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From the London Sun. THE SEASERPENT.

After all the jokes and jeers at the expense of American skippers, it now appears that the Sca Serpent is to take rank amongst the veritable marvels and monsters of the great deep. The sober and serious Northmen have again taken his case in hand, and come forward to youch for his character. The following circumstantial narrative of his visits to the fieds of Norway, published in the Norwegian papers, and attested by clergymen, lawyers. booksellers,

printers and others.

In the neighborhood of Christiansand and Molde, in the province of Romsdal, several presons, highly respectable and creditable witnesses, have reported that they have seen this animal. In general they state that it has been seen in the larger Norwegian f ords, seldon in the open sea. In the large bight of the sea at Christians and it has been seen every year, though only in the warmest season, in the dog days, and then only when the weather was prefectly calm and the surface of the water unruffled. The following persons whose names are here mentioned, give the subjoined testimony:-Niles Roe, workman at Mr. Wm Knusizton's, relates: saw the scrpent twice, once at noon, and two days afterwards towards the evening, in the fjord at the back of Mr. Knudzton's garden. The first time it was about a hundred feet distant. It swam first along the fjord, then afterwards direct over to the spot where I stood. I observed it for above half an hour. Some strangers who were the opposite shore fired at it, when it disappeared. The second time it was further from me. It was small, perhaps twice as long as this room (about 44 feet); while swimming it made serpentine movements some to the side others up and down cannot state what thickness it was, but it appeared to be about as thick as a common snake in proportion to its length. I was thinner toward the tail. The head was severai times slightly elevated above the surfcae of the water. The front of the head was rather pointed, the eves were sharp, and glistening like those of a cat. From the back of the head a mane like that fa horse commenced, which waved backwards and forwards in the water. The color of the anunal was a blackish brown. John Johnson (merchant, about 90) years of age); I saw the animal some years since in the fjord, it was about a thousand paces distant when nearest to me. It swam very swift-

ly, in the same time that we rowed about stretched out several fathoms. It did not turned and got his body in a straight line, a quarter of a mile to the side from it, it appear very high above the water, and its which he appeared to do with great difficulhad swam about double the distance. I saw it most plainly when it swam in a semi- ched its head quite erect in the air. The They reached the shore, and the animal circle round a tolerably large rock that obstructed its passage, in doing this it partly ly black; it had nearly the form of an eel, or dived immediately, and disappeared in the raised itself above the surface of the water. Its color was blacksib brown, and about in proportion to it; an inconsiderable thick-, Such is the declaration of these four men. the leng h of this house (55 feet.) With the exception of the head. I did not remark much of the body, as that appeared but little | ded in a point. The head was long, and | with fear, that they could not observe what above the surface. Judging from what I small in proportion to the throat, as the took place so near them. There are not observed, I should say that the thickness of the body was about that of a stout man. The agitation it caused in the water was very strong Its movements were serpentine, up an down like a leech swimming. Lars Johnoen (fisherman at Smoelen about 50 years of age.) I have several times seen the sea scrpent, but some time since, twelve years ago, in the dog-days in the fjord not far from here; I was fishing in my boat. I saw it twice in the course of two hours, and for some time quite near me. It came close to my boat, so that it was about six feet from me. I became alarmed, recommended my soul to God. laid down in the boat, and o mly held my head so far over it that I could observe the serpent.

It swam now past the boat, that was ag-

itated by the ripple caused by its movement in the water; which was previously smooth, and afterward removed itself. After it had swam a considerable distance from me, I began again to fish. Not long boat, which now was strongly agitated by its moveme to in the water. I lad down and remained quite still, and not withstanding my fright, kept a wetchful eve. on the animal, it passed me, disappeared, and returned, though not so close as previously, and disappeared entirely, when a light wind arose and ruffled the water. Its length was about five to six fathoms, and the body. which was round as a serpent's, was about two feet in diameter. The tail seemed to be very round. The head was about as long as a brandy anker (ten gallon cask) and about the same thickness, it was not pointed but round. The eves were very large, round and sparkling. Their size was about the diameter of the box here. (5 inches) and they were as red as my handkerchief, (crimson) Close behind the head a mane, like a horse's commenced along the neck, and'spread itself on both sides, right and left, while swimming on the water, it was of tolerable long hair. the mane as well as the head and rest of frame, (old mahogany) Spots stripes of other colors I did not observe, nor were there any scales, it seemed as if the body was quite smooth. Its movements were occasionally fast and slow, which latter was the case when it neared my boat, I could clearly observe it, it was serpent like, and moved up and down. The few undulations which those parts of the body and tail that were out of water made, were scarcely a fathom in length. Those undulations were not so high that I could not see between them and the water. When Lars Johnon had given this explanation, he was shown the drawing which Pontoppidan had given of the animal He looked at it with astonishment, smiled and said he found a great resemblance between it and the animal he had seen. likewise said, that some of the other sea serpents he had seen were a great deal longer than the one above described.

