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BY WHICH

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*A-bed.* To dream of being in bed betokens good health, but, beware ! for some one wishes to injure you.

*Abuse.* To dream of being abused or insulted, is a sign that you will have a dispute with some person.

*Abroad.* If you dream that you are in a foreign country, some one who is making money abroad is likely to bequeath a fortune to you.

*Acquaintance.* To dream you quarrel or fight with an acquaintance, is an unlucky omen; it forebodes a division among your own family, much to the injury and prejudice of the dreamer; if you are in love, your mistress will prove unfaithful, and marry some other man that she has told you she most hates; if you are in business, some heavy loss will befall you; you will disagree with some of your best friends on the most trivial matters, which will end in an open rupture; if you are a farmer, expect a bad crop, the murrain amongst your cattle, that your pigs and poultry will fail and not fetch good prices; if you have a law-suit, depend that your attorney will neglect you, that your witnesses will be tardy and backward, and that finally you will lose your cause. Do not for some time undertake a journey by land, or a voyage by sea; enter for the present into no new undertaking, for you will be unsuccessful; quit, if you can, your present place of residence; and, above all, avoid lending money, for you will surely lose it together with the friendship of those to whom you lend it. If you dream that you are with an acquaintance at some place of public amusement, you may expect soon to be called from home on business of importance.

*Adultery.* To dream of the committing of this sin forebodes great troubles and misfortunes. If you are in love, you will certainly fail in marrying the object of your wishes; if you have a law-suit, it will certainly go against you, by the treachery of those who pretend to be your friends; if you are in

business, some heavy loss will happen to you. Such a dream announces that you are in great danger of losing your liberty, and if you are about to undertake a voyage to sea, omit it for the present, for you will never reach the destined port. To dream you are tempted to commit this crime, and that you resist it, it is a happy omen,—every thing will flourish with you,—be sure it is a good time to begin trade after such a dream; if you have a law-suit, all will go on in your favour, with credit to yourself, and confusion to your opponents; if you are about to undertake a long journey, it will be pleasant and successful to your object; if you are going to sea, you will have an agreeable voyage, beautiful weather, and a quick arrival at the port of destination; if you are in love, do not desist in pressing the object of your wishes, for they will be gratified.

*Almonds.* To dream of these indicates difficulties, loss of liberty, and deceit in love.

*Altar.* To dream that you are at the altar betokens joy and gladness; if at the hymeneal altar, your marriage will be deferred.

*Anchor.* To dream of an anchor, signifies great assurance, and certain hope; if you are in love, it warns you to be assiduous and attentive to obtain the object of your wishes; but beware of some friend who pretends more than ordinary attachment; he will deceive you, and try, vainly, to injure you in the most tender part.

*Angels.* To dream of angels is a sign that some one is near you—the remaining part of your dream will prove true, be therefore mindful of it; if you are in love, nothing can be more favourable, and your undertakings will prosper.

*Anger.* To dream that you are angry with any one denotes that you have many enemies, and that some evil design is formed against your happiness; if you are in love, some rival is slandering you to your sweetheart; if with your spouse, disgrace threatens you. If you dream of another person in a passion with you, it is more favourable, but betokens some unpleasant misfortune about to happen to you; if you are angry with your sweetheart, he will fall sick, and you will experience loss.

*Ants.* To dream of ants signifies a covetous mind; to see ants busy, foretells that your industry will be crowned with success; if they appear to be devoured by other animals, some secret enemy is trying to ruin you; if you are sick when you dream of ants, your recovery will be slow but certain.

*Anxiety.* To dream that you are anxious to accomplish any project denotes that you would soon tire of it; to think your

mind is anxious or uneasy is a sign some one wishes to do you a favour.

*Apparel.* See *Dress*.

*Apples.* To dream of ripe and sweet apples is a sure sign of prosperity; if they are sour, it signifies that sorrow and unhappiness are likely to befall you.

*Arms.* To dream that your arms are weak, shows that your health or fortune will decline; if they appear to be strong, you will meet with unexpected prosperity; if your arms are broken, you will lose some dear friend; if your right arm is broken, you will lose some near male relation; if the left, a female.

*Ass.* To dream that you are riding on an ass signifies that you will be guilty of some foolish action; if you see him feeding, your servants will be faithful; if you are driving him, you will be freed from trouble; if he runs after you, some wag will occasion a laugh against you; if he appears loaded, your fortune will advance.

*Back.* If you dream that your back is broken, you will meet with some loss; if it grows stronger, you will receive an unexpected addition to your fortune; to dream of the back bone indicates long life and happiness in your children.

*Bathing.* To dream that you are bathing alone in the sea, signifies that you will never be married; but if you are in company with others you will soon be married and live happily; if, however, you are in fresh water, your lover will deceive you.

*Battle.* If you dream you see a battle, beware of secret enemies, who will endeavour to hurt you; if you are in love, your sweetheart is false.

*Beef.* To dream of beef denotes the death of a friend or relation,—in love, it denotes disappointment.

*Bees.* To dream you see bees at work signifies that your industry will be successful; if they are flying about, bad reports will be spread of you; if they sting you, you will suffer loss either of your goods or reputation.

*Birds.* To dream you hear birds singing is a sign of happiness; if you are married, something will happen much to the advantage of your family; it is a sign of great success in business; to see them fly denotes you will soon go a long journey, which will be pleasant and prosperous; to dream you catch them, signifies some unexpected good fortune; if they are beautiful, the success will be the greater; to dream you find an empty nest denotes losses and great uneasiness.

