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LEGENDS OF THE SEA

WEIRD SPECTRAL SHIPS DOOMED TO ENDLESS VOYAGES.

The Flying Dutchman of Hvil Pame Appears in Many Kinds of Son Lore, Block Island's Flory Reminder of the Wreekers of Celenial Bays.

Among the multitude of superstitions to which the sea has given birth not the least interesting are those concerning weird spectral ships doomed by some irrevocable decree of fate to suil the wide seas over till eternity. without hope of ever once enteris . a harbor of safety. Conspicuous am those is the Flying Dutchman, or, rather, Flying Dutchmen, for there are in-numerable versions of this legend, which have been colored and designed to concur with the various funcies and ideus of different nationalities.

It is not improbable that the original Flying Dutchman was that described in the old Norse tradition of a viking who had sacrilegiously stolen a ring from the gods, and whose skeleton was ever afterward soon sented on the mainment of a black spectral ship en-veloped in fire, to behold which foreboded wreck and disaster. A later Danish variation of this story no doubt inspired Longfellow's lines describing-A ship of the dead that salls the sin And is called the Carmillan. * * * * * In tempests she appears— Without a belimman steers.

Tradition says of this ship that a hidcons faced goblin invariably sat on the bowsprit smoking a borrid pipe filled with a more permitious weed than to-bacco, and ill betide the luckless vessel that encountered her, for-

Over her deaks the sees will leap She must go down into the deep And perish mouse and man.

The most generally accepted version of the Flying Dutchman, however, is that of the pighesded Dutch captain who swere he would round the Cape of Storms in the teeth of a turrifle burricane. His fatuous determination scared the crew out of their wits and culminated in threats of mutiny. Eventually they became obstreperous. but the beld skipper, not demited, clinched matters by throwing a few of them overbeard and, terrifying the re-mainder, relievated his nath with troble violence. Then am apparition endeavored to turn him from his purpose, to receive a most impolite, not to say irreverent, reception. It doggedly pensisted and so curaged the captals that he fired at it with his revolver. But instead of hurting the ghost the ball ledged in his own arm, at which misfortune he, not unnaturally for a saller and a Dutchman, became even more sacrilegious in his expressions. He was forthwith condemned to mavigate his vessel forever and ever, with gall to assuage his thirst, rediect hear for his hunger, forever alsopiems and without hope of arriving at port. By the aid of his friend flatan he was shift to bring about dinesters and tempests, and his ship was "the harbinger of wreck and wee", alluded to by Beeft in "Robsby." sted and so caraged the captab

The French equivalent of this ship was the Courier Hollendain, which was said to sail ground the world in turnive hours, with terrible disasters follow-

hourn, with terrible disnoters following in her wake.

'German trudition is rich in phantom ships and tells of one on board of which was a nobiscuan who had been forced to leave his fatherland because of a great erims and who was alleged to treat dies with the devil for his owners, while another Tentenie creation was a death ship which was supposed to be check full of margarers and criminals of the lowest coder. A skeletos holding as hourgless stood in a conspicious position, and—

''The this was black, her master was

And her salls out blank as death. let the cell one steered at the letter laughed. And southed at their falling breath. And tocoked at their failing breath, which undoubtedly maint have been a most growsome apostacle to run against and something alich to the appearance on All Saints' day of the scale of milers drowned during the year, a butter which was prevalent in the country. It was said that in the derivenes of the night the watchmen on the where would observe a beat within list, and, hastening to cast it a line, it would disappear, and simultaneously frightful abricks would rund the sir. Hook bland, on the Atlantic count of the United States, was alleged to have its gloonly city, which, richne is there pyramidal dames into the representation of a alip, who my approximates as a perpetual restaintened of the sir, who have no proposed restaintened to the wide of the first proposed to the said of the farmer labellings, which wiched and of its farmer labellington, who have no perpetual restaints of the wide of

tuigrant ship on to the rocks, with great loss of life, and then losted and burned it.

goes, appears occasionally of Cape d'Espoir, in the bay of Gaspe, in the gulf of St. Lawrence. She is crowded with soldiers, conspicuous among go out, there is a shrill cry, and the ship sinks. This is supposed to be the ghost of a British transport which was lost at the time of the Anglo-French wars in Canada.—Loudou Globa

TESLA'S PLAN TO WIRE MARS

to Bring Flancis Hear Us.

