## THE DAILY EVENING TELEGRAPH-PHILADELPHIA, FRIDAY, MAY 28, 1869.

### LITERATURE. REVIEW OF NEW BOOKS.

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-From J. B. Lippincott & Co. we have received "The Quaker Partisans," a story of the Revolution, by the author of "The Scout." The incidents of this tale are based upon the fact that during the war of independence members of the Society of Friends, while still claiming to be "Friends," withdrew themselves from the great body of the society, and organized troops. composed of their own members, to assist in the great struggle. The exceptional features of this case furnish the author with his apology for giving the public another story on the alre dy well-worked subject of the Revolution. The scenes of the parrative are laid in the vicinity of Philadelphia, and the adventures of the Quaker partisans are sufficiently exciting to satisfy the most exacting reader of romance.

-Messrs. Turner Brothers & Co. send us "Vanity Fair," the first volume of the "Household" edition of Thackeray's novels, published by Fields, Osgood & Co. It is not necessary to enter upon a discussion of this masterpiece; it is already a classic, and it is one of those works that will be remembered and read while English literature endures. The publishers, however, in issning an edition of Thackeray's works in the style of this volume, will supply a desideratum. Other cheap and popular editions have been attempted in this country, but they never reached a complete set, and none of them combined in an equal degree the qualities of elegance, legibility, and cheapness as in this instance. Messrs, Fields, Osgood & Co. sustain the well-won reputation of the old house of Ticknor & Fields as the publishers of good works, and their imprimatur is of itself a guarantee of excellence. This edition of Thackeray's works is published in the same style as the "Household" edition of Charles Reade's novels, which was so deservedly popular. The volumes are clearly printed on good paper, and they are neatly bound in green morocco cloth, so that they will present an attractive appearance on the shelves of a library. The volume before ns is embellished with a fine steel portrait of Thackeray. It is proposed by the publishers to include in this edition "Vanity Fair;" "Pendennis;" "The Newcomes;" "The Virginians;" "Philip:" "Henry Esmond:" and "Lovel the Widower," which will be issued in six volumes. We hope, however, that the set will be extended so as to include all of Thackeray's stories, essays, sketches, and poems, many of which are not known to the general public as they deserve to be,

-The same house sends us a cheap papercover edition of "Vanity Fair," which is published at the low price of lifty cents; No. 7 of The Vocalist, which contains "Her bright smiles haunt me still" and other popular songs; and Our Boys and Girls, edited by Oliver Optic, for Saturday, June 5. The 50 cent edition of "Vanity Fair" has also been received from Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger.

-We have received Nos. 19 and 20 of "Zell's Popular Encyclopedia," which reaches the title "Athanasius." This work contains an immense amount of information in a small compass, and as a work of general reference it will be invaluable when completed. The low price, ten cents a number, places it within the reach of all, and it ought to have an immense sale in all parts of the country.

-The Schoolday Visitor for June, published by Daughaday & Beeher, has a sufficient variety of entertaining articles on a great number of subjects to suit all juvenile tastes.

-Our Own for June, conducted by Fannie Warner, has a number of pleasantly written stories, sketches, poems, etc., which will doubtless find appreciative readers.

such. It would pull itself up close to the skin, suck. It would pull itself up close to the skin, and try about everywhere for a likely place; but, as it only succeeded in getting monthfuls of hair and wool, it would be greatly disgusted, and seream violently, and, after two or three attempts, fet go altogether. One day it got some wool into its throat, and I thought it would have choked, but after much gasping it re-covered, and I was obliged to take the imitation mether to places again, and take the imitation mother to pieces again, and give up this last at-tempt to exercise the little creature. After the first week I found I could freed it

better with a spoon, and give it a little more varied and more solid food. Well-soaked biscuit, mixed with a little egg and sugar, and sometimes sweet potatoes, were readily eaten; and it was a never-failing amusement to observe the curious changes of countenance by which it would express its approval or dislike of what was given to it. The poor little thing would lick its lips, draw in its checks, and turn up its eyes with an expression of the most supreme satisfaction when it had a mouthful particularly to its taste. On the other hand, when its food was not sufficiently sweet or palatable, it would turn the monthful about with its tongue for a moment as if trying to extract what flavor there was, and then push it all out between its lips, If the same food was continued, it would set up scream and kick about violently, exactly like a baby in a passion.

