



BY PRIVATE WIRE.

*Mr. Basinghad (City Merchant).—“MOST CONVENIENT! I CAN CONVERSE WITH MRS. B. JUST AS IF I WAS IN MY OWN DRAWING-ROOM!—I’LL TELL HER YOU’RE HERE.”—(Speaks through the Telephone.)—“DAWDLES IS HERE—JUST COME FROM PARIS—LOOKING SO WELL—DESIRES TO BE, &C., &C.” “NOW, YOU TAKE IT, AND YOU’LL HEAR HER VOICE DISTINCTLY!”*

*DAWDLES takes it, and does hear her voice most distinctly!*

*The Voice.—“FOR GOODNESS’ SAKE, DEAR, DON’T BRING THAT INSUFFERABLE NOODLE HOME TO DINNER!”*

—Punch.