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" Captain " Jack.

"Good news! Good news!" cried Aunt Ida, as she came into the nursery waving a letter in her hand. "Come, Mabel and Jack, there's a kiss for the one who guesses first what it is."

"Uncle Will has sent me a pony,"

"No," said Mabel, who was older and wiser than her brother, "it's a letter from India. Aunty, are papa and mamma coming home?"

"Yes," said Aunt Ida, as she kissed her niece, "you've guessed right. Papa's regiment is ordered back to England, and they'll be home in less than a fortnight.'

The children listened eagerly while their aunt read them the letter; but when she described the big ship they were coming home in, and how the gallant Sixtieth would all be longing to see old England again, and how glad they would be to get back, Jack grew so excited that he wanted to start then and there, in old Sam Briney's fishingboat, to meet them.

Mabel and Jack were the children of Colonel Morton, of the Sixtieth Rifles. They had both been born in India; but the hot climate did not suit

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them, so they had been sent to England, when quite little babies, to be taken care of by Aunt Ida, Mrs Morton's sister. They had lived a happy life in the little Devonshire fishing-village where their aunt resided, and where the boy was the pet of all the old fishermen, who called him "Cap'n "Jack, and made boats for him and his friends to sail in the creeks along the shore.

Colonel Morton and his wife had been expected home a year before; but a war had broken out, and the colonel had to stay and fight for his country in Afghanistan. This had been such a disappointment to the children that Mabel's black doll, Sambo, had been rechristened the King of Afghanistan, and Jack had paraded his tin soldiers and shot Sambo with a toy cannon and peas every day for a week, till at last the poor blackamoor had lost his nose, which vexed Mabel very much. It was the middle of July, and holiday-time, so they had nothing to do all day but play on the beach and watch the ships pass in the distance, and wonder if any of them were bringing their parents

Jack was still full of the idea of going to meet them, and had tried to bribe Sam Briney, the fisherman, with promises of ever so many rides on his pony when it came, to take him out in his boat, far away over the sea, where the big ships look like tiny specks.

afternoon, the children saw a small of the Sixtieth, and-" boat lying on the sands. It was a pretty, light craft, very different from the big, dirty fishing-vessels. It belonged to a party of ladies and gentlemen who had landed from a yacht to visit some ruins in the neighborhood. The name, Sea Swallow, was painted in beautiful gold letters on the bows, and Jack, who had never seen anything like it before, suggested that it might be a fairy-boat; and then, thinking that perhaps such an expression was not seamanlike enough for a boy of six, remarked that it was " a very lively little craft."

And Mabel climbed over the sides and played at going to meet papa, and went long voyages with Jack as captain and Mabel as crew. But ty-and-by the captain grew tired and went off to sleep, with his head on the crew's knee, and the crew kept very quiet for fear of disturbing him, and at last went off to sleep as well.

And the tide crept nearer and nearer, and at last the little waves washed against the 'Sea Swallow's sides, and the water grew deeper and deeper, and then the boat floated away from the bed of sand on which she had been

resting, and the sea-gulls flew round and round, screaming, as much as to say: "Mabel! Jack! Wake up! The boat is drifting out to sea." But the captain and his crew slept on.

The sun was setting and the calm sea shone like gold as the troop-ship Ganges drew nearer home. There was great excitement on deck, for one of the seamen had reported that a small boat, without sail or spars, and with two children in it, was drifting down the channel about a quarter of a mile from the ship. Groups of ladies and officers were watching the boat that had been put off to rescue these little ocean waifs, and in a few minutes afterward the children were on deck. Mabel's eyes were red with crying, but Jack was bright and fearless as ever.

"Which is papa?" he asked, gazing at the soldiers.

One of the officers, whom the others addressed as " Colonel," stooped down and placed his hand on the boy's shoulder. "I don't think you'll find your

papa bere,'' he said. "Oh, yes I shall," answered Jack with confidence. "Papa and mamma are both coming home in a big ship from India, and Mabel and I got into the boat to play at going to meet them, and I was captain and Mabel the crew; and we both went to sleep; and I think it must be a fairy-boat, after all, for when we woke up there was nothing but sea all round; and then Mabel cried; and you know the crew oughtn't to cry; and then we saw the ship; and and I knew papa and mamma were on it, for Aunt Ida said it would be full of soldiers, and they'd all be glad to get back. And you do look glad, don't you ?''

Most of the officers laughed, and called him a plucky little fellow; but the colonel only looked surprised, as he asked: "What did you say your aunt's name was ?"

"Aunt Ida," answered Jack; " but the fishermen call her Miss Lockart, and me 'Captain 'Jack."

The Colonel stood up and called to one of the ladies. "Mary," he said, come here: I have a surprise for you. Now, little man, tell the lady your name, and what you are doing here."

"My name is Jack Morton, and Wandering over the beach one hot who are coming home. Papa's Colonel

But the lady's arms were round his neck, and she was kissing him as though she would never stop. "You are mamma, aren't you?" he asked.

"Yes," said the colonel; "and when she's done kissing you it will be my turn ; for I am your papa."

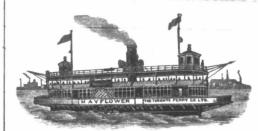
How the soldiers laughed and clap-

ped their hands! And what a shout they gave when one of them proposed "Three cheers for 'Captain' Jack! Three cheers for the colonel's boy!"

"I knew we should meet them," said Jack, when, a couple of hours later, Mabel and he were lying half asleep in one of the cabins. "But why did papa and mamma go down on their knees and pray so when they put us to bed? Papa said he thanked God we had been saved from such great danger. But there wasn't any danger, though, was there ?"

But Mabel shook her head doubtfully. You see, the crew was older and wiser than the captain.

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