



OF ACCIDENT

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ABSTRACT:

The paradox is that he who wants to be happy like a saint, is not ready to leave his family. A person cannot stay simultaneously in two boats. A mathematician expresses it as mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive. He must choose a single one. This dilemma makes a lay man unhappy. This is the real accident that restricts his movement and thereby renders him inactive.

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INTRODUCTION

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform rather reveals, so this style of writing 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 pleasure of reading can be enjoyed by the common mass. As you may know Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal essayist, 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 i.e., his unique style kindled the imagination already in me and encouraged me as well to write essays, in the light of creative writing, thus to get relief through Catharsis.

ARTICLE

Accident is an event that is without apparent cause, or is unexpected. It describes something outside the usual course of events. It is a mishap. It is an unfortunate event, especially, one causing physical harm or damage, brought about unintentionally. It is an occurrence of things by chance. It is an occurrence of involuntary urination or defecation.

It is an irregularity in structure. It is the working of fortune. Accident accounts for much in life.

Man, from cradle to grave, faces various types of events in the name of accidents namely mischance, misfortune, misadventure, contingency, disaster, calamity, catastrophe, etc. It is the manifestation of either helplessness or callousness or both simultaneously already in man.

Accident is an event of chance, not planned or organized in advance. Some unfortunate events must be accepted as inevitable. Chance comes once. Someone considers it merely as a happening and ignores it. But a judicious brain avails the opportunity. A pious soul considers it as Almighty's grace and accepts with much gratefulness. The blessed soul considers it as the outcome of sincere devotion towards God.

Accident is a happening that is not expected, foreseen, or intended. It is an unpleasant and unintended event, sometimes resulting from negligence that results in injury, loss, damage, etc. It implies fortune. It is an attribute or quality that is not essential. When accident occurs due to negligence the wounded heart blames himself. Otherwise, if suffering is due to unknown reason the bewildered soul curses its Fate.

Accident is omnipresent with its immense capacity and supreme power. Man is quite helpless in this regard. A pious soul preaches that he who declines and defies God faces downfall and is sure to die untimely and unexpectedly. In every footstep he will face various problems having uneven degree and dimension as well. The learned soul argues that he who believes in God gains psychic force and the theist, thereby, conquers at ease all sorts of dangers, as are faced with. It is a threat to the human intellect or confidence.

Fate ridicules man with its follies and absurdities utterly.

Man faces various situations and tackles as per his intellect and ability. Accident is one kind of unintentional event. Law an unforeseen event that occurs without anyone's fault or negligence. As already stated, accident describes that which occurs by chance or outside the normal course of events. Fortuitous frequently suggests a complete absence of cause, now usually refers to chance events of a fortunate nature. It is applied to events occurring without known cause. Casual describes the unpremeditated,

random, informal, or irregular quality of something. It is a passing event of slight importance. A casual visit, remark, dress, reference, etc. stand for lack of seriousness. Incidental emphasizes the nonessential or secondary nature of something. Adventitious refers to that which is added extrinsically and connotes a lack of essential connection.

Someone may be present at a place by accident. Early arrival of a person is just an accident. A man may face a slight accident causing breakage of some glasses. If someone is very late – one do hope he has not met with an accident. If reaching home takes place without accident, it signifies safe event. It is no accident that someone became a doctor for both her father and grandfather were doctors. By accident of birth one is entitled to American citizenship. Someone only finds about something purely by accident.

Accident-prone means more than usually likely to have accidents. Such a crossing of roads is watched carefully. A naughty child is the most accident-prone among all children. Man experiences accidental loss or collision. Accident insurance can give money for any damage but cannot compensate the real loss of life. For it cannot give back one's life.

Accident is the manifestation of both evil and good. A pessimist is anxious for the negative side of life. He does not leave home. He likes to remain in the known environment. Romance or voyage is beyond his imagination. He always thinks for various types of accidents. He becomes anxious thinking who will help him in distress.

He becomes more anxious thinking who will protect his property after his death. All these evil thoughts chase him round the clock like night mares. He becomes sleepless. He is afraid of death. As such, every day he dies many a time. He dreams that he dies unknown. He dreams that he dies unwept. He dreams that he dies unsung. He realizes the hard reality. He discovers the tragedy of life. He hears the voice of eternity. All these render him complete mad.

An optimist, on the other hand, goes out of venture. To him no risk no gain implies high risk high gain. He is not afraid of death. He is always ready to face any situation. So he leaves no stone unturned to achieve his objectives. Such a dynamic mind argues that if a person tries for something there are two possible outcomes. Either he may fail or he may fail to fail. The optimist always thinks for the later one. Here the former is an accident but the second is an incident one. Life is full of incidents. They say life is not a bed of roses.

It is an information to an enthusiastic soul but a caution to a callous fellow. Life faces various incidents but experiences few accidents. Here lies the uniqueness of life in general. If a pessimist knows it and thinks a little over it then he can easily overcome the phobia of accidents.

A person who is physically fit, mentally sound and economically strong can hardly think of any mishap. Yet a man faces accidents. It is called hard reality. Only a judicious brain can tackle any situation and others suffer.

Real talent can be measured how a person solves a problem as is faced with.

Accident occurs either due to callousness or negligence or misfortune or all together.

Whatever the case may be a man gains experience facing various types of hurdles. This experience along with prudence saves him. A fool always suffers from misfortune and sometimes its life comes to an immature and untimely end.

A pious soul finds no difference between event and accident. To him both are equal and at par. He argues that man is mortal. Nothing is permanent. Both happy and unhappy man will die. So both good and evil happenings are identical. So the learned being enriched with this knowledge remains indifferent to all the happenings of mundane existence. His divine thoughts protect him from all cares and anxieties of life. A lay man can hardly think of peace and happiness as are experienced by such a blessed soul and is envious of that life.

CONCLUSION

The paradox is that he who wants to be happy like a saint, is not ready to leave his family. A person cannot stay simultaneously in two boats. A mathematician expresses it as mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive. He must choose a single one. This dilemma makes a lay man unhappy. This is the real accident that restricts his movement and thereby renders him inactive. Very few persons can overcome it. This answers why we see very few happy persons around us. But a pious soul conquers accidents easily.

Here lies the greatness of the sacred heart.

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No reference, since the present article is an outcome of Creative Writing.