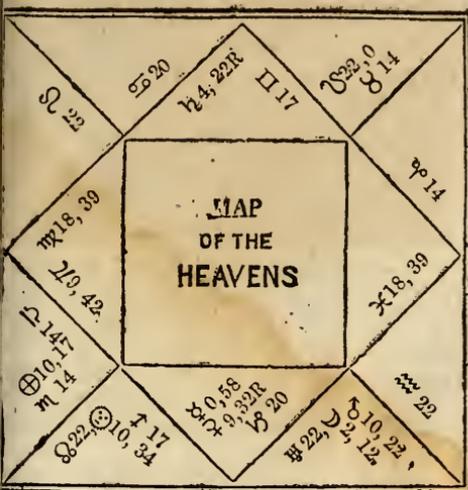


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The Moon being in conjunction with Mars, and both in trine (a good aspect) to the planet Jupiter, and all three being in sextile (another good aspect) to the Sun, will give him a decided taste for military affairs, and they will cause him to be of good or sound judgment in all such matters; he will be a person remarkable for energy and perseverance, and one ambitious of honor. The Moon in good aspect to Jupiter would cause him to be very popular among the people generally. His Nativity is the same in that respect as Abraham Lincoln's the President of the United States. The above aspects would likewise cause him to be fond of and wishful to excel in all manual exercises, such as riding, shooting, fencing, &c., and he would be very quick in learning how to use any kind of mechanical tools, or sharp instruments. I should say that he would have made a very good Surgeon.

The planet Mercury near a conjunction to the planet Venus, and both in opposition to the planet Saturn, will cause him to be very cautious in all he does, and he will never want to undertake anything or make any particular move without being sure that he is safe, and thoroughly prepared for all mishaps that may arise. Indeed he will be equal to Gen. Washington for caution. But at the same time, his Nativity would indicate that there is much danger of him being too cautious, and by that means missing some good opportunities that he might have taken advantage of, to have defeated his enemy, and of course being led into those very evils that he was guarding against.

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THE NATIVITY OF General Winfield Scott.

Gen. Winfield Scott's Nativity is rather unfortunate for marriage, on account of the Moon first applying to an opposition of Venus, and the planet Saturn being in the seventh house, in opposition to Mars, would indicate that there would not be much sympathy between him and his wife, and they would be likely to live apart a number of years in succession.

His Nativity is likewise unfortunate for children, and I should say that he would only have a small family to live, perhaps not more than one or two, but at the same time there

THE NATIVITY OF

Gen. George B. McClellan.

Born December 3d, 1826, at 0h, 15m, A. M.

Having often been asked if I had examined the Nativity of Gen. McClellan, and as there appeared to be a general anxiety as to whether he would be likely to succeed in crushing out this great Rebellion. I had made up my mind to publish his Nativity in the "Planet Reader," if I could get the correct time of his birth. With that object in view, I called upon Dr. McClellan, (Gen. McClellan's brother) of this city, and after stating my errand, he told me that he did not know the hour that Gen. McClellan was born, but that he would ask his Mother, and that I might call again; I accordingly called the next day, and he told me that Gen. George B. McClellan, was born on the 3d. of December, 1826, at a little after 12 o'clock in the morning.

According to the time of birth given, Gen. McClellan was born under the planet Mercury, and the celestial Sign Virgo was rising on the eastern horizon, at the time he was born. The planet Mercury being lord of that Sign, in Capricorn, and the Moon (his co-significator) in Aquarius, will describe a person of rather low stature, well built, or inclined to be corpulent, light brown or auburn hair, rather dusky complexion, with a quick penetrating eye.

would be much more affection between him and his children, than between him and his wife, on account of the Moon being in good aspect to Jupiter, lord of the fifth house, or the house of children. In conclusion, I do not think that Gen. Scott will be able to take command of the U. S. Army again for some time, on account of his ill health, as the evil planet Saturn will be retrograding over his Sun's place until the latter part of July 1862, therefore, even if he lives over this next January 1862, (which is very doubtful now, as his health began to fail almost before the aspect began to operate.) His health will continue very weak during the whole of next year.

