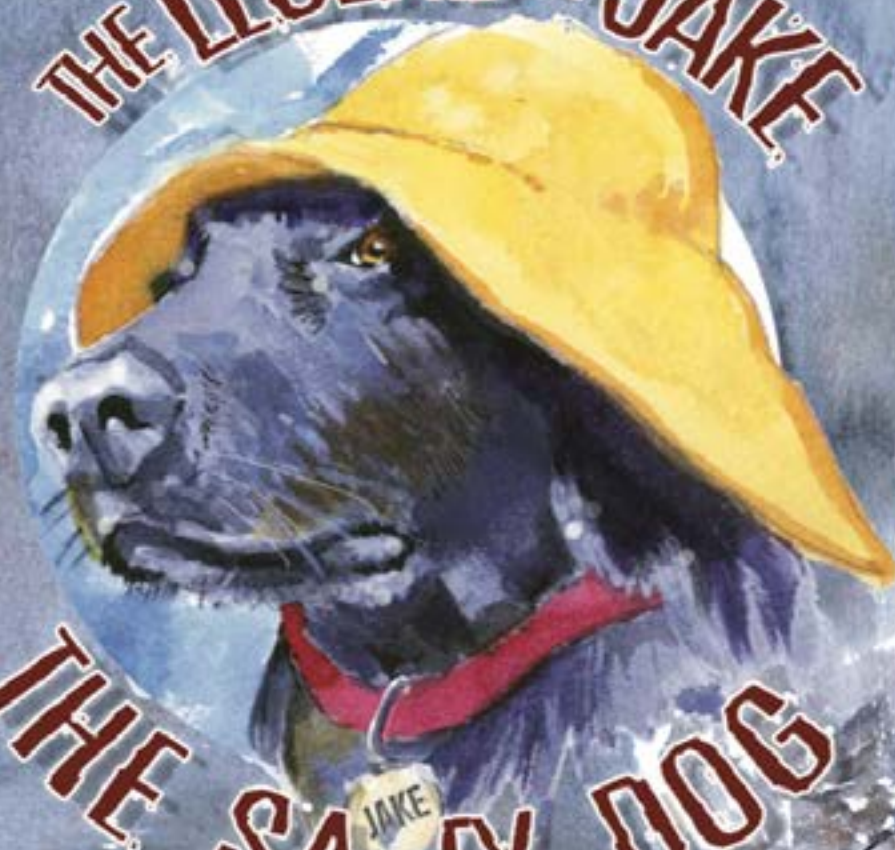


# THE LEGEND OF JAKE THE SALTY DOG

A detailed illustration of a dog's head, likely a Weimaraner, wearing a bright yellow floppy hat. The dog has a red collar with a gold tag that reads 'JAKE'. The background is a textured, greyish-blue wash.

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Let's go down south....  
to the beach!





South Beach is the home  
of Captain John and his  
best friend, Jake.



John earned his living as a fisherman.





John earned his living as a fisherman.

Jake shared John's love for the sea.





Early one Friday morning, John  
powered up their 36-foot fishing  
vessel and headed for  
the deep blue sea.



