

# Yorkshire Crier

## Queen Seeks Champion!

### New Sheriff in Town!



Let it be known through the good village of Yorkshire that Sheriff Bracken, being hot on the trail of the notorious pick pocket, Less S. Moore, will be absent at the yearly festivities to honor her Majesty. Knowing as he does, that Yorkshire be brimming with all manor of cut purses, rogues, scalawags and dice coggers, he hath called forth his cousin Sir Winston Payne to lead the charge in ridding the Village of it's most unsavory underbelly. Take heed! Sheriff Payne be a man most notorious and he aims to make a name for himself and bring order to our lives!

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### Art thou worthy to be a champion?

Dear reader. Shall I impart unto you a rare secrecy of a royal nature? By now, it is certain that the news of our beloved Regina Gloriana, Queen of England, Ireland, Wales, and all she surveys, Elizabeth Tudor's visit to our quaint Yorkshire be well-known to all! But, indeed, this be no mere social call! For upon this year, our dear queen (long may she reign!) has declared that our beloved hamlet is to play host to her Tournament of Champions!

Wherefore be Yorkshire the site of such a contest, and what purpose could there be in her majesty's game? From the queen's lips to our ears, she would hold that she seek'st a true champion of England! One of bravery, and virtue!

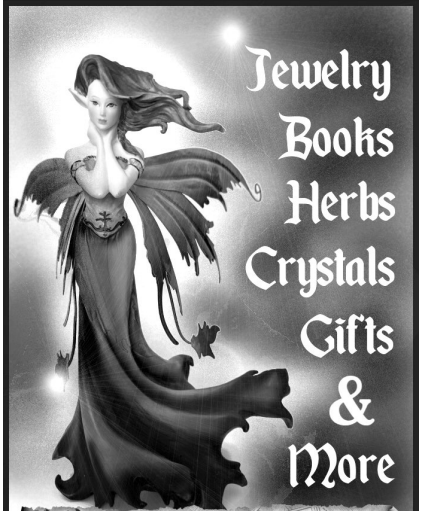
I ask you then, good reader: what need has the queen of a new champion? Didst she awaken one fine morning and proclaim "Oh, heavens, where did I put my champion?" Nay! I say, she possesses a perfectly good one presently! I tell you plainly: love. Love of the quaint village of Yorkshire and of her people. And for that love, we are truly blessed.

It is such fortune that her most wondrous majesty will be in attendance at this years Yorkshire Village annual festival and in her honor many performances, pageants and productions will be presented for her pleasure. We invite you all to attend and enjoy all the shopping, shows and sundries that our Maine Renaissance Faire has to offer. Long live the Queen! Huzzah!

### Human Chess Match!



Don't know thee of human chess? Well then, attend me and find out! Each festival day at the hour of three of the clock, in the Queen's Arena, witness a "friendly" match of chess between our beloved Queen and the Lady Dudley. It is at this match when those vying to become Queens Champion will have their chance to prove their worth!



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## Ye Olde Op-Ed a.k.a. "That's What He Said..."

Good gentiles, no word or syllable produced forth from my pen holdeth more truth than this: you are more than the pieces of a game, played for the amusement of any soul, be they royal or wretch. In my heart I hold that the queen also knows this, for she has come to Yorkshire! And in all my travels, I have seen no more virtuous a people than here! Let London, Oxford, even Cambridge keep their upstart crows and well-dressed pirates! Let the pirates who walk about cobblestone streets flaunting their law degrees remain in those sixpenny cities of false-virtue. For I say to you, there is no virtue in clamoring for her majesty's favor by spending even one day pretending to be something that you are not.

But not in Yorkshire! From our Widow Locke, with astounding dignity in the face of tragedy, holds herself beneath no man (just try to tell her otherwise!) to our Master Goodbeer, who has dedicated himself wholly to the craft of brewing the finest beer in all of England; from Lady Worthington, who stays ever constant in her pursuit of all things beautiful and fascinating, to our humble rat-catcher Squeaks, who stays ever relentless in the pursuit of ending our town's modest rodent problem, despite, I think, having not the faintest idea what a rat actually is.

I believe in my heart that there is a deeper meaning to this game of living chess we are to play out. There is, I suspect, another page to be written beyond one of the battle between boredom and wit. Therefor, we people of Yorkshire shall rise to the challenge and become the better for it, then this tournament shall have nothing BUT victors!

