AUL JONES THE ROVER OF THE SEAS :

WENTY YEARS IN EXILE. TALE OF THE SOLWAY.

CHAPTER XVI.

PSE OF TIME AND A CHANGE OF SCENE AND EVENTS AT MARSTON GRANGE—AN HONEST LAWYER COMES INTO VIEW.

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The course of our story brings us back to
the abores of the Solway, but not until
after the lapse of seventeen years from
the date of its opening—that is to say
seventeen years from that April afternoon
when we found Adam Borland and his
brother Jack busy at work in the Grange
garden—seventeen years from that memorable night when Jack quitted his
brother's cottage to join the smugglers and
become involved in a crime which parted
him and Adam for ever. His brother
and all others believed that Jack perished
that night in the little boat, and nothing
had since occurred to after that belief.
By those who loved him he was mourned
for as dead, and as time extended its space
he became but a sad and fading memory
in their hearts. For a long while he was
often spoken of in the cottage, but at length
more terrible sorrows came, under the
heavy pressure of which Jack and his untimely fate passed into comparative
oblivion. The events and changes which
caused these sorrows, though not related
in due sequence, will be sufficiently explained in this chapter.

After an interval of seventeen years,
then, we behold the scene briefly described
at the opening of the tale—the far stretching park of the Grange, dotted with noble
trees, fringed with sheltering belts of
thick plantation, and containing near its
centre—surrounded by lofty woods—the
massion-house, policies, and garden. In
its external features the scene is very
much the same. The trees have perchance reached the larger proportions, and
wave longer branches in the summer
wind; the clumps and thickets have become denser; the roses and honeysuckles
which overspread the porch and walls of
the cottage at the corner of the park are
thicker in their tendfuls, while on the walls
themselves moss shows itself here and
there to attest the influence of the time
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natural aspect of the scene is essentially the same as on the memorable evening when Adam and Jack came home from the day's labour, and were greeted on the threshold by the smiling Jessie and the langhing child she held in her arms.

Froceeding into the interior of the cottage, the changes produced by the passing years are immediately presented to view. The appearance of the solitaryinmate and the garments she wears give significant indication of the sad truth, for the middleaged woman in dark gown and widow's cap is Jessie Borland, whom last we saw as Adam's young happy-hearted wife, full of the love and joy of early wedded bliss. Gone now is the bright gladsome smile which then lighted up her pretty countenance; gone the lustre which bloomed on her cheek; gone the bright light from her sparkling eyes. Though she is but little over forty, her hair once dark and glossy is turning grey; on her brow, once smooth as alabaster, grief has ploughed deep lines; and the sharp pale face, though composed, is grave and smileless. Adam Borland then is dead.

Yes, he had been dead for the last eight years. His youth, health and manhood's strength had a sudden termination, for with awful unexpectedness the grave received him into its dark depths, and almost in an hour Jesse passed from the fulness of married enjoyment into the desolation of widowhood. It was a heartrending spectacle to those who saw her and her orphan child hanging over the shattered body of her idolised husband when death gave him rest from suffering, and to them the first bitterness of bereavement. Agnes was then eleven, old enough to realize the greatness of the loss and join her tears to the sobs and lamentations of her widowed mother, but too young to impart strength or comfort to that mother's stricken heart, whose anguish no words can describe.

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The day that Adam met his deathwound was a day of awiul accidents to to many more than him. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce with their two children, Orwell and May, were driving in an open carriage by the side of a ravine which intersected a portion of the grounds. The horse, a young high-spirited animal, took fright at the sudden rising of a wood pigeon from a bank overhead; and plunged madly forward. Mr. Bruce, who was driving, lost command of the animal, and was unable to prevent it dragging them towards the edge of a precipice by which the ravine was at that point bounded. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce saw their danger, and were appalled thereby, but could donothing to save themselves and their children from a destruction which would speedily have overtaken them, had notsome one at that moment dashed in front of the horse, seized his head, and averted for a moment his headlong speed. It was Adam Borland, who, attracted by their cries, had come to their aid and thrown himself without a moment's hesitation into a position of great danger. By the utmost exercise of his strength he strove to press back the infuriated animal and give the comment of the carriage time to leap

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"Quick, for Godsake, quick!" he shouted, feeling that in a minute the horse would get the mastery of him.

Mr. Bruce disentangled himself from the wrappings, and bounding to the ground, held out his hands to his wife.

"Leap, Amelia—oh, leap," he cried.

"The children!" she shricked; "save them!" and with frantic struggles she grasped first the little May and threw her into her father's arms Orwell, a strong boy of fitteen, manfully calling out that he would get out himself, was making his way over the side when his panic-stricken mother made a frantic clutch at him. This lost some invaluable moments, during which the maddened horse was pressing himself and Adam towards the precipice, rearing and plunging as he did so.

Adam, fluding that he was losing ground inch by inch, and would be unable to prevent the animal from rushing over, could have saved himself by letting go his hold and leaping aside. But to do this before Mrs. Bruce was out of the gearriage would be to ensure her death, and a sense of duty and devotion kept him at his post till he and the horse were on the very brink.

Orwell was now out, and Mrs. Bruce wildly threw herself forward towards her husband's outstretched arms. Her weight bore him to the ground, and as they fell he instinctively threw her back, to be clear of wheels and hoofs. He succeeded in this, but only to involve himself in the danger he sought to avert from her, and received a blow on the nose from the horse's hind foot.

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At the same moment Adam let go his held and made a desperate leap to one side, but struck agairst a ledge of rock, and he, horse, and vehicle, fell over the precipice almost simultaneously.

The horse was killed on the spot, the carriage broken nearly to fragments, and Adam lay moaning with pain, fearfully mangled, and fatally injured.

The lad Orwell was the only one of the four on the top of the precipice who was in a condition to give or to get help. Mr. Bruce lay helpless, every breath he drew sending a paia through his breast so acute as to render exertion impossible; his wife lay only a yard or two from him in a deep swoon, with May weeping hysterically over her, and pitcously calling to her mamma to open her eyes and speak to her.

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