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Hotels.

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DUNCAN HOUSE, LINDSAY, Commercial Hotel. Good beds, good tables, good samples. Free omnibus to and from House. Terms $1 per day. DUNCAN, Proprietor. Lindsay, April 1, 1881.

DOMINION HOTEL, Kirkfield, Victoria, Ontario, etc. JONAS LAW, Proprietor. Good Stabling, etc. Bar always supplied with the choicest liquors. Pool Table. Charges moderate. March 9.

GLOBE HOTEL, LINDSAY, Ont. HENRY O'BRIEN proprietor. This hotel has been thoroughly refitted throughout and refurnished. The proprietor solicits a share of the patronage of the travelling public. Bar supplied with the choicest liquors and cigars. Good stabling on premises. Charges moderate. THOMAS MOON

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QUEEN'S HOTEL, BALDUR. [illegible]

QUEEN HOTEL, CANNINGTON. [illegible]

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D. ROSS, AUCTIONEER for Victoria County. [illegible]

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[illegible] WHICH BAILIFF sth Victoria. [illegible] Auctioneer County Victoria.

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MONEY TO LOAN.

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W. KENNY, Veterinary Surgeon, GRADUATE OF MERCHANTS VETERINARY COLLEGE. Residence and Office: Russell street, near Brewer's foundry.

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W. H. Pogue.

TO MARIPOSA FARMERS AND RESIDENTS OF LITTLE BRITAIN. [illegible] NEW GOODS. Which we will sell at CITY PRICES FOR CASH. [illegible] W. H. POGUE. Lindsay, April 1, 1881.

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REMOVAL. ALEXANDER MITCHELL, Begs to inform the public that he has purchased the business of Mr. JOSIAH PERRIN and has removed to the premises formerly occupied by the latter, Cambridge-st., Lindsay. Monuments, Tombstones and all descriptions of Marble and Granite work. STONE CUTTING done on the shortest notice. TERMS REASONABLE. Lindsay, April 15th, 1881.

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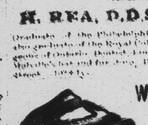
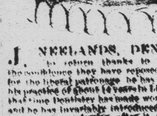
Dentistry.

H. REA, D.D.S., L.D.S., Graduate of the Philadelphia Dental College, also graduate of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario. Dentist, Lindsay. Office over Walker's drug store, Doheny Block, Kent street. 1064-1y



W. H. CROSS, L. D. S., DENTIST. Will furnish ARTIFICIAL TEETH on January 1, 1881, a great reduction from his regular prices and all work done by him guaranteed of the best material. He adapts all valuable improvements in dentistry to the operation branch of Dentistry, the preservation of the natural teeth will be made especially. LAUGHING GAS administered as usual. Nearly Nineteen Years' Experience in Dentistry. Call at his Rooms, over Mr. J. Kennedy's store, KENT ST., LINDSAY. Nov. 2, 1880.



J. NEELANDS, DENTIST, begs to return thanks to the public for the confidence they have reposed in his skill and for the liberal patronage he has received during a practice of about 17 years in Lindsay. During that time Dentistry has made wonderful progress, and he has invariably introduced every improvement in the profession that has fully tested, for EXTRACTING TEETH WITHOUT PAIN he adds Chloroform and Ether he used Electricity in Presidency of Local Assembly for 19 years ago he introduced Nitrous Oxide Gas and since that time used it uninterruptedly and has had perfect success in its use. Thousands of testimonials as to its efficacy can be produced by him. He claims to be one of the first in the Dominion who used coffer dam while filling teeth with gold, having used Dr. Barnum, the inventor, give a plate in New York (the just before the patent. Mr. Neelands established it for the first time before the Dental Association of Ontario. In mechanical dentistry he has used almost every kind of plate that has ever been introduced. For holding artificial teeth firmly in the mouth he has used the various gum patents for Dr. Wilson and Scott. He was one of the over-vulcanite which is considered better than all others. He has attended Dental Conventions and keeps up with the times. He uses one of the best mediums in all other kinds. No extra charge is made for their use. He uses the best of gold for fillings. Artificial teeth are inserted at from $5 to $20 according to quality and kind of plate. Teeth extracted for 25 cents. Office and residence, Kent-st., Lindsay. Nov. 26, 1880.

