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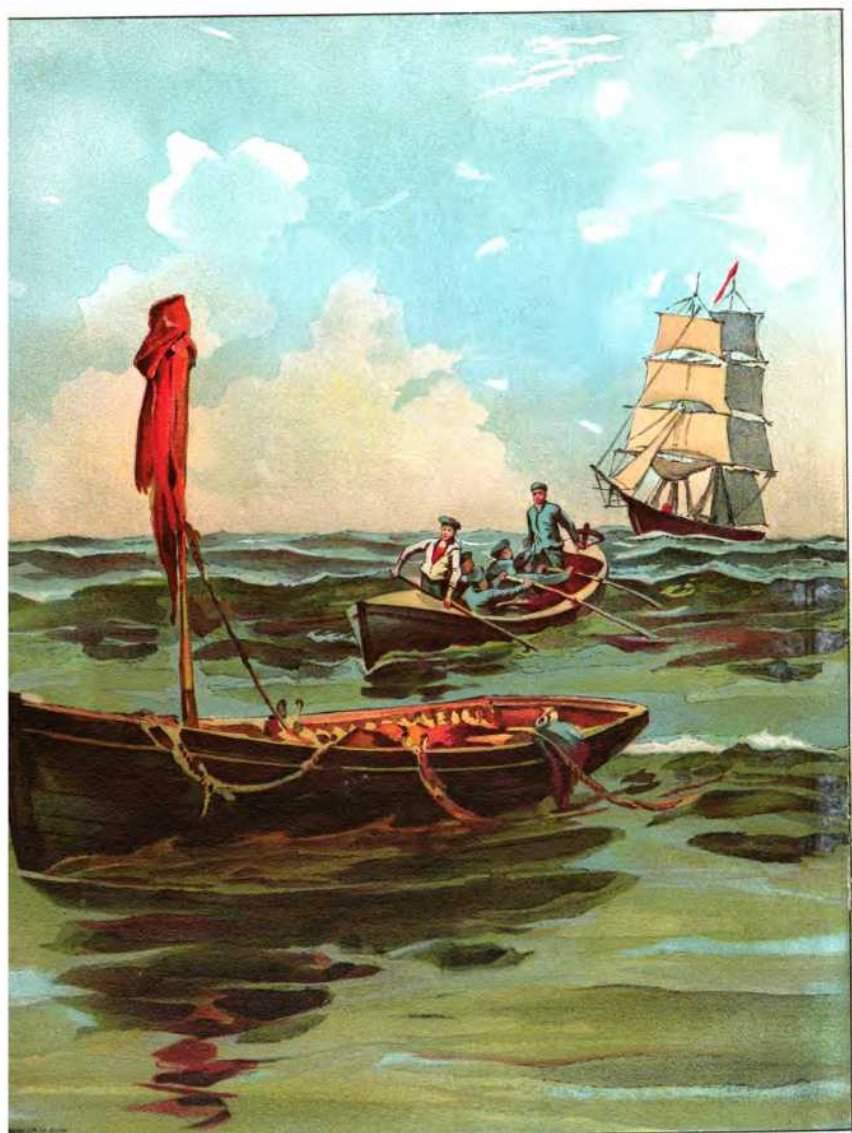
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ONE OF THE HOUSEHOLD CAVALRY

BOBBY had just come to live in London. The next day he went to school with Tom, who lived close by. After school Tom said, "I say, Bobby, let's go around by the Mall." So on they went to Whitehall. And there, on either side of the archway leading to the Mall, stood what seemed to Bobby the very grandest looking men he had ever seen. They wore gorgeous uniforms, shining helmets, and jack boots. And their mustaches were almost as heavy as the plumes upon their helmets. Bobby gazed up at them in awe, while Tom told him all about them,—how they belonged to the "Household Cavalry," whose special duty it was to protect the king and the royal family. They are the finest regiment in the English army.



A PIRATE SHIP

ONE of papa's Chinese coolies told me that once when he was a seaman the ship that he was on was chased and almost captured by a pirate proa. Wo Fang says that pirate ships come on like the wind. And all along her sides were hung shields and at both ends were brass cannon. Her great sails made of palm leaves were all set. "Ship ahoy," shouted the captain of the pirate proa, only he said it in Malay words. But the "Dragon of Gold" just crowded on more sail, even when a shot from the pirate ship crashed across her bow. And although the shots from the proa's guns tore her rigging and sails, the friendly wind soon carried her beyond reach of them.