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## THE EDITOR'S OBSERVATORY.

### Book Review.

"A Text Book of Mathematical Astrology, with Precise and Complete Tables for Calculating Nativities." By M. Vijayaraghavulu, B.A., M.B., and C.M., Physician and Surgeon.

This work, which has been published in India, is probably the most complete and extensive work on the mathematical side of Astrology ever published. It is a large book of 273 pages, of the same size as the JOURNAL, and contains a complete set of instructions, rules and tables for the compilation of horoscopes, speculums, and directions. A full explanation is given of the Celestial Sphere, the different kinds of times, corrections for longitude, standard, mean, and apparent time; how to obtain the correct time for computing the horoscope, and the calculation of the planetary positions at birth. Considerable attention is given to the calculation of the houses of the horoscope, polar elevation, and how to obtain the exact cusp of each house by the Semi-arc method. The compilation of the Speculum, and the calculation of Aspects, both zodiacal and mundane, is given with remarkable precision, and ideas and suggestions quite unknown in regard to the latter are put forward. A complete illustration of all the rules and instructions is given in full.

Interpolation, Logarithms, and the Spherical basis of Astrology are also dealt with minutely. The work contains a new and up-to-date series of tables, far better than any extant, and including several never before published. Tables of R.A. and Declination up to seven degrees of Latitude, Ascensional difference up to 31 degrees

of Declination, all computed to minutes and seconds and two places of decimals in the most complete manner are included. Other tables of great use and value are also included.

The work is splendidly printed on good paper, in clear type, and the tabular work deserves the highest praise for neatness and facility of use. It is a work which should be in the hands of all advanced Astrologers, especially those who use the primary system of directing, and are devoted to the higher mathematic of the science. The Book can be obtained from the publishers of the JOURNAL, Messrs. W. Foulsham & Co., 10/11, Red Lion Court, Fleet Street, E.C. 4, and the price is One Guinea, post free 22s.

### The British Astrological Society.

As the date of the Annual Meeting of the above Society was late in the month of January, it is not possible to publish a report of the proceedings at such meeting in this issue. I am, however, able to say that in spite of the heavy expenditure in the purchase and binding of Books, in preparation for the extension of the Society's activities, the reserve funds have been increased by several pounds, and the year's work has been one of uninterrupted success.

### The Influence of Neptune.

I have been presented by a gentleman of St. Anne's-on-Sea, with an MS. on the influence of Neptune, written by an old Lancashire Astrologer, the late Mr. Stephen Scott, in the year 1882, giving that gentleman's personal observation on this planet's influence, and illustrated by a

number of horoscopes of people personally known to him. It is remarkable how this gentleman agrees with the many observations which I have given in these pages. Many of his illustrations are far too vivid a character to be re-produced, but I propose to give some of the main observations in these pages.

### A Million Penny Fund.

At the Annual General Meeting of the British Astrological Society—a full report of which will appear in the next issue—it was decided in a most enthusiastic manner to inaugurate a fund of a Million Pennies, for the purpose of purchasing the necessary premises in order to properly carry out the work of the Society, and the proposals of the Astrological Congress. Now is the opportunity for all *bona-fide* students to show their real interest and support in the Society, and in the cause of the science. All contributions—anything from six penny stamps upwards—will be gratefully received, and for the time being, may be sent to me at the Offices of the JOURNAL. Acknowledgments will be made in these pages monthly.

### The Astrological Congress.

It is proposed to hold a second Annual Astrological Congress in London in May of this year, on a date to be selected later.

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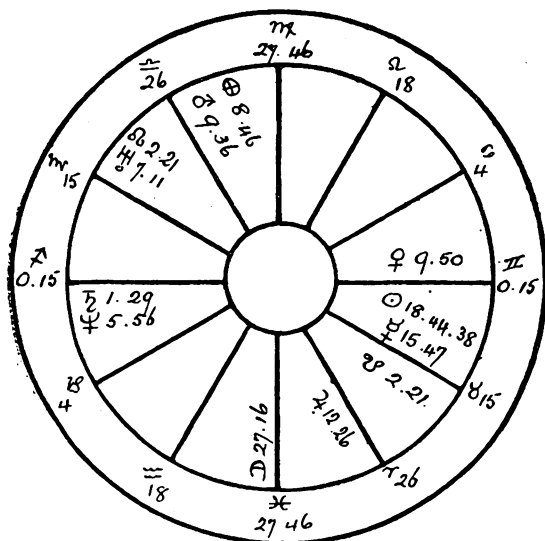
DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	16 ♀ 38	Safeguard health a.m., and avoid disputes and accidents p.m. and evening.
2	0 ♄ 22	Travel early. Act carefully in all financial transactions.
3	14 ♀ 10	Uncertain. Attend to ordinary duties only.
4	27 ♀ 49	Travel evening, push business. Guard against disputes afternoon.
5	11 ♀ 16	Sunday. A day for quiet and contemplation.
6	24 ♀ 29	Ask favours a.m. Attend to ordinary duties.
7	7 ♄ 26	Uncertain till evening. Then visit friends and amusements.
8	20 ♀ 7	Safeguard health. Attend to correspondence a.m.
9	2 ♄ 32	Act carefully in all financial transactions.
10	14 ♀ 42	Avoid opposite sex. Guard against disputes. Visit elders evening.
11	26 ♀ 41	Uncertain a.m. Travel, pay calls afternoon.
12	8 ♄ 33	Sunday. Study. Write letters. Make plans.
13	20 ♀ 21	Travel early. Avoid opposite sex, and superiors.
14	2 ♄ 13	Travel, push business, seek work.
15	14 ♀ 13	An evil day. Act discreetly. Safeguard health. Avoid disputes.
16	26 ♀ 26	Uncertain a.m. Ask favours noon. Act discreetly rest of day.
17	8 ♄ 58	Travel. Write letters till 3 p.m. Guard against deception.
18	21 ♀ 51	Avoid disputes and accidents. Visit friends evening.
19	5 ♄ 9	Sunday. Variable. Guard against accidents. Study.
20	18 ♀ 51	Deal with elders, and attend to ordinary duties.
21	2 ♄ 54	Uncertain till evening. Then travel write letters.
22	17 ♀ 14	Safeguard health and do nothing important.
23	1 ♄ 44	Pay calls, visit friends, push business, make plans.
24	16 ♀ 17	Push business a.m. Write letters. Deal with elders p.m.
25	0 ♄ 47	Conflicting influences prevail. Do nothing important.
26	15 ♀ 9	Sunday. A day for rest and quiet.
27	29 ♀ 20	Travel a.m. Sign no papers p.m. Visit friends evening.
28	13 ♀ 20	Uncertain a.m. Write letters but safeguard health p.m.
29	27 ♀ 7	Push business, write letters till 5 p.m. Remain quiet evening.

# HOROSCOPE OF THE MONTH.

By E. H. BAILEY.

## THE LATE DR. W. J. SIMMONITE.

It has been my privilege to obtain a copy of Dr. W. J. Simmonite's Astro-philosopher and Meteorologist, in which is given the horoscope of this eminent astrologer with some notes on his life. He was born at Sheffield, on May 9th, 1809, at 8.41 p.m. The horoscope as published was rectified by primary directions equated by the Placidian method to 8h. 24m. 44s. p.m., but



the rectification by the Prenatal Epoch gives the time as 8h. 42m. 52s. p.m., local time, or G.M.T. 8h. 48m. 44s. p.m., for which time the map is computed.

The first degree of the sign Sagittarius rises with Saturn and Neptune just below the ascendant in sextile to Mars and the Part of Fortune, a clear indication of scientific ability, philosophical faculties, and a deep, serious, studious brain. The Dragon's head conjoined with Uranus in Scorpio in the eleventh house shows astrological and occult ability, the favour of powerful friends and many patrons and supporters.

