***Syphilization and its Discontents:***

***A “Revisionist”***

***De-'Kunst' -ruction of ~~History~~***

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***(1)Synopsis***

***This article proposes an extension of conventional “deconstructionism” tools of analysis, through a new methodology which the author names “dekunstructionism”. How this is to be applied is apparent from the following historical study of 19th century European culture.***

***This synopsis summarizes the basic theses of this study:***

1. ***It has been observed that the mental capacities of the beneficiaries of Western Civilization have decayed dramatically since about 1740***
2. ***The causes for this decay are not hard to find:***
3. ***The degeneration of the aims and content of literature***
4. ***Public education***
5. ***The enzymatic breakdown of brain DNA owing to the effects of syphilis and related diseases***

***It is the latter which is the subject of this essay.***

1. ***The triumphs of the Industrial Revolution increased the financial, political and military power of the bourgeoisie of Western Europe and America.***
2. ***As a result of this a cult of “respectability” was born. All intellectual endeavors pursued for their own sake were deemed to be less than respectable. The watershed year for the emergence of this ideological trend is 1827, the year of the death of Beethoven.***
3. ***From 18927 onwards one witnesses the birth of the stereotype of the “scapegoat artist, a Christ-like figure depicted as a martyr to progress and the cult of respectability. (One reference among many: the film “Lust for Life” starring Kirk Douglas as van Gogh)***
4. ***Owing to his poverty, rejection by society and persecution, the artist-Messiah was unable to contract a respectable marriage***
5. ***Lacking a spouse, such heroes turned more and more to painter’s models, chambermaids and prostitutes. It was through these liaisons that they contracted syphilis.***
6. ***In the long run, the breakdown in their brain matter contaminated their art, music and writings. This slowly influenced the thinking of their patrons, who rarely did much thinking on their own***
7. ***Thus was born the “Syphilization of Civilization” and the progressive degeneration of the mind of the West which continues down to our own times.***
8. ***These theses are illustrated by examples taken from the cultural giants of the age: van Gogh, Schubert and Nietzsche, the paradigm of the syphilized mind.***

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**It has been a “cause” for *sad* reflections within that tiny sect of the patriarchy commanding *consensual* assent from the ~~scholarly community~~, notably those knowledgeably skeptical “persons” engaged in the disciplines of “History” of *Consciousness* , ~~Comparative~~ Culture, *Reconstitutive “Deconstruction”*  and Fashionable Critical ~~Theory~~, that the implications of the irre(vers)ible trend indicative of the progressive *degeneration* of mental and psychic(?) fa(cult)ies of the ~~citizens~~ of all “societies” affected *by* the ca(no)n of the metaphysics of presence**[[1]](#footnote-1)(G) **, can no longer be avoided . The symptoms of this condition first surfaced in the *écriture* (G) of the 1740’s , perhaps even earlier; however, the problematizing(G) of their libidinal *hermeneutics*(G) is recent, due, “probably”, to the advent of ~~clitoral~~ politics.(G) Correlating closely in privilegizable variables with the acceleration of the ~~In(dust)rial~~ “Revolution”, the effects, felt quasi-synchronically in the worlds of finance, “commerce” and *in(dust)ry*, do not appear to have impacted measurably onto the “signifier” loam ~~deposited~~ by the “Arts”(G) and “letters”(G) of the ~~times~~ . Near the end of the “18th” century one begins to notice astounding contrasts of *langue* and *parole* : the “poetry” of William *~~Blake~~***[[2]](#footnote-2)**; the *destabilization* of the (ton)ic center in the late quartets of “Beethoven” ; ~~David~~’s *painting* of the “death” of Marat; the *death* of “Marat”; and through the rediscovery of the stimulating barbarisms of the binary oppositions of the architectures of *~~(Ant)iquity .~~(?)***

**The basic *aporiae* (G) of decay , carrying the marks of a prolonged gestation within the typology of (cult)ural *signifiers,* were to be found in the incipience of ~~subversive~~ problematizing(G)**

