An Expedition in Exclamations. An Examination of Explanations.

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INTRODUCTION

WHAT YOU NOW READ

IS A

CLICHÉ ART EXHIBIT

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ABOUT THE ARTIST

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Is A CLICHÉ ARTIST

WHO BECAME INTERESTED IN

CLICHÉ ART

IN AN ATTEMPT TO

DRAW HIS OWN CONCLUSIONS

out of a bewildering array day to day events.

As he searched to read between the lines he also aspired to write between the words in an overall effort to provide meaning and inference to a series of statements relative to obtaining a conceptual understanding of all facets of human endeavors. It is hoped that by reading the words you can gain a sense of appreciation for the subtle effects of clichés in an idiomatic world.

CONCEPTION

THE BOOK

EXHIBITION

WAS CONCEIVED

OUT OF THE DESIRE

TO WRITE LYRICS.

THIS BOOK

CONTAINS THE LYRICS

FOR THE SONG

AS THE CROW FLIES

BENEDICTION

TO THE ETERNAL PURSUIT

OF THE ICING

ON THE CAKE.

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ARE YOU CONTENT WITH YOUR LOT IN LIFE?

WILL YOU SETTLE FOR DRAWING STRAWS

OR ARE YOU SEEKING TO SUCCEED

BY SIMPLY TAKING MATTERS

INTO YOUR OWN HANDS?

DO YOU HAVE A LOT?

IF YOU DO

THEN YOU CAN EITHER

BUILD A HOUSE ON A PLOT OF LAND

OR JUST BUILD CASTLES IN THE SAND.

EXHIBIT A

DO YOU EXHIBIT INHIBITIONS OR INHIBIT EXHIBITIONS?

DID YOU INHERIT A TYPE A PERSONALITY,

ACQUIRE A TYPE **B** TENDENCY

OR OBTAIN A TYPE **O** ANTIBODY?

A POSED QUESTION

IF YOU HAD TO CHOOSE

WOULD YOU RATHER

WREAK HAVOC

OR

PLAY POSSUM.

HOW ARE YOU?

YOU ARE NOT

WHO YOU WERE.

YOU ARE NOT

WHAT YOU EAT.

YOU ARE NOT

WHAT YOU SEE.

YOU ARE NOT

WHAT YOU HEAR.

YOU ARE NOT

WHAT YOU WEAR.

YOU ARE

WHAT YOU KNOW.

YOU ARE

WHO YOU ARE.

NIP AND TUCK

IT IS A MATTER OF OPINION WHETHER OR NOT A MISS IS AS GOOD AS A MILE.

MORE OFTEN THAN NOT THEY ARE NIP AND TUCK.

SUCCESS IS NOTHING TO SNEEZE AT AND FAILURE IS JUST A SLIP OF THE PEN.

IF YOU CAN STOP ON A DIME YET MAINTAIN AN EVEN KEEL AND KEEP ON YOUR TOES WHILE ON YOUR LAST LEGS AND ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT IF YOU CAN PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER THEN YOU WILL BE IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL.

CONSENSUS

VISIT ALL THE VIEWPOINTS SURVEY ALL THE SURROUNDINGS PROVIDE ALL THE POSSIBILITIES DOCUMENT ALL THE DISCOVERIES INTEGRATE ALL THE ISSUES CRITIQUE ALL THE CRITERIA EXAMINE ALL THE EXCLAMATIONS! CONSIDER ALL THE CONSEQUENCES UNDERSTAND ALL THE UNDERSTATEMENTS REASON ALL THE RELEVANCIES RESOLVE ALL THE RESERVATIONS REVIEW ALL THE REQUIREMENTS

THE RUDIMENTS OF UNDERSTANDING

INSPIRATION TRANSPIRATION ACQUISITION **INTERPRETATION** COMPREHENSION **EXCITATION** CONTRIBUTION ORGANIZATION DETERMINATION **EXHILARATION REVOLUTION INTROSPECTION**

RESOLUTION

MAKE

DO YOU INTEND TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND MAKE A POINT OR MAKE A FACE AND MAKE BELIEVE. IF YOU CAN MAKE ENDS MEET AND MAKE DUE THEN YOU WILL MAKE TRACKS AND MAKE SENSE.

IF YOU CAN MAKE THE MOST OF IT AND MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME THEN YOU WILL MAKE YOUR MARK AND MAKE THE GRADE.

IF YOU CAN MAKE HASTE AND MAKE WAVES THEN YOU WILL MAKE GOOD AND YOU WILL HAVE IT MADE.

