

Episode Seven - The Evidence That Nothing Comes From Nothing

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I'm finally seeing that the choice of poetic form is a wonderful one, that promotes the reader's enjoyment of the text. I admit to a slight nose-wrinkle at the idea of combining an Epicurean textbook with poetry before setting off, but now I'm hooked

I know exactly what you mean. I was skeptical at first as well, but there is some wonderful wordsmithing and imaginative metaphors in both Lucretius's Latin and the various translations. I have an affinity for the Stallings translation since hers is the first one I read through completely. I have a marked-up, underlined, marginally-noted paperback copy 😊 I, too, only have the most rudimentary Latin but I've found the Perseus Digital Library to be an indispensable resource with each word of the Latin text clickable!
<http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/hopper/text?do...%3D1%3Acard%3D1>