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NEW BUTCHER SHOP. JAMES HORN, having leased for a term of years the well known butcher-shop lately in charge of Mr. Wm. Jack, near the old Post-office, will keep none but the Best Kinds of MEATS. My Steaks and Roasts will be of the very best. Orders promptly attended to and delivered in any part of the town. A call solicited. JAMES HORN. Lindsay, January 25th, 1881. 1064-tf

Mrs. B. F. Jewett.

SEASONABLE FRUITS. Just received at MRS. B. F. JEWETT'S. Comprising ORANGES, LEMONS, APPLES, DATES, FIGS, CONFECTIONERY, &c. CANNED FRUIT AND FISH OF ALL KINDS. HOT TEA AND COFFEE and lunches at all hours. Agent for Crawford's Pure Teas. Lindsay, April 11, 1880.

Photography.

YOU CAN GET A Better and Cheaper Photograph —AT— SCOTT & ANDRUS'S. Gallery over Gregory's drug store, cor. of Kent and William streets, Lindsay, than any other place in town. Try them and find out for yourselves. SCOTT & ANDRUS. Lindsay, Dec 13, 1880.

W. D. Matthews & Co.

GRAIN. The undersigned will pay the HIGHEST CASH PRICE FOR BARLEY, WHEAT, PEAS AND OATS. Delivered at Baker's Mill stockhouse or at Whitby & Lindsay Railway dock-mainarrival. W. D. MATTHEWS & Co. Lindsay, August 3, 1880.

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CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY. Established 1847.

Assets over	$3,000,000
Yearly income	850,000
Death claims last year	193,000
Interest income	143,000
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Extract of the financial position of the Canada Life may be gained from the above figures. The conditions of its policies are of the most liberal character, its rates moderate and its profits larger than those given by any other company. These ensuring now will be entitled to 5 years profits at the next Division in 1886. For rates and all information apply to F. C. TAYLOR, Agent, Lindsay. Lindsay, Dec 2, 1880.

A. Hall.

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W. H. Robson.

LINDSAY TEA HOUSE, Kent-st., West. FOR TEAS, SUGARS AND General Groceries. The public may depend on getting the VERY BEST VALUE that can be had in town. Also my Crockery, China and Earthenware. Will be kept well assorted and sold at the closest prices. FAMILY PROVISIONS, including Fruits and Vegetables, as usual will have my special care as to quality, and the prices will be as LOW AS THE LOWEST. Thankful for past favours I will endeavour to be merely deserving in future. Soliciting a call. W. H. ROBSON, Kent-st., West, Lindsay. Lindsay, July 23, 1880.

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LUMBER AND SHINGLES. LUMBER Of all kinds, suitable for building and other purposes can be had cheap in quantities of 30,000 feet and upwards, also SHINGLES Of any grade. The subscriber is prepared to ship lumber to any point. BOBCAYGEON LIME. Also a large quantity of Lime from the now celebrated Bobcaygeon kiln. Orders for Lumber and Lime can be left with Mr. S. WALKER, at the yard, below Peel's Mill, Lindsay. M. HOYD, Bobcaygeon, Ont.

LUMBER YARD. The subscriber has on hand and for sale at their LUMBER YARD, LINDSAY, OR BANK OF RIVER EAST SIDE WILLIAM ST. IN REAR OF WOOLLEN FACTORY. All kinds of Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors, Lath, Flooring, Joist, Pickets, Plank all width and lengths or cut to order on the shortest notice. All manufactured in Gang Mill by Green & Ellis, Fenelon Falls. A. W. EARKING, Agent, Office opposite Woollen Factory. 1066-1y

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Architects & Surveyors.

