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"This is true Liberty, when Freeborn Men, having to advise the Public, may speak free."—Euripides.

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AT HIS OFFICE, HILLSBOROUGH STREET, NEAR
KING'S SQUARE.
TERMS:—Fifteen Shillings per annum, half in
ADVANCE.

COPPER PAINT!
A SUPPLY of "TARR & WATSON'S" genu-
ine, in barrels and gallons, for roof
work, for sale at the "CITY HARDWARE
STORE."
H. E. STARBIRD & CO.
May 11, 2m

R. REDDIN,
Attorney and Barrister-at-Law,
CONVEYANCER, &c.
Office:—Great George Street,
Charlottetown.
(Near the Catholic Cathedral.)
September 3, 1866. 1f

NEW PAINT SHOP!
THE Subscriber would inform his friends
and the public in general, that he has
opened a new **PAINT SHOP** above the Carriage
Factory of McPhail & Hunter, Kent Street, where
all orders left, either in the
House, Sign, or Carriage Painting,
will be attended to with punctuality, neatness, and
on reasonable terms.
FRANCIS MCGRODY, Painter.
McPhail & Hunter's Carriage Factory,
Kent St., Ch'town, May 4, 1868.

E. & N. A. RAILWAY.
1868. 1868.
Summer Arrangement,
ON and after MONDAY, 11th MAY next,
until further notice, Trains will run as
follows:
DOWN TRAINS—GOING EAST:
Leave St. John for Shediac and Point du Chene a
7 a. m. and 1.45 p. m.
Leave St. John for Sussex at 5 p. m.
UP TRAINS—GOING WEST:
Leave Sussex for St. John at 6.15 a. m.
Shediac for St. John at 7 and 11 a. m.
The 6.15 a. m. Train from Sussex, and the 11 a.
m. Train from Shediac, as well as the 1.45 and 5 p.
m. Trains from St. John will carry freight:
Freight from St. John for Sussex and at
St. John, will be sent by the 5 p. m. Train only and
must be delivered at that Station before 4 o'clock.
Freight for Stations East of Sussex must be deliv-
ered at St. John, at least 24 hours before the
Train, and for Stations West of St. John, at least 48
hours before the advertised departure of any
Train.
Goods for Prince Edward Island must be accom-
panied with invoice or certificate of value,
to prevent detention at Point du Chene.
Goods intended for exportation at St. John, to
the United States, must, in addition to the invoice,
when the value shall exceed \$50.00, be accom-
panied by a U. S. Consul's Certificate.
LEWIS CARVELL, General Manager.
Railway Office, St. John, N. B.,
April 20, 1868.

B. WILSON HIGGS,
General Commission Merchant
AND
AUCTIONEER,
Charlottetown, P. E. Island.
May 27, 1867. 1y

A. McNEILL,
Auctioneer and Storey Merchant,
MASON'S THREE-STORY BUILDING,
Dorchester Street.
Charlottetown, P. E. Island.
July 23, 1f

WEST INDIA PRODUCE.
New Landing ex "Helen Davies," from
Demerara
109 Puncheons bright Muscovado
MOLASSES.
33 Puncheons dark, for distilling,
50 " strong Demerara Rum,
30 bbls. moist sugar,
5 bbls. bright Vacuum Pan do.
1300 bushels Turf Island Salt.
Terms as usual.
Apply to J. & T. MONROE, or to
DANIEL DAVIES.
Ch'town, May 11, 1868. 10 1/2

**BELL'S
TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT.**
NOTICE!
THE UNDERSIGNED takes this op-
portunity of returning thanks to the large
number of his customers who have so promptly
complied with his terms and paid for their work
on delivery. There are, however, a considerable
number who have not paid promptly, and he
respectfully requests all such to call and pay
their respective accounts without delay. He
would further remind them that their respective
accounts, although a trifle to each, would in the
aggregate materially assist in making up some
of the deficit which their indebtedness has occasioned.
Feb 17, 1868. JOHN BELL.

FAT HERRING
300 BBLs. Bay of Islands FAT
HERRING, just arrived per Schooners
"Little" and "Foam," and for sale by
Ch'town, Dec. 23, 1867. I. C. HALL.

