

EEH: the Witch of Pungo Transcripts

00;00;00;22 - 00;00;04;06

Hello listeners, and welcome

00;00;04;06 - 00;00;07;13

to Elisha's Eerie History.

00;00;08;02 - 00;00;14;25

[Song "Elisha's Eerie History" by Sydney followed by drum break.]

00;00;22;15 - 00;00;23;06

Today

00;00;23;06 - 00;00;27;00

I have a special guest

and friend of the pod.

00;00;27;22 - 00;00;30;05

Miss Brooke Bosiger.

00;00;30;05 - 00;00;32;26

Hello to everybody

00;00;32;26 - 00;00;34;15

Thank you for coming Brooke.

00;00;34;15 - 00;00;35;25

To set the scene a little bit.

00;00;35;25 - 00;00;38;26

She's in a beautiful purple shirt.

00;00;38;26 - 00;00;41;02

It's got some red flowers on it.

00;00;41;02 - 00;00;42;02

Roses, baby.

00;00;42;02 - 00;00;43;05

Roses.

00;00;43;05 - 00;00;46;09

My favorite flower. Gorge. It's so good.

00;00;46;21 - 00;00;49;11

There's also a rose cat tree

00;00;49;11 - 00;00;53;04

tulip maybe? Some type of floral behind

00;00;53;05 - 00;00;57;04

We'll call it a rose for now, because, again,
favorite roses on the table.

00;00;57;08 - 00;00;59;14

Thank you. I didn't even like -- it all connects.

00;00;59;14 - 00;01;02;11

That rose on the skull -- it all connects.

00;01;02;11 - 00;01;03;27

It's all connecting.

00;01;03;27 - 00;01;08;28

If you're not watching and only listening,
we have some beautiful pumpkins

00;01;08;28 - 00;01;12;15

on the table there's a tapestry behind us of,
like, the woods.

00;01;12;15 - 00;01;18;21

It's giving very maximalism,
and it's spooky vibes -- Spooky

00;01;18;21 - 00;01;21;19

And the best décor
I think we've had on the pod.

00;01;21;19 - 00;01;23;14

There's five pumpkins.

00;01;23;14 - 00;01;25;24

Each of these were stolen.

00;01;25;24 - 00;01;27;22

All of them from where?

00;01;27;22 - 00;01;31;02

So this one was outside of a restaurant.

00;01;32;00 - 00;01;35;24

This one was inside a restaurant.

00;01;35;27 - 00;01;39;04

These were at Texas Roadhouse.

00;01;39;25 - 00;01;42;25

This one was from a friend's house.

00;01;42;26 - 00;01;45;09

This one also was from my friend's house.

00;01;45;09 - 00;01;46;12

Okay.

00;01;46;12 - 00;01;48;24

Are you like a serial? Yes.

00;01;48;24 - 00;01;50;20

I've stolen from a restaurant.

00;01;50;20 - 00;01;52;21

I steal pumpkins.

00;01;52;21 - 00;01;54;20

I've stolen a plate from a restaurant.

00;01;54;20 - 00;01;58;17

I worked at because, like, I brought,
like, cupcakes home on it or something.

00;01;58;26 - 00;01;59;21

That was an accident.

00;01;59;21 - 00;02;00;21

It was an accident.

00;02;00;21 - 00;02;03;17

And then I have definitely taken, like,
the Ketchup containers.

00;02;03;17 - 00;02;05;26

Yeah, No,
these pumpkins are stolen deliberately.

00;02;05;26 - 00;02;08;26

I stole pumpkins,
and it only happens for me to drink.

00;02;09;01 - 00;02;12;00

Fun fact, but a spooky fact indeed.

00;02;12;00 - 00;02;13;23

So interesting.

00;02;13;23 - 00;02;14;06

Yeah.

00;02;14;06 - 00;02;18;16

Just wanted to let everybody know,
because I take much pride.

00;02;18;16 - 00;02;22;16

And for those that are watching
or listening,

00;02;22;16 - 00;02;26;20

if you think that a pumpkin
was stolen from your place, it wasn't me.

00;02;29;27 - 00;02;33;09

She is innocent
until proven guilty.

00;02;33;10 - 00;02;35;28

Yeah. You can't claim of

this is your pumpkin.

00;02;35;28 - 00;02;38;28

You don't know.

You don't remember it's fine?

00;02;39;14 - 00;02;41;14

They don't know? No.

00;02;41;14 - 00;02;44;17

And speaking of innocent until proven guilty,

00;02;44;19 - 00;02;48;25

this is a great transition

into our topic today.

00;02;49;06 - 00;02;53;11

Today, we're going to be talking about

Grace Sherwood.

00;02;53;12 - 00;02;56;12

What have you heard of Grace

Sherwood, Brooke?

00;02;56;13 - 00;03;00;12

I've lived on Sheerbrook,
but I've never heard of Grace.

00;03;00;12 - 00;03;03;13

Sheerwood. Okay. So, Grace Sheerwood.

00;03;03;13 - 00;03;07;13

What is the last convicted person

00;03;07;25 - 00;03;10;25

of witchcraft in Virginia?

00;03;11;06 - 00;03;12;11

What year?

00;03;12;11 - 00;03;15;11

She was convicted of witchcraft

00;03;15;11 - 00;03;19;21

in 1698, that was the last one.

00;03;20;10 - 00;03;20;26

my God.

00;03;20;26 - 00;03;21;27

That would have been like

00;03;21;27 - 00;03;26;16

the 1800s or something, because everybody
wants to peg a woman as a witch.

00;03;27;01 - 00;03;29;01

Right? True. So true.

00;03;29;01 - 00;03;30;20

my gosh. Yeah.

00;03;30;20 - 00;03;34;12

So her house was knocked
down in the early 2000s,

00;03;34;12 - 00;03;38;10

and it was apparently lasted that long,
but apparently wasn't in good repair,

00;03;38;10 - 00;03;39;17

so they knocked it down.

00;03;39;17 - 00;03;41;29

There is a plantation,

00;03;41;29 - 00;03;45;09

the Ferris plantation,

which is where her trials were held.

00;03;45;24 - 00;03;51;08

Supposedly, her spirit is at the Ferris
plantation. Are there

00;03;51;08 - 00;03;55;09

sights of her? Noises? People claim.

00;03;55;10 - 00;03;56;26

There have been sightings.

00;03;56;26 - 00;04;01;04

People also claim she was buried
somewhere on that plantation.

00;04;01;04 - 00;04;04;13

Or they claim

she was buried on her own property.

00;04;04;20 - 00;04;07;08

Either way,

she does not have a marked burial.

00;04;07;08 - 00;04;11;05

So they say in the plantation,

over a specific tree,

00;04;11;14 - 00;04;14;14

you can see her ghost at certain times.

00;04;14;20 - 00;04;16;13

What did she look like?

00;04;16;13 - 00;04;17;21

Is there like, an image?

00;04;17;21 - 00;04;19;11

Yeah. That I can see.

00;04;19;11 - 00;04;22;15

I just want to see you know,

I have a version and vision

00;04;22;15 - 00;04;26;08

in my head

to see how hot this bitch actually is.

00;04;26;10 - 00;04;30;27

Well, I do want to say there's no pictures

or paintings

00;04;30;27 - 00;04;34;27

of when she was alive

that are still in existence.

00;04;34;27 - 00;04;37;17

the statue, because she was like a witch.