"Hello, Matul"

"Hello, Venus! Is that you?"

This is what Nikola Teela cays is possible in the near future.

He announces in the Electrical World and Engineer that he is designing an exciliator with a maximum activity of 10,000,000 horsepowill with which he can telepholis or thiegraph to Mars & Wenus.

He declares he is designing an oc-cliator which will drive through the earth a current of 100,000,000 volts and deliver energy at the rate of 1,000,000,-000 hersepower—a hundred falls of Magara combined in one-striking the universe with blows, blows that will wake from their slumber the sleeplast wake from their slumber the sleeplest electricians, if there be any, on Venus

"It is not a dream; it is a simple fact of scientific electrical engineering, only expensive—blind, faint hearted, doubt-

of the largest gun with unerring pre-ciates upon the object to be destroyed. "The sperator will not need to set the inferred engine or even know its leastion, and the enemy will be unable to inturfere in the elightest with its movements by any electrical means," says Mr. Tesia.

One of these "devil teleptometa," he says, will sook be constructed, and if adopted by the great governments of the world it will stop the building of hattleships and put forts out of busi-

Mr. Tests says also be is at week as designs for a plant which is to transmit 20,000 horsepower without wires.

THE STONE BREAKER

Mr. Carnegie has founded a

AUGUST FOR PAST 18 YEARS.

Weather Observer C. F. von Herrman Compiles Average Weather for the Month of August for the Past 18 Years Not a Forecast for the Present Month.

taleigh Times Weather Observer von Herr-man has compiled the following data as to the weather for August for the last 18 years. These figures are averages for that per-iod and are not to be considered as a forecast for the present month:

The mean or normal temperature for that period was 77 degrees; the warmest month was that of 1890, with an average of 82 degrees, while the coldest month was that of 1889, with an average of 73 degrees. The highest temperature was 99 degrees, which occured on the 10th in 1896, the 15th in 1900 and on the 25th in 1903; the lowest tem-

perature was 52 on the 30th, 1887, and the 24th in 1890. The precipitation of rain or melted snow was as follows: The average for the month is 5.80 inches. There were 13 days with a rainfall of .01 or more. The greatest monthly precipita-tion was 11.21 inches in 1901; the least monthly precipitation was 1.94 inches in 1897. The greatest amount of rainfall recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 4.16 inches, on the 27th, 1887.

The average number of clear days are 10; partly cloudy days, 12; cloudy days, 9.

The prevailing winds have been from the southeast; the average hourly velocity of the wind is five miles. The highest velocity of the wind was 38 miles, from the northwest, on the 20th, 1900.

The Language of the World. Vashington Post.

Nothing more indicative of the changing character of the times has occured than the remark of the Japanese peace envoy concerning the language to run, overtook her frightened be used during the progress of the negotiations. He expresses the hope that English will be the medium of communication and adds that he does not speak French.

A diplomat who does not speak French! The idea seems absurd. For centuries the position. Things are evidently different in Japan. No French for the Japanese diplomat, if you please. He wants the good old Anglo-Saxon, a language in which thoughts are expressed with directness and force. He discards the traditions of centuries and plunges into the language of the New World.

The time is coming when Ruplish will be the universal

English will be the universal tongue. This is almost the case at the present time. When our tongue. This is almost the case at the present time. When our fathers were young no one could make a satisfactory tour of the continent unless he was able to speak and understand French. To-day, except in some remote corner where civilization has not penetrated, a knowledge of French is not essential. Along all the highways of travel English is spoken by a large proportion of those who deal with the tourist class. The vast number of Americans who visit Europe and whose knowledge of the language is very limited has made it necessary for foreigners to learn English. In Germany the teaching of the English language is considered essential and in mercantile houses it has been found that only through a knowledge of English can the German manufaturers hope to compete with their British and American rivals. The activity of the English in Africa has done much towards the spread of the language in that continent and the same result has been attained in other quarters of the globe through the establishment of English colonies.

The observant Japanese, building up an occidental nation in the Orient, have evidently been impressed with this modern tendency towards the universal use of the English language. They are keeping pace with events. SHARK STORY UNTRUE.

Rev. L. Johnson and Mr. Duncan Say No Boy Was Devoured.

