

# A Speedy Herreshoff Model.



The 40-footer Fad, an express runabout.

**T**HE Herreshoff Mfg. Co., of Bristol, R. I., recently turned out an excellent type of launch from the boards of Nathaniel G Herreshoff. The boat, which is of the runabout type, has proved exceptionally fast, averaging 25 miles per hour during her trials in Bristol Harbor. This boat is 40 feet over all and has a very slender and clean bow. In the lines of the bow are incorporated the reversed curves so peculiar to the Herreshoff type. Her beam is seven feet, sufficient to admit of plenty of room aboard, notwithstanding the degree of speed she is capable of developing. The small deck forward is fitted with suitable cleats and chocks. The coaming is carried well aft and nicely tapered. There are two cockpits, one situated amidships

where the helmsman's station is arranged; this forward cockpit has sufficient room to comfortably accommodate ten to twelve persons. Aft of the forward cockpit is the small cabin house, a daintily arranged projection, with rounded roof, with a hand rail at the center part running forward and aft. The house is well lighted with three windows on each side and glass bulkhead doors on the forward and afterwards ends. There is seating capacity for six people in the cabin, also a lounging place with transoms. Aft of the house is the second cockpit, and although of smaller dimensions than the forward one, still there is ample accommodation to comfortably seat six to eight persons and it proves very attractive when the boat is running at full speed. Good

free board is carried well aft and the stern being very full, the boat shows no tendency to settle when running at her maximum speed, yet at the same time her lines are so nicely carried out that there is no apparent drag whatever. The power plant consists of an 8-cylinder Sterling motor of 150 rated horsepower. A special type of engine bed has been introduced and other details have reduced vibration to a minimum. The boat was designed to prove exceptionally fast, yet at the same time to combine comfort and seagoing qualities, as the boat will be used on the open waters of Massachusetts Bay. The same refinement of finish that is characteristic of the Herreshoff product has been carried out on this model.