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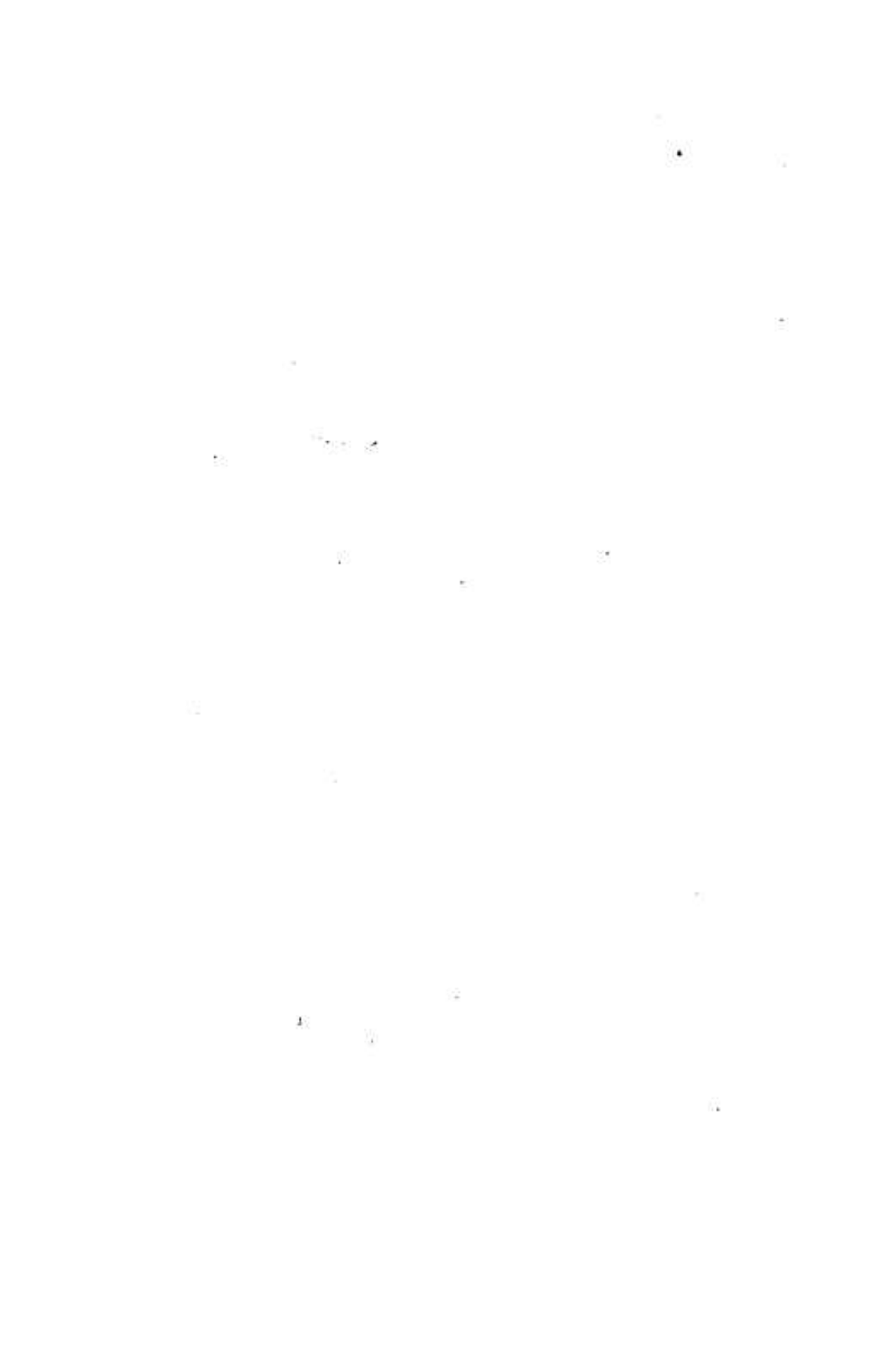


