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ROLE OF NATURE IN ENGLISH POETRY

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ABSTRACT

Nature has always taken an excellent part in people's lives, and therefore the universe, as a whole, was seen as a wonderfully ordered system of concentric circles where the planet, and nature itself, was at its center. Each of the circles corresponded to the orbit of known planets, with the celebs at the outer level. Nature, as an idea, was seen as a deep state of harmony between itself and its inhabitants. In nature, time has had little or no effect on everything that it contains, and also the relativity of time was proven by Einstein, everything grows and dies simply because it's to come back back to life again. Nature is best described by the Heraclits' philosophy panta rei, meaning that everything flows, or everything is consistently changing, from the tiniest grain of sand to the celebrities within the sky. Also, nature is ideal, and its perfection is given by the link of all its elements. Nature is additionally Heaven's reflection on Earth and anyone trying to disturb the natural order is taken into account evil. Man's attempts to rule this world because it was his, have caused disturbances during this natural environment and this harmony has began to fail. Generally there have been two conflicting ways of watching nature. On one hand, the view inherited from the center Ages was that, since Adam and Eve's ejection from Paradise, nature had become degraded and degrading. In the opposite hand, the Greek and Roman literature that inspired Renaissance writers often depicted pastoral life as more virtuous than city life. &or instance, Shakespeare's writing is rich in natural imagery. The age of Enlightenment saw an explosion on interest in nature as an object of scientific study. Various philosophers, who has undertaken their entire work on nature, has shown a systematic angle of nature. The ordered perfection of the nature, he argued, presupposed the existence of God. For romantic poets like poet, nation countryside was a relentless source of poetic inspiration. At a time when industrialisation was starting to make its mark on the landscape within the style of growing cities and smoking factory chimneys, Britain's few areas of wilderness took on an almost religious significance. &or most modernist writers, it had been the town that captured the imagination, for it had been here that the trendy world experienced most intensely. The modernist poet now not sought the solitude of the hills for his inspiration, preferring the bustle and see of the road, the cafe and therefore the metro. Anyway, the First World War had demonstrated how pastoral idyll may be transformed within the matter of hours into a landscape of complete destruction.

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Introduction

The nature has always been a very important subject for poets and prose writers. Rather, nature all told of the poems and essays is truthfully a living character through which human identity is built either through the characters' alignment with the nature or their struggle against it. In the art work whether it is poetry, Nature plays a vital role but in background of it. For example as place or time or sometimes as theme. But as what has been mentioned earlier that poem as an artifact of culture product of society is additionally influenced by its scheme. People of British in 18th century, as an example, thanks literature for giving contribution in developing financial system of the country through works that almost all of them are achievement oriented. Obviously, literature has considered as important things in this environment. However, it's different from Indonesia that has long-dark history in its development. Mystical, paradox, traditionalism shackle, and other characteristic have yet made literature as important a part of people product. In other words, literature isn't popular among the citizens. Surely, the system of education contributes to the current condition.

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Treatment of Nature in Poetry

Unchecked growth of materialism, lust for power and money make the modern man suffer from the pangs of life. Man is running after shadowy things ignoring the claims of what's really significant and substantial to life. Money hunting and materialistic psychology of the modern man has disassociated him from the very roots of life. He doesn't hang to Nature. After diagnosing the disease, he prescribes remedy-return to soil. If the person wants to induce his peace and satisfaction back, he will embrace the lifetime of virtue, simplicity and innocence offered by benevolent Nature. As Lord Krishna asked 'Arjuna' to forsake all other faiths and to place complete trust in Him alone, so Wordsworth invites his readers to place an end to any or all their futile activity and passively receive the eternal knowledge of ultimate truths of life from mother Nature. Association of Nature with poetry is permanent. She has been a universal presence in the poetry of all times and every one ages. Poetry is originated from religion. In earlier period it absolutely was the language of the scriptures. The hymns of the holy literatures were composed in poetry. This poetry of sacred literature in times was employed for religion because Nature was the abode of gods in those ages of primitive, prehistoric phase of human civilization. The primitive man checked out Nature with wonder and curiosity. There was no science to unveil the secrets of Nature. Nature was charming and tempting and at the same time formidable and destructive. So, the assorted objects of Nature were personified as gods and goddesses. Hymns were composed for his or her worship and admiration. This tendency is common to any or all the traditional literatures of the world like Greek, Indian, Persian and Egyptian etc.

