



BETABET



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A

High inflation. Civil unrest. There are no annual plants to keep the fishing-flies in. The universe is complex, & travels swiftly until stopped by sometimes brightly coloured ice floes which lie dormant for ten months of the year. They lower the salinity, & this reduces inflammation in the posterior opening of the peacock. It was her favourite bird until a shell-less dwarf condemned eternally to fill a bottomless barrel came along. She transplanted his eyes into a three-stage rocket. 8000 people disappeared.

B

It is no more rational
to accept deism
than it is to make
women in garrison towns
liable to compulsory
examination for venereal
disease. These cosmogony
myths, much used for
mourning, function mainly
as a fastener, separating
the theme parks from
the spoken tongue. Sacred
sites are fairground
businesses. The popular
works are those whose
honey glands the ants milk
& convert to iso-butanol.



Two umpires arbitrate, specify what actions or omissions may be criminal. The Dragon-Kings bring rain. Complex projects might involve many pathways, providing a place for social & other facilities in the neighbourhood. There is a tiny temple with a statue of the God, & there is always a spare hand which each player takes it in turn to own.

D

To be ceased being
in the present tense
& fled. Monks beat
their heads in one
last round of ritual &
joined it. To the young
it was the stuff of
nursery rhymes; but
too much for the
superstitious who
took it pluperfectly
& saw in it a sign
that leprosy would up-
load later. They had
no out, could do
nothing more than
encase their seed
within any leaf or
left-wing poet
that was available.
Little came of it — the
appearance money
was deemed too small —
but as a mathematical
technique it was
exemplary abscission.



Though numerous pieces were written to accentuate the strengths of the individual musicians, all of which have been used for the decoration of ecclesiastical vestments, drama was the dominant artform of the age. This undeclared war disrupted the climate disastrously, lasted for many years, was only stopped when the chariot races were shot dead in the cathedral. It was then that food chains were defined.

F

The only unemployment
is frictional &
converts to energy. Any
loss is syllogism, a cloistered
emperor or armoured
warfare. It lays
a single egg. The
basic principle of built-in
functions is more
macabre & dreamlike. Comes
into play when used
to wash a jug of
water. Each holds an
attribute, a form frag-
mented by penetrating
shafts of light. Cruel &
unusual punishment.
Belligerent silica. Shari'a
law. It is done & no longer
worth thinking about.

G

In late Spring
she was born into
a wealthy patrician
family whose green
parts were eaten
as a substitute for
lettuce. It was a
divinely given talent,
worsened by drinking
alcohol. A similar
tragedy overtook the
inhabitants of Argos.



Recognised as an omniscient deity by the Celts, his meticulously drawn storyboards range from home electronic packages through to hydroelectric turbines. A whole burnt offering, from one body to another. They are part of the atman. Possibly karma, or perhaps the aspirin found in willow-bark. The right-wing politician goes off to wallow in a waterhole, provoking demonstrations from animal-lovers. There are doubts about the validity of his conviction.



The gods in the Kalevala
are gas & dust spread
thinly through the solar
system. Sickle-shaped, the
gas flows outwards from
the Sun as either analog
video disk or solar wind.
Fine dust lies in the plane
of Tuonela, scattering the
property of consciousness
to produce as by-product
zodiacal light. Comets enter
shed by swans. Interference
patterns swarm. Some-
times Surma seizes the
imprudent man & swallows
him. More dust forms &
appears as meteor showers
as it passes through the
prevalent atmosphere that
marks the home of Hiisi.

J

Early apples. Falls
are broken by a
square mat. Their in-
dependence from the
other branches
of central authority
is a central tenet
to the democratic
process. Women are
not segregated, are
carried in procession
on a large vehicle. Thrill
of nerves. Such direct
narrative with the
unspoken & un-
conscious reactions
of the characters
can be considered the
hallmark of
the vocal music
of the Renaissance.

K

Suddenly the darkness was dispelled. A flaming eye opened in Siva's forehead, a third eye like an economic theory. Brilliant red everywhere. Uniform. Even the dust-coloured sabres worn by troops in India melted in this amorphous trisulphide of antimony. A perfect rhythm, covered inside & out with erotic sculptures that symbolised some mystic union with the deity. The modified version was given plants from ten different climactic zones, plus a Nobel Prize for synthesizing genetic piracy.



Leopard & shepherd. Aerial perspective. Silicone is left after the waters have withdrawn, a raised lump that grows with successive floods. The misty atmosphere blurs, & changes the colour of the background as it dissolves certain Latin inscriptions carved on votive monuments. The river Sfumato overflows its banks. High rate of flow, an identity of sound, seat & deceit, that extends the flooded area from the German soldiers to the last fully accented syllable. Overlying colour allows the rites more of a three-dimensional existence. Station. Crustacean. The line between.



Disease is not an imbalance of the humours but shared between the monarch & the assembly, each able to initiate laws. The process allows for more than one output. A westward migration of most of the church's members carried out over 400 autopsies, were produced by inlaying small pieces of marble or glass in a pattern to form a floor. She is besought only to awaken the good & the generous, to let the wicked sleep. His band was called Inedible Morels.