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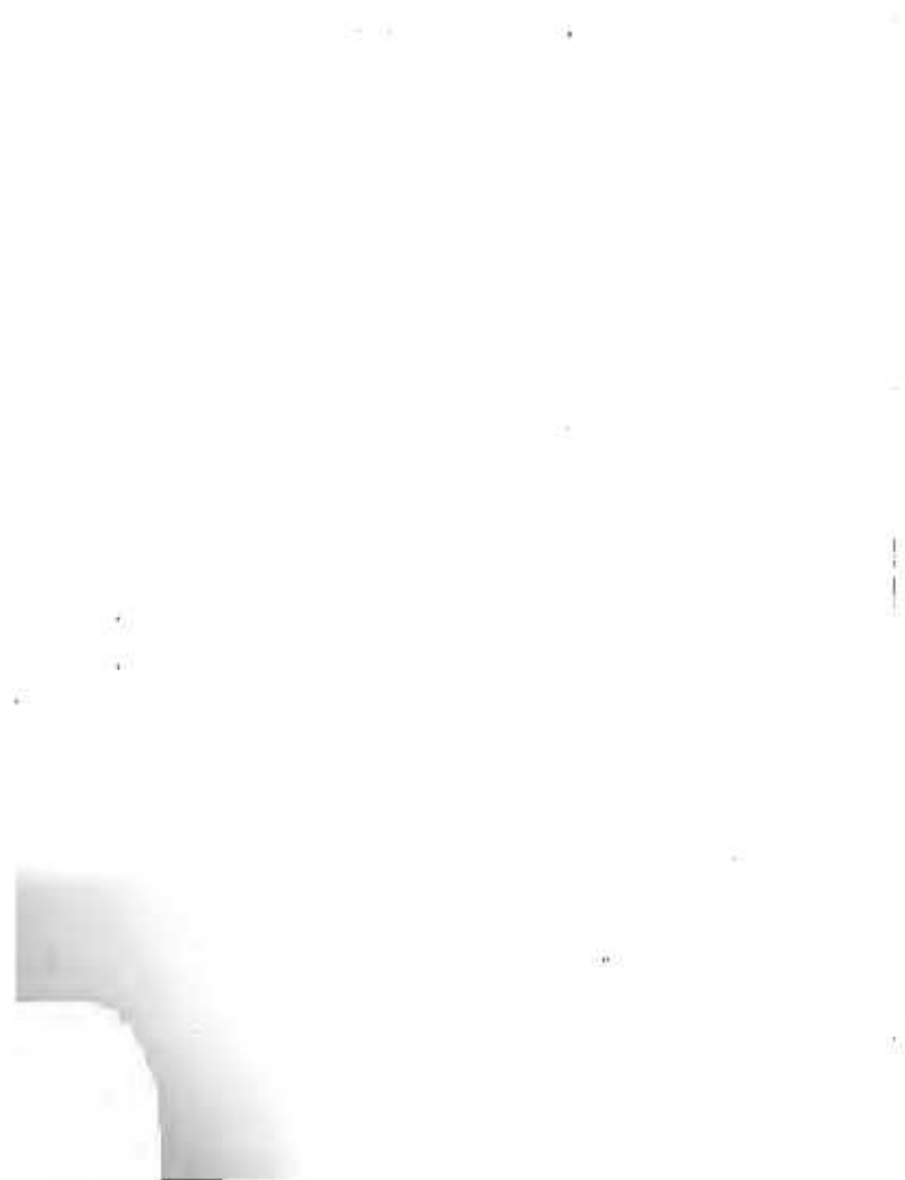
A D D R E S S .

In the year 1817, I fixed as a butcher in Church-street, Boston, where I have since resided, being now the oldest butcher and auctioneer living in the town.

During the last thirty-seven years, I have witnessed many changes in the place and its inhabitants; and having at various times spun my yarn in detached parts amongst my friends, I have at length been persuaded to present it to them in a whole. Fully sensible that I am but ill-qualified for the task, it is possible there may not be found in my book much to instruct, but it most assuredly may be depended upon, with all its deficiencies, as a true and faithful attempt, as far as it goes, to show the actual and every-day life of a common sailor.

G. M.

Church-street, Boston,
May, 1854.



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A TRIP TO SEA.

CHAPTER I.

RUN AWAY FROM BOSTON—VOYAGE TO HOBART TOWN, VAN DIEMAN'S LAND.

I was born on the 27th day of March, 1793, at Frieston, near Boston, Lincolnshire. My Father died on the 4th of June, in the year 1800, leaving a wife, two sons, and a daughter. On the 6th of April, 1801, I went to live at Boston, as errand-boy to Mr. Kell, butcher; in 1802, I lived with Mr. Dickins, and in 1805, with Mr. Ward; in 1806, I was nine weeks with Mr. Dickinson, and the remainder of the year with Mr. Grantham, at the Queen's Head Inn, Skirbeck; in January, 1807, I returned to my old master, Mr. Ward, and on the last day in March he walked away from from Boston. I went with him out of the town, and have never seen him since. About the middle of April, 1807, I went to live with Mr. Robinson, butcher, and remained there till the 15th of April, 1810, when I ran away.