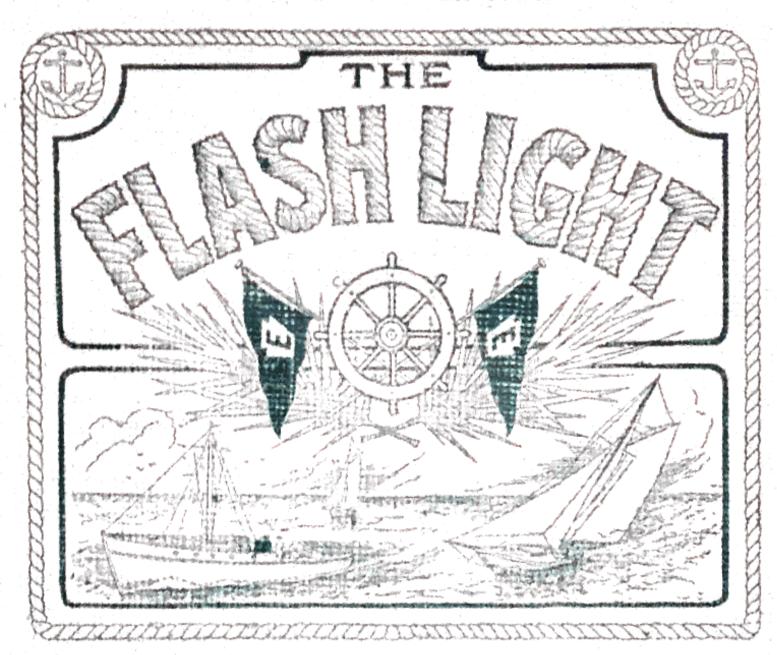
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TO PERRY.

Doff your hats, And bend your knees, Comrades of Erie. The old Lake is made Sacred to-day in history, Written in every breeze Of our great Perry

Learn the lesson of the Story it tells of courage, Bravery, fearlessness as well, And turn your hearts To things above, Letting our lives shine For those we love.

C. M.

NAUTICAL TERMS.

For the benefit of the land lubber who comes aboard ship and calls a Companionway, Back door and Portlights, Windows, I would like to correct the popular belief that the berth on board ship do not necessarily add to the census.

The hatchways are not hens nests The way of the ship is not the extent of her avoirdupois. The boatswain does not pipe all hands with a meershaum. The ship does not have a wake over a dead calm. The swell of a ship side is not caused by dropsy, nor is the taper of a bowsprit a tallow candle. The hold is not the vessels grip. The trough of the sea is not dug out of the ships log. The crest of a wave is not an indication of its rank. The buoy is not the Captain's son. The men are not beat to quarters with a club. Ships are never boarded at hotels.

The bow of a ship is not evidence of its politeness. A sailor's stockings are never manufactured from a yarn of his own spinning. The sails of a ship are not made by an auctioneer, nor are the stays constructed by a dressmaker.

C. E. R.

WARNING!

Be careful how your crews dress while making a cruise on a cruiser.

On board the good sailing yacht "Skip" an incident occurred which will be well worth noting for future reference.

While coming back from Dover to Long Point, Labor Day, it was discovered that the compass had been attracted by something because when we sighted the Point it was about four (4) miles off our starboard bow. Skipper Henry had the stick and was trying to figure the cause of the deviation when all of a sudden he shouted at his brother George, who was in the cockpit close by, that he had the attraction and should get away from there at once as he (George) was the cause of all the trouble. Hank claimed that George's nails attracted the compass. As long as George was in his bare feet he was kept away from the compass and we had no more trouble for when we sighted Erie light we were heading directly for it.

Hence, Never let a man get close to the compass in his bare feet as his (toe) nails are sure to attract it.

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MEETING NOTICE.

