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THE EDITOR'S OBSERVATORY.

Astrology and Commonsense.

It is to me, a strange and even deplorable thing, that in the present stage of Astrological Knowledge, when the science is making great headway, and its truths are being recognised in all quarters, that there should be some people, students of the science, who will persist in running after strange ideas and theories, and wilfully ignoring the laws and maxims of the science. When we find, as is well known, that Neptune is to be given the rulership of Libra, Jupiter that of Aquarius, and new planets are invented and given the rulership over other signs, ruthlessly ejecting their existing lords, it is making the science the laughing stock of all commonsense and right thinking students.

We are being told that Jupiter rules over Aquarius, because there are characteristics in that sign, which agree with the nature of Jupiter. An utterly indefensible suggestion, and one which shows poor reasoning powers, and an ignorance of the laws governing sign rulership. If it is to be supposed that Jupiter is the ruler of Aquarius because certain characteristics of that sign are in harmony with the influence of Jupiter, the latter can be assumed to be the ruler of all the twelve signs, as there are characteristics belonging to each sign which agree with those of the planet, and similarly with the other planets. I have yet to learn that rulership of signs depends upon any correspondence between the nature of

the sign and that of the planet. It is a fatuous contention. Sign rulership is based on an occult and numerological law, as are also exaltations, and the degrees of exaltation. Students are requested to reject these silly and superstitious ideas with regard to the rulership of the signs, and to stand by the ancient laws.

A lot of bunkum is being talked about the Asteriods. We are told by one wiseacre that the sign Pisces is ruled by these thousand odd little lumps of rock which are floating about in space. It is recognised that Pisceans are very peculiar people, but my heart bleeds to think that they are ruled over by these stony astral pebbles. In my hearing, only a few evenings ago, it was stated that the Asteriods had a most beautiful (?) influence. Ye Gods! What are we coming to, or rather what is Astrology degenerating into?

Apparently some students seem to think that as we grow more experienced in the science we must discard the old laws and invent new ones, as though these laws were to change as fashion changes, and new laws were to be invented as flimsy as ladies dresses. When to the twelve signs and the nine known planets, we add the influence of the sensitive points, Nodes and Fortuna, and these latter two, particularly when divested of the silly superstition which is being tacked on to them, and all interpreted in accordance with the ancient laws, we shall not need new

sign rulership, imaginary planets, and supposititious degrees influences.

It is, therefore, in all seriousness and sincerity as an astrologer and teacher, I call upon all readers of the JOURNAL, and all honest and bonafide students of the science to reject these fanciful and superstitious theories which are now being disseminated, and give their whole-hearted adherence to the old laws as laid down by the ancients. Let it not be said of us, that "in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils." Also that "we be no more as children tossed to and fro and carried about by every wind of doctrine. . . ."

I shall return to this subject next month, and I hope to be able to make a complete exposure of another silly idea which is being put forward at the present day.

The British Astrological Society.

In this issue, the report of the seventh Annual General Meeting of this Society is given. It needs no words of mine to elaborate on the remarkable position of this body, and its strong financial and numerical position. It is, however, essential that the membership should be increased, and all students in London are particularly invited to join, and give a helping hand in the work.

One of the new schemes to be shortly put in hand is an examination in Elementary Astrology, and Certificates of Merit will be awarded to those who pass the test. Other examinations, in the higher branches of the science, will be held at a later date. There is no desire to prevent any students from entering for these Examinations, but it is felt that membership of the Society should be a condition of entry. All applications should be received by me, not later than March 15th.

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For Business and Pleasure, March, 1928.

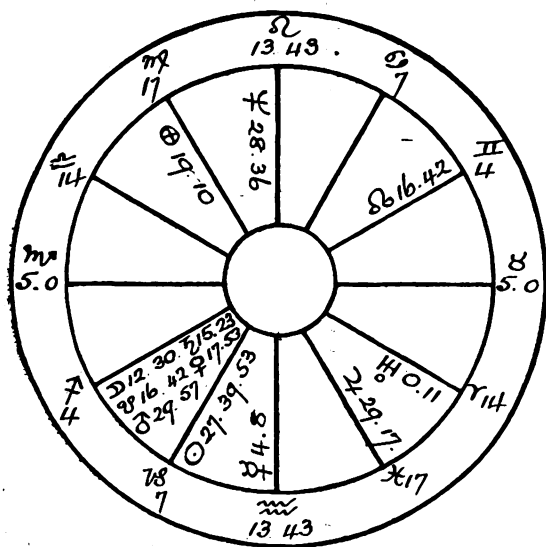
DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	10 ☾ 42	Ask favours, seek work a.m. only.
2	24 7	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
3	7 ♉ 21	Ask favours, push business to 2 p.m. Then safeguard health and remain quiet.
4	20 24	Sunday. A day for rest and quiet.
5	3 ♍ 17	Doubtful. Do nothing important.
6	15 57	Avoid superiors, safeguard health. Act discreetly.
7	28 25	Push business a.m. Avoid strangers, pay no calls evening.
8	10 ♌ 41	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties.
9	22 46	Safeguard health. Attend to correspondence p.m.
10	4 ♍ 42	Avoid superiors. Guard against accidents.
11	16 32	Sunday. Visit friends. Ask favours p.m.
12	28 19	Evil for all things till evening, then ask favours, push business, travel.
13	10 ♏ 10	Sign no papers a.m. Push business, seek work, ask favours p.m.
14	22 8	Evil for all things till evening. Safeguard health. Visit friends and amusements evening.
15	4 ♏ 19	An evil day. Avoid opposite sex.
16	16 49	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.
17	29 43	Travel, change p.m. only.
18	13 ♏ 3	Sunday. Guard against disputes and accidents. Visit elders evening.
19	26 52	Act discreetly in all things till evening. Then visit friends and amusements.
20	11 ♏ 7	Push business, pay calls, visit amusements.
21	25 45	Uncertain a.m. Push business, ask favours, make plans evening.
22	10 ♏ 37	Act with discretion a.m. Push business, travel, ask favours after 8 p.m.
23	25 35	A variable day. Do nothing important.
24	10 ♏ 29	Contradictory influences prevail. Remain quiet.
25	25 13	Sunday. A day for rest and quiet.
26	9 ♏ 40	Sign no papers, safeguard health. Avoid opposite sex. Pay calls evening.
27	23 48	Travel, push business a.m.
28	7 ♏ 37	Avoid superiors, act discreetly a.m. Visit friends, write letters p.m. and evening.
29	21 7	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
30	4 ♏ 20	Travel, change a.m. Ask favours, pay calls evening.
31	17 18	Push business, deal with elders, avoid strangers.

HOROSCOPE OF THE MONTH.

By E. H. BAILEY.

THE JUGO-SLAVIAN PRINCE.

The birth of a prince to Queen Marie of Jugo-Slavia at 1 a.m. on January 19th, 1928, has been announced in the Press. The birth took place at Belgrade, which keep standard time, one hour faster than Greenwich. Belgrade being 20° 26' E., the true local time of birth would be 1h. 21m. 44s. a.m., which, corrected by the Prenatal Epoch, gives 1h. 16m. 10s. a.m. as the true time of birth, for which the following map is drawn.



Scorpio rises, with Mars the ruler just entering its exaltation sign Capricorn, in square to Jupiter and Uranus and trine to Neptune. The Moon occupies Sagittarius in conjunction with Saturn, Venus and its own descending node, an evil configuration. The Sun in Capricorn is in semisquare to the Moon and Saturn, but in sextile to Jupiter and Uranus.

The Part of Fortune, which is technically hyleg, the Moon being decreasing and both luminaries below the earth, has a trine of the Sun, but is afflicted by the group of planets in Sagittarius.

