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Cotton and Sugar Factors,
No 8 Customhouse street, between Chartres and Old Levee, New Orleans.
GIVE their undivided attention to the sale of the above articles consigned to them, and to the purchase of plantation supplies, bagging, rope, etc. oct10

T. M. CONVERSE. W. P. CONVERSE, JR.
CONVERSE & Co.,
GROCERS
And dealers in Western Produce,
Corner of Fulton and Canal streets, and corner of Common and New Levee streets,
(Opposite the Steamboat Landing,) NEW ORLEANS.
HAVE constantly for sale on the most accommodating terms, a large stock of TEAS, WINES and GROCERIES generally; together with every description of Western Produce. January 4, 1856-1yis

WM. P. CONVERSE & Co.,
Commission Merchants,
And DEALERS IN EXCHANGE,
NEW YORK.
SPECIAL personal attention will be paid to the purchase of Goods for the South and South-West.
Wm. P. Converse. }
P. S. Gerald. } dec31

THOMAS L. WHITE,
No. 105 CANAL STREET, (second door below the Mechanics' and Traders' Bank,) New Orleans,
Bookseller & Stationer,
LAW, Medical, Miscellaneous and School Books, Writing Paper, viz: cap, letter and note. Wrapping paper of various qualities; quills, steel pens, ink, and a general assortment of BLANK BOOKS. Country merchants and teachers are requested to call and examine the stock. j26-1y

TIRRELL & BATES,
Manufacturers and Wholesale Dealers in
BOOTS, SHOES AND HATS,
No. 9 Magazina street, New Orleans.
Manufactory, at South Weymouth, Mass. march 12

CYRUS FLINT. J. H. JONES
C. FLINT & JONES,
Wholesale and retail dealers in fashionable cabinet
FURNITURE,
Chairs, feathers, moss and hair mattresses, curled hair, hair cloth, varnish, etc., Nos. 44 and 46 Royal street, New Orleans. nov 9, 1855

NEW FURNITURE STORE.
Nos. 171 and 173 CANAL STREET, NEW ORLEANS.
THE undersigned having opened a large and splendid assortment of **New Furniture**, is prepared to supply the trade and families on the most liberal terms. This being the ONLY ENTIRE NEW STOCK in the city, purchasers will find it to their advantage to call and examine the goods and learn the prices before purchasing elsewhere. Will keep constantly on hand Mahogany and Walnut

Bedsteads,	Bureaus,
Armoires,	Centre Tables,
Chairs,	Sofa do
Sofas,	Card do
Tete-à-tetes,	Extension do
Easy Chairs,	Washstands,
Secretaries,	Book Cases,
Ottomans,	Lounges,
Canopies,	Cribs,

Feathers, Looking-Glasses, spring, hair and moss mattresses, together with a great variety of every article usually found in a furniture warehouse.
oct24 CHAS. A. STEWART.

D. KELHAM,
FURNITURE STORE,
Nos. 43, 45 and 48 Bienville street,
NEW ORLEANS.
KEEPS constantly on hand a large assortment of Furniture, such as mahogany and walnut

Bedsteads,	Bureaus,
Armoires,	Centre Tables,
Chairs,	Sofa do
Sofas,	Card do
Tete-à-tetes,	Extension Tables,
Easy chairs,	Washstands,
Secretaries,	Book Cases,
Ottomans,	Lounges,
Canopies,	Cribs,

Feathers, looking-glasses, spring, hair and moss mattresses, etc. D. KELHAM.
New Orleans, April 9, 1856.

Drugs, Medicines, &c.
THE subscriber having recently been supplied with a large and fresh stock of Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Perfumery, etc., would respectfully notify all country merchants, planters and physicians that every thing in my line will be sold at very small advance for cash, or city acceptances. Below are a few of the articles on hand:

900 ozs sulph: quinine,	300 lbs pow'd rhubarb,
100 " sulph: morphine,	200 lbs ipecac,
100 " strychnine,	500 lbs senna,
100 " nitrate silver,	2000 lbs gum arabic,
15 bbls refi'd camphor,	600 lbs tartaric acid,
100 kegs sup: carb: soda,	300 lbs blue mass,
10 bbls cream tartar,	300 lbs calomel, E.&A.,
20 bbls epsom salts,	1000 lbs indigo,
20 bbls copperas,	2000 lbs madder,
15 bbls castor oil,	50 lbs chloroform,
20 bbls linseed oil,	20 gross seid'z powders,
20 bbls sp: turpentine,	20 " yeast "
20 bbls alcohol,	25 " soda "
40 kegs salt petre,	40 gross sugar lemons.