The next monthly meeting of the E. Y. C. will be held at the Club Anchorage, Oct. 8th, and this being near the close of the yachting season a full attendance of the active members is desired. A more active interest in the Club affairs should be shown than has been the case in the past few months. New officers are to be chosen in November and many other items of importance should be disposed of at the coming meetings. Make an effort to be around.

SOME PERRY CENTENNIAL NOTES.

The writer, having the opportunity of visiting three of the larger lake ports during their Perry Centennial Celebrations, observed the following incidents in connection with the event.

The Inter-Lake Regatta, held at Put-in-Bay, was perhaps the most pretentions, if not the most interesting of the water events during the entire celebration as witnessed. A large number of water craft from different points on the Great Lakes were on hand for participation in the Regatta. Most prominent among the sail boats were the one design of the smaller type and the cruiser class, although the larger type of racing sail boat proved to be the most spectacular. The presence of many power boats, some of which came as far as the coast, traversing the lower lakes to join in the celebration, made the snug little harbor alive with enthusiastic demonstration. races for both power and sail boats were of great interest and worth to the yachting world.

The Niagara, accompanied by some of the naval militia boats were

on hand and helped materially in adding interest and reverence to the occasion.

The next place visited was Toledo. This city held its celebration immediately following the Inter-Lake Regatta at Put-in-Bay. Toledo on account of its facilities for power boat races, succeeded in having the hydroplane races held at that place—the Maumee River affording a splendid course for this type of boat. An adequate number of hydroplanes were on hand to make it interesting racing, and some remarkable races were held. The grand free-for-all following the different heats at the close of the races was perhaps the most exciting to the spectator. Toledo had the honor of having more of a naval parade than had been witnessed at any other port. The naval parade consisted of different yachts from Toledo and elsewhere, who accompanied the Niagara up the Maumee Fiver on her arrival into port. Many naval militia boats were also in lene, and the whole went to make up a brilliant sight as the line moved gradually up the River from the The boats were all dress Lake. ship.

To Buffalo belongs the hair raising bang and go-back good time. The Celebration at this port was ushered in by the arrival of the Niagara, with her complement of naval militia boats. The shricking of whistles and firing of guns was night enough to arouse the enthusiasm of the most skeptical. The Niagara came into the Yacht Club basin with such a reception from the Bison City that the good old ship settled snugly in the mud and contented herself with being the chief source of interest during the celebration, as she well deserved to be. Many thousands

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of people visited the ship and at the same time witnessed many exciting water events held in the harbor. Chief among them, besides the boat races, being the air navigation of several daring aviators. One of these aeroplanes was especially attractive, inasmuch as a young lady was unceremoniously dropped from it while going through the air. This performance was repeated on several occasions, and afforded keen excitement to the onlookers. The young lady apparently experienced no ill effects from her perilous drop. A parachut provided an easy alightment. Some of the air craft were provided with the necessary apparatus to make it sea worthy as well, and some very good exhibitions of the hydroaeroplane racing was witnessed.

Further down the Niagara River at some of the other boat clubs, many speed boat contests were held and some very good swimming events took place which made the water events exceedingly interesting.

The fireworks display on the Niagara River were also worthy of note as the feature of holding the display on the water was unique and made a wonderful effect. The river being full of water crafts from a tiny canoe to the larger passenger steamers.

Altogether the naval or water events during the Celebration along the lake ports were all that could be expected and everyone seemed to join in the spirit of the occasion celebrating the hundred years of peace.

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(One of our live members writes the following letter.)

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 3rd, 1913.

