

THE QUEST.

Down in the wild green wood
My love in thoughtful mood
Went wandering.



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SYNOPSIS.

Master Ardick, just reached his majority and thrown upon his own resources, after stating his case to one Houthwick, a shipmaster, is shipped as second mate on the industry, bound for Havana.

CHAPTER XIX.—CONTINUED.

"We will hold on steadily and yet without tiring ourselves," said the captain. "The farther we can draw those fellows from the ship the better, especially since the wind may be with us."

She instantly answered and parted the curtain.
I pitied her so that I could not easily command my words, but after a moment managed to explain what had happened.

"Now!" cried Mr. Tym, whirling upon us. "Up and fire!"
Promptly enough we responded. As Towland gave his sign we thrust forward our weapons, steadied them while one's pulse might give a single beat, and fired.

I opened them again, when there was a great shout, followed by a hard banging of steel, and on staring that way I saw the uprisen and bloody figure of Capt. Sellinger, his sword in his hand, and three of the buccaneers in full retreat before him.

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