JAMES DICKSON, P. L. Surveyor, Commissioner in the Q. B., Conveyancer, &c. Residence and address, Fenelon Falls. 1069-1y.

Farms for Sale.

LOTS FOR SALE. Nos 5, 6, 9 & 10 in Block J J, and No. 9 in Block C C. My financial affairs oblige me to sell these lots. They can be had at a bargain. Title good. Apply to WM. BENNETT, Bobcaygeon P O., or on his premises, Lot 26 in the Township of Harvey, or to O'LEARY & O'LEARY, Barristers, Lindsay.—March 14, 1880.—1071-pd-tf.

FOR SALE.—A number of IMPROVED FARMS for sale very cheap in the Township of TINY, in the County of Simcoe; SEVERAL FARMS for sale in the Townships of ELDON, MARIPOSA, FENELON, VERULAM and HARVEY; HOUSES and BUILDING LOTS for sale in LINDSAY and TWO STORES and TWO DWELLING HOUSES to RENT. For particulars apply to J. B. DIXON, Barrister, &c., Lindsay. Dec. 17, 1879.—1058-tf.

For Sale or To Let.

TO LET OR FOR SALE.—A FRAME HOUSE two stories, seven rooms, a kitchen, stable, quarter of an acre. Opposite Dundas' storehouse. Very cheap. Further particulars can be had from PHILIP FARRELLY, Lindsay Post Office. March 5, 1881. 22-13pd.

TO LET OR SELL.—That COMMODIOUS AND DESIRABLE BRICK DWELLING on lots 12 and 13 north of Russel Street, Lindsay, containing eleven rooms, formerly occupied by Mr. C. L. Baker. The house is pleasantly situate and conveniently fitted with modern improvements. Hard and soft water. There is three-quarters of an acre of land with good outbuildings attached to dwelling. Will be rented for a term of years or sold on very reasonable terms. For particulars, &c., apply to Messrs. O'LEARY & O'LEARY, Barristers, P. S. MARTIN, Barrister, Lindsay, or the proprietor Mrs. MORRISSY on the premises. Lindsay, February 16, 1881. 19-tf

LANDS FOR SALE. Lot No. 24 in the sixth concession of the township of Ops, containing 54 acres, on the east side of the undivided half and 25 acres on the west side, finely situated and in view of the town. Also park lot 11, west of Albert street, 2 acres opposite the contemplated exhibition grounds. Lots 1, 2 and 17 in block L., north of Kent street. Part of lot 10 south of Peel street, 78 feet frontage on Market street. The east half of lot 9 and the west half of lot 8, north of Peel street. TERMS EASY. Apply to W. McDONNELL, jr., Solicitor. Lindsay, April 21st, 1881.—28-tf.

FOR SALE. Village Lot Number 40, North side of Christopher-st., MANILLA, on which is erected A TWO STOREY FRAME SHOP 24x40; FRAME STABLE 22x30; Boiler, 12 horse power; Engine, 10 horse power; Plain boring machine; Lathe (heavy frame), Circular Saw rigged with able power; Vertical Cutter; Cutting box; Shafting, Pulleys, Belting, and Smoke Stack. Will be sold as one lot or separately, and time given for part of the purchase money. Property can be seen and terms made known by applying to the proprietor, GEO. DOUGLAS, Manilla, March 3, 1881. 22-tf

Poultry.

W. R. CUNNINGS, LITTLE BRITAIN ONT. Importer and breeder of FIRST-CLASS POULTRY, Of the following varieties: WHITE FACED, BLACK SPANISH, PLYMOUTH ROCKS, HOUDANS AND BLACK RED GAME BANTAMS. SEND FOR CIRCULAR. Little Britain, March 25, 1881. 25 13.

Edmund Gregory.