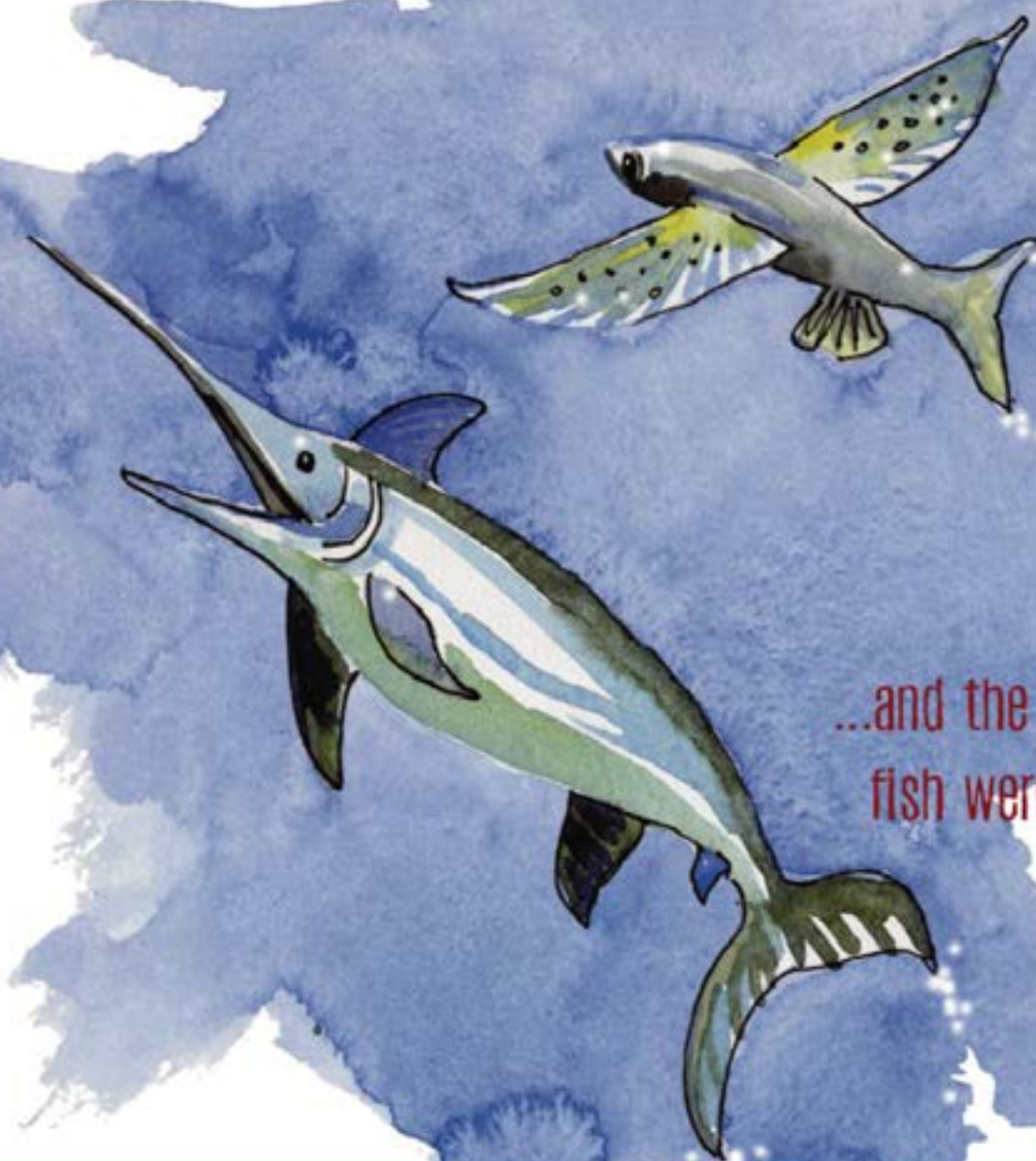


It was a good  
day for fishing.



The fish were practically jumping into the boat.