HOLD THE FORT

HOLD THE FORT OR ELSE YOUR HOLE IN THE WALL WILL BE IN THE DOG HOUSE AND YOU WILL FEEL YOU HAVE TO JUMP IN THE LAKE TO SEE IF YOU CAN SINK OR SWIM.

IF YOU HIT BOTTOM YOU MAY HIT THE CEILING AND RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER YOU FIND YOU'VE GIVEN UP THE GHOST ONLY TO COME FULL CIRCLE AND BEGIN ONCE AGAIN TO HIT THE HIGH ROAD.

THE PRICE OF TEA

DO YOU REALLY NEED A LEFT AND A RIGHT WING TO FLY?

POLITICAL CONSTERNATION TRIVIAL PERSUASION.

PUT YOUR SHOULDER TO THE WHEEL BUT KEEP YOUR NOSE AWAY FROM THE GRINDSTONE. IT IS JUST A PARTING OF THE WAYS

> RIGHT – LEFT UP - DOWN IN – OUT BEFORE – BEYOND

ALL STAND TO REASON. THEY'RE JUST THE TEMPEST IN THE TEAPOT, NEITHER HERE NOR THERE BUT THEY ALL DETERMINE THE PRICE OF TEA IN CHINA.

THE DRAGON IS THE FORERUNNER OF THE CRANE. JUST A PASSING GLANCE WHATEVER CATCHES YOUR EYE ONCE AND FOR ALL WILL REMAIN SIGHT UNSEEN IN THIN AIR UNTIL YOU FIND YOUR SECOND WIND AND FLY IN THE FACE OF DESTINY.

HANG IN THE BALANCE AND KEEP YOUR EYES IN THE BACK OF YOUR HEAD.

> TO ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES WHEN PUSH COMES TO SHOVE YOU WILL TIP THE SCALES.

OVER AND OUT

IF YOU THINK YOU'RE OVER THE HUMP

GET ON WITH IT.

YOU MAY REALLY BE OVER A BARREL.

DON'T GET OUT OF KILTER OR THINGS MAY GET OUT OF HAND AND BE OUT OF KEEPING WITH YOUR PART AND PARCEL.

IF YOU ARE OUT OF WHACK SPEAK OUT OF TURN OR SING OUT OF TUNE YOU MAY BE OUT ON A LIMB.

DON'T GET OUT OF SHAPE OR OUT OF NOWHERE YOU WILL BE OUT OF LINE AND OUT OF THE RUNNING AND YOU MAY FIND YOURSELF OUT OF COMMISSION AND OVER YOUR HEAD.

A GRAIN OF SALT

CAN YOU SECOND GUESS THE SITUATION OR WILL YOU HAVE SECOND THOUGHTS.

YOU WILL NOT HAVE TO PLAY SECOND FIDDLE OR BE SECOND BEST IF YOUR SECOND NATURE CAN COME TO THE FOREFRONT.

> YOU KNOW IT IS ONLY A LAST RESORT TO BE LAST BUT NOT LEAST BECAUSE YOU CAN BE FIRST AND FOREMOST AND SET THE PACE.

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SETTLE DOWN AND HOLD ONTO YOUR HAT.

IT'S NO SMALL WONDER THAT AS YOU HIT THE BIG TIME YOU FIND YOURSELF SMACK DAB IN THE MIDDLE OF A SONG AND DANCE.

DON'T SPREAD YOURSELF TOO THIN OR YOU WILL HAVE A FAT CHANCE AND END UP AS A STICK IN THE MUD ALL THE WHILE THINKING YOU ARE SITTING PRETTY.

IF YOU TURN UP YOUR NOSE THEN YOU WILL HAVE TO PAY THROUGH THE NOSE AND BE LEAD AROUND BY THE EAR.

STRIKE A HAPPY MEDIUM.

YOU WON'T NEED TO TAKE A BACK SEAT AND YOU WILL CARRY YOUR OWN WEIGHT.

TAKE HEART AND TAKE HEED.

TAKE CHARGE AND TAKE CARE.

TAKE ENOUGH LIBERTIES AND YOU WILL TAKE IT TO THE EDGE.

IF YOU CAN TAKE IT IN STRIDE THEN YOU WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT AND NOT BE SO TAKEN ABACK BY EVERY LITTLE WHIM THAT COMES ALONG.

NEVER LET ANYONE TAKE YOUR BREATH AWAY OR IT WILL TAKE THE WIND OUT OF YOUR SAILS AND THE WORDS OUT OF YOUR MOUTH.

TELL IT LIKE IT IS AND THANK YOUR LUCKY STARS YOU ARE MORE THAN JUST A LEAF IN THE WIND.

