GOODMAN'S FORTE,

Story of an Astute Sea Captain and an Innocent Looking

By T. JENKINS HAINS. Author of "The Wind Jammers," "Mr. Teuragel," "Cart. Gree," Etc.

the former. It was said that he had trusted not whiely but too well and had become have a look around. The heavy masses of "if there's any one ant any objection to not comin' aboard again tonight," answered warped. Mr. Enlis, his first mate, gave it leaden vapor flying before the pempero made my dealing let him speak out." growled one of the min.

"Gone up town, an mid not to wait. He's not comin' aboard again tonight," answered one of the min.

be did not say. A former second officer, one abaft the main rigging and go resting along the did not say. A former second officer, one abaft the main rigging and go resting along the second mate tossed off three cards over onto the main deck, filling it full of and was followed by the dagoes, all making tried to explain this matter to some of his But the Northern Light was not deep. She good.

Since then the meaning of Mr. Enlis' enSince then the meaning of Mr. Enlis' encomium was left to work itself out among them of the flying drift and then he ad"Well, captain," said Mr. Goodman, "I

"I don't want no more deadbeats with twisted ideas a comin' aboard this here ship as mates," said Captain Breeze, the morning after the Northern Light had finished loading and was about to pull out of the river

'Aye, aye, sir," said Mr. Enlis, who sat at the end of the cabin table.

"An' I don't want no remarks made forrards concernin' the running of this vessel, neither," continued the captain. "If I hear any more concernin' me or my affairs ther'il be some whanging a-takin' place. D'ye take me for a fool, Mr. Enlis?"

"No, sir; you ain't no fool, an' that's a fact," said the mate.

"D'ye think I can't size up a man-o woman, either, for that matter-because I've trusted in one or two male or female raskils,

'I never could say any sech thing, cap'n,' replied the mate penitently.

"I didn't ask you what ye cud say, roared Jimmy Breeze, "I'm talkin' o' what ve might say-ap' if ve do-' here he looked straight at Mr. Enlis and set his wide jaw tight until his large mouth drew into a line. Mr. Enlis looked meekly at the salt junk on his plate and said nothing. There was very little left to be said and he was satisfied to leave that little where it was.

"I'll have a second mate aboard before noon that'll be a credit to this here ship. continued the skipper, "so you'll be on the watch for him. He's a gentleman, that's what he is, an 'a man I ain't ashamed of at the table-like some I know-or on the poop. An' besides that he don't talk too much. I got him up at Jackson's an' he's been captain o' one o' them bone vessels

"I once went out in a bone vessel," said Enlis by way of turning the subject, "an" I call to mind how the scorpions and centipedes took charge. They was more'n a million in the bones, an' everyone was bit. He'll be all right if he ever sailed in a bone ship. I reckon he'll do."

"You reckon he will do, hey?" "I do, sir."

"Well, you've got another reckon. Reckon again. Don't go taking anything for granted aboard here, see?"

"Ef you mean for me to take him is hand, say so."

"I mean to have you do yer duty or whang yer hide loose. That's what," said Jimmy Breeze. As Mr. Enlis' duty was perfectly plain there was nothing more worth The meal ended in silence.

all been mustered and the new second mate you. What kind o' music do you make?" had arrived. He was a tall man, thin and "O. I play most anything," said Mr. Goodgaunt. His face was smooth shaven and man, beaming kindly upon him. the lack of beard disclosed a strangely angular jaw with many lines and creases about the mouth. His eyes looked out from straight brows and had a peculiar shifting motion, fiddle made." focusing for a moment upon the skipper and drawing to small glinting points, to instantly shift again and resume their apparent rest- loved. A sailor with a squeaky fiddle or flush. less search for something. His voice had a accordion was always his pet. harsh drawl, but he evidently had it well in

My forte is the running of a ship the way she should go," said Jimmy Breeze, after a thing or two about men when I see them before a following sea. an' I'll just make it known now that I'm the whole thing aboard here. This is Mr. Enlisfirst mate. There're the men-an' the sooner you get down on that main deck the better. You say you haven't any paper, or a discharge?"