The horoscope is not a very fortunate one, and if the Prince lives to maturity, which is

somewhat doubtful, he will not have a fortunate career. The Moon becomes seriously afflicted in the first year of life, both by direction, transit and eclipse influence, and it is only the sextile of the Sun, which rule the rising *navamsa*, to Jupiter, which will sustain the constitution of the Prince.

The marriage prospects are poor, and more than one marriage or attachment is denoted, for Venus, ruler of the seventh, is afflicted in a double sign, and the Part of marriage, though conjoined with Jupiter in the fifth house is between the squares of Venus and Mars.

The elevated position of Neptune in trine to Mars, with the Sun, ruler of the tenth, both by sign and *navamsa*, in sextile to Jupiter, is an excellent testimony for position, and he should rise high in the service of his country and take an active and foremost position in military matters. It will be observed that Neptune, Moon, Venus and Saturn are all in Aries decanates, while Mars, his ruling planet is just about to enter Capricorn, a very strong sign position for this planet.

It is quite possible that the early affliction shown in this horoscope may fall on the parents, in view of the disturbances which are likely to arise in the Balkans in the near future. This seems to be also borne out by the major directions of the Moon to Saturn, and the Dragon's Tail, and finally to the conjunction of Venus in 1933.

Students will be well advised to keep this horoscope by them for future reference. If anyone can give me the birth times of King Alexander and the Crown Prince I shall be very grateful. They would be extremely interesting at the present time.

A REMARKABLE PREDICTION.

As we go to press the news arrives of the death of the Earl of Oxford and Asquith.

In "Old Moore's Almanac" for this year, under the month of February are these words: "The remarkable sudden death of a famous M.P. occurs near the 13th." The prediction was actually made at least a year ago, and is another vindication of the truth of Astrology. This prediction was made by our contributor Sefharial.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE.

By SEPHARIAL.

FIELD-MARSHAL EARL HAIG.—Some time ago I made enquiry concerning the birth of Douglas Haig and was informed by a relative that he was born about 9 o'clock in the evening. Proceeding on that basis and with a frontal portrait of the distinguished soldier before me, I came to the conclusion that he was born under the latter degrees of Sagittarius. Later, a profile portrait was published in the 1918 edition of Raphael's Almanac, and undoubtedly the author had reason on his side. The sad event of Earl Haig's sudden death on the night of the 29th January last, puts the question beyond dispute, I think. Taking the time as 9.15 local, or 9.30 p.m. G.M.T. the midheaven will be in Scorpio 19 and the ascendant in Capricorn 6.41 or close upon it. It is then remembered that the solar eclipse of 29th June, 1927, which was visible over this country, fell in Cancer 6.28 and therefore in direct opposition to the ascendant at this birth. Referring to the ephemeris for 1928 the planet Mars is found to have made transit of the ascendant on the 28th January. By rotary direction the midheaven for 66 years and 6 months is in Gemini 4, and the equatorial ascendant in Virgo 4. This is the place of Saturn at birth. By rotarian primary direction Mars had reached Capricorn 6.41 and was therefore exactly on the estimated ascendant at birth.

The horoscope shows some interesting features. The Sun in the 6th house has the sextile aspect of Jupiter. The rulers of the 10th and 6th are in conjunction and both in trine aspect to the Moon in the meridian of the horoscope. Saturn holds the cusp of the 8th house in Virgo 4, and the Sun is directed to that degree at the end of 66 years. By direction the midheaven was in Capricorn 25, and therefore opposed to Mercury, while the ascendant was directed to Gemini 4, and therefore in quadrature to Saturn, so that from whatever angle we regard the horoscope it appears to be truly laid under the rising of the sign Capricorn. Viscount Dawick, who now succeeds to the Earldom of Bemersyde, was born on the 15th March, 1918, a few days before the final effort of Germany was launched against the Allied Forces. The horoscope shows the Sun with Mercury in direct opposition to Mars in the sign Virgo, which gives danger of necessity for operation to the lower viscera, probably on account of appendicitis. Venus is with Uranus

in the sign Aquarius. The Moon either in the end of Aries or beginning of Taurus applies to the quadrature of Neptune and Saturn in Leo. These are signs of inherited cardiac weakness. Jupiter has the sextile of Saturn, which gives a great or ancient inheritance, and the Sun is now in trine to Neptune and within a year's direction of the sextile of Jupiter. In all the circumstances it is not likely that he will make old bones, for both the lights are afflicted at birth, and when the Sun comes to the early degrees of Taurus at about the age of 42 there will be a sequence of evil indications formed in the horoscope. The young Earl is reported to be presently ill, but the direction of the Sun to the sextile of Jupiter and trine of Neptune, with the attendant transit of Jupiter over the Sun's place in February, should afford relief. The time of birth is not known to me at present.

EASTER ORIGINAL.—I see that Dr. Fotheringham, M.A., F.R.A.S., has issued a useful work on "The Date of Easter" and other Christian Festivals. Nobody is better equipped for the task of bringing calendarics into accord with astronomical facts, seeing that the author is intimately acquainted with the Scriptures and is an authority on astronomical data. It has already been shown in these pages that the 15th day of the 7th month of the Hebrew calendar has a distinctive character in that it defines several of the more important epochs, such as the Exodus of Abraham from Ur, that of Israel from Egypt, and the Crucifixion. In general terms it may be referred to as the Full Moon in Aries. The Hebrews were first given the Sacred Calendar at the time of the Exodus under Moses, in the year -1486 (Exod. 12, 1), when what was then the 7th month became the first month, and instead of counting from the New Moon of the autumnal equinox, the year began at the New Moon next before the vernal equinox, so that the Full Moon next after the vernal equinox was set as the Passover. This is the basis of our Easter. For it was in the year A.D. 30, and on the Feast of the Passover, that the Crucifixion had place, and the Sunday following is Easter Sunday, the day of the Resurrection, i.e., "the third day." Now in the year A.D. 30 the Full Moon of April fell on the 6th, in the afternoon, which was Thursday, and the Passover would be

celebrated in the evening of that day. The next day was Friday, the 7th April, and was the "15th day of the seventh month," according to the ancient calendar, but the 15th of the first month, according to the Mosaic dispensation. Thursday being the 14th of the lunar month, the Passover would be eaten, according to the commandment "in the 14th day of the month, at even" (Numbers 9, 3). By the use of the Solar cycle, in connection with the Metonic cycle, every date of Scripture can be verified.

THE BETTER PART.—A great movement is afoot to induce the women of our own and other countries to use their influence in the cause of universal peace, and I have recently read a strong, insistent and powerful brochure which is to be broadcasted with this object in view. The object aimed at is beyond all things desirable, but alas, the movement is untimely. Had it been set going ten years ago, it would have found the world at war, thirty years ago and still at war. Indeed the intervals of peace have been all too brief and infrequent. We may as well look the facts in the face and admit that we reap what we have sown, and yet it may well be within the plan and purpose of God to correct us as a nation or as a race by the consequences of our own misguided plans and selfish efforts. Mankind the world over has primarily the same nature, the same needs, the same hopes and aspirations. But despite this essential unification of origin, nature and effort, there is no common cause, no common destiny. God has put Israel into the melting-pot, under the hammer, and over the grindstone, that He may be able to say: "Israel is my battle-axe"—not to wage war upon his fellows, but upon error and ignorance, upon selfishness and tyranny and usurpation and all that tends to the enslaving of the soul of man. Failing men, He may turn to women. They have faith, intuition, and above all sympathy and love. Recently we have seen a great expansion of the power of women in the world, an enfranchisement which was fully expected as the result of the Great War, and which was predicted in these words:—

"Like Aphrodite lifted from the sea
By Vulcan's power and man's necessity,
In Fifteen loosed, in Eighteen turns again,
And then assumes the glory of her reign.
The curse removed, the weak made strong
and free,
The corner-stone of Israel's power shall be."