After I had had the little mias about three weeks, I fortunately obtained a young hare-lip monkey (Macacus cynomolgus), which, though small, was very active, and could feed itself. I placed it in the same box with the mias, and they immediately became excellent friends, they initializely became excellent friends, neither exhibiting the least fear of the other. The little monkey would sit spon the other's stomach, or even on its face, without the least regard to its feelings. While I was feeding the mias, the monkey would sit by, picking up all that was split, and occasionally putting out its hands to intercept the spoon; and as soon as I had finished would pick off what was left stick-ing to the mias lips, and then pull open its nouth and see if any still remained inside: afterwards lying down on the poor creature's stomach as on a confortable cu-hion. The little helpless mias would submit to all these insults with the most exemplary patience, only too glad to have something warm near it, which it could clasp affectionately in its arms. It sometimes, however, had its revenge; for when the monkey wanted to go away, the mias would hold on as long as it could by the loose skin of its back or head, or by its tail, and it was only after many vigorous jumps that the monkey could make his scape.

It was curious to observe the different actions of these two animals, which could not have dif-fered much in age. The mias, like a very young baby, lying on its back quite helpless, rolling hazily from side to side, stretching out all four hands into the air, withing to grasp something, but hardly able to guide its fingers to any de-finite object, and when dissatisfied, opening wide its almost toothless month, and expressing its wants by a most infantine scream; the little monkey, on the other hand, in constant motion, running and jumping about wherever it pleased examining everything around it, seizing hold of the smallest objects with the greatest precision, balancing itself on the edge of the box or running up a post, and helping itself to anything eatable that came in its way. There could hardly be a greater contrast, and the baby mias looked more baby-like by the comparison. The baby unfortunately died at the end of six weeks.

## UNDER THE SEA.

The Projected Railway Between Dover and Calais. For some years past there has been a considerable amount of attention directed to the probability of effecting a communication be-tween England and France without the necessity tween England and France without the necessity of undergoing what to so many persons is re-garded with feelings of aversion—the short sca-passage. The idea of making a tunnel under the Straits of Dover was suggested to Napoleon the First, but then the scheme merely contem-plated a carriage way and footpaths on each side of the road. In 1847 M. de Gamond prepared, with great elaboration, his plans for a tunnel, sons marin, between England and France, slowsous marin, between England and France, show-ing the position and dimensions of the various shafts and plans of a central dock, to be con-structed in the Straits. Mr. Remington, an English engineer, also prepared plans on the

structed along the inner roof of the tube to a point about midway of its entire length, where it will be discharged and force itself along where it will be discharged and force itself along the tube to either end, providing at the same time a perfect system of ventilation. The drain-ing of the tube is duly provided for; the water will be collected in the lower part of the tube, and as the locomotives pass through they will take up the water in a trough, in the same manner as the engines are supplied on the konmanner as the engines are supplied on the kon-don and Northwestern Railway while travelling. don and Northwestern nailway while traveling. The casting of the various portions of the work is to be done in a dock to be formed on the coast, and the various portions, as they are cast, are to be floated by letting in water, and taken out to sea by pontoons, to which they will be attached by suitable chains. The cost of this extraordinary work is set down from ten to fif-teen millions; the designer of the plans being Mr. Purkis, the engineer.

# A Paradise for the Impecunious Beecher's Experience.

Probably there is no place in the country where persons are so pestered with calls from friends in pecuniary distress as New York. One from the provincial regions comes on a visit to Gotham and runs short of funds. He applies at once to some friends for the wherewith to get home, and the said friend in nine cases out of ten "comes down." Thousands flock here to the metropelis of the New World in quest of employment, and get home again only by means of enforced loans extorted from acquaintances. Some of our prominent men are constantly sub-jected to appeals of this character, This is particularly true of Henry Ward Beecher. He recently remarked in conversa-tion that a day did not pass without bringing him one or more applications for relief. Mauy persons called upon him for money to pay a hotel bill or get back home, who, claiming to have made his acquaintance at such and such a place, were sons of warm friends of his, or belonged to the Congregational Church. Mr. Beecher stated that he had made loans to individuals from all over the country, putting forth these and similar pleas. He had never known his money to come back except in one instance, and that was when he loaned \$3 to a poor negro woman. He received about \$25,000 annually, and fully one third of this sum was given away to charitable objects and applicants for aid. Mr. Beecher added, in the course of his remarks, that he believed that the great majority of charitable institutions were injurious and deleterious. Many of them were started by unprincipled individuals for money making purposes, who put into their own pockets the lion's share of the moneys centributed for the aid of poor children or others under their care. Charitable institutions, when started from honest motives and honestly conducted, were very apt to encourage a spirit of dependence, and to destroy the manhood and energy of those to whom they rendered assistance. The reverend divine made several other observations to the same effect. One has to put his foot down here, unless he would have his extra change constantly drawn off by mendicant acquaintances or friends in pecuniary trouble. It is very often hard to turn away an acquaintance of long standing, but an absolute resolution never to lend is about the only thing here in New York which will prevent a poor man's pocket-book from being in a constant state of depletion .- New York Letter to Chicago Journal.