2000 bxs druggists' glassware, patent medicines, perfumery, medicine chests, instruments, etc., etc.
G. N. MORISON, Wholesale Druggist,
dec 27, 1854 12 Magazine st., New Orleans.

LOUISIANA
PLANTATION CLOTHING MANUFACTORY,
118 Canal street, between Royal and Bourbon,
NEW ORLEANS.
THE undersigned having completed his arrangements for the manufactory of
Plantation Clothing
on a very large scale, takes pleasure in informing his country friends and the southern planters generally, that he is now prepared to supply them at the shortest notice with
Ready-Made Negro Clothing
of the best material, and cut to fit each individual, at as low prices as articles of inferior quality of northern manufacture. P. A. HEBRARD,
Wholesale and retail Dry Goods Store,
118 Canal, between Royal and Bourbon sts.
New Orleans, April 2, 1856.

OILS—Of every description, for sale by
m20 T. H. MORRIS, Druggist.

E. R. STEVENS & Co.,
Importers and Wholesale Dealers in
Cutlery, Guns, Pistols, Perfumery, FANCY GOODS, Paper, Stationery, School & Blank Books,
PLAYING CARDS, &c., &c.,
Nos. 55 and 57 Common street, New Orleans.
THE subscribers have removed to their new and spacious stores (as above) nearly opposite the City Hotel, and invite the attention of city and country dealers to their extensive assortment of goods adopted to every branch of trade. We receive our goods direct from the manufacturers, both foreign and domestic, and are enabled to offer them to dealers as low as any other house in the Union.

Combs, Brushes and Fancy Goods:

Ivory Combs, all Nos.	Porte Monnaies,
India Rubber "	" Purses,
Imitation shell,	Reticules,
Buffalo,	Pocket Books,
Horn,	Hooks and Eyes,
Hair Brushes,	Looking Glasses,
Tooth and Nail Brushes,	Necklaces,
Shoe and scrubbing "	Watch Guards,
Writing Desks,	Suspenders,
India Rubber Toys,	Silver Thimbles,
China do	Pocket Compasses,
Buttons,	Blacking,
Marbles,	Twines,
Pins,	Tacks, etc., etc.

Perfumery, Soaps, &c.

Genuine Farina Cologne,	Vinegar Rouge,
Wright's sup'r do	Macassar Oil,
Taylor's " do	Bears' "
Lubin's Extracts,	Antique "
Wright's do	Pomatum,
Taylor's do	Ox Marrow,
Lily White,	Bandolino,
Chalk Balls,	Powder Puffs,
Toilet Powder,	Balm of 1000 Flowers,
Rice do	Lyons' Kathairon,
Meen Fun,	French Soaps,
Cosmetique,	Military do.

And a large assortment of Taylor's Transparent Wash Balls and Wright's Fancy Soaps.
Also of direct importation, Cutlery, Guns, Pistols, Percussion Caps and Needles.
A large stock of Printing, Writing and Wrapping Papers of every description, Playing Cards, Inks, Pens, School Books, Blank Books, etc.
Copying Presses, Envelopes, and Stationery of every description. [mh25] E. R. STEVENS & Co.

SCHMIDT & ZEIGLER,
WHOLESALE GROCERS,
175.....OLD LEVEE STREET.....175
Between Hospital and Barrack streets, New Orleans.
ARE daily receiving from Europe and the North **the Choicest Liquors, Wines, Brandies and Groceries**, to which they call the special attention of families, planters and country merchants.—They pledge themselves to furnish their friends on as favorable terms as any house in the trade in the city. The following comprises only a small portion of their extensive stock:
150 casks Claret Wine;
100 bbls White Wine, (Haut Sauterne;)
50 do do do Barsac;
25 quarter casks Alexander Seignette Cognac;
40 eighth do do do;
10 quarter do Louis LeBreton, 1805, Cognac;
10 do do Castillon Cognac;
20 do do John Morris, 1815, Cognac;
40 do do Burgundy Port;
16 do do Old Madeira VP;
60 bbls very old Bourbon Whiskey;
100 bbls New York Brandy and Gin;
50 baskets Champagne, pints and quarts;
300 do Annisette and assorted Coldials;
250 cases Brandy Cherries,
200 do Fruits in brandy, and in their own juice;
20 boxes Swiss Cheese;
2000 Limburger Cheeses;
200 kegs Holland Herrings;
150 cases Sardines;
Goshen and Western Butter and Cheese;
Loaf, crushed, powdered and broken Sugar;
Rio, Havana and Java Coffee;
Green and black Teas, of every quality;
Tobacco, candles, soap, spices, pickles, ketchups, sauces, mustard, peppers, preserves, Havana sweetmeats, olives, capers, anchovies, almonds, raisins, figs, prunes, currants, dates, filberts, chesnuts, cranberries, mackerel, salmon, shad, codfish, buckwheat, salad, olive and lard oils, sugar-cured hams, buffalo tongues, family beef, pork, etc., etc., all of the best quality.
Orders from the country punctually and carefully filled. Country merchants and others visiting the city are invited to call at 175 Old Levee street.
march25 SCHMIDT & ZEIGLER.