**Tombs
MONUMENTS!**
Headstones!
Marble Works!
Kent Street, --- Charlottetown

THE Subscriber has constantly on hand
a LARGE STOCK OF MARBLE AND
FREESTONE, and is prepared at any time to
execute orders of every description, such as
Monuments, Tombs, Headstones
and Tablets.
JOHN CAIRNS.
March 30, 1858 6m

**ERSKIN'S
BRAHEE SUGAR POWDERS,**
A Tonic and Infusing Remedy for
Rheumatism of all kinds, Neuralgia,
Lumbago, Sciatica,
As also for FACE-ACHE, TOOTH-ACHE,
EAR-ACHE, COUGHS, and all
affections from Colds.
See Lancet, under MEDICAL PATRONAGE.
WM. R. WATSON.
Six Green Street, Victoria Building,
Queen Street, Sept. 16, 1867.

**New Cottons!
New Cottons!
New Cottons!**
Just Opened!
Very Cheap!
DAVIES & WEEKS.
Queen Street, May 11, 1868.

ITALIAN WAREHOUSE.
QUEEN STREET.
Brenan's Buildings, Opposite Duncan's.
The Subscriber begs to announce that on
arrival of Brigs *Amphion* and *Volant*,
from London and Glasgow, they will
open at above address, a
FIRST CLASS GROCERY
AND
Wine & Spirit Store,
which will be known as the ITALIAN
WAREHOUSE and will embrace every
article usually found in such
establishments.
In order that purchasers may receive the
greatest possible value for their
money, the Cash System
will be observed
as far as
possible.
In advance of our regular Spring Stock, the
following articles have been received,
to which we invite the
notice of intending
buyers:
Extra Family
and Superior Flour,
Kiln-dried Cornmeal, Bags
Cloves, and Bags Jamaica Coffee,
strictly prime sugar, Bright Molasses,
casks Vinegar, casks Oil, Soap,
Spices, Raisins, Leather, Apples,
Toilet Soaps, Woodware,
&c. &c. &c.
MACACHERN & CO.
Correspondents are particularly requested to
address to
"ITALIAN WAREHOUSE,"
Charlottetown, May 11, 1868. 2m

JUST ARRIVED!
PER Steamship ALHAMBRA, and
Schoers J. G. McGUIRE and FRANK,
and for sale by the Subscriber,
400 Bbls. extra and Superior FLOUR,
50 do CORNMEAL,
10 Cases NAVY TOBACCO—a choice
article,
100 Sides SOLE LEATHER,
30 Casks KEROSENE OIL.
I. C. HALL.
Ch'town, April 27, 1868.

NOTICE!
Postage Stamps.
FROM and after this date Postage Stamps
will be sold at this office only between the
hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.
Persons wishing to post Letters before or after
these hours, can procure stamps at the Stores of
D. Laird, H. A. Harrie,
E. Reilly, Mrs. Brunner,
Mrs. Stauffer, G. Hubbard,
J. D. McLeod, Through Des Brisay,
Jas. Desriviere, H. Hazard,
G. & S. Davies, T. O'Connell.
THOS. OWEN, P. M. G.
General Post Office, Charlottetown, } 1g
Dec 7, 1867.

FRANCIS S. LONGWORTH,
Barrister and Attorney-at-Law,
OFFICE—PAVILLION HOTEL,
(next door to Hon. Joseph Hensley's)
Charlottetown, P. E. Island.
Jan. 14, 1867.

Pasture, Pasture, Pasture.
WELL WATERED PASTURE, on
the Lower Royalty Road. Apply to
GEORGE COLES.
Charl the 27th April, 22, 1868.

A CARD.
MRS. COMBS desires to intimate to
the ladies of Charlottetown, that she has
opened a class to teach Wax Work in Flowers, and
Baskets. Groups of Flowers made to order.
E. COMBS.
Residence opposite the Catholic Cathedral.
Also, part of a house to rent.
ELEANOR COMBS.

