

THE LITTLE MARINER.

If on a calm summer evening, you were sailing on the Mediterranean, you might see some other little ships, with their little sailors, one in each; and a something that looks like sails, but which are more like flags, being two arms that he holds up when he floats. He is called the Nautilus.

He is not fast to his shell. He builds it around himself and as he grows he makes it larger. It is very thin and beautiful.

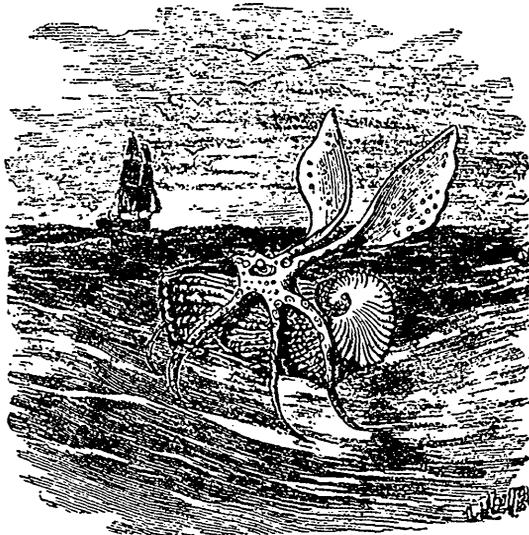
To move himself along, he is provided with a long tube, into which he draws up water, and then thrusting the water out, the quick movement sends him on his way. So that he

is driven along by a kind of engine rather than by a sail. Perhaps when there is a fair wind the sail helps.

He has eight arms (or legs); two of these he hoists, as you see in the picture, and the other six clasp the shell to protect it.

He is a cunning little sailor, for if you were to catch him, he would, if he could, slip out of his little ship and leave it with you, and when he had got safely away in the deep sea, he would set to work and build another ship out of lime and other substances which are held in solution in the water.

"O Lord how manifold are thy works; in wisdom hast thou made them all?"



THE NAUTILUS.

A HELPING HAND.

A cabman signed the pledge for Rev. Charles Garrett, but soon after broke it. Conscience-stricken and ashamed, he tried to keep out of the way of his friend, but Mr. Garrett was not to be put off.

One day he found the poor, miserable man, and taking hold of his hand, he said:

"John, when the road is slippery and your cab horse falls down, what do you do with him?"

"I help him up again," replied John.

"Well, I have come to do the same," said Mr. Garrett, affectionately; "the road was slippery, I know, John, and you fell, but there's my hand to help you up again."

The cabman's heart was thrilled. He caught his friend's hand in a vise-like grip, and said:

"God bless you, sir! you'll never have cause to regret this. I'll never fall again."

And to this day he has kept his word.—*Sel.*