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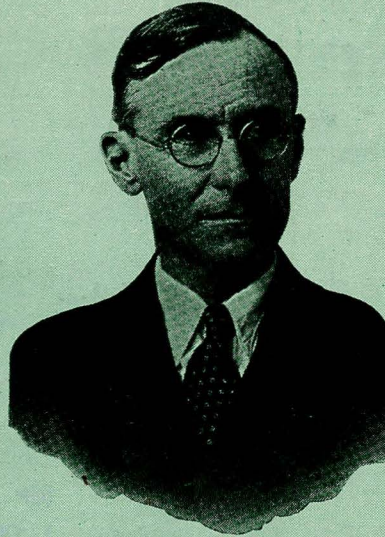
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Christmas

By EFFA DANELSON

CHRISTMAS, the season of gift giving—the Death and Birth of Time. We hail thee as the Great Humanitarian Day. In thy great mission to humanity thou hast taught them to forgive. Thou hast taught them to laugh and be gay—to be unselfish in giving succor to the needy children of men. To many the day means much that is sad, but though their hearts are weary with the drudgery of Life they sing the song of Peace and Good Will.

From across the border line those who love us mingle their voices with ours in their sweet message of hope and good cheer.

Swiftly time is passing. Each recurrent season adds to the wealth of knowledge for the Children of Earth. There is no backward turn in the road though the winding path at times may lead us to think there is. The reflection of the past is the counterpart of the present and the casting shadow portrays that which is to follow. The unshed tears of the morrow are the pearls that lie hidden deep in the hearts of humanity. The thorns of yesteryear are the jewels in the crown of Life. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad that you have come to this way at this time.

Centuries of turmoil and bloodshed have aroused humanity at last to the meaning of the anthem "Peace, Good Will toward men." Unity is the clarion call that will bring Peace through tolerance and recognition of the law of right giving. The eternal Now is the open door—wait not for Tomorrow's promise; reap the golden harvest of Peace, ever abiding Peace, filling your universe with Love.

Greetings, Beloved, in this the natal month of the year, for unto the world is born again the Hope the joy of renewed Life and Peace restored.

Effa DANELSON'S

¶ This Magic Age

LOOKING back two thousand years, how does it compare with *this* magic age? Visualize the wise men of the East riding across the deserts, plains and mountains on camels—how do they compare with our wise men of today traveling by air-ship? Then visualize their mystical teachings and compare them with the records from our laboratories.

Faith defends the mystical lore of those early days. Good judgment says to rely on the laboratory test.

In the days of the camel, each group was a world in itself until the silence was broken by an intruder from another group. As time went on, boundary lines met, wars ensued—might was right. The strongest made themselves lords and made the weaker their slaves. Read the Bible from Genesis to Revelations, inclusive, and make comparison with the age in which we now live.

While held in the bondage of mystery, men did not progress. The lords were satisfied to plunder and rape. The slaves were not allowed to think. Century after century rolled away, the scientific men of every age and country were put to death. But their words and works lived on until sufficient momentum was gathered to influence people who could interpret logically the revelations that came out of the air, so to speak. Through these revelations man recognized an individualized intelligence acting independent of his own mental thoughts. By questioning the apparition he discovered that the particular intelligence was familiar to him, and by a process of questioning became fully convinced of its personal identity and its relation to him before the dissolution of the physical body.

This awakening put an amazing quietus on the teachings of Christianity and the false interpretation of Life after Death. Thus were the tables turned against the persecutors of progress, strengthening perceptibly science and invention; the pendulum of progress gained its equilibrium and has kept a steady momentum until today, considerably less than a hundred years, thinkers have changed the powers that be from lords over human beings to lords over the elements.

A man who is a slave today is so because he does not think. Fear is the only slave driver that owns a slave today.

The radio and the flying machine have ransomed the world and will eventually rid it of human parasites who, like barnacles on a ship, drag men and women to despair. Science and invention brings the farthest star within range of the eye—opens the door of Heaven and breaks asunder the shackles of Hell. Let the earth resound with the welcome to the masters of our Magic Age.

¶ Is Obsession a Fact?

THE question of obsession has again been brought to our notice. The common meaning of the word is "the state of being possessed" by one idea to the

exclusion of all others. The Psychological meaning is the possession of one mind by another to the exclusion of the rightful heir.

To say that there is or is not obsession no longer satisfies the inquiring mind. To call this state of perplexity one thing or another does not solve the problem. According to the Bible, Jesus made his record on the problematic question of obsession; is it not recorded of Him "He cast out legions of Devils"? (Luke viii, 27-28.) The law has not changed; men are still possessed of Devils and they are also possessed of Angels, for do we not see the workings of both the *good* and the *evil*?

To deny that one can be obsessed is to deny the record of Jesus and to deny the acts of the Apostles. Set aside the records of these men and you tear asunder the very foundation of religious fables and mystical lore. But we do not have to rely on history to establish the law of obsession, for it is a common thing in *this* generation. We only lack a spectacular example to make it popular. To cast out an obsessing spirit is in no wise a task to be ridiculed.

An obsessing spirit is one who enters the aura of a person somewhat in the same manner a fly gets caught in the web of a spider. The more he struggles to free himself, the closer the web holds him. Spider and fly both struggle to be free and it is the survival of the strongest.

Only those who have eyes that can penetrate the aura are able to release an obsessing spirit. In nine cases out of ten the spirit is *more* grateful to be released than the one he *obsessed*.

Denying the fact of obsession will not help. Seeking the cause will eliminate it. Putting the question into a scientific classification, wresting it from the religious maniac, will lessen its terrors.

It must be classed with other terrifying plagues infesting the human race. Drunkenness is one form of obsession. Obsession is the cause of certain forms of crime. Many cases of epilepsy can be recognized as obsession. Many of these cases can be cured by holding the attention of the obsessing mind sufficiently long to recharge the mind of the obsessed. When science adopts the theory of obsession as the act of a dual or detached mind it will discover, to its great surprise, that one form of insanity can be cured by ejecting the usurping mind. Denial of facts on the plea that such statements are detrimental is a form of insanity in itself. We must get to the root of this evil, and discover the basic principle, to remove the cause.

¶ Dangers of Promiscuous Healing

THE practice of promiscuous healing by the amateur is fraught with the greatest danger, both to the operator and the patient, if color harmony is lacking.

The lack of color harmony between operator and patient may set up an adverse reaction, which will result in arousing corpuscles to attract entities not always desired. No person should undertake to heal another unless perfect harmony exists between them. Disease

—by the Editor

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is due to an inharmonious color vibration, and to correct this a harmonizing color vibration must be set up. This can only be done when the healer is in perfect accord with the patient and in perfect harmony with himself and his work.

A nurse who is in perfect accord with her work can, while passing through a ward, all unknown to herself or the patient, set up a harmonious color vibration effecting the cure of all patients in the ward whose color vibration responds to hers. Although she does not get the credit, she has performed a healing miracle. This law operates regardless of patient or operator.

Nervous disorders are all due to lack of color tone in the nervous system. Organic insanity is due to the same cause and many cases of obsession can be traced to an abnormal color vibration. This is illustrated by the fury of the bull at the sight of a red rag flaunted before him.

Each individual has within himself the power to reconstruct his color tone. Tuberculosis is the direct result of washed out color centers which supply the blood. A stagnant color, like a stagnant pool, creates disease. Scientists are fast discovering the value of color vibration. Physicians who accept the new discoveries soon abandon the field of medicine. Keeping the color active will postpone old age indefinitely. Disease—only another term for old age—cannot exist where the color tone is kept active.

¶ Memories

HAS Death robbed you of a loved one whose absence at the Holiday Time will bring back memories of other years? Will you ask yourself this question. How fares it with them? Mayhap they are alone in that After Life—pioneers. You perhaps are left with all who are dear to you, save one, and that one a lone traveler in the World of Spirit. Do you shut yourself up and give way to grieving? Do you refuse to be comforted, or do you keep active and cheerful? Do you refuse counsel from the one you mourn when he is seeking a means whereby he can speak that word of assurance which will set aside all doubts? Do you know that no matter how long or how short a time has elapsed since he left you, he is keen about you and desires to give his testimony of the Life which he has found.

How sweet to be able to speak with the living dead and to know that Death is just an open door between two worlds.

The man and woman who shut their eyes and refuse counsel not only rob themselves of the greatest blessing in Life, but rob their loved ones too, especially at this time of the year. Those who have just recently died find it rather lonesome unless they are with friends who have preceded them.

Listen not to those who would instill fear in your heart or those who cry "fake;" neither to those who tell you that your loved ones are not interested in you. Those who love you are seeking you. *Your* happiness is *theirs*. If you grieve, it grieves them. They want

you to be happy as long as you are living in the physical body.

The truly happy person is the one who lives in *both* worlds. Distorted visions of the Life after Death, false teachings, prejudice, and religious fear rob the people of the power to think sanely.

Know that your loved ones are living a *normal* life in a *natural* world. Those who do not realize this are abnormal and are living a poverty-stricken life in a land amid plenty. If you do not know, find out! Don't believe the fairy stories handed down to us by the folklore writers of ancient days. Be as up-to-date on this question as you are on your radio and your aviation.

¶ The Hanging Victim

HICKMAN, the hanging victim, is again at large. Freed from his prison cell and his physical body with one stroke of the hand of the law, he is congratulating himself on his immense luck. So glad he did not weaken; taking the last adventure under the supervision of the state and the advice of the priest, according to the only code he knows, has absolved him from all his earthly crimes and after he rests up a bit from his perilous journey, will be ready for a more thrilling episode. His mind free from envy and jealousy (forgiving everyone as he did), thinking himself a master mind, he will find a following fitting to his profession. He will build more aircastles and people them with more victims. Why not, he muses; "I am master of death. They who sought to kill me have given me the greatest thrill of my life. They have freed me from the prison, relieved me of the necessity of earning a living. I will not have to dodge the law for I have triumphed over death, the power they used against me. Other master minds in the history of crime who have taken the high dive will be glad to show me around. Then I'll do some planning for myself. I'll not be caught napping again."

With this inflated idea he takes his rest, re-awakening to find he has not been betrayed. The next chapter of his life is more crime, more criminals.

When will the governments of the civilized world realize that killing the criminal breeds criminals? Criminals should be placed in the laboratories—not in jails—and given scientific tests for the relief of insanity.

The laboratory with its X-ray and many inventions for the study of the mind could gain a greater volume of facts about the mind from one Hickman than is gained through the sacrifice of dumb animals, all told, and through its devices could restore the mind of the criminal to normalcy. Crime is a disease and cannot be effaced by destroying a human body, any more than the music in the air can be stilled by destroying the radio in your home.

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THE theory of the "third degree" is that if a suspected person is subjected to sufficient pressure, mental or physical, he can be made to tell the truth. The pressure applied by the police in our day and land varies all the way from bullying and insulting, through threats, to actual assault upon the mind or body. Victims of the third degree are frequently forced by mental confusion or anguish, or physical pain, to sign prepared confessions thrust under their noses which they have not the ability in their condition to read or understand, or which, if they do understand, they sign merely in order to escape from an intolerable position, from the anguish of the moment. And these confessions are used to secure conviction and punishment.

Now if anything has been well established by the experience of ages of inquisitors it is that torture in no way forces one to tell the truth. What it does effect is to force the tormented person to say what his inquisitors expect or wish him to say, and that may just as well be a lie as the truth. The pain of the moment is ever more compelling than the fear of what is to come in

the future. Further, it is coming to be recognized that mental anguish can be brought to a pitch of intensity comparable with that of merely physical pain.

It must be remembered that as it is the aim of the police to discover the criminal, or lacking that, to discover some one who can be put forward as such in evidence of their efficiency and to save their face, their tactics in using pressure are not devised with the purpose of enabling the suspect to clear himself, but with the direct object of forcing him to incriminate himself. He is not made as comfortable as possible, placed in an easy chair and handed a cigar. Food, drink, sleep, and even cigarets are often withheld for protracted periods, periods so long that one wearied inquisitor has to be replaced by a fresh one, all with the purpose of placing the victim in a physical and mental condition which none but a fool could think conducive to telling the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, while not infrequently direct physical torture is applied. Police inquisitors have even been known to force the victim to drink liquor to the point of intoxication in order to get him

to sign a "confession." It would be as reasonable to put a witness in court through a similar process in order to extract what he knows.

