ber Sth, which contains the following particulars of Mr. Mercer's party of female emigrants:

A Thousand Milliners Wanted was the title of a larce in which Burton used to personate a huge lady and awaken the most extravagant ap-plause. The Honorable Mr. Mercer, of Washington Territory, is doing up something like the same farce here. He has got the steamer Continental at Pier No. 13, North River, where she is taking in coal, provisions, water, etc, for a voyage to the Pacific Coast, via Magellan Straits, instead of round Cape Horn, and he proposes to take a thousand young Ladies out with him to seek their fortunes " in the land of Ophir." I'm not jesting. Seven hundren women have already engag. od passage, and the remaining three hundred are expected to be forthcoming in good time, for although the steamer was to have left yesterday, I don't think she will depart for a week yet. All these one thousand ladies will want husbands; so look out for the syrens. They are partner-less, and they will each have a pair of sheep's eyes to throw at the wifeless. The price of passage out, to common folks, is two hundred dollars on board the Continental, but these spinsters and widows (for the fair emigrees belong to both classes) are only charged twenty-five dollars each, and find their own bedding. Those who are eligible and worthy, (are good-look-ing and industrious,) but have no money, are taken out on credit, giv-ing bonds to pay as soon as they carn sufficient. All are guaranteed four dollars a week wages, paid in gold, when they arrive out, but at what species of labor I cannot discover. They have only Mr. Mercer's character and word for it that they will not be left to starve if they do not submit, in that distant region, to earn a subsistence by debauchery. I went on board the steamer on Saturday and saw the crowd of women; most of them are from sixteen to 'twenty years of age, though some, especially the widows, run up to twenty five or thirty. The majority are from Bos-ton, Lowell, and other Eastern towns, and rumor says not a few of them leave inodorous names behind them. Of those from this city, I understand that several have been of indifferent character, and the Magdalen Society is trying to ship off a number of reformed nymphs du pave as models of purity and perfection. I trust they will prove worthy of their new characters when they get to their destina-tion. But such a Tower of Babel as this steamer is, with all these women on board | Such a confusion of tongues | ering! Such shrieking! Illing! And such coquet-Such Such ting! they can't help it, poor thinge! The men will hang round the ship to see the curiosities, and the girls can't avoid kissing their hands to them, waving their handkerchiefs, and otherwise displaying their affec-tionate natures. Indeed I was eyewitness to two or three love-passages on board, which took place when the performers fancied no one was looking; for human nature is human nature, all the world over. Somehow, I pity these women. The farce of A Thousand Milliners Wanted ends comically. How will this one end ? Somehow, I think the steamer will never arrive



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