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● 美丽迷人的黑珍珠 ●

在这本精致的小书里, 你将看见波涛汹涌的大海, 将看见为了财富而冒险出航的采珠船队,将认识一位 好心的善于采集珍珠的印第安人, 将听到十六岁的美 国少年雷蒙给你讲他那富于传奇色彩的惊心动魄的故 事……十六岁,在雷蒙看来已是个不小的年龄。可父 亲为什么竟说话不算话, 硬是不肯带他去海上采集珍 珠?! 雷蒙生了气偷偷学会了采珠的本领, 独自去到 海上, 去到谁都怕去的的海怪戴尔巴洛兴风作浪的水 域。经过一次次出生入死的努力, 他终于找到了传说 中的"天堂之珠"———颗世间罕有的大大的黑珍 珠! 是的,海怪戴尔巴洛不会甘心宝贵的黑珍珠被人 拿走。于是在雷蒙和他之间又展开了殊死搏斗。斗争 的结果怎么样? 宝贵的黑珍珠最后落到了什么地方? 是成了珠宝店的奇货、收藏家的珍品、祭坛上的贡 物,还是又回到了生长它的大海的怀抱里?所有这些 问题,都让小主人公雷蒙亲口回答你吧。告诉你,雷 蒙可是个讲故事的能手, 听他讲会精彩得多!

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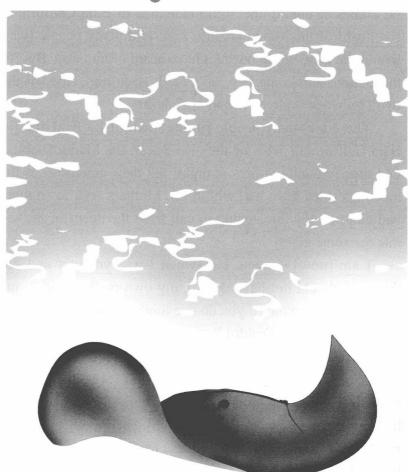
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Everyone (who lives in our town of La Paz, or along the far coasts or among the high mountains of Baja California), has heard of the Manta Diablo. I am told many people (who live in the great world outside) have heard of him also. But [of these thousands] only two have really seen him. And [of the two], only one is alive—I Ramon Salazar.

There are many people [in the town of La Paz] and [in Baja California] (who say they have seen the Manta Diablo).

Old men [around the fires at night] tell their grandsons of the meetings (they have had with him). Mothers seek to frighten bad children [by threatening to call from the deeps of the sea this fearsome giant].

I am [now] sixteen, but [when I was younger and did things (I should not have done)], my own mother said to me [solemnly], "Ramon, [if you do this thing again] I shall speak a word [to the Manta Diablo]."

She told me that he was larger than the largest ship [in the harbor of La Paz]. His eyes were the color (of ambergris) and shaped [like a sickle moon] and there were seven of them. He had seven rows of teeth [in his mouth], each tooth as long as my father's Toledo knife. [With these teeth] he would snap my bones [like sticks].

Mothers (of my friends) also threatened them [with the Manta Diablo]. He was a somewhat different monster [from



(居住在拉巴兹小城和沿海一带,以及下加利福尼亚大山中的)<u>每个人</u>,[都]<u>听说过虹鱼戴尔巴洛。</u><u>我听说</u>,生活在异国他乡的许多人也听说过它。但[在这些成千上万的人中],只有<u>两个</u>[真正]<u>目睹</u>过它。[而两人之中],只有一个[还]活着——我:雷蒙・萨拉让。

[拉巴兹城以及下加利福尼亚]<u>有</u>(很多)人,<u>他们</u>[都] <u>说自己亲眼见过它</u>。[每到夜晚],<u>老人们</u>[总爱]<u>围坐</u>[在 篝火旁][绘声绘色地][给孙儿们]<u>讲述</u>(自己当年见 到<u>重鱼戴尔巴洛时的)情景。母亲们</u>[更是拿这个海洋深 处的恐怖怪物]吓唬(那些惹是生非的)顽童。