*Boat.* To dream you are in a boat on clear water is very good, and indicates joy and prosperity.

*Bread.* To dream you see a quantity of bread denotes great success in life; to dream of eating bread, denotes many friends who will do you kindness.

*Bridge.* To dream you are going over a bridge and meet with no interruption, you will go through life in a prosperous manner; if any thing impedes you, you will meet with many obstacles in the world.

*Brushing.* If you dream that you are brushing dusty clothes, it is a sign that a serious illness will overtake you; but if you see another brushing them, it betokens prosperity in life.

*Buried Alive.* If you dream you are buried alive, it shows you are in danger of being unhappy and unfortunate during your life.

*Candle.* To dream that you see a candle burning denotes that your lover is jealous; but if it is not burning, your sweetheart adores you.

*Cards.* To dream you are playing at cards denotes that you will soon be in love, if you are not so already; if you hold a great many court cards, you will soon be married and happy.

*Cats.* To dream of cats denotes much disappointment to a lover—your sweetheart is unfaithful; if you have servants, they will rob you; a cat means a lurking enemy.

*Cherries.* To dream of cherries betokens disappointments in life, vexations in marriage, falsehood in love, and deceitful pleasure; but if you climb the tree, a sure, speedy, and unexpected advancement in life is certain to happen to you.

*Children.* To dream you have children is a sign that you will be happy in your family; if one or more of them die, you will meet with some misfortune.

*Coach.* To dream of riding in a coach denotes that you will love idleness, and are given to pride; to dream of coming out of a coach signifies that disgrace threatens you, and great caution is necessary.

*Coals.* To dream of clear burning coals denotes prosperity, especially in love; coals in their natural state indicate trouble and discontent; extinguished coals announce the loss of fortune, or the death of some near friend.

*Comets.* To dream you see a comet is ominous of war, plague, famine, and death; to the lover it forebodes an entire frustration of his hopes; to the farmer, failure of crops; and to the seaman, storms and shipwreck.

*Corn.* To dream you are gathering ripe corn denotes success in your enterprise; but if it is blighted or mildewed, you will be a great loser.

*Corns.* To dream that you have corns on your little toes, and that you experience great pain in walking, denotes that

you will have to travel much before you are permanently employed, but if they don't hurt you, your lover intends to accompany you on a pleasure excursion; if you are married, the first is a sign that you will have twin-brothers; if the second, a law-suit about a little piece of house-property.

*Currants.* To dream of black currants denotes great happiness in the married state; if you dream you are pulling them, it is certain you will have a large family, who will all do well; but if the currants are red, beware of false friends, those whom you little expect, for they will do you harm if they possibly can.

*Dancing.* To dream you are dancing at a ball foretells you will soon receive some news from a long absent friend; to the sailor, a successful voyage; to married persons, increase of children; to those in trade, much business; and to young people, a happy marriage.

*Darkness.* To dream you are in the dark is a token of affliction, and loss in trade; to get out of darkness into light, is a sign of rising to eminence, or of escaping out of difficulties.

*Death.* To dream you are dead denotes a speedy marriage, and success in all your undertakings; to the married, it promises young children, who will be dutiful and give great comfort; to dream you see another person dead, denotes ill usage from friends; if you are in love, your sweetheart will prove false; if you are in trade, sharpers will take you in; if a farmer, you will lose money by horses, and be waylaid as you return from market.

*Debt.* To dream you are in debt and pursued by officers, denotes that you will fall into some unexpected difficulties, or great danger.

*Devil.* To dream you see the devil without fear, foretells you will get the better of your adversary; if you are frightened, you will be under some danger.

*Dogs.* To dream of these domestic and faithful animals, has very different significations, according to the manner in which you see them; if they fawn and fondle upon you, then it is a lucky omen; if you have had a quarrel with a friend or sweetheart, it will be reconciled to your advantage; if you are in love, your sweetheart will marry you, and render you very happy; it denotes health, riches, and honour; if they are barking and snarling at you, then depend that enemies are secretly endeavouring to destroy your reputation and happiness; if you are in love, be careful of your present sweetheart; if you marry him or her, you will be unhappy and poor; if you dream they bite you, then it is a certain prognostic that

you will experience some loss; if you are in love, your sweetheart will deceive you, and make you very unhappy.

*Dress.* To dream you are dressed in *white* is a token of success in the first object you undertake; if in love, that your sweetheart is of a good temper and amiable disposition. To dream you are dressed in *green* denotes that you are about to undertake a journey to your advantage, and that your sweetheart prefers you to all other lovers. To dream you are dressed in *black* is an unlucky omen; quarrels, sickness, death, and law-suits will perplex and harass you. To dream you are dressed in *blue* denotes happiness, banquets, and merry making. If you dream you are dressed in *scarlet*, you are thereby warned of some very heavy calamity, and a severe fit of illness. To dream you are dressed in *yellow* is rather lucky than otherwise, your sweetheart by it appears to be very jealous of you, and great pains will be requisite to prevent your separating. To dream you are dressed in *crimson* denotes that you will live to a good old age, and will be neither fortunate nor unfortunate through life. To dream you are dressed in a *variety of colours* denotes a variety of fortunes are about to attend you—old friends will desert you, new ones will supply their place; if you are in love, a quarrel will take place between you and your sweetheart, which will, after much uneasiness to both parties, be adjusted by friends. To dream you are *fashionably dressed* and in good company, is very good; you will rise considerably above your present condition; your sweetheart will prefer you above others, and be very good tempered; whatever you undertake will have a prosperous issue, and some unexpected news of an agreeable nature will reach you—expect to see a long absent friend return in good circumstances; but avoid having a dispute with any one, for it will go against you, and do harm, particularly if it be with your sweetheart. To dream you are dressed shabbily, that your clothes are ragged and torn, is a bad omen.

