The blue wiid violets in the grass, They smile up at me as I pass; The tender hue of April skies, They mind me of my baby's eyes. My bonnie little laughing la

The bonniest babe was ever born! Her tresses like the tasseled corn, Her mouth the sweetest half blown rese, Her laugh the merriest breeze that blows! Her eyes, what could their blue surpass? Not e'en the violets in the grass.

Ah me! how plain I see her stand, Her feet sunk in them, and her hand Eager to pluck them all for me, Her face aglow with baby glee, Her fingers hidden in the mass Of blue wild violets in the grassl

Again I see her, laid at rest, The violets nestling in her breast. The waxen fingers, white and cold, Still clasp them in their patient hold. But know not now, alas, alas! The touch of violets from the grassl

Soft cradled on a sunny slope, Watched by twin angels, Faith and Hope, My pretty baby sleeping lies; And as it were her own sweet eves Smile up to greet me as I pass The blue wild violets in the grass -Katharine Festetits in Youth's Companion.

THE ELLA NOBLE.

"I was only 19 years old when I shipped the first time," said my friend, the old sailor. "The craft was a brig called the Swallow, and she was bound for the west coast of Africa, having a cargo of cotton cloth, boots and shoes, rum in old muskets and other stuff that could fight! be readily traded for gold dust, nuggets were made in this trade, but times have changed since then.

"We had another object besides trading, for we were instructed to look after the brig.

"Muskets and cutlasses, men! thunfor the very locality to which we were bound and had never returned. What had become of her was a mystery, for although she was spoken when within a tidings had come from her, and it was

"The crew were mostly made up of destined to fire a shot. the roughest men found in shipping ofvoyage was not a desirable one, as there was sure to be no little risk of life and the food could not be the best procurable by any means. I was not at all favorably impressed by my messmates, but my head was full of foolish notions about ed almost directly overhead, and there the romance in a cruise to Africa, and I | we saw a most astounding spectacle. A was more than eager to go. Some of the two masted schooner turned bottom upromance faded when I was put on salt ward seem to hang suspended in the air rations and compelled to do the duty of amid the bluish haze that overspread the a common before-the-mast sailor.

"The captain was a brutal fellow, as he needed to be in order to command calmed. We could look directly upon such a crew and keep them in subjection. He had a voice like a foghorn and a scowl that was black as a thundercloud. The first mate was a Spaniard named Corello. He had a fiery temper and a heavy hand, but I fancied him more than the skipper.

take a liking to me, and I afterward had lowed up and lost in the haze. When cause to thank my good fortune this was true. He was not nearly so hard on me as he might have been, although I felt that dles could send them. Those natives my lot was ruite hard enough.

that I observed queer actions among the

"'Have caire. Zese men no like a tat- the voyage. tler. If zey hear you tell t'ings, some time you get - He finished by drawing his finger across his throat in a significant | New York Dispatch. manner.

"From that time I felt sure there was trouble brewing, but I remembered the warning and was careful to keep my mouth shut. My dislike for the captain increased, and I actually grew to detest the man after I saw him knock down with a marline spike a sick man whom | As evidence of the incorrectness of this he had ordered aloft, but who was unable to mount the ratlines.

"During the first part of the voyage the captain and Corello got along well enough, and we had sighted the African at his desk for a long time, and, as men coast when they had their first quarrel. The skipper attempted to bully the Spaniard, as was his custom with the regular men, and Corello flared up in an instant. Hot words followed. All at once the master grabbed up a light running block then the chair was to be accounted for and flung it at the mate's head.

dodged. Then the skipper caught up a belaying pin and started for the Spaniard. I saw a flash of steel, and Corello fell back against the main hatchway, a over and said it might be worth \$2 to knife in his hand. With a Spanish oath anybody who wanted it very much. he swore he would cut the captain's heart out if an attempt was made to strike him with the belaying pin.

"For a little time the two men looked straight into each other's eyes, and then the captain's hand fell. I expected he would order that Corello be seized and put in irons, but he did nothing of the kind. Instead he retired to his cabin, and I saw a singular smile playing about the mate's mouth, while I fancied there was a burning power in his black eyes.