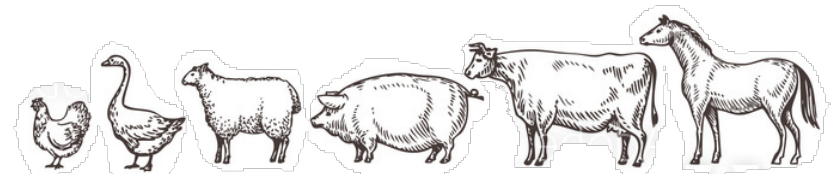
~ Master Thomas Nashe  
 Pamphleteer

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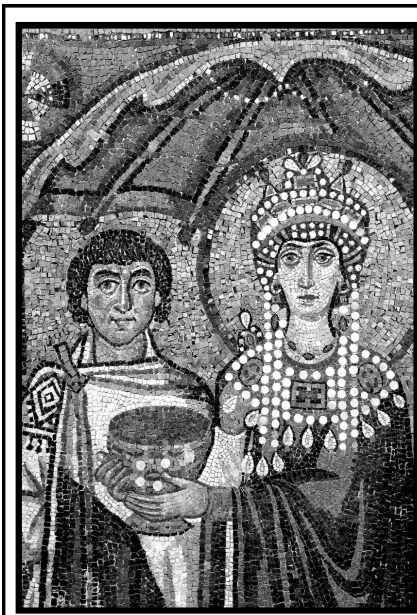
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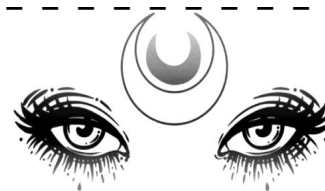


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## Sheriff's Blotter

### Crime & Punishment in the Town of Yorkshire

**The 5th day of the year of our Lord 1571,  
twilight**

Sheriff called to investigate unnecessary verbal outbursts by local fish monger. When interrogated, she responded, "this injustice is gilling me! Dost thou wish me to kick the bucket?!" Alas, the scales of justice were not tipped in her favor.

**The 6th day of the year of our Lord 1571,  
evening tide**

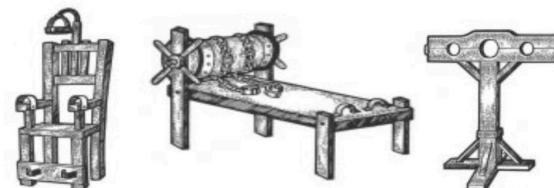
Yorkshire Butcher cited for the peddling of suspicious meat pies. Butcher in question blamed the local Surgeon exclaiming, "I hast a bone to pick with this charlatan of a surgeon for he hath cut me to the quick!"

**The 12th day of the year of our Lord 1571,  
dusk**

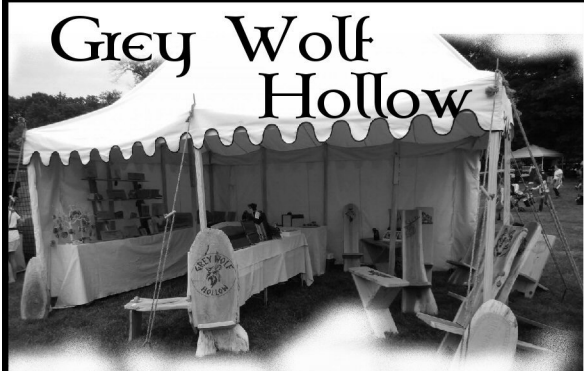
Sheriff called to respond to acts of thievery and excessive mischief by local cut purse. When questioned, they responded, "You have me in your clutches! Thou art fortunate to have bagged me so swiftly, Sheriff!"

**The 13th day of the year of our Lord  
1571, dawn**

Sheriff Blotter writer unjustly and once again arrested for unnecessary, unrelenting use of puns. Sentenced to be tarred and feathered, the forlorn bard responded, "I find this to be a sticky wicket! Justice in Yorkshire be for the birds!"



