

I have been unable for various causes, such as fatigue at night, the heat in the day, and the various engagements, to continue my journal while at New York. I arrived there on the 12th, and left on the 20th at 7 A. M. for Albany in the steamer of that name. * * * Spent Sunday, the 16th, at Jersey, with John's friend, Mr. Ellis, and had an excellent dinner, with some of the best ale I ever drank, brewed at Poughkeepsie. Had Dr. Barry, the minister of the Episcopal church, to dinner, a well-informed and educated gentleman. Accompanied him to church, a large up-stairs room, with a chamber organ, at which John presided. * * * Took tea with John's intended, Miss Harriet Webb, and her sister. * * * Introduced to Dr. Bartlett* of the Albion. Dr. B. is an inveterate tory. He says the Albion has a publication of 7,000. It is a weekly paper. His recipe to convert a whig or radical into a tory is to send him to America. Saw Jackson, the bookseller from Baldwin's, who introduced me to Mr. Adlard, Wheatly's late partner, a most intimate friend of Jerdan's.† They showed me the reprint of the Penny Magazine, also a great many English books; "Records of my Life," by Taylor,‡ excellently well printed, in one large 8vo vol., good paper and well printed, selling for \$1.62. Americans, they say, fond of light reading. * * * New York must become the largest city in the world at no remote period, its facilities so great and its quays so extensive. * * * Settled with the steward of the ship. Gave him a 5 dollar note. My

* John Sherren Bartlett, M. D., a physician and journalist born in England in 1790. He emigrated to the United States, and in June, 1822, established in New York, the Albion, a journal of the English conservative school of politics, which he conducted with signal ability. Later he founded the European in Liverpool, a journal intended for American reading, and in 1855 commenced the publication of the Anglo-Saxon in Boston. He died in August, 1863. The Albion long continued a useful and influential paper. "Peter Simple," "Midshipman Easy" and "Japhet in Search of a Father" were first introduced to the American public through its columns. Dr. Bartlett sold the Albion in 1848. It is not now in existence.

† See note on p. 94.

‡ John Taylor, one of the editors of the London Sun newspaper, and author of the clever and popular story "Monsieur Tonson," illustrated by George Cruikshank. After 1817, when Jerdan retired, Taylor became chief proprietor of the Sun. He died, I believe, in 1832. His work, "Records of my Life," in two vols., 8vo., published in London in 1832, is remarkable as containing scarcely a line of his own personal history. It is a mere collection of anecdotes of actors, literary men and women, and others, with whom in the course of his life he had had some acquaintance.