Truly Rural.

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'Twas evening and the village chimes Most musically chome; The graceful sow and warlike calf Unminon ly hied home. The bleaturg heep in chorus blote; The equating piggles squale;

Bucolic, as a whole. Two lovers, hoppy, hand in hand, Store stilly to the stile: The crickets criked, the owlets owled,

The Tour ENSEMBLE b log quite

Bute beat about the while. The katydide in unison Together katy-dode: And whipochwick set no their cry,

And omi onely crode. The gental at eater hummed his hymn, And bote ais baneful bite,

She tried to say a tender pome, Bit confd'nt quote it qui e. And then he gope a nighty gape, She smole a sickly smile-There was not (for the a ke of thine) A mole within a mile!

She beaved a mighty deep-drawn sigh, And to la answer songhed: And round her taper, shrinking walst His monly cout sleeve glode. Then while the distant curfew peal Lugabrious y pole, She drew a pickeled opton forth,

An I coyly ate it who e.

A JOLLY BUEL.

The jolliest duel ever recorded took place in Lyons, France, the other day. Two journeymen tailors had a quarrel about the cut of a pair of trowsers, and it could only be settled by a meeting on the field of honor. Seconds were chosen and a meeting took place, at 6 in the morning, in the Tete d'Or Park. The principals had their eyes bandaged and were placed back to back, each with a pistol, loaded, however, only with blank castridge, though each supposed it to be charged with ball. At the signal given they turned and fired. One of the seconds cried out, "I am bit !" and each combatant pulled off the bandage from his even, expecting to see his adversary fallen. The seconds and wit nesses were roaring with laughter, and the duelists, seeing the joke, rushed into one another's arms and kissed in Freuch fashion. The result was a grand festival for all parties at a neighboring restaurant .- Philadelphia Bulletin

A Touching Mule Story.

[From the Elko (Nevad.) Post.] A car load of mules, en route to California, from the far east, were un loaded here, last Wednesday, for a rest. One of them sighted the green sagebrush and rushed hangrily toward it for a luscious feed. He nipped of a mouthful of the fragrant bush, chewed it a moment, spit it out, bit himself and kicked to see if he was goods. dreaming, took another bite, and then, with quivering lip, and the tears coursing down his cheeks, he lifted up his voice and brayed a bray of undisguised emotion. A peculiar brand upon the animal was recognized by the Indians, as one used by their ancestors hundreds of years ago, and his deep emotion was, no doubt, caused by unexpectedly finding himself once more amid the scenes wherein he had whiled away the joyons, tanocent hours of his childhood.

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you feed yourselves, for laboring men are the bone and sinew of the land, and ought to be well treated. I am satisfied that getting op early,

industry and regular habits are the best medicine prescribed for health. When rainy, bad weather comes, so you can't work out of doors, cut, split and pile your wood, make your racks,

and uz your lences or gates.

Size and Mass of Mars. [From the New York Tribune.]

Before the discovery of the satellites of Mars, astronomers were inclined to reduce their estimates of the mass of that placet. The calculations made from the speed and distance of the .littie moons, render it certain that Mare is smaller than had been previously reckoned, though the difference from some of the more recent estimates is not very great. In round numbers, the mass of Mars is less than a tenth of that of the earth. The new figures

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