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THE EDITOR'S OBSERVATORY

ASTROLOGICAL DEGENERATION.

The more I study and investigate into the laws of Astrology the more am I convinced that the majority of astrologers not only in this country, but in foreign lands as well, are running away from the main truths of the science and landing themselves in a morass of error and delusion from which they will find it difficult to extricate themselves. From what I can see at the present time, there appears to be a distinct refusal to study or even consider the ancient and traditional laws of the science which have been handed down by the old masters. Valuable time is frittered away in the examination of theories which have no real basis in the laws of Astrology.

I have for many years now, consistently advocated a return to "First principles," that is, a complete recognition and practice of the ancient laws as laid down by the great adepts of old, who knew the real basis of the science, and religiously adhered to it. Every day this fact is brought home to me and I am compelled to state that a great deal of what passes muster as Astrology is as far removed from the true science as the two poles of the earth are removed from each other.

The science will never obtain the recognition

of the scientific world while it is put forward in the coat of many colours with which it is now robed. It must be freed from all "osophies," "ologies" and "isms." It must be made a science, definite, practical and verifiable, an integral part of Physics and capable of proof. It must have a strictly scientific basis and foundation, and founded on the evidence of ascertained facts. It must be a physical science like astronomy and geology.

Astrology is this. It is a science, definite and capable of direct verification and proof. It does possess a strictly scientific basis and foundation and the ancient laws which are as the laws of the Medes and Persians and change not, are the same now as they were thousands of years ago.

But a great deal of present day astrology is neither one thing nor another. Much of it is a jumble of pseudo-occult and pseudo-esoteric theories which are not capable of proof or verification, and are of no practical value either to the main-in-the-street or the competent student and investigator, and less to the ordinary reader.

The time has come when Astrology must and will be placed on its proper footing. The

first steps have been taken, and I appeal to all bona-fide astrologers who regard their science in the light I have mentioned to join hands and realise the object.

I shall have more to say on this matter next month.

E. H. BAILEY.

DEATH OF GREAT ASTROLOGER

We deeply regret to announce the death, on 12th March, 1937, of B. Suryanarain Row, the grand old man of Hindu Astrology, at the advanced age of 82 years. His Horoscope was published in these pages in July, 1914.

URGENTLY WANTED.—Six copies of Part I of the Editor's Private Lessons on Medical Astrology. Two shillings and sixpence paid for each copy in good condition. Copies to be sent to the Editor, B.J.A., 10/11, Red Lion Court, Fleet Street, London, E.C.4.

EDITORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Readers of the JOURNAL are requested to note that the Editor does not undertake professional astrological work. Advice as to the study of the science, best books to read, and any instructional advice will be given readily.

Also will they please note that all letters requiring a reply must be accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope.

DAILY GUIDE

For Business and Pleasure, June 1937

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	1 ♃ 39	An uncertain day; attend to ordinary duties.
2	14 57	Safeguard health; guard against deception; write letters evening.
3	28 38	Push business a.m.; safeguard health p.m.
4	12 ♀ 43	Court, marry, visit friends, ask favours, seek work.
5	27 11	Avoid losses a.m.; visit friends p.m.
6	11 ☾ 59	SUNDAY. Avoid strangers a.m.; visit friends p.m.
7	27 0	Avoid deception; push business a.m.; visit elders p.m.
8	12 ♀ 7	An evil day; act discreetly in dealings with others.
9	27 11	A quiet day; attend to ordinary duties a.m.; safeguard health evening.
10	12 ☽ 2	Travel, change a.m.; guard against disputes p.m.; travel late.
11	26 35	Avoid losses a.m.; write letters mid-day and evening.
12	10 ☿ 43	Avoid strangers and do nothing important; visit friends evening.
13	24 25	SUNDAY Remain quiet.
14	7 ♃ 40	Court, marry, travel, change.
15	20 31	Start new work a.m.; avoid superiors, push business p.m.
16	3 ☽ 2	Write letters a.m.; safeguard health and avoid deception p.m.
17	15 15	An uncertain day; do nothing important.
18	27 16	Ask favours a.m.; act carefully p.m.
19	9 ♃ 8	An evil day; act with discretion in all things.
20	20 57	SUNDAY. Guard against accidents and disputes a.m.; write letters, make plans p.m.
21	2 ♄ 45	Push business; deal with elders.
22	14 35	Sign no papers; guard against deception.
23	26 31	An evil day; do nothing important.
24	8 ♃ 34	A doubtful day; attend to ordinary duties; travel evening.
25	20 47	Travel, start new work, push business, make plans.
26	3 ♃ 10	Guard against accidents and disputes; visit elders p.m.; safeguard health.
27	15 46	SUNDAY. A very evil day; remain quiet.
28	28 35	A doubtful day; attend to ordinary duties.
29	11 ♃ 40	Travel a.m.; guard against deception; safeguard health.
30	25 1	Push business a.m.; sign no papers p.m.

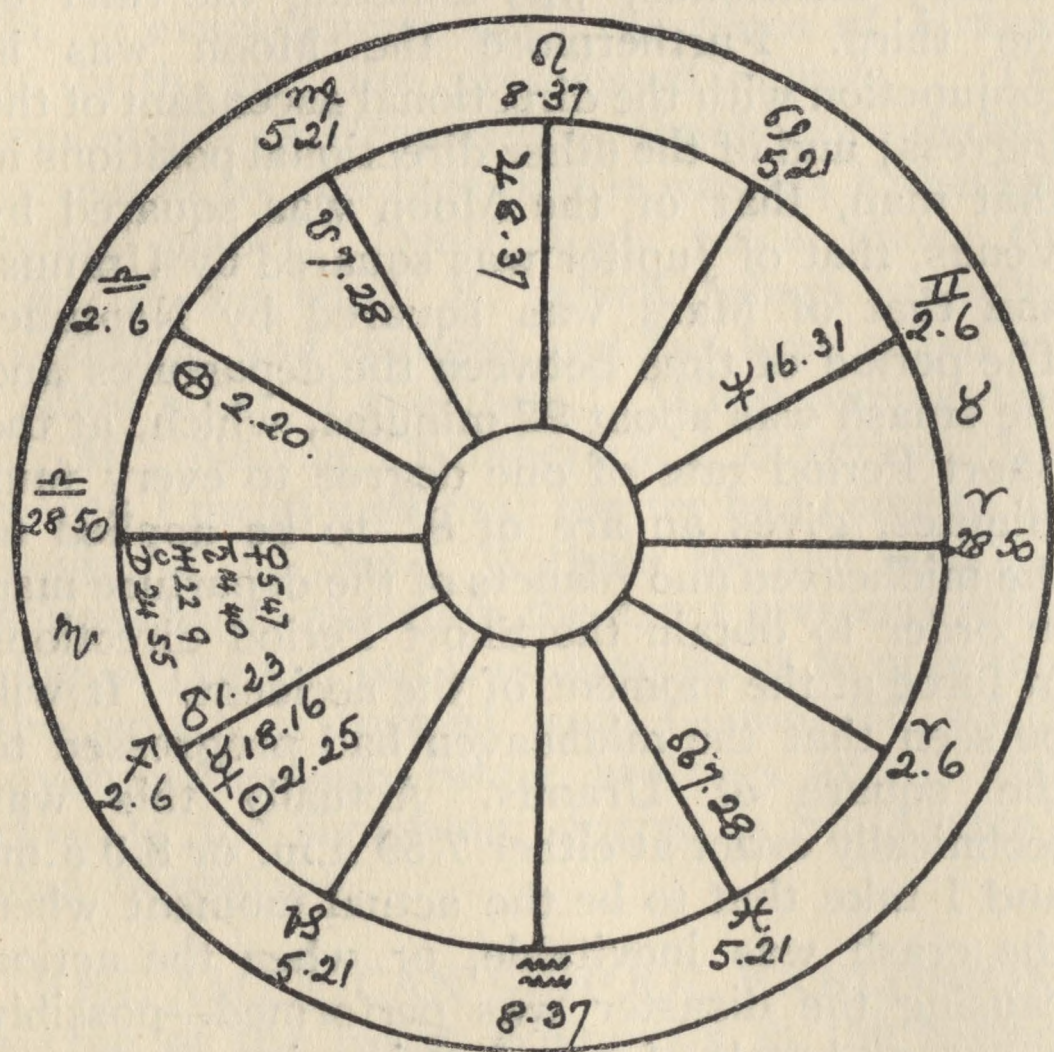
THE CORONATION HOROSCOPES

By E. H. BAILEY

KING GEORGE VI

As May is the month of the Coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, it has been thought of interest to our readers to see their respective horoscopes and study the current Directions under which this event takes place.

King George VI was born at Sandringham on 14th December 1895, and the corrected birth time is 3h. 15m. 10s. a.m., and the map appended is drawn for that time.



The prominent and powerful position of Jupiter exactly on the meridian is the main feature of the map, and has been shown throughout the horoscopes of reigning monarchs of this country since Queen Victoria. Although this planet has a weak affliction from Venus and Saturn, it is in near trine with Mars, and is in mutual reception with the Sun, an exceptionally powerful configuration.

The mean Arc for the 1st May, 1937, is 41.4, and four very powerful and benefic influences are in operation, and exact during April, May and June of the present year.

