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# THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION.

A POPULAR TALK ABOUT SCIENCE.

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At the inaugural meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science . held in Exeter, England, last month, Prof. Stokes, President elect, made an excellent address upon some of the leading phases of scientific research. He first spoke of

PROGRESS IN ASTRONOMICAL SCIENCE.

Among the various branches of physical science, Astronomy occupies in many respects a foremost rank. The movements of the heavenly bodies must have occupied the attention and excited the interest of mankind from the earliest ages, and accordingly the first rudiments of the science are lost in the depths of antiquity. The grandeur of the subjects of contemplation which it presents to us have won for it especial favor, and its importance in relation to navigation has caused it to be supported by national resources. Newton's great discovery of univer-sal gravitation raised it from the rank of a science of observation to that of one admitting of the most exact mathematical deduction; and the investigation of the consequences of this law, and the explanation thereby of the lunar and planetary disturbances, have afforded a field for the exercise of the highest mathematical powers on the part of Newton and his successors. Gradually the apparent anomalies, as they might have been deemed, in the motions of the heavenly bodies were shown to be necessary consequences of the one fundamental law; and, at last, as the result of calculations of enormous labor, tables were constructed enabling the places of those bodies at any given time to be determined years beforehand with astonishing precision. A still more striking step was taken. When it had been shown by careful calculation that the apparent motion of the remotest of the planets then known to belong to our system could not be wholly explained on the theory of gravitation, by taking account of the dis turbing powers of the other known planets, Adams in our own country, and Le Verrier in France, boldly reversed the problem, and instead of determining the disturbing effect of a known planet, set themselves to inquire what must be the mass and orbit of an unknown planet which shall be capable of producing by its disturbing force the unexplained deviations in the position of Uranus from its calculated place. The result of this inquiry is too well known to require notice.

After these brilliant achievements, some may perhaps have been tempted to imagine that the field of astronomical research must have been wellnigh exhausted. Small perturbations, hitherto overlooked, might be determined, and astronomical tables thereby rendered still more exact. New asteroids might be discovered by the telescope. More accurate values of the constants with which we have to deal might be obtained. But no essential novelty of principle was to be looked for in the department of astronomy; for such we must go to younger and less mature branches of science.

FRUITS OF THE UNION OF SCIENCES. Researches which have been carried on within the last few years, even the progress which has been made within the last twelve months, show how short-sighted such anticipation would have been; what an unexpected flood of light may sometimes be thrown over one science by its union with another; how conducive accordingly to the advancement of science may be an Association like the present, in which not only are the workers at special meetings brought together in the Sectional Meetings, but in the General Meetings of the Association, and in the social inter course which, though of an informal character, is no unimportant part of our proceedings, the cultivators of different branches of sci ence are brought together and have an opportunity of enlarging their minds by contact with the minds of others, who have been used to trains of thought of a very different character from their own.

angular position as seen from the earth, or rather as they would be seen from the sun, which we may take for the mean annual place of the earth. This indicates linear motion in a direction transverse to the line joining the sun with the star. But since our sun is merely a star, a line drawn from the star exhibiting proper motion to our sun is, as regards the former, merely a line drawn to a star taken at random, and therefore there is no reason why the star's motion should be, except accidentally, in a direction perpendicular to the line joining the star with our sun. We must conclude that the stars, including our own sun, or some of them, at least, are moving in various directions in space, and that it is merely the transversal

component of the whole motion, or rather of the motion relatively to our sun, that is revealed to us by a change in the star's apparent place. How, then, shall we determine whether any particular star is approaching to or re-ceding from our sun? It is clear that astro-

nomy alone is powerless to aid us here, since such a motion would be unaccompanied by change of angular position. Here the science of optics comes to our aid in a remarkable manner. The pitch of a musical note depends, as we

