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TO THE FRIENDS OF THE POST.

The beginning of a new year is a favorable time for those who are willing to sustain a Democratic journal, to renew their subscriptions and to procure others to read in the future.

It has been our constant aim since we became proprietors of the Post, to furnish the Democratic readers of Pennsylvania with an instructive, entertaining and business paper. The constant accessibility to the business of those who read it has been our aim, as well as the personal assurance of our laborers have been at no time more successful. For these reasons we return many thanks.

The position which the Post has occupied of being the only Democratic journal in Western Pennsylvania, has not been disregarded by us. We have felt the responsibility of every means in our power, which we have endeavored to forward to the best interests of the national Democratic party.

In view of the important political conflict which is to take place next year, which will be called upon to handle the control of this country for the coming four years, we have endeavored to make our paper as interesting and as valuable as possible to our readers.

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WOLFGANG.

THE WRECKER'S BEACON.
CHAPTER I.
BEFORE THE GALE.

The gale ship, Pathfinder, of New York, and bound for Copenhagen, had been in the North Sea, having left the straits of Dover two days behind.

The commander of the ship was a young man, not over eight-and-twenty, and his name was Maurice Lester. He stood by the mainmast, looking out over the sea, and his hand was on the compass.

"What do you think of this gale, Mr. Griffin?" he asked, turning to the mate, who was standing by his side.

"I think we're in for a storm, Mr. Lester," replied the mate, looking at the sea with a frown.

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