

Solution to Acrostic #8 – June 2003

Artemus Ward: *Pyrotechny [A Romance After the French]*

I am happiest when I am idle. I could live for months without performing any kind of labor, and at the expiration of that time I should feel fresh and vigorous enough to go right on in the same way for numerous more months.

- A A+VA+I+LED
- B R+O+MANIA+N
- C THRESH (hidden in *earth reshoveled*)
- D EUPHONIUM (*opium en(o)u(g)h* [letters of “go” removed] anagram)
- E M+IS+IN+FOR+M
- F jUN(DON)E (*nod* reversal)
- G SHAME (*has me* anagram)
- H WHIFF+ENPOOF (*of pone* anagram)
- I AFTER(T)HOUGHT (*Father ought* anagram)
- J RUMPELSTILTSKIN (*turns simple kilt* anagram)
- K DID+GER+”I DO”+O
- L PRIME (double def.)
- M YAR+BOROUGH (*Yarborough* is a poor deal in bridge, *yar* means lively, referring to boats)
- N ROOF OF THE WORLD (*to or fro few hold* anagram)
- O O+”AS IS”
- P TATTOO (double def.)
- Q EXTOL (hidden in *sex to love*)
- R CHINATOWN (*On watch in* anagram)
- S H(E)AVEN
- T NIGHTINGALE (double def.)
- U YUMMI(E)ST (*tummy is* anagram)