*Drowning.* To dream you are drowning, or that you see another drowned or drowning, denotes that you will escape many difficulties, settle near your native place, marry, have children, and become happy and rich; to the lover it denotes that your sweetheart is good tempered and inclined to marry you. If you are a sailor it foretells a pleasant voyage.

*Drunk.* If you dream of being intoxicated, it is sure that some one is slandering you, but a sincere friend, by his interference, destroys their inveterate malice.

*Eagle.* To dream of seeing an eagle soaring high is a good omen to those who have great undertakings on hand; but to dream that an eagle alights upon us, signifies mischance.



*Eating.* To dream you are eating denotes profit and success in your present enterprise; a loathing of victuals is a sign of disunion in your family.

*Errand.* To dream that you are running an errand, and that one of your shoes comes off, is a sign that you will lose a sincere friend; if you succeed in accomplishing your message without any accident, then there is the greatest prosperity in store for you, so lose no opportunity of lawfully bettering your condition in life.

*Evil Spirits.* If you see evil spirits in your dream, it is a sign of sickness; if you seem to exorcise them, and they vanish, you will get over your difficulties.

*Eyes.* If you dream you lose your eyes, some dear friend of yours will die; if you dream you get new eyes, or more than you should have of them, shows an increase of your family.

*Face.* To dream that your face is swelled, indicates an augmentation of wealth and honour; but if it grows pale and emaciated, you will be severely disappointed; a black face is a sign of death.

*Fall.* To dream you fall from a tree, or any high place, denotes loss of place and goods; if in love, it indicates that you will never marry the object of your affections. To the tradesman it denotes decline of business; and to the sailor storms and shipwreck.

*Feasting.* To dream you are at a feast denotes that you will meet with many disappointments, particularly in the thing which you are most anxious about; in love, it forebodes much uneasiness between sweethearts; and to them who are married, it foretells undutiful children, with many heavy losses.

*Fever.* To dream you are in a fever betokens long good health; if you have a leg amputated, you are about to get a partner with money; if you are married, it is the loss of one you fondly love.

*Fields.* To dream you are in green fields is a very favourable sign; in love, it denotes success and happiness; to the tradesman, success and riches; and to the farmer, plenty; if you are soliciting a favour, it portends you will obtain it.

*Figs* are the forerunners of prosperity and happiness, success in love, increase of trade, and a legacy from a rich friend.

*Fighting.* To dream you are fighting denotes much opposition to your wishes, with loss of character; to the lover, that you will lose the object of your affections through a foolish quarrel. After such a dream I would advise the dreamer to quit his present situation, because such a dream indicates that

he will not prosper in it; to the sailor it denotes storms and shipwreck, with disappointment in love.

*Finger.* If you cut your finger and the blood runs, you will get money where you least expect it; if you do not see any blood, you will have a quarrel or law-suit for money which you paid before.

*Fire.* To dream of fire denotes health and happiness; to lovers, marriage with the object of their affections, and many children; also that you will be angry with some one for a trifle. To dream of burning lights portends dreadful accidents to the dreamer. If a sick person sees a fire extinguished, it is a presage of death. If a person on board a ship dreams he sees a light a great way off, it betokens a fair wind and a safe arrival. To dream of seeing lighted torches and branches of fire descending from heaven, signifies quarrelling, disappointment, and adversities. To dream you see a fire sparkling denotes hasty news and anger; to dream of seeing houses on fire denotes some unpleasant news will soon arrive; to dream you are in the midst of a fire, and feel pain from it, presages envy and displeasure. To dream that you hold a lighted torch in your hand shows you will gain honour and respect from all persons. To dream that you kindle a fire without much trouble, and it burns directly, shows that your children will be fortunate; but if you kindle a fire with much trouble, and it is extinguished presently, shows dishonour, especially to women. To dream you see a ship on fire at sea, denotes great losses in business.

*Fishing.* To dream you are fishing is a sign of sorrow and trouble; if you catch any fish, you will be successful in love and business; if they slip out of your hand after you have caught them, it is a sign some pretended friend will deceive you.

*Flowers.* To dream you are gathering flowers is a very favourable omen, and is a sign you will thrive in every thing you undertake; that you will be successful in love, marry happily, and have beautiful children.

*Flying.* To dream you are flying foretells elevation of fortune, dignity in the state, and happiness. If in love, your sweetheart will be true to you, and if you marry you will have many children.

*Fortune.* To dream you make a sudden fortune is a bad omen; to the tradesman, it forebodes losses in trade, quarrelling with his creditors, and loss of liberty; to the lover disappointment.

*Friend.* To dream you see a friend dead betokens hasty news, of a joyous nature; if you are in love, it foretells a speedy marriage with the object of your affections.

*Fruit.* To dream of fruit has a different interpretation, according to what the fruit is that you dream of. The various kinds of fruit are given under their respective names.

*Funeral.* To dream you are busily employed in burying a person denotes a very speedy marriage, and that, ere long, you will hear of the death or imprisonment of some near relation or esteemed friend.

*Gallows.* To dream of the gallows is a most fortunate omen; it shows that the dreamer will become rich, and arrive at great honours; to the lover it shows the consummation of his most sanguine wishes; for a woman with child to dream of the gallows, signifies that she is pregnant of a son, have a good time, and that the fruit of her womb will become very rich.

