

MRS. BROWN IN KANNIDAY.

MISTER DYOGENYS :—

I'm sure never was a respectable 'oman, as 'ad travelled, more thankful than me, to sit down in peace, as the sayin' is, in a easy chair, a being able to roominate for five minutes, over the trials I've ad to go thro' since I parted with Brown, at Liverpool, as is the dirtiest 'ole as ever I seed, as as got the streets arf full of sailors, as is the ill-mannerdest fellows sure, tho' one of them did arm me orf the tender, all along of Brown aving to stay beind and fish my best bonnit out of the water, as cost 7s. 6d. in Edgeware Road, as is the latest Paris fashun, and not worth a penny now, all along of the salt-water, as is not to be tooked out of Morayntike with no scouring drops watsumever. But lawks—a-daisy. What with being worried with them stemurs, and that there railway, thro' aving 'ad no snuff, as was in a box in the left 'and drawer of the dresser, as was bought at auction, as was forgotten by that girl Susan, as Brown took out of a orphin assylum and got no thanks for it, I've forgotten to introducee myself.

My name is Brown! Mrs. Brown, as is probably unbeknownst to you, tho' may be acquaint thro' that young Scratchley, as lectures in that there 'all in London, where the big figgers is in werry hidjious persitions, as if that kind of men is to be found in Hegipt, must be awful to the young women and should be smothered 'tween pillers, as 'ad used to be for the idrofobic, as folks do say is ighly dangerous, and there as the sayin' is, I've lost the thread of my story, as it were about that Scratchley, as tells all my private life to a ridiculous haudience, as 'ow the perlice ought to put a stop to, a spicing out my movements, as is always talkin' to the cooks and gals. Excuse me, sir, if in this 'ere tryin' momint, I jist take a wee drop of the best British, as is comfordin' to the feelins' and, as is a soothin' thing to the afflicted.

Well, as I were a goin' to say, this is 'ow I came to Kanniday.

Says 'ee to me, says Brown, "them papers is always talkin' about hemigrashun to the Kullonies. Now as times is 'ard and livin' igh, I propoje you go and see what kind of a country Kanniday is, and then come back and give your experience to the young folks eer, as will be valuable, and from age and personal appearance, you is safe to be treated well, and no attempts at kissin', as used to was in days gone by."

"Lor, Brown," says I, "your haudacity and himperence takes away my breath," and so it did, and 'ad to take a drop to bring myself to myself agin.

"Brown," says I, "y'er want to get rid of me and then go a larkin' among the gals, which is disgraceful at your time of life, as you see them dressed out like real ladies, and is no better than they should be; as I flatter myself, I is safe from hinsult, as is aggrawatin' to the feelins', and I'll go."

Well, the partin' over, I 'ad to take a tea-spoonful of that cough mixtur', as the Doctor give me last spring, for the asthma, as is troublin' at night, and underminin' to the constitushun, — as the sayin' is, a stitch in time saves nine.

So orf I started, in a stemur of the Hallen's line, and my feelins' 'ad better be untold, for what with the 'eaving of the ship, and the smell of the mashinery, as is fied by the worst kind of ile, as my nose ever smelt, as Brown says is always a sniffin' up the bad smells in the koleray times and imaginin' as 'ow I've got the hinsfecshun. Well, as I were a sayin', I thought my hinsides would never quiet themselves agin, as reminded me of a Heaster Munday excurshun to tea and perrywinkels at Ramsgate.

But I must say, as 'ow the young men as tends on the passengers in them ere stemurs is werry purlite, and knows 'ow to treat a hunperected female, as is travellin' by 'erself, tho' I must say, as I wished them further, tho' persistin' as 'ow I ought to 'ave a little bite and a drop of

sumthink to ease the digestshun, as is 'ighly dangerous, and no peppermint 'andy.

I'm sure when we arrived at Portland, I must a weighed a good deal lighter than when I left 'ome; as the sayin' is, "a rollin' stone never does gather no moss," and certainly I did feel a little 'uffy when one of the passengers said to me: "Mrs. Brown, your figger is greatly improved since you came aboard." Says I, to 'im, "I belongs to a 'ighly respectable family and aint none of your laith and plaistur creeturs," as I append to see passin' along the wharf just at that moment, with 'umps on their backs like the Drumedary, as is seen in the Zoological Gardings, as is fed at five P.M.

Well, as I was a goin' to say; on leavin' the stemur; says one of the passengers to me: "Mrs. Brown, come and 'ave a partin' glass to keep the cold out of your stomach, durin' the long railway journey you're a goin' to make, and to drink Old Lang Syne," whatever that is, for my father never did see the use of teachin' any gal Latin, and never let us read Shakespear, nor nothink that such waggerbones as 'im ever wrote, as is played in Grinwich fair with the fat woman and the dancin' dogs, as is not taught by kindness, but by crujelty to animals. "Well," I says to 'im, "Mr. Parkins, I never refuses a good hoffer, so whenever you're ready, I'll foller." So off we started, and afore long enters a public 'ouse, as is called in Merryker, a saloon.