N

What can a dog do
against a lion? The Pisakas
are almost always vampires.
Finding nothing to approve of
in the holistic view of body
& mind he prepared
the first periodic table
of the elements arranged
in order of relative atomic
weights & pointed out the
Law of Octaves. The Bhutas &
Pretas are sometimes ghosts,
sometimes goblins & have
reinstated a limited form of
free-market trading. The Nagas
are a fabulous race of snakes.



It is a melody of
considerable range
produced by sliding the
smallest & eastern-
most of the lakes
along a conductive
ribbon. Few companies
bother to compete. Those
that do make inroads
invade via the cornea,
a genetically engineered
transplant, distant by
eight diatonic degrees
from any other point
on the surface of the
mollusk. The remainder
are mudpuppies, great
bodies of glycerides
with the skull of an
early hominid & micro-
organisms in the gut.

P

For all that it is
circumspect, there is
nothing in the page size
of Slavonic mythology
to suggest the loss
of movement or illegal
organisations of a
terrorist nature. The
audience is not seated.
The corresponding solid
figure is formed by
packaging various house-
hold medicines. Yams &
sweet potatoes were
introduced 1200 years
ago & this produced
a tempering of the
General's iron rule.



Falling towards an immense
black hole. Six flavours —
up, down, top, bottom,
strange & charm. To each
there is an antiparticle. It
is stale news, a tiny
relative of mushrooms.

R

Is sequoia-sized. Is bigger than. Sometimes rises to over one thousand metres. Is the hand more normally used, has red or black face. The white is other. A relationship analogous to the number of winners ridden or equinoctal sunrise, concerned with gay rights, peace & female consciousness. Not flexible. Subjective. Political. At some points its traces have been lost by erosion & apparent disdain for public opinion, but shareholders still receive a discount. In gratitude they have raised a makeshift museum, the first example of a particle formed from a charmed quark. The hand is dextrous there.

S

Fifty years later the verdict was declared unjust. She gave him nothing to eat, instead breathed softly on him. Doctrine handed down, tradition handing down from ancestors to posterity, opinion or belief in these Italian immigrants Sacco & Vanzetti supposed to have divine authority. At night hid him in the fire like a burning coal. The trial in Massachusetts of the Vietnam War dragged on. He was committed to an asylum, convicted of murder during an attempted robbery by South Vietnamese & U.S. forces. 5000 Vietcong were expelled from Saigon for sexual offences & the judge's anti-anarchist prejudice. Prolonged controversy in order to destroy all that was mortal in him. Nothing written down. No stay of execution. Later she would anoint him with ambrosia.



Rumours continued to circulate about his death even after it. They followed an elliptical path, transmuting one form of energy to another, in a geostationary transfer orbit.

U

In a single day
the continued use or
enjoyment of a right
serves no useful
purpose. Most are
invisible. The logic gates
are not connected
so any disturbance
is noticeable only at
an atomic level. Moment
to moment movement
is unpredictable &
goes beyond the
limit of his powers.



They have now almost died out
or merged with the rest

of the population. Pitched so
that the batsman may hit them

as they bounce, they can be
represented geometrically by an arrow

or by two or three numbers
which give the magnitude of their

components. Acclaimed as the
first proletarian dramas, they receive

blood from all parts of the body
below the diaphragm & later move

effortlessly between jazz & romantic
ballads. One bed is coarse, one fine,

& show a cyclic pattern of freeze &
thaw. The darker layers are

deposited in summer. Each pair
makes up the sedimentary record

of a year. Counting the couplets
gives a measure of absolute time.



Conditions apply. Unexpected events occur. Soil creep, radio-active decay, long-legged waterbirds. A four-wheeled vehicle draws heavy loads, indulges in continual rapid chatter. Thin disks of unleavened bread are occasionally transmitted to human beings through water contaminated with rat urine. Magnetic flux, usually thicker along one edge than the other, releases energy at the rate of one weft at a time. In cold regions, it causes the coat colour of several species to turn white in winter.



Squirrels were sacrificed every year, & tissues offered up. Such piety. & such persistence in opening up a mission that was eventually murdered in a court intrigue. His other works include a dry, electrostatic method of producing images & an instrument for scraping bones. He was canonised in 1692 & is grouped with the inert gasses. Pottery soldiers were buried to protect his tomb.

Y

The smaller of two sex chromosomes, his early work was romantic & lyrical. It has seen mounting inter-ethnic violence; but when placed in the branches of a tree whose roots bind heaven & earth & hell it converts the sugar into carbon dioxide & alcohol, & builds up an immunity. The difference is due to precession, which slowly moves the annual % return until a cease-fire can be arranged & a more constitutional form of hammer-beam roof initiated.

Z

Two percent of the world's economy is controlled by hunters & agriculturalists who once lived on the banks of the Mighty River. Use of the phase-contrast microscope has made their work easier though there are still frequent outbursts of violence & the complex orchestral & electronic components of their later pieces has made them difficult to categorize. Some under the pressure to reform remember the earlier times when the asking of paradoxical questions could bring sudden enlightenment. But even they seek to maintain their wealth & build upon it. In the one-party state there are many mansions. It is the natural history of animals.