C. C. BIER. WM. G. STEPHENS.
C. C. BIER & Co.,
No. 95 CAMP STREET, NEW ORLEANS,
Manufacturers of the Patent Indestructible WATER PIPES.
THESE Pipes have proven to be the best water pipes now in use. They are made of Sheet-Iron, coated on the inside, half an inch thick, with a **Composition made of Hydraulic Cement**, and when laid in the ground receives a coating of the same on the outside. This composition becomes perfectly PETRIFIED, and will deliver water PURE and HEALTHY. We make them of sizes varying from ¾ to 36 inches in diameter, to stand a pressure from 20 to 1000 feet head. The first cost of which is CHEAPER than any other pipes now made. We will undertake to construct Water Works for CITIES, TOWNS, or PLANTATIONS, on the most approved plans and reasonable terms.
Plumbing, Zinc, Copper, Tin and Sheet-Iron Work, done in all its various branches.
We keep constantly on hand **COOKING STOVES** and **RANGES**, of all patterns, sizes and prices.
Baths, Bathing Tubs, Wash-hand Stands, Water Closets, cast-iron and lead Sinks, lead and iron Pipes, of all sizes.
PUMPS, of all sizes and patterns, both lift and force.
Plumbers' Materials, of all kinds, constantly on hand.
All work WARRANTED to give entire satisfaction.
We solicit orders from the country, and will endeavor to meet the views of all who may favor us with their orders or communications.
C. C. BIER & Co., 95 Camp street,
march4 New Orleans.

JED'H. WATERMAN. CHAS. M. WATERMAN.
J. WATERMAN & BROTHER,
HARDWARE MERCHANTS,
Corner of Common and Magazine streets, New Orleans.
HAVE on hand and are daily receiving by foreign and domestic arrivals, a general assortment of articles, comprising in part as follows:
Hardware, Cutlery, &c.
Iron, Steel, Nails, Rope,
Axes, Chains, Scythes,
Carpenter's Tools, complete,
Cooper's Tools, complete,
Anvils, Vices, Bellows,
Stock and Dies, Screwplates,
Ploughs, Hay Cutters, Corn Shellers,
Agricultural Implements,
Mill, Cross-cut and Pit Saws,
Ox Yokes, Bows, Singletrees,
Turning Lathes,
Platform Scales,
Corn Mills, Cob Crushers
Hoes, Hames, Shovels and Spades,
Andirons, Fenders, Shovels and Tongs,
Copper and Iron Coal Hods,
Single and double barrel Guns,
Coffee Heclas, Chafing Dishes,
Chinese Gongs, Iron Bedsteads,
Britannia and Plated Ware,
Meat Cutters, Sausage Stuffers,
Stock Kettles, Portable Forges,
nov 15, 1856 Seines, Fishing Tackle, etc. etc.

CARPETING.
J. D. DAMERON & Co.,
26 Chartres and 27 Customhouse street, New Orleans,
HAVE constantly on hand a large and choice assortment of Velvet Wilton Tapestry Carpeting;
Brussels Tapestry Carpeting;
Three-ply and Ingrain do
Matting, rugs, baizes, door mats;
Stair and hall Carpeting, etc.
Floor Oil Cloth,
from 3 feet to 24 feet wide, which we cut to suit any size room or hall.
Together with window cornices, curtain pins, transparent window blinds, etc. april9

PLOUGHS.
A large consignment of Ploughs—equal to any ever manufactured—just received and for sale by
jan7 J. N. HOWELL & Co.

McFarland's Ploughs.
WE are agents for the above favorite Ploughs, and have now on hand a large supply. For sale by
jan23 E. & B. JACOBS.

PLOUGHS.
500 Hall and Spear Ploughs, just received per steamer Runaway.
feb22 OGLESBY & GRISWOLD.