But in regard to any individual effort that may be made towards inciting women to use

their influence and power in a war against War, it is obviously open to any diplomatic mind to say that it has been inspired by the enemy, who seeks, through the power of women and the high respect in which we British hold them, to retard, embarrass and possibly prevent our national equipment for self-defence at a time when the world generally is arming to the teeth, and when all nations, with the exception of Americans, are seeking a way out of the intolerable burden of taxation which threatens to end in bankruptcy. The position, from this point of view, is certainly a dangerous one. Fifty years ago it would not have been so regarded and might even have secured the support of the rulers of nations, who are ever alive to the weight of public opinion. But at this date such a movement would only be regarded with suspicion.

Here it seems appropriate to quote Storm Jameson, from the *Evening News* of the 20th January:—

"So far so good. But something not so good is happening, too. Let loose in a man's world, women are showing themselves inclined to take its values for granted and to put up with its makeshifts. And this is all to the bad. *Any woman who can regard without a passion of loathing the two great crimes of a man-ordered world—war and Poverty—is not worth her salt, or her freedom.* I regret infinitely to have to put it down that, so far as my observation goes, womanhood is going wrong on both points."

But even granting the complete ingenuousness of this project and the pure humanism of its advocates, can it be rendered effectual for good at the present stage of things? I say most decidedly, No. With equal conviction I affirm that War is the Devil's own device for inciting to human hatred and thereby to bring about the disruption of the Kingdom. Yet the very weapons that he has forged against the Seed of the Woman will be used by God to slay him. It has ever been thus since the revolt in heaven. The Crucifixion was within the plan of Satan. To bring down the Son of God into the depths of the greatest humiliation was one of the last throws of the devil's dice in his effort to win the kingdom on earth for himself. It failed. Even so was the heart of Napoleon soured with envy of the Jew. He had not eyes to see further than that. The Cross of Calvary is a symbol of World-conquest to which one autocrat after another has aspired in vain. The League of Nations doubtless started out with good intentions and in a measure has done good work, if only in putting a true ideal before the nations of the world, but I am assured by the light of

prophecy that it has no more power to avert war than it has to revoke the past or ignore the burden of its unwholesome fruit. "They shall not cleave to one another, even as iron is not mixed with clay." The League will not prevent future wars. Even now the press of the country, our statesman, and all who are not wholly immersed in a lethargy of self-indulgence, know that we are preparing for and rushing headlong towards a war that will be more frightful than mankind has ever known. Mussolini, who knows what he wants, has given Jugo-Slavia six months in which to come to heel and think as Italy thinks. There are more soldiers under arms to-day in Europe than in 1914. A great share of the revenues of the nations is being spent in the purchase of munitions of war, and there is a notable jealousy in regard to sea-power. These are the things which we are being told every day, and yet they say: Peace and safety. Without doubt 1928 is going to be a Year of Awakening, no less than of failing hearts. Lord Cushenden will have certain cause to revise his dictum of 100 years of peace.

A SINISTER CONJUNCTION.—The conjunction of the malefic planets Saturn and Mars in Sagittarius 12.53 on the 26th December last will not have escaped the attention of alert students of Astrology. The import of this particular conjunction extends to the month of January, 1930, when an even more significant conjunction will occur in Capricorn. For two years, however, we shall be under the influence of this conjunction in the 2nd decanate of Sagittarius, which relates it to the regal sign Leo and also to the people through the domination of the Moon in this part of the zodiac. Beyond the fact that it will produce a great schism in the Established Church and may even lead directly to disestablishment, its position on the cusp of the 8th House imports to it a more than ordinary significance, for it spells death on the grand scale. The Reaper will undoubtedly put in his sickle to some effect. The most remarkable fact, however, is that this conjunction of the malefics takes place in the same degree of the zodiac as the subsequent total eclipse of the Moon on the 3rd June, which is brought into effect by the opposition of Mars and Saturn along the ecliptic line on the 29th August.

Looking afield, we find that this conjunction of the malefics falls on the western horizon in the following places: 53 E., on the equator; 43 E., in lat. 22 N.; which points to Mecca in the Hedjaz; 37 E. in lat. 35 N., which points to Cyprus. The configuration of Saturn and Mars

on the western angle will pass through the Taurus, across Asia Minor and the Bosphorus, to Constantinople (eastward), then across the Black Sea to Rumania, thence to Cracow in Poland, entering the Baltic at Danzig. This line is inflammable and disruptive, and lies like a gunpowder train across areas that are already in a state of commotion and political unrest, and notably the Hedjaz, Syria, Turkey (Angora), Rumania and Poland. The line thus defined passes through Syria close to Damascus. The sign Sagittarius has reference to ecclesiastical affairs, exports, insurance, foreign policy and legislation. In all these departments of life there will be a state of chaos and subversion during the ensuing two years.

It will have an intriguing effect on the mind of Il Duce, for the conjunction falls in the peaceful little spot in the ministerial brain represented by a point in the horoscope of birth which falls between the nearly conjoined planets Mars and the Moon, and between Saturn and Mars in the same horoscope, all three bodies being conjoined within 8 degrees in the western angle of the heavens at Mussolini's birth. As at the present time the Sun is directed to conjunction with Uranus in the 10th house of the horoscope, we shall witness some fine directorship and capable government from that source, and seeing also that the ascendant for the year coincides with the London Ascendant of the Mutation Horoscope, something more than ephemeral significance must attach to the Italian programme. Il Duce starts off the year 1929 with a solar eclipse on his ascendant, and a double transit of Mars and Saturn over the horizon of the 1928 horoscope.

Even more intimately does this sinister conjunction affect the destinies of Great Britain, for not only does it fall exactly on the Ascendant of Westminster, whence all important legislation emanates, but also in direct opposition to the Sun's place in the horoscope of the King, who makes all such legislation effective. Passing from the 21st to 28th January as a critical period, eclipse influences begin to operate in August, and are climacteric about the 29th of that month, coming in a second wave into active operation in October, and finally in December. I am afraid there are no patent signs of a world peace inherent in this medley of astral portents, and it looks as if little Britannia would soon be crying: Burglars, fire, murder, police! for all she is worth. Outside the family has she a friend in the world?

ANOTHER SOLUTION.—The First Low Passage is 52 inches, and the Second is 101 inches,

making together the 153 required by the symbolism. The Great War was contained between the dates 3rd August, 1914, and 12th November, 1918, which define the rim of the vial of wrath which was then poured out on the earth. In this period there were 100 days in excess of four solar years. Moreover, if we count the days from the beginning of the chronological zero, which is the autumnal equinox in the year 1913, onwards to the 4th August, 1914, we shall find again that there were 315 days. Counting years as circles of 360 degrees, the extent of the war was 1,485 degrees. The excess of 45 degrees over four complete circles is represented by the difference between 1,335 and 1,290 days in the prophecy of Daniel. Hence, as the entire cycle of "seven times" or 2,520 years (days) is equal to 360 degrees, so 45 degrees is equal to 315 days, and 45 is a seventh part of 315. The 1,290 days become significant when referred to the signal date pointed to by Daniel, which is the "setting up of the abomination of desolation in the Holy Place," and as this happened in the year 638, a year after the occupation of Jerusalem by the Caliph Omar, when the famous Mosque was built on the site of the former Temple, it follows that the year 1928 (638 plus 1,290) is the appointed time of the end. The same result arises from the completion of the "seven times" which had to pass over Israel from the fall of the House of Judah, which completed the subjugation of the whole House of Israel (Ephraim-Judah), an event which happened in 592½. The seven times, therefore, expires in 1927½, which is April, 1928, counting from the autumnal equinox, or October, 1928, counting from the vernal equinox. Both epochs are used in sacred history, but it is more likely that as the "beginning of the year" was changed at the Exodus in -1486, the prophetic periods would date from the vernal equinox and the nearest Full Moon thereafter would always be the Passover in common years. This is the famous "fifteenth day of the seventh month" during such time as the autumnal equinox was used as the chronological landmark. It is the 15th day of the 1st month, in the Sacred Year of the liberated Hebrews, and accords with our Easter. It is therefore to October, 1928, that the termination of the "seven times" would appear to point, and as at this time Mars will form a double transit over the places of significant eclipses in December, 1927, and particularly that of June 29th, 1927, while Saturn will transit the eclipse of 3rd of June, 1928, there would appear to be ample indication of a crisis at that time.

