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THE SAILOR BOY.

INTRODUCTION.

In publishing this story "The Sailor Boy's Experience" I wish to say that I do not claim any ability as an author, and the reader will readily see in perusing my story that it is simply what it claims to be, "A Sailor Boy's Experience". The story is written from memories of the past in such moments as I could spare from the cares of a business life.

I have endeavored to present to the reader, Life as I have seen it, and as this work to some extent will fall into the hands of the young, I have refrained from publishing the darker side of my experience ; right here let me say I might have inserted some stories that some would call "Sea tales", but thought it best to hold to facts as I remembered them, with a little spice thrown in.

Most Respectfully Yours,

CHAS. STEVENS.

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