00;04;37;17 - 00;04;42;07

So any record of a lot of what you saw

drawn by, especially if she was in court

00;04;42;16 - 00;04;47;27

that many times they still had like people

drawing people in court at even at that time.

00;04;48;06 - 00;04;52;16

And if not, don't say, there's
no proof of what she looked like.

00;04;52;16 - 00;04;55;18

But there is some art and speculation.

00;04;55;19 - 00;04;58;07

So this is the statue? Yes.

00;04;58;07 - 00;05;04;05

So to give the viewers
that are only listening, the statue is.

00;05;04;13 - 00;05;06;12

Is that a raccoon?

00;05;06;12 - 00;05;07;05

It's a raccoon.

00;05;07;05 - 00;05;09;10

it is a raccoon. Why is there a raccoon?

00;05;09;10 - 00;05;10;25

There is a raccoon next to her.

00;05;10;25 - 00;05;14;27

I think it's because she it

I don't really know

00;05;14;27 - 00;05;18;06

because then that none of the history

has a lot to do with the raccoon.

00;05;18;06 - 00;05;20;04

And when you read the description of it,

00;05;20;04 - 00;05;24;17

the raccoon is just kind of like

they're part of the lore.

00;05;24;17 - 00;05;26;15

Ah, she's like, Snow White.

00;05;26;15 - 00;05;30;21

Yeah, she didn't sing and little

animal to her because she's a witch.

00;05;30;21 - 00;05;32;04

And Snow White's a witch, I guess.

00;05;32;04 - 00;05;35;08

Yeah, she's going Rosemary in her thing.

00;05;35;09 - 00;05;38;14

She's holding a sack
and it looks like it's full of herbs

00;05;38;16 - 00;05;41;21

which follows,
You know, what she was all about?

00;05;42;14 - 00;05;45;16

People in this photo
have put between her hands

00;05;45;16 - 00;05;49;03

actual living, beautiful flowers,
which is lovely.

00;05;49;04 - 00;05;51;09

I was going to say
people have apparently adorned it

00;05;51;09 - 00;05;54;19
with money and flowers
and give her a lot of respect.

00;05;55;00 - 00;05;56;14
Her hair, though, in this.

00;05;56;14 - 00;05;59;09
okay. It looks longer in the back.

00;05;59;09 - 00;06;03;02
See in this honestly is giving Eleanor.

00;06;03;08 - 00;06;05;28
It's like a Eleanor Roosevelt for sure.

00;06;05;28 - 00;06;07;20
Like the face and the hair.

00;06;07;20 - 00;06;09;08
Yeah, it's really giving that.

00;06;09;08 - 00;06;15;04

I feel like it's so funny how we have
objectified women as witches to think

00;06;15;04 - 00;06;21;04

that they have the long, scraggly hair
and a long, scraggly nails and sunk in eyes.

00;06;22;02 - 00;06;24;10

And, you know, old and gross.

00;06;24;10 - 00;06;27;06

And she looks very elegant.

She looks very elegant.

00;06;27;06 - 00;06;30;10

Elegant.

Let's get into the Google reviews.

00;06;30;10 - 00;06;34;15

4.7 out of five stars, hot, hot

00;06;34;27 - 00;06;37;27

and 83 reviews in total.

00;06;37;28 - 00;06;40;26

Preston Burns, he says located

00;06;40;26 - 00;06;44;04

and north, Witchduck road
in front of the Sentara hospital.

00;06;44;04 - 00;06;50;00

I find this beautiful historical sculpture
using the Atlas Obscura app.

00;06;50;03 - 00;06;52;23

Otherwise I would have driven right
past it.

00;06;52;23 - 00;06;55;15

It isn't easy to see from the road at all.

00;06;55;15 - 00;06;59;04

There is a statue of the last woman
convicted of witchcraft in Prince

00;06;59;04 - 00;07;03;18

Anne County and Virginia's only person
convicted with a trial by water.

00;07;04;05 - 00;07;07;23

She was tried and convicted
and then imprisoned nearby.

00;07;08;04 - 00;07;12;23

I'm pleased that this history of past
injustice was not forgotten, and I believe

00;07;12;23 - 00;07;17;11

that past wrongs need to be acknowledged
instead of whitewashed our hidden worth.

00;07;17;12 - 00;07;18;06

Amen.

00;07;18;06 - 00;07;21;18

This guy, like, kind of summarized a lot.

00;07;21;25 - 00;07;24;01

He did know he did a good job.

00;07;24;01 - 00;07;27;28

I'm excited to hear more about the trial
by water.

00;07;27;29 - 00;07;30;22

Yes, that sounded interesting.

00;07;30;22 - 00;07;33;02

Yes, she is the as you said it.

00;07;33;02 - 00;07;36;28

She's the only person to be trial by water
in Virginia.

00;07;37;10 - 00;07;40;09

So sexy of her.

00;07;40;09 - 00;07;41;20

I love water.

00;07;41;20 - 00;07;44;29

And so do you. Cancer, Pisces,
Water signs.

00;07;45;11 - 00;07;48;07

It's together. It's connected.

00;07;48;07 - 00;07;48;28

I'm going to-

00;07;48;28 - 00;07;50;12

You're going to love her.

00;07;50;12 - 00;07;52;27

You're going to love her for a different reason. Grace. Grace.

00;07;52;27 - 00;07;54;25

Sounds like my past life.

00;07;54;25 - 00;07;56;12

Maybe trial by water.

00;07;56;12 - 00;07;59;08

Give it. Yeah, Give it to me. Let's go.

00;07;59;08 - 00;08;00;17

Let's do it.

00;08;00;17 - 00;08;02;02

This is a great review, too. Okay.

00;08;02;02 - 00;08;04;11

This person is called Our Strange Reality.

00;08;04;11 - 00;08;08;11

She gave it five stars, and she said Grace
Sherwood deserves no less than to become

00;08;08;11 - 00;08;11;19

a bronze idol overlooking the land where

00;08;11;19 - 00;08;14;19

her futile witch trial transpired.

00;08;14;20 - 00;08;19;14

Futile witch trial. Love it.

00;08;19;16 - 00;08;23;01

So good. A woman ahead of her time.

00;08;23;01 - 00;08;26;15

Grace was the charmed survival
of the local shrewish colonial

00;08;26;15 - 00;08;29;15

women and their jealousy inspired
claims of witchcraft.

00;08;29;15 - 00;08;34;12

May her spirit blissfully enjoy the
afterlife as a local legend loved by many.

00;08;35;06 - 00;08;38;06

She had a hard on for sure.

00;08;38;13 - 00;08;42;07

This guy's name is Anje Pillai.

00;08;43;05 - 00;08;46;05

Or or Anje Pillai.

00;08;46;06 - 00;08;47;21

Sorry if we mispronounce.

00;08;47;21 - 00;08;48;16

You're doing this.

00;08;48;16 - 00;08;50;14

Go on. 11 reviews.

00;08;50;14 - 00;08;52;06

No photos.

00;08;52;06 - 00;08;52;13

Yeah.

00;08;52;13 - 00;08;55;22

Mysterious pictures of a cat
as the profile picture.

00;08;55;22 - 00;08;58;05

wow. That's amazing.

00;08;58;05 - 00;09;01;03

And he says, I have loved this statue

00;09;01;03 - 00;09;05;00

ever since I learned the story
of the Witch of Pungo.

00;09;05;00 - 00;09;06;20

A nurse, mother and animal lover.

