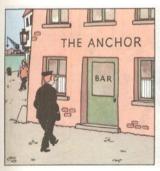


RACKHAM'S RED

TREASURE















Tintin ?... Captain Haddock?.. I certainly do. There's been plenty of talk about them-over that business of the Bird brothers. But the SIRIUS she's a trawler, isn't she? Are you going fishing? ..



Yes, but it's not ordinary fish we re after, it's treasure!



Well, it's like this ... There's a treasure that belonged to a pirate, Red Rackham, who was killed long ago by Sir Francis Haddock aboard a ship called the UNICORN. Tintin and Captain Haddock found



... written by Sir Francis... who escaped from the ship... They know just where the UNICORN sank and ... I'll tell you the rest These walls have





















Journalists! they're always the same! We could have done without all this publicity...



Red Rackham's Treasure

THE forthcoming departure of the trawler Sirius is arousing speculation in sea-faring circles. Despite the close secrecy which is being maintained, our correspondent understands that the object of the voyage is nothing less than a search for treasure.

This treasure, once the hoard of the pirate Red Rackham, lies in the ship *Unicorn*, sunk at the end of the seventeenth century. Tintin, the famous reporter—whose sensational intervention in the Bird case made headline news—and his friend Captain Haddock, have discovered the exact resting-place of the *Unicorn*.







Good. In that case, I shall accompany you!... As for the treasure, I shall be satisfied with a half share... Here is my card...













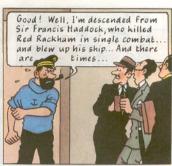












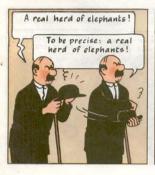




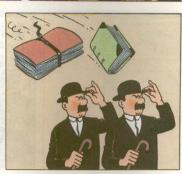




























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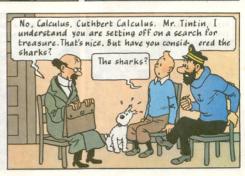












No, young man, I'm talking about the sharks. I expect you intend to do some diving. In which case, beware of sharks!



Don't you agree?...
But I've invented a
machine for underwater exploration,
and it's shark-proof
If you'll come to my
house with me. I'll
show it to you.



No, it's not far. Less than ten minutes . . .



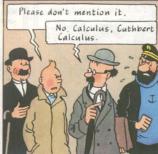
Why of course. Certainly these gentlemen may come too.



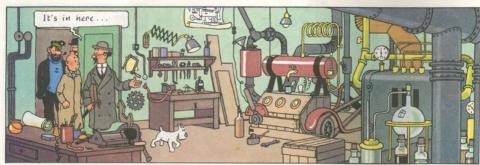
Good, that's settled. We'll go at once.

































But this is even more











Between ourselves, I wouldn't have expected such childish pranks from them. They looked quite sensible...



And here's my apparatus for exploring the sea-bed.

As you can see for yourselves, it's a kind of small submarine. It is powered by an electric motor, and has oxygen supplies for two hours' divina...



Now I'll show you how the apparatus works...





I can't understand it!...It's sabotage! No sir, I said it's sabotage!... Someone has sabotaged my machine!



We are extremely sorry, frofessor Calculus, extremely sorry, but your machine will not do.



























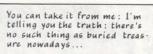








































DOCTOR A. LEECH

Dear Captain,
I have considered your
case, and conclude that
your illness is due to poor
liver condition.

You must therefore undergo the following treatment: DIET-STRICTLY FORBIDDEN:

All acoholic beverages (wine, beer, cider, spirits, cocktails,



































"Port Commander to Captain SIRIUS. Reduce speed. Motor boat coming out to you."

What can this mean?

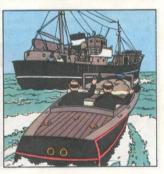












Thomson and Thompson! What are they coming aboard for?













































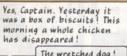
What do we do, Captain? We're





















































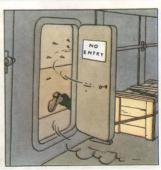










































































Billions of bilious blue blistering barnacles! Get up, you!...



