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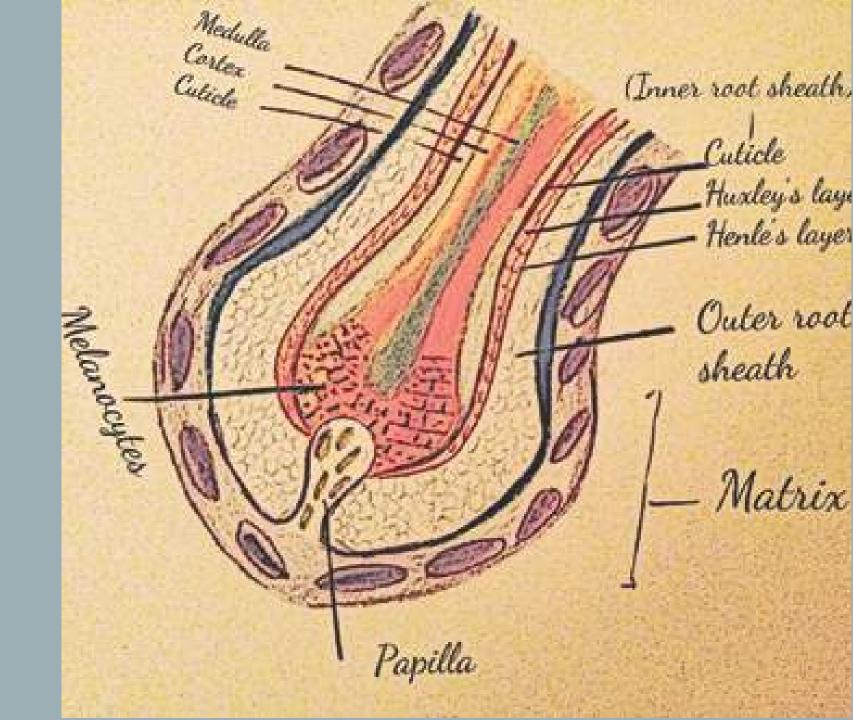


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#### PHYSIOLOGY OF HAIR



# THE BODY IS A SITE FOR THE CULTURAL PRODUCTION AND STAGING OF THE SELF

HAIR IS A HIGHLY
VISIBLE
CULTURAL
ARTEFACT THAT
IS EXTREMELY
MALLEABLE

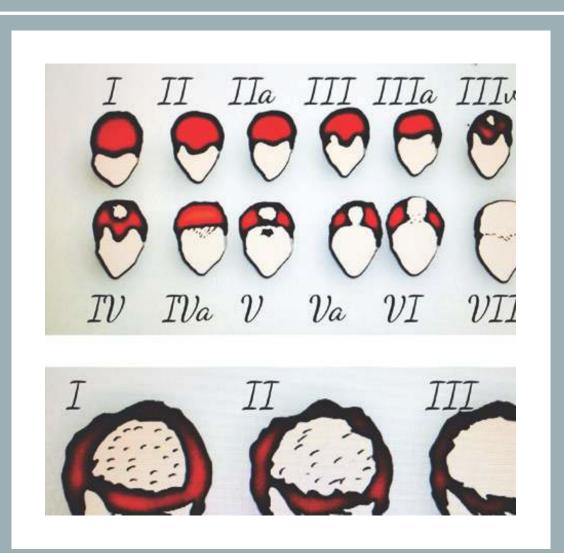








WHEN HAIR FALLS OUT



A. THE NORWOOD-HAMILTON CLASSIFICATION OF MALE PATTERN BALDNESS.

B. THE LUDWIG CLASSIFICATION OF FEMALE PATTERN BALDNESS.



12% OF MEN ARE BALD BY 25 YEARS;

> 65% BY 65 YEARS

#### SAMSON HAVING HIS HAIR CUT





PUNCH TOOL INSERTED; HAIR REMOVED WITH FORCEPS; HAIRS PLACED IN PETRI DISHES AND KEPT HYDRATED.