*Garden.* To dream you are walking in a garden denotes your advancement to fortune; if you are gathering the produce of it, you will be happy in marriage, and have a large family; it betokens great success to the lover, and increase of business to the tradesman.

*Geese.* To dream of geese is a sign of good; you may expect to see an absent friend soon; to the dreamer, they denote success and riches.

*Gifts.* To dream you have any thing given to you is a sign that some good is about to happen to you, or that you will be speedily married.

*Glass.* To dream of glass denotes bad success in various undertakings; if you break it, it warns you of some unforeseen misfortune, the death of your wife, or husband, or children.

*Gold.* If you dream of gold, it is a very good omen; it denotes success in your present undertakings after encountering numerous difficulties.

*Gooseberries.* To dream of gooseberries denotes that you will have a numerous family, chiefly sons, and great success in your present undertakings.

*Grapes.* To dream of white grapes betokens felicity in marriage, and success in trade; but if they are purple, it denotes great misery in the matrimonial state; to the tradesman, great distress and loss of business.

*Grave.* To dream of a grave foretells sickness and disappointment. If you are in love, depend you will never marry your present sweetheart; if you go into the grave, it shows you will experience a loss of property, and that false friends will defame you; if you come out of the grave it denotes success in your undertakings, that you will rise in the world and become very rich; and if you are in love, that you will

speedily marry your sweetheart; if you take another out of the grave, you will be the means of saving the life of a person, who will be a great friend to you, and receive some unexpected legacy.

*Guns.* To dream you see or hear guns firing foretells much misery; if you fire them, you will have a quarrel; if they are discharged at you, you will be exposed to many dangers.

*Hail.* To dream of hail denotes sorrow and much grief.

*Hair.* To dream that you are brushing or combing your hair portends success in love, trade, or some other pursuit; it also signifies riches; to dream that your hair has grown so long that it hangs loose over your shoulders, denotes that one superior to yourself adores you; but if the hair is red, it denotes that you have enemies.

*Hanging.* Dreaming you see people banged, or that you are to be executed yourself, is a sign you will rise above your present condition by marriage.

*Harrows.* To dream you see white horses in the harrows is a sure sign of good news; if they are black, deep distress will befall you, as your lover will forsake you for another.

*Hatred.* Dreaming of being hated by friends or foes is a bad omen.

*Hay.* To dream that you are making hay, and the sun shining, denotes great prosperity to you as a lover; if married, riches and honour await you; but if the sun is under a cloud, and the rest of the workers are taking their ease, it is a sure sign that you will get a husband—but you will have to work for him.

*Hills.* To dream of climbing up hills shows you will overcome many troubles, and at last be very rich; likewise that you will have rivals in love.

*Horses.* To dream of horses is very lucky; if you dream that you see white horses they denote speedy news; if they are black, you may expect to hear of the death of an acquaintance.

*House.* To dream of building a house denotes success in trade; if in love, that your sweetheart is good tempered and faithful, and will make you very happy. To dream your house is burnt down denotes much trouble and many difficulties, with the loss of goods and reputation. To dream you see your house on fire foretells hasty news, and that you will lose a near relation.

*Hunting.* To dream you are hunting a fox, and that he is killed, shows much trouble through the pretensions of false friends, but that you will discover them, and overcome all their machinations; if you are hunting a hare, you will be

disappointed in your favourite object, be what it may; hunting a stag, if he is caught alive, denotes good to the dreamer, and that he will be successful in all his present undertakings.

*Ice.* To dream you are sliding or skating upon ice shows you will be engaged in some imaginary pursuit that will elude you; if the ice breaks, you may be certain of sickness.

*Infants.* Dreaming of infants denotes ill health and trouble; if they are playing, you may then expect to receive great satisfaction from a distant land.

*Iron.* To dream you are hurt with iron shows you will receive some injury.

*Key.* To dream of losing your key betokens displeasure; to find one, an addition to your family; to give one, is marriage; to receive one, the birth of a child.

*King or Queen.* To dream about the king or queen, or any of the royal family, betokens disappointment, excepting the months in which there is not an *R*, when it is a sign of great honour and prosperity.

*Kissing.* To dream you kiss a pretty maid indicates good; if she consents without any resistance, she will be true to her lover; to dream you kiss a married woman, and she consents, is a sign of sorrow and poverty; and that you will be unsuccessful in your present undertakings; it usually means deceit.

*Knife.* To dream you give a knife to your intended shows you will lose him or her.

*Ladder.* To dream you climb a ladder denotes that you will arrive at great honours; it also betokens a happy marriage, and many children.

*Laurel.* A wife to dream she smells a laurel tree shows she will have children; if a maid, she will be soon married to him whom she loves.

*Letter.* To dream of receiving a letter betokens a present; if you send one, you will relieve a person in bad circumstances.

*Lice.* To dream of lice is a sure sign of sickness to those in single life; but riches to those in the married state.

*Light.* To dream you see a great light denotes that you will attain to great honours and become very rich,—in love, it shows a sweetheart of an amiable disposition, that you will marry well, have children, and be very happy; if the light disappears all of a sudden, it betokens a great change in your present situation, much for the worse.

*Linen.* To dream you are dressed in clean linen denotes that you will shortly receive some glad tidings,—that your sweetheart is faithful, and will marry you, and that you will

be successful in all your present undertakings. If it is dirty it denotes poverty, a prison, and disappointment in love, with the loss of something valuable.