The Sun has progressed to ☉ 2.12 in trine with the Part of Fortune.

The Moon has reached ☾ 5.42 and is therefore in sextile to the radical Venus, ruler of the horoscope.

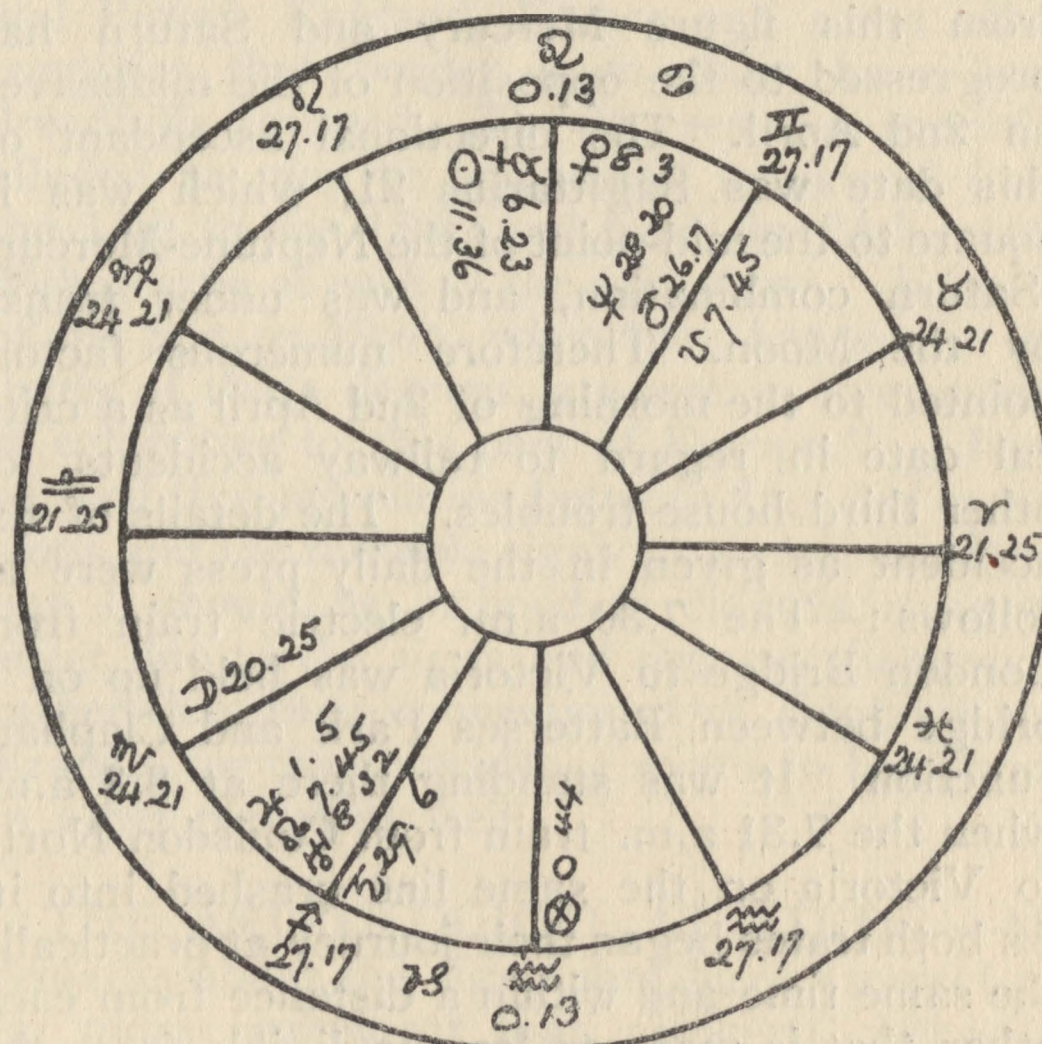
The Dragon's Head is now in ♈ 18.15, forming the trine of Mercury.

The part of Fortune is in ☽ 28.52 and is therefore in conjunction with the ascendant.

The only drawback to these major influences is that the Minor Moon is applying to the opposition of Mars, but this is not exact until the early days of June, though Mars transits its own place and the opposition of the progressed Moon on the day before the Coronation, and the Moon on that day is on its progressed place and in opposition to Mars.

QUEEN ELIZABETH

No authentic horoscope of the Queen appears to have been published. A theoretical figure with the end of Taurus rising has been suggested, but this cannot be accepted as it does not show the elevation to so high a dignity as Queen of England. The horoscope which is appended was originally published in Foulsham's Original Old Moore's Almanack for 1927, and is based on the conjunction of Venus with the meridian for the time of marriage. I have carefully gone over the figures and rectified by the pre-natal epoch this time is confirmed. The corrected time is 11h. 31m. 25s. a.m. of 4th August, 1900. I am unable to guarantee that this is the correct time of birth.



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THE KALEIDOSCOPE

By VIVIAN E. ROBSON, B.Sc.

RAILWAY DISASTERS.—The beginning of April was marked by an alarming epidemic of railway smashes, and there were no less than six in one week. In a general way this was due to the slowing down of Mars in the sign Sagittarius, one of the signs ruling transport, before becoming stationary. The New Moon of 12th March showed strong afflictions in the mutable signs, and Mars close to the cusp of the third house which rules railways. By direction in this map, Mars came to the square of the mutable afflictions between the Sun, Moon, Mercury, Saturn, and Neptune during the period from 22nd March to 3rd April, which is the period during which the accidents were concentrated. It was in square with the Sun and Moon on 1st April, and with Saturn on the 3rd, the mid-point falling on 2nd April, when the most serious accident took place. This was the Southern Railway smash on a bridge near Battersea Park in which several people were killed and many injured. The map for the entry of the Sun into Aries showed Mercury and Saturn in conjunction in the third house within four degrees of the Sun, and in wide opposition with Neptune in the ninth. Jupiter ruler of the third was opposed by the Moon in Cancer 20 in the eighth (death) house, while Mars was in Sagittarius 2 a few degrees above the ascendant. By direction from this figure Mercury and Saturn had progressed to the opposition of the midheaven on 2nd April. The directional ascendant on this date was Sagittarius 21, which was in square to the mid-point of the Neptune-Mercury-Saturn combination, and was under transit by the Moon. Therefore numerous factors pointed to the morning of 2nd April as a critical date in regard to railway accidents, or other third house troubles. The details of the accident as given in the daily press were as follows:—The 7.30 a.m. electric train from London Bridge to Victoria was held up on a bridge between Battersea Park and Clapham Junction. It was standing there at 8.3 a.m. when the 7.31 a.m. train from Coulsdon North to Victoria on the same line crashed into it. As both trains began their journey at practically the same time and within a distance from each other that is more or less negligible from the

point of view of latitude we can use one map to cover both departures. A horoscope for 7.30 a.m. shows the following positions:—Midheaven, Aquarius 0.30; ascendant, Gemini 3.22; Sun, Aries 12.9; Moon, Sagittarius 21.39; Mercury, Aries 20.38; Venus, Taurus 5.14r. Mars, Sagittarius 4.39; Jupiter, Capricorn 24.32; Saturn, Pisces 27.21; Uranus, Taurus 8.0; and Neptune, Virgo 16.56r. Comparing these positions with those at the Ingress we find that Mercury is in square to the Moon in the eighth house, which, as already mentioned, was afflicting the ruler of the third. Furthermore the Moon was in conjunction with the directional ascendant of the Ingress; and of the other directional positions in that map, that of the Moon was squared by Venus, that of Jupiter was squared by Uranus, and that of Mars was squared by Neptune. The period of time between the departures and the smash was about 32 minutes, which, at the Short Period rate of one degree to every four minutes, gives an arc of 8° to be applied to the midheaven and planets of the departure map in order to obtain the Short Period directions in force at the moment of the accident. It will be seen that the midheaven had progressed to the square of Uranus. Actually this was technically exact at either 7.59 a.m. or 8.0 a.m. and I take that to be the actual moment when the crash was inevitable, or when the action causing the disaster was performed—possibly a cut or break of an electric wire, or something of that kind, as indicated by Uranus. That planet was in conjunction with Venus, ruler of the sixth house, in Taurus in the twelfth, and one cannot wonder that sabotage was suspected, in view of the combination of the sixth house ruling employees, the twelfth ruling secret plots, and the money sign Taurus. A good many more points arise from a study of these horoscopes, but the above outline clearly demonstrates the accuracy and value of the Short Period system.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN.—Sir Austen Chamberlain, who died from a heart attack on 16th March, was born at Birmingham on 16th October, 1863, the time being unknown. He had five planets in cardinal signs, of which no less than four were in Libra,

These signs dispose to a political career, and in addition we find the Sun in Libra in trine to the political planet Uranus in Gemini. The conjunction of the Sun and Mars gave greater energy than Libra normally possesses; while the conjunction of Mercury and Saturn in this sign bestowed a cool and diplomatic type of mind with a keen sense of justice, and a desire to act as harmoniser and peace-maker, a desire which reached fulfilment in the completion of the Locarno Pact. By direction the Sun was leaving the square of Neptune at the date of death, and Uranus was in semisquare to the radical Sun. The solar eclipse of last December fell on the directional place of Sir Austen's Saturn, and by Ecliptic direction had progressed to the opposition of his Uranus in Gemini 25, thus stimulating the Uranian direction. On the day of death the Sun and Saturn were in ephemeral conjunction in Pisces 25, in exact square with the place of Uranus at birth and the progressed eclipse. The importance of Uranus is probably considerably increased by the fact that it was his Kabalistic ruling planet. Death took place under the rule of the letter R, which brings unsettled conditions and changes and has been called the "final point of evolution." When commenting on Mr. Neville Chamberlain's directions last month I mentioned that Jupiter had come to the square of the Sun. Without the full map it is impossible to ascertain the exact personal rulership of Jupiter, but it is interesting to note that the square is formed from Gemini 27, which involves the sign ruling brothers and is very close to the significant degree in Sir Austen's own horoscope.

