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To our Readers and the Public!

We now launch our little periodical on the ocean of public opinion for the third time. Our success has been greater than at first we dared to hope; not only have we got a circulation for our Planet Reader beyond our reasonable expectation, but the fulfilment of our predictions are beginning to attract public attention, and the people are beginning to think that they may have been laboring under a mistake, and formed too hasty a conclusion in believing that the

whole science of Astrology had been completely overthrown.

Should the people of the two great nations, England and the United States, never be able to lay another cable across the Atlantic, so as to receive and send messages from one hemisphere to the other; yet, it having been done once, who will dare to say that it can never be done again?

So one prediction having been made by the rules of Astrology, and it having been fulfilled to the very letter, although we should never make another prediction, who will dare to say that the thing is impossible, so long as the laws of nature remain unchanged?

According to promise we have enlarged our "Planet Reader" this month by adding four extra pages to it, besides a colored plate. We intend to keep these four extra pages in our "Monthly," to republish some of the best standard works of Astrology; and we shall call them the ASTROLOGER'S LIBRARY. So that any person subscribing for our "Monthly Planet Reader" will receive, *free of charge*, some of the most *costly* and *scarce* works on Astrology. These pages will be numbered and placed in the "Planet Reader," in such a manner that when a volume is completed they can easily be taken out and bound up together, so as to make one complete and handsome book.

The work that we have now commenced is called: PROGNOSTIC ASTRO-NOMY; or EVERY Man his own ASTRO-LOGER AND PHRENOLOGIST. A Guide for students in Astro-Phrenology on the Influence of the Stars, as taught and practiced by that eminent Egyptian Philosopher CLAUDIUS PTOLEMY; Illustrated in the Nativities of Twelve Eminent Characters, which, on examination, will undeniably prove the great truth and correctness of the Science of the Stars, and clearly demonstrate that the Planets are Celestial Agents, acting under the control and su-

preme will of the Most High, in the affairs of Mortals, by John Acroyd, Esq. Improved and enlarged, together with notes and explanations, by L. D. Broughton.

Prejudice against Astrology.

IN our May Number we made the remark, "We are of the opinion that the Public Journals cannot be more down on us than they are." Perhaps some of our readers may think that we were making too strong an assertion in making that statement, and that we go to extremes. But as a proof of this statement, we might mention that since the news arrived concerning the prize fight between Heenan and Sayers, that the editors of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, would not put the advertisement for our "Planet Reader" under the Head "New Publications," as they did before; but they placed it among the Quack Medicines, &c. We cannot imagine why the editors of the "Public Ledger" should have moved our "Planet Reader" a few steps down in the world, unless it be owing to the advertisement commencing with the words "ASTROLOGY TRIUMPHANT" If the science of ASTROLOGY WAS TRIUMPHANT in that case of the predictions concerning the prize fight between Heenan and Sayers, it was not our fault, and they have no need to want to spite our "Planet Reader," because the rules of Astrology were borne out by facts.

At first when we got our paper out, the "Public Ledger" proprietors placed the Advertisement for our "Planet Reader," under the head New Publications, and they would put it in every day for payment. But since the news of the prize fight came we could only get them to put it in twice, in very near a month's time. Perhaps they thought as Astrology is all false, or nothing but imagination, that if they only gave us rope enough that we would hang ourselves. But when the *predictions began to be fulfilled to the very letter*, perhaps they came to the conclusion that it was time to cut the cable, as it was likely to take a much longer rope to hang us than they had calculated on.

Should the editors of the Public Ledger read the above paragraph, they will perhaps say that they never troubled their head neither about our paper nor the pre-

dictions that it contained. If so, we can only say that it is a rather remarkable coincidence, that they should have stopped advertising our "Planet Reader" just at that time. So remarkable that we could not help noticing it.

If it should be the will of an all-wise Providence that Astrology should come to be a popular science again, as it was in the days of old, all the public journals and law makers may join together to try to put it down, but it will only be like fighting against the wind.

Pharaoh may charge all his people to cast into the river every son that is born of the Israelites, but the very child that he wishes to be drowned will be found safely floating in an ark of bulrushes.

And Herod may order all the children in Bethlehem under two years old to be slain, but the very child that he wishes to destroy will have gone into the land of Egypt.

The puny arm of man may be raised against the heavens, but the influence of the Pleiades cannot be bound, neither can Areturus be stayed in his course. For *truth is mighty and must prevail.*

Astrology Defended.

