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A British Sea Story

By MAURICE DRAKE

CHAPTER THREE

The business of the courts and the arrangement of his own private affairs detained Laurence in London for airs detained Laurence in London for another couple of months, and it was late in September when he arrived at Leith. He went straight to Har-pers office on the Fish Quay, Clem-ent Harper received him cordially, a little brusquely perhaps, owing to the exgiences of business, but with a warm handgrip and words of en-couragement.

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"Glad to see ye, lad, he said.
"Ye'll sail on Wednesday, the day after to-morrow. Have yea sea kit?"

Laurence nodded. On the sale of his little yacht he had retained all such articles of clothing-guernseys, oilskins, sou-westers, and sea boots— as he thought might be of use in this new seafaring yenture.

oilskins, sou-westers, and sea bools—as he thought might be of use in this new seafaring venture.

"That's well. The worrk'll tear your nice silk-faced oilies to rags in a couple of voyages, but they'll likely serve you that long. Now I'm a busy man until four o'clock. Go ye down to the waterside and see you new craft for yourself, and come back to me then. Ye'll stay with me when ashore until ye can get a room of your own—but ye'll not be ashore much. The boat's called the Fairy Belle, and a vairy belle bateau ye'll find her." He laughed joyously at his outrageous pun, and pushed Laurence towards the door. "Be off wi' ye. I'm a busy man the day."

Accustomed as he had been to the appearance of trawlers at sea, Laurence's heart misgave him when he looked down at the disordered deck of the Fairy Belle from the wharf-side.

side.

There are no smarter sailors in the world than the fishermen of the northern ports, and when on the great waters their boats are handled in a way that can only excite admiration from the yachtsman who knows his work. Patched though their sail may be and rowth their great rever a line. from the yachtsman who knows his work. Patched though their sail may be and rough their gear, never a line is out of place, and the picture-sque coloring of their stained canvas only emphasizes the fact that every sail is doing its utmost work and doing it well. The boats, though often old and even leaky, miracles of discomfort and inconveniences, are yet fast, and, handled as they are by men trained on them from boyhood, they sail like yachts—and racing yachts at that. There is perhaps no lovelier sight to be seen on our coasts than a fleet of trawlers, their sails every shade of yellow and red from deep crimsons and tawny siennas to sulphur and gold and cream, twisting and circling round each other over the trawling grounds.

But in harbor, where a yacht is at her trimest and cleanest, the slovenly appearance of the fishing vessel is painful to the eye. Her unhoused sails lie in great heaps of sodden canvas about her filthy decks. Her open holds exhale a most offensive odor of fish, and her decks and bulwarks are foul with scales and slime. Every rope, free from the tension of

odor of fish, and her decks and bul-warks are foul with scales and slime. Every rope, free from the tension of the fresh sea winds, hangs slack and dejected, and the whole vessel is a picture of disorder and neglect. Laurence looked on the unsavory raffle with sore distaste; the rusty,

shabby stove-nine smoking above the shabby stove-pipe smoking above the tiny forecastle; the array of patched clothing hung out to dry on the rig-ging; on a dirty, touzled-haired boy lounging by the hatch, smoking a short pipe and spitting into the depthe of the hold from time to time and when he reflected that this was to be when he renected that this was to be his home for the next couple of years he was sorely tempted to go back to Harper and accept the fist contemptuous offer of a book-keepers' stool. But the strength of mind that had kept the father calm-eyed and quiet through those two tempts years of through those two torturing years of impending ruin came to his son's aid, and he swung himself down the iron ladder attacked to the quayside and set foot for the first time on the deck

of the Fairy Belle.

The boy by the hatchway watched him sullenly and in silence.

"Captain aboard?" Laurence asked. The boy spat again down the hatch.

"Na," he said, without moving.

"Mate?"

"Eb?"

