mast and her lower shrouds

chains and topmast rigging or shrouds were chains and topmast rigging or shrouds were rather small tar rope. With re-luctance I undertook the job and, with the end of the halyards in my

mouth I managed to mount part way, after scraping much skin off my legs

on the chain shrouds. But the test

but the crew all shrank back and de-

clined, so I had to do the inevitable. I took a brand in my hand and touch-

ed the priming, and the thing flew back by reason of the big charge and I

fell by the side, scared but no blood spilt. I left the steamer and got on to the Duke of York again. She was

engaged conveying lumber from the River Credit to Niagara during the season and laying up in the fall. Mr. Hadley could not pay me the cash so he gave me an old cow and one of his

he gave me an old cow and one of his boys helped me to drive her to the Kingston road, about a mile north. Then she got away from me in the bush and I could but see the saplings swaying at a distance. I supposed I had lost her, but there happened to be a neighboring road out there that datained her. So I got some hass-

detained her. So I got some bass-wood bark and tied her head to foot, and drove her to York after dark. Next morning I started up Yonge St., as my mother had come out and was

living near Lake Simcoe, and there l

drove my cow. I remained there through the winter but got to the

lakes again in the spring. Was on the Caledonia, belonging to John Mc-Donald. He had the Masesago Chief

also carrying staves from Chatham to Kingston. In the fall of 1833 I got or

o a stern wheeled steamer, which had

been running on the Rideau Canal. She had her boiler and engine on the

She came to run packet from York to Hamilton. On our way from Hamilton the wind was fresh from the

south-east, and as we neared the Hum-

ber had increased. She swung round in the trough of the sea and could not

be got up to face the strong east wind.
Darkness set in and she wallowed in
the trough of the sea. We had a number of passengers aboard and all scared

SOME STRIPPING FOR A SWIM.

but Providence favored us and she drifted

but Providence favored us and she drifted back west of the Credit and thumped ashore within 50 feet of the bank. Nobody lost. The same year the Duke of Wellington had taken in a cargo of wheat at the Thames river and delivered it at Chippewa to be portaged to Queenstown. She belonged to Parks, of Amherstburg. I shipped aboard of her at Chippewa and on our way up we called at Grand river and took in part of a cargo of lumber, carrying it up to Pigeon.

cargo of lumber, carrying it up to Pigeon Bay, as Parks had a store there, now Kings-

ville. This vessel has a strange history as two of my men told me when I was captain

of the brig Eberts. They were both aboard the flag ship at the battle of Lake Erie and

said that the brig, Queen Charlotte, was built for the Northwest Fur Company at

Amherstburg previous to the year 1812, and

ught her for a flag ship, but promised !

ington In the time that I was on her he

captain's name was Malish. She way stranded at Long Point and the captain drowned. History says that the British

fleet was captained by Perry at the bit le of Lake Eric and the flag ship was sunk in Eric harbor, Peen, and remained there 39 years or more. She was raised by a Buffalo merchant in 1833 She was loaded with

flour for the early settlers in Illinois. Capt Keef, of Grose Island, Detroit River, was

her commander and I was a seaman aboardher. We landed the flour on a barge I

any of Capt. Keef's descendants are living I would be pleased to correspond with them. At the time I am writing about the Northwest Fur Co. had a vessel trading to the

Soo for them and the Nancy Dawsman ran packet from Mackinaw to Detroit. I was

on the schooner North America trading from Detroit to Saginaw, freighting lumber for the Ypsilanti R R. The Muskegan steamer Michigan came out about this time,

steamer Michigan came out about this time, the brig Illinois, the brig Rocky Mountain, and Newbery's LaSell. The little Argo was the ferry boat between Detroit and Windsor, built out of two big logs by Wm Rine, engineer, also the brig John Douglas, of Windsor. At this time the schooner Don was built at Don Mills by Mr. Taylor.

"In the fall of 1834 Commodore Perry sold a yacht at auction at York. She was

called the Bullfrog. Squire Geo. Jacobs was there after his winter stock of goods

was there after his winter stock of goods and he bought her and put his goods aboard her and I brought her up to Chatham. Squire Jacobs sailed up with us and Mr. Gordon was his book keeper. James, the son of Mr. Higgins, the cobbler, with Jacob's eldest son, perished that fall.