[现在],<u>我</u>[已经]<u>16岁</u>了,[但在前几年],[当 <u>我</u>还常<u>做</u>(一些不该做的淘气事时)],<u>妈妈</u>[就会][一 本正经地][对我]<u>说</u>:"雷蒙,如果你再这么下去的话, 我就要告诉<u>红色</u>戴尔巴洛了。

<u>她</u>[对我]<u>说</u>,(那个)<u>怪物有着</u>(比拉巴兹港中最大的船只还要大得多的)身躯,<u>它的眼睛是龙涎香色的</u>,<u>宛如</u>(一弯)新月,<u>里面嵌有</u>(七颗)眼球,(它的)<u>嘴里有</u>(七排)利齿,(每颗)<u>牙齿</u>[都][跟父亲那把托莱多(西班牙的城市,以生产精炼宝剑而闻名于世)匕首一样]<u>长</u>。[有了这些牙],<u>它</u>[会][像咬断小木棍那样]咬断(我的)骨头。

(我那些小伙伴的) <u>母亲</u>,[同样][用这种方法来] <u>吓唬他们</u>。其实,<u>它</u>[不过] <u>是</u>(一只)(类似怪物的) 家伙,[与母亲所讲的][颇] <u>有</u>(点) <u>出人</u>,因为,(它



the one (my mother knew)], [for he had more teeth or less or eyes (shaped in a different way) or only a single eye instead of seven].

My grandfather was (the most learned) man [in our town]. He could read and use a pen and recite long poems [right out of his memory]. He had seen the Manta Diablo [several times] [both at night and in the daytime], so he said, and his descriptions were nearer the truth (as I know it).

Yet, I say [to you], that [of all the old men and the mothers and even my grandfather], no one has been able to give a true picture (of the Manta Diablo).

It is possible that [if Father Linares were living today] he could tell us the truth. For it was he (who first saw him), [more than a hundred years ago].

That was the time [when the Manta Diablo was a thing [with claws and a forked tongue]]. It roamed our land [back and forth] and [where it went] the crops would wither and die and the air was foul. It was then that Father Linares commanded it [in the name of God] to disappear [into the sea] and remain there, [which it obediently did].

I do not know whether Father Linares saw it again or not, but I do know that [while it lived there in the sea], it lost the claws and forked tongue and the evil smell. It became the most beautiful creature (I have ever seen). Yes, beautiful and [still] it was the same evil thing (that Father Linares banished [from our land many years ago]). This is strange.

<u>It</u> is strange [also] that [long ago] <u>I</u> did not believe in the Manta Diablo. [When my mother would threaten me] <u>I</u>

的)<u>牙齿</u>[可能]<u>更多或更少些</u>,或者<u>并非</u>(七只)<u>眼球</u>, [也许][只]是(个)(形状奇特的)独眼龙吧!

(我的)<u>祖父</u>是(小镇里)(最有学问)的人。<u>他</u>[能] 读[会]写,[还]<u>有本事背诵</u>(长长的)<u>诗篇。</u>[据他说], 他[曾多次][在夜里和白天]<u>看到</u><过>戴尔巴洛。而 且,他所描绘的[跟我亲眼见到的][倒也]差不离儿。

但是,<u>我</u>[可以][对你们]<u>说</u>,不论<u>是老人或母亲们</u>, 甚至<u>我的祖父</u>,<u>谁</u>[都][没有][如实]<u>描述</u><出>(紅 鱼戴尔巴洛的)真面目。

[要是莱纳尔神父今天还活在世上的话],<u>他</u>[倒能] <u>讲</u><出><u>实情</u>,因为,<u>他是</u>(第一个瞧见巨怪的)<u>人</u>。[可] <u>那</u>[已]是(一百多年前的)事了。

[那时],<u>戴尔巴洛长着</u><两只>爪子和(带叉的) 舌头。<u>它</u>[在陆地上]<u>游荡</u>着,[所到之处]<u>庄稼枯萎,空气污浊</u>。[这时],<u>莱纳尔神父</u>[以上帝的名义]<u>命其下海</u>,并[永远][不得]<u>上岸捣乱</u>,这些,<u>它</u>[都]<u>照</u>办了。