New Orleans & Texas U. S. Mail Line.
Every Sunday and Thursday.
LOUISIANA, Captain W. H. Talbot.
MEXICO, " John Lawless.
PERSEVERANCE, Capt. Henry Place.
CHARLES MORGAN, Capt. J. Y. Lawless.
One of the above new and magnificent steamships will leave for Galveston, Indianola and Matagorda Bay every **Sunday and Thursday**, at 8 o'clock, A. M., punctually.
For freight or passage, (having elegant accommodations,) apply to HARRIS & MORGAN,
Foot of Julia street, opposite steamship landing.
nov 15, 1856.

H. P. BUCKLEY,
(Late Young & Co.,)
8 Camp street, New Orleans,
Watchmaker, Jeweller & Silversmith,
Importer of fine Watches for ladies and gentlemen, of the most celebrated makers of England and Switzerland, made to his own order expressly in heavy cases (gold and silver,) and warranted standard fineness.
Ladies' chatelaines and neck chains;
Gent's guard, fob and vest chains, seals, keys, etc.
Finger rings, ear-rings, breast-pins, cuff-pins, etc.
Diamond pins and rings,
Spectacles for every age, in gold, silver, steel and tortoise shell frames;
Silverware, warranted pure as coin, consisting of table, tea and dessert spoons;
Silver table and dessert forks, ladles, butter knives, mustard and salt spoons, sugar tongs, etc.
Plated ware, consisting of castors, candlesticks, waiters, etc.
Having been always engaged in the mechanical part of the business, all watches sent for repairs will have the strictest personal attention; and having every facility for making any portion of a watch, he will be enabled to work on very reasonable terms.
Jewelry made to order and repaired. Diamonds reset in the latest style. Canes mounted in gold and silver. nov 15, 1856

CARRIAGE REPOSITORY.
R. MARSH DENMAN & Co.,
81, 83 & 85 Common Street,
Between St. Charles and City Hotel,
NEW ORLEANS.
CALECHES; ROCKAWAYS;
BRETTS; BUGGIES;
COACHES; JERSEY WAGONS.
And a general assortment of HARNESS; for sale low for cash or city acceptances.
March 25, 1857—1y

THEODORE FROIS,
IMPORTER AND WHOLESALE DEALER IN
DRY GOODS,
No. 81 CANAL STREET, NEW ORLEANS.
Constantly on hand, every description of American, French, British and German Dry Goods.
Silks, Satins, Velvets, Laces, Embroideries, etc.
Lowells, Lindseys, Kerseys, Jeans, Cottonades, and every description of plantation goods.
Blankets, flannels, etc. mh25

House Furnishing Goods,
Wholesale and Retail
NOS. 73 & 75 CAMP STREET, NEW ORLEANS.
DETERMINED to reduce our stock of Goods, we will hereafter sell at **Lower Prices than has ever before been offered** in this city. Those in want of the following articles will do well to call:
Queensware, Glass and China Ware;
Bohemian Ware;
Birmingham Ware;
Rich China Vases and
Fine Silver-Plated Ware.
Parlor and Hall Lamps and Girondoles;
Rich Tea Trays and Waiters, in sets or single;
Fine Table Cutlery, and
Housekeeping Hardware;
Enameled and Hollow-Ware;
Britannia, Planished Tin and Japanned Ware;
Wooden and Willow Ware;
Feather Dusters, Brushes, of all kinds;
Paper Hangings and Borders;
Door Mats;
Window Cornishes, Cords and Tassels;
Curtain Bands and Curtain Pins, etc.
HEATH & MILLER,
Successors to Miller, Harris & Waldo.

WATER COLORS.
Newman's, Ackeman's,
Reeves & Son's, Osborne's.
PAPER HANGINGS, &c.
JUST received a large stock of the above COLORS, in cakes and in mahogany and rosewood boxes, with lock and key. Also, **German Colors**, in cakes and boxes, a fine assortment.
Oil colors, in tubs---English and American;
Canvases for Portraits in frames of 8x10 to 42x56
Canvas in rolls, from 36 to 66 inches wide;
Strechers for canvases, of all sizes;
400 doz fine sable and camel hair pencils;
160 " paint and varnish brushes, all sizes;
80 packages gold and silver leaf;
100 bundles of duck metal---white and yellow;
Tin foil, in sheets and books;
Tinsel of all the usual colors.
French and American PAPER HANGINGS.
Doors, Window Sash and Blinds, of all sizes and description, for sale cheap.
.....**WINDOW GLASS, &c.**.....

5000 bxs American Window Glass, all sizes;	
700 do English and French, from 8x10 to 33x65	
300 lights fine Plate Glass;	
120 bxs double thick American, from 8x10 to 20x30	
1000 lights colored glass;	
150 Glazier Diamonds;	
500 bundles glazier tins;	
10 tons White Lead, in 25 to 700 lb kegs;	
5000 canisters and kegs colored paints, in ½ oz to 100 lb packages;	
2500 lbs fine French Green, dry and ground in oil;	
1000 bbls Whiting and Paris White, of my own manufacture, fire dried.	