"Squire Jacobs dealt much with the Indians. He bought their furs and allowed them to camp in his orchard. He had a tannery and distillery.

The French church was largely attended at that time. The store where my son

at that time. The store where my son

Nelson is now, had a good primitive stock of goods, kept by John Van stock of goods, kept by John Van Allen, and D. R. VanAllen was his

washed away. The next bridge was by Mrs. Garner's residence. Mr. Mc-

Gregor had a sawmill on the south side of the river.

Eberts. After many trips I was lying on one occasion in Kingston harbor, with cargo out and wind from the west. The seat of government was moving from Kingston to Montreal and all the stores and library were put aboard of a steamer. In leaving Kingston early in the morning she met with a collision in the bay. Another boat coming up the river struck her and sunk her in about four fath-

build another corresponding ship i

captain's name was Malish

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And the poppy bold had the cornflower blue for adorning But the fullest ears of the seven fat Will be gleaned by the gleaner next

You may draw your nots, you may

draw your line, Find silvery fish in plenty, You may angle for honor, hook titles

And of places and posts fill twenty; Swallow up your bait, Your lures and your wiles not scorn-

on the chain shrouds. But the test, was to climb up the high topmast. The rigging was too small to get a good hold and I sometimes supped down, but, like King Bruce's spider, I succeeded, amid the cheers of the passengers. We were entering York harbor after dark and had a cannon aboard loaded for a salute. It was to be touched off with a match but the crew all shrank back and de-But the lustiest trout, there's no manner of doubt, Will be caught by the fisher next

You may think our thoughts that are witty and wise You may store your brain with truth or with lies, You may let your brain lie fallow,

Thought is good But this fact on your mind must b

borne in, That the latest thought that mankind can be taught. /
Will be thought by some thinker next

You may cling to this world of time and sense, You may think of another rarely; You may sigh, ah whither? And ask, whence? And find life puzzling, fairly.

Yet life is sweet We still repeat, On this dear old earth we were born

Good bettered to best, best changed into blest, When we wake to God's cloudless next

An Interesting Article From the Pen of Capt. Geo. Stringer.

The Veteran Writes The Planet Concerning the Varied Experiences of his Career on the-Water.

Captain George Stringer, the veterar one of the oldest practical seamen in the Dominion. Many and thrilling are the experiences that this sturdy veteran of old Neptune's realms went through during the early days of shipping and sailing. So interesting are the incidents, which fill the life of this esteemed resident that The Planet has prevailed apon Captain Stringer to give this journal a sketch

'My mother told me that I saw the light first on January 16th, 1815," he writes The Planet. "My father kept a hotel on the banks of the river Air, near Rawcliffe, Yorkshire, England. He died when I was but six years old and left me a poor boy, to struggle with the world. I was raised on the banks of a navigable river, and was smitten with a passion for the At the age of fourteen I shipped aboard the brig Inballe, of London, as cabin boy: There was another boy aboard from the same town. We left the Hamber with a fair wind, studding sails set, but the wind changed at dark, strong ahead and the captain stationed us two boys forward to keep a look-out ahead. We both fell asleep, so he took a bucket of salt water and dashed it over us.. We were already wet, for the brig was surging into a head sea and throwing the spray over us. She was deep loaded with flag stones for London street paving. I did not relish my first

