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*Bartholomew Fair 1857.*

MARTHA



BAGSHAW,

THE

# American Lady,

*From New York,*

Unequaled in the known World!

Who has been visited by some of the first Nobility and Gentry,  
since her Arrival in England.

*Born without Hands or Arms,*

WILL EXHIBIT HER WONDERFUL ABILITIES

DURING THE FAIR,

IN A BEAUTIFUL

TRAVELLING PAVILLION.

This Lady, a Native of New York, in North America, works Embroidery, and nets very fine Silk Purses; cuts Watch Papers, with Initials, or Pieces for framing, according to any Design that may be given, writes, draws, threads the Needle, ties the Knot, and is capable of doing any kind of Needlework ever attempted by any other Lady; the whole of which she performs with her Mouth and Toes, in the presence of the Company, As a proof of her Countenance being perfectly agreeable, her Portrait, a perfect Likeness, is exhibited at the Door; likewise a Specimen of her Work. This Lady rose superior to every Obstacle which Nature has placed in her way. Possessed of uncommon Talents, her industry has not suffered them to lie dormant. Those Acquirements she now possesses have been attained by her own natural Vigor of Mind, without any scholastic Education, and whilst contemplating these united Qualifications, all must acknowledge her

## A PHENOMENON.

Her Countenance is a living Lesson of the greatest Philosophy that can possibly be attained; namely, possessing Feeling, and yet being happy under the heaviest Calamities and Deprivations, perfectly resigned to her most peculiar Lot, and thankful to the Supreme Being for the Blessings she possesses; and in the Formation of her Mind, Nature has amply made amends for the Deficiency of Arms; in short this Lady's Performances astonish every Beholder.

Admittance, 1s.—Servants and Children Half-price.

*Money returned to any Visitor not perfectly satisfied.*

Exhibition from Eleven in the Morning till Nine in the Evening.

*Ann Kemmish, Printer, Borough, London.*