He was not a very strong man physically—it is stated that he was born apparently dead—and the position of the Sun in the sixth house well accounts for this.

As both luminaries are below the earth, and the moon decreasing, the Part of Fortune, being

in the tenth house, becomes the Hyleg. It is afflicted by the conjunction of Mars, but has the support of Venus, which helped to preserve life until the year 1863.

Mercury and Venus being in mutual reception, with the latter in the Sagittarius *navamsa* of Gemini, gave him a mind superior and eager to engage in science; while Mercury and Neptune, both in Taurus *navamsas*, gave him an intuitive and impressionable genius.

The Part of Fortune disposed of by Venus, and the latter by Mercury, points to wealth by scientific and literary pursuits, for in addition to the book named, he wrote the "Arcana of Astrology," even now a standard work on the science, the "Daily Guide, Horary and Herbal Astrology," and also issued an Ephemeris for many years.

He married at the age of 26, when the Part of Marriage progressed to the sextile of Fortuna and Mars.

He died at Sheffield in 1863, the exact date is not known. At this time the Sun was directed to the squares of Mars and Fortuna.

The Prenatal Epoch took place on 28th August, 1808, at 7.25 a.m. At the time of marriage the Sun was directed to the sextile of the Moon. The directions for death were Sun square Mars, Mars conjunction Sun.

## The British Astrological Society.

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# THE KALEIDOSCOPE.

By SEPHARIAL.

**ECCLESIASTICAL REACTION.**—Personally I am glad to see that the old Prayer Book has been confirmed. The credit for this result of the parliamentary debate is due to the concise and clear statement of the Protestant position in regard to the proposed reform. From many points of view this latter was to be deprecated, the chief reasons being that it was in the nature of a reversion to Romanism on the one hand, and a concession to modernity on the other, whereas we are all aware that the Prayer Book as we have it is founded on the Bible, and was moreover compiled by the Bishops at a time when the Bible was the foundation of the national faith, which it has long ceased to be. This does not infer that it is now out of date and not, for that reason, fit to be authorised for use in the Church. The established Anglican Church is presumed to have a foundation of established principles, and it is these for which the stand is now made. Modernity is evanescent, Romanism is doomed by the mere fact of its lack of adaptation, its dogmatism and inflexibility. The Bible, on which the Church is founded, remains unaltered and unalterable, but always open to new light, and a fuller interpretation in that light.

In my "Ready Reckoner," page 65, is a statement to the effect that Saturn and Mars form their conjunction in the same part of the zodiac after a period of 265 years. Having already predicted the crisis in the Church from the approaching conjunction of Saturn and Mars in the sign Sagittarius (Aries decanate), it remains only necessary to point the fact that 265 years ago, in the year 1662, the Act of Uniformity was passed, the present Prayer Book being then passed as the authorised version for use in all Anglican Churches. It is not strange therefore, but rather what was expected, and accordingly predicted, that the Prayer Book should now become the subject of fresh discussion and legislation.

The King, as *Fedei Defensor*, owes no allegiance either to Modernity or to Rome, and doubtless will be gratified to place the Imperial Seal on this confirmation of our Protestant faith. In this connection it is significant that the division on the Reform of the Prayer Book was defeated by 241 to 88 votes, a difference of 153, the number of the "great fish" taken on the right side of the ship. There is no doubt what-

ever that the Majority were on the Right side of the Ship of State when this important issue was decided. This is yet another proof that the right Hand is on the Helm, and that British affairs are in safe keeping. With that assurance we may face the future with equanimity and courage.

**ASTRAL PORTENTS.**—At the onset we have to remember that the year 1928 marks the expiry of the full term of "seven times" or 2,520 years from the Fall of the House of Judah, when the delivery of the "Whole House" of Israel into the hands of the Gentile powers was completed, the whole process taking place during a period of 127 years, from -719 to -592. From the date of Nebuchadnezzar -603, this period of 2,520 years was fulfilled in 1917 A.D. The 10½ years that passed between the Fall of Judah and the entire destruction of the Jewish representation in Palestine, when added to the month of December, 1917, when Jerusalem was liberated from the Gentile yoke, brings us to the month of June, 1928. The indications from the vernal equinox of that year are very significant of impending troubles in Europe, for Mars holds the lower meridian in the 10th degree of East longitude, while Neptune holds the midheaven in the 20th degree East. Hence the whole of the Italian area and the Adriatic are involved. This position of Mars is brought into activity on the 7th May. Then we come to the Eclipse of 19th May, which falls in the 9th house, and at the time of ecliptic conjunction, Saturn holds the lower meridian of London, while Mars and Uranus are in conjunction in the 7th house, Mars being on the ascendant of the Royal Horoscope. In 16 degs. E. Mars will be setting at this eclipse. It will set for London on the 4th June, while the eclipse will set on the 27th August. This latter appears the most evil time of all. It coincides with the transit of Mars and Saturn simultaneously over the line of eclipse of 3rd June. At this eclipse Mars is setting on the horizon of the Bosphorous. There will be a critical position reached on the 20th July when Uranus culminates after the New Moon, but as Venus rises on London at that lunation there will be "peace, peace," while all the time the fragile treaty bond is strained to its utmost. From the 20th July onwards, therefore, the cumulative indications

of international warfare are persistent, and from the indications on the 29th August we may expect a crisis that will be electrifying.

The range of ecliptic influence for the present year is from 18 Taurus to 12 Cancer, and transits through this area will have important effects, the opposition points being equally significant. These may be cited in order of their occurrence, and held in reserve for ready reference.

**ECLIPSE TRANSITS.**—The eclipses of 1927 were as follows :—

3rd January, Sun in Capricorn 12—Mars 4th February, 1928.

15th June, Moon in Sagittarius 23—Mars 17th September, Saturn 28th December.

29th June, Sun in Cancer 7—Mars 28th January, Mars 22nd October, 1st December.

8th December, Moon in Gemini 15 Mars 2nd September, Saturn 20th January, 11th June, 18th October.

24th December, Sun in Capricorn 1—Mars 20th January, 6th October, 17th December.

The transits over eclipses in 1928, therefore, so far as the 1927 eclipses are concerned, will bring out critical dates as follows :—

Mars—20th January, 28th January, 4th February, 2nd September, 17th September, 6th October, 22nd October, 1st December, 17th December.

Saturn—20th January, 11th June, 18th October, 28th December.

When the eclipses of 1928 are taken into account, further significant dates are derived. The eclipses will be 19th May, Sun in Taurus 28.17; 3rd June, Moon in Sagittarius 12.38; 12th November, Sun in Scorpio 19.47; 27th December, Moon in Gemini 4.52. The transits after these several eclipses are :—

Saturn—4th August, 29th August.

Mars—6th August, 29th August.

From these data it will be conspicuous that the combined transits of Saturn and Mars over eclipse positions on the 20th January, 6th August and 28th of August during the present year, are highly critical, and more especially those that occur in August, because they involve focal centres of action in Italy and Great Britain.

