

MEMORANDA.

in chairs, some talking & some
 reading, & some doing nothing
 at all, hardly recovered from
 their sickness. My Scotch
 neighbours have not been sick
 at all, neither have the three
 gentlemen which we have
 with us, It is getting much
 warmer, We are supposed
 to be going along at a good
 pace. Water comes in cleaner
 today. Had a bit of a pull
 at the ropes to night, but it
 did not last long enough.
 My cold is much better to day,
 my head does not ache to night.
 A young man beside me read-
 ing a book of prayers, doubt-
 less given him by his mother.
 Opened a tin of condensed
 milk to day, also pickled
 cabbage which was very ac-
 ceptable indeed. Our beds
 are something like feeding

wild animals. Every man
 helps himself, or else the fully
 short, that is the case at the
 present anyway. At the same
 time we are very sociable.
 The "Bar" was opened to day.
 Several of our mess-mates,
 bought some beer. Have been
 talking about having some
 singing with my medical
 friends to-morrow, but I
 fancy we shall know too much
 for each other. Strange
 thing to me that they should
 brought any music with them.
 The Doctor has just come into
 our quarters & looked into the
 steward's wash house & I don't
 think it was any too clean
 for him. Borrowed a con-
 certina from one of my
 mates & had a few tunes this
 morning. Sent Miss Inozio
 "The Old Curiosity Shop" this
 afternoon, but another young