## The Sea Scourge

cried.

CHAPTER IV .- (Continued.) "What was the news on shore? Any from the brig's starboard beam. ers been in sight?

island, but she left three days ago. M somewhere to the northward."

some sort of disturbance forward. He again. at immediately to the forecastle, with heavy frown upon his brow; but when so arrived there he found that the disance had been occasioned by the surgeon mer's falling from the breech of one the bow guns, where he had been ng to look upon the shore.

At first the accident seemed likely to so off with only a laugh. arose immediately to his feet and miled. But his smile was a very blank and ghantly one, and he staggered some his head upon the deck in falling, be lifted back into his berth. and the blow was far from being a light me. The old man had not taken more han haif a dozen steps when he stopped threw his arms wildly about him. and in a moment more he sank heavily spon the deck. The men gathered quickaken a child and carried him aft.

"He's hurt pretty bad, I am sure." Buffo said, as he stopped before Paul. seeming to speak with himself, have sailed faster on a tant bowline. for I shall have lost my best friend if

blow had been received, but there was so fracture of the skull that he could de- cried the crew.

Paul arose from the examination.

severe The brain has received a be taken to prevent a fainl result."

This intelligence created much seasation among the crew, for Ben was the ment I give the order to heave to, be has man whom most of them would sure, every man of you, that you have a wish to have spared. Ere long the old carbine and two pistols in readiness." to, and as soon as he w s fully conscious he began to groun ; d be with pain.

Paul's first movement was to bothe the head in cold water; then he applied leeches. As soon as the blood began to flow, his head felt easier, and Paul Lad both prepared for his feet, after which he applied draughts. He had the lavalid removed to his cot, and then beneath the lee rail, it being evident that placed a watcher by him to keep 1.2 the ship would come to upon that side. placed a watcher by him to keep 1.2 the ship would come to upon that side, bandages about the head wet with a 2d Resides this, each man had a brace of

The youth had now done all he could. and he could only see that his patient is kept perfectly quiet, and waten for fest itself. At 9 o'clock Paul gave a strong dose of opium; but the poor fel-low got no rest during the night, for the pain in his head was so severe that : narcotic could overcome it while life re-

Mari Laroon watched the invalid with much anxiety, for now that the gunner on disabled, he was led into a train of thought upon what would be the probable result of meeting a floet cruiser from whom he could not escape by fair

CHAPTER V.

As the sun arose, the men were gath-ored about the quarter deck, waiting for the appearance of the young surgeon. for they were auxious to hear of the gunner. Ere long Paul came up, and he informed the men that he believed Ben to be out of danger, but that it would some time before he could return to his duty; and at the same time he requested them to make as little noise as possible about the deck.

Four days passed away, and the gunthat, if no accident happened, the result | mark would not be fatal. On the following morning the coast of Japan was in sight upon the starboard bow, and to take adantage of a current the brig was kept pretty close in to the shore,

Near midway of the southern coast of the island of Yaku there is a long, high cape, or promontory, making out into the sea a distance of some miles. At 9 o'clock a. m. this cape was upon the lee bow, and not more than ped around to the northward, coming off she would pass within two furlongs of the cape, but Laroon knew the channel and he was not afraid of the shore At half-past 9 the wind was steady once there! Now for it!" he shouted. more, and the brig now had her starboard tack aboard, and in fifteen min utes more the headland of the cape was two cables' lengths distant.

the foretop, in tones that made every

and main royals of a ship looming up er the promontory.
"Up with the helm!" shouted the pi-

rate captain: "jump to the braces-cast leeward-round the weather

In a few moments the brig's head was to the southwest, and by the time the braces were belayed she had cleared the cape: and there, just under the western bluff, and not a quarter of a mile dissail, with her yards nearly square.

the guns, every man!" Laroon, much excited—"every man who belongs there, and the rest of you get carbine, and each man secure

will, each man knowing just what

I struck in the water some twenty yards During this exciting prelude poor Ben Yes, one," replied Larous. "A Rus- Marton had been in a state of intense corvette has been hovering around excitement. At the first mention of the man of war he had leaped rom his

bunk, and it was with the utmost diffi-Laroon at that moment was attracted culty that Paul could get him lack "I must go on deck!" the old man