**THE DAY OF DECISION.**—We have seen that the end of August this year is the time of decision for ourselves and the world at large. Let us examine the portents carefully. The eclipse of 3rd June, falling on the opposition of the Sun in the Royal Horoscope, has the double transit of Saturn and Mars on the 29th August. The preceding New Moon falls on the 22nd at 1.49 in the afternoon. This shows the Midheaven

in R.A. 11h. 24m., and gives Virgo 20 on the Midheaven with Scorpio 27 rising on London. Mars at this lunation is setting in Gemini 4 in opposition to Saturn and quadrature to Venus. Mars will be exactly setting at Valencia, Lyons, Cologne, Berlin, Stockholm and Petrograd, following a curve from S.W. to N.E., across France, Germany and the Baltic. Saturn at this lunation will be on the ascendant in Northern Africa, Sardinia, Zara and Fiume in Yugo-Slavia, Budapest, Poland, East of Lithuania, following a curve which passes through Algeria, Sardinia, Italy, Yugo-Slavia, Hungary, Czecho-Slovakia and Poland, northwards to the East of Lithuania. The centre of these opposing lines of force will therefore pass across middle Europe. The eclipse influence, to which this lunation is related by the position of Saturn, and later in the same month by Mars also, brings the critical juncture between Yugo-Slavia and Italy, centering over the Adriatic Sea. It would appear therefore that a *causus belli* will be evolved in the Balkans, and thence will spread westwards and northwards, as if a fire were driven by a strong wind from the South east.

**FIXED AND NATURAL ZODIACS.**—There is considerable discussion at the present time as to the relative values in Astrology of the Natural or recessional zodiac and the Fixed or equinoctial zodiac. Calculation shows that the mean motion of the precession of the equinox on the stars is 50" per year, which gives one sign in 2,160 years, and the complete circle in 25,920 years. The first point of Aries (constellation) and the equinox coincided in the year A.D. 321. The interval between the Constellatory Zero and the equinox is called *Ayanámsha*, i.e., the increment of movement.

The question next arises as to the difference of signification in a horoscope that a planet may have by reference to its longitude accounted from the equinox, and its position as accounted from Star Zero. The first of these positions is that usually employed in Western astronomy and astrology, while the other position is that employed by the Hindus and the Orientals generally. Since, at the present time the amount of *ayanámsha* is 1927-321 by 50 seconds, or 22° 18' 20", it will be seen that planets which are less than 23 degrees in any sign will, according to the Oriental method, now be found in the preceding sign. The matter can conveniently be put to the test by subtracting the *ayanámsha* due to the year of birth from the longitudes of the planets as shown in the usual horoscope, and the change of sign, if any, taken into consideration.

Thus, a planet in Aries 10 would be found in the sign Pisces, while one in Leo 5 would be found in Cancer. Now if these planets' natures are taken into account and are referred to the sign of occupation, it should be instantly apparent that one or the other sign position is preferable as being more in harmony with the facts of the case, and more especially so when such planets are involved in a "direction" which measures to the time of an event.

Then arises the question of the sub-divisions of the ecliptic as practised in the East. The suggestion that every sign reflects every other sign throughout the circle of the zodiac, while itself retaining its own dominant characteristic, is by no means illogical. It is on all fours with the Monadology of Leibnitz and the dynamic theory of the universe, which require that every atom reflects and exerts a direct influence upon every other atom through the system, and that systems, considered as units of energy, may in turn exert similar influence upon one another, an idea familiarised in the apt statement that "We are but parts of one stupendous whole, whose body Nature is, and God the Soul." Empirically it has been ascertained that if you divide a sign equally into three parts, these parts will reflect the trines of that sign, and thus that there will be three decans, or spaces of 10 degrees, which respectively are under the influence of the trignon to which that sign belongs. Thus Aries so divided would reflect Sagittarius and Leo, and this would give the rulership of the three decans of Aries to Mars (Aries), Sun (Leo) and Jupiter (Sagittarius), and so with all the other signs, thus making 36 decans in the entire zodiac. Another division is that of the *navamsa* or ninefold division of the sign, where each *navamsa* or division is equal to  $30/9$  or  $3^{\circ} 20'$ , which carry the signature of the successive signs. The starting points of this sub-division of the signs into *navamsas* or ninth parts, are Aries, Cancer, Libra and Capricornus  $0^{\circ}$ , i.e., the four cardinal points.

The specific influence of these respective divisions arises in question from the circumstance that we can apply the division to the recessional zodiac or to the equinoctial zodiac. This is the whole ground of debate. We are already accustomed to sub-dividing the signs, the question that presses for answer is whether we should adopt the Zodiacal Zero in use by the Orientals, or continue as now with the Equinoctial Zero. This is an empirical matter which Mr. Bailey is going to decide for us. From experience I am firmly convinced that the Nonal Horoscope, based on the *navamsas*, is frequently far more

significant and in line with the main features of life than the ordinary horoscope of birth, but of this more anon.

NEPTUNE.—I see that there is a disposition to refer the planets Uranus and Neptune to the new order of things which has arisen in the world since the discovery of these planets. It is questioned, for instance, whether "previous to 1846 (when Neptune was discovered), there were such things as submarines, poison gas, socialism, communism or Bolshevism, Trade Unions, revolutionary societies, and the like?" And it is stated that "the development of Spiritualism, psychology, psychometry, and lower forms of superstition and demonology, are all traceable since Neptune was discovered." These arguments are used in support of the idea that Neptune and Uranus were not deizens of the solar system before their discovery by Herschel and Adams. I cannot hold with this view, for it supposes that the planets named were discovered immediately they came within the attraction of the Sun. For all we know they may have existed from the beginning when God brought the elements of the planets and the earth together and set them in their orbits.

The laws of the solar system were in force from the beginning, but whether they were anciently known to the extent they now are, is a matter which admits of argument. There may be nothing new under the Sun, whether in the nature of existences, phenomena, or knowledge of either, but we do know from every experience of natural phenomena that there is a law of unfoldment, a law of cyclic development and manifestation, when things hitherto within the experience of men are brought anew to their recognition. The birth of a planet may be in process of illustration in the field of the nebulous stars, but we know it does not suddenly happen as a *fait accompli*. The alternative argument in regard to Neptune and Uranus would be that they were, at some comparatively recent date, brought within the attractive power of the Sun in its sweep through space. Consider the inertia that would attend such a headlong flight of a body such as Uranus towards the Sun, with no counter attraction to arrest its progress, and I think it will be allowed that no such event could have happened without incurring the total destruction of the body. For if the Sun were strong enough to exert its attraction on a body that is outside the limits of the system, it is certain that such attraction would be progressively increased as the body answered to the force of attraction, and in effect would not come to rest



short of the Sun itself, unless counteracted by one or more other bodies of magnitude and nearness adequate to exert such an arresting power. A little study of the relative positions of the planets of our system at the time of Neptune's discovery will show that they were not so placed as to effect such interference, and the motion of Neptune sunwards would show that all extra-Neptunian bodies had already lost power over it. Consequently, the theory, however convenient, must remain in the limbo of modern theoretical science, *i.e.*, "science falsely so-called."

Reverting to the second part of the argument, which consists of a definite statement as to the development of various forms of psychic study and practice since 1846, it would be almost puerile to offer any statement to the contrary, but lest any of my readers should fall into the net of Neptune's own making, let me definitely say that spiritualism, psychology, psychometry, superstition and demonology, are as old as the hills, and that this modern recrudescence is merely in terms of cyclic recurrence, and in no sense exceeds the experience of former civilisations. They are merely symptomatic of the decline of the generation to which they belong, inasmuch as they evidence a loss of virility, self-reliance, independence and spiritual freedom.