Cardinal Richelieu, Sir Isaac Newton, and Dryden, the Poet, were believers in ASTROLOGY.

In a small work called "The Uses of Biography," by Edwin Paxton Hood, London, England, 1852, in chapter VII., the writer gives an account of the foibles and vices of great men; and in pages 116 and 117 we have the following sentences: "Cardinal Richelieu, the minister of a great empire, (France) believed in the calculation of nativities." "Even Sir Isaac Newton gave credit to the idle nonsense of judicial Astrology; he who first calculated the distances of the stars, and revealed the laws of motion by which the Supreme Being organizes and keeps in their orbits unnumbered worlds; he who had revealed the mysteries of the stars themselves. Dryden, Sir Isaac Newton's contemporary, believed in the same absurdity." What proof Sir Isaac Newton had to cause him to "give credit to the idle nonsense of Judicial Astrology" we cannot at present state; but we are of the opinion that the time will

come when it will not only be an honor to Astrology that Sir Isaac Newton believed in it, but that it will be an honor (and not a disgrace) to the name of Sir Isaac Newton that he did give credit to the idle nonsense of Judicial Astrology; and likewise we believe that the time will come when it will be an honor to the name of Cardinal Richelieu that he did believe in the calculation of nativities.

As a proof that Dryden had good reasons for "believing in the same absurdity" which Sir Isaac Newton gave credit to," we cannot do better than insert the following well-authenticated anecdote of Dryden, as we find it in the "Encyclopædia Britannica," (a work the authors of which have done all they could to sink Astrology;) the anecdote may be found under the article "Dryden."

"Congreve, whose authority cannot be suspected, has given us such an account of him as makes him appear no less amiable in his private character as a man, than he was illustrious in his public one as a poet," &c., &c.

"Dryden married the lady Elizabeth Howard, sister to the Earl of Berkshire, who survived him eight years, though for the last four of them she was a *lunatic*, having been deprived of her senses by a nervous fever. By this lady he had three sons: Charles, John, and Henry. Of the eldest of these there is a circumstance related by Charles Wilson, Esq., in his life of Congreve, which seems so well attested, and is itself of so very extraordinary a nature, that we cannot avoid giving it a place here. Dryden, with all his understanding, was *weak enough* to be fond of judicial astrology, and used to calculate the nativities of his children." (And the editors of the Encyclopædia might have added, the result of his calculations fully justified this extraordinary weakness, and did the greatest credit not only to Dryden as an astrologer, but to astrology as a science) "When his lady was in labor with his son Charles, he, being told it was decent to withdraw, laid his watch on the table, begging one of the ladies, then present, in a most solemn manner, to take exact notice of the very minute that the child was born, which she did, and acquainted him with it. About a week after, when his lady was pretty well recov-


ered, Mr. Dryden took occasion to tell her that he had been calculating the child's nativity, and observed, with grief, that he was born in an evil hour, for Jupiter, Venus, and the Sun were all under the earth, and the lord of his ascendant afflicted with a hateful square of Mars and Saturn. If he lives to arrive at the eighth year, says he, he will go near to die a violent death on his very birth-day, but if he should escape, as I see but small hopes, he will in the 23rd year be under the very same evil direction; and if he should escape that also, the 33rd or 34th year is, I fear— Here he was interrupted by the immoderate grief of his lady, who could no longer hear calamity prophesied to befall her son. The time at last came, and August was the inauspicious month in which young Dryden was to enter into the eighth year of his age. The court being in progress, and Mr. Dryden at leisure, he was invited to the country-seat of the Earl of Berkshire, his brother-in-law, to keep the long vacation with him at Charlton, in Wilts; his lady was invited to her uncle Mordaunt's, to pass the remainder of the summer. When they came to divide the children, Lady Elizabeth would have him take John, and suffer her to take Charles, but Mr. Dryden was too absolute, and they parted in anger. He took Charles with him, and she was obliged to be content with John. When the fatal day came, the anxiety of the lady's spirit occasioned such an agitation, as threw her into a violent fever, and her life was despaired of, till a letter came from Mr. Dryden reproving her for her womanish credulity, and assuring her that her child was well, which recovered her spirits, and in six weeks after she received an eclaireissement of the whole affair. Mr. Dryden, either through fear of being reckoned superstitious, or thinking it a science beneath his study, was extremely cautious of letting any one know he was a dealer in astrology—therefore could not excuse his absence on his son's anniversary from a general hunting match which Lord Berkshire had made, and to which all the adjacent gentlemen were invited. When he went out he took care to set the boy a double exercise in the Latin tongue, which he taught his children himself, with a strict charge not to stir out of the room till his return, well knowing the task he had set

