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Northumberland, Sept. 28, 1867.

CARPENTERS.

POETICAL.

BETTER THAN GOLD.

Better than grandeur, better than gold, Is a healthy body, a mind at ease, And simple pleasures that always please; A heart that can feel for another's woe And share his joys with a genial glow, With sympathies large enough to enfold, All men as brothers, is better than gold.

Better than gold is a conscience clear.
Though toiling for bread in an humble sphere;
Doubly blest with content and health,
Untried by the lust of cares or wealth; Lowly living and lofty thought Adorn and empoble a poor man's cot, For mind and morals in nature's plan Are the genuine test of a gentleman.

Better than gold is the swee; repose
Of the rons of teil when their labors close;
Better than gold is the poor man's sleep,
And the balm that drops on his slumbers deep
Bring sleeping draughts to the downy bed
Where luxury pillows his aching head,
His simple epinte labor decus
A shorter road to the land of dreams.

Better than gold is a thinking mind, That in the realm of books can find A treasure surpassing Australian ore,
And like with the great and good of yore,
The sage's lord and the poet's lay,
The glories of empire presed away.
The world's great drama will thus enfold
And yield a pleasure better than gold.

Better than gold is a peaceful home, Where all the firedde charities come, The shrine of love, the heaven of life, Hallowed by mother, or sister, or wife, However humble the home may be, Or tried with sorrow by heaven's decree. The blessings that never were bought or sold And centre there, are better than gold.

TALES AND SKETCHES

BARNING A WIFE. BY MARY GRACE HALPINE

"And so you want to mavry my daughter, oung man," said farmer Blifkins, removing the pipe from his mouth, and looking at the young fellow sharply from head to toe.

Despite his rather indolent, effeminate air, which was mainly the result of his education, Luke Jordan was a fine looking fellow. and not easily moved from his self-posses sion; but he colored and grew confused byneath that sharp, scrutinizing look.

"Yes, sir. I spoke to Miss Mary last evening, and she-she referred me to you,"
"Molly is a good girl, a very good girl, he said, stroking his chin with a thoughtful air, "and she deserves a good husband." What can you do?

The young man looked rather blank at this abrupt reply, "If you refer to my ability to support a

wife, I can assure you ----"I know that you are a rich man, Luke Jordan, but I take it for granted that you ask my girl to marry you, not your proper-ty. What guarantee can you give me, in an infloorance onto my tucher life. case it should be swept away, -as it is in chousands of instances, -- that you could provide for her a comfortable home? You have hands and brains-do you know how to use

them? Again Lask, what can you do?" Luke was quite unprepared, and he stared ouestions without speaking "I believe you managed to get through

college-have you any profession f"
"No, sir; I thought---" "Have you any trade?"
"No, sir; my father thought that, with wenith I should inherit, I should not

SUNBURY, PA.

WILL stiend to the collection of all kinds of depote of the Shamokin Valley and the Quakeke 5 Mow York Railroads. Trainservice and deport daily. Now York Railroads. Trainservice and deport daily. Now York Railroads trainservice and deport daily. This house is located in the centre of the Coal Region and affords the best accommodationate travelers and permanent customers.

EDWIN A. EVANS. ting-it might have been the making of you. As it is, what are you fit for? Here you! are, a strong, able hodied young man, twenfour years old, and never earned a dollar your life! You ought to be ashamed of

"And you want to marry my danghter," resumed the old man, after a few vigorous puffs at his pipe, "Now I've given Mally is good advantages for learning as ,any girl in town and she hasn't thrown 'em away, but if she didn't know how to work, she'd be no daughter of mine. If I choose, I could keep more than one servant; but I don't, no more than I choose that my daughter should be a pale, spiritiess creature, full of dyspepsia and all manner of fine lady all ments, instead of the smiling, bright eyed. rosy cheeked has she is. I did say that she should marry no lad that had been cursed

with a rich father; but she's taken a foolish liking to you, and f'il tell you what I'il do go to work, and prove yourself to be a man; perfect yourself in some occupation -I don't are what, so it be honest; then come to me, an t, if the girl is willing, she is yours," As the old man said this, he deliberately knocked the ashes out of his pipe against one of the pillars of the porch where he was sitting, tucked it into his vest pocket, and

Pretty Mary Blifkins was waiting to see her lover down at the garden gate, their usual trysting place. The smiling light faded from her eyes as she noticed his sober,

discomfitted book. "Father means well," she said, as Luke told her the result of his application. "And I'm not sure but that he is about right," she resumed, after a thoughtful pause, or it seems to me that every man, be he ich or poor, ought to have some occopa-