*Mad.* To dream of being mad is very good; it promises long life, riches, happy marriage, and good children.

*Magpie.* To dream that you see a magpie on a tree without leaves is a sure sign of sorrow; two is the sign of great mirth; three, the sign of a splendid wedding; and four, the sign of death.

*Marriage.* To dream you are married signifies the death of yourself or some near relation; to dream you assist at a wedding denotes pleasant news and great success; to dream of lying with your husband or wife threatens danger or sudden misfortunes.

*Meat.* To dream of raw meat denotes trouble of a very severe description; if it is boiled, it betokens plenty of work to the tradesman, and great plenty to the family of the labourer; to the lover it denotes a happy union.

*Men.* Married persons dreaming that they see men at work in their fields, and the sun shining, denotes that they will live at their ease, and have numerous servants; if the field is not yours it denotes that you will have to endure great trials.

*Mice.* To dream of mice denotes success in love and a happy union.

*Milk.* If you dream of milk it promises great news; if you see it flowing from a woman's breast, foretells happiness in your family and success in trade.

*Money.* To dream of getting money denotes great success in all your lawful undertakings.

*Moon.* To dream you see the moon darkened denotes sickness and death; if you see it in the shape of a full white face, it indicates to the virgin a speedy marriage; to the wife, that she will have a beautiful daughter; if the husband dreams it, the child will be a son; to handsome and pretty women it is a good sign to see a full moon, but not so to ugly ones.

*Mother.* To dream you see your mother, is a certain prognostic of some agreeable adventure being about to happen to you, and that you will hear from a friend at a distance. To dream you see your mother dead forebodes trouble and adversity, and that you will become very poor.

*Mulberries.* To dream of mulberries betokens constancy and affection in the married state; to travellers and sailors, prosperous journeys and voyages; to the lover, it denotes a speedy union with his sweetheart.

*Music.* To dream you hear delicious music denotes joyful news from a long absent friend; but if the notes are discordant, trouble, vexation, and disappointment are sure to follow

*Myrtle.* To dream of the myrtle denotes a wanton woman; beware, then, with whom you keep company.

*Nails.* To dream your nails are growing long is very good, and denotes riches, prosperity, and happiness, great success in love, a good industrious husband or wife, with dutiful children; it also foretells that you will suddenly receive a sum of money that will be of great use to you.

*Nakedness.* To dream of nakedness denotes scandal; if you see a naked female, it is lucky—it denotes that honours await you at no very distant period.

*News.* To dream you receive news from a distant friend, who is on his death-bed, is good; a person is at hand to befriend you. If you are married it betokens an addition to your family.

*Nightingales.* To dream of the nightingale is the forerunner of fire, or thieves by night. If unmarried, a sweet, good-tempered lover. For a married woman to dream she hears this sweet warbler sing, shows that she will have children who will have the gift of singing, but will be in the habit of staying up late at night.

*Night.* To dream you are travelling by night foretells great vexation.

*Nosegays.* To dream of gathering and making nosegays is unlucky, showing that our best hopes shall wither as flowers do in a nosegay.

*Nuts.* Dreaming of gathering nuts denotes that you will spend your time in pursuit of a trifling object, when you might employ it to better advantage.

*Oak.* To dream that you see the stately oak is a sign of long life, riches, and great felicity.

*Oats.* If you dream of sowing oats it foretells that you will have a partner who will squander all you possess; but if you assist in the sowing, then you will be consulted in all things before the money is spent, so beware of extravagance; ruin is before you if you do not act prudently.

*Old Women.* For a man to dream he is courting an old woman, and that she returns his love, is a very fortunate omen; it prefigures success in worldly concerns,—that he will marry a beautiful young woman, have lovely children, and be very happy.

*Onions.* To dream of this useful vegetable denotes a mixture of good and bad luck; if you are eating them, you will receive some money, recover some lost or stolen things, or discover some hidden treasure; your sweetheart will be faithful, but of a cross temper; it also denotes attack from thieves, and a failure of crops; it shows that you will be engaged in some

disagreeable quarrel, perhaps with your own family; if you are throwing onions away, it is the forerunner of mischief and quarrels; if you are in love, you will fall out with your sweetheart; if you are in trade, you will quarrel with your customers and servants; if you are gathering onions it betokens the recovery of some sick person of your family; the receipt of some unexpected news of a joyful kind, and a speedy removal from your present situation.

*Oranges.* To dream you are eating oranges implies that your feelings will be wounded, and may expect great grief from a quarter you little expect.

*Oven.* To dream you see an oven foretells that you are about to be separated from your family by changing your present residence; it shows you an attack by thieves in some by place, and also that your sweetheart is of a roving disposition, little likely to make you happy.

*Oxen.* If you dream that you see white oxen it shows virtuous inclinations; to see fat or lean oxen signifies present gain or misfortunes.

*Oysters.* To dream of eating oysters foretells prosperity, and that you will be married to a lady who is really a virgin, and who will love you; but if you should let them fall, you will lose the affections of the lady, for she is betrothed to another, and will speedily be married.

*Palm.* To dream you are gathering of palm denotes plenty, riches, and success in undertakings, and is a very good omen indeed; to a married woman, it is a certain token of her bearing children; to a maid it foretells a sudden marriage with the youth she loves, that she will have many children by him, and that she will live very happy in the married state.

