

THE POETICAL MEMORY

AN ESSAY

I AM one of those silly people (there are a lot of them—quite enough to make it pay) who are so irritated at the arrival of a bill that I nearly always throw it on the fire. For all that, I had been humbly proud of my memory, and it was an awful shock to me one morning when I received this bill,

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London, June 1908

April 11	To repairing Coffee Pot	4 6
Sep 7	new glasses to gold keyless Hunting Watch	2 -
Oct 30	relining and refitting lid of Crocodile suit Case; pigskin; supplying two new pigskin pockets and new tooth brush bottle; repairing and supplying two plate clips to side standards - removing bruises and polishing all silver mounts - also cleaning and renovating all leather fittings	{ 8 10 -
28	" repairing and clearing Gold keyless; half Hunting Watch	13 6
		9 10 -

for I had a very clear impression in my mind that the contract was for £5.

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Indeed, I wrote and said so.
But alas! my poor memory was most certainly at fault.
Messrs. Bensons replied:



Sir
In reply to your letter respecting your account we beg to enclose statement herewith, from which you will see that the £5 you handed to our Assistant was in payment of your old account, the various items of which ranged from October 1906 to September 1907, and statement of which had been rendered to you each quarter. This payment of £5/- left a balance of 6/6, and with the 13/6 charged for repairing the old Watch and £8/0/- for repairing this Case, the total of your account to date is £9.10/- With regard to the item of £8/0/- we cannot understand how you come to be under the impression that it should only be £5, as we are certain our Assistant did not quote this latter price for doing up the said Case.

Trusting that this explanation will make the matter quite clear to you,

We beg to remain, Sir.

Yours obediently,

E. A. Cawley, Jr.,
21 Warwick Road
Kensington. W.

J.W.Benson Ltd.
per G.P.

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This explanation *did* make the matter quite clear to me; for I had all the time in my possession—not thrown in the fire after all!—their original account.

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*Refining & refitting with pigskin lid of
27 mos. old case new pigskin pockets
& new cut glass brod brush ditto
supplying two platinia slips & refacing
side standards, removing bracelets
& refashioning all silver mounts
cleaning & renovating all leather fitting
cleaning & refacing a gold Keyless
Half Hunter English Box Watch
Balance of old age.*

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