00;09;06;20 - 00;09;09;01

I wish I could give her a big hug.

00;09;09;01 - 00;09;09;29

Thank you.

00;09;09;29 - 00;09;12;19

To Tim Kaine for a posthumous Pardon.

00;09;12;19 - 00;09;15;00

And thank you Sentara
for honoring her with this site.

00;09;15;00 - 00;09;17;15

I'll carry your basket for you now,

00;09;17;15 - 00;09;18;28

Grace Sherwood.

00;09;18;28 - 00;09;20;10

I'm excited. Yeah.

00;09;20;10 - 00;09;23;11

I need to hear more about all this.

00;09;23;22 - 00;09;25;03

Grace Sherwood.

00;09;25;03 - 00;09;28;15

There's not a lot of lasting history.

00;09;28;15 - 00;09;35;13

As I said, this is in the 1600s, so
not a lot of primary sources Still exist.

00;09;35;13 - 00;09;38;23

Unfortunately, because of that,

00;09;39;02 - 00;09;42;07

a lot of this is verbal legend.

00;09;42;17 - 00;09;46;27

But we do have records
of some of her convictions.

00;09;48;00 - 00;09;49;12

These can be viewed in the

00;09;49;12 - 00;09;52;27

political arena newspaper In 1833,

00;09;53;09 - 00;09;57;26

the Virginia Free Press in 1833,

and the W.H.

00;09;57;27 - 00;09;59;13

R.O. Public Radio.

00;09;59;13 - 00;10;02;00

They have a segment on this in 2021.

00;10;02;00 - 00;10;05;00

Did you Say WHRO? Whro. Whro.

00;10;05;18 - 00;10;07;27

that's what I that's what I read.

00;10;07;27 - 00;10;10;09

I read where I read where

00;10;10;09 - 00;10;13;09

not excuse me, not whore.

00;10;14;09 - 00;10;15;13

The Old Donation

00;10;15;13 - 00;10;19;13

Episcopal Church

also had some stuff I pulled for this.

00;10;20;00 - 00;10;24;04

I will say none of

these are primary sources, so to speak.

00;10;24;04 - 00;10;27;11

The closest are the first two newspapers.

00;10;27;17 - 00;10;31;17

So as most history things go,

when you're a bad person

00;10;31;17 - 00;10;34;28

in the eyes of history,
they preserve a lot of history from you.

00;10;35;02 - 00;10;36;20

So they just erase it-

00;10;36;20 - 00;10;40;21

all history is who saw it and who said it

00;10;40;21 - 00;10;44;28

right, who side of the story wins essentially. Absolutely.

00;10;46;00 - 00;10;46;15

Let's get philosophical for a second.

00;10;46;15 - 00;10;49;14

Yeah, we all we always
we always get this way.

00;10;49;14 - 00;10;50;24

Yeah. Sorry.

00;10;50;24 - 00;10;54;00

I mean, I just think about the deeper

meaning you guys should too,

00;10;54;00 - 00;10;57;00

if you're listening and watching.

00;10;57;19 - 00;10;59;10

So tell me

00;10;59;10 - 00;11;01;25

what is Grace Sherwood all about. Yes.

00;11;01;25 - 00;11;04;25

So, Grace Sherwood. Well,

00;11;05;16 - 00;11;06;21

let me flip my paper.

00;11;06;21 - 00;11;07;28

Perfect Grace Sherwood

00;11;07;28 - 00;11;12;01

was born in 1660 and she was born

00;11;12;01 - 00;11;15;01

in an area called Pungo.

00;11;15;03 - 00;11;19;13

Pungo is now what we consider
southeast Virginia.

00;11;19;13 - 00;11;22;13

So the east coast of Virginia, towards
the south.

00;11;23;04 - 00;11;26;27

she grew up in a middle class family

00;11;27;10 - 00;11;31;13

and they owned over 100 acres of farmland.

00;11;31;13 - 00;11;33;18

And she was educated.

00;11;33;18 - 00;11;36;23

And because of that, not a lot of

00;11;36;23 - 00;11;40;17

people were educated in this time,

especially women, especially women.

00;11;40;17 - 00;11;43;17

She was a controversial character.

00;11;44;10 - 00;11;48;09

so where would you say

Pungo would be located?

00;11;48;09 - 00;11;50;03

In Virginia. Now.

00;11;50;03 - 00;11;53;13

So roughly, I guess I would say it's maybe

00;11;53;13 - 00;11;57;10

like south of Williamsburg

but specifically.

00;11;57;10 - 00;11;58;17

It's like really on the coast.

00;11;58;17 - 00;12;00;18

Like I think they lived like

00;12;00;18 - 00;12;04;21

basically on the beach,
kind of it really far over there.

00;12;04;21 - 00;12;06;28

She overlooks like the beach area.

00;12;06;28 - 00;12;09;18

Excellent. Hot again.

00;12;09;18 - 00;12;10;17

Yeah. Go off. Ms. Sherwood.

00;12;10;17 - 00;12;13;15

She was a herbalist.

00;12;13;15 - 00;12;15;24

Like she healed people with plants.

00;12;15;24 - 00;12;17;24

She was a midwife.

00;12;17;24 - 00;12;20;01

She delivered children of course they thought she was a witch.

00;12;21;04 - 00;12;24;03

Yes. those were her--

00;12;24;03 - 00;12;25;07

And she was also a farmer.

00;12;25;07 - 00;12;28;11

So as we know in like history,

00;12;28;27 - 00;12;32;08

women

who deal with growing herbs was weird

00;12;32;11 - 00;12;35;17

at this time it was like you

to grow food for sustenance.

00;12;35;17 - 00;12;38;25

But she was growing to

heal people, right?

00;12;38;25 - 00;12;39;29

And she was a midwife.

00;12;39;29 - 00;12;42;21

So she was like,
you know, helping deliver babies.

00;12;42;21 - 00;12;45;10

And this kind of bites her in the foot
later.

00;12;45;10 - 00;12;48;10

So, yeah, we already see the set up
for how she could be a witch.

00;12;48;10 - 00;12;51;23

She's an educated woman
who dabbles with medicine

00;12;52;04 - 00;12;55;19

and delivers
babies, send her to the church.

00;12;56;01 - 00;13;00;09

She knows too much! Basically!

Get rid of her! Stone her!

00;13;00;09 - 00;13;04;06

She had a water death, drown her
if she drowns.

00;13;04;06 - 00;13;05;08

And she's human

00;13;06;07 - 00;13;07;25

doesn't drown, then she.

00;13;07;25 - 00;13;09;20

She's a witch and we must kill her again.

00;13;09;20 - 00;13;12;24

so she got

00;13;12;24 - 00;13;16;06

married to John Sheerwood.

00;13;16;06 - 00;13;19;12

And her father gave them 50 acres.

00;13;19;13 - 00;13;20;16

I said he owned a lot of land.

00;13;20;16 - 00;13;23;16

Gave it to them, and they built a house
and they built a farm.

00;13;23;24 - 00;13;26;28

She lived with their husband,
her dowry, had three sons

00;13;26;28 - 00;13;29;28

together, her and her husband.

00;13;29;28 - 00;13;32;28

So during her life,

00;13;33;04 - 00;13;36;15

she was accused of a lot of different
things.

00;13;36;15 - 00;13;40;28

Her first issue with society

00;13;40;28 - 00;13;45;19

was she wore trousers when she worked
on the farm instead of a dress.