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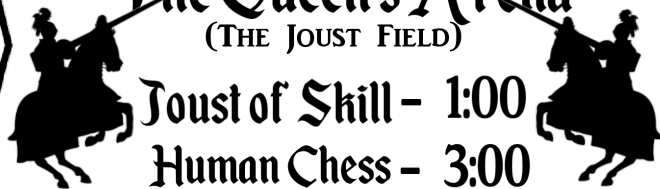
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# Schedule of Events

## The Queen's Arena (THE JOUST FIELD)



Joust of Skill - 1:00  
Human Chess - 3:00  
Joust of Honor - 5:00

### Royal Stage

Hey Nunnie Nunnie  
Musical Comedy  
10:20 - 1:00 - 2:20 - 3:40  
Queens Court - 11:00  
Cast Show  
Shakespeare Approves  
Comedy Show  
11:40 - 1:40 - 5:00  
The Gwendolyn Show  
Comedy Adventure  
12:20 - 3:00 - 4:20  
Final Sing has been  
moved to the  
Tavern Stage  
- 5:15 -

### Stage of Justice

Dame of Drones  
Drum and Pipes  
11:30 - 1:30 - 2:50 - 4:50  
Baechtold Abel  
Aerialist Show  
12:10 - 2:10 - 3:30  
Sheriff Payne  
No Payne no Gain Show - 12:50  
Trial and Dunke Show - 4:10

### Stage of Wonder

Penniless Jacks  
Rousing Rebel Tunes  
10:30 - 12:30 - 2:30  
Acrobellum  
Acrobatic Comedy  
11:10 - 1:10 - 3:10  
Lords of Adventure  
Comedy Fight Show  
11:50 - 1:50 - 3:50

### Pavilion Stage

Les S. Moore  
Comedy Cutpurse  
10:40 - 12:40 - 2:40 - 4:40  
Sisters Pendragon  
Comedy Fight Show  
11:20 - 1:20 - 3:20  
The Harper and the Minstrel  
Musical Duo (20/21 ONLY)  
Erika the Harpist  
Celtic Harp (27/28 ONLY)  
12:00 - 2:00 - 4:00

### Field of Honor

Brotherhood of the  
Arrow and Sword  
Living History  
History Demo  
11:50  
Live Steel Combat  
1:50

### Cottage Stage

Washing Well Wenches  
Comedy Show (PG13)  
10:30 - 12:30 - 2:10 - 4:10  
The Foxy Bard  
Musical Show  
11:10 - 1:30 - 3:30  
Temperance Belowe  
Witch Burnings with Temperance  
1:10 - 4:50

### Revelers Stage

The Flaming Ginger  
Comedy Juggling  
10:20 - 12:20 - 1:40 - 3:00  
Jim Mackenzie (20/21 ONLY)  
Comedian with Mad Skills  
Aaron Bonk (27/28 ONLY)  
Fire Whips and Swords  
11:00 - 2:20 - 3:40 - 5:00  
Adamo Ignis  
Fire and Danger Show  
11:40 - 1:00 - 4:20

### Tavern Stage

Chaste Treasure  
Bawdy Songs (PG13)  
10:30 - 2:30 - 4:30  
Costume Contest - 12:30  
Shank Painters  
Pirate Shanties  
11:10 - 1:10 - 3:10  
Shimmynanigans  
Bellydance Show  
11:50 - 1:50 - 3:50  
Final Sing  
5:15

### Pirate Stage

Mistifs of Avalon  
Celtic Music  
10:40 - 1:20 - 3:20  
Pirates of Yorkshire  
Comedy music and more!  
12:00 - 2:00 - 4:00  
FRANCES DRAKE THE PIRATE QUEEN  
FLYING ALL FLAGS  
11:20 - 2:40

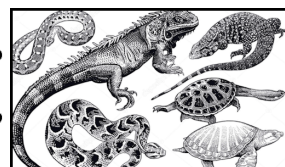
### Storybook Glen

Off the Mark with the Marx Sisters  
Family Fun Comedy  
10:50 - 12:50 - 3:30  
Talesin Phoenix  
Storyteller  
11:30 - 2:10 - 4:10  
Ewan the Wandering Wizard  
Magic Show  
12:10 - 2:50  
Childrens Knighting Ceremony  
with the Queen  
1:30

## Costume Contest at The Tavern Stage



A costume contest shall be held at the Tavern Stage at the hour of 12:30 of the clock. All visitors to our fair town are encouraged to attend and 'tis free to enter. Whether rogue or knight, fantasy creature or lady fair, come and join the fun! Prizes for first, second and third place will be awarded. The first place winner will receive a free professional picture with Epic Photography. All ages welcome!