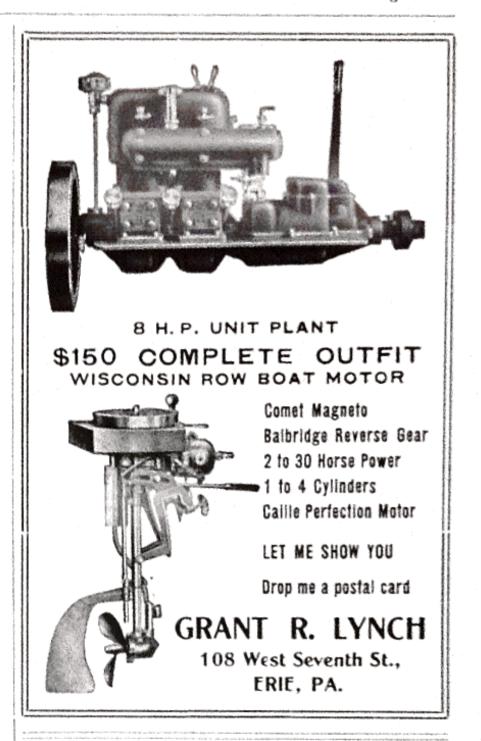
Flash Light Editor, Erie Yacht Club:

Dear Sir: I know a new stunt; write it up if you wish and see if it arouses any interest.

Did you ever swim across the bay? Did you ever see anyone swim across? Did you ever see anyone who had ever heard of anyone who said or intimated that they had ever swum across? Possibly, but that is about as detailed a report as we ever get of such a feat.

Well, let's have a swim; we can't say it isn't in good form as long as people are still wearing their lives away trying to get across the English channel and once in a while someone gets out to the Boston Light and many people in Chicago are entering in long distance swims in Lake Michigan. We might say the distance was too easy as compared with these other swims and not worth the effort. Well, in that case change the course and make it up the bay instead of across. Let me tell you what people are doing out here in this dried up corner of the country where there hasn't been a respectable rain since some time in June.

The resources of the town consist of one cement lined outdoor natatorium about one hundred feet long by forty feet wide. This serves it's purpose pretty well, but how would you like to go and bathe along with thousands of other people in a place like the park fountain. The people out here don't mind it though, that is most of them don't. They go out there and swim and practice and in the course of a season the park turns out some pretty fair swimmers.



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I ought to say a word here about the Missouri River that runs throug the town, although the less said about the Missouri the better off it will be. It hasn't got much on Millcreek, except that it's larger, but they both have the same habits and derive their chief ingredient from the same source.

Well, twice since I have been here someone has promoted a Marathon race down the river, and to give you an idea of the popularity of the idea the first race had 129 entries and the second 87 entries.

They race for ten or twelve miles down the river in a current that averages about four miles an hour and the competition is good all the way. In the last race the first and second men finished just four seconds apart, and out of the 87 entries over 50 finished.

In the first race there were eight women entered and five finished in creditable time.

In the first race the prize was limited to the glory and publicity of the affair but in the second meet six silver cups were offered.

Now don't you suppose that if a hundred people here will bury their heads in the Missouri for a couple of hours and swim for a cup, that a hundred people in Erie would splash their way across old Presque Isle Bay, especially if there were a few prizes hanging in the trees over in Water Works Park.

If this idea is pretty late to spring this season, why we can hang it up until next year—it won't get mouldy. In fact it is almost necessary to give lengthy notice for an affair of this kind so that the entrants will have ample time to get on condition.

Let's start the idea anyhow, who knows we might stir up some enthusiasm.

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The Flash Light and a copy of Motor Boating found their way into my mailbox yesterday, and unless you have ever been in a place where such things never visit you cannot imagine how welcome they are.

I was very glad to see the Erie Yacht Club represented at the Bay. Let's have a little testimonial from some of the boys who were there, maybe we'll all go next

year.

I suppose there is a limit to the patience of a Flash Light Editor and besides this is a great sufficiency for one rave.

With best wishes and regards

to the boys,

Sincerely, D. L. STERRETT

IN TWO ACTS.

