THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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Many Governments Have Claimed Them, but England is Now in Possession-Mainly Populated by "Younger Sons" Who Are Sheep-Farming on a Large Scale.

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I that he has actually seen sheep, whole droves of them, picked up bedily by a gentle Falkland zephyr and transported to another island; and hints that he refrained from telling more maryelous truths because of the looks of increduity which he discerns upon our faces. Another Falklander resents with indignation somebody's statement regarding the barrenness of the islands, and boasifully declares that there is a free in Stanley (the only one in the archipelao), and an apple tree at that, which last year bore five apples nearly as large as walmuts!

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The Falkland group, which includes more than 200 islands, lies about 300 miles due east from the Atlantic en-trance to the Straits of Magelan, but in order to reach them from the straits, or from Cape Horn way, one must voyage 100 miles further, around the southern extremity of the outer islands, because the one place of outer islands, because the one place of consequence in the archipelago and the seat of colonial government is Port Stanley, on the eastern shore of the central island. There are two large islands, named respectively East Falkland and West Falkland—the former 90 miles long by 40 broad, and the latter about 80 by 28 miles. They are saparated from one miles. They are separated from one another by a sound, also named Falkland, which varies in width from 3 to 18 miles. The other islands are of all sizes, from 16 miles long by eight or sizes, from 16 miles long by eight or ten miles wide, to mere dots in the ocean. The entire group is remarkable for its innumerable bays, harbors and inlets. East Falkland, for example, is so deeply indented by a sound on each side as to almost make two islands of it, the intervening isthmus being less

than two miles across.
So low and barren are the Falk-So low and barren are the Faik-lands, resembling in color "old ocean's gray and melancholy waste, that they are not visible at a little distance. Approached from the southwest, the first to be seen of them are the amowy tops of a range of hills, the highest in the archipelago, though scarcely attaining 2,000 feet, that cross the largest island. Bunning close to the largest island. Running close to shore, we see no trees nor shrubs, not even underbrush—nothing but gray sand and brownish grass; and feel a sharp, cutting, constant land-breeze, like that experienced in the north on blustering March days, only infinitely colder and more goose-pimpling and wrinkle-producing.

BARREN, WINDY WASTE.

Passengers who have been in these parts before, fall to telling one another amazing yarns about the Falkland winds, most of which may be taken with grains of allowance. A tall Briton, determined not be outdone, asserts

last year bore five apples nearly as large as walnuts!
Stanley harbor is one of the most completely "land-locked" in the world, having an opening hardly 600 feet across. To get into it you must round Cape Penbroke—a flat, arid peninsula, whose outlying sandbars have wrecked many a good vessel, notwithstanding its lofty lighthouse; steer past Wolf Rock, against which a furious surf dashes 50 feet in the air, and traverse a long, narrow bay filled with tiny grass-covered islands. Suddenly you turn to the left between two sharp headlands and steam through a straight and norrow flord into Stanley harbor which is three or four miles long by half a mile wide and extremely deep. So far the view is not prepossessing. No trace of verdure is in sight, and the main land, heaped with drift sand, looks lifeless as the deserts of Peru. In the foreground are several ships stuck fast on the sand bars, dismantled and slowly decaying. Two or three English and German vessels are taking on wool, tallow and sheep skins, the cargons being decaying. Two or three English and German vessels are taking on wool, tallow and sheep skins, the cargoes being brought alongside in huge, old-fashloned freight-hulks. Crafts of various sorts at anchor in the harbor, show French, Argentine and Chillan flags, but, search as you may, no Stars and Stripes can be seen for Uncle Samuel's banner is almost unknown in this locality. A few "tenders" are fussing about, and the little brig owned by the sheep farmers of the various islands and used by them to bring their produce to Stanley, whence it is shipped to Europe, is departing on its usual errand.

The southern side of the harbor is outlined by a range of low hills covered with peat and brown grass, and in front is Stanley, seated on another slope almost too low to be called a hill, its grayish houses hardly discernable against a background of gray rock and sand. Unfortunately for cheerfulness, the most conspicuous object in the landscape is a cemetery, disproportionately large compared to the little town—lying directly opposite the landing and filled with a forest of black and white

The town, which contains about 800 tloning on all the islands, since the inhabitants, consists principally of two farmers prefer to travel on horseback,

Sarsaparilla

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houses are of wood, or undressed stone, mostly of one story and none more than two, all with roofs of galvanized fron. The better residences front the water, and the narrow street behind them is occupied by seal fishers and their families, dock-honds, freighters, and other families. occupied by seal fishers and their families, dock-hands, freighters and others not far up the social scale. Every house of any pretension has its little conservatory in front and greenhouses in the rear, because neither fruit, flowers nor vegetables can be grown out of doors here, on account of the cold winds eternally blowing. Overhanging all are great clouds of smoke, belched from chimneys, for peat and coal must be burned every day in the year to keep people tolerably comand coal must be burned every day in the year to keep people tolerably comfortable. The most conspicuous building in Stanley is a very odd one, of cut brown stone, with a tall clock tower in the center and wings on each side of it—one wing doing duty as a church, the other as a school house.