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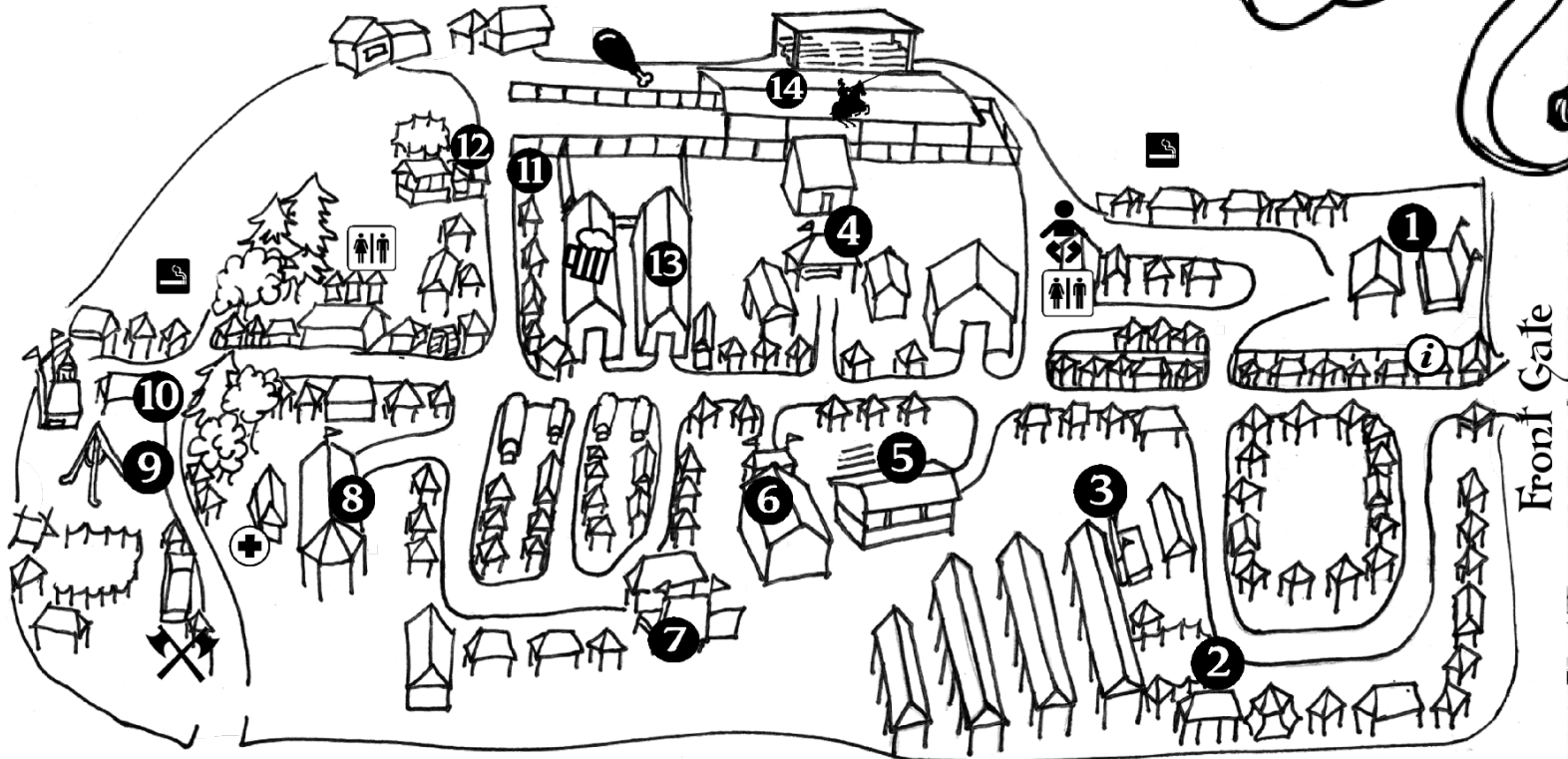
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# The Maine Renaissance Faire



Back Gate

Front Gate

## Map Key



-  Rest Rooms
-  Child Care
-  First Aid
-  Smoking Area
-  Ale & Mead
-  Turkey Legs
-  Information
-  Axe Throwing
-  Jousting

- 1** Reveler's Stage
- 2** Field of Honor
- 3** Cottage Stage
- 4** Storybook Glen
- 5** Royal Stage
- 6** Queen's Pavilion
- 7** Stage of Wonder

- 8** Pavilion Stage
- 9** Aerial Rig
- 10** Stage of Justice
- 11** Reptile Circus
- 12** Pirates Stage
- 13** Tavern Stage
- 14** Joast Field

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## Dear Lady Abigail

### Advice for the Ill Advised

Dear Lady Abigail,

Woe and misery upon me! My very heart has been captured by the most charming of Lords! Imagine, I am but a humble seamstress and no Lord will look upon me with favor. I am hanging by a thread! I am Ab-sew-lutely tied in knots! On pins and needles! Dear Lady Abigail, is there any hope for our love?

