

# The Dutch-mens PEDIGREE,

OR

## A Relation, Shewing how they were first Bred, and Descended from a HORSE-TURD, which was enclosed in a BUTTER-BOX.

Together with a most exact Description of that great, huge, large, horrible, terrible, hideous, fearful, filthy, ugly, monstrous, mishapen, prodigious, preposterous Horle that shit the same Turd; who had two Faces on one head, the one fomwhat resembling the face of a man, the other the face of a horse, the rest of his body was like the body of an Horle, saving that on his shoulders he had two great Fish fins, like the fins of Whales, but far more large: He lived somtime on land, but most in water; His Dyer was Fish, Roots, Herbs, &c. A very dreadful Accident befel him, the fear whereof set him into such a fit of shiting, that he died thereof: His body was immediately carried with multitudes of Divels into Hell, where it remains to this day.

Also how the Germans following the directions of a Conjurer, made a very great Box, and smeared the In-side with Butter, and how it was filled with the dung which the said monstrous horle shit; Out of which dung within nine days space sprung forth men, women, and children; the Off-spring whereof are yet alive to this day, and now commonly known by the name of **DUTCH MENS**; As this following Relation will plainly manifest.

**I**F I should only treat upon the shape of a monstrous Creature, my Relation would be accounted strange, and only strange; and so pass by as a common strange thing: But seeing Nature thought it not enough to create a Monster, and so make an end; but also wish it, or by it, to produce monstrous effects; I think this not a thing worthy to be looked on slightly, or to be pass'd by with saying only, *It is very strange!* For never did any prodigious shape terminate in such wonderful and miraculous events as this did.

Now because I will go methodically along with this History, I will first describe unto you the fashion of this Monster, and then the course of his life, and afterwards the events that hapned upon his latter end and death.

The length of his Body was of a very large size; for from head to tail was seven hundred fifty four yards, and every member about him proportionable to the bigness of his Body: He had a double head, or to speak more properly, a single head with two faces; one like a Mans, the other like an Horses face; his man-like face was of a dark red fleshy colour, like raw tann'd Leather, he had two great gray eyes, and a couple of long Whiskers or Mustachoes, that reach'd up to his very ears, which stood straddling from his head as if they fear'd to touch it; his chin was bald, and without hair; under his chin he had a wallup of fat hung half way down his throat; he had a wide mouth, and two tongues in it, with either of which

he could speak, though he was much impeded with the wallup of fat that hung under his chin, which made his words found as if he spoke in the throat: he had two rows of teeth, with which he chewed the food he fed his insatiable and ravenous paunch; his other face was shaped altogether like an Horses, and the rest of his body like the body of an horle, only to his shoulders were fastned two great Fish-fins, which served him as Oars to transport his body from place to place when he journeyed by water. For manner of his life, he delighted most in water, swimming from Sea to Sea, and in fiew, held amity with all the Fish in the Ocean; but his friendship lasted no longer than till he saw a fit opportunity to make a disgracement more advantageous unto him than his feigned familiarity was; and then he would fall to devouring the smaller sort of fishes by whole Cart-loads, and preying on the greater where ever he found them; inasmuch that all fish (either through a natural instinct, or accustomed to his ravenous practice) dreaded him as their greatest terror, and shunned him as much as they would death it self. On land he was not so active as in the water; for the weight of his fat and corpulent body, was a burden too great for him to bear without sweating; nor could he so easily rub away his sweat on land, as he could wash it away in water. His Land-dyer was altogether on Roots, Herbs, &c. and that not in small quantity neither, for though an Acre of ground were burdened with never so plentiful a crop, yet would this Monster make but one single mouthful of it; so that where ever he came, he ruin'd all but himself, by eating the vituals out of their mouths: And thus behaved he himself, now spending his time on land, and then in water. At last he hapned in his travels by Sea, to light upon the coast of Germany, which having somwhat more shallow waters than other Seas, though the Tide were at highest, his feet touch'd the ground, when his back was above the water; and the Tide receding into Neptune's Treasury, left this monstrous Monster wallowing in the midst of this muddy Sea; who seeing himself so dis-respected by those fury and clovish waters, began to swell with anger, and look big with scornful indignation, uttering to himself these and such like scornful and threatening expressions.

