

Witch Watch

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Old tales meaningful

One of my favorite pastimes is the reading and telling of fairy tales. There are many reasons why I love these folktales first told by roving storytellers long before they were collected and printed in books.

One of their most intriguing qualities is the repeated reference to magical things such as flying carpets, talking mirrors, and doors that open in response to a secret word.

My own favorite definition of magic is: "Anything that works that is not understood."

The story of "Beauty and the Beast" gives the following account of Beauty's father's entrance into the palace of the beast for the first time:

"The doors were opened by unseen hands. The room was lighted as if by a thousand candles, but there were no candles there. Suddenly, a voice spoke to him out of nowhere."

Indulge, if you will for a moment, in the following fantasy:

ALL OF THE READERS of this column attend a meeting together on a large cruise ship moored in the Detroit River. While we are meeting there, something terrible happens.

The earth is sidestepped by an enormous meteorite, and sent spinning in the opposite direction. Or, perhaps, the polar caps on the North Pole finally reach the point where

they set the world off balance and it topples over, causing enormous tidal waves.

As a result of this catastrophe, everyone in the world is drowned, or buried, or in some way destroyed, except for those of us on the ship together. And, by a miracle, we are unharmed.

We are all intelligent people. We know about electricity, television, radio, elevators, escalators, motor cars, and airplanes. But with the world in the state we find it when we disembark, we cannot spend our time trying to build these things. It takes all the energy and skill we can muster just to keep ourselves alive.

Those of us who live long enough to produce a new generation try to tell them what we remember. But when it is such hard work for us to grow food, make clothing, heal our ills, etc., it is difficult for our children to picture such things as we recall.

But much is lost in the re-telling of these tales, and eventually our television becomes a magic mirror: our airplanes, flying carpets, etc., for they cannot accurately picture what they have never seen, and find it hard to believe that these things ever did exist.

Now re-read some of the old tales. Do they still seem so ridiculous?

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