THE AMERICAN SCHOOL EXPLOSION.

—One of the worst explosions in the history of the world took place at Overton, Texas, on 18th March, when hundreds of children were killed by an explosion at a school due, it is believed, to a leaking oilpipe. Overton lies in latitude $32^{\circ} 18' N$, and longitude $95^{\circ} 2' W$, from which its Spherical Equivalent will be found to be Sagittarius 22.27 on the midheaven and Pisces 17.43 on the ascendant. At the New Moon of 12th March the lunation itself fell in Pisces 22, in square to the Spherical midheaven, in close semisquare with Uranus, the planet of explosions, and in conjunction with Saturn, ruler of the eighth house at Overton. It was also in opposition to Neptune, which was situated in Virgo 17 in almost exact opposition to the Spherical ascendant, and this may be looked upon as the underlying cause of the explosion for it indicates the danger from gas

and oil. Apart, however, from the particular relation of 22° of the mutable signs to Overton, there is a further point of interest in regard to these signs and degrees themselves, for it is probably not generally known nowadays that the second and third decanates of the mutable signs are specially related to violent catastrophes. This was first pointed out more than a century ago—to be precise, in No. 7 of *The Stragglng Astrologer*, published on 17th July, 1824—and was supported by a number of very striking cases. The actual quotation is as follows:—"By all persons who have paid close attention to the subject of astrology, with a desire to ascertain its efficacy with regard to popular events, it will have been observed, that when planets have been passing through the sign Gemini, conflagrations have been commonly prevalent, and some very great ones have happened under this sign. But we are not to take this alone as the sign by which such catastrophes are to be anticipated in this particular quarter of the world. Aries, Libra, and Sagittarius have had their share of great fires as well as Gemini; and few have ever happened, except in parts very remote in England, but when those signs have been very strongly affected. The particular quality of any combination of influence that may happen to be in familiarity with those signs, should, however, be at all times attentively considered, when that which depends upon them is investigated with a view to foretell events which they are known to rule. It has been, moreover observed, that, when the planets have been making their transits through some particular degrees of the signs Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces, England, France and some other countries that border upon them have been dreadfully agitated. The degrees thus specially alluded to may be considered to extend from the 11th to the 15th, and from the 24th to the 28th degree of each of the said signs. Eclipses of the Sun or Moon, when they happen in the limits of those degrees, are certain forerunners of calamities to this part of Europe." I have verified this association between fires and explosions and the mutable signs on many occasions, but I should be inclined to classify it as an effect due to the signs and degrees themselves rather than their connection with England and France, for the coincidence seems to hold good in other places as well.

THE ASTROLOGICAL ATTITUDE.—My remarks about the sign Libra have brought me far more agreement than criticism, rather to my surprise, and I am tempted to indulge in

a few more home-truths in regard to various astrological matters. By far the most important error into which most amateur astrologers (and even some professionals) fall is that of regarding the whole subject from an entirely mistaken point of view. I have grouched a little about this before, but have perhaps not properly explained the grounds for grouching. Some years ago a lady showed me the horoscope of a man who shot three people and said "Would anybody ever take that to be the horoscope of a murderer?" Now that is an example of the sort of attitude that is so common among students, and is really due to looseness of thought. One can study the horoscopes of doctors, or sailors, or actors, or members of any kind of business or profession and expect to find points of resemblance, but the gentle art of murder is scarcely to be regarded as a profession, at least outside the United States, and is not the main activity of anyone's life. There cannot be such a thing as the horoscope of a murderer, except in the case of a professional assassin. Fundamentally a murder is really incidental and the culmination of a chain of causes and effects. Any horoscope of a native with strong desires and a distorted mentality or weak will is that of a potential murderer, and that is all there is to it. Astrology itself works in a relentlessly logical way, and unlike most people, is concerned with things as they are rather than as they appear to be. To see any mental quality in a map necessitates the analysis of that quality. Thus people with a strong Uranus are often said to be rude. But the criticism is usually unfair, and due to lack of analysis. For example, a Uranian could go to a party, and on seeing someone he was anxious to speak to, could easily ignore his hostess and everyone else and rush straight up to the person he sought. But this would not really be rudeness, though it would certainly appear so. The Uranian mind is a very one-pointed affair, and is apt to forget everything but the one thought uppermost at the time. The effect of this is often to cause apparent rudeness, whereas the true explanation is either too strong an individuality, or too direct a mind, or some similar quality. The man in the street naturally sees only the effect of rudeness, but the astrologer should be able to look below the superficial appearance and analyse it into its true component elements. Not that he does, as a rule! I personally have a thoroughly annoying habit of saying "Exactly what do you mean?" when asked what, for example, shows pride in a horoscope. I know it is annoying to the ques-

tioner, but the trouble is that pride is a very complex thing, and may arise from all sorts of causes. There may be pride of appearance, or pride of position and wealth, or "proper pride" (whatever that may be), or even pure unadulterated "swank," but each has its astrological signs, and one must definitely get into the habit of analysing all these varieties, for the horoscope is entirely logical and cold-blooded about them, and never wraps up qualities in fancy names. And now one final grouse. I am sure no student of astrology would ever admit that he thought himself infallible or that he had a full and complete knowledge of the science. But unfortunately a very large number of students act as if they thought so. It is not uncommon to hear someone say, for example, "The native died of consumption, but the horoscope certainly doesn't show it." There are two unconscious assumptions here, namely that the speaker has sufficient knowledge to know that the horoscope does not show consumption, or alternatively that astrology is incorrect. Of course it does not in the slightest matter whether the astrologer believes he knows it all or not, but the trouble is that by his unconscious assumption he loses the chance to learn. The only way to learn is to assume that one is wrong, and that the horoscope really does show consumption in some way beyond one's personal knowledge. Then the really keen astrologer will do his utmost by comparison and otherwise to fill the gap in his knowledge, and will certainly make discoveries. The lazy astrologer will postulate an undiscovered planet, the comfort of this method being that one can always produce more undiscovered planets to explain further difficulties. But the self-satisfied astrologer, Heaven help him, will continue to assume that astrology is all wrong, and nothing that I, or anyone else, can say will alter him, so let us leave it at that!

ASTRO-KABALISM

MR. VIVIAN E. ROBSON invites enquiries from all interested in the application of Astro-Kabalistic methods to their personal horoscopes and problems.

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SENSITIVE POINTS

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7. *Part of the Sex of Children.* Formula: Ascendant + Jupiter - Moon. (Unchanged at night.) This is the same as No. 3, the Part of Male Children, and is one of the French series. Presumably its position and aspects by direction or transit at the time of the birth of children are the factors to be considered when using it.

8. *Part of the Prospects of the Children.* Formula: Ascendant + Venus - Moon. (Unchanged at night.) This is another French part, and is identical in construction with the Part of Female Children. It seems to be of rather too general a nature to be of much use, except in so far as it relates to the parent's money and possessions, as suggested by the factors composing it.

9. *Part of the Love of Children.* Formula: Ascendant + Saturn - Venus. (Unchanged at night.) This is one of the few distinctive fifth house parts, and in practice seems to give good results. Its position and aspects in the radical horoscope appear to indicate not only the fondness or otherwise of the native for children but also the prospects of a large or small family.

10. *Part of the Sex of the Native.* Formula: Ascendant + Moon - Dispositor of Moon. (Reverse at night.) The position of this point considered with reference to the sex of the sign occupied, and of the other planets in strongest aspect is said to indicate the sex of the native. This seems a little too cut-and-dried a method to be altogether convincing, and there seems room for experiment, especially in the relation, if any, of this point to the Epochal horoscope.

11. *Part of Plays and Junkettings.* Formula: Ascendant + Venus - Mars. This is one of Gadbury's points, and is presumably the same by night as by day. I am not quite certain as to the interpretation to be placed upon the word "play." It might refer to theatrical performances, for the word was used in that sense as early as 1440, but I think this is unlikely and should expect it to mean games and amusements of all kinds. It does not seem to be of special importance in the horoscope of actors, so far as I have been able

to test it, and it would be safer to use it simply as a general factor in the study of the native's pleasures and amusements.

SIXTH HOUSE PARTS.

1. *Part of Illness.* Also called *Part of Sickness and Infirmities*, *Part of the Feebleness of the Limbs*, and *Pars Azemana*. Formula: Ascendant + Mars - Saturn. According to the French and Arabian authors, this formula should be reversed at night. As I have mentioned in a previous article, I do not see why this part should invariably be one of illness and accident. No doubt it would be so in many cases, for it employs the two malefics, but neither Mars nor Saturn is invariably or inevitably a malefic in all horoscopes, and as is no doubt the case with all these parts, it should be used with discrimination.