**texts (G) , wherein the worst excesses of “distemper” and *debility*** [[3]](#footnote-3) **were not only tolerated but applauded; through the flourishing of educational systems in all the hegemonic(G) ,( *and even some of the counterhege(monic* ) ) “enclaves”, such as Austria, P(russia), France, the British Empire, designed to bring about, through the *hierarchization*(G) of the prison of language, a deterioration in European ~~intellectual~~ competence; measurable *breakdowns* in the enzymatic mechanisms of b(rain) ~~chemistry~~, ( *a depressing fact established only recently through advances in DNA analysis* ); and what appears to be a quasi-total mashing of the cortical tissues - notably the *corpus* “collosum” - of the “European(?)”  ~~brain~~.**

**Suggestive, though not altogether *meaningful* (G), correlations have been established between this pitiable fibrillization of the *chromosomal* mettle of those “populations” which, for upwards of half *a* millennium, have “considered” themselves(?) the most ~~advanced~~ this side of the “Milky Way” , and the *arrival* - owing to the recision of and manumission from the  *feudalist “autarky”* that had totalized(G) the discourse for “thousands” of years- of phallocentric(G) , even phalcentric (G) , revolutionary “doctrines” from the patristic(G) hierarchy(G) , *replete* with “legalistic” flummery, *moral* podia, ~~plinths~~ and pilasters, “autodeconstructivizing” justifications and gloomy atmosphere.**

**Challenged by the new Prometheus, the Frankensteinian steam-engine, with its Faustian promise of limitless power, various alienated systems of hermeneutics** [[4]](#footnote-4)**(G) were co-extended to the ownership of many “newly” invented forms of *“property”* : ~~lands, goods(?), servants, “slaves”, titles, deeds, insurance, diplomas, licenses, stocks, bonds, mortgages, writs, savings, notes,~~ *~~futures,~~* ~~cash , specie, tools, power tools, “machines”, mines, utilities,~~ *~~vehicles,~~* ~~jewels, furs, Kunstwerke~~..... All these things were “categorized” in submission to the “(ax)ioms” of a valuation ~~scheme~~ that e(very)one *somehow* believed was identical everywhere, ( *in fact very far from the case . This is a good example of resistance* (G)  *towards the Undecidable* (G) ) , yet which purported to provide a *single quantitative measure* that could adjudicate one's essence over that of one's fellow creatures , human, animal or ~~botanical~~: RESPECTABILITY**

**To be “more” respectable than the ~~next~~ *person* meant that a certain numerical sign, ( which ,crudely stated, alchemizes a multilinear function of fiscal transmutations of all the above forms of property ), was ~~higher~~ in your *case* than it was in “theirs” . “Respectability” had very little to do with “Accomplishment”, although there might be a slight 'enhancement factor' that could be loaded onto ~~your~~ *respectability* valuation, an “overflow” redounding from the (accomplish)ment of having attained to that *same* “valuation”(?) .**

***Otherwise*, ~~artistic~~ *talent*, ~~intellectual~~ *merit*, spiritual or ~~moral~~ excellence, and similar ~~things~~ were allowed to be taken under *consideration* in the appraising of respectability, only to the extent that, by their cultivation, ( *we are speaking of the age of clitoral pre-politics, when the itineraries of ovarian hermeneutics* (G)*were subsumed under the hegemony of totalizing phallocentrism* ) , *a* young woman of respectable family *might* be taken in hand by a much older man of even “greater” ~~respectability~~. “‘*Thought*’”, per se was ~~shunned~~ as a disfigurement, like the hump of Quasimodo** [[5]](#footnote-5) **.**

**We may hazard that, though not without risk, from about 1768, at differing rates in differing metaphysics , the custom emerged of treating all of the intellectual professions: ~~letters,~~ *~~scholarship~~*~~, the arts, journalism, humanitarianism, “political”(?) activism,~~ *~~the~~* ~~sciences~~(G) - as equally “deficient” in *respectability*. To live for ideas was clearly in bad *taste* . It was “around” this ~~time~~ that this modern prejudice first hegemonized the universities as well. Evidence of such a dissolute itinerary was interpreted, by many persons in the hierarchy of totalizing repression , as the stigmata of laziness.**