> THROW CAUTION TO THE WIND AND NEVER THROW IN THE TOWEL.

IF YOU CAN MAKE TO THE Nth DEGREE YOU MAY BE TOUCH AND GO BUT YOU WILL TURN OUT.

> DO NOT GET TRIPPED UP BY A TURN OF THE TIDE.

SIMPLY TURN OVER A NEW LEAF AND KICK UP YOUR HEELS.

IF YOU DO UPSET THE APPLE CART YOU MAY BECOME UP IN ARMS UNTIL YOU CAN GAIN THE UPPER HAND AND BECOME ONCE AGAIN RIGHT UP YOUR ALLEY.

IT'S ALL WELL AND GOOD TO BE WELL TO DO AS LONG AS YOU CAN STILL TELL WHICH IS WHICH AND WHO IS WHO.

YOU CAN STILL BE WITHIN BOUNDS AND MAKE IT WITH FLYING COLORS.

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HEAD START

WHEN THE CHIPS ARE DOWN AND THERE'S JUST NO PLACE TO RUN. PUT YOUR CARDS ON THE TABLE AND DRAW A WILD CARD.

> TAKE A LONG BREATH, HEAVE A HEAVY SIGH.

'CAUSE WHEN YOU'RE IN BETWEEN THE DEVIL AND THE DEEP BLUE SEA IF YOU SET YOUR SIGHTS ON THE SHORE YOUR SHIP WILL COME IN.

> EVERY FISH OUT OF WATER WILL SOMEDAY HAVE ITS SAY.

READ BETWEEN THE LINES OF TIME AND MEASURE UP TO THE MOMENT.

YOUR HEYDAY WILL NEVER ARRIVE AS LONG AS YOU HAVE YOUR HANDS FULL.

IF YOU FIND YOURSELF HEAD OVER HEELS, KEEP YOUR HEAD ABOVE THE WATER AND HEAD FOR THE HILLS.

KEEP YOUR CHIN UP.

GET ON YOUR HIGH HORSE, SIT IN THE SADDLE AND RUN THE GAUNTLET.

IF YOU CAN MAKE HEADS OR TAILS OF A MATTER OF FACT AND NEVER LOOK YOUR GIFT HORSE IN THE MOUTH THEN YOU WILL HAVE A HEAD START AND IN GOOD MEASURE THE NEEDLE IN YOUR HAYSTACK WILL BECOME AS PLAIN AS THE NOSE ON YOUR FACE.

WALK OF LIFE

WHAT IS YOUR WALK OF LIFE?

IS IT A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE OR A WALK DOWN THE PLANK?

ARE YOU THE PAR FOR THE COURSE OR THE CREAM OF THE CROP?

SHOULD YOU GET A PAT ON THE BACK FOR A JOB WELL DONE OR ARE YOU A FLASH IN THE PAN FOR HAVING GONE WITH THE WIND?

DON'T FLY OFF THE HANDLE.

REMEMBER YOU'RE NOT OUT OF THE WOODS YET.

ALL IN ALL IT HAS BEEN SAID WE'RE JUST ALONG FOR THE RIDE.

IF YOU NEED THE RIGHT OF WAY RUN TRUE TO FORM AND SEE YOUR WAY CLEAR.

HITCH YOUR WAGON TO A STAR AND PULL YOURSELF UP BY YOUR BOOTSTRAPS.

> TAKE THE BULL BY THE HORNS, FOLLOW YOUR NOSE AND BY THE SKIN OF YOUR TEETH YOU WILL RISE TO THE OCCASION AND FOREVER AND A DAY YOU WILL GO TO GREAT LENGTHS.

GET

DON'T GET OFF ON THE WRONG FOOT OR YOU WON'T GET OFF THE GROUND.

DON'T LET SOMEONE GET YOUR GOAT OR YOU MIGHT GET THE RUNAROUND.

DON'T GET ON MY NERVES AND PLEASE GET OFF MY BACK. YOU KNOW YOU CAN GET OFF EASY IF YOU JUST GET DOWN TO BRASS TACKS.

IF YOU JUST GET YOUR FEET WET THEN YOU CAN GET THE FEEL OF IT. YOU'LL REALLY GET A MOVE ON IT AND YOU WILL GET THE JUMP ON IT.

IF YOU CAN GET THE LAST LAUGH THEN YOU WILL GET TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER. LET'S GET THIS SHOW ON THE ROAD AND YOU WILL GET THE PICTURE.

I'VE GOT TO GET A WORD IN EDGEWISE AND I'VE GOT TO GET THROUGH TO YOU.

IF YOU THINK YOU'RE AS GOOD AS YOU GET, GET A CLUE.