Paint Mills of all sizes and every article usually kept in a general Paint, Oil and Color Store, will found at
R. CLANNON's,
nov 2, 1856 98 Canal street, New Orleans.

LEEDS' FOUNDRY,
CORNER OF DELORD & FOUCHER STREETS,
NEW ORLEANS.
Is prepared to furnish vertical and horizontal Steam Engines, Sugar Mills, Vacuum Pans, Sugar Kettles, Clarifiers, Filters, steam and horse power Draining Machines, Saw Mills, Gin Geering, Iron Columns and Fronts for buildings Furnace Mouths, Grate Bars, etc., and all machinery required for the South.
They respectfully call the particular attention of the planters of Louisiana and the adjoining States to their style of Steam Engines, Sugar Mills, Vaccuum Pans and Draining Wheels, which for strength, durability and convenience, have not been excelled.
New Orleans, February 7, 1856.

Portable Steam Engines.
PLANTERS visiting New Orleans are requested to call at the subscriber's store, and see in operation a **PORTABLE STEAM ENGINE**, got up expressly for Plantation use, which for running cotton gins, corn mills, or pumping water, cannot be excelled.
The first cost of these Engines is less than that of the mules that would be required to do the same amount of work, and they are so simple that a negro of ordinary capacity can be taught to run one in a week.
Several are now at work in different manufactories in this city, and are giving entire satisfaction.
D. C. LOWBER, Agent,
dec24-6m 98 Magazine street, N. Orleans.

Garden Seeds for 1857.
NEW CROP. Just received from Landreth, Philadelphia, a very large and complete supply.
dec24 WM. B. MILLER.

Fresh Garden Seeds,
FROM Risley's celebrated Gardens, Fredonia, New York. Warranted growth of 1856. A large supply of the above Garden Seeds, just received and for sale at wholesale and retail. A liberal discount made to persons buying to sell again. [dec24] WM. BALL.

Fresh Garden Seed.
JUST received a large assortment of Landreth's Garden Seed, the growth of 1856. For sale by
d18 T. H. MORRIS, Texas st.

Kentucky Linseys.
20 BALES OF KENTUCKY LINSEYS, just received and for sale by
o22 W. H. C. HUDGINS.

APOTHECARIES' GLASSWARE, of every description, for sale by T. H. MORRIS.

Who Is He?

"Who is your friend, Jack?"

"Captain Knight."

"And who is Captain Knight?"

"A well dressed gentleman, who—"

"Sports a magnificent beard, and has irreproachable manners," added Charles. "I know all that. But tell me something more. I am satisfied you can, for I am satisfied you can, for I have seen you talk to him, and noticed a look of inquiry and intelligence in his deep black, eye that puzzled me. In fact the man has an air of mystery beneath his easy and rather winning address, which has so provoked my intense curiosity."

"He is a sailor, I knew him some years ago in New Orleans, since when he has been variously engaged in his profession. For two years he has been absent on a venture in the Pacific, and has, I believe, made money."

"I should think so, by the way he spends it," said Charley, "why, he wears a single diamond worth five thousand. Yet, they say he was poor enough when he left New York."

"Ours is the day of sudden fortunes, you know."

"Come none of your mysteries with me, Master Jack. I want the story, and something tells me that you know all about it. I have seen that man's eye upon you more than once, and you are either possessed of some secret, the safety of which he doubts, or he suspects you know more than he would have you."

"And is that your conclusion, most sagacious reader, of other men's thoughts? Must every well dressed gentlemen, with a dark beard, who has followed the sea, be a corsair? And must every attorney to whom he may have confided a suit, be the repository of his dread secret?"

"Bandinage won't answer your turn, Jack, nor his fine dress and genlemanly appearance on Broadway a certificate of moral character. Why, if the pedestrians of that thoroughfare were compelled to carry a window in their bosoms, or to publish their biographies, we should have a record of romance and rascality, farcical, melo dramatic, and tragical, which would beggar all the creations of novelists from Eugene Sue and Bulwer to Ned Buntline."

"Well, Charley, if it is a story that you want come along to Florence's, and let us have some oysters and hot stuff, to make it palatable."

We were soon stowed away in comfortable quarters, and Charley, proposing to play the host, ordered a plentiful supply of those good things which Sherman knew so well how to provide.

"Now, go on, Jack" said my friend, when the waiter had left us.