-a spool in love

Dear Spool,

My sympathies for your plight, my dear! There is nothing more wearisome than a case of unrequited love and bad puns. My advice to thee is to find opportunities to bobbin and out of his day to day life and to present thyself in a manner that seems inviting. Give it your awl and he is sure to pay you notice! But remember, my dear, you can love a poor man just as much as a rich man. All you needle is love!

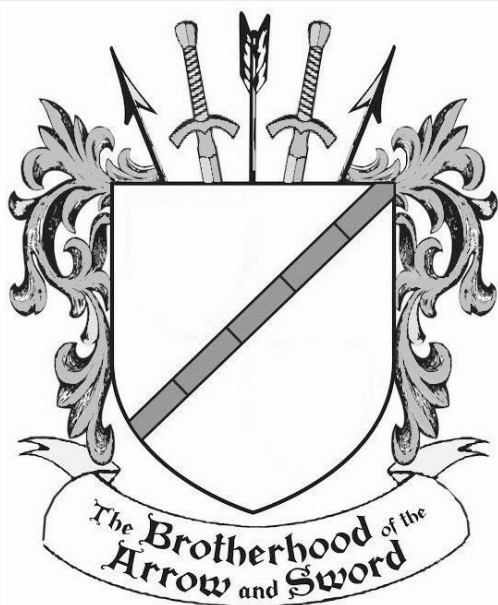
My most dearest Lady Abigail,

I beseech thee! I am seeking thy most wise counsel on a matter most grave! A small town such as Yorkshire can be a most quarrelsome place for a woman of means. Jealousy and false rumors abound regarding the ill fate of mine dearly deceased husband. To suggest that I may have had a hand in his untimely demise is an utter falsity. Dear Lady Abigail, how dost one put aside these gruesome lies?

-Merry Widow

Dear Merry,

'Tis a grievous situation thou art in! Whilst it is clear that thou hast gone golden with grief over the unfortunate loss of thy husband, there are still others who question the good fortune thou hast come into following his most unfortunate (and clearly accidental) death. I find that when mourning the loss of a loved one, it is advantageous to frown and furrow one's brow. Avoid displays of public jubilation at all costs. Be sure to add intermittent sobbing and don't forget to wring thy hands and gnash thy teeth. In short, thou must be less Merry! At the very least, remember to feign sorrow, lest the tongues of Yorkshire will never stop wagging!



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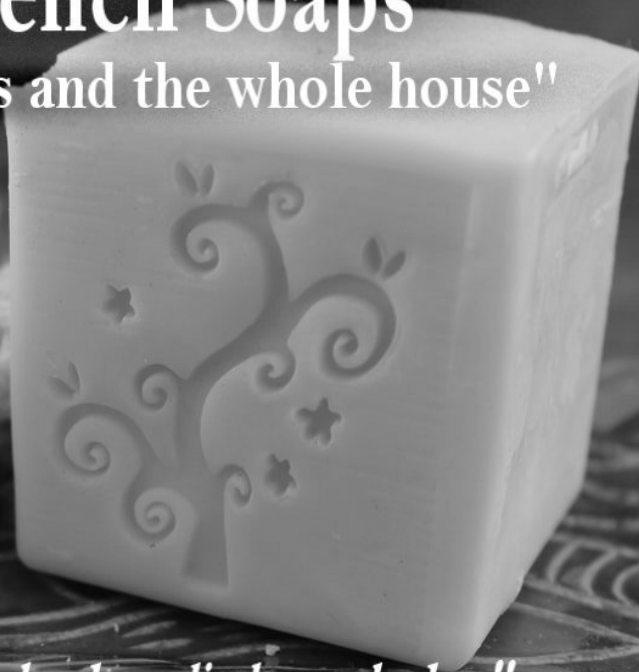
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- Aries** - Explore the passions and hobbies you enjoy. Don't give in to the pressure to leave home, excepting to go to the Maine Renaissance Faire.
- Taurus** - Prioritize your peace and well-being in July. Stay close to family and enjoy outings, perhaps shopping for new garb?
- Gemini** - Reality is hitting you hard. You may feel overwhelmed by your unrealized dreams. In Yorkshire you can be anything!
- Cancer** - Not everything is as it seems. Release yourself from the heavy expectation of getting things right all the time. The fool hast it right!
- Leo** - The spotlight is on you, Leo! Soak it all in and prepare to attract attention and simply for being yourself. In Pirates Cover you will shine!
- Virgo** - Let your friends comfort you through this deep healing and reflective month. The soothing sounds of Celtic Harp will help.
- Libra** - A career reset is on its way, and your social life is brimming with activity. Keep yourself busy and have fun! Easy, peasy!
- Scorpio** - Excepting for an amazing time at the Maine Ren Faire, you had best stay in your bed this month. It's not worth the risk, again.
- Sagittarius** - You will discover new beliefs and life philosophies that align with who you are. Shakespeare may have something to say.
- Capricorn** - You are yearning for deeper connections and the freedom to express yourself authentically. However, obstacles stand in your way.
- Aquarius** - Think twice about your idealistic financial goals in July. Maybe you set the bar too high with your expectations. Relax.
- Pisces** - Approach all matters with heart and positive energy, and you will be surprised by what you manifest. Huzzah!