A CARD.
THE Subscriber begs to thank the public
for the liberal patronage extended to him
during the last year. Having engaged an
establishment at the Old Stand, LEWIS
WATSON, he is now prepared to execute with
despatch all orders which he may be favored with
in his line as SHIP and GENERAL BLACK-
SMITH. Fishermen will find Anchors of all
sizes for Boats cheaper and better than can be
found at any similar establishment in the City.
GEORGE H. FOSTER.
Lord's Wharf, Ch'town, } 1y
Feb. 17, 1868.

A CARD.
William Stiggins,
Machinist.
(Next door to Wm. B. Affin's Tin Shop.)
Guns, Locks and Magnetic Machines, accurately
repaired. Brackets cut, Bell Hanging and Turning
on the most reasonable terms.
Mill Gear supplied to order.
Charlottetown, P. E. I., }
May 15th, 1868. } all city papers 3m

A Fortune for Sale!
IN consequence of the death of the Pro-
prietor, the Subscriber is instructed to offer for
positive sale, that beautifully situated well known
property, viz
**Half Way House, Vernon River,
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.**
The Land consisting of about 40 acres, is in that
state of cultivation that it has been for some years
past, and will for years to come, yield a clear net
profit, more than sufficient to pay the interest on
the amount of purchase money asked for the whole
establishment, and a money making investment
this is an opportunity seldom equalled in these
Provinces, which fact can be positively proved to
any person about purchasing. The Stock of
Liquors and Goods in the Store can be
taken or not at the option of the purchaser.
For particulars, address,
GEORGE ADAMS,
Half-way House, Vernon River, }
May 18, 1868. } 1f

Cotton Duck.
THE SUBSCRIBER is Agent for the
Sale of the celebrated
RUSSELL MILL COTTON DUCK,
and is prepared to fill all orders for the same
with the least possible delay.
Also on hand Cotton Boot Duck, and Cotton
Drillings, suitable for Band Sales together
with Cotton Sail Twine, Pure Bees
Wax, &c.
I. C. HALL.
Ch'town, May 25, 1868.

SHOP TO LET.
TO LET, one of the Shops in REDDIN'S
NEW BUILDING, immediately adjoining the
Drug Store of W. R. Watson, Esq., Lower
Queen Street. For a business stand this shop is
not surpassed in the City. Possession can be given
about the first of April next. Enquire of
B. D. REDDIN.
Charlottetown, Feb. 24, 1868.

**Bristol Line to New York-
VIA BRISTOL, R. I.**
FARE: Cabin, \$2.
CARS leave the Depot of the Boston and
Providence Railroad, Pleasant street daily,
Sundays excepted.
At 5-30 P. M.
For steamer PROVIDENCE, Capt. Benj. M.
Simmons, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
For steamer BRISTOL, Capt. Benj. B. Brayton,
on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
Passengers going by this line to Philadelphia,
Baltimore and Washington, can connect with the
New Jersey and Camden and Annapolis Railroad.
This line connects also with the Athens line
going to Saratoga and the West, landing at the
same Pier in New York.
Tickets, State Rooms and Berths can be secured
at the Agent's office, Old State House, corner
Washington and State streets, and at the Boston
and Providence Railroad Depot.
GEO. SHIVERICK,
Passenger and Freight Agent.
May 23, 1868. 3m

COAL AND LIMESTONE
THE Subscriber is prepared to deliver
small cargoes of
Coal and Limestone
at any of the Harbors, Bays or Navigable Rivers
of P. E. Island, at shortest notice and on Moderate
Terms.
A. McNEILL,
Ch'town, May 25, 1868. Auctioneer.

LIGHT! LIGHT!!
Kerosene Oil,
at
WM. E. DAWSON'S.
March 23, 1868.