GENDER, CLASS, STATUS, AGE, GENERATION, **MARITAL** STATUS, RELIGION, **GROUP** MEMBERSHIP, FAMILIAL TIES, AND POLITICS

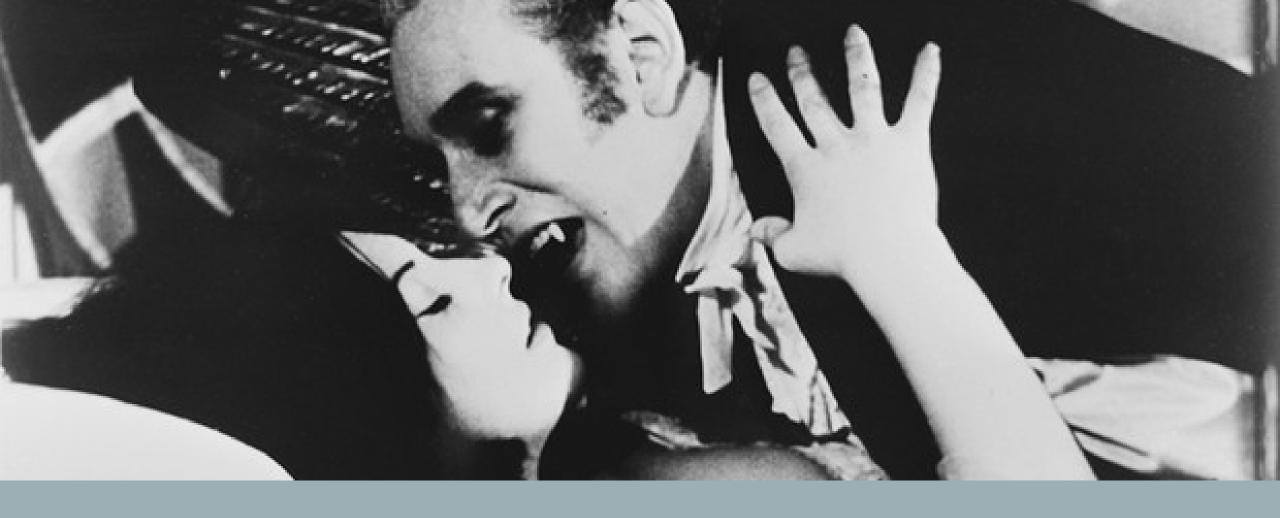




#### SHAVING AS DEHUMANIZATION



"HAIR DESPOILERS"



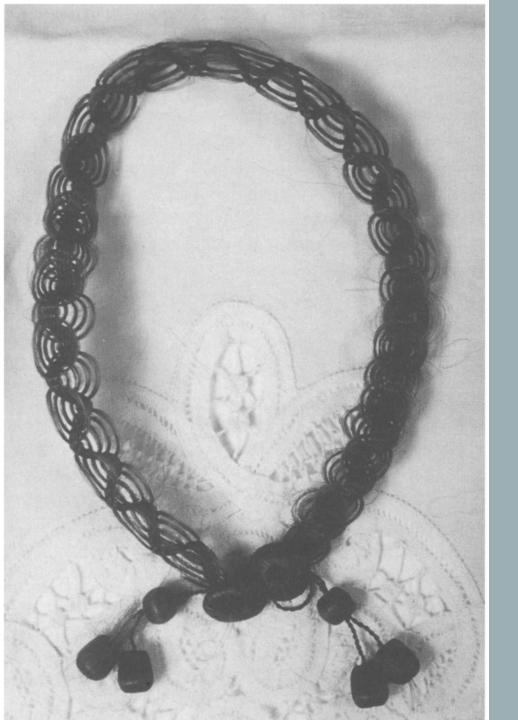
#### DRACULA



# FREDERICK SANDYS' MARY MAGDALENE

## BENJAMIN GODFREY'S <u>DISEASES OF HAIR</u> (1872):

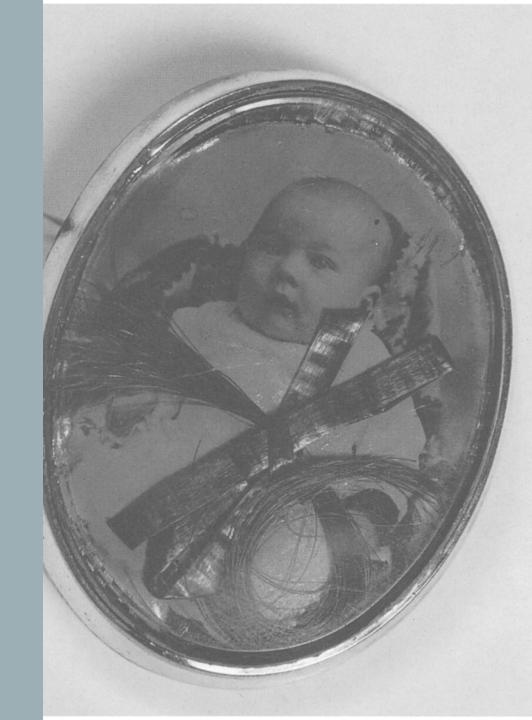
CONSIDERED THE HAIR TO BE A KIND OF EXCREMENT FED WITH THE DEBRIS OF THE BODY.... HAIR WAS PRODUCED TO CARRY OFF THE EXCESS OF MATERIAL.... IN THE FEMALE, THE HAIRY SYSTEM APPEARS TO DEPEND UPON THE REGULAR UTERINE FUNCTIONS.



