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Worcester - The Connecticut River-Hartford-New Haven-To New York. Leaving Boston on the afternoon of Saturday the fifth of February, we proceeded by another railroad to Worcester, a pretty New England town, where we had arranged to remain under the bospitable roof of the Governor of the State

until Monday morning.
These towns and clues of New England (many of which would be villages in Old England) are as favorable specimens of rural America as their people are of rural Americans. The welltrimmed law as and the green meadows of home are not there; and the grass, compared with our ornamental plots and pastures, is rank and rough and wild; but delicate slopes of land, gently swelling hills, wooded valleys, and alender streams, abound. Every little colony of houses has its church and school-house peeping from among the white roofs and shady trees; every house is the whitest of the white; every Venetian blind the greenest of the green; every fine day's sky the bluest of the blue. A sharp dry wind and a slight frost had so hardened the roads when we alighted at Worcester, that their farrowed tracks were like ridges of granite. There was the usual aspect of newness on every object, of course. All the buildings looked as it they had been built and painted that morning, and could be taken down on Monday with very little trouble. In the keen evening air every sharp outline looked a hundred times sharper than ever. The clean card-board colonnades had no more perspective than a Chinese bridge on a tea cup, and appeared equally well calculated for use. The razor-like edges of the detached cottages seemed to cut the very wind as it whistled against seemed to cut the very wind as it whistled against them, and to send it smarting on its way with a shriller cry than before. Those slightly built wooden awellings behind which the sun was setting with a brilliant lustre could be so looked through and through, that the idea of any inhabitant being able to hide himself from the public gaze, or to have any secrets from the public eye, was not entertainable for a moment. Even where a blazing fire shone through the uncurtained windows of some distant house, it had the air of being newly lighted, and of lack-ing warmth; and, instead of awakening thoughts of a snug chamber, bright with faces that first light round that same hearth, and zuddy with warm hangings, it came upon one suggestive of the smell of new mortar and damp

So I thought at least that evening. Next morning when the sun was shining brightly, and the clear church-bells were ringing, and sedate people in their best clothes enlivened the pathway near at hand, and dotted the distant thread of road, there was a pleasant Sabbath peacefulness on everything, which it was good to feel. It would have been the better for an old church; better still for some old graves; but as it was, a wholesome repose and tranquillity pervaded the scene, which, after the restless ocean and the hurried city, had a doubly grateful influence on

the spirits.

We went on next worning, still by railroad, to Springfield. From that place to Hartford, whither we were bound, is a distance of only five-and-twenty miles, but at that time of the year the roads were so bad that the journey would probably have occupied ten or twelve hours. Fortunately, however, the winter having been unusually mild, the Connecticut river was "open," or, in other words, not frozen. The captain of a small steamboat was going to make his first trip for the season that day (the second February trip, I believe, within the memory of man), and only waited for us to go on board. Accordingly we went on board, with as little delay as might be. He was as good as his word, and started directly.

It certainly was not called a small steamboat without reason. I omitted to ask the question, but I should think it must have been of about half a pony power. Mr. Paap, the celebrated dwarf, might have lived and died happily in the cabin, which was fitted with common sash windows like an ordinary dwelling-house. These windows had bright red curtains, too, hung on slack strings across the lower panes so that it looked like the parlor of a Lilliputian public-house, which had got aftout in a flood or some other water accident, and was drifting mobody knew where. But even in this chamber there was a rocking-chair. It would be impos-sible to get on anywhere, in America, without a

I am afraid to tell how many feet short this vessel was, or how many feet narrow; to apply the words length and width to such measurement would be a contradiction in terms. But I may state that we all kept the middle of the deck, lest the boat might unexpectedly tip over; and that the machinery, by some surprising process of condensation, worked between it and process of condensation, work a warm sandwich, the keel; the whole forming a warm sandwich,

It rained all day as I once thought it never did rain anywhere but in the Highlands of Scotland. The river was full of floating blocks of ice, which were constantly crunching and cracking under us; and the depth of water, in the course we took to avoid the larger masses, carried down the middle of the river by the current, did not exceed a few inches. Nevertheless, we moved onward dexterously; and, being well wrapped up, bade defiance to the weather, and enjoyed the journey. The Connecticut river is a fine stream, and the banks in summer time are, I have no doubt, beautiful; at all events I was told so by a young lady in the cabin; and she should be a judge of beauty, if the possession of a quality include the appreciation of it, for a more beautiful creature I never looked upon.

