



THE OGRE FOUNTAIN, BERNE, SWITZERLAND.

In Berne, the capital of Switzerland, are many quaint fountains, in which a grotesque humour is displayed. In the Ogre Fountain a hideous figure has his pockets full of children, others protrude from his girdle, while he is devouring another helpless innocent. Around the base of the column marches a procession of bears, from which animal the town is named. The fountain is a centre for gossip and for laundry and culinary purposes.