PROSPECTIVE PERSPECTIVE

THE GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER ON THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON.

THE DAY IS ALWAYS BRIGHTER WHEN IT GETS HERE NONE TOO SOON.

YOU ARE ON YOUR BEST BEHAVIOR UP UNTIL YOU'VE LEFT THE ROOM.

IT'S BETTER IF YOUR NOT IN HOT WATER AT THE TIME YOU REACH HIGH NOON.

SOMEWHERE ELSE

THERE WAS ONCE SOMEONE

WHO REALLY WANTED TO GO

SOMEWHERE ELSE

ONLY TO SUDDENLY REALIZE THAT

SOMEWHERE ELSE

WASN'T REALLY WHERE

HE WANTED TO BE ...

AND ON RETURNING FROM

SOMEWHERE ELSE

HE CONSIDERED THAT

HERE

WAS WHERE IT'S AT

AND PERHAPS SOMEDAY

HE WOULD GO

SOMEWHERE ELSE

BUT UNTIL THAT DAY ...

HE'S HERE TO STAY.

NOWHERE MAN

I'D RATHER BE

A NOWHERE MAN

THAN TO THINK I'M SOMEWHERE

IN A NOWHERE LAND.

SOMEWHERE MAN

CAN I HEAR YOU

AT ALL?

Inspired by the Beatles Song.

FINDING FAULT

A WEAKNESS

IS ANYTHING

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND

AND ANYWHERE

YOU'VE NEVER BEEN.

SETTING GOALS

MY GOAL IN LIFE

IS TO SOMEDAY

WALK

AT THE EDGE

OF SPACE ...

AND EVENTUALLY

STAND AT THE BRIM

OF THE SOMBRERO.

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TRANSPOSITION

NO MATTER HOW MANY KEYS YOUR LIFE HAS TRANSPOSED SINCE ITS INCEPTION, YOU ARE INTEGRALLY COMPOSED OF THE FUNDAMENTAL COMPOSITION THAT WAS INHERENTLY CONCEIVED AT THAT INITIAL CONCEPTION AND EFFECTIVELY HARMONIZED BY SPONTANEOUS IMPROVISATION ON A MELODY COMPRISED OF A LIFETIME'S ELABORATION.

THE QUEST OF A GUITARIST

IN SEEKING THE SOLUTION

THE GREATEST DESTINATION

IS TO AIM

FOR INFINITE

SUSTAIN

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THE EQUATION OF ORIENTATION

ANY CONCLUSION WITHOUT CONSOLATION PROVIDES AN EQUAL AND OPPOSITE REACTION WITHOUT MENTION OF YOUR PERCEPTION OF THE SITUATION. ANY CHANGE IN DIRECTION CONCLUDES THE CONTRIBUTION TO CONSCIENCE INTENTION

> UPON CONSIDERATION OF THE CLIMACTIC CONDITION.

THE CLOSER THE ORIENTATION THE FURTHER THE CONTRIBUTION. THE STRONGER THE CONCLUSION

THE NEARER THE DESTINATION.

QUOTIENT

INTELLIGENCE

DIVIDED BY

PSYCHOSIS

IS A

QUALITATIVE QUANTIFIER.

CALCULATE YOUR QUOTIENT

OUT OF THE

QUINTESSENTIAL EQUATION

OF YOUR QUERY

TO CAPTURE THE STATUS QUO.

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$$I = PQ$$

A TEST OF CHARACTER

TO TEST YOUR CHARACTER CHARACTERISTICS AND EXAMINE YOUR INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENT SIMPLY TOTAL THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE AND DIVIDE BY THE NUMBER OF INSTANCES WHERE OVER ALL OF THOSE YEARS YOU CHUCKLED IN GIDDY DELIGHT **REELING IN WHIMSICAL FRIVOLOUS MIRTH** AT THE SIGHT OF A POOR HELPLESS ROAD-RUNNER **BEING CHASED OFF A CLIFF** BY THAT CLEAVER AND WILY COYOTE AND AMUSED IN THE SPECTACLE OF THE MISFORTUNES OF OTHER UNFORTUNATE FOLKS.

THE JOKE'S ON YOU

IN DEVELOPING A SENSE OF HUMOR THE BEST OF ALL JOKES

ARE THE ONES

THAT YOU TELL

TO YOURSELF.

WHAT'S YOUR INCLINATION

ARE YOU A RACIST? ARE YOU IN THE RACE? ARE YOU IN THE RUNNING? ARE YOU JUMPING TO ATTENTION? ARE YOU WALKING DOWN A YELLOW BRICK ROAD? ARE YOU SKIPPING TO MY LOU? ARE YOU BREAKING YOUR STRIDE? ARE YOU AT A STANDSTILL? ARE YOU AT A CROSSROADS? ARE YOU IN A QUANDARY?