M. Wm. Knudzton and Candidatus Theologice Bochlam, gave the following which account:-We together saw the sea serbout one sixteenth of a mile (half an English mile.) for about a quarter of an hour; afterwards it dived, and came up so f r from us that we could not see it plainly. I be water was smooth as a mirror, and the animal had, as it moved on the surface, the appearance of a scrpent It- motions were in undulations, and so strong that white foam appeared before it, and at the side which

length was quite discernable. Once it stret- tv, he darted like an arrow against the boat. body was somewhat dark, and the head near. perceiving it had came into shallow water, snake, and a length of about 100 feet, and deep. saw its head stretched considerably out seaserpent. of the water. I remarked as well two or three undulations of the fore part of the body. Its motion was not like that of an eel, but consisted of waving undulations, up and down. They were exceedingly strong, and caused tolerable large waves; they were the largest at the fore part of the animal, and toward the back gradually lessened. the rest of the body.

ness. The breadth diminished remarkably and no one has any causesto question their from the head, so much so that the fail en- veracity, or imagine that they were so seized latter appeared much greater than the form- many here, or on other parts of the Norer, probably as it was furnished with a mane. | wegian coast, who no longer doubt the ex-Foged (shariff) Gottsche made the following istence of the sea serpent. The writer of remarks:- "I saw the sea-serpent for some this article was a long time sceptical, as time in a small fjord, first from a boat, af- | he had not been so formate as to see this terwards from the beach, several minutes, immster of the deep, but after the many acat a distance of from thirty to thirty-six feet. | counts he has read and the relations he has In the beginning it swam round the fjord received from creditable witnesses, he does at Torvig, afterwards it went in the deeps, not dire longer to doubt the existence of the

F. W. DEINBOLL. Molde, the 20th Nov. 1845.

The following gives some later particlars. "Sunds' Parsonage, Aug. 31, 1846.

On Saturday, the 3th inst., in the course between the islands of Sartor Leer and Tos, a sea monster, supposed to be a sea serpent, The traces of them I discerned in a length was seen by several persons. Early on this of eight or ten fathoms. The head seemed day, just as the steamer Biorgvin passed blunted and had the form and size of a ten through Rognefiord towing a vassel to Bergallon cask; the undulations of the body gen Daniel Salomonson, a cotter, saw a were round, and about the dimensions of a sea monster whose like he declares he never afterwards the serpent came close to the good timber stock, (12 to 14 inches square) | met with although accustomed to the sea the entire length of the animal I could not and its inhabitants from his earliest years. judge, as it was not possible to observe The animal came swimming from Rognthe extremity. Its color appeared to be chord in a westerly direction toward his dark gray. At the back of the head there dwelling at Gonn-vigskiceset, in the norwas a mane, which was the same color as thern part of the parish of Saud. The head appeared like a Færing boat (about 20 feet The writer of this articele received letters long ) keel uppermost, and from behind it from Mr. Snoran Knudizon, stating that raised itself forward in three and sometimes a sca-serpent had been seen in the neigh- four and five undulations each apparently borh od of Christiansand by several people, about twelve feet long, its rate appeared to and from Dr. Hoffmann, a respectable sur- be that of a light boot rowed by four active geon in Molde, lying on a consillerable fjord men. When it reached Gronnevigsiæset at to the south of christians and, rector of Ham- a distance of two rifle shots, it turned with mer, Mr. Kraft, curate, and several persons | consilerable noise and continued its course very clearly saw, while on a journey, a towards Lundences. They, about 11 o'clock sea-serpent of considerable length. in the same day his wife Ingeborg, in Dan-The Rev. Mr. Demboll, Archdeacon of jel's absence, heard a loud noise in the sea. Molde, gives the following account of one and she and the two little children saw a which was seen last summer near Molde. great monster such as described above, take The 28th of July, 1845 J. C. Lund. booksel- a northerly course, closs by their place, at ler and printer, G. S. Krozh. merchant, such a rate that the waves were dashed on Christian Flang, Lund's apprentice, and the shree in the same way as when a steamer John Elgenses, laborer were out on Romsd- is passing by. Neiter of them say that the body, was brown as this looking-glass | ale-fjord, fishing. The sea was, after a they saw anything like eyes or fins, or inwarm sun-shiny day, quite calm. About deed anything projecting from its round 7 o'clock in the afternoon, a little distance form, but they declare that the color of from the shore, near the ballast place and the animal was dark brown, and that it of Molde House, they saw a long marine an- ten rose up with gentle undulations, someimal which slowly moved itself forward, as | times, however sinking below the surface it appeared to them, with the help of two so that merely a stripe indicated the rapid fins, on the fore part of the body nearest course of the gigantic body. On the same the head, which they judged from the boiling morning a lad. by name Abrahamsen Ha of the water on both sides of it. The visi- | gences, was out fishing in the Roghenord. ble part of the body appeared to be be- not far from Lundenæs, and just ready to tween forty and fifty feet in length, and mov- throw out his line when he, as he assserts ed in undulation like a snake. The body | became aware that at about 100 fathoms was round, and of a dark color, and seemed distance a monster with a head as large as to be several ells (an ell is two feet in thick- a Færing boat (about twenty feet long) and ness. As they discerned a waving motion a long body lay upon the sea like kegs and in the water behind the animal, they con- | was nearing his boat--seized with pinic he cluded that part of the body was conceal- exerted all his strength to reach the shore. ed under water. That it was one con- and as the animal apparently following him nected animal, they saw plainly from its was only about 40 lathoms off he leaned movement. When the animal was about ashore, drew up the boat and ran up the 100 yards from the boat, they noticed tol- bank, whence he viewed the monster, which erably correctly its fore part, which ended had by this time approached the shore with. in a sharp shout; its colossial head raised in 20 fathoms. He says that that part of itself above the water in the form of a semi- the body which was visible was about sixty pent in a narrow fjord, at the distance of a circle; the lower part was not visible. The feet in length, and that its undulation course color of the head was dark brown, and the was similar to the eel; that the color of the skin smooth. They did not notice the eyes, buck was blackish shiningstrongly. and, as erany mane or bristles on the throat. When far as he could distinguish, there was a whitthe serpent came about musket shot near ish stripe under the belly. Report also save Lund fired at it, and was certian that the that the sea-serpent was seen by several pershots hit it in the head. After the shot hit, sons in Biornfiord, causing a great deal of he gived, but came up immediately. He dread, but of this our informant wants auraised his head in the air like a snake pre- thentic secunts. Our informant further says paring to dart on its prey. After he had that he has no reason whatever te doubt the

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