The horrible story published in the Sunday morning papers of a shark devouring Sutton Davis, a 16-year-old boy, at Davis' Shore, near Beaufort, is

Davis' Shore, near Beaufort, is doubted in same quarters.

Rev. Livingston Johnson, secretary of the Baptist state convention, preached there Sunday and returned to Raleigh yesterday afternoon. "Nothing of the kind happened at Davis Shore," said Mr. Johnson, "for I was there and would certainly have beard of it. Possibly it-occured somewhere else, but it did not

yesterday morning from Beau-fort, where his family is spending the summer. "I heard the report in Beaufort," said Mr. Duncan, "to the effect that a boy had been eaten by a shark, but it was not believed there and cannot be true. Such a big of the said of the said that a shark is cannot be true. Such a thing is unknown. A shark will not at-tack a person. The best authorities on fish agreed that there is no such instance on record on the Atlantic coast. The only fish that inflicts any injury is what we call the jelly fish, which irritates the skin with its appendages. The story was certainly a fake."

Mrs. Longstreet Hurt by Fall From Horse.

Mrs. Ida Longstreet, widow the animal came to a stand.

Mrs. Longstreet's right arm was broken and her body badly bruised. She was mounted on a spirited horse and lost her seat when he shied at a passing automobile. J. Hearn Campbell, who was riding with Mrs. Long-street, spurred his horse into a mount and brought it to a stand-

A Common Crank.

it is hard to understand), the newspapers have given him more notoriety than he deserved and strange to any a good many hero and a martyr out of the

or's decision. The case goes to the Supreme and Hege says he will take it to the United States Supreme Court. This is a land of religious liberty and The Laudmark stands for the widest freedom in religious belief. But we have no patience with people who come along and try to overturn existing conditions like Sabbath observance, which has been recognized for centuries. The Jews hold that the seventh day is the Sabbath but Jews have too much sense to defy the laws providing for the observance of the first day of the week.

vance of the first day of the week.

If one is allowed to practice anything which he may hold is sanctioned by the Bible, the Mormons should not be disturbed in the practice of polygamy; they have as much right to disregard the law against plural marriages as the Seventh Day Adventist has to disregard the law which provides for the observance of the first day of the week as the Sabbath.

Baron Komura, Japan's peace envoy, estimates that \$70,000 men have been killed during the war, Russia's losses being 370,-000.

The date of President Roose-velt's visit to Raleigh is fixed for October 19th. He will arrived at 11.30 and will go at once to the State Fair grounds and de-liver an address.

ARRESTED FOR BRUTALITY.

Cabarres Chais Sung Superio-tendent Severely Sente Boys, Who are new Lying in Pittable Condition.

Concord, N. C., July 31.— Special. Supt. Herbert Smith of the county convict force was placed under a \$100 bond for his placed under a \$100 bond for his appearance at the next term of Cabarras court upon the serious charge of inhumanly and unmercifully whipping two young white boys named Charles Border and Frank Duffy, whose terms have just expired; they having been sentenced for vagrancy by the mayor.

Border was in a weak condition when he arrived here, showing signs of having been cruelly beaten. The boys were taken to the county home this morning.

Duffy came to town and swore out a warrant against Superin-tendent Herbert Smith and employed counsel to prosecute the

Public sentiment has run high since Saturday night and the feeling against Smith is severe.

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The young man has been beaten into a jelly almost, and his wounds showed the most severe and uncalled for treatment.

All who saw him were highly indignant at such inhumanity. The chairman of the board of county commisioners, after an investigation of the case, declared that he would have the law tested, which puts hoboes on the county road, and, if possible, he would not hereafter receive any of them. ceive any of them.

A general protest is made at such inhuman treatment. Herbert Smith, the manager of the chain gang, says that this boy refused to work, claiming that he was sick he was sick.

To Get a Splinter Out of Your Band.

When a splinter has been driven into the hand it can be extracted by steam. Pill a wide-mouthed bottle nearly full of hot water place the injured part over the mouth and press it slightly. The action thus produced will draw the flesh down, and in a minute or two the steam will extract the splin ter, also the inflammation. Try it and be convinced.

Cotton Put Up Without Bosteling

method was chosen as a matter of economy.