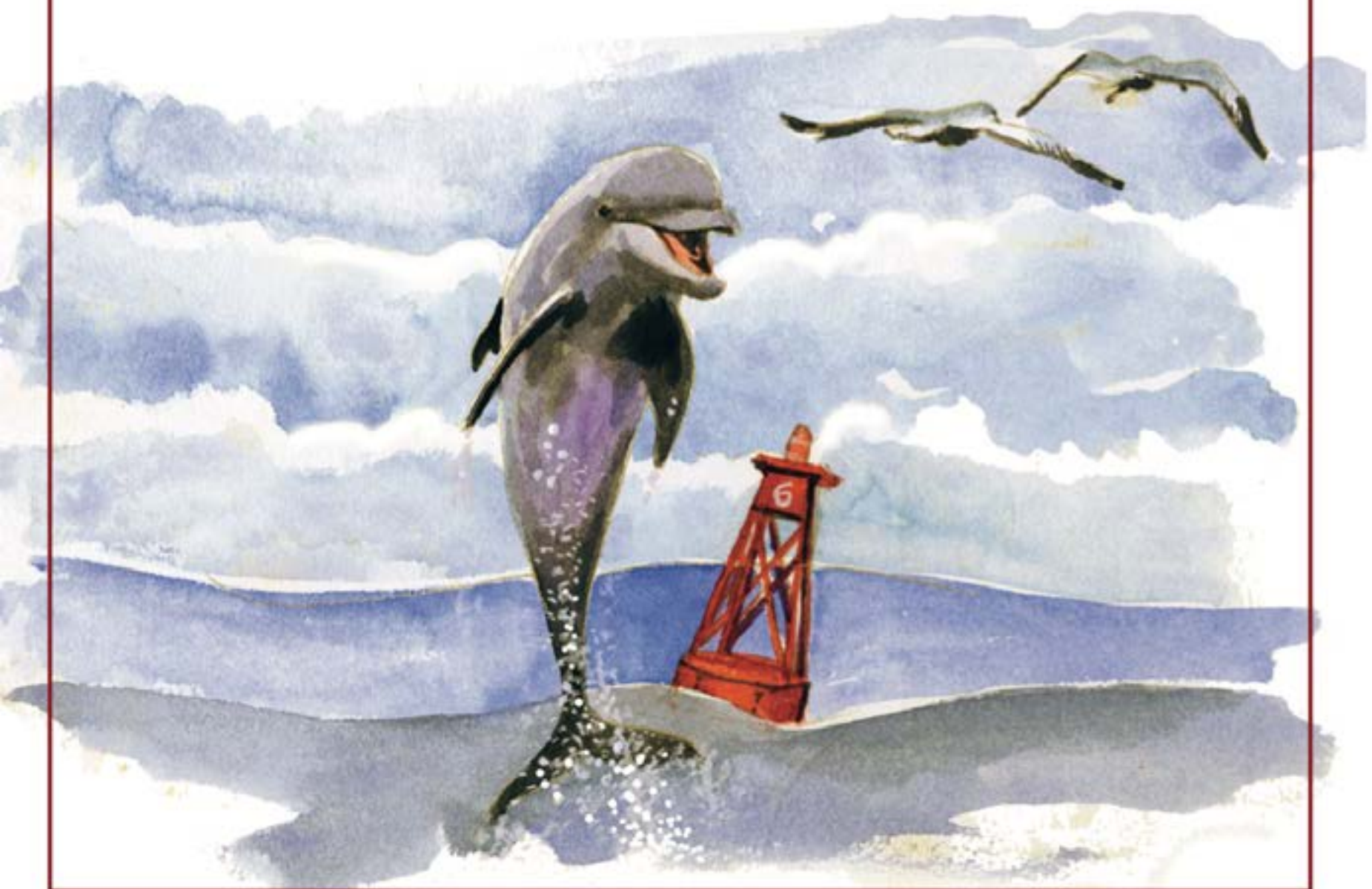
The flying fish were flying...



...and the jumping  
fish were jumping.



A dolphin jumped so high that he was flying!