him would take up longer time. Charles was performing his duty in obedience to his father, but as ill fate would have it, the stag made towards the house, and the noise alarming the servants, they hastened out to see the sport. One of the servants took young Dryden by the hand, and led him out to see it also; when just as they came to the gate, the stag being at bay with the dogs, made a bold push and leaped over the court wall, which was very low and very old, and the dogs following, threw down a part of the wall ten yards in length, under which Charles Dryden lay buried. He was immediately dug out, and after six weeks languishing in a dangerous way, he recovered. So far Dryden's prediction was fulfilled. In the 23rd year of his age, Charles fell from the top of an old tower belonging to the Vatican at Rome, occasioned by a swimming in his head, with which he was seized, the heat of the day being excessive. He again recovered, but was ever after in a languishing, sickly state. In the 33rd year of his age, being returned to England, he was unhappily drowned at Windsor. He had, with another gentleman, swam twice across the Thames, but returning a third time, it was supposed he was taken with the cramp, because he called out for help, though too late. Thus the father's calculations proved but too prophetic."

These facts, with a few variations, have also been published in "The Astrologer's Magazine," for 1793, "The Spirit of Partridge," a very interesting periodical, entitled "The Bee," and in several other works. Mr. Dryden did not think astrology a science beneath his study, (as the editors of the Encyclopedia remark), or he never would have given so much attention to it; nor yet was he afraid to acknowledge his belief in astrology, and his abilities to practice it, as many parts of his works demonstrate, particularly one of his letters, published in "Johnson's Lives of the English Poets," to which we refer the ingenious reader.

We have no account of the correct time of birth of Dryden's son, therefore we cannot make the necessary calculations in his nativity; but perhaps it may not be amiss to make a few remarks on the following

sentence: "About a week after, when his lady was pretty well recovered, Mr. Dryden took occasion to tell her that he had been calculating the child's nativity, and observed, with grief, that he was born in an *evil hour*, for *Jupiter, Venus, and the Sun* were all under the earth, and the lord of his ascendant afflicted with an *hateful square of Mars and Saturn*." Any Astrologer who reads this will know (from the Moon not being mentioned) that the ascendant was the "Giver of Life" in this child's nativity, "and the lord of the ascendant being afflicted with a hateful square of Mars and Saturn" would show that he would almost be sure to die a violent death when he did die, but it is not stated in the above anecdote what would be likely to be the cause of his death in the different periods of his life mentioned. Perhaps Mr. Dryden having other things to attend to, and not making the study of Astrology his regular business, he might not have been over proficient in that science; as we are of the opinion that if Mr. Dryden had noticed when calculating the directions which fell on the birth-day of his son's eighth year, he would have seen that the aspect was formed in an *earthly sign*, and the direction which reckoned to his twenty-third year, was formed in an *airy sign*, and the one that counted to his thirty-third year, occurred in a *watery sign*. From what we know of Astrology, we feel confident that the directions must have taken place in the above named signs, and in the order that we have mentioned; and had Mr. Dryden been aware of these facts, he might have guarded his son against the above named accidents very much, by *keeping him away from old buildings, embankments, &c.*, so that on the birth-day of his eighth year, *they could not have fallen on him*, and on his twenty-third year, by not ascending to any great height, so that he could not have come tumbling down again; and in his thirty-third, by keeping away from any deep water, so that he could not have been drowned. If Mr. Dryden's son had been aware of these facts, and acted accordingly, perhaps he might have prolonged his life many years.

 All advertisements for the "Monthly Planet Reader" must be in by the 15th, in order to be inserted in the following month.

HON. JOHN BELL, OF TENN.

Nominated for President. Will he be Elected?

The time of birth of Hon. John Bell as given in "Harper's Weekly," is 15th of February, 1797. And "Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper" states that the time of his birth was 18th of February, 1797. But we addressed a few lines to Hon. John Bell while he was in Philadelphia, asking him to send us the time and state the place of his birth; and he returned our letter by a gentleman, with these words written on the bottom with lead pencil, "The place of birth, vicinity of Nashville, Tenn., 18th February, 1796." And, of course, we shall take this to be the correct date of birth.

From various calculations that we have made in Mr. Bell's Nativity, we are of the opinion that he was born in the early part of the day, somewhere near about half-past six o'clock in the morning. If we have got the right time of birth, Mr. Bell was born under the planets Jupiter and Saturn, and likewise under the Sun.

