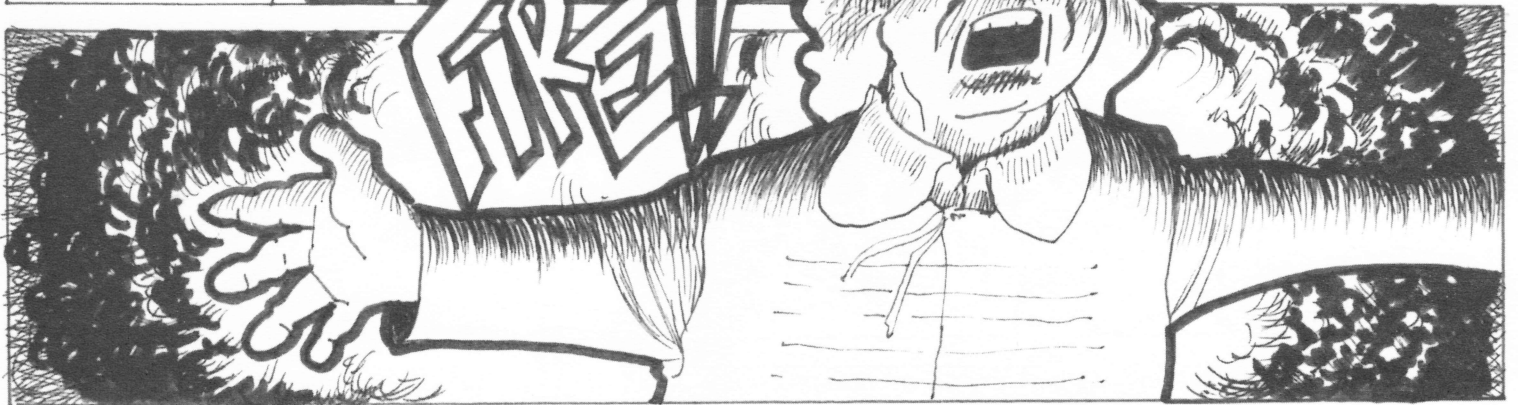
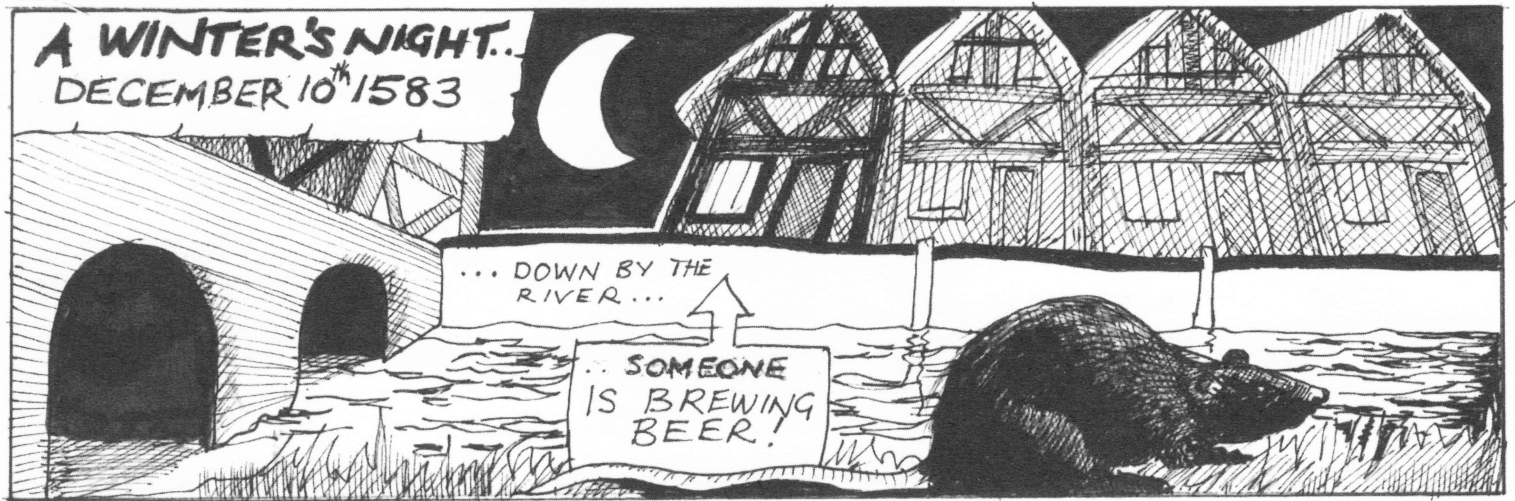
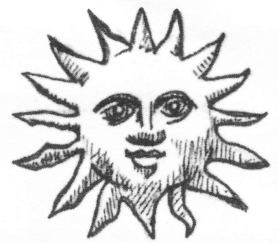


