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J. S. WALKER,
SHIPPING AND COMMISSION AGENT,
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44y HONOLULU, H. I.

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Fire Proof Buildings, Queen Street,
HONOLULU, OAHU, S. I. 52-tf.

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DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE,
Honolulu, Oahu, H. I.

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Honolulu, Oahu, S. I.
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General Commission Merchants
Honolulu, Oahu, S. I 35-tf

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AND
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33] KING STREET, HONOLULU. [tf

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C. H. LEWERS,
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INGOLS & STANLEY,
Accountants and Conveyancers,
HONOLULU.
N. B.—Averages adjusted, Protests extended, Legal Documents executed, with neatness and dispatch; Commercial Books opened and closed, and Custom House Brokerage done. Accounts made up and Collections faithfully attended to. [48

D. N. FLITNER,
CONTINUES his old business at the new store on Kaahumanu street.
Chronometers Rated by observations of the sun and stars with a transit instrument accurately adjusted to the meridian of Honolulu. Particular attention given to fine watch repairing. Sextant and Quadrant glasses silvered and adjusted. Charts and Nautical instruments constantly on hand and for sale. 28-tf

JAMES LOCKWOOD,
MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN
TIN, SHEET IRON & COPPER WARE
KAAHUMANU STREET,
HONOLULU, H. I.
Summer Bakers, tin and copper pumps, bathing tubs, foot and shower baths, tin and zinc roofing, and a general assortment of tin ware.
☞ Ship work executed with neatness and dispatch. 5 tf

CHARLES W. VINCENT,
CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER.
THE UNDERSIGNED would inform his friends and the public, that he has removed his Carpenter Shop to the premises on Fort street, opposite the store of C. Brewer 2nd, and would solicit that patronage heretofore so liberally bestowed. All orders in the various branches of Building, Plans, Specifications and contracts attended to with promptness and dispatch.
30 tf CHARLES W VINCENT

W. FISCHER,
Cabinet Maker and French Polisher,
Hotel street, opposite the Government House
46—tf

Business Cards.

MELCHERS & CO.,
Importers and Commission Merchants
Stone Store, Kaahumanu Street, Corner Merchant,
AGENTS FOR THE
Hamburgh-Bremen Fire Insurance Company;
Pioneer Flour Mills, San Francisco;
Sale of Asegut & Reinhardt's salt beef;
Sale of sugar, molasses and other Hawaiian produce.

Consignments respectfully solicited, and all orders from the other islands and abroad promptly executed.
GUST. C. MELCHERS, Bremen;
J. D. WICKE, Honolulu;
13-tf F. A. SCHAEFER, Honolulu.

THOMAS SPENCER,
SHIP CHANDLER,
DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE,
Island Produce, &c., &c., ... and ..... Commission Merchant,
BYRON'S BAY, HILO, H. I.
Will keep constantly on hand, an extensive assortment of every description of goods required by Ships and others.
☞ The highest price paid for Island Produce.
☞ Money advanced for Bills of Exchange at reasonable rates. 41 tf

DUDLEY C. BATES,
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WM. WEBSTER,
Land Agent to His Majesty.
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tf 4

J. F. COLBURN,
AUCTIONEER,
Honolulu, Oahu. 7-tf

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Chas. F. Guillou, M. D.,
LATE SURGEON UNITED STATES NAVY
Late Consular Physician to American Seamen,
AND GENERAL PRACTITIONER.
OFFICE corner of Kaahumanu and Merchant streets
Residence at Dr. Wood's mansion, Hotel street.
☞ Office hours from 11 A. M. to 2 P. M., at other hours inquire at his residence. 26-tf

E. HOFFMANN,
Physician and Surgeon,
☞ Office in the New Drug Store, corner of Kaahumanu and Queen sts., Makee & Anthon's Block. 11-tf

J. WORTH,
AUCTION & COMMISSION MERCHANT,
AND DEALER IN
GENERAL MERCHANDISE.
☞ Ships supplied with recruits and Money advanced on Bills of Exchange.
HILO, Hawaii, July, 1860. 14 ly

ALLEN & BERRILL,
SUCCESSORS TO
GEORGE W. MACY,
Kawaihae, Hawaii.
Will continue the General Merchandise and Shipping business at the above port, where they are prepared to furnish the justly celebrated Kawaihae Potatoes, and such recruits as are required by Whale Ships, at the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms. 9 tf

CHARLES BREWER,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
Boston, U. S. 35 tf
☞ Referto R. W. Wood and C. Brewer 2d.