The newcomer looked sharply at him with his glinting eyes, shifting them from mate to skipper while he spoke.

"No. I haven't no mates' certificate, nor

discharge. I'll have to go on tick," he saying that cards were what he most loved ship, and Jimmy Breeze had no fault to drawled slowly. "When you get tired of me, on rainy days. put me ashore, hey? Ain't that it? Any passengers?"

'Well, I'll trust you. I know something about handling men, an' I reckon I know a good one when I see him. There's some passengers coming along, an' the rules is, politeness at all times. They ain't enemies of the company, an' I won't have them treated that way, see?"

The new mate glanced quickly aft, but seeeing no one on deck, he nodded to the skipper and declared that was the way he liked to hear a captain talk.

an' get to work bending them royals fore an'er We'll get to sea before night. My holds, an' on time. A good start an' a quick

passage, says I." By noon the royals were sent up and bent and the passengers all aboard. There were several of them. Three were coast traders so easy, with a benign and pleasant person. Mr. Goodman, plays like a man who knows bound to Rio, the bark's destination, and they were of the nondescript dago type, small, wiry men, dark hair, dark skin and gerous losers. having the cigarette habit while chattering nervously in bad Spanish. The other two were a stout, florid man with a clean-shaved, clerical face and his wife. They were evidently either English or American by their speech and general appearance, but long residence in South America had given both the air and accent of lassitude to their talk. The man had a way of looking benignly upon every one through gold-rimmed spectacles and when Captain Breeze addressed him he smiled gently and beamed upon him.

"Now, Mr. Goodman," said the skipper. "here you are aboard the finest ship on the coast. I got your letter and check for passage money an' if it's the same to you we'll keep this little dicker among ourselves. My forte is running a ship an' I don't want no owners a mixin' in the affairs of the cabin. You get your passage reduced one-

I see, of course," said Mr. Goodman. beaming upon him. "I never interfere with those in charge."

'No," said Mrs. Goodman, "it would be

That afternoon the bark pulled out and started down the river Plate. The pompero \$100 bill, trking his written promise in reseason was at hand and the heavy banks of turn. vapor rose in the western sky as the sun through the swirling, muddy current. By board. midnight, however, she had cleared the point. The two dago passengers, however, ob- and see them landed safely." and the first weight of the squall jected to plunging, and the game began at struck her. The wind came from al- a dollar.

★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★ (Copyright, 1900, by T. Jenkins Hains.) mest due west and she tore along before it (Captain Breeze was of a suspicious nature) through a comparatively smooth sea in the man, pressing his note and taking the change in the aktuper's dirty tills.

Silveto.

On fiftee is all I play. said that gentles ours was heard approaching and the boat man, pressing his note and taking the change in the aktuper's dirty tills. suspicious, and because of the latter quality the land and was heading more to the marchhe was much given to indulging himself in ward, with a heavy gale on her quarter. and the second mate. They both took the Jimmy Breeze.

as his private opinion that, although Jimmy Breeze had been through many tight places and indulged in many a dangerous fracas on his ship's main dock, his courage was not she was too close under the land to fear the game began in period close. The game began in period close the pempero made in a dealing let him speak out. Grewled the light dim and gray even at 10 in the Breeze, shurding the cards and ginneing in a menacing way around the table. No one his ship's main dock, his courage was not she was too close under the land to fear the game began in period close. She was too close under the land to fear the game began in period closed. The dark had been through many tight places and the ship and t being pocped, although once in a while a "I guess I'll stand pat," said Mr. Good-Just what he based this conclusion upon comber would start over the Capitant rail man.

watch, who, of course, in duty bound, saw sat high and busyant and with her fore and Mr. Goodman smiled and mosstened his that the said attempted explanation was duly main topsalls close recfed, and, a foresail lips. carried aft to the captain. This led to some with its sheets slacked off to let it lift over | "I suppose it would be wrong for me not bickering and eventually to a vacancy in the the gale, she went to the northward at the to go the limit," said he, passing the chips here." he asked the proprietor. rate of twelve knots an hour.

those who were unfortunate enough to have justed them and beamed satisfaction upon don't want to rob you, but I can play this on both sides and astern.

