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PHANTOM SHIP

The Flying Dutchman.

CHAPTER XV.—(Continued.) "I must say," replied Philip, "that, whenever I have fallen in with that vessel, mischief has ever followed."

"Vessel! why, what was there in that vessel to frighten you? She carried too much sail, and she has gone down."

"She never goes down," replied one of the seamen.

"No! no!" exclaimed many voices; 'but we shall if we do not run back." "Pooh! nonsense! Mynheer Vander-

decken, what say you?" "I have already stated my opinions," replied Philip, who was anxious, if possible, to see the ship one more in port, "that the best thing we can do

is to bear up for Table Bay." "And, captain," continued the old seaman who had just spoken, "we are all determined that it shall be so, whether you like it or not; so up with the helm, my hearty, and Mynheer

Vanderdecken will trim the sails." "Why! what is this?" cried Captain Barentz. "A mutiny on board of the Vrow Katrina? Impossible! The Vrow Katrina! the best ship, the fast-

est in the whole fleet!" "The dullest old rotten tub!" cried one of the seamen.

"What!" cried the captain; "what do I hear? Mynheer Vanderdecken, confine that lying rascal for mutiny."

"Pooh! nonsense! he's mad," replied the old seaman. "Never mind him; come, Mynheer Vanderdecken, we wi obey you; but the helm must be up im-

mediately." The captain stormed, but Philip, by acknowledging the superiority of his vessel, at the same time that he blamed the seamen for their panic, pointed out to him the necessity of compliance, and Mynheer Barentz at last consented. The helm was put up, the sails trimmed, and the Vrow Katerina rolled heavily before the gale. Toward the evening the weather moderated, and the sky cleared up; both sea and wind subsided fast; the leaking decreased, and Philip was in hopes that in a day or two they would arrive safely in the bay.

As they steered their course, so did the wind gradually decrease, until at last it fell calm; nothing remained of the tempest but a long heavy swell ally drifting. This was a respite to side was obliged to be drifted astern. the worn-out seamen, and also to the cooped below or drenched on the main-

deck. The upper-deck was crowded; mothers basked in the warm sun, with their children in their arms. The rigging was filled with the wet clothes, which the shrouds, and the seamen were busily employed in repairing the injuries of the gale. By their reckoning. they were not more than fifty miles from Table Bay, and each moment they expected to see the land to the southward of it. All was again mirth, aft. The women and children were now and everyone on board, except Philip, carried on to the poop, not only to reconsidered that danger was no more to be apprehended.

quitted the gangway and gone down stern. below. Commending himself, and those embarked with him, to the care of Providence, he at last fell asleep; but before the bell was struck eight times, to announce midnight, he was awakened by a rude shove of the shoulder, and perceiving Krantz, the second mate, who had the first watch, standing by him.

"By the heaven above us, Vanderdecken, you have prophesied right. Up -quick! The ship's on fire!"

"On fire!" exclaimed Vanderdecken, jumping out of his berth-"where?"

"The main hold." "I will up immediately, Krantz. In

the meantime, keep the hatches on and rig the pumps." In less than a minute Philip was on deck, where he found Capt. Barent,

who had also been informed of the case by the second mate. In a few words all was explained by Krantz; there was a strong smell of fire proceeding from the main hold; and, on removing one of the hatches, which he had done without calling for any assistance, from a knowledge of the panic it would create, he found that the hold was full of smoke; he had put it on again immediately, and had only made it known to Philip and the cap-

"Thanks for your presence of mind," replied Philip; "we have now time to reflect quietly on what is to be done. If the troops and the poor women and children knew their danger, their alarm would have much impeded us; but how could she have taken fire in

the main hold?" "I never heard of the Vrow Katerina taking fire before," observed the captain: "I think it is impossible. It must be some mistake-she is-"

"I now recollect that we have in our cargo several cases of vitriol in bottles," interrupted Philip. "In the gale they must have been disturbed and broken. I kept them above all, in case of accident; this rolling, gunwale under, for so long a time, have occasioned one of them to fetch way."

"That's it, depend upon it," observed Krantz.

_ "I did object to receive them," stating that they ought to go out in some vessel which was not so incumbered with troops, so that they might remain on the main deck; but they replied that the invoices were made out and could not be altered. But now to act. My idea is to keep the hatches on, so as to smother it if possible."

> "Yes," replied Krantz, "and at the same time cut a hole in the deck just large enough to admit the hose and pump as much water as we can into the hold."

> "You are right, Krantz; send for the carpenter and set him to work. I will turn the hands up, and speak to the men. I smell the fire now very strong; there is no time to lose. If we can only keep the troops and the women quiet we may do something."

