A VERY LONG TIME AGO. THE SHIP SHOAL SAIL BOAT WAS STOLED IN MORGAN CITY WHILE 2 OF THE ASSISTANT WAS IN MORGAN CITY ON THEIR TIME OFF DUTY. THEY DIDENT KNOW WHOT HAPPEN OR WHERE THEIRE BOAT WAS. WELL HERE WHOT HAPPEN. THE MAN THAT STOLED THE BOAT WENT RIGHT OUT TO SHIP SHOAL LIGHT STATION THE KEEPER IN CHARGE AND ONE OF HIS ASSISTANT WAS ON DUTY. WHEN THE BOAT GOT THERE. THE MAN ASKED THE KEEPER IF HE COULD STAY OVER NIGHT THY THAUGHT THE MAN WAS JOKING. THEY HOISTED THE BOAT OUT OF THE WATER. THEN THE KEEPER TOLD THE THE MAN TO QUIT HIS JOKING. HE STILL INST THAT THE BOAT WAS HIS. THEY ASKED (HIM.) ABOUT THE TWO [redacted] KEEPERS. IN MORGAN CITY. HE SAID THAT HE DIDENT KNOW [redacted] ANY BODY OR MORGAN CITY. HE STATED THAT HE WAS TIRED AND NEEDED TO REST OR SLEEP. SO THE KEEPER AND HIS ASSIASTANT GIVE) HIM A BED ROOM TO SLEEP IN. AND THEY STUD A WATCH ON THE MAN. IT WAS DARK BY THEN. THE KEEPER HAD THE FIRST WATCH. THE ASSISTANT KEEPER RETIRED TO HIS BED ROOM AND HE WAS TO GO ON THE MID NIGHT WATCH. LATER THAT NIGHT THE ASSISTANT WOKE UP IN TIME THAT MAN WAS IN HIS ROOM AND HIT HIM ON THE SIDE

OF HIS HEAD WITH A HATCH. THE KEEPER WAS ON WATCH DOWN STAIRS. HE HAD A PISTOL OR A HAND [redacted] GUN. HE SHOT AT THE MAN AS HE RAN UP THE TOWER. THEY COULD NOT GET TO HIM BECAUSE HE CLOSED THE TRAP DOOR ON THEM. THE KEEPER COULD NOT [redacted] GET TO THE LIGHT ROOM. SO THE MAN INSTRUCTED HOW TO TURN OFF THE LIGHT AND SECURE THE LANTERN ROOM. AFTER 2 OR 3 DAYS. THE MAN GAVE UP AND SURENDED. HE WAS SHOT IN ONE LEG. BY THE KEEPER. THE MAN WAS HOG TIED IN THE BOTTOM OF THE [redacted] BOAT AND SAILED TO MORGAN CITY BY THE ASSISTANT KEEPER.

I AM TELLING IT JUST AS IT WAS TOLD TO ME. BY MR. CHARLES COLISON. THE KEEPER OF OYSTER BAYOU LIGHT STATION. AND MR. LEO L. GUIDRY KEEPER OF SHIP SHOAL LIGHT [redacted] STATION. AS WE WERE [redacted] WATCHING FOR FAIR WEATHER TO PROCEED TO SHIP SHOAL LIGHT STATION. IN ABOUT 1922

(OVE) BY GODFREY C. KIFF,

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ILL BET THAT THE KEEPERS THAT WAS
IN MORGAN CITY WAS SOME SUPPRISE.
WHEN THEIR BOAT WAS STOLEN FROM
THEM AND WHERE IT WENT.