FRESH SEEDS. BUY FROM THE IMPORTER. EDMUND GREGORY Has now on hand a full stock of IMPORTED FRESH SEEDS INCLUDING TURNIP, CARROT, MANGOLD, RAPE, BEET, GARDEN SEEDS, FLOWER SEEDS. Corner Kent and William-sts. Lindsay. Lindsay, March 22, 1881.

John McTaggart, Kirkfield.

JOHN McTAGGART, KIRKFIELD, Commissioner in B.R., Conveyancer, Deeds, Mortgages, Leases, &c., drawn on short notice. MONEY TO LOAN At a low rate of interest, on good farm security and on easy terms of repayment; either on the sinking fund system or straight loans. A yearly payment of $100.70 will pay off a mortgage of $1,000 principal and interest in 20 years. FIRE INSURANCE. Effected in the following reliable companies: THE LANCASHIRE, Capital $10,000,000. STANDARD " 3,000,000. ISOLATED RISK " 500,000. And the ONTARIO MUTUAL of London, Ont. The Celebrated Wilson & Lennon Sewing Machines for sale. LAND AND GENERAL AGENT. Kirkfield, Feb. 5, 1879. 1013.

Miscellaneous.

PORTRAITS OF HON. GEORGE BROWN. Those who have received portraits of Hon. Geo. Brown can obtain size frames from me at from 50c. to $1.50. Orders promptly filled. W. A. GOODWIN, Cambridge-st., Lindsay. Lindsay, April 4, 1881.—26-tf.

PORTRAITS OF THE HON. GEO. BROWN. Mr. R. SMITH, Furniture Dealer of Little Britain, is prepared to frame any number of the portraits of Hon. George Brown, at prices ranging from 50c. to $1.50 each according to the style of the frame. Little Britain, April 20, 1881.—26-tf.

BARN FRAMING.—A CORRECTION.—Having rented my farm and sold my farm stock and implements, some opposition farmers took advantage of the circumstances to report round the country that I had sold out and gone to Dakota. This report is not true. The fact is that I have rented my farm and the house has moved into the house on the Lee farm adjoining, which I bought last spring from E. D. Orde, and I will be prepared to take contracts as usual to build houses, barns, bridges, &c., of wood, stone, brick or iron on the most reasonable terms. JOHN ADRRISON, Lindsay P. O., Lot 23, 8th con. Ops. Ops, Dec. 18th, 1880.—1111-6mons.

EYE, EAR AND THROAT. DR. G. S. RYERSON, L.R.C.P.S.E. Lecturer on the Eye, Ear, and Throat, Trinity Medical College, Toronto; Surgeon to the Mercer Eye and Ear Infirmary, Consulting Surgeon (ex officio) to the institutions for the Blind, Brantford, and for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville, Ont.; late Clinical Assistant Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital, Moorfields, and Central London Throat and Ear Hospital, London, Eng. Can be consulted at his residence, 317 Church street, Toronto. Hours: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 2 to 4 p.m. At Toronto, March 2, 1881.—21-1y.

MISS MITCHELL. Begs leave to thank the public for their liberal patronage, and she is now prepared to carry on a larger business than ever, having all the NEW YORK & PARIS FASHIONS on hand for spring and summer. All styles in Bridal, Evening, Dinner and Walking Costumes, also Children's Clothing a specialty. Mantles, Dolmans, Ulsters and Ulsterettes made to order. First-class work at the lowest prices in town. All cutting and fitting warranted. She is prepared to assist in matching all dress goods and trimmings. ROOMS OVER MILLVILLE'S FUR STORE AND FINE'S GROCERY. A call respectfully solicited. The Girls (some apprentices) wanted to learn the business. Lindsay, March 18th, 1881.—25-tf.

"THE CHILDREN LAUGHED AND SANG."

