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A DIET FOR MENTAL DYSPEPTICS, AND A CURE FOR HY-POCHONDRIA, HY-POCRISY, OR ANY COMPLAINT OF A BY ORDER.

BY OUR SERIES EDITOR.

ALMANAC AND DIARY.

SHORT METRE-ILLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS FOR THE

December. Monday, 10.—Great Change of Base; the Johnson Club of Washington is changed to a Temperance Society. Cause, too many unruly spirits in the former organization.

Tuesday, 11.—Wood & Cary, wholesale milliners, announce for the winter a 'great reduction in bonnets.' We think if the reduction is yery great, there will be nothing left but the Wednesday, 12.—Special meeting of Councils,
Two Hundred Dollars appropriated to pay
Carriage hire for Gas Investigating Committee. Even the name now has become Hack-

Thursday, 13.—Establishment of a Congressional Frayer Meeting. Representative Dodge made one of the officers. This is reckoned an entirely new dodge in prayer.

Friday, 14.—Important resolution in Congress
Mr Broomali moves that all the windows and
doors be kept open for two hours, for the
purpose of ventiaing the members. Saturday, 15. Series Column Day. The Editor, in view of the present cold snap, feets that there is nothing to fear from the expansion. of the currency, or anything else,



A STUNNING THING. The "Long Strike" and the "Black Crook."

Nautical Correspondence. OFF SANDY HOOK,

ON BOARD THE "HENRIETTA." MR. SERIES EDITOR:-I left the New York Yacht Club House last Wednesday, as you know, on board the steamer River Queen, to join our fellows on the (my friend Mr. Bennett's) yacht Henrietta. Of course, going down the bay, some of our fellows aboard the steamer, being nautical fellows, made observations, some of them not complimentary to the chaps that hadn't the pluck to sail in their own canoes across the pond; but, as I said before, we all made and took several observations; they passed the bottle to me, and I took one or two myself. The weather being cold and bracing without, it became necessary for us to brace up inside, by taking a few "bumpers," else our ribs might be stove in, as I have seen many a fine craft served by not having the preper "bumper." on board. At the table on board the steamer things were a little unsteady on account of the wind blowing sou'-west by sou', and the Commodore's bottle being empty, tipped over; he thought it an omen that his should turn over, while the others didn't, and he was about going to "go back on the boys," I told him it was easily accounted for, his bottle was all drunk. This created some laughter by the chap who gets up the Budget of Fun. He patted me on the shoulder, and said it was a good joke. I send it to you, Mr. Editor, and if you see a joke in it, I shall think there is one. Leaving Trinity Church steeple. Castle Gar-

den. Bedloe's Island, and other fortifications in the distance, we arrived at Stapleton, and there was the Henrietta, sitting on the waves like a duck, and, indeed, from the amount of sail on deck, you might say a canvas-back duck. We steamed up to her, and Commodore Bennett myself, and a few other plucky fellows got aboard of her. For what happened after that I must refer to the Log.

10.45 A. M.-The crew now began weighing anchor; the exact weight was not noted, but judging by the pulling, it must have been pretty heavy. After the anchor was weighed we were taken in tow by a tug, as were the Vesta and Fleetwing, when we all steamed for Sandy Hook on our way to the "Needles." The Commodore and myself went below to see that the wines and things were carefully packed away; each of us packed away a little wine ourselves.

11.15 A. M .- We have now reached the "Buoy" off the Hook; Mr. Bennett suggests that we all get ready. I go to the side of the yacht and unpack some of the wines and things - that I took aboard coming down on the steamer. A sailor comes along with a mop, and tells me to "go to lu'ard." I had never heard of the place, Could'nt go if I had; I was too sick.

11.50 A. M .- Wind high about these times; but our Commodore having been so long connected with the newspaper press, the Mate told me, was used to "heavy blowing." The sails now began to go up; I, at the same time, began to go down. Heard the fellows halloing out, "Set the foresall!" I just wished they could set me, for I felt completely upset by the rough treatment I received at the hands of Old Neptune. Not more so, however, than was a chap on board the tug, who was making some sketches for one of the pictorial papers, when the Captain shouted out :-



"LET GO THE PAINTER!"

