Jeannie Sinclair.

THE LILY OF THE STRATH.

& CHAPTER XXXII. The horror which was now pictured or every countenance is beyond pourtrayal, but sharply was it disclosed by the lurid glare which shot up from the hatchway, and by the lightnings, which still fashed around, though with less frequency. In the hope of delaying for a time the progress of the flames, the Capitain directed the men to cover up the hatchway with whatever they could get to heap upon it. Wet sails and soaked ropes were dung with gestures of despair over were dung with gestures of despair over were dung with gestures of despair over were dung with gestures of sepair of the sails and soaked ropes were dung with gestures of despair over were dung with gestures of flame which had been leaping rayer, and could be but of short duration, and the dense volumes of smoke which had been continued to be some of the country of smoke which now look the place of the intercepted black, now look the place of the intercepted black, threatened to blind and suffocate them.

"Out with the boats—"tis our only chane."

out with the boats—tis our only chance, roared the Captain through his speaking trumpet.

A rush was made to the ship's boats, and the excited men were beginning to lower them with a haste which would inevitably have defeated their object, had not the Captain, with a determined exercise of authority brought them back with something like reason and calmness, and under his controlling directions they were got over the side without being stove in.

Not a moment too soon, for the flames had against burst forth in two or three places and that with a fierceness which showed that the whole underpart of the ship would sink. With headlong impetts she would sink with the sollows a time of danger almost invariable, and that the whole underpart of the ship was out, the sailors scrambled over the side and filled two of the boats in a twinkling.

The three friends stood together on the deck, not knowing what to do. To them it appeared that the attempt to escape by boat was fulle, for no boat could live in that stormy see, and they had silently made up their minds to remain where they were till the fire reached them, then to plunge into the water, and die the more merciful death of drewning.

In a kind of stupefaction they were gazing at the men crowding inte the boats, the boats being brilliantly lighted up by the confisquation, which had now burst forth unreastrainedly, when Captain Mungall sprang towards them, and clutched William by the arm.

"Por God's sake,' he shouted, 'Be quick, or arm."

"It's no use, Captain,' replied William,
'The sea will swallow up the boats in a moment,'
'At least try. The wind has been lulling for some time, and the sea is beginning to go down. Ben will go with you.'
He pointed to the boatswain, who was already in the third boat, holding her to the vessel's side waiting for them. It was the smallest of the three, and would hold no more than Ben and them, but the Captain informed them that he would take command of one of the filled boats, while his mate was already in charge of the other.

The commander's words roused them at once to action, and they prepared to encounter the terrible feat of entering the small boat which was tossing fearfully under the vessel's side. Not a moment was to be lost, for any of them, as the Petrel might go down at any instant. The men in the first boat, therefore, which the mate had in charge, cut her cable, and shot at once into the surge, those in the others shouted to the Captain that if he did not spring in they would go without him.—The brave commander wrung William's hand with emotion, and prepared to leap.

'Farewell,' he said, 'we may never meet again. To your boat, to your boat.'

He swung himself over the side, and the next moment the second boat had disappeared over the crest of a gigantic wave.

William was now the last man on board the Petrel, for Robert and Waity had succeeded in getting into the skiff beside Ben, who was waving frantically for the youth to come.—The latter leaped, but at the moment he did so a resistless surge carried the boat away from the ship's side, and William Denman dropt into the sea. One moment only was he visible to the horror-stricken eyes of his agonsed friends, then the waves closed over him, and he was lost to sight.

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