The handsomest private residence—a square, two-storied brick—belongs to the Director of the Falkland Islands Sheep Farming Company, the Corpora-

Sheep Farming Company, the Corpora-tion which has given to the archipelago all the importance is possesses. The company's big warehouses, where-in are stored the Island farmer's wool, tallow and sheep skins; are grouped along the jettles and form a village by themselves. Besides several public piers and private jettles, there is a government pler, fronting the dock-yards, whose locations may be known by the hoisting of the British flag on the arrival of a vessel, and also by its work-shops, guard-house etc., within the same enclosure. Close behind the dockyard is an immense reservoir for sup-plying fresh water to the shipping. The barracks occupied by a company of British marines, is a rather imposing structure near the center of the town The English governor occupies a distant cottage of gray stone, and both the barracks and the governor's residence are defended by several nine-pounders.

ONLY ONE ROADWAY. The only good road the country can

heuses, and is known as Ross road. It is two miles long, bounded at one end by the government house, and at the other by the cemetery; but it is the colonists' fashlonable promenade, their colonists' fashionable promenade, their only one, except when at rare intervals the weather is mild enough to permit a stroll upon the breezy hilltops. Even the Ross road is not always available to promenaders, for at high tide the spray sometimes dashes over it. Nevertheless it is the Fifth avenue, the Regent street, the Champs Elysees of the Falklands, and on bright afternoons all the "quality" of this little isolated community may be seen walking briskly up and down the long, dull street. Here nobody slowly saunters, as pleasure seekers do in the fashionable resorts of other countries, for the weather is always so chilly that active exercise is necessary. The dedecidedly English atmosphere of Stan-ley becomes intensified on closer ac-quaintance. The shop signs for exam-ple: One reads "Millinery, drapery, haberdashery store, to H. R. H., the Prince of Wales." Another enormous sign-board informs passersby in large letters that within is a "store," it being taken for granted that everybody un-derstands the word to man a depot for derstands the word to mean a depot for all manner of commodities, from hams to hair switches, jewelry and cabbages, drugs and dress goods, molasses, hard-ware, etc. Among several inns of the good old English style—bar maids and all—are the "Stanley Arms," the "Red Bull," the "Globe Tavern" and the "Rose hotel."

WORSHIP OF ROYALTY.

One of the most pronounced evidences of British loyalty is encountered the moment one steps on shore, where, at the end of the jetty, stands a brick and stone monument bearing a tablet upon which is carved the mysterious legend "Alfred,24th Feb., 1874." At least it appeared mysterious to us and excited our curiosity to the highest pitch, for we naturally supposed highest pitch, for we naturally supposed it to mark the grave of some hero who fell in one of the many battles that have taken place when foreign powers were contending for possession of the islands. Or was it really in memory farmers prefer to travel on horseback, islands. Or was it really in memory or by sea—is that running parallel with of Alfred the Great? The mystery re-

mained unsolved until we reached the hotel and asked the landlord; and what noted and asked the landlord; and what was our Yankee disgust when that worthy individual of misplaced n's explained, with solemn air befitting the occasion, that Prince h'Alfred, a real, live scion of English royalty, had once planted his 'haugust foot (and probably both his feet) somewhere near that very spot on the occasion of his visit to the islands in 1874.

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In 1851 a company was formed in London and incorporated by royal charter (the present Falkland Island Sheep Farming company), for the purpose of turning to greater account the herds of wild cattle that roamed the islands and the enormous extent of sheep-ranging. the enormous extent of sheep-ranging. The company's headquarters were established at Stanley, while their grazing and boiling down operations were carried on in various places all over the archipelago. The development of this undertaking necessitated the establishment of stores and workships at the seat of colonial government; and now ships can be repaired and provided at Stanley at less cost and in much better shape than at any other South Amerishape than at any other South American port—a matter of great importance, considering that more injury is annuconsidering that more injury is annu-ally done to vessels that round Cape Horn than in any other part of the world. The average number of vessels that enter Stanley harbor in a year is 80, and of that number fully two-thirds arrive in distress and remain for re-pairs. A novel industry in which many Falkland Islanders find employment, is the resulting of wreeked vessels and the rescuing of wrecked vessels and their crews. Not that there is any reg-ular life saving service maintained by the government, or by individuals, but—as in other out-of-the-way sections of as in other out-of-the-way sections of stormy coasts, there are those who make a business of wrecking for plunder. Here parties keep schooners in constant readiness to go out at a moment's notice whenever a vessel is sighted with broken mast and other evidences of a losing conflict with Cape Horn gales, with offers of assistance not from motives of unmixed philan-thropy, but for a good round rate of compensation, which generally com-pletes the ruin of the victim by wrecking them financially. FANNIE B. WARD.

