

My letter to you was
if I remember aright, sent
from Norfolk, while I was yet
on the Dictator. We only
remained there two or three days,
and then started for Key West,
in company with the Junata.
On our way down during a
rather heavy gale, we parted
company with our consort, and
then after a rather rough pass-
age of about a week in all,
we landed at N. W. Almy,
and found to our disgust
that the Junata after part-
ing company with us, had
gone into Savannah, and then
reported us as lost, and on
our way into port, we en-
countered two men of war that
had been sent out by the De-
partment in search of us.

Arriving in port, we
found that the entire wooden