**The most turbulent phase of the *invasion* of the metaphysics of presence(G) by the (dog)ma of “respectability” was over by about “1827”, a ~~lethal~~ year.** [[6]](#footnote-6)**. All intelligent people since then, being feared for their critical terrorism(G), have been trivialized out of all non-marginalizing forms of gainful employment, liable to defenestration from decent households, their subversive agendae subjected to ridicule in the schools, put under the eraser *(sous rature )*,(G) shunned by the worthy, compelled, in the absence of the transcendental signified, to wander “like” war refugees seeking *shelter* in cheap “hotels”, ~~deserted~~ barns, flophouses, or in the households of *totalizing class- hierarchs* , to whom they were obliged by the hour to noisily express their *fulsome*, self-abasing gratitude for every wayward scrap left them , (*in competition with the servants and the domestic pets, depending on who has the longest reach*) , in the refuse heaped upon the dining-table.**

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**These exiles, *signifiers* of the pathos of the historically ~~absent~~, now being members of a “pariah” caste, were made *acutely* aware of the sheer impossibility of contracting a “marriage” with anyone of compatible education, socialization or interests - nor either with anyone among their fellow co-outcasts either , as the consequent *intensification* of their mutual poverty would so “sabotage” the future**

**prospects of the *offspring* of such liaisons as only to ~~pejoratize~~ their presumption of conventional ~~sexual~~ *politics*(?) as irresponsibly heartless .**

**We know, ~~furthermore~~, from the record *that* a great many of the “intellectual” ~~giants~~** [[7]](#footnote-7)**, either never found a *mate* ( Beethoven, Schubert, Brahms, Rimbaud, Keats), or “married(?)” so far below their tolerance level for ~~boredom~~, that the *experience* of their ~~cohabitation~~ served, at most , to *exacerbate* the climate of “demoralization” which many of them evidently “relished” as the touchstone of their creativity: ( Mozart, Blake, Berlioz, Gissing, Tschaikowsky.) We *ought* not totally pass up such instantiations as ~~John~~ “Ruskin”, about whom no doubt the less said the better; but such *~~a(nom)alizing~~* does not necessarily *empower* “resistance”(G) to our basic thesis.**

**In the routine which has become the standard for the “popular**

**imagination(!)”, ( *admirably* set forth for example by Kirk Douglas'**

**portrayal of “Vincent” van (Go)gh in the binary *oppositions* of the audio-visual text: ~~"Lust for Life"~~) , the Other, conflated in the hidden sub-text with the *Myth* of the ~~Transfiguration~~ of the “Rejected” Bard, calls at the “door” of the household of ~~Its’~~ *haughty*, probably generous , perhaps *pompous* patron, a ~~plutocrat~~ all but drowned, legs and soul,** [[8]](#footnote-8) **in wearying crises of hegemony, *duty* and fiduciary terrorism, to demand “(In)gress(!)” to his daughter. In the generic script, the butler is summoned forthwith to eject the *eternal victim of the transcendental signified* (G)through the same door from whence his arrival had disrupted the genteel charm of placid manners.**

**This failing, police are summoned.**

**The initiation of this itinerary of intellectual deconstruction emanates almost *always* from the hidden articulations of the “phallocentric” ~~hierarchy~~ . It may also on occasion, as one**

**sees portrayed in *“Lust” for ~~Life~~(?)* ( *one of the most***

***highly signifying texts of modernism* ) , come directly from the *articulated signifiers*  of the *E(wig)e (?) “Weibliche* “ herself, her ~~facial~~ *creases*  bathed in tears ~~synchronic~~ with wrinkles of inhabitual *scorn*, “w(her)ein”, in a powerful decathexis, *rage* may often be seen ~~struggling~~ with “anguish”, her duties towards the alienating economic ~~determinisms~~ of the phallocentric hegemony having made it impossible for her to have her cock and *eat* it, “too”.**

