

**Lamb's Adventures of Ulysses.**

Continued.

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P. 135, l. 5: Here the rocks are said to be smooth. What is the general character of rocks on the sea shore, and why are they thus? l. 8: Among the Greeks it was very common to deify a river. l. 9: Meaning of the phrase "stayed his current?" l. 22: "Voice spent" means what? l. 25: The rack was one of the instruments of torture of the Middle Ages used to extract testimony from stubborn witnesses or accused persons. Its use is mentioned in some of Scott's novels. l. 36: The name of the river, Calliroë, means a "beautiful stream."

P. 136, l. 5: The word "insecure" is worth being studied in its derivation, "in," "se," "cura," "not apart from care. l. 14: Parse the word "leave." l. 21: What figure of speech in the expression "the air breathed steel," and what does it mean?

P. 137, l. 5: Meaning of the prep. "against" as found here? l. 9: "Your reputation stands much," etc. What does this phrase mean? l. 10: "Timely" means? l. 12: "Vestments," often called "vesture," and Macaulay in the "Lays" has shortened it down to "vest." l. 23: Find the derivation of "primitive." l. 35: Even then it seems the unmarried were expected to be more careful in their dress. Of course, like other old-fashioned things, the saying has died out, hasn't it? l. 39: The Romans, too, when dressed for state occasions, put on their white togas. How strange to them would have appeared our black coats and silk hats worn on similar occasions now?

P. 138, l. 13: What kind of oil would it be? l. 17: Homer in the original speaks of how well the mules trotted on their way out. l. 22: Here we have, perhaps, the earliest kind of washing machine. Of what kind of material would the clothes likely be made?

P. 139, l. 27: Delos is one of the islands of the Aegean Sea. If anyone has Kingsley's "Heroes" and will look up "Theseus," he will find how the Aegean got its name. l. 30: Meaning of "past" in this line?

P. 143, l. 3: It may be remembered that the seer Teiresias was also blind, and that Homer himself was. l. 11: Meaning of the word "jar" here? What part of speech is it? The oracle here is probably the famous one at Delphi. l. 12: Meaning of "period" here? It is used in its more unusual sense of "end" or "finish?" l. 16: Expressed to the life" means what? l. 39: Look up "prowess."

P. 146, l. 33: It will be remembered by those who have read Othello how the "fair Desdemona" was won by similar tales.

P. 147, l. 15: "Massy plate," instead of "massy;" we more commonly used "massive." What is the meaning of "plate?" l. 28: Meaning of "yielded" in this line?

P. 148, l. 17: The length of his absence is said to have been twenty years in all.

P. 149. In the first book of the Aeneid a goddess appears to Aeneas in much the same way.

P. 150, l. 18: "Were" is in what mood? l. 19: Meaning of "wanting?" l. 22: If not too difficult for Grade VIII, "being dead" is a good bit of parsing to exercise their ingenuity on. l. 30: Telema-chus in its French form. Telemaque is the title of a well known tale dealing with this same story. Be careful of the pronunciation of Penelope. In those classical names each vowel is sounded; *e* is not usually silent at the end of a word as in English.

P. 151, l. 12: Meaning of "concert." How does the noun come to have the meaning it does? l. 28: "Ill" is not so often used as "evil" in this sense.

P. 152, l. 7: Meaning of phrase "in his time." l. 15: Case of the noun "beggar." What would be its case in the sentence "his conduct became a beggar?" l. 28: "Antipathy" from "anti" against "pathos" a feeling; just the opposite of "sympathy."

P. 154, l. 4: "Will not stick to invent any lie." Explain meaning of this phrase. l. 10: "On't" for the more modern "of it." As I mentioned before, Lamb was a student of Elizabethan literature. l. 39: Meaning of "forged?" How is this meaning connected with the other one?

P. 162, l. 34: "A travelling Egyptian" with us would be called by what name?

P. 163, l. 15: Those who have Kingsley's "Heroes" will remember how Jason carried a beggar across the Anaurus, and how it proved to be Hera, Queen of the Immortals.

P. 164, l. 7: The famous Olympic games were celebrated at Olympia, in Western Greece, every fourth year. To win a prize at one of the events there was the highest honour a Grecian athlete could attain. Of such importance were they that the Greek calendar was based on them, as we date from the birth of Christ.

P. 165, l. 1: Meaning of "stomach" here? l. 37: Is four acres of good "glebe land" a fair day's work for one man and team?

P. 166, l. 27: Look up "spleen."