2. *Part of Servants.* There are two variants of this part, namely: (a) Formula: Ascendant + Moon - Mercury, and (b) Formula: Ascendant + Fortuna - Mercury. The more usual form is that given under (a), which is to be reversed at night according to the French authors, but left unchanged according to Albumasar. The second variant (b) is given only by the French authors, and is to be reversed at night. The construction of these parts suggests a difference in their application, and we have to remember when dealing with mediæval books and expressions that the exact meanings of the words were not necessarily the same as they are to-day. In variety (a) the factors are Mercury, normal ruler of the sixth house, and the Moon, ruler of the fourth. Therefore we should expect this particular point to refer primarily to domestic servants, gardeners, and others employed for work privately and at home. But in variety (b) the factors comprise Mercury, ruler of the sixth house, and Fortuna. Therefore this point appears to refer more particularly to servants from whom some kind of financial gain is expected, or in other words business employees, who would be classed as servants in the old days. I would suggest that these parts be separated, and that variety (b) should be called the *Part of Employees*, while variety (a) retains its original name.

3. *Part of Prison, Slavery, Bondage or Captivity.* Formula: By day, Ascendant + Sun - Dispositor of Sun; by night, Ascendant + Moon - Dispositor of Moon. If either the Sun or Moon, as the case may be, is in its

own sign or exaltation, the place of that luminary alone is to be taken as the sensitive point. This is the complete formula, and the Part is often incompletely given by the old authors, Gadbury, for example, giving merely the night formula alone.

SEVENTH HOUSE PARTS.

There is a rather lengthy list of Parts relating to this house, and chiefly to marriage.

1. *Part of Marriage.* Formula: Ascendant + cusp of seventh house - Venus. (Unchanged at night.) This is a distinctive part given only by Gadbury, and said to relate to the marriages of both men and women, which all other authors separate.

2. *Part of the Marriage of Men.* Formula: Ascendant + Venus - Sun. (Reverse at night.) Albumasar varies this formula, which is given by several authors, to Ascendant + Venus - Saturn, stating that it should be left unchanged at night. It is difficult to decide which formula is the more likely to be correct without very extensive research, but it seems probable that one of them arose out of faulty copying on the part of the mediæval authors.

3. *Part of the Marriage of Women.* Formula: Ascendant + Saturn - Venus. All the authors agree as to this formula and say that it should be reversed at night, but Albumasar, while giving the same formula, retains it unchanged in nocturnal maps. It will be seen that it is the reverse of his Part of the Marriage of Men, and for this reason I think it is unlikely that the error in the latter is due to him. The use of the last three parts is chiefly directional.

4. *Part of Weddings or Part of the Time of Weddings.* Formula: Ascendant + Venus - Saturn. (Unchanged at night.) Here Albumasar's Part of the Marriage of Men crops up again, for the formula is the same. Presumably this point should show directions and transits at the date of marriage, but I have never found it of much service.

5. *Part of the Difficulties of Marriage.* Formula: Ascendant + Dispositor of Venus - Moon. (Unchanged at night.) This part is, I think, a valuable one, and yields radical and directional positions which seem sensitive to transits. It is one that I have found to be distinctly worthy of study.

6. *Part of Discord and Controversy, or Part of the Discord of Marriage.* Formula: Ascendant + Jupiter - Mars. According to Albumasar this formula should be reversed at night, but according to Gadbury (who gives it the first and more general title) it should remain unchanged. There seems to be no particular reason why this part should refer specially to marriage, and judging by the factors I should expect it to refer to general rivalry in business, law, and similar matters.

7. *Part of Opposition.* Formula: Ascendant + Mercury - Saturn. This is one of Albumasar's points, and is to be retained in the same form at night.

8. *Part of the Beauty of Women.* Formula: Ascendant + Mars - Moon. (Unchanged at night.) I have no information as to how this part was intended to be used, but I presume its position and aspects were supposed to indicate the beauty or otherwise of the wife. It is extremely unlikely that it was intended to be used in a woman's horoscope.

9. *Part of the Honesty of Women.* Formula: Ascendant + Venus - Moon. (Unchanged at night.) This is another Albumasar point, and like the last chiefly to be used in male horoscopes. Here "honesty" means chastity, and presumably the part was used to determine the faithfulness or otherwise of the wife. This part and the last would seem to be applicable to Horary Astrology as well as to the Natal branch.

10. *Part of Pleasure.* Formula: Ascendant + cusp of seventh house - Mercury. (Unchanged at night.) This part is given by the French authors, and seems to refer to harmony and pleasure in marriage, rather than to pleasure in general. The inclusion of Mercury in the formula is rather puzzling, and as I have found it in only one author I am inclined to think that it has arisen through a mistaken copying of the general Part of Marriage, or possibly through an early misprint of Mercury for Venus.

(To be continued.)

THE HOUSES OF THE HEAVENS

By E. H. BAILEY.

During the last month I have had an opportunity of studying a series of articles in *Modern Astrology* for 1904/5/6, on the subject of the Construction of the Celestial theme. These articles ran for several months, but then only appeared at intervals and finally stopped before they were completed, hence no definite decision could be arrived at. From these articles I find no information of value to serve the purpose I have in view, and I must therefore leave them alone. I had hoped to obtain some useful information from them in regard to my subject, and must confess my disappointment in regard to them.

It certainly seems to me the more I consider the matter, that the question is quite a simple one, and that it is only the stupid prejudice of certain astrologers which prevents it from being settled. There is no disputing the fact that the two traditional methods of erecting the horoscope were (1) by the equal division starting from the exact rising degree and known as the Rasi-Chakra method, and (2) the method fathered on Porphyry, who did not invent it, of taking the exact meridian and ascendant at the moment of birth, and dividing each quadrant of the map into three equal parts. In both cases the actual cusp found was considered as the centre of the house, the point of maximum influence.

Several astrologers I know who have adopted this latter method are satisfied that by its use better results are obtained in the judgment of horoscopes and directions and I can add my own personal evidence and support of their views.

Astrologers have to look at facts and judge by results, and if the results of the examination of hundreds of horoscopes confirms the use of the Porphyry method, then there is every justification for its use.

Evidence has been produced from statements made more than 100 years ago, that the method of Regiomontanus has no mathematical basis, and as stated by Dr. Sibley is "the most remote from and abhorrent to natural truth."

The method of Campanus no doubt has a great attraction to many students, as it had to myself years ago, until certain facts were shown

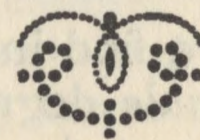
me and satisfied me that the claims made for it could not be substantiated. The action of certain astrologers of using the cusps of the Campanus method as centres, showed that they had gleaned a little light in regard to the subject, but as Campanus did not advocate this theory, it was only putting new wine into old bottles. Why did not they go the whole hog, and use the original method in which cusps as centres was an established fact?

There are many reasons, other than those given, to show that the methods of Campanus, Regiomontanus and Placidus are more or less the inventions of men who were mathematicians first and astrologers afterwards and who thought more of the intricate mathematics than the rules of astrological judgment, and sought to make the latter subservient to the former.

There is a further point for consideration. The cusps of the houses are longitudinal points; they are points on the ecliptic, and the measurement of the cusps is wholly on the ecliptic. In the Regiomontanus method the equator is divided. The equator is an imaginary line. In the Campanus method the Prime Vertical is divided. This is also an imaginary line. In the Placidian method the arcs of each planet which are also imaginary lines, are divided. In the method of Porphyry the zodiacal circle is divided. This is an actual reality. The circle of the zodiac actually exists.

I have no intention of further discussing the validity or otherwise of the three methods mentioned above. It would be mere waste of time. I still await the proof from the followers of Campanus that their method is the one and only correct method of house division, and does not fail in high latitudes. Until such time as this proof is forthcoming I am content to follow the original and traditional method laid down thousands of years ago, viz., the one used by myself in these pages.

I shall now proceed to give further information respecting this particular system.



THE PRE-NATAL EPOCH

SIMPLIFIED

By E. H. BAILEY

The necessity for taking sex into consideration in the rectification of horoscope cannot be disputed, in spite of the attempts of people to rectify subjects which have no sex at all.

It is quite possible to rectify a birth time and confirm it within two or three minutes and yet get an epoch which gives the wrong sex, and this is very clearly illustrated in the horoscope of the eldest daughter of the late King Edward VII, who was born on February 20th, 1867, at 6.35 a.m.

The ascendant at this time is ♈ 13.37, and the Moon is in ♊ 19.42, decreasing and above. The sidereal time is 16.33.17. This is an epoch of the second order, Moon above and decreasing. Both factors at birth are in female degrees. This point should not be overlooked.

Treating it as an ordinary epoch of the second order, the Index date would fall on May 22nd, 1866, and the actual day of epoch before noon of May 20th.

We have this calculation:—

S.T. Moon sets	17.42.34
S.T. May 19th, 1866	3.47.33
	13.55. 1
Add for W. Long.	37
	13.55.38
Correction	2.17
	13.53.21

of May 20th, 1866, at 1h. 53m. 21s. a.m. when the Moon is in $12.36 \text{ } \delta$ the descendant of the horoscope.