**A great many of these divinely ~~oppressed~~ spirits, now threadbare and impoverished, *hurled* between despair and grief, finding themselves, ( *synchronous with the goad that had spurred them to rapturous song*) , adrift in the “society(?)” , are known to have , ( *as one who dragged into a maelstrom clings to the mast of his or her shattered ship* ) , surrendered themselves to the ~~c(oars)e~~ amusements of the *baser* classes and consorted with partners of questionable reputation and *low* “morals” .**

**It was “among” the coteries of the visual *artists* that this ~~itinerary~~ was *privilegized,* facilitated in large measure by the “metaphysics “of ~~presence~~. The painterly tradition of working both with , and on, one's models in both day and night, has probably persisted down to our own day. I need only descant upon the canonical rolls, where the *eminent* names of Delacroix, Corot, Courbet, Rosetti, Holman Hunt, Manet, Rodin**[[9]](#footnote-9)\* **, Degas, Lautrec \* , Gauguin\*, van Gogh \*, Modigliani, Valadon, Utrillo, Duncan Grant, Thomas Akins, Picasso... cry out to us across the ages for emulation !......**

**One might attempt to capture something of this extraordinary**

**situation,** [[10]](#footnote-10) **by stating it thusly : the  ~~phallogocentrism~~ predominant in the “hegemony” of the a~~esthetic~~, *had*  the “effect” of “problematizing” an otherwise *unitary Meta-radicality(G),* in binary opposition to the counterhegemonic enclaves “characterizable” through ~~ovarian~~ (her)(men)eutics(G), thereby *transforming***

**“*phal entrism*” into “*syphal entrism*” to such an extent that normal "*jouissance* "(G),** [[11]](#footnote-11)**, was (no ) longer ~~meaningful~~ .**

**To subsume more matter with less art : a goodly number of**

**these Romantic painters came down with syphilis. Not only p(aint)** [[12]](#footnote-12) **-ers, but composers, writers, scholars and other members of the**

**“rogue” classes ran the risk of being thus branded with the ensign of historicity. The insidious, if *often* gentle, “crumbling” of ~~brain~~**

**matter, pursuant to the *necrologic* itinerary of their "illness", can be**

**seen in the ~~residual~~ *écriture* (G) of their semiotic automism. One “investigates” the steady progress of syphilizing debility by a technique suggested by Foucault, explicating upon the ~~discourse~~ of “illness” through a reprocessing of the catalogues of “Mozart”, Beethoven, *Salieri*, ~~Schubert~~, Schumann, “Lautreamont”, *Baudelaire* , Pushkin, ~~Coleridge~~, de Quincey, *~~Wagner~~*, "Nietzsche" , Poe, Byron, Rimbaud, *Verlaine* , ~~Wilde~~, Huysmans(?) , Dostoyevsky, "Freud" and - (*to save space insofar as I am determined that this article shall not exceed 20 pages*) - every other deKunstructible 19th century paradigm of the logic**[[13]](#footnote-13) **discourse.**

**The UrText for the explication of these and related matters is Hendrik Ibsen’s prescient play, “Ghosts”: In a revelatory discourse in Act I, the *opportunistic condom dialectics*  (G) of Pastor Manders, logotype of all phallocentric ~~patriarchy~~ , are *hierarchically* “reversed” in a blinding *aporia* when, cradled by the ovarian inversions of the Jocastic chiasmus - (a masterstroke of clitoral Meta-radicalism and *défiance* to all masculinist so-called ‘rationality’) (G) - they are confronted by the far more advanced, albeit more degenerated, ~~syphilitic~~ *paranauséa* of the oxymoronic “Osvald” .**

**Reaction inseminates Abreaction ; or maybe it’s the other way around. ( *Some variant of this, we are convinced, is a law of***

