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On Bald Heads

What a roster might be made of bald-headed geniuses—philosophers, poets, statesmen, conquerors, reformers! It would fill 20 columns of the *Evening Sun*. The names of Julius Caesar, Oliver Cromwell, William of Normandy, George Washington, Scipio Africanus, Pompey, Aeschylus, Homer, Aristophanes, Virgil, Chaucer, Newton, Bacon, Ben Jonson, Kant, Coleridge, Racine, Swedenborg, the two Bacons, Giordano Bruno, Vesalius, Euripides, Plautus, Horace, Goethe, Calderon, Cervantes, Gogol, Bismarck, Metternich, Berlioz, and Johann Sebastian Bach would adorn it.

The compilation of such a roster would be a labor of years, perhaps of centuries. But the idea fascinates, and so let us attempt a sort of rough, preliminary list. Here, then, are the names of a few undoubtedly great men who have been undoubtedly bald, either partly or wholly. No man whose baldness was less than 60 percent has been admitted. So:

Philosophers

Aristotle	Schleiermacher
Pythagoras	Hobbes
Plato	Bacon
Socrates	Berkeley
Descartes	al-Ghazali
Locke	Ibn Tufayl
Comte	Empedocles
Kant	Prodicus
Spinoza	Democritus
Leibniz	Xenophanes
Fichte	Heraclitus

Poets

Homer	Simonides
Virgil	Warner
Abu Nuwas	Theocritus
Omar Khayyam	Vogelweide
Chaucer	Klopstock
Horace	Spenser
Cooglar	Herder
Varius Rufus	Rousseau
Catulus	Vigny
Dryden	Musset
Herrick	Greene

Dante
Beowulf
Heine
Ovid
Propertius

Cowley
Kipling
Bertran-de-Born
Villon
Gray

Dramatists

Aeschylus
Euripides
Aristophanes
Beaumont
Goldsmith
Jonson
Moliere
Racine
Ibsen
Bjornson
Gogol
Schiller
Kotzebue
Jones

Scribe
Shakespeare
Terence
Calderon
Lope de Vega
Echegaray
Corneille
Marlowe
Pinero
Sutro
Pollock
Goldoni
Angier
Rostand

Novelists

Zola
Turgenev
France
Boccaccio
Fielding
Smollett
Dickens
De Morgan
Sudermann
Collins

Cooper
Tolstoy
Trollope
James
Howells
Heyse
Cervantes
Defoe
Lesage
Lucian

Generals

Julius Caesar
Scipio Africanus
Hannibal
Frederick the Great
Washington

Prince Eugene
Marlborough
Bernadotte
Blucher
Wellington

Sailors

Columbus
Nelson
Dewey

Hobson
Cook
Van Tromp

Scientists

Galileo	Darwin
Newton	Wallace
Hunter	Lodge
Linnaeus	Osler
Volta	Vesalius
Koch	Mueller
Mendel	Franklin
Boyle	Lavoisier
Glauber	Davy
Helmholz	Haeckel
Behener	Berzelius
Priestly	Liebig
Boerhaave	Guy-Lassac
Resumur	Mendeleyev

Statesmen

Cromwell	Metternich
Bismarck	Disraeli
John Adams	Bulow
Pitt	Witte
Gladstone	Wolsey

Orators

Bryan	Isocrates
Cicero	Cato the Censor
Demosthenes	Clay
Webster	Fox
Peter the Hermit	Mansfield
Burke	Athanasius
Beecher	Isaeus
Ingersoll	Tom Reed

Musicians

Clementi	Palestrina
J.B. Bach	Scarlatti
P.E. Bach	Paganini
C.P.E. Bach	Haydn
Hans Bach	Grieg
W.F.E. Bach	Saint-Saens
Veit Bach	Glinka
Heinrich Bach	Purcell
J.M. Bach	E. de Reszke
J.C. Bach	Strauss
W.F. Bach	Raff
Luil	Pleyel

Cu
Bulow
Brahms
Offenbach
Von Suppe
Novak

Planeus
Popper
Rheinberger
Jadassohn
Jules Levy
Stradivarius

Artists

Raphael
Rodin
Wren
Blake
Duren
Dore
Cruikshank
Gibson
Vedder
Verrshchagin
Watts
Cotof
Dupre
Rubens
Wilson

Van Dyck
Mignard
Correggio
Van Aelst
Jan Steen
Piloty
Knaus
Lenbach
Ribot
Bastien-Lepage
Manet
Reynolds
Gainsborough
Kneller
Tiepolo

Murderers

Cesare Borgia

Crippen

Actors

Garrick
Burbage
Roscius
Tree

Macready
Talma
Richard Carle
Salvini