First Act:

In leaving for Port Dover on the morning of Aug. 31, the sail yacht "Skip", after going about 2 miles past the pier head light, discovered that the dinghy was forgotten. As some exploring was going to be done at Long Point it was thought advisable to come about and get it which was done, thereby losing all of an hour and a half. Second Act:

During the whole trip over and part way back, no foot entered the dinghy until reaching Long Point, when we tried to beach the "Skip" in front of the Life Saving Station, but could not come within three jumps from the shore as the keel reached too near the bottom. Therefore it was thought advisable to use the dinghy. The Captain and one of the deckeroos jumped into same and shoved to shore, the dinghy was then sent back for load number two. In climbed Parker, Hannon and George Win-

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ter. They wanted to shove ashore also, but Parker seemed to have got foul of the bob-stay and was in a hurry, so taking hold of the bow sprit, he gave an awful heave and pulled Hannon and Winter, who was sitting on the after thwart under the bob stay, they thereby losing their balance, and—1-2-3—just like that, they jumped into the water waist deep and waded ashore.

It is a well known fact that G. W. has never gone across that he has not been submerged in some manner or other. I think that was the only reason we took "it" along.

ONE OF THE CREW.

SKETCH.

Time—Present.

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Boy: Want to hire a boy?

Butcher: Yes.

Boy: How much do you pay?

Butcher: \$3.00 per week. Boy: All right, I'm on.

Butcher: Can you dress a chick-

Boy: Yes, but not on \$3,00 per week.

-Joe Miller's Joke Book, Page 13.

WEATHER SIGNS.

If a cat washes herself calmly and smoothly the weather will be fair. If she washes against the grain take your raincoat with you; if she lies with her back against the fire there will be a squall. Cats with their tails up and hair apparently electrified indicate approaching wind.

C. E. R.

Why ought a seasick man to wear a plaid waistcoat?

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DEDICATION OF PERRY MEMORIAL.

Many of us have been to Put-in-Bay and our recollections are a jumble of yachts, passenger steamers, power boats, saloons, music and hundreds of tired excursionists. We also recall sudden squalls and roasting calms and all set in the pretty scenery of that locality.

This was all changed on Sept. 10th and 11th. The weather was clear and quite cool. There was no music in the different halls and gardens and nothing could be bought in the saloons but beer until after 4 P. M. On Sept. 11th all saloons, stores and restaurants were closed until after the reinterment of the remains of the English and American officers.

Tuesday, Sept. 9th, the writer suddenly concluded to go to Putin-Bay on the invitation of the Perry Centennial Committee and attend a banquet at Cedar Point on the evening of Sept. 10th. Sandusky was reached early in the afternoon and a visit paid to Captain Morrison. Many of the Commission were met on their way to Cedar Point while the writer took the steamer to Put-in-Bay.

The wind was blowing half a gale out of the N. E., and our steamer certainly did roll. It took over an hour to land at Lakeside and the waves were sweeping the pier. Of course all those people going ashore were drenched.

Put-in-Bay was reached about 8:30 P. M., and the writer secured a room at Hotel Commodore.

Wednesday, Sept. 10th, dawned beautifully, with a light N. E. breeze. A company of regular infantry was encamped and special steamers were bringing in numerous other uniformed organizations. Among these was the Newport Artillery, founded in 1741, and

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they wore the old style British uniforms.

With these organizations and the regulars and crews of the five Naval Reserve vessels, there must have been a thousand men in line to welcome the Commission on its arrival from Cedar Point. They soon came on the Str. Olcott. There were governors of many states, accompanied by their aides who were resplendent in gold lace.

Many celebrities were there including Ex-President Taft and Eire was well represented.

As the passengers left the steamer, cannon were fired and numer-

ous bands played.

All went to the Colonial dance hall where speeches were delivered and at 3 P. M. we took the steamer for Cedar Point and the banquet at the Hotel Breakers.

In the meantime the Wolverine had arrived with the Niagara in

tow.

