## NED FENTON'S

to and from distilleries and breweries, and whipped around circles blindfolded while grinding malt ;-after having been heated by violent driving, left standing shivering in the cold opposite tavern and other doors, waiting while their owners and passengers . murdered time inside by chattering like magpies over their liquor; by standing idle on cabstands in cold, frosty weather until their blood is almost congealed for want of exercise in consequence of the penchant of their drivers for liquor ;- by being furiously driven to, and especially from excursions, pic-nics, &c., with elated visiting friends of both sexes, and all ages, to see the lions and elephants ;- by running for the bottle at Irish weddings ; by liquorising young gentlemen at hunts and other places to show their bold chivalry and skill in horsemanship, especially in the presence of the ladies ;- by being coerced beyond their natural strength in racing to gratify the gambling propensities of their owners and admirers, many of whom enter into foolish and extravagant bets while under the influence of liquor, and by which means the fortunes of one or the other of the betting parties are injured or ruined, and the noble animals have been subjected to great affliction and 'groaned and travailed in pain' by broken wind and other diseases, and sold into slavery in hackney vehicles, where many of them die in the harness, or have a period put to their existence by shooting ;---by being overloaded, and beaten by their intoxicated owners and others, who, while returning in their carts from markets, are often guilty of horse-slaughter, and vice versa, the horses too have often been guilty of manslaughter, in trying to save themselves from dangerous positions into which they were about to be stupidly driven, and, without malice aforethought, crushing their drivers out of existence by upsetting them into sloughs, deep ravines, &c. ; -by unfeeling passengers giving drivers a few extra glasses of strong liquors with a view of getting early to their destination, by which the poor half-starved, over-worked, and too willing animals,

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