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It was not destined to remain there. A very young girl discovered it, and with a cry of "A nasty, dirty carrot! How disgusting!" she flung it on to a heap of refuse which was presently cleared away. So the ragged child's offering was not in the church at the festival.

The morning sunshine was streaming through the coloured windows in shafts of amber and purple and crimson, till the tiled floor was as bright as the garlanded arches and blossom-decked pillars. The air was full of the scent of the flowers, while the sweet voices of the white-robed choristers rose and fell and rose again in songs of praise.

I cannot tell whether I slept, but I dreamed, and it seemed to me that an angel was leaving the church to carry the offerings of the people to the Throne of God, and I strained my eyes to see if my gift were in his arms. I looked and looked again, but there was only one thing I could see clearly, and that was a dwarfed, misshapen, shabby carrot.

FAITHFUL.

Two boys were at work rigging a small sail-boat. It lay in an inlet on the New Jersey coast, and had been hired from them for the season by a stranger from New York.

"Come along, Bob!" said one of the boys. "It's all right now. We'll be too late to see the ball match, if we don't start at once."

Bob had taken down some of the old ropes, and had rigged the boat with new ones. The halyards he had not yet examined.

"They're all right," urged his companion, trying them—"strong enough to last for years."

"No; I'll put in new halyards. I promised to make a thorough job of it."

"Then you'll miss the game. I'm off."

Tom ran across the fields; Bob

hesitated as he looked after him. It was a sharp disappointment to miss the game. The old halyards were worn, but they were still stout.

"They'll stand this summer well enough," muttered Bob.

Then, with a quick decisive movement he cut them, and proceeded to put in new ropes. "I'll make the job thorough," he said.

That very evening the New York gentleman took a party of friends out for a sail, among them several persons whose lives were especially valuable to the community, and whose death would have been a calamity. When they were a mile from the land a fierce squall struck the boat. They steered toward the shore. The boat was carrying too much sail for such a wind.

"If your gaff gives way, we are gone!" said a physician in the party, in a low voice.

"It all depends on the halyards. They are new. But there's a terrific strain on them."

Every eye in the boat was upon the short, knotted ropes. They creaked ominously; but they bore the strain, and in a short time the boat was driven on the beach. Bob's stout bits of rope had saved the lives of all on board.

Many years ago a poor German emigrant sat with her child in the waiting-room of an Eastern station. A lady passing to a train struck by her look of misery, stopped a moment to speak with her. The story was soon told. Her husband was buried at sea. She was going to Iowa, and "it was hard to enter a strange world alone with her babies."

The stranger had but an instant. She pressed a little money into the poor creature's hand. "Alone?" she said; "why, God is with you! He never will leave you alone."

Ten years afterwards the woman said: "That word gave me courage for all my life. When I was a child, I was faithful to my religion."

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I had grown careless at first and in the end a stranger to God. That chance word brought me back to Him. It kept me strong and happy through all my troubles." Bob's faithfulness in doing a "thorough job" and the good lady's kindness to a wayfarer, would have been comparatively little to their credit, could they have foreseen the momentous consequences of their actions. Who would not be particular about a rope if he knew beyond a question that human lives would hang upon it within twenty-four hours? The truly faithful souls are those who do their duty, as those two did, no matter how unimportant it may seem in itself, or how remote and uncertain its results.

—He that lives in a course of idleness and folly, lives no more according to the religion of Jesus Christ, than he that lives in gluttony and intemperance.

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—It is easier to keep from telling an untruth than it is to bear the burden after telling it.

—Do not dare to live without some clear intention toward which your living shall be bent. Mean to be something with all your might.