

ASTOUNDING AIR BATTLE OVER MALACCA STRAITS

Proto Human Discovered

News from the team contains two incredible revelations, the first of which we have in sufficient detail to be able to properly inform our readers.

They have had a miraculous escape during a battle with air pirates over the Malacca Straits. Having anticipated a peaceful voyage transitioning back to normal time/space in approximately 20,000BC, they had just established confirmation of a hominid, of which reports are scanty and which is the second of their announcements, they were most unexpectedly set upon by a squadron of airships. We may only imagine their

consternation since up to this juncture they were under the impression that they were the only temporal voyagers in existence.

The rogues set upon their vessel in such a manner as to show their intent to at the very least capture it or failing that destroy it and all aboard. Undoubtedly in order to eliminate them as potential competition.

In the early stages of the encounter it seemed, by virtue of the odds stacked against them, as if they were doomed. Surely nothing could save them from the murderous ravages of over a dozen adversaries. However the villains had not

counted upon the superior flying skills of Admiral Ceridwen Harper-Leigh.

The Admiral who had been principally employed as Navigator to the expedition nevertheless showed that her time at The Yellow Book on Brighton's York Place had not dulled the incredible skills which had marked her out as one of the most adept airship pilots in the Navy.

She performed a series of manoeuvres which skilfully negated the numerical advantage enjoyed by the blackguards and brought the weapons of her vessel to bear upon her antagonists.

One by one they despatched their foes despite taking severe punishment upon their own vessel until, having accounted for in excess of half of their opponents, the remaining brigands took what was no doubt a wise decision and fled for their lives.



As for the discovery of the hominid, reports are still very sketchy. With the exception that it was found on the island of Flores and is of exceedingly small stature we know little. It is hoped that the expedition will be able to enlighten us further in the future.

SUPPOSED WRECK IN THE CHANNEL

The captain of the French sloop Jean Baptiste from Portsmouth which arrived here yesterday has reported to the Commissary of Marine having passed from thirty five to forty dead bodies and

and a large number of cases in white wood floating on the surface of the water about two miles off Saint Valery-sur-Somme between one and three on Sunday morning. The gale was then at its height and the sloop running before it. Some of the bodies were dressed in oilskins but the rest were not in sailors dress. The other two men of the sloop confirm this statement but believe that the number of bodies was much greater. The Commissary has addressed inquiries to the different stations along the coast but has had no replies as yet

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