Then, as she noticed her lover's grave ook, she added softly : "Never mind, I'll wait for you, Luke," Luke Jordan suddenly disappeared from his accustomed haunts, much to the surprise of his gay associates. But, wherever went, he carried with him in his exite these

up a grape vine in his front yard, that threatened to break down with the weight of its luxurious burdens, a nest looking cart drove up, from which Luke Jordan alighted

ments. "Good morning, Mr. Blifkins, I understood that you wanted to buy some butter tubs and eider barrels. I think that I have some here that will just suit you."

"Mine," replied Luke, with an air of par-donable pride: "and I challenge any cooper to her blue who was all in all to her. But ere the "balmy me in the State to beat them,"

day-your daughter, sir.

The rogaish twinkle in the old man's eyes | and carefully treading the distance that in-

shouldn't wonder if we made a trade after Nothing loth - Luke obeyed. "Molly !" bowled Mr. Blifkins, thrusting

his head into the kitchen door. Molly tripped out into the entry. round, white arms were bared above the elbows, and bore traces of the flour she had been sifting. Her dress was a neat gingham, over which was tied a blue checked apron; but she looked as winning and lovely as-she

always did wherever she was found.
She blushed and smiled as she saw Luke, and then, turning her eyes upon her father, waited, dutifully, to hear what he had to

The old man regarded his daughter for a moment with a quizzled look.
"Molly, this young man-mayhap you've

father will ratify."
As Mr. Biftkins said this, he considerately stepped out of the room and we will follow his example. But the kind of bargain the young people made can readily be conjectured by the specay wedding that followed. Loke Jordan turned his attention to the study of medicine, of which profession he became a useful and influential member, but every year, on the anniversary of his mar riage, he delights his father in law by some specimen of the handicraft by which he won what he declares to be "the best and dearest wife in the world."

The Fountin my Youth.

A MOVIN TALE-WARRANTED PURELY VEGI TABLE, AND NONE GENUINE ONLESS SIGNED BY THE PROPERTION.

By Petroleum V. Nusby, P. M., (wich is Postmaster.)

CHAP. I. It was in Noo York city, that gay metropolis, the sect uv luxury and refin ment, and the home uv John Morrisey and the Black Crmik.

Thither hed I come, after O how many ays uv tiresome walkin ez the rear guard | tory of the French Revolution." uv a drove uv the cattle uv a thousand hills uv western Pennsylvany. I wuz in Noo fortably, he purchased at Doebling a bouse, York, and on Broadway wuz a site! The from which he never went out since 1831. rumblin, jumblin, mass uv wagons and stages | Only two friends of his were received in his and coaches! the sidewalks filled with a house, and through them his eccentricities hurryin mass, the rich, the poor, the high, were known. His house consisted of five the low, the proud, the humble, the aged, rooms. He had devoted the largest one to

the youthful! I gazed into the winder uv a drug store.

Wat did I see? A card.

Thus it red : "Barrett's Hair Restorative!" with a picter uv a man with thin, gray lox, himself on one of his friends, with the intenafore usin it, and the same man with heavy | tion to cut his head off; that friend escaped,

Only this and nothin more.

the wrapper,

Citare II. Home agin! home agin! from a furrin shore! I wuz on the threshold uv my homestid, with waz a home to me, humble hough it wuz. Looizer Jane, the wife uy as buzzum, wuz at the gate a gossipin with

her nabor ez wuz her wont.

\*Locizer Jane!" shreekt L.

\*S-i r!" sed she in a surprise! tone. "Ha," hist I, "is this the treatment a fond husband receives on his return to the buz-

zom us his family?"
"Husband! you? is't possible? Where is them gray lox? Hast grown young agin, ezwhen in manhood's prime thou woodst and won me? It cannot be,-and vit,-that breath! It is! It is!" and she swoonded at my feet. The children I had more trouble with, but they finally acknowledged me. The nose wuz the feecher they took hold uv; that wuz unchanged.

CHAP, III.

"Husband, mine!" sed she to me in her winninest tome, "thy locks is black, while mine, alas! is gray. Buy for me also Bar-rett's potent cure, that I may be ez tust you knowd me in love's young dream?"