on the number of vibrations which know. reach the ear in a given time, such as a second. Suppose, now, that a body, such as a bell, which is vibrating a given number of times per second, is at the same time moving from the observer, the air being calm. Since the successive pulses of sound travel all with the velocity of sound, but diverge from different centres, namely, the successive points in the bell's path at which the bell was when those pulses were first excited, it is evident that the sound-waves will be somewhat more spread out on the side from which the bell is moving, and more crowded together on the side towards which it is moving, than if the bell had been at rest. Consequently the number of vibrations per second which reach the ear of an observer situated in the former of these directions will be somewhat smaller, and the number which reach an observer situated in the opposite direction somewhat greater than if the bell had been at rest. Hence to the former the pitch will be somewhat lower, and the latter somewhat higher than the natural pitch of the bell. And the same thing will happen if the observer be in motion instead of the bell, or if both be in motion; in fact, the effect depends only on the relative motion of the observer and the bell in the direction of a line joining the two-in other words, on the velocity of recession or approach of the observer and the bell. The effect may be perceived in standing by a railway when a train in which the steam-whistle is sounding passes by at full speed, or, better still, if the observer be seated in a train which is simultaneously moving in the opposite direction.

## WHAT IS LIGHT ?

The present state of optical science is such as to furnish us with evidence, of a force which is perfectly overwhelming, that light consists of a tremor or vibratory movement propagated in an elastic medium filling the planetary and stellar spaces, a medium which thus fulfils for light an office similar to that of air for sound. In this theory, to difference of periodic time corresponds difference of refrangibility. Suppose that we were in possession of a source of light capable, like the bell in the analogous case of sound, of exciting in the ether supposed at rest vibrations of a definite period, corresponding, therefore, to light of a definite refrangibility. Then, just as in the case of sound, if the source of light and the observer were receding from or approaching to each other with a velocity was not insensibly

that the two lines are found associated altogether, especially when, as too often hap-together, both present or both absent. And pened, the observations were provokingly intogether, both present or both absent. And Kirchhoff's theory suggests that the common cause is the existence of hydrogen in the atmospheres of the sun and certain stars, and its exercise of an absorbing action on the light emitted from beneath.

Now by careful and repeated observations with a telescope furnished with a spectro-scope of high dispersive power, Mr. Huggins found that the F line, the one selected for observation, in the spectrum of Sirius did not exactly coincide with the corresponding bright line of a hydrogen spark, which latter agrees in position with the solar F, but was a little less refrangible, while preserving the same general appearance. What conclusion, then, are we to draw from the result? Surely it would be most unreasonable to attribute the dark lines in the spectra of the sun and of Sirius to distinct causes, and to regard their almost exact coincidence as purely fortuitous, when we have in proper motion a vero causa to account for a minute difference. And if, as Kirchhoff's labors render almost certain, the dark solar line depends on the existence of hydrogen in the atmosphere of our sun, we are led to infer that that element, with which the chemist working in his laboratory is so familiar, exists and is subject to the same physical laws in that distant star, so distant, that, judging by the most probable value of its annual parallax, light which would go seven times round our earth in one second would take fourteen years to travel from the star. What a grand conception of the unity of plan pervading the universe do such conclusions present to our minds !

Assuming, then, that the small difference of refrangibility observed between the solar F and that of Sirius is due to proper motion, Mr. Huggins concludes from his measures of the minute difference of position that at the time of the observation Sirius was receding from the earth at the rate of 41.4 miles per second. A part of this was due to the motion of the earth in its orbit; and on deducting the orbital velocity of the earth, resolved in the direction of a line drawn from the star, there remained 29.4 miles per second as the velocity with which Sirius and our sun are mutually receding from each other. Considering the minuteness of the quantity on which the result depends, it is satisfactory to find that Mr. Huggins' results as to the motion of Sirius have been confirmed by the observations of Father Secchi made at Rome with a different instrument.

The determination of radial proper motion in this way is still in its infancy. It is worthy of note that, unlike the detection of transversal proper motion by change of angular position, it is equally applicable to stars at all distances, provided they are bright enough to render the observations possible. It is conceivable that the results of these observations may one day lead to a determination of the motion of the solar system in space, which is more trustworthy than that which has been deduced from changes of position, as being founded on a broader induction, and not confined to conclusions derived from the stars in our neighborhood. Should even the solar system and the nearer stars be drifting along, as Sir John Herschel suggests, with an op-proximately common motion, like motes in a sunbeam, it is conceivable that the circumstance might thus be capable of detection. To what wide speculations are we led as to the possible progress of our knowledge when we put together what has been accomplished in different branches of science !

