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TERMS OF THE AMERICAN. THE AMERICAN is published every Saturday at TWENTY CENTS per annum in advance...

SELECT POETRY.

THE VOICE OF THE PISTOLETTE. This splendid poem was written in 1831, on the approach of the Children from the east toward the Western part of Europe...

SUGGESTIONS ON HEALTH.

Children should be taught to use the left hand as well as the right. Infants should be sponged with cold water every day...

THE CREW OF THE OREGON.

The following letter from Capt. Pearson of the Oregon; which has been furnished to the Commercial Advertiser; further explains the statement of Lieut. Beale.

KINDNESS THE BEST PUNISHMENT.

A Quaker of most exemplary character was disturbed one night by footsteps around his dwelling; and he arose from his bed, and cautiously opened a back door to reconnoitre...

TO ALL THE SOLDIERS OF THE WAR WITH MEXICO.

We are now engaged upon a work, entitled "THE REAL HEROES OF THE MEXICAN WAR." It is our earnest purpose to do justice to every soldier, concerned in the campaigns of Scott and Taylor...

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EVERY MAN HIS OWN PATENT AGENT. MUNN & Co., publishers of the "SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN."

BOARDING. THE subscriber will continue to receive and accommodate a few transient or permanent boarders...

REMOVAL. DR. J. B. MASSER has removed his office to the office formerly occupied by H. B. Masser...

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THE CHEAP STORE, BOCKUS AND BROTHER, BRUSH MANUFACTURERS, AND DEALERS IN COMBS & VARIETIES.

WHERE they offer for sale a general assortment of all kinds of Brushes, Combs and Varieties...

From the portals of the Abyss, From the caverns dim where vague forms swim, And shapeless chaos is!

From the unscathed deep where death and sleep Brood in their mystic night— I come—I come—before me are dumb

From the wings of the morn From the jungles of Jessor, Over the plain of the purple main

From the wide Erytraean the noise of my Pean Rolled on the southern blast— Eternal Triton's madd'ning choros

From the glaucous blue and vast! Did I not pass his granite mass, And the night Caspian bill—

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AN IRISH SERMON.

From Bernard's Retrospectives we copy the following sketch of an amusing, judicious sermon, preached in a little chapel near Sligo.

"My dear children—You know that I have been your Father and Comforter, these six and twenty years next Feast of Virgin; and you all of you know what trouble I've had in keeping Satan from taking hold of your souls.

"Does any one know Judy Bryant? Oh to be sure every body knows poor Judy; and yet I dare say some of you will pretend to tell me that you never saw or heard of such a cracker in all your born days.

"A RAIT OF MONKEYS. A singular and almost touching drama was lately witnessed by the crew of French sloop of war, lately returned from a voyage to the seas of India.

"O'FLAHERTY AND THE BEES.—There happened, on a certain occasion, to grow up between Mister O'Flaherty and a bugging down-comer, a very fierce contest as to the comparative size of different animals and insects.

JOHN HANCOCK'S SIGNATURE.—Here is the reason why the famous John Hancock wrote his signature to the Declaration of Independence in so large and bold a hand.

A YANKEE TRICK.—A young lady in Connecticut became extravagantly fond of a young lawyer in the neighborhood, who treated her suit rather hopelessly, and being fully determined to enter the state of matrimony at some rate or other, she adopted the following plan.

"SOME SENSE IN BEING DECEITFUL.—It is a fact not unworthy of record, that amongst the, at least, 35,000 souls who compose our German population of Cincinnati, there has been but comparatively little cholera.

THE OLDEST MAN IN AMERICA.

George Buckhart, living in Harlan county, Ky., is one of the most extraordinary men of the age, and is, perhaps, the oldest man now known to be living.

On my arrival at San Francisco, I found the California detained there, and believing I had coal enough to take me back to San Blas it was determined that I should sail as soon as possible.

On the arrival of the American Bible Society, in his travels in Kentucky, recently, found him, and also saw several respectable gentlemen who had spent one or more nights with him in this singular home.

Paddy scratched his head, and after a few moments' reflection, replied: Oh! that's their business.

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