NOTICE
TO MASTERS AND OWNERS
OF SHIPS!

WM. HENRY TRESCOTT,
ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE TO THE UNITED STATES.
To all whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

KNOW YE, THAT GEORGE E. NETCHER, A citizen of the United States, has filed in this Department the required notice of the discovery of guano on Howland's Island, in the Pacific ocean, the same lying in North latitude 50 min., and in west longitude 176 deg. 52 min.

That notice of the occupation of said Island, in the name of the United States, by A. G. Benson, on behalf of himself and his associates, Wm. W. Taylor and the said George E. Netcher, has also been filed.

And that the United States Guano Company of New York, a corporation of citizens under the laws of the State of New York, assignee of the assigns of the parties aforesaid, has entered into sufficient bonds, under and according to the provisions of the Act of the Congress of the United States, passed on the eighteenth day of August, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six.

Wherefore, the said United States Guano Company is entitled, in respect to the guano on the said island, to all the privileges and advantages intended by that act to be secured to citizens of the United States who may have discovered deposits of guano; provided, always, that the said United States Guano Company shall abide by the conditions and requirements imposed by the Act of Congress aforesaid.

In witness whereof, I, William Henry Trescott, Acting Secretary of State of the United States of America, have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Department of State to be affixed at Washington, this seventh day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the eighty-fifth.

[L. S.]

WM. HENRY TRESCOTT,
Acting Secretary.

All persons not duly authorized are hereby forbid occupying or removing Guano from the above or any other Island, Rock or Key belonging to the Company, as published in the New York *Tribune*, March 5th, 1859.

(Signed) A. G. BENSON, President
6 tf United States Guano Company.

TOBACCO!
OF THE VERY FINEST QUALITY! from the "Natural Virginian Leaf" to the most exquisite genuine "Habannas," Turkish Smoking Tobacco, and all the various first quality brands, to be obtained at
ED. BURGESS'
Coffee Saloon & Billiard Room!
N. B. Those who use Tobacco and seldom get a good article, should not let slip this golden opportunity. 34 tf

Piano Fortes.
SHORTLY expected, per "Oriental," from Boston—
1 fancy case Piano Forte, 6½ oct.,
1 half round " " 6½ "
From the manufactory of Messrs. Hallet & Cumston, whose instruments have an unequalled reputation for sweetness of tone, elegance and perfection of mechanical construction.
42 tf C. BREWER & CO., Agents.

Just Received!
EX 'R. W. WOOD,' FROM FRAZER RIVER,
100 bbls. fine Red Salmon,
10 bbls. very sup. Salmon.
For sale by 52 tf JANION, GREEN & CO.

IRISH WHISKY!
HENRY ROE & SON'S DUBLIN WHISKY;
Jno. Mackenzie & Co.'s Belfast do.
Warranted direct from the Distilleries, and of superior quality. For sale at the [22] ROYAL HOTEL.

Playing Cards!
FRENCH PLAYING CARDS!
For sale by 24 tf MELCHERS & CO.

Foreign Advertisements.

