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The world is full of porty—the air blering with its spirit, and the waves Dance to the movie of its methodics. And sparkle in its brightness. Earth is veil⁴y, and mantled with its heaty; and the walls That close the universe with crystal ins, Are cloqued with voices that proclaim The unseen glories of immensity. Its harmonics to perfect and too high For aught but being of celestial mould i And speak to man in one eternal hymn, Unfading beauty, and unyie⁴ing power.

THE TURK UNBEARDED. From the Metropolitan Magazine.

Sometime since, business brought a Turkish Sometime since, business brought a Turkish merchant to Leghorn ; being a person of libe-ral disposition and possessing the means of dis-playing it, his acquaintance was much sought by the thrifty and calculating Lavornese. He by the thrifty and calculating Lavornese. He was a robust good looking man, of a bout thirty fire, and glorified in a beard of most respect-able longitude, as black as jet, which it was his particular care to keep duly trimmed and behately perfumed. At one of the conversa-zioni of the place, he fell in with the wife of a Zioni of the place, he tell in with the wife of a certain Signor G.—, a gentleman employed in the dogana, or custom-house, but who hap-pened at this time to be in Florence, whither he had been called by a law suit. Though a Tuscan, Signor G.— wise, an almost solitary instance of the kind, swiject to occasional fits in the other sources and be his of ficience. instance of the kind, swiject to occasional fits of jealousy, and when summoned by his affairs ta Florence, left his better half with consider-able relactance; but being put to a choice of evils he wisely preferred leaving his wilf for a time to the risk of losing his money for ever. The lady, as I have said, attracted the Mussul-man's attention. Being somewhat of a co-quette, the novelty of a Turkish adore: hit her fong extremely is o that poor Achinet was ere long ensured in the meshes of Cupid, without a prospect, or even a wish, to extricate hing ensured in the husband, he natural-ly enough concluded that she was either maid or widow, and consequently fair game to h y enough concluded that she was either maid or widow, and consequently fair game to by won, for he did not set the difference of reli-gion down as a great obstacle. One evening therefore, whilst encaged at the house of a friend, in a tender lête-di-lête, he offered in tolerable lingua france, for real talian he neither understood very well nor spoke very intelligibly, to take his Christian enslaver to Constantinople as his wife. Hearing this fair proposal, unwilling, no doubt, to risk the loss of her admiret by a candid explanation she battered him without giving a decisive asswert oh is question. In this manner she put him off from day to day, whilst the ensanswer to his question. In this manner she put him off from day to day, whills the ena-more? Tark continued to press his suit with more fervor than ever. In the mean time Signor G——, having terminated his affairs was daily expected from Florence. His hady was not particularly anxious that he should become acquainted with the advantageous offer made in his absence. But how-to get rid of her Turkish swain, who besieged her as close-ty as abeleaguered eity, she at length hit on, what she conceived an infallible plan for this purpose. His prediction for his beard was no secret to her, on this point she based her execting the secret of the prevailed on but for that clouds heard? • Golious beard? reiterated the petrified Turk, it he blessed prophet cannot boast a finer. • I don't care, replied the fair one, ' you

finer.³ ⁴ I don't care,² replied the fair one, ⁴ you will never do for me, wi'h that goat-like ap-pendage to your chin.³ I in fhe to cut the matter short, the reader must know that the Turk comprehending but little Italian, understood the lady she would be his, provided he manifested his love for her by the sacrifice of his beard, and that this once done, she was fairly his own he waster by the "sacrifice of his beard, and that this quences, put him by force on poard ms own once done, she was fairly his own by contract vessel, and sent him beardless and wifeless to implied and expressed by them. Though the lass cut him to the very soul, he resolved to give his mistress this extreme proof of the in-tensity of his adoration. Little did the simple follower of Mahomet, imagine the wiles of which our fair Christians are capable, and still

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do now ? Our Turk elteady, as he conceived, the husband of the lady, in force of the stipulation between them, was come with a dozen stout Turks of his crew, each bearing a nuptial pre-Turks of his crew, each bearing a nuplial pre-sent for the i. de in order to take possession of the lady and her residence, in which he pro-posed fixing his quarters during his stay in Lechorn. These affairs, by the way, are ma-naged much more simply and with less addi-to satantionple than with us. Having directed his attendants to remain without in the ante-room, until summoned to attend, he hurried in on the wings of love to salute his fair bride. His twelve followers, with all the gravity of Turks, squatted thenselves down in the mid-dle of the room, and making themselves quite Turks, squatted thenselves down in the mid-dle of the room, and making themselves quile at home, produced their pipes, sind began com-posedly to send up the dotiferous fumes in vo-lumes to the ceiling. In the mean time the fair Lavomse within was sadly embarrassed. In vain she prayed, exposulated, remonstra-ted, explained. The emptyred Tark would listen wither the extreme construction. Mod ha In vain she prayers, expension of tark would listen neither to excuse or entreaty. Had he not sacrificed his beard ? Was not his chin as smooth as her own ? Was ever woman more fairly or dearly won ? How the sec are would have ended we cannot pretend to de-termine, had it not happened that at just this very critical moment Signor G----- himself walked in. When he entered the antercom and beheld twelve Turks smoking in a circle, like the signs of the zoliac in he days of Phae-ton, he almost began to think he had mistaken the house. Upon inquiry what all this meant, one of the grave dozen laronically give hum to understand that the residence now belong-ed to his mester.