The motive back of this is natural enough, since criminal procedure is based on bringing a charge or indictment against a person, leaving it to him to clear himself if he can. The claim that a man is regarded as innocent until proved guilty is simply farcical. His attorneys, worthless or competent as the case may be, according to the fullness of his purse, take that attitude. But the state does not, and it is absurd to maintain that it does. It assumes him to be guilty and does its level best to prove it. Read the heading of any indictment—"the STATE vs. John Doe"—the whole population of the state or nation against one possibly helpless and defenseless individual! And the state pursues him with a relentless tenacity which at times is actually vicious. It divides up one charge into three or four, and, should it get the chance, will punish him separately for each. The person accused of selling liquor will be charged with three separate offenses, possessing, transporting, and



DOLORES COSTELLO depicting a true-to-life portrayal of THE THIRD DEGREE in a Warner Bros. Production of the Underworld

selling, and punished for each.

And that is what occurs in the third degree—the POLICE vs. John Doe, in a star chamber trial, with no code of procedure other than the arbitrary will of inquisitors; no impartial judge and no defending attorney to see that there is fair play; no witnesses for the defense; no one to report abuses; no jury but the obviously biased and frequently unscrupulous officials bent on making out a case for themselves.

There will be and can be no protection from this until the practice of private inquisition is absolutely forbidden by law under the severest penalties for those officers who permit it, and until the preliminary examination is required to be held either by or in the presence of a competent magistrate and of a competent defense attorney, not picked out for him by the police, but either regularly employed by the state or selected by the suspected person. The privacy of these examinations is an irresistible temptation to violence and so far all laws have proved ineffectual against it.

Last year Robert Weiner of New York was convicted of complicity in the murder of Warden Mallon and Keeper Murphy of Tombs Prison, was sentenced to death and was held for thirteen

months in the death house at Sing Sing, pending the outcome of an appeal for a new trial, which has just been granted because, as the court said, there was not a shred of evidence against him except a confession extorted by illegal assaults and threats by the police.

The United States Supreme Court in 1926 recorded its condemnation of third degree methods by annulling the death sentence of Ziang Sun Wan and ordering a new trial, because at the former trial there had been introduced as evidence a confession extorted from him by means of days of almost uninterrupted torture, varying from mental to physical, through which he was made ill and reduced to a state of absolute desperation. With this evidence ruled out, two juries failed to convict him and he was discharged.

It is a fact that the United States Constitution (amendment v) states that "No person . . . shall be compelled in any Criminal Case to be a witness against himself." Whether this provision is a wise one may be a matter of opinion, but there it stands, and will stand until removed or amended by national action. And yet the police are constantly evading it, constantly endeavoring to use forced confessions as a basis for conviction. How many people have been imprisoned

or even put to death under such circumstances who can tell?

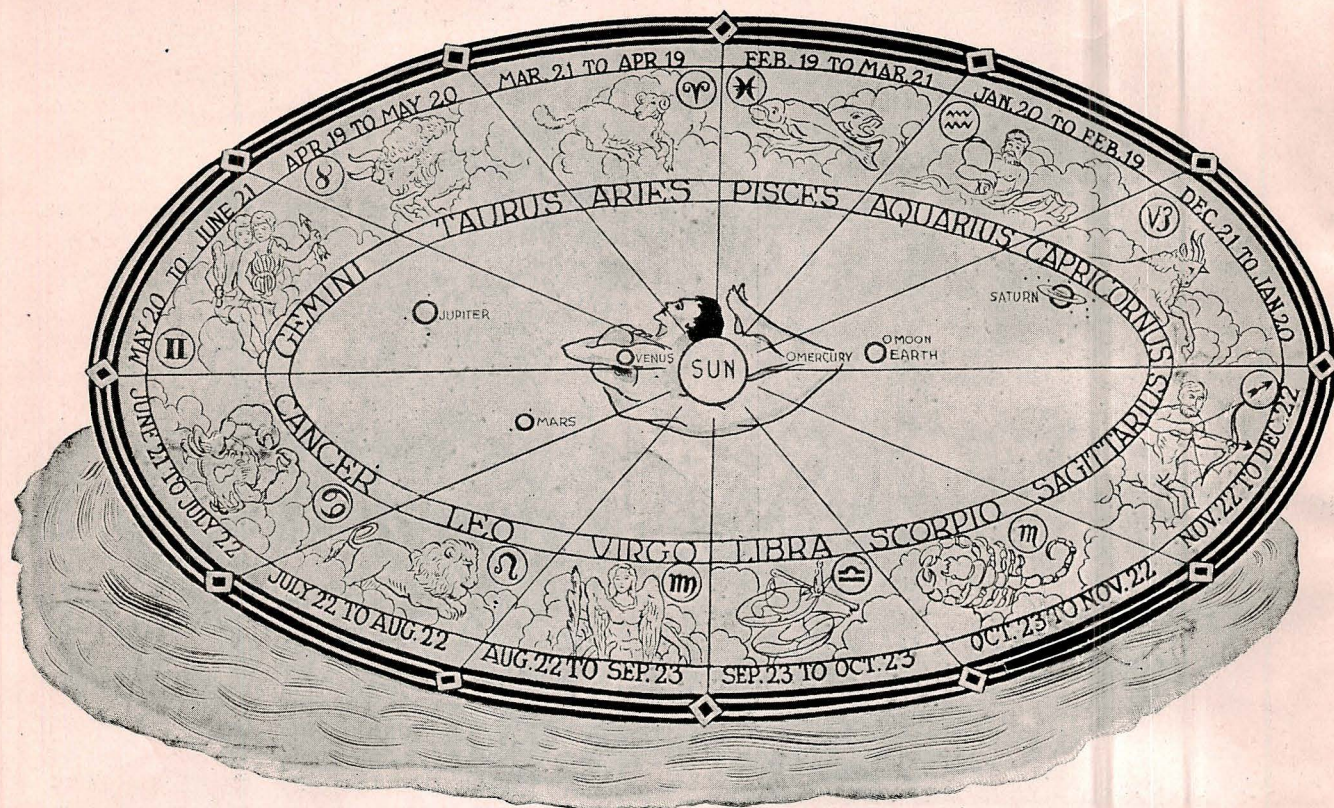
The Association of the Bar of the City of New York, in commending a study of the third degree to the New York Crime Commission, has taken a strong stand against such methods of procuring evidence, and while considering that "the guaranty against self-incrimination is being unwarrantably used for the obstruction of justice" believes that "the constitution should be so amended as to permit the arraignment of the accused before a magistrate who may compel him to answer questions concerning the offense with which he is charged, regardless of whether such questions incriminate him or not."

Just how the magistrate is going to compel him to tell the truth rather than lies the Association of the Bar does not tell us. Will he browbeat him, starve him, beat him up, thrust him back into jail, or simply read him a sermon on the naughtiness of lying in the sight of God? However that may be, whatever the mode of procedure, the opinion of Judge Seldon stands, that unless confessions proceed "from the spontaneous suggestion of the party's own mind, free from the

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Astrological Proverbs

UNDER WHICH SIGN WERE YOU BORN?



A quick survey of your character and that of your friends. Find out the date they were born and the corresponding Zodiacal Sign in the above diagram.

*By Courtesy of
Rays from the Rosy Cross*

1.—ARIES:

"A stitch in time saves nine."
"The early bird catches the worm."
"The race is to the swift."
"Self-praise is no recommendation."
"The devil take the hindmost."

THESE proverbs all apply to the Aries person for he is naturally alert, active, progressive, and quick; one could not imagine an Aries person sitting down to consider whether he would or would not do a certain thing. If anything has to be done, he usually rises to the occasion and does it promptly and quickly and so conserves energy by putting in the "stitch in time" that saves nine. Also he believes that "the early bird catches the worm." He is mentally alert and often seizes and profits by the opportunity that a more cautious brother would lose. He believes "the race is to the swift," and acts upon his belief; and being an egoist, always considering "Number 1," he does not feel much repugnance in pushing his brethren aside to reach the goal himself. He often says in effect, "The devil take the hindmost."

There is a Scotch fable which says that when students come to a certain

stage in their mystic studies they have to run through a subterranean passage or hall, and the last one to get through is seized by his Satanic Majesty and made his imp. I guarantee no Aries student is the last one caught—he would be one of the first to "fight through." Aries gives egotism, and Aries people are fond of talking about themselves—what *I* can do, or what *I* have done. So we may say to them, "Self-praise is no recommendation."

2.—TAURUS people look after the pounds, shillings, and pence. It is the sign of finance, so they like to take and keep. They believe that "a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," and they say, "Take care of the pence and the pounds will take care of themselves." One usually sees a comfortable, self-satisfied look upon a Taurus person's countenance, as much as to say, "Let us be happy, while we may." A Taurus person entering a room full of people who are quiet and gloomy, will in a few minutes cause everyone to smile and look quite contented and happy. They possess the happy knack of chasing gloom away.

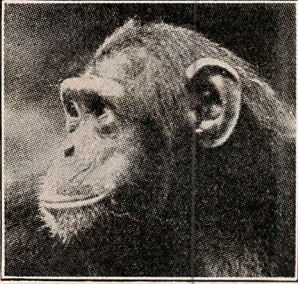
3.—GEMINI people are inclined to

be changeable and not too discriminating, also talkative, so to them we may apply the proverbs: "A rolling stone gathers no moss"; "All is not gold that glitters"; and "The man is wise who talks little." They are usually friendly to all alike, and cannot always distinguish the gold from the tinsel. Although Gemini belongs to the intellectual triplicity, being an airy sign, Gemini people require ballast to bring out their best mentally.

4.—CANCER people are inclined to worry. Cancer is the sign of motherhood, and Cancer people mother everyone—all the world in fact. It is a home sign, so we may apply the proverb, "Charity begins at home" to them. They do not as a rule need this precept for they usually practice the virtue it teaches. In fact, if the father of a family is a Cancer man, the children will always cling closer to him than to their mother.

Cancer people worry, so we say to them, "Worry kills more than hard work," which we all know to be a fact. "Beauty unadorned is adorned the most" also applies to them, for the

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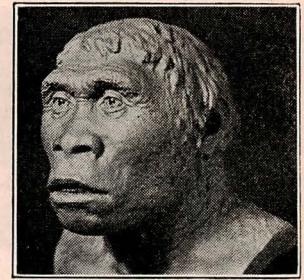
Chimpanzee

BRAINS

---HOW COME?

By
ALLAN STRONG BROMS

By Courtesy of Evolution



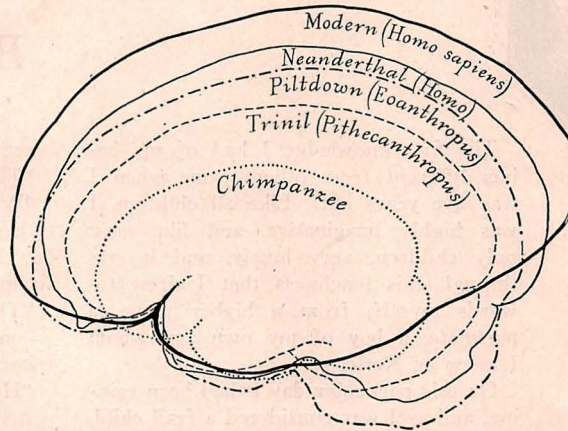
Java Ape-Man

HIS better brain makes man supreme over the other animals. The gap is wide between him and his nearest rival, so wide that even some scientists once took exception here to the theory of evolution. They admitted the probability of physical evolution; but surely that wonderful thing, the human mind, must have been specially created and implanted. Just how, they did not explain. Perhaps, at bottom, this reaction was not reasoned, but rather the prejudice of pride which demanded for superior man superior origins and graces. Nevertheless, there is a real problem here, the problem of how man got that way. The modern scientific answer is that man's hands made his brains.

Man's close relatives have all died out, but some second cousins, the anthropoid (man-like) apes, still live. For mere animals, they have pretty good brains, stand almost humanly erect and have hands and use them. We shall find that hands make brains, so they might well be getting somewhere if man had not beaten them to it and crowded them off the high road. Now they haven't a chance.