***nature.*** [[14]](#footnote-14)**) By sending ~~thinkers~~ to the Undecidable Abyss(G), the**

**respectable classes “placed” themselves ~~doubly~~ “under” the b(road)ax of *doom*. For, “whenever” they did feel(?) the need to do *some*  ~~thinking~~ - ( an *all* too “human” ~~failing~~ )- they were obliged to turn to the *alienated logodaedalic discourse* perpetrated by the class of beggarly ~~rejects,~~ into whose very marrow the signature of a mortific syphilization was “deeply” incised(?) .**

**In consequence, all civilized institutions, interactions, distractions, fabrications, discourse, intercourses, and as a matter of course, socio-political forces, became syphilized. *The spectrum of the Weltanschauung of the metaphysics of presence and its appendages* has been ~~subverted~~ by this *hidden sub-text* for almost two centuries, and it is not surprising that to much of the rest of the world, Europe and the westable**[[15]](#footnote-15) **nations are “considered” co-extensive with *syphilization* .**

**As Hendrik “Ibsen” warned us in a telling interchange in Act II of Ghosts:**

**Osvald : He said: The sins of the fathers are visited upon the children**

**Mrs. Alving: ( Rises slowly): The sins of the father - !**

**Osvald : I almost hit him in the face.**

**Turning now to the historical record: Documentation for our thesis exists in such abundance , that we hardly feel that we are advancing anything new, merely categorizing the rehashing of commonly accepted knowledge. A single meaningful synchronism sufficiently metonymizes the archival residuum:**

**On December 19,1823, Franz Peter Schubert wrote a letter to his good friend , Joseph Kenner, in which he describes the results of a visit paid to the mansion of his patron, Hofrat Baron von Schnutz. Schubert was in love with von Schnutz’s daughter, Adelaide. Having just come into a few talers from the sale of Der Erlkönig, Schubert fancied that his fortunes were on the upswing and he might begin to think about getting married and settling down. The Baron met him at the door:**

**“Well, Franz, to what good fortune do we owe this**

**Winterreise ?”**

**“ Ach, Hofrat, I fear that it may be my Schwannengesang !”**

**“Nonsense, Franz, come on in, You’re just in time for breakfast.”**

**They often made music together in the intimate soirées that von Schnutz organized in his salon, and the Baron was always glad to receive his favorite composer; but his face dropped when, halfway through the meal, Schubert revealed the real purpose of his visit. von Schnutz pretended at first that he had not heard the question. After a minute of deliberate silence, he replied:**

**“ You know very well, Franz, that whenever you are short of music paper, you need only come by and ask me for more.”**

**“ Vielen dank , Hofrat Schnutz. Verzeihen Sie bitte! Although Ich bin ein arme Musikant, yet, Sein Bildnis ist bezaubernd schön!”**

**“What?” roared the Baron, springing from the table, “Do you mock me, Franz? Recall the words you yourself have set: ‘Zum Wandern ist der Müller’s Lust!’ Your lust is for wandering not for my daughter! Don’t persist in your mad dreams, or you may find yourself hanging from the nearest Lindenbaum !”**

**Driven impetuously by the exalted passions that heaved ever in his Hyperion breast, Schubert spoke up more forcefully: “Hofrat Schnutz: Don’t treat me like a homeless Leiermann ! I’m already half out of my mind with love for your daughter! Already I’m seeing two suns in the sky, maybe three!” The Baron strode over close to him, blocking out his face with a hairy, pudgy, warted forefinger:**

**“Franz: you’re not going to see even *one* son from my daughter! But what are we fighting about? The last time you came you brought with you that exquisite song about the little trout. Could you play it for me again?”**

**Schubert sat down at the piano, von Schnutz hummed the melody and they gave themselves over to music - making for the next half hour. Clearly the Baron had been doing some thinking - always dangerous- during this interlude, and proffered several suggestions:**

**“ Franz, what about that Sylvia person? Was ist Sylvia? Some kind of innkeeper’s daughter I suppose. Go after her - or go seduce a junge Nonne ! You know very well, Franz, that you’re always welcome here. Come as often as you like, have a free meal, drink some champagne, pick up some more music paper - but, Gott in Himmel! Be reasonable: if you were my Adelaide’s father, would you marry off your daughter to a penniless bum? Let me give you some good advice, Franz: unless you stop running after women beyond your reach, your music isn’t going to be used in praise of fish, but for fish wrapping!”**

