

LIFE OF A SAILOR.

JACK'S PROBABLE EXPERIENCE ON THE GREAT INLAND SEAS.

Notes by an Observer, for the Benefit of Would-be Runaway Boys—Wheelman, Mate, Captain—Deck—Hands a Sorry Lot.

(Cor. Louisville Courier-Journal.) Coming out of Chicago, I had a chance to notice something of a sailor's life on the lakes. Life on the lakes in any capacity is desperately hard. A season is about nine months, from early spring till late fall. Thus all kinds of weather are experienced. Many of the boats do not lay up until December.

The regulations of the Cheltenham, our boat, are much the same as those of her sister boats. On her the watches began at 7 P. M., and were six hours each. The captain lets everything to his two mates standing no watch except when he chooses or when he thought necessary. Of course there are several varieties of work on a boat. Let us, or the benefit of the boy who wants to run away to the great inland sea, see what these are and their requirements. Each large boat carries about twenty-three or twenty-four men—a captain, two wheelmen, two watchmen, two mates, two engineers, two firemen, two cooks, and eight or ten deckhands. A wheelman's task is tedious and laborious. He is given a course and told to keep it to a hair, which is saying a great deal in a few words, for a large boat is continually slipping off even in calm weather, so that a continual twisting of the wheel is necessary. In rough weather two or three men have their hands full trying to keep the boat somewhere near her course. Once in while a big wave will strike the rudder, and around will come the wheel, throwing those who attempt to hold or stop it from one side of the pilot-house to the other.

AT THE WHEEL. I used to imagine that a wheelman had nothing to do but get his course, fasten his wheel with a rope, and then leaning back in a chair, put his hat on the back of his head and p. f. away at the pipe, at the same time lazily turning the pages of a novel. Or, I thought, he might even double his log, under him and take a nap with the self-satisfying assurance that, having once gotten his course, he had done his whole duty and the vessel would appreciate the fact by behaving like a thing of sense and life. Boys, ye who want to run away and don a pair of flying trousers and become free and easy sailors, pilots or captains, give ear. This ideal picture of the wheelman is all mist. I didn't notice in the wheel-house a single novel or lazy-back chair. There seemed to be a perfect scarcity of pipes also.

But I did notice that if a wheelman was wanted, the mate did not scruple to rouse him out of his bunk, even at 1 o'clock in the morning, no matter if it was very cold outside; and I also noticed that the man said nothing about "Yes, sir, I'll be there in a minute," or "Wait till I finish this nap." He came right out, and, taking his partner's place, held it for six weary hours amid a silence that would chill one. So, my boy, when you pick up your possessions in a red blanket and start out on the back window of a dark night to run away to the lakes to become rich and famous, like "Billie, the Boy Whaler, or the King of the Quarter Deck," don't try wheeling.

Cabin boy? The lake steamer carry no cabin boys; the cook is the boy they can afford in this line. But then there are the sailors, the men with pretty blue blouses, with anchors at the shoulders, they who wear jaunty hats over one ear, "lay out on the yardarm," who sleep in hammocks and who sing—

I am a jolly tar, am I, As free as an ocean-bird— DECK-HANDS. There are these men, surely? No, my son, on the lakes these noble men are scarce on mountains in the Sahara desert. There are only a few sailors of this stamp on the stage, but that is the only place you'll find 'em. The lakes are sadly deficient. Those who correspond nearest to sailors on a steamship are the deck-hands, who are a sorry lot, indeed. Some, my boy, seem to be the ideal fellow, steady as a plumb line, much alike an old pair of trousers, one suspender, an old hat, and a shirt and a coat which a tramp would scorn. And as for work—I hate to say so—but the captain or mate never seemed contented unless he had his ideal fellow steady as a plumb line, much alike an old pair of trousers, one suspender, an old hat, and a shirt and a coat which a tramp would scorn.

But there are the mates! Correct there are. Mates are men who have sailed years and years, and who, for being steady and principled, have been rewarded—with what? A mate's berth—a place of importance, to be sure, but one having in it all the mean, menial, dirty, tedious work of a deck-hand—and the responsibility of a captain. A mate, besides standing watch, has the immediate supervision of this mean, menial, dirty, tedious work aforesaid, and in many cases its performance, also. You pass, do you not, my son?

THE CAPTAIN'S HARD LOT. But after all it is the captain of a lake vessel who fares the hardest. He must be up, day or night, coming through the rivers and wherever there is to be least difficult navigation. He has some times to be up fifty hours on a watch, and he has to see every piece of bad weather if it lasts a day or a week. This is a part of his responsibility. Then perhaps he has twenty odd lives on his hands, a \$150,000 steamship and a valuable \$100,000 cargo. Or if he has a few he may have one or two of over six lives and a million-odd dollars of property. This is another part of his responsibility. Besides, he must keep track of the internal workings of his ship, and if any one has a tendency to "shirk duty," he must know it. So occasionally he will need a hand at painting and scrubbing, especially if his men are awkward or clumsy or need directions. On all steamers, captains, no matter what their age or dignity, are called the "old man" or the "skipper."

It is hard to become a captain! That depends. Build a ship and you can command her, if you don't know a rudder from a mast, but try to work up so you can recommend yourself to others for the place, and the probability is that you will be twenty years in reaching your object. So, my boy, any time you get dissatisfied with three meals a day and a home that compels you to split kindling every night, pack up that little red handkerchief and start for the lakes, but don't blame me if you return in a month or so with a sear-soped spine, hands like hams and a burning desire to attack a wood-pile two hours every morning by way of amusement.

The Prisoner's Preference. (Exchange.) The regulation, now generally adopted in French model prisons, of permitting the inmates to carry on the employment for which they have a distinct preference, can not always be conveniently observed. Thus two prisoners the other day, on the usual question being asked, expressed a strong desire, the one to be a shepherd the other a milk.

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