*What (said he) have I Liberties been Commander and Ruler of all the Seas that ere I came in, and must I now be sighted of these petty and insupportable waters? Have not all the Fishes, say the Whale himself when he hath seen me approach, made way for my Mightiness to pass freely? Hath not the greatest Ocean in the world been proud of its burden when it hath born me? How ready hath its waters been to open to the right and left when I have approached? and how nimble were they to close again after I had once passed by? How hath its tops danced to delight me, and the waves kissed one another to make me passive? How smooth hath its face been, when I have come to the top to see me self, and how reverend were I have appeared to all a Ship, the winds and it conspired together to bow down to call me a*



*sleep? What shall I say? How ready and willing have other Seas been to wait upon me? and how negligent and backward are these dropping dishes to perform the duty they owe me? But they shall buy it dearly; for I swear and vow revenge: and therefore let them come when they will, my fury shall destroy them, and my swallow shall consume and devour them all.*

This Monster being in this pelting rage, was very unable to brook such unkind curtesies, and hardly knew how to spend his time, unless he first had spent his revenge upon these unmanly waters; one while he turns to the East, then again to the West, by and by to the North, and anon to the South; every way watching the coming of the Seas; who after they had taken their leave of Neptune, retire again to feed the soaking sands with the very substance of their own humid and liquid body.

This Beast, or Monster, or rather monstrous Beast, perceiving the waters draw nigh, couches close to the quaking Quagmires, watching its prey, as Spaniels do their game, behind a bank of land that formerly the wanton waters (sporting themselves therewith) had driven before them, planting it there as a fortified Castle, to exercise themselves; in initiating the Besieging Scallings, and Conquering a peaceful enemy, against they had occasion to deal with a warlike one: And when the Seas according to their frequent custom, began in a familiar way to dally with this landy Bulwark, now approaching to the skirts of its Frontier, and straight withdrawing its self, as if the Adversary had given it the repulse, and then again with fresh courage assaulting the Defenders, and getting ground, as if it meant with continual Alarums to weary out the poor besieged; out starts this fearful Monster, assaulting these innocent waters in such an outrageous manner, as if it had intended to devour (not only that poor Sea, but also all the Oceans in the whole world; and setting both his monstrous mouths to these weak and feeble waters, one would have thought he had drunk a health to the Divil, and that Satan would not pledge him, unless he drunk up his cup; drinking till he thares, and flaring while he drinks, never giving over so long as he could see one drop follow another: pursuing with a revengeful fury so far as he durst for fear of the British Seas, which he perceived began to muster up their Forces to oppose his Tyrannical doings; and very hard it was for him to escape them; for he having devoured the waters which should have carried him nimbly away, was compell'd to make a sluggish retreat on foot; which was not so quick, but that the British Seas were ready to overtake him, ere he could get to fill and firm ground, and when he turned about, and perceiv'd them near his heels, a sudden fear surpris'd him, and set him into such a violent purging condition, that he never left shiting till he purged life and all out of his body; and so being was he dead, by a most fearful tempest arose; the winds blow, and the waves rise, the thimber crack, and the lightning flash, which threaten of some great parting day, and the sea had a great storm, and a great

general darkness possit the whole Hemisphere, a sudden crack was given, as though the Axle-tree of the earth had snap in twain; the Divels themselves came roaring about his carcass, and carry'd it away so soon as the breath was out of his body.

