

A GRASSHOPPER HE WAS AND CONCEIVED HE WAS IN A PLASTIC BOX WITH SALAD AND THERE HE WAS KEPT ALONG WITH HIS LEAVES AND MOST HAPPY HE FELT IN SUCH A CONFINEMENT THAT WHEN HE WAS PRESENTED THE OPPORTUNITY TO SET FREE AGAIN IN THE OPEN GRASS HE PROMPTLY SAT TO CONSTRUCT WITH WHAT GARBAGE HE COULD FIND A NEW BOX FOR HIMSELF AND THIS MUCH CONTRARY TO THE USUAL COSTUME OF ALL OTHERS GRASS HOPPERS WHO WOULD SING THE ENTIRE SUMMER AND WITH THE WINTER BE TOTALLY EXTERMINATED BY THE FROST BUT HE WAS MUCH UNCOMFORTABLE OF SUCH A WIDELY OPEN SPACE AND REALLY WANTED HIS BOX AND MADE ALL THE PREPARATIONS AGAIN TO BE THERE ONCE MORE CONFINED BRINGING ALL THAT WAS NECESSARY TO GO BACK IN AND SO IT DID AND SO IT WAS WINTER AND SO HE WAS THE VERY FIRST GRASSHOPPER TO EVER SURVIVE SUCH A SEASON WITHOUT EVEN ACKNOWLEDGING IT AN NO OTHER WERE THE GRASSHOPPER THERE TO ACKNOWLEDGE BUT IN THE NEXT SUMMER WHEN NEW GRASSHOPPERS REAPPEARED THEN HE TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE HIS DWELLING AND REFILL IT WITH PROVISIONS AS NOW LARGER HE GOT AND SO MUCH LARGER THAT HE WAS NOT EVEN RECOGNIZED BY HIS FELLOW GRASSHOPPERS AND NOT EVEN IN THE COMING SUMMER WHEN SO MUCH MUTATED HE WAS THAT THEY ALMOST RAN AWAY FROM HIM AND HE

REALLY HAD TO GO OUT AND RESHAPE HIS DWELLINGS AS NOW SOMETHING MOST PHENOMENAL WAS HAPPENING AND HIS LONG JUMPING LEGS WERE SLOWLY ERECTING TO THE POINT THAT IN THE COMING SUMMERS WHEN HE SET OUT TO RECONFIGURE HIS DWELLING AND FILL IT WITH PROVISIONS HE WAS COMPLETELY STANDING AND FAR DOWN HIS FELLOW CREATURES WERE AND MOST CAREFUL HE HAD TO BE NOT TO STEP OVER THEM ALTHOUGH THAT WAS REALLY UNAVOIDABLE AS TOO MANY THEY WERE AND TOO MUCH WORK HE WAS AFTER EVERY SUMMER TO ENLARGE THE BOX THAT WOULD HAVE CONTAINED HIM FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR AND THE LARGER HE GOT THE LARGER IT HAD TO GET AND THE MORE DIFFICULT IT WAS TO KEEP IT PROPERLY STANDING YET THE STRONGER EVERY SUMMER HE FELT AND INDEED MUCH MORE FLEXIBLE HE WAS GETTING NOW THAT SLOWLY HE WAS TRANSFORMING BACK TO A HUMAN AS ALL GRASSHOPPERS WERE ACTUALLY ORIGINATED BY HUMANS THAT OLD THEY GOT AND SEEKING IMMORTALITY SHRANK INTO SUCH INSECT FORM AND KEPT REGENERATING OVER THE SUMMER WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN THE SITUATION FOR OUR GRASSHOPPER BUT BY SURVIVING THE WINTER HE ACTUALLY INADVERTENTLY REVERSED THE CYCLE AND NOW HE WAS WITH THE PASSING SEASONS BECOMING YOUNGER AND YOUNGER TILL MATURE HE REALLY GOT AND GRASS WAS NOT ENOUGH BUT HAVING OVERCOME

