



JUST COME FORTH FROM THE SLOUGH O' DESPOND.

A YANKEE TRICK.

An eastern pedlar lately desired accommodation for the night, at a tavern in the south part of Virginia; but from the prejudice frequently existing against this class, our host for a long time refused. At last he complied, on condition that the pedlar should play him a Yankee trick before he left him. The offer was accepted. On rising in the morning, Jonathan carefully secured the coverlid of the bed, which, amongst other articles, he pressed the landlady to purchase. The low price of the coverlid operated at once upon the latter, who insisted that her husband should buy it, adding, that it would match her's exactly. Jonathan took his money, mounted his cart, and had got fairly under way, when our host called to him that he had forgotten the Yankee trick he was to play him. "O, never mind," said Jonathan, "you'll find it out soon enough."

SHORT vs. LONG.—Says Long to short, "how are ye, Top?" "Top," replied short, "I had rather be as small as a top, than long enough to require six hours to get asleep *all over*." "You had, ha! Well, I had rather be ten hours getting to sleep, than so short as to be obliged to mount a cabbage-leaf to hiccup."