

he could let the cat out of the bag, and that would be a most disastrous thing, you know, as she has been kept from mewling and scratching a good while, although I am told she scratches his ears most unmercifully in private; and ears you know are ticklish things in such cases; but time may tell; had it been a poor man, time would have told ere now. In this country, a few yellow boys, and a good dinner and good wine, now and then, go a great way in the way of hush-money.

TRISTRAM.

We would have inserted Ambulator's caution, but request him to consider that courtship is what must and ought to take place between young people; and if there is nothing otherwise improper in the condition or conduct of the parties, it is immaterial whether it takes place behind the Court-house wall, on the Champ de Mars, by the river-side, or in a retired garden.

*Ladies who hollow to each other across the street, should not do so on Sundays, when the people are returning from church, especially towards the broad part of St. Paul-Street, where there are so many echoes.*

*Dogs are cautioned against being frightened at young ladies dancing on planks laid across creeks, as the ladies might be scared in their turn, and in running off display more of the leg than they would like to expose to every puppy.*

EXPECTED NUPTIALS. Sir Frederick Brute, it is said, has, wonderful to relate, at length conquered his antipathy to the fair sex, and yields his reluctant hand to the fair Miss Weaver. He has been overheard repeating with Benedict,

"I did never think to marry—I must not seem proud—Happy are they that can hear their detractions and put them to mending. They say the lady is fair; 'tis a truth, I can bear them witness; and virtuous;—'t is so, I can not reprove it; and wise, but for loving me. By my troth, it is no addition to her wit,——When I said, I would die a bachelors I did not think I should live till I were married".