THE FEAR OF MURDERING HIS OLD FELLOWS HE NOW STARTED BASING HIS DIET ON THEM AND NOURISHING THEY WERE AS MUCH NOURISHMENT HE NEEDED NOW THAT AFTER SO MANY YEARS SO GROWN UP HE GOT AND TIME PASSED THAT HE DIDN'T EVEN BOTHER TO STOP ON A GRASSHOPPER BEFORE HE ATE IT DEAD BUT SIMPLY HE WOULD SPEND HIS SUMMER LAYING WITH HIS MOUTH OPEN AWAITING FOR IT TO COME JUMPING DIRECTLY IN HIS MOUTH AND WHAT A LIFE IT WAS NOW THAT HIS DWELLING SUITED HIM AND NO MORE MODIFICATIONS WERE NEEDED FOR HIM TO EXPAND IT AS FULLY MATURE HE NOW WAS AND NO LONGER PARANOID ABOUT AN OPEN SPACE THAT SO OPEN WAS NOT INDEED EVEN IN THE WINTER NOW HE WOULD WONDER ABOUT EATING FROZEN DEAD GRASSHOPPERS THAT MUCH IN ABUNDANCE WHERE TO BE FOUND AND IN THIS WAY HE KEPT FOREVER YOUNG AND NOTHING REALLY HE WANTED MORE THAN THIS NOW CRYSTALLIZED LIFE OF HIS AS IN THIS CONTAINMENT HE REALLY FOUND HIS FULL CONTENTMENT YET HIS IMMORTALITY OF HIS ONCE FELLOW GRASSHOPPERS AND THIS WAS MOSTLY GUARANTEED BY THEIR INGENUITY AND INDIFFERENCE TOWARDS HIM BUT ONCE HAVING OUR MAN TRANSFORMED GRASSHOPPER HAVING BROUGHT ONE OF THIS GRASSHOPPERS IN FOR THE WINTER TO KEEP HIM COMPANY AND HAVING IN THE SUMMER FREE HIM AGAIN OUT OF POOR COMPASSION FOR A

CREATURE THAT KEPT COMPANY TO HIS SILENT AND LONELY WINTER HAVING DONE SO THE FREED GRASSHOPPER SOON SUNG AMONG THE OTHER GRASSHOPPERS THE ATROCITIES OF OUR HUMAN AND SOON THE WORD SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE INFINITE OCEAN OF GREEN GRASS AND EVERY SINGLE GRASSHOPPER WAS NOW ALERTED OF THE DANGER AND MOSTLY AVOIDED SUCH HUMAN THAT NOW REALLY GOT ANGRY AND AFTER WANDERING FOR SO LONG IN SUCH AN OCEAN NOW MOST DESERTED ALL AROUND HIM HE NOW HAD TO REALLY THINK FOR THE FIRST TIME ABOUT HIS SURVIVAL AND THIS MADE HIM MOST TENACIOUS TO PURSUE ANY MEANS OF GETTING GRASSHOPPERS DOWN HIS BELLY NOW THAT THEY WERE NO LONGER JUMPING VOLUNTARY TO IT HE TRIED SEVERAL ATTEMPTS BUT FINALLY RESOLVED TO CAMOUFLAGE GREEN AS THE VERY GRASS AND VERY MUCH EMBEDDED INTO IT AS THAT WAS THE ONLY WAY TO GET ANY GRASSHOPPERS AT ALL AND SO MUCH HE LAID THAT SLOWLY HIMSELF TURNED INTO GRASS A CARNIVOROUS KIND OF GRASS THAT SOON VORACIOUSLY SPREAD WITH THE COMING SUMMERS TO AT FIRST A CONSISTENT PART OF THE PLATEAU TO THEN COVER IT ALL AND FEED ON THIS NUMEROUS GRASSHOPPER WHICH IN REALITY SO INNUMERATE WERE NOW NO LONGER AS INNUMERATE SUCH A CARNIVOROUS GRASS WAS BECOMING TILL SOON REALLY ALL OF THE GRASSHOPPERS

WERE EXTERMINATED AND WHAT TO DO NOW FOR ALL OF THESE GRASS THAT SO MUCH HAD FROSTED BUT NOW NOTHING HAD NO MORE TO EAT AS ANY VEGETATING BEING WAS OUT OF THE QUESTION AND THE ONLY ANIMATED BEINGS WERE REALLY ITS CARNIVOROUS GRASS MATES AND THUS VERY SOON THEY WERE NO INHABITANTS LEFT FOR THEM TO START EATING ONE ANOTHER AND IN SUCH TREMENDOUS VORACIOUSNESS THAT SOON AGAIN OUR ORIGINAL GRASSHOPPER WAS IN THIS WAY DEFRAGMENTED AND RECOMPOSED INTO A WHOLE YET THE PROBLEM NOW PERSISTED NOW THAT BOTH HIS FELLOW GRASSHOPPERS AND THE GRASS WERE LIKE GONE AND WHAT TO DO NOW THAT ALL HIS STIMULUS HAD DISAPPEARED AND THE HUNGER MADE HIM THE LEAST CONTENT AND ANGRY AND READY TO SIEGE ANYTHING AND IN SUCH A RAGE OUR GRASSHOPPER JUMPED FORWARD DETERMINED TO FIND NUTRIENTS AND THE JUMPING MADE HIM EVEN MORE HUNGRY AND WHEN HE FINALLY HIT AN INHABITED CITY IT WAS ABOUT WINTER AND FOR THE FIRST TIME HE HAD NO HOME AND HE WAS REALLY DOOMED YET HIS RAGE WAS MONSTROUS AND IN A MOST MONSTROUS MANNER HE GOT ONTO EVERY OF THIS PEACEFUL INHABITANTS AND OF THIS INHABITANTS HE GOT VERY MUCH NOURISHED AND FROM THE NOW DESERTED DWELLINGS HE PICKED ONE VERY MUCH PROPER IN SIZE AND HERE IN FULL CONTENTMENT