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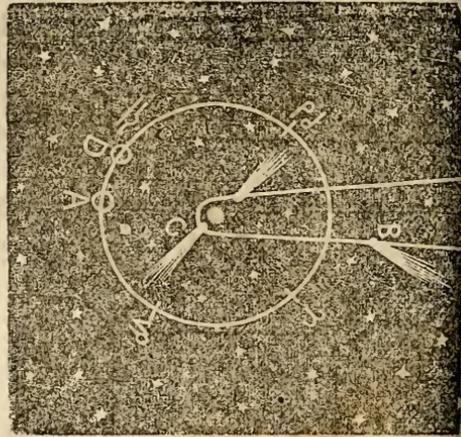
COMETS.

Having concluded our remarks on Comets and Meteors portending great calamities and remarkable changes, we propose to wind up this essay with a few remarks on comets and meteors, when viewed on astronomical principles or according to the natural sciences.

Comets, whether viewed as ephemeral meteors, or as substantial bodies forming a part of the solar system, are objects of no ordinary interest.

When, with uninstructed gaze, we look upwards, to the clear sky of evening, and behold, among the multitudes of heavenly bodies, one, blazing with its train of light, and rushing onward towards the centre of our system, we insensibly shrink back as if in the presence of a supernatural being.

Comets are distinguished from the other heavenly bodies, by their appearance and motion. The appearance of the planets is globular or round, as shown at A in the cut, and their path or orbit round the sun is very near a circle as represented by the round ring in the engraving, and the motion of the planets is from West to East. For instance, suppose our earth or the planet Venus had to start from that point marked B in the cut, it would travel on to A, and pass \mathcal{V} and so on round to φ , until it arrived at D again, and that would be called a revolution of the planet Venus, or if it was our earth it would be called a year. But the comets have a variety of forms, and their orbits are elongated, or like a hoop very much flattened, as shown in the cut, and their motion is not confined to any particular part of the heavens,



A comet usually consists of three parts—the *Nucleus*, the *Envelope*, and the *Tail*. The *Nucleus* is what may be called the *body* or *head* of the comet, as seen at B in the cut. The *Envelope* is the nubulous or hairy covering that surrounds the nucleus. The *Tail* of a comet is an expansion or elongation of the envelope.

When a comet is coming towards our solar system, it usually travels in very near a straight line; Nucleus approaches first, and its tail follows behind. In the above cut, a comet is represented as appearing in sight at B, it travels on towards the sun in the centre, until it arrives at C, when it turns its tail away from the sun as shown in the cut, and whirls round that great Luminary and sometimes very near to the Sun's body, and travels off in very near a straight line, with its tail foremost, when it may not return again for hundreds or thousands of years, or perhaps it may never make our mother earth a second visit. With comets going away from the sun tail foremost, they may be said to *back out of our Solar system*. Some comets have been discovered to have regular orbits, and their time of returning have been predicted; for instance, *Halley's comet* returns every 76 years, and that of *Bield's* returns in 6½ years, and *Encke's comet* pays us a visit every 3½ years.

What regions these bodies visit, when they pass beyond the limits of our view; upon what errands they come, when they again revisit the central parts of our system; what is the difference between their physical constitution and that of the Sun and planets;

and what important ends they are destined to accomplish, or the economy of the universe, are inquiries which naturally arise in the mind, but which surpass the limited powers of the human understanding at present to determine.

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FATE of the NATION.

FOR DECEMBER, 1861.

The New Moon from which we make our predictions for December, will take place on the 1st. of December, at 9h. 16m. p. m. When the 13th. degree of Leo will ascend, and the 2d. degree of Taurus will culminate. The planet Saturn and Jupiter is in the second house in trine to Venus in the sixth. Mars is in his own house in the fourth, and Mercury is in the fourth, applying to a good aspect to Jupiter, Saturn and Venus. The Sun is lord of the Scheme, and is on the cusp of the fifth house, applying to an opposition to Herschel in the eleventh. These are rather conflicting aspects, and under their influence, I do not look for any termination of this great Rebellion, but at the same time things will continue to look favorable for the general Government. The people begin to have more confidence in its ability to sustain itself, trade brightens up, and money begins to be more plentiful, but I am afraid that it will only last for a short time, as the opposition of the planet Herschel and the Sun, and the Sun applying to a square of Saturn and Jupiter will have a tendency to cause some particular sensation unfavorable for the Northern States before the new year opens.