This degree sets with a Sidereal time of 16h. 30m. 55s., which is 2m. 22s. less than that at birth showing the time of birth to have been 6h. 32m. 38s. a.m.

But what do we find in the epochal figure? Ascendant in a *male* degree, Moon in a *male* degree, Moon in a *male* quadrant. Therefore how can it be the correct epoch?

Now if the epoch is computed by bringing the Moon round to the ascendant by way of the descendant, and the day of epoch taken as

May 7th, instead of 20th, and the Moon's place made to rise instead of set, as it is in a female degree at birth, we get the following:—

S.T. Moon Rising	5.1.32
S.T. May 7th, 1866	3.0.24
	2.1. 8
Add for W.	37
	2.1.45
Correction	20
	2.1.25

or 2h. 1m. 25s. p.m. of May 7th, when the Moon is in ♈ 12.54, which is the ascendant of the horoscope.

This degree rises with Sid. Time of 16.31.37, which is only 1m. 40s. earlier than at the recorded time. This makes the birth time 6h. 33m. 20s. a.m.

The epoch shows both the Moon and ascendant in degrees of the female sex. Thus is the sex determined.

In the next few issues I will give some simple illustrations of births in which both the Moon and ascendant are in sex areas or degrees.

NUMBERS

It is Proclus who says, "Number hath always a being." And amongst the ancients Pythagoras, Boëtius, Themistius, Averroes of Babylon, and also the great Plato were of the opinion that no man could be a true philosopher without a knowledge of numbers. Francis Barrett, F.R.S., writing in 1801, tells that the prophecies of the famous predicting Abbot Joachim was merely the outcome and work by formal numbers. Numbers were held in great veneration by Pythagoras and his disciples, the great philosopher getting the science from the Egyptians when he studied in their country. The followers of both schools wore, as talismans, magic squares, and to add to their efficacy and virtue, dedicated them to the then known seven planets in many ways, engraving the squares upon plates of the metal ruled by the planets, each with the magic square peculiar to the planet enclosed in a regular polygon or many-sided geometrical figure. This was inscribed in a circle, which was divided into as many equal parts as there were units in the side of the square, with the name of the angel of the planet, and the signs of the zodiac written in the spaces between the polygon and the circumference of the circumscribed circle.

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THE INFLUENCE OF THE PLANETS

By E. H. BAILEY

MARS

The planet Mars is the planet of Desire and in the horoscope its position and aspects show the type of force, energy, executive ability, passion, temper, desire and strength.

It is the planet of strength and plays an important part in the energies, activities and enterprises of the life.

When ruling the ascending sign, or rising at birth it gives an energetic and forceful nature, with plenty of courage and confidence, generosity and enterprise, fondness for freedom and liberty, but a tendency at times to be consequential, impulsive and rash. It gives the necessary power and independence to rise in life and to push forward when occasion demands and take the lead. It is hard to repress the martian activity, and there is a strong tendency to be headstrong and even forceful, aggressive and self-assertive. It is necessary to use self control in speech and action and also to try and conserve the energy and reserve the force for the time when it will be better required. Impulsive tendencies and the strong desire nature need control. When afflicted it gives a very rash and hasty nature, impulsive and uncontrolled desires, brutality, bad temper and lack of self-control.

Its best position is the sign Capricorn for there it is exalted and its power is refined and purified. It has particular strength in Aries and Scorpio, and is also strong in Leo and Sagittarius. Its worse positions are Libra, Taurus and Cancer.

The following is a general idea of the influence of Mars when placed in each of the twelve signs.

ARIES.—Power and strength to forge ahead, with enterprise and ability which will not be under-rated. It gives the pioneer spirit, ability to lead and control, but gives restlessness, changeability and impulse. Mars in Aries will enable people to hold their own and advance themselves especially when thought dominates the actions.

TAURUS.—Firm, practical and solid nature, obstinacy, and stubbornness, at times too much fixity and determination. Keen feelings and ability to sense things through the impressions which will be rather quick and generally re-

liable. Gives success through steadiness, but there is some danger of becoming indifferent.

GEMINI.—Gives an intellectual view of life, love of learning and study, and fondness for travel and change. Usually disposes to two separate influences or two different activities throughout the life. Gives mental impulse and energy, but inclines to indecision and diffusiveness, which makes the life rather unfortunate. Inclines to rash judgments.

CANCER.—Changeable and restless, a love of power and a desire to lead and command. Gives a love of recognition and a desire to come before the public in some form or another. There is a danger of inactivity, and of allowing the imagination to get the upper hand and cause fancy ideas and theories. Trouble is shown in domestic circles.

LEO.—A strong desire nature, passionate, determined, dignified and confident. Gives an ardent love nature, many experiences through the feelings and emotions, fondness for pleasure, enterprise and speculative matters. Free spirited and fond of liberty, somewhat conceited, active fancy, but a tendency to be hasty and to act without thought.

VIRGO.—Critical ability, practicality, industry, business and commercial ability to which the energies should be directed for a fair amount of success, but complete recognition will never be achieved. Care should be taken in dealing with inferiors, and most success will come as a servant and in a subordinate position.

LIBRA.—Good powers of comparison and perception, some ambition and desire for publicity, active fancy, artistic conceptions. The life will be brought to the balance, and the senses should not be allowed to over-ride the judgment. Disputes should be guarded against, and there is some danger of legal troubles and marital unhappiness.

SCORPIO.—Firm, determined, secretive, dignified, with strong feelings, much vitality and an independent nature. The nature is bold and forceful, inclined to be rash and impetuous, but the abilities are good. The desire nature is strong, and needs full control, otherwise the fate will be harder than necessary.

SAGITTARIUS.—Restless, over-active, rebellious, fond of liberty and hatred of control. Enthusiastic in any cause espoused, prophetic tendencies. Dual experience in life and affairs which will give the realisation between the mind and the senses. Unorthodox in religious and philosophical ideas and inclined to be argumentative and quarrelsome.

CAPRICORN.—Tact, diplomacy, activity, industry, patience, perseverance, carefulness and forethought. Ability to rise in life far above the sphere of birth. Political inclinations, most success through the control of the senses, and personal energies. Inclined to be aggressive and to suffer from scandal and personal attacks.

AQUARIUS.—Determined, faithful, honest and sincere, strong desires, hopes and wishes. Influence of friends will do much to help forward the aspirations, but care should be taken in dealings with others, as there may be disputes with friends and trouble. A rise in life is shown through the intervention of others.

PISCES.—Mediumistic and impressionable, and apt to act on inspiration. Strong leanings towards psychic or mystic affairs. Sorrow in life through being easily influenced by others, lack of decision and a tendency to despond. Many sorrows and disappointments in life. Great necessity to be temperate and circumspect in actions.

When rising at birth and unafflicted it makes a person free, independent and liberal minded, and gives success in undertakings, but inclines to rash and impulsive actions. When in the fourth house it causes disputes and troubles in connection with domestic affairs, and generally causes an unsatisfactory close of life. When in the seventh house it will bring much trouble in marriage, open and public enmity and opposition, litigation and disputation. When in the tenth house it is better for a male than a female, and while giving authority and precedence also causes scandal and trouble with people of high position.

From a health point of view Mars rules over the excretory and generative system, muscular system, and causes all fevers, burns, inflammatory action in the body, rupture of blood vessels, and injuries from fire and instruments.

In Mundane Astrology it denotes soldiers, surgeons, military and naval commanders, war, fire and incendiarism, and matters to do with iron and steel workers and machinery.

Astronomical Phenomena

MAY 1937

Moon's Phases

Last Quarter	—	3rd	—	6h. 37m. p.m.
New Moon	—	10th	—	1h. 18m. p.m.
First Quarter	—	17th	—	6h. 49m. a.m.
Full Moon	—	25th	—	7h. 38m. a.m.

Planetary Positions

- ☉ The SUN is in Taurus, enters Gemini on 21st at 11.57 a.m.
- ☿ MERCURY is in Taurus, retrograde to 23rd. ☿☉ 11th.
- ♀ VENUS is in Aries retrograde to 8th.
- ♂ MARS is in Sagittarius, retrogrades into Scorpio 14th.
- ♃ JUPITER is in Capricorn, retrograde from 16th.
- ♄ SATURN is in Aries.
- ♅ URANUS is in Taurus.
- ♆ NEPTUNE is in Gemini.
- ☾ The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

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

GARDENING NOTES

May 10th, 11th.—6.40 to 8.50 a.m.; noon to 2.30 p.m.; 5.30 to 8 p.m.

May 14th, 15th.—6.25 to 8.35 a.m.; 11.45 a.m. to 2.15 p.m.; 5.15 to 7.45 p.m.

May 18th, 19th.—6 to 8.20 a.m.; 11.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.; 5 to 7.30 p.m.

May 23rd, 24th.—5.50 to 8 a.m.; 11.10 a.m. to 1.40 p.m.; 4.40 p.m. to 7 p.m.

(Add one hour to times given above for Summer Time).

Sow peas, cucumbers, red beet for pickling, and a full crop of kidney beans. Transplant cabbages, winter greens, cauliflowers and celery. Hoe and stake peas, water newly planted crops.