"Is the mate on board?" Laurence

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I tried all kinds of Medicine but none of them did me any good. At last, I decided to try "Fruit-a-tives". I bought the first box last June, and then?"
The boy stepped over the hatch.
"Jock, ye're wanted," he bawled down now I am well, after using only three boxes. I recommend "Fruita-tives" "Jock, ye're wanted," he bawled down A growling answer came, from the darkness below; the top of a ladder leaning against the side of the hatchway began to shake, and the two grimy hands ascended the rungs, followed by a dirty hairy face beneath a slimy sou'wester; and finally the owner of face and hands appeared on deck. Though a man of a good height he was perhaps an inch shorter than Laurence. His shoulders were enormous, and tended to make his ungainly figure more squat in appearance than it was in reality. He was clothed in a torn blue guernsey, trousers of some dull red material, coarse as army blanketing, and thigh boots. He stared at the visitor keenly from beneath shaggy yellow eye-brows. to anyone suffering from Indigestion".

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know the virtues of Dr. Chase's Ointment, for there is no treatment so suitable for use after the bath to relieve irritation and chafing and to thereby prevent eczema and similar skin diseases.

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This was more encouraging still.

If the skipper was Menzie's father, and afraid of him to boot, it looked likely that the son's threat might not be mere unfounded vaporing. Again

Of his undertaking.

It was two in the afternoon before he finished, and then all the water and offal had to be sent on deck and Continued on page 8)

the thought of the book-keepers desk came into his mind, and again he rejected it. If brutality was to be the law, so let it be. He thought with less shame of that attempted strangling, and it seemed well to declare war trainburgers.

straightaway. He walked to the hatchway and looked down into the gloom. Sounds as of scraping the sides of the hold came to his ears. "Menzies," he called. "Jock Men-

"What does ye want?" came from below—with more oaths. "You, Come to the ladder, you dog." The bearded face came to the light beneath the hatchway. Laurence leaned over.

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"I'm going back to the town." he said. "And as you're not man enough to throw me over I'm going unaided. I shall come back to-morrow morning with my kit. Then I shall start work on board—and if you want more trouble raise your voice or your hand higher than your netds and you'll get it. Mind that. Get back to your work, you muck."

The face disappeared without remark, and Laurence climbed the wharfside and walked up the town. but before he went back to Harper's office he spent three pounds of the twenty that remained to him in a second-hand Colt's revolver. He did not mean to drown "off Stornoway," if he could help it.

Laurence nodded.

"Then Heaven help ye, my mannie, the brute said. "Wait till I ge ye on open water an' I'll promise ye a weary time"; and he went down the ladder into the hold again.

This sounded encouraging Laurence picked up his pipe, lit it again, and beckoned the boy to him. "What's your name?" he asked sharply.

"Willyum Clitheroe," the boy answered, and added, "they ca' me Wullie aboard."

"Where's the captain?"

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"Lurence probled with eladder into the empty hold. Menzies was craping slime and scales from off its sides, and looked sulkily over his shoulder at the new arrival.

"Ye've come then?" he said.

"I have," Laurence replied. "What's my job?"

Menzies snorted contemptuously.

"If ye're sae set on work in' in harbor," he said, "ye can wash the floor of the hold. Ye'll find a bucket on deck. Yon's a broom"; and Laurence set to work upon the first paid manual labor of his life.

It was a weary business. Forward

"Willyum Clitheroe," the boy answered, and added, "they ca' me Wullie aboard."

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"Who's that?" He pointed down the hold.

"Him ye lickit? Jock Menzies. I wouldnae be you when we're at seathe kilt a boy off Stornaway two year syne. Strook him o'erside. No; they could prove naething—ne'er tried. He fell overboard by nicht, that's all."

"Who else is aboard this cursed boat?" Laurence asked.

"Oscar. He's a Dane. I dinnae ken his ither name."

"What's the captain called?"

"Menzies. He's big Jock's feyther.

He's afeard o' Jock. Jock 'ud me master, but he disnae kon the fushing grounds weel."

This was more encouraging still.

It was a weary business. Forward the whold went beneath the floor of the forecastle, and, owing to the low headroom, he scrubbing had to be come on hands and knees. Being farthest from the hatchway this part of the floor was in almost pitch dark-ness; it was slippery with scales and offal, and the stench in such a confined space was almost unbearable. Added to this, the difficulty of using a heavy ship's scrubber in so narrow a space, the discomfort of being wet through from the splashing bucket fulls of water, and the neccessity for kneeling in it, made Laurence more than once begin to regret the whôle of his undertaking.

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