00;13;45;19 - 00;13;49;05

And most poor farm women wore a dress.

00;13;49;05 - 00;13;52;14

Even when working on the farm,
she chose to wear trousers.

00;13;52;14 - 00;13;55;19

It was also Supposedly
she was very beautiful

00;13;55;19 - 00;13;58;19

and it made women

00;13;58;29 - 00;14;02;04

jealous because she was a woman
with property.

00;14;02;04 - 00;14;04;17

She was beautiful

and she went against the curve.

00;14;04;17 - 00;14;07;14

She was like, I see.

She was like a feminist in life.

00;14;07;14 - 00;14;09;07

She did her own gain.

00;14;09;07 - 00;14;10;24

I thought they were jealous because
they were like, "I want to wear trousers"

00;14;12;24 - 00;14;14;05

maybe that too.

00;14;14;05 - 00;14;18;01

Then wear them

Gosh I hate the rules of society.

00;14;18;01 - 00;14;18;23

Yeah.

00;14;18;23 - 00;14;23;23

So she made a lot of women
jealous and even sexier.

00;14;23;23 - 00;14;25;23

She is this. Yeah, gorgeous.

00;14;25;23 - 00;14;30;03

And at the time,
only five women in Virginia owned property.

00;14;30;07 - 00;14;32;03

And she was one of those five women.

00;14;32;03 - 00;14;33;29

Oh wow!

00;14;33;29 - 00;14;35;15

yeah, that is interesting.

00;14;35;15 - 00;14;37;23

Yeah. She So, yeah, she's a threat.

00;14;37;23 - 00;14;38;28

She's a powerhouse.

00;14;38;28 - 00;14;41;19

She's a huge threat to people.

they didn't.

00;14;41;19 - 00;14;44;26

And especially the poor working class

00;14;44;26 - 00;14;49;04

because she was born into the middle class

by her husband was pretty poor.

00;14;49;04 - 00;14;52;14

So she lived more in the working class.

00;14;52;16 - 00;14;57;22

But later in her life,

her first accusation

00;14;58;08 - 00;15;03;18

was by Richard Cappy in 1687.

00;15;03;18 - 00;15;05;10

Dick. Cappy.

00;15;05;10 - 00;15;06;09

Dick.

00;15;06;09 - 00;15;07;25

Yeah, Dick.

00;15;07;25 - 00;15;13;04

Dick is right because he's the first
accuser, first accused, so fitting, go on.

00;15;13;07 - 00;15;18;17

So he accuses her
of putting a spell on his bull.

00;15;18;17 - 00;15;20;17

And his bull ends up dying.

00;15;20;17 - 00;15;21;09

Yeah.

00;15;21;09 - 00;15;25;27

They go to court, unlike in Salem,
which was a puritan society

00;15;25;27 - 00;15;29;07

in Virginia was more like People

00;15;29;07 - 00;15;33;08

were more aware of Hoodoo culture,

00;15;33;08 - 00;15;37;10

which is black and indigenous,

African and indigenous.

00;15;37;10 - 00;15;40;12

Yeah, religious culture mixing

00;15;40;12 - 00;15;43;13

with Christianity

and instead of the voodoo.

00;15;43;14 - 00;15;44;16

Yeah, yeah, yeah.

00;15;44;16 - 00;15;49;29

I think it's less

it's less puritan, it's less like Quaker.

00;15;49;29 - 00;15;54;06

It's like people who are in the church
do not also run the court system.

00;15;54;06 - 00;15;57;06

They're a little bit more separated here
in Virginia at this time.

00;15;57;25 - 00;16;01;24

So because of that, when they go to court,
the people are like,

00;16;01;24 - 00;16;04;24

we are time for a witchcraft trial
like this is like bullshit.

00;16;04;24 - 00;16;05;29

There's no evidence.

00;16;05;29 - 00;16;08;17

And then she countersue is for slander.

00;16;08;17 - 00;16;11;20

And they're like, No,
because she's a threat.

00;16;11;20 - 00;16;12;06

So they're like,

00;16;12;06 - 00;16;16;00

We're not going to take your countersuit
for slander and everything's dissolved.

00;16;16;06 - 00;16;19;20

second case is in 1698

00;16;20;03 - 00;16;24;26

and this is where John Gisbry

00;16;25;07 - 00;16;30;27

and he claims she put a spell on his hogs
and they died.

00;16;30;27 - 00;16;34;24

And then his cotton field,
which also fails.

00;16;35;20 - 00;16;38;14

Yes. These are a lot of jealous farmers

00;16;38;14 - 00;16;42;29

because she was a witch

so she can make her crops.

00;16;43;00 - 00;16;45;11

She knew how to tend the land.

00;16;45;11 - 00;16;47;22

She knew how to turn the animals

out of town

00;16;47;22 - 00;16;50;11

and keep all those men or just pissed.

00;16;50;11 - 00;16;53;20

And they saw that their stuff was dying

00;16;53;25 - 00;16;56;23

and they were like she cursed me.

00;16;56;23 - 00;16;57;21

Yeah, you know.

00;16;57;21 - 00;16;58;06

Yeah.

00;16;58;06 - 00;17;01;14

I mean, they're looking at her
and they're like, well, God bless her.

00;17;01;20 - 00;17;04;26

Yeah. And she's a woman and she's pretty.

00;17;04;26 - 00;17;07;02

And I have a small dick

00;17;07;02 - 00;17;11;26

and so therefore I'm pissed
and she needs to go underwater now.

00;17;11;27 - 00;17;15;20

I mean, most witches were wronged,
you know, almost all of them.

00;17;15;27 - 00;17;19;22

Although I do believe in some witchcraft
and it makes life.

00;17;19;22 - 00;17;21;03

Kind of spicy and exciting

00;17;21;03 - 00;17;25;09

But even if they did practice
any type of witchcraft,

00;17;25;12 - 00;17;30;08

I don't believe that they deserved
any any repercussions at all.

00;17;30;14 - 00;17;32;22

They would have saved the world.

00;17;32;22 - 00;17;35;00

they are using all the herbs or healing.

00;17;35;00 - 00;17;37;18

Maybe knew
maybe even how the psyche worked.

00;17;37;18 - 00;17;41;06

They sort of elevated us,
but we still have them around by now.

00;17;43;00 - 00;17;44;00

my mom.

00;17;44;00 - 00;17;44;17

Your mom?

00;17;44;17 - 00;17;48;15

She uses all natural substances,
all natural.

00;17;48;15 - 00;17;50;16

I mean, she's just sent me a whole face

00;17;50;16 - 00;17;53;26

care routine
that was all organic, all natural hue.

00;17;54;12 - 00;17;59;02

And she will make all these concoctions
that are so interesting.

00;17;59;02 - 00;18;02;26

So my dad started calling her a witch
because her hair got long and, you know,

00;18;02;26 - 00;18;05;26

she's starting to get older,
so it's like some pepper and,

00;18;06;27 - 00;18;09;27

so say like, yes I am

00;18;09;28 - 00;18;10;23

Sure thing.

00;18;10;23 - 00;18;12;29

She just knows how to use these herbs.

00;18;12;29 - 00;18;15;15

You know, our skin looks amazing.

00;18;15;15 - 00;18;18;17

Still at almost 60. So.

00;18;18;24 - 00;18;22;12

And we're white, you know,
we can't hide the wrinkles at all.

00;18;22;12 - 00;18;22;21

Yeah.