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CHAS. W. BROOKS & Co.,
Shipping and
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
128 SANSOME St.,
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.
☞ Particular attention given to the purchase, shipment and sale of Merchandise, to forwarding and transhipment of goods, the chartering and sale of vessels, the supply-ing of whaleships, and the negotiation of Exchange.
☞ EXCHANGE ON HONOLULU in sums to suit.
ADVANCES MADE ON CONSIGNMENTS.
—REFER TO—
B. F. Snow, ... Honolulu.
C. Brewer & Co., ... "
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B. Pitman, ... Hilo.
James Hunnewell, ... Boston.
Henry A. Peirce, ... "
Chas. Brewer, ... "
Thayer, Brigham & Field, ... "
Sutton & Co., ... New York.
Swift & Allen, ... N. Bedford.
33 tf

D. C. McRUER, J. C. MERRILL.

McRUER & MERRILL,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS
AND
AUCTIONEERS!
AGENTS OF THE
REGULAR DISPATCH LINE
OF
HONOLULU PACKETS
Particular attention paid to forwarding and transhipment of merchandise, sale of whalemen's bills, and other exchange, insurance of merchandise and specie under open policies, supplying whaleships, chartering ships, etc.
117 and 119 California-street,
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Messrs. D. C. Waterman & Co., ... Honolulu.
" C. Brewer & Co., ... "
Capt. B. F. Snow, ... "
A. P. Everett, Esq., ... "
Messrs. Gilman & Co., ... Lahaina.
B. Pitman, Esq., ... Hilo. [28-tf

A. P. EVERETT. J. F. POPE

EVERETT & POPE,
AUCTIONEERS
—AND—
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
105 and 107 Cal. St., San Francisco.
PARTICULAR attention given to the purchase, shipment and sale of merchandise; forwarding and transhipment of goods; the chartering and sale of vessels; the supplying of whaleships and the negotiation of exchange.
Advances made on consignments. 13-ly

SANFORD'S
LIVER INVIGORATOR,
NEVER DEBILITATES.
IT is compounded entirely from Gums, and has become an established fact, a Standard Medicine, known and approved by all that have used it, and is now received with confidence in all the diseases for which it is recommended.
It has cured thousands within the last two years who had given up all hopes of relief, as the numerous unsolicited certificates in my possession show.
The dose must be adapted to the temperament of the individual taking it, and usually consists in the judgment guide you in the quantities as to suit.
Let the dictates of your judgment guide you in the use of the LIVER INVIGORATOR, and it will cure Liver Complaints, Dyspepsia, Bilious Attacks, Summer Complaints, Dropsy, Chronic Diarrhoea, Sour Costiveness, Dysentery, Cholera Morbus, Cholera Infantum, Jaundice, Flatulence, Female Weakness, and Nervousness, and may be used safely as an Ordinary Family Medicine. It will cure SICK HEADACHE, (as I can testify.) In twenty minutes, if two or three Teaspoonfuls are taken at commencement of attack.
All who use it are giving their testimony in its favor.
MIX WATER IN THE MOUTH WITH THE INVIGORATOR, AND SWALLOW BOTH TOGETHER.
Price One Dollar per Bottle.
—ALSO,—
SANFORD'S
FAMILY
CATHARTIC PILLS,
COMPOUNDED FROM
Pure Vegetable Extracts, and put up in GLASS CASES, Air Tight, and will keep in any climate.
The Family Cathartic PILL is a gentle but active Cathartic which the proprietor has used in his practice more than twenty years. The popularity increasing demand from those who have long used the PILLS and the satisfaction which all express in regard to their use, has induced me to place them within the reach of all.
The Profession well know that different Cathartics act on different portions of the bowels.
The FAMILY CATHARTIC PILL is a gentle but effectual Cathartic, which has this well established fact, with the reference to a variety of the purest Vegetable Extracts, which act alimentary canal, and are the most agreeable and efficacious where a Cathartic is required. Palpitation of the Stomach, Sleeplessness, Pains in the Back and Loins, Costiveness, Pain and Soreness over the whole body, from sudden cold, which frequently, if neglected, ever, Loss of Appetite, a Creeping Sensation of Cold over the body, Restlessness, Headache, or weight in the head, Diseases, Worms in all Children or Adults, Rheumatism, a great Purifier of the Blood and many diseases to which flesh is heir, too numerous to mention in this advertisement. Dose, 1 to 3.
PRICE THREE DIMES.
The Liver Invigorator and Family Cathartic Pills are retailed by Druggists generally, and sold wholesale by the Trade in all the large towns.
S. T. W. SANFORD, M. D.,
Manufacturer and Proprietor,
Broadway, New York.
Sold by the Druggists everywhere, and by
PARK & WHITE, Sole Agents
for the Pacific Coast, 132 Washington Street, San Francisco.