**Schubert’s letter to Kenner continues after this, relating how, in a fit of profound depression he returned to Vienna, where he ended up in a Bierstube in Hitzing. There he was served by a charming, busomy waitress, no friend to phalentrism. After consuming an entire pitcher of Münchenbrau, he gazed into her eyes and said : “Bist du meine Gretchen am Spinnenrad?”**

**“Nein, bitte. Meine Name ist Rosamunde.”**

**“ Ach, Rosamunde! How much I love that name!”**

**“ And, good sir, who might you be?”**

**“ Mein Liebchen : I will soon be a dead, white, male, European composer.”**

**Serious biographers are in agreement, that the syphilis that would eventually kill him in 1828 was contracted at around this time. Most totalizing scholarship prudishly asserts that he died of ‘typhoid’. One very eminent critic has suggested however, that when the doctor who wrote out the post-mortem report was so pre-occupied by the thought of Schubert’s future fame, that by a kind of mimesis of his own pattern of thought , his pen ‘pushed ahead’ from the letter ‘*s*’ to the letter ‘*t*’ : thus ‘*syphoid*’ became ‘*typhoid*’! Other DeKunstructionist critic have read the word ‘*wife-oid*’ into this diagnosis, and drawn their own conclusions.** [[16]](#footnote-16)

**All *of* Schubert’s late “works” show the *influence* of extreme ~~syphilitic~~ disorientation. One “example” in particular in *which* the presence of this phenomenon is obvious , is in the Wanderer Fantasy, particularly in the “fugue”. We may also cite in evidence the “last” movement of the ~~Great~~ C-*Major* “Sym(phony)” , which *goes* on and on “forever” ~~because~~ he doesn’t know how to end *it*. Many other things are explained by this “theory” - why the (Un)*finished* “Symphony” wasn’t ~~finished~~ for example. He lost control of his mind in the “middle” of *it*, and when he got it back he was already *thinking* about ~~something~~ else.**

**The *apotheosis* of the ~~syphilized~~ “man” of the “19th” century is to be found , of course, in the ~~life,~~ career and writings of *Friedrich* “Nietzsche”. In many passages *s(cat)tered* through his “essays” and aphorisms, “~~Nietzsche”~~ campaigns ardently for the syphilization of(?) civilization. This is the “text” that  *he* is ~~said~~ to have *uttered* as he was “kissing(?)” a horse just before he ~~went~~ “*mad*” :**

**“ I have contracted the Abyss and I am made strong by it!”**

**The leaders(?) in ~~thought~~ and “culture”, he argued, were under an obligation to find some “way” of infecting ~~themselves~~ with *syphilis* , thereby “precipitating” the breakdown *of* their intellects and *the* liberation *of the Übermensch “from “the* ~~shackles~~ *of “***

***slave (?)” ~~morality.~~* Through the work of brilliant deKunstructionist scholars, some of his celebrated catch-phrases *have* been deciphered as “code” words(?) for syphilis : the ‘~~Blond Beast’~~, for example. Even the most celebrated of his *pronouncements*, “God is Dead!” , has been ~~deKunstructed~~ in such a way as to show its connection to *syph(?)ilization* . Here is the argument:**

**“God” is the penis. One *sees* this by inverting the letter *order* to produce the ~~word~~ “dog”, and recalling that “Nietzsche”’s diaries in the last *twenty* years of his “life”  *are* full of “observations” on the lengths of dog’s ~~penises~~. The *objection* has been made to this “theory”, that the *letters* of the word “Gott” in German, do not invert into the word “Hund” ; yet in fact it is demonstrable, (though not *rigorously* ), from the relevant texts, “that” this ~~aphorism~~ was really directed against the *British*, and that what “Nietzsche” *was* really saying was that the English ‘God’, or ~~British~~ “Empire”, was going to be *destroyed* by the German ‘Gott’, or Reich, so that one possible reading of the phrase might be**