And when this hideous Tempest ceased, the Germans perceiv'd the waters had left the borders of their Country, which they much admired at, and therefore enquired of all the wise men in their land, to know if they could tell them the cause of so wonderful and strange an accident; Among the rest, they at last found out an old wrinkled fac'd Conjurer, one of the Divel's chiefest Counsellors, who had more skill in prophesying of things to come, than any in all Germany besides, him they intended to tell them (according to his Art) what success would follow upon such seldom seen accidents: But he desired them to give him a months time to pause upon it, and then he would give them his judgement in writing, upon condition they would presently cause a great huge Box to be made, and linear all the in-side with Butter, and carry it to the midst of the dryaned Seas, and fill it with a sort of dung which he told them they should find there, and stop it close up, and so leave it. They straightway consented, and forthwith caused a Box to be made, according to his directions; and carry'd it towards the place that he appointed, but they had far sooner the sent of the place in their nostrils, then the sight thereof in their eyes; for above twenty miles about there was such a filthy noysome stink, that many of the men that help'd to carry the said Box thither, were choaked with it, and others fate down to stop their nose, but the rest ran home again, and left the Box behind them. But the Divels in the night time coming thither, and finding the work undone, were very angry with the Conjurer, mistrusting that he had been very negligent if Belzebub himself, for Belzebub had given him charge, that that dung should be carefully closed up in such a Box as was mentioned before; thereupon they repair towards the Conjurers house, and by the way they found the foresaid great Box, and many shovels lying by it, which the men had brought along with them to take up the dung with; and as they looked farther about them, they found the dead bodies of those men that were killed with the stink, and thereby perceived the Conjurer was not in fault, but that mortals were too weak instruments to go through such hellish work: therefore they took up the Box and shovels themselves, and carry'd it away to the place where the dung was, and filled the Box with it, and so closed it up, and let it stand, leaving only the greatest Divil in all hell to sit brooding upon it, for a small one could not cover it: But the Divil had not brooded passing nine days space, ere living creatures were heard to make a great rumbling in the Box; and at the last breaking out of it, they were discerned to have the shape and voice, and nothing but the shape and voice of men, women, and children. Then fell they to work with the shell of that Egg out of which they were hatched (I mean the Box) breaking it

to pieces; and the Divels furnishing them with Tools, they made a Ship of it, and set forth to Sea with it, to catch fish, to feed their gormandizing guts withal; and when they came home again, they found their dryaned Seas, or their Sea-land, all overgrown with weeds, and that they fed upon, till such time as they went to Sea again. But before this time the month was come about that the Conjurer should deliver his judgement in writing to the Germans, which was to this effect.

Know ye (O Germans) that Belzebub the great King, sole Commander and Governour of all the Dominions in Hell and Purgatory, thought it not suitable to his Port and Greatness, to want one Lordship, and Manor-house at least, on earth, that he might appropriate peculiar to his own Majesties use; and therefore caused he one of the most infernal Divels to ravish a Mermaid, and upon her to beget a very large and monstrous Horle, with two heads, &c. the same Horle that hath been seen by many of our Countrymen within these few days, and therefore I need not describe the shape of it to you. This Horle by my King Belzebubs instrument drained these your Seas; and (what is a miraculous thing) hath drunk up all the waters in them, and now left it dry ground; but partly because no other Seas should replenish them, and partly because Belzebub would from thence raise up a flock of servants, not only to manure his lordship, but also to do him other offices that his Majesty from time to time shall

think convenient to be done, he caused this great Horle to purge whole mountains of Dung, to fly between the next Seas and the new-drained land, as a long Baracado to keep the water out. And also by an Ambassador he gave me strict charge that I should take care to procure such a box as I caused you to make, and get it fill'd with the same Dung; which being done he caused the great Devil in Hell to sit brooding upon it, and to hatch creatures like Men, Women, and Children, to inhabit the drained land. And moreover I have Commission from my dread Sovereign King Belzebub, to consult with those new servants of his about the name that these drained Lands shall be known to the rest of the world by; and because I will not hide any thing from you that you may be desirous to know in these matters, I shall acquaint you with my intent concerning it, which I hope will be no offensive to his Majesty, who hath commanded me that I be sure to give it such a name as may have the fittest liability of his own in it, for which cause I think it most proper to be called *Bel-regis*; for if we call *Belzebub Divil* for shortness, it will then signify *Belzebubs Kingdom*: But if his Majesties servants the Inhabitants shall think this too long a Name to be readily spoken, I shall then consent to call it *Belgen*, leaving out the middlemost syllable in pronunciation, since it cannot but be understood by the sense of the word.

More I have not to say in these matters, for I think I have sufficiently answered your curious expectations.

Farewell. by me D. F.

Courteous Readers, I need not paraphrase much upon this Relation, since ye all know that Creatures Hellishly hatch cannot but in a large measure participate of the qualities of the old Brooder: else why should we desire to let our Game eggs under Kites, Crows, and such like ravenous Fowls, but because we would have the young ones which they hatch more furious and violent then if they were hatch by the old ones of their own kind. Therefore since it so, do not wonder that the Dutch have acted so Hellishly like Devils as they have; Do not wonder at their Stragglings: Do not wonder at their colicqueing dissembling: Do not wonder at their wicked traitorous and unjust wringing of all Trade out of other mens hands: Nay, do not wonder at their barbarous and Inhumane cruelties, since from Hell they came, and thither without doubt they must return again.

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