It was in the chill December
That the Angel of Death came by.
And he rustled his wings of darkness
As he swept through the wintry sky:
A household of happy creatures
Dwelt quiet, and free from care,
And the angel stole in softly,
And stood all silent there.
(But the children laughed and sang at their play;
Never a fear nor a pang had they.)

And the angel swiftly in silence
Struck home the mortal blow,
And in the wintry morning
He laid the father low:
And wildly the sorrowful mother,
Bewildered and stunned with woe,
Wailed in her lone bereavement,
And wished that she too might go.
(But the children laughed and sang at their play;
Never a fear nor a pang had they.)

Cold in the lonely chamber
Lay the father's form at rest;
And they laid the delicate flower-wreaths
Upon his quiet breast:
And forth from his home they bore him,
And hid him from sound and sight;
And they heaped the cold earth above him
While the children's feet trod light.
(But the boys went home to their happy play;
Never a fear nor a pang had they.)

And often the childish footsteps
Are turned to their father's grave,
Where the grass with its glistening hoar-frost,
Lies over that heart so brave;
And sometimes they watch their mother
Bending in sorrow and pain;
And they say in their childish voices:
"Will papa never come again?"
(But soon they laugh and sing at their play;
Never a fear nor a pang have they.)

So God in his infinite pity
Shuts the eyes of the children dear,
And they see not the fell destroyer,
Though their eyes are so bright and clear.
And I said: "There's no past for the children,
With its terrible pangs and stings;
And for them no brooding future
Spreadeth its threatening wings,
All they see is the present today,
And so they laugh and sing at their play."

—Chambers's Journal.

THE WRECK OF THE "MORNING STAR."

A THRILLING RECORD OF ADVENTURE AND SHIPWRECK.

By the Author of the "Romance of Mid-Ocean."

(Continued from last week.)

Chapter XIV.

"Four of us, sir," the boatswain answered, nodding toward Nelly, that I might know he included her in the four.

My sweetheart had no covering to her head, otherwise she was completely dressed; and over her shoulders was a large plaid shawl, dark, and clinging with the saturating dew. She was terribly white, with a pitiful, wasted look; but whenever she raised her eyes she had a smile for me—a smile so sweet, so glad, so full of joyous surprise, that I can only compare it to the expression on the face of a child that has died painlessly.

However, I would not suffer her to speak. I knew what she wanted, and what was indeed most imperatively needful to her; and I went at once to the captain's cabin and taking the bedclothes from the hammock I prepared the bunk for her; and the moment she had made an end of her repast I took her hand and led her to the cabin, just whispering, "My blessed one, I cannot guess what you have suffered, but I do know that sleep is as necessary to you as food and drink;" and lifting her in my arms I laid her in the bunk, and kissing her cold cheek I closed the door and left her.

"God be praised for finding this brig and you aboard of her, Mr. Lee!" exclaimed the boatswain, running up to me, and in the wildness and delight of his feelings grasping my hand. "Another day must ha' done for the poor lady; I don't know that she would have gone through this night, sir."

"What has become of the Morning Star?" I asked.

"She's at the bottom of the ocean, sir," replied Sinnet, catching his breath.

"What!" I exclaimed, in a low, amazed voice, staring round upon the pale faces of the men, who nodded as they met my eye.

"Ay, sir, a few hours after we lost sight of the brig," said the boatswain, "the ship took the plunge. There was nothen' to be seen, no breakers, not a westige o' reef above water. She plumped down in it, goin' five knots at the time, fit to break her in two, and I could hear the water rushing into her forrard like a torrent over a dam. Oh, Mr. Lee, it's an awful pity—an awful pity, sir! God Almighty knows why and how it happened, but I heard Mr. Thomas say there was no reefs marked down in the charts within five hundred miles o' that place."

He sighed heavily, and passed the back of his great hairy hand over his eyes. I was burning with curiosity to hear more of the story, but it would have been cruel to keep the poor fellows standing and talking after what they had gone through.

