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Yesterday was a Gun Day: Once Again. As I write at least 14 high school students, and 3 adults, were *offed* in Florida. It seems (from many years ago) the author recalls a 16 year old Floridian who had gunned someone down, declaring that Kojak was the responsible party.

We do live in a violent society. As a nation we have attempted to control the world through violence. Gratuitous violence is served up with every dinner.

The nuclear clock has been reset, and is ticking.

Those with the means are firing off new rockets with the notion of escaping to Mars.

This is where its at: Rotating at 1000 mph, revolving at 70,000 mph, somehow held in check by gravity, working against centrifugal and coriolis forces. Whew! It's a wonder we have time for shooting, or nuking.

Your author doesn't make light of what has happened. Its all part of the evolutionary project. We're not there yet.

Before I forget entirely, I am inserting the following: Government may be an abode where compromises are required, but also a place where certain substantive issues (like gun control) cannot be compromised by government. These are the sacred, often unspoken covenants, that have existed between men (women), inviolate, (never to ne violated), never to be transgressed, or compromised, regardless of any extraneous consideration (NRA), or any apparent overshadowing expedient (The Second Amendment). MORE! – The spokespeople for the Government say things that seem unbelievable because what they say seems so mean, cruel, hurtful, indifferent, completely lacking in empathy, as well as disastrously inhuman (phony). We say to ourselves, if these people believe what they are saying (as seems apparent) then we are living in a Nazi country, and we are headed down a road from which there is no return. (The Wind, she blows!)

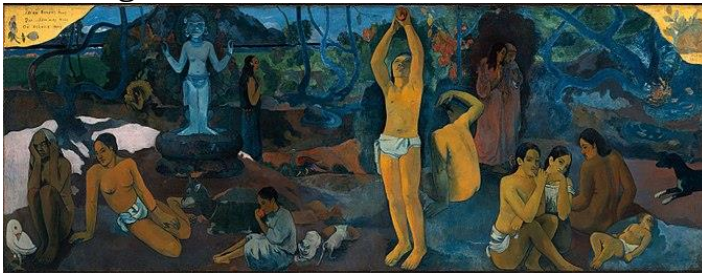
Anyway, that's out of the way.

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Every time this happens, we lament our inability to do away with the killing impulse. But we make it seem so easy and inconsequential as we strain the lattices of our intellect in creating gratuitous violence.

They (the media) (Nicole Included) venture that this is the 'New Normal', Death In The Afternoon.

To review. It has been asked so often, that it should be in the forefront of everybody's thinking.



D' où Venons Nous  
Que Sommes Nous  
Où Allons Nous

For the author, the launch began in Lynn Massachusetts. Dad was indifferent (the poorest f..k he ever had), mother was pleased (carrying on). His qualifications for participating (Homo sapiens) inculcated, with a varying response (interest). Most inculcations were inopportune, also full of plausible deceptions. With hindsight (after 85 years) the objective of inculcation was 'conformity'. Conformity may have its place **if:** the objective is: We are all in this together (in an apolitical sense), with the overriding objective of: Do unto other as you would be done by. The desirable end product was some kind of acquiescent creature affecting a civilizational aegis. That is only an assumption. It is also an expectation.

Those who would inculcate may be obliged to demonstrate, i.e. become exemplary (models). (showing off the best side of conformity).

As inculcates, we were informed of the many previous methods (there were many) of governing, perhaps to mostly illustrate how lucky we were (to be governed?).

Regardless, to say the least, we are a perplexed Society.

Gun Problem: Its not The Gun; it's the triggerman.  
A Gun of any kind means DEATH!

Nuclear Problem: Its not the Nuke, It's the Nuker.  
A nuke of any kind means DEATH!

The species actually debates the pros and cons – because life has proven dispensable.

Most all wild game (defenseless animals) has been decimated through the use of guns.

Sancho says:

Do away with all guns. Do away with the Second Amendment!  
Do away with all nukes (and whatever amendment applies).

They serve no useful purpose. Sancho recommends solving cultural, ethnic, racial, and religious differences in some other way; holding to the basic principles: We Are All In This Together, Do Unto Others As Ye Would Be Done By. No Dominating, and Any Form Of Government That Does Not Account The Least Must Be Deemed a Failure (Sancho is riding his high burro as he speaks.)

It is not assumed that, because 'homo sapiens' recognizes a problem, he will do anything to account for it. Is he able?

It is assumed that 'survival of the fittest' is in operation at all times. This is deduced from an understanding of certain observable operatives acting within Mother Nature.

We return to basic questions of: Where do we come from, why are we here, where are we going?

To answer the first we could postulate that Mother Nature, through the mechanism of evolution, has produced a certain kind of result.

To answer the second question we must answer that we are in a transition phase of adapting to the previous result.

