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Dear Professor Marinoff,

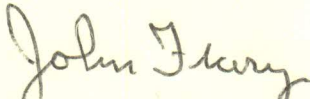
Fair New World gives satisfaction. I read it last night and feel qualified to pronounce its acidity hydrochloric; its savagery Hunnic. It nicely illuminates the *fin de siècle* project of defining imbecility up and, so, marks the 270th anniversary of the completion of *Gulliver's Travels* (this very month) in fitting style. The Projectors of the Academy of Lagado have spread their influence throughout Academia and Swift now begins to appear a greater prophet than satirist. You will excuse me for hoping that Louis Marinoff does not prove his equal in *both* respects.

I have not failed to note the evidence that you have spent some time in the check-out line. Are the *Feingefühlpolizei* at CCNY illiterate? aliterate? hopelessly somnolent? Will such misogyny go unremarked? Do you not aspire to ascend to the senior ranks? If your name appears in *Academic Questions* or *Heterodoxy* in some near future, I'll not be astonished.

The *LU/English Newsletter* is something I put out on behalf of the English Department at Lagado University in Kafka, S.D. You will find this place on Interstate 90 mid-way between Owanka and Kadoka. I have enclosed the current issue (Vol. 2, No. 1) and the previous (1995-1996 [II])---a little confusing, perhaps, but that's the way they like things done up at LU.

Some will argue that a historian is ill-prepared to dabble in Derridactics, *Deleuzerie*, DeMania, Lacanery, Fisheries, the Judithbutlerine Dialectic, Narratology, Grammatology, Composition Theory, Theorist Response Theory and the many other varieties of Cultcritology and Litcritology; yet I can claim some knowledge of Fatuology, for I have served as an academic administrator and drover of undergraduates for over two decades. And a specialized education in Byzantine Studies is not without value in mastering Lagado's inner workings.

Yours for Justice---and No Mercy,


John N. Frary