"You shall tell me all about it, bo'sun, after you have taken some rest," said I. "There are blankets in those births there; go and turn in; and you two," addressing the others, "must make shift in this berth," indicating the carpenter's. And then, looking at my watch, I told them I should need no more sleep that night, and would keep a lookout.

I had never beheld men so exhausted. One of them had no cap, and his black hair hung in streaks over his shoulders and forehead, while his eyes still glowed with the fever that thirst had kindled in them; and his ribs and the sharp angles of his collar-bone and shoulders were clearly marked on the thin, drenched shirt that, with a pair of canvas trousers, formed his dress.

Before I went on deck I opened the door of Nelly's cabin very quietly, and crept to the side of the bunk and looked at her. The reflection of the lamp streamed in through the open door, so that her face was quite plain. She was sound asleep, and breathing deeply. Her hair had fallen loose, or she had loosed it herself, and it lay in a great heap on the bolster. I touched her hand and found it warm, and felt her dress (I had let her shawl slip off her shoulders when I laid her in the bunk), and noticed that only the lower part of it was damp; and as she was completely covered, I reckoned that her underclothing would protect her against the dampness of her dress.

As the sun rose, turning the whole of the eastern sea into molten silver, I again from the mast head scanned the ocean, not knowing but that one or more of the Morning Star's boats might be in sight, and heartily praying that my little forlorn wreck might be the means of rescuing more lives, when, on looking down, I perceived the boatswain gazing up at me.

"Do you see anything of the long-boat, sir?" he called out.

I replied that nothing was in sight, and immediately descended to the deck. I asked him how he felt; he answered, himself again after his sleep. The other men were not awake, and I would not have them disturbed.

"We are not out of the mess, yet," I said, "and we have all our work before us, and we shall need all our strength too. Tell me now about the Morning Star."

He began by saying that when I put off with the two men to board the brig all hands were on deck watching me. From the superior height of the Morning Star they had been able to notice the appearance of the weather to windward when the sky still looked clear to me, and he for one was surprised, when the breeze first came down, that Mr. Thomas did not insist on my returning. He was on the quarter-deck, looking over the rail of the bulwarks, when the boat put off from the brig, and he heard Mr. Thomas, who was looking at her through a glass, say to Mr. Black that he couldn't make out what the men were doing; they were sculling the boat, and that there were only two men in her.

The boatswain felt sure that something was wrong, but nothing could be known for certain until the boat had run down to the ship, partly sculled and partly blown along by the wind. The moment Mr. Thomas heard the men's story he swung the yards, and headed to make a long board so as to fetch the brig to windward; but presently the squall came thundering down, and though all hands were on deck, and everything let go in order to save their spars, they had to put the helm up and run for it, until they had clewed up and hauled down; and by the time they had got the yards round again, the brig was a long way to windward.

However, they went on ratching, and to give her way Mr. Thomas cracked on; but just before it fell dark, and when the ship was on the starboard tack, she missed stays and broke with great violence down on and from the brig. This forced them to wear ship—for she would not stay under the canvas then on her—and brace up on the port tack, the vessel's head then lying south by west. The wind increasing, they were obliged to furl the mizzen-top-sail, and stow the inner jib; but Mr. Thomas told the boatswain he had the bearings of the brig, that there was no great risk of Mr. Lee coming to harm, and that by daybreak he hoped to be hove to close to windward of the wreck.

It was four bells in the middle watch, the night dark, and still blowing fresh, and the ship heading s. s. w. and making a great deal of leeway, when the boatswain, who was asleep in his bunk, was awakened by a horrible grating sound. In a moment a dozen voices had yelled out that the ship had struck, and was foundering. Everybody's first impression was that they had run down the brig. The boatswain rushed on deck, and at the same time the vessel heeled heavily over to starboard. He believed that she was going down, and that it was all over with them. However, in a few seconds she righted, but the confusion on deck was frightful. Madam Espinosa rushed up in her night dress and stood shrieking at the break of the poop, and everybody was yelling out; there was no order, no discipline. It was pitch dark and the seas breaking heavily over the weather-bulwarks; the sails thundered overhead, and amid all could be heard the rushing of water into the ship's hold.