EXPERIENCE OF SEA LIFE, but we arrived O. K. at Black Wall station, and discharged the cargo. I had two voyages on this brig and as the captain was hard on boys—he was termed Inballe Jack, by seamen—I gave her leg bail and shipped as cook aboard the sloop Fancy, of Hull, bound for Hamburg. I was much better pleased with this berth and was beginning to see the world. I was sent ashore at Stadt, below Hamburg, with papers to the custom house, and l followed the vessel the next day in a jacket. There were several Hull vessels trading to Hamburg then, so that we had company there as at home or n Hull and enjoyed ourselves singing familiar songs at night in the forecastle. I made several voyages to Hamburg, with relish, but as a number of my townspeople had gone to America, I began to think strongly of following them. So in 1830 I embarked aboard the ship William Pitt, for Quebec. We had a fair passage and I arrived at Prescott on a Doramboat about May Ist. I shapped as cook aboard the Duke of York, belonging to the present Hadleys' grandfather, at River Ranch, and Toast Master Lee at Whitby, both

below Toronto, "Captain Wilson was a good, kind Scotchman, and sympathized with my youth and loneliness. We were engaged in carrying wheat in sacks from ed in carrying wheat in sacks from Whitby to Prescott through the sum-mer and in the fall were chartered to go to Buffalo for a cargo of cast-ings, composed of hardware utensils. We were among the first through the Welland canal. We locked down into we were among the first through the Welland canal. We locked down into the Chippewa at Allenburg, and struck the Niagara at Chippewa, thence up the river to Buffalo. I do not remember any but wood buildings in Buffalo then. The captain had a flient-lock grap above. in Buffalo then. The captain had a flint-lock gun aboard and I used to shoot at ducks contrary to his command. As I had used all the shot aboard while he was away I made a slug of lead to use. Seeing him coming, however, I hastened to put a cork in the muzzle as he used to while doing do the gun went off and

SHOT MY MIDDLE FINGER OFF
the right hand. A half-brother of
mine in Kingston invited me to winter with him and this was the beginning of my wrong doing, as Mr. Lee

other boat coming up the river struck
her and sunk her in about four fathoms of water. An officer came to see
if I would engage to try and lift her
up. I made a bargain with him and
moved her head in shore. We worked ning of my wrong doing, as Mr. Lee offered me a situation at the post office, but I failed to accept it and went to be a drudge to my brother, like Dr. Franklin.

I had a bargain with him and this was the begin moved her head in shore. We worked three days and managed to lift her up. Then a tug came and towed her on the siding part of the marine railway. It was a very interesting experience,"

"Oiling Up."

"In the spring of 1832 the steamer William IV, had been built at Gavenauqua and I shipped aboard her. She ran packet from Prescott to York and Hamilton. On our way up the lake the mate found there was no signal to hoist the cutlass. He endeavored to have some of the men shin up to reef the halyards, but failed to do so. Then he came to me and ordered me to perform the task. I thought I had to obey orders. She had a long topmast and her lower shrouds were Just a little oil on the engine at the right time may mean the difference be-tween life and death to the passengers and crew. What oil is to the friction of the delicate parts of the engine, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is to the deli-

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London, August 4.—In the House of Commons, Mr. A. J. Balfour, the First Lord of the Treasury, said that the government had represented to Belgium that they thought there had been a most unfortunate miscarriage of justice in the Sipido case. No reply had been received. / -.
It was Sipido who made an attempt

on the life of the Prince of Wales las

Miss May Ridley is in Detroit on

Quarterly services will be held in August 5th, at half past ten in the morning.

The hearing of Mrs. Jacobs will take

place in Blenheim before R. Gosnell. Charles Crawford has gone to Woodstock, where he has secured work in a harness shop. Mrs. Crawford and three sons are visiting Mrs. John Brown, of Scotland.

EAST BRANCH.

Beautiful weather.

The farmers in this section are harvesting.
A number from here took in the Irish picnic at Ericau on Wednesday.

The Mickles and Allens enjoyed a
day's outing on the St. Clair river recently.
Mrs. John Wooliver and family, of

Detroit, are enjoying the summer

with friends here.
Rev. J. Richardson, B. A., and wife, of Drumbo, are guests at T. Richardson's for a few days.
Bailey Shaw visited Detroit recent-A few from here wheeled to Walpol

Island last week to attend the S. A Mrs. Jean Clark, of Detroit, and Miss L. Martin, of Wallaceburg, spent Tuesday of last week with friends here. Rev. A. Barker, of London, is the guest of Miss M. Howe.

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"Eliza, you'll never again get me out t four o'clock to cut the grass," "David, I wanted you to do it before

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