

A St. Bernard Lost at Sea.

There he lay in the sunshine, a great black noble animal, with his work in this world done. I was standing at his side looking at him when my friend came up and found me.

"It was not much of a story, yet it was rather curious. About five years ago my friend and his family were staying during the summer at a little seaside town on the north coast of France.

"It was a fine, great open deck, that even in summer was pretty rough at times, coming tumbling often in great waves upon the beach and covering all the pier with showers of spray.

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"The children had a little from him with grave, touched faces. They were gazing so earnestly at him that they did not see their father, who had come down to the quay, as he came out to give a momentary eye to his young monkeys, and saw that they were not drowning themselves in the sea.

"What are you going to do with him? Will you part with him?" he called out to the master. When the latter was round with a little cry, "Oh, father!" they exclaimed, and their hearts leaped to their mouths.

"We brought him home in a week or two," my friend said to me (we had been walking up and down the lawn while the old man grew very fond of him, but it is a curious thing that during all those five years he has been with us now, but he never grows more than half at home here. I think he has been as happy with us as he would have been anywhere, and a more docile, patient, kindly creature than I have ever known. But yet he has always to me been like a dog living with a broken heart. I don't know, for my part, that he has ever forgotten the old master of his, whoever he may have been, for a day or an hour since he has lived. Look at him now. Look what a fine human face there is about that tragic, silent face of his, depend upon it, he is thinking

EUROPE'S ROLLY

much more than a journey around the world. He means to leave New York and travel southwest, entering Mexico, and thence going through Central America. He is to go all the way down the Atlantic coast to China, north to Siberia, west coast to Panama.

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PRINCE BISMARCK'S COST. To the Nations—The Iron Chancellor Responsible for the Group of Armed Camps.

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