But they do have the family look. Just compare them with some of the old family portraits we have dug up. We really had to dig for them, these portraits, for the family album is the earth itself and the portraits are the fossil bones we have found. It must be confessed that the earliest grandfather of them all, old Pithecanthropus Erectus of Java, was an unlovely low-brow. He was not an ape, oh no, but he certainly had the marks. In the scale of brains, he stood right between the ape below and ourselves above.

But just how did man get his brains? Well, he just happened to get the right training. Then too, Nature gave him sev-



Brains of modern and prehistoric man compared with that of the chimpanzee

eral good boosts. His hands, however, can take most of the credit. With hands he handles things, examines them, does things to them. He always learns best by doing. He learned reality by doing, for it really works. Apply an idea and you test it. If it is true, it works; if false, it fails. Man got his truths that way. As he does his doing with his hands, he got his truths through his hands.

This does not mean that he acquired some true knowledge that way and that his children inherited the memory of that knowledge. Nor does it mean that after handwork had trained and developed his individual brain, that his children inherited this bettered brain. We are pretty sure that characters acquired by exercise and training are not inherited.

No; this was one of those partnerships between a thinker and doer, in which either would fail without the other. Brains are usually assets, but never more than minor assets if they have no hands to do their stuff. Look at the horse; of what use is a bright brain to him, since he can use it but little? Then consider the elephant with his handy trunk (not at all bad

as a hand) that gives him a chance to use his brain and therefore gives him a good brain. In the struggle for existence, characters acquired by variation will tend to survive, and to develop by further selective survivals, if they give advantage, increase fitness. Brains without hands never amounted to much, so they did not evolve. Brains with hands meant a lot, so they evolved rapidly.

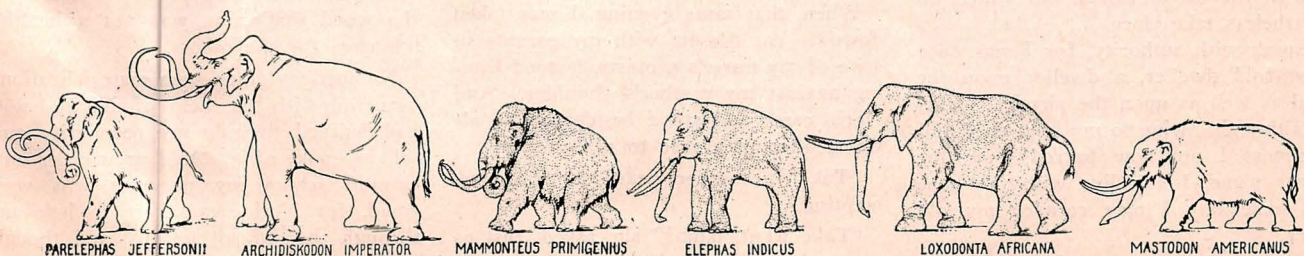
If you want to know how handy your hands are, tie them up for a while and learn your helplessness. Or try picking up pins with your toes. Even practice will not help much, for the foot is built wrong. Its thumb does not work right. The hand's thumb is a dandy. It

is set on a flexible and rotating joint; it can be placed opposite the fingers for the picking hold. This makes the hands handy. To prove this, hold your thumb and try picking up pins with the fingers only. It makes a good game, but it is not handy.

As long as we travelled on four feet, the hands were kept busy as feet and could not develop into real hands. This held the brain, the partner, down too. Luckily for us, one of our ancestors made just the right move. He climbed into the trees. That is how he got his hands. The brain followed.

Very likely, this ancestor was a little fellow who fled to the trees for protection. He was probably much like Tarsius of the East Indies, a squirrel-sized, primitive lemur (semi-monkey) who has several very human characteristics besides hands. Instead of climbing by clawing, as squirrels and cats do, he climbed by grasping. Slowly, by natural selection, he and his monkey descendants developed hands and feet with thumbs. Of course he still used his hands mainly as feet and only occa-

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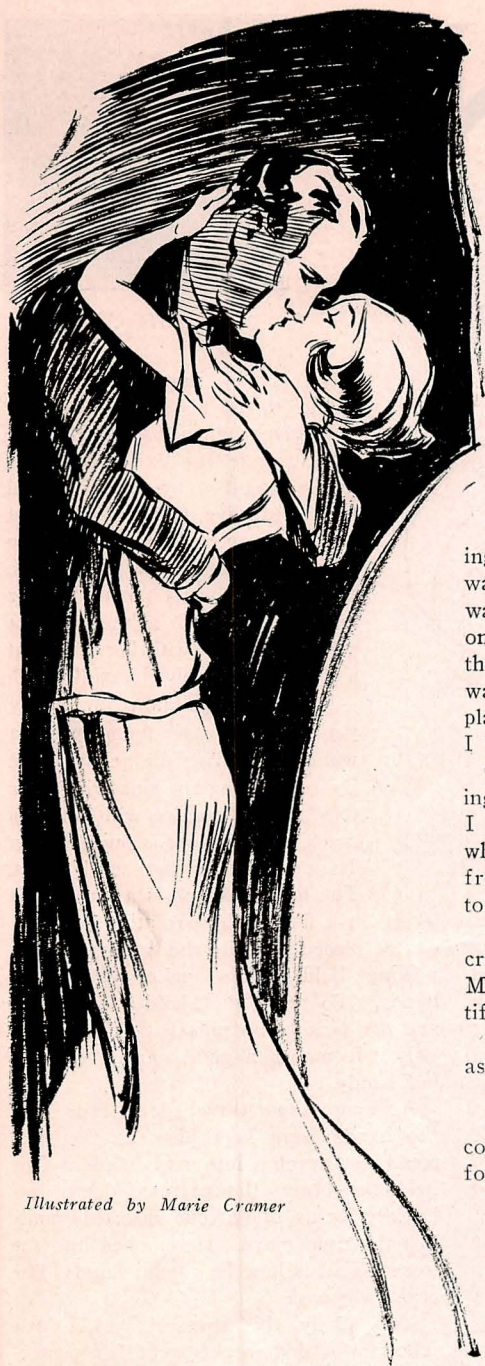
MASTODON AMERICANUS

By "A Dweller on

MIRIAM—

*The Story of a Mortal
and Challenged the Powers*

By RUTH DAVIES



Illustrated by Marie Cramer

A QUEER title, you may think, but what's in a name! Truth is truth wherever we may find it. What we can see with our eyes and feel with our hands we are apt to believe to be more real than that which we can only sense is around us, or that which we are told about by others—unseen presences, unheard voices and the things that take place in the *astral world*, but which do nevertheless take place.

I speak with authority, for I was once a two-fold dweller, a dweller upon the astral as well as upon the physical plane, and although, owing to my ignorance and selfishness I am now barred from the former plane, I still live with the hope that some day I may recover my old power.

The first knowledge I had of my being different from others came when I was five years old. Like all children, I was highly imaginative, and like most only children, very lonely, and it was through this loneliness that I drew towards myself, from a higher plane, a playmate, a boy of my own age whom I knew as Nerio.

On this particular day it had been raining, and as I was considered a frail child, I remained indoors in the big nursery, where Nerio and I were building a house from old matchsticks, which I preferred to my most expensive toys.

"Take it, nurse—take it!" I suddenly cried, as I saw Nerio step over to Mrs. Madden, my nurse, holding out a beautiful rose.

"Take what, child?" the good woman asked, looking up from her sewing.

"The rose, nurse—take the rose!"

Mrs. Madden put down her sewing to come over to me and lay a hand on my forehead, but I jerked away impatiently.

"It is a pretty rose, nurse," I insisted, pointing. "Do take it."

"You and your stories, child," she cried. "I must tell your mother that you cannot go down to dinner any more. Ice cream twice this week! She will ruin your digestion." And with that she left the room.

In a vague way I knew that Nerio was not like other boys but I could see him so plainly, standing with his flower, that I was puzzled. What could be wrong with nurse? Why should she wish to punish me by keeping me from the dinner table, because Nerio had offered her a rose? Childlike, I blamed Nerio and my poor little playmate shook his head sadly and left me.

When, that same evening, I was taken down to eat dessert with my parents in spite of my nurse's protests, I stood leaning against my mother's shoulder. And Nerio came and stood beside me, as always, offering a rose to my mother.

"Take it, mother dear," I whispered, pointing.

"Take what, lamb?" she asked, just as

nurse had.

"The rose, mother—the rose!"

"Why, Alan," and mother turned to my father. "Listen to the child. What can be the matter?" Mother was clearly alarmed.

"There is nothing to be afraid of, it is only Nerio," thought I, puzzled, and reiterated my request.

"Humor him, Nelly," said my father, watching closely.

"Where is it, dear, the rose that you want me to take?"

"Nerio has it—he wants to give it to you," said I.

"Very well—tell him to lay it in my lap," and then, to their complete amazement, in my mother's silken lap lay a marvelous rose, shaded from deepest red to palest rose!

"See, mother dear," I cried, joyously, pointing triumphantly to the rose, and small as I was I could see the color leave her face as she lifted the flower for my father to see.

"You rascal," laughed my father. "Where did you hide that?"

"Nerio had it, daddy," I replied, earnestly.

"Nelly, is our child going to be a liar?" said father, severely.

But in spite of their reproaches and questions I could tell them nothing except that Nerio had given it to mother, and was shortly afterwards sent to bed. Later I was sent to a private school, as my parents decided I was too much alone.

But at school it was the same, things kept happening. I would play with the other children, but I much preferred Nerio, until at last the head of the little school returned me to my home with the word that mine was not a healthy influence for the others.

Numberless other such materializations occurred with the help of Nerio but I had learned to hide my peculiarity and seldom spoke of it. As I grew older and entered school my progress was very rapid, for Nerio was there to help me through the difficult lessons, and though

Two Planes"

A Third Triangle of The Fourth Dimension

Who Laughed at Love of the Spirit

ATHAY

I might hesitate for a moment at the teacher's questions, it was for a moment only, and then the answer would come—always correctly. And when I went into business it was still the same. In all my ventures Nerio advised me and I went ahead or desisted as he advised. Later, of course, I learned the secret of searching the higher planes for myself, but for many years I depended upon Nerio.

When I was about twenty-four years of age my business called me to a foreign city, the name of which I cannot divulge as it would make too apparent what I wish to keep secret, but it was in this city that I met a girl who was the innocent cause of my downfall.

As I was standing one morning before a large edifice, admiring that great handiwork of man, a stranger spoke to me. He was an elderly man of a nationality quite unknown to me, but from his casual remark we entered into a conversation, the result of which was an invitation to take dinner with him at his home the following evening.

The next evening found me at his home, which to all appearances had stood there many years, all of which surprised me, as the impression I had gained the day before had been one of great wealth. The man, whom I shall call Mr. Tracey, met me at the door and ushered me into a very charming room filled with the most marvelous antiques I have ever seen, some of which I could not even place, although I take pride in being something of a collector myself. Lost in admiration of one piece of Chinese handiwork, I suddenly asked Mr. Tracey how long he had lived in the place, and his reply for a moment startled me.

"Six hundred years, friend!"

To you who have never entered that vast realm opened up through astral sight, this reply may seem ludicrous, but to me, an initiate, it was entirely plausible.

"And you live here alone?" I asked.

"Just now I have with me my ward, Miriam Gray," he replied. "We will meet her at dinner."

At this point dinner was announced and into the drawing-room came a girl, to me so beautiful I am unable to describe her beauty, of a spiritual quality difficult to define. Her hair was the color of pale gold with the sun upon it, her eyes as blue as the sea in the morning hours, and her voice, as she acknowledged our introduction, very soft and low and of vibrant timbre that thrilled me with a strange anticipation.

The dinner passed in pleasant and natural conversation, and I was just like any other normal young man in love for the first time. After dinner much to my disappointment, Miriam left us alone and I questioned the old man about her, learning that she was betrothed to a young man of moderate means and that they were waiting while he got a start before marrying.

