



## OF SECOND-HAND

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### ABSTRACT

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### INTRODUCTION

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform rather reveals, so it bears no reference. The best creative writing is critical, and the best critical writing is creative. The present article is the outcome of creative writing meant for lay readers. As such free style is the methodology adopted so that the pleasure of reading can be enjoyed by the common people. As you know well that Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal writer, wrote many essays, and notably “Of Love”, “Of Friendship”, “Of Ambition”, “Of Studies”, etc. The myriad-minded genius rightly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be the themes of essays one can write. But little has been done, in this regard since his death, in order to finish his unfinished monumental works. In fact Bacon's way of presentation and his unique style kindled imagination and inspired me to write essays, in the light of creative writing, thus to get relief through catharsis.

### ARTICLE

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entanglement that is more powerful. Mind dominates body; the reverse, however, is not true. The society cares for physical union, not for psychological involvement. This way of the society is queer. True love is chiefly psychic. Of course, physicality is there. But it is less important. Physiology is time bound; psychology is everlasting. Physiology is mortal; psychology, like love, is immortal. Physiology is temporal. Psychology is divine.

Physical involvement, as we see, is a social crime. But, mentally second-hand is also a crime and at the same time more than physically second-hand, since mind rules over body. Yet, the society takes no step against it. Perhaps, it is almost impossible for the society to be vigilant and thereby to take any step against this invisible issue. Here the guilt of the culprit cannot be proved due to lack of direct evidence. Naturally, the guilty mind enjoys benefit of doubt and remains unpunished. Had mind not allowed body it would have never been addicted to that ugly taste. Now if physical rape is a crime then ‘visual rape’ is also a crime committed silently keeping the society quite in the dark. But such a criminal having cool brain is called an innocent.

A man having a fiancée is second-hand to his wife. Now if such a second-hand man under any unavoidable circumstances is compelled to marry another woman, sometimes he is also found to meet his fiancée. This very attraction is observed to persist even his wife is pretty and appealing more in complexion in comparison with his fiancée. It, therefore, seems that this craze is due to

psychological involvement caused by the inertia of long-nurtured habit but seldom for physiological attraction. Perhaps an individual is always weak to the first love and seldom forgets it.

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Now, it seems clear that the absolute first-hand is not yet known. So we understand that the term second-hand is mere conception of purely a relative matter. Here a pious heart may preach the very influence of the Omnipotent, the great creator of the creation as a whole and accordingly proclaims the existence of super or divine power to be the one and the only one first-hand. So one should not be boast of being first-hand. For he is not so as claimed by him. Also one should not be melancholy and repent after being so-called second-hand, since it is inertia of natural phenomenon. For the mother i.e., the earth itself is singularly liable for this guilt. And no wrong is there if the inhabitants of this planet become so-called second-hand or more than that, since the chastity of the mother is not beyond question. Now the claim of any individual of being perfectly 100% first-hand is quite absurd just like a dhoti having a back pocket or like the conventional joke – a cart with a head light.

Now, we understand that the present author is a born infinite-hand. Again, if his grand-father in one fine morning, instead of kiss, was kicked by his would be fiancée grand-mother out then the present author is credited extra one hand to make the sum total into infinity plus one number of hands. Similarly, if the grand-father, out of anger and grief, kicked one fiancée grand-mother out just to take revenge on the female class then addition of further one new hand i.e., two hands in total is to be rendered with the infinity making the sum total into

infinity plus two number of hands. But, there is at all no basic difference between two individuals who possess infinity plus one and infinity plus two numbers of hands respectively. For a mathematician says that anything added to infinity the sum total is also infinity. So, what we call one second-hand is quite wrong, apparent and completely a relative matter.

Thus we all are infinite-hand by birth. Now rebirth offers an extra dimension on an individual, who suffers from it till the nirvana i.e., beatitude attained by extinction of individuality and desires with release from effects of karma, is attained thereby. For rebirth, as is believed by Hinduism and Buddhism, occurs repeatedly as per karma or commitment of sins and continues till the effect of karma is vanished totally and thereby entire sin eventually becomes zero. A pious heart says that this creation is the work of the God and an individual starts his journey from Him and also finishes the same with the meeting and thereby disappearing into the Omnipotent through the sufferings of unconquerable rebirth. In other words, an individual starts from the first-hand i.e., the great Almighty God and finishes the same journey with the meeting with the first-hand through the sufferings from infinite number of hands. So it seems clear that both the starting as well as the finishing spots are the same. And, generally, an individual in absolute sense is found to be busy to reach to that very pre-destined destination. Now we understand that not only human being but also the animate and inanimate object of the whole creation i.e., man, birds, beasts, trees, hills, ocean, stars, planets, milky-way, galaxy, etc. are on the way towards that very destination. As such how and how quickly can be reached to that very coveted dreamland i.e., the destination of eternal peace is the question. So a judicious person seldom cares a little regarding the matter of second-hand, third-hand, etc. He argues that since the ultimatum of anything, either living or non-living being, is to reach to that very land of eternal bliss, crossing the land of death, the matter of second-hand, third-hand i.e., change of hands is quite immaterial due to the very

temporal character of the life itself of any birth.