My whisky, you wretch!... What have you done with my whisky? Thundering typhoons, answer me!... Where's my whisky?



I must confess, [did sleep rather badly. But I hope you will give me a cabin ...



A cabin!...!'Il give you a cabin!..!'m going to stow you in the bottom of the hold for the rest of the voyage, on dry bread and water!...
And my whisky?... Where's





Naturally its in separate pieces...

In separate pieces... My whisky is in separate pieces?



Of course, it is a little smaller than the first one, but nevertheless it was too big to pass unnoticed. So I had to dismantle it and pack all the parts in the cases...



But what about the whisky out of those cases! Tell me! Is it still ashore?...



No, no. It was the night before you sailed. The cases were still on the quay, ready to be embarked. I took out all the bottles they contained, and put the pieces of my machine in their place...



Wretch!...Ignoramus! ... Abominable Snowman! ... I'll throw you overboard! Overboard, d'you hear?...



































Oh, so I made a mistake in my calculations, did I?... All right: they're on my table. Go and check them!... Yes, you! Now! Go on! Check them!







A few minutes later ..

You must forgive me, Captain, but there really is a little mistake in your calculations. Look, this is where we are, exactly...











I mean, gentlemen, that according to your calculations we are now standing inside Westminster Abbey!











That's it... Let's go
in, and I'll work it
out...

The figures given in the parchments were latitude 20° 37' 42" North, longitude 70° 52' 15" West. Here's our position now; the same latitude, longitude 71° 2' 29" West.



So we've already passed the right point, and yet we saw nothing... I simply can't understand it!



Captain, I think I've got it!



What do you mean?

Well, the meridian from which you calculated the degrees of longitude was of course the Greenwich meridian ...



You don't suppose lused one in Timbuctoo!

No, wait. Supposing Sir Francis Haddock used a French charthe easily could have done. Then zero would be on the faris meridian— and that lies more than two wagrees



Blistering barnacles, that's an idea! You may be right! ferhaps we are too far to the west. We'll go back on our tracks...



Coxswain
at the wheel!
... Helm
hard a-port!
... Midships!
... Steer
due east.















































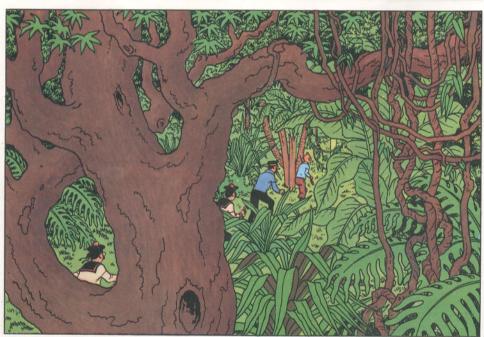






This certainly proves that we're nearing our goal. Red Rackham's treasure is out there at the bottom of the sea!... But now, shoes on, everyone, and let's carry on!















Blistering barnacles! [bet these are the remains of the pirates killed when the UNICORN blew up!



If they were, we'd have found them down by the shore. No, look at this spear. It's more likely that they were natives, killed in a fight, and probably eaten on the spot by their enemies.



Eaten?... Do you mean cannibals lived on this island?... Man-caters:

































This island is h-h-haunted, Captain. Let's hurry back t-t-to the sh-sh-ship.

To b-b-be precise: I-let's hurry back t-t-to the sh-sh-ship.













































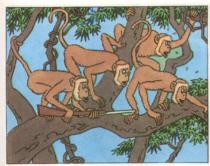


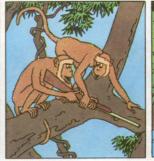


























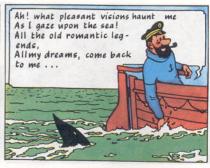










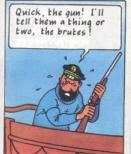
























I forgot to tell you. When you locate the wreck, press the little red button on the left of the instrument panel. That releases a small canister attached underneath the machine. It is full of a substance that gives off thick smoke when it comes into contact with water. That will show us where the wreck lies.

No, rea! A little red button
... You've got
it? Good...
Well, good bye,
and good
luck!



















Hello, what's the matter?
... The engine's stopped
... We aren't moving any
more!



