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It was in one of the little river front eating houses in Brooklyn frequented by sailors from the coasters which are loading or unloading. A big, powerful sailor who looked as if he had never in his life known what it was to be sick for a day entered and took a chair opposite a longshoreman who had already ordered and was waiting for his dinner. As the sailor was looking over the bill of fare with that critical and hesitant eye that characterizes Jack ashore from a long voyage with a discriminating sea appetite upon him, the waiter brought in a cup of steaming coffee and set it down before the longshoreman. As the odor of it reached the sailor's nostrils he bent upon the cup a gaze of concentrated disgust and hatred. Then he turned deadly pale, rose from his seat and stag-

gered toward the door. "Been drinking a little too much for your tonnage, mate?" asked the pro-

prietor, helping him to the door.
"Haven't had a drop today," said the man huskily. "It's that coffee."
"What's the matter with the coffee?" asked the proprietor angrily. "There ain't any better coffee than that on the

"That's all right," replied the sailor with an effort, "but I just got in off a coffee ship this morning." .
"Oh," said the proprietor comprehend

ingly. "If that's the case, I'll fix you off in the corner, where you'll be all right." A table was set for him far from the others, and there he ate his dinner in apparent peace. Now, there was in the eating house a landsman of an inquiring turn of mind who failed to understand the wherefore of all this, so he questioned the proprietor, who has been long on the river front and is himself a graduate from before the mast and has sailed in

many waters of the world.
"Nothing queer about that," he said in response to the landsman's question. "He's been out on a coffee ship; that's all. He won't want to see or smell cof-fee for weeks, let alone taste it."

"Do they feed them nothing but coffee on the coffee ships?" asked the landsman in the innocence of his soul.
"Feed 'em? 'Tisn't the feed; it's the smell that knocks 'em. For a week or ten days it isn't bad; it fact, it's rather a pleasant smell, that of the green berry, but after that it begins to get on your

mind. In damp weather, if it's a long

voyage, it's something terrible. "There's other cargoes," continued the ex-sailor, "that's just as bad. You might think guano was one of 'em, but it isn't. Guano's Rose of Sharon perfume compared to sugar. Didn't suppose there was any smell to sugar, eh? Well, you take it in a bowl and there ain't. But take a cargo of it and let it steam in a tempera-ture of from 90 to 110, with plenty of damp to work it up, and I'd like to see what you'd think of it then. You get so mortal sick of the sweetness of it, which you smell and taste, too, with every breath, that you'd be glad to fill up with anything that would offset it, even if it was wormwood. I've seen the time I felt as if I could drink a gallon of vinegar flavored with lemon juice at a gulp. That voyage was a sufferer, sure enough. We couldn't live between decks at all, and we all berthed as near the stern rail as, we could get and even put out the small boats when it was still and lay in

them to get relief.
"When provisions had to be got out the hold, the cook went down with jute bagging tied over his nose and mouth to keep out the fumes, but after a couple of trips he fainted, and they sent me in. Two descents laid me out. I thought I was going to die. In my time I've seen folks that were tolerable seasick, but all they did was a maiden's sigh to my performances. If it wasn't convulsions t was so mighty near it that I thought I was gone and felt like I couldn't go too quick to suit myself. They brought me around with lime juice, but it was weeks after landing before I wanted any

sweetening in mine. "The fact is that in the tropics almost any cargo you have kind of tinges existence for you, Oil is pretty tough, particularly petroleum. A man'll dream of petroleum after he's associated with it for a month or so on shipboard. But pine lumber really takes the cake when it fairly gets into everything. I never happened to suffer much from that sort of cargo myself, but I saw a crew that came just as near death from too much pine

resin as men can come and pull through. "We were in port at Rio when a ship came in laden with pine lumber, than that, the fool of a skipper had let somebody supply him with pine water butts. Well, the resin began to get into the water, and first they knew the crew was pretty well poisoned with it. Then they got so that they couldn't swallow the water at ail, or if they did they couldn't hold it down a second. And there wasn't any other water aboard. They were in mighty great danger of dying of thirst with plenty of water aboard just because the old man was new to that kind of voyaging. Rio happened to be the nearest port, and, though it was far out of their course, they put for it as the only chance of saving their lives. I'd hate to see again such a looking lot as they were: They were dried out like mummies and so weak that I don't see how they ever worked the ship at all. When they got in, we thought at first it was black smallpox, they were such fear-ful looking objects. When they did get sweet water again, they drank till I thought they'd burst, and how they did fight when we tried to get the pannikins away for fear they'd kill themselves! Some of 'em died in the hospital from the effects. I never shipped on a pine loaded ship after seeing that."

A Happy Day. Two little London girls who had been sent by the kindness of the vicar's wife to have "a happy day in the country," narrating their experiences on their return, said:

"Oh, yes, mum; we did 'ave a 'appy day. We see two pigs killed and a gen-tleman buried."

Nothing but Draw and Paint. Visitor-I hear you've had the celebrated Mr. Abbey, the artist, staying with you down here. Proprietor of Old Fashioned Inn-Yes, sir; an he be the laziest man I ever come across. He do nothing but dror an paint



VALUE OF APRICOT PITS.