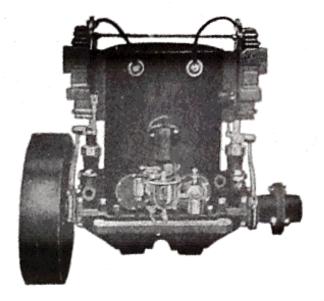
Cedar Point always was attractive and Hotel Breakers surpasses any hotel for such a resort as that that the writer ever saw. There was a grand skirmish for rooms and then another for stray baggage containing dress suits, etc., etc.

About 8:15 P. M. we took our places in the great dining room. There were seats for six hundred; about five hundred were occupied. The fare was very good; at each plate was a martini cocktail and a half pint bottle of sherry and one of claret. Island champagne was free as water, in fact a little more so for one had to ask for water.

The speaking was good, but much too long. Taft spoke last; he began at 2:30 A. M. The banquet did not close until 3:30 A. M.

At 9 A. M., Sept. 11th, we were on the steamer going back to Putin-Bay, arriving there all went to Hotel Commodore.

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Pirates'



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The Pirates are now sleeping.

The old Perry monument composed of a pyramid of cannon balls had been opened. The remains of the officers were placed in a box about six feet long. This was again buried where the remains were taken from and guarded by soldiers. At a given signal the procession left the Hotel Commodore, headed by surpliced choir boys; then came ministers and priests of different religions and after these the celebrities in regular order. When the grave was reached, two men disinterred the remains and they were placed on a bier carried by twelve men.

The procession started and filed along the beach road to the new Perry Memorial, about half a mile away. The bells all tolled and minute guns were fired from the Naval Reserve steamers in the Harbor. One band played a funeral march, and taking it altogether it was one of the most picturesque and impressive scenes and ceremonies the writer ever witnessed.

The remains were placed in the crypt of the Perry Memorial and after some patroitic and religious ceremonies all was about over. Just at this time a flag was run up as a signal to the camp of the regulars. There they sounded a bugle call and presently these soldiers with their band playing a lively march, swung into the beach road and marched down by the Memorial. Here they turned across to the bathing beach and the first procession fell in behind them.

All the bands played. The flags were flying once more, every saloon and store opened up. The funeral was all over and in half a minute Put-in-Bay was the same old town as you all remember it.

In two hours the excursion steamers had all left. All the uniformed organizations had left so also had the numerous yachts and the steamer Olcott was on her way to Sandusky with the writer who reached home about 11:30 P. M., Sept. 11, after two days of pretty strenuous sight seeing.

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Several dozens of the regular coat buttons are on hand for members who have not procured them. There are also several coats which can be had at the contract price.

The Annual banquet arrangements are now well under way and several guests will be present who will be heard from at the close of the banquet and will undoubtedly be of interest to all yachtsmen.

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The presence of Psammaid-II at the E. Y. C. reminds us of the fast smart looking craft which used to hold forth in the harbor before the advent of the power cruisers. Why not get back in the old game and have some boats of this type?

The Go-Bang system of power races is all right if they are run right. Sometimes they don't run right.

The Commodore attended the Dedication of the Perry Monument at Put-in-Bay.

A number of prospective boat owners have been making inquiries regarding mooring facilities and launch stalls. It looks like more yachtsmen next summer.

Members intending to attend the annual banquet should signify their intention at once by purchasing a ticket.

The matter of electing new officers will come up at the November meeting and suitable candidates should be talked of among the members.

The item box is placed. Now it is up to you members to keep the Flash Light interesting. Make it a point to put something suitable for print into the item box every time you visit the Ciub.

The Championship races for sail boats, comprising of three short races proved quite interesting in place of the old style single championship race.

Nautical Conundrums.

What was the difference between Noah's Ark and Joan of Arc?

One was made of wood, the other was Maid of Orleans.

Why is a very demure young lady like a Steampacket?

Because she pays no attention to the swells that follow her.

What song would a little dog sing who was blown off a ship at sea?

"My Bark is on the Sea."

It is often asked who first introduced salt pork into the Navy.

Noah, when he took Ham into the Ark.

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