THE TWELVE SIGNS

VIII SCORPIO

The celestial sign Scorpio rising at the moment of your birth will give a strong nature, a reserved, shrewd, and proud disposition, with much determination, energy, and endurance. Scorpio people possess acute penetration, strong powers of criticism, and deep curiosity; can keep their counsel, and be wary and watchful of personal interests.. The will is firm and determined, the imagination fertile, and the nature very resourceful, while there is a great amount of energy and the temper is petulant and at times fiery and abrupt. Strong likes and dislikes, and a certain amount of dignity and self-respect, are given by this sign, and this will give ability to stand firm and progress in life. Scorpio people are fond of all things secret and mystical, and have the ability to become students of the occult. Much of their fate in life will depend upon the amount of self-control they possess, as they are apt to be too forceful, impulsive, and inclined to go to extremes, Success in life will come through tact, diplomacy, and keenness of mind, and it will be greater, the greater the control of the animal nature, and the blending of the senses with the mind. The lord or ruler of Scorpio, is Mars, the Star of Strength.

FIRST DECANATE.—The first decanate of the sign Scorpio rising brings out the full Martial influence, making the life eventful and full of many surprises. Deception and treachery should be avoided and care should be taken against over-ambition. There will be a liability to many dangers in life as well as the tendency to make many powerful enemies.

SECOND DECANATE.—The second decanate of the sign Scorpio rising will bring in a Pisces or Jupiterian influence, giving mediumism, and drawing out the psychic and occult side of the sign, thus giving a certain amount of receptivity, intuition, a silent internal knowledge and criticism. Indolence and resentment will tend to show up, and these will cause many opportunities to be lost.

THIRD DECANATE.—The third decanate of the sign Scorpio rising will show a lunar or Cancer influence and this will tend to soften the harshness of Scorpio and tend to cause jealousy in matters to do with the home life. The occult

and mystical will appeal and there will be a fondness of antiques and old curios and anything that is uncommon. There is a strong will, deep passions, and the feelings and thoughts must be expanded.

The sign Scorpio is a Watery, fixed and vital sign. It is the upper right hand of the fixed cross, and the right hand end of the inverted triangle of finality, or watery triplicity. It governs the generative and excretory system, and has rule over the vital temperament.

When the first decanate of the sign is rising, the full Scorpio influence is shown, and the vital temperament predominates. When the the second decanate of the sign rises, a Pisces sub-influence is brought into play and any planet in Pisces of the twelfth house will throw an influence into the ascendant. The vital-motive temperament will then be formed, life and activity being combined. When the third decanate of the sign rises, a Cancer sub-influence will be brought into play and any planet in the sign Cancer or the fourth house will throw a ray into the ascendant. When this decanate rises, the vital-mental temperament will predominate, heart and brain being conjoined.

The sign Scorpio is divided into nine subdivisions of 3.20 each commencing with Cancer and ending with Pisces. There are thus three sub-divisions in each decanate.

THE TERMINAL TRIANGLE.

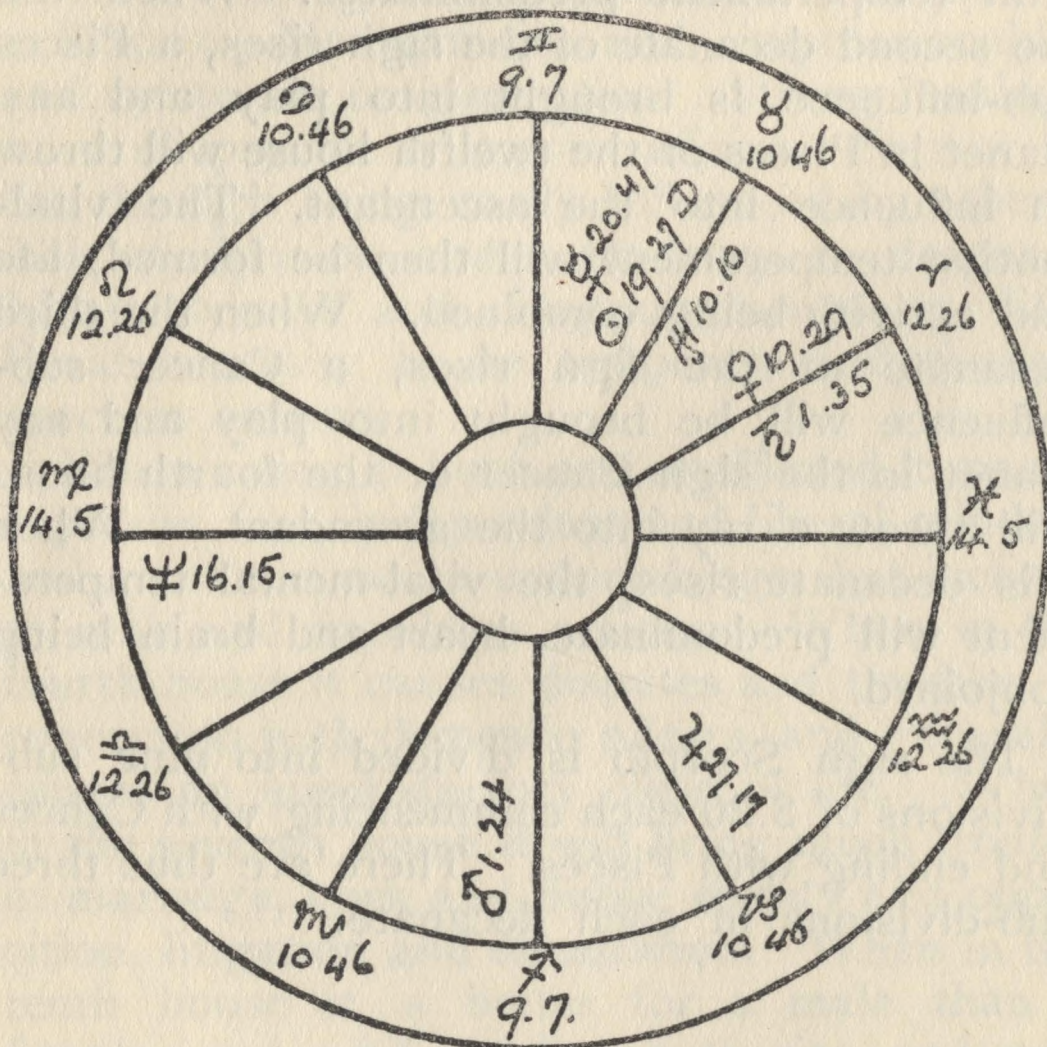
The last triangle, the *Terminal*, comprises the fourth, eighth and twelfth houses. This governs the period of old age, and is termed the triangle of passion, affliction and death, to which all are subject. The fourth house, the principal house of the triplicity, has to do with the stain of original sin, disease, the tokens of senility and decay, and the misfortunes of life, and the death of the physical body. The twelfth house has dominion over affliction arising from enemies, treachery and want, privation and grief. The eighth house is the house of death, which is the end of this temporal life, and here it will be noted that as the ninth house, that of the life in God, follows the eighth house, the end of this life, so man passes from the temporal life into the life eternal.

MUNDANE ASTROLOGY

By E. H. BAILEY

THE MAY NEW MOON.

The new Moon of May 12th takes place in the early afternoon and falls in the ninth house, the luminaries separating from Uranus and the trine of Neptune, and applying to Mercury and the trine of Jupiter. This is a much more favourable lunation.



Neptune rising in Virgo in trine to Uranus promises a better outlook for labour and working-class affairs, and may be the prelude to a better understanding between employers and men. The luminaries in trine to Neptune and Jupiter will benefit shipping and dockyards, and bring about a more peaceful period in such matters. Venus ruler of the second and placed in the eighth house will augment the Exchequer through the death duties, and some ladies of title will pass away. Saturn near the cusp of the eighth house denotes the demise of a noted Englishman. There is still some danger of further railway accidents, as Mars rules the third, but its position near the fourth cusp in trine to Saturn will benefit iron and steel works, but will disturb agriculture. The weather promises to be hot and thundery. The position of Jupiter is favourable for theatrical affairs and children. Improved relations with other powers will take place, as Jupiter rules the seventh house. The position of Mercury and

the Moon is favourable for the Government and legislation of commercial and trading nature will be introduced. Hospitals and institutions will benefit under this lunation.

Mars on the lower meridian in Spain will accentuate the struggle in that country, and disasters will occur. Saturn culminates on the East coast of America and in N.E. Canada where storms are likely to happen. It is adverse for Ministers in the latter country. This planet is on the lower meridian in 113 E., which threatens seismic disasters and troubles in China. Indian affairs should now be more settled.

FULFILLED PREDICTIONS.

Disturbances in shipping circles, page 134. The strikes on the Clyde. Position of Saturn is not favourable for Institutions, page 134. Disquiet in Dartmoor.

Culmination of Saturn in India is not favourable for the tranquillity of India and with Jupiter in Capricorn in square to the luminaries. This has been fulfilled to the letter in the recent troubles over the Elections.

NAVAMSAS

Navamsas are a Hindu division of each sign of the Zodiac into nine parts of 3° 20' each. The signs Aries, Leo and Sagittarius commence with Aries sub-division and finish with Sagittarius. The sign Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn commence with the Capricorn sub-division and end with Virgo. The signs Gemini, Libra and Aquarius commence with the Libra sub-division and end with Gemini. The signs Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces commence with the Cancer sub-division and end with Pisces. There are 108 of these sub-divisions in the whole Zodiac.