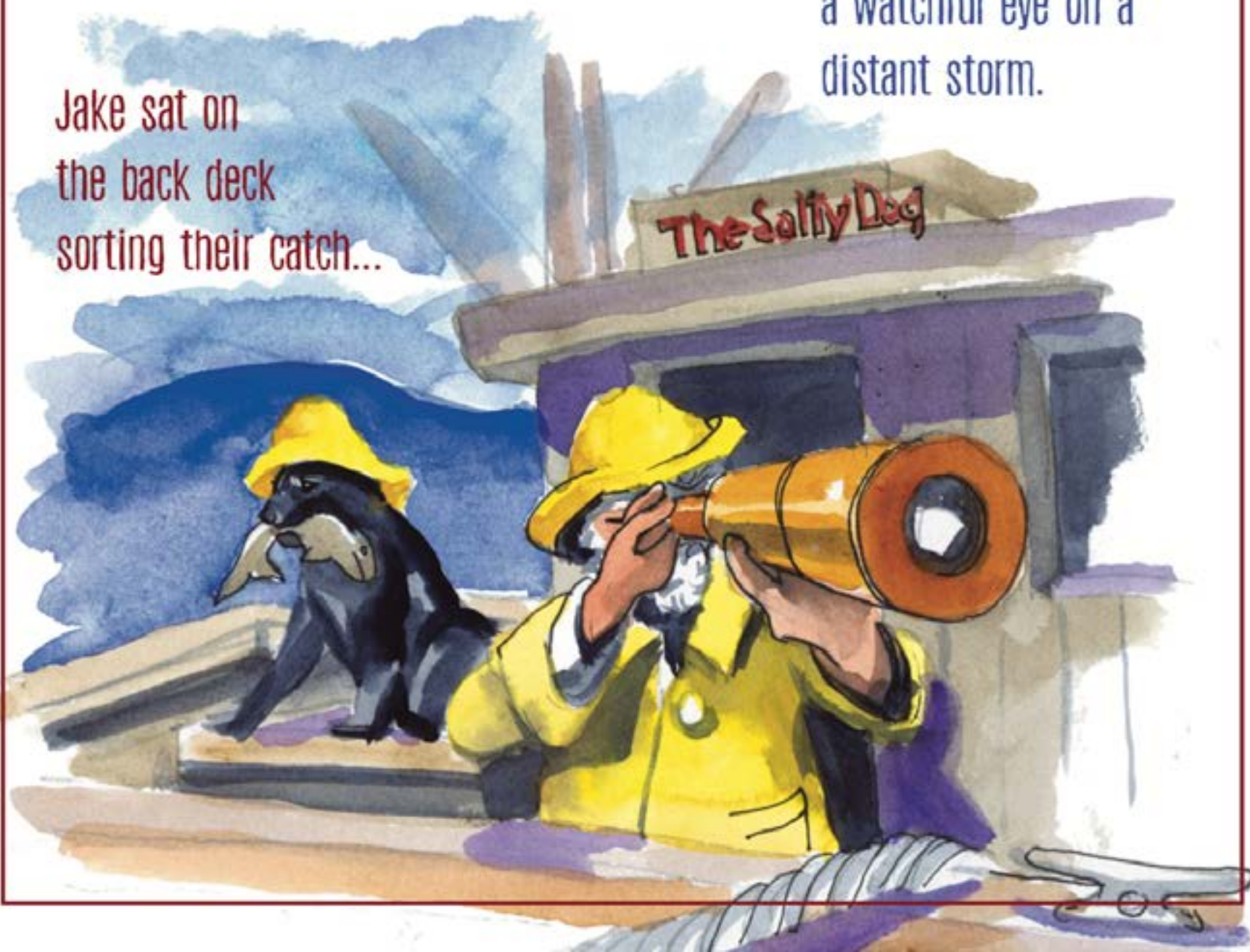
A chorus of sea gulls sang their praises to a beautiful day.





...while John kept  
a watchful eye on a  
distant storm.

Jake sat on  
the back deck  
sorting their catch...



Suddenly, the sky began to darken  
and the wind whipped to 60 knots.





Then out of nowhere, the Salty Dog  
was slammed by a 20-foot rogue wave.



Jake dug his paws  
into the deck and  
tried to fend off the  
storm with his  
mightiest growl.



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But it was too late... The next 20-footer  
engulfed the small craft.