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What Does Helen Gould Leok Like?

era fiends and newspaper men.

Her Fear of Being Photographed Keeps the Public in Ignorance of Her Appearance-No Newspaper Has Ever Been Able to Get Her Picture.

"What does Miss Helen Miller Gould ook like? Is she dark or light? Is she fat or thin? Is she tail or short? We hear a great deal about her in the rubble prints, and she is probably the special of the public. Her life really would be in danger. While she is a brave little woman, it is an ordeal that she would not want to face.

Miss Gould has sat for her picture probably not more than two or three. fat or thin? Is she tall or short? We hear a great deal about, her in the public prints, and she is probably the best known woman in America, and surely the most prominent on the executive committee of the world's fair. Yet I have never seen her picture in a paper or magazine."

So spoke a well known man, who is connected with the Louislana Purchase exposition, the other day, says the Chicago Tribune. This man was only voicing the thoughts of thousands of others in America and abroad. Miss Gould's name is known better in Amer-ica than that of any other woman, Other women of much less prominence

other women of much less prominence have their pictures in the public press, why not Miss Gould?

Few know the reason. It isn't because the city editors and magazine publishers haven't tried to obtain a photograph of Miss Gould. They have time and again, and this is the one assignment where a reasonter is succession. signment where a reporter is sure to fail. And how does Miss Gould ac-complish this difficult task of keeping out of print? She appears in public and surely cannot dodge the camera every time. She doesn't but the plates are never developed, for she buys them

up.

The fear of being photographed is one of Miss Gould's greatest annoyances and it is the main reason why ances and it is the main reason why ances and it is the main reason who are the controlled to the control of the controlled to the contro ances and it is the main reason why she is so reticent about taking part in prominent functions. She receives hundreds and hundreds of invitations but generally the reply is: "Miss Gould greatly regrets that she cannot accept the kind invitation to be present, etc.
Whenever Miss Gould does go to

public affair and it is known that she will be present she is accompanied by two or three secretaries and friends. Their duty is to watch sharp for camadded precaution Miss Gould always carries an umbrella and with this she fools the camera men. In spite of all these precuations some bold photographers have snapped Miss Gould and immediately she has made an offer to the man to buy his plates and sometimes she buys the camera, too. The plates are immediately destroyed. These adventures are a great source of trouble to Miss Gould. She does not like them, And that is why she does not wish to

appear in public.

And why does Miss Gould take all And why does Miss Gould take all this trouble to keep her picture a secret from the people? Miss Gould probably receives more letters asking for assistance than any other person in the world. She receives hundreds of letters daily from persons living in every section of this country. They have every kind of proposition to make. And then Miss Gould is greatly troubled by cranks, who imagine they are in love with her. One or two are arrested regwith her. One or two are arrested regularly every year.

These are the reasons why Miss

Miss Gould has sat for her picture probably not more than two or three times in her life. And when she does, she has it strictly understood with the photographer that no one gets her pic-ture, and she always buys the original

ture, and she always buys the original plate.

Why doesn't some paper get hold of these pictures? Ah! these pictures are as precious as diamonds, and they would be worth as much to the man who could get one for a newspaper. They are given to Miss Gould's closest and truest friends. And every friend values the picture so much that money cannot buy it. No doubt Mrs. Russell Sage has one; also Dr. Munn. But could gold buy it from them? Never!

The only picture that was ever published that did resemble Miss Gould was by a magazine several years ago, and this was done in a mean way. Miss Gould posed for an artist, who allowed a friend to photograph the picture, arousing Miss Gould's intense indignation. Even in Tarrytown, her summer home, she is known only to a small number. Many of the oldest residents would not know Miss Gould if they touched elbows. She is always the say

home, she is known only to a small number. Many of the oldest residents would not know Miss Gould if they touched elbows. She is always the same retiring little woman. It is remarkable that she is able to conceal her identity so well. When traveling she generally goes incog.

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And if her picture was published the letters would cease and Miss Gould would be held up in the streets. Miss Gould prefers to receive the letters, and she will still endeavor to keep her picture from the public press, and the American public will still wonder what Helen Gould looks like.

Fearful Odds Against Him.

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