

and cheer. Man took this world when tenanted only by wild weeds and wild beasts, and himself a wild man. At first he was in the list of battle, the level antagonist of pard and panther. Warring against the beast he learned to subdue it. Taming the beast, he found that he was taming the beast in himself. Gaining dominion over nature, he was gaining dominion over the passions of his own nature. At last, through friendly help of herds and plants, and elements tempered more kindly to his needs, he was disenthralled, and from being a serf he became a creator. The ascended vapor creates all the beauties of cloud and the burnished glories of sunset. The ascending races of men will reach the corelean heights and create a heaven of earth. Already our hands are laid mightily on the earth and the elements. At our bidding the floral world has put on richer hues and sweeter fragrance. At our bidding is the fragrance of flowers where flowers are not. We create the odor of every flower that blooms save only the jasmine. We make the luscious apple from the bitter crab, and we are learning to make such compounds as the apple directly from the elements. Already we have created half the organic compounds, and when we shall learn to create them all, no victim will bleed to give us meat.

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