Etiquette of Visiting.

Do not stay too long. It is a good deal to break into the life of a family for even a few days. Pay no attention to urging to

Pay no attention to arging to stay longer, however sincere they seem. Set a time to go when you arrive and stick to it.

Conform absolutely to the household arrangements, especially as to times of rising, ample time for all drives or other excursions. Carry with you all needed toilet supplies, that you may not be obliged to mortify your hostess by pointing out possible deficiencies in the guest-room, such as a clother-brush, the article most commonly lacking.

ing. Enter heartily into all their

Rater heartily into all their plans for entertaining you, but make it plain that you do not care to be entertained all the time or to have every minute filled with amusement.

Be ready to suggest little plans for pleasure when you see your hostess at a loss to entertain you. Try how well you can entertain your hostess for a change. Turn about is fair play in visiting as in everything else.

Be pleased with all things.

Your high spirits and evident enloyment are the only thanks your hostess wants.

Take some work with you, so that when your hostess has to work you may keep her in countenance by working also. More good times are to be had over work than over play, anyway.

Do not argue or diacuss debarable matters. Few things leave a worse taste in the mouth.

Offer to pay the little incidental expunses that will be caused now and then by your visit, but merely offer; do not inelst upon it, which would be very rade.

We put on sale to-day:

300 Trimmed and Untrimmed Ladies' Hate, at each, 500 200 Ladies' Sallors, Trimmed. Regular price, 25c. 2 50c, 75c. In this sale all go at, each, 100 Children's Trimmed Sallors, regular price, 50c, 25c.

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Another phantom ship, so the story whom is an efficer pointing shoreward with one hand and supporting a wom-an with the other. Suddenly the lights

"And this machine I am building." ears Mr. Tesla, "Is but a plaything, just enough to throw this planet into feeble tremous by sign and word—to talegraph and to taleghone."

Mr. Tesla also amounces that he has invented a "telantematic" terpede which can be directed at will from a distance much greater than the range

An Example of Content la Bones but Monotonous Toll. In my country of Alsace, on the solitary route whose interminable ribbon stretches on and on under the forests of the Vosgos, there is a stone breaks, whom I have seen at hiz work for thirty years. The first time I came upon him I was a young student setting out with swilling heart for the great city. The sight of this man did me good, for he was "unuming a song as he broke his stones. We exchanged a few words, and he said at the end, "Well, goodly, my boy, good courage and words, and he said at the end, "Well, goodby, my boy, good courage and good luth!" Slipes then I have passed and repussed gloug the same route ander circumstances the most diverse, painful and joyful. The student has Saided his course; the branker or stoney remains what he was. He has taken a few more precautions against the seasons' storms—a rush mat protects his buck, and his felt hat, is drawn further down to stield his face. But the forest is always cooling back the scho of his valiant hammer. How the scho of his vallant hammer. How many sudden tempers have broken over his bent buck, how much adverse fate his fallen on his head, on his hease, on his country! He continues to break his steads, and coming and going I find him by the readside smalling in apte of his age and his wrinkles, benevolent, speaking—above all ing in apite of his age and his wrin-kies, henevolent, apaking-above all in dark days—those simple words of heave men which have so much effect when they are seamed to the breaking of stones.—From "The Simple Life," ty Charles Wagnes.

library for negroes in Philadelphia. The Washington Post suggests that dream books and hints on poultry raising should have a prominent place on the

taleigh Post, Ind.

somewhere else, but it did not happen at Davis Shore." Mr. John A. Duncan returned

Gainesville. Ga., Disputch. 31st.

of the Confederate general, was thrown from her horse while riding this afternoon. Her foot caught in the stirrup and she was dragged fifty yards before

ville Landmark. . In Winston there is a religious crank, one Tom Hege, who is of the Seventh Day Adventist course. It is the tongue of the contrier who in the salon desires to bestow a graceful compliment, or who, around the counseled intent, or who, around the county who in the salon desired in a part of the country when the colored in a part of the country when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that begging and ties were not convenient when the little cotton is raised and it is supposed that the begging and ti people have apparently lent their efforts towards making a

commonest sort of crank.

A few days ago Hege was arrested and sentenced 60 days in jail. He appealed and the Superior Court affirmed the mayor's decision. The case goes to the Santona and Heave a