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Global Oracle: a Work of Prophetic Science

WINGED
  ATOM

  bee

Book (I)

Bees arise in stellar
solar   & lunar myths

the Hindu moon   *Madhukara*

    the honey-giver

the Kalahari bushmen
whose honey is

    moon-
    water

moon-Artemis
with her retinue
of bee-eunuch drones
& bee-nymphs

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    Essenes
    & Melissai

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the great bee-king
on Mount Olympus
fed as a child
by cave-dwelling bees

Superstitions & observations
form our store
of founding facts

Homer's bees
were swarms of soldiers
mustering from ships & huts
to the calls of returning scouts
delivering the buzz of rumour
to the throng on
    the sand

The temple at Delphi
was bird & bee-built
of wax & feathers
near the gold-roofed cave
of the bee-nymphs   the *Thriae*
who tutored Apollo
in knucklebones & the pebble-
    tossing arts

Bee behaviour & physiology
were studied by
Columella, Palladius, Pliny,
Aristotle, Cato, Varro, Phyliscus,
Virgil, Aristomachus & Theophrastus

> *bees are born of flowers*
> *honey comes from reeds*
>
> *flowers   & the liquid air*
> *where it falls upon plants*

the bee gathers honey
where it settles   along branches

& over the earth   especially
  around the ash

Bees are messengers

Bees are oracular
foretelling the weather

Bees are atoms of delight
analogue to the stars

Bees discourse the language
 of immensities

> *bees will wing us*
> *guided by the daughters*
> *of the sun*
>
> *along trajectories*
> *only open*
> *to the thinking man*

To the Greeks   honey was *astron*
To the Romans   *Saliva siderum star-fallen*

> *aethereal fare*
> *engendered*
> *in the air*
>
> *at star rise*
> *especially when*
> *Sirius shines*
>
> *the honey falls*
> *from the skies*
> *as star-spittle*

& dews
the leaves
of dawn

The bee is veil-winged

The bee is a soul made visible
a chthonian envoy
to-ing and fro-ing
from the chambers
of the lower earth

A man may follow
  their flight
through clefts, boles, burrows
  & dark hollows

or he may be wrenched in
  after them
into the mantic chasm
of the underworld

our own spiral of light
no less than the bees
has been kindled

for no other purpose
save that of amusing
the darkness

Book (IV)

We wonder at the bees'
ability to communicate

We observe the hive –
which seems in turn
to survey us
    from another world

as if the inhabitants of Venus
gazed down upon us –

so many scurrying specks

     as if we were
     to be read
      as bees

But what if some stupendous incident
should suddenly surge
from another star
carrying a strange message
or prophetic revelation
from an ancient
& more luminous planet?

Nowadays we accept
bees do not move
in the same world
   as us

Contemporary science
itemizes the algorithms
  of bee colonies

  & translates
the spirit of the hive
  into instinct

reasoned analysis
predicts the collapse
of their co-operative societies
  is imminent

We share the bees'
disastrous forecast

Space preserves
the indelible trace
of the bee's graven print
as a capsule of light

But what of prophecy now
& the madness of honey?

When and how do we go
beyond what we know?

Who is the seer?
Who is the stranger
adrift in the house?

Whose head beat-
beat- beats against
the windowpane?

Whose wordless hum
sets up a reverberation
through the cave of
the infinite cosmos?

Ours is the oracle
that sets off a buzz
   in our pocket

Ours the speaker   who prophesizes –
instructing our movements
in a monotonous voice
from the dashboard

Ours the antenna
that dips in the data stream
for reassurance

This article talks about handling hierarchal data in Oracle database. It gives a detailed description with examples to interpret the hierarchal query conceptually and build hierarchal queries to achieve business requirements. Gaurav Goel. Â Tree Structures. In real life, there are many cases where a particular set of data is dependent on another data which itself is dependent on another one and so forth. Thus, the logical structuring of such kind of data forms a tree structure. A relational database does not store data in a hierarchical way. So, it is usually difficult to navigate through such data in a relational database. Oracle provides a number of hierarchical querying features which enable us to deal with such data. Start with connect by. Health Sciences, Oracle Argus, Oracle Legal, Oracle Insurance and Oracle Primavera. For those prefixes designated above with a â€œ*â€ not all programs with that prefix are eligible for use with the "for Oracle Applications" limited use programs. For a list of excluded programs please review the Applications Licensing Table, which may be accessed at http://www.oracle.com/us/corporate/pricing/application-licensing-table-070571.pdf.Â WebLogic Suite for Oracle Applications is elgible for use with Oracle Agile Applications (available on the Oracle E-Business Suite Applications Global Price Lists). Any use of limited use programs containing "for Oracle Applications" by other Oracle applications or third party applications is not permitted. An oracle is a person or agency considered to provide wise and insightful counsel or prophetic predictions, most notably including precognition of the future, inspired by deities. As such, it is a form of divination. The word oracle comes from the Latin verb ÅrÄre, "to speak" and properly refers to the priest or priestess uttering the prediction. In extended use, oracle may also refer to the site of the oracle, and to the oracular utterances themselves, called khrÄ"smÄ" 'tresme' (χÏÎ·ÏƒÎ¼Ï¿Î¯) in Greek.