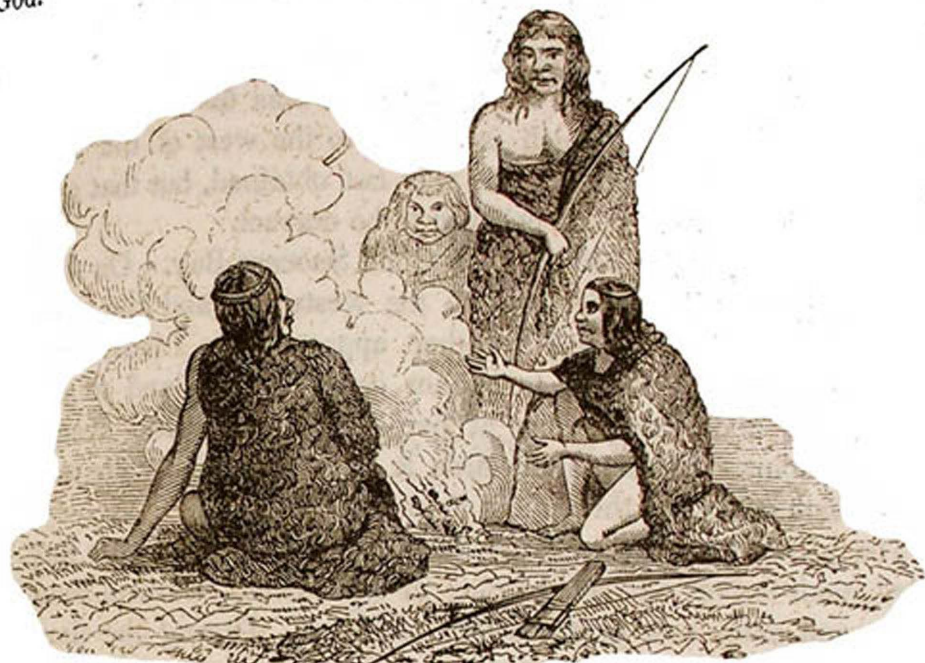


arms, which they called *eu*, or spirit; and *kai-eu*, which they frequently uttered with gestures, was thought to indicate their Great Spirit, or God.



PATAGONIANS.

They had little apparent curiosity, and nothing seemed to attract or cause them surprise; their principal characteristic seemed to be jealousy. Though they are a simple race, they are not wanting in cunning; and it was with great difficulty that they could be prevailed upon to part with their bows and arrows in trade, which they however did, after asking permission from their chief: this was always necessary for them to obtain before closing a bargain. They have had communication frequently before with Europeans; pieces of many articles of European manufacture were seen in their possession, such as glass-beads, &c. They refused tobacco, whiskey, bread, or meat, and were only desirous of getting old iron, nails, and pieces of hoop-iron.

Their food consists principally of fish and shell-fish. Their fishing apparatus is made of the dorsal fin of a fish, tied to a thin slip of whalebone, in the form of a barb; this serves as a good hook, and with it they obtain a supply of this food. Their arms consisted altogether of bows and arrows. The natives had the common dog, which they seemed to prize much.

Mr. Rich employed his time in botanical researches: the prominent plants were *Berberes*, *Winteria*, *Vaccinium*, *Andromeda*, *Compositæ*, (some woody) *Cruciferæ*, *Umbelliferæ*, &c. A number of these were