# PHENOMENA OF A SOLAR ECLIPSE.

I turn now to another recent application of spectral analysis. The phenomenon of a total solar cclipse is described by those who have seen it as one of the most imposing that can be witnessed. The rarity of its occur. Meanwhile the same rence and the shortness of its duration afford however, opportunity for only a hasty study of the phenomena which may then present themselves. Among these, one of the most remarkable-seen, indeed, before, but first brought prominently into notice by the observers who watched the eclipse of July 7 1842-consists in a series of mountain-like or cloud-like luminous objects seen outside the dark disk of the moon. These have been seen in subsequent total eclipses, and more specially studied, by means of photography, by Mr. Warren De La Rue, in the eclipse of June 18, 1860. The result of the various observations, and especially the study, which could be made at leisure, the photographs obtained by Mr. De La Rue, proved conclusively that these appendages belong to the sun, not to the moon. The photographs proved further their light to be remarkable for actinic power. Since that time the method of spectral analysis has been elaborated; and it seemed likely that additional information bearing on the nature of these objects might be obtained by the application of the spectroscope, Accordingly various expeditions were equipped for the purpose of observing the total solar eclipse which was to happen on August 17, 1868. our own country an equatorially-mounted telescope provided with a spectroscope was procured for the purpose by the Royal Society, which was entrusted to Lieutenant now Captain) Herschel, who was going out to India, one of the countries crossed by the line of the central shadow. Another expedition was organized by the Royal Astronomical Society, under the auspices of Major Tennant, who was foremost in pressing on the atten. tion of scientific men the importance of availing themselves of the opportunity. Shortly before the conclusion of the meet ing of the Association at Norwich last year. the first results of the observations were made known to the meeting through the agency of the electric telegraph. In the telegram sent by M. Janssen to the President of the Royal Society, it was announced that the spectrum of the prominences was very remarkable, showbright lines, while that of the corona ing showed none. Brief as the message necessarily was, one point was settled. The prominences could not be clouds, in the strict sense of the term, shining either by virtue of their own heat or by light reflected from be-They must consist of incandescent matlow. ter in the gaseous form. It appeared from the more detailed accounts received by post from the various observers, and put together at leisure, that except in the immediate neighborhood of the sun the light of the prominences consisted mainly of three bright lines, of which two coincided, or nearly so, with C and F, and the intermediate one nearly, but, as subsequent researches showed, not exactly, with D. The bright lines coinciding with O and F indicate the presence of glowing hydro-Some of the other lines were apparently identified with those which would be produced by the incandescent vapor of certain other elements. This is precious information to have gathered during the brief interval of the total phase, and required on the part of the obser-vers self-denial in withdrawing the eye from the imposing spectacle of the surrounding scenery, and coolness in proceeding steadily with some definite part of the inquiry, when so many questions crowded for solution, and the fruits of months of preparation were to be reaped in three or four minutes or lost

abled to mention to you the latest results obterrupted by flying clouds.

AIDS TO OBSERVATION.

But, valuable as these observations were, it is obvious that we should have had long to wait before we could have become acquainted with the usual behavior of these objects, and their possible relation to changes which may be going on at the surface of the sun, if we had been dependent on the rare and brief phenomenon of a total solar eclipse for gathering information respecting them. But how, the question might be asked, shall we ever be able so to subdue the overpowering glare of our great luminary, and the dazzling illumination which it produces in our atmosphere when we look nearly in its direction, as to perceive objects which are comparatively so faint? Here again the science of optics comes in aid of astronomy.

When a line of light, such as a narrow slit held in front of a luminous object, is viewed through a prism, the light is ordinarily spread out into a colored band, the length of which may be increased at pleasure by substituting two or more prisms for the single prism. As the total quantity of light is not thereby increased, it is obvious that the intensity of the light of the colored band will go on decreasing as the length increases. Such is the case with ordinary sources of light, like the flame of a candle or the sky, which give a continuous spectrum, or one generally continuous, though interrupted by dark bands. But if the light from the source be homogeneous, consisting, that is, of light of one degree of refrangibility only, the image of the slit will be merely deviated by the prisms, not widened out into a band, and not consequently reduced in intensity by the dispersion. And if the source of light emit light of both kinds, it will be easily understood that the images of the slit corresponding to light of any definite refrangibilities which the mixture may contain will stand out, by their superior intensity, on the weaker ground of the continuous spec trum