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After two hours and a half of this odd travel-ling (including a stoppage at a small town, where we were saluted by a gun considerably bigger than our own chimney), we reached Hartford, and straightway repaired to an extremely comfortable hotel, except, as usual, in the article of bedrooms, which, in almost every place we visited, were very conducive to early

rising.

We tarried here four days. The town is beantifully situated in a basin of green hills; the soil is rich, v il wooded, and carefully improved. It is the seat of the local Legislature of Connecticut, which sage body enacted, in byzone times, the renowned code of "Blue Laws," in virtue whereof, among other enlightened pro-visions, any citizen who could be proved to have visions, any citizen who could be proved to have kissed his wife on Sunday was punishable, I believe, with the stocks. Too much of the old Puritan spirit exists in these parts to the present hour; but its influence has not tended, that I know, to make the people less hard in their bargains, or more equal in their dealings. As I never heard of its working that effect anywhere else, I infer that it never will here. Indeed, I am accordanced with reference to great professions. am accordomed, with reference to great profes-alons and severe faces, to judge of the goods of the other world pretty much as I judge of the goods of this; and whenever I see a dealer in such commodities with too great a display of them in his window, I doubt the quality of the

In Hartford stands the famous cak in which the charter of King Charles was hidden. It is new enclosed in a gentleman's garden. In the

State House is the charter itself. I found the courts of law here just the same as at Boston; the public institutions almost as good. The Insane Asylam is admirably conducted, and so

is the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

I very much questioned within myself, as I walked through the Insane Asylum, whether I should have known the atten-dants from the patients, but for the few words which passed between the former and the Doctor, in reference to the persons under their charge. Of course I limit this remark merely to their looks; for the conversation of the mad people was mad enough.

There was one little prim old lady, of very smiling and good-humored appearance, who came siding up to me from the end of a long passage, and, with a couriesy of mexpressible ondescension, propounded this unaccountable

inquiry—
"Does Ponte ract still flourish, sir, upon the soil of England?"
"He does, ma'am," I rejoined.
"He does, ma'am, ir, he was—"

"When you last saw him, sir, he was-"
"Well, ma'am," said I, "extremely well. He
begged me to present his comptiments. Inever

saw him looking better. At this the old lady was very much delighted. After glancing at me for a moment, as if to be quite sure that I was serious in my respectful air, she sidled back some paces, sidled forward again, made a sudden skip at which I precipitately retreated a step or two); and said :-

I am an antediluvian, sir." I thought the best thing to say was, that I had suspected as much from the first. There-

"It is an extremely proud and pleasant thing, sir, to be an an ediluvian," said the old lady. "I should think it was, ma'am," I rejoined.
The old lady kissed her hand, gave another skip, smirked and sidled down the gallery in a most extraordinary manner, and ambled

gracefully into her own bedchamber.
In another part of the building there was a patient in bed, very much flushed and

heated.
"Well!" said he, starting up and pulling off his nightcap; "it's all settled at last. I have arranged it with Queen Victoria."
"Arranged what?" asked the Doctor.
"Why, that business," passing his hand wearily neross his forehead, "about the siege of New York."

"Oh!" said I, like a man suddenly enlightened. For he looked at me for an answer.
"Yes. Every house without a signal will be

fired upon by the British troops. No harm will be done to the others. No harm at all. Those that want to be saved must hoist flags. That's all they'll have to do. They must hoist flags. Even while he was speaking he seemed, thought, to have some faint idea that his talk was incoherent. Directly he had said these words, he lay down again and gave a kind of groun, and covered his hot head with the

There was another, a young man whose madness was love and music. After playing on the accordeon a march he had composed, he was very anxious that I should walk into his chamber, which I immediately did.