**Carlton's
Condition Powders.**
CANADA FLOUR!
Per Sch. "Notre Dame De Bonseur."
NOW LANDING—
300 Bbls. No. 1 Superior FLOUR,
100 " Kiln Dried CORNMEAL,
R. W. BRICKEN.
Telegraph Building, Water St., }
May 25, 1868. } 3m

GOOD FIRES.
NOW selling at the Gas Works a
quantity of very superior COKE at FIVE
PENCE per Bushel. N. B. Coke will last longer
and give a greater heat than Sydney Coal.
January 29, 1868. 1d

NOTICE.
THE Subscribers hereby caution all
persons indebted to the Estate of the late
JAMES ROBERTSON, Esq., of Lot 34, to pay
the several amounts to themselves alone, as their
receipts only will be valid discharges for the same.
ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, } Executors
JOHN STEWART, Junr., }
St. Peter's Road, March 13, 1868. 2f

"ALHAMBRA."
THE STEAMSHIP ALHAMBRA, Nicker-
son, Master, until further notice, will
leave this Port every alternate THURSDAY, at
6 p. m. for HALIFAX and BOSTON, calling at
CANNO.
RATES OF PASSAGE:
Ladies' Cabin. Gent's Cabin. Forward.
To Boston, 50s. 55s. 45s.
" Halifax, 25s. 30s. 18s.
" Canno, 20s. 25s. 15s.
C. CARVELL BROTHERS,
May 18, 1868. Agents.

HAY. HAY. HAY.
IN consequence of the scarcity of FODDER
the Subscriber has imported into ORWELL
from Nova Scotia, FOUR CARGOES OF
UPLAND HAY,
which he will sell for CASH or PRODUCE!
Orwell (Cheap Store), }
May 25, 1868. } 1f

NOTICE!
ALL persons having legal demands against
the estate of the late JAMES ROBERTSON,
Kensley Cottage, St. Peter's Road, Toronto, N. B.,
deceased, are requested to furnish the same,
only attested to either of the undersigned, for set-
tlement; and all parties indebted to the said
Estate are requested to make immediate payment to
ALEX. ROBERTSON, } Executors,
JOHN STEWART, Jr., }
Lot 31, Nov. 23, 1867. } 2f

ANGLERS, ATTENTION.
JUST RECEIVED, at the CITY HARD-
WARE STORE—
One Case Troutling Gear,
COMPRISING:
RODS, REELS,
LINES, FLIES, (some very
small.) FLY BOKS, Fish
BASKETS, Casting LINES, Trout and
Salmon GUL, ROD TIPS,
RINGS and FERRELS,
Landing NETS, and
HOOKS, in great
variety.
H. E. STARBIRD & CO.
May 25, 1868. 6m

Hardware!
Hardware! Hardware!!
RECEIVED by Spring Ships from England
—Steamers and Traders from the States
and Provinces—an endless variety of GENERAL
HARDWARE, consisting in part—
For Blacksmiths, etc.,
Anvils, Vices, Sledges, Hammers,
Screw-plates, Wires, Stocks & Dies,
Horse-shoe Hammers and Nails, (best in town)
Bolts & Nuts, all sizes and shapes,
A large lot of Stubbs' and other Files, Borax,
&c. (cheapest in Town)
For Carpenters, etc.,
A great variety of first-class Edge Tools of
American and English make,
Smooth, Tryng, Jack, Gouging, Plough, Sash
Fillister, and other Planes,
Braces & Bits, (the new kind),
Steel Hammers, Hand, Panel & Tennon Saws, etc.
For Painters, etc.,
A supply of 1st class Paints, assorted colors,
in 14, 25, & 50 lb. Kegs.
Dry Colors in variety.
Copal-oak Varnish, Turpentine,
Patent Dyes, Boiled & Raw Oil,
Superfine Whitewash Paint & Varnish Brushes
Window-Glass, Diamonds, etc.,
A Glass for Tinsmiths, Butchers,
Coopers, Cabinet-makers, Carriage,
House Builders and others.
Tons of Iron, well assorted sizes,
Spring, Axe, Bistee & Chisel Steel,
Hip Spigee & Shower Baths, with patent Force
Pumps,
Knife cleaning Machines,
Mining Machines,
A great variety of Fancy Fur-
nishing Goods.
Kerosene Lamps, Wicks, and Oils,
No. 10 Bells Spades, Rakes, Shovels,
No. 10 Bells Spades, Rakes, Shovels,
Needle to a Cannon or an Anchor—Cheap for
Cash at the
British Hardware Store.
STONE & BOUYER.
Reddin's New Building, Queen Street, }
June 1st, 1868. }