But debate on this point is silenced immediately we come to apply the test to horoscopes antedating the discovery of either Neptune or Uranus by many centuries. Calculate the places of these planets for any authentic case, such as can be found in the pages of biography, in the standard chronological works, and the classical dictionary. Make use of directional arcs and transits in which these planets are involved, to the exclusion of all other factors in the horoscope, and there will remain adequate evidence of the fact that whereas we had at that time no conscious knowledge of the existence of these planets, they were, nevertheless, exerting their due measure of influence in the system and producing effects in strict accord with the respective dispositions at the required time of "direction." In other words they were agents in the production of events although their agency was not revealed to us until after their discovery by astronomers. The major question seems to be: Did the ancient know of the existence of these planets and hold that knowledge in reserve as esoteric? That is a point which is not so easily settled, but I have read a work in which a strong case is made out in support of the idea that both Uranus and Neptune were known to the Egyptians.

one of my readers I am now able to give the correct horoscope of birth in this case. The Prince was born, as stated, on the 16th October, 1893, and I am now informed that the hour was 1 a.m. This gives Taurus 12 on the midheaven, and Leo 22 rising in long. 26 East, and latitude  $44\frac{1}{2}$  N. The Moon is in Capricorn 12.50 between the squares of Saturn and Mars, both in the sign Libra, and in sextile to Uranus and Mercury, both in Scorpio. Direction for the year 1928 shows Gemini 16 on the midheaven with Virgo 19 rising, the Sun in Scorpio 28. Both the midheaven and the Sun are in the eclipse area during the ensuing year. The lunar eclipse 8th December last fell on the midheaven for 1927/8, and has adverse transits of both Mars and Saturn, while the Sun has the opposition of the eclipse of May 19th, and the exciting transit of Mars on the 6th August. It would not be surprising, therefore, if Prince Carol should prove to be the "blind spot" in the political eye of Europe, since all the eclipse influences that make for trouble in the political world fall within the region of the Near East.

It will be noted that the abdication of the Prince took place under the direction of Neptune to the midheaven. Despite the approach of Jupiter to the midheaven at birth, the indications are not favourable to succession, for Jupiter is retrograde, and has the sesquare aspect of Saturn and the opposition of Venus, and the ruler of the ascendant is with the Moon's descending node, and in the sign Libra together with Saturn and Mars. Moreover, the Sun is now in opposition to Jupiter. Hence any attempt or instigation to attempt the throne would prove a disastrous and costly matter. The eclipse of May next puts the quietus on all such political diversions. It is worthy of note that the lunation preceding this unfortunate birth was a total eclipse of the Sun in conjunction with Saturn, the Sun being then in the sign of its fall. Therefore, the birth was unfortunate in its inception.

**PYRAMID VALUES REVISED.**—The prophetic conception of the Great Pyramid employs the solar year as the basis of the structural features, and along all the sloping passages of its interior, the measure of one inch to the year is used, while on the horizontal passage the measure of one inch to the month is used. It has been shown that the measure of 30 days to the month is neither solar nor lunar, but as a twelfth part of the circle of 360 degrees it answers to a measure which is one twelfth of the solar year. Thus the First Low Passage is measured to indicate 52 inches as nearly as may be. I find it

**PRINCE CAROL.**—Through the courtesy of

to be 51.977 inches. Some of the later surveys show 51.8 inches. Multiplying 51.977 by 360, and dividing by 365 we derive the value 51.23 in terms of solar months at the rate of an inch per month. Dividing by 12 we get 4 years, 3 months, 7 days. This, added to 4th August, 1914, gives the date 11th November, 1918, thus:—

Y	M	D
1914	8	4
4	3	7
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1918	11	11

It has already been pointed out that the value 51.23, which is the solar equivalent of 52 in terms of the Prophetic cycle of 360, is Sin under tribute to Death, for Sin is represented by the number 666, and Death by 13, hence 666/13 equals 51.23. If Mr. Carver and other of my learned critics would adjust their mathématique to the specific requirements of the "witness to the Lord of Hosts in the midst of the land of Egypt," they would soon arrive at the conclusion that the "intention" of the Builders has been faithfully carried out.

The collateral argument involved in the solar measure of 51.23 for the First Low Passage, is that the Second Low Passage must be 101.77, as previously stated by me, since the intention is obviously to define the number 153 as symbolical of those elect of God who "came out of great tribulation," for we must observe that in the symbolism of the Pyramid we have nothing but direct confirmation of the written Word, and these two Low Passages which embrace 153 months of the period referred to as the "end of the days" and the "Fulfilling of the times" are undoubtedly intended to define two separate periods of intensive strife on earth. The last of these can be dated to indicate the opening phases of the last great struggle during the present year. The Antechamber, which intervenes between the two Low Passages, is according to intention 116.26 inches in length, which by reduction to solar measure becomes 114.667, and measures to 9 years, 6 months, 20 days. This added to the date 11th November, 1918, yields 31st May, 1928. This, therefore, is the index for the entry into the Last Low Passage in terms of the common year. What do we find by way of confirmation in the heavens?

There is an eclipse of the Sun at the New Moon of the 19th May, whereat Mars and Uranus are conjoined in Aries in the western angle. These planets besiege the ascendant of the Royal Horoscope. They are setting at the time of ecliptic conjunction over the Adriatic, and directly

affect the status quo in the Balkan States, and more especially Yugo-Slavia and Albania. At this eclipse also Saturn holds the lower meridian of London in opposition to the planet Mercury in the midheaven. These are portents of impending disaster, for Saturn now opposes the actual ascendant of the City of London. The following total eclipse of the Moon on the Royal anniversary of the 3rd June is signalled by a similar position of Saturn in opposition to the midheaven of London at the time of ecliptic conjunction, while Uranus sets in 21 East, and Mars in 30 East longitude, showing an eastern extension of the area of malefic forces.

The prophecy regarding these latter days of the Dispensation is that there shall be an unmitigated and hitherto unknown tribulation, which is withheld until the time of the "falling away" from the faith in Israel, and the revealing of the Man of Sin who is the Son of Perdition, whose coming into power for a period of forty-two months, shall signal the end of these times and the opening up of the age of Jacob, i.e., of Israel. "For the age which ends is the age of Esau, and that which cometh is the age of Jacob, and the hand of man is between them."

We learn that although "power is given to the Beast to continue for forty-two months," yet we are also told that the period of this tribulation shall be shortened. The question is regarding the amount of the shortening. If we examine the Pyramid indications we shall find a remarkable feature forming the roof of the Last Low Passage. It is formed by two stones set vertically, instead of horizontally, as are all the adjacent ones. Indeed, I know of no other feature like it in the whole structure. This would therefore appear to indicate the dividing of the time required by the prophecy, and in such case we have 101.77/2 or 50.88 months, which, being reduced to solar months amount to 4 years 2 months 5 days, and carry to the 6th August, 1932. In regard to the terminal date, we may need to review more particularly the astral indications in force at the period, but this is not a time at which I can conveniently undertake the task.

The most important feature in the reading of the Pyramid chronology, historical and prophetic, is the roof line. That of the Grand Gallery continues, as we know, beyond the Great Step to a distance of about 70 inches, and falls to form the north wall of the First Low Passage at date August, 1914. Similarly, we know that the floor of the Horizontal Passage is to all intents and purposes, uniformly level, and it is from the roof line that the chronology is obtained. This disposes of the question which is attached to the

break, at the Great Step, of the floor line of the Grand Gallery. The chronology of the roof line, from the Exodus date onwards, is continuous on the solar scale of an inch to the year until we come to the avalanche of 1914, from which date the year-inch becomes a month-inch and so continues to the Threshold of the Presence. The first roof stone of the Last Low Passage limits and defines the south wall of the Ante-chamber, while the second roof stone defines the north wall of the King's Chamber, otherwise known as the Chamber of the Open Tomb, which is that of the resurrected Lord of Life, into Whose presence all must finally come as to the Judge of all the Earth.

**THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.**—The ninth anniversary of the formation of the League of Nations had place on the 25th January, and only on the theory that any constitution holds together until the appointed time can we reconcile its comparative longevity with the astral portents which attended its birth. Taking a figure of the heavens for noon on the 25th January, 1919, at Versailles, we find Aquarius  $1\frac{1}{2}$  degrees on the midheaven, and Gemini 1 degree rising. The Sun in Aquarius 4.28 applies to the opposition of Uranus, retrograde in Leo. The Moon in Scorpio 18.41 separates from the quadrature of the Sun and Uranus, and applies to the quadrature of Venus, Saturn, Uranus and Mars, while it is separating from the sextile of Mercury in Capricorn, and the trine of Jupiter in Cancer, the latter being retrograde. The remarkable feature is that Mars and Uranus are in conjunction on the cusp of the 11th house, and both in direct opposition to Saturn. The direction of the Sun to conjunction with Uranus and opposition of Saturn is simultaneous, and its distance of 22 degrees shows that it comes into active operation towards the end of 1927. It then goes on to meet the conjunction with Mars in Aquarius, which occurs in August, 1928. Meanwhile the midheaven is following the Sun, and forming similar aspects at an interval of about 14 months, the ascendant meeting Mars and Saturn in transit at the end of this year. Apart from the radical indications which show the utter futility of the whole programme of the League, the current indications are such as to warrant the sure belief that the present year will betray its inherent weakness, and that it cannot hold together even to its tenth anniversary. We shall see.

**THE SIGNAL BOX.**—The prediction that "Westminster will be under dangerous influences from the 1st to 18th January" has been thor-

oughly well realised in this "Year of the Rising Waters" during the early days of January, when the Thames burst through its embankment and flooded a large area in the City of Westminster. This was due to the conjunction of Mars and Saturn on the ascendant of that ancient municipality, and will be again and more severely affected in the end of August, when there will be a double transit of Saturn and Mars over the recent eclipse of 3rd June, 1928. I warn London to prepare for grievous assault. The Year of the Rising Waters will then have given place to that of "The Awakening"—to what? Undoubtedly the greatest menace that London has yet suffered.

The present month is free from Eclipse transits. Storms are liable about the 6th and 7th with some heavy rains during the course of the month, and high winds about the 15th, which clear the air for finer spell to the New Moon of the 21st, when there will be some further downfall.

I do not expect the Quarter to finish without producing some serious disturbances in the near East, and these may be expected to arise towards the end of January, and continue through February, and reach a climax during the first week in March. What appears to be indicated is a revolt against authority among the Arabs.

*London, 14th January, 1928.*

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## Eastern Versus Western Methods.

By E. H. BAILEY.

(Continued from page 48.)

In *Old Moore's Monthly Messenger*, Vol. 6, I wrote a series of articles entitled "Ancient Astrology Modernised," in the course of which I dealt at some length with a method employed in Hindu Astrology, of computing the length of life from the horoscope based on the positions of the planets in the *Navamsas*. It is in respect to this particular matter that I am made the subject of vulgar attacks by an American astrologer, a Fellow of the American Academy of Astrologians. This is what this learned and clever Gentleman says:—

"How about those decidedly questionable articles of yours on Ancient Astrology Modernised, in which you attempted to display a knowledge of Indian Astrology, by highly amusing and impracticable delineations of certain Hindoo methods of measuring the duration of life. Your ignorance was displayed by basing the duration of your planetary periods on a solar system of year measurement, which, according to the best Indian authorities, are never used for the said purpose. I happened, in my ramble through the jungles of your alleged knowledge of Indian Astrology, to have tested out over one hundred horoscopes by this system, which you claim works so well with the Ptolemaic School of Astrology, only to find, as usual, you had lied. After waiting many weary months for you to demonstrate this impossible conceit of yours, I wrote to India and got the correct methods of measuring such periods, which I find when used in connection with the properly drawn Indian figures and rules does work out. I have also noticed your numerous references to the application of Hindoo sub-sign interpretations, and some months ago called your attention to the fact that you were evidently wilfully misleading and faking your public, but of course, no protest from myself or any other honest student would be able to penetrate the valor (*sic*) of your ignorance in your work in the B.J.A."

I publish this extract from the letter, in order that my readers may see the line of argument taken up by my critic, and also to show the very offensive attitude adopted towards me, because he cannot see eye to eye with myself. I cannot publish the whole of his offensive letter, as I do not wish to insult the intelligence of my readers, but as the writer boasts of being an *honest* (?)

student, it is the case of the Pharisee and the Publican over again.

I have, however, the satisfaction of receiving the following from New York:—

"The writer is especially interested in your article in the December JOURNAL, entitled "Eastern *versus* Western Methods," as we are acquainted with the author of your controversy, and we believe you are right in your statements, both personal and technical. Your opponent seems to have a penchant for controversy on the subject of Astrology, as well as some other matters, and while the writer personally knows that he has been an indefatigable writer on Astrological subjects, nevertheless, in applying his reading to the demonstration of individual horoscopes, we did not find it at all satisfactory. We have gained more information on the subject of Hindu astrology from the pages of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY, than we have gained from the person in question."

Now a few words on the extract from my opponent's letter. First, I have read up this particular subject from two different translations of Vahara Mihira's Brihat Jataka, and in both cases the measurement is based on mean periods of 12 months to the year, and 30 days to the month, *exactly as I have applied it*, so it is a falsehood for my opponent to say that "according to the best Indian authorities are never used for the said purpose." It is a further falsehood that I claimed they worked so well with the Ptolemaic School of Astrology, as I never mentioned it.

This is the exact statement made by me (*vide* O.M.M.M., January, 1913, page 75). "I have personally tested several of these methods and one in particular, based on the Zodiacal position of each planet, I have found to give astounding results, when applied to the western Zodiac. Some forty different horoscopes have been tested, and the length of life obtained by an application of the rules, agrees almost exactly with the actual period. This method cannot be applied to infantile deaths, but only to those people who live to maturity."

I then gave the rule for finding the period given by each planet, which I will refer to in full next month. After having given the rules in full, in the volume of the *Messenger* referred to, it was my intention to give some practical illustrations, but pressure of space prevented me from so doing.

Now my opponent claims that he has tested out over one hundred horoscopes by this system, only to find that, as usual, I had lied. As an answer to that, I have to state that since 1913, I

have tested double that number of horoscopes, and have privately computed the length of life of several people, and in all cases where death has ensued, I have—to use the words on page 155 of the volume mentioned—invariably found that the results obtained agreed with the actual age within a few months either way. As regards the charge of lying, I may also point out that in the same paragraph, I used these words: “Had I not many definite and reliable results before me, I should not put this theory before my readers, and in the cases which I shall produce in the next issue, it will be seen that the idea is not far-fetched, but is based on a sound and reliable basis.” Unfortunately, as just mentioned, want of space prevented me from giving the cases, but it is my intention to do so in this present volume.

My learned critic then goes on to say that he wrote to India and got the correct methods of measuring such periods, which when used in connection with the properly drawn Indian figures and rules, did work out. I am very pleased to know that he did so, and I am quite aware that it is so. But all the same it does not alter my contention, *viz.*, that these rules can be *adapted* to the western Zodiac, with equally the same results, and I intend to prove it.

The quotation concludes with a reference to my adaptation of the Indian sub-signs divisions, of which I wrote fully in the December issue, and I am accused of “wilfully misleading and faking my public.”

Now the crux of the whole question is that my opponent is evidently mentally incapable of grasping the fact that all these periods and sub-divisions can be applied to the western zodiac, regardless of the twenty odd degrees difference between the eastern and western zodiacs, and does not appear to understand that all such sub-divisions must commence from the first point of the sign Aries. I have already dealt with this point in full, but I now give the final blow to my opponent, and I will quote from Ptolemy himself. Chapter 25, Book I of the *Tetrabiblos*.

“The signs have been sub-divided by some persons into parts still more minute, which have been named places and degrees of dominion. Thus the twelfth part of a sign (*Dwadasamsas*), or two degrees and a half, has been called a place, and the dominion of it given to the signs next succeeding.”