MONGANUI!
Wm. BUTLER,
GENERAL MERCHANT,
AND
CUSTOM HOUSE AGENT.
Monganui, New Zealand,
HAS MADE arrangements to keep constantly on hand a large and well selected stock of salt provisions, bread, flour, ship chandlery, groceries, clothing, and everything required for a complete outfit.
FRESH SUPPLIES, POTATOES, FIREWOOD,
All furnished on the
Shortest Notice!
Monganui lies in the Southeast part of Lauristan or Doubtless Bay, and is in Lat. 35° 06' S., Lon. 173° 38' E. 36 tf

WM. FAULKNER & SON,
131 SANSOME ST., SAN FRANCISCO,
AGENT FOR JAMES CONNER & SONS, U. S. Type Foundry, and Dealers in all kinds of Printing Materials.
☞ Printers will find it to their advantage to call on us before purchasing. 8 1y

Foreign Advertisements.

BOGLE'S HYPERION FLUID!
For Restoring, Preserving and Adorning
THE HAIR!
THE GREAT PRESERVATIVE OF THE AGE!
NO HOME in the Tropics should be without Bogle's Hyperion Fluid.
Prof. Anderson, in 1855,
Pronounced it to be the Saver of his Hair!
ROYAL LYCEUM THEATER, STRAND, LONDON, Saturday, Aug. 25th, 1855.
It affords me very great pleasure to bear witness to the surprising efficacy of "Bogle's Hyperion Fluid." I had occasion to resort to it after losing so much of my hair as to be almost bald, owing to the influence of the climate, during my tour in the United States. Various much vaunted Hair Restoratives which I had already tried having entirely failed, I was advised to test the value of Mr. Bogle's preparation. I used it diligently for some time, when to my great gratification my hair assumed more than its former luxuriance. Hence I can—both from my own experience and that of my friends to whom I have recommended its use—most confidently advise the use of the "Hyperion Fluid" to all who need the use of that which shall restore, nourish, and beautify their hair. For these purposes, I am certain that it is unsurpassed and unsurpassable.
JOHN HENRY ANDERSON,
"Great Wizard of the North."

To the Public of Honolulu.
The Agent of Bogle's Hyperion Fluid having called on me when I arrived here, I was delighted to find my old friend had preceded me (I mean Bogle's Fluid.) My hair was falling off in thousands per day; a short interview with my friend has stoped the fall; a few smart rubbing operations, performed by "VOELKER," has made every hair as fast as the Hawaiian on my Magic Chair. I, in 1859, in Honolulu, recommend it to the world as the Great Hair Preserver.
JOHN HENRY ANDERSON, "Wizard."
☞ Agent for the sale of Bogles Fluid
VOELKER.
Perfumer, Fort street, Honolulu.

BEST HAIR DYE
In the World!
THIS IS RATHER STRONG language, yet Bogle's Electric Hair Dye (recently improved) was *proven* to be so by the judges at the late Mechanics' Fair, held in Boston (among whom was Dr. Hayes, the eminent chemist and State Assayer), who awarded it the Prize Medal and Diploma, over the choicest hair dyes on exhibition from all parts of the Union. Its unparalleled superiority consists in, 1st, The ingredients are nourishing to the hair, not destructive, as others are. 2d, Does not hurt or stain the skin. 3d, Is easily applied, and dyes the hair any color required, from a delicate brown to a deep black, so natural as to appear marvellous. Manufactured, sold and applied by WM. BUGLE, 202 Washington street, Boston, and may be had of Druggists everywhere. 50 y