<u>我</u>[不]<u>知道莱纳尔神父后来是否再见过它</u>,[可] <u>我知道</u>,[打那以后],(这个生活在海洋中的)<u>巨怪</u>,[逐 渐]<u>蜕</u><去>了(自己的)爪子和(分叉的)舌头,[不再] <u>喷出</u>(污浊的)气息,变成了(一头)(我从未见到过的) (最美丽的)动物。是的,<u>美丽</u><无比>。但奇怪的是,(它) 的(邪恶)<u>本性</u>[却][一点][没]<u>变</u>,[与它多年前] [被莱纳尔神父驱逐下海时]<u>一模一样</u>。

<u>更奇怪的</u>是,[很久以前],<u>我</u>[根本][就][不] 相信世上会有戴尔巴洛这个怪物。[那时],[每当母亲 would [quietly] <u>laugh</u> [to myself]. [Maybe] <u>I</u> <u>did not laugh</u> but [surely] <u>I</u> <u>smiled</u>, [for how <u>could</u> <u>such a monstrous creature</u> <u>be alive</u> [in the world]? And [if it were alive], how <u>could</u> <u>my</u> <u>mother</u> <u>know</u> <u>it</u> [so well] [that she could speak a word and summon it to her side]?

My blood felt cold nonetheless, and my scalp tingled [when she spoke] [because I liked to feel this way]. I wanted to believe that the Manta Diablo was really alive somewhere and that he would come when she called. Then I could see him and count his eyes and teeth .[while my mother explained [at the very last moment] that I had promised [to be good] so she did not want him [to snap my bones after all].

That was long [ago]. [Now] I have seen the Manta Diablo and struggled with him [during the whole of one night and part of a day], [in the waters of our Vermilion Sea], [along with Gaspar Ruiz, the Sevil-lano], I wonder that I ever doubted.

But [before I speak about that time and the three of us [there on the quiet sea in a struggle of death], [before I tell what I know (about the Manta Diablo)], I must also tell about The Pearl of Heaven.

吓唬我的时候],<u>我</u>[便][暗自]<u>觉得好笑</u>。[可能] <u>我</u>[没]<u>笑</u><出>声<来>,但[确实]<u>为此而窃笑</u><过>的。你想,<u>世上</u>[怎么][会]<u>有</u>(这种)<u>怪物</u>? 就算真有其事,<u>母亲</u>[又][何以][能][对它]<u>了如指掌</u>,并[用什么法子]「能]「把它]呼之即来呢?

虽然我喜欢这种感觉,可是,[每当<u>她</u>提起(这个)怪物],<u>我</u>[总是]<u>毛骨悚然。我</u>[倒]<u>希望</u>(这个)戴尔巴洛真的住在什么地方,<u>这样</u>[能][让妈妈][对它]呼之即来。[那样的话],<u>我</u>[就][能]一饱眼福了,数<一下>(它的)牙齿和眼珠。可是,[每一次到了最后关头],<u>妈妈</u>[就会]解释说,因为我答应她要做个好孩子,所以她就不再叫它来咬断我的骨头了。

<u>那</u>[已]是(过去的)事。[如今],<u>我</u>不但<u>见到</u> <过>戴尔巴洛,而且,[还][与它]<u>进行</u>了(整整一 夜又半天的)生死搏斗,[就在我们的维明伦海域],<u>跟</u> <u>我一起战斗的</u>[还]有塞维拉诺人加斯帕・鲁兹。(这) 事想起来[真]跟做梦一样。

但是,[在<u>我讲述我们三个在静谧的海底为生死而进</u>行搏斗之前],[在<u>我讲出</u>(我所知道的魟鱼戴尔巴洛的)情况之前],<u>我</u>[还得][先]<u>说说</u>(那颗)天堂之珠。



It seems [now] as if it were a long time ago, but it was only last summer, [on a hot day in August], that I sat [at the window] and watched our pearlers (make ready to sail).