PUT ON

ARE YOU A PUT ON?

DO YOU PUT ON AN ACT?

DO YOU PUT UP WITH IT WHEN THEY PUT UP A FUSS OR PUT UP YOUR DUKES AND PUT YOUR NOSE OUT OF JOINT?

YOU SHOULD PUT ON YOUR THINKING CAP IF YOU EVER DO A PUT DOWN BEFORE YOU PUT YOUR FOOT IN YOUR MOUTH AND HAVE TO BE PUT TO BED.

IF THEY EVER PUT A BEE IN YOUR BONNET THEN JUST STAY PUT.

NEVER PUT A BUG IN YOUR EAR.

PUT YOURSELF THROUGH YOUR PACES

AND YOU WILL PUT YOURSELF IN YOUR PLACE.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

YOU CAN FOOL SOME OF THE PEOPLE SOME OF THE TIME AND YOU CAN FOOL ALL OF THE PEOPLE NONE OF THE TIME.

DON'T THINK THAT YOU CAN FOOL

EVERYONE ELSE

and you know what else ...

YOU CAN'T FOOL ME.

ACE IN THE HOLE

IF YOU'RE GOING TO TEACH ME A LESSON THEN I'D BETTER RUN FOR THE MONEY IN RAPID PURSUIT TO COMPREHEND THE INSTRUCTION AND ACE THE EXAM.

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

TO LITTLE IS NOT ENOUGH.

TO MUCH

IS MORE THAN ENOUGH.

HOW MUCH

IS ENOUGH?

EVEN ODDS

ARE YOU EVEN STEVEN

OR THE ODD MAN OUT?

DO YOU TRY TO EVEN UP THE SCORE OR ARE YOU AT ODDS WITH YOURSELF?

YOUR ODDS WILL IMPROVE WHEN YOU STOP TRYING TO GET EVEN.

RECOMMENDATION

YOU CERTAINLY

TRY

HARDER

BUT YOU GET

SO

UPSET

OVER THE

TRIFLEST

LITTLE

THINGS.

ALWAYS TRY TO KEEP A LEVEL HEAD

AND BY ALL MEANS

KEEP YOUR CHIN UP.

DEDUCTION

EVERYONE

IS THEIR OWN

DEDUCER

PRODUCER

CONSTRUER

CONSTRUCTOR

AND PROVIDER.

DON'T MISCONSTRUE

YOUR

CONSTRUCTION.

SPEAK FOR YOURSELF

WHEN FACTS

ARE FACTS

THEY SPEAK

FOR THEMSELVES.

MISSION STATEMENT

ALWAYS OVERLOOK

THE SITUATION

AND YOU WILL KEEP

YOUR OUTLOOK

FOREVER FORWARD.

ACQUAINTANCE

IT'S SILLY TO SAY THAT YOU'RE GLAD TO MEET SOMEONE JUST AS SOON AS YOU'VE BEEN INTRODUCED.

IT'S JUST IMPOSSIBLE TO SAY BEYOND A SHADOW OF A DOUBT THAT YOUR MEETING WILL BE SOMETHING TO SHOUT ABOUT.

INTERPLAY

INTERACTION INTERPRETATION INTERJECTION INTERCESSION INTERCEPTION INTERSECTION

CAUSE A STIR

GIVE THEM SOME SPACE BUT WELCOME THEM WITH OPEN ARMS.

DON'T GET TOO CLOSE.

ONE IS THE LONELIEST NUMBER BUT TWO CAN BE AS BAD AS THREE.

STAND OUT IN A CROWD

AND BLEND IN WITH YOUR ENVIRONMENT.

HAM IT UP

IF YOU'RE IN THE SPOTLIGHT.

MAKE IT UP

IF YOU'RE ON THE SPOT,

AND STIR IT UP

IF YOU'RE IN A STEW.

AFTERMATH

THE SECOND MOST DIFFICULT THING

ABOUT DIVORCE

IS GOING OVER

AND OVER

AND OVER

IT

WITH

EACH PERSON

THAT YOU KNOW.

ABOVE AND BEYOND

I'M BENEATH PAYING MY BILLS, DOING MY LAUNDRY, WASHING MY DISHES, BALANCING MY CHECKBOOK AND CLEANING MY HOUSE.

SPLITTING HAIRS

ARE YOU AN HEIR TO THE THRONE OR A FAMILY HEIRLOOM?