Coud I resist the entreaty? Nary, 1 bought a bottle, and lo ! in a month she wuz transformed. Her rusty gray hair become ez black ez jet. A new set uv custom made teeth, wich cost me fifty dollars, completed the metamorphose, and she wuz young agin, -her youth costin me fifty one dollars, cash. Disastrous investment! Four weeks from that date, she run off with a yankee pediar,

who sposed she waz but twenty-four! Kin I sue Barrett and git judgment for her valyoo? Alas, no! And so I plod on wearily and alone, a mizable obijick. I cood marry agin ez a young man, but this fond heart kin never thump for another. False Looizer Jane! Too efficashus Bar-

THE REND.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Somnambulistic---- flow a Lady went to Bed in a Strange Place-What Happened Terefrom.

[From the Quincy (III.) Whig.] Somnambulists are guilty of a great num-ber of curious freaks. We heard last even words, and which were like a tower of ing an instance that occurred not a hundred strength to his soul, "I'll wait for you, miles from Quincy. A lady and a gent figure as the principals. The lady and gen-One pleasant, sunshiny morning, late in theman in question have been, up to the house October, as farmer Blifkins was propping of the occurrence, for a long time betrothed and were only waiting for a favorable oppor tunity to come around when the twain would

be made one flesh or thereabouts.

The lady is a somnambulist "of the highes order." About a month ago the lady and with a quick, clastic spring, quite in con-trast to his formerly easy, leisurely move-her lover had spent the evening together and had separated at an early hour, the gentleman repairing to his room, some two blocks off, and was soon sound asleep, dreaming of the fair being who would soon be his. She, in her still chamber, by her midnight "Whose make are they?" inquired the old man, as, opening the gate, he paused by latest new novel, investing, doubtless, the here lover with the form and features of him

But ere the "balmy messenger" has come to her pillow, imagination again wanders on Mr. Bilfkins examined them critically one the scenes so lately presented, the various actors start from their hidings anew, while by one.
"They'll do," he said, cooly, as he set down the last of the lot. "What will ye contains those bidden and delicate mysteries, contains those bidden and delicate mysteries, "What I asked you for six months ago to carefully prepared for use during the honey-were moon, and re-robing herself, she starts out, there."

"You've got the right metal in you after all," he cried. "Come in, lad—come in. I comes the mystery. How gained she admittance? But certain it is she did. She enters the chamber of her affianced, gently she ties down beside him, and presently not a sound by the county only a few weeks ago. A rather good looking stranger came to the neigh-

Daylight came at last, and as all things must have an end, so did this sweet sleep of money to buy with." Peddler pressed her must have an end, so did this sweet sleep of innocence and beauty. A shrill shrick bursts on the morning air. The gentleman jumps from the bed and stares in affright, thinking he is oppressed by some horrible nightmare. He sees the pillow whereon two heads have lain pillowed during the night, and beholds the product of his love rolled in an interpretation of the product of his love rolled in an interpretation of the product the product that she had no money, but jokingly remarked "I'll trade one of my daughters for a pair of spectacles," Upon this the eldest of the two girls spoke up—"You needs't trade me, mother, for I won't have him." Thereupon the needs to be a product to the product lain pillowed during the night, and beholds the terrified object of his love robed in an elegant chambre de nuit, her heart palpitating with a thousand throbs of wonderment and horror. "How came I here?" at last broke from her lips. The words brought the heavy pair (who had been realized to he had been realized to he made for the wedding. That night the heavy pair (who had been realized to heavy pair (who had been "Molly, this young man—maynap you've seen him before—has brought me a lot of tubs and barrels, all of his own make—a right good article, too. He asks a pretty steep price for 'em; but if you are willing to give it, well and good, and hark ye, my girl, whatever bargain you make your old to be done?" With a quickness of thought to be done. he considered how by one grand coup de main to silence suspicion and make all right.

Telling the lady to be quiet a few moments, he hastily dressed, rushed frantically to the and apparently a perfect gentleman. One house of the county clerk, told Lim the cir | or two nights he absented himself, but made cumstances, got a license, sought a preacher, returned in less than an hour, and they were and be-ides made additional amends by

> How a Guillotine Mania Caused Man's Death.

in slippers, pants and night shirt.

The following story is teld by the Paris correspondent of a London paper : "Louis François Gosier has just died at barst out when he was only ten years old; his father was beheaded, but his mother succeeded in teaching Germany with her son. Luckily enough, she also succeeded in sav-ing a part of her fortune, and she was thus enabled to give a good education to her son.