NEXT MONTH.

ASTROLOGICAL ETIQUETTE.

A NOTABLE HOROSCOPE.

THE TRUTH ABOUT PORPHYRY.

THE SIGN SAGITTARIUS.

ASTROLOGY AND THE KABALAH

By E. W. WHITMAN

When the family name reduces to 12 it brings in the influence of the sign Pisces. The members of these families respond to both favourable and unfavourable vibrations. From the favourable standpoint they are shown to possess a ready degree of wit and humour and when this is expressed they can create considerable popularity amongst others with whom they associate or with whom circumstances bring them into contact. There is a degree of natural sympathy and understanding for those who are passing through trouble and difficulty and they are always willing to do their best to help. On the other hand these families will always be very sensitive and will be easily hurt by the careless or thoughtless action of others around them and in trying to cover up the feeling of hurt will express an apparent degree of indifference and will not altogether realize that in doing so they can create further misunderstanding and trouble for usually those who are responsible for the hurt will not be aware that they have done anything amiss, will be surprised at the indifference expressed and hence can bring about a breaking of the association, friendship or attachment. Sometimes conditions of a restrictive nature will occur and these people will find themselves confined or their activities limited through no particular fault of their own. In other instances the principle of self-sacrifice will be prominent and they will sacrifice many of their desires and wishes because they feel that certain duties call them first, but they need to see that they are not being imposed upon and that those for whom they are making sacrifices are worthy of the sacrifice.

If the family name devolves to 13, the sign Aries will exercise a very powerful vibration and the members of these families will be entirely the reverse of the Pisces families. The sign Aries shows that those coming under its influence will be naturally active, energetic, alert and sometimes outspoken. They will be ambitious and will express the pioneering spirit, breaking trails and doing things that others would hesitate to do. There will always be an attempt to bring about an altering of affairs and an ushering in of new conditions to take place

of old conditions that they consider to be out of date and too stereotyped. Nevertheless there will be considerable restlessness and unless the individual horoscope shows otherwise, it will not be easy for these people to consolidate as they progress and thus they can do many things and yet not always derive the benefit of their own actions or of the improvements of which they are the pioneers. There will be a deal of impulse, some tendency at times to irritability and temper and even to recklessness and the taking of unnecessary risks, but usually their courage and integrity will never be questioned. They can be enthusiastic and can impart enthusiasm to others, whilst from a general standpoint they will become leaders in their own way according to their interests and the sphere of life in which they move. They can be very impetuous and yet ardent and lovable.

Should the family name come to the reduced total of 14, the sign Taurus becomes prominent. In these families financial conditions will often play a very prominent part and the members of these families will have a natural understanding of financial affairs whilst many of their activities will be associated in one way or another with financial interests and conditions. There is usually a deal of mathematical ability with the capacity for the proper planning out of affairs ahead and for allowing proper time for the developing and maturing of the plans that have been formulated. There will be a steadiness of character, much natural persistence and yet rather strong likes and dislikes. They will never permit themselves to be driven and when any attempt at force is apparent will resist those who are trying to force them to do things, to the utmost of their capacity. They are nevertheless amenable to reason and hence can be led where they will not be driven. Some interest in artistic affairs is shown and in many instances there will be ability for singing, music, dancing and even acting, whilst should circumstances have prevented development in these directions there will nevertheless be appreciation of these talents in others. The sense of duty will also be very strong sometimes in respect of family ties and obligations and certain members can deny themselves the privilege of personal affection and even of marriage in order to carry out obligations to parents or other members of the family, whilst from the reverse standpoint they may suffer through a similar line of action on the part of those to whom they are attached.

ASTROLOGY AD ABSURDUM

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

It is a common axiom, in order to be successful in life, that everyone should mind their own affairs. But this is not, by any means, adhered to, because for each one who attends to their own matters there are ninety and nine who are running abroad, interesting themselves and meddling in affairs which are no concern of theirs. This spirit of interference is very prevalent, in company with the everlasting evil of emendation, improvement and correction. The superlative idiot and bore associated with these forms of life-expression are very common indeed; and, of a surety, they maketh not for righteousness, nor yet for the illumination of the soul: being pests to the peace of thinking minds; and as all movements, studies, pursuits and interests are afflicted with these plague-spots, they are not to be wondered at in the avenues of Astrology.

Ancient Astrology and its doctrine of stellar influence being of such a sublime and exalted nature, easily lends itself to the absurd aspect which these trifling and reforming people place upon it. Astrology is simple in its construction, and when its elementary principles are mastered and applied, it opens up an infinite universe of thought, truth and beauty. That is the real and ancient science of the stars, which when violated with irrational ideas, and associated with tenets that are unphilosophical and scientific, and the ascribing of power which it never pretended to, it becomes a hideous, meaningless thing that has no recommendation to the thoughtful mind: a veritable *Astrologia reductio ad absurdum*. These people who are continually finding out influences, aspects and associations which have no scientific kin or foundation in the lore of stars, or anywhere, are much more dangerous enemies to the acceptance of Astrology as a scientific fact than the ordinary bigoted mind who dismisses and assigns it to the realm of superstition, without having investigated the theme. If a scientific procedure, or formulæ has remained stable and good throughout many, many centuries, surely it is arrogance and impertinence to endeavour, interfere or improve that which still accurately fulfils its purpose.

Despite the glaring knowledge of this fact that Astrology in its original and ancient aspect carries out its purpose and supplies its use as a science of advice and warning, this interference goes on and terribly detracts from the dignity of the study and robs it of its beauty and truth. We have fools always with us, and some suffer them gladly and make no protest as to their inane interpretation and interference, whilst others, and rightly, too, oppose them in their madness, which if neglected would bring the science of Astrology to ruin and ridicule.

The same is peculiar to almost every cult, craft and study, these emendating fiends who say right is left, black means white, and darkness brings forth light and life. And unfortunately there are scholars and people of learning in their courts, who ought to know better than try to make a simple, mathematical procedure, tabulating the forces flowing into life, into an occult science and ascribe to it the potency of prophecy and divine inspiration. Here abideth the canker of this mad menace to the sublimity and truth of the ancient wisdom of the signs of the heavens. It may be very interesting to potter and trifle with important truths, much to the detriment of the theme, by some people; but to the earnest student who has imbibed the deepness of Astrology, such a procedure would be an abomination to their soul. But these ones who voyage in their seas of mist and steer by shadows, in making the science of Astrology absurd by their action, make themselves more absurd and ridiculous in thus wasting life and the purpose of their soul. To them let it be said, to leave the science alone, in its untampered, pure and ancient state, for there it is true and abideth for ever.

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Weather Forecasts

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1st. Unsettled in all parts of U.K.; sunny and showery intervals, veering S. to S.W'ly., Ireland similar, but N. England and Scotland more rain and less sunshine. 2nd. Mod. to strong S.W'ly. in Channel area, rain at times, bright periods, over N. England and S. Scotland, rainy then fairer, tendency for thunder, further N. some rain or showers. 3rd. Continuing unsettled, showers or rain in all districts, mod. temps. 4th. Fair round Channel, some coast mist, warm, mainly cloudy over N. England with rain or drizzle at times, coast fog, warm; mainly cloudy or dull over Ireland and Scotland, rain at times. 5th. S'ly winds general, rain at times all districts, from Spurn Head round to Plymouth sunshine will be considerable. 6th. Mainly fine over S'rn England, high temps. for season, thundery further N. and unsettled in W. and N. 7th. Southerly winds, fresh in W. and N. where further rain is probable, and probably extending down to Midlands, sunny S. of Humber across to Bristol Channel, temps. are high in this area, thunderstorms in places. 8th. Heat wave persisting in S. and E. England and Midlands, but thunderstorms may develop in some areas, but much cooler over rest of U.K., though rain will be scanty. 9th. Thunderstorms early, most probably S.E. England, but will probably travel further W., S.W. and N., S later, hail or torrential rain, heavy rain over E. England, mainly fair over Wales, N. England and rest of U.K. 10th. W'ly. gale over N. Scotland with showers over that country, over N'rn. England, light showers in places, a few hours sunshine, temps. fairly high in S.E. England with a cool N'ly. wind and much sunshine. 11th. Fine over England, Wales and Ireland or light N. W'ly. or variable, sunshine large, and becoming warm during day. 12th. Generally cloudless over England, Wales and S. Ireland, sunshine more than 12 hours general. Temps. above 70° F. over most of England and Wales, but on E. coasts much cooler owing to sea breezes; Scotland and N. Ireland will have mod. or fresh W'ly., much cloud and local rain or showers, fog in N.W. Ireland. 13th. Continuing fine and brilliant over most of England and Wales, though in Northern parts more cloud will be experienced, warm or light W'ly., over N.