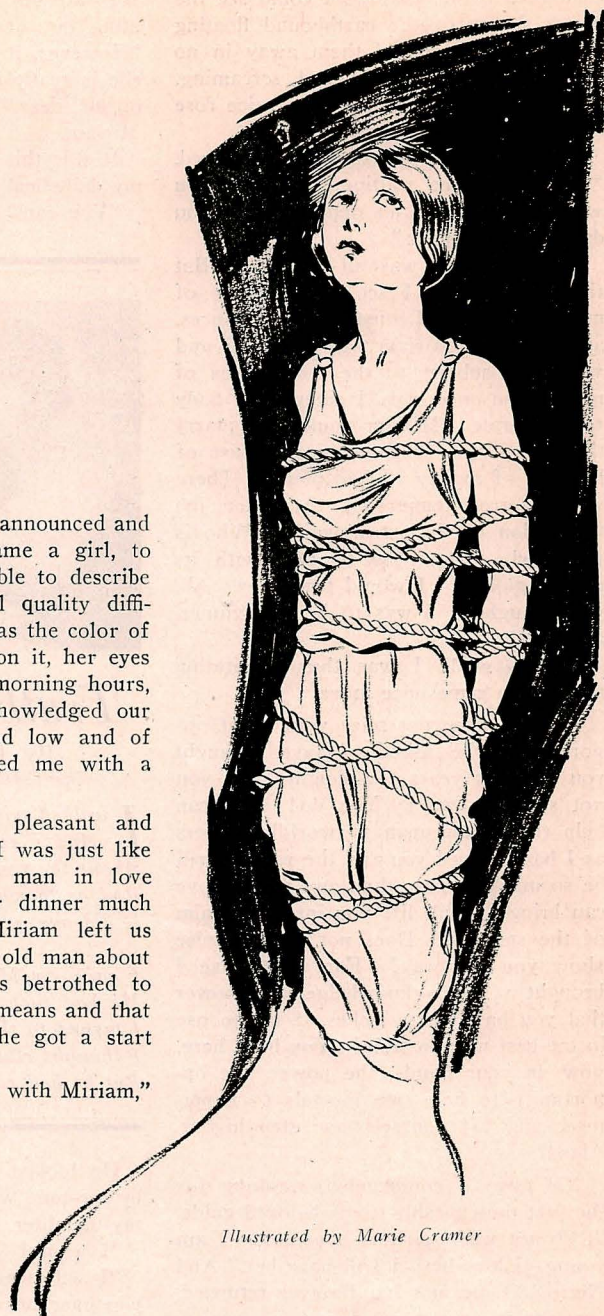
"He is very much in love with Miriam," the old gentleman told me, "but Miriam"—he hesitated. "Sometimes I think she is not meant for mortal love. I do not know. There are some things it is wiser not to know."

Wishing to be alone, I made my excuses shortly after this and returned to my room at the hotel, where I lay down upon my bed and shut out the outside world.

Immediately Nerio came and began to talk with me, the substance of his conversation being a warning to leave Miriam alone. "She belongs to another," Nerio told me, and when I rebelled he gave me one more warning and left me.

"Jealous," thought I. "Nerio and I have been pals for so long he does not wish his place usurped, if only by a girl, but I *will* have her!"

I lay quietly and presently felt the sensation of physical lightness, airiness, that always precedes my entrance into the astral plane. Soon I could stand looking down upon myself as I lay like one dead upon the bed. I tried to summon Nerio to watch over my body, for I



Illustrated by Marie Cramer

never left it unprotected. There are too many egos of a low order waiting for just such an opportunity, that of entering and using an unprotected body as their own. Being earthbound and unscrupulous, they will often misuse a body, and as I had spent my life refining mine and ridding it of gross material, I prized it as all should prize their earthly vehicle.

But Nerio did not come. Therefore, thought I, I cannot go far. I had hoped to find what might happen should I not heed Nerio's warning and take the girl for my own, as I felt, with my power and great wealth, I could do. As all things that happen here upon this physical plane first take place upon the higher planes I knew I could easily learn the consequences, provided I could go far enough.

All was darkness, but as I grew ac-

customed to the shadows I could see the vague shapes of the earthbound floating about me. I ordered them away in no uncertain tones and they fled, screaming. Then came the voices and one voice rose above the others:

"You dare not go far," it whispered. "For I shall be waiting. I have been waiting years for an opportunity. You dare not go too far."

I realized this was all too true. But then, how could I see the outcome of my plans? Still I must take no chances, and after all, Miriam was a mortal and would be subject to the temptations of mortals, so once more I entered my body to deliberate. Miriam could not marry the young man of her choice because of his lack of money. I had plenty. There was one great temptation. And then, the temptation of the astral world. Who is there who cannot be tempted with its unseen glories? I would teach her. Ah, yes, thought I, I was to be the winner, after all!

It was while I was thus meditating that Nerio came once more.

"Why do you not seize your great opportunity?" he asked. "Have I taught you all these years for naught? Do you not see your way? You do! You can help this young man to worldly success as I have helped you and the reward will be so much greater than any mortal love can bring—it will lift you into the realm of the spiritual. Does not that promise show you the way? For what have I brought you this knowledge, this power that you have, these riches, if not to use in the best way possible? You have here, now, in your hands, the power, the opportunity to help two mortals to happiness, and lift yourself one step higher. Alan!"

"Go away," I commanded, speaking for the first time harshly to my beloved guide. "I do not wish spiritual happiness. I am young—I love her—I will have her." And Nerio left me, nor has he ever returned.

But I shook off the feeling of oppression that his desertion threw upon me and sought out Miriam. I invited her to dine, and to the theater, and during that first evening and on many subsequent occasions lost no opportunity to give her the benefit of my wealth and power, and Miriam, for all her spiritual qualities, loved the things of this earth. I made numberless opportunities to be alone with her, and often thought I saw her uncle look at me reproachfully, and once shaking his head sadly he left us.

"We must all learn," were his words.

And then one day I met her betrothed, Robert Manning. He was a frank, genial young man, and seemed pleased to meet me although I knew the pleasure to be forced as his words further bore out: "So you are the Alan I hear so much about. I have a bone to pick with you. It is you who are interfering with my plans

for Miriam." His laughter took the sting out of the words, but he added: "However, it will not be long now until she is really mine. I wish we could live on air, dear," he smiled tenderly towards Miriam.

It was this smile, I think, that decided my diabolical plan.

"You can," I laughed, quick as a flash.



Truth and the Lie

BY PAULINE WATSON
The Celebrated American Violiniste

*I walked with Truth and a Lie one day.
And I conversed the usual way,—
About the weather,
And as to whether
It did any good to pray.*

*I gave my Mind to Truth that day—
He had such a convincing way;
I turned to the lie
I thought close by,—
But he had run away!*

He looked at me questioningly, halted by my tone which was serious in spite of my laughter.

"I wish I knew how."

"I will teach you," I offered. "Have you ever heard of the astral plane?"

"Oh, that!" He was inclined to scoff but dared not, so serious had my mien become.

"Yes," I replied, "that. Look!" I extended one empty hand, closed it and upon opening it before his eyes, it was filled with money.

"Sleight of hand?" he queried, smiling.

I shook my head. "No. Look in your right hand coat pocket."

He drew forth a handful of gold. Now there is something strange about money in that nearly everyone at once assumes a more respectful attitude towards you when you can produce it, no matter by what means. I do not know why this should be so, but it is. Robert Manning therefore looked at me with more respect than formerly, but still without conviction.

"It would have been easy for you to have slipped this into my pocket."

I nodded, then asked: "Where would you like to find it, then, and I will sit quietly here while you find it."

Manning glanced around and his eye fell upon a small cabinet. He got up and tried to open it but found it locked.

"Have you the key to this cabinet?" he asked Miriam.

"I can get it for you, Robert," she replied. "But I wish you wouldn't."

Without heeding her Manning turned to me: "I will have it inside the cabinet."

"Get the key," I ordered, and of course, after the cabinet was unlocked Manning took forth several handfuls of gold, as I knew he would.

"Still," he insisted, "you could have had knowledge that the money was there."

"Try again," I said, simply.

Again he looked around the room and this time opened the cover of the old, grand piano that stood in one shadowy corner of the room. He searched the interior carefully then closed the cover and kept his hands upon it. Without a word he indicated that he wished to find the money inside the piano. I nodded and upon opening the cover again he drew forth several handfuls of gold.

"Do not touch it," cried Miriam, alarmed. "It will not be right for you to take it!"

"Take it," I ordered. "It is yours."

"Is this how you have acquired your wealth?" he asked. "And if so, what do you call it?"

"Some call it materialization, but it is not how I have acquired my fortune. I have simply made use of the knowledge I have and have acquired my wealth thereby. I do not need to materialize."

"And you will show me?" he asked, as I had intended he should.

I replied in the affirmative, that our lesson would begin at once.

"No, no," pleaded Miriam. "Robert, if you love me, please at least wait until you shall have thought it over."

She put two white hands upon his, and no man could have resisted the plea. The sight of her touching him nearly drove me mad, but I controlled myself, secure in the knowledge that she would some day be mine.

"When you are ready, then." For I was sure he would come. And he did.

Our first lesson took place in my room in the hotel, where I had him compose himself upon my bed. I then told him to be very quiet and to force all thoughts from his mind. "Go deep—deep back into your consciousness."

At first he failed, for he could not concentrate, but after several lessons he had progressed so far that I could call him by name and he would not hear.

The time had come.

"But I first wish to go," I said. For I must be sure there was still some un-

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'Good Figures'—The Name and Fame of Mussolini—'To the Letter'

MUSSOLINI

By ELAINE WILLIAMS

WE find, in the life of this mighty power in Italy, that the number 11 plays a very prominent part. It will be remembered from the previous stories what a mighty power the number 11 symbolizes.

The name Jesus also vibrates to the number 11 and it is of course needless to say that He was *the* Great Leader and as such was continually in danger of ill-treatment from all not in agreement with His opinions.

Mussolini, though he has his enemies, boldly carries on for his cause. He aims toward a goal and is determined to win.

The number 11 is Mussolini's ambition, it is in his ability, it is a cycle in his life, and it is his purpose in life.

But the difference in the vibrations of the names Jesus and Mussolini—numerically considered—is the attitude, caused by the placement of the numbers. Jesus gives an 8 ambition—the aim to spread justice and mercy and bring all men to the same plane of understanding—the understanding that each man has the Christ within him and therefore is himself a great power. Jesus was the Great Teacher-Revelator, showing man his own, innate power. Meek—not accepting any credit or praise for His teachings—he gave thanks to the Source of His understanding. This was His constructive 11 ability working with his 8 ambition.

While Benito Mussolini has the 11 ambition, his ability number is 11-5-7, which favors him for a position of authority, for being in command, being the chief, the exalted power with men looking up to him. The word Fascist expresses 22, while its aim or inner desire number is 1 showing one cause. Constructively, it means unity for all, but destructively, it means that the aim is selfish, that there is only a thought of personal power. The number 22 is very intense and extreme either in good or

evil. It is the number of co-operation; it is practical, masterful in its helpful aspect, and weighting its victim with illusions of greatness in its injurious aspect.

Mussolini's 11-5-7 is the revelator number of some deep interest in humanity, the love of military life and glory, but it is unfortunate that his name lacks a number which would give it a truer balance.

While, as we have said, the ability number is 11-5-7, this is the final digit. There is no number 7 as an individual figure in the name Benito Mussolini, and from this we may read a Karmic lesson, particularly as the number 8 is also missing. The 7 and 8 are the numbers needed to give the great Italian leader more tolerance, more wisdom of a mystical nature.

The number 7 goes with the "poker face." No one can tell, by his facial expression, what is in the mind of Mussolini, in which he resembles President

Coolidge. The 11 ideality aims high and strives hard to prove that the seemingly impossible can be done. Henry Ford is one example of this. There is always in the 11 ideality the vision of great achievement, with plenty of driving power to execute plans, but there is also in it, as a rule, a touch of the erratic, also the sentimental and romantic.

Poetry and music are of particular interest to the 7 man, and while his face will not change, his 11 ideality melts the heart of the iron one because of his appreciation of the beautiful.

Undoubtedly life brought some very delightful heart experiences before the age of 33 to Mussolini. After that he made the gaining of power, mental and physical, his aim, but decided changes present themselves at about the age of fifty-two.

One change will come almost immediately. Mussolini's chart shows that he came into his position of power in 1925, and the following year (1926) is shown to be a period of complete expression yet a time when his life was in danger. His attitude of determination to control continued, under the number 4, as it began in 1925, and remained with him through the 1928 influence. But with the beginning of October, and the new influence of 1929 beginning gradually to take effect, there is the indication of a decrease in power.

