

still angry. "We are lucky to have such a careful and responsible captain." Captain Smollett didn't smile at the compliment. Instead he looked at Jim, who was listening.

"What are you doing here, standing around?" he said sharply. "Go and find some work to do!" As Jim hurried away, he heard Captain Smollett add to Livesey and Trelawney: "I won't have any favourites aboard my ship."

Jim decided that he disliked Captain Smollett just as much as Squire Trelawney did. But soon he forgot the captain's harsh words. Early the next morning, the *Hispaniola* lifted anchor and left port. The voyage began well, and even Captain Smollett was pleased with how the ship sailed. The crew was also happy, because Squire Trelawney had spent a lot of money buying the very best supplies he could. These included a barrel of apples, as fresh fruit helped keep the crew healthy. Captain Smollett, of course, said that the squire was too friendly with the men, and that no good would come of it. But as it turned out, some good did come of the apple barrel. In fact, it helped save the lives of Jim and all the honest men on the ship.