00;18;22;21 - 00;18;25;10

So, yeah, there we go.

00;18;25;10 - 00;18;26;14

Love.

00;18;26;14 - 00;18;32;02

Her third accusation is in 1698
by Elizabeth Barnes,

00;18;32;14 - 00;18;37;25

This accusation was
that Grace turned into a cat,

00;18;37;25 - 00;18;43;05

apparently went in this woman's house
and whipped her in there as a cat.

00;18;43;16 - 00;18;44;24

As a cat? She-

00;18;44;24 - 00;18;45;06

Yeah.

00;18;45;06 - 00;18;49;03

She as a cat whipped this woman supposedly
with a with a whip,

00;18;49;03 - 00;18;54;22

like with an actual long piece of leather
or a switch or something.

00;18;54;28 - 00;18;58;24

The recorded history does not say what
she used to whip her

00;18;58;27 - 00;19;01;29

as a cat, but as a cat. Yes.

00;19;02;08 - 00;19;08;03

She supposedly Grace Sherwood supposedly

so the cat suddenly had like a grasp on-

00;19;08;23 - 00;19;10;15

Yes. Whatever.

00;19;10;15 - 00;19;14;12

We'll say a piece of maybe leather
or piece of something from the barn

00;19;14;19 - 00;19;17;19

and whipped her. Yes. Repeatedly.

00;19;17;22 - 00;19;20;13

Yes. And I guess it hurt.

00;19;20;13 - 00;19;23;00

Yeah. From the from a cat.

00;19;23;00 - 00;19;25;05

Correct. Okay go on.

00;19;26;28 - 00;19;27;06

I know.

00;19;27;06 - 00;19;27;29

It sounds.

00;19;27;29 - 00;19;32;07

So I'm glad she said it like that,
because when they brought this to court,

00;19;32;07 - 00;19;33;13

you know what happened?

00;19;33;13 - 00;19;36;13

They said, what the hell? Yeah.

00;19;36;29 - 00;19;40;28

And it was obviously slander dissolved.

00;19;40;28 - 00;19;44;18

So she
she countered, sued Elizabeth for slander.

00;19;44;18 - 00;19;47;09

Yeah. The court was like,
No, we don't want to hear it.

00;19;47;09 - 00;19;49;05

This is her third accusation.

00;19;49;05 - 00;19;53;29

And at this point, Grace
is having a rough time

00;19;54;05 - 00;19;57;15

because she's been paying all these court
fees.

00;19;57;23 - 00;19;58;29

what about her husband.

00;19;58;29 - 00;20;01;29

Well, he's helping,
but they only have 50 acres of land

00;20;01;29 - 00;20;05;03

and she's married downward classwise.

00;20;05;04 - 00;20;10;03

So I've seen and she's not because they
don't want to hear her slander lawsuit.

00;20;10;03 - 00;20;14;06

She's not getting any reimbursement
for going to court all these times.

00;20;14;24 - 00;20;19;01

So she's going to court and she's
losing money by getting sued a lot.

00;20;19;01 - 00;20;21;29

And they're not letting her countersue
for slander

00;20;21;29 - 00;20;25;17

because they know like they just they're
like, well, you're you're a threat to us.

00;20;25;17 - 00;20;27;04

You're a woman. So, like, whatever.

00;20;27;04 - 00;20;30;14

I'm surprised they even had countersue
back in the 1600s.

00;20;30;14 - 00;20;32;22

Well, I don't think that's what they well,

I don't know if that's

00;20;32;22 - 00;20;35;24

what they called it, but essentially

she was suing back for slander.

00;20;35;24 - 00;20;38;10

I'm still surprised

that they even let people do that.

00;20;38;10 - 00;20;39;06

Yeah.

00;20;39;06 - 00;20;39;19

Yeah.

00;20;39;19 - 00;20;42;29

Which I guess is good

that she was given the opportunity.

00;20;42;29 - 00;20;45;28

But it doesn't matter

because they didn't take her seriously.

00;20;45;28 - 00;20;46;08

sure.

00;20;47;20 - 00;20;50;12

So anyways, all of this happens

00;20;50;12 - 00;20;53;04

and then the final straw

00;20;53;04 - 00;20;57;05

is on January 3rd, 1706.

00;20;57;11 - 00;21;00;15

This is a couple of years later

a woman named

00;21;00;15 - 00;21;06;16

Elizabeth Hill accuses

Grace of hexing her

00;21;06;27 - 00;21;09;26

and being the reason

she has a miscarriage.

00;21;10;12 - 00;21;13;12

no. yeah.

00;21;13;12 - 00;21;14;17

that's awful.

00;21;14;17 - 00;21;20;07

Yes. And obviously,

we could see kind of how this manifested.

00;21;20;07 - 00;21;23;00

It's because this woman was a midwife.

00;21;23;00 - 00;21;24;17

So people are assuming

00;21;24;17 - 00;21;27;17

She has a lot of knowledge in this regard

and stuff like that.

00;21;27;17 - 00;21;28;20

Yeah.

00;21;28;20 - 00;21;29;26

my God. Yeah.

00;21;29;26 - 00;21;32;26

Awful. Yeah. Screw Elizabeth.

00;21;33;00 - 00;21;35;20

Meet me outside

00;21;35;20 - 00;21;38;20

by the dumpsters, basically.

00;21;38;23 - 00;21;41;15

and on top of all, for Elizabeth.

00;21;41;15 - 00;21;43;00

Sorry, she lost that stuff.

00;21;43;00 - 00;21;44;27

Yeah, I mean, she's going.

00;21;44;27 - 00;21;45;09

That's not.

00;21;45;09 - 00;21;50;13

Yeah, I on top of all this, this
the woman on the third,

00;21;50;13 - 00;21;56;25

the third lawsuit Mrs. Barns,
she is the head juror on this jury.

00;21;57;08 - 00;21;57;20

No. Yeah.

00;21;57;20 - 00;22;03;20

So the the word they used in the history
was she was the foremen of the jury.

00;22;03;20 - 00;22;07;25

It was an all female jury because
apparently women can only do witchcraft.

00;22;07;25 - 00;22;10;25

So you have to be convicted
by other women.

00;22;10;26 - 00;22;13;25

So So it was an all female jury

00;22;13;25 - 00;22;17;13

and the manger was the person
who sued her.

00;22;17;13 - 00;22;21;27

And 1698, Miss Barnes for being a witch.

00;22;22;05 - 00;22;25;16

So they didn't like stop it being like,
this is a conflict of interest.

00;22;25;16 - 00;22;28;03

They like, let that happen.

00;22;28;03 - 00;22;33;02

And so our girl, Grace goes to court,
they strip her naked.

00;22;33;02 - 00;22;35;28

They've done this
for the past three trials, too.

00;22;35;28 - 00;22;41;03

But the strip her naked and the all
the women inspect her body for witch's marks.

00;22;41;03 - 00;22;43;29

Yes, which could be right.

00;22;43;29 - 00;22;44;18

Yeah.

00;22;44;18 - 00;22;48;04

It's could be like a blemish or birthmark

00;22;48;04 - 00;22;52;06

or something resembling something,
just something out of the ordinary

00;22;52;10 - 00;22;53;00

Actually,

00;22;53;00 - 00;22;56;05

if you have something weird on your skin,
then that's the sign of a witch.

00;22;56;05 - 00;22;58;00

Would you be a witch?

00;22;58;00 - 00;22;59;24

Did you have something weird on your
stand when you were born?