The number 5 is the basis of the Pyramid

structural scheme and 6 is that of its chronological scheme. Half the Last Low Passage of 101 is 50.5 inches, which, divided by .5 gives 101, and when 101 is multiplied by 5, the product of 1515 is obtained, and this is 50.5 months of 30 days or twelfths of the circle. If this be counted backward from the Feast of Tabernacles, which, in 1932 is the 16th October, we derive the date of the opening of the Last Low Passage as 23rd August, 1928, one week before the double transit of Saturn and Mars in conjunction over the place of the Anniversary Eclipse of the 3rd June, 1928. Hence this computation, alike from the Pyramid intention and from astronomical affections, would lead us to expect the Crisis of the present year in August, when there are no less than four transits over recent eclipse positions. If the test of truth is harmony, then the celestial and terrestrial pointers are to the same effect.

PAN-AMERICAN ALLIANCE.—The position of France is not enviable, and despite the statement that its gold reserve is the second largest in the world, gold would not appear to save her from the blight that is creeping over her at this time. The alliance of Germany's industrial exploitation and the American gold exploitation are proceeding hand in glove, and while the projected Franco-American Peace Pact emanates appropriately enough from the White House, the hand that writes is that of the Welthandel. "Simeon and Levi are a twin" it is said, and the signs of the zodiac which belong to these tribes are Gemini and Cancer, which all astrologers know to be the ruling signs of the United States and of Germany respectively. Outwardly the pact would appear to be favourable to France, but inwardly it is all in favour of Germany, for what appears on paper will hardly prevent a world-war should occasion arise, while the practical effect of Germano-American alliance to dominate the markets and trade routes of Europe and South America would precipitate a world-war sooner than anything else. The simple equation is that the British "homing" instinct is strong enough to blot out every other consideration, and when this is threatened there is going to be widespread trouble. As to that, however, we may reflect that Israel, composed of the two Houses of Ephraim and Judah (the North and South Kingdoms of old) are represented by the signs Taurus and Leo, and these signs are not only Fixed and fundamental to the correct orientation of the world, but they hold Gemini and Cancer well within their grip. If America, therefore, counts upon its colossal gold

reserve of unemployed capital to capture the markets of the world, largely augmented since the war as that reserve has been by German transfers, she will certainly make for perdition on the grand scale. Baffling the eyes of France by prospects of a World Peace does not comport with the commercial aspirations of Wall Street capitalists. This fact should be realised. It will help us to reflect that whereas the unemployed and unemployable gold reserve of America is 150 millions, the deficit for the present year in the British Budget is 150 millions also. This makes a difference of 300 millions between us in the race for life, and there is no reason to doubt that America has her substantial backers. Between the start and finish there are, however, many possibilities, and it is said with some authority that "the race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong," a fact that the last great commercial enterprise of Germany brought out very strikingly. The economic position of the United States is not to be measured by its "hidden millions," but rather by the state of its social life and home trade, *i.e.*, by its internal economy. The tally system of trade is eating like a cancerous growth into the vitals of the country, and more than half the people are exploiting the commonwealth by this device. A word to the wise is sufficient.

THAMES DISASTER.—Mr. Henry Selberg writes: This calamity again attests to the truth of the Geodetic Equivalent.

At the Full Moon, 7th January, 1928, the Sun, Moon and Mercury were all in geodetic parallel to Saturn.

The mid-distance point between Moon and Saturn falls in 8 mins. West, within 1 min. of the place of Uranus in 9 mins. West. The Moon being in $105^{\circ} 41'$ East, and Saturn in $105^{\circ} 49'$ West. The centre of forces was therefore on this fulcrum point of 8 mins. West.

Now in the latitude of London, 1 min. of longitude equals three quarters of a mile, and this multiplied by eight gives 6 miles west of Greenwich Observatory, exactly defining the site of Tate's Gallery.

The current indications are still adverse for London, as Uranus meets the square of Mars on the 19th, and holds 12 mins. East, answering to 9 miles east of Greenwich. On the 25th January, Uranus joins Jupiter, the geodetic position being 24 mins. East, corresponding to 18 miles east of the Observatory, and therefore, in the immediate neighbourhood of Tilbury Docks and Gravesend.

These observations are entirely in accord with

my own, communicated to the press. It is of interest to observe the cadence of primary and secondary causes towards the production of the event in this and similar cases.

1. The event is generated under the annual signature of March, 1927, to March, 1928, which is "The Year of the Rising Waters."

2. There is a conjunction of Saturn and Mars on the 26th December, 1927, which fell exactly on the Ascendant of the City of Westminster, and in the S.W. quarter of the heavens. Attended by heavy snowfall and drifts, which the thaw subsequently delivered to the river.

3. Full Moon tide on the 7th January, whereat Saturn and the Moon were in geodetic parallel on a point $8'$ West of the equinox, which was the position of Uranus within one minute. Saturn and the Sun were also in exact geodetic parallel on the point of the Solstice.

Subsequent geodetic aspects falling more and more to the Eastward of Greenwich gave successively wider outlet to the forces at work. Despite the needless warning of the L.C.C. that floods might recur at the New Moon tide of the 22nd, no further hurt has been experienced, the water remaining some four feet below the danger level.

Westminster has yet to pass through its second crisis on 29th August next, but the Rising Waters will have ended at the equinox, and a change of elemental danger will be experienced.

THE GREAT YEAR.—In prophetic writings there is a great year of 2,520 of our common years, which completes a cycle. At the end of the cycle the planetary indication begins anew. There are seven planets answering to the days of the week employed by the Hebrews. In 2,520 years these will have completed exactly 360 revolutions. Each planet has a period of 36 years, which again is completed for the seventieth time in 2,520 years. As there are twelve signs in the Hebrew zodiac answering to the twelve tribes, and again to the twelve "Gates" by which men come in and go out of the world, these signs will make just 210 revolutions in 2,520 years. Hence, we come to the obvious conclusion that the same planet must be in the same sign of the zodiac, and beginning a new cycle at the end of this period. The name given to this period is the "Prophetic Week."

In the year -592 the Fall of the House of Judah completed the degradation of the Whole House of Israel, *i.e.*, of Ephraim in the northern kingdom, which was taken captive and sent into exile in -719, and Judah of the southern kingdom, which fell under the assault of Nebuchadnezzar

127 years later. In this year -592 the Sun was presiding in the sign Leo, which is the ruling sign of Judah, as is well known from the prophetic blessing of Jacob, which speaks of that tribe as a Lion. The ensign of Judah is the Lion Rampant in scarlet and gold. The Sun entered that sign in the year -791, and in the year -592 was joined by Saturn. Hence there was a great darkening of the Sun, the glory of Judah was eclipsed, and fear took possession of the hearts of the people: "Men's hearts failing them for fear by looking at those things that are coming upon the earth."