In a very short time he was appointed pri-vate secretary to an eminent Austrian per-sonage, and he published in French a His-"His patrimony allowed him to live comthe perfection of the guillotine; that room I gazed into the winder uv a drug store.
Fatal gaze! Unfortnit look! That look hed an inflorence onto my fucher life.

was full of beams, ropes and head choppers. Every time he improved the deadly instrument to his satisfaction he bade his friends bring him cats and dogs, which he beheaded bring him cats and dogs, which he beheaded with his machine. During these trials he the household, so I think they should sit was so incited to kill that once he threw This was a style of catechism for which hair ez black cz Poe's stately raven uv the thanks to his superior strength. He used to days uv yore, after yousin it. paked more like a cannibal than a civilized It was enulf. My hair woz gray. I bought man. He left his bed only during two hours, a bottle and applied it ex by directions on daily, from three to five in the afternoon. Those two hours he devoted to his experiments. He ate, read and wrote in bed On Friday last he was making some experiments with his guillotine, when he fell ill; he rang the bell, but when his servant maid came in he was a corpse. He had been struck by an attack of apoplexy. He always used to say. 'My father would not have suffered at all, had he been beheaded by my own guillotine." What do you say of that retrospective filial affection ?"

A Story About "False Hair." of the Paris Exhibition, every traveler tells that it is right. And this might be made a us, are the picturesquely attired girls who rule of judgment far more widely than it are to be seen in front of the far eastern and now is.—[H. W. Beecher. northern departments, and remarkably those who represent the national Scandanavian Gwine to Lose a Niggen.—There was set upon the window or mantel, and let it peasantry. In front of the Swedish restaurant immersion to take place on the banks of remain there for eight or ten weeks, more ant, a real child of the North, arrayed in a certain river. Several colored converts or less, without being interfered with, exsilver braided skirts, and covered with filagree ornaments, had attracted a good deal of admiration. A thick plait of fair hair is wound round her muslin turban. Some suitable depth, it happened, unfortunately, will be sent upward, throwing out beautifu gree ornaments, had attracted a good deal days ago, two loungers in the Swedish Department of the Exhibition building were was miscalculated, and all at once minister tree, in full life and health within your par discussing vivaciously the merits of blonde and convert were floundering in the water lor! Swedish girls. One gentleman maintained fifteen or twenty feet deep. The preacher that the solid plait which fastened her coifthat the solid plait which fastened her coiffure was of her own hair, while his com-panion pronounced it to be false. They key, frightened out of his wits, struck wildmade a bet about it, and finally the girl was called, and one of the disputants addressed | site shore, he crawled, heavy and weary, her. "Is that all your own hair?" asked he. upon a log that projected into the water. "Why, whose should it be?" answered the and shaking himself like a wet dog, and fair Swede, naively. "It might have been looking back with intense disgust, he exbought; such things are often done," said claimed: "Some white man's gwine to lose a her questioner. "In our country we often ell our hair," was the reply, "but we never buy it-why do you ask me such a question?" "Because my friend, here, declares that it is false." After such an assertion there was nothing left for her but to undo her plait, which fell in magnificent profusion to her feet. She did not appear at all surprised at the proceedings until the winner of the bet gave her the twenty francs he had won. Then she was fairly astonished. That was a happy day for her, and she counted on the recuirence of the incident, and built an airy castle with the money her hair was going to bring her during the Exhibition. to loosen her massive plaits.

BADLY MIXED TELEGRAMS .- A merchant who was absent from home, recieved a telegram informing him of his wife's safe deliv-try of a little girl; at the same time a letter from his partner advised him that a draft had been presented for \$5,000, and the signature seemed rather doubtful. The merthem. The astonishment of the wife may be imagined when she read: "I know nothing about it; it's a swindle." The partner received a hearty congratulation upon his safe deliverance.

"George," asked a minister of one of his parishioners' little boys, "where is your sister Minnie ?"

"Gone to Heaven, sir." "What ! is she dead ?"

"Oh, no, sir; she went to buy a box of matches. "Why, you said she'd gone to Heaven."
"Well, you said last Sunday that matches were made in Heaven, so I thought she went A Hasty Marriage.

Improbable as it may seem to some, the enters the chamber of her affianced, gently she fies down beside him, and presently not a sound is heard save the steady and even breathing that betokens sound and healthy repose.