Thing's look bad, Snowy! Our propeller is entangled in the weeds!



We'll try and free ourselves by going into reverse . . .



It's no good! The propeller is completely jammed... and the engine



Well, Snowy my boy, how do we get out of this?



There's only one thing to do: we'll release the smoke-can ister. Then at least they'll know where we are... There, we press the little red button here...



That's it ...



Look!... Look!... Smoke!... He's found the wreck of the UNICORN!

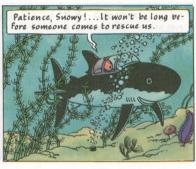


There, Professor Calculus!... Look!... Smoke!... He's found the wreck!





















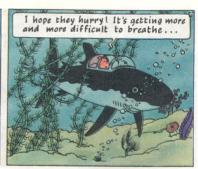


















Of course!... We'll try and hook











































All's well !... The Captain has climbed back into the boat ... He's salvaged the buoy... hauled the anchor inboard ... thrown a lifeline to Tintin ... Ah, here they come ...





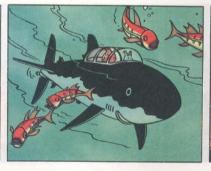


Weeds or no weeds. I don't set foot in that thing again!



Fine. Get it ready. Snowy and I are setting out again immediately!





Let's hope he doesn't run into any more trouble this time.

What shall I do? Tell him ... or not 2









































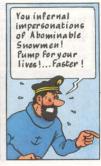






























Yes, it's a good start. But this is nothing to what alse we shall find. You'll see. I'm going down myself, this time.





























A bottle of rum, my friends! ... Jamaica rum, and it's more than two hundred and fifty years old! ... Just you taste it!







Mm!... It's wonderful!... It's absolutely w-w-wonderful!
Y-y-you taste it!... Yes, yes, that's f-f-for you!.. I'm g-going st-st-st-straight back to g-get a-q-a-another f-for m-myself...



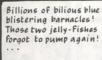
















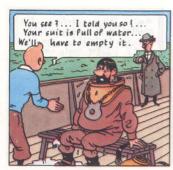
But...but it wasn't us, you

Silence! You were told
to pump, then pump,
by thunder!











There! Now you can go down again, if you still want to. But don't forget your helmet this time!



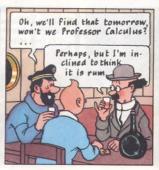
Off we go!... As for you, my hearties, just you keep on pumping until you're ordered to stop!...
You understand?...







A good day's work!... First that cross, and then ... more important, all this rum!... Fine stuff ch! Yes, but I'd sooner have found the treasure.





















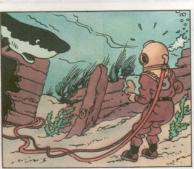


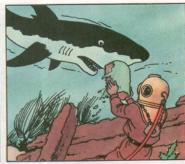


































































































Me?...You can see - I'm helping my colleague to go down ... Oh, don't worry. I've watched carefully how you do it ...

















A fortnight later ...



Blistering barn. acles! You can stop pumping! Can't you see that Tintin's come UP ?



Well ? Nothing ... Nothing atall! I've been carefully through all that's left of the poop ...

It's just as I said: we aren't going to find it. Come on, Captain, you















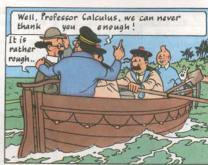








Hooray! Thomson!
... Thompson!
... Fetch the
picks and shovels!
Hurry up!... Into
the dinghy!















A calendar! When your ancestor was marooned-like Robinson Crusoe, he counted the days until he was rescued. Look: there's a small notch for weekdays, and a large one for Sun-











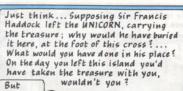






























































Now, Captain, you sit down while I go and have a look for those two...













































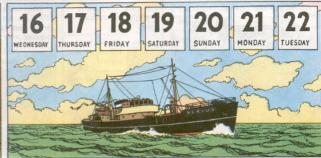














Hello. Yes...
"Daily Reporter"
...Yes... What?
The SIRIUS has
docked?... Are
you sure?...
Good... Thanks!