My father is Bias Salazar and [for many years] he was the most famous dealer [in pearls anywhere on the Vermilion Sea]. His name was known [in Guaymas and MazatMn and Guadalajara, even as far away as the City of Mexico], [for the fine pearls (he wrested from the sea)].

[Last July on my birthday] he made me <a partner> [in his business]. It was a grand fiesta and people came [from the town and from miles around] [to drink chocolate and eat pig (roasted in a deep pit)]. The biggest part was at the beginning (of the feast) [when my father brought forth a sign, (which he had hidden until that moment), and nailed it [over the door of the office]]. The sign said [in tall gilt letters SALAZAR AND SON], and [under this legend in small letters] was the word Pearls.

My father beamed with pride. "Ramon," he said, [pointing at the sign], "look! [Now] there are two Sala- zars (to deal in pearls). [Now] they sell twice as many pearls as before and finer ones. They sell pearls [in all the cities of the world], these Salazars!"

I looked at the sign and blinked my eyes and felt like shouting. But [at that moment] my father said something (that

[现在想起来], [就]<u>像是</u>(发生在很久以前的) 事,实际上, [就]<u>发生</u><在去年夏天八月间的一个酷暑 天里>, [当时], <u>我坐</u><在窗边>, <u>眺望着</u>(即将出海的) 采珠船队。

<u>我父亲名叫布拉·萨拉让</u>,[多年来]<u>他</u>[一直]<u>是</u>(维明伦海域采珠行业中)(最负盛名的)经营者。<u>他远近闻名</u>,[在瓜亚马(波多首府)、马萨特兰(墨西哥的一个城市)、瓜达拉哈拉(西班牙的一个城市)],[甚至墨西哥城],因为(他能从海底采捞起的上等)珍珠。

[去年七月][在我生日那天],他[让我作为合伙人]加入他们的行业。这是(一个盛大的神圣)日子,(城里和方圆数里来的)人们,喝着巧克力,吃着(在深坑里烤熟的)猪肉。(最热闹的)一幕要算宴会开始前那段,父亲拿出(一块珍藏至今的)招牌,[把它]<u>钉挂</u><在店门上>,<u>牌子上写着</u>(几个)镀金大字:萨拉让父子,下边是(几个小)字——珍珠店。

<u>我父亲闪耀着</u>(自豪的)光彩。"雷蒙,"<u>他</u>[指着招牌] <u>说</u>,"看![现在]<u>是</u>(两个经营珍珠)的萨拉让。<u>他们</u>[要] <u>卖</u><出>(数量是之前双倍的)珍珠,和(更优质)的货色。 <u>他们</u>[把珍珠]卖<到世界各大城市>,好个萨拉让父子!"

<u>我望着招牌,眨眨眼睛,心里欢呼着</u>,但[这时]<u>父</u> 亲说了一些话,使我觉得自己是个孩子,而并非萨拉让店 made me feel like a boy and not like a partner in the House of Salazar).

"Ramon," he said, "put down your cuffs."

I am not scrawny, yet I am small [for my age] and thin.

My wrists are very thin and my father was ashamed of them.

[Being so big himself], he did not like to think that his son was puny nor that anyone else thought so.

[Afterward] my father took me [into the office] and showed me how to open the huge iron safe. He showed me the trays (lined with black velvet and filled with pearls of all shapes and colors and sizes).

"[Tomorrow]," he said, "I will begin the education. [First] I will teach you how to use the scales [with accuracy], [for the weight of the pearl is very important]. Then I will explain the many shapes, (which is also very important). [Last of all] I will show you how to hold a pearl <up to the light> and tell [just by looking at it] whether it is of excellent quality or good quality or only poor. Then, [by the time you are as old as I am], you will be the best pearl dealer [in all of our country]and you can teach your son everything (I have taught you)."

That was the happiest day [of my life], that day was four months ago, and yet it was not all happy. [Besides the embarrassment (when my father had said)], "Ramon, pull down your cuffs," there was [also] a big fear (that kept worrying me).

[As my father explained everything (I had to learn)], I feared that [not soon] would I have a chance to sail [with the fleet]. [For many years] I had dreamed of the time (when I