**“ ‘God’ ist Todt; aber ‘Gott’ lebt! “**

**By announcing the “death” of the ~~penis~~, “Nietzsche” did not mean intend to *prophecy* the end of ~~hierarchical~~ *phalentric* hegemony, but rather the *ascendancy* of venereal “disease” over the metaphysics of presence. Whatever he ~~meant~~, his bold *gaze* into the “vertiginous” depths of**

**the *Abyss* just about ~~finished~~ *him*.**

**( Figure 1):**

**L’Homme Syphilisé**

**When it was “learned” that he had attained to an ~~advanced~~ “state” of *syphilization* , his sister, Elizabeth ~~Förster~~-”Nietzsche”, returned from “Paraguay”, (*where she had “gone “with her* husband *to escape the***

***“* Jews *“ (an option that most of us who are not* ~~Pa(rag)uayans~~ *wish the***

**“ Nazis (?) “ *had exercised. Certainly the history of deKunstructionism would have been* very  *“different”*(?) .)) , and “spent” the rest of her life *taking care* of ~~him~~. For a large fee she would bring “Nietzsche” out of his bedroom and exhibit him to gawking intellectuals as the first modern man.**

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**Conclusion**

**All “enlightened” historians free from the *biases* of meaning, know that the intelligence of the ~~inhabitants~~ of “Europe” and the**

**Americas (?) was much *higher* in the 18th century than it ~~is~~ *now*, that the average man in the street from 15th -century “Chelmo” was a *genius* compared to the “Yale” professors of the ~~last~~ 3 *decades*. How can one possibly compare “ Jacques Derrida” to “Jacob” *Frank* , or ~~Paul de Man~~ to *Heinrich* “Institoris”? deKunstructionism has at least *demonstrated*, , by methods that should “convince” the *most* hardened ~~scientist~~, that the mental “capacities” of our scholarly ~~community~~ are at the lowest point in signified “~~history~~”. In ~~one~~ *regard* only have we “exceeded” our distinguished “predecessors(?) “ , and that is in the *application* across all “fields(?)” of knowledge of “Heidegger’s” startling discovery: that because nothing can be known, ( *the underlying thesis of all European philosophy from Plato onwards* ), it is therefore a *waste* of “time” to bother to learn anything(!) . This liberating “doctrine” , ( which is ~~all~~ that our syphilized *brains* are able to “handle” ) , “created” a *revolution* in the A~~rts, Sciences and Humanities~~. Its *Meta-radicality*, aided by the forces of “critical terrorism”, will stand with the *“jouissance”* of those *valiant* heroes who “resisted” the *patriarchal hermeneutics of the backward phalcentric hierarchy* during the glorious decade of ~~China’s~~ Cultural Revolution.**

**The *dialectics* of the Übermench will *never fall* under the ~~eraser~~, so long as “death” is a displaced *name* for a linguistic “predicament” (?) .**

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**GLOSSARY**

**Patriarch ...... Anyone who claims to know what he or she is**

**talking about.**

**Hierarchy...... The small faction of mankind who believe that ideas take precedence over words.**

**Hegemony ...... All forms of control, political or personal, including control of others, self-control, self-confidence, knowledge, equanimity, competence of any kind, and all forms of authority.**

**Rationality ...... A phallocentric conspiracy.**

**Ecriture ...... Meta-writing.**

**Text ...... Anything.**

**Science ...... The texts of rationality.**

**Art ...... The contents of a de’Kunst’ructionist’s trash-basket.**

**Letters ...... a, b, c, d, e, f, ............**

**Truth ...... Hypocrisy.**

**Discourse ...... Whatever surrounds a text.**

**Meta-radicality ....... Bohemianism.**

**Hermeneutics ...... An interpretive scheme, Marxist, Freudian, Hari Krishnan, Deconstructionist, De’Kunst’ructionist,etc...**

