

"Well now, stranger, you are an old rogue. This is a very moral town, and our Select men won't allow anybody to keep Ann or any other woman."

"You be von tick head, you rascal; I no wants your M'me Ann; 'tis de town, de place, *Keep Ann.*"

"Worse and worse; you want the town to keep Ann, do you? No, Monsheer, that won't go down at all; you would ruin the reputation of the town of ancient Beverly. 'Twon't do, stranger."

"I vill vight you, sare; you insult me. I ask you de vay to *Keep Ann*, and you tell me about de horse, de saddle and de voman. Now sare, vill you tell me de vay to *Keep Ann*, de Glosset-her?"

"Oh! ho! now I take. I suppose you want te know the way to Gloucester, Cape Ann, don't you?"

"Oui, oui: dat's it."

"Well, why in thunder didn't you say so at first? Keep straight ahead and turn to the right."

"Tanke you, tanke you, Monsier; I no vights you now. *Bonjour.*"

And the traveler went on his way rejoicing.

The Best Safety Valve.

IT is known to some of our readers that our friend and brother Washingtonian, Arch. Gordon, Esq., lately bought out the new steamboat called the *FAME*, which we noticed some time ago as having no place to entertain the 'Bible Ruin.' Captain Gordon was commander of this boat a few trips. He states that at one time a gentleman called upon him in the cabin and informed him that himself and about twenty in his company were anxious to go on in his boat. 'But,' says he, 'I can't do it, neither can my company; for I have been below examining your machinery, and I find you have not 'Evans'

Patent Safety Valve' attached to your engine, and we cannot go with you.'

Captain Gordon remarked to the gentlemen that he should be happy to have their company. 'Come below,' said the Captain, 'and I will show you the best Safety Valve in the world.' They walked down together, and stepping up to his sturdy engineer, and clapping him upon the shoulder—'There,' said the Captain, 'is my Safety Valve, the best Safety Valve, in all creation—a man who drinks nothing but pure, cold water.'

'You are right,' said the gentleman, 'I want no better Safety Valve than that. We will come on board sir.'

Steamers that carry pure cold-water engineers, carry the best Safety Valves in all the world.

Pa Don't Drink, and I Won't.

ABOUT ten years since, I was called upon to help one of my neighbors raise a barn frame, and after the hands were collected, the rum bottle was passed, as was customary in those days, and after the men had drunk, the rum was handed to some boys who were collected and looking on. They all took of it except one little boy about seven years old, who refused to take any. He was urged very hard to take a little, but all to no purpose. His mind was fixed. He was then asked to give some reason for not drinking, and the little lad said bravely,—"*Pa don't drink any, and I won't.*"

A MAN with a small appetite dined at a hotel, and after eating the whole of a pig, was asked if he would not have some pudding? He said "he did not care much about pudding, but if they had another little hog, he'd thank him for it."