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(OONTIBUED.) CHAPTER III.

I LOSE MY COMPANIONS.

Ilay for a long while insensible, and that I should have recovered my mind instead of dying in that swoon I must ever account as the greatest wonder of a life that has not been wanting in the marvelous. I had no sconer sat up than all that had happened and my present situation instantly came to me. I got upon my legs, and found that I could stand and walk, and that life flowed warm in my veins, for all that I had been lying motionless for an hour or more, laved by water that would have become see had it been still. It was intensely dark; the binnacle lamp was extinguished, and the light in the cabin burned too dimly to throw the faintest color LOUB MY COMPANIONS

was extinguished, and the light in the cabin burned too dimly to throw the faintest color men the hatchway. One thing I quickly noticed—that the gale had broken and blew no more than a fresh breeze. The sea still ran very high; but, though every surge continued to hurl its head of snow, and the heavens resembled ink from contrast with the passage, as it seemed, close under them of these pallid bodies, there was less spite in its wash, less fury in its blow.

Finding that I had the use of my voice, I

halloaed as loudly as I could, but no human abouted, giving some of the people their names—but in vain. Father of mercy! I thought, hat has come to pass? Is it possi-ble that all my companions have been washed

I stood for some moments as one stunned. and then my manhood—trained to some pur-pose by the usage of the sea, reasserted itself; and may be I also got some slonder comfort from observing that, dull and heavy as was the motion of the brig, there was yet the buoyancy of vitality in her manner of mount-ing the seas and that after all her was yet. ing the seas, and that after all her case might not be so desperate as was threatened by the way in which she had been torn and precipitated past the iceberg.

Feeling as though the very marrow in my

bones were frozen, I crawled to the companion and pulling open the door descended.

The lamp in the companion burned faintly.

There was a clock fixed to a beam over the table; my eyes directly sought it, and found the time twenty minutes after ten. This signified that I had nine or ten hours of darkness before me!

I took down the lamp, trimmed it, and went to the lazarette hatch of the after end of the cabin. Here we kept the stores for the crew. I lifted the hatch and listened,

and could hear the water in the hold gurgling and rushing with every lift of the brig's bows; and I could not question, from the volume of water which the sound indicated, that the vessel was steadily taking it in, but not rapidly. I swallowed half a pannikin of the hollands for the sake of the warmth and life of the draught, and to render myself as water proof as possible—I took from the captain's cabin a stout cloak and threw it over me, enveloping my head, which I had cased in a warm fur cap, with the hood of it; and thus equipped I lighted a small hand lantern that was used on dark nights for heaving the log that is, for showing how the sand runs in the glass—and carried it on deck.

I moved with extreme caution, casting the lantern light before me, sometimes starting at a sound that resembled a groan, then stop-ping to steady myself during some particu-lar wild leap of the hull; until, coming abreast of the main batch, the rays of the lantern struck upon a man's body, which, on my bringing the flame to his face, proved to be Capt. Rosy. There was a wound over his right brow; and, as if that had not sufficed to slay him, the fall of the mast had in some wonderful manner whipped a rope several times round his body, binding his arms and encircling his throat so tightly that no executioner could have gone more artistically to work to pinion and choke a man.

Under a mass of rigging in the larboard scuppers lay two bodies, as I could just faintly discern. It was impossible to put the lantern close enough to either one to distin guish his face, nor had I the strength, even if I had possessed the weapons, to extricate them; for they lay under a whole body of shrouds, complicated by a mass of other gear, against which leaned a portion of the caboose. I viewed them long enough to satisfy my mind that they were dead, and then with a heart of lead turned away. I crossed to the starboard side, where the

deck was comparatively clear, and found the body of a seaman named Abraham Wise near the fore hatch. This man had probably been stunned and drowned by the sea that filled the deck after I had loosed the staysail. These were all of our people that I could find; the others, I supposed, had been washed by the water, or knocked by the falling spars,

I returned to the quarter deck, and sat down in the companion way for the shelter of it and to think. No language that I have command of could put before you the horror that possessed me as I sat meditating upon my situation and recalling the faces of the

dend.
I will not pretend to remember how I passed the hours till the dawn came. I recollect of frequently stepping below to lift the hatch of the lazarette, to judge by the sound of the quantity of water in the vessel. That she was filling I knew well, yet not leaking so rapidly but that, had our crew been proserved, we might easily have kept her free and made shift to rig up jury masts and haul us as best we could out of these desolate par-allels. There was, however, nothing to be done till the day broke. I had noticed the jolly boat bottom up near the starboard gang way, and so far as I could make out by throwing the dull lantern light upon her she was sound, but I could not have launched her without seeing what I was doing, and even had I managed this she stood to be swamped and I to be drowned. And, in sober truth, so horrible was the prospect of going adrift in her without preparing for the adventure with oars, sail, most, provisions and watermost of which by the lamplight only were not to be come at amid the hideous muddle of wrockage—that sooner than face it I was perfectly satisfied to take my chance of the hulk sinking with me in her before the sun

> CHAPTER IV. I QUIT THE WRECK.

The east grow pale and gray at last. For a few moments I stood contemplating the scene of ruin. It was visible now to its most trifling detail. The foremast was gone smooth off at the deck; it lay over the board bow, and the topmast floated ahead of the hull, held by the gear. Many feet of bulwarks were crushed level; the pumps had vanished; the caboose was gone! A completer nautical ruin I had never viewed.

