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Monuments, Tablets

HEAD-STONES.

The merchant ship, Druid, from Bombay for London, lay becalmed off the west coast of Hindoostan, because of the west coast of Hindoostan, because of Hindoostan,

Winfield, a handsome young naval lieutenant on leave of absence from the frigate stationed at Bombay. I don't want to lay the ship's bones on the coast, nor do I like to get too could use his knife, dashing him

A quick glance was exchanged between her and the young naval lieu tenant, whose reassuring look seemed at once to dispel her fears.

Major Upton, noticing the glance and frowning, said to his daughter.

"Come, Bell, let us go below."

Winfield had been a suitor of Bell's since she came to visit her father at Bombay, some months before. The girl favored him, but not so the major, who preferred her to choose a wealthier lover.

Bell was very beautiful, with a form

in rippling masses over a pair of mag-nificent shoulders. The lieutenant watched her admiringly until she dis-appeared in the cabin.

A few hours later night closed round the ship. The sky was covered by thick clouds which obscured the moon, and seemed to betoken that a breeze would spring up before long.

Meanwhile, the ship having drifted a league nearer the coast, the lieutenant thought the captain very careless red to have more than his one look out. ant thought the captain very careless not to have more than his one lookout posted forward on so dark a night.

Before eleven o'clock the quarter-deck was deserted by all save the officer of the watch, a lazy fellow who was now stretched on the carpenter's chest half asleep, while the watch forward, as Winfield (who stood leaning over the rail amidships) could perceive by the light of a language of the stretch of the stretch of the stretch of the stretch one of the stretch one of the stretch one of the stretch of the stretch

could perceive by the light of a lan-tern in the fore rigging, lay reclining on the hatch, some of them snoring. Not feeling sleepy, the lieutenant resolved to go aloft on the mizzen-topsail yard, and watch for the first

deck, and, slaying them, make themselves masters of the ship almost before a warning could be given.

Like a lightning flash the instinct of love, the resolution to save Bell in some way from his immediate attack, sent a sudden thought through the brain of the agonized spectator.

The Hindoo murderer, in his position on the outside of the ship, was

easy reach of the native, whose arm and body, as already stated, were drawn back from the bulwarks to give force to the meditated blow.

The young man, therefore, deemed it would be an easy matter to reach the Hindoo in the only way it could now be done with sufficient rapidity to prevent the accomplishment of his deadly purpose—a way at once novel deadly purpose—a way at once novel and desperate, and which would, perhaps, involve his own destruction.

In a word, not hesitating to risk life or limb for the woman he loved, Lieut. Winfield resolved to drop down from near the end of the mizzenters and the mizzenters of the mizzenters of the mizzenters.

down the rocks, flashing through the dark green shrubbery, and rushing with the din of distant thunder.

"If the wind does not rise before to-morrow morning we will have to to-morrow morning we will have to the ship, and down he went, cleaving ship, and down he went, cleaving heels of the falling body crushed upon the head of the native ere he could use his knife, dashing him

near it. I have heard bad stories of the natives there; at any rate, I believe that almost every Hindoo is a thief and murderer by nature."

Belle Upton, daughter of Major Upton, who was on his way home from his India regiment, on sick leave, heard the words, and, shudder inc. drew closer to her invalid father.

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The young man had sustained a feaful shock from his contact with the Hindoo's body, but as that body had offered little resistance to his downward the coast.

"No barm shall befall her, not while I live," he thought, as he now glanced uneasily toward the coast.

"We have arms aboard, have we not?" he added aloud, to the captain.

"Ay, ay, sir; but it is not likely we shall be attacked. We are full two leagues from the coast, and before we are near enough to be boarded a breeze will spring up, I have no doubt."

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Since it has become popular for girls to attend baseball matches, they have picked up enough of the talk of the same to speak of those lovers who go away at night at a reasonable hour as short stops.

An exchange informs its readers that servant girls always were death on that kind of crockery. China needs to keep her weather eye open or the domestic may succeed in breaking her.

Peter has lost the dat onions.

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"Ay!" exclaimed Major Upton.
"God bless him! Here, Bell, he shall have you, girl, for he has earned you."
He put both hands of his daughter in the lieutenant's, and turned his head away to hide a few tears upon his bronzed cheek.

Immediately after the young man had been brought aboard, an off-shore breeze sprang up, enabling the captain to head seaward. In due time the vessel reached her home port, when the lieutenant, who by this time had fally recovered from the effects of his fall, claimed his beautiful and willing bride.

resolved to go aloft on the mizzentopsail yard, and watch for the first sign of a breeze. Arrived on the yard, the darkness was so intense that he could not see the waters below, although he still gazed in that direction. Was it reality or imagination? He thought he could detect the dim outline of something shooting around the ship's stern.

He was about descending when, the moon parting the clouds, a flood of silvery light was poured down on the ship and water, revealing a sight that filled the young man with horror—a scene so sudden and unexpected that his heart seemed to stan i still.

While he was aloft Bell Upton had come out on the quarter-deck, and that filled the young man with horror—a scene so sudden and unexpected that his heart seemed to stan I still.

While he was aloft Bell Upton had come out on the quarter-deck, and now stood with her back to the rail, about two feet from it, her head howed as if in deep thought, so that her beautiful white face shone like polished ivory in the bright moonlight. Then unseen, unheard by the young girl, a Hindoo, with a long, little body naked to the waist, had clambered up the side from a large cance containing half-a-dozen of his companions, and had contrived to glide, serpent-like, on the outside of the ship until he had gained a posi-

inly kept a great many people up

The New York Journal recently published a list of well-known act-resses who excelled as cooks. From "Yes," said Miss Squigglehorn,
"pa was a professiona' man, as you
have heard; he used to draw very
large houses." [N. B. "Pa" was a
building mover.]

There is a rumor from Germrny that a learned chemist has discovered a wonderful oil that will restore youth to old age, etc. It must be a species of O-live oil.

A young man urged, as one of the reasons why a girl should marry him, that he had a collection of over 400 different kinds of wood. She said if it was kindling wood she'd think of

gunners on Wednesday. One voteran sportsman shot five.—[Newburyport Herald. Five woodcock gunners Beauty should be only taken at its

A man named Darling lives in Fargo, and when any one calls to him on the street every young lady with-in three blocks blushes and looks

neck!" "Yes," replied Fogg, "the most remarkable case of soar throat

Church fairs and church picnics are very much alike. You always hate yourself for going, and yet you ford Courant.

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A Brooklyn woman has been ar-rested, charged with stealing an ac-cordeon. A woman wicked enough to steal an accordeon would do worse. She would even play on the diabol-ical instrument.

SAYINGS OF SAGES.

The lowest ebb is the It is a species of agreeable servitude o be under an obligation to those we

It is no small fault to be bad, and seem to; it is a greater fault to seem good, and not be so. A coquette is a woman 'thout any heart that makes a fool o' a man that ain't got any head.

The truest mark of being born with great qualities is being born without

At this season of the year the good deacon goes quietly to the drug store soda fountain, and gets his whisky syrup-titiously

Church fairs and church picnics are very much alike. You always are very much alike. You always the fifty or sixty articles I have enumerated. — [Correspondence Hart-

REPORTERS' ENGLISH.

LOOKING FOR JOSEPH.

He was banging around the Grand Central Depot the other day, beg-ging money to carry him to a town in Massachusetts. "What do you want to for" asked one.

"To see the owner of a great fac "To see the owner of a great fac-tory," was the reply.
"What do you went of him?"
"Well, I saw in the papers that he had been running the factory at a loss for the last six months, but kept going on account of sympathy for his employer.

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