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS

IN BECOMING A SUCCESSFUL CITIZEN THERE ARE NO PROBABLE SUCCESS STORIES.

ONLY A SUCCESSION OF PROBABILITY FACTORS DETERMINED BY

EACH GENERATION OF SUCCESSFUL PROCREATORS.

HIGHWAYS AND BYWAYS

DO YOU CARE ABOUT THE WARS AND STRIFE GOING ON AROUND YOU OR DO YOU LIVE IN YOUR OWN LITTLE WORLD UNAFFECTED BY THE MAELSTROM?

CAN YOU WEATHER THE STORMS OF ANTIQUITY AND CONSIDER THAT THE ENDEAVORS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF YOUR LIFE COMPRISE A SCAFFOLD TO BE SCALED BY YOUR POSTERITY.

DO NOT PRESUME TO PUT ALL OF YOUR EGGS IN THE BASKET OF SOME FUTURE GENERATION BUT PROVIDE TO YOUR POSTERITY THE PROSPERITY THAT YOU ATTAIN AS YOU TRAVERSE ON THE HIGHWAYS AND BYWAYS OF LIFE IN THE FAST LANE.

FOREMOST AND UTMOST

STAND FOR WHAT YOU STAND FOR.

FOR IN A MOMENTS NOTICE THE RUG COULD BE PULLED FROM UNDER YOUR HAT

AND WHERE YOU STOOD WASN'T AFTER ALL SO CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD

BUT AT LEAST YOU WOULD HAVE A SATISFACTION GUARANTEE

KNOWING FULL WELL THAT YOU WERE STANDING PAT

BY HAVING THE FOREMOST CONCENTRATION TO GIVE THE UTMOST CONSIDERATION

> TO PUT YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD AND YOUR BEST DAYS AHEAD.

UTOPIA

THE MARK OF A UTOPIAN SOCIETY

IS THE ABILITY

TO THOROUGHLY AND WHOLEHEARTEDLY

ENJOY THEMSELVES

AND MAKE THE MOST

OF ANY MOMENT

IN ANY ENVIRONMENT

IN HOPES THAT

ALL CAN LEARN

TO KNOW NO BOUNDARIES.

TRAVELING LITE

IT IS ALWAYS THE BEST POLICY

TO TRAVEL LIGHT

ESPECIALLY WHEN

THE DISTANCE YOU NEED TO GO

IS LESS THAN

ONE

IOTA.

WHEN THE CHIPS ARE DOWN

IN A LAND SWIRLING IN GRAVATATIONAL EFFECTS, IT CAN BE MORE EFFECIENT TRAVERSING THE EDDY CURRENTS BY STRIDING ALONG WITH A CRISP AND STEADY GAIT.

> THE FEWER CHIPS ON YOUR SHOULDER THE EASIER IT IS TO MOVE AHEAD IN AN UPRIGHT AND FORTHWITH MANNER.

THE HALLMARKS OF LONGEVITY

AVAILABILITY CELEBRITY CREDULITY IDENTITY INTEGRITY PROPENSITY SANCTITY SANITY SENSIBILITY SPONTANEITY TENACITY VELOCITY VISIBILITY

ALTITUDE AMPLITUDE APTITUDE ATTITUDE FORTITUDE GRATITUDE LATITUDE LONGITUDE MAGNITUDE MULTITUDE PLATITUDE SOLITUDE

CONFIDENCE FLVORESCENCE INDEPENDENCE INNOCENCE INSISTENCE PATIENCE PERSEVERANCE PROMINENCE

ADHESION ASSERTION CONNECTION DEDICATION DETERMINATION DISCRETION EMOTION INTENTION INTROSPECTION RECEPTION TRANSACTION

GRATITUDE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR

FRIENDSHIP

HUMOR

WIT

CARE

ATTITUDE

APTITUDE

ACUITY

CAPACITY

MEMORY

HISTORY

DISCOVERY

COMPANY

HUMILITY

MELODY

SPANNING THE GLOBE

HERE'S TOWARDS A SAFE PASSAGE

AND A BON VOYAGE.

LET THE WIND

UNFURL YOUR SAILS

AND CARRY YOU SWIFTLY ON

TO THE NEXT PORT OF CALL.

SAIL YOUR VESSEL OUT ON THE OPEN OCEANS AND KEEP YOUR SIGHTS ON THE STARS.

PREFERENCE

IF I HAD

MY WAY

I'D RATHER

DIE

LAUGHING.