**OLD STAND,
REDDIN'S CORNER!**
THE SUBSCRIBER has received, by Barque
"UNDAINE," from LIVERPOOL, the
largest and best assortment of
China, Earthenware & Glassware
ever offered in Charlottetown, which he is pre-
pared to sell WHOLESALE and RETAIL, at uncom-
monly low prices.
CHINA TEA SETTS,
Stone China do, white and colored; white and col-
ored Stone China Dinner Sets, &c. &c., and a
great variety of Goods in the above line, too
numerous to mention.
A few Cases ASSORTED WARE for sale cheap
by the Crate.
THE GROCERY DEPARTMENT
is now stocked with the best qualities of TEAS,
SUGAR, MOLASSES, TOBACCO, SOAP, CAN-
DLES SPICES, DRIED FRUITS, &c.
LIQUORS
of the best description, consisting of Brandy, Gin,
Rum, Whiskey, Port and Sherry Wine, Cordons
&c. &c.
FLOUR and CORNMEAL from 16 to 100 lbs.
Having obtained the services of a first-class
BAKER he is prepared to supply his customers
with the best quality of BREAD of all kinds.
B. D. REDDIN.
June 1, 1868. 6m

FRESH ARRIVALS!
RECEIVED by recent arrivals and for Sale
at LOWEST PRICES for CASH or
APPROVED PAPER—
Puncheons STONE RUM,
Quarterns BRANDY,
Hills DeKeyser's GIN,
Quarterns Case Real SCOTCH WHISKY,
Cases
Cases of GINGERBREAD,
Cases RASPBERRY BALM,
Bills of WASHINGTON SOAP,
Kegs BAKING SODA,
Puncheons and Tierces Bright MOLASSES,
Best London Whisky, in 50 & A 25 lb. kegs
Bills & Raw Oil, (in 47 gal. cases)
Boxes of Best Liverpool SOAP,
Barrels of CRUSHED SUGAR,
Barrels BROWN SUGAR,
Chests and half Boxes CAYENNE TOBACCO,
Boxes of Rice, (2 cwt.) Boxes of Clothes Pins,
Nests Tubs; Dozens Corn Brooms,
Bags 5 & 6 inch SPIKES; Bags Clench Rings;
2 Cols WIRE RIGGING,
1 Cwt and 2 thirds MANILLA,
Boxes of Lozenges; Casks CURRANTS,
Boxes of BLUE, 1 lb. each,
Crate assorted EARTHENWARE
WILLIAM DODD.
Ch'town, June 8, 1868. 4w

**P. E. ISLAND
Steam Navigation Company's
Steamer "Princess of Wales"
and "Heather Belle."**
The Steamer "Princess of Wales"
WILL leave Charlottetown for Pictou every
TUESDAY and THURSDAY morning at 9
a. m., in time for the morning train for Halifax.
Leaves Pictou for Charlottetown every TUES-
DAY and FRIDAY evening, after arrival of
Train from Halifax.
Leaves Pictou for Port Hood every THURS-
DAY morning at noon, immediately after arrival
of Train from Halifax, returning to Pictou the
following morning.
Leaves Charlottetown every TUESDAY and
FRIDAY night for Summerside and Shediac, at
7 1/2 p. m. Will connect with Wednesday and
Saturday morning's Trains.
Leaves Shediac for Summerside and Charlote-
town every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY
afternoon, immediately after arrival of Train
from St. John.

FARES:
Charlottetown to Pictou, or back, £0 12 0
Pictou to Georgetown, " 0 9 0
" Port Hood, " 0 12 0
Ch'town to Summerside, " 0 9 0
" Shediac, " 0 12 0
" St. John, " \$4 50 1 8 1/2
" Eastport, " 6 00 2 17 0
" Portland, " 8 00 2 10 0
" Boston, " 9 00 2 16 0
" Halifax, " 4 00 1 4 0
" Port Hood, " 1 0 0
" Georgetown, " 0 9 0
" St. John, " 0 12 0
F. W. HALLS,
May 18, 1868. Secretary.

