

**FRANK BEFORE  
VICKSBURG**

Published @ 2017 Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd

ISBN 9780649243860

Frank before Vicksburg by Harry Castlemon

Except for use in any review, the reproduction or utilisation of this work in whole or in part in any form by any electronic, mechanical or other means, now known or hereafter invented, including xerography, photocopying and recording, or in any information storage or retrieval system, is forbidden without the permission of the publisher, Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd, PO Box 1576 Collingwood, Victoria 3066 Australia.

All rights reserved.

Edited by Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd.  
Cover @ 2017

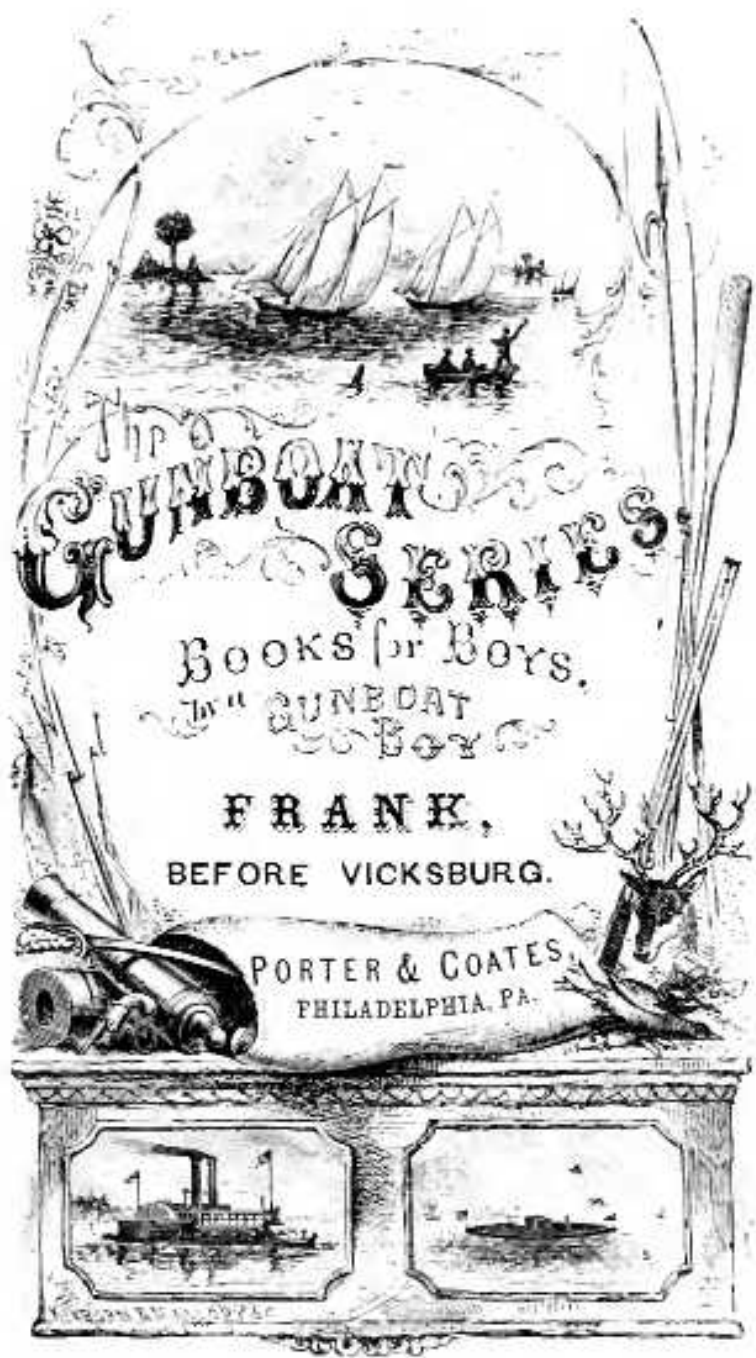
This book is sold subject to the condition that it shall not, by way of trade or otherwise, be lent, re-sold, hired out, or otherwise circulated without the publisher's prior consent in any form or binding or cover other than that in which it is published and without a similar condition including this condition being imposed on the subsequent purchaser.

[www.triestepublishing.com](http://www.triestepublishing.com)

**HARRY CASTLEMON**

**FRANK BEFORE  
VICKSBURG**





THE  
**GUMBO SERIES**

BOOKS for BOYS.  
By J. GUNDEYAT

**FRANK,**  
BEFORE VICKSBURG.

PORTER & COATES,  
PHILADELPHIA, PA.