To answer the third – understanding the first two, we anticipate some kind of unknowable continuance; perhaps: 'More Of The Same'.

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A fourth question “Is there any relief from the inevitability of the first three?” At this juncture the answer is: NO!

Anyway, further evolutionary products may offer a different outcome – without some kind of intervention of mind over matter. Homo Sapiens has been at this for some time; perhaps as a ‘victim’. All life forms may be considered ‘victims’ in the symbiotic relationships of prey and predator.

Homo sapiens may suffer more from his relationship because of his ‘awareness’ – and his inability to forestall the effects of the process.

Malthusian in number – the problem intensifies; the units of measurement must be reevaluated.

Sancho claims:

Empathy is lacking – i. e. that encompassing feeling of reverence for life – i. e. a property of matter that animates it – the animate part proven fragile – to all - no life form escapes this inevitability, not even the armored creature. One would assume Mother Nature is indifferent to her creations. That is to say ‘chemistry’ has no feeling. You get what you get. How much is, indifference to life, abetted by the ‘too many’.

Argument: Given what we might assume we know – can we make choices that benefit ALL (as an intuitive?) as, in: We Are ALL In This Together. Would such choosing prove antithetic to the model of Mother Nature i.e. Mother Nature as Blind To Purpose, indifferent to purpose. Can Homo Sapiens will something contrary to his nature?

Can Homo Sapiens separate itself from the exigencies of Mother Nature?

To: Assign purpose e.g. ?

What purpose – to abide the notion that, what benefits one, benefits all; and/or, what benefits all, benefits one? Benefit is defined mostly in terms of biological health. (it is noted that in Sparta the physically decrepit were cast aside). Are there other kinds of benefits?

Given the modern proximity to Malthusian redundancy – and the generally more sufficient reproductive capacity, do we ask such questions? – i. e. eliminating deformed, malformed, i.e. Downs’,

muscular dystrophics, blue babes, mentally deficient, physical disabilities?

Is this kind of thinking any crueler than governmental entities voting to ignore their own manifest responsibilities?

The question arises hypothetically – not to propose a superior product. Even more hypothetical, questions can be asked e.g., re: cloning – duplication of ‘best’ products of a selection process?

These notions are non-utopian; they are found in pragmatic questions.

1.) What is the model (exemplary) Homo Sapiens? The ad appears: This is a real person, it is not an actor.

Most questions Sancho asks are intended to probe our assumptions, and challenge our expectations, based upon those assumptions.

The derivation of an assumption may stem from early matriculation, i. e. plausible deceptions provided by parents, teachers, public figures, ‘exemplary’ socio-political entities, as well as platitudes found under every rock, on every bumper sticker (or stuff found in the mists).

Expectations seem to be ‘givens - god-givens – our inherent right.

The statement “Do Unto Others As Ye Would Be Done By” is a succinct self-evident proposition, along with the expectation inherent to it.

One assumes the self-evident nature of the statement guarantees compliance – where it may not, because the other party may not assent to the notion, regardless of its clarity and seemingly incontrovertible nature.

It is not a Law!

We are attempting to unveil the elements of the civilizational aegis (without which we are doomed). The social strife in which we find ourselves immersed, implies something created from the raw materials of experience – like a mutagenesis (transitional event) toward a strife-free existence, removed from the ‘survival of the fittest’.

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If you are like the author, you do not know, and cannot hypothesize a deity, hence there is none. There is no concrete evidence of one (at least, not a rationally concrete one). That does not imply the author is Captain of his own soul and Master of his own fate. He is willing to assent to finite existence, though it pains him to imagine his end while the outstanding issues remain unresolved.

Your author could declare an impasse – he could admit defeat.

If one walks away, down to the sea – listens to the waves rustling or striking the shore, watches the effect of the wind upon the water, feels the breeze or wind, soars with the birds, revels in the unfettered untroubled ambience, has he deserted his post? Does he have the right to save himself for himself? And to imagine he has the right to speak?

Is not his attempt to influence the brethren a grandiose presumption? As if his brethren was constructed of some shapeable plastic medium, when in fact they are a fatefully inevitable obdurate protoplasmic configuration that survives by encroachment, by taking away, utilizing, subdividing, becoming an accretion, perhaps a monster.

Homo Sapiens a monster – what is your perspective? Homo sapiens looked upon T. Rex as a frightening monster (all those big powerful bone-crunching teeth, those big ugly body stomping feet, when in fact he was merely being obedient to the forces from which he emerged. Does that which follows homo sapiens perceive him (HS) as a monster? Some foul smelling animal who has transformed the environment into a reeking hellhole, as our Leader has said of other nations, “shitholes”?

The author, a godless critter, is engaging in dubious guesswork, through the good graces of Sancho.

A Valiant effort to control Violence – the antithesis to life.

