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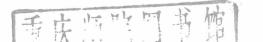




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作者简介

詩人黄徵,字穎初,清同治癸酉公元一八七三年 誕生於湖南瀏陽縣。一九三一年逝世。歷清季末 葉同光宣三朝凡四十年,歷民國二十年。

黄公事親至孝,家貧力學,後獲優貢科名。光緒 丙申應同邑譚嗣同先生禮聘為記室。參與機要。 並對譚著仁學一書,多所貢獻。嗣同先生為變法 以身殉難後,黄公幸脱清廷緹騎追捕,歸隱山 林。自民初服務於交通鐵道事業,以致積勞病 逝。

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Brief Introduction Of The Author

Poet Hwang Zheng was born in 1873 in Liuyang City, Hunan, China, along the Liu River where the water has been the clearest; the air, cleanest, and landscape, the prettiest.

His life span stretched through three dynasties of the Manchu Empire from 1873 to 1911 for forty years and twenty years in the Republic of China from 1911 to 1931.

He earned a high academic degree by winning an official examination but had little interest in imperial administration. As he cherished a close friendship with the most famous patriot Mr. Tan Si-tong (谭嗣同), he joined Tan's reformist group and almost sacrificed his life in a narrow escape since the Reform Movement failed. When the first republic was established, he began to dedicate to the railroad communications in Central and South China until the end of his life.

Poet Hwang has accomplished his voluminous works such as "Ci Lin Yun Zhun" (词林韵準) which is a systematic study of the structure and rhyme of Ci (词), a much freer style of poem since the Tang and Song Dynasties; Yu Yuan Poems (聿园诗集) of his own in 24 volumes and Yu Yuan Ci (聿园词) all of which were published respectively in Beijing and Taipei.

Among his several thousand poems, some three hundred were selected and published recently for a panorama of his achievements in literature. And out of these three hundred, it is my honor to have selected and translated one hundred poems into English. Due to differences of culture, history, language and custom, either literal translation or paraphrase is a difficult task. I can only say I have tried my best. It is my great pleasure to present them to the reading public.

Editor and translator
Hwang Chang-wei

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谒外王母

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吟鞭随意指家山 井社依然只当还 人语岁华春自得 鸟鸣庭树乐相关 分明梓里儿时路 惆怅萱堂别后颜 消息东风容再问 杨花犹颺旧晴湾

Visit My Mother's Parent (1)

While reciting poems on horseback, how happy I am to use A whip pointing rivers and mountains in my mother's homeland The neighborhood houses, wells and the community Where I was brought up look like an unchanged fairyland

Wherever you go, people talk about interesting stories Of the past years in a humorous mood As the springtime brings along New prospect and everything good

Even birds' singing on the trees

Over the courtyard, you see

From then till now

Never has it had much better relations with me

Clearly I see again those roads and alley lanes Which I walked and played on In good old days When I was young

Since the first day I left her What I missed most has been my grandma and her care Worrying about her health And her rural life there

Amidst the east wind
What else am I interesting to find out in the cottage
Ah, the willow catkins are still flying
All over the serene village

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(2)

I have been here for fifteen consecutive years Resembling a bird perched in the nest The clouds and hills embracing the thatched, medieval house Constituted a picture of intimacy and the best

How lucky I was then
Just like ivy having place to stretch on
I had a very kind grandma
And relatives to depend upon

I was so grateful For what hostess can generously provide It's a sad thing, nevertheless I did not have my own home to reside

The effort of this grandson has not yet made My grandma's nor my uncle's household prosperous, ho Only my knowledge was enriched By reading those articles of Su Dong Bo*

A recollection as such when I was only three years old Without any common sense to know what is ability Yet once my grandma, with a smile, pointed at those books Andmusic instruments wishing meto inherit traditional gentility

*Su Dong Bo was a very famous poet in the Song Dynasty.

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人生之秩盤如丝 入座的瞻祖竹至 桑梓絮设休威事 蒹葭长系湖涧里 曾将雨露论恩泽 错付云天管别点 今日瑶池寿王母 证辞频为涤金卮

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(3)

Grandma is seventy years of age
With silvery gray hair
The moment having a seat near her
I immediately feel the radiation of her love and care

She's glad to mention in details
The important happenings of neighborhood
Each time when I look up the reeds characterized the area
Can't help thinking of her in an unforgettable mood

I have been totally soaked under her raining of love And a fresh dew coverage of her favor nurtured in my heart Only different sky and clouds Wrongly keep us apart

Today showing my highest respect to her may compare with those fairies Paying homage to the Grand Mother Lady at Jade Palace I voluntarily provide for the cleaning of gold cups And other services, any time, any place

(四)

垂風一例尽传觞 软给宴您意信常 红树莺声新地主 多衣鸡羽旧时多 未完情话审束续 无限光阴别後去 自笑泽踪原示空 云山回首费平章

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Toast after Toast in high spirit of spring time With winecups lifting and whirling around Guests were well treated A series of gourmet dishes off and on

The oriole's singing on the red trees Suggesting now it's under the new owner's command But the flying swallow tails Still cut the corner sky of the good old land

The endless sweet chat
Must continue at night, ho
For the days after departure
Will be months and years, a long time to go

As I have had no fix residence so far Usually not stay in one place under the sun When I look back from a remote distance, I can hardly identify Which is mountain, which is cloud or horizon

无 题

君相考月春福的人名

君门东向妾楼西相对青青柳映堤春色要防杨柳漏

Bove Communications

The door of your house opens toward the east Opposite in such harmony, and mine, west When the willows are kissing the riverbank green They have surely done their best

No one can prevent love communications The windy willows are whistling the nightfall Our voices from the bottom of heart Must have been transmitted by them all