished the His owner was therefore an English- intelligence and good humor attracted the recital, the diligence stopped to change taken his place by my side, was evidently the inscription on his collar, and the tale M. Dermann's journey ended, and having us, I ventured to ask my companion for newly arrived traveler, who looked around my breast, and uttered a low, friendly "It does not surprise me" he answered, Bevis, he started and called him. The from my sight, but not from my memory,

A USEFUL INVENTION .-- The Rev. Abbe Audet, of the Quebec Seminary, and Dr. Large of the same place, have completed his forepaws on the traveler's knees, be- an invention, for which patents have been taken out in Canada and the United "Where is your master, Bevis! Where States, that will prove of the greatest valis Sir Arthur?" said the stranger, in ue in developing the resources of our iron mines. During the past few years a large number of speculators, and others interhave been experienced, preparatory to "Monsieur," said he, addressing me, smelting, in separating the iron crystals is to guard his collar; I should not like to dog was presented to him by her. Bevis the Laval University. Many of our readman. Sir Arthur sued for a divorce; and ticulars. The sides are composed of cast cruelly wronged him, must have torn his stones are fastened upon wooden bars, the feet, and went to sleep. My fellow trav- troy the faithful creature. But the shot pure iron as it passes under them upon the rollers, allowing the sand to fall on one

> SAVING HIS WHIPPING .- A little urchin seven or eight years old, in one of our schools where a Miss Blodget was teacher, composed the following and wrote it on his slate at prayer time, to the great amusement of the boys:

"A little mouse ran up the stairs, To hear Miss Blodgett say her prayers." The teacher discovered the rhyme, and called out the culprit. For a punishment she gave him his choice, to make another time, he has been in an almost constant house began to ring, and from that day to rhyme in five minutes, or be whipped .-So after thinking and thinking, and scratching his head till his time was nearly out, and the teacher was lifting the stick in a threatening manner, at the last moment he exclaimed-

She's going to stike, and I'm going to dodge

Here stands Miss Blodgett,

He was sent to his scat.

### CHANGE OF FORTUNE.

A BIT OF ROMANCE.

gant, and his wife and child confined ders. Nevertheless, his bride was fair, themselves to purchasing what they really and only twenty years of age !" needed and no more, a rare quality in a

as he contracted them, living in the fear of God, acted honestly by all men, and thought that he should die surrounded by neither of these damsels having been marall the comforts of life. He envied no man, but many men envied him, for to be rich is to be envied; and thus life passed on, pleasant and agreeable, for there were many triends around him. They partook of his hospitality, praised his benevolence, made love to his daughter and humored the whims of his wife. But one day our friend awoke and found that he was a ruined man-that his wealth had disap- to get married-two hundred and forty peared, that his property was under an attachment of the law, and that he had no longer a house that he could call his own, or a thousand dollars that he could apply to his immediate necessities. The cause of this sudden change was on account of his having written his name on the back of several slips of paper, or in other words he had endorsed for a friend, and that triend had lost thousands of dollars through gold speculation. He was ruined, unable to meet his notes, and the creditors had turned their attention to the endorser, and he, poor man, had to smart for the impru-

dence of another. rom the effects of it. He sighed at his losses, moved from his convenient house, gave up his furniture, all excepting that which his wife claimed, hired a dwelling house just large enough to accomodate his family, and then cast his eyes around the world to see what he could do to support them. Many years had elapsed since he was engaged in trade, and he had no capital to commence with and build up a new business. He applied to his friends for advice-to those men who had spread their legs under his mahogany, and eaten these favors waited on the lady to thank so many dinners, and while they were ready to give him counsel, they were not ready to assist him in any other manner. One recommended farming, another tho't that a sutler's position in the army might be a good thing, while a third concluded that the old gentleman might still answer £10 and thrown into prison. While in for a second book-keeper in some estab-

lishment where rapidity was not required. Our friend sighed at the advice, but could not take it, and while still deliberating on fortune's changes, he was accosted one day by a young merchant, who was reported as doing a large business for the

"I want a partner," the good looking

young fellow said, "and you are just the

man for me." "But I have no capital," replied our "And I need none. The fact of it is, I want two things, a steady partner like

you and an amiable girl, like your daughter, for a wife," Our friend looked at the merchant in as-

"As far as the daughter is concerned," replied our friend, "you must get her consent. As far as I am concerned I am ready to take advantage of your offer." "All right," replied the confident young fellow. "She will consent in due time, or I am much mistaken. I've met her on

several occasions, and I know that I'm not This singular partnership commenced and prospered. The young merchant laid siege to the daughter, won her, is to marry her; and now comes the strangest part of this eventful life change, and if we were writing a romance, we should not expect our readers to believe it, for it is wonderful. Six months after our friend lost his property it was restored to him, the same louse, and nearly the same furniture, for the man for whom he endorsed, by several reckless speculations in gold, in New York, won back that which he had lost, and much more, and for the honor of humanity, restored to our friend that which the law had taken.

This is one of fortune's chadges, and a singular one it is, but it is true; and when our friend relates it he adds, "I'll never again endorse a note for a friend."