Two hours later, however, the fire had gained such headway that they had to take measures to abandon the

The column of fire now ascended above the maintop-licking with its forky tongue the topmast rigging-and embracing the mainmast in its folds; and the loud roar with which it ascended proved the violence and rapidity of the combustion below, and how little time there was to be lost. The lower and main decks were now so filled with smoke that no one could remain there; some poor fellows, sick in their cots, had long been smothered, for they had been forgotten. The swell had much subsided, and there was not a breath of wind; the smoke which rose from the hatchways ascended straight up in the air, which, as the vessel had lost all steerage way, was fortunate. The boats were soon in the water, and trusty men placed in them; the spars were launched over, arranged by the men in the boats and lashed together. All the gratings were then collected and firmly fixed upon the spars for the people to sit upon; and Philip's heart was glad at the prospect which he now had of saving the numbers which were em-

CHAPTER XVI.

But their difficulties were not surmounted-the fire now had communicated to the main deck, and burst out which set to the westward, and before of the port holes amidships-and the which the Vrow Katerina was gradu- raft which had been forming alongwhere it was more exposed to the troops and passengers who had been swell. This retarded their labor, and, in the meantime, the fire was making rapid progress; the mainmast, which had long been burning, fell over the side with the lurching of the vessel, and the flames out of the main deck ports soon showed their points above were hung up to dry on every part of the bulwarks, while volumes of smoke were poured in upon the upper deck. almost suffocating the numbers which were crowded there; for all communication with the fore part of the ship had been for some time cut off by the flames, and everyone had retreated move them further from the suffocating smoke, but that they might be The sun had set before Philip had lowered down to the raft from the

> It was about 4 o'clock in the morning when all was ready, and by the exertions of Philip and the seamen. notwithstanding the swell, the women and children were safely placed on the raft, where it was considered that they would be less in the way, as the men could relieve each other in pulling when they were tired.

After the women and children had been lowered down, the troops were next ordered to descend by the ladders; some few were lost in the attempt, falling under the boat's bottom and not reappearing; but two-thirds of them were safely put on the berths they were ordered to take by Krantz. who had gone down to superintend this important arrangement. Such had been the vigilance of Philip, who had requested Capt. Barentz to stand over the spirit room hatch, with pistols, until the smoke on the main deck rendered the precaution unnecessary, that not a single person was intoxicated, and to this might be ascribed the order and regularity which had prevailed during this trying scene. But before one-third of the soldiers had descended by the stern ladder, the fire burst out of the stern windows with a violence that nothing could withstand; spouts of vivid flame extended several feet from the vessel, roaring with the force of a blowpipe; at the same time the flames burst through all the after ports of the main deck, and those remaining on board found themselves encircled with fire and suffocated with smoke and heat. The stern ladders were consumed in a minute and dropped into the sea; the boats which had been receiving the men were obliged also to back astern from the intense heat of the flames; even those on the raft shrieked as they found themselves scorched by the ignited fragments which fell on them as they were enveloped in an opaque cloud of smoke, which hid from them those who still remained on the deck of the vessel. Philip attempted to speak to those on board, but he was not heard. A scene great loss of life. The only object ap- line.

peared to be who should first escape, though, except by jumping overboard, there was no escape. Had they waited, and (as Philip would have pointed out to them) have one by one thrown themselves into the sea, the men in the boats were fully prepared to pick hem up; or had they climbed out to he and of the lateen mizzen-yard, which was lowered down, they might have descended safely by a rope, but the scorching of the flames which surrounded them and the suffocation from the smoke was overpowering, and most of the soldiers sprang over the taffrail at once, or as nearly so as possible. The consequence was, that there were thirty or forty in the water at the same time, and the scene was as heartrending as it was appalling; the sailors in the boats dragging them in as fast as they could-the women on the raft, throwing to them loose garments to haul them in; at one time a wife shricking as she saw her husband struggling and sinking into eternity; at another, curses and execrations from the swimmer who was grappled with by the drowning man, and dragged with him under the surface. Of eighty men who were left of the troops on board at the time of the bursting out of the flames from the stern windows, but twenty-five were saved. There were but few seamen left on board with Philip, the major part having been employed in making the raft or manning the three boats; those who were on board remained by his side, regulating their motions by his. After allowing full time for the soldiers to be picked up, Philip ordered the men to climb out to the end of the lateen yard which hung on the taffrail, and either to lower themselves down on the raft if it was under, or to give notice to the boats to receive them. The raft had been dropped further astern by the seamen, that those on board of it might not suffer from the smoke and heat: and the sailors. one after another, lowered themselves down and were received by the boats. Philip desired Capt. Barentz to go before him, but the captain refused. He was too much choked with smoke to say why, but no doubt that it would have been something in praise of the Vrow Katerina. Philip then climbed out; he was followed by the captain, and they were both received into one

of the boats. The rope, which had hitherto held the raft to the ship, was now cast off, and it was taken in by the boats; and in a short time the Vrow Katerina was borne to leeward of them, and Philip and Krantz now made arrangements for the better disposal of the people. The sailors were almost all put into boats, that they might relieve one another in pulling; the remainder were placed on the raft, along with the soldiers, the women and the children. Notwithstanding that the boats were all as much loaded as they could well bear, the numbers on the raft were so great that it sunk nearly a foot under the water when the swell of the sea poured upon it; but stanchions and ropes to support those on board had been fixed, and the men remained at the sides, while the women and children were crowded together in the middle.