CHILDREN TEETHING
MRS. WINSLOW,
An experienced Nurse and Female Physician, presents to the attention of mothers, her
SOOTHING SYRUP,
FOR CHILDREN TEETHING,
which greatly facilitates the process of teething, by softening the gums, reducing all inflammation—will allay ALL PAIN and spasmodic action, and is
SURE TO REGULATE THE BOWELS.
Depend upon it, mothers, it will give rest to yourselves, and
RELIEF AND HEALTH TO YOUR INFANTS.
We have put up and sold this article for over ten years, and CAN SAY, IN CONFIDENCE AND TRUTH of it what we never have been able to say of any other medicine,—NEVER HAS IT FAILED, IN A SINGLE INSTANCE, TO EFFECT A CURE, when timely used. Never did we know an instance of dissatisfaction by any one who used it. On the contrary, all are delighted with its operations, and speak in terms of commendation of its magical effects and medical virtues. We speak in this matter "WHAT WE DO KNOW," after ten years' experience, AND PLEDGE OUR REPUTATION FOR THE FULFILLMENT OF WHAT WE HERE DECLARE. In almost every instance where the infant is suffering from pain and exhaustion, relief will be found in fifteen or twenty minutes after the syrup is administered.
This valuable preparation is the prescription of one of the most EXPERIENCED and SKILLFUL NURSES in New England, and has been used with NEVER FAILING SUCCESS in
THOUSANDS OF CASES.
It not only relieves the child from pain, but invigorates the stomach and bowels, corrects acidity, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. It will almost instantly relieve GRIPING IN THE BOWELS, AND WIND COLIC, and overcome convulsions, which, if not speedily remedied, end in death. We believe it the BEST AND SUREST REMEDY IN THE WORLD, in all cases of DYSENTERY AND DIARRHŒA IN CHILDREN, whether it arises from teething, or from any other cause. We would say to every mother who has a child suffering from any of the foregoing complaints—DO NOT LET YOUR PREJUDICES, NOR THE PREJUDICES OF OTHERS, stand between you and your suffering child, and the relief that will be SURE—yes ABSOLUTELY SURE—to follow the use of this medicine, if timely used. Full directions for using will accompany each bottle. None genuine unless the fac-simile of CURTIS & PERKINS, New York, is on the outside wrapper. Sold by Druggists throughout the world.
Principal Office, 13 Cedar Street, N. Y.
PARK & WHITE, SOLE AGENTS
FOR THE PACIFIC COAST,
132 Washington Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Lyon's Kathairon!
THE GREAT
American Preparation for the Hair!
THE IMMENSE SALE OF THE KATHAIRON (NEARLY ONE MILLION BOTTLES yearly) and the thousands of testimonials received from all classes in its favor, prove its excellence and great superiority over all other articles of the kind. Nothing has ever been made which has given such universal satisfaction. It restores the hair where it has fallen out, preserves and beautifies it, and imparts to it a delightful odor. It removes all Scurf and Dandruff, and never fails to produce a fine healthy head of hair, whenever used as directed. Try it, and prove its excellence.
USE LYONS KATHAIRON FOR THE HAIR.
Sold by all Druggists and Fancy Goods dealers, everywhere.
HEATH, WYNCOOP & Co., Proprietors,
63 Liberty Street, New York,
45 tf And Manufacturers of Fine Perfumery of all kinds.

NOTICE
TO MASTERS & OWNERS OF
WHALESHIPS!
THE UNDERSIGNED beg leave to announce to Masters of Whaleships, and the public in general, that they have succeeded in leasing from the French Government at Tahiti, the RAILWAY AND HEAVING DOWN PREMISES, including Storehouses, etc., etc., and are now prepared to execute repairs with despatch and the lower rates than at any other port in the Pacific.
22 1y* OWEN & GOODING, Shipwrights.

MESSRS. C. A. FLETCHER & CO.
COMMISSION MERCHANTS
AND
GENERAL AGENTS!
HAKODADI, JAPAN,
BEG TO INFORM OWNERS AND MASTERS OF SHIPS about to visit the port of Hakodadi, that they are prepared to take Consignments and do business on the usual terms.
☞ By arrangements with Home Insurance Offices, Messrs. FLETCHER & CO. can take risks on Oil, or other shipments of Produce hence.
Hakodadi, Yesso, Japan, 4th July, 1859. 18 tf

PAINTER & CO.
Practical Printers, and Dealers in
Type, Presses, Printing Materials,
Ink, Paper, Cards, &c.,
510 Clay Street, above Sansome.
San Francisco.
J. B. PAINTER }
J. M. PAINTER }
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☞ Offices fitted out with dispatch. 52

CHARLES F. ROBBINS,
Importer and Dealer in
Type, Presses, Printing Material
INKS, CARD STOCK, &c.,
Nos. 411 to 417 CLAY, STREET,
(Opposite FRANK BAKER'S.)
45tf SAN FRANCISCO.

