



Thirteen if by Big Rig

Listen still more, and you'll hear as well
 Of John Hancock, whose tower is really swell,
 Who rode to a tavern to found a nation
 (And not to indulge in, say, *fornication*).
 A shaft stands erect on his grave; go there
 To look on his monument and despair.

Here in the Granary Burying Ground, you can see John Hancock's memorial rising boldly into the air. As you scan across it, take a moment to look up and then down. Like his signature, it's pretty darn big — but it's a little-known fact that something else about John Hancock was also pretty big.

Big, Big Entries

- 1000 × 6.02 × 10²³ atoms or atom groups (8)
- Chamber wherein one toils (8)
- Congratulation (12)
- "Don't joke about that subject yet" (3 4)
- Furniture in honeymoon suites, archaically (5-4)
- Lacking a fur covering (8)
- Loss of sounds at the end of a word (7)
- Making horizontal once again (10)
- Power station burning solid fossil fuel (4 5)
- Quality of being taut (9)
- Tending to split people into factions (8)
- Uses too much, as a muscle (10)
- With "The," singers of "Stayin' Alive" (3 4)

Big, Big, Big Entries

- Boringly repetitive (10)
- Clearly state what one thinks (about) (4 2 5)
- "Clerical" term for a roast fowl's hind end (6'1 4)
- Edge of international waters (5-4 5)
- Green liqueur tasting of candy canes (5 2 6)
- Jackson and Biloxi's state (11)
- Like many charitable organizations (3-3-6)
- Non-presence (10)
- Owner (9)
- Pioneer's covered vehicle (9 5)
- Quotation from Julius Caesar (4, 4, 4)
- Translates for speakers of different tongues (10)
- Vehicles from which books are borrowed (6 9)
- WWII theater where the US fought Japan (7 5)

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Many of his contemporaries commented about Mister Hancock's enormous _____.