Preparations for observations of the kind had long been in progress in the hands of our countryman, Mr. Lockyer. His first attempts were unsuccessful; but, undismayed by failure, he ordered the construction of a new spectroscope of superior power, in which he was aided by a grant from the sum placed annually by Parliament at the disposal of the Royal Society for scientific purposes. The execution of this instrument was delayed by what proved to be the last illness of the eminent optician to whom it was entrusted, the late Mr. Cooke; but when at last the instrument was placed in his hands, Mr. Lockyer was not long in discovering the object of his two years' search. On the 20th of October last year, in examining the space immediately surrounding the edge of the solar disk, he obtained evidence, by the occurrence of a bright line in the spectrum, that his slit was on the image of one of those prominences the nature of which had so long been an enigma. It further appeared from an observation made on the 5th of November (as indeed might be expected from the photographs of Mr. De La Rue, and the descriptions of those who had observed total solar eclipses) that the prominences were merely elevated portions of an extensive luminous stratum of the same general character, which, now that the necessity of the interposition of the moon was dispensed with, could be traced completely round the sun. Notices of this discovery were received from the author by the Royal Society on October 21 and November 3, and the former was almost immediately published in No. 105 of the *Proceedings*. These were shortly afterwards followed by a fuller paper

Meanwhile the same thing had been inde pendently observed in another part of the world. After having observed the remarkable spectrum of the promiaences during the total eclipse, it occurred to M. Janssen that the same method might allow the prominences to be detected at any time; and on trial he succeeded in detecting them the very day after the eclipse. The results of his observation were sent by post, and were received shortly after the account of Mr. Lockyer's discovery had been communicated by Mr. De La Rue to the French Academy. In the way hitherto described a prominence is not seen as a whole, but the observer knows when its image is intercepted by the slit; and by varying a little the position of the slit a series of sections of the prominence are obtained, by putting which together the form of the prominence is deduced. Shortly after Mr. Lockyer's communication of his discovery, Mr. Huggins, who had been independently engaged in the attempt to render the prominences visible by the aid of the spectroscope, succeeded in seeing a prominence as a whole by somewhat widening the slit, and using a red glass to diminish the glare of the light admitted by the slit, the prominence being seen by means of the C line in the red. Mr. Lockyer had a design for seeing the prominences as a whole by giving the slit a rapid motion of small extent, but this proved to be superfluous, and they are now habitually seen with their actual forms. Nor is our power of observing them restricted to those which are so situated that they are seen by projection outside the sun's limb; such is the power of the spectroscopic method of observation that it has enabled Mr. Lockyer and others to observe them right on the disc of the sun, an important step for connecting them with other solar phenomena. REMARKABLE CHANGES IN PROGRESS. One of the most striking results of the habitual study of these prominences is the evidence they afford of the stupendous changes which are going on in the central body of our system. Prominences the heights of which are to be measured by thousands and tens of thousands of miles, appear and disappear in the course of some minutes. And study of certain minute changes of position in the bright line F, which receive a simple and natural explanation by referring them to proper motion in the glowing gas by which that line is produced, and which we see no other way of accounting for, have led Mr. Lockyer to conclude that the gas in question is sometimes travelling with velocities comparable with that of the earth in its orbit. Moreover, these exhibitions of intense action are frequently found to be intimately connected with the spots, and can hardly fail to throw light on the disputed question of their formation. Nor are chemical composition and proper motion the only physical conditions of the gas which are accessible to spectral analy-By comparing the breadth of the bright sis. bands (for though narrow they are not mere lines) seen in the prominences with those observed in the spectrum of hydrogen rendered incandescent under different physical conditions, Dr. Frankland and Mr. Lockyer have deduced conclusions respecting the pres anre to which the gas is subject in the neigh berhood of the sun. I am happy to say that Mr. Lockyer has consented to deliver a discourse during our meeting, in which the

