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worst examples, and it is this." They were grown effeminate, getting to be almost a nation of women, so much like woman in every respect as the matter of a beard, that they concluded to drop even the distinction and complete the resemblance, or in vulgar parlance they thought it would be about as well to "go the whole hog." It would seem that to a reflecting mind the absurdity of this custom must have been apparent, but the fact is reflections were not cheap then as they are at the present time, when so great many do nothing but cast reflections continually. The art was then still in its infancy, having but a short time previous been discovered by the Phoenicians. But the greatest wonder of all is, that in this age, when we have the most brilliant of reflections to illuminate our path, we should so far astray as to perpetually grind away on the beard with which nature has adorned us. In this respect

we are wiser than the barbarians of former times for they removed their beards from necessity, and when that necessity was removed, and they set down into the character of our peaceful Anglo-Sax ancestors, they allowed nature to do her perfect work and came into the possession of beards, that might have been the envy of Methuselah in his nine hundred and sixty-ninth year. Their memories are to be honored, not alone for their venerable beards, but for the other sterling qualities which they possessed, but

I do not however despair for this generation. I have been avoiding the light and voluntarily sitting in darkness, but I descry faint streaks of light in our horizon, which betoken the dawn of a whisker mill.

nium at no distant period. When I see young men who, in a misguided moment have raised the "colorful glittering steel," and sacrificed perhaps their "little all," slinking with shame from the gaze of their fellow man, or resorting to retired spots remote from human habitation, to engage in the agricultural operation of raising a new crop, I say to myself, this is yet hope, and am carried back to that model age the young men who tarried at Jericho for a similar purpose, considering the curtailment of their garments, which they had suffered, as a trifling circumstance compared with the loss sustained by their honor and their beads. Let us then revive the *ham sapienter* of the ancients. If we may not wear the philosopher's mantle, we may at least his beard.

**The Earthquake at Waimea.**

WAIMEA, HAWAII, Dec. 4, 1859.

MR. EDITOR:—Noticing in your issue of Nov. 24 an account of the earthquake, and its being felt on the island of Oahu, perhaps you would like to know if Waimea is still above water. The shock was felt here about three o'clock on the morning of Monday the 1st of November, and lasted about ten seconds. It was preceded by a heavy, rumbling sound, like distant thunder, which lasted about the same length of time. Nor was that all: about a half an hour after we felt another, not quite so severe, but it made the tree tops tremble. As there was no wind,

could hear the leaves shake over the house. The trees trembled on which I slept shook like a man with the fever and ague. It made some of the natives commence saying their prayers, and the truth is, Mr. Editor, I felt something like it myself.

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ARRIVAL OF THE "SEA NYMPH."—The long expected bark *Sea Nymph*, which sailed from England on February 13, for this port, arrived this morning. We give the following report received:

Left Portland 13th February; called at the Falkland Islands

for water; lost rudder off Cape Horn, and returned to Falkland Islands for a new one. Second time off Cape Horn lost sails, boats, topsail yards, &c. Went into Talcahuano to repair. Are exactly six weeks from that port."

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**Foreign Summary.**

At the last dates from Japan a telegraph was brought from between the cities of Jeddo, Nagasaki, Simoda, and Hakodadi, and between Jeddo and the summer residence of the Emperor.

The proprietors of the *Great Eastern* realized over \$20,000 from admission fees during the time the ship was open to visitors.

Dr. Abernethy used to tell his pupils that "all his

**ANOTHER FEMALE AUTHOR.**—It is now known that Miss EVANS, a contributor to the Westminster Review, is the author of "Adam Bede," the last successful English novel.

**AN ARMY OF THE DEAD.**—The Austrian government states its total loss in the late war, in killed, wounded and prisoners, at 1164 officers, and 48,560 men.

Blondin's latest feat is standing on his head at night in a rope over the cataract of Niagara. The inverted position would seem to be natural to him as a power in his heels.

The following slanderous paragraph goes unbuked. A wag has invented a new telegraph. It proposes to place a line of women fifty steps apart and commit the news to the first of them as a secret.

A novelty in ladies' apparel is a new article of suspenders. They resemble those worn by gentlemen except that they are made of delicate, white lace fabric, with filled eyes, about one width apart. They are attached to the skirt by buttons in like manner.

Mr. Benjamin Lindsey, editor of the *New York Mercury*—in consequence of his horse taking fright, and the carriage coming in contact with another vehicle—was thrown violently into the street, n

An implement for threading needles has been invented. It is made with two blades, which hold the needle with its eye opposite a little funnel-shaped opening, into which it is perfectly easy for a person of weak sight to pass the thread; and the thread is evident, passing through the eye of the needle.

It is authoritatively stated that the amount of money remitted home by Irishmen, residing in America, the last year, for the purpose of assisting the

friends to immigrate, was \$2,360,000. The ten preceding years the amount remitted was \$48,680,000.

Terry's breech-loading rifle has been successful tested near Liverpool. From one rifle 1,800 shots were fired without the piece fouling, and several times nine shots per minute were fired by Mr. Terry himself.

London is length to be thoroughly drained. The drainage works will be colossal and enduring. The work will take five years to execute, and cost four million sterling, or nearly £2 per head of the whole population.

As was his custom in delivering the "Washington

The Empress Eugene has just presented to the statue of the Virgin on the altar of Notre Dame de la Garde, at Marseilles, the dress worn by her on her first appearance at church after the birth of the Prince Imperial. The embroidery alone cost 20,000 francs. What a fortunate Virgin; how happy the statue must be!

largest piece of ordnance which can be cast stout and free from flaws, is a mortar thirteen inches in diameter. This would weigh about five tons. At the siege of Antwerp, the French used a mortar with bore twenty inches in diameter, but it burst on the ninth day of firing.

Human hair varies from the 2500th to 8000th part of an inch in thickness. The fibre of the common silk is about the 5000th part of an inch in diameter. Silkworm's silk is about the 5000th part of an inch thick; but the spider's line is six times finer, and a single pound of this delicate but strong substance would be sufficient to encompass the globe.

A man died very suddenly in Pennsylvania from the effects of whiskey. The beverage was analyzed when the chemist reported that he found in it the poisonous constituent of *Cocculus latifolius*. The portion found was two grains to the pint of whiskey. This poison is considered fatal to human life in quantities of from five to ten grains, according to circumstances and conditions.

Poisonous and other descriptions which have been taken from the literature are here given so they may be readily compared with the results of the analysis.

There is a very highly poisonous