"Well, once upon a time——"

"Go to thunder!"

"I accept the amendment. Seriously, then about six months ago, a clipper brig was moving along under easy sail in the neighborhood of the Bahamas. She was armed, and a number of her crew, who were lounging idly on deck, would have bespoken her a man-of-war, but for the want of apparent order and discipline among them. They were nevertheless a fierce hardy set. Over the taffrail, gazing apparently at the ship's wake, was the little, athletic, and elegant form of the captain. In his dark eyes, whose smothered fire still glowed visibly, was a world of speculation; no lines of thought had wrinkled his fair, marble brow; but about the firm mouth played occasionly those passions which find there an index, and which even the sternest iron will cannot always curb—an habitual sneer, however—hypocrisy's favorite veil—instantly hid the record."

"A true portrait" exclaimed Charley.

"Well, we will leave our captain to his contemplations, and glance at his less polished crew, where, perchance we shall glean more information. There was an animated group near the mainmast, whose conversation may enlighten us."

"It's slap up in the skipper to give us a jolly good blow out, before we parted, boys. I mind parting with our tight little craft more nor I thought, though."

"Why can't we lay her up, until our cruise ashore is over, and then hoist again?" said one of the young sailors.

"Cause you know nothin' about it, Jonny Raw," said a rough old salt. "No barkey ever prospered the second cruise. We jist scuttle her, and down she goes to Davy's locker, and not a stick to tell a tale agin us."

"You may well say that, Tom Scupper.—We've made clean work of it; there ain't a stick or bale that floats on the sea to tell where five gallant ships with their crews have gone to."

"Our captain 's Davy's own boy, with his cold face, and red hot eyes, and devlish smile," added another. "I hadn't a doubt he'd send his brother over the side with a couple of thirty-two's to his feet, and keel-haul his father."

"Avast! belay there!" exclaimed he who was called Tom Scupper. "He's made our whack for us, and, by G—d, there shan't be any mutiny while we're under orders."

"Haul in your slack, Tom," said a bold reckless young sailor. "We've been bloody pirates, I know; but I should feel easier if some things hadn't been done. I mind how that old man and his two daughters begged on board the Indiaman. They swore on a bible never to tell on us, and offered more money than the ship was worth to put them ashore."

"'Twouldn't do, Will, to make any 'ceptions. They'll all beg and swear, and then peach, and hang us," said Tom Scupper.

"Whew, Mr. Parson, 'spose we pitch you over to preach to the sharks, eh?"

This was said with an emphasis of dark and threatening looks that made even the reckless sailor blanch.

"In a word, Charley, you will understand that I have in imagination carried you on board a pirate craft, where, after a successful cruise, they are preparing to sink their ship, and scatter over the world to riot on their blood gotten gains. You will also understand that their career had been one of relentless and all-destroying cruelty."

"While the conversation was going on among his men, the captain still maintained his listless attitude, yet not a word had escaped his acute hearing; and when the concluding threat was made, a cold, sardonic smile played an instant arouud his mouth. It had scarcely passed away, when an individual, who emerged from the fore part of the vessel, approached. His step was soft and noisless as a cat's, and an observer would have said, when he paused within two feet of the captain, that his presence was unknown; yet e'er he could utter a syllable, his superior, without changing position, said in a low, quiet distinct tone:"

"Well, is it done, Antonio."

"Si, Signor," replied the other.

"And are you sure there is no mistake?"

"None, capitano mio, I swear it by the holy Virgin," said the Italian.

"And by the holy devil, you shall have your reward. But one more word, you can steer, Antonio, though in this breeze, the brig steers herself. When dinner is piped, you will relieve the man at the helm. Keep her on her course and don't leave your station under any circumstances, unless you hear my bell ring."

"Si, signore capitano."

"Now go and hurry the boys with the grub."

"On the berth deck of the brig, the bulkhead which separated the cabin having been knocked away, stretched fore and aft a long table with seats enough for the whole crew.—The service was rich though ill matched. Most abundant were the drinking vessels of every shape, size and material, from Bohemian glass to honest English pewter, while beakers, flasks and decanters, filled with most choice wines, and rarest cordials were abundant. Even in the viands, which were substantial and plenty, there was an unwonted display of taste."

"In a few minutes after the conversation between the captain and his cook, which related as you may surmise, to the preparation of the repast he was about to offer to his crew, on the conclusion of their cruise, the loud shrill notes of the boatswain's whistle were heard piping to dinner. With less confusion than might be expected, the crew went below and ranged themselves in something like order around the festive board. Not a man, however, such is the force of discipline among sailors, took his seat or touched an article until the captain, who had previously placed himself at the head of the table, gave the word to 'fall to.'"