Mr. Thomas was quite cool, and stood in the waist shouting to the men to get the long-boat hoisted out while there was time. This he succeeded in getting done, but no sooner was she alongside than there was a rush, and a whole crowd of men jumped into her; however, although the sea was breaking heavily over the vessel, the long-boat lay comparatively safe under the shelter of the lee bulwarks, and the boatswain saw, as he believed, all the passengers get into her.

Whether Mr. Thomas got into her or not he could not say, but not knowing that Nelly was still aboard he (the boatswain) was about to drop over the side, when the long-boat went adrift, and in a moment vanished into the surrounding darkness. Perceiving this he sprung aft to the port quarter-deck, where he found two of the men busy at the falls; there he saw Nelly standing by them, perfectly calm and quiet. He raised her in his arms and put her into the boat, and one of the men also jumped in. He and the other man then lowered the boat, and when she was unhooked (this boat, it will be remember, unhooked herself) they got into her by going down the falls. They then threw their oars out and rowed, so as to get clear of the broken water that twice half filled the boat, but they kept as close under the lee of the ship as they could, so as to get the benefit of the shelter she offered; and there they lay riding to their oars, which they made into a bundle, until the dawn broke, shortly after which the ship glided off the reef into deep water, and went down as upright as if she had been on the stocks, the mainmast alone truck being the last thing seen of her.

Both the captain's gig and starboard quarter-boat were washing about bottom up, but there was not a living thing to be seen, and no signs of the long-boat. The boatswain said it was impossible to tell what the loss of life was. Had there been less confusion and more discipline, every man might have got away safe. He believed that several of the crew were drowned in the rush for the long boat; he was almost sure that Mr. Thomas jumped into her, believing that the two lady passengers were there, and that he could do no good by sticking to the vessel. The fact of the other boats having been lowered, proved that some of the crew had endeavored to save their lives by other means, and that they had either capsized in the lowering or been upset by the sea, which was very heavy to windward of the ship.

It fell calm after sunrise; but the sun that brought them comfort at first added to their misery afterward, for they lay roasting under it without a drop of water or a morsel of food in the boat. They had but two oars, but had they had fifty they could not have used them; for where should they row? in what direction should they turn the boat's head? They knew they were hundreds of miles distant from any land, and the boatswain said that it almost drove him mad, so that he barely restrained himself from jumping overboard when he thought of the unfrequented seas which surrounded them, how many days might pass before a vessel should heave in sight, and how, meanwhile, they were without food and drink.

He said that throughout Nelly was wonderfully brave, and patient, and calm, and was constantly calling on them to keep up their hearts as they sat idly in their boat, hopelessly gazing around the horizon. And, indeed, the suggestion that ultimately saved their lives came from her, for she spoke of the brig, and asked the boatswain if he thought that the vessel had lived through the night; and on the boatswain answering that she was full of timber she could not sink unless she broke up, she asked why they should not try to find her; and at this simple question all three men set up a shout, as though the brig had actually then hove into sight.

He said that Nelly's judgment was marvellous; that she talked like a true sailor, and asked questions that greatly helped him to determine the approximate bearing of the brig. One of the men in the boat was at the wheel of the Morning Star when the brig was sighted, and he said he would take his oath she lay due south when the squall struck the ship. Then they made a calculation how far they had ratched to the eastward and how far to the westward, and they arrived at the conclusion that the brig bore about ten miles to the south-east when the wind shifted after the Morning Star had gone about. With a pencil she found in her pocket Nellie drew a circle in the sternsheets, and the boatswain helped to make a compass of it, showing the position of the brig as nearly as their memory would help them to arrive at it at the time when the shift of wind came; and they reckoned how long they had stood to the southward on the port tack; and the speed of the ship at the time, and by their calculations they brought the ship to lie about sixteen miles south-west of the brig when she struck; and that being so, they reckoned that the wreck bore about n. n. e. from them.