Ireland and Scotland there is a likelihood of some showers. 14th. Fine and brilliant over greater part of these islands, but round Channel and N'rn. Scotland there will be thundery conditions. 15th. Mostly fine over most of England and Wales, but less settled, thunderstorms in some places, perhaps in S.E., Scotland mainly fine, but showers may fall in E., Ireland fair or fine. **WHIT SUNDAY, 16th.** The Western districts will have most sunshine, cloud being considerable in Eastern areas, rain is probable in S.E. England, diminishing as one proceeds further W. and N. **WHIT MONDAY, 17th.** The Eastern half of England is covered by a canopy of clouds, and rain is general, but becoming colder over Scotland, N. England, and most of Ireland; Western England will be somewhat warmer and a few hours' sunshine, W. or N.W. winds. 18th. Most districts will have some rain early, fresh W'ly. winds round Channel, but during day most places fair or fine, sunniest parts probable N.W. and E. England. 19th. Favourable for prolonged sunshine in S. and E. and rising temps., sunshine extending to Scotland, S'ly. to E'ly. winds general. 20th. Temps. likely to rise above summer levels, sunshine in E. half of Britain should be abundant; not much threat of rain except perhaps in S.W.; W. Ireland may have some showers. 21st. S.E. England will probably have most sunshine, continuing fine and summerlike except in W. parts of S. Britain, where there may be slight showers in the early hours. 22nd. Light to mod. S.E'ly., tendency for thunder in places, some coastal fog, Scotland and W. parts of S. Britain will have some rain, extending over N. England later, temps. high in many districts. 23rd. Cloudy and sunny periods over most of these islands, temps. will be higher than normal; there may be a thundery tendency over N'rn. England and round Channel. 24th. Light variable winds; fair or fine, temps. high in most districts, but beware later in day, for a cold night is in prospect. 25th. N.E'ly. winds over these islands cause a sudden drop in temps., sunshine will be very variable; S.W. England may have slight rain; fog in parts of E. coast. 26th. Fair or fine conditions continuing, from the Scillies to Devon slight rain will probably fall, especially early, sunniest over Scotland and N'rn. England; Easterly winds. 27th. Mainly fine in all districts, visibility good and day temps. should be up to the average; very cold

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Birthday Influences for May 1937.

1. Changes, journeys, financial gains, success in employ, pleasure, disputes, disappointments and annoyances. A child born will be clever, original and inventive, generous, popular and impressionable but hasty, careless and erratic.

2. Business and financial gains, recognition, deception. A child born will be clever, generous and trustworthy, and will make good progress in life.

3. Activity, new work, success in employ, reverses and losses. A child born will be enterprising and progressive. but will meet with reversals and rebuffs in a career.

4. Social gains pleasure, scandal. A child born will be artistic and affectionate, but untruthful.

5. Changes, journeys, disputes or accidents, deception. A child born will be inventive and intuitive, but hasty, deceptive and unreliable.

6. Business gains, success in employ, indisposition and deception. A child born will be clever, popular, but unreliable and have many difficulties to overcome.

7. Activity and new work, pleasure, financial gains, deception, indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be enterprising and progressive, impressionable, generous, but will have many obstacles to overcome.

8. Courtship or marriage, social gains, disputes. A child born will be affectionate, artistic and social, but somewhat hasty tempered.

9. Success in employ, changes and reverses, financial losses. A child born will be popular, but erratic and extravagant, and meet with reverses.

10. Business and financial gains, pleasure, changes disputes, annoyances. A child born will be clever, generous, popular, but hasty and impressionable.

11. Business and financial gains, recognition, disputes or accidents. A child born will be clever, intelligent, generous, but hasty and impulsive.

12. Social gains, deception, losses, annoyances. A child born will be affectionate and artistic, but deceptive and unreliable.

13. Financial gains, changes and journeys, indisposition and disputes. A child born will be generous, original and inventive, but hasty and will have many difficulties to overcome.

14. Business gains, pleasure, success in employ, disappointments and disputes. A child born will be clever, impressionable, popular, but careless and hasty,

15. Business gains, activity and new work, recognition, losses and reverses. A child born will be enterprising and progressive, trustworthy, clever, extravagant and fairly successful.

16. Social gains reverses scandal and many annoyances. A child born will be affectionate, but untruthful and erratic.

17. Social gains, trouble in employ, disputes or accidents. A child born will be affectionate, but proud, hasty and impulsive and unreliable.

18. Changes, journeys, financial and business gains, deception, indisposition. A child born will be clever, industrious, generous and impressionable, will rise in life, but have many difficulties to overcome.

19. Financial gains, new work and activity, success in employ, danger of accidents and disputes. A child born will be generous, enterprising and progressive, popular, but very hasty and impulsive.

20. Social gains, deception, indisposition. A child born will be affectionate and impressionable, but have much to contend against.

21. Disappointments, trouble in employ, disputes. A child born will be careless and untidy, hasty and unreliable.

22. Business gains, new work, losses and annoyances. A child born will be clever, enterprising, but extravagant and erratic.

23. Reversals. scandal, disputes, pleasure indisposition. A child born will be erratic, hasty, impulsive, untruthful, impressionable and not very successful.

24. Recognition, financial gain, disputes or accidents, gain in employ. A child born will be generous, trustworthy, but hasty; will rise in life.

25. Financial gains and recognition, trouble in employ. A child born will be generous, steadfast, persevering, but proud and haughty.

26. Deception and intrigue. A child born will be unreliable and deceitful.

27. Social gains, indisposition and many annoyances. A child born will be affectionate, but erratic and unreliable and have much to contend with in life.

28. Financial gains, changes and journeys, business gains and pleasure, disputes and annoyances. A child born will be generous and clever, original and inventive, hasty, and fairly successful.

THE CORONATION HOROSCOPES.

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The map certainly shows extraordinary elevation, as the Sun, ruler of the tenth, is elevated in trine to Uranus and the Dragon's Head, and Mercury is also elevated, conjoined with the Sun, and in trine with Jupiter, Uranus and the Dragon's Head.

The meridian is also in trine with Jupiter, Uranus and the Head.

The Directions at the present time, Arc 36.13 are not what might be expected. The meridian has not quite reached the sextile of Venus ruler of the horoscope, while the Mid-point between the Moon and Venus is almost in conjunction with the ascending degree.

The lunar directions are not significant.

Our readers must not therefore place too much reliance on the correctness of this map.

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over Eastern Europe and perhaps falls of snow. 28th. Easterly winds with prolonged sunshine in all parts, winds will be more S.E'ly. in W. districts. 29th. Become cloudy with some rain in our S.W. districts, and extending further N.E. may reach S. England; sunshine will be considerable in E. and N.W. England, but not much over Scotland. 30th. The rain area will extend over Wales and parts of S. England, continuing in S.W., the cloud area will move over N'rn. England; E. to S. winds in S., but E. to N. in N.; low temps. over Scotland and falling over Nrn. England. 31st. S. England and Channel will have considerable cloud and some showers, becoming sunny later; more sunshine in N. and thunderstorms general; rain over W. Scotland; temps. up to summer level in S. and Channel; mainly cloudy over Scotland.

VILLAGER.

BIRTHDAY INFORMATION FOR MAY

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29. Activity and new work, financial gains, disappointments and worry. A child born will be generous, enterprising and progressive, but careless and untidy.

30. Recognition, business gains, success in employ, reverses, deception and annoyances. A child born will be clever, trustworthy, popular, but erratic, wayward and deceptive.

31. Social gains, disputes or accidents, scandal. A child born will be affectionate, but untruthful, erratic and unreliable.

ANCIENT AND MODERN OPINIONS

Examination of Ptolemy's "Tetrabiblos" discloses the fact that the author is silent as to the influence of the Moon's nodes in Astrology. This, however, is of little moment. Ptolemy is an obscure writer, and it is very doubtful, to my mind, whether much contained in his great work is correctly translated or even properly interpreted. But there are more ancient authorities than Ptolemy to consider, and also the astrologers of a later date who have recorded their views on these points.

In Hindu astrology the nodes play a very important part. In infant mortality (*Balarishta*) they have considerable influence. In the *Brihat Jataka* the following reference is made: "If Rahu (the head) occupy the third, sixth, or eleventh house, and be aspected by benefic planets, there will be no early death." In connection with this matter I might call attention to the eleven cases of early death given in the last volume of the JOURNAL, in which Cauda, the descending node, was found in evil aspect to the malefics and luminaries in every single case. We have the further statement of Sibley, that if the Dragon's Head or Tail be in conjunction with Saturn or Mars in the fourth, it will destroy life in infancy. The nodes are also concerned in the calculation of events. In the system of *Dasa bukthi phala*, the maximum period of the life is divided into nine parts, two of which are ruled over by Rahu and Ketu, the former governing a period of eighteen years and the latter one of seven years. Each of these periods (*dasas*) are divided into nine sub-periods, known as *antardasas*, and these are further divided into nine parts in the same proportion, known as *Sukshma* periods.

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A further announcement will be made in the next issue.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

The opening meeting of the Summer Session of the Institute took place on April 8th. The President made a number of important announcements in regard to the future of the Institute and stated that his plans would be put before the Directors at their meeting on the 14th April. He then gave a Lecture on Astrology and the Human Body, dealing with the planetary and zodiacal rulership of the various parts of the body, the horoscopical arrangement of the 24 vertebrae of the spine, the nine-fold sub-division of the signs in relation to each organ of the body and various other matters connected with the subject.

On April 15th, Mr. R. Woods gave a further lecture on Hindu Astrology, demonstrating the method of determining fortunate days and hours. These calculations, wholly unknown to the Western world were clearly shown, and the various rules attached to them explained in a practical manner. It is hoped to be able to publish this lecture in the JOURNAL.

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