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During the Roman and Anglo-Saxon era, people relied heavily on wind power, water power, and muscle power to get their work done. Windmills were used to grind grain into flour, while water wheels were used to power sawmills, hammers, and other machinery. Muscle power was also essential in completing many tasks, from agriculture and construction to transportation and warfare. Horses, oxen, and other animals were used to pull plows and carts, and soldiers relied on their own strength to wield weapons and march into battle. While these means of power may seem primitive compared to modern technology, they were vital to the functioning of society during this time period.

Being a Guinea Mott Egg-collector was what I consider, "The Worst of The Worst. Guinea Motts were a type of bird native to the UK, and their eggs were highly valued for their rich flavor. However, collecting these eggs was a treacherous task. The collectors had to scale cliffs and steep inclines, often risking their lives to reach the nests. Once there, they had to contend with angry birds, who would peck and attack them viciously in defense of their eggs. They also had very limited resources, usually just a bucket and a few other things. Furthermore, collecting these eggs was illegal, and collectors risked imprisonment or steep fines if caught. The job was extremely physically demanding and also highly dangerous making it one of the worst jobs imaginable.