Now it is further believed that a holy soul reaches there at ease without facing any obstruction in comparison with an evil soul that repeatedly suffers from rebirth i.e., fresh incarnation for spiritual enlightenment. And there is no way to escape from its cruel clutch. So we are unstable to attain the absolute stability like a bird that returns back to its nest for rest after all day flying in the sky.

Second-hand is a bipartite issue since both the persons become affected at the same time. So becoming second-hand singly without affecting others, is impossible. Again a man, if possesses more than one fiancée then separation among them will convert him into single second-hand with the production of mass second-hand on the other side.

Similarly polygamy and subsequent divorce or desertions are the striking examples of rendering a mass into

second-hand with the single one in another part.

A man in the male-dominated society, in most of the cases, is singularly liable for converting a woman into a so-called second-hand. So a patriarchal society may be considered as an industry for making second-hand women. Society hates a second-hand person. They are recognized as second-class citizen. But in our society a man is compared with a ring made of gold. And the price of such a ring never gets reduced even if it is distorted. So the value of a second-hand man remains unaltered. A second-hand is more experienced than a first-hand. So in any competition they get appointment but in matrimonial relationship they get regret letter. Because, both the bride and groom are crazy for first smile of first-hand. They may accept anything but seldom a second-hand life-partner. But in case of an antique it is just the reverse. For time gives birth to an antique and the more hands the more costly the antique is.

We have already confessed the infinite-hands of a newborn babe by birth. Now, if an individual adds more hands due to inertia, that is quite natural. In that case we may say that a second-hand individual has obeyed the said rule of the nature. And a third-hand person is more faithful to that very rule in comparison with the second-hand person and so on. So a first-hand fellow who is boast of purity or chastity and wants not and accordingly adds no additional hand at all is against the nature. But in practical life it is just reverse. Really it is confusing and contradictory as well. For those, with great faith, abide by this rule of the nature and thus become second-hand acquire ill fame.

Now addition of new hands may occur by two ways viz., by physiological or by psychological means that again may be categorized as slow and fast process which may also be called as seen and unseen method respectively. Also similar addition is observed through marriage i.e., by psycho-physiological means and there from eventual divorce or desertion. In the twinkle of an eye the matter of conversion of a first-hand i.e., so-called untouched individual into a second-hand and subsequently more than that is very interesting. This conversion may be explained in the light of psychological or silent but fast method. Now a man increases the number of hand by one when he looks at a pretty woman and spontaneously allures himself to think for physical union keeping herself quite in the dark i.e., it is one-sided decision but affects both. And the woman in question becomes second-hand without direct involvement. After that if that very individual looks at another woman and enjoys a similar day dream then, obviously, another number of hand is added with the addition of one hand to the woman whom he looks at. In this way, in the twinkle of an eye a good number of hands may be added to both sides if a man looks at a mass or group of women and thinks in a similar manner. However this is equally true in case of a woman also when she looks at a man and thinks accordingly. This very spontaneous and open secret process occurs so fast that an individual, in a day, may collect so many hands. Also it may happen beyond the true consciousness of an individual concerned

who seldom takes it so seriously. Since mind is guilty in this respect it takes place quite quietly. So nobody becomes able to find any fault with it as there is no seen or direct physical involvement. Rather it is an unseen matter and simultaneously a practice of psychological reaction. Now it seems clear that in a moment an individual may acquire a good number of hands very easily irrespective of his direct involvement. And if increment of such unseen hands is called a sin or crime then a person knows not how many sins or crimes he willy-nilly commits in a day. Also the society cares a little for this commitment of 'visual rape'. But a pious heart considers it as a serious diversion from holy thoughts and accordingly will remain aloof from taking part in this so-called innocent natural event practiced by a perfectly normal youth.

Thus, spontaneous exchange of such act of looking if takes place between two emotional hearts of opposite or same sex then both of them involved therein are credited one hand each simultaneously. In fact it is very difficult for a perfectly normal behaving fellow not to look at the opposite sex thus to be a second-hand or more than that. However time renders an individual second-hand or higher-hand and simultaneously time is the best healing balm too for those touchy hearts.

## CONCLUSIONS

The plights of film stars are very pathetic. Innumerable fans render them innumerable-hand. But the condition of God is worst of all. Because, God is loved by all. Everybody keeps God in the safe custody of mind and uses Him whenever and wherever required in distress. So God is the greatest captive in the hands of His innumerable devotees who convert Him infinite-hand since time immemorial. Now God saves all. But who will save God from such conversion of first-hand into infinite-hand? The reply is - only the pious hearts can save God thus not loving Him. But the devotees must not desert God. So, God will either live in this world or escape away. Now what will God do? Let God decide.

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