AN OCEAN WAIF.
IN TEN CHAPTERS.
CHAPTER IV. continued.
(From Chamber's Journal.)
"Mate," he says, "there's fifty thousand
pounds worth of gold in them little boxes,
and what some chaps would do for that!"
"What's the matter?" I says in a whisper,
for he'd stopped short.
He didn't answer, but leaned over and
clapped his hand across my mouth, and of
course I lay still as could be listening.
After a minute or two he takes his hand
away, and says: "There's some devilment
up 'at Cross, and I'm raged, mate, if I
don't think its on to-night."
He spoke so huskily, too, and seemed so
warm, that I could feel my heart go thud,
thud like a pump.
"Why, what's up?" I says.
"Mate," he says, "there's two of them
Sydney chaps in the watch as followed us;
and when I stopped 'em, I know I heard
some one a-stealing up the companion ladder."
"Phew!" I says slyly. "What shall we
do?"
"Let the captain know," says Tom.
"If we can," I says; for something struck
me that if it was as he said, we would be
stopped.
"As if we can," he says; and we slipped
out quietly, and were both ready in a minute.
"Hadin't we better rouse up these chaps?"
I said, for there was a half-dozen down
besides us.
"Wait a bit," says Tom; "p'raps its only
a hum after all."
So we stole under the hammocks to
the ladder, and as I was first, I crept up, raised
my head above the combings, and looked
round, but did not see anything particular;
so I crawled quietly on to the deck, and
waited for Tom. He was aside me in a mo-
ment, and we were beginning to feel rather
foolish, and think we had better both of us
go down, when, as you knelt close and the
sound of the long-bow, we heard a lot of
a scuffle aft, and then there was a faint cry,
and a heavy plunge in the water, and then
another cry, but fainter.
"Hush," says Tom, grasping my arm; and
then several dusky figures ran by us, pack-
ing a moment to listen, and then we heard them
closing the hatch, we came up, and there was
a sound of rope being piled on it.
We were at the bottom in an instant,
when I was seized by the throat, and a voice
growled: "Who's this? What's the slyp's
course altered for?"
"Look out Mr. Smith," hissed Tom; "nu-
tine as you'll be here in a moment."
"Damn nabobs!" roared the old fellow,
pushing us up, and running on deck; and
as we banged at the captain's and Major
Horton's door, heard a gurgling cry, an
oath, and a heavy body fall. Directly after
there was a rush down the stairs; and as
Major Horton's door opened, some one struck
me a tremendous blow on the head, and I fell;
but was conscious enough to see the major,
with a light in one hand and a pistol in the
other, send one fellow down; to hear the
piercing screams from the two poor girls,
whom I could not help; and then to hear the
sound of shots and oaths, and blows in the
captain's cabin, for a few moments; and then
it was still—except the shrieks of the poor
girls; while directly after more lights were
brought, and I saw lying across a chair, with
his head and legs upon the floor, the body of
the poor old major; and then all seemed to
be blank for a bit.
The next thing I recollect was hearing
Hicks's voice giving orders, and I heard him
say: "Open your eyes; and then there was
a sound of a heavy body being dragged
along the floor of the next cabin, and then I
heard the head go bump, bump, up the
cabin stairs; then scraped along the deck;
and then came a heavy plunge in the water.
"That's the poor skipper," I think to
myself; and just then somebody walked right
over me, and into the cabin, and I saw it was
Horton.
"Serve this old beast the same," he says;
and Phillips and Johnson took hold of the
poor old gentleman's legs, and dragged him
along; and as they knocked the chair down,
there was a cry from the inner cabin.
"Silence!" roared Hicks, dashing the but-
tend of his pistol against the door; and then
I felt a body drawn over the head of the poor
girl; and blood drip on my face, and smear across
it as was dragged along. Then followed the
bump, bump, of the head up the stairs; the
creeping rustling noise on the deck; and then
a splash told me the poor old gentleman was
gone.
Now, just then I was in a sort of sleepy,
drearly state—half-witted, I may say. I
could see and understand all that passed, and
yet did not seem either in pain or afraid. I
remember thinking that it would be either my
turn or Tom Black's next; for I supposed
he was knocked on the head too, and lying
in the captain's cabin; and I remember, too,
feeling very sorry for those two girls; and
then two fellows caught hold of my legs,
dragged me up the cabin stairs, across the
deck, and then I felt some one give me a bit