"Dirty weather a-comin"," said Jimniy Breeze, as he stepped out from the mizzen it was instructions at cards to greet his passenger. "We're makin' the run of our lives, an' just as safe as a house. cards," said he, roughly. Them dagoes is sick, but when the steward

before coming abourt. I few I shall have to about seamen bent to the oars. buy a hundred worth of chips from you to The hoat shot away for the landing, and

Jirmy Breeze he is himself well in hand, came on sick and peered through the gloom He stanked out he chips carefully and for his hoat. He wished to go ashore. pass I them to his passenger.

"And you two." he added to Hernandez

out. Jimmy Breeze raised him. The rest

the wide, snowy path that gurgled and roared hand to beat. You better drop out. I've got you. If there was one thing Jimmy Breeze hated

"I don't want no information. "Will you drop the limit?" asked his pasgete them fixed we can go below out o' the senger, beaming upon him over the rim of his glasses.



IF THERE'S ANYONE GOT ANY OBJECTION TO MY DEALING LET HIM

At four bells in the morning the crew had your letter you had your instruments with

"Couldn't ye give us a sample, later on?" "O, not in weather like this, captain. This

"I see." said Jimmy Breeze, looking some, desigt what disappointed. Music was what he most

At noon the sky showed in patches through words were gentle and the tone conciliatory | wind fell to a good breeze. It was Mr. Enlis' watch on deck, and

your business you'll soon see the lay o' muggy, and the breeze on deck was pleas- wild play. that. My forte is running a ship without ant. Altogether it was a dreary day, with When the steward came in to fix the

antly with Mr. Enlis. When the skipper had taken his noon ob- game.

show of genius, he suggested that the charts watching the dirty green of the shore water be chucked aside and all hands indulge in and the loom of the distant land to the a game of cards. Mr. Goodman assented to this proposition.

Mr. Silvelo and Mr. Hernandez were in The second and third day passed without

duced to join the game, but even these with extraordinary events, the game in the cabin the skipper, made only four, and five was being indulged in lightly between watches. considered the proper crowd at a poker Jimmy Breeze did not want to strike to that the new mate was a gentlemanly fel-low and that he saw no reason why he. The fourth day the land was made with low, and that he saw no reason why he should not play.

"To be sure," assented Mr. Goodman, of cards.

which he had deftly made on each ace were kings. All appeared to be in perfect order dez had lost in the game. for a game, and the skipper was consebleed lightly, for they were always dan- before?"

And he looked comprehensively at his passengers.

succession.

Mr. Hildebrand nodded again. "I under-stand ye all right," said he. "What's the Mr. Mildebrand, to we'll excuse you. Between out into the night and back to his And he pulled out a roll of brand ter get the fow-line overhauled forrais, for thip. new notes of large denomination.

sailor should come aboard his ship with a "Thank ye, sir, 'twas a mighty good don't wake me in the morning. It's the roll of money did not appear to impress him game, an' I am glad, for one, I was in it, fever, I'm afraid. Yaller Jack is ragin' He saw the money. That was enough. I'll go fe'wa'de, sir, and see to them La s gashore, and I wouldn't let the second mate "I recken we'll make it a dollar game."

ducing some old bills. Mr. Silvelo objected on the ground of poverty, but was instantly allenced by the benign Mr. Goodman, who offered to take tant bills, and through the red haze to fact, he insisted on lending the dags a criep lay ahead and the first part of the long

The sight of so much money fairly took an horage and prepared to put his profitable sank behind them. The lightning was vivid the skipper's breath away, and he insisted parsengers ashore. and incresant by dark and Mr. Endlis had on playing a tigger game. Draw, noker