ed to his master. • Indeed !? said Signor G--, much edified by the intelligence, " How has that happen-ed ?'

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* He has married the lady ?
* The devil he has ! rosred the Signor G—
What ? a new husband ? and a 1 urk to boet, fter six weeks absence ?
And he rushed nto the inner apartment. There he found his

• What? a new nussence? And ne mean after six weeks absence? And ne mean into the inner apartment. There he found his haly resisting all we have described, the over-tures of the smooth chinned Turk. • My tusband i? cried the lady. • My wife ? said the gentleman. The disappointed Mussulman stood aghast as he heard ; while the Signora began ex-plaining to the Signor G--, the meaning of this strange scene, as well as she could, whe-ther to her husband's satisfaction is uncertain. the tas it may, he very politly assured his the tas it may, he very politly assured his the tag of the signor G. Be that as it may, he very politely assured his intended successor that according to the law of the country, wives being only allotted once bushand at a time in Italy, and his claim be-ing the prior one, he trusted the other would at least have the goodness to wait for his denise; but this was what the Turk, who had parted with his belowed bard to obtain the lady was by no means inclined to consent to. Words ensued, and words were on the point of being followed by blows, in which, as there was only one Christian round a dozen of Turks, the former, though the first hushand, would the former, though the first husband, would probably have come off second best, had not his servants, seeing how matters went called in the police whose presence put an end to the frac

Infuriated at the double loss of his beard and his bride, the Turk continued to threater until the police, apprehensive of the conse-quences, pat him by force on board his own vessel, and sent him beardless and wifeless to

less did his deceiver conceive that a Turk could ever reconcile himself to the loss of his beard. It had nothing particularly picturesque about it. It had its little garden, and its vine spread-visitor. T > camerica came running up to tell her mistress, as well as she could from sessed no feature like to fix it in the mind of a poet or a novel writer, and which might have a fixed of the lady.
Mule I, answer the lady.
Mule I, answer the lady.
And without a hair on his chin.³
Greggio, cried her mistress, 4 what shall we do now?
Our Turk afteady, as he conceived, ther. ther.

The damsel was a comely, fresh, mild look-I no name i was a convey, itesi, and too-ing cottage girl enough; always scated in one spot; near the wandew, intent on her needle. The old dame was as regularly, busied, to and fro, in household affairs. She appeared one of they in nousehold anary. She appeared one of those good housewives who never dream of test except in sleep. The cottage stood so near the road, that the fire at the other end of the room, shewed you, without being truly inquisitive, the whole interior, in the single moment of passing. A clean heath and a cheerful fire, shining upon homely but near

chectrin hre, shanng upon noncy but now and orderly furnitare, space of confort ; but whether the dame enjoyed, or mately dif-fused that confort was a problem. I passed the house many successive days. It was always alike the fire shining brightly and peacefully ! the git seated at her post by the window ; the housewife going to and fro-cessive days. also peace-inly : the gai-sected at her post of contriving desting, and managing. One mor-init, gai I went by there was a change, the dame was scated near her daughter, her arms had ecompelled her to that attitude of repose ; nothing less could have done it. I felt that had compelled her to that attitude of repose ; had field a warmness stealing upon her ; she had wondered at it, and struggled against it, and bore up hopingit: would pass by ; till both as he was to yield, it had forced submission, The next day, when I passed, her room ap-peared as usual ; the fire burning pleasantly, the gift at her needle, but her mother was not to be seen ; and glancing my eye opward, I perceived the blind closed drawn in the win-dow above. It is so, I said to mystelf, disease

dow above. It is so, I said to myself, disease in its progress. Perhaps it occasions no gloomy in its progress. Perhaps it occasions no gleomy feat of consequences, no extreme concern; ana yet who knows how it may end? It is thus that begins those charges, that draw out the central bolt which holds together families; which steal away our fireside faces and lay waste our affections. I passed by, day after day. The scene was the same. The fire burning; the hearth beam-ing clean and cheerful; but the mother was not to be seen ,—the bind was still drawn above. At length I missed the girl; and in ber place appeared another woman, bearing

her place appeared another woman, bearing resemblance to the mother, but of a quieter habit. It was easy to interpret THIS change. an, bearing Discase had assumed an alarming aspect; the daughter was occupied in intense watchings, and caring for the suffering mother; and the good woman's sister had been summoned to her bedside perhaps from a distant spot, and perhaps from her family cares; which no less important even could have induced her to shade... elu

