

## DEPARTURE OF THE HORNET.

**The Vessel Loaded with Stores and Clothing—Her Destination is Supposed to be Cuba.**

The steamer *Hornet*, supposed to be a Cuban privateer, started for sea from the Long Dock at Hoboken on Thursday afternoon. She sailed under the command of Capt. JOHN M. HUDSON, formerly of the United States Navy. The subordinate officers included a Chief-Engineer and six assistants, a Purser, Pay-master, and a Steward, together with two assistant Stewards. Besides these, there were Messrs. WEISSMAN and J. HENRY ANKERS, who acted as first and second officers. The vessel was cleared for Nassau, N. P., by Capt. GEORGE W. BROWN, the agent, but the crew claimed that they shipped for St. Thomas, W. I. She carried sixty-eight seamen, the majority of whom were Cubans. It is believed that the latter will join the Cuban Army on their arrival at the West Indies. The *Hornet* also had on board three or four passengers, who will probably act as officers among the Cuban patriots. The vessel was loaded with a large quantity of stores, but did not carry any merchandise. Among the articles of cargo were nine boxes of clothing. The entire cargo was merely marked stores, without being consigned to any one. After leaving Hoboken, the *Hornet* was towed by a tug for a short distance, and subsequently got under steam and proceeded to sea. She came very near running ashore at Sandy Hook in consequence of a blunder on the part of the man at the wheel. Deputy Marshals JOHN E. KENNEDY and HENRY C. BRAAS were on board of the steamer at the time of her departure for the purpose of taking the manifest. They were transferred to the pilot-boat *James W. Elwell* at Sandy Hook, and returned to this City yesterday morning. The dimensions of the *Hornet* are as follows: Length, 236 feet; breadth, 26 feet. She is built expressly for speed, and it is confidently believed that her real destination is Cuba.