"Pretty monotonous aboard ship in dirty "Sure," growled Breeze. He had felt the weather, hey? I suppose a man who plays pin hole distinctly, and knew his opponent

dampness would spoil the strings of any and was about to rake in the pot, when

hand, for, in spite of its grating sound, the the banks of greasy-looking clouds and the ducing five bills of \$100 each. "That comes but I wouldn't bet. Then he offered 200 to from playing careless at the beginning." The game continued, but there was no fly, and he didn't have any more wings than the new second mate came out on the after more plunging. Nothing the skipper could meeting him at the sangway. "If you know batch to get the air. It was warm and do would draw his passenger into another

any extra advice from forrards, see? I know a dripping sky and a rolling ship running table for the evening meal the skipper had five \$100 bills to put away. To offset this. The passengers appeared disconsolate, his second mate had \$150 in smaller The dagoes being about for a time, smoked notes, and Mr. Goodman had about \$ 9 cigarettes, and Mr. Goodman chatted pleas- in coin. The dagoes were slightly losers. The skipper was easily \$300 ahead of the

servation, and worked it out with a great In the evening they went about the deck westward. Mr. Hildebrand stood his watch out on the poop, quietly attending to the

a gentle breeze from the southward and the skipper knew he would make harber He was called and the five sat down, before daylight failed. He played with while the steward produced a greasy pack such discretion that three more bills of \$100 each remained to his credit. Mr. Jimmy Breeze ran them through his fin- Goodman had lost heavily and had ap-"And now." said the skipper, "you turn to gers carelessly to see if certain pin marks parently only about a hundred in small bit's. formerly owned by the skipper. The s.cin proper condition for discernment. Then ond mate was equally unfortunate and reforte is getting' away while the breeze the edges of certain cards known to be tained only what small notes Mr. Hernan-

"I want to say," said Captain Breeze, as quently in good humor. He had played the game ended, "that you fellows have with cards like these before and it seemed played a mighty good game of cards. You, as Mr. Goodman. His dagoes he would the game. You must have played of en

"Yes," smiled the benign passenger, "I've "Mr. Hildebrand," said the skipper, at played a game or two in my time. Play-dressing the second mate, "these are gentle- ing used to be my forte."

skipper. "Sink me if I don't, and I'm The second officer noticed and his restless glad to hear ye say ye were used to the you've got. But I wouldn't bet him. No. eyes flashed from one to the other in rapid game when ye lost so misfortunately. Blast sir, that flying game was his forte, and if I'd me if I wouldn't rather give then notes bet him be surely would have flown. That's "I suppose you know, sir, that there ain't back than hear ye lay the game were new dend certain; he would have flown away any sech thing as miracles among sech as ifere's my hand, an' if we have a change Take my advice and never bet against a n at v'yoge, mebbe yen'll get yer mo ey man's forte."

limmy Breeze's eyes glistined. Why a goin' to the north'ard."

"," drawled the second mate. Mr. Silvelo, followed the skipper up the reason."

The setting sun shone red over the dis- ing puzzled. is note for any reasonable amount. In the northward rese the spars of chips. Rio coasting voyage had been made in record time. Jimmy Breeze ran his vessel into the

"Goodby to ye both," said Breeze to the her down to her topsails, drifting like a log was nothing unless there was money on the Goodmans as they entered the small boat ashore in that boat with them passengers

"Aye, aye, sir." drawled the second mate, and he dived below for his coat. Then he

"It is very unfortunate." said Mr. Good- came on deck and took his place in the man. "that I forgot to got money changed aftern sheets with the passengers, while two

start with." And he hinded the captain a Mr. Enlis set all hands to work rolling up the canvas. Night fell and Captain Brezze It grew quite late, and the lights that had "How many for yu" he asked Mr flickered along the water front of the city

"Where's the second mate" demanded

"Which way did be go!" And as he spoke

"Slew her around quick an give way

They were soon heading for the land-It was midnight when Captain Breeze reached town, and he was thirsty. "Walt here at the landing for me." he

ordered, as he started up the street for the nearest saloon. "See anything of a tail fellow around

The proprietor shrugged his shoulders and smiled. Tall men were plenty. "I mean a tall fellow with eyes what ain't

mates an' a drawlin' way o' speakin'?" The man's face brightened. He smiled hopefully as he handed the skipper a bottle of rum and a pitcher of cool water. He had seen just such a fellow in company with a florid, smooth-faced man who had his wife with him.