"That night Corello came to me as I stood my watch. He touched me lightly on the arm, whispering:

"'I save you. Don't you be scare when the time come.' Then he was gone.

"I felt that a mutiny was threatened, and I was in doubt about what to do. I did not join the mutineers, and I had about determined to report my suspicions to the captain when I was relieved from the watch. As I was going forward I saw two forms and heard the voice of Corello saving:

"'Not this night. Tomorrow." "This relieved my feelings somewhat, and I dared not attempt to arouse the skipper then, as I knew he would make a terrible racket about it, so I went to my bunk. I didn't sleep much, but the

night passed without further incident. "Morning found us becalmed at the mouth of a large river. The sun came up red and scorching, making the water shimmer like burnished silver. Not a delphia Press.

breath of air rippled the surface of the sea or fluttered the canvas we spread. By 9 o'clock a sort of bluish gray haze crept over the sky, but the heat was none the less oppressive.

"The captain walked the deck and raved. 'Do you know where we are?' he snarled at Corello. 'The natives who inhabit this country are cannibals! What if they should take a fancy to attack us now? We'd all be served in soup and roasts.

"The skipper seemed to blame the mate, and in less than three minutes another row had begun. This time the master did order Corello to be seized and ironed, but the order was not obeyed. Not a man moved to carry out the command. Instead the sailors stood scowling at their captain.

'What's this?" he roared, his face growing black. 'Do you refuse to obey me? By h-l, this is mutiny!

"'We are seek of you,' calmly said Corello. 'We serve you ze way ze crew of ze Elia Noble was serve. Grab him, lads!

"The skipper snatched out a pistol and retreated a few steps, swearing to blow out the brains of the first man who tried to touch him. I saw a Portuguese creeping catlike up behind the man, and I knew the brig would soon be in the possession of the mutineers unless some unforeseen occurrence prevented.

"At this very instant Bildad Downes, a cockeyed old tar, shouted:

"'Canoes puttin off from shore loaded with blackskins! There's piles of 'em, casks, needles, brass kettles, cutlasses, an they're all armed. We're in for a

"In one instant the mutiny was over. and ivory with the natives. In those Every man realized our peril, and they days, more than 40 years ago, fortunes jumped to the rail to get a look at the approaching canoes. Downes had told the truth. A regular war party of the cannibals were coming off to attack the

> dered the captain. 'Train the gun on 'em and blow 'em out of the water!'

"Our only chance was to fight, and that chance was really a slim one, as we day's sail of the African coast no further | were badly prepared for such an encounter. Our heavy gun was a rusty old feared she had met with some fatal disthing, and it was doubtful if it would we may be permitted to doubt if Marldo much execution. But we were not borough ever was. He read only Shake-

"Suddenly a great cry went up from fices and along the water front, for the the throats of the natives, and the canoes sat motionless on the glassy water, while the black faces of their inmates were turned upward.

"'Great God! Look there!"

"The sailor who uttered the cry pointsky! Every sail was set, but they hung of all conditions, we should assign to unidle like our own, as if she was also bethe deck, but not a living thing seemed stirring about her. She was deserted.

"But the most singular part of it all is that I could read her name, and I swear their general.-London Spectator. she was the lost schooner Ella Noble

"In a few moments she began to fade from view. Dimmer and dimmer grew "For some reason Corello seemed to her outlines, and she was finally swalwe looked at the cannibals, every canoe was scooting for the shore as fast as padwere the worst scared lot you ever saw,

sailors. There was a great deal of mut- for the vision of the vessel in the sky by tering, and sometimes I would espy calling it a mirage, but sailors are mighty some of the men with their heads togeth- superstitious, and there were some sober er talking in low tones. I did not like men on the Swallow after that. No fur- him Rossini commenced whistling Bishthis, and so I told the mate about it. He | ther offer at mutiny was made, and evlooked at me queerly, saying guardedly: erything moved smoothly to the end of