tained in an expedition which could not have been undertaken without the aid of Government, an aid which was freely given. Last year Dr. Carpenter and Professor Wyville Thomson represented to the President and Council of the Royal Society the great importance to zoology and palsontology of ob-taining soundings from great depths in the ocean, and suggested to them to use their influence with the Admiralty to induce them to place a gunboat, or other suitable vossel, at the disposal of those gentlemen and any other naturalists who might be willing to accompany them for the purpose of carrying on a systematic course of deep-se dredging for a month or six weeks. This application was forwarded to the Admiralty with the warm support of the President aud Council, and was readily neceded to. The operations were a good deal impeded by rough weather, but nevertheless important results were obtained. Dredging was successfully accomplished at a depth of 650 fathoms; and the existence was established of a varied and abundant submarine Fauna, at depths which

had generally been supposed to be either

azoic, or occupied by animals of a very low type; and the character of the Fauna and of mud brought up was such as to point to a chalk formation actually going on. It seemed desirable to carry the soundings to still greater depths, and to examine more fully the changes of temperature which had been met with in the des-Another application was accordcent. ingly made to the Admiralty in the present year, and was no less readily acceded to than the former; and a larger vessel than that used last year is now on her cruise. I am informed by Dr. Carpenter that dredging has been successfully carried down to more than 2400 fathoms (nearly the height of Mont Blane), and that animal life has been found even at that depth in considerable variety, though its amount and Kind are obviously influenced by the reduction of temperature to Arctic coldness. A very careful series of temperature soundings has been taken, showing, on the same spot, a continuous descent of temperature with the depth, at first more rapid, afterwards pretty uniform. Thermometers pro tected from pressure by a plan described by Dr. Miller were found to maintain their character at the great depths reached, the difference between them and the best ordinary thermometers used in the same sounding being exactly conformable to the pressure corresponding with each depth, as determined by the experiments previously made in smaller depths. All the observations hitherto made go to confirm the idea of a general interchange of polar and equatorial water, the former occupying the lowest depths, the latter forming a superficial stratum of 700 or 800 fathoms. The analyses of the water brought up indicate a large proportion of carbonic acid in the gases of the deep waters, and a general diffusion of organic matter.

COPPER IN ANIMALS.

The Turaco, or Plaintain-eater, of the Cape of Good Hope is celebrated for its beautiful plumage. A portion of the wings is of a fine red color. This red coloring matter has been investigated by Prof. Church, who finds it to contain nearly six per cent. of copper, which cannot be distinguished by the ordinary tests, nor removed from the coloring matter without destroying it. The coloring matter is, in fact, a natural organic compound, of which copper is one of the essential constituents. Traces of this metal had previously been found in animals, for example, in oysters, to the cost of those who partook of them. But in these cases the presence of the copper was merely accidental; thus oysters that lived near the mouths of streams which came down from the copper assimilated a portion of the copp without apparently its doing then good or harm. But in the Turaco th tence of the red coloring matter, w longs to their normal plumage, is de upon copper, which, obtained in minu tities with the food, is stored up strange manner in the system of the Thus, in the very same feather, pa and partly black, copper was found dance in the red parts, but none, or merest trace, in the black. This example warns us against too utilitarian a view of the plan tion. Here we have a chemical su elaborated which is perfectly unique nature, and contains a metal th of which are ordinarily regarded as po to animals; and the sole purpose to so far as we know, it is subservien animal economy is one of pure dec Thus, a pair of birds which were captivity lost their fine red color in th of a few days, in consequence of wa the water which was left them to drink coloring matter, which is soluble i being thus washed out; but except a loss of their beauty, it does not app the birds were the worse for it. PATENTS. **OFFICES FOR PROCURING PA** FORREST BUILDINGS, No. 119 S. FOURTH STREET, And Marble Buildings, No. 460 SEVENTH Street, opposite U. Office, Washington, D. C.

