



RUINS OF ST. JOHN'S CASTLE, TRIM.

Trim is one of the most interesting places in Ireland for the archaeologist. The modern buildings are of little note. The ancient ruins cover more than a mile of ground. The ruins of King John's Castle alone occupy over two acres, and it is the best specimen of an Anglo-Norman military building in Ireland.

### Too Many Cooks.

Most persons have had the experience of walking with a friend out of step and trying to shift just at the moment when the friend also makes the attempt. This is an instance of thwarted harmony much like that which appears in a story, told by V. C., of an elderly couple. They were childless, and had never been united by the bond of other lives linked with their own. So they were always in a state of well-bred disagreement.

On the subject of meals they disagreed thoroughly, and each usually suggested a dish for the Sunday dinner which the other did not approve. One Saturday the man came home from market with a basket.

"You needn't worry about to-morrow's dinner any more, Maria. I've got it."

"And so have I, George. You were so undecided —"

"Undecided? I told you what I wanted."

"Well, I mean you didn't decide as I did. So I bought a goose."

"Why, so have I. I told you I'd like a goose."

"Well, now we are agreed for once, anyway."

"Yes, and I suppose we'll have cold goose and stewed goose for the next two weeks."

They relapsed into their usual silence.

Sunday afternoon the wife asked, "Do you want a little quince in the applesauce with your goose?"

"Your goose you mean."

"No, I don't. It seemed so absurd to have two geese in the house that I sent mine to Aunt Jane."

"What! I sent mine to Uncle Joe!"



"I've been spending the summer at a watering place." "Why, Harry told me you were on a farm." "Yes, but it was a dairy farm!"