

# Skippers Ahoy!



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For Lou.

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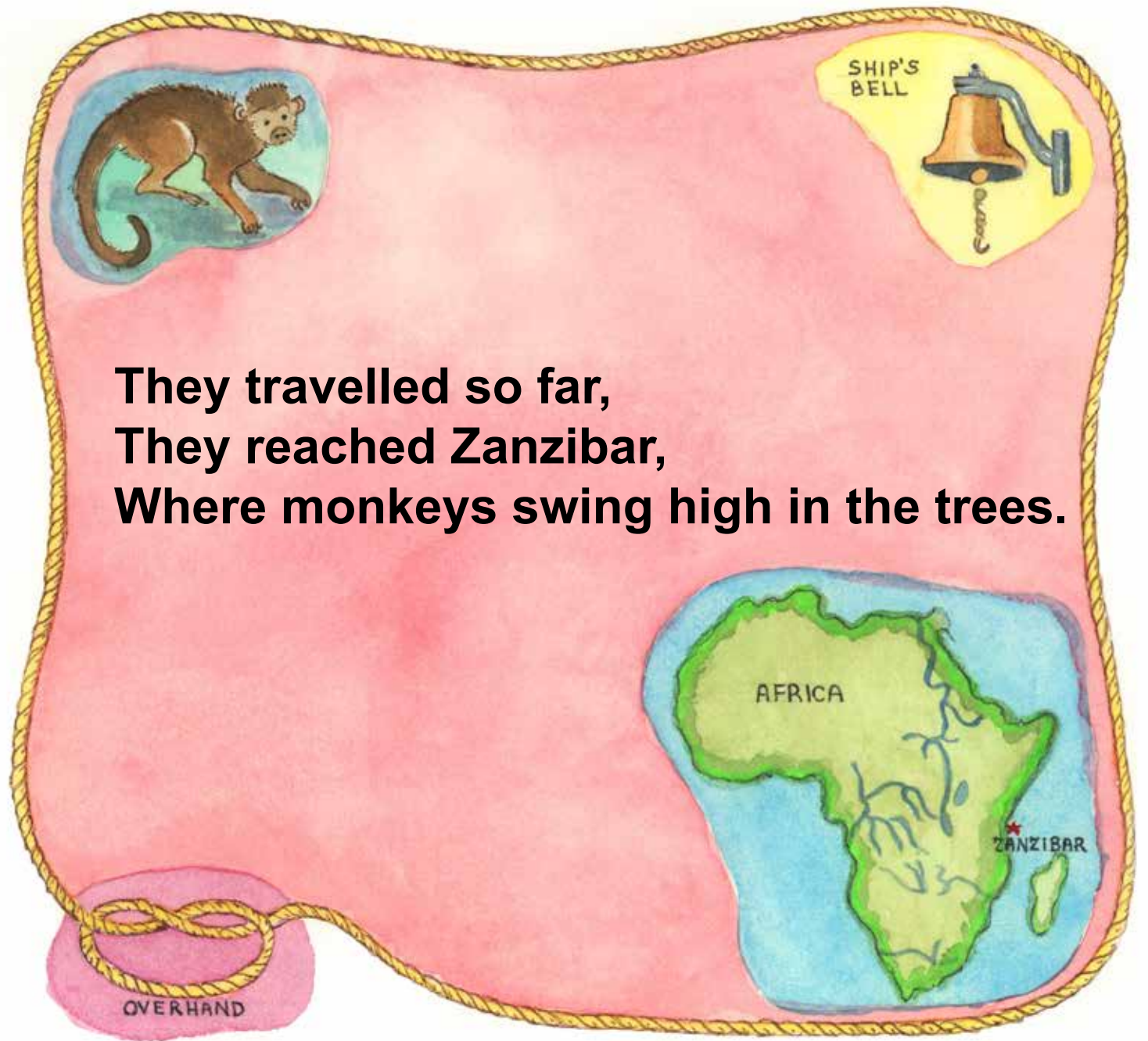
**In Belgium one day,  
The Skippers at play  
Decided they needed a tail.**





