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(For the candidates admitted from 2017-18 onwards)

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2017.

First Semester

English

CHAUCER AND THE ELIZABETHAN AGE

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (3 × 5 = 15 marks)

Annotate any THREE of the following.

1. (a) When that April with his shoures soote.

The droghte of March hath perced to the
roote,

And bathed every veyne in swich licour

Of which vertu engendred is the flour;

Or

- (b) Thus swyved was this carpenteris wyf,
For al his keypyng and his jalousye;
And Absolon hath kist hir nether ye;
And Nicholas is scalded in the towte.
This tale is doon, and God save al the rowte!

2. (a) Nuptial love maketh mankind, friendly love
perfecteth, it; but wanton love corrupteth
and embaseth it.

Or

- (b) MEN fear death, as children fear to go in the
dark; and as that natural fear in children is
increased with tales, so is the other.
Certainly, the contemplation of death, as the
wages of sin am passage to another world, is
holy and religious;

3. (a) Your fearful minds are thick and misty,
then,

For there sits Death; there sits imperious
Death,

Keeping his circuit by the slicing edge.

But I am pleas'd you shall not see him there;

Or

9. (a) What tests and setbacks does Santiago experience on his journey?

Or

- (b) Sketch the character of Roderigo.

10. (a) How does Sidney praise epic poetry?

Or

- (b) Describe how Elizabeth greeted Mary?

11. (a) What are Sidney's views on contemporary poetry?

Or

- (b) What does Gabriel say about Elizabeth? How does this relate to God's power?

SECTION C — (30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions. (3 × 10 = 30)

12. Write an essay on the 'The Knight' in The Prologue to the Canterbury Tales.
13. Write a critical appreciation of Spencer's Poem 'Epithalamion'.

14. Discuss Alchemist as a 'Humour Play'.

15. Justify the title "Of Love"

16. How does Sidney classify poetry?
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