Mussolini has been controlled by the letters I and M since 1925, but 1929 places a letter U where the M was, which is less favorable. Self-expression—developing his own talents—will keep him close to people and attractive to them, but his power will be due more to his magnetism than to the dominance, the mastery of former days. The letter M brought him safety in his boldness and he was carried through, in spite of all attempts on his life.

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Elaine Williams

At Last! A Scientific Revelation

Spiritualism

By GEORGE



(Continued from November issue)

CHAPTER II GODS

THE God of the first chapter of Genesis is, presumably, the Solar Logos, Solar God, or Ruling Spirit and Creator of this solar system.

The "Lord God" of the second chapter is evidently the Planetary Logos, Planetary God, or Ruling Spirit of this Earth, who has charge of the evolution of all life upon this planet. This Planetary Spirit, or God, has direct charge of the evolution of mankind, as the allegory of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, shows.

Exodus VI, 3. "God Almighty" or "Jehovah" was the tribal God, or race spirit of the Israelites. He was given charge of the tribes of Israel, even as other highly evolved, superphysical entities had charge of the Egyptians, Assyrians, Chaldeans, and other races, nations and tribes. Thus Moses, who had been trained by the Egyptian seers in the occult lore of the Egyptians, while acquainted with the messengers and names of the Egyptian God, knew nothing whatever

about Jehovah, or the Jehovahic messengers. Ex. iii, 23. Similarly Pharaoh, although knowing of the Egyptian and Chaldean Gods, had never heard of Jehovah, the tribal God of the Israelites.

There is a most deplorable error prevalent concerning the so-called talking of the seers with Jehovah. Even the most cursory examination of these interviews proves beyond question that they were not interviews with Jehovah, but messages and instructions delivered by angels, or other astral entities, to the seers or mediums.

The contest between Moses, Aaron and Pharaoh, in which the so-called miracles occurred, is allegorical and represents the contest between the higher or spiritual self, and the lower or material self, in which Moses and Aaron were engaged. That the Moses-Pharaoh contest is allegorical will be most conclusively proved by the following examples: In Ex. xi, 6, all the Egyptian horses were destroyed. In Ex. ix, 25, the Egyptian horses were again destroyed. In Ex. xii, 29, the first-born of the Egyptian horses were killed. In Ex. xiv, 28, the Egyptian horses were again destroyed.

As Jehovah many times asserted that he was a God to the Israelites alone, and would not be a God to any other people, it is incomprehensible how he could set aside his solemn promises and desert the Israelites. Therefore it can readily be seen that he had promised to be a God to none but a clairvoyant, or medium, who was descended directly or by intermarriage, from Israel.

Spiritualism was never more freely manifested than by the tribes of Israel—from the birth of Israel, to the death of Jesus. Jehovah, the tribal God or race spirit of the Israelites, whose chief duty was the elevation and evolution of the Israelites through the power or faculty of clairvoyance, has accomplished his work worthily and well. The clairvoyant stream of the west has met and joined with that of the east and now encircles the earth with an ever widening stream, which will, in the fullness of time, embrace and include every soul belonging to this planet, Earth.

ANointing WITH OIL

This ritual, which is still performed in numerous ceremonials, is the survival of the final rite of the teaching of clairvoyance by the ancient priests. In this rite, the neophyte was touched on his eyes with the holy oil, and this initiated him into full fellowship with the seers, or "Sons of God." Later, this rite was prostituted by its use at the crowning of kings—hence the so-called "Divine Right of Kings."

GARDEN OF EDEN

The Garden of Eden is allegorical, and typifies the ignorance of the animal man, Adam. The coming

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out of Eve typifies the expression of the soul, aided by the divine wisdom, which was symbolized by the serpent.

WITCHCRAFT

The word "witchcraft" has been the cause of innumerable murders, practically all of them committed after the infliction of agonizing tortures. The Israelite word or term which was translated into the English term "witchcraft," was "poisoner," or "drug giver." Thus the Israelite phrase was, "Thou shalt not suffer a poisoner to live." This wretched mis-translation has been the cause of many of the most brutal crimes that blacken the pages of religious history.

CHAPTER III

SAMUEL

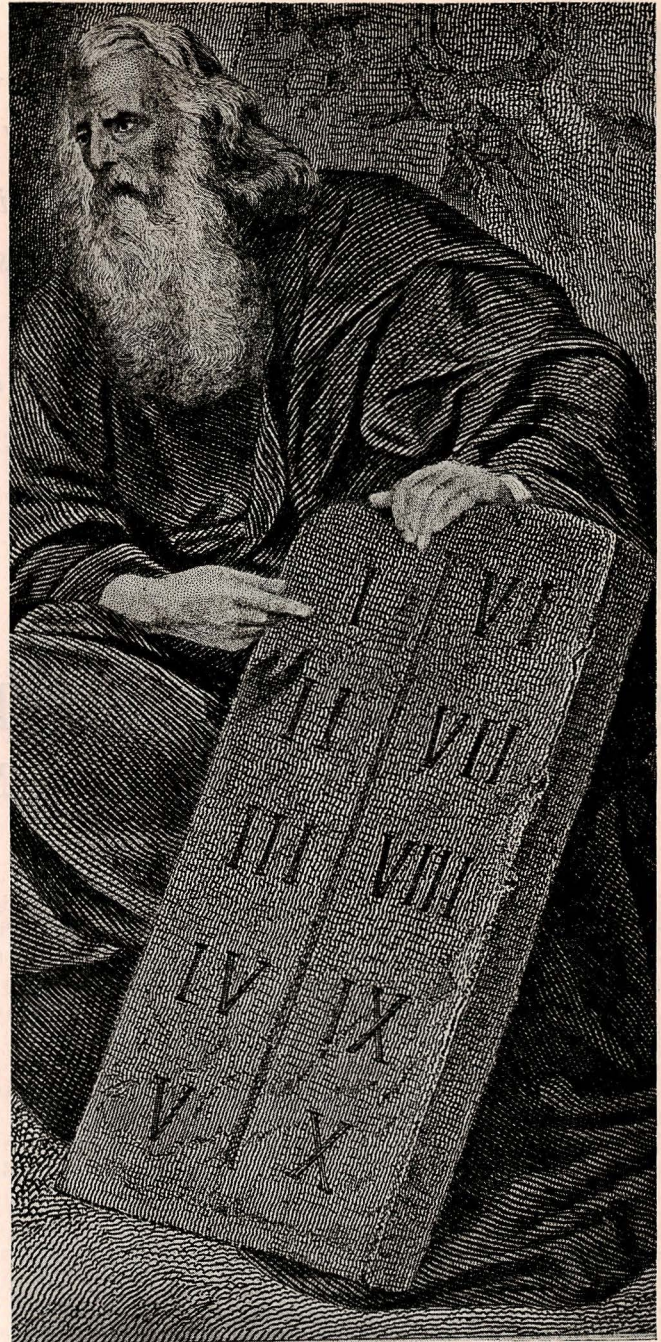
SPIRITUALISM has always existed, and will always exist. It has been the foundation or beginning of all systems of religions. It has had many different names, but the beginning is always spiritualism, pure and simple.

The unimpeachable, incontrovertible proof that the Israelite seers and prophets were simply spiritualistic mediums, is found in overflowing fullness in the two books of Samuel.

In Book I, Chapter 9, is found a description of Samuel as a spiritualistic medium. This description could be applied to any competent spiritualistic medium of today, and would, in its varied angles, fit the case as though it had been written especially for it.

Saul's father, Kish, had some asses which had strayed away. Saul and a companion were sent to find them, but being unable to do so, the latter proposed that they should go to a Seer whom he knew, "as everything he foretold came to pass." Saul said that he had no money with which to pay for the information which the Seer, Samuel, could give concerning the lost asses. Saul's companion stated that he had some money with which he would pay for the clairvoyant work concerning the lost property. This was satisfactory, and they went to Samuel, who gave them the desired information. This is a graphic pen picture of events occurring in every part of the world today, and which will occur as long as the human race exists.

Chapter 10 is a continuation of Chapter 9. Samuel anointed Saul as king, foretold his meeting with various men, also with a number of prophets, and that he would himself become clairvoyant, and prophesy. Saul met his uncle who asked him what Samuel said about the lost animals, and Saul told him that he said they had been found, and this was confirmed.

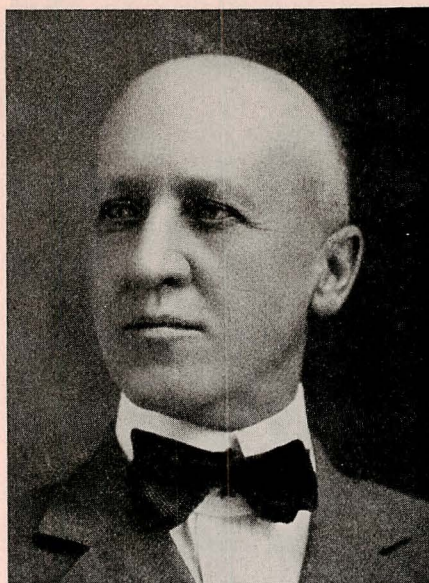


Turning to I Sam. xiii, 14, Saul had reigned about two years when Jehovah decided to withdraw from him, and destroy his kingdom, because Saul had made a burnt offering unto him.

In I Sam. xv, 3, Saul was told by Samuel that he must extirpate the Amaleks and destroy their domestic animals, but Saul spared Agag the king of the Amaleks, and took spoil of their domestic animals. Verse 18, "And the Lord sent thee on a journey to utterly destroy the Amaleks." Verse 19, "Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the Lord?" Verse 26, "And Samuel said unto Saul, 'I will not return with thee—the Lord has rejected thee.'" Verse 35, "Nevertheless unto the day of his death, Samuel mourned for Saul."

As all who read the books of Samuel will remember, Saul was condemned to death because he spared the life of Agag, king of the Amaleks. Also he had persecuted the seers and prophets—mediums—and thus spurned the advice of Samuel. About twenty-five years

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W. Stuart Leech

*Only Through An
Open Mind and
the Testimony of
the Senses Will
Scientists Unravel
the Mysteries of
Psychical Phenomena.*

Science and Psychical Research

By W. STUART LEECH, M. D.

By Courtesy of American Medicine

IS IT possible that we medical men, on account of our training, have become unduly "mechanistic" in our point of view, as certain critics are inclined to think? True enough, academic modern science is leaning more and more towards a mechanistic view of the world and of life, and there is no doubt that, so far as it goes, this is a wholesome philosophy. But does it go far enough? May there not be odd phenomena, usually ignored, which are only fitted into this scheme of things with difficulty, if at all? We are, perhaps, unduly prone to belittle or ignore certain apparent facts, merely because they are usually reported by credulous and ignorant people, or because they do not happen to fit into our scheme of things, and appear to us "possible." Take, for instance, telepathy. A tremendous mass of very respectable evidence has been accumulated during the past forty or fifty years which seems to demonstrate that something of the sort exists. Now it is hardly necessary to emphasize the fact that, if true, this opens up all sorts of possibilities and forces us to enlarge our conceptions as to what may be possible, and what may not, in a variety of ways. We have been taught that nothing can come out of the mind but something already in it; and the only known way in which knowledge or information of any sort can enter the mind is by way of the senses. Yet is this invariably true? As keen a psychologist as William James, after a careful study of the

then available evidence regarding the celebrated Mrs. Piper, wrote:

"If you wish to upset the law that all crows are black, you must not seek to show that no crows are; it is enough if you prove one single crow to be white. My own white crow is Mrs. Piper. In the trances of this medium I cannot resist the conviction that knowledge appears which she has never gained by the ordinary waking use of her eyes and ears and wits. * * * And the volume of this material has considerably increased, both as to quality and quantity, since this was written.

Take, again, the question of "physical phenomena," so-called: Whether material objects ever move without assignable cause, let us say. Here again there seems to be an extraordinary mass of evidence, seeming to show that they occasionally do. Let us mention two experiments recently undertaken by Mr. Harry Price, of London, who is the head of the "National Psychical Laboratory" there.

(1) He placed an ordinary telegraph key in a metal bowl. This was connected by means of insulated wires to a small red electric lamp. When the key was depressed, the lamp was lighted, and it could be lighted in no other way. The top of this bowl was sealed over by means of a blown soap-bubble, over which was placed a glass shade. This piece of apparatus was then placed, intact, inside a fine netting cage; and this cage, again, within a lat-

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True Experiences

TWO

By ALBERT C.