The Polynesian.

Malaysia.

Discovery and Conquest by the Portuguese.—The conquering Malays; and remarkable diversities of race.—From Discourses delivered by MR. WALTER MURRAY GIBSON, *in the Fort Street Church, Honolulu, H. I.*

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This dominant Malay, these wandering, aggressive, governing Vikings of Austral Seas, are associated with, and here and there partially blended with, striking diversities of race. In contrast with the tall, central Sumatrans of Menangkabau, we find the black dwarfs of the Lampong country, which is the Southern end of the island. They will average a little over five feet, whilst those of the master race seldom measure below six feet. I approach within half an inch of this stature, and yet I observed that I was generally overtopped by Northern and Central Sumatrans. Again, in girth and build of body, there are notable differences, as seen in the Battaks, northwest of Menangkabau. These have broader chests and faces, less elongated than their roving Malay neighbors. Besides these and other distinct peoples who have some semi-civilized culture, and are contrasts to the master Malay stock, we find the extreme of diversity in aboriginal stock, black, or dark brown, hairy, naked, houseless, and as utterly untamed as the baboons or orangs and other cotenants of the jungle. Sumatra presents all the varieties of Asiatic civilization and savagery. It presents the invention of letters and lettered culture of Brahminism; it presents the courtliness of Persia; the religious fanaticism and dominance of the Arab; the military ferocity of the Tartar; the trading enterprise of the Chinese; and in contrast with all this, the wild savagery of the Puttooa of the Himalaya—nay, it is a savagery lower than any of Dahomey or Bechuana. There is in Sumatra all the contrast between a richly ornamented dwelling, lacquered, varnished, and inlaid with precious things, with inmates robed in silks, fine muslins, gems, and exquisite filagree of gold; and on the other hand, at the other end of the scale of human condition a wild beast's lair of leaves, the lodging of Kubu, and other untamed humanity, on this great island.

When we pass to the still greater island of Borneo, we find still more novelty in human variety. We find the slender and alert Malay as prince and noble, at Brune, at Banyar Massing, at Sambas, Pontianak, and at all chief points commanding this insular continent. Under his sway is the light brown, thick set Dayak, one of the cruelest, and yet one of the most promising of savages. The Dayak has not invented any alphabets, as several peoples of Sumatra have done; he has no written account of anything; no decorated mansion; no costly array; he is a strong, brave savage, like a Kaffir, or a Feejee, and terrible to shed blood. The man of Borneo toils and hunts, not for plunder or fame, but simply for blood and human heads. A lodge full of smoked human heads is a true Dayak's chief desire. He says the souls that animated the heads will be his willing and faithful slaves in the heaven of the Dayak imagination. They will also be slaves to those he loves; and hence a gory head is a Dayak's choicest bridal gift. Such a bijou is ever irresistible with a Dayak maiden, and will cause her to refuse the attentions of a youth with hands yet unstained with his fellow mortal's heart's blood. The Dayak hunts for his celestial slaves among weaker and still wilder tribes of the interior of the great island, but mostly among the poor, timid people of the neighboring islets. Now the Dayak will try to convince you that there is a salvation in being beheaded, and enter with him his paradise. He will thus decapitate his poor neighbor for love, for the neighbor's good, to help people to paradise; and hence the Bornean butchery is all for the sake of the Bornean heaven. With some change in his theology, the Bornean zeal and energy, and utter disinterestedness in matter of earthly gain, could be cultured up to a high point of civilization. The Dayak does not love war for war's sake, like the Malay. Next to head hunting, he loves to exercise his mechanical skill, and it is great. He is the best mechanic of Malaysia. The Dayak makes surpassing cutlery, and he has the best iron in the world, the most strongly magnetic, for the purpose. The Bornean swords are acquiring a world-wide fame. They have a temper keener than the famous blades of Damascus and Toledo. I have seen, I have handled a cutlass of Dayak make that would chop up a quarter-inch iron bar like a rattan, and it is a common test to strike a Dayak dirk point not only through one, but through three silver dollars at once, without in either case edge or point being turned. Many of these trenchant blades in the hands of British officers, were in use at Inkerman and Balaclava; and it has been observed by recent authorities that Dayak sword blades for the use of European officers have become a noticeable article of export from Singapore. The Dayak is a fabricator of other things—of nicely adjusted armor for the body; of the curious sumpit or blow gun for small game; of marvellous urns, that are alleged to utter oracular sounds; and other things show his mechanical turn. He shows aptitude for quick improvement. Sir James Brook, the Rajah of Serawak, commends the bloody Bornean for his docility and teachability, and thinks that he will surpass the New Zealander in development; so that by and by, it is expected, the Dayak will manufacture the pianos and steam engines of Malaysia; and at the same time very likely be the most zealous new light propogandist of Oceanica.