*Paper.* To dream of paper is a good omen; if it is quite clean, you will be very successful in your undertakings, marry the person you love, have good and dutiful children, and be very happy; if it is dirty and scribbled upon, then it shows temporary want, and some unpleasant altercation; if it is plainly written, you will receive hasty news of a good nature, make an advantageous bargain, and obtain some money by a legacy; if it appears ruffled and carelessly folded up, it shows that some difficulties will occur which will give you much pain; if it is neatly folded, you will obtain your favourite dish, be what it may.

*Path.* To dream you are walking in an easy path shows that you will be successful in love; or, if you are married, you will obtain what you now wish for.

*Peaches.* When you dream of peaches, if you are in difficulties some one will befriend you; if you are sick, you will



soon get better ; if misfortune has been a visitor, fortune will dispel it, and you will have much wealth ; to the lover it denotes great joy in the married life, and a numerous family.

*Peacock.* To dream of this beautiful bird denotes great success in trade ; to a man, a beautiful wife, much riches, and a good place ; to a maid, a good and rich husband ; to a widow, that she will be courted by one who will not be sincere.

*Pears.* To dream of pears betokens elevation in life, great honours and riches, love that knows no termination, and success in every pursuit you may embark in.

*Pictures.* To dream you are looking at beautiful pictures foreshows that you will be allured by false appearances into some unprofitable concern, that you will waste your time on some idle project, and that you will always be in pursuit of happiness without attaining it ; in love it denotes great pleasure in the enjoyment of the beloved object, it promises a handsome wife, a good husband, and beautiful children.

*Pigeons.* To dream you see a pigeon flying, and that a feather drops, signifies you will soon receive a letter from your sweetheart ; to drop from any other bird, is a letter of business. To dream of pigeons flying is hasty news of a happy nature, and of constancy in lovers.

*Pit.* To dream of falling into a deep pit shows that some very heavy misfortune is about to attend you, that your sweetheart is false, and prefers another ; to a sailor it forebodes some sad disaster at the next port you touch at. To dream you are in a pit, and that you climb out of it without much trouble, foreshows that you will have many enemies, and experience much trouble, but that you will overcome them, and surmount your difficulties, marry well, and become rich ; to a sailor it denotes that he will experience shipwreck, and be cast on a foreign shore, where he will be hospitably received, fall in love, marry a rich and handsome wife, quit the sea, and live at ease on the shore.

*Play.* To dream you are at play betokens great happiness in the married state, and increase of business.

*Plough.* To dream you are following the plough, and that white horses are in the yoke, it foretells speedy news ; if the horses are black, deep distress, and often death.

*Plums.* There cannot be a worse dream than that of plums—they are the forerunner of ill-luck to the husbandman, the soldier, the sailor, the tradesman, the statesman, the sportsman, and the lovers who were under promise of marriage.

*Purse.* Dreaming that you find a purse betokens great and unexpected prosperity, a speedy and happy marriage ; if you lose your purse, you will assist at a friend's funeral.

*Quarrel.* If you dream you are quarrelling, it shows great happiness and contentment.

*Racing.* To dream you are running a race is a token of good, presages much success in life, and that you will speedily hear some very joyful news; in love, it denotes that you will conquer all your rivals, and be very happy in the union with the object of your affections. To dream you are riding a race shows disappointment and anger, bad success in trade and in love; to a married woman it denotes the loss of her husband's affections, and that her children will be in trouble.

*Railway Train.* To dream that you are in a railway fourth class carriage, between two men, is a positive sign that good fortune awaits you; if in the third class, and a lady sits on your left hand, beware of an enemy; if in the second class, with your back to the engine, there is something good awaiting you; but if your face is to the engine, you may expect great grief in consequence of your sweetheart making love to another. If you are in the first class, and the passengers speak to you, you will be exalted to rank, and heir an estate; but if they don't speak, trouble awaits you.

*Rain.* If you behold rain in your dream it promises success in a love affair; in all other respects it betokens trouble and vexation.

*Rainbow.* To dream you see a rainbow foretells sudden and agreeable news, and probably a long journey.

*Raspberries.* To dream of raspberries denotes great happiness and success; to the husbandman, an abundant crop; to the tradesman, great wealth; to the soldier, a complete victory; to the sailor, a prosperous voyage; to the lover, a quick and happy marriage; and to the forsaken, an unexpected return of the runaway.

*Rats.* If you are attacked by rats and get the better of them, it shows that some person will vainly try to do you harm; but if the rats tear or force you to run away, expect some great misfortune to befall you.

*Ravens or Crows.* To dream you see a crow or raven betokens great mischief; it shows falsehood in love.

*Ribbon.* To dream you wear ribbons shows an entanglement in love to the single, and extravagant children to the married.

*Riding.* To dream you are riding, if it be with a horse, is very unfortunate; expect to be crossed in love; if you are in trade, business will decay, and you will be very near bankruptcy; if you are a sailor it denotes perfidy in your sweetheart, and loose conduct with one of your shipmates; but if it be with him, then expect the reverse of these things will

happen, and that you will obtain a sum of money by some speculation of which you have but an indifferent opinion.

*Rings.* To dream you have a ring on your finger denotes marriage with the person you love; but if the ring drops off, it betokens death to a near friend.

*River.* Dreaming that you see river-water clear indicates happiness and success in life, constancy in love, the winning of a law-suit, and a speedy and pleasant voyage.

*Rocks.* A good dream for those going into business, as it shows stability therein.