Thus appearances continued some days There was a silence around the house, and an There was a silence around the house, and an air of neglect within it; till, one morning, I beheld the bind drawn in the room BELOW, and the window thrown open Anovz. The scene was over; the mother was removed from her family, and one of those great changes effected in human life, which commence with so little observation, but leave behind such lasting effects.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LATE EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN PAPERS The despatches for Lower Canada, brought by the Royal William, were directed " to the Earl of Dutham, or the person administering the Government."

the Government." The Rev. Mr. Palmer is a claimant for £10,458 against General Palmer, late M. P. for Bath, a bankrupt. There is not a farthing assets for the creditors !

A ci-devant count, who had been admitted to the tables of the highest aristocracy in Eng-land, has been scatteneed to the gallies in Paris, for no fewer than twenty-four robberies.

Parts, for no fewer than twenty-four robbertes, the turns out to be the son of an Italianceok. Lord Combermere, who is in his 70th year, The Duke of Cumberland has purchased Coome Wood, the beautiful seat of the late Earl of Liverpool, as a residence for Frince

The Bishop of London and a Roman Cathothe Bishop have been spending a few days to-gether on a visit to the Earl of Shrewsbury, at Aiton Towers.

Ministers are about to let out part of the rivate gardens of Kensington Palace, on uilding leases,

Oxford Street is to be paved with wooden blocks, after the manner of Broadway, New

Two individuals of the name of Scott have been sentenced to be hanged at Norwich, U. C., on the 29th of this month. They are the sons of a respectable (not 'n point of loyalty, but wealth) Quaker in that town, and were tried for robbing a man named Bennet of a pair of pistols. A Fair spaper states that no fewer than three hundred and eighty patents for new inventions, improvements, &c. were taken out in that city during the months of January, February and March last. The competition for the St. I-dger at the celebrated Irish horse *Harkausy*, which has been purchased by Lord George Bentinck for the sum of 25,000, will be opposed by the stoutest English horses² and a most interesting contest will ensue. Two individuals of the name of Scott have

stoutest English horses," and a most interesting contest will ensue. Lord Deethurst is in a dying state. Miss Webb, while performing at the Theatre Royal, Plymouth, was seized with a fit of ap-poplexy, and moved off the stage apparently iteless.

The Lord Provost and Magistrates of Glasow have reluctantly consented to license a

second Theatre. At Goosmargh, Preston, a deluded mother poisoned her three scuss and two daughters, by utting arsenie in their pudding, and finally destroyed herself in the same way, under the apprehension of want. The total number of slaves in the United States may us be actioned at 9.50000

States may now be estimated at 2,500,000. Sir F. Lambe pays £250 for his lodgings at Milan during the week of the Coronation

fete. John Wall, of Fermor, has been arrested at

Drophed for titles amounting to about £6, and £360 costs ! The village of Kingscourt, Cavan, has been early destroyed by a tremendous waterspout. Lord John Russell is daily expected at Dub-

The Earl of Munster will, it is said, suc-ceed Sir Colin Campbell as Lieutenant Gover-

ceed Sir Colin Campbell as Lieutenant Gover-nor of Nova-Scotia, and that the latter will proceed to Canada as Commander of the Forces, in consequence of the retirement of Sir John Colborne.—Limerick Chronicle. A gentleman forgot his note-book containing 233,000 in each and securities, in a cab near Somerset House, London, a few days ago. The driver returned the lost parcel shortly after, and was presented with £200. The Directors of the Bank of Ireland have refused to admit into their establishment the statue of the late Henry Grattan, from the Roval Exchange.

statue of the late Henry Grattan, from the Royal Exchange. The quantity of tea announced for sale in London on the 1st October, is 16,480,6529 lbs. The followers of Johanna Southced are very busy in London, promulgating their peculiar

doctrines.

A deputation of Persians is at present in ondon to procure Chaldea Bibles. By the criminal returns from the Home By the criminal returns from the Home Office it appears that Sommersetshire is the most wicked county in England. No less than four individuals have committed

suicide in the Hamstead Fields in the course of one week.

A man at Stockport, on whom a coroner's aquest was held last week, had married four vives, all of whom are living.

[PRICE ONE PENNY.