MOTHER was lying on an old high-backed lounge in the huge living-room of our old New York farmhouse in which the family had dwelt for eight successive generations.

She always declared that she was wide awake, but the other members of the family scoffed and said, "you must have fallen asleep, Anne."

That evening when the affair happened is still as vivid in my mind as it was so many years ago. Mother must have been about thirty at that time, for I was ten. She had been wandering about the house uneasily all day, and grandmother had said several times, "You must lie down more, Anne, or you will regret it when the final struggle comes." I didn't know what was meant by the "final struggle" until many years later.

Mother had finally taken grandmother's advice. The rest of our family were gathered in grandmother's room, off the dining room. Grandmother and her sister, who was staying with us that winter, were taking turns reading to Billy and me. One knitted warm red mittens for us to wear when we played on the hillside in the old pasture, while the other read Robinson Crusoe.

Grandmother stirred uneasily once or twice, and interrupted our reading once to go into the living room where mother was lying, to stir the fire and ask mother if she was quite comfortable. The tones of their voices came to us in a cozy drone. I puzzled at the looks that passed between auntie and grandmother when she returned to her reading.

We had scarcely resumed our pastime when we heard a little scream, then moans mingled with sobbing coming from the living room.

I can still see grandmother's face as she rose, the book dropping from her hand to the floor, her face chalky white.

"Anne!" she cried in accents of terror, "Anne, I'm coming."

We all followed her into the living room, little Billy hiding behind her ample skirts.

The sobbing and moaning did not stop when we entered the room. Auntie seized Billy and led him upstairs to bed. I, being overlooked in the excitement, crouched down in my father's favorite chair.

"There, there, Anne dearest,"

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crooned grandmother as she sat with her arm about my mother. "Are you suffering, dearest?"

"My husband's mother," she gasped, "my husband's mother came out of the darkness and spoke to me."

"Yes, yes, Anne dear, you must have fallen asleep, and you will naturally have strange dreams just now."

"But this wasn't a dream. I wasn't asleep," mother wailed. "I never saw Albert's mother. She died when he was eleven, and I was much younger. I knew her at once when she come toward me."

"Of course, Anne dear. You have seen her picture here in the living room every day since you came here. I knew her well for we were cousins and played together as children."

Auntie returned carrying a hand lamp, and sat down beside mother, placing the lamp on a table near the lounge.

"She was like the picture," mother insisted, "but her hair is black in the picture. Her hair was almost red just now."

Grandmother turned a shade paler. "Yes, Anne, her hair was a dark red, but the artist didn't know that when he enlarged the picture from a small one. Well, well, even if she did appear, she didn't do anyone any harm. Elizabeth was a harmless little body and loved everyone."

"But what she said was so terrible," and mother wailed louder than ever.

"Hush, dear," crooned auntie. "Tell us all about what happened."

Auntie's ministrations had the desired effect, and between sobbing and moaning and wringing her hands mother said, "I was lying so comfortably after mother left the room, when I seemed to feel that someone was in the room. I thought one of the children had wandered in or mother had returned. I turned my head slightly and there at my side stood the figure of a woman in long flowing black garments. Her hands were crossed meekly upon her breast. They seemed to be transparent as they lay so calmly on the white kerchief that she wore across her shoulders. I knew her at once because she looked so much like the picture, but her hair puzzled me. I never knew that it was red. I had always supposed it to be like that in the picture."

"Her eyes seemed to ask me for
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"In spite of All the Bodies of Law-makers the Real Crimes of Life Are Not Reached by the Law. There is Great Cunning in the Criminal, but Never Intelligence."



Sherwood Anderson

On the Witness Stand

By SHERWOOD ANDERSON

By Courtesy of Smyth County News

"THIS writer finds life a lot more interesting, trying to think what others are thinking than spending too much time over his own thoughts. Too many of his own thoughts are not very cheerful.

"I never see a criminal go on the stand to be tried without a feeling of relief that it is not me.

"As everyone knows there is the continual accident of life. There are so many laws that everyone breaks them. Well, I personally do not break in houses, I have not struck anyone or been struck for years, I never shot anyone, I pilfered a bit when I was a boy, as most boys do, but the fact that I do not do it now does not let me out.

"In spite of all the bodies of law-makers the real crimes of life are not reached by the law.

"How many times have I been cruel and ruthless, pushing my own purposes against the purposes and interests of others.

"It is possible to make some other human being, who cares for you suffer hell by neglect. A house breaker, who breaks in someone's house and steals goods probably does not do one half the harm done by a scandal monger.

"The real crimes of life are done of course by those of us who do not get on the stand to be tried for crimes.

"To be a criminal is stupid. As a young man I went sometimes as most young men do, into houses that were not very respectable. Writers some-

times write of such places trying to throw a glamour over them.

"There is no glamour. Women who lead loose lives professionally are not intellectually interesting.

"It is a question if all people who lead lives of crime are not mentally defective—or near it.

"How stupid they are. When caught how stupidly they lie. Go into the court room and watch. How obviously the witnesses lie, who are lying. It is difficult sometimes to prove they are lying but everyone knows they are.

"Well, here is a case in court. The witnesses are sworn. It is a form. The witnesses go and put their hands on the Bible.

"Will you tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?"

"It would be a hard oath if anyone thought about it. Truth, eh. Most of the better brains of the world have been seeking truth for ages. They have not got very far with it.

"Now the witness is on the stand. Let us say there are five witnesses. They have all agreed on a certain story.

"We will swear to this—John, who was seen leaving the vicinity of a robbed house at night was not John. We will all swear John was somewhere else.

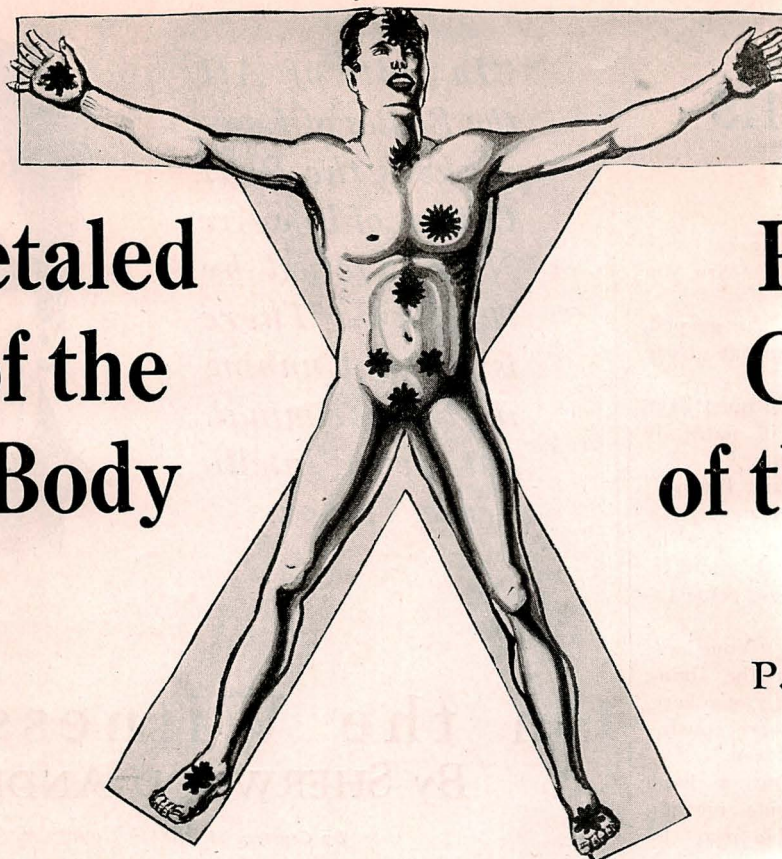
"We will swear he was at Will's house and we were all there. We were playing cards.

"But how are we to fix the time?"

"You Bert will say that you looked
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The Two Petaled Lotus of the Astral-Body

The Psychic Centers of the Body



By
P. S. Haley,
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DR. RUDOLPH STEINER, one of the most thorough and intellectually capable among modern Mystics, mentions six lotuses within the *astral* body of man. Each of these possesses its peculiar function, the one situated between the eyes, a "two-petaled one" one, having the virtue of "raying" outward into space, illuminating it, and thus endowing its possessor with the power of clairvoyant perception.

The author's purpose is to record certain of his observations with regard to this lotus dealing with the functional and anatomical natures of their structure.

If one closes the eyes and presses, slowly and gently at first, but later a little more firmly, the tips of the fingers between the eyeball and the lower border of the socket of the eye, then slowly presses upward, he will observe certain lights and moving fields of colors. At first, there usually appears a field marked off into many small squares of bright, yellow light. These are transient, soon disappear, and give way to a revolving figure which appears like a cross, or windmill (colored yellow)—the tips of the arms bent backward. It appears within a dark background—resembles the swastika of mystical symbology. If the figure is well observed, it will soon be seen that there are really two of these crosses, one moving to the right, and the other to the left.

Now let the pressure upon the eyes be removed and, after a time, when the eyes feel as they naturally do again,

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let them be closed in a dark room. This time there should be no pressure. Soon there will be seen, in favorable cases, a revolving field, which seems to be faintly illuminated, and to swiftly deepen in color, toward the center, into a nuclear cloud, of bluish or violet color. It will be further observed that the construction is caused by lines of force coming from left to right. Careful observation will disclose the arms of the cross, faintly moving in the field of vision. It will at times appear as though there were two of these bluish nuclear fields. It is probable that they are caused by the crossing of the arms of the crosses.

Within the centers of these nuclei of force, after a short time, there will appear brilliant, scintillating smaller fields of color, also of blue but much brighter, which we may term nucleoli. The nucleoli may expand at the center leaving a dark, colorless, open space.

The next observation should reveal the fact that the revolving lights or arms of the crosses, the bluish nuclei, and the nucleoli, appear and disappear rhythmically. When the vision is well developed, the nucleoli will be seen to flutter like the petals of a flower blowing in the wind. This is probably the origin, with the Mystics, of the term *lotus*.

If one holds before his vision a plate

of lead, of sufficient thickness to cause the blocking of the passage of even fine waves such as the Roentgen ray the colors continue. If one suddenly jerks the head sidewise, the fields of light go with the head, thus demonstrating that the lights come from *within* out; not from outside space. If the eyeballs alone are moved, the lights go with them, thus showing the origin of the lights to be *within* the eyeballs.

The posterior surface of the crystalline lens is a radially striated body. So far as the author knows, there is no muscular structure within the eye system which permits the rotation of the crystalline lens. Yet, it may be worthy of note that if the lens were to revolve, it ought to give rise to some such motion as that of the revolving cross arms.

That the tremulous movement of the petals or nucleoli are not due to muscular tremor of the eyelids can be demonstrated by the observation of the petal movement when the eye is open, in either darkness, or in subdued daylight.

Now let us conduct another experiment. Let the gaze be directed at a bright, white light for a moment. Then close the eyes, and the colors of the spectrum of which the light is composed will appear one at a time, beginning with the short wave lengths, such as violet, and ending with red, and darkness. When a clairvoyant message is seen by a psychic, it may appear in any of the colors of the spectrum, and

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Popular Astrology for Everybody

What Is The Zodiac?

A Plain Talk on the Influence of the Stars

By J. EDMOND RYAN

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“WHAT are the signs of the Zodiac? I have heard and read a great deal about the Zodiac, the signs Taurus, Aries, Gemini, et cetera, but never really knew just what they were.”

Due to the number of requests for an answer to the above, I have been asked to write the following explanatory paragraphs.

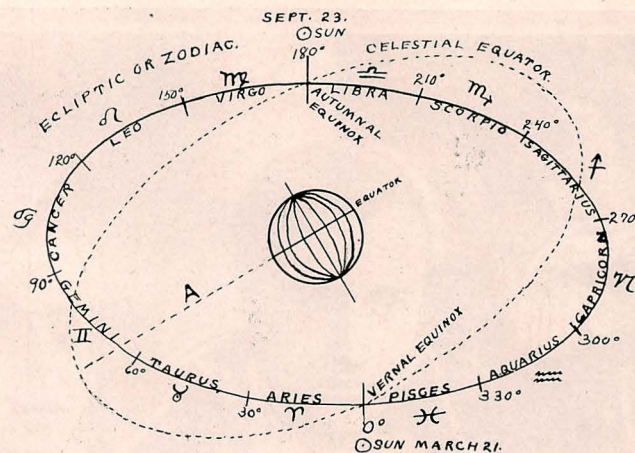
A clear conception of the Zodiac, the movements and the planets, and the different motions of the Earth, must first be gained by those who would know more of Astrology. Those who proceed with their study before they have mastered this most important knowledge, soon find themselves in labyrinth of confusion.

