

# Saturday Matinee, Circa 1961

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The intrepid group, stranded  
by storm and shipwreck  
on the unknown tropical isle,

exercise Victorian ingenuity  
and imitate, in rustic media, Home--  
orthogonal, European, age of steam technology.

We are impressed and cheer them on  
in their struggle against the wild  
and unkempt ravages of nature

which, were it not for the bamboo  
picket fence delineating property,  
would swallow them whole.