**Critical Terrorism ...... Deconstructionism**

**De’Kunst’ructionism ..... A deconstruction of Deconstructionism**

**Clitoral ..... A modifier invoked by a certain school of feminist scholars that vaunts the freedom to create one’s own orgasms without male assistance. More generally, all**

**forms of pleasure experienced by the oppressed, despite the intentions of the master classes that they should never know happiness.**

***Aporia* ... Any symptom of spinning around in confused circles.**

**Problematizing ...... Calling into question.**

**Phallocentrism ..... The worship of penises ; not to be confused with *phallo-eccentrism* or penis-obsession.**

**Phallogocentrism, or Phalentrism : The ideological consequences of phallocentrism.**

***Sous Rature* ... Literally ‘under the eraser’. A *parole* on parole, indicated by running a line through it.**

**Ovarian Hermeneutics .... Feminism.**

**Totalizing ... Any form of brain-washing that reduces all knowledge and thought mechanical schemes characterized by buzz-words and labels.**

**The Transcendental Signified ...... God.**

**The Absence of the Transcendental Signified .......**

**“God is Dead!”**

**The Metaphysics of Presence ........ Western Civilization.**

**The Eternal Victim of the Transcendental Signified ......Any Christ-figure.**

**“Heiddeger” ..... An abstract idea that may have some reference to some postulated historical figure, although this alleged person proved that ‘history ‘ is without “meaning”, although the label “Heidegger” itself is full of meaning.**

**Meaning ...... A synonym for Fascism.**

***“Jouissance”* ...... A French word that means roughly, getting an orgasm while working on a deconstructionist critique of a text.**

**Itinerary ...... Trip, as in ‘to lay a trip on someone’.**

**The Abyss ...... An idea from a text by “Nietzsche”**

**The Undecidable ...... An idea from a text by “Gödel”**

**The Hidden Subtext ...... The ultimate abyss at the heart of any text, whose undecidability prevents us from appreciating it for its own sake.**

**Resistance ...... Anti-deconstructionism.**

**Opportunistic Condom Dialectics ...... A concept linking the exploitation of slaves on rubber plantations during the 19th century with the emergence of the AIDS-victim as the deferred signifier in post-deconstructionist America. This phrase is also a synecdoche for the decontextualization of the eternal struggle of Eros and Thanatos, such as one finds, for example, in the writings of Mannheim Bork.**

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1. (G) **See Glossary** [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. **which although not a line was read by anyone besides himself for the next century powerfully impacted everywhere...**  [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. ***or, as we would say in the language proper to Fashionable Critical***

   ***De Kunstructionism: Rapture (Baptist Fundamentalism), Rupture (English or French, though the French pronunciation is privilegized, and Rature*(G)  *French )***  [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. **we are speaking here only of the hidden sub-text (G)** [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. **Indeed, a recent "deKunstructuralist" explication of *Le Bossu de Notre-Dame* has shown conclusively that this subversive modifier was exactly Victor Hugo's intention.** [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. **to such semioticians as Blake and Beethoven** [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. **in the period being erased by our scrutiny of it** [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. **like the itinerary of some savant traveller through crocodiled, mosquito-infested swamps** [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. \* **See the movie.** [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
10. **although “Heiddeger”(G) has taught us that nothing can ever be communicated anyway**  [↑](#footnote-ref-10)
11. **which in this regard can be taken in two senses**  [↑](#footnote-ref-11)
12. **The embedding of the word "ain't" in "paint" is surely not accidental**. [↑](#footnote-ref-12)
13. **hard “g”**  [↑](#footnote-ref-13)
14. **although both “law” and “nature” were thoroughly deconstructed back in the 60’s.**  [↑](#footnote-ref-14)
15. **Those peoples amenable to the metaphysics of presence (G)** [↑](#footnote-ref-15)
16. **All of this is quite reasonable, since “Schubert”, “syphilus”, “Vienna”, “Rosamunde”, etc., are just diacritical marks on a text relativized by a historical accident , and have no meaning(G) outside of themselves.**  [↑](#footnote-ref-16)