

CAPT. KIDD'S HOME.

The House Occupied by the Bold Pirate Still Standing.

Said to Have Been Built Years Before Washington Was Made First President—Still Hunting for Buried Treasure.

Between the quaint little hamlet of Allenwood, N. J., and the village of Sea Girt, made famous through the annual encampment of the New Jersey state militia, stands an old-fashioned shingle house, which antedates the recollection of even the oldest resident, and has become the show place of the country. Not only does the great age of the old house make it interesting to visitors, but also the story that the body of the late lamented Capt. Kidd, whose treasure is buried somewhere along the coast and has been searched for from Florida to Maine, lies uneasy in its grave, and makes periodical visits to the house once occupied by that wealthy but somewhat erratic gentleman.

The house is a two-story structure, conspicuous chiefly for the fact that instead of having only a shingle roof, as was customary in the days when the house was built, it is constructed altogether of shingles, and presents the appearance of having been built with the idea of repel an attack should any such emergency occur. The old men of Allenwood say that the house was built years before Washington assumed the office of president of the United States, and that one of the early settlers in that part of the country, Morris by name, cut each and every shingle by hand, and with only the assistance given by a strong pocket-knife.

The house is at the junction of the three-roads, one leading to Allenwood, one to Sea Girt and one to Brielle, another small town four miles away. A mile or two from the house the Manasquan river flows steadily on its tortuous route to mother ocean, and several times in the memory of the present inhabitants the banks of the river have been searched for relics of Capt. Kidd, while many persons have gained permission from the farmer, and, armed with charts and maps, have dug for miles around for the missing buried treasure. Even now a party is hard at work on the Toms river, but ten miles from the old house, diligently working on the old claim and believing that each new day will see discoveries which will make work for the treasure hunters unnecessary in the future. And still the glittering prospect is held as a bait before their eyes, and when the patience of one party of searchers gives out another is ready and waiting to take up the pick and shovel and keep up the good work.

The old Morris house, as it is called, is now on the Tilton farm, old Grandfather Tilton having purchased the farm from the Morrises many years ago. The farmhouse of the Tilton family is but a stone's throw from the old house, which is tenanted by several of the farm helpers during the busy season. The room in which it is alleged that Kidd's ghost walks is at the top of the house, and it is said that when he was traveling through that part of the country he would always stop at the Morris house, where he was always sure of a welcome and a bed. I could find nobody during a recent visit to that part of Monmouth county, who would confess to having seen the ghost, but it is a fable which has been handed down from father to son that on stated occasions he would be heard moving about in his room until early in the morning, as he was wont to do in the early days of the settling of New Jersey, when visiting at the old house.

The house was built with but few windows, and, although several have been added recently, there are only eight, and two doors on the front, while the sides have one each. Capt. Kidd's room was under the eaves of the house, and it is said that even now on stormy nights the captain's head is often thrust out, as though surveying the heavens and figuring upon the kind of weather a day would bring forth.—N. Y. Herald.

TORTURE IN PUNISHMENT.

Barbarous Treatment of Malefactors in the Colonial Period.

The constitution of the United States and those of the various states in prohibiting cruel and unusual punishments were not fighting an absurdity. The use of torture in legal processes was not, when these instruments were framed, so remote as it is now.

When Sir Thomas Dole came as high marshal to Virginia he crushed a conspiracy by killing the ringleaders by torture. One had a bodkin thrust through his tongue and was chained to a tree until he died, others were broken on the wheel. It is quaintly stated that Sir Thomas was "a man of good conscience and knowledge in divinity."

Dole's date was 1611. The next notable instance of the use of torture was in 1693, in the Salem witchcraft excitement, when Giles Cory was pressed to death—the "peine dure et forte"—the most horrible of deaths. A far worse instance was the burning of the negroes at the stake in New York, 1741, as already described in these columns.

Throughout the early colonial period the use of the stocks, "cage" and pillory was common, but these were torture only to the sensitive spirit. A similar device is the canque, or plank necklaced, four feet square, which Chinese prisoners still carry.

Executions were in public throughout the east until comparatively recent times. When Quelch, the pirate, and six others were hanged in Boston Sewall wrote in his diary: "When the scaffold was let to sink there was such a screech of the women that my wife heard it, sitting in our entry next to the orchard," though the gallows was a mile away and the wind unfavorable.

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"I believe the world does turn round," she declared to her mother, in a tone of one who has been troubled with doubts.

"What is it that has convinced you?" asked the mother.

"I can see it whirl when I twist up in my swing and then untwist."

"Isn't it you that whirls, instead of the earth?" suggested her mother.

"Yes, but it goes after I stop," said the little philosopher; and that settled it.—Philadelphia Times.

How It Is Pronounced. The other day, in a public place, two suburban schoolmistresses fell into conversation with a precise and somewhat airy lady, not from Boston, who began to criticize the attainments of Boston teachers.

"It is most extraordinary," she said, "what ignorant people they employ to teach school in Boston. Such English as they sometimes speak." The two schoolmistresses ventured to ask what unfortunate peculiarities she had observed in the English of Boston teachers.

"Why, their pronunciation is so bad," she answered. "Just fancy—I heard a Boston teacher the other day say 'programme.'" The two teachers opened their eyes, wondering why people shouldn't say "programme." They hardly dared to ask, but the lady enlightened them.

"When anyone who had been to school at all," she added, "should know that it should be pronounced 'program!'"—Boston Transcript.

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