*Rods.* To dream you are whipt with rods denotes that you will meet with a perfidious friend, who will go very near to ruin you; it also betokens you being shortly at a merry-making, where you must be careful of quarreling; if you do, it will turn out to your disadvantage; in love it denotes your sweetheart to be of a fickle disposition, and little calculated to make you happy.

*Roses.* To dream of these flowers in season is a sure token of happiness and success; but if these be out of season, it indicates distress, sickness, and disappointment; in love, they denote that your sweetheart is true, and that you will be married, and have many children.

*Sailing.* To dream you are sailing in a ship, and the water smooth, shows you will succeed in all your undertakings; if you sail in a small boat, and gain the desired haven, you will gain great riches.

*Sea.* To dream you are walking on the sea is good to him who would take a wife, for he shall enjoy her.

*Sheep.* To dream of sheep denotes success in life, faithfulness in love, and comfort in the evening of life; to the tradesman, it foretells increase of business; to the sailor, that his next voyage will be pleasant and lucrative, and his sweetheart kind and true. To dream you see them dispersing shows that pretended friends are endeavouring to do you injury.

*Shoes.* To dream you have a pair of shoes denotes success in life; in love-matters, they signify marriage, which will turn out an equal advantage to both parties.

*Silk.* To dream you are clothed in silk signifies honour. To dream that you trade with a stranger in silk denotes profit and joy.

*Silver.* To dream of silver shows that you have false friends, who will attempt your ruin; in love, it denotes that your sweetheart is false, and that he is engaged to another.

*Singing.* To dream that you are singing betokens some melancholy news; if you are unwell, it shows a speedy recovery; if in prison, you will soon be set free.

*Sky.* If you dream the sky is clear you will be successful in your enterprises; if soliciting any place of preferment, you will obtain it; if in love, you will marry the object of your affections; have you a law-suit? you will gain it; are you in trade? it will flourish and be profitable; are you a farmer? good crops, &c., will attend you; are you married? you will have many children, and they will be dutiful and do well; are you about to undertake a journey? it will answer your utmost expectations; are you going to sea? you will have a pleasant and prosperous voyage; are you in debt? you will speedily be able to pay it. To dream that the sky is full of thick, dark clouds, is an unfavourable token,—you will fall sick, and perhaps die—disappointments will attend your business.

*Snow.* To dream you see the ground covered with snow is a very good dream; to a young man, it shows he will marry a virgin, and have a large family.

*Soldiers.* To dream of soldiers shows trouble, persecutions, and law-suits; if they pursue you, it shows that you will be disliked by your rich neighbours.

*Spit.* To dream you are in a kitchen turning a spit is the forerunner of troubles and misfortunes; expect to be robbed, to lose your trade, to become very poor, and that your friends will desert you; if you are in love, it shows the object of your affections to be of a bad temper, lazy, and doomed to misfortunes and poverty.

*Sprats.* To dream of sprats denotes that you will have a large family of children. If you dream of cooking them, your children will give you a great deal of trouble.

*Squirrel.* To dream of a squirrel shows that enemies are endeavouring to slander your reputation; to the lover, it shows your sweetheat is of a bad temper, and much given to drinking; if you have a law-suit, it will surely be decided against you; if in trade, sharpers will endeavour to defraud you; and you will quarrel with your principal creditor.

*Starching.* To dream you are starching of linen shows you will be married to an industrious person, and that you will be successful in life, and save money; it also shows that you are about to receive a letter containing some pleasant news.

*Stars.* To dream you behold the stars shining very bright is success to the lover, and glad news from a far country; if they fall, it denotes health and happiness.

*Steam-Boat.* To dream you are aboard of a steamer, and the sea is hoisterous, denotes that your lover and you will quarrel, but if the sea is calm, it is a sign of a speedy marriage to the single; to the married, it denotes great success in some favourite speculation.

*Strawberries* denote riches by trade, happiness by marriage, male children, and generally a successful issue in all your undertakings.

*Sun.* To dream you see the sun shining denotes accumulation of wealth, and filling posts of honour in the State.

*Swans* denote happiness in marriage, and many children, who will by industry become rich.

*Sweetheart.* To dream of your sweetheart leaving you and going with another, is a very good dream; it shows that he will prove a faithful friend and a loving husband; if you see a female taking hold of his arm, beware of a rival.

*Swimming.* To dream that you are swimming with your head above the water shows that you will succeed in your undertakings, whatever they may be; to dream that your head is under water shows great trouble, disappointment in love, and that you will hear some unpleasant news from an individual you thought was dead.

*Swine.* To dream you see swine feeding is a very bad dream; it is a sure token of bodily distress to the dreamer; but if one drives them away, it betokens a speedy recovery from sickness.

*Tavern.* To dream you are feasting with friends in a tavern signifies great joy and comfort to you and yours.

*Tea.* To dream of drinking tea is a certain sign that some individuals are speaking ill of you, to prevent your union with your lover; if it is sweet, and neither milk nor cream in it, their malice is inveterate; but if there is cream or milk, and no sugar in it, as soon as you are joined in wedlock, a person will befriend you with money whom you little thought of; but beware of him!

*Teeth.* To dream of losing your teeth shows the loss of some friend by death, and that great trouble is about to accompany you.

*Tempest.* To dream you are overtaken by a storm denotes that you will, after numberless hardships, arrive at happiness, and that you will become rich, and marry a good-natured lady. If in love, you will have many rivals, but will triumph over them. If you have friends abroad you will have good news from them.

*Thirst.* If any one dreams his thirst is quenched with clear water he will live very jovially, and become very wealthy; if the water be troubled, lukewarm, stinking, and dirty, he will end his days in sickness and affliction.