A rather good looking stranger came to the neighborhood, peddling spectacles. Arriving at the house of Mr.—(Smith we shall call him for short.)—he exhibited his stock to married-the lady in her night gown, and he presenting his wife with a sum of money sufficient to buy a new dress and a pair of shoes, both of which she very much needed. Another night the family roof covered the gay spectacle man, but that was the last .-He took departure next morning, and, [to make a long story short, has never been seen by the interested parties since. Who he is or where he came from, are alike mys-Doebling, Austria, at the age of eighty seven, teries. And as for the name he went by from a guillotine furore. He was the son of a servant of the unfortunate Louis XVI, and was born at Paris. The Revolution sound for the occasion, and will hardly be a sound for the occasion, and will hardly help to discover whither he has gone .-Lewistown Democrat.

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Relation of the Sexes. It may be laid down as a general rule that amusements which separate the sexes are their amusements in one way by themselves, and men seek theirs in another way by themselves, there is in both ways a tendency to degeneration and temptation. God meant that man and woman should live together, work together, and in all the functions of life-civil, social, religious, artistic and intellectual-co-operate with each other; and their mutual relations are harmonizing and balancing, and nowhere else more than in the seeking and prosecution of amusements. I believe that boys and girls should go to together in our temples of learning. Colleges should not be for all men or for all women, but the same buildings and the same

the isolation and separation of the sexes. Therefore, all exhibitions of pictures and be such as to enable the people to go in

groups and families. I do not think amusements can be good generally in a community in which a man is batatus is the prettiest for this purpose, when ashamed to take his whole family to them. it can be obtained. If there is anything you would not like your wife and children to participate in with you, the presumption is that it is wrong; and if there is anything you would like them to Among the really interesting curiosities participate in with you, the presumption is

.... had already been baptized, when the offi- cept to supply the evaporation of the water, that the location of the "stepping-off place" ly across the stream. Arriving at the oppo-

nigger by dis foolishness yet !" A school mistress, while taking down the names and ages of her pupils, and of their parents, at the beginning of the term, asked one little fellow. "What's your father's name?" "Oh, you needn't take down his name, he's too old to go to school to a wo-

man," was the innocent reply. A California story tells of a man who resolved to quit drinking, and went to a notary to get him to draw up an affidavit to that effect. The document was drawn, read and aproved; the party held up his hand and She would buy a fishing boat and nets with murmured the usual "s'elp me." It was the money she had made, and then what a properly sealed and delivered. "What's to crowd of devoted admirers she would have pay?" asked the pledger. "To pay -to pay?" round her when she returned to her Swe dish home! But human curiosity has its bounds, and she had no further invitation returned the grateful but very forgetful affiant, "You're a brick. Let's take a drink !"

> Dan Rice, the showman, is a great admirer of Weston, the pedestrian, and offers to wa-ger \$50,000, \$10,000 to go to Weston if he wins, and the balance to be donated by the

winner to any suitable public charity, that

A Lawyer, neither young nor handsome,

when examining a young lady witness in

he (Weston) can walk one hundred miles in twenty-three consecutive hours. "Boss, I want twenty-five cents," said a jour. printer to his employer. "Twenty five cents! how soon do you want it, Jake?"
"Next Tuesday," "As soon as that i you can't get it. I have told you so often that when you were in want of so large a sum of money you must give at least four weeks'

notice !'

Why is a lawyer like a "lazy man in the morning!" Because he lice first on one side, orange, and lemon peel ready, and put a and then turns over and lies on the other.

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per line, Advertisements for Religious, Charitable and Educational objects, one-half the above rates.

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AGRICULTURAL, &C. How to Buy Poultry.

I send the following, which I have observ-ed for some years in purchasing poultry, and which may be of use to some of your readers who may not be familiar with the

age of poultry.

Few housekeepers, and fewer cooks, are rew housekeepers, and tower cooks, are as good judges of the age of poultry as they ought to be. We all know when poultry comes upon the table, whether it is tender or tough; and there should be no difficulty of knowing just as certainly, whether a chicken, duck, goose or turkey is old or young, when it is offered as a rule by which the following is offered as a rule by which poultry can be safely judged, which, if read over a few times, and then laid away for ready reference when needed, no person need purchase old, tough poultry unless from

If a hen's spur is hard, and the scales on the legs rough, she is old, whether you see her head or not; but the head will corro-borate your observation. If the under bill is so stiff that you cannot bend it down, and the comb thick and rough, leave her, no matter how fat and plump, for some one less particular. A young hen has only the rudiments of spurs; the scales on the legs are smoth, glossy and fresh-colored, what-ever the color may be; the claws tender and short, the mails sharp, the under bill soft, and the comb thin and smoth.