As soon as these arrangements were made the boats took the raft in tow, and, just as the dawn of day appeared, pulled in the direction of the land.

The Vrow Katerina was by this time one volume of flame; she had drifted about half a mile to leeward, and Capt. Barentz, who was watching as he at in the boat with Philip, exclaimed: "Well, there goes a lovely ship-a ship that could do everything but speak. I'm sure that not a ship in the fleet would have made such a bonfire as she has. Does she not burn beautifully-nobly? My poor Vrow Katerina! perfect to the last; we never shall see such a ship as you again. Well, I'm glad my father did not live to see this sight, for it would have broken his heart, poor man."

(To be continued.)

Invention of the Telephone.

In a recent lecture Prof. Alexander Graham Bell is reported to have explained how he came to invent the telephons as follows: "My father invented a symbol by which deaf mutes could converse, and finally I invented an apparatus by which the vibrations of speech could be seen, and it turned out to be a telephone. It occurred to me to make a machine that would enable one to hear vibrations. I went to an aurist, and he advised me to take the human ear as my model. He supplied me with a dead man's ear, and with this ear I experimented and upon applying the apparatus I found the dead man's ear wrote down the vibrations. I arrived at the conclusion that if I could make iron vibrate on a dead man's ear I could make an instrument more delicate, which would cause those vibrations to be heard and understood. I thought if I placed a delicate piece of steel over an electric magnet I could get a vibration, and thus the telephone was completed. The telephone arose from my attempts to teach the deaf to speak. It arose from my knowledge, not of electricity, but as a teacher of the deaf. Had I been an electrician I would not have attempted it.

Case Tried on Train. A few years ago a county court action was triad on a train. The judge could not complete the case in the ordinary way, owing to the absence of an important witness, who was expected to arrive by the train by which his honor was due to leave. It was therefore decided that the judge and advocates should travel with the witness, and try the case in the railway carriage, This course was adopted, and the judge ultimately gave the verdict in the stationmaster's private of confusion took place which ended in room at a station farther down the

SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION in Colorado Opened to

Settlers. The opening of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation has at last been accomplished. This vast area of arable lands, fifteen by sixty miles in extent, lies on either side of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, South and East of Durango. Under the law, the Ute Indians are entitled to 374 allotments, leaving about 636,000 acres subject to entry under the desert homestead, timber and townsite laws and the laws governing the disposal of coal, mineral, stone and timber lands, and as the Indians may lease their allotments, intelligent white men will soon control many of them at reasonable rentals. The lands embrace both valley and mesa, or uplands, but the supply of water for irrigation is many times the amount required, making the lands svitable for grain and grasses, vegetables, alfalfa and fruit trees. Clover often yields three and one-half tons per acre. The stock industry gives promise of almost unlimited growth. The lands allotted to the Indians aggregate 60,000 acres and are generally in compact form. They may be leased for three years for agricultural purposes and ten years for mining and grazing lands. These leased lands are exempt from taxation and free from cost of water charges as the Indians own the canals and ditches. The rental is generally a small amount in cash and from one-third to one-fourth of the crops. The Indians may be hired to work at low wages. This money and the \$50,000 which is to be paid to the Indians annually by the government 'forever," means plenty of the circulating medium in the locality at all times. Homestead settlers are required to pay not less than \$1.25 per acre, fifty cents of which, per acre, shall be paid at the time of filing. This provision shuts out the professional boomer and invites men of thrift and energy and industry. These will be the last of the public domain entries in Colorado. It is the last chance for cheap, fertile and enviable homes. The land offices are at Durango, Colo., the terminus of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad. The traveler from the middle West should take the Missouri Pacific System to Pueblo where he will be taken by the Denver & Rio Grande which is the only line reaching the Ute Indian Reservation. It traverses for 60 miles the most desirable portions of the lands subject to entry.

The ethics of wills has been curiously illustrated in Germany. Herr Myer, owner of a brewery at Johannesburg, left to the town of Stettin \$75,000 to build a museum. The municipal corporation, however, on presenting the usual petition, was informed by the minister of the interior that the emperor refused his consent for the present, as the will violated a moral duty toward idigent relations, who had been excluded from all benefits by the will of the testator. The town was therefore called upon by the minister first to indemnify the needy relations of the

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US. Patent Office Business.

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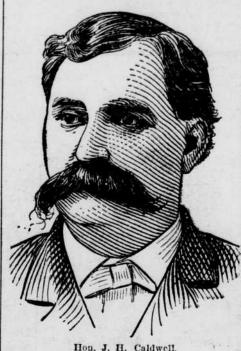
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