"Help me up—help me up!" gasped Ben, who found himself totally unable

to rise to his feet. "But what's the use? You couldn't

for old stand if you should get up there." For some time the old gunner raved and prayed by turns, but at length Paul managed to convince him that it would as he attempted to move away. He had be of no use, and he allowed himself to

At length there came a shot from the corvette which struck the brig upon the stern rail, and killed two men who stood by one of the guns. At this sight the pirates were frenzied, and they begged as one man to be laid alongside the foe. w about him, and Buffo Burnington took Mr. Storms had been aloft with La im into his arms as he would have glass, and he reported that the correcte carried twenty guns. It was soon evdent, also, that the ship was the liest uffo said, as he stopped before Paul.
"I hope not," uttered the youthful surrate: though probably the brig would

The pirate kept his stern guns going, He did not finish the sentence, for at but no more than she seemed shie to rethat moment the captain came up, and turn, for at the fourth fire from the one at his order the senseless form was placed upon the trunk of the companion main yard was carried away in the Paul at once set about examining slings, a ball having just grazed the the old man's head; he found where the mast and struck square upon the yard. "Lay us alongside! Lay us alongside!"

"I shall do it, boys!" uttered the com-"How is it?" asked the captain, as mander, after a few moments of thought "Before we can possibly get away from that craft she may totally shock, and the utmost care will have to disable us. She probably has more than double the men we have, but I shall trust to you to overcome them. The mo-

Just as the captain arrived at this point another ball struck the brig's stern and sent the splinters flying over the "My head! my head." he fairly shrick- deck, but no one was hurt by them. As soon as this was done the captain gave orders for heaving to, and ere long the pirate lay upon the wind with her foretopsail aback, the main topsail being useless from the loss of the mainyard.

The carbines and there were over a hundred of them-were louded and laid pistols concealed beneath his freck and his cutless at hand. The brig now lay upon the starboard tack, and the corvette came down within a cable's length "Brig shoy!" came from the enemy.
"Where's your flag?"

"Down. We've surrendered."

You're the Scourge?"

"Then we'll soon clip your wings." "But you shall be honorable in your sal. We won't surrender unless you deal. We'll die at our guns first."

Wait till we see what you are made was the response; and the ship's yards were braced sharp up, and she cam gliding along under the brig's lee Quarter.

Of course most of the enemy were either at the ports or else looking over the nettings, for they had a curiosity to see the dreaded pirates, seeming to think that they were already prisoners. There were at least a hundred heads exposed, and the pirate chieftain saw that now was his moment to give the first blow. His men had been trained to this work They were not only excellent marksmen, but they each had their station and knew how to pick off an enemy without wasting a dozen shots upon the same

sh!" hissed the captain, in a sharp, shrill note that was heard all over

the deck. The men gathered quickly to their stations and selected their marks. "One! Two! Three fire!"

CHAPTER VI.

At the first word the men stooped to their pieces; at the second they cocked and made ready; at the third they startfour miles distant; and at that time ed up and took aim, and then fired. The the wind came to a lull, and then chop- whole was performed in a very few seconds, and from the howl which arose As the brig's course now lay from the corvette's deck it was evident that much execution had been done.

"Pistois! your pistois!" shouted La-"Stand by to board. Grapplings,

But these orders were not to be fully carried out, for no sooner had the vessels come near touching than the enemy directly under the weather bow, and not threw their grapplings and prepared to beard. They were frantic with rage at "Sail ho!" at this moment came from the cruel deception which the pirate had practiced, and they seemed prepared to ace a foe ten times their own number. And now they could all see the fore But they had no ordinary foe to deal with now. In a moment after the grapplings were thrown, the ship's nettings were crowded with men.

-sh!" again came hissing from the esptain's ups. At the sound of that cell-known signal, the pirates were calm

in ar instant. "Pistols! Be sure of your aim! Fire!" on the instant, and more than a score of dead men came tumbling in on the brig's deck, besides others who fell overboard. nd some who fell back upon their cwn book. Now, however, the foe began to pour upon the brig's deck, and they r tied ave with their pistols as they did so; but, strange as it may appear, they did but little damage, for they were so excite and they paid no attention to

rates were in hig about with their long, keen, heavy cutlasses.