**They sat down to knit,  
But nothing would fit,  
So the Captain prepared to set sail.**



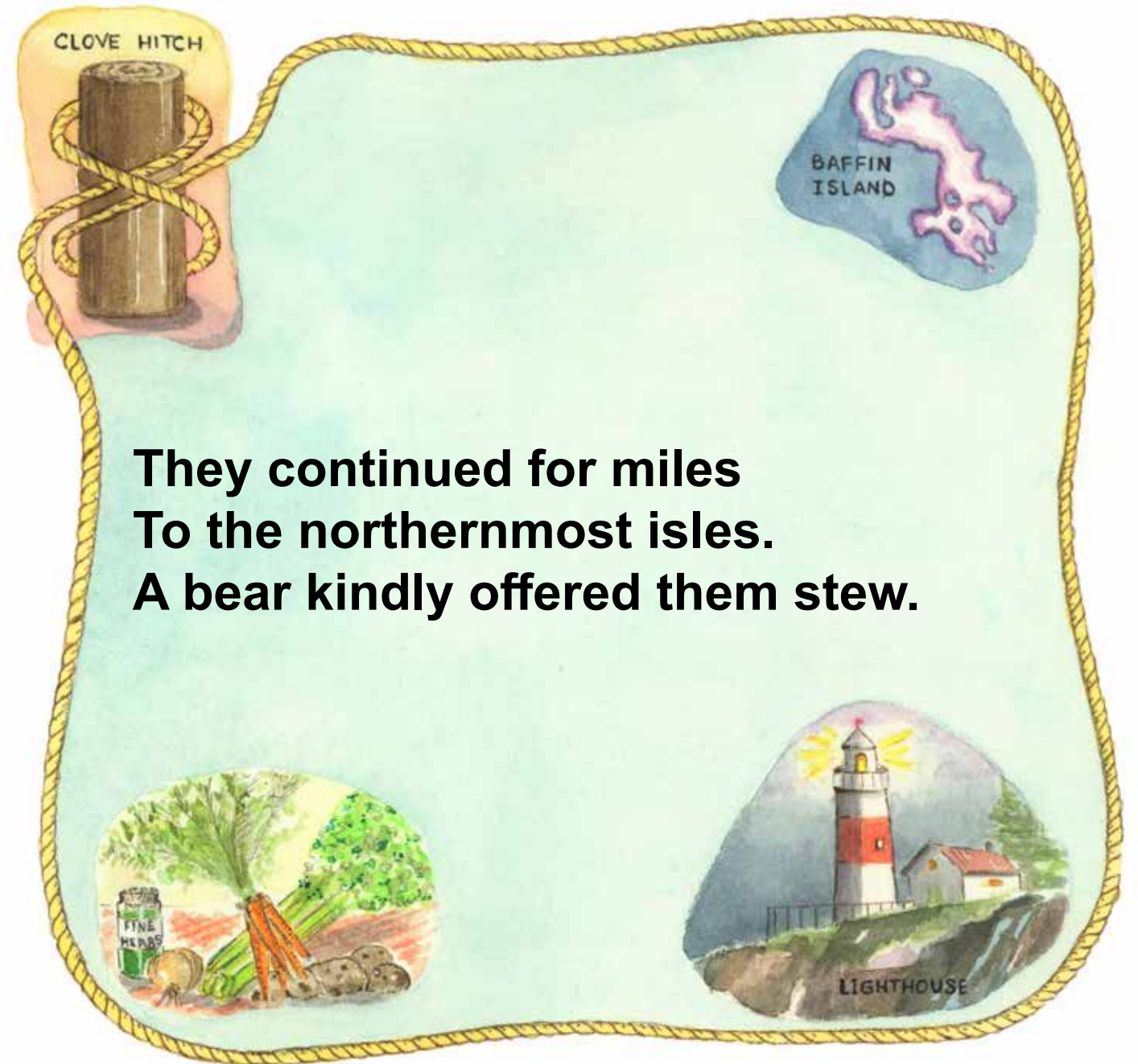


**They travelled so far,  
They reached Zanzibar,  
Where monkeys swing high in the trees.**

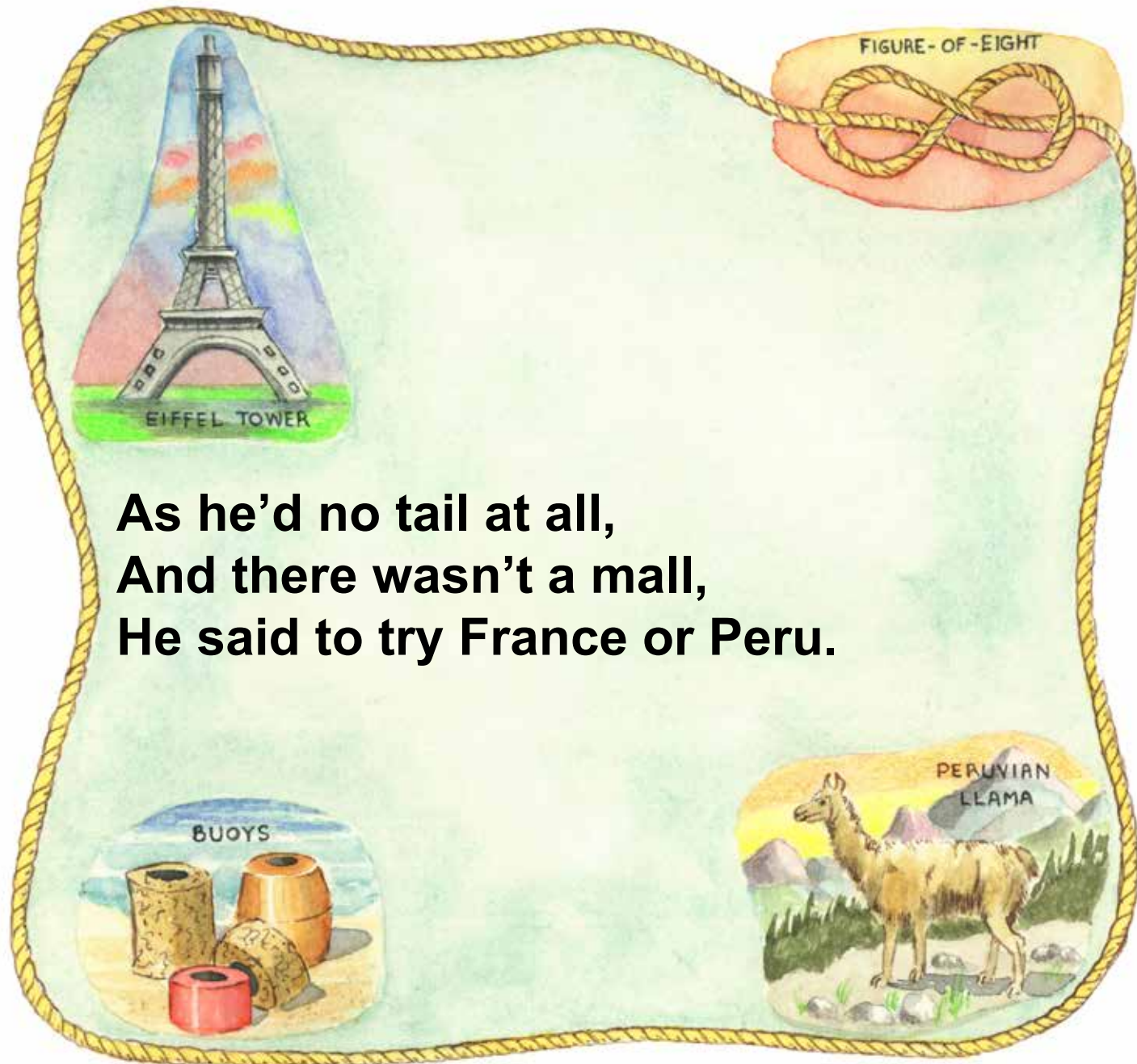


**But they needed their tails  
To hold tight in the gales,  
So the Skippers sailed over the seas.**





**They continued for miles  
To the northernmost isles.  
A bear kindly offered them stew.**



**As he'd no tail at all,  
And there wasn't a mall,  
He said to try France or Peru.**

