



THE WRECK  
—OF THE—  
“SOMERSET,”

A Secret of the Cape Cod Sands  
Disclosed by the Sea.

How a British Frigate of Revolutionary Times was  
Stranded on the Peaked Hill Bars and Buried  
for a Century in the Sands.—The Interest-  
ing Local Tradition About the Ship and  
Her Crew.—A Swarm of Relic Hunt-  
ers at the Scene of the Wreck.

**J**UST over the Bluff, by Dead Men's Hollow, lies the wreck of the Somerset British Man-of-war. For a century and more the hulk has been buried deep beneath these Cape Cod Sands. Above her charred and crushed timbers of live oak, old ocean had piled a cairn of sand thirty feet high. The wiry beach grass grew rank above it. The foxes made their nimble tracks across it; the men of the life-saving service trudged over it daily. The surf for generations pounded and thundered