Prussic Acid and Almond Oil Made

From Them. The value of apricot pits is being commercially demonstrated this season. Time was, and not long ago, when the humble pit was a waste product, a valueless something that was spurned as being ever in the way. Later it was dignified with a value; it commanded \$5 a ton to be used as fuel under the boilers where steam power was generated. It burned well and made a desirable fuel. Now the uses to which the erstwhile despised pit is put are many. The demand is running ahead of the supply, and its value is continually increasing. It is made to yield up its contents of marketable poison-prussic acid. It gives a very desirable quality of "almond oil;" it enters largely into the manufacture of candy in places, Germany, for instance; it is even said to be useful in the fabrication of baking powder. These are some of the pit's possibilities. There are others.

The price of apricot pits started this season at \$5 a ton and has now reached \$7.50. A San Francisco house has contracted with the California Fruit Canners' association for all the apricot pits that may be saved in this season's operations.

We are informed that a merchant in this city is willing to pay \$9 a ton for clean, dry apricot pits, delivered. Last year about 500 tons of uncracked pits were shipped by sailing vessels to Germany, and it is estimated that fully 1,000 tons will be exported to that country this season. The Golden Gate Fruit Packing company has been experimenting with pits and finds that one pound of kernels is about the average from 24 pounds of pits. The kernels are assorted and shipped east.

Those who are handling apricots should save the pits. Spread them to dry, and when this is thoroughly done stack, and there will be found no difficulty in finding a market for them Though apricot Gernels are used after treatment in the manufacture of candy, the eating of them as they come from the pit or stone is not advised .- Cali fornia Fruit Grower.

Kearsarge-"Kiah-sarge." "Kiah-Sarge"-short for Hezekiah and clipped from Sargent: No red man was Hezekiah, but he sold hard cider on his farm at the base of New Hampshire's noble mountain, and "Kiah-Sarge's" was famous the country round for its cheer. Anybody ask what that peak was? "Kiah-Sarge" was the answer. So it came to be "Kiarsarge," as still printed on some New Hampshire maps, and then the poet changed the "i" to an "e," and there you have it, Mount Kearsarge. "What's in a name? I hear that the captain of our last new battleship remarked to Admiral Farquhar when he told him his discovery

in White mountain lore: "Faggh! No

Indian about it." Just plain Hezekiah

Sargent.-Boston Journal.

The treasury department has ruled that tips to sleeping car porters are a legitimate traveling expense. Contract Nurse Sylvester E. Askerman, who had been employed on the transport Aissouri, was ordered to Brooklyn from the Presidio at San Francisco, Transportation and sleeping car section were furnished him. When he arrived, however, he charged the government 50 cents expense money, which he had spent on tips to sleeping car porters. This raised the question whether such tips are legitimate expenses, and after a long delay and much red tape the comptroller of the treasury has ruled that the 50 cents should be paid.

To Utilize the Sparrow.

The English sparrow, which has proved such a nuisance since his advent in this country, is at last to be eradicated. It is the women's hats that are going to do it, so milliners say. Feathers show more and more signs of "coming in," and therefore there must be more of them to supply the demand. There are many accessible sparrows, which are among the birds not proulbited for millinery use, and we shall have everything in the bird line made from the plump little fellows who fill our streets. Dyeing feathers is an art. to say nothing of pasting feathers, and the sparrow in his way can play many parts.-New York Times.

A Glimpse of Cape Nome.

"I haven't felt so well for two years." writes F. P. Burr of Lawrence from Cape Nonre. "When you get this, tele phone Gibson and tell him I am all right. But hold on a minute! I just heard five shots. Well, another man dead and another shot in the head not over 100 feet from my tent. One man died in an hour; the other was shot in the head and will likely get well. I think the dead man had a claim that the other fellow wanted, but we don't know for sure. They have arrested two men, and I think there will be a hanging bee this p. m."-Kansas City Journal.

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"Is this a case of long standing, nadam?" asked the doctor of the pa tient's wife. "Oh, my goodness, no!" she replied. "He hasn't been on his feet in six weeks."-Chicago News.

Rose-I would never marry a man without principle. Lilly-Nor I. And I should want his principal to be big enough to allow us to live well on the interest, too .- Philadelphia Bulletin. "Do you know what makes money

so scarce?" asked the man who was

making an inflammatory speech on social subjects, "Yes, sir," answered a man in the front row. "It' sitting here listening to you, instead of going to work."-Washington Star. "Ah, yes," sighed the girl, "he works in an atmosphere of art." "I should think from the smell of

his clothes,' her mother answered, "that he works in an atmosphere of tobacco smoke."-Chicago Times-Her-"How did you like my speech," inquired the orator. "It was too short," answered the disagreeable friend. "Ah, you wanted more of it?" "Em-

phatically. The applause for the speaker who followed you woke me in the middle of a beautiful nap."-Washington Star. "Papa," exclaimed Johnny, struggling with a very copious brand of in-

fluenza, "if the nose is an organ, why don't it have stops?" Julius—Oh, if you'd only love me as warmly as I do you! Nellie—We

would both be cremated, I fear. Tom-Yes, I always laugh at Johnson's funny sayings. I am under cer-tain obligations to him, you know. Jack-Why, what a coincidence. owe him money, too.
"I say, Broom!" "Call me by my

whole name, if you please. It has a handle to it, and it was meant to be used, sir." "That's so. Well, Broomhandle, how are you?"
"No, Bobbie," said his mother;
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