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QUEER WIND NAMES

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Until comparatively modern times man's outlook upon weather events was strictly parochial. He knew the habitual weather of his own locality, but he rarely thought of comparing it with that of other localities and thus arriving at general principles by the now familiar process of induction. Thus it happened that a great many local examples of widely disseminated types of wind acquired local names, and hundreds of these names survive at the present day. Not all of them are recorded in dictionaries. Many may be gleaned from the voluminous "pilots," or sailing directions, issued by national hydrographic offices; others from meteorological and geographical literature. I am glad to place the following, free of charge, at the disposal of cross-word puzzlers:

bayamo	kossava	mumuku	shamal
belat	laheimar	nashi	solore
bohorok	leste	nemere	suhaili
breva	leveche	odouine	tarantata
gharra	loo	oe	tebbad
imbat	minuana	raggiatura	tivano
joran	morget	rebat	vaudaire

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