After certain comments, in which he does not speak very highly of these sub-divisions he says:—

“The following observation, however, deserves

attention and must not be omitted. The beginning of the signs, and likewise those of the terms (one of the sub-divisions), are to be taken from the equinoctial and tropical points. This rule is not only clearly stated by writers on the subject, but is also specially evident by the demonstration constantly afforded, that their natures, influences and familiarities, have no other origin than from the tropic and equinoxes. . . . And, if other beginnings were allowed it would either be necessary to exclude the natures of the signs from the theory of prognostication, or impossible to avoid error in then retaining and making use of them; as the regularity of their spaces and distances, upon which the influences depends, would then be invaded and broken in upon.”

This confirms the exact contention which I have consistently endeavoured to uphold, *viz.*, that the signs and sub-divisions, whether they be the decanates, terms, *navamsas* or other sub-divisions *must commence* from the *tropical* and *equinoctial* points. We commence our zodiac from the first point of the equinoctial sign Aries, and it naturally follows that all the various sub-divisions must start from the same point.

There is no need for me to further labour this point. The argument that because the Hindu Zodiac commences at a point approximately 22 degrees distant from ours, that these sub-divisions can only be measured from the Hindu Zodiac, is specious and indefensible, and is contradicted by Ptolemy, and by the evidence which I have put forward.

In the next issue, I will give the rules in full for determining the duration of life, or to speak correctly, I will show how the Hindu rules can be “adapted” to the Western Zodiac.

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## THE INFLUENCE OF NEPTUNE.

The article on this subject has been held over owing to pressure on our space. Further notes will be given next month.

## ASTROLOGY AND DISEASE: AN INVESTIGATION.

By E. H. BAILEY.

My next disease for investigation will be Fevers, including Scarlet Fever, Typhoid, Typhus, etc.

We naturally look to Mars as the chief afflicting agent in all cases of Fever, but the position of the Sun and Moon, and in some cases that of Mercury must be taken into account.

The following cases are taken haphazard from my collection.

- ✓ 1. *Male*.—15th August, 1837, 4 p.m. Scarlet Fever. Libra N. of ♀ rising. Mars in ♀ N. of Libra. Sun ♀ N. of ♄. Moon ♀ N. of ♀.
- ✓ 2. *Male*.—16th November, 1837, 6 a.m. Scarlet Fever. Ascendant ♀ N. of ♀. Mars ♀ N. of ♀. Moon ♀ N. of ♄. ☉ ♀ N. of ♀.
- ✓ 3. *Female*.—6th March, 1849, 1 p.m. Typhus. Ascendant ♀ N. of ♄. Mars in ♀ N. of ♀. Sun ♀ N. of ♀.
4. *Female*.—12th March, 1849, 1.15 p.m. Scarlet. Ascendant ♀ N. of ♄. Mars in ♀ N. of ♀. ☽ in ♀ N. of ♀ nearly ☐ ♀. ♄ ♀.
5. *Male*.—12th August, 1849, 0.45 a.m. Scarlet. Ascendant ♄ N. of ♄. Moon ♄ N. of ♄. ♄ ♀ N. of ♄, ☐ ♄ in ♀. ☽ app. to ☐ ♄.
6. *Male*.—5th April, 1849, 11.45 p.m. Scarlet. Moon ♀ N. of ♀. Mars in ♄ N. of ♀. ☐ ♀.
- ✓ 7. *Female*.—20th September, 1837, 2 a.m. Typhus. Ascendant ♀ N. of ♄. Mars ♄ N. of ♀. Sun ♀ N. of ♀.
8. *Male*.—24th April, 1846, 3 p.m. Gastric. Ascendant ♄ N. of ♀. *Note the ♄ influence on the ascendant.* Ascendant ☐ ♄.
9. *Female*.—11th June, 1846, 6 a.m. Bilious fever. Ascendant ♀ N. of ♄. Mars in same degree, sign and *navamsa*. ☽ in ♀ ♄ ♄.
- ✓ 10. *Male*.—12th August, 1848, 0.15 a.m. Enteric. Mars in ♀ N. of ♀. Ruling bowels.
11. *Female*.—14th October, 1848, 1.45 a.m. Scarlet. ☉ ☐ ♄ in ♀ N. of ♄. Uranus opposes this conjunction in ♀ N. of ♀. Moon in ♀ N. of ♄.
- ✓ 12. *Female*.—1st September, 1837, 11.30 a.m. Gastro-enteric. Ascendant ♀ N. of ♀. ☉ ♀ ♄ ♄. ☽ in ♄ N. of ♀.

(No. 29 of Tuberculosis, a case of Gastric fever may be quoted here. [December, B.J.A., page 44.] ☉ ☐ ♄ in ♄ N. of ♀.)

✓ 13. *Female*.—19th July, 1848, 8 p.m. Typhoid. Ascendant ♀ N. of ♀. Sun in ♀ N. of ♄. ☽ in ♀ N. of ♄. Mars in ♄ N. of ♀ ☐ ☽.

14. *Male*.—4th July, 1847, 9.30 p.m. Scarlatina. Ascendant ♀ N. of ♀. ♄ in ♀ N. of ♄. ☽ in ♀ N. of ♄.

15. *Female*.—11th March, 1848, 2.30 a.m. Scarlatina. ♀ N. of ♀ rising. Mars in ♀ N. of ♄, ☐ ☽ in ♀ N. of ♄.

An examination of these cases shows certain peculiarities, which have hitherto escaped the attention of astrologers, and which are only observable by the use of the ninefold sub-division of the signs.

The ascending *navamsa* is the sign in which Mars is placed. Cases 1, 3, 9.

The Ascendant, Moon and Mars are all in Virgo, *navamsas*. Case 2.

The Ascendant and Mars in the same *navamsa*. Case 5.

The Ascendant and Sun in the same *navamsa*. Case 7.

Sun, Moon and Mars in same *navamsa*. Case 11.

Ascending sign same as *navamsa* of Mars. Cases 14, 15.

These facts demonstrate the value of *navamsas* in all matters of health and disease.

The next subject for investigation will be confined to infants only—the subject of Convulsions.

## ASTROLOGY CONSISTENT.

Twins born at Pudsey, in Yorkshire, at 8 a.m., June 28th, 1824, with about a quarter of an hour difference in their births, had scarlet fever together at four years old; courted two females at one time; both females died at one and the same time; the twins were nearly 19 years of age; they both died within 24 hours of each other, and of the same complaint, consumption, and were buried in one grave, on 2nd August, 1842.

This appeared in the Leeds newspapers on the 6th August, 1842, as a curious coincidence.

## A Direction Test.

By E. H. BAILEY.

The fourth event to be tested by the several methods of directing is that of King Edward VIIth's death, which took place in May, 1910, at the age of 68 years 5 months 27 days, equal to 68d. 11h. 48m., the progress for this being 4h. 30m. 2s., or a mean arc of  $67^{\circ} 31'$ .

1. By the orthodox method of progressive directing the M.C. was  $\wp$  4.48, and the ascendant  $\gamma$  12.32. No directions were formed by either of these significators, the latter having separated from the parallel of Uranus. The progressed date was 16th January, 1842, 10.25 p.m., but no evil directions are shown from this date.

2. By the radix system of directing the M.C. becomes 7.17  $\wp$  and the ascendant 18.48  $\gamma$ . The latter is directed to the sesquisquare of the Dragon's Tail, which is placed on the cusp of the 8th house. The Part of Fortune taken by mean motion is in  $\wp$  15.7 within  $6'$  of  $\delta$   $\mathcal{J}$ , while the distance between Saturn and the midpoint of the luminaries is  $67^{\circ} 4'$ .