*THE GUN-BOAT SERIES.*

FRANK

BEFORE VICKSBURG

BY

HARRY CASTLEMON,

AUTHOR OF "THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN SERIES," "THE GO-ANXAS  
SERIES," ETC.



PHILADELPHIA:  
PORTER & COATES.  
CINCINNATI, O.:  
R. W. CARROLL & CO.

## FAMOUS CASTLEMON BOOKS.

**GUNBOAT SERIES.** By HARRY CASTLEMON. Illustrated. 6 vols.  
16mo. Cloth, extra, black and gold.

FRANK THE YOUNG NATURALIST. FRANK ON A GUNBOAT. FRANK  
IN THE WOODS. FRANK BEFORE VICKSBURG. FRANK ON THE LOWER  
MISSISSIPPI. FRANK ON THE PRAIRIE.

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN SERIES.** By HARRY CASTLEMON.  
Illustrated. 3 vols. 16mo. Cloth, extra, black and gold.

FRANK AMONG THE RANCHEROS.  
FRANK AT DON CARLOS' RANCHO.  
FRANK IN THE MOUNTAINS.

**SPORTSMAN'S CLUB SERIES.** By HARRY CASTLEMON.  
Illustrated. 3 vols. 16mo. Cloth, extra, black and gold.

THE SPORTSMAN'S CLUB IN THE SADDLE.  
THE SPORTSMAN'S CLUB AFLOAT.  
THE SPORTSMAN'S CLUB AMONG THE TRAPPERS.

**GO-AHEAD SERIES.** By HARRY CASTLEMON. Illustrated. 3  
vols. 16mo. Cloth, extra, black and gold.

TOY NEWCOMBE. GO-AHEAD. NO MOSS.

**FRANK NELSON SERIES.** By HARRY CASTLEMON. Illustrated.  
3 vols. 16mo. Cloth, extra, black and gold.

SNOWED UP. FRANK IN THE FORECASTLE. BOY TRAPPER.

**BOY TRAPPER SERIES.** By HARRY CASTLEMON. Illustrated.  
3 vols. 16mo. Cloth, extra, black and gold.

THE BURIED TREASURE; OR, OLD JORDAN'S HAUNT.  
THE BOY TRAPPER; OR, HOW DAVE FILLED THE ORDER.  
THE MAIL-CARRIER.

**ROUGHING IT SERIES.** By HARRY CASTLEMON. Illustrated.  
16mo. Cloth, extra, black and gold.

GEORGE IN CAMP.

---

### *Other Volumes in Preparation.*

---

Entered according to Act of Congress, in the year 1864, by

E. W. CARROLL & CO.,

In the Clerk's Office of the District Court of the United States,  
for the Southern District of Ohio.



## Contents.

---

	PAGE
CHAPTER I.	
HOME AGAIN.....	7
CHAPTER II.	
HARRY ON A SCOUT.....	23
CHAPTER III.	
ON DUTY AGAIN.....	38
CHAPTER IV.	
THE FIGHT IN THE WOODS.....	60
CHAPTER V.	
IN THE HANDS OF THE "JOHNNIES" AGAIN.....	80
CHAPTER VI.	
AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE.....	95
CHAPTER VII.	
A CLOSE SHAVE.....	111
CHAPTER VIII.	
TAKING DOWN THE CAPTAIN.....	128
CHAPTER IX.	
A PRACTICAL JOKE.....	144
CHAPTER X.	
NEW MESSMATES.....	153
CHAPTER XI.	
A GOOD NIGHT'S WORK.....	162


	PAGE
CHAPTER XII.	
IN THE TRENCHES.....	183
CHAPTER XIII.	
THE SCOUT'S STORY.....	194
CHAPTER XIV.	
RUNNING THE BATTERIES.....	206
CHAPTER XV.	
A RACE FOR THE OLD FLAG.....	213
CHAPTER XVI.	
THE RIVAL SHARP-SHOOTERS.....	227
CHAPTER XVII.	
THE SMUGGLER'S CAVE—CONCLUSION.....	240

# FRANK BEFORE VICKSBURG.

---

## CHAPTER I.

### Home Again.

A decorative floral ornament with intricate scrollwork and leaf patterns, positioned to the left of the first paragraph.

AFTER all the tragic adventures which Frank Nelson had passed through, since entering the service of his country, which we have attempted to describe in the preceding volume of this series, he found himself surrounded by his relatives and friends, petted and fêted, enjoying all the comforts of his old and well-beloved home.

Only those who have been in similar circumstances can imagine how pleasant that quiet little cottage seemed to Frank, after the scenes of danger through which he had passed. He looked back to the memorable struggle between the