When some ignorant deck-hands, in less time than I am telling you, heaved the poor artist, sketches and all, into the bay. We got him out, however, after some difficulty, and he, after having the little mistake explained to him, felt perfectly wet, if not satisfied.

1 P. M .- Captain Fearing shouts, "Go!" and the men up on deck are halloing back to one

another for each one to do something, when the men on the back part of the boat run to the forward part, and those on the forward part run back, after which they all get perfectly still, The wind now blows a fre-hener. The Commodore coming down stairs, we begin to



PACK AWAY THE THINGS. 2 P. M .- The Henriel'a began heading for old Long Island's sea-girt shore; the sailing master told me that whenever she passed a small inlet or creek she immediately bore away towards it; he accounts for it by saying she mistakes places like that for Pum Gut. We have now sailed but an hour, but I begin to think that you can have too much of snything, however.



I GO INTO MY STATE-BOOM

and go to bed. The yacht gives a lurch, the Commedore says we ran across the bar, and there is a scarcity of water there, which is the cause of the pitching. I thought how like it is in life on shore, when a fellow runs across a "bar" too often in a day, how soon he begins to pitch and roll, and especially it he experiences a scarcity of water on the bar.

6 o'clock P. M .- The Commodore waking me up to supper, I come out of my stateroom, as I went in, in a way "more forcible than elegant;" and lucky for the suppertable that it had no legs, but was suspended from the ceiling-the way I should have been, if it was desirable at all to have me in a perpendicular position. At supper, the Commodore told me we were out on the wide ocean, and that we had better write something and put it n some bottles and throw them overboard. We thought it a good idea, and we all began emptying bottles for that purpose, and kept it up until we had a half-dozen in readiness, when we concluded not to put anything in them that

OFF MONTAUK POINT .- It is now Wednesday morning, and last night I had a night of it, and came near having my death in my berth. I saw the beautiful stunted pines on Montauk Point. I asked the Commodore if he could oblige me by putting me ashore on that inhospitable island. He said he could back the maintopmast staysail, shake out the flying jib, the jib a-jib and jibtopsail, and luff the storm staysails and trysalls, hauling the Henrietta around to the weather. I told him I thought that would do; in fact, I would get off without him doing all that with the jib-a-jib and things, if he would run me ashore anywhere where it was dry landing. Captain Samuels said he would put me aboard of a porpoise if that would serve me, but ke thought it would be unadvisable to run ashore just there. I appealed to Commodore Bennett, and he said he would put me off on the buoy," and signal the first pilot-boat he saw to come to my aid. This seemed to me so much more desirable and safer than another night on the Henrietta, especially if the Captain is going to run his boat under the water, leaving nothing out but the masts and the upper half of himself and crew, that I gladly availed myself of the

OR THE BUOY, OFF MONTAUK POINT-3 P. M .-Henricita, Flectwing, and Vesta have just dis appeared below the horizon, while I am anxionsly waiting for a pilot, as I have read in geographies that this is a dangerous coast at night, and I shall not attempt to land while the wind blows so, and while the shore remains at such a distance from me.

4:30 P. M .- Ha! ha! The pilot-boat Good Boy sees me; the Captain makes a tack for me; he sends two men off in a small boat; I make violent demonstrations of joy. The men in the boat get trightened at me, and row back to the vessel as fast as they can; they get two more men and their guns and then attack me, and finally take me. On reaching the pilot-boat I learn, with joy, that she is leaking badly, and s making for New York as fast as possible.

MIDNIGHT.-Arrive at Castle Garden, after six hours of hard pumping. The Agent of the Emigrant Depot refuses to let me out that night, on account of my excited appearance, be lieving me a European criminal, and says he must hold me until he telegraphs to Europe to see if I am missing. I explain to him how I got there, but he locks me up until morning.

THURSDAY MOBNING .- The Captain of the Good Boy has interceded with the Emigrant Agent, and I am set at liberty. I now crowd on all sail, haul down my gaff-topsail over my ears, button up my studding-sail overcoat, putting both hands in my pantaloon's bunks; I lay my course right up Broadway, with the intention of rounding to at the first sign of "Entertainment for Man or Beast."

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