All this while Ben Marton had been Two of the port guns were run of secured to the after ports, and in the breeching of the last gun subset, there came a shot from the property of the firearms, and also the wices of the enemy, his freasy knew no bounds. At length he heard the rushing of feet, and the clashing of steel, and he knew that the enemy were good his deck. With eac mighty offert he hand from his cot, and pushing Four

him now, and before the youth could reach him he had gained the deck. Paul had the presence of mind to seize his cutiass before he followed his patient. and then he sprang up the ladder. When ie reached the deck be found Ben just throwing a Russian officer over the taffrail, which feat he accomplished as though the man had been an infant. In s moment more the officer was in the water, but three stout men had seen the movement, and simultaneously sprang upon the old gunner with their utlasses. Paul felled the first with one blow of his weapon. Ben sprang upon the second and wrenched his cutlass from him, while the third engaged Pail hand to hand. He was a powerful fellow and an adept at the sword exercise, as he proved himself by the first few passes he made. Ben Marton laid his antagonist low in an instant, but he could do no more. The strange flame which had started so suddenly and so powerfully to life in his soul now went out, and with a heavy groan he sank down upon the body of the man he had killed.

Most of the fighting was going on amidships and forward, the only combatauts at that moment abaft the mainmast being Paul and his antagonist. From the manner in which the Russian came to this contest he evidently expected an easy conquest, but he was doomed to find numself greatly mistaken; for the youth was not only quick, cool and powerful, but he was thoroughly versed in every part of the sword play. He was sorely getting the advantage, and in a few moments more would have felled his adversary had not some new men come upon the scene. Two of the corvette's men, as they saw their shipmate likely to get the worst of it, leaped upon the brig's quarter rail, and thence to the deck, landing close upon the swordsmen, with their cutlasses drawn. Paul saw the movement, and with a quick motion he started back against the taffrail, but he must quickly have been dispatched beneath the combined efforts of three stout men had not a new actor appeared upon the field. The routh was in the act of warding off a blow when some thing flashed above his head, and on the next moment one of the men before him fell with his skull cleft in twain, and before a movement could be made toward the newcomer a second had fallen. Then it was that Paul looked up, and found Buffo Burnington by his side.

"Lay him down," said the stout, strange man, pointing to the remaining "He is the one Russian as he spoke. who first gave you battle."

The youth dropped the point of his utlass from exhaustion, for he had performed almost a Herculean task in keeping the old gunner below as long as he did; but no sooner did the point of his weepon fall than his enemy sprang upon him, but he had been watched, and just as he raised his sword arm the cutlass of Burnington passed through his body. "Now, Mr. Laroon," spoke the man,

Til belp you carry Ben Marton down. and I hope you'll stay there with him. "Call me anything but that," quickly uttered the youth, as he turned toward the spot where Ben had fallen. And what else shall I call you?"

"Cell me Paul." Very well-we'll think of that ap-

other time; but now let's get old Ben down, for you'll soon have your hands full. The battle has turned, and must soon come to an end."

Without speaking further they lifted Ben up and carried him below, and just as Buffo returned to the deck the enemy were crying for quarter. The battle had been a quick one; for after the couffict came hand to hand the Russians ha not much the advantage of numbers, for as it afterwards appeared, fifty men were either killed or disabled by the discharge of musketry, and nearly fifty more by the pistols.

(To be continued.)

Poul Blow in Japan. The newly introduced knowledge of the jiujitsu exercise of the Japanese brings to mind a curious distinction between the Germanic races and those that have accepted their standards and Asiatic races and some European nations. These Japenese exercises, used to develop the ability to defend one's self, are based on practices which throughout the north of Europe are regarded as "foul play," and are, therefore, ruled out of sports and the manly art of defense. He is a low-down fighter who in England strikes a foul blow or takes an unfair advantage of an opponent. But the Japanese have elevated the foul I ow and the unfair offense and defense is to take one's opponent unexpectedly at a disadvantage, to fracture his leg, to dislocate his arm or break his neck. Frenchmen have made a science of the art of kicking, and can practice it with an ngility and skill which would knock out the champion boxer of the world before he had adjusted himself to the situation. The boxer's chin would be broken and his nose battered in before he knew what had happened. Just what these national practices indicate in the national character we are not wise enough to tell.

How Bryan Exercised.

During his recent visit East William Jennings Bryan was the guest of the students at the Union Theological Seminary. He went with the boys to their rooms, and, throwing aside temporarily all thoughts of bimetallism, indulged in jokes and reminiscences of his boyhood days.