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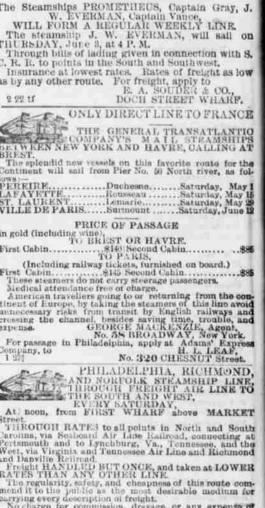
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#### A Baby Orang-Utan.

From the interesting work on "The Malay Archipelago," by Alfred Russel Wallace, which we noticed a short time ago, we take the following account of a young orang-utang or mias, which the author succeeded in capturing alive: infant. I was therefore obliged to give it rice-water from a bottle with a quill in the cork, which after a few trials it learned to suck very well. This was very meagre diet, and the little creature did not thrive well on it, although I added sugar and cocca-nut milk occasionally, to make it more nourishing. When I put my linger in its month, it sucked with great vigor, draw-ing in its checks with all its might in the vain effort to extract some milk, and only after per-severing a long time would it give up in disgust, and set up a scream very like that of a baby in

when handled or nursed it was very quiet and contented, but when laid down by itself would invariably cry, and for the first few nights was very restless and noisy. I fitted up a fittle box for a cradle, with a solt mat for it to lie upon, which was changed and washed every day, and I soon found it necessary to wash the little mins as well. After I had done so a few times, it came to like the operation, and as soon as it was dirty would begin crying, and us soon as it wills dirty would begin crying, and not leave off till I took it out and carried it to the spout, when it immediately became quiet, although it would wince a little at the first rush of the cold water, and make ridiculously wry faces while the stream was running over its head. It enjoyed the wiping and rubbing dry amazingly, and when I brushed its hair seemed to be perfectly happy, lying quite still, with its arms and legs stretched out, while I thoroughly brushed the long hair of its back and arms. For the first few days it clung desperately with all four hands to whatever it could lay hold of, and I had to be careful to keep my beard out of its way, as its fingers clutched hold of hair more tenaciously than anything else, and it was impossible to free my-self without assistance. When restless it would struggle about with its hands up in the air try-ing to find something to take hold of; and when it had got a bit of stick or rag in two or three of its hands, it seemed quite happy. For want of something else it would often soize its own feet, and after a time it would constantly cross its arms and grasp with each hand the long hair that grew just below the opposite shoulder. The great tenacity of its grasp soon diminished, and I was obliged to invent some means to give it exercise and strengthen its limbs. For this it exercise and strengthen its limbs. For this purpose I made a short ladder of three or four rounds, on which I put it to hang for a quarter of an hour at a time. At first it seemed much pleased, but it could not get all four hands in comfortable posl-tion, and after changing about several times, would leave hold of one hand after the other and drop to the floor. Sometimes, when hanging only by two hands, it would loose one, and cross it to the opposite shoulder, grasp-ing its own hair, and, as this seemed much more agreeable than the stick, it would then loose the other and tumble down, when it would cross other and tumble down, when it would cross both and lie on its back quite contentedly, never seeming to be hurt by its numerous tumbles. Finding it so fond of hair, I endeavored to make an artificial mother, by wrapping up a piece of buffalo-skin into a bundle, and suspending it acout a foot from the floor. At first this seemed

