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Shipwrecks and the Bounty of the Sea David Cressy, 2022-08-11 Shipwrecks and the Bounty of the Sea is a work of social history examining community relationships law and seafaring over the long early modern period It explores the politics of the coastline the economy of scavenging and the law of wreck of the sea from the beginning of the reign of Elizabeth I to the end of the reign of George II England's coastlines were heavily trafficked by naval and commercial shipping but an unfortunate percentage was cast away or lost Shipwrecks were disasters for merchants and mariners but opportunities for shore dwellers As the proverb said it was an ill wind that blew nobody any good Lords of manors local officials officers of the Admiralty and coastal commoners competed for maritime cargoes and the windfall of wreckage which they regarded as providential godsend or entitlements by right A varied haul of commodities wines furnishings and bullion came ashore much of it claimed by the crown The people engaged in salvaging these wrecks came to be called wreckers and gained a reputation as violent and barbarous plunderers Close attention to statements of witnesses and reports of survivors shows this image to be largely undeserved Dramatic evidence from previously unexplored manuscript sources reveals coastal communities in action collaborating as well as competing as they harvested the bounty of the sea **Shipwrecks of the Isles of Scilly**

Richard Larn, 1993 **Cornish Shipwrecks**, 1969 Cornish Shipwrecks Richard Larn, 1969 *The Wreck at Sharpnose Point* Jeremy Seal, 2015-11-19 This is a captivating mystery of the best kind the sort that really happened While walking through a cliff top graveyard in the village of Morwenstow on the coast of Cornwall Jeremy Seal stumbled across a wooden figurehead which once adorned the Caledonia a ship wrecked on the coast below in 1842 Through further investigation he began to suspect the locals and in particular the parson Robert Hawker of luring the ship to her destruction on Cornwall's jagged shore Wrecking is known to have been widespread along several stretches of England's coast But is that what happened in Morwenstow Seal weaves history travelogue and vivid imaginative reconstruction into a marvellous piece of detective work Cornish Wrecking, 1700-1860 Cathryn J. Pearce, 2010 Shows how the image of Cornish wreckers as villains deliberately luring ships on to the rocks is a myth Highly Commended in Class 6 Non Fiction History and Creative Arts of the Hoyer an Gof Awards 2011 Although the popular myth of Cornish wrecking is well known within British culture this book is the first comprehensive systematic inquiry to separate out the layers of myth from the actual practices Weaving in legal social and cultural history it traces the development of wreck law the right to salvage goods washed on shore and explores the responses of a coastal populace who found their customary practices increasingly outside the law especially as local individual rights were being curtailed and the role of centralised authority asserted This groundbreaking study also considers the myths surrounding wrecking showing how these developed over time and how moral attitudes towards wrecking changed Overall the picture of evil wreckers deliberately luring ships onto the rocks is dispelled to be replaced by a

detailed picture of a coastal populace poor and gentry alike who were involved in a multi faceted sophisticated coastal practice and who had their own complex popular beliefs about the harvest and salvage of goods washing ashore from shipwreck CATHRYN J PEARCE holds a PhD in Maritime History from Greenwich Maritime Institute A former associate professor of history with the University of Alaska Anchorage s Kenai Peninsula College she is now with University Campus Suffolk where she continues to research on the relationship of coastal people with the sea The Wreckers Bella Bathurst,2013-08-23 An entertaining historical investigation into the scavengers who have profited off the spoils of maritime disasters The Washington Post Even today Britain s coastline remains a dangerous place It is an island soaked by four separate seas with shifting sand banks to the east veiled reefs to the west powerful currents above and the world s busiest shipping channel below The country s offshore waters are strewn with shipwrecks and for villagers scratching out an existence along Britain s shores those wrecks have been more than simply an act of God in many cases they have been the difference between living well and just getting by Though Daphne du Maurier and Poldark have made Cornwall famous as Britain s most notorious region for wrecking many other coastal communities regarded the sea s bounty as a way of providing themselves with everything from grapefruits to grand pianos Some plunderers were held to be so skilled that they could strip a ship from stem to stern before the Coast Guard had even left port Some were rumored to lure ships onto the rocks with false lights and some simply waited for winter gales to do their work This book uncovers tales of ships and shipwreck victims from shoreline orgies so Dionysian that few participants survived the morning to humble homes fitted with silver candelabra from coastlines rigged like stage sets to villages where everyone owns identical tennis shoes Spanning three hundred years of history The Wreckers examines the myths realities and superstitions of shipwrecks and uncovers the darker side of life on Britain s shores Bathurst who won a Somerset Maugham Award for The Lighthouse Stevensons offers a spellbinding tale of seafaring men their ships and the ocean that cares for neither Publishers Weekly A fascinating haunting account of pillagers plunderers and pirates John Burnett author of Dangerous Waters Modern Piracy and Terror on the High Seas Shipwrecks of Great Britain and Ireland Richard Larn,1981 England's Islands in a Sea of Troubles David Cressy,2020-10-30 England s Islands in a Sea of Troubles examines the jurisdictional disputes and cultural complexities in England s relationship with its island fringe from Tudor times to the eighteenth century and traces island privileges and anomalies to the present It tells a dramatic story of sieges and battles pirates and shipwrecks prisoners and prophets as kings and commoners negotiated the political military religious and administrative demands of the early modern state The Channel Islands the Isle of Wight the Isles of Scilly the Isle of Man Lundy Holy Island and others emerge as important offshore outposts that long remained strange separate and perversely independent England s islands were difficult to govern and were prone to neglect yet their strategic value far outweighed their size Though vulnerable to foreign threats their harbours and castles served as forward bases of English power In civil war they were divided and contested fought over and occupied Jersey and the Isles of Scilly

served as refuges for royalists on the run Charles I was held on the Isle of Wight External authority was sometimes light of touch as English governments used the islands as fortresses commercial assets and political prisons London was often puzzled by the linguistic differences tangled histories and special claims of island communities Though increasingly integrated within the realm the islands maintained challenging peculiarities and distinctive characteristics Drawing on a wide range of sources and the insights of maritime military and legal scholarship this is an original contribution to social cultural and constitutional history

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Boating, 1971-07

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