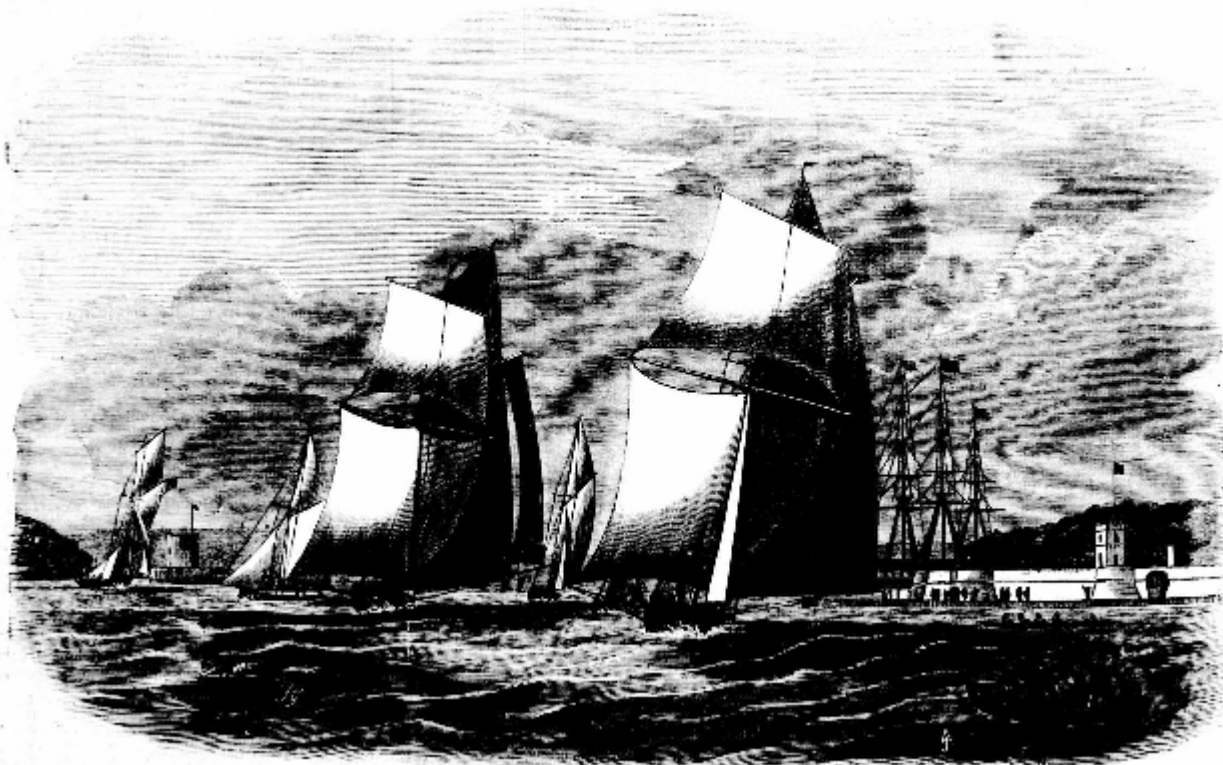


THE YACHT RACE ON ANNIVERSARY DAY.

THE spirited contests which have several times this season taken place between the second-class yachts of the R.S. Y. Squadron, have given rise to much difference of opinion respecting the merits of the several vessels. Each in turn have won a race, but not a few have persistently maintained that the Haidee well sailed was Queen of the Fleet. Those who held this opinion were gratified by her winning the race which our illustration represents. The entries were—Haidee, 14 tons, Mr. Wilshire; Ella, 11 tons, Colonel Richardson; Nereid, 12 tons, Messrs. Fairfax and Lassetter; Australian, 5 tons, D. Sheehy. Of the latter nothing need be said more than that she is an extraordinary fast racing machine, and when her owner pitted her against the other vessels he far overshot his mark, and she never had a chance, notwithstanding the fact that she was first off at the start, closely followed by Ella, Nereid next, and Haidee last. In going down to Goat Island, Haidee closed up with Ella, and in working down to Manly weathered on the fleet; Nereid in close attendance, but losing her topmast she was speedily out of the race. Haidee improved her position in running home, rounding the flagship about two minutes ahead. The Ella stuck well to her until Bradley's was passed, when Haidee's superiority in a wind again became manifest, and the race was never again in doubt. She

and the race was never again in doubt. She finished four minutes ahead of Ella, and eighteen minutes ahead of Australian. The winning vessel was built this season by Lomax, of Balmain, and is his first attempt

at yacht building. Ella was built last season by Sheehy, for Colonel Richardson, and Nereid this year by Langford, for her present owners.



THE ANNIVERSARY REGATTA—THE HAIDEE WINNING THE MINISTERIAL PLATE.

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