Nature remained a dominant presence even thereafter when the secular literature had get vogue. English poetry dawns with Chaucer. Chaucer is the father of English poetry. A significant reader of Chaucer cannot deny his love of Nature. One of the best poem "Prologue to the Canterbury Tales' starts with indefinite details and description of the spring and makes a feel of nature freshness. Read the below line:

When that Aprille with his showers soote The draught of March hath perced to the roote And bathed every vein in swich licour Of which virtue engendered is the flour; When Zephyrus eek with his sweet breeth Inspired hath in every holt and heath The tendre croppes, and the younger sonne Hath in Ram his half ecourse y-ronne And smale fowles maken melody. That slapen all the night with open ye-So prinketh him nature in his courages -Thane longen folk to goan on pilgrimage".

Copernicus, Bruno, Galileo, Leibnitz, Newton, Kepler and other noted scientists and philosophers broke faraway from the medieval concept of the universe. They found regularity and symmetry in the system of nature. The concept that there's a system of nature which is regular and orderly and may be explained systematically which events of nature may well be predicted with accuracy led the creative writers think about nature as regular and systematic and not wayward as people thought in the past. The word 'nature is employed in two senses. The primary meaning is that nature is all the animals, nature, recks etc. In the world and every one features, forces and processes that happen or exist independently of individuals, like the weather, the sea, mountain, reproduction and growth"!, The second meaning is that it's a "power that regulates the world".

The eighteenth century poets fused both the meanings to their interpretation 'of nature. The shift from the external aspects of nature to the totality is the contribution of the eighteenth century poets to English nature pouty. The poets till the seventeenth century described the objects of nature like flowers, rivers, Valleys, hills, landscapes, the cycle of the day and tke cycle of the seasons. As they were at one with nature, their ae pocas abounded in natural imagery. But within the eighteens century the external aspect was less cared for and what the poets strove for was the expression of the halaace, orderliness and harmony of nature in poetry. The external" aspect of nature is disorderly, haphazard and irregular but the system is ideal and thus the eighteenth century poets followed nature in poetry but wanted their poetry to be "nature methodized".

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The eighteenth century poets failed to disown nature what they did, was to follow the system of nature in poetry So Jas to create human Society a wonderfully balanced harmonious unit. Pope within the Same poery advised that first follow nature, and your judgment France, By ner just standard, which remains the sane, Unerring nature, still divinely bright, One clear, unchanged and universal light, Life, force, and beauty, must to any or all impart, directly the source and end, and test of art Whimsatt and Brooks have explained Pope's concept of nature:

The nature which is one of the main object of the poetry for some of the authors generally carries three features. The first one is nature have a Platonic and Stoic universal order and superior reality. Secondly, nature, the universal order, assimilates is readily with man's effort to enforce or increase that order in his own affairs that's together with his civilization and everyone its parts, its cities, institutions, business and recreations. Thirdly, Pope's idea of nature has the distinction of residing during a state of great harmony with the thought of the classical models. No other writer, poets or theorist has the) reconciliation of those threateningly twin standards, the rivals modern reason and classical authorities with such persuasive aplomb. The writer, artist and designers followed the system of nature seriously. They treats as "Nature but actually it is methods of nature in which it flows, that in the way it is like harmonious and system oriented and also balanced. Dr. Johnson, through 'Inlac, in Rasselas advised the poet to search out nature in universals: "The business of the poet is to look at, not the individual] but the Species, to remark general properties of enormous appearances; he doesn't number the streaks of the tulip, or describe the different shades in the verdure of the forest. he's the exhibit in his portraits of nature much prominent and striking features on recall the first to each mind and must neglect the minuter discrimination, which one may have marked and other have neglected too, for those features which are quite obvious to be ignored for vigilance and carelessness. The primary important aspect of the connection between nature and art was harmony. The poets of the amount preserved the renaissance doctrine of world harmony and to some extent perfected it.? The concept of world harmony is best expressed in Pope's 'Windsor Forest'.

As first a various unformed hint we find,

Rise in some god-like poet's fertile mind,

Till all the parts and words their places take,

And with just marches verse and music make.