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The Great Fire of Nantwich



FANNED BY
A STRONG
WESTERLY
WIND THE FIRE
SOON SPREADS...

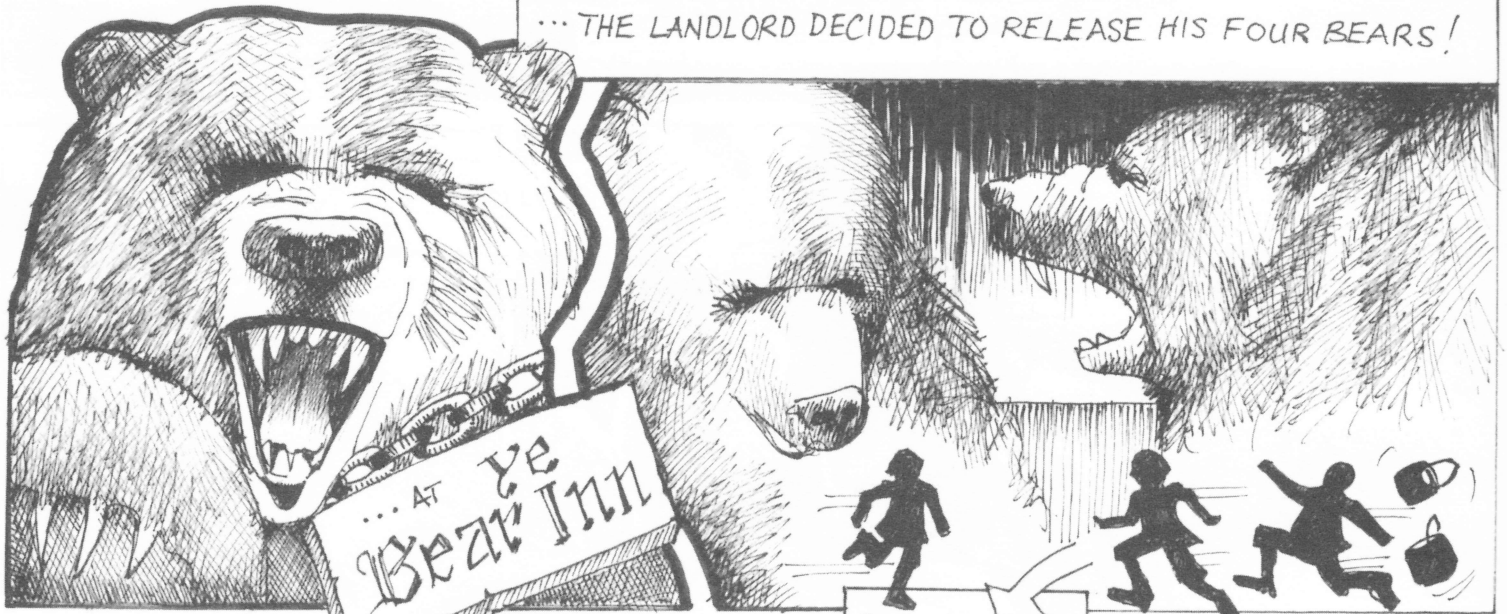


... THE TOWN CONTINUED TO BURN

THAT NIGHT
150 HOUSES WERE
DESTROYED



... THE LANDLORD DECIDED TO RELEASE HIS FOUR BEARS!