One extraordinary stroke I quickly de-

tected. The jolly boat had lain stowed in the long boat; it was thus we carried these boats, the little one lying snugly enough in the other. The sea that had flooded our decks had floated the jolly boat out of the long boat and swept it bottom up to the gangway, where it lay, as though God's mercy designed it should be preserved for my use; for, not long after it had been floated out, the brig struck the berg, the masts fell, and there lay the long boat crushed into staves!

This signal and surprising intervention filled my heart with thankfulness, though my spirits sank again at the sight of my poor drowned shipmates. But, unless I had mind to join them, it was necessary I should speedily bestir myself. So, after a minute's reflection, I whipped out my knife, and cutting a couple of blocks away from the raffle on deck, I rove a line through them, and so made a tackle, by the help of which I turned the jolly boat over; I then with a handspike pried her nose to the gangway. secured a bunch of rope on either side of her to act as fenders or buffers when she should be hunched and lying alongside, ran her midway out by the tackle, and, attaching a line to a ringbolt in her bow, shoved her over the side, and she fell with a splash, ship-

ping scarce a hatful of water.
I found her mast and sail—the sail furled to the mast, as it was used to lie in her-close against the stump of the mainmast; and though I sought with all the diligence that hurry would permit for her rudder, I no-where saw it; but I met with an oar that had belonged to the other boat, and this with the most and sail I dropped into her, the swell

fitting her up to my hand when the blue fold swung past.

My next business was to victual her. I ran to the cabin, but found the lazarette full

ran to the cabin, but found the lazarette full of water, and none of the provisions in it to be some at. I thereupon ramasched the cabin, and I found a whole Dutch cheese, a piece of raw pork, half a ham, eight or ten biscuits, some candles, a tinder box, several lemons, a little bag of flour, and thirteen bottles of beer. These things I rolled up in a cloth and placed them in the boat, then took from the captain's locker four jars of spirits, two of which I emptied that I might fill them with fresh water. I also took with me from the captain's cabin a small boat compass.

compass.

The heavy, sluggish, sodden movement of the hull advised me to make hasta. She was now barely lifting to the swell that came brimming in broad liquid blue brows to her stem. It seemed as though another ton of water would sink her; and if the swell fell over her bows and filled the decks, down she would go. I had a small parcel of guineas in my chest, and was about to fetch this money, when a sort of staggering sensation in the upward slide of the hull gave me a fright, and watching my chance, I jumped into the boat and cast the line that held her adrift.

I threw the oar over the stern of the boat.

to keep her near to the brig, not so much be-cause I desired to see the last of her as be-cause of the shrinking of my soul within me from the thought of bestling in my localiness

into those prodigious leagues of scean which lay stretched under the sky.

I had risen to step the boat's mast, and was standing and grasping it while I directed a slow look round the horizon, in God knows what vain hope of beholding a sail, when, my eye coming to the brig, I observed that she was sinking. She went down very slowly; there was a horrible gurgling sound of water rushing into her, and her main deek blew up with a loud clap or blast of noise. I could with a loud clap or blast of noise. I could follow the line of her bulwarks fluctuating and waving in the clear dark blue when she was some feet under. A number of whirf-pools spun round over her, but the slowness of her foundering was solemnly marked by the gradual descent of the ruin of masts and the gradual descent of the ruin of masts and yards which were attached to the hull by their rigging, and which she dragged down with her. On a sudden, when the last fragment of mast had disappeared, and when the hollows of the whirlpools were flattening to the level surface of the son, up rose a body, with a sort of leap. It was the sailor that had lain drowned on the starboard side of the forward deck. Being frozen stiff he rose in the posture in which he had expired—that is, with his arms extended—so that, when he immed to the surface, he came with whe nhe jumped to the surface, he came with his hands lifted up to heaven, and thus he stayed a minute, sustained by the eddies, which also revolved him.

The shock occasioned by this melancholy object was so great it came near to eausing me to swoon. He sank when the water ceased to twist him, and I was unspeakingly thankful to see him vanish, for his posture had all the horror of a spectral appeal, and such was the state of my mind that imagination might quickly have worked the appari-tion, had it lingered, into an instrument for

the unsettling of my reason.

I rose from the seat on to which I had sunk and loosed the sail, and hauling the sheet aft put the oar over the stern and brought the little craft's head to an easterly course. The draught of air was extremely weak and scarce furnished impulse enough to the sail to raise a bubble alongside. The boat was about fifteen feet long; she would be but a small boat for summer pleasuring in Eng-lish July lake waters—yet here was I in her in the heart of a vast ocean, many leagues south and west of the stormiest, most inhospitable point of land in the world, with distances before me almost infinite for such a boat as this to measure ere I could heave a

At the start I had a mind to steer northwest and blow, as the wind would suffer, into the South sea, where perchance I might meet aman from New Hola whaler or a souths a whater or a southeaman from New Ini-land; but my heart sank at the prospect of the leagues of water which rolled between me and the islands and the western American seaboard. Indeed, I understood that my only hope of deliverance lay in being picked up; and that, though by heading east I should be clinging to the stormy parts, I was more likely to meet with a ship hereabouts than by sailing into the great desolation of the northwest. The burden of my loneliness weighed down upon me so crushingly that I cannot der my senses must have been some what dulled by suffering; for had they been active to their old accustomed height, I am persuaded my heart must have broken, and that I should have died of grief. (TO BE CONTINUED)

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