## CHARACTERISTIC CONVERSATIONS OF CURLY KATE

TS "Curly Kate" dead?

Not at all; she is only "laid up for repairs" after her latest accident! She is recovering, as usual, and we hope may live for many a long day to entertain her "eustomers," as she ealls those for whom she wields the soap and washboard periodically.

## BY WAY OF INTRODUCTION

Our first impressions were not such as to inspire us with reverence or admiration, but the eireumstances were exceptional, and I must, in justice to her better self, say, that in the seven years aequaintance which have passed since that memorable sixth of September, when

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