Says I to the young man be'ind the bar, "what kind of lickers do you recommend?"

Says he to me, "Miss, we 'ave soderwater or lemonade fixins, but ther' ain't no licker or speerits eer, but, if so be, as you feels werry ill, my Bos

as is a Doctor will give you a certifikit, and you can 'ave what you like," — as give me sich a turn, never 'avin' 'ad nothink to do with medical examashun in my life.

"Young man," says I, "are you aware who you're a speakin' to?" and throwed myself violent into a sofy chair; the leg of it being unbeknownst on Parkins' favorite foot, as 'ad a bunion and two corns on it, and a 'ollerin' tremendous — as 'ow the young man turned round and said to me: "I aint a goin' to 'ave no row eer, so skedaddle." Says I, "come out Mr. P —, I aint a goin' to wet my lips, or spend a farthin' in such a 'ole." So I bounced hout and leaves P — to fight it out, as is British custom and manly likes.

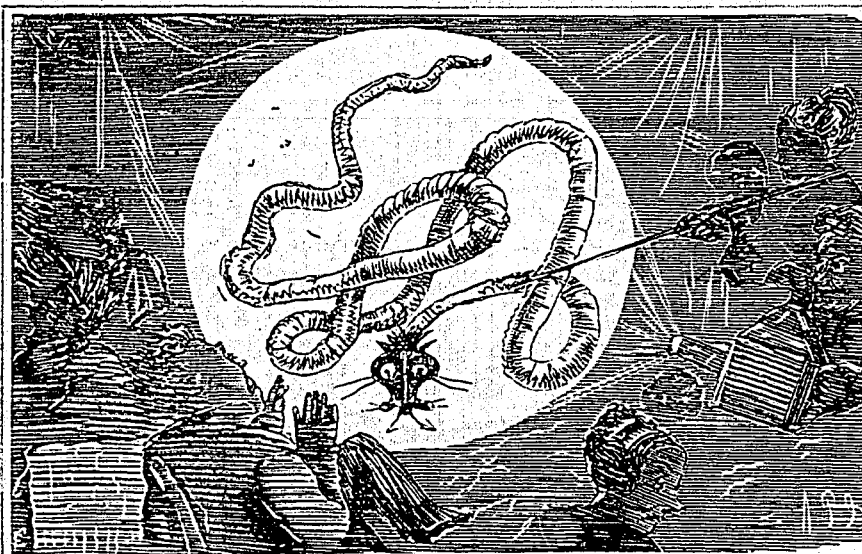
I then entered the stashun, as these eer houtlandish creeturs calls the depo, as is that strange, and is no place for a person to get a mouthful 'olesum to eat, as the meals is that bad with them there chickens and tea, and every one a worryin' like mad and a askin' of you every kind of questshuns, as is a

noosance and upsets me that bad, as made me forget to pay and 'urry to the door, when a young woman calls 'arter me: "Guess marm the tea and fixins cost 75 sents;" as is a strange money and started me like.

Says I to her, "speak English, and I'm willin' to pay what's fair and proper;" when a genteel young man comed up to me and said: "Miss, permit me;" and I gave 'im my purse, as was a present from Brown, and 'e paid the young woman and asked leave to see me to the cars, as they call the railway carriages 'ere, and werry thankful I was to 'im.

Well, hat last the train started, and my purlite friend remained at Portland, and the last I see of 'im were a wavin' 'is 'and, saying, — "my respects to Queen Vic, and may she shine like a star in the glorious striped rag of the United States, and may the British Constitooshun flourish till the glorious eagle circumvents the poles like a flash of greesed lightnin'!" — as is not at all correspondin' to the hidea as was told me as 'ow the Yankees always try to run down old England, as never shall be slaves.

We 'adn't been started more than ten minutes, when the Gard he come to me and says, "your tickit marm." With that I 'unted in hall



COMFORTING.

MAN WITH SCIENTIFIC TENDENCIES SHOWING MAGIC LANTERN TO A FEW FRIENDS (some of them interested in the Pork question.) "Here you see an interesting sample of the Trichina Spiralis. This agreeable *Entozoon* inhabits pigs, pork, bacon, and brawn; and frequently occurs in *sausages*. Taken into the system through the alimentary canal, he will in a very short time reduce a human body to a cullender, as he perforates freely in all directions in search of a "cist," or an agreeable spot to fix his abode. He multiplies his species with much energy. In a single piece of pork, measuring tooth part of an inch cube, 365,963,124 healthy examples have been counted; and it has been calculated, by a learned Professor, that an adult thus affected might form a residence for ————," (At this point the audience left.)