Quite another variety is offered in Celebes. See what a curious group of peninsulas it is, with a coast line longer than that of the late United States and Territories. Crawford says that it has a coast line exceeding three thousand miles, and what an interesting variety of humanity this line incloses. The Wujees, the chief race, darker and stouter than the Malays, are the merchants of Malaysia—a veritable mercantile republic, like the old commercial Italian States. Their prahus issue from an interior lake, Labaya, descend the Chinrana river, and go forth to ransack every coast of the Archipelago for pearls, birds of paradise feathers, tripang, tortoise shell, sandal wood, nutmegs, cloves, massoy, cardamums, ivory, gold, silver, apes, rare birds—all the wonderful variety of this most surpassing region of rare products, to carry them to European emporia in India, to exchange for the manufactures of Europe and America, which by these enterprising Wujees (or Bughis, as called by Europeans,) are distributed among the isles from Sumatra to Papua. They will bring cargoes into Singapore worth from $25,000 to $50,000. The Wujees have an oligarchy of hereditary "banners" or nobles; and they of their number choose a sovereign who is as jealously restricted as was the old Doge of Venice. The Wujees have a maritime code, the admiration of European observers in the Archipelago. They have abundant laws and penalties. They are strict conservatives, cherishing peace for trade's sake, and making all things of religion, or war, or art, subservient to trade. They have invented letters; have some literature worthy of our consideration; and accumulate wealth in strong, cemented dwellings, that vie in many respects with Caucasian civilization, and yet owes nothing to it.

What a contrast again, when we turn to Mindano—as big as Pennsylvania, the home of the Lanuns, the professed corsairs of Malaysia. These are the cruelest and most alert of Malays; their study is plunder; their sport is the shedding of human blood. This is not an occasional pursuit, but the only one, the only honored occupation. They are the unmitigated Ishmaelites of the seas. But they war with all mankind as of right, as an inherited right; and still these innate, tutored robbers and murderers have many of the kindlinesses of the strong, wicked men of the world. Dampier speaks well of their hospitality; and I know from my encounters that a Lanun has an appreciation of the value of friendship, and will fight for it. He has energies, quickness and some national hopes fitted for high development.

To continue this ethnologic patchwork, and offer another shade of human variety, I turn to Java, the foremost in population and wealth of all these islands. Its products are in every market of the world. It supplies half the coffee in use in Christendom, and it feeds its own swarming mass of humanity, eleven millions and a quarter, and still many more millions beyond its borders. All this is evidence of richness of soil, and an assiduous culture of it. The Javanese loves nothing better than the mud of the rice fields, laboring with his favorite and docile companion, the smooth humped buffalo of the East. The Javanese is wedded to his soil; he loves his tamarind and waringin groves; he clings to the traditions of his "sacred isle;" and Java is to him the centre of the solid earth. He has a face like many Hawaiians; and the natives of Honolulu and Soorabayah might intermingle without exciting the recognition of any noticeable difference, if there was none in costume. I will not say that they are the most resembling these islanders; for in many parts of Malaysia the face of a Hawaiian would hardly attract comment, as that of a stranger. The Javanese is the farmer, and the greatest producer, and the closest wedded to home associations of all Malaysia.

