

Lord Van Maldegem

Once upon a time Lord Van Maldegem went hunting near Bruges. He couldn't find any wild animals.

When he was leaning against a lime tree, he saw a shepherd with horn. He asked the shepherd where he got the horn from. The shepherd answered that he had to leave that place or he would blow the horn. 36 thieves would show up if he blew the horn.

Lord Van Maldegem didn't believe it. He grabbed the horn and blew it himself. Soon 36 thieves showed up and stood around the man. Lord Van Maldegem was scared. The thieves looked very mean.

Luckily, one of the thieves used to help him for seven years. He recognized Lord Van Maldegem. He begged his friends not to kill his former master. Lord Van Maldegem gave the thieves some money.

The thieves let him go if he promised 1 thing. He couldn't never talk about what he had seen.

As soon as Lord Van Maldegem arrived in Bruges, he took off his shoe and in the sand he wrote with his toe where the thieves were hiding.

In no time soldiers went to the woods of Maldegem and the thieves were caught.

The thieves were locked in the dungeon of Reesinghe with one loaf of bread and a jar of water each. They could not escape. Their awful screams were heard for days.

Lord Van Maldegem never returned to his castle in Reesinghe. The lime trees grew. The castle fell apart. The dungeon never opened.

Ever since that period ghosts are haunting Reesinghe and people are walking by the castle faster than before.