The year 1928 answers in all respects to the year -592 according to the prophetic cycles. In common notation it is the year B.C. 593, but astronomically and according to the true calendar it is one year less. From -592 to 1928 A.D. is a period of 2,520 years. The prophetic week is completed. Shall we then witness once more the affliction of Judah. I think there can be no doubt of it. But as the prophecy of the "seven times" which were to pass over Israel on account of its transgressions are now completed, it is to the more assuring hope of remission of evils and restitution that we must turn our minds. For it has been said: "But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend. . . . Behold all that were since used against thee shall be ashamed and confounded, they shall be as nothing, and they that strive with thee shall perish." Israel has been put through the fires of tribulation, under the hammer of a harsh necessity, and over the whetstone of strife during many centuries, to the end that it may be an efficient instrument in the hands of God for the working out of his purpose in the world of nations. "Israel is my battle-axe." It is ours to wage war against oppression and slavery, whether of body or soul or intellect, to cleave a way through the jungle of ignorance and prejudice that knowledge may be increased and liberty of opinion may be assured of a highway to the marts of the world, and it is ours to deal with the lawless, with spiritual usurpers and oppressors, and to carry the light of God's word into dark places. For this is our covenant, and there is no hand of man that can prevail against it.

The next eight years appear to be divided into two parts, the first being one of intense trial and tribulation, the other a period of adjustment, of cleansing and preparation. In the ninth year, Jupiter being in the sign of Aries, a new era will dawn upon the mountains of Israel. From the Indignation -588 to the year 1932 A.D. is a period of "seven times" or 2,520 years, or 70 times 36. The height of the roof of the King's

Chamber from the base of Pyramid is 1,932 inches.

THE SIGNAL BOX.—On the 21st we enter the year 1928 of "The Great Awakening." It is also a New Moon day, the lunation falling in conjunction with Uranus and semisquare to Mars. The 13th and 23rd days of the Moon will be critical and liable to produce political deceptions, and affronts on the 3rd and 13th of April. The present month is, however, largely governed by the lunation of 21st February, which shows Exchequer troubles, acute phases in political affairs on the 21st February and the 8th March, and much trade depression and popular unrest. It will not be long before legislation turns to the inevitable "Tote" for new revenues. Considerable depression is shown on the markets of the world during the first fortnight of March. The 8th and 9th are bad weather and earthquake dates. Mars going through Aquarius will stir Russia to active measures within her borders. Serious troubles are shown in India about the 21st February and further proof of Russia's inimical attitude will be forthcoming early in April. John is still busy dealing with the "Rising Waters" of national taxation, but "Dilly and Dally" are sound asleep, and only an avalanche will rouse them.

London, 10th February, 1928.

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THE BRITISH ASTROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The seventh Annual General Meeting of the British Astrological Society was held on Thursday, January 19th, at the Plane Tree Restaurant, 106, Great Russell Street, W.C., the President, Mr. E. H. Bailey in the Chair. A large and attentive audience were present, and the proceedings took up the entire evening, necessitating the Presidential address being adjourned until the following Thursday.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting having been signed, the Annual Report and Balance Sheet were submitted and approved. These interesting documents are too long to be inserted in the JOURNAL, but will appear in full in the Society's Journal. The report was a highly favourable one, showing the number of members to have increased from 168 to 205, including 29 foreign and Colonial members. The balance in hand at the 31st December, 1926, despite the heavy expenditure incurred in the purchase of books and for bookbinding (nearly £25), had increased to £110 0s 11d.

The following was the result of the Election of Officers and Executive Council:—

President: Mr. E. H. Bailey, D.A., F.A.S.

Vice-Presidents: P. Hall Smith, Esq., M.D., A. R. Harvey, Esq., Alfred Vale, Esq.

Hon Secretary: Miss D. W. Ashdown.

Manager and Treasurer: Mr. E. H. Bailey.

Executive Council: Mrs. Rowland Earp, Mr. A. Barton, Mr. R. E. Essery, B.Sc., Mr. A. E. Fewster, Mr. H. A. Gill, Mr. E. W. Whitman, Mr. H. S. Yearsley.

The Honorary Vice-Presidents were re-elected.

The Meeting then considered various matters connected with the work and objects of the Society, and the following schemes were unanimously adopted.

Examinations to be held periodically, in various branches of the Science, and Certificates of Merit to be awarded to successful entrants. The first examination to be in Elementary Astrology, and to be held at the end of March.

The Inauguration of a Million Penny Fund, for the raising of sufficient money to purchase or rent suitable premises, so that the work and objects of the Society can be fully put into operation, including the Reading Room and Library, Lecture Room, and Astrological Club.

A special collection was taken in the Room and upwards of 100 pennies resulted. The President suggested that the members should put by a penny a week, and that a special collection should be taken once a month in aid of the fund. He also stated that a Collecting Box would be obtained, and placed on the table at each meeting. At the time of writing these notes, upwards of 1,200 pence have been received.

A motion that members should wear a badge, met with some slight criticism and objection, but on a vote being taken it was decided to adopt the suggestion, subject to the wearing of the badge being optional.

The question of an annual dinner or summer outing was also suggested, and the matter was referred to the Executive Council to consider and report to the next General Meeting.

It was resolved that the question of investing a part of the surplus funds be also referred to the Council.

At the close of the meeting the President gave a short address. He expressed his appreciation and thanks for the honour which the members had conferred upon him by re-electing him as their President, and stated that he intended to do his best to give them every satisfaction and to make the Society even more successful than it had been in the past. He seriously impressed upon the members the necessity for co-operation on their part, not only by regular attendance at the meetings, but by interesting their friends in the science, and inducing them to become members. He also expressed his pleasure at the continued harmony and goodwill which prevailed between the members, so different to what they had experienced a few years back, when a certain section were continually creating disharmony by personal attacks against the heads of the Society, and endeavouring to create dissatisfaction among the rank and file. This, he stated, was now a thing of the past, and he was satisfied that it would never again occur in the Society.

He further stated that it had now become necessary for some member to be appointed to assist him in connection with the management of the Society, as this work had now become so extensive as to require more time than he could afford to give, and that he would shortly bring this matter before the Council for their consideration.

A vote of thanks to the President concluded a most successful and enthusiastic Annual Meeting.

Eastern Versus Western Methods.

By E. H. BAILEY.

(Continued from page 75.)

As stated in the last paragraph of page 75, I now give the rules for determining the duration of life, or to speak correctly, I will show how the Hindu rules can be "adapted" to the western zodiac.

Now the word "adapt," according to the dictionary, means "to make to correspond," "to fit by alteration or adaptation," and this is exactly what I have done, *viz.*, to "fit the rules by alteration to the western zodiac."

The rule is given in the Brihat Jataka, ch. 7, stanza 10, and runs as follows:—

"According to Satyacharya, convert the Sphuta or longitude of the planet into minutes; divide the number of minutes by 200; the quotient will represent the number of *navamsas* passed over by the planet from the first point of Aries. Divide this by 12, the remainder will give the number of *navamsas* from the *navamsa* of Aries; the number is also the number of years and fraction of a year for the planet."

An illustration is given in the note following this stanza and it is clearly shown that the measure used is one of 12 months of 30 days per month.

Having made the calculations from the planets, Uranus and Neptune being ignored, the seven sets of figures should be placed one under the other with the symbol of the planet against each one.

