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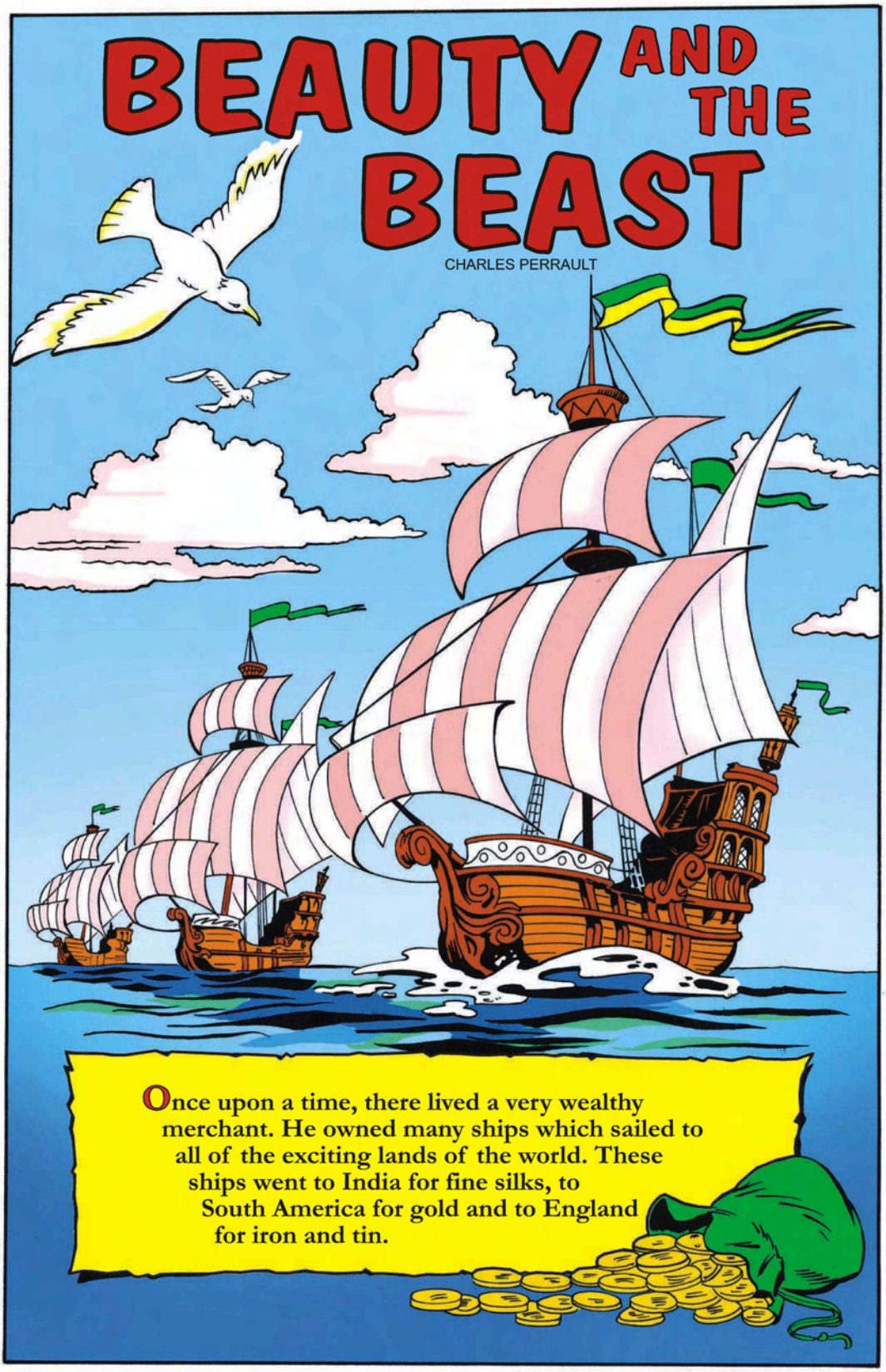
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BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

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Once upon a time, there lived a very wealthy merchant. He owned many ships which sailed to all of the exciting lands of the world. These ships went to India for fine silks, to South America for gold and to England for iron and tin.


Ungrateful wretch! Is this the way you repay the kindness you have received - - by stealing my roses?
My Lord! My Lord . . .
Call me no such thing. Call me as I am. Call me Beast!
Sir?
Did you not hear me say, " call me Beast"?
Pardon me, Beast. I did not mean to hurt you.