THE PERPETRATORS OF PROPAGANDA

(PROPOSITION P)

THE PROPAGATION OF PROPAGANDA PRESUPPOSES A PROMULGATION OF PERSONAL PERSPECTIVES AND PERCEIVED PERCEPTIONS PROVISIONALLY PROVIDING A PREPONDERANCE OF PRETENTIOUS PRESUMPTIONS AND PREPOSTEROUS POSTULATIONS.

CHURCH AND STATE

THERE CAN BE

NO TRUE RELIGION

WITHOUT

DENOMINATION ELIMINATION

JUST AS

THERE CAN BE

NO FLOURISHING CIVILIZATION

CONSISTING OF

A MULTINATIONAL CONGLOMERATION.

THE WAGES OF SIN

SIN IS SIMPLY A SYNTHETIC SYNONYM SENSATIONALLY SEEKING A SOLVENT SOLUTION IN THE CONTEXT OF SYMPATHY WITH THE PRETEXT OF SINCERITY.

> IT IS HE WHO IS SINLESS HAS CAST HIS LAST STONE TO THE SWINE AND SAVORED HIS JUST DESSERTS.

THE WAGES OF SIN ARE ELEVEN CENTS AN HOUR SO BE SURE TO PUT IN YOUR TWO CENTS WORTH.

WHAT'S THE MATTER?

IT IS NOT A MATTER WHETHER YOU BELIEVE IN GOODS OR NOT. IT IS A MATTER

WHETHER OR NOT

YOU BELIEVE

IN GOOD.

GET THE POINT

AT WHAT POINT

IN THE UNIVERSE

DO TWO PARALLEL LINES

INTERSECT?

KEEP IN MIND

THE EXPANSION COEFFICIENT

OF THE UNIVERSE

WHEN ANSWERING THE QUESTION.

UNDER OBSERVATION

HAVE YOU EVER FELT

LIKE A

GUINEA PIG

UNDERNEATH

A MICROSCOPE?

AN IMPARTIAL OBSERVER

COMPARED TO

TOTALITY,

EVERYTHING ELSE

IS JUST

GOOFING OFF.

INSPIRED BY THE 1991 TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN LA PAZ, BAJA CALIFORNIA

ORIGINATION

IT IS THE PURSUIT OF EACH AND EVERY CIVILIZED CITIZEN TO ACQUIRE A FLUENT COMPREHENSION OF THE ORIGINATION IN ALL OF ITS DIVERSE CONDITIONS AND RAMIFICATIONS AND ALL OF IT'S PROSPECTIVE SPECULATIONS AND POSTULATIONS.

> HAVE YOU HEARD OF A TIME ... A LONG TIME AGO JUST BEFORE THE BIG BANG WHEN THE UNIVERSE WAS A SOUP OF FREE QUARKS?

DO YOU KNOW OF THE COSMIC MICROWAVE BACKGROUND RADIATION, REMNANTS OF THAT EXPLOSIVE BEGINNING?

> DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO FIND THE CENTER OF THE UNIVERSE?

DO YOU KNOW WHEN GLUONS BEGAN TO EXERT THEIR INFLUENCE ON QUARKS? CAN YOU SAY HOW MANY FORCES THERE ARE IN NATURE? STRONG : WEAK : ELECTROMAGNETISM : GRAVITY STRONG : ELECTROWEAK : GRAVITY STRONG : ELECTROWEAK SUPERSYMMETRY

ARE YOU ACQUAINTED WITH THE FIRST FAMILY OF ELEMENTARY PARTICLES "THE LEPTONS" MR. POSITRON AND MRS. ELECTRON. AND WHAT ABOUT THE LITTLE PHOTON? IT IS THE BOSON THAT DOES NOT SPIN AND STRADDLES THE LINE BETWEEN MATTER AND ANTIMATTER. AS A MATTER OF FACT WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU IS SIMPLY THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO.

> ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE UNIQUE POSITION AND PROPERTIES THAT HYDROGEN HOLDS ON THE PERIODIC TABLE?

DO YOU KNOW THE ONLY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PROTON AND THE NEUTRON IS THE FLAVOR OF ITS QUARKS?

DO YOU KNOW WHICH SUPERNOVA EXPLODED THAT PROVIDED THE ELEMENTS OF WHICH YOU NOW CONSIST?

DO YOU KNOW WHAT WERE THE FIRST NEUROTRANSMITTERS TO DEVELOP?

DO YOU KNOW THE FIRST PLANTS EVER TO TAKE HOLD ON MOTHER EARTH?

DO YOU KNOW THE FIRST BIRD EVER TO TAKE FLIGHT?

DO YOU KNOW THE FIRST MAMMAL EVER TO SET FOOT?

DO YOU KNOW WHERE HUMANITY ORIGINATED?

