

Such, however, is not the case ; for what with ring-worms, itch, and a *certain* loathsome, and infectious disease, added to an inexhaustible stock of body-creepers, no mortal can well be more disgusting than a Bengal *dandy*. It would be injustice to class them all under one general anathema ; there being, doubtless, some among them who are tolerably clean in their persons ; but such most assuredly form a very disproportionate minority !

The *Berriarah*, or *Gurrearah*, is a person who, according to the general custom of the country, devotes his life to tending sheep and goats ; and, in most situations beyond the metropolis, obtains a place among the usual servants attendant upon the out-door concerns of a family. This is not owing to the scarcity of meat, but to its bad quality ; there being plenty of sheep in India, which, however, are rarely slaughtered for table expenditure, even by the natives ; who very justly consider it to be an unclean animal, feeding on all kinds of filth. This occasions them to prefer the meat of a castrated goat, commonly denominated *kussy*, which is certainly not to be despised ; though its taste is somewhat strong, and the meat itself rather coarse, and dark colored : but it abounds with fat, and is very juicy. Be it good, or bad, prejudice has proscribed it from the tables of persons in respectable stations, or in easy cir-