Poetry, they felt was to be musical and hence harmonious. Naturally the simplest in poetry was regular and if there was any deviation that was to interrupt monotony. Symmetry was the second aspect of the connection between poetry and nature. In Augustan England as in the Renaissance Italy the thought of harmony was closely associated with symmetry and proportion in visual arts. The eighteenth century versification followed symmetry combined with harmony. The foremost commonly practised metre was iambic metre "and the well-liked stanza form was the couplet. But it's also that poets wrote in trochaic, anapaest and Dactyllic metre with equal ease and dextertty.

The eighteenth century poetry due to its Symetry and harmony is most appealing to English ears. And Pope due to his mastery in versification continues to be the foremost quoted poet. The third aspect was variety. It's going to seem that the eighteenth century poets simplified the complexity of nature by ignoring the individual and laying stress on the species. In truth, it had been not so, The Augustan rule of regularity and symmetry was enriched by Alexander's Pope's nection of "Natural" landscape "garden". Sir William Temple wrote:

"Among us the sweetness of building and planting is placed chiefly in some certain proportions, symmetries or uniformities; our walks and our trees ranged so, on answer each other and at exact distances." This idea of nature garden is incorporated in Pope's concept of poetry.

"To rules of poetry no more confined.

I learn to smooth and harmonies my mind,

Teach every thought within its bound to roll,

And keep the equal measure of the soul,"?

Pope, the best poet of the century, believed and practised regularity, uniformity and symmetry in art but also laid emphasis on variety and variety.

Nature has always played a vital role in literature, especially in poetry. Writers and poets have often used nature to explain their emotions and their thoughts about life, death, love and war. This can be how numerous great poets controlled the phobia of the primary warfare, including writer, Wilfred Owen and Siegfried Sassoon. In Owen's poems "the sympathetic connection between man and Nature is broken by the war, and therefore the nature is seen as complicit in the killing". He mentions spring by the blooming of primroses, which belongs to at least one of the primary flowers of spring. In the spring of 1915, British army

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began to occupation of the train station near La Bassée where the author of the poem fought too. In the poem, the poppies, which usually bloom from May to August, indicate the summer. Poppies also represent the blood of the wounded or dead soldiers during this poem. Autumn has always been taken in the brief of the colour yellow, in the same way the nights of the winters are treated as deepest level in mud and snow which represents the bluish colour. In this Graves has written about the beggary of the crowd who was fighting. If discuss Wordsworth's poetry, interacting with nature represents the forces of the nature. In all these 3 poem's, resolution and freedom, Tintern Abbey, and Michael, nature has been taken as the prime factor and individual figure, which provides his audience additionally as Wordsworth, himself, a way of console. All told three poems, Wordsworth views nature and people at large as complementary elements of a sum of an entire, recognizing that humans are a sum of nature. Therefore, gazing the nature as a soothing being of which they're a component of, poet's looks at nature and sees the benevolence of the divinity aspects behind them. For nature writers, the nature itself, all told its glory, is an area of suffering, which surely occurs within the world; poets are still comforted with the idea that each one things happen by the hands of the divinity and therefore the just and divine order of nature, itself.

Conclusion

The analogy between the conditions of Individual psychology may be a romantic concept and one perfectly in unison with the ideas of various poets such as emerson or words worth. For the various poets like Wordworth and same of his type other nature writers, the analogy between mental state of their mind or say a different position of their spirit and hence the universe of sympathy is quite normally uplifting because it implied or rather presupposed, a vigorous positive alliance, a radical continuity, through God between man and nature. Nature lives and spiritually supports us, although it's composed in an exceedingly large measure of inanimate objects because we live and God has allowed us to speculate it with our lives. The analogy between man and nature appears operative but the reciprocal relation is negative instead of positive; pluralistic instead of monistic; fragmented in its stress on aloneness instead of unified; deadly instead of life - supporting. Let's say in other words that trust of poet in the nature, his level of trust in his feeling, his hopes for the future, and his level of joy grows in and out manner of temperament and from the circumstances which cut down the darker and grimmer elements in life, the miseries that flesh and mind are heir to the high proportion of unhappiness in human existence. In other words, the poet's trust in nature, his trust in feeling, his hopefulness and joy grew out of a temperament and out of circumstances which slighted the darker and grimmer elements in life, the miseries that flesh and mind are heir to the high proportion of unhappiness in human existence.

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