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FIGHT WITH ESKIMO DOGS


SHE BOILED THE SEEDS

| Just at the northwest border of Byfield parish lies the settlement called Dogtown. They raise a very peculiar cucumber, early, richly-flavored and singularly smooth on the outside. Determined to keep the plant to themselves, as it brought in a good income, they agreed never to sell a seed outside the settlement. But a certain grocer in Newburyport determined to have some of these seeds. <br> He commenced by making a friend of an old dame who occasionally came into his store to trade, by treating her to sundry potations of cordial, a plug of tobacco, and snuff. One day, after the good dame had swallowed two bumpers of peppermint cordial for a pain, the subject was broached, telling the dame that he knew it was against their rules to part with the seeds, but he had a friend who was bound for New Orleans who wished for some of them to take with him, and he thought if she had no objection he should like some as it would | The dame promised the grocer the seeds and got a quarter of a pound of snuff on the spot, with a promise of a botlle of cordial upon the delivery of the gocds. <br> The next week, true to ker word, she came with the seeds and got her bottle. The following season the grocer planted his seeds with a great deal of care. Cucumber time came, but he had not even a vine. He dug up the seeds and found that they had not commenced to germinate. So the next time the dame came into the store he told her the fact. <br> "How do you know?" she said. thought you were going to send them to New Orleans." <br> Yes, but 1 kept a few to try them myself and see how they were going to work," said the grocer. <br> "Don't ye 'spose I knowed all that," returned the dame. "You, 'port mer chants, ar'n't nigh so sharp as you think you be. I know'd what you wa \| up to, so I thought I'd fixe ye. I biled |
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AFTER THE WELSH RAREBIT

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