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Problems

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PROBLEMS FROM THE TEXARCANA CLASS: ANSWER TO THE CHALLENGE PROBLEM

The problem is, produce this:

•If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am 1 simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. •If I have the gift of prophecy, 2 understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fulness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. •If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them 3 take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

•Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful 4 or conceited; •it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not 5 resentful. •Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; 6 •it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. 7

•Love does not come to an end. But if there are gifts of prophecy, the time will * come when they must fail; or the gift of languages, it will not continue for ever;

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and knowledge—for this, too, the time will come when it must fail. •For our ⁹ knowledge is imperfect and our prophesying is imperfect; •but once perfection ¹⁰ comes, all imperfect things will disappear. •When I was a child, I used to talk ¹¹ like a child, and think like a child, and argue like a child, but now I am a man, all childish ways are put behind me. •Now we are seeing a dim reflection in a ¹² mirror; but then we shall be seeing face to face. The knowledge that I have now is imperfect; but then I shall know as fully as I am known.

•In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest ¹³ of these is love.

from a data file, love.tex, that looks like this:

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Here is Don Knuth's solution.

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