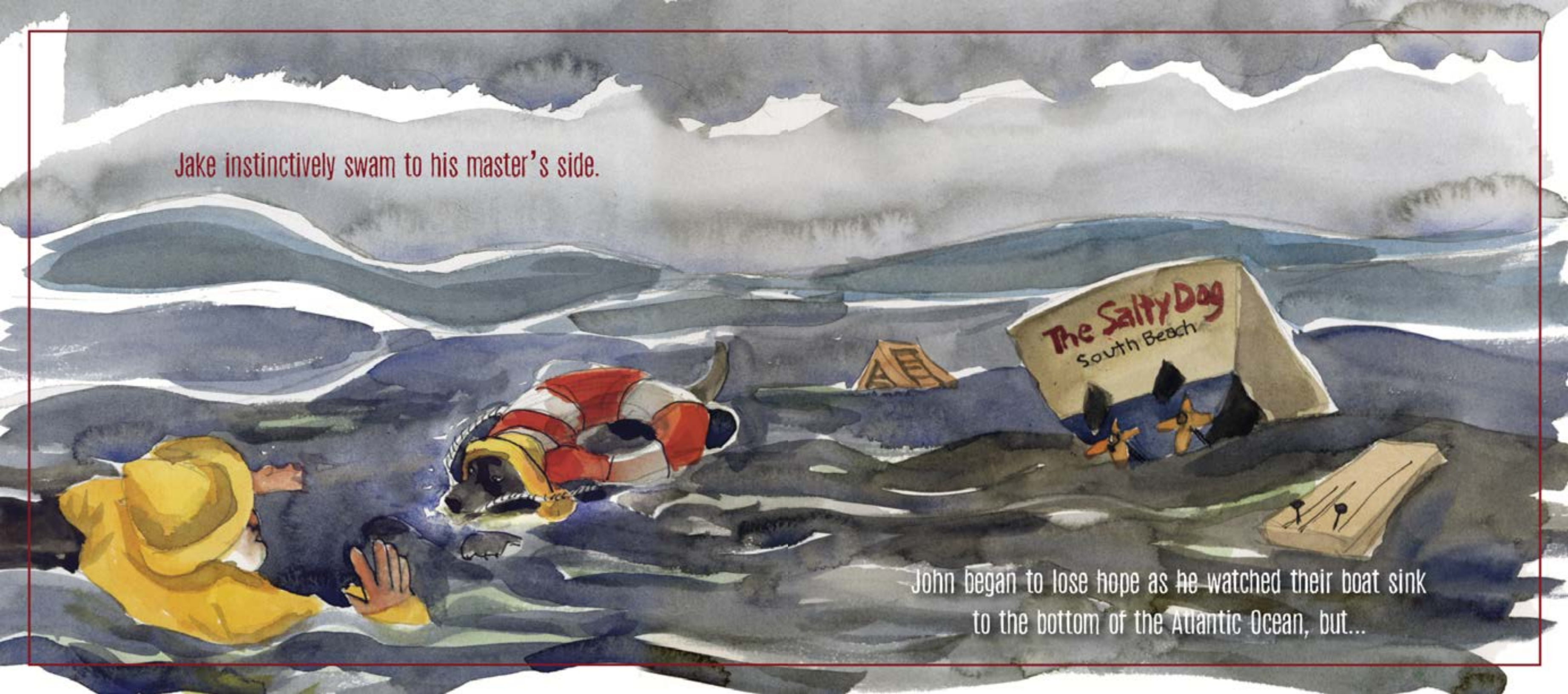


Jake and John were tossed into the raging sea.



Jake instinctively swam to his master's side.

John began to lose hope as he watched their boat sink to the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean, but...





Jake refused to give up. He paddled hard and headed in a westerly direction.



Jake swam for 3 days...



...and 3 nights  
with John holding  
fast to his collar..

Jake just kept going until...



