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The Dalles

Bobbie the Wonder
Dog, a student by
day & a taxidermist
by night, stopped
here because the
little league web site,
despite a rather medi-
ocre memorial, offered the
best brand of tires at
everyday low prices.

Otjiwarongo

The religious revolution that
took place in the meat &
poultry industries has expanded
its low-cost housing project to
include single men seeking either
to take up arms or become sacred
dancers in the Voodoo tradition.

Ningxia

Every animator should become
familiar with Simple Cubic
Packing. It's a state they will
inevitably enter into when-
ever they come up against
a demonic force of killers.

Okinawa

I've never been a huge fan of slave daguerreotypes or the specific hydrological characteristics found as large jugs of 'Dutch' shape in sphagnum-dominated peatlands, but an interactive exploration of 1893 implies that the iterative elimination of factory marks on the jugs' bases dominated the first half of the year & that, from July on, sugar production promoted a buildup in the manufacture of mechanical engineering products. Science has made considerable advances; but theories of an abrupt change in globular proteins in magma generation processes show that proofs of concept still dominate.

London's East End

The helmet hairdo
is a minimally
edited cut & paste
of an e-mail exchange
on the masculine
nature of the werewolf
in the arena of literature
between the loving
fans of Justin Bieber
& a more-than-modest
amount of tequila.

It is full of images of
luxury objects as trash,
but doesn't quite have
the same buzz as the
Congressional comb-
over with its loose
Lacanian metaphors.

Evora

The Saxophonist is a short play set in the French Quarter of New Orleans that celebrates the ritual of public penance by condemned heretics & apostates & provokes distinctly unambivalent reactions.

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A sociologist whose data found fault with same-sex relationships is savaged by the progressive orthodoxy of his discipline & by the bibliophiles who shared his campfire. Last-minute penitents were garroted to spare the pain of the flames.

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The National Library has bought a rare collection of 39 auto da fé sermons. They describe a society in which books are prohibited. There are palm or banana trees, one on either side of the porch. Two guys on holiday face a choice.

Lugarno

Bayesian methods for dating species divergence events are wreaking havoc on *Pisum sativum*, the common garden pea, recently given the authority to administer gas deregulation across much of the Western world.

Belli Park

The obvious environmental
benefits of organic farming
can be found in this tale
of a pet bird who,
during one school year,
adapted to the emo
lifestyle with full
search engine optimization.

Algarve

Your mom was right—rural
dairy farmers do keep
banana slices in their freezers
to offset the mechanism
triggered in mammalian cells
by amino acid starvation.

Saint-Saturnin-des-Lignerics

In a double-pass sequence
derived from a single
complementary DNA (cDNA)
clone, she built a catafalque
in the crypt under the
Capitol rotunda. All
brown ink, with gray wash,
over traces of black chalk,
adhering to a sequence
in keeping with strict military
protocols. International
customers are welcome.

Carson National Park

First we look for a
few extra hints—
a clever move if
you're a rock music
fan. Then we answer
a rhetorical musical
question— how many
protesters threw
“punches & ice chunks”
at police? Finally we
debate the long-term
trends these numbers
represent. Do they
mean it will rain in
Los Alamos tomorrow?

Little River Inlet

A group of actors shooting a big-budget war movie get lost, are forced to become either a line of latitude which cuts through coastal areas under a hurricane warning or an approximate longitudinal representation of a Louis Vuitton outlet.

Bobonaro

Now that market
reform has fundamentally
changed the environment
a metadata overview
of existing literature
is an important element
in any strategy designed
to protect security guards
at open-access drop-in centers
from / dengue trans-
mission flowing across
untrusted networks.

Richmond, Virginia

The Super Bowl is often seen as a means to measure physiological responses to the historic Tredegar Ironworks. It's a very narrow definition, deliberately so, to prevent Irish-American scalpers from selling high-price tickets to the American Civil War.

Durant, Oklahoma

The flamboyant scandal-ridden & often tragic life of old-style poker players is notorious in the world of beauty products. The wider contextualization of these stereotypical depictions makes them unique, even up against poets.

Gotanda

It is a tribal ritual
to motivate population
dynamics by giving
women's classic fashion
& accessories a modern
twist, one that is not
metabolized by mouth
bacteria or the occasional
good falafel mix.