The next point is that the ascending degree has to be considered, and unless this point is accurately computed, the exact minute being necessary, the resulting calculations will be wrong.

Now, stanza 12 states that the ascending degree must be dealt with in exactly the same way as the planets, but if the rising sign be powerful—(*i.e.*, occupied or aspected by Mercury, Jupiter, or the ruler of the ascendant) then the number of signs represents the years and fraction of a year. Thus, in the latter case $\frac{1}{25}$ would represent 8 years, and twenty-five thirtieths, or five-sixths of a year.

There appears to be some slight difference of opinion among Hindu Astrologers, as I find it

stated by other writers that the point is decided by the strength of the lord of the rising *navamsa*, or the lord of the sign. This, however, can be left at the moment.

The period belonging to the ascendant should be placed underneath the others.

This done, it is necessary to observe whether the planet is exalted or retrograde. Its period is then to be multiplied by *three*. If the planet should be in its own sign, decanate or *navamsa*, or placed in what is termed in Hindu astrology, Vargottama, which are those *navamsas* of the same name as the sign (the Aries *navamsa* of Aries, the Taurus *navamsa* of Taurus, and so on through the signs, as can be seen in the table given on page 44). The period is multiplied by two. There is, however, an important proviso. Only *one* multiplication is allowed, and always the larger one. Thus, if a planet be exalted *and* retrograde its period is multiplied by three *once* only. If in its own sign and decanate, its period is to be multiplied by two, but *once* only. If retrograde and in its own sign or decanate, where the multiplication is by three and two, it is multiplied by *three* only.

There is now a reduction to be made of the periods of those planets in the 12th, 11th, 10th, 9th, 8th and 7th houses, which is as follows:—

House	Malefic	Benefic
12	Whole period	One half
11	One half	One quarter
10	One third	One sixth
9	One quarter	One eighth
8	One fifth	One tenth
7	One sixth	One twelfth

Should more than one planet occupy a house, then the reduction is made for the most powerful one.

In this matter it must be pointed out that the Sun is always considered malefic, also a decreasing Moon. An increasing Moon is benefic. Mercury is variable, according to the planet it is connected with.

This will suffice for the moment. In the next issue some illustrations will be given.

P. 106.

BIRTHDAY INFLUENCES.—(Contd. from p. 96.)

30. Changes, journeys, success in employ, many worries. A child born will be original, inventive, popular, but erratic, and find many little difficulties in his path.

31. Financial gains and recognition, danger of indisposition and reverses. A child born will be generous, trustworthy, but somewhat erratic, and have much to contend with.

A Direction Test.

By E. H. BAILEY.

The following observations and suggestions are made in connection with the directions operating at the time of the four events in the late King's horoscope, dealt with in the preceding issues of this volume.

1. *The death of the father.* The directions by the orthodox progressive method are distinctly applicable to the event. Certainly the direction of the ascendant to \odot \mathfrak{J} is not very close, but that of ascendant P. par \mathfrak{h} R. is nearly exact. I want, however, to make it quite clear that I do not consider it essential that a direction *must* be exact at the time of an event. I consider that all major directions have a period of formation and dissolution, extending over at least three years, one year forming, one year in power, and a third year in dissolving, and that they can be brought into operation at any time during those three years, by lunar secondary directions, transits, and eclipses, lunar equivalent and diurnal horoscope.

The M.C. of the lunar equivalent for the day of the father's death was \mathfrak{f} 22, and the Sun was in that degree in *exact* square to Saturn in \mathfrak{m} 22.

The degree for a year method shows some interesting points, particularly when the secondary motion of the figure is used. As stated on page 26, the 20th and 21st birthdays commenced as under:—

20th. Nov. 29th, 1841, at 5.44.13 a.m.

21st. Nov. 30th, 1841, at 5.24.4 a.m.

The meridian and ascendant at these times would be:—

	R.A.M.C.	M.C.	Ascdt.
20th.	10.13.59 \mathfrak{m}	1.28 \mathfrak{m}	14.32 \mathfrak{m}
21st.	9.59.44 \mathfrak{Q}	27.45 \mathfrak{m}	12.2 \mathfrak{m}

These figures do not imply that the meridian and ascendant move backwards. The progression is from \mathfrak{m} 1.28 on the 20th birthday onwards through \mathfrak{m} , etc., to \mathfrak{r} 0, and then on to \mathfrak{Q} 27.45 which is reached on the 21st birthday.

The increment by longitude for the 1m. 5 days after the 20th birthday would be $34^{\circ} 38'$, which, added to \mathfrak{m} 1.28 would give \mathfrak{m} $6^{\circ} 6'$ on the M.C. and \mathfrak{f} 7.33 rising.

The following comparison is obtained. On the day of death Mars transits the ascendant of the secondary figure for the 20th birthday. The progressed secondary ascendant is in conjunction with the \odot P, which is in parallel with \mathfrak{J} P.

Adopting the same process with the mean motion of the Sun per year, particulars of which are given at the foot of page 26, col. 2, we obtain M.C. 28.9 \mathfrak{m} , ascendant 28.34 \mathfrak{m} , the latter nearly opposition \mathfrak{D} R., and the former nearly \mathfrak{g} \mathfrak{h} R.

In regard to the Rotary method, the figures given on page 26 were in error, and were corrected on page 45.

The M.C. of the rotary horoscope for the 20th birthday was \mathfrak{m} 29.46 and the addition for 1m. 5 days— $2^{\circ} 55'$ would make it \mathfrak{m} 2.41. Taking this rotation by Sidereal time instead of longitude we obtain the following:—

	h. m. s.
R.A.M.C. at birth	13.50.55
20 years	16. 0. 0
1m.	10. 0
5d.	1.40
	6. 2. 35.

M.C. \mathfrak{m} 0.35 \mathfrak{g} \mathfrak{h} R. Ascendant \mathfrak{m} 0.28, \square \mathfrak{h} .

In the next issue the directions for marriage shall be examined and analysed in the same manner.

The British Astrological Society.

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ASTROLOGY AND DISEASE: AN INVESTIGATION.

By E. H. BAILEY.

Convulsions, which is a complaint particularly fatal to children, especially babies, is one on which very little has been written.

Mr. C. E. O. Carter, in his Psychological Astrology, writes as follows: "Convulsions seems as a rule to be due to Mars or Saturn afflictions to the Sun or Mercury in the mutable signs. Some authors state that it is a fixed sign complaint, but that has not been my experience, judging from examples actually examined."

I have a large number of cases in my collection and I propose to take them one by one and examine the various indications.

1. *Male*.—1st July, 1837, 4.30 a.m., lived 8 days. ♀ N. of ☿ rising. ♃ ♄ N. of ♀. ♀ ♃ in ♊. ☐ ♃ in ♋ N. of ♀. ♃ ☐ ♃. Common signs. ♃ afflicted by ♃, and both afflicting Moon ruler of ascendant.

2. *Male*.—26th September, 1837, 2.30 p.m., lived 42 days. ♄ N. of ♊ rising. ♃ ruler ascendant. ☐ ♃. ♃ not afflicted. ♃ ♃ ♃ in common signs. ♃ ☐ ♃ and ♃. Fixed sign influence here.

3. *Male*.—4th October, 1837, 4 a.m., lived 2m. 6d. ♀ N. of ♊ rising. ♃ ♃ ♃ conjoined in ♊. ♃ in ♃ 1.22 in ♃ to the three planets in Scorpio. Common and Fixed signs.

4. *Female*.—21st October, 1837, 2 p.m., lived only 30 minutes. Aquarius 1° rising. ♃ in ♋ N. of ☿, ☐ ☐ in ♀ N. of ☿. ♃ in ♃ N. of ♀ in eighth house. Common and Fixed signs again.

