#### LITERARY

The Coaster

LATE HON. J. HOWE.

the idle may heed not, the wealthy despise The race to which I and my fel ows be

And the deck of my swallop resound to my song.

snug and she's trim, They are cheerfull of heart and athletic

of limb, And follow the business their bold fa-

Through the storm and the sleet of the While the rich and the feeble on couches

There is health in our toil, and a charm in the gale, And our courage still rises the harder i

blows.

Every depth from the Banks to St. Lawrence we've tried. And we care not though round Labrador

Or sweep on the strength of old Fundy s flerce tide.

Now wealth from the wave we draw forth with our lines.

stow'd. Or having a full freight of coal from the

We slowly sail on with our cumbersome

Though the Merchantman looks gay, her crew are but slaves And own not a stick of the yessel they

Queen of the Waves, We know that the cat and the bulboes

Then who would exchange the rough life that we lead Joint owners at sea and free sons of the soil

At the bidding of others to labor bor and bleed With but little of pleasure to sweeten

We build our own sha lops; rear our And life has for us sweet endearments iu store,

For though luxury's fetters our souls Bright eyes bid us, welcome when my initials. danger is o'er

Thus we Coasters enrich the fair land that that we love,

And if danger shou d threaten, the cutlass we'd seize. And our hearts and our sinews in battle should prove.

That the spirit of freedom is nursed by

by the breeze

## RUPERT'S CHOICE

'It can't be done, mother !' exclaimed Rupert Lauraine, starting both his mo ther and himself by impatiently throw ing down on the breakfast table the new Bradshaw which the hutler had brought in a few moments before. "Those brute" of directors have been squabbling agaiand have carefully re-arranged the train. each other.'

like,' said Mrs Loraine, looking up from her letters.

Not a bit of good, mother, if you dined at midnight!' replied Rupert. Is it has stood al summer, I could have done it beautifully. It was Clevelands 5:50-Whitfield Junction 6.15-Newbury 6.55-and an hour to dine home and dress for dinner at eight; but now I can't get home tosnight unless I leave Cleves lands at three o clock-which is impossible-and wait at Whitefield.

There must be a later train,' I said. 'Yes' answered Rubert. Theres ans other at 6.10 from Whitfield, reaching Clevelands at 6.45, precisely a quarter of an hour after the last train leaves Whitfield for Newbury.'

Mrs. Lauraine listened in evident con-

Herries comes this afternoon. not matter a bit; but you must tell her at sixteen, in spite of all that medical I could not he p it, and I will be here by skill and the tenderest care could do.

breakfast time to-morrow. 'How provoking!' said Mrs Loraine. you! Rupert laughed.

My voice o'er my own native waters rather an optimist. You will be thrown happily, but I can rarely leave them. Indeed mother Mona will suit you ex- there for a month this sum er. Though my craft may be small, she is actly, I am sure! she is good to read Ger- Mrs Loraine was now very much alone man poetry by the hour, if you wish it, there, for Alica had married at nineteen

> you like the same things. I'm sure,' the best of it; but I am very sorry for grief, and took care that Helmsleigh her disappointment.'

Every harbor from Sable to Canso's a old Job here to act buffer, and break deal away, either travelling or paying the first shock, so I hope-'

your things are all in, and I dont think and he had no real duties at home, for

of the dining room, and we heard him his he.p in her rule, And now with a cargo of produce we're drive off. He had long been engaged not get back to dinner.

raine, as we left the breakfast table.

ly on each other at first.

the house keeper's room, while I turned this case could be of no consequence, nto the library, which was the usual whatever, morning sittingsroom.

'I was at this time on a visit to Helmsleigh, which is a beautiful place about seven miles from Newbury. I may, per haps, as well state here that my name is Jane Osborne Barlow, and that Job was a nick name given to me in my childhood by Rupert, when he chanced to make the visit for all parties, and she was to ar discovery that that name was spelled by rive in the afternoon of the day on which

I first made Mrs. Loraine's acquaintance about two and-twenty years ago. when I then a girl of twenty went to be Rupertis governess. Mrs Loraine wa the on y child and heiress of old Mr Los slisht and darkshaired. Rupert would raine of Helmsleigh, and she had married show no photograph of her. a Colonel Elliott who had taken her name. Their own home was in London. for he had an appointment in the Horse Guards, but they were a great deal at Helmsleigh. When I first went to them Rupert was five years old. Alice three and Eertha only fifteen months. I was kindly and affectionately treated; I was an or- Glass and Tinware Establish phan without relations, and the Loraines and Helmsleigh became to meas my own people and my home.