of a shove, and felt the shock as I struck the
water; and then it was as if new life rushed
through me, and as I rose to the surface, I
screaked out, and directly after felt the ship's
side.
I suppose that one of the fellows they
must have done, and the thing which poor
Tom and I heard, was to pitch the man at
the wheel overboard; for the ship was rolling
in the trough of the sea, very gently, for
there was no breeze on; and very fortunate
this was for me, as I was able to swim along
the side and climb up to the rudder-chains,
where I had just strength enough to latch my
self with my handkercher, when I turned
dead-sick again, and nearly slipped back into
the water. But somehow or another, in a
half-second's time, I managed to cling where
I was, getting my legs well twisted round;
and there I hung, drenched with the sea, shivering
with the cold, but getting brighter and clear-
er in the head, which I now found was badly
cut; but it soon stopped bleeding; and you
well suppose mine were not pleasant
thoughts, holding on there under the stern of
the ship—cold and sick at heart, and waiting
for the morning.
CHAPTER V.
If any poor wretch ever longed for the
coming of daylight, I was that poor fellow,
clinging there, feeling so weak and ludd at
times that I could have cried like a child;
but after a bit I thought of my bees, and
got a bit in my mouth, and it did seem such
a comfort. Being quite clear in my head
now, and only in pain—pretty sharp pain,
too, from the cut—I could think of all the
events of the night without getting muddled
and confused, as I did at first when I was
cut; and now it seemed all clear enough, and
just as poor Tom thought; for it was a des-
perat plot to get the treasure, and one which
had succeeded only too well. And then I
began to think about how many had been
killed and combed up—two of the men in
the watch; old Smith; the mate; the skipper;
and the poor old major; and Tom Black, sir; and
then I wondered whether they'd killed the
poor skipper; but at that same moment I
thought about Hicks and Phillips, and a
regular shudder, and a scent of going half
mad, ran through me, so that for a few
moments I felt half blind, and though blood
ran to my eyes; and that's how I felt every
time I thought of those two scoundrels.
The more I thought of the bloody deed of
the past night, the more impossible it seem-
ed to me that I could have done such a thing,
and the old salt knew that I was not a
yarn, yet it didn't seem to belong to these
times, and I almost fancied I was making a
fool of myself.
But there was no deceit about it—worse
luck—and soon I began to count up how
many snags were left; and I reckoned there'd
be eight, and not one of 'em as would turn
pirate. I'd swear, I says to myself. And
then I wondered what they'd do with them,
for they were all caged up safe in the fore-
castle. "Why, they'll shove them in one of
the quarter-boats with the ladies, and cast
them adrift," I says.
"Morning at last! first, a faint light; then,
a red glow; and then, with a rush up came
the sun, seeming to make every wave a mass
of jewels, dancing in a flood of red gold, while
the sky looked so assuring and so noble, that
it seemed impossible that such a bloody deed
should have been done in the darkness.
Every warm ray served to cheer me up, and
give hope of life, till I thought again of what
was to become of me; was I to be shot, or to
fall off the shanks, or be drowned, or what?
But another glance at the warm sun and the
bright blue sky, and I was on my feet; and I
thought I'd wait till they sent the rest of
the crew off in a boat, and then I'd swim off to
them, and trim the sharks.
And now there seemed some moving about,
for the rudder was shifted, and the ship
made some way; but, directly after, it fell
calm, and she swung round, so that I got the
full glow of the sun, which began to dry me
a bit, and warm my stiffened and chilled
limbs. Then I could hear them dashing
about, and shouting, and scrubbing the decks,
as busy as could be.
That's-to get rid of the blood, I says; and
soon after I heard a great deal of noise, and
talking, and swearing; and then there was
a pistol shot, and directly after a splash in the
water; and after a bit I saw a body float
along, and knew the face of that of a mate as
had been in my watch—a good man and
true. While I was looking sorrowfully at
him, there came a sharp splash in the water,
and then he was dragged under, and I saw
him no more; but at the same moment from
above my head I heard a faint scream, and
the whispering of voices, and then the closing
of a window.
The sound of these voices revived me, so
that I roused up; and I believe I should have