5. *Female*.—8th January, 1838, 7.30 p.m., lived 6 days. ♊ N. of ♄ rising. ☐ par. ♃. ♃ in ♊ N. of ♊. ♃ in ♀ 25. Mercury not afflicted. Fixed and Common signs involved.

6. *Female*.—25th January, 1838, 5.30 a.m., lived 3m. 24d. ♊ N. of ♃ rising, ♃ par. ♃ and ♃, but ☐ ♃ and ♄ ♃. ♃ in ♋ N. of ♊.

7. *Male*.—28th July, 1847, 1 a.m., lived only one hour. ♀ rising. ♃ N. ♃ in ♃. ♃ ☐ ☐. ♃ ☐ ♃. Affliction here very poor. A case of prenatal affliction.

8. *Male*.—21st September, 1847, 6 p.m., lived 4m. 27d. ♄ N. of ♄ rising. ♃ ☐ ♃ in ♊ N. of ♊. ♃ ascendant. ☐ in ♋ N. of ☿ ☐ ♃ in ♃.

9. *Male*.—29th September, 1847, 11.30 a.m., lived 4m. 29d. ♃ rising. ♃ N. ♃ in ♃. ♃ in ♀. ♃ ☐ ♃ ♃ ♃. The affliction is

shown by ♃ ♃ acting on ♃ ascendant. Fixed and Common signs.

10. *Female*.—6th January, 1848, 10 p.m., lived 10m. 7d. This is a case of Convulsions due to Dentition followed by Coma. ♀ N. of ♊ rising. ☐ ☐ ☐ ♃ ♃. Moon separating from ☐ ☐. ♃ in ♃. ♃ in ♋ N. of ♃. Chiefly Fixed and Common.

11. *Male*.—18th January, 1848, 5 p.m., lived 29 days. ♃ N. of ♄ rising. ♃ in ♃. Fixed sign influence distinctly.

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is owing to the Moon passing over a square aspect at the beginning of an illness.

And this is wherein the power of Astrology consists, from the fact that it explains much phenomena, which at present, remain a hypothetical mass of conjectural confusion. Our science of to-day is far wanting in the explanation of things; now there is one explanation, to-morrow there will be another. But this Planetism is the same ever, it is of the ages and abides constantly, unvarying in its truth; a gem resplendent in the hand of time. This Planetism tells of the greatness and infinitude of the Absolute, of the kindredship of the stars, and the awing magnitude of the universe; that man is not an aimless speck in the great and appalling vastness of this field of vibration, molecule and atom, but an heir to the incomprehensible possibilities in the vistas of Destiny. This Planetism yet comes to earth and becomes very useful in the common paths of life; despite the fact that it is of the heavens. Although it is of the heavens, yet it is not among the clouds, it is brilliant in its wisdom, and boundless in its knowledge to them who wot to read. It will point out the course to take and the course to avoid, the time to sow and the time to reap, the time to rest and the time to work. It will teach the practical man of the world when to seek the market, and when to stand apart, when wares are worth the venture, and when they are not. And so this lore of stars, this Planetism, manifests its truth, and demonstrates the correlation of the physical forces, brings to the soul the great unity or oneness of nature, the substratum of whose transient phenomena is the infinite, eternal and ever-abiding reality. This is the power of Astrology, the magic of the ancient lore of Chaldea and Assyria; the first in the race of knowledge, surviving the epochs of persecution and intolerance, here triumphant and majestic, awaiting its time to once more be a guide to the spirit in man.

PLANETISM: OR THE POWER OF ASTROLOGY.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

There is much talk of the Aquarian Age at this time; and there is much contention as to whether it has begun or not. And of course, there is abundance of argument for and against; that the time, is as yet, afar off, with some that the dawn is not yet, but about to be, and with others that the epoch is here, and the unfolding of the kingdom of God is at hand. Be it as it may, there are many signs at present in the world around us, that point to a distinct advance in the *regime* of the life of humanity, and a marked state of progress in the thought and procedure of the world.

It is indeed a sign of evolution and advancement when one reads an article in the *Sphere* of the month of November last, entitled "The Revival of the Science of Astrology," by the Baroness Lehman. This writing gives a wonderful and lucid exposition of the great old doctrine of the stars, pointing out that the age is in a condition of great ferment and unrest. "We move for the sake of movement," says the writer, "the last word is the only word that counts. Instead of reason there is a multitude of reasons, of logic a multitude of logics." And further, "There is only one truth, and as this truth is as old as the universe itself, if we are to identify it we must trace it back to the remote past, and relate it to present-day experiences. This process of exploration inevitably brings us to Astrology. For Astrology was the religion of antiquity and the parent of Astronomy." This is indeed an indication of spiritual progress when such an article is found in the pages of a popular monthly magazine; which does not cater for matter of this kind, but rather for material of a lighter and more diverting nature to the mind of the average person. A whole page is devoted to the theme, and is well worth perusing and preserving as a memento of the present time, when Astrology is about to return to its own right as a science, filled with dignity and truth. After dissertating on the Aquarian Age, the authoress says, "The Astrological signs are ominous, the earthly portents unpromising. The world has some provision of danger, but no adequate realisation of the magnitude of the task that lies before it." Then further, "For this failure, ignorance of Astrology is largely responsible. And here let it be finally emphasized that Astro-

logy does not foretell so much as forewarn." Thus, in her conclusion, the gifted writer redeems the ancient lore of stars from the association of fortune telling. A mighty article, and a mighty sign of the times. *Sic Itur ad Astra.*

Astrology is gaining ground every day, is asserting itself as a truth of magnitude and significant utility; despite the sciolistic and dogmatic, ignorant and feathered-brained attacks of people who know no better. In October of 1926, the magazine, *Science and Invention*, offered 6,000 dollars for what it would accept as a proof of the science of Astrological truth.

Of course the challenge was not taken up, as the conditions laid down were, in the words of the editor of the monthly *Science and Astrology* of America, "putting the astrologers in an embarrassing defensive against a proposition so arranged and conducted, that proof of the science was impossible." Then there was a counter challenge from a business man of Roseau, Minn, U.S.A., to the antagonists of Astrology, of 16,000 dollars, for proof positive that Astrology is false, and a further sum of 22,000 dollars in gold, or its equivalent in land, for the same demonstration. Needless to say, the challenge was not taken up, perhaps owing to the fact that one cannot prove a negative, although they do many wonderful things in the land across the Atlantic tide.

It was suggested to the editors of *Science and Invention* that they time the organic functions of the reproductive system of both man and woman, and note the relation with the Sun and Moon phases and to follow it for one year. They were asked to make a careful investigation, as men of scientific attitude of mind, and tell what mysterious influence produces the cyclic periods of labour and rest in childbirth? Of course this the scientific highbrows did not do, as the task was beyond them; despite the alluring reward of 38,000 dollars. These facts could be greatly dwelt upon, such as the restless and active states of the sick between dawn and noon, and between the gloaming and midnight, and their periods of tranquillity, when the vitality is lower, from noon to nightfall, and from midnight to daybreak. These states are universal, and correspond to the four phases of the Sun—two positive and two negative: during the period of twenty-four hours. Every doctor and trained medical nurse knows the critical periods of three and one-half, seven, ten and one-half and twenty-one days, which an ill person has to go through, subsequent to an attack of fever; they only know that the states supervene, but naught of the cause, which

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Astronomical Phenomena

MARCH, 1928.

Moon's Phases.

Full Moon	-	6th	-	11h. 27m. morn
Last Quarter	-	14th	-	3h. 20m. after
New Moon	-	21st	-	8h. 29m. after
First Quarter	-	28th	-	11h. 54m. morn

Planetary Positions.