00;23;01;08 - 00;23;02;13

I don't think so.

00;23;02;13 - 00;23;06;15

I'm got a mole and it was really big,
but I don't think that they would say

00;23;06;16 - 00;23;08;06

it's not in like a weird shape.

00;23;08;06 - 00;23;10;23

It's like an oval. Did it go away?

00;23;10;23 - 00;23;12;04

I had it removed.

00;23;12;04 - 00;23;15;05

They thought it was cancerous.

00;23;15;12 - 00;23;19;09

That's why I have a little scar on my back
and it's a little caterpillar looking.

00;23;19;15 - 00;23;23;14

I don't think well,
I mean, I'm a pretty freckly

00;23;23;14 - 00;23;27;26

and Molly person, but when I was born,
I don't think I had any major.

00;23;28;00 - 00;23;29;15

Yeah, that's a major mark.

00;23;29;15 - 00;23;33;29

But I'm curious as to think is
what was a certain mark

00;23;33;29 - 00;23;36;27

that they would convict

someone like back for witchcraft.

00;23;36;27 - 00;23;39;09

Mark Yeah. You know what I mean?

00;23;39;09 - 00;23;42;29

If it was a cross, it's

another sign of our Lord and Savior.

00;23;42;29 - 00;23;43;22

Jesus or

00;23;44;26 - 00;23;47;26

No, no, I mean, you know.

00;23;48;20 - 00;23;50;08

So how do you,

how can you tell the difference

00;23;50;08 - 00;23;52;22

if it's like a mark on your skin?

00;23;52;22 - 00;23;53;18

Well, there's the thing.

00;23;53;18 - 00;23;57;21

It's up to like a jury of your peers
who are who all hate you.

00;23;57;21 - 00;23;58;29

This is so unfair.

00;23;58;29 - 00;24;01;24

Yeah.

00;24;01;24 - 00;24;02;07

okay.

00;24;02;07 - 00;24;04;16

Shouldn't even have that much money
at this point in time. Right.

00;24;04;16 - 00;24;07;17

But she was doing better off
obviously, than some people.

00;24;07;17 - 00;24;07;25

Yeah.

00;24;07;25 - 00;24;10;29

Than the man that was losing all their
crops and animals and blamed it on her.

00;24;10;29 - 00;24;13;13

Yeah. One girl lost her baby.

00;24;13;13 - 00;24;14;18

Everyone loses something.

00;24;14;18 - 00;24;17;14

They're blaming it on frickin Grace,
you know. Yeah.

00;24;17;14 - 00;24;21;07

I lost my shoe
and I think Grace swallowed it, basically.

00;24;21;22 - 00;24;24;16

all of that happened

00;24;24;16 - 00;24;28;28

the women search her body

and they cannot verify that she's a witch.

00;24;29;07 - 00;24;33;08

So She volunteered and was like,
let me be dunked.

00;24;33;19 - 00;24;37;00

Which is when they take you to a river
or body of water.

00;24;37;06 - 00;24;39;09

What they said earlier was right? Yes.

00;24;39;09 - 00;24;41;10

So the okay, I saw that in the movie.

00;24;41;10 - 00;24;45;21

So they like try to
so if you drown, then you're human.

00;24;45;21 - 00;24;50;02

But if you don't drown,
you're you're suspected of witchcraft

00;24;50;02 - 00;24;52;29

and therefore they kill you anyway
because you're a witch.

00;24;52;29 - 00;24;55;03

my gosh. I'm so happy
I was right. Yes. Okay.

00;24;55;03 - 00;24;56;21

There is speculation.

00;24;56;21 - 00;24;58;24

There were like three different times
they dumped her.

00;24;58;24 - 00;25;02;16

Only record
is that they tied a Bible around her neck.

00;25;02;27 - 00;25;05;10

And they in there, they I think they tie.

00;25;05;10 - 00;25;09;22

You're like big toe to like your thumb

or something across like your right

00;25;09;22 - 00;25;10;24

big toe to your left foot.

00;25;10;24 - 00;25;13;23

my God. trying to do right

now, it's late.

00;25;13;23 - 00;25;15;02

It's weird. So weird.

00;25;15;02 - 00;25;19;01

And then they put you in a bag

and then they take the whole body

00;25;19;01 - 00;25;22;14

or just your face, I think full body.

00;25;22;22 - 00;25;27;19

And they take you to the water

and then they drop you in

00;25;28;00 - 00;25;31;18

in as in the said,
you think you're innocent and you drown,

00;25;31;18 - 00;25;36;12

but you get to be buried
on religious property.

00;25;36;12 - 00;25;42;08

And if you're not,
if you float and save yourself only,

00;25;42;08 - 00;25;46;11

Only witches float because the idea was
water is pure, witches is are bad.

00;25;46;11 - 00;25;50;21

If you float, it's because the water
can't mix with your lack of purity.

00;25;50;28 - 00;25;52;05

So you have to float.

00;25;52;05 - 00;25;53;21

really? Yes.

00;25;53;21 - 00;25;54;24

Yes. Yeah.

00;25;54;24 - 00;25;57;25

I thought it was just like, simple,
like magical powers.

00;25;58;09 - 00;26;01;11

Well, a little bit, but mostly it's like.

00;26;01;12 - 00;26;04;26

I mean, it is like magical powers,
but it's also like they see water as pure

00;26;04;26 - 00;26;06;19

Yeah. So interesting.

00;26;06;19 - 00;26;08;27

I never heard something like,
Yeah, well, I think it's really.

00;26;08;27 - 00;26;10;11

It's like baptism.

00;26;11;14 - 00;26;13;26

you're like, washed in the Body

00;26;13;26 - 00;26;14;29

my gosh.

00;26;14;29 - 00;26;17;22

yeah. Just like the roses. Yeah.

00;26;17;22 - 00;26;21;29

So miraculously she is
gets out of the bag, gets out of her

00;26;21;29 - 00;26;26;06

restraints and swims to the surface
and makes it out alive.

00;26;26;22 - 00;26;32;08

It's so hard they were like, okay, well,
she survived, which she has to be a witch.

00;26;32;08 - 00;26;32;26

Witch.

00;26;32;26 - 00;26;37;07

She gets put in jail for seven years after,
No , they find her guilty.

00;26;37;13 - 00;26;42;14

Her husband died like before this trail
for five years before this trial.

00;26;42;14 - 00;26;45;03

So she was a widow. And she is a widow.
She's a widow.

00;26;45;03 - 00;26;49;26

So it was also bizarre
because she hadn't remarried,

00;26;49;26 - 00;26;53;13

which is weird for women at the time,
and her father had died.

00;26;53;13 - 00;26;58;00

So all of her father's land,
the acres, tons of acres I told you about,

00;26;58;00 - 00;27;01;25

she also had at this time,
she was a big ol' threat

00;27;01;25 - 00;27;02;14

Yeah.

00;27;02;14 - 00;27;06;12

She's finally released in 1714

00;27;06;14 - 00;27;09;03

and the reason they believe
she was released in this year

00;27;09;03 - 00;27;12;01

is she paid back
all the taxes on her property

00;27;12;01 - 00;27;15;01

she had not paid,
so she owed taxes while she was in jail

00;27;15;09 - 00;27;18;09

and the government
had seized her property.

