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| 4 SETMLEERS STORY. <br> When I first purchased this farm, said my old host, it was a wild and rugged tract of country, lying in the noidst of what was then an uncultivated and almost pathless mountain region. The only road through it was that from Fincastle, in Virginia, to Knoxville, in Tennessee-n route at that time, but little frequented, especially in winter; and the sole babitation in sight of my own "squatter" settlement was a log house, standing near the road, bearing a rude inscription on its front, informing the passer-by that there was to be found "entertainment for man and beast." The keeper of the "tavern" as it was | tantrum ever since this mornin,' and all laet night I heard him scratehin' and clawn' at the winder here, and yellin' enough to set a body crazy. What evil sperit's got into him I can't guess." <br> "It's only that he smells so'thing a comin," responded her lord, with a grim humor. "You know it's said cats can smell When there's agoin' to be a corpee in the house, and no doubt this critter scents beef and bacon on the way from Knoxville. Don't yon, now, Derrick "' <br> Derrick only responded by a snarl which exhibited every one of his long, sharp fangs; and straightway commenced kneading and elawing on the floor, with his nails projecting an inch from his great paws. |
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year or two younger than himself, a negro
boy named JJck, and a huge black cat,
ealled Derrick. Jack worked the bit
ealled Derrick. Jack worked black cat, bit of
garden and eornfield, and tevded the horses
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afore folks : And seizing the iron poker,
he flung it fall at the animal. The creature
gave a yell like that of a wild oat, sprang
upon the bed where lay its mistress and
there stood, hissing and splutitering like a
upon the bed where lay its mistress and
there stood, hissing and spluttering like a
fury, until the old woman, with what
feeble strength she possessed, strove to
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and his house had rather a bad ropute,
in consequence of the latter having been in
former days the baunt of a certain gang of
horse thieves who had infested that part of
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the conviry, and with whom old Burnett
haid been more than suspected to bave


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Burnett," I said.
"So I ofen tell him," chimed in the
wife, 'and I don't know but what I'U do it
myself, if he won't. He ain't oo' no ainthly
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Ayer's Cathartic Pills,
Burnett was chopping off the head of a
tough old ben who must have been the an-
cestress of a dozen generations, I pulled up
my own horse and stopped for a briof clat.
The travelera, 1 found, were going my way,
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agreed to walt and ride with them, And
partly to bo sociable and partly because 1
liked,
liked, as i have said, to do the old people
any litte help in my power, I requested to
bave dinner served for me along with the
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slight thaw, when I agnin found myself on
the roan, homeward bound. My progress
was slow and difficult, in consequence of
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exhorbitant charge. It was not his fault,
he said, that the dinner was not better.
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    which he daresnot look; while Sally Maria,
in her rose-be-strewn bat and blanket
shawl, eat peaches with soft spots in them,
and besprinkles him with the juice.
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self enough.-M. K. D. in Philadelphia
Ledger.
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occasion Mr. Webster was on his way to
occasion Mr. Webster was on his way to
his duties at Washington and was com
pelled to proceed at hight by stage from
Baltimore. He had ho traveling compan

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