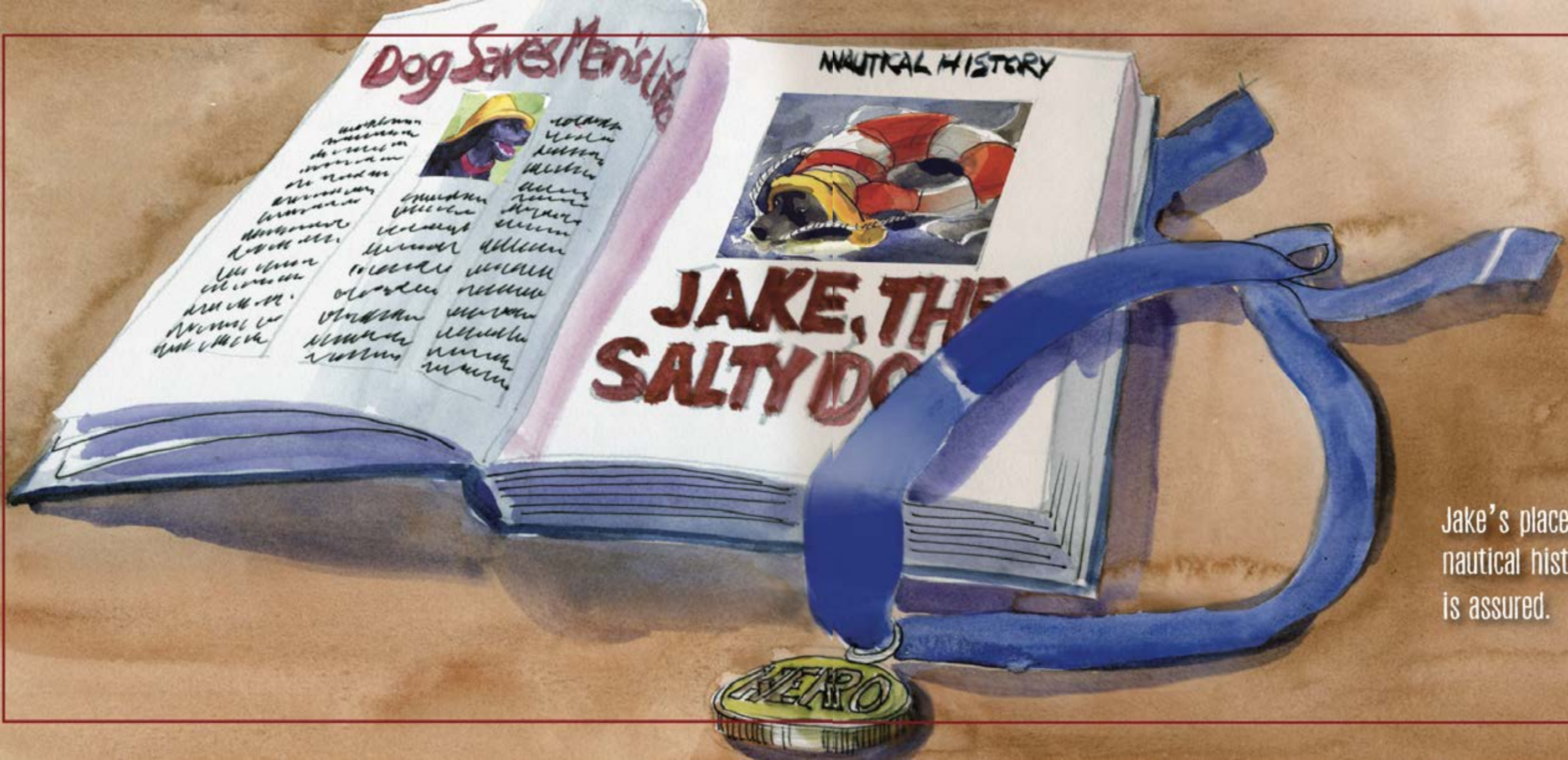


...he had paddled all the way back to South Beach.



Jake had saved their lives!





Jake's place in  
nautical history  
is assured.



The end.