An old ben turkey has rough scales on the legs, callosities on the soles of the feet, and long strong claws; a young one on the reverse of all these marks. When the feathers are on and the old turkey-cock has a long tuit or beard, a young one but a sprouting one; and when they are off, the smoth scales on the legs decide the point, besides the difference in size of the wattles of the neck and in the elastic shoot upon the nose. An old goose, when alive, is known by the rough legs, the strength of the wings particularly at the pinions, the thickness

and strength of the bill, and the fineness of the feathers; and when plucked, by the legs, the tenderness of the skin under the wings, by the pinions and the bill and the coarseness of the skin. Ducks are distinguished by the same means, but there is this difference-that a dangerous. I would not press the truth too narrowly and literally; but undoubtedly it is a general truth that where women seek duck. A young pigeon is discovered by duck. A young pigeon is discovered by its pale colors, smoth scales, tender, collaps-

ed feet, and the yellow long down inter-

spersed among its feathers. A pigeon that can fly has always red colored legs and no down, and is then too old for use. - Germantown Telegraph. WINTER IN THE HOUSE. - There are many beautiful botanical experiments which can be conducted in the parlor during winter which are not embraced generally in the list of flowers and vines to be found in our par-

lors and windows. How many of the fair readers of the Tele-graph have the beautiful vine of the second potato running over their mantelshelf? This pretty sight can be enjoyed by placing professors should be provided for both in a sweet-potato in a tumbler or other glass common. And as it is in everything else, vessel, filled with water, passing a pin common. And as it is in everything else, vessel, filled with water, passing a pin so it should be in amusements. There is through the tuber so as to keep the lower much greater liability to temptation and end from one to two inches from the bottom immorality where amusement is sought in of the vessel. Keep on the mantelshelf, in a warm room, and every day give it sun for an hour or two, and in a few days rootlings statues, all provisions for public recreation, will begin to appear aiming for the bottom all institutions for public amusement, should of the vessel, and in two or three weeks the eye will begin to shoot and rapidly grow and run upon suspended twine or any little trellis-work prepared for it. The dioscores

> The "Morning Glory" can be propagated in parlor windows, where there is some sun, to perfection during winter; it flowers with its natural colors, and the delicate little vine can be made to run over the windows

A hanging wase is the prettiest for this. Suspend an acorn by a cotton thread so as nearly to touch the water in a glass vessel, (a hyacinth glass is perhaps the best, little green leaves; thus giving you an oal

Again, tie a piece of lace over a tumbler letting it down about half-way; put in som sweet peas, fill with water so as just to cove the peas; in a little while roots will appea and seek the bottom of the tumbler, the the vine appears and can be trained on

twine or support and it will soon begin t show its pretty flowers. There are many of the mosses which ca be very successfully grown in the hous through the winter, and with the foregoin an interesting and refined enjoyment for th feminines of a family and a real pleasure t all who have a taste for the beautiful to wi ness. We trust to see a greater inclinatio on the part of the ladies to introduce int their houses this most agreeable addition t their domestic pleasures .- Germantoien Tel

graph. .

RECIPES, &c. GOOD RECEIPT FOR DOUGHNUTS .-- TW ounds of sugar, three quarters of a pour of butter, three pounds of flour and or Make up the dough six or eight days befo basing and knead every day. I presur the weather should be cold. Cook them lard like other doughnuts.

SAUSAGE. - A neighbor thinks my form receipt for sausage called for too much say Here is her method.

To every twelve pounds of sausage me three tablespoons of sait, three do. of pe per, half a teaspoon red pepper and six blespoons of sage. When the sausage is seasoned as above, she generally throws two or three more tablespoons of sage.

Muss.- We like mush very much for change, and instead of frying it for brefast we put a piece of butter in a small di ping pan with some cold boiled mush a merely heat it thoroughly, mashing it up together. It does not brown any a does not fry, and we prefer it to frying, is it not better for the health !

MINCE PIES .- Take a pound of beef, from skin and strings, and chop it fine; then two pounds of suct, which I wise pick and chop; then add three pour os currants nicely cleaned and perfectly one pound and a half of apples, the peal juice of a lemon, balf a pint of sweet w half a nutmeg, and a few cloves and m with pimento in fine powder; have cit in each of the pira a ben made.

Upper Wharf, SUNBURY, Penn's. desputch. Equ bury, May 12, 1866. -7