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## A Fish By Any Other Name, Be A Rat

On the subject of rats in our fair village of Yorkshire, I am pleased to report that the infestation is one of a minor quality. Our humble rat-catcher Squeaks, who stays ever relentless in the pursuit of ending our town's modest rodent problem, despite, I think, having not the faintest idea what a rat actually is, has by some miracle managed to ruin the rodents rout. 'Twas the other day just, that I witnessed Squeaks catch a trout from fishmonger Ophelia Bucket's bucket. Thinking it one of the offending vermin, Squeaks proceeded to try and drown the creature in the river for half an hour before it finally swam away, but God strike me down if that is not sheer determination! Indeed should Squeaks succeed in finding a true rat, Yorkshire shall be saved! and THAT is true virtue!

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## Fun Facts to Fill thy Empty Head

17 July - About 9 pm, Queen Elizabeth was on the River Thames (between the royal manor of Greenwich and Dratford) in her "privy barge", accompanied by the French ambassador, the Earl of Lincoln, and the Vice-Chamberlain.

At the same time, one Thomas Appletree, a young man, and servant to Henry Carey, with two or three others, were in a boat on the Thames, rowing up and down in the same general area. Thomas had a "caliver" or arquebus charged with bullet, and shooting at random, shot one of the watermen, being the second man next to the bales of the barge (within 6 feet of the Queen) clean through both arms, and moved him out of his place.

Thomas being apprehended and condemned to death, was on 21 July brought to the waterside, where was a gibbet set up, directly placed between Dartford and Greenwich. But when the hangman had put the halter about his neck, Sir Christopher Hatton, Captain of the Guard, and one of the Queen's Privy Council, showed the royal pardon, and delivered him from execution. Her most Royal Majesty is indeed good and just! God save the Queen!

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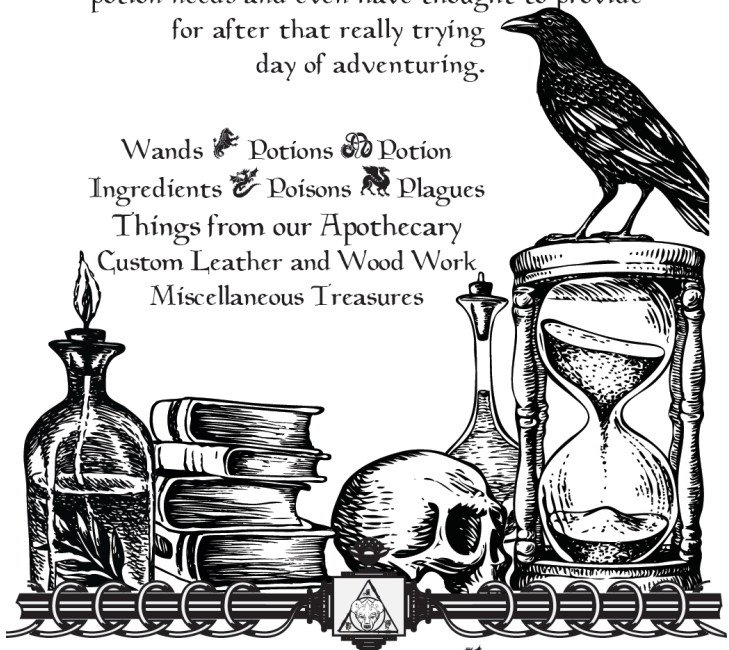


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Or sweltering and meltering...  
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If that be the case, then take refuge!  
Hail! Thunder! Fog and more!  
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