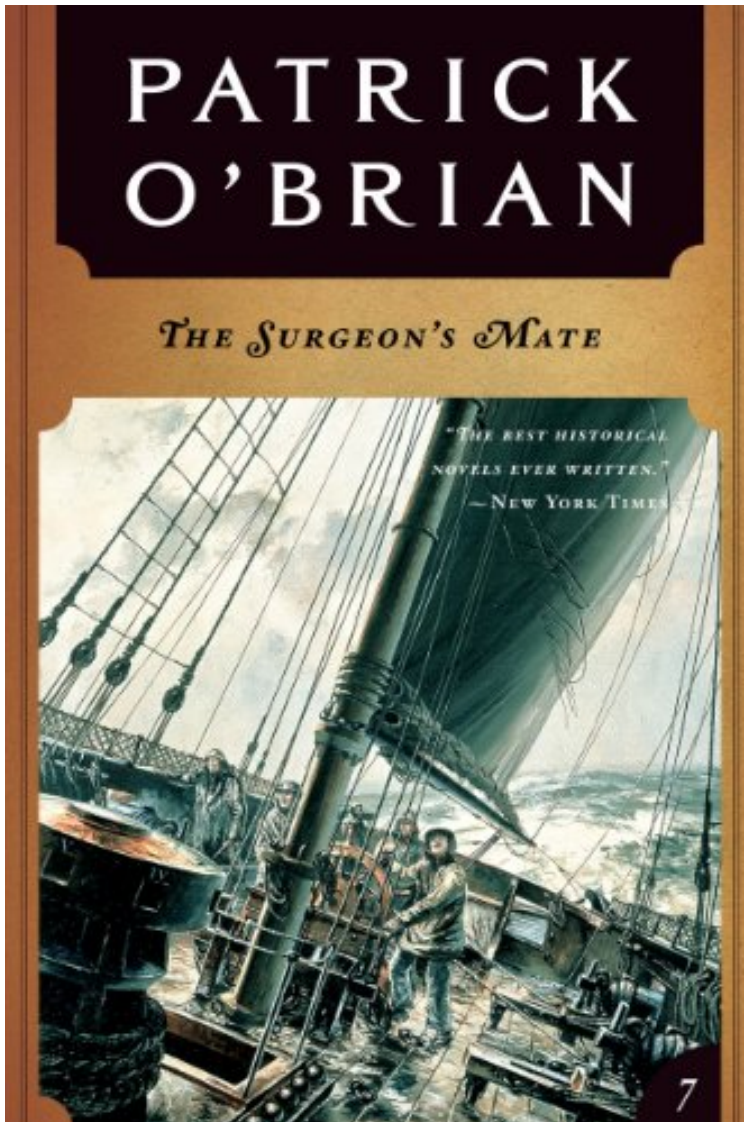


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Maturin are ordered home by dispatch vessel to bring the news of their latest victory to the government. But Maturin is a marked man for the havoc he has wrought in the French intelligence network in the New World, and the attention of two privateers soon becomes menacing. The chase that follows through the fogs and shallows of the Grand Banks is as tense, and as unexpected in its culmination, as anything Patrick O'Brian has written. From Publishers Weekly This entry in O'Brian's late-18th-century seafaring series will delight fans, while offering newcomers a good place to jump in. Here Jack Aubrey and Stephen Maturin are assigned to help a Polynesian queen in her struggle with a Napoleon-backed rival, and a female convict is smuggled aboard by a midshipman in Australia. Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc. From AudioFile Tim Piggott-Smith is a marvelous narrator, and here he performs splendidly one of the Aubrey/Maturin sea stories by the late Patrick O'Brian. Captain Aubrey and surgeon Maturin are headed home to England after a successful espionage caper in the U.S., but they find the resentful Yankees close on their heels. A marvelous, long chase scene punctuates this book and provides enough action to please the most jaded listener. Piggott-Smith reads with British accents that are serious, expressive, precise, easy, and convincing. He is acting, but there is little flamboyance, a lot of persuasiveness. Well done! D.R.W. AudioFile 2002, Portland, Maine-- Copyright AudioFile, Portland, Maine