"Then commenced a scene I shall not attempt to describe—the rude, wild, savage jests, and blasphemy; the boasts of lawless deeds, the bloody legends and fearful oaths.—With the cold smile, that sometimes almost chilled their ruffian blood, and his demon-like eyes, that now glared with lurid flash, and were now glassed with cruel speculation, their captain urged on the revel. Yet ere it reached its height, he rose, and in a clear, calm voice demanded attention. In an instant all was hushed, and every eye was fixed upon him.

"Gentlemen Rovers, our cruise is up, and we are about to part. There is not a wreck on the ocean to tell our deeds, and their evidence is locked in our own bosoms. No one doubts it is safe there."

"None!" was the reply of all.

"Yet," continued he, "I propose an oath."

"Agreed!" was the general response.

"Rise!" he exclaimed.

Every man was to his feet in a moment

"Draw your knives!"

The weapons glittered in each hand.

"The points to your hearts!"

Each one held the steel to his bosom, as if about to drive it home.

"Repeat!—We swear, by wind and wave, by blood and steel, never to betray a shipmate, or to reveal a deed, we have seen since this voyage began; we will be struug up without a word, or shot down without a sign that can injure him; we will not even claim his acquaintance, though we be in extremity, unless he throw out a signal; and we will pursue to death wherever he can be found and slay, on land or water, the man who turns traitor. We swear! and we seal with our heart's blood!"

"Strike," exclaimed the leader; and each man drove the blade deep enough to puncture his bosom, and kissing its blood stained point, returned it to its sheath.

"Now, gentlemen, our arrangements are all made," said the captain, "the treasure is divided and each man's share will be handed over in the morning; we shall be near land, if this weather holds, every thing will go well. You are marked down for the different boats, and officers appointed to each, with instructions how to steers and what to do. The brig we will sink in a thousand fathoms, where resurrection won't find her. And now, my lads, are you satisfied?"

A unanimous shout of approval was the reply.

"Then, my mates, one bumper before we part. Here," said he, "is a runlet of the old rum that we took from the red-nosed bishop who was so foolish as to trust himself and treasures afloat, and here," drawing cover from a basket, "are the golden goblets he said were dedicated to the Virgin—they have been allotted to my share; but take one of them, each of you, and keep it in remembrance of your captain."

His generosity was hailed with applause, and two men arose at his signal, one distributing the goblets and the other filling them with strong, fragrant old Jamaica rum, the captain helping himself from a flask at his side.—Every man rose to the captain's toast:

"Here's a rover's life! Gold to him who has the courage to win it and the soul to spend it.

'Here's to the sea that tells no tales,
The breeze that fills the rover's sail.'"

Every bumper was quaffed to the bottom, and wild and long was the shout with which his congenial sentiment was hailed.

Excusing himself by alleging the necessity of watching the brig's course, the captain now went on deck, and commending them to that free indulgence which he well knew required no pressing.

"Well, Antonio, they have drank your bumper."

"I saw it," said the Italian, his eyes glittering like a snake's.

No doubt, Signore capitano. Listen how they shout. In five minutes not a tongue will wag. But I shall have one-half, you promised."

"One-third, Antonio; but don't trouble yourself man; it will be enough. There is more than you think."

"Antonio is satisfied, capitano mio," said the man.

The two proceeded to talk some time as to the details of their anticipated escape, while the revellers in the cabin grew more quiet.—There was a rattling of plate, a cracking of furniture, a few deep moans, and heavy falls, as of drunken men, and all below was still as death!

The Italian grew pale, and crossed himself nervously. A wild light of demoniac triumph gleamed for an instant in the captain's eyes and a bitter smile passed over his countenance. While Antonio was still trembling he felt his companion's hand placed lightly and calmly on his shoulder.

"See yonder cloud, Antonio?" he asked pointing to the horizon. "We are nearer land than you thought. That is the shore, and we will reach it to-night. Go below and gather the gold goblets; but let everything else alone—we have enough here."

And he touched an iron-bound chest, placed between the binnacles.

The Italian complied, with evident reluctance, and in a few minutes returned with the articles, but pale and livid as ghost, his knees smiting each other.

"Courage, man! we shall soon be clear of her," said the captain, who had turned the brig's head to the shore which he had pointed out.