A zone or belt in the heavens, through which all of the planets pass, is called the Ecliptic. This circular pathway is inclined to the plane of the Earth's Equator about 27 degrees and 27 minutes. The tracks of the planets are found to lie along this line, only a few degrees North and South of it.

In the diagram the Ecliptic is represented by a solid black elliptical line. For the purposes of Astrological measurement, all planets are referred to this Ecliptic, and when the space of eight degrees on each side of it is included, it is called the Zodiac.

The Earth is represented by the figure in the center of the diagram. Now imagine an extension going out into space from any given point on the Earth's Equator (the extension being represented in the diagram by the dotted line A), at the same time remembering that the Zodiac is inclined to the Equator 27 degrees and 27 minutes. As the Earth rotates on its axis, this line would sweep through the heavens, making a track much the same as the ellipse in the figure with the dotted outline. This is known as the Celestial Equator. It crosses the Ecliptic at two points marked in the diagram, the Vernal and the Autumnal Equinox.

In reality the Earth makes a revolution around the Sun once in 365¼ days or ap-



proximately one year of time. To a person standing on the Earth's surface, the Sun would appear to pass along this pathway, the Ecliptic or Zodiac, apparently making a revolution around the Earth once in a year.

Equinox means "equal night," and when the Sun in its apparent path around the Earth passes the point marked Vernal Equinox in the diagram, day and night are equal all over the Earth. The same occurs when the Sun passes the other point, marked Autumnal Equinox in the diagram, at which the Celestial Equator crosses the Zodiac. When the Sun passes the point of the Vernal Equinox it is said to enter Aries, the first sign of the Zodiac. Thus Aries 0 degrees, or the Vernal Equinox, is considered the beginning of the Zodiac, from which the divisions of the Zodiac are measured.

Every circle has 360 degrees. Visualize the Zodiac as a gigantic circle, now move along 30 degrees from the Vernal Equinox and we have a space on the Ecliptic or Zodiac to which is given the name Aries, the first sign of the Zodiac. Moving along another 30 degrees, we have the second space, Taurus. Continuing around the Zodiac, marking off 30-degree spaces, we come back to the Vernal Equinox after twelve spaces have been marked off. This is illustrated by the spaces indicated on the solid black elliptical line in the diagram. The names of the twelve

signs are inserted in their proper spaces, also the symbols representing the signs.

Observation throughout the ages has shown that the great powers or forms of energy affecting the human consciousness are active in certain divisions of the heavens. It is noted that a definite form of energy is centered in each sign or each 30-degree division of the great circle called the Zodiac. The Sun moves around the Zodiac at a speed of about one degree a day, and passes through one sign in about 30 days or one month.

However, the Sun does not enter the signs on the first day of the month, but enters them approximately on the 20th of the month, so that the time of the Sun's passage through a sign includes the latter part of one month and the first part of the next. For example the Sun enters Aries on March 21, and leaves it on April 19. We say approximately, for the Sun's entrance into the signs will vary slightly in time, but so little that the approximation of one degree per day can be adhered to for all general purposes.

The Sun, in its passage through the signs, blends its nature with the nature of the sign's energy in which it is at the time. An infant born at the time that the Sun is passing through a particular sign, is affected by the nature of the sign's energy combined with that of the Sun, which gives him certain characteristics, definitely distinguishing him from those born while the Sun is passing through other signs. Thus we have twelve different classes of people, each individual of a class having much in common in their general characteristics. No two, however, are exactly alike, for the different bodies in the Zodiac are constantly in motion, the different positions of the planets and divisions of the Zodiac all having a modifying effect upon the general characteristics conferred by the combined nature of the Sun and sign.

There are divisions of the Zodiac other
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"There is neither East nor West, nor Border nor Breed nor Birth, When two strong men stand face to face, though they come from the ends of the earth."—Kipling.

FAMOUS MEN OF TODAY

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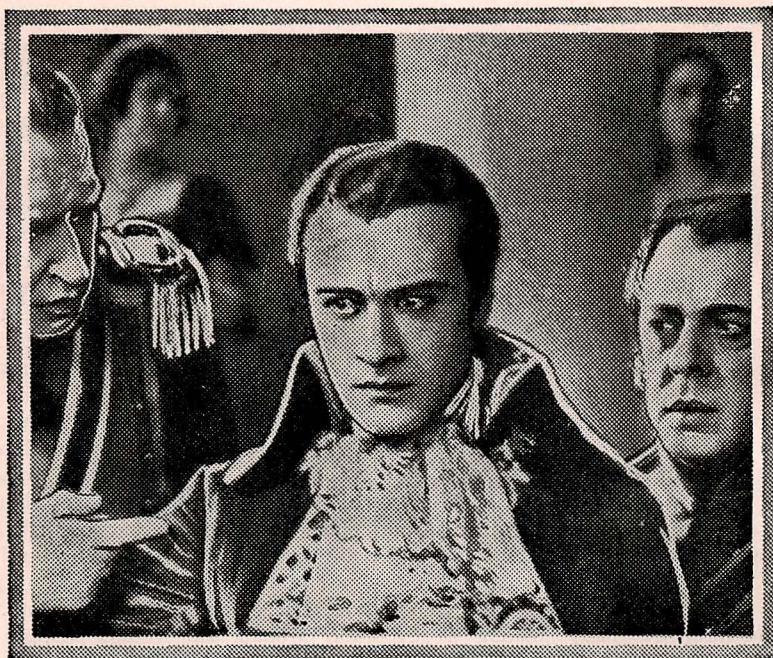
LOVE and laughter; mystery and romance, adventure and strength! From the printed page, and the glimmer of the screen, and the life of the stage. Here it is—in the souls of the men and women who bring the messages, lived—vitality lived.

And the living is what counts; The throb of vibrant souls as they do their little parts in the great play of Life, each filling a different part, and each one doing it well.

Adventure! And who among our modern story tellers has adventured more than Rex Beach? And yet his writing tells more than a story of adventure. It shows a nature that is easily affected by appeals to the emotions; there is tremendous determination here, and a nature that builds many air castles. There is humor—much of it—and a brain that is instantaneous in its action. But with all of these there is this other strain—the call to do, to be active, to push forward, to accomplish.

But with all the adventure, the initiative, and the determination there is still another trait; a psychic strain, an intuitive force that causes him to sense that which he does not see, to be guided many times by an unseen influence that is vitally important to all that he does.

And then the spirit of the Great Outdoor speaks. Dan Beard, famous lead-



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Conrad Nagel

er of Boy Scouts, pens the message, but it is Mother Nature after all. Impartial, uninfluenced by strong emotions, a nature that visions, but does not lose balance because of the vision. One that has the strength and dignity of nature, and that possesses the underlying impartiality of the Mighty Force that is the Life that is Greater than all of us—that carries us along, without fear or favor, but finally achieves Justice. And yet Mr. Beard is surely human; his handwriting shows a sharp temper, a spirit of tenacity that hangs on while life lasts. There is energy, and a nature that is rather too

quickly irritated—except as that energy is employed in the constructiveness which is all-important to the happiness of the man.

Strength! The expression of physical beauty, vital manhood, keen intellect—all of these is one of the most famous of present day artist's models — Sigmund Klein, who sits or stands or reclines in order that the men who work in marble and granite and bronze may build for the generations that that are to follow us, standards of physical beauty that may inspire and carry a message of more perfectly building the

house which is the dwelling of each of us as we go through with our own little romances, our own adventures, and our development day by day.

It is a conservative nature that Mr. Klein puts on paper. A nature that loves art and beauty far more than strange adventures or mysteries. It is the soul of a man who builds—who might have been an architect in stone or wood, just as he has been a builder of flesh and blood and bone. Mr. Klein has imagination, and a nature that, like that of Rex Beach, is warm and sympathetic, instantly responsive to the emotional.

Clarence B. Kelland—creator of "Scattergood Baines," friends of hundreds upon hundreds of thousands of common

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Clarence B. Kelland

Dan Beard

The Qabalah and

The Ancient Wisdom Are Identical

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THE word Qabalah literally means "reception", there is no other word in English that better expresses it. It has been rendered "tradition", and the tradition connected with it is that it was given by God to man; indeed the Jewish tradition is that it was given to certain men, all of whom are fictitious characters in so-called sacred history. The list begins with the Adam of Eden, and includes Noah, Abraham, Moses, David, and Solomon; not one of whom is a historical character, in the sense in which history is understood today. There is not an atom of historical evidence of the careers of any one of these supposed persons, who were introduced to us in an allegorical work created in Babylon for a specific purpose: namely the establishment of monotheism in a world entirely under the influence of a polytheism which had become utterly useless, nay worse than useless, for the purpose for which exoteric religions exist.

The use of what we may call the orthodoxes, or the exoteric forms of religion, is the spiritualization of the masses of the earth; not of the descendants of the Angelic—and Higher—heaven born who had sufficiently awakened from their plunge into materialism to inherit their birth right, of which they were deprived during the period of their fall: namely, of the THE SECRET WISDOM, as it had become. It was not always secret, sealed, or hermetic; it was closed by those who decended, as distinguished from those who plunged, in order that they themselves should not be subjected to the temptation to use it during the period of their own sojourn in the darkness.

In Ibez, or the land which served as the home of the Heaven-born during the Golden Age of Aryan tradition, the Secret Science, and Philosophy were open and free to all; as they could individually profit by it. But it became evident to those who were about to undertake the mission to rescue their plunged brothers, that, as well as sacrificing the exalted life they lived to assume a series of lives in the very

depths of matter, it was more than expedient for them to also give up the knowledge they possessed. They foresaw that if they did not do so, they would while in the darkness be sorely tempted to employ it for selfish purposes, for the acquisition of wealth and power; and thereby nullify the very work they went to perform. They therefore sealed it from themselves, to remain sealed until such time as each should reawaken to a sufficient degree of spiritual consciousness to recognize the fact that they were missionaries to man; that they were in very fact their brother's keepers; that their business was the uplift of humanity; and that they must "be about their Father's business."

As soon as the spiritual memory of one of these Angelic Heaven-born souls began to recall his or her ancient obligations, taken and retaken several times in ancient Ibez, that one became a marked soul to be led to fuller realization; and as progress was made therein he began to receive instruction in the knowledge, and recover the wisdom, he had laid aside against this day of awakening. Such is the secret tradition of the "sealing."

For long this re-initiation into that which was his birthright as an Angelic Heaven-born soul was conferred upon the astral planes alone, to the awakening ones who were but few and far between; even as it is still conferred in cases of qualified souls today who are far removed from centres of initiation on the physical plane. These were the recipients of the Secret Wisdom, for them the hermetic seals were removed as fast as they could bear the process; and each was instructed in the manner best suited to the nationalities, circumstances, and environments, as well as the special missions which he undertook in each successive life.

As millenniums, and then centuries, rolled by these awakened ones became more numerous; and in a more progressed nation several might be dwelling at the same time, in which case groups of missionaries might appear

here and there, and concerted work became possible in favored localities. This brings us to comparatively recent times, not long before the opening of the historic period, at which we find a few groups of considerable size of initiated priests, having an esoteric form of erudition for their own edification, and an exoteric one for the uninitiated masses of the people.

By occultly gathered information, by tradition, or by true history, we hear of centres of this kind in Peru, Yucatan, among the North American Indians where it is still perpetuated in a form closely resembling modern spiritualism, in Poseidonis, in almost every Mediterranean country, in Scandinavia, among the Druids of the Isles of the West; in the Gobi Desert, and in ancient Aryavarta the birthplace of our own race.