"That's them," said Jimmy Breeze-"Oh, you'll find him two blocks further on. Big saloon, he owns. Plenty of light," said the keeper.

Jimmy Breeze felt in his pocket for money pay his score. There were only large bills. He hesitated a moment and then asked for change. The fellow looked at the note, held it up to the light, smiled and then returned it, shaking his head. "N. G.," he muttered.

"What " roared Breeze, "No good? course it's good, you blazing fool. Gimme

the change." The man's face fell. He scowled sourly and drew forth a long knife, then he beckaned to a couple of men who were playing dice at a table. Jimmy Breeze backed to the door. Seeing they were not hot to atack him he backed into the street and then went in the direction his second officer had

In a few minutes he reached a well lighted house, from which loud noises issued. He entered the door and found himself in a com with long tables, at which men sat drinking and playing games. At the further end of the room, at a green-colored roulette, sat Mr. Algernon C. Goodman, turning the magic wheel. Beside him, dealing out checks and taking in cash, sat Mr. Hildebrand, his new second mate. They both nodded pleasantly to him, but remained seated.

"What d'ye mean by not showin' up?" demanded the skipper of his mate. "What d'ye mean by leavin' me to go with this rascal? and he pointed at Mr. Goodman.

Some of the players around the table urned and gazed at the intruder. Others looked bored. Mr. Goodman rose and came forward to the irate captain. He took him by the arm and led him aside, or, rather, tried to do so, but Jimmy Breeze shook him off. Mr. Goodman let him swear and rave for

ome minutes, smiling benignty upon him, but offering no opposition or contradiction to his charges of passing counterfeit bille. Finally, when the skipper grew tired, be spoke out in his benevotent tones.

"Your forte is running a ship and know-"Mine is playing. Never play against a an's forte. You're sure to lose.

Yes, sir, he even offered 100 to 1. 1 he could fly. Yes, etc. 200 to 1 he could



"I'm glad to hear ye say so." roared the "AN DON'T YOU PUT A FOOT ON THE BEACH, SEET

"Mr. I'mbs." said he as he came over

come aboard again. You want to get our Mr. Goodman quictly slipped the sards in o stuff out early-an don't you put a foot on said he, pulling out his pocketbook and pro- his pocket, and, chatting pleasantly with the beach, see? Don't you go ashore for no

> "Aye, aye, sir," answered the mate, look-Then Jimmy Breeze went below,

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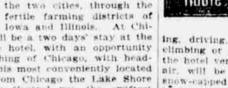
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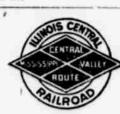
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RULES OF THE CONTEST

CLASS A-The young lady receiving the highest number of votes will have first choice of Class A trips, the next highest second choice, and so on. No votes will be counted for any young lady who do a not earn her own living. No votes will be counted for Omaha Bee employes. The votes will be published each day in The Omaha Bee. The contest will close at a o'clock p. m.

CLASS B- The three trips designated as Class B, will be awarded to the most popular young lady without restriction as follows: One to the most popular young lady living in Nebraska south of the Platte river. One to the most popular young lady living in Nebraska north of the Platte river, outside of Omaha and South Omaha. One to the most popular young lady living in western Iowa, not including Council Bluffs. The young lady of the three winners who receives the most votes, will have first choice of three trips, and the one secelving the next greatest number, second choice. All votes must be made on conpons cut from The Bee. Pre-payment; for aubscriptions may be made either direct to The Bee Publishing Company, or to an authorized agent of The Boe. The votes will be published each day in The Omaha Bee. The contest will close at 5 o'clock p. m. July 21st, 1900.

VOTES will be counted when made on a coupon cut from The Omaha Bee and deposited at The Bee business office or mailed atdressed "Vacation Contest Dept.," The Omaha Bee, Omaha, Neb.