3. The Hermetic system contains nothing of note. The M.C. would be 9.25  $\wp$  and the ascendant 23.59  $\gamma$ , but no directions are obtained from this.

4. By the degree for a year method the 69th year would commence when the Sun reached  $\wp$  24.53.51, or 9.16 a.m. of 15.1. 1842. No solar directions are obtained from this.

5. By the mean motion of the Sun per year the 69th year would commence when the Sun reached  $\wp$  23.55.17, on 14th January, 1842, at 10.14 a.m. The ascendant would be  $\square$   $\mathcal{U}$ , as in the radix system.

6. By the rotary system the 69th year commences with  $\pi$  29.46 on M.C. In about six months  $\odot$  15 would be on the M.C. and  $\simeq$  15 rising.

The results obtained from this investigation of the directions for the four events cannot be said to be very satisfactory. Next month I will sum up the results and make some suggestions.

I have some observations to make and suggestions to offer on this subject, some of which I have hinted at in previous articles on directing, and others which are quite new. The result of these investigations has been very interesting to me, and has confirmed certain ideas, which I have been experimenting with for some years past. These will be given in the succeeding issues.

THE RATIONALE OF  
ASTROLOGICAL ASPECTS.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

The knowledge of a theme theoretically, is a matter entirely different from that of the scientifically practical. In the study of astronomy, the description of the solar system is perfectly clear and comprehensive, and is quite satisfactory for general understanding; but to realise the actual position in thought, as the system exists, is indeed a difficult procedure and a wonderful attainment in mental operation. Thus it is found that the symbol, the idea and the reality are three existences, apart and different; philosophically, having no resemblance, one to the other. A symbol, an idea and a reality are totally dissimilar, despite the fact that they are inevitably related to each other. The symbol of an angle, the idea of an angle and the angle have, in reality, no resemblance in themselves, as existences, but only in as far as they convey the truth of an objective existence to the subjective spirit and imagination of man. And so in the contemplation of the actual nature of the astrological aspects, it is found that there is difficulty in realising the proper *modus operandi* of the part of planetary relation and influence. Of course, this is the philosophical side of Astrology, and is not, perhaps, alluring to the average mind, but nevertheless is a contemplation of interest and upliftment; it being a duty of the soul to comprehend all things truly and well. And in this examination it is always beneficial to the student as a mental exercise, and an attainment of comprehensive power in relation to the forces that are the predominating factors of the science of which he is a disciple.

From the consideration of the six major aspects a good idea can be obtained in this phase of the science, *i.e.*, the positions of the conjunction, parallel, sextile, square, trine and opposition. Taking the conjunction first, it is found that this aspect differs from the others inasmuch as it is intermutual, *i.e.*, bad with malefics, and good with the benefics; it is interchangeable according to the nature of the planet. Thus, Venus and Saturn in Libra in the seventh house in conjunction would hinder or delay marital procedure, but the event would ultimately take place, owing to the planet Venus being in its strongest position of sign positive; despite the fact that Saturn is in the sign of his exaltation. The conjunction and the parallel participate in the same phase of

star action ; thus varying with the other aspects, which are good with good aspects, and bad with those of an unpropitious nature ; no matter what the basic influence of the planets may be. Mars and Saturn or Mercury and Uranus in good aspect will bring beneficial activity, realisation, sudden and fortunate surprises, along with propitious and advantageous action ; while on the other hand, Venus, Jupiter, and the Sun in evil aspect will send out loss, disappointment, ill-health, vexation, grief and astounding misfortune ; making manifest that the line of influence depends upon the nature of the aspect. Thus, the aspects determine the effect of the action impinged upon the environment, and the mind of the native.

Contemplating the conjunction, it is easy to understand it as a blending and fusing of parallel planetary vibrations, intensifying the action with benefics or malefics, and affinitising the contending forces of the opposites when they come together ; the predominating result depending on the position of the planet, which is in its strongest part of the zodiac ; positive or negative sign, exaltation or term. The sextile aspect in its symbol conveys the idea very well, not to be mistaken as centripetal, *i.e.*, flying to the centre, but as, centrifugal, flying out from the centre, like unto a spring welling out of the sand, and sending its soothing influence amongst the arid surroundings. In the case of the square the line of the force is distinctly a direct and straight blow, causing a disastrous jar, concussion and disharmony ; causing to emanate all the disorganising power and vibration of the bodies that are in aspect to each other. The trine phase of planetary position can best be understood in its influence as two streams meeting at an angle, and gently blending together, and bringing forth the best conditions, harmony and affinity of the planetary forces concerned. Discoursing upon this, at the moment, comes the thought of that doctrine of occultism *re* the forces of good and evil, which are taught to be meeting also at an angle in the invisible world ; forming what is known, as a lemniscatory figure, the one force predominating at certain times, causing evil and sin ; and the other, in its turn of strength and power, overcoming the influence of the evil by good. The trine aspect is similar to this, only the angle of meeting is not so wide ; so, therefore, it is easily understood that the effect is more conducive to a blending, than that of a striving for mastery, one over the other. The mighty and most powerful aspect is that of the opposition, which in its line of force and action, is a direct collision of planetary vibration, sweeping all before it in its forward rush, bring-

ing about vortex, cataclysm, disaster and death. No demonstration is needed to comprehend the action of the opposition in activity, as the very name and symbol conveys the significant idea of its terrible effect. It would be interesting to know who invented the planetary aspect symbols, and the planetary symbols also. But that is a thing unknown, but whoever they were they had a full knowledge of the laws of God in the phenomena of nature.

And in this examination of the aspects of Astrological science, it is seen to be wonderful in its unfoldment of the truth and infinite wisdom, which underlies this great and unfathomable universe, that which is the only permanent reality. Thus, the mighty orbs rolling in the boundless vast of heaven affects the grain of dust in the most humble pathway, and in the same manner whirls and sweeps away forever the colossal continent, ocean, and territory. And so as the cataclysms and propitious conditions are called into action, so in the same manner they, the forces of God, take part in the life, evolution and affairs of man.

The student who will, at an odd and leisure moment, ponder and think in this way, and try to penetrate beneath the symbols of the science, will find a path of beauty and illumination in the process, which hitherto, in conception perhaps, never existed. It is thus the real astrologer is made, and becomes an adept in the art of stellar action and influence in every phase and aspect of the universe, the great theatre of God.

## DEATH OF MR. THOMAS HARDY.

The Great Victorian writer, Mr. Thomas Hardy, author of "Tess of the Durbervilles," "Jude the Obscure," and numerous other works, died on January 11th, 1928, at the advanced age of 87 years. He had been confined to his bed for some time, but it was only a week before his demise that his condition caused anxiety.

The horoscope of Mr. Hardy was given in the B.J.A. for October, 1925, and it was there pointed out that he was coming under adverse influences. The directions at death, were Sun separating from square Mars. Mars conjunction Fortuna and the Dragon's Tail, and the Sun square to the midpoint between Mars and the Sun. The ascendant of the lunar Equivalent was Gemini 25, and Mars was exactly opposed on the day of death.



# Astronomical Phenomena

FEBRUARY, 1928.

## Moon's Phases.

Full Moon	-	5th	-	8h. 11m. p.m.
Last Quarter	-	13th	-	7h. 5m. p.m.
New Moon	-	21st	-	9h. 41m. a.m.
First Quarter	-	28th	-	3h. 21m. a.m.