Hello, is that you Rogers?...Go to the docks at once. The SIRIUS has just come in...I want a good story about her!



Well, Captain, I'll say goodbye to you now. I'll have my submarine collected tomorrow morning.



Now, please let me thank you, Captain. You have been so very kind.



Yes, yes, Captain. Thanks to you, I shall always have unfor gettable memories of my stay on board...

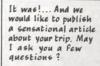




Er... excuse me... I
missed a step!

Allow me to introduce myself: Ken Rogers of the "Daily Reporter"

"Daily Reporter"? Wasn't yours the paper that gave the news of our departure?





I'm rather busy myself. This is my secretary, Mr. Calculus; he will be happy to answer all your inquiries.





I'm sure you have it there, in that suitcase...



I can understand that!... Now tell me, what does the treasure consist of?



No, I asked you what was in the treasure you found. Was it gold?... Pearls?...
Diamonds?









No, we're a bit tired ... The journey, you know... and the pumping... We're going to spend a few days in the country with a farmer friend of ours.





Now for the simple,









Very well, thank you. And

No, the documents we found in the casket... Don't you remember?... I've tried to piece them together, sticking the fragments on sheets of paper. Some are illegible. Others, like that one, are comparatively easy to decipher.





Charles the Second, by ye Grace of God King of England, desiring to reward Our trusty and beloved Knight, Francis Haddock... Blistering barnacles!



Than the Second by ye Grace ing to reward Our trusty and envisor of Knight Francis Haddooke Lister Naty for his devoted series out our found of Marinsps Stesswages and consments, and delivered is fand this fifteers and delivered is fand this fifteers and fluly a grenth year of ()

Thundering typhoons! Am I
dreaming! It's Marlinspike Hall!...
Marlinspike, my
family ostate! It's
fantas...tic!













Buy it back ? ... That's





























Well, it's a wonderful house!...
My ancestor had good taste, didn't
he?... Now what about those famous
cellars you talked of? Where are
they?

Come with me... I'll take
you there.













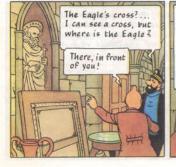












Yes there, look!...St.
John the Evangelist - who
is always depicted with
an eagle... And he's called
the Eagle of Patmos after the island where he
wrote his Revelation...
He's the Eagle!...



There, just on the spot given in the old parchment, is the island we went to!...
Great snakes! The island's moving!





The treasure!... The treasure!!... Blistering treasures! It's Red Rackham's barnacles!



We've found it!...We've found it at last: Red Rackham's treasure!...Look! ...Look!



It's stupendous!...Stupendous!...So Sir Francis Haddock did take the treasure with him when he left the UNICORN...And to think we were looking for it half across the world, when all the time it was lying here, right under our very noses....



Thundering typhoons, look at this!... Diamonas!... Pearls!... Emeralds!... Rubies! ... Er... all sorts!... They're magnificent!

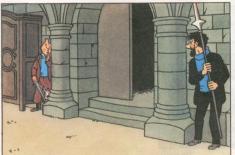




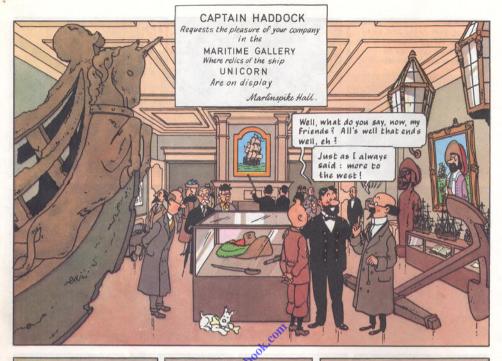
Listen... Footsteps!
... Someone's coming towards the cellars
...

Quick! Get hold of a weapon! We'll each hide behind a pillar...









Yes, yes. But [said: all's well that ends well. Don't you agree?

Your maritime gallery?...! think it is very successful!



Thanks. But twas just saying that our adventures had a happy ending. They've ended, and happily!...

No thank you. Never between meals,

No, no! Blistering barnacles! All's well that ends well!

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL!



... and this is just the moment to quote that old saying: All's well that ends well!