Finally the conversation turned on athletics and outdoor sports. The boys expressed some surprise at Mr. Bryan's well-developed muscles. "What kind of exercise do you

take?" asked one. "For the last five or six years my principal exercise has been running.

Bryan T' "For office," was the laconic re sponse.-Detroit Free Press.

On Easy Street, Mrs. A.—Poor, soft-hearted creature! Why, they actually say she entertains

amps at dinner. Entertains them? Woll, I

NOW COME THE CAPES

THEY WILL BE VERY STYLISH trast, though in general conts are sittle THIS WINTER.

Preparing for Radical Change, but are more accessory than garment, the Form that Will Finally Find Favor Is Not Yet Discernable.



the general trend becomes plainer day by seemed excessively droopy, are missed, come out in the lead, Droop there may be, but it doesn't go

hidden. The first of these types is files trated here in the middle of illustration, in a garment of white cloth shirred and banded with white corder silk. Coats present much the same co pler than they were last winter, and comparatively few of the coats meant to Shapes of Siceves Shows Symptoms of ishly. When it comes to the coats that sort sales folk speak of as "affairs," elaborateness is unlimited. The Irish lace wrap of the accompanying initial is indicative of what rules. Samples of sen-VERYTHING One was tan cloth and brown velvet, the points toward styl-ishness for capes bands. As yet there is no indication of ishness for capes bands. As yet there is no indication of during winter. Not a run of those coldest of chilly gar-the smallest indicaments, the brief shoulder cape. Most of the cape models are warm, and not is the change that a few coats have cape finish. Considis coming over erable variety appears in this, the range dress sleeves. This being from coats topped by capes of penwiper proportions, to those in the dolman evident as such grade.

siderable diversity manufacturers had been unable to ansieeves there remain many if they had provided both. Dressmakers strong traces of announce that broadcloths are to come the styles that were in again. It would seem as if they were the newer fering of such materials. On the other models are much hand are many rough coated fabrics. And unlike, one to an not only are there some of these that sequence is that it the last zibeline craze, but there are othis not easy to find ers which plainly are brand new. Such features that are hardly can get the go by altogether. It common to all. But is noticeable that the newer of these day, and is in the direction of puffs best characteristic, for softness is to be about the shoulders, with more or less a feature of the winter fabrics. This Already the sleeves, would seem greatly to favor the goods of so abundant recently, whose fullness brondcloth grade, and likely they will

The very start of the last century is to now to weeping willow extremes. Less be the period from which designers are often, too, is this droop about the elbow, to draw most freely this winter.



INELABORATE WINTER GARMENTS.

models is interlining of the crinoline or-As yet this is employed in moder-

are so far in two distinct grades, the ness has the central place in the advantage to a science. The art of simple and the elaborate. The one is picture. It was brown cloth and Irish white or very light shade. The cut and models in which the ornamentation is

than from the shoulder. In not a few styles of 1830 remain only in suggestions sleeves there is a puff at both shoulder seen here and there, and fashions of a and elbow. In a great many of the new still earlier day are replacing them. From of the surplice bodices now in revival. water to thin it. ate fashion, but it is a medium that and likewise the deeply pointed bodice is easily can be carried to extremes and drawn from them. Tailor gowns and all that usually is whenever it comes into simple street dress are little affected by this delving in the bygone, but once the Most of these sleeves, especially those field of dressy get-ups is reached, the that give promise of numerous adopters, fashions of a century ago are drawn on are better suited to capes than to coats very freely. Not a little quaintness rewith sleeves like those now provided, sults, and not infrequently there is at And as capes are more numerous than tained that suggestion of simplicity that at any time in several years, their adop- requires the expenditure of much time tion may be counted on. Evening capes and money. A gown marked by quaintusually of some fine quality of cloth in lace. On either side are less striking



wish are of the simplest. Such a gar-lest must have a look of absolute im-complexity. The left hand one was dot-active at all times. The other ted blue slik, with trimming of plain most must have a look of absolute im-maculateness at all times. The other ert is countex of cut and fancifully blue silk and lace medaltions. The other a few minutes standing on atones of crimmed, some models appearing like so was dark violet cloth. It was embroid something cold. The porridge will not easy mediums for the display of fine ered in darker shade, and had a yoke be cooled to any great extent by this the material being in lar-e degree of point de Paris lace.