00;27;18;10 - 00;27;20;19

And there was something
that hasn't changed much I guess

00;27;22;15 - 00;27;23;29

And when she got out of jail,

00;27;23;29 - 00;27;29;11

she paid back her taxes immediately
and like got her property back.

00;27;29;16 - 00;27;30;24

It was like back on top.

00;27;30;24 - 00;27;33;09

And it the story goes from there.

00;27;33;09 - 00;27;37;10

She, like, really never left her property
and she stayed to herself

00;27;37;10 - 00;27;41;26

and she died in 1740 on her property.

00;27;42;02 - 00;27;42;23

How old was she? Do you know?

00;27;42;23 - 00;27;46;24

Uh, was born in 1667

she was 80 years old.

00;27;47;09 - 00;27;49;12

Okay. At least she lives a longer life.

00;27;49;12 - 00;27;52;13

I thought they were going to kill her after that trial.

00;27;52;13 - 00;27;54;27

Well, apparently when you're a witch.

00;27;54;27 - 00;27;58;22

Okay so all the tests to see

if you're a witch could kill you.

00;27;58;22 - 00;28;02;11

But if you are a witch, all that happens
is you go to jail or get banished.

00;28;02;12 - 00;28;04;15

So that's what I thought
was going to happen to her.

00;28;04;15 - 00;28;05;16

I'm so happy.

00;28;05;16 - 00;28;07;27

I mean, it's great that she lives on 80.

00;28;07;27 - 00;28;11;22

Yeah, well,
after being accused so many times and,

00;28;11;23 - 00;28;15;27

you know, tried so many times
and she still sustained a life till 80.

00;28;15;27 - 00;28;18;27

I mean, after her husband,
after all that so

00;28;19;04 - 00;28;22;04

strong ass bitch right there.

00;28;22;05 - 00;28;22;15

Yeah.

00;28;22;15 - 00;28;26;16

She was the last person
to be convicted of witchcraft in Virginia

00;28;26;16 - 00;28;29;03

It didn't happen a lot in Virginia,
but yeah, surprising.

00;28;29;03 - 00;28;31;12

We're like backwoods and we have a lot of.

00;28;31;12 - 00;28;31;22

Yeah.

00;28;31;22 - 00;28;36;12

What's the is
what from what I'm reading on this podcast

00;28;36;12 - 00;28;40;20

and through our research Virginia
was not as I mean it was religious.

00;28;40;20 - 00;28;44;14

We had Bible Belt communities
and stuff like that, but overall

00;28;44;14 - 00;28;49;19

it was less religious
than other parts of America at the time.

00;28;49;20 - 00;28;52;06

AH what It's going to be America
at the time.

00;28;52;06 - 00;28;56;21

And so interesting though,
because going to a story with witchcraft

00;28;57;00 - 00;29;01;18

and my family, it's not so much on
my mom's side or my dad's side.

00;29;01;28 - 00;29;07;10

His granny had a lot of stories
about a witch that lives, you know,

00;29;07;10 - 00;29;11;04

they lived in Virginia
and this was back in Lynchburg.

00;29;11;09 - 00;29;11;26

No, no, no.

00;29;11;26 - 00;29;15;01

She lived in like more Amherst area. Okay.

00;29;15;04 - 00;29;16;16

And she was like a witchy area.

00;29;16;16 - 00;29;17;13

It is.

00;29;17;13 - 00;29;20;18

It's like really
there's a ton of backwoods now.

00;29;20;19 - 00;29;21;22

You know, obviously,

00;29;21;22 - 00;29;26;00

everywhere is being converted into,
you know, a lot of apartments or whatever.

00;29;26;01 - 00;29;29;05

But back in the this was in, gosh,

00;29;29;18 - 00;29;33;20

the thirties, I'd say, okay, 1930s, okay.

00;29;33;22 - 00;29;37;04

When my great grandmother,

00;29;37;04 - 00;29;40;24

my dad's grandmother was young,
she was about like seven.

00;29;41;01 - 00;29;45;14

And they lived across
from what they called was a witch.

00;29;45;14 - 00;29;49;18

And it's exactly like Grace Sherwood
what she had the herbs

00;29;49;18 - 00;29;53;10

people came to her
for loads of different illnesses.

00;29;53;10 - 00;29;54;02

wow.

00;29;54;02 - 00;29;58;14

Women who were pregnant even, you know,
like, what can I do to ease this?

00;29;58;14 - 00;30;00;00

What can I do to ease that?

00;30;00;00 - 00;30;02;23

So, you know,
kind of like the midwife in a way.

00;30;02;23 - 00;30;06;17

my great grandmother, my dad's
granny told him that there was a story

00;30;06;17 - 00;30;08;21

where she was playing
with, like a few of these boys,

00;30;08;21 - 00;30;12;16

the witch lives like four blocks down
a certain okay.

00;30;12;23 - 00;30;15;29

were talking about her and they were like,
Well, let's go visit her.

00;30;16;07 - 00;30;19;02

Let's see if she's really a witch,
you know?

00;30;19;02 - 00;30;22;22

And we, you know, we just think
that she's making concoctions.

00;30;22;22 - 00;30;24;28

She's not really a witch,
so let's go test her.

00;30;24;28 - 00;30;27;29

Well,
you know, young boys, 12 or something.

00;30;28;13 - 00;30;30;06

Yeah, absolutely.

00;30;30;06 - 00;30;33;25

And so she was like, okay, fine,
but I'm not going to do anything.

00;30;34;01 - 00;30;37;15

You know, she she knew better because
she had heard from probably like her,

00;30;38;03 - 00;30;39;28

her parents, my great grandparents.

00;30;39;28 - 00;30;42;01

Like, don't mess up, girl.

00;30;42;01 - 00;30;43;22

Yeah, like, don't.

00;30;43;22 - 00;30;48;12

so I went down

and my father told me that once

00;30;48;12 - 00;30;52;22

they reached her house,

she had a house on a small hill.

00;30;53;03 - 00;30;56;08

And there were these concrete steps

that were there

00;30;56;08 - 00;30;59;14

leading up to the house

so you couldn't see anything.

00;30;59;14 - 00;31;03;08

But like the top of the door when you're

down there looking at the house.

00;31;03;12 - 00;31;04;21

Right.

00;31;04;21 - 00;31;06;21

And so they come out.

00;31;06;21 - 00;31;09;18

So they're standing at the steps. Yes.

00;31;09;18 - 00;31;11;21

At the bottom of the steps over.

00;31;11;21 - 00;31;13;22

And it's kind of going up a hill

00;31;13;22 - 00;31;16;05

so they can't see the front door

except for the top.

00;31;16;05 - 00;31;17;26

Okay. So these are steep.

00;31;17;26 - 00;31;19;27

Yes, very steep stats.

00;31;19;27 - 00;31;23;28

And so they're looking up
and they're laughing and making noise.

00;31;23;28 - 00;31;27;03

And no, you go
now you go and you go knock on her door.

00;31;27;09 - 00;31;32;13

So while they're standing outside,
one of the kids had brought a broom

00;31;32;23 - 00;31;36;09

and they had heard from
their grandparents, great grandparents.

00;31;36;18 - 00;31;40;09

If you put a broom in front of witch
she is not able

00;31;40;09 - 00;31;43;24

to step over it,
someone goes and knocks on her door.

00;31;44;03 - 00;31;48;03

I don't know what who it was
because my granny, my great grandmother

00;31;48;17 - 00;31;52;23

was with like five different people
and, you know, neighborhood kids.

