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tremely ludicrous; he was well-looking, and sported a capacious pair of black whiskers, the outline of which he frequently altered. He had been a "captain," but unfortunately, loving the bottle, he lost his "caste." There existed little confidence between him and the captain; and both being of a warm temperament, there were occasional symptoms of collision; but they were prevented from ending in open rupture by the timely interference of the mistress, on whom the captain would let loose his wrath, which though expressed in no gentle terms, she bore with exemplary patience.

The mistress was small, ruddy, and sun-burnt; having seen some sixty winters, forty of which she had spent at sea,—generally in the home trade; but varied occasionally by a voyage to Russia, or to America. She was in the habit of keeping a private log, in which she noted the incidents of her travels. I was allowed to look into this interesting production, which amused me no less by the originality of the orthography, than its elegance of diction. Being a native of Cumberland, her pronunciation was not particularly euphonious; she also, when addressing her husband, the mate, and all familiar acquaintances, used the terms "thee" and "thou," invariably reversing their grammatical order.

Tuesday, June 1st.

After breakfast, the mate invited me to see the depot of provisions. I accordingly followed him, descending by a ladder into an apartment partitioned off from the hold, and dividing it from the cabin.

By the light from the lantern I perceived a number of sacks, which were filled with oatmeal and biscuit. The