In less than an hour the shore became clearly defined and preparations were made to leave the vessel. The chest, by means of a whip or pulley, was got into the stern boat, which was one of Francis's life boats, and the tackles were made all clear. Taking an axe the captain went down into the fore hold, where large holes had already been made in the bottom. A few blows knocked out the temporary stoppers, and the water rushed in furiously. The boat was now quickly lowered, and the two survivors, pulling off some distance, watched the fate of the abandoned bark and her poisoned crew. In half an hour she had settled until the water ran in at her ports; in a few minutes she heeled over, and, with a plunge and a groan, sunk forever beneath the blue waters, never to rise a witness until the sea gives up its dead.

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The next morning a coasting vessel picked up a life boat with one seaming half drowned passenger. He was the captain! Where was Antonio?

"And do you mean this as the history of captain Knight?" asked Charley.

"Quien sabe, as the Spaniard says. I know Knight reappeared a few weeks after I saw the announcement about the boat in a southern paper. He was flush, and paid me very liberally a fee of some years standing."

"And pray how did you learn all this master Jack? professionally, eh?"

"Perhaps the ghost of Antonio revealed it."

"Look here, master Jack, that sell won't work."

"Not quite so well as your punch and oysters, Charley. But I will give you a good piece of advice, old boy, take care how you drink rum with captain Knight."

"Out of a golden goblet, eh, Jack?"

One of the most remarkable features of our times is the large number of Europeans who have taken military service in the Oriental States. The last war found many Poles and Hungarians with military employment under the Turkish government. In all the eastern countries names turn up by the events of war, which, when traced, are found to be of European origin, the wearers having changed their titles as well as their religion. The war about to be waged by Russia against Circassia, on a prodigious scale, has called forth a distinguished Hungarian, Col. Bangyæ, to command the united forces of the Circassian tribes, under the name of Mehemet Bey. A Frenchman of no less distinguished military abilities, General D'Orgoni, has taken service with the emperor of Burmah, who has promoted him to a chief command after a series of brilliant actions in Europe, first in La Vendee as a supporter of the pretensions of the Duchess of Berri, and then in Portugal, under the standard of Don Miguel. The following sketch of his subsequent career we find in the Paris correspondent of the New York Journal of Commerce:

With the design of exploring Hindostan, he took passage to Goa, where he passed a year in studying the dialects of the Hindoos. Soon after, he traversed the regions from the Indus to the Bramaputra, from the valley of Cashmere to cape Cormorin. He gave eight years altogether to a close examination of the political and military situation of the Anglo-Indian government. Finally, the empire of Burmah—to whom his military merits and special inquiries in the east had been casually reported—called him to assist in defense of his throne and dominions against the hostilities of the British. Lord Dalhousie, governor general, hearing of his embarkation at Calcutta, dispatched a steamer in pursuit, but he reached his destination before the steamer entered the Irrawadi. On the 22d of July, 1852, he presented himself at the court of Ava; he fulfilled, according to his great abilities and experience, the purposes for which he had been engaged. The British set a price on his head, and at the period of negotiations for peace, required that he should be delivered up; this demand was firmly refused. Early after the termination of the war, the Burmese emperor created him a prince of the empire and cousin of His Imperial Majesty; he is the European on whom those honors have been bestowed. Conformably to ancient usage, he was solemnly introduced, with his new titles, to the white elephant and the animal deity, splendidly caparisoned and duly trained, acted his part with singular ease and propriety.

Subsequently he was bold enough to appear in Calcutta. He experienced no molestation except from the newspapers. He embarked (1854) for England and France; he had every reason to be gratified by his reception at home. Napoleon III. admitted him to frequent interviews. He went back to Calcutta and sojourned a short time with the same impunity as before; thence he proceeded to the new capital of Bumah—the city of Amerapoora; the emperor testified his satisfaction by investing the general with the parasol of red satin and gold—the distinctive mark of the highest military position—equivalent to the baton of marshal. Until the recent mission to France, he devoted himself to the organization and discipline of the army and a general system of defense.—We may presume that he suggested the embassy to the French emperor, whose protection was to be claimed for Burmah. Gen. d'Orgoni is a man of lofty stature, fine person and handsome face. His address ingratiates him with every one; he talks copiously and impressively; he opened to me the plan of an Americam factory in Bumah, with steamers, which shall be explained hereafter. You are aware of the richness of the soil of Bumah; of the value and variety of its vegetable and mineral products. We spoke much of the American missions. These, he thinks, are not supplied with adequate pecuniary means. In his opinion, the English will find it difficult to repair the injury they have done to themselves by their proceedings at Canton.

Professor Lee, of the University of Georgia, contributes an interesting letter to the Genesee Farmer for April. We copy his remarks in regard to the Chinese sugar cane. He says:

The cultivation of the Chinese sugar cane is just now the most