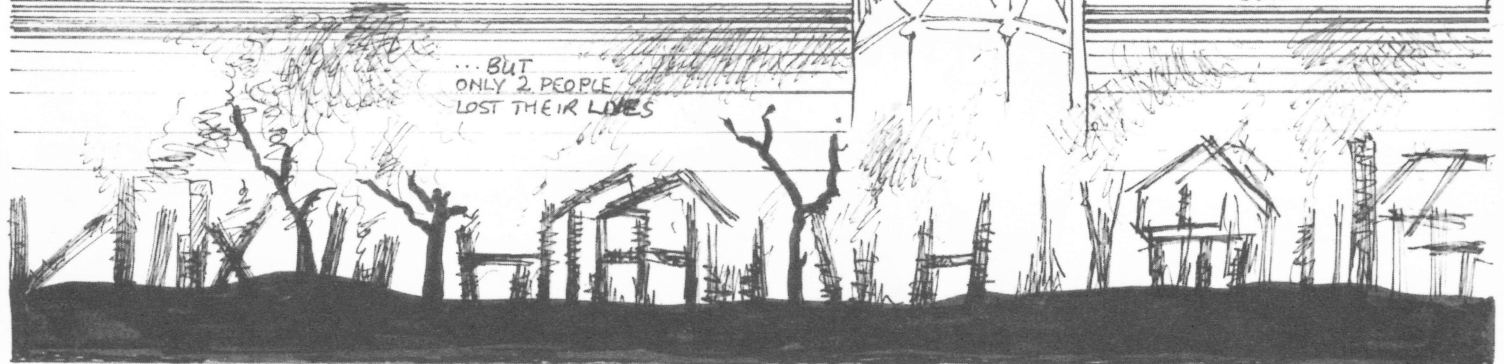
SO
TOWNSFOLK
LEFT THEIR
WATERBUCKETS
AND FLED FROM
THE BEARS!



WHEN THE FIRE WAS FINALLY OUT MUCH OF NANTWICH
EAST OF THE RIVER WAS DESTROYED

THE STONE CHURCH
SURVIVED

... BUT
ONLY 2 PEOPLE
LOST THEIR LIVES



NEWS OF THE FIRE
REACHED ELIZABETH I.
AWARE OF THE IMPORTANT
STRATEGIC POSITION
OF NANTWICH...

(NANTWICH WAS AN IMPORTANT
STAGING POST FOR TROOPS
TO AND FROM IRELAND)

to Ireland

Chester

Nantwich

to London

SHE GAVE MONEY..

£1000

... WOOD FROM THE
ROYAL FORESTS ...
AND PERMISSION TO
RAISE MORE MONEY

GOD GRANTE OVR RYAL QUEEN
IN ENGLAND LONGE TO RAIGN
FOR SHE HATH PVT HER HELPING
HAND TO BILD THIS TOWN AGAIN

THOMAS CLEESE
AND OTHERS
BEGAN TO REBUILD
THE TOWN IN
1584



BUILDING A TUDOR HOUSE

TUDOR BUILDERS
WERE VERY SKILFUL
SOME OF THE BUILDINGS
PUT UP AFTER THE
FIRE ARE NOW OVER
400 YEARS OLD!

PANELS BETWEEN THE FRAME
WERE FILLED BY WOVEN
STICKS (WATTLE) AND
COVERED WITH DAUB



DAUB IS
A MIXTURE OF CLAY
LIME, WATER,
DUNG AND STRAW
APPLIED BY
HAND

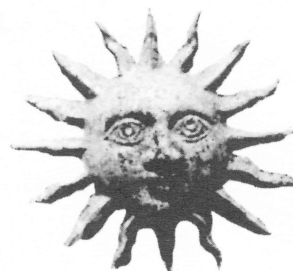
THIS MAN IS A "DAUBER"

AN OAK FRAME, SECURED BY WOODEN
PEGS, ON A STONE BASE

• COULD THIS BE WHY NANTWICH FOLK ARE CALLED "DABBERS"? •

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