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CHAPTER XIV.

The weather was beautiful and the sea like a mirror under the line of reefs, over which the swell broke in long lines of snow-white foam as the Mollie's Hope stood out from Cape Leveque and soon left the Australian coast behind her, growing fainter and fainter until it had faded to a mere blue line on the horizon. Every fresh breeze that the Mollie's Hope stood out from Cape Leveque and soon left the Australian coast behind her, growing fainter and fainter until it had faded to a mere blue line on the horizon.

Nothing of any importance occurred the first few days. The greatest vigilance was exercised in signaling the location of those reefs and shoals so common in these waters, many of which hardly reach the surface of the water. Towards nine o'clock on the morning of February 7, there was a cry from the lookout:

"Reefs ahead on the port side!" "As they were not visible to anyone on deck, Zach French sprang up into the rigging to take a look at the lay of the reefs himself. When in a position to verify the report of the man at the masthead, French discovered that there was a low line of rocky formation about six miles long on the port quarter. It was strictly speaking neither a rock nor a shoal, but an inlet with a shelving ridge which had been sighted on the northward. Considering the distance, it was safe to assume that this was an isle of some extent if the visible line was that of its width.

In a few moments Zach French returned and made his report to Capt. Willis, who gave the order to change the steamer's course so as to bring her nearer this inlet.

Upon taking the middle observation, Capt. Willis found the position of his vessel to be 14 degrees 07' seconds south latitude and 139 degrees 13' seconds longitude east from Greenwich which was duly entered in the log. This point having been fixed upon the compass chart, the captain ordered with the location of an island designated by modern geographers as Browse Island and situated about two hundred and fifty miles from York sound on the Australian coast.

As this island lay very little out of his course, Capt. Willis determined to coast around it, but with a view to the possibility of making a stop. An hour later the Mollie's Hope had run up to within a mile of Browse Island.

There was rather a heavy sea running and dashing notably against the northeast point of the island, which it kept enveloped in the mist of the breakers. Nor was it possible to form a close estimate of its size, for the wind, which Capt. Willis had not come full upon it, but enough could be seen of its configuration to show it to be an undulating plateau without any considerable rise of ground. But as he had no time to lose, Capt. Willis was about to give the order to anchor, when a vessel, which had been somewhat slackened down when Zach French called his attention to something on the point of the island.

"Look, captain," said he, "isn't that a mast standing on that point?" The boatswain indicated the direction of the mast, which was situated to the northwest and terminated in a rocky crest with a perpendicular face.

"A mast? No; it only seems to be the trunk of a tree," replied Willis, and then reaching for his glass he took a closer look at the object designated by French.

"You're right, Zach. It is a mast and I think I can see a scrap of flag torn by the wind. Yes, it must be a signal!" "In that case we would do well to bear in with the point," said Willis.

"I think so, too," replied Capt. Willis, and he gave the order to bear for the island at half speed. This was done at once and the Mollie's Hope began to approach the reefs, which were about three hundred feet out. A violent sea was beating against them, caused not only by the high wind blowing but also by the force of the current which was driving the swell in that direction.

The character of the coast soon became plainly visible. It was wooded, barren and desolate, with no trace of verdure. One side of the island, however, there were no signs of pieces of a wrecked vessel. As to the signals of bunting which the wind was blowing out, it was impossible to discern their color.

"There are castaways there!" cried Zach French. "Or there have been!" replied the mate.

"There is no doubt that some vessel has run on this island," said Capt. Willis.

Yes, added the mate, "and that the crew of some wrecked vessel have taken refuge there, as testified by that signal yonder. And it may be they have not been able to get away, for it's rare that vessels bound for Australia or for the Indies pass within sight of Browse Island."

"Up to this moment the party had come upon no additional evidence, but at a few feet from the reef trees on the shore of a slight hollow there were undoubted traces of planting in the upturned soil now thinly overgrown with underbrush. And yet, and yet, no signs of man, considerable time must have elapsed since then as it was impossible to discern any traces of a vessel. After they had proceeded for about two miles, Capt. Willis halted near a clump of cocoa trees, stunted and scrubby, the tops of which were bent by the wind to the ground were completely decayed.

"What do you think of it, captain?" asked French. "I don't think we're called upon to pass judgment now," answered Willis. "Then let's push on ahead!" said French, as he motioned to the steerman to follow him. Having made their way down the sloping side of the main ledge, they reached a level spot from which the rocky headland jutted boldly out to the northward. At this point they came upon a narrow cleft in the rock through which they were enabled without any difficulty to reach a stretch of sandy beach below them. It was a narrow strip, and the rocks on either side were so close together that the breeze was swept in by the rocks over the breakers swept incessantly.

Scattered over this stretch of sand there were many objects going to prove that human beings had made a prolonged stay in this part of the island—broken pieces of earthenware, fragments of iron, provisions cans of undoubted American origin, and, in addition to these, were noted utensils common to shipboard, pieces of chain, broken rigging, parts of rigging in galvanized iron, a grappling iron, hoisting tackle, a pump handle, fragments of spars and bolts and pieces of sheet-iron torn of a water cask, as so the origin of no Californian sailor could possibly go astray.

"It was no English ship that ran on the reef," said Capt. Willis. "It was an American vessel!" "Yes," cried French, "and take your word for it, she was built in one of the Pacific ports; an opinion that was shared by the other seamen."

But still as yet there was nothing to show that this ship had been the ill-fated Drednaught. At all events, the question was: Did not this vessel—from whatever port she hailed—go down on the open sea, since there were no signs of any part of her hull? Had not her crew taken refuge on this island by means of the ship's boats? No; for Capt. Willis soon came upon proof that this vessel had been wrecked upon these reefs. At about a cable's length from the shore, French saw the remains of a ship which had been driven ashore by the fury of the gale and upon which the crew had beaten with tempestuous violence until out and iron had parted and everything had been wrenched asunder and piled into fragments, scattered about as if by a hurricane.

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