Mr. Bell has got a rather fortunate Nativity, but we are sorry to say that he has got some evil aspects coming on this next Fall. At the time he was nominated, Mr. Bell had a very fortunate aspect in operation in his Nativity. He had the Moon in trine to Jupiter (Secondary Direction), which is a very good aspect, and if he had only a few more of the same nature coming on to back it, we might venture to predict that he would be elected President of the United States.

But the aspects in his Nativity that are coming on are of another stamp. He has the evil planet Saturn coming to an opposition of Jupiter and the Sun's places, and over the seventh house (the house of public enemies) These aspects will last from the first of July to the latter part of August. Then after that, Saturn comes to a square of Mars and his own place, and over Herschel's place, all of which are very evil aspects. These aspects will be in operation from the middle of September until the fore part of November. They will be likely to affect his health, and likewise they will affect some near relation. We think that it will be his wife's health.

We will not say positively whether Hon. John Bell will be elected President or not, until we see the Nativities of the other candidates that are likely to come forward, so as to compare one Nativity with another.

The Fate of the Nation for the Month of June, 1860.

The New Moon occurs, from which we make our calculations for June, May 20th, at 1 h 46 m., P. M., Philadelphia time

The planet Mercury is lord of the scheme, and it coming to a good aspect of Venus will cause business to brighten up a little; but it will only be of short duration, as the planet Mercury next meets with a square of the evil planet Saturn, which will cause some failures on account of speculations.

We are afraid that the Embassy from Japan will not be of so much advantage to the trade and commerce of the United States as some people are thinking, as the stars show that it will not be of long duration. Philadelphia feels the evil effects yet of Saturn in Leo. Business will not be good here for some months, or until next Fall. Fires will be plentiful, and there is danger of more deceit and fraud being practised in this city. Let those in office keep their eyes open.

New York feels the good effects of Jupiter and Venus in conjunction in Cancer, its ruling sign, which will give an impulse to the trade and commerce of that city, and money affairs will be good with them. The theatres and places of amusement will do a good business. There is some obscure female that will come to be a rather noted character among the places of amusement in that city. Let the theatre people make hay while the sun shines, as they will not always have the planets Jupiter and Venus in their ascendant.

All those persons born about the twenty-first of January, April, and October, in any year, will have the fiery planet Mars passing an evil aspect of their Sun's place. Let those persons take care of their health for these next three months; and do not enter into lawsuits at this time; and let them take care of their property, that it does not catch fire; and avoid making any particular changes in business, &c.

Those persons born about the middle of July, in any year, will have the fortunate planets Jupiter and Venus passing over their Sun's place, which will cause them to be very prosperous. It would be good for those persons to enter into business during the fore part of this June. Their health will improve, and if they have been sick they may hope to get well.

From "*Wilkes' Spirit*," of April 28th 1860.

"Saturn Retrograded in the Tenth House."

The ancient science of astrology, no less than the modern development of spiritualism, has been invoked to enlighten men about the fight for the championship. Unfortunately they contradict each other flatly. The fiat of the stars is directly opposite to the communications said to emanate from disembodied spirits through the mediums of modern times. We scarcely know to which the most consideration is due. Spiritualism, perhaps, has more recent and living testimony in its favor; but astrology is a good deal older, and therefore, we suppose, much more respectable. Just as a moderate believer in spiritualism might have received the communication to the effect that SAYERS was beat, transmitted through Mrs. MARY WILBURN, there comes a positive prediction to the opposite effect, from the astrologer and sage, Dr. MELLEEN. Imagine the believer in the spirits going off to bet his money, when he learns through the astrologer, MELLEEN, and the Fall River Press, that "Saturn is retrograded in the tenth house!" as to HEENAN, while we suppose Mars culminates in the horoscope of the fortunate hero, TOM SAYERS, about the same time. "Oh, MOLLY" WILBURN, while you were listening to the knocks of the lord knows who, "the stars above were sweetly shining, and faith they'd something else to do!" The ignorant may wonder why the Doctor, who has detected Saturn and Mars menacing "the house of life" in the horoscope of HEENAN, did not go off and "bet his money on old TOM SAYERS." We have a satisfactory explanation. As used to be the wont, he no doubt combines the science of alchemy with that of astrology, and having the transmutation of metals in his

power, he has no necessity to secure the transmission to his own pocket by using the intelligence derived from the stars. The Doctor's learned and lucid prediction is as follows:

"John C. Heenan was born at West Troy, N. Y., May 2d, 1835, and from calculations in his nativity, I place the hour of birth in the evening between 9 and 10 o'clock. If that be the correct time of birth, he was born under the planets Saturn, Venus, and Mars. At the time Mr. Heenan fought Mr. Morrissey, he had the evil planet Saturn transiting the tenth house and passing square of the Sun (an evil aspect), and the Sun being the giver of Life caused him to be sield and that was the principal cause of his losing the fight. And I am sorry to say Mr. Heenan has evil aspects afflicting his nativity at the present time. He has the evil planet Saturn retrograde in the tenth house, and the planet Mars coming to an evil aspect of Saturn's place. There are signs of treachery and foul play on the part of Sayers' friends and backers, also that the fight will be delayed by the Government interfering. But I am free to say, should the battle come off any time before October next, Mr. Heenan will be whipped, and will die from the injuries he receives from Sayers. Mr. Heenan will draw the first blood, and the first two rounds will be in Heenan's favor. All the rest, except two, are won by Sayers, in one of which neither parties will come to time, and both are down. This will be the most severe fight on record, as both parties will be dangerously bruised. Thus the great fight will end, if it takes place before October, but any time after the first of October, and before March, 1861, Mr. Heenan would be victorious. To those who doubt my ability to foretell the above, I will refer them to newspapers in the past where I have published correct information in regard to elections, &c."

OUR LETTER TO "WILKES' SPIRIT."

353 North Tenth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.,
April 26th, 1860.

TO THE EDITOR OF WILKES' SPIRIT:

SIR:— Having seen an article in your paper making sport of astrology, I take the liberty of writing to you, as the greatest part of the paragraph inserted in your paper appears to be taken out of periodical that I am publishing called "Broughton's Monthly Planet Reader." If "Astrologer Mellen" had only taken the predictions out of my paper without adding any trash or nonsense of his own to them, I should not have troubled you this time. Whether "Astrologer Mellen's" predictions come out correct or not, that is one thing true, and that is, he does not know anything about either astrology or astronomy; because, if Mr. Heenan

was born between nine and ten o'clock at night, he could not have Saturn in the tenth house at all at the present time, any more than we can have the Sun in the mid-heaven at four o'clock in the afternoon. And if Heenan was born at the time he mentions, the Sun could not be the "Giver of Life," as the Sun would be under the Earth at after nine o'clock at night; so this aspect could not have made Heenan sick at the time he fought Morrissey.

No wonder that people should get down on astrology, when such *jackasses* as Astrologer Mellen begin to make predictions.

Along with this letter I send you April and May numbers of my "Planet Reader," so that you can compare the predictions in them with those made by "Astrologer Mellen." I should have sent you a copy before this time, but I expected that you would try to make fun of it.

Yours respectfully,

L. D. BROUGHTON.

We wrote the above letter and sent it off early in the morning of the 26th of April, which was two days before the arrival of the steamer which brought the news about the prize fight between Heenan and Sayers, and of course they would get it and our "Planet Readers" in the afternoon of the same day. But they have never noticed our periodical or acknowledged our letter in any form whatever. Why did they not make sport and laugh at our prediction "about the fight for the championship," as they did with Astrologer Mellen's predictions? We suppose they came to the conclusion that it was no *laughing matter*, and the best way that they could do was to treat it with "silent contempt." If the predictions in our "Planet Reader" about the fight for the championship had turned out like the predictions made by Astrologer Mellen, we question very much whether they would have treated it with silent contempt then or not. Of course, that would have been another thing.

Since the fight between Heenan and Sayers, we find that other public journals, in different parts of the United States, have taken hold of the predictions made by "Astrologer Mellen," and they are exulting over them as a kind of a *death-blow* to astrology (one in particular, a Memphis

newspaper, in Tennessee). But we now take the liberty of telling the editors of those newspapers that the blunders made by Astrologer Mellen go very far to establish the truth of astrology.

Any person that read the predictions about the fight for the championship, in our April number, will see at once that Astrologer Mellen had got hold of our "Planet Reader" for that month. But, for the satisfaction of those persons that have not procured our April number, we will here insert part of the predictions on "THE INTERNATIONAL MATCH," commencing at the third paragraph. We said:

"Mr. J. C. Heenan was born at West Troy, N. Y., May 2d, 1835, but the time of day is not given; but from different calculations that we have made in his nativity, we are of the opinion that he was born about five o'clock in the afternoon. If that be the correct time of birth, he was born under the planets Saturn and Venus.