According to the Lancaster Express, a man by the name of Herr, a cabinet ma- is anxiously looking for its annual mammoth ker of that city, has not had a half hour's cod sensation. The mammoth cod of the continued sleep for four years. It seems season has not been caught this year. But this state of wakefulness was brought on in the first instance by watching for six weeks at the bedside of a sick daughter, April and the 17th of June last, for a firstwho eventually died. After this he ran class boarding house, and was well filled a nail into his foot, and for six weeks immediately with paying boarders. On the more was not able to sleep. Since that 18th of June, suddenly all the bells in the state of wakefulnes, and no opiates are this have continued to ring frequently every sufficiently powerful to put him asleep - day, generally beginning at an intervals all The physician advised him to get on a day; but never in the night. And this has "high old bender," but being a temper- continued even since the wires of the bells ance man he refused to try this. It is certainly, if true, a most singular case.

Give a child his will and a whelp his fill, and neither will thrive.

# STRANGE MARRIAGES.

In Scotland, in the year 1749, there was married the "noted bachelor, W We are acquainted with a gentleman, Hamilton." He was so deformed that who, at one time, possessed an indepens he was utterly unable to walk. The dent fortune. He owned a country seat, chronicler draws a startling portrait of a modern-built house in the city, had a the man: "His legs were drawn up to his wife and daughter, and was as well off as ears, his arms were twisted backwards, falls to the lot of most mortals. There and almost every member was out of was no reasonable wish that he could not joint. Added to these peculiarities, be enjoy, for he always had a balance to his was eighty years of sge, and was obliged credit at his banker's, was not extrava- to be carried to church on men's shoul-

A wedding once took place in Berkshire under remarkable circumstances: Well, our friend paid his debts as fast The bridegroom was of the mature age of eighty-five, the bride eighty-three, and the bridesmaids each upwards of seventy, ried. Six grand daughters of the bridegroom strewed flowers before the happy couple, and four grand sons of the bride sung an epithalamium composed by the

parish clerk on the occasion. There is a case mentioned in Dodley's Annual Register of an osfler at a tavern in Spilsby, who walked with his intended wife all the way to Gretna Green

Some of the most remarkable marriages that have ever taken place are those in which the brides came to the altar partly, or in many cases entirely divested of clothing. It was formerly a common notion that if a man married a woman en chemesitte he was not liable for her debts; and in "Notes and Queries" there is an account by a clergyman of the celebration of such a marriage some few years ago. He tells us that, as nothing was said in the rubric about the woman's dress, he did not think it right to refuse to perform the marriage service. At Whitehaven a Our friend was honest, and suffered wedding was celebrated under the same circumstances, and there are several other

instances on record. A curious example of compulsory marriage once took place in Clerkenwell. A woman, forty years of age, conceived a strong affection for a young man who worked in a house near her own, and whose "hammering" she could hear early and late. Having formed an acquaintance with him, she gave him a silver watch and other presents, and lent him £10 to assist him in his business. The recipient of her, and intimated that he was about to leave London. This was by no means what the blind woman wanted, and as she was determined not to lose the person whose industrial habits had so charmed her, she had him arrested for the debt of confinement she visited him and offered to forgive him the debt on condition that he married her. Placed in this strait, the young man chose what he deemed the least of the two evils, and married his benefactress, as the writer in the Gentleman's Magazine calls her. The man who arrested him gave the bride away at the al-

In 1767 a young blacksmith of Bedford was paying his addresses to a maiden, and upon calling to see her one evening was asked by her mother what was the use of marrying a girl without money? Would it not be better for him to take a wife who could bring £500. The blacksmith thought he would be "eternally obliged" to his advisor if she could introduce him to such a prize. "I am the person, then," said the mother of his betrothed, and we are told that "the bargain was struck immediately." Upon the return of the girl she found her lover and parent on exceedingly good terms with each other and they were subsequently married. The bride was sixty-four years of age, and the bridegroom eighteen; this disparity of ages is comparatively trifling.

A doctor of eighty was married to a young woman of twenty-eight; a blacksmith of ninety (at Worcester, 1867,) to a girl of fifteen, a gentleman of Berkshire. aged seventy-six, to a girl whom his third wife had brought up. The husband had children living thrice the age of his fourth wife. At Hill Farm, in Berkshire, a blind woman of ninety years was married to her ploughman, aged twenty; a gentleman of Worcester, upwards of eighty-five, to a girl of eighteen; a soldier of ninetyfive, who had served in King William's wars, and had a ball in his nose, to a girl of fifteen. In 1769 a woman of Rotherhithe, aged seventy was married to a young man aged twenty-just half a contury difference between their ages. A girl of sixteen married a gentlman of ninety-four-but he had £50,000.

A HAUNTED HOUSE IN BOSTON .- Boston B ston will have something exciting, and sticks to ber haunted house. A "genteel" bouse was fitted up and occupied between have been cut. These bell-ringing operations have been followed by heavy poundings on the floors of the house, at different hours, and by the sound of the deep, gruff voice of a man; and some profess to have seen spirits flitting around.