"But we didn't find the Ella Noble, and she has never been heard of since."-

A Detail In a Government Office. It is the popular impression that the smaller affairs of government are very loosely run and that in any of the departments are opportunities for fat pickings by any man not overscrupulous. theory one of the treasury department employees relates an incident of the first day of Mr. Carlisle's administration. Secretary Foster had occupied one chair will, had become attached to it. He expressed a desire to take it with him. "Certainly," said his successor, "take it along." It was more easily said than

done. First an order was necessary; to the official who has such matters in "The aim was true enough, but Corello charge; then it was to be paid for. It was a valueless piece of furniture. As a short way out of the difficulty the appraiser was sent for. He eyed the wreck

> "All right," said the new secretary. Then he put his hand in his pocket, pulled out a \$2 bill, paid the official and resented the chair to his predecessor.-Washington Post.

An Old English Law.

The archives of the port of Southampton, England, contain a curious naval law of the fourteenth century. The document holds the captain of a vessel responsible for the value of the goods lost if his vessel is wrecked on any voyage begun in spite of the opinion of a majority of the crew that the wind was unfavorable.-Kate Field's Washington.

A Para-dox.

Gentleman-I want to buy a pair o' rubbers. Boston Salesman-We don't keep para

rubbers, sir. Gentleman-Well, then, smarty, I want a pair of rubbers.

Salesman-Thank you, sir; now you are talking. What size?-Boston Cou-

The King of Slam.

The king of Siam must have been a Buddhist priest, and to become a priest one must renounce all worldly honors. Hence after Chulalangkorn had once been crowned he renounced his office and became a priest for 21 days, after which he was again crowned.-Phila-

A PERFECT SUMMER.

They say the sun as brightly shines as in the They say the grass is just as green out on the shady lawn, And that the birds as sweetly sing up in th

waving leaves As when we sat together, dear, among the golden sheaves.

It may be so. The bees are humming, And the smell of the clover is rare and sweet But mem'ry's fingers at my heartstrings thrumming

Wake a song of a joy that was too fleet. The glowing sunshine grows pale around me. The grass is faded, the bird song faint;

catch not the charm of the scenes that sur round me, For thy voice answers not to my heart's lone

The change is not in the sun's bright shining, The song of the birds, the hum of the bees; For the charm of that old time was not in re-

In the lap of summer beneath the green trees.

I love the bright sunshine, the birds sweetly singing,

As I sit alone 'neath the old apple tree; But I wait with fond longing, to dear hopes close clinging, That each summer time brings me nearer to

For the rythm in the melody of that happy measure Was the sound of thy voice, to me more than

And ne'er can life's music so thrill me with pleasure Till thy murmuring tones fall again on my

So I trustingly yearn for a happy home com

A heaven made perfect by thy presence so For through the Elysium 'twould be weary, lone roaming

If thou wert not with me its glories to share. L. A. CONES.

Generalship and Book Knowledge. The greatest soldier who ever livedwith Homer under his pillow, had probably never seen a book on military art, and though Von Moltke was a student, speare zealously.

wanted a chief for any great undertaking of any kind would dream of asking the limits of his reading or would be able to avoid a silent prejudice against a candidate, partly unreasonable, but partty also the result of a traditionary experience, if he knew that he was in any special degree a student of books. He would think him a man apt to be misled. Indeed, in one great condition of efficiency, perhaps in practice the greatest read men-we do not mean uneducated men, but men who never voluntarily open books-a definite superiority. They are apt to choose men better. Soldiers who do not read make no mistake about

Rossini's Memory.

The composer of "Il Barbiere di Siviglia" was blessed with a not very reten-"I suppose it is easy enough to account knew the face well enough and at once greeted him. "Ah, my dear Mr. ---," but he could progress no further. To convince him that he had not forgotten op's glee, "When the Wind Blows," a compliment which "the English Mozart" recognized and would as readily Lave heard as his less musical surname.-Gentleman's Magazine.

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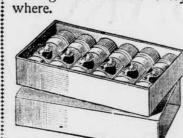
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