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The science of astronomy is indebted to that of Optics for the principal which regu-late the construction of those optical instruments which are so essential to the astronomer. It repaid its debt by furnishing to optics a result which it is important we should keep in view in considering the nature of light. It is to astronomy that we are indebted for the first proof we obtained of the finite velocity of light, and for the first numerical determination of that enormous velocity. Astronomy, again, led, forty-four years later, to a second determination of that velocity in the remarkable phenomenon of aberration discovered by Bradley, a phenomenon presenting special points of interest in relation to the nature of light, and which has given rise to some discussion, extending even to the present day, so that the Astronomer Royal has not deemed it unworthy of investigation, laborious as he foresees the trial is likely to prove, to determine the constant of aberration by means of a telescope having its tube filled with water. If in respect of these phenomena optics received much aid from astronomy, the latter science has been indebted to the former for information which could not otherwise have been obtained. The motions and the masses of the heavenly bodies are revealed to us more or less fully by astronomical observations; but we could not thus become acquainted with the chemical nature of these distant objects. Yet, by the application of the spectroscope to the scrutiny of the heavenly bodies, evidence has been obtained of the existence therein of various elements known to us by the chemical examination of the materials of which our own earth is composed; and not only so, but light is thrown on the state in which matter is there existing, which, in the case of nebula especially, led to the formation of new ideas respecting their constitution, and the rectification of astronomical speculations previously entertained. I shall not, however, dwell further on this part of the subject which is now of some years' standing, and has been mentioned by more than one of your former Presidents, but will pass on to newer researches in the same direction.

We are accustomed to apply to the stars the epithet fixed. Night after night they are seen to have the same relative arrangement; and when their places are determined by careful measurement, and certain small corrections due to known causes are applied to the imme-diate results of observation, they are found to have the same relative distances. But when, instead of days, the observations extend over months or years, it is found that the fixity is not quite absolute. Defining as fixity invariability of position as estimated with reference to the stars as a whole, and comparing the position of any individual star with those of the stars in its neighborhood, we find that some of the stars exhibit "proper motions,"-show, that is, a progressive change of I tuitous, but is due to a common cause, is

with the velocity of light, an appreciable lowering or elevation of refrangibility would be produced, which would be capable of detection by means of a spectroscope of high dispersive power. The velocity of light is so enormous, about

185,000 miles per second, that it can readily be imagined that any motion which we can experimentally produce in a source of light is rest in comparison. But the earth in its orbit round the sun moves at the rate of about eighteen miles per second; and in the motions of stars approaching to or receding from our sun we might expect to meet with velocities comparable with this. The orbital velocity of the earth is, it is true, only about the one tenthousandth part of the velocity of light. Still the effect of such a velocity on the refrangibility of light, which admits of being easily calculated, proves not to be so insensibly small as to elude all chance of detection, provided only the observations are conducted with extreme delicacy.

#### KIRCHHOFF'S DISCOVERY.

But how shall we find in such distant objects as the stars an analogue of the bell which we have assumed in the illustration drawn from sound ? What evidence can we ever obtain, even if an examination of their light should present us with rays of definite refrangibility, of the existence in those remote bodies of ponderable matter vibrating in known periods not identical with those corresponding to the refrangibilities of the definite rays which we observe? The answer to this question will involve a reference, which I will endeavor to make as brief as I can, to the splendid researches of Professor Kirchhoff. The exact coincidence of certain dark lines in the solar spectrum with bright lines in certain artificial sources of light had previously been in one or two instances observed; and it is to Kirchhoff we owe the inference from the extension of Prevost's theory of exchanges, that a glowing medium which emits bright light of any particular refrangibility necessarily (at that temperature at least) acts as an absorbing medium, ex-tinguishing light of the same refrangibility. In saying this it is but just to mention that in relation to radiant heat (from whence the transition to light is easy) Kirchhoff was preceded, though unconsciously, by our own countrynna, Mr. Balfour Stewart. The inference which Kirchhoff drew from Prevost's theory thus extended led him to make a carefel comparison of the places of the dark lines of the solar spectrum with those of bright lines produced by the incandescent gas or vapour of known elements; and the coincidences were in many cases so remarkable as to establish almost to a certainty the existence of several of the known elements in the solar atmosphere, producing by their absorbing action the dark lines coinciding with the bright lines observed. Among other elements may be mentioned in particular hydrogen, the spectrum of which, when traversed by an electric discharge, shows a bright line or band exactly coinciding with the dark line C, and another with the line F.

## RESEARCHES OF MR. HUGGINS AND FATHER SECCHI.

Now Mr. Huggins found that several of the stars show in their spectra dark lines coin-ciding in position with C and F; and what strengthens the belief that this coincidence, or apparent coincidence, is not merely for-

whole subject will doubtless be fully explained. SOUNDING THE DEPTHS OF THE OCEAN.

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