- ☉ The SUN is in Pisces, enters Aries 20th at 8.44 p.m., ♄ ♀ on 24th.
- ♿ MERCURY is a morning star in Aquarius, enters Pisces on 18th.
- ♀ VENUS is a morning star in Aquarius, enters Pisces on 18th, ☿ ♀ same day.
- ♂ MARS is a morning star in Aquarius all the month.
- ♃ JUPITER is in Aries.
- ♄ SATURN is in Sagittarius.
- ♅ URANUS is in Aries.
- ♆ NEPTUNE is in Leo.

▷ The following table shows the Moon's *sign* position at noon on each day of the month :—

Aries	- - -	22, 23	Libra	- - -	8, 9
Taurus	- - -	24, 25	Scorpio	- - -	10, 11, 12
Gemini	- - -	26, 27	Sagittarius	- - -	13, 14
Cancer	1, 2, 28, 29		Capricorn	- - -	15, 16, 17
Leo	- - -	3, 4, 30, 31	Aquarius	- - -	18, 19
Virgo	- - -	5, 6, 7	Pisces	- - -	20, 21

Weather Forecasts.

MARCH, 1928.

1st. Fog and frost over Britain, milder over Ireland, fresh on W. coasts, snow or sleet Scotland. 2nd. Little or no change over U.K. 3rd. Frost less intense, but fog is general. 4th. Frost ended but fog not entirely dispersed, milder, keeping fine but less settled in N. 5th. A renewal of fog and frost in most areas, milder in W. Ireland. 6th. Increasing N'ly winds over E. Britain and North Sea, where some rain or sleet is likely, fog or cloud will be general. 7th. Showers are likely in our E. districts, mist or fog still probable in S.W. and Wales, cloudy generally, N. or N.W. winds. 8th. Rain or snow to N. and E. Scotland, colder again over

rest of U.K. and some showers may fall in places. 9th. Easterly or S.E., cloudy or dull generally, milder air coming from W., frost early in parts. 10th. Milder over all U.K., showers generally. 11th. Cloudy, some rain. 12th. Becoming very unsettled over Ireland, later over Britain, rain over Scotland, Southerly, mild. 13th. Continuing unsettled, showers, dull, S'ly. 14th. Wet, S.E. to S.W., increasing in force over England, fog or mist over Anglia and North Sea. 15th. Unsettled and showery, wet over Ireland, S. or S.E. winds, mild for season. 16th. Finer to unsettled over Ireland, showers or heavy rain over rest of U.K., S.W. winds. 17th. Continuing unsettled, sunny, cloudy and showery intervals, typical March weather. 18th. Sunshine and showers. 19th. Less rain, more sunshine, S. or S.E., less settled in N., becoming finer over Ireland. 20th. Gradients increasing especially in N., gales are likely in W. and N., some showers, considerable sunshine in S. of U.K. 21st (Spring Day). S'ly over Britain, veering W'ly over Ireland, unsettled, showery over U.K. 22nd. Showery, some sunshine S'ly. 23rd. S. or S.W. over U.K., dull and wet generally. 24th. S. or S.W. winds, veering to W., later in W., cloudy generally with showers most districts. 25th. Continuing unsettled, on Southerly winds warm, showers, danger of mist or fog early over Midlands and E. England. 26th. No change. 27th. Little or no change, unsettled, increasing winds in W. 28th. Seems to be improving somewhat over most of U.K., except in S. Ireland and S.W. England later when perhaps rain may fall, clouds and sunshine will be very variable. 29th. Colder Northerly winds in W., occasional rain is likely. 30th. Cold N. or N.E. winds over U.K. with heavy skies and rain in places, considerable sunshine in S. and S.W. districts. 31st. Very cold over U.K., slight rain or snow flurries, N.E. winds.

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Birthday Influences during March.

1. Financial troubles, gain in employ, deception. A child born will be popular, but extravagant, and meet with many annoyances.

2. Activity and changes, little worries. A child born will be inventive and skilful, but have a quiet life.

3. Changes, journeys, financial gains, danger of disputes, grief, accidents and indisposition, much deception. A child born will be original, generous and intuitive, but rash, indiscreet, careless, and have many difficulties to face.

4. Social gains and recognition, danger of disputes, scandal and loss. A child born will be affectionate and trustworthy, somewhat rash and irritable, and have a hatred of control.

5. Deception and intrigue. A child born will be impressionable, mediumistic, but unreliable.

6. Business gains, danger of indisposition, bereavement and trouble in employ. A child born will be clever, but proud, and have many difficulties to meet.

7. Financial gains and success in employ, unexpected and adverse changes. A child born will be generous and popular, but erratic and meet with reverses.

8. Activity, changes, financial losses and reverses. A child born will be enterprising and skilful, but extravagant and wayward, and will have many ups and downs in life.

9. Indisposition or bereavement, financial and social gains, business success, recognition and popularity. A child born will be clever, affectionate, trustworthy and generous, but will have a difficult path to tread.

10. Business gains, danger of disputes, accidents and annoyances. A child born will be clever, but hasty, impulsive and unreliable.

11. Social benefits, gain in employment, deception. A child born will be affectionate and popular, but wayward and unreliable.

12. Financial gains, changes, danger of grief, scandal, intrigue, disputes and accidents. A child born will be generous and popular, but careless, untruthful, rash, hasty and deceptive.

13. Activity, new work, financial gains, danger of indisposition. A child born will be enterprising, generous and pushful, but wayward, and have many difficulties to face.

14. Social gains, business changes, danger of ill-health, trouble in employ, and many difficulties. A child born will be proud and selfish, clever, artistic and impressionable.

15. Reverses and troubles through the other sex. A child born will be erratic and wayward, and will suffer much treachery from females.

16. Financial troubles and many annoyances. A child born will be extravagant and unreliable, and make little progress in life.

17. Changes, journeys, popularity, success in employ. A child born will be original and inventive, and generally successful in employ.

18. Financial gains and recognition, social benefits, danger of disputes, accidents and ill-health. A child born will be artistic, generous, trustworthy, but very hasty and rash, and have many obstacles to overcome.

19. Business gains, courtship or marriage, danger of disputes and intrigue. A child born will be clever, industrious, affectionate, artistic, but rash, and will have much deception to meet.

20. Business and social gains, pleasure, deception. A child born will be clever, artistic and affectionate, but unreliable.

21. Indisposition, financial gains, changes. A child born will be generous and popular, but selfish, and have much to contend against.

22. Reverses, annoyances and difficulties, then financial gains, new works and success. A child born will be generous, enterprising, and capable, but will be erratic and meet with many ups and downs in life.

23. Financial gains, recognition and new friends. A child born will be generous, reliable, impressionable, romantic, and wayward.

24. Business gains, changes, new work, courtship or marriage, great activity, unexpected changes, both good and evil. A child born will be clever, industrious, affectionate, enterprising, and will meet with unexpected reverses.

25. Danger of disputes and accidents, deception and annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, unreliable and wayward, and have very little success.

26. Changes, journeys, financial gains, success in employ, danger of scandal, grief and indisposition. A child born will be original, generous, popular and inventive, have a hatred of control, be careless, and have much to contend with.

27. Activity, new work, changes, danger of ill-health, accidents and disputes. A child born will be energetic, enterprising, but rash, hasty and diffident.

28. Business gains, changes, social benefits, danger of reverses and unpopularity. A child born will be clever, industrious, affectionate and artistic, but proud, erratic and unreliable.

29. Financial losses, annoyances. A child born will be extravagant and unreliable, and make little progress in life.

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