As by this time the sun was high, and they had nothing to steer by, they determined to wait until sunset in order to know how to head the boat; and then steering so as to bring the sun on the port quarter, they took to their oars and rowed steadily, using the stars as a guide. They continued rowing for several hours, but the men grew so exhausted at last, and so mad with thirst that they could row no longer; and now they had to wait for the morning before they could tell if the brig was in sight. But although she could have been seen from the deck of a ship, and although, as I afterward reflected, the boat must have been within the horizon when I ascended to the royal yard to look around for too small a speck to be visible even with the glass, yet, as they could see nothing of her, their hearts utterly failed them, for they believed that their quest would be useless, and they might go on rowing until they dropped dead at their oars without the wreck heaving in view.

This was their second day in the boat, and toward the afternoon one of the men jumped overboard, but was fished out of the water by the boatswain. After he had lain awhile in the boat he said the water had done his thirst good and this made the others go over the side and soak themselves, and it also relieved them; but whatever Nelly's sufferings were, she said she could endure them; and she proved that she could do so, indeed, for until she could no longer articulate with her dry tongue, she was urging them not to loose hope, and advised them to us take to the oars again when the night fell, as she said (and they all agreed with her) that the brig could not possibly be many miles distant. So when it fell dark they had another spell at the oars, and the little breeze that blew astern helped them along in the direction they had decided to steer.

It was about half-past ten, as near as the boatswain could recollect, that they first sighted the red light thrown upon the air by the fire raft. They believed it was a shipwreck, and pulled toward it with a hearty good will, hoping to fall in with other boats. After they rowed for some time the wind changed and blew directly against them, and this retarded their progress considerably; however, they persevered, with many intermissions, and the fire-raft setting their way, they saw what it was, and it puzzled them exceedingly. At last the boatswain said they were planks from the wreck, and that it was likely that Mr. Lee had made up that fire, and if so, the brig could not be far off. He had scarcely said this when Nelly caught sight of the green light and pointed to it, being unable to speak. Shortly afterward the brig herself loomed into view, and in about six hours' rowing from the time they had taken to the oars on the night falling, they got along side the brig and boarded her.

Such was the boatswain's story—told by me as I have put it, but in language infinitely more picturesque, and rendered moving by words and gestures which thrust deeply home into me the horrors and sufferings they had passed through. And now how could I sufficiently thank God for inspiring me with the idea of the fire-raft? for had it not been for sighting that blaze, it is fifty to one but that they would have missed the brig and drifted awhile and then perished.

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"Ay, ay," responded Johnson. "Bill speaks gospel in that, Mr. Lee. Though it looked a bad business in the first start it were a bloomin' good job arter all that you were left aboard this here orld; leastways, I speak for ourselves and the lady, sir; and I for one say and bless her for the way she heartened us up and forced us to save ourselves.

"The same here!" exclaimed the boatswain.

She opened her cabin door at this minute and came out. I sprung forward and grasped her hands. The weary expression had gone from her face; she was indeed still very pale, but her eyes were bright and her smile was quick and sweet, and full of life, as I ran to meet her. She had managed to coil and smooth down her hair, and adjust her dress in some clever fashion so as to make herself look as fresh as though she had but left her toilet-table, her paleness took nothing away from what, in my sight, was the handsomest womanly face in the world, and it only made her smile the sweeter by coloring it with a little shadow of sorrowful tenderness. I was immensely glad to find her up and looking well, for, to speak the truth, it was a hard to guess whether a serious illness would not follow the mental and physical sufferings she had to endure, and some bitter misgivings on that head had troubled me while the boatswain related his story, though I kept them to myself. However, it was certain now that the repose she had taken had brought her very much to herself again, and I believed that