00;31;52;24 - 00;31;54;14

Yeah. there was no answer.

00;31;54;14 - 00;31;57;05

And then they come down,
they're still in front of her house

00;31;57;05 - 00;31;59;17

and they're making a ruckus
and laughing and playing.

00;31;59;17 - 00;32;04;03

And then the witch supposedly comes out
and she's like,

00;32;04;26 - 00;32;07;13

Who knocked on my door really loud?

00;32;07;13 - 00;32;08;07

they can't see her.

00;32;08;07 - 00;32;10;20

They can like,

maybe see a top of her head.

00;32;10;20 - 00;32;14;24

they all got quiet and they're like,

are you really a witch?

00;32;15;07 - 00;32;16;22

And she said something.

00;32;16;22 - 00;32;18;16

I can't remember what my dad said

00;32;18;16 - 00;32;22;08

something along the lines of like,

So what if I am basically okay?

00;32;22;10 - 00;32;25;10

She's like,
you know or people talk or whatever.

00;32;25;12 - 00;32;28;20

And then they were like, Well,
why don't you come down here

00;32;28;27 - 00;32;32;06

and we can talk about it
And she was up there

00;32;32;06 - 00;32;35;07

and right away she goes, I'm
not coming down there to move that broom.

00;32;35;21 - 00;32;39;09

And she like, There's no way
that she could see, like through a window

00;32;39;09 - 00;32;44;00

even you can't see because it's
yeah, it's so steep you can't see.

00;32;44;00 - 00;32;45;11

And it was just a dirt road.

00;32;45;11 - 00;32;48;00

It wasn't like a sidewalk.

It was a dirt road.

00;32;48;00 - 00;32;52;24

She lived like backwoods,
you know, and not no neighbors either.

00;32;52;24 - 00;32;55;24

It's like she had, like,
probably two acres of land.

00;32;55;25 - 00;32;56;04

Yeah.

00;32;56;04 - 00;32;59;14

So they walk that two acres
because they only walk, like for blocks.

00;32;59;16 - 00;33;03;19

She, she had land, you know, yeah,
she could not see that thing

00;33;03;19 - 00;33;08;07

and she just right away

I was like, I will save that for a sec.

00;33;08;21 - 00;33;10;01

And they, they ran.

00;33;10;01 - 00;33;14;01

They were so scared, you know,

they were just frightened after that.

00;33;14;10 - 00;33;19;04

that was just like the first proof

of that lady being a witch. Yes.

00;33;19;04 - 00;33;24;26

And also, you know, it's just my great

grandmother, my dad's granny.

00;33;24;27 - 00;33;28;28

You know she they were very Christian,

but they didn't they belonged.

00;33;29;03 - 00;33;31;08

They thought it was all whoha.

You know. They thought it was all

00;33;31;08 - 00;33;32;29

baloney. Baloney.

00;33;32;29 - 00;33;35;18

that really prove something

because there was no way

00;33;35;18 - 00;33;36;23

she could have known that.

00;33;36;23 - 00;33;42;08

Yeah, she was a you know, there was

no even looking out any kind of window.

00;33;42;08 - 00;33;45;08

She was an outside.

She was inside and yeah,

00;33;45;13 - 00;33;48;13

Do you want to tell our listeners

00;33;48;19 - 00;33;51;26

how many EHHs you rate?

00;33;52;12 - 00;33;54;04

Grace Sherwood?

00;33;54;04 - 00;33;56;14

So, Grace Sherwood,

00;33;56;14 - 00;34;01;13

I don't believe there's a lot of haunting
that has been done.

00;34;02;07 - 00;34;04;27

So therefore it's not too much.

00;34;04;27 - 00;34;09;05

So therefore with the
story, it's very interesting.

00;34;10;07 - 00;34;11;10

I probably give it

00;34;11;10 - 00;34;15;23

like four EEHs for the scare factor

four EEHs, but

00;34;15;23 - 00;34;21;17

six EHHs for learning your information

about powerful women.

00;34;21;17 - 00;34;23;13

Yeah, love that. Absolutely.

00;34;23;13 - 00;34;28;05

Seis EHHs for the pod

four EHHs for Miss Grace Sherwood.

00;34;28;11 - 00;34;29;01

Absolutely.

00;34;29;01 - 00;34;32;05

And her story is Grace

is this If he had been scarier,

00;34;32;05 - 00;34;35;05

you know, like maybe there's a story

about you scratching with somebody

00;34;35;05 - 00;34;39;26

or whispers money's ear,
then it would be a little scarier.

00;34;39;26 - 00;34;43;00

But there's not much recollection of you,
which is sad.

00;34;43;00 - 00;34;48;06

You should come and maybe,
maybe haunt the statue

00;34;48;07 - 00;34;52;26

This is why your family has stuff going on you're,
just inviting spirits to come.

00;34;54;10 - 00;34;58;27

I just want all of them to feel seen
and heard, even in the afterlife.

00;34;59;13 - 00;35;01;28

Well, hopefully the podcast

00;35;01;28 - 00;35;04;23

gives her a legacy,
and that's how she's seen in heard.

00;35;04;23 - 00;35;06;03

Yeah. Yeah.

00;35;06;03 - 00;35;08;05

But you actually didn't have a bad life
babe.

00;35;08;05 - 00;35;09;05

I mean, she really didn't.

00;35;09;05 - 00;35;12;04

She lived to 80 and she didn't get maimed.

00;35;12;04 - 00;35;17;13

She gets any limbs cut off,
she'd get burnt.

00;35;17;15 - 00;35;21;04

You know, they dunked her under water

and I mean what

00;35;21;04 - 00;35;24;20

woman haven't been through that

And that's what she did

00;35;24;20 - 00;35;28;29

suffer some injustices

but. who didn't as a lady.

00;35;29;10 - 00;35;32;17

no. I mean, she had to pay for a lot,

but she still had her land.

00;35;32;17 - 00;35;33;14

She never lost it.

00;35;33;14 - 00;35;36;02

Apparently. So, yeah. I mean,

00;35;37;01 - 00;35;38;01

as far as.

00;35;38;01 - 00;35;40;28

I mean,

yeah, she didn't have the worst story.

00;35;40;28 - 00;35;42;00

And honestly,

00;35;42;00 - 00;35;45;17

if she didn't have that land,

none of this probably would have happened.

00;35;45;17 - 00;35;48;16

Or so she paid the consequences.

00;35;48;16 - 00;35;49;12

You're right.

00;35;49;12 - 00;35;51;01

She being a strong ass.

00;35;51;01 - 00;35;54;12

Yeah, but next time.

00;35;54;12 - 00;35;57;12

But with me is with a story that is

00;35;57;25 - 00;36;00;26

decrepit depraved.

00;36;00;26 - 00;36;03;28

Are you challenging me?

00;36;03;28 - 00;36;06;17

I am challenging because to bring me that.

00;36;06;17 - 00;36;08;09

Good, good, good.

00;36;08;09 - 00;36;10;10

Thank you for coming so much.

00;36;10;10 - 00;36;14;19

And tune in next time for EEH!

00;36;16;04 - 00;36;18;05

Hey, thanks for having me.

00;36;18;05 - 00;36;19;02

Love you.

00;36;19;02 - 00;36;19;29

Bye. Love you.

00;36;19;29 - 00;36;22;29

Long time, baby. No.

00;36;23;09 - 00;36;28;18

[Song "Elisha's Eerie History" by Sydney followed by drum break.]