"At the time that Mr. Heenan fought Mr. Morrissey, he had the evil planet Saturn transiting the tenth house (the house of honor), and passing a square (an evil aspect) of the Sun; and the Sun being the giver of Life, caused him to be sick, and that was the main cause of his losing the fight. And we are sorry to say that Mr. Heenan has evil aspects afflicting his nativity at the present time. He has the evil planet Saturn retrograde in the tenth house, and the planet Mars coming to an evil aspect of Saturn's place at the time of birth; which makes it almost as bad for him as when he fought Mr. Morrissey. The aspects show that there is much danger of Mr. Heenan losing the fight, on account of some unfairness or treachery on the part of Mr. Sayers and his backers, and we might say that Mr. Heenan and Mr. Sayers will fight a second time for the championship of England.

"Should they fight again about next June or July, Mr. Heenan will then come off with flying colors, as he will have the benevolent planet Jupiter transiting over the tenth house, which will cause him to be very fortunate, and we think that it is a pity that he could not have had this fight delayed a few months later."

But that part of the prediction that we copied from "Wilkes' Spirit," where it commences with the words "But I am free to say, should the battle come off any time before October next, Mr. Heenan will be whipped, and will die from the injuries he receives from Sayers," and so on to the end of the paragraph, we will give Astrologer Mellen credit for, provided he did not get some other person to write it for him. But in the fore part of our prediction about Mr. Heenan, we find that Astrologer

Mellen has made a few little alterations, which perhaps it may not be amiss to notice here.

(To be continued in our next.)

The International Match.

Tom Sayers was born on the 17th of May, 1826, in Brighton, England, as published in the "English Extra, Wilkes' Spirit of the Times," and after examining his nativity very carefully, we think that he must have been born about 3 o'clock in the morning. If that be the correct time of birth he was born under the planets Mars, Mercury and the Sun. And we find that this next July he has the evil planet Saturn passing an evil aspect of the Sun's place, which will cause it to be an unfortunate period for him.

Should Heenan and Sayers fight again in July, Sayers will stand a good chance of being defeated, as Heenan will have the benevolent planet Jupiter passing over the tenth house, which will cause him to be very fortunate from the fore part of June until the latter part of August. And we would say to Heenan, strike while the iron is hot.

We learn from Wilkes' Spirit, for May 26th, that Heenan and Sayers are to fight again for the championship of England, (as we predicted in our April number,) and the time is set, but not published yet. But as the fight cannot take place until the latter part of June, on account of the injury Sayers received to his arm, we should say that Heenan will come off with flying colors the next time he meets Sayers in the prize ring.

Broughton's Weather Guide for June, 1860.


On account of the aspect of the planets, &c., being so conflicting during the month of May, it caused it to be very difficult for us to tell just what kind of weather we should have each day throughout the month, as the weather at those times is very changeable; and although the aspects are rather conflicting this month, we shall proceed to make the following predictions on the weather for the month of June. The month will open with fine warm weather, with summer showers. 3d and 4th, expect thun-


der storms, and then rather cooler until the 8th; then rather changeable and windy till the 12th; from the 12th to 16th more settled weather, but rather cool for the time of the year; then more changeable with thunder storms to the 19th; from the 19th fine summer weather to the 27th; then changeable and thunder, with some wind to the end of the month.

Hon. Abram Lincoln, of Illinois. Republican Candidate for President.

Just when we are going to press we have got the date of birth of Hon. Abram Lincoln, but not having time to make the calculations, we cannot find out the hour and minute that he was born, so that we are not able to make many predictions concerning the Republican Candidate in this month's number.

The New York Herald and Tribune both agree in their account of Hon. Abram Lincoln's time of birth, as published in their papers, he was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 12th, 1809. We find in his nativity that the evil planet Saturn will come to an opposition of the Sun's place this next July, which will cause him to be rather unpopular at that time. We have not time to see what aspects he will have in his nativity at the time the election will come off. But we shall give more particulars in our next number.

 Instead of continuing the Preliminary Informant in our "Planet Reader," we have commenced publishing the "Astrologer's Library;" and of course we shall go more particularly into the science in the latter than we possibly could in the former. In short, we intend to teach the science of Astrology in a popular and simple manner, so that any lady or gentleman of common abilities can take hold of it and put it to the touchstone of facts, and demonstrate by their own nativity whether there is any truth in the science or not.

 We had intended taking hold of the *New York Ledger* this month, but for want of room we are compelled to defer it until our next issue.