4—l4. THE ACTS. 835   
   
 that the father of Publius lay sick of ta fever and of a   
 bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and © prayed, and “33""""™   
 f laid his hands on him, and healed him.   
 was done, ¥ others also, which had discases 9 in the island, a"   
 eame, and were healed: 10who also honoured us with   
   
 many honours; and when we departed, they laded us \* Tit   
 with such things as were necessary. 1 And after three 1 Tim. v.17.   
 months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had   
 wintered in the isle, whose sign was \* Castor and Pollux.   
 2 And landing at Syracuse, we tarried there three days.   
 13. And from thence we ¥ fetched a compass, and came to   
 Rhegium: and after one day the south wind 2 ddew, and   
 we came the \*zexrt day to Puteoli: 14where we found   
   
   
   
   
 t literally, fevers: see note.   
 % in the Greek, the Dioscuri. 2 render, the rest.   
 2 render, sprung up. Y i.e. made a circuit.   
 4 render, second,   
   
 and, it may be, Julius. At ver. 10, a many honours (or ‘distinctions,’ or ‘at-   
 reason had occurred for his honouring Paul tentions’). 11.] They probably set   
 and his company: at present, Publius’s sail (see on ch. xxvii. 9) not earlier than   
 hospitality must have been prompted by the sixth ot the ides of March (i. ce.   
 the courtesy of Julius, who could hardly March 10). whose sign was [lite-   
 fail himself to be included in it. The rally, with the sign (of)] the Dioscuri]   
 three days were probably till they could The ancient ships carried at their prow   
 find a suitable lodging. 8. fevers] a painted or carved representation of the   
 Hippocrates also uses the plural. 1t pro- sign which furnished their name, and at   
 bably indicates the recurrenee of fever fits. the stern a similar one of their tutelar   
 a bloody flux) dysentery. Dr. deity. Sometimes these were one and the   
 Falconer makes this an argument against same, as appears to have been the case   
 Malta being meant. “Such a place, dry with this ship. Castor and Pollux (the   
 and rocky, and remarkably healthy, was Dioscuri,—sons of Zeus), sons of Jupiter   
 not likely to produce a disease which is and Leda, were considered the tutelar   
 almost peculiar to moist situations.” But deities of sailors. 12.] Syracuse is   
 Mr. Smith answers, that the changed cir- about cighty miles, a d sail, from   
 cumstances of the island might produce Malta. 18.] This fetching a compass   
 this change also: and besides, that he is apparently denotes the roundabout course   
 informed by a physician of Valetta, that of a vessel tacking with an adverse wind.   
 the disease is by no means uncommon in That the wind was not favourable, follows   
 Malta. laid his hands on him] It is from what is said belov. Mr. Lewin’s   
 remarkable, that so soon after the ‘taking account is, “As the wind was westerly,   
 up of serpents,’ we should read of Paul and they were under shelter of’ high   
 having ‘laid his hands on the sick and mountainous range of Etna on their left,   
 they recovered. See the two in close they were obliged passage from Syracuse to   
 connexion, Mark xvi. 18. 10. with order to fill which suils, so came was   
 many honours] The ordinary interpreta- taken for a sim reason, p. 786. The   
 tion of this as rewards, gifts, may be right, at Rheginm, as perhaps the three ut   
 hut is not necessary. The other meaning, acuse before, was spent probably in   
 that these were really honours, is rendered waiting for the wind. the south   
 probable by the form of the sentence, wind having sprung up,—succeeded the   
 which opposes to these “honours,” be- one which blew before. the second   
 stowed on them during their whole stay, day] viz. after leaving Rhegium: a dis-   
 such things as were necessary, with   
 which they were loaded at their departure.   
 Render it therefore honoured us with