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Superstitions of the Months.

NOVEMBER.

November gains its name from the word "novem," signifying that it was the ninth month in the Roman calendar.

The Saxons styled it "Wint (or wind) Monath," by which, as an old calendar says, "We may see that our ancestors were in this season of the year made acquainted with blustering Boreas, and it was the ancient custom for shipmen then to shroud themselves at home, and to give over-seating."

November was also called by the Saxons "Blot," or blood month, to denote that at this time it was usual to slaughter oxen, sheep, and pigs for the purpose of salting their flesh.

All authorities are unanimous in declaring the topaz to be the birthstone of November. There is a couplet which says:—

"Who first comes to this world below With drear November's fog and snow Should prize the topaz amber hue. Emblem of friends and lovers true."

There are as many as six unlucky days in this month—the fifth, sixth, fifteenth, sixteenth, twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth.

One of the principal weather superstitions of November is embodied in the following rhyme:— "If there's ice in November that will bear a duck, There'll be nothing at Christmas but sludge and muck."

The practices and superstitions connected with All Saints' Day, the first of November, are mostly observed on the eve of the festival, and have been therefore described in the last article.

On the shores of the Baltic Sea fishermen will not use their net between the feasts of All Saints and St. Martin, because they believe this to do so will bring bad luck for the remainder of the year.

It used to be the custom on All Souls' Day, the second of November, to eat a particular kind of oat-cake in the North of England. These were baked on All Hallow E'en, on for each member of the family, and were also distributed to the poor children went from door to door singing:—

"A soul cake, a soul cake Have mercy on all Christian souls For a soul cake, a soul cake."

And by way of expressing gratitude for the alms when given the would add: "God have your soul, Bones and all."

In the county of Cheshire, and in some other districts, there was a practice connected with All Souls' Day which was known as "Hob Nob." Men, called "soulers" paraded the streets carrying a dead horse's head covered with a sheet. The origin of this custom is very hard to trace.

Formerly persons dressed in black went through the streets on this day, ringing a bell and calling upon all good Christians to join them in prayers for the dead suffering in purgatory.

The celebrations connected with "Guy Fawkes Day," the fifth of November, have very much fallen into disuse during the last half-century.

The old custom is still kept up in searching for Guy Fawkes and his gunpowder in the vaults of the Houses of Parliament, but the service of thanksgiving, once held yearly in all churches, has long been discontinued.

A few boys still make bonfires, but on these practices are dying out. The custom prevails in some parts of the North of England of giving the oatmeal gingerbread known as "parkin" on this day.

The next important anniversary of November is the eleventh of the month, St. Martin's Day, otherwise known as Martinmas and Martinmas. Many weather superstitions are connected with this feast. It is well known that the weather which often occurs at this season is called "St. Martin's little summer," and there is an old rhyme which says:—

"If the wind is in the south-east at Martinmas, It remains there till after Christmas." And again:— "Tween Martinmas and Yule Water's wine in every pool."

A quaint old custom is still observed near Dunchurch, in Warwickshire, on St. Martin's Day. In the early morning the agent of the Duke of Buccleuch goes to Knighton Hill, and there receives from the tenants what is known by the Duke's ancestors, "on pain of a forfeit for every penny of twenty shillings or a white bull with a red nose and red ears."

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There are no more especial superstitions connected with the festivals of November until we come to the twenty-fifth day of the month, St. Catherine's Day.

This saint is one of those who are considered to be willing to take lovers' maidens under their particular protection, and many are the charms which may be practised upon this anniversary.

At the village of Abbotbury, in Dorsetshire, there is a well which is dedicated to St. Catherine, and here the girls of the place used to resort repeating the following invocation:—

"A husband, St. Catherine, A handsome one, St. Catherine, A rich one, St. Catherine, A nice one, St. Catherine, And soon, St. Catherine."

Afterwards the maiden was supposed to go to bed with a piece of wedding cake, which had been passed through a wedding ring, under her pillow. It was then confidently asserted that she would dream of the man who was destined to be her husband.

Another similar love-charm was worked by means of sprigs of myrtle, which were worn by girls throughout the day and until eleven o'clock at night. At this hour each maiden burnt nine hairs from her own head and parings from her finger and toe-nails, in a brazier of charcoal, holding her sprig of myrtle in the smoke which arose.

She then went to bed, placing the myrtle sprig immediately beneath her head. Always provided that the whole ceremony was performed in the most absolute silence, it was then believed to be certain that she would dream of her future husband.

If, at this season, a girl was doubtful as to which of two lovers she should accept, their respective names were to be written upon a piece of paper which was wrapped round a small portion of wedding cake.

The package was then placed for three consecutive nights under the maiden's pillow, and if she should chance to dream of the owner of either of the two names, he was infallibly destined to become her husband.

The last day of the month of November is St. Andrew's Day, the patron saint of Scotland, and this festival is accordingly the occasion for special celebrations with Scots all over the world.

The peculiar symbol of this saint is, of course, the X-shaped cross, and this sign used formerly to be affixed to the doors of rooms or houses when the inmates wished to signify that they desired to be undisturbed. The origin of this custom is obscure.

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WORK AND CONTEMPLATION. The woman singeth at her spinning-wheel A pleasant chant, ballad, or barcarole, She thinketh of her song, upon the whole, Far more than of her fax; and yet the reel is full, and artfully her fingers feel With quick adjustment, provident control.

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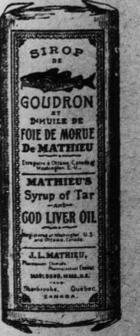
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