slipped into the water, I felt so sick and
dizzy, and then the sharks would have had
another meal. I suppose I was weak from
loss of blood, and besides, I had never seen
any horrors before; while there had been
enough during the last few hours to upset
any poor fellow. I must have gone; for I
had tied my handkercher round my head,
because I could not see.
By and by, I heard the boat lowered, and
splash in the water; and after a bit, as if
they were putting in provision and water, I
heard her push off, and made ready for a
swim, or else to shout to them. So I leaned
out as far as I could, and watched till she
came in sight; for I dared not let those on
deck see me, for I could not see her, but
my heart seemed quite to sink, for there
were only six men in her, and the young
ladies were not there; while, after a bit of
study of the faces, I made out as it was the
cook that was left behind.
"Poor gals, poor gals!" I muttered to my-
self, and I shrank back in the chains, and
sat there thinking, and giving up all hope
of going with the boat, for I didn't feel as
if I could; and so, without seeing me, the
poor chaps rowed away, and at last got to be
quite a little speck.
The heat of the day came, and still it was
calm; then the evening, and I'd sat there
with nothing to keep me but a bit of tobacco;
and now I knew it would soon be sunset,
for the sky was getting all gloom again. I had
not heard any more of the young ladies,
though I fancied once the window opened;
but from where I was, I could not climb up,
nor yet see; and so I sat and waited, meaning
to try and climb on deck when it was dark,
for I felt famished.
Every now and then I could hear the fel-
lows shouting and singing, and it was evident
that there was plenty of grog on the way.
Tom set me thinking again about Hicks and
Phillips, and I could not see anything so
too bad for the villains; and I tried whether
I could not climb up to the window where the
ladies were, knowing all time that I, single-
handed, could do nothing. But I soon found
out that I could not manage it, and made up
my mind to wait till it was dark, when
perhaps they could hand out something to
help me.
I was sitting waiting for the night, when
all of a sudden I heard the window-glass up
above me dashed out, and the little pieces fell
spattering into the water; and then I knew,
for a few moments, I went mad, and frathed
at the mouth. Shriek, after shriek, and the
noise of struggling; prayers for mercy, help,
ry, and all in the most heart-rendering tones;
the knocking together of furniture and break-
ing of glass; and still above all these pitiful
cries for help, there came the same angry
voices of men and oaths; ones, I felt sure,
blows; and still the cries continued, and all
at once ceased. Then there was the loud
banging of a door, and all noise and swearing
on the deck, and all the while I was holding
my head tight against the side of the ship, to
keep it from spinning, for it seemed as though
my brain must burst my skull.
After a bit, I heard a loud wailing sob,
and such a bitter cry as brought the pitying
tears coursing down my rough cheeks, and
that seemed to do me good, and I tried to
make her as cheer her ear me. But I could
not, and then I listened again, and heard a
choking voice say: "God! Father, forgive us,
for we cannot live!" and then it was quite
dark, and I heard in the stillness of the night,
those two sisters bidding one another goodbye,
so sweetly and lovingly, and my tongue
stuck to the roof of my mouth, for a horrid
chill ran through me, and I knew they were
going to jump in. "Stop, stop!" I cried at
last, in a voice that I didn't know for mine.
"Who spoke?" I heard from above me.
"Hush!" I whispered, leaning out as far I
could—lurch! it is me—John Cross. And
then I heard a sound as if some one had
fallen on the ground. A few minutes after
I heard the voice again.
"Pray—pray, save us! For Heaven's sake
help!"
"Yes, yes!" I said; "but speak low, or we
shall be heard—Miss Mary?"
"Yes," cried the voice eagerly.
"Is there a rope of any kind there?"
There was silence for a minute, and then
she said: "No!"
"Then take the sheets from the cot, and
tie them tightly together, and then fasten one
end to the table, tightly, mind!"
I waited while I could hear her busily
toiling, but in a few moments the voice
whispered despairingly: "I can never tie
them tightly enough."
"Never mind," I said; "only tie them, all
you can find, together, and lower them down."
Soon after, something white was lowered
from the cabin window, and hung down
waving backwards and forwards; and at

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