## Planetary Positions.

- ☉ The SUN is in Aquarius, enters Pisces 19th at 9.20 p.m.  
 ☿ MERCURY is in Aquarius, enters Pisces 3rd, retrogrades into ♊ 29th.  
 ♀ VENUS is in Capricorn, enters Aquarius 22nd, ♂ ♀ on 13th.  
 ♂ MARS is in Capricorn, enters Aquarius 28th.  
 ♃ JUPITER is an evening star in Aries.  
 ♄ SATURN is in Sagittarius.  
 ♅ URANUS is in Aries.  
 ♆ NEPTUNE is in Leo.  
 D The following table shows the Moon's *sign* position at noon on each day of the month:—

Aries	-	-	-	23, 24	Libra	-	-	-	9, 10, 11
Taurus	-	-	-	25, 26, 27	Scorpio	-	-	-	12, 13
Gemini	-	-	-	1, 28, 29	Sagittarius	-	-	-	14, 15, 16
Cancer	-	-	-	2, 3, 4	Capricorn	-	-	-	17, 18
Leo	-	-	-	5, 6	Aquarius	-	-	-	19, 20
Virgo	-	-	-	7, 8	Pisces	-	-	-	21, 22

# Weather Forecasts.

FEBRUARY, 1928.

1st. Squally or gale force in all parts, with showers of rain, hail, sleet or snow. 2nd. Gales subsiding in all parts, W. or N.W. winds, highest temperatures in W. and S.W., rain or hail showers, very cold over Scotland, not much above 40° F. further S. 3rd. Wind Westerly and light in N. to freshening to a gale in W. Ireland, showers still falling, frost general over Scotland and extending to Midlands, warmer other areas. 4th. Frost early London and Home Counties, also Western Scotland, hail, rain or sleet in parts of British Isles, W. to N.W. winds freshening on W. coasts, fog in

parts, especially E. districts. 5th. Strong or high W'y in W., variable elsewhere, snow or sleet many parts of British Isles, hail in places, perhaps thunder. 6th. Northerly winds over U.K., strongest in S.W., rain or sleet still falling in S. and S.E. of England, fair or fine, but cold elsewhere. 7th. Very cold early over U.K., but probably keeping fine, but threatening later in W., some showers likely E. England. 8th. Becoming unsettled and wet in all parts, later in E., snow and sleet parts of U.K. and high winds in W. 9th. Snow, sleet, hail or rain over U.K. 10th. W. winds, but not much force, rain over Ireland, but some sleet and rain in other parts of U.K. 11th. Frost over Midlands and S. Scotland early, some showers in N. parts of U.K., probably keeping fair or fine other districts, fog locally. 12th. Gales from Southerly, very unsettled and wet, becoming milder. 13th. Gales still continuing off Irish and Scottish coasts, S. to W. winds decreasing in force, some showers in W. half of U.K., fine elsewhere. 14th. Southerly, gale force in W., mild, unsettled and wet. 15th. Showers in most districts, S.W. or S., fresh or strong to a gale over N. North Sea. 16th. S'y to W'y, gales generally, gusts at about 80 to 100 m.p.h., showers of rain, hail, with cloudy and dull skies, mild for season. 17th. S. to W. winds, moderating except over S. of U.K., heavy rain early in S., showers of rain, hail, sleet or snow, lower temperatures. 18th. Still continuing unsettled and showery. 19th. Westerly over U.K., becoming finer but colder. 20th. Fine, but cold at first, to rain, sleet or snow later on, Northerly winds, finer over Scotland. 21st. Frost early over most of U.K., some showers of rain or snow in N. parts, fog locally later, gales over Iceland. 22nd. Some showers are still likely in N. parts of U.K., fairer elsewhere, but sunshine not abundant, warmer. 23rd. Fair or fine over all U.K., S. to W. winds, perhaps fog in S. 24th. Fine and sunny, but cold, freezing in many districts, rain later on our W. coasts. 25th. Rain in places over S. of U.K., finer in N. but colder, Northerly winds. 26th. Considerable fog over S. half of U.K., showers in places, variable winds, fair or fine generally. 27th. Easterly winds with frost most of U.K., sunny in places. 28th. Continuing wintry over most of U.K., skating likely in places, foggy some districts, sunny others. 29th. Frost still continuing over England, Wales, thaw sets in over Ireland and Scotland with increasing winds.

VILLAGER.

## Birthday Influences during February.

1. Popularity, financial gain, pleasure, danger of indisposition and disputes. A child born will be affectionate, artistic and respected, but be hasty, and have much to contend with.

2. Business gains, danger of deception, financial losses and reverses. A child born will be clever, but unreliable, erratic and extravagant.

3. Danger of disputes, accidents and worry. A child born will be hasty and impulsive, and often involved in trouble.

4. Changes, journeys, financial gains, danger of disputes. A child born will be original, inventive, generous, but very hasty.

5. Social gains and recognition, trouble in employ, many difficulties. A child born will be affectionate and reliable, but proud, and will find many obstacles in his path in life.

6. Gain in employ, danger of deception and disputes. A child born will be popular, but impressionable and hasty.

7. Recognition, social gains, danger of scandal. A child born will be steady, reliable, trustworthy and affectionate, have a hatred of control, and sharp in speech.

8. Activity, new work, business gains, danger of indisposition and losses. A child born will be enterprising and clever, but will have many difficulties to surmount.

9. Financial losses and reverses, many difficulties. A child born will be erratic, extravagant, and will meet with serious financial troubles.

10. Disappointments, disputes, financial difficulties and reverses, some recognition. A child born will be careless, hasty, rash, erratic, but will gain some recognition in life.

11. Business gains, success in employ, new friends. A child born will be popular, clever, industrious and impressionable.

12. Business gains, changes, danger of deception. A child born will be clever, industrious, but unreliable.

13. Social gains, courtship, popularity, activity, new work, danger of trouble in employ and through the opposite sex. A child born will be popular, affectionate, energetic, but passionate, will have trouble through superiors and the opposite sex.

14. Changes, journeys, financial gains, danger of deception. A child born will be original, generous and inventive, but will meet with intrigue.

15. Disappointments and sorrow, danger of scandal and indisposition. A child born will be

erratic and untruthful, and will meet with many disappointments and difficulties in life.

16. Popularity, success in employ, danger of deception and reverses. A child born will be respected, but be impressionable, romantic, and have many ups and downs in life.

17. Business gains and changes, financial losses, danger of deceit and treachery. A child born will be clever and industrious, extravagant, but will suffer much through underhand actions.

18. Danger of disputes and accidents. Courtship or marriage. A child born will be hasty and rash, but artistic and affectionate.

19. Journeys, changes, danger of disputes and indisposition. A child born will be original and inventive, generous, but have many obstacles to contend with.

20. Business gains and recognition, some annoyances. A child born will be clever, industrious and reliable, and be fairly successful.

21. Deception and intrigue, some changes. A child born will be clever and industrious, but unreliable and wayward.

22. Gain in employ, danger of indisposition. A child born will be successful in the employ of others, but have many difficulties to meet.

23. Activity, new work, changes, social and financial gains, new friends and attachments. A child born will be enterprising, clever, affectionate, generous and romantic, and will make good headway in life.

24. Financial and business gains, recognition, danger of reverses and annoyances. A child born will be generous and reliable, but meet with upsets in affairs.

25. Business gain, success in employ, danger of disputes, grief and many worries. A child born will be clever, popular and respected, careless and rash, and moderately successful.

26. Danger of disputes and annoyances. A child born will be hasty and rash, and not very fortunate.

27. Changes, journeys, social gains, new work, danger of scandal. A child born will be enterprising, affectionate and original, untruthful and deceptive.

28. Social, financial and business gains, danger of disputes, trouble in employ, indisposition and worry. A child born will be clever, industrious, affectionate and generous, proud and hasty, and will meet with many difficulties.

29. Business gains, changes, danger of reverses and worry. A child born will be clever, industrious, but erratic and wayward.

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