CAN YOU CLIMB YOUR WAY TO THE TOP OF THE MITOCHONDRIAL DNA TREE CAREFULLY NURTURED FROM MOTHER TO DAUGHTER FROM TIME IMMEMORIAL?

ALWAYS BEAR IN MIND YOUR ROOTS GUANINE : ADENINE : CYTOSINE : THYMINE

DO YOU KNOW YOUR OWN ANCESTRAL HERITAGE?

DO YOU KNOW WHO YOUR GRANDPARENTS' GRANDPARENTS WERE?

WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU KNOW?

CALLING CARD

I CALL MYSELF A BIRD WORSHIPER SINCE OBVIOUSLY BIRDS ARE THE HIGHEST FORM OF EVOLUTION.

YOU CANNOT FLY GLEEFULLY THROUGH THE AIR UNAIDED, NOR DRESS FOR SUCCESS IN THEIR EXTRAVAGANT STYLE.

THEIR HERITAGE STRETCHES BACK TO ANCIENT TIMES AS THEY ARE THE CHILD OF THE DINOSAUR.

WHEN YOU LOOK UP INTO THE SUNSET SKY AND SEE THE WHITE PELICANS SOARING IN SUPREME FORMATION AND SUBLIME CHOREOGRAPHY, TAKE NOTE THAT WHAT YOU TRULY BEHOLD IS THE MIGRATION OF THE DINOSAURS PEACEFULLY NAVIGATING THE CURRENTS OF THE EARTH'S MAGNETIC FIELD.

YOU DON'T SEE THEM FIGHTING FOR WHO IS FRONT AND CENTER.

AS I WALK EARTHBOUND ON THE PLATEAUS OF LIFE I FIND MYSELF CONTINUOUSLY AWESTRUCK AND WONDERFULLY EXUBERANT AT THE SIGHT OF THE FLIGHT OF A GREAT BLUE HERON.

Inspired by a PBS television series.

AS THE CROW FLIES

SING A SONG OF SIXPENCE AS YOU BEGIN THE DAY LET THOSE FOUR AND TWENTY BLACKBIRDS GO UP AND FLY AWAY.

YOU SEE YOU HAVE NO HOLD ON THEM AS THEY BEGIN THEIR TREK. IT'S ALL FOR THEIR ABILITIES YOU'VE NOW STUCK OUT YOUR NECK.

IF TIME WILL BUT RECALL ITS TUNE YOU WILL NOT WONDER WHY. YOU CAN SEE IT ALL MUCH CLEARER NOW AS YOU HAVE LET THE CROWS FLY. RISE TO THE OCCASION. COME ONE AND COME ALL. THEY WILL SEEK THEIR DESTINATION. IN THE AIR THEY CANNOT FALL.

YOU SEE YOU FIND YOUR FEATHERED FRIENDS TIME AND TIME AGAIN. OVER HILL AND OVER DALE THEY WILL BE THERE IN THE END.

YOU CAN SEE THEM IN THE NIGHT TIME WITH THE CORVUS IN THE SKY AND YOU WILL SEE IT ALL MUCH FARTHER NOW AS YOU HAVE SEEN THE CROWS FLY. YOU'RE AS HAPPY AS A LARK AS YOU GO HITHER AND YON. DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S IN STORE FOR YOU AS YOU LISTEN TO THIS SONG.

THERE ARE NO SIDES TO THE UNIVERSE YOU CANNOT COMPREHEND WITH THE HELP OF THOSE SWIFT BLACKBIRDS THAT YOU CAN NOW EXTEND

THE LIMITS OF YOUR HORIZON NO CEILING TO THE SKY. AS YOU KNOW NOW IT'S ALL RELATIVE AS YOU HAVE FELT THE CROWS FLY.

UNKNOWN TERRITORY

THE GREAT ADVENTURE

IS IN THE SEARCH

FOR

UNEXPECTED CIRCUMSTANCES

AND IN THE EXPLORATION

FOR

UNBEKNOWNST JUBILATION.

opportunity knocks

IN EVERY SITUATION THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY.

IN EVERY COCOENT

Chere IS A REACTION.

FOR EVERY POINT There is a counterpoint.

FOR EVERY DESTINY THERE IS A DESTINATION.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FLY YOUR WAY

ON THE WINGS OF AMBITION

ALL THE WAY

TO FIND THE LIGHT

AT THE END OF YOUR TUNNEL

AND THE POT OF GOLD

THAT SURELY RESIDES

AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW.

CONCLUSION

DRAW YOUR OWN

DRAW THE LINE

TAKE A CHANCE

AND

STAND A GOOD CHANCE.