

15 sous, on four wheels 25 sous, goats and asses 4 sous apiece.

At the farther end of the market is a place of trial of the strength of draught horses, composed of a steep, circular, paved ascending and descending road, surrounded by posts and rails, and shaded by trees. At the entrance stands a small bureau, for levying a payment of five sous for each horse, and a chain for preventing its admission until the money has been paid.

As there is nothing like getting to the bottom of a subject, on leaving the dog market I walked for some little distance to the Rue Poliveau, a large paved street, principally bounded on each side by dead walls, between which meeting an old woman, I asked her to be so good as to tell me where "La Fourrière"¹ was. A dog, about thirty yards off, immediately answered my question by a loud melancholy bark; and as the woman pointed to the direction from which it proceeded, and as I now distinctly heard there other barks, I walked towards them, until, entering a large gate, I found in a small yard seven or eight poor unfortunate dogs, tied up by chains and collars to a rail inserted in the wall.

I was in the dog-pound of Paris, to which all

¹ The pound.