same subject, and Mr. Hawkshaw, the engineer has for some time past been engaged in taking preliminary soundings and surveys for a tunnel. A distinguished French engineer, desirous to avoid the making of a tunnel, boldly suggests the construction of a bridge across the Channel. To this list of projects may now be added one which shows that in the matter of crossing the Channel which the anthor succeeded in capturing allye: While carrying it home it got its hands in my beard, and grasped it so tightly that I had great difficulty in getting free, for the fingers are habitually beut inward at the last joint so as to form complete hooks. At this time it had not a single tooth, but a few days afterwards it cut its two lower front teeth. Unfortunately, I had no milk to give it, as neither Malays, Chinese, nor Dyaks ever use the article, and I in vain inquired for any female animal that could suckle my little 11.9 through the body of the water in the Straits. It is actually proposed to build a tube, sink it par-tially, and support it in the water in such a man-ner as to admit of the passage through it of trains, or a double line of railway. A more daring engineering scheme was probably never suggested. It is proposed that the iron tube for the railway shall be laid across from the English to the French coast, and be supported at a depth of 50 feet below the surface of the water by iron stanchions or tressels, the feet of which by iron stanchions or tressels, the feet of which will rest upon the bed of the straits. The tube is to be in its outside diameter 23 feet 6 inches, and with a view of giving it sufficient strength to resist the pressure of the weight of water, to sustain the weight of the pressure of the weight of the trains between the points of support; and allow for the decay caused by the action of the water, the tube is to be of cast, iron, 8 inches in thickness, being nearly twice the thickness of the armor-plates of the Warrior iron-clad. The length of the tube between each pair of legs or supports is to be 300 feet, and the weight of each of these sections 3000 tons. Each of these lengths of 300 fect is to be made up of eight segments of 37 feet 6 inches, and these are to be segments of 37 feet 6 inches, and these are to be firmly bolted together by means of 199 steel bolts passing through the internal flanges of each length of tube. Ask the bold engineer how these segments are to be put together for the water, and he explains the matter in the most practical manner. Each segment will be made watertight by a bulkhead, and will be lowered until it is brought into exact position with the portion previously fixed, and whon made fast by the bolts the near bulkhead will be removed, and the workmen will pass on to the next secfor cash. the workmen will pass on to the next sec-tion. The stanchions which will have to carry the tube are made, as it may be supposed, of enormous strength. They will vary in length according to the depth of the water. The largest will be 106 feet in length; it will be formed hol low, tapering from each end to the middle, where it will be 7 fect 2 inches in diameter, the ends being 5 feet 8 inches in diameter. They will be cast in three pieces, and bolted together by cast steel bolts on inside flanges. The weight of each of these legs or stanchions will be 454 tons. In order to give them a sure foothold at the bottom of the sca, they will be fastened by bolts to discs of metal 25 feet in diameter, and weighing 85 of metal 25 feet in diameter, and weighing 85 tons. To prevent any lateral motion, the feet of these stanchions will be held together by tension bars 100 feet long, and weighing 60 tons, and a similar tension bar, though of less length, will connect and hold the stanchion at the upper ex-tremity. The bolts that are to hold and keep the stanchions apart weigh not less than 4½ tons each. The transverse strength of the tube when completed has been satisfactorily ascertained to be 27,034 tons, and 11 loaded in the middle it would safely carry 2300 tons weight. In order to sink the tube, each section of 300 feet will be loaded with 433 tons of ralls, air and water tubes, and of 1860 tons of ballast or shingle, each seg-ment as it is lowered being provided with its due share of dead weight, to ensure the neces-sary displacement of water. The pressure of the flow of the tides will be equal to 450 lbs, on every square foot of the cross sectional area, but the stanchions are calculated to be of sufficient strength to resist any inovement from this cause. The ventilation of the tube is to be neverided by about a foot from the noor. At first this seemed is standing and the close of the close sectional area, but the the tot of the close sectional area, but the the tot of the close sectional area, but the the the tot of the close sectional area, but the the the the the the standing area are calculated to be of sufficient strength to resist any movement from this cause. The ventilation of the tube is to be provided by stationary steam power at one of the on-trances to the tube, which will force a sufficient trances to the tube, which will force a sufficient trances to the tube, which will force a sufficient trances to the tube, which will force a sufficient trances to the tube, a channel con-

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