By way of being very knowing, and humoring him to the top of his bent, I went to the window, which commanded a beautiful prospect, and remarked, with an address upon which I appeals a large of the state of the sta greatly plumed myself:-"What a delicious country you have about

these lodgings of yours." "Poh!" said he, moving his fingers carelessly over the notes of his instrument: "well enough for such an institution as this!" I don't think I was ever so taken aback in all

my life.
"I come here just for a whim," he said coolly. "That's all."
"Oh! That's all!" said I.
"Yes. That's all. The Doctor's a smart man.
"Yes. That's all. It's a loke of mine. I

He quite enters into it. It's a joke of mine. I like it for a time. You needn't mention it, but I think I shall go out next Tuesday!"

I assured him that I would consider our interview perfectly confidential, and reloined the Doctor. As we were passing through a gallery on our way out, a well-dressed lady, of quiet and composed manners, came up, and, proffering a slip of paper and a pen, begged that I would oblige her with an autograph. I complied and we verted plied, and we parted.

"I think I remember having had a few interviews like that with ladies out of doors. I ope she is not mad?

"On what subject? Autographs?"

"No. She hears voices in the air."
"Well!" thought I, "it would be well if we could shut up a few false prophets of these later times, who have professed to do the same; and I should like to try the experiment on a Mormonist or two to begin with."

In this place there is the best jet! for metrical

In this place there is the best jatl for untried offenders in the world. There is also a very well-ordered State prison, arranged upon the same plan as that at Boston, except that here there is always a sentry on the wall with a loaded gun. It contained at that time about two hundred prisoners. A spot was shown me in the sleeping ward wher a watchman was murdered some years since in the dead of night, in a desperate attempt to escape made by a prisoner who had broken from his cell. A woman, too, was pointed out to me, who, for the murder of her husband, had

been a close prisoner for sixteen years.
"Do you think," I asked of my conductor, "that, after so very long an imprisonment, she has any thought or hope of ever regaining her

'Oh dear, yes," he answered. "To be sure "She has no chance of obtaining it, I sup-

pose?"
"Well, I don't knew;" which, by-the by, is a national answer. "Her friends mistrust her."
"What have they to do with it?" I naturally

"Well, they won't pelition." "But if they did, they couldn't get her out, I suppose?"
"Well, not the first time, perhaps, nor yet the second; but tiring and wearying for a lew years

"Does that ever do it?" "Why, yes, that'll do it sometimes. Political
friends 'll do it sometimes. It's pretty often done, one way or another,"

I shall always entertain a very pleasant and grateful recollection of Hartford. It is a lovely place, and I had many friends there whom I can never remember with indifference. We left it with no little regret on the evening of Friday, the 11th, and travelled that night by railroad to New Haven. Upon the way the guard and I were formally introduced to each other (as we usually were on such occasions), and exchanged a variety of small talk. We reached New Haven at about eight o'clock, after a journey of three hours, and put up for the night at the best inn. New Haven, known also as the City of Elms, is a fine town. Many of its streets (as its alias sufficiently imports) are planted with rows of grand old elm trees; and the same natural ornaments surround Yale College, an establishment of considerable eminence and reputation. The various departments of this institution are erected in a kind of park or common in the erected in a kind of park or common in the middle of the town, where they are dimly visible among the shadowing trees. The effect is very like that of an old cathe-dral yard in England, and when their branches are in full leaf, must be extremely picturesque. Even in the winter time, these groups of well-grown trees, clustering among the busy streets and houses of a thriving city, have a very quaint appearance, seeming to bring about a kind of compromise between town and country, as if each had met the other half-way, and shaken hands upon it which is at ones novel.

shaken hands upon it, which is at once novel Atter a night's rest we rose early, and in good time went down to the wharf, and on board the packet New York for New York. This was the first American steamboat of any size that I had seen; and certainly to an English eye it was ministely less like a steamboat than a huge floating bath. I could hardly personade myself, indeed, but that the bathing establishment off Westminster Bridge, which I left a baby, had suddenly grown to an enormous size, run away from home, and set up in foreign parts as a steamer. Being in America, too, which our wagabonds do so particularly favor, it seemed the more probable.

