

[Undated Victorian handbill (Bristol, 1853?) advertising an appearance by Sarah Ann Gallant of Great Yarmouth, 7 years old, 8 stone 7 pounds, with a head 48 inches in circumference].

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EXTRAORDINARY LIVING PHENOMENON,

Exhibiting in this town for a few Days.

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The Public are respectfully informed, that one of those extraordinary Freaks of Nature, that appear at times upon the theatre of life, to astonish vulgar minds, and lead the learned and scientific to ask, 'Can such things be?' is now submitted to their notice, and in tracing the catalogue of Living Wonders, this may safely be pronounced more surprising than the Siamese Twins, who so much drew the public attention but a few years since, or that surprising anomaly, Claude, the living Skeleton.

THE

Wonder of the Age, SARAH ANN GALLANT,

A

CHILD

(Born at Great Yarmouth, Norfolk.)

ONLY SEVEN YEARS OF AGE,

Being in perfect health, and constantly increasing in
Weight: now weighing upwards of

8 STONE

7 lbs.

Has a head of the most surprising size, being 48 inches in circumference! whilst the child is in every other respect of the usual proportions. She has been visited by the Faculty in all the towns she has been in, and she appears to be an Enigma to all. She has been seen by at least 100,000 Persons within the last twelve months, and should be seen by all who take an interest in Nature's Wondrous Works.

J. Chapman, Printer, 10 Lamb Street, St. Jude's, Bristol.