#### **HAIR WREATH**

ELIZABETH BARRETT
BROWNING'S "ONLY A CURL":

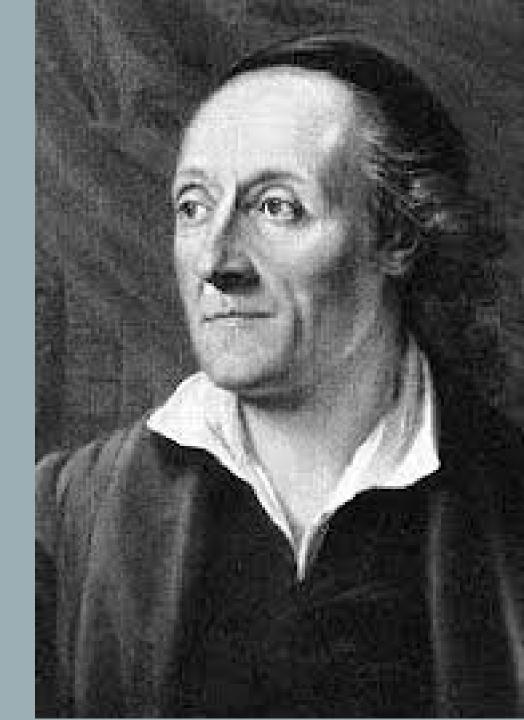
'TIS EASY FOR YOU
TO BE DRAWN BY A SINGLE
GOLD HAIR
OF THAT CURL, FROM EARTH'S
STORM AND
DESPAIR
TO THE SAFE PLACE ABOVE US.