Years passed on, and troubles came in quick succession. Colonel Elliot Loraine went to the Crimea, and fell at the battle on both lines so that none of them fit of the Alma, and his widow returned with Dinner can be as much later as you been born a few months after I went to improved and very best quality of Stoves be first hers and then Rupert's. I red GOTHIC GRATES.

In addition to the above, the subscris 433, Oxford Street, London, irresistibly lovable, devoted to his moths Milk, Coffee, Soaps and a general assorter affectionate to his sisters, and kindly Tinware etc. courteous to me, though devising new schemes for our torment with each sucs

I helped Mrs. Loraine to nurse her fas ther through the long and tedious illness which preceded his death, together we watched our dear little Gerala, who died Mil-William All (AULA) of mjuries received from a fall from his But Rupert, what can you do ? Miss pony at eight years of age- and sharper grief still, we saw our sweet and gent e Vessels repaired on the Marine Raile R. MCCARTHY I know she does, mother or it would Bertha slowly fade and droop, and die at

We left our little darling at Mentone. The following year Alice, being eighs There will be the whole evening without teen, was presented and introduced into society, and I left Helmsleigh. Thay Well, mother, I'm not so conceited as wished me to remain there, but I seemed

without me. Anyhow, it can't be help, Mrs. Eliot, the father and mother of Co'. ed, and when I come back to morrow Eliot Luraine, required a companion and morning, I shall expect to knd that you housekeeper now that all their daugters have been getting on like a house on were married, and they were od and ins firm, and unfit to be alone together "I will do my best but it will be so They knew me and were willing to take different without you, said Mrs. Loraine me, and I felt that I could be of more 'I'm half inclined to think it a piece of use there than at Helmsleigh. For seven luck,' exclaimed Rupert who was always years now I have gived with them very more on each other at first; and forced to Occasionly, however, I am able to mans break the ice, and make a sudden plunge, age a visit to Helms eigh, and I was

And her crew accustomed to battle the she is great at schools, hymns, and dirty and in every way to her mothers satischildren, and knows all about ferns, - faction, but had died the following year at the birth of her first chi d, which only 'You included I suppose,' said his mo. survived her a few hours. Rupert was ther, smiling, as he ended his somewhat now the only treasure left to his mother miscellaneous catalogue of Miss Herries' and she idolized him. For his sake she designs. accomp ishments. Well, we must make struggled, even in early days against her should continue to be a cheerful home 'She'll survive! exclaimed Rubert, for him, where his friends were always Only don't you go and be shy of her, welcome Rupert was very fond of her mother, for she is aufully anxious about and very considerate of her, but though you liking her, However, there will be nominally wing with her, he was a great visits, Amusements of one kind or 'The dog cart is at the door, sir, and another tempted him in every direction, you've any time to lose,' announced the though his father's fortune had made him quite independent the property was 'All right, Saunders, I'm ready! And his motheris, and she had never at is with a hasty goodsby, Ruqert dashed out cated her powers, though pleased to have

> to play on this day in a return match be- always anticipated as tkely and desira- medy for Bad Legs, Old Wounds, Sores tween the clubs of his own county and ble but when it came it was lnevitably and Ulcers, of however long standing and the adjoining one; but until this an anxiety and a shock. He had return- For Bronchitis, Diphtheria, Coughs morning-too late to give up the engager | ed home quite lately from visiting some | Colds, Gout, Rheumatism, and all Skin ment-he had had no idea that he could friends in Devonshire, to announce to Diseases it is no equal. his mother that he had engaged himself BEWARE OF AMERICAN 'Unfortunate, is it not? said Mrs Lau- to Miss Herries, a young lady of whose existence Mrs. Lorame had never heared till that moment. She did not even know I am inclined to agree with Rupert, the scott Perrys, the friends at whose I replied. I think you'll get on all the house Rupert had met her. It was easily the attention of the Public generally to better for being thrown more completes ascertained, however, that both Colonel the fact, that certain Houses in New and Mrs. Herries were people of good birth and that there was nothing wrong Mrs. Loaraine smiled, and went off to about them except poverty, which in

> > Mrs. Loraine did and said all that was ind and unselfish, and at once invited dies Herris and her parents to come to pay a visitat Helmsleigh. But Col. Her ries was an invalid and could not visit and his wife and daughter could not leave at the same time; and therefore Rosamund, otherwise 'Mo a.' must ccome a one. It was rather a formidable Rupert had gone over to Cleaveland. I was very glad to be staying at Helmsleigh, for I was deeply interested in all that concerned both nother and son. All that we knew about Miss Herries was that she was the eldest of a large family, that she was two and twenty and was tall,

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