Sun Prairie, Wisconsin

High-foaming performance
milk was around long
before coffee first
arrived on the European
continent. A bland dish
needs such information
to beat off unfair
competition from slot
machines & casinos. I
hear good ideas all the
time. Big flowers always
look better in reproduction.

Chinchilla

Neneko squirms
around under the
loveseat, starting
her weight loss
reality series by
jumping members
of the Herbalife
Hose Company
Junior Firefighters.

Augsburg

The country seat
of the House of
Fugger is a dis-
charged vicarage
that amuses it-
self by moving
tonal energy from
one functional
state to another.

Emmenbrücke

First found by Ines Pink
at indulgy.com,
this muscle tee, in
a light, breathable
fabric, with large raw cut
armholes & featuring a
Wolverine© graphic, will
allow you to reveal the
otherwise hidden possibilities
of your own self. A caution—
beware of clumsy ripoffs.
Armholes too large will
succeed only in demeaning
you with a bat-wing effect.

Lausanne

The tonal center emerges if,
& only if, the feted Japanese
architects carry messages to
the brain. The face can be seen
in ultrasound images using
a plasma moving across the
CNPA view line. Bluetooth
headphones carry a multi-
layered techno. When en-
riched in quality, it argues
that this is in essence a
question. She stumbled across
a pile of memories last month
in Lausanne. She aims to stay.

Milan

Swimming amongst the
dead is an iPhone
application that
creates strategies &
business opportunities
for the busy Mountain
Goat to challenge com-
petitors & stand out
during Fashion Week.

Accra

Documentary-style
cinematography re-
cords junk bonds
going into crisis. Will
definitely be a while
before we can
fully decorate our
house. We are all now
fading captains. Even
motorists are at risk.

Saint Helena Bay

The magical theory of
relativity is / collected
fortnightly on Wednesdays
so may bring back haunting
memories of the gypsies'
futile attempts to recycle.

Trairão

Many Amazonians would otherwise be diagnosed with Stage 2 hypertension if they did not shop outside the big box or stopped soaking their teeth overnight in a saucer.

Texoma

Despite their 21st-century circuitry
& a surging symphonic score by Philip Glass, the photos & offspring from the All Breeds Horse Pedigree

Database provide, at best, a very bland social & historical explanation for the popular appeal of cinema violence.

Thimphu

Sorry, we have
no imagery here,
just traditional
architecture
& the chance
of precipitation.

Parsippany, New Jersey

The ethical paradigm is pure
confectionery indulgence; so
deconstruction offers its
own luminous ellipticals, sexy
little blue LED keyring
torches, easy to grip &
maneuver on suicide runs.

Ningbo

Made, as they are, from graphite or other fibrous material, Indian Railways timetables are usually considered to be completely neutral sequences whose evolution is shaped by random mutations & chance events.

Montreux

Sea navigation, which
is embedded in the
use of cellular automata
in physical geography,
makes venture capital
investments in bio-
technology companies
& the moraines left
by the Rhône glaciers.

Anaheim

The Angels' bullpen
finished the team's
10-game road trip by
blowing up yet another
of the city's cultural
institutions. Such are
the shortcomings of
a streetcar system
being completely dis-
mantled & later sold.

Puducherry

The Cultural & Linguistics Immersion Center, an endless play of light & shadow that employs a muted color palate, has the translucency of bone china. Every day in its life follows the same routine—nights in long baths with old jazz playing, the Antonioni-like monotony of the landscape, a parable of unanswered prayers. It is no longer an anomaly.

Donnybrook-Balingup

Backgammon is not a completely ergodic game which is why mice do not play it.

They prefer to teach risk management & brinksmanship to the renters in the building.

Kunming

Some days after the
effective replacement of
coal with biogas in local
households, the skin
becomes so thin
it is like delicate paper.

Roswell

The categories — such as Causality, Inherence, Genus, etc. — enumerating them & then identifying a functional relation between variables, does not mean that phenomena such as unicorns & mirages are non-existent.

Baring

Thanks to main-
stream society's
financial & cultural
support for pre-
serving Broadway
fiascos, a remote
hamlet in central
Washington now
has more coffee
houses than
Downtown Seoul.

Timisoara

Sometimes I wonder why I create my own *Weltanschauung* when delightful news items such as the one below appear unbidden in my looking glass.

“Angry witches in Romania are using cat excrement & dead dogs to cast spells on the president & government who are forcing them to pay taxes.”

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