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these packets and ours is that there is so much of them out of the water, the main-deck being enclosed on all sides, and filled with casks and goods, like any second or third floor in a stack f warehouses, and the promenade or hurricane deck being stop of that sgain. A part of the machinery is always above this deck, where the machinery is always above this deck, where the connecting-rod, in a strong and lofty frame, is seen working away like an iron top-sawyer. There is seldom any mast or tackle; nothing aloft but two tall black chimneys. The man at the helm is shut up in a little house in the forepart of the boat (the wheel being connected with the rudder by iron chains working the whole length of the deck), and the massengers unless the weather be very passengers, unless the weather be fine indeed, usually congregate below. Directly they have left the wharf, all the life, and stir, and bustle of a packet cease. You wonder for a long time how she goes on, for there seems to be nobody in charge of her; and when another of these dull machines comes splashing by, you feel quite mdignant with it as a sullen, cumbrous, ungraceful, unshiplike leviathan, quite forgetting that the vessel you are on board of is its very counterpart.

There is always a clerk's office on the lower deck, where you pay your fare; a ladies' cabin, baggage, and stowage rooms, engineers' room, and in short, a great variety of perplexities which render the discovery of the gentlemen's cabin a matter of some difficulty. It often occu-ples the whole length of the boat (as it did in this case), and has three or four tiers of berths in each side. When I first descended into the cabin of the New York, it looked, in my unaccustomed eyes, about as long as the Burlington Arcade. The Sound which has to be crossed on this passage is not always a very sate or pleasant navigation, and has been the scene of some unfortunate accidents. It was wet morning, and very misty, and we soon lost sight of land. The day was calm, how-ever, and brightened towards noon. After exhausting (with good help from a friend) the larder and the stock of bottled beer, I lay down to sleep, being very much thred with the fatigues of yesterday. But I awoke from my nap in time to hurry up and see Heil Gate, the Hog's Back, the Frying Pan, and other notorious localities attractive to all readers of famous "Diedrich Kuickerbocker's History." We were now in a narrow channel, with sloping banks on either side besprinkled with splendid villas, and made refreshing to the sight by turf and trees. Soon we shot in quick succession past a light-house, a mad-house (how the lunatics flung up their caps and roared in sympathy with the headlor, gengine and the driving tide!), a jail, and other buildings, and so emerged into a noble bay, whose waters sparkled in the now cloudless sunshine, like Nature's eyes turned up to Heave!

Then there lay stretched out before us to the right confused heaps of buildings, with here and there a spire or steeple looking down upon refreshing to the sight by turf and trees.

and there a spire or steeple looking down upon below; and here and there again a cloud of lazy smoke; and in the foreground a forest of ships' masts, cheery with flapping sails and waving flags. Crossing from among them to the opposite shore were steam ferry-boats, laden with people, coaches, horses, wagons, baskets, boxes; crossed and recrossed by other ferry-boats; all travelling to and fro, and never idle. Stately among these restless insects were two or three large ships, moving with slow majestic pace, as creatures of a prouder kind, disdainful of their puny journeys, and making for the broad sea. Beyond were shining heights, and islands in the glancing river, and a distance scarcely less The city's hum and buzz, the clinking of cap-stans, the ringing of bells, the barking of dogs, the clattering of wheels, tingled in the listening car. All of which life and stir, coming across ear. All of which life and stir, coming across the stirring water, caught new life and animation from its free companionship; and sympathizing with its buoyant spirits, glastened as it seemed, in sport upon its surface, and hemmed the vessel round, and plashed the water high about her sides, and, floating her gallantly into the dock, flew off again to welcome other comers and speed before them to the busy port. [To be continued.]

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