*Thunder and Lightning.* To dream of thunder or lightning denotes gain in your business; but if it hurts you, it is a sign of some calamity.

*Toads.* To dream you destroy a toad denotes that you will discover a thief in whom you placed great trust.

*Trees.* To dream of trees in blossom denotes a happy marriage with the object of your affections, and many children, who will all do well; to the tradesman it denotes success in business, and to the sailor pleasant and lucrative voyages. To dream you are climbing trees denotes that you will make a fortune, and rise to honours in the State. To dream you are cutting down trees foretells heavy losses, and the death of a near relation or friend.

*Trumpet.* To dream that you hear the sound of a trumpet denotes troubles and misfortunes; to the lover, inconstancy in the object of his affections.

*Urns.* To dream of urns in a churchyard is the sign of the death of a sailor or soldier belonging to your family.

*Vessel.* To dream you are in a sailing vessel, with the captain at the helm, denotes that you will have a careful partner; if you are married, you will rise to honour and respectability.

*Walking.* To dream of walking in a dirty place foretells sickness and vexation to the lover; it also denotes your sweetheart to be of a bad temper, and inconstant.

*Walls.* If you dream of walking on weak and narrow walls, you are sure to undertake some bold and dangerous enterprise; if you come down without hurt, you will succeed; if the walls fall after you, you will be disappointed.

*Water.* To dream of drinking water shows trouble and adversity; to the lover it denotes that your sweetheart is false, prefers another, and will never marry you.

*Wedding.* To dream of a wedding is very unfavourable to lovers; it denotes sickness or death of some friend or relation.

*Wheat.* To dream of a field of wheat denotes great prosperity and riches; in love, it augurs a completion of your wishes, and foretells much happiness, with fine children, when you marry; if you have a law-suit, you will gain it, and you will be successful in all your undertakings.

*Women.* If you dream of meeting women on a road, each carrying a bundle, there is some mischief about to happen to you; if they are empty-handed, and joking away to each other, it is a sign that you will be asked to a company of friends, but beware that you are not entangled with some of the fair sex. If you see a woman on her knees, beware, for a vixen would fain have you.

*Wood.* If you dream of cutting wood, you will be happy in your family circle, and attain much honour and riches. To dream you are carrying wood on your back shows you will rise to affluence by industry and perseverance.

*Wool.* To dream you are buying or selling wool foretells gain in business by means of industry and perseverance; to the lover, it is a sign your sweetheart is of an amiable disposition, very constant, and deeply in love with you.

*Writing.* When dreaming of writing a letter to your sweetheart, if you put it in the post, you will have a pleasing return; but to trust it into other hands, shows that your secrets will be exposed.

*Yellow.* To dream of yellow colour denotes great trouble to the married woman from a female friend, and the loss of her husband's affections; to the lover it signifies he will marry a virgin.

*Yellow-hammer.* To dream of a yellow-hammer denotes, to the young and single, that they will certainly be united in wedlock to the object of their choice before the expiration of the next summer.

*Yew-tree.* To dream of a yew-tree foretells the funeral of a very aged person, by whose death the dreamer will become rich, or receive a protecting hand from the relations of the deceased.

*Yoke.* To dream you are bearing a yoke denotes danger; if it be a female, she will be willing to obey her husband, and will govern her family with prudence and care.

*Young.* To dream that you are young foretells peace, delight, and great happiness.

*Zealander.* To dream you see an Indian in his native dress, shows, to a man, he will travel, and to a woman, she will wed a foreigner. To dream you see an Indian female, predicts, to a man, that he will wed a rich widow, and to a woman, that she will have a son who will raise himself to great power and honour in the Indies, and bring wealth and honour to his kindred.

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## THE PHILOSOPHY OF DREAMS.

Dr. Cantor delivered a lecture a short time since, in the course of which he mentioned some curious circumstances respecting dreams. He said that the succession of ideas which had passed through our minds when awake, were remembered and recalled during sleep, and that was what was called dreaming. Dreams generally took place when the circulation of the blood was impeded. Our memory was much more distinct and strong when we dreamed than when we were awake.

It was because, when we were asleep, the association of the ideas went on without being disturbed or counteracted, and there was no controlling power over it. He would say a few words about the most extraordinary of all classes of dreams, namely, prophetic dreams, in which the future is revealed to the dreamer. They were all acquainted with the facts connected with the death of Mr. Perceval, the Prime Minister. When that statesman was still alive, a gentleman in the country, of the name of Williams, dreamed that he was standing in the lobby of the House of Commons, and saw Mr. Perceval enter, and instantly a man levelled a pistol at him. Mr. Williams told his wife, who thought little of it, and his friends called him a fanatic. A week after, however, the news arrived that Mr. Perceval had been murdered in the very same way the gentleman had dreamed. A very remarkable instance had occurred to the late Sir John Stuart. When young, and ill of the typhus fever, he dreamed of a dark-haired and dark-eyed young lady, with whom he fell in love. Years afterwards he went to the Continent, and there met with the identical party, and it was to her care that he owed the complete restoration of his health; and he married her. There was a great number of such dreams recorded. The ancients paid great attention to dreams. A decree was published under Augustus, as commanding every one who had dreamed a dream, to report the same to the government. It was certain that the mind possessed sometimes in dreams an *a priori* knowledge which was highly remarkable. It was sometimes the same just the moment before death. There was indeed Scriptural authority in favour of dreams. But the fulfilment of dreams was by no means astonishing, generally speaking.