I look for some treachery or treason being discovered against the general Government, connected with some person high in office, or some person that has had the confidence of the Administration. I do not anticipate any particular engagements by the land soldiers, except near Charleston, S. C., but the Navy will

generally be successful, and the Administration receives news that will be very encouraging.

News from abroad begin to be of a more exciting nature, there will be much discussion on American affairs in London and Paris, and I look for news of large meetings, and bread riots in different parts of England.

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SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

The Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in Virgo.

Any particular Building Town or Nation founded under the conjunction of the two superior Planets — Saturn and Jupiter in any particular sign of the Zodiac; and if the conjunction takes place in common signs, the Buildings, Towns or Nations, are generally never of much importance, but if the conjunction takes place in Cardinal or Tropical signs, those Buildings, &c., founded under such a conjunction, generally rise to the highest importance; likewise the transits and aspects of these planets to the place where the conjunction occurred, generally produces some remarkable changes to those Buildings, &c. And if it be a good aspect or transit that takes place near to where the conjunction occurred, then those remarkable changes are favorable to those Buildings, Towns or Nations; but if evil, then those Buildings, &c. suffer according to the nature of such aspects or transits. For instance, the last conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter which took place in the sign Capricorn, previous to that one of 1842, occurred in the year 1166, under which phenomenon St. Stephens's chapel was built in London, England. This structure founded under a conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the sign Capricorn, and it being a Cardinal and Tropical sign caused that building to become a place of the highest importance in the Government and Legislation of that Nation, as it was afterwards changed from St. Stephens chapel to the *British House of Commons*. In the year 1834, that ancient building was greatly demolished by Fire, under the influence of the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, in the fiery sign Aries, and during the transit of the evil planet Saturn to the square (an evil aspect) of that conjunction, and the opposition (another evil aspect) of the fiery planet Mars, to the place of the conjunction under which that building was founded, and the Moon was in opposition to the Sun, on the 16th of October; the night on which the building took fire. This building being founded when the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter took place in the sign Capricorn, which, as I have already said is a Cardinal and Tropical sign, it became of the highest importance in the Nation, and the destruction of that edifice

under the violent influence of the celestial orbs by evil aspects, in signs of the same description, in square or opposition to those points, generally bring those identical edifices to dilapidation.

Since the last conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in Capricorn, the old British House of Commons, has ceased to be the Senator's House, and of course it will be now a place of no particular importance; and the new British House of Commons founded under this last conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in Capricorn, will continue a building of the highest importance to that Nation for the same space of time, or a period of 736 years; if in the mean time no particular evil aspect or transit takes place afflicting that degree in the sign Capricorn, where the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in 1842 occurred.

The conjunction of these superior orbs produce very remarkable effects on individuals, when the conjunction happens in important places in those persons Nativities. Thus Charles the II. of England, had his Mars at birth, on the place of the previous conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, and in square to the Moon, and when the Sun came by direction to those points where the conjunction occurred, it not only cost him his life, but also embroiled his government, which even lasted from the time the conjunction took place until he was beheaded.

The conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter which occurred in 1802, took place in the radical degree of Mars in the Nativity of Napoleon Bonapart, I would ask the skeptic if he was not involved in one war after another up to the very time that he lost the battle of Waterloo, and was finally banished to the Island of St. Helena.

King James II. of England, had the conjunction of these superior planets on his ascendant. What effect had it on that unfortunate monarch?

The superiors, Jupiter and Saturn, met in May, 1702, and Mars in Capricorn, in Square or Quartile to them; they continued within 3 degrees of each other all the summer after, and all that time Mars in Square or Quartile to both of them.

Let the sceptic read the history of those times, and the lives of the above-mentioned individuals, and they will find some striking similarities in the fates of those children of misfortune; which coincidents can be incontrovertibly and accurately foreseen by the rules which will be laid down in the future numbers of the "Planet Reader."

I intend in the January No. to insert some of the predictions made by Astrologers in England, from the great conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, which took place in 1842, and likewise to notice the fulfilment of those predictions.

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