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ALL the incidents of this book are facts from my own personal experience during thirty-five years passed upon the ocean. Of that time I spent four years on board of a whaleship, and thirty-one years on board of merchant vessels. I do not pretend to be a literary character; but I do claim to know how to rig and sail a ship, and to be familiar with whatever is connected with a nautical life.

W. C. P.

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