FREE FROM COMPLETTIES

Smooth cloths or rough cloths, that is a question. It would seem to be one that swer to their satisfaction, for it seems as due, and certainly there is a splendid ofwere not done to death at the time of rough stuffs are soft, and that is their

Peach Omelet. Silce three period peaches thinly and

prinkle with a tablespoonful of sugar; beat the yolks of four eggs until thick, add a tablespoonful each of sugar and emon juice and a saltspoonful of salts whip the whites to a stiff froth and fold lightly into the other mixtures beat a tablespoonful of butter in the omelet pan and turn in the eggs; break the omelet with a fork as it thickens, spread with the prepared peaches and old; set in the oven for a minute and serve on a hot platter.

Deviled Tomatoes

Remove the skins from three tomatoes and cut each in three slices; season with sait and pepper, dredge with four and saute in butter; place on a fish and pour over the dressing; cream four tablespoonfuls butter and add two teaspoonfuls powdered sugar, one teaspoonful mustard, one-quarter teaspoonful sait, a few grains of cayenne, one egg yolk, hard boiled, rolled to a paste, one whole egg, besten slightly, and two tablespoonfuls vinegar; cook until it thickens.

Raspeerry Shrub,

This delicious beverage is made by cooking three quarts of fruit with three pints of water until well softened, then strain and press out the juice through a piece of heavy toweling. Add to this six thin silces of cucumber, one glass of current jelly and two cupfuls of sagar; place this syrup to ripen in the ice box, and just before serving add sufficient water to dilute to the desired strength. Serve in lemonade glasses, filled with shaved ice,

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Corn and Beef Rissoles.

Roll some good pastry into a thin sheet and cut it into five-inch squares; have ready some finely minced cooked beef mixed with an equal quantity of stewed corn, add seasoning to taste and one teaspoonful tomato sauce for each rissole; put a teaspoonful on onehaif of each square and fold over the other side of the paste to make a triangle; pinch the edges together and bake in a hot oven until a pale brown.

Puree of White Beans.

Take one pint of fresh, white boans and cook in three pints of white consomme. When the beans are quite tender press through a sieve, put back on the fire; add a pint of rich cream, and salt and white pepper as needed, Add a teaspoonful of chopped parsley and, if liked, a few chives. Serve with small squares of bread fried in butter.

Ducklings Roasted.

Little, tender ducklings of this year's raising should be used. Put them in pan with a little water and butter and let roast for thirty minutes, more of less, according to their size. When well browned serve, and strain the liquor in the pan; add to it a little melted butter, a few drops of Madeira wine and pour over the ducks,

Homemade French Mustard.

Take two tablespoonfuls of common yellow ground mustard, one tablespoonful of flour, one teaspoonful of salt and one dessertspoonful of sugar; mix above with vinegar, being careful to dissolve it thoroughly, and that there are no lumps in it; bott five minutes,

Scotch Shortcake.

Best half a pound of butter to a cream; add haif pound of sugar, one pound of flour and quarter of a pound of caraway seeds. Knead to a smooth paste, roll half inch thick and cut inta oblong cakes. Prick all over with a fork and bake half an hour in moderate oven. Caraway comfits may be substituted for the seeds.

Short Suggestions. When peeling onions keep the hands

and onlons under water. Before applying the stove polish add to it a teaspoonful of powdered alum. Green bananas, stowed and served

with a cream sauce, make a very palab able vegetable. Old newspapers pinned over plants will keep them safe from frost for many nights and prolong their period of blossoming.

To clean nickel, scour with pulves ized borax, use hot water and very lib tle soap; rinse in hot water and rub dry with clean cloth.

If a lamp gets overturned water will be of no use in extinguishing the flames. Earth, sand or flour thrown of it will have the desired effect.

To remove tea stains from white woolen material, cover the stained part with gin, then rub, while still covered, with a piece of the same material.

To dry clean gloves lay them flat rub in a mixture of finely powdered fuller's earth and alum. Brush it of and sprinkle them with dry bran and whiting. Dust well.

Save ten leaves, put them in colander, pour water from the tap through them and drain fairly dry. Then use to scatter over carpets before sweep ing, for they will prevent the dust figing about and spoiling the other fue niture.

Porridge may be turned out of the saucepan without leaving any adhering to the bottom if, after the pan has been removed from the fire, it be left for