There is a contrast to this home plodder, his very antipodes in character and tastes, not to be found on any island of the Archipelago, yet belonging within its circuit, and this is the Bajau, or orang laut, the "sea man" of the Indian seas. His home is ever on the wave, going in fleets, with from one to ten thousand on board, and ever shifting from coast to coast in quest of fish, or a chance venture of piracy. They are the roving fishermen, the gypsies of this archipelagian region, and yet a numerous and distinct people of the Malay stock, and as I judge more directly in descent from the Malayan conquerors or colonizers of Polynesia than any other people of this island world. Their stories abound in allusions to the glories of the past; that they are of a conquering race, and yet to build up an empire in the seas. These dreamers and rovers, about two millions of them, are of course nonproductive, and present a sufficiently striking contrast to the plodding, delving, gathering Javanese.

There are more yet. I could enumerate a score of such contrasts. There is variety at every step in this region. I find it in the industrious, independent, warlike Balinese; in the fairer, yet feeble people of Pulo Nias, who sell their daughters for concubines to the Netherlands' army; in the black, wooly headed Papuan, who captures the birds of prradise, in the wonderful varieties of Negritos in the Philippines; in the hemp growers of Lunon; in the sago eating Alfurans; in the wild Semangs of the Malay Peninsula; and the still wilder Kubu of Sumatra. Now this latter offers sufficient novelty to dwell upon, and I will introduce him as far as known.

Marsden makes mention from hearsay of a wild people, covered with hair, who wear no clothing, construct no dwelling, eat all their food raw, who are to be found in the interior of Sumatra. There are more particulars given concerning them by Mr. de Sturler, an officer of the Dutch East India army. He spent some time at Palembang in Sumatra, and heard and saw much of the wild Kubu, and that he was truly a hairy man, coated with long, soft hair, like a bear. He says that the Kubu has no idea of the use of clothing; and cannot be impressed any more than the most utter brute with any idea of the impropriety of exposure. He subsists upon snails, toads, fish, and sometimes an alligator, which he devours raw. He uses no weapon or instrument of any kind, except a piece of bamboo rudely sharpened with a shell. He makes his lodging like some of the great apes, by arranging sticks and leaves among the thick branches of the great Sumatran trees. He has no idea of Government; knows no chieftain's authority; and shows no vestige of social order; not even adhering in a family group as much as the orang-uton; for the young Kubu leaves the parent support as soon as it has its teeth and can run, and can catch toads and snakes for itself. No ties or influences of consanguinity appear to exist beyond the first, animal, maternal, attachment, which is lost by separation; and these creatures readily intermingle with the unconscious indifference of any beast, in all the degrees of incest. We have man here surely at the lowest rung of the human ladder. We have not much, if any, vestige of relationship with the being made in God's image, and should be disposed to rank him with the soulless orangs; but de Sturler says he has speech—some short grunts—a few af the rudest articulations of joy and fear. Now this is a strong case, and not much gratifying to our civilized, human pride; and we should need much, very much, confirmation in order to realize its actuality. Well, there is more testimony in a long account to be found in a Dutch periodical entitled *Tydschrift voor Nederland Indie*. In the volume for 1838, at page 286, we find the observations of Mynheer J. W. Boers, a very intelligent, matter-of-fact and circumstantial Hollander. He has seen the hairy Kubu and speaks of them as in a state of utterest savagery (volkomen woestheid verkeerd) and that they roam about in the unconscious nudity of the baboon (geene andere kleeding heeft, dan die de natuur hem schenkt.) Now, I too saw the Kubu; and can confirm in good part the statements of these worthy Dutch writers. I had a glimpse of this rudimentary human, of a female