HE SPENT A DELICIOUS WINTER AND EVEN WHEN THE SUMMER CAME SUCH DWELLING SO FINE IT WAS THAT NO RECONSTRUCTION IT REQUIRED AND HERE AGAIN IT STAYED AND MUCH YOUNGER HE NOW FELT WITH ALL THIS REST THAT INDEED THE GRASSHOPPER DID NOT REALIZE THAT HE WAS INCUBATED AND TRANSFIGURED NOW AS AN INFANT A HUMAN INFANT A GIANT INFANT ALL GREEN AN INFANT YET DISCONNECTED TO ANY RESOURCE BUT THE VERY URBAN INFRASTRUCTURES WHICH HE KNOW IN A RUSH FOR FOOD AND TO THIS PROMPTLY CONNECTED TO AND SO MUCH SUCKING AND ABSORPTION OF THE URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE HE DID THAT HIMSELF SOON BECAME SUCH AN URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE AND ONCE THE CITY WAS REHABILITATED WITHOUT ANY NOTICE AND HUMANS ALSO CONNECTED TO THIS INFRASTRUCTURE THEY TOO SLOWLY AND WITHOUT ANY NOTICE THEY TOO BECAME GREEN INFANTS AND HAS PEES THEY TOO START HANGING FROM THE URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE AND WHEN GREW MATURE ENOUGH THEY WERE OUR GIANT INFANT WHO HAD NOW TRANSFORMED INTO A GROWN UP YOUNG AND GREEN GIANT HE WAS DOMINATING THE CITY AND FROM THE CITY MUCH OF THIS PEES NICE AND JUICY AND JUST RIPEN PEES HE HAD TO CHOOSE FROM IN THE COMING SUMMER AND IN THIS SUMMER HE COULD NOW EAT BUT ALSO STORE THE PEES FOR THE COMING WINTER WHEN AGAIN HE WOULD

CONFINE HIMSELF IN WHATEVER STORAGE AND THERE HAVE HIS SNACKS MOST READY AND WITH ALL PREPARATIONS HE DID MANAGE TO FIND THE RIGHT PLACE AND STORE MANY DRIED PEES AND WHEN IT GOT TIME HE STORED HIMSELF AND EAT YET TO HARD THEY WERE AND LIKE STONES IN HIS BELLY THEY DEPOSITED AND NO REMEDY REALLY HELPED HIM TO GET RID OF SUCH AN HEAVY BLOCK AND WITH THIS DREADFUL WINTER HIS AGONY BEGUN AND FINALLY IT DID RESOLVE TO CUT OPEN HIS CHEST AND REMOVE THESE OBSTINATE PEES BUT NOTHING HE COULD REALLY FIND TO PERFORATE IT AND AFTER SO MANY ATTEMPTS THAT SO MUCH ENERGY MADE HIM DISSIPATE HE DESISTED AND IN THE SNOW AND COLD AIR TO WHICH HE WAS NOT SO DIRECTLY ACCUSTOMED OUR HUMAN TRANSFORMED GRASSHOPPER LAID AND FINALLY DIED AS ALL GRASSHOPPERS ARE SUPPOSED TO AND THE SPRING CAME AND THE PEES WITHIN THE DEAD GRASSHOPPER MAN WITH THE HEAT NOW BEGUN TO FECUNDATE AND MATURE TO FULL EMBRYOS WHICH SOON GAVE RISE TO MANY SMALL HUMANS BREAKING THROUGH OUR ANCIENT GRASSHOPPER MAN AND DEVOURING HIM AND SLOWLY TRANSFORMING THEMSELVES INTO GRASSHOPPERS HUMANS AND HAVING NOTHING ELSE AFTER TO EAT STARTED EATING THE ENVIRONMENT AROUND THEM THE VERY CITY CONSTITUTED OF MUCH CEMENT WHICH INDEED THEY GOT USED TO AND

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BUT ALSO THEY BEGUN TO USE AGAINST ONE ANOTHER  
SOON WHEN THE RESOURCES STARTED TO DIMINISH AND  
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FIGHTING AMONG ANY OF THEM AND FOR SO LONG IT  
CONTINUED AND THROUGH OUT SO MUCH SPACE IT TOOK  
PLACE THAT SOON ALL THE PLANET WAS EQUALLY SPIT  
WITH A LAYER OF CEMENT AND EVERYTHING CEMENTED.