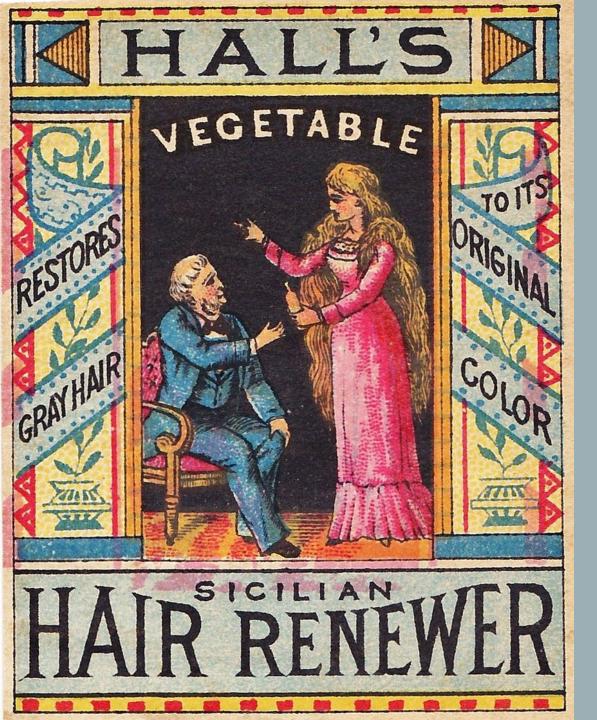


#### GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK

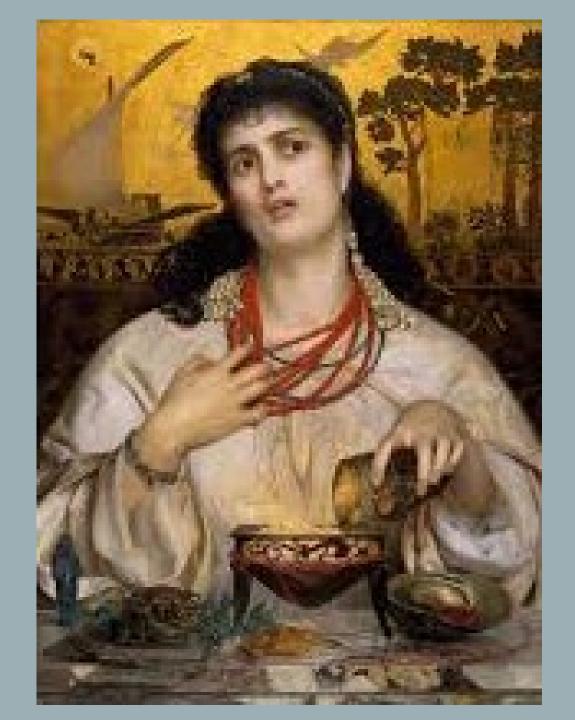
HAIR IS AT ONCE THE MOST DELICATE AND LASTING OF OUR MATERIALS AND SURVIVES US, LIKE LOVE. IT IS SO LIGHT, SO GENTLE, SO ESCAPING FROM THE IDEA OF DEATH, THAT, WITH A LOCK OF HAIR BELONGING TO A CHILD OR FRIEND, WE MAY ALMOST LOOK UP TO HEAVEN AND COMPARE NOTES WITH ANGELIC NATURE. WE MAY ALMOST SAY: I HAVE A PIECE OF THEE HERE, NOT UNWORTHY OF THY BEING NOW.

#### PHYSIOGNOMY (JOHANN CASPAR LAVATER)





#### HAIR DYES



# FREDERICK SANDYS' MEDEA









#### **MARY MAGDALENE**



#### HAIR IS ABOUT SEX



# THE BEATLES ON THE ED SULLIVAN SHOW



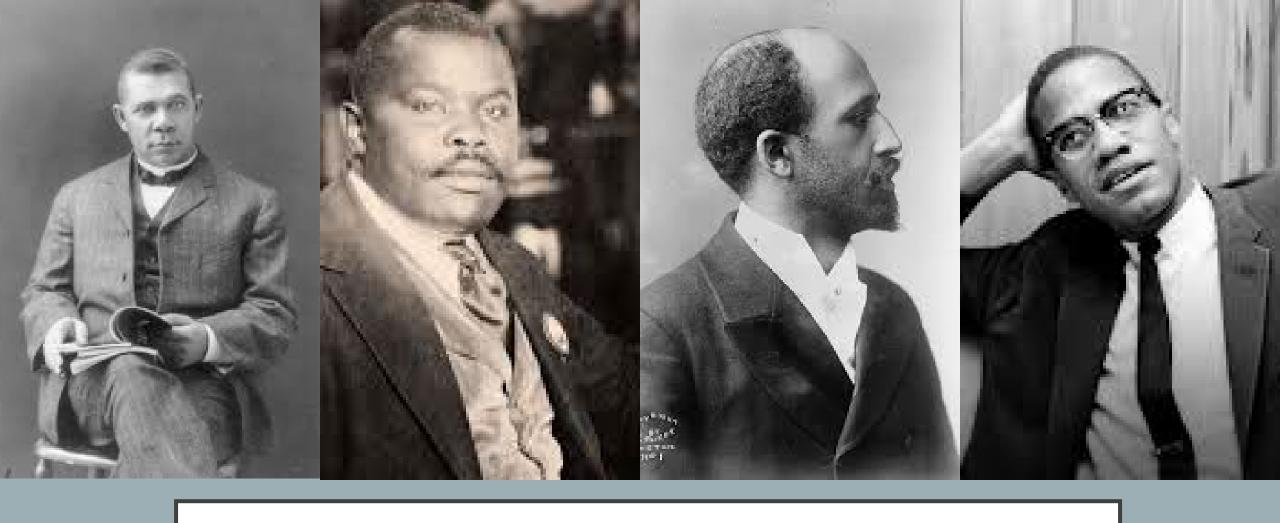
JOHN LENNON AND YOKO ONO: "BED-INS"

# LONG HAIR AND DISSENT



MADAME C. J. WALKER





MARCUS GARVEY, W. E. B. DUBOIS, BOOKER T. WASHINGTON, AND MALCOLM X



BELL HOOKS

## ANTONIA OPIAH'S "EXHIBIT"









"NO YOU CANNOT TOUCH MY HAIR!"





#### [RENEE] ROGERS V. AMERICAN AIRLINES

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