Egypt, Greece, and Babylonia formed an important triplet of peculiarly associated centres for a very long time before history commenced; while India nursed it in Dravidian times and passed it on to the conquering Aryans, who received initiation at the hands of Dravidian adepts. But the Aryans, whose birthplace was far beyond the Himalayas, in the westernmost part of the Chinese Empire, and who were destined to develop into a race of nations dominating the whole world, received an esoteric wisdom of their own, which finally left its mark on European culture, through Greek influence; and which differed materially in detail from that which their Hindoo migrants received from their Dravidian teachers. China also appears to have possessed a sealed wisdom during the Chang dynasty, but it had at that time become corrupt. While at this very time the greatest, in power, but not in numbers, is undiscoverably hidden in Thibet. This centre is the great terrestrial focus of world government, in spite of emperors, kings, presidents, and democrats; but it would puzzle all the armies, and detectives of the world to discover the location of its council chamber.

All these, and numberless minor ones, have made the "Reception," have studied the philosophy received, have systematized it to the best of their various abilities, and in these days have poured it out in greater and lesser streams for the benefit of those who can use it, through open or secret channels. The important point about this received information is that in its fundamentals it is identical in tenor, and frequently in detail.

The differences between the expressions of the "Wisdom" coming from the different sources are such as would be natural in an unfolding, or slowly evolving philosophy; which has at last reached the long looked for period when that which has been hidden for so long is in process of being in large part made open to all who can read.

That which literarians, and book-worms call the Kabbalah, is but a strange and more or less valueless set of writings chiefly of Jewish origin; in which scholars, knowing that there is throughout the scripture a hidden as well as an open meaning, have striven to discover it; and have recorded their conclusions, often in words as hard to understand, or even get a meaning from, as the scriptures themselves.

These works, the *Sepher Yetzirah*, (which of them? may worthily be asked because they differ so greatly from one another that to call them by the same name is certainly to misname some of them); the Books of the *Zohar*, lesser and greater; and all the more speculative, as distinguished from those which do contain fragments of the received philosophy; may be swept aside as obsolete, as superseded, and worthless for anything but evidential purposes.

So great, so simple, clear, and satisfying to the modern mind has been the information "Received" during the past three quarters of a century that for the ordinary person there is no more use for them; and even for the Bible itself the same may be said. But for scholars, who demand evidence that the New Qabbalah that has been "Received" in such abundance is really and truly "The Word of God" in the same sense as was the esoteric teaching throughout the Ages; ours, and all other ancient scriptures on which religions have been based are of immense value. And secondarily only are they of value to others, who have to depend upon the work of scholars for their own opinions in religious matters.

We are thankful that the day has come when so many of the Sons-of-the-Gods are earnestly, conscientiously, and lovingly devoting their energies to the re-establishment of a knowledge of the relations of man to the unseen

forces of the Universe; and also for the fact that such vast numbers are awakening their spiritual recollections, and are reabsorbing the principles of which they deprived themselves in the epochs of their respective descents, and who manifest that awakening by the axiomatization which they perceive in the newly "Received" principles. Those

"THE PATH"

By Raphael.

I may not see the path ahead,
While crossing o'er this misty moor,
And yet I know my feet have trod
O'er such a shadowy path before.

Maybe 'twas then I wandered far,
And left the higher, brighter way.
Now I retrace that path I trod
To seal some debt that I must pay.

Some subtle memory tells me now
'Twas here I stood and cried for aid.
And 'midst the sighing evening breeze,
A voice bade me, "Be unafraid."

But not a sound comes to me now,
And who should fear the path once
trod?

For in the light of knowledge gained,
We know the road leads back to God.

who have been long engaged in this work are often astounded, until they become used to the experience, by the affirmation of beginners in the study of spiritual things, of at least a familiarity with the information that is given to them; they are even apt to say, "Why! I know all this, What have I got to learn it again for?"

The fact is that possibly the present brain has not a single engram associated with the information, the person never before having received a word of it in his life, through his eyes or his ears; the personality did not know it until his receptive senses encountered it for the first time; whereupon they struck a responsive string in the lyre of his soul, which answered with a feeling of old acquaintanceship in the case of facts; or in the case of a principle with a recognition, as though it were well known, and called for no proofs being to him self-evident, or highly probable; which is the same as saying that the principle possessed for him a degree of axiomatization.

The Hermetic philosophy explains this in detail, showing that the encountering of facts, or of principles, for the first time in the present life, may awaken a certain definite super-conscious memory picture, hitherto existing in his Atma, placed there long before his birth as an aptitude to be awakened during the coming life, as soon as the proper moment should ar-

rive. The anticipated moment comes and the aptitude is awakened by bringing the attention of his human consciousness in the normal way to an engram impressed on a brain centre specially prepared and developed for its reception through the senses, but which had been latent since attaining its maturity until the moment of excitation. In ordinary physiological parlance, a new cerebral centre which had been prepared, as it were by destiny, really by a guided course of experiences, was suddenly called into active life; and appeared as an aptitude to accept a certain line of ideas as essentially accurate; or in other words a new intuitive percept had been born into his conscious life, which had existed in his Chokmah even since his higher self commenced its involution of a prototype; which prototype at the proper time resulted in a certain brain organization, associated with one of the major centres of consciousness, to be awakened by the proper engram; which awakening it duly received when the higher self judged the appropriate moment to have arrived.

To speak therefore of the Quabalah of the Jews in the sense that they were the recipients of the Secret Archaic Wisdom is entirely misleading. What they did receive was the Bible, which on its surface was a falsehood almost from beginning to end, but which hidden between its very words and letters did contain the Wisdom, although in such a manner as to have been utterly undiscoverable by scholars until today, "the time of the end" of that Age whose commencement was marked by the establishment of biblical allegory in the form of a historic authoritative narrative. Which was subsequently declared by the church to be infallible in word and doctrine, because it was the final declaration of the word of an infallible-God, put forth by him as a grace to his pet people; the miserable Jews that were not worth transportation to Babylonia after their subjugation by the armies of Nebuchadnezzar; and who by this flattery were induced to act as one of the channels through which the monotheistic policy of the Lodge was to be established for the world at large, for a period, "until the time of the end" of the Age of Pisces; when matters should be cleared up, and the truth should become the property of all who could read intelligently, and perceiving the axiomatization of the doctrines could once more receive the universal Qabbalah.

For this purpose the Old Wisdom has been put forth in many garbs, so that every class in the great school of humanity should be enabled to find that particular aspect of it most suitable to its state of unfoldment.

The Sacred

Eleusinian Mysteries

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In one sense the Jews were one of the selected nations, but only in the same sense as were the Zoroastrians, and the Buddhists of India, China, and Japan; and later the Moslems, and Christians.

The Qabalah of the Babylonians was the "Received Doctrine" hidden in the Bible, in both Old and New Testaments; the Qabalah of the Jews was Notarikon, Gematria, and Temura, the childish playthings which were given to them to keep them good. These were given to them for a purpose similar to that which prompted the putting forth of exoteric astrology by the initiates of Babylon, at about the same date; but they were and are of much less value, because astrology did contain elements of truths operative in nature; while the Literary Qabalah contained none at all.

There is a further reason why the term Qabalah, "the Received," was given to the Archaic Doctrine by the Chaldees, and this further reason is many times stronger today than it could have been then, so far as the mass of humanity is concerned.

Its teachings were such that they offered a clear, connected, and ample explanation of metaphysical phenomena, especially along the lines of psychism, mentality and spirituality, with which the initiates were at that time more particularly engaged; and which were in no way antagonistic to such knowledge as they possessed of what we call natural science, being rather harmonious with it than otherwise.

In spite of the loss of a few items of scientific fact possessed by the ancients, we have carried our investigations of nature to a point far far in advance of that which they had the apparatus necessary to demonstrate; the facts that now constitute the encyclopædized category of ascertained facts to which we give the name "Natural Science" are enormous in number. This being so it would follow that a philosophy built upon them would dispel the theories of the Archaic Wisdom if they had been erroneous. We do not find this to be the case; on the contrary, the further we progress in our time's special contribution to human knowledge, the more universal and satisfactory becomes the old philosophy. And further than that, the older we get, and the better we keep ourselves posted in Science, and advance in our comprehension of Hermeticism, we observe that the latter leads the former into the path in which its statements can become recorded in the list of ascertained scientific facts. So often has one observed this that the hermetist is perhaps too much given to regarding the teachings that he believes to belong to the archaic teachings, as if

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THE ruins of the Temple of Mysteries, located in Eleusis, Greece, a small town not far from Athens, are visited yearly by thousands of people, and these ruins are indeed worthy of a visit as they are the remains of what once was the holiest of places to the Greeks, that place in which the Eleusinian Mysteries and Rites were practiced.

The road leading to the temple is known as the "Sacred Way," and, where tourists now tread, in times of yore thousands upon thousands of candidates thronged, seeking solace in the teachings of the Mysteries. Along this way may be seen the two lakes in which all initiates were commanded to purify themselves, and, being immersed, they were considered new creatures. One can imagine with what eagerness they plunged into those waters.

Upon reaching the temple one visits the altar where the bulls were sacrificed. It was thought that the flesh of the sacrificed animals could not be taken outside of the sacred precincts, but had to be consumed within the building. Another interesting feature is the cavern in the side of the hill, which represented hell and is where the candidates were required to abide for a time and listen to the moans and cries of those who were doomed for eternity.

The Eleusinian Mysteries have been associated with other pagan rites and ceremonies which were practiced in the days before Christianity and which were accompanied by brutality, immorality and vice of all sorts, but on the contrary these rites, which are commonly referred to as "The Mysteries," taught mercy, justice and virtue.

No man who had committed murder or was guilty of conspiracy or treason was eligible for membership, and a character absolutely free from the suspicion of immorality was required of the aspirant. Some historians claim that the institution of the Eleusinian Mysteries in Greece was due to Egyptian influence, others claim them to be of Tartar origin, while Persia is also claimed as the birthplace.

Originally, the celebrations were restricted to Eleusis, a town of Attica in Greece, but were later extended to Rome, where they became universal. The ceremonies symbolize the legend of the goddess Demeter and her daughter, Persephone.

Demeter, according to this legend, was the wife of Zeus, who was the brother of Pluto and the father of Persephone. Persephone was abducted by Pluto with the consent of her father and carried to the gloomy regions below. Her mother, Demeter, was distracted with grief over this occurrence and for nine days wandered in search of her child. At last Helios, the sun god, told her what had happened. Being angry, she assumed the form of an old woman, left the abode of the gods, and came to earth.

In the course of her wanderings she came to Eleusis and was there entertained by the ruler of the country in such a manner that she elected to remain. In due time it was discovered that she was the goddess, Demeter. She ordered the Eleusinians to erect a temple as a peace offering, promising to instruct them in certain rites which would be pleasing to her.

This was done, but Demeter, still retaining her desire for vengeance, declared the earth sterile during the whole year. The gods, fearing the destruction of mankind, persuaded Pluto to return Persephone to her mother. Before returning Persephone accepted four pomegranate pips from Pluto which she ate on her journey. For this she was forced to return to Pluto for four months each year.

The practice of the mysteries consisted at first only of the Greater Mysteries, and only native-born Athenians were admitted. Later the Lesser Mysteries were instituted, at first for those of alien birth and afterwards as a period of preparation for the Greater Mysteries.

The Lesser Mysteries represented the return of Persephone to the earth and made her the central figure of the drama. The candidate was required to fast for nine days and try to purify himself in every way. The especially impure were immersed in water and were anointed with oil in order to cleanse them of all impurities. The object of this part of the mysteries was to signify occultly the condition of the impure soul invested with a terrene body and merged in a material nature.

The Greater Mysteries were entirely different from the lesser. The celebration extended over a period of ten days and was conducted with all solemnity. The descent of Persephone into the in-

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A Lady of the Congo

Dark of African

By GRACE VA

IN this day and age, great things are being accomplished by the sincere student of Applied Psychology, New Thought Suggestion, Hypnosis, Thought Waves, Mental Telepathy and Spiritualism.

But in some countries mysticism and superstition are not always of the uplifting kind and the inhabitants of these unenlightened places are indeed to be pitied.

The home of much mysticism may be found in Africa. There, we find all kinds of beliefs, which instead of building up, tear down and destroy beliefs that are deep seated and rooted, queer superstitions handed down from generation to generation, superstitions which only time and patience coupled with good teaching can eradicate.

It is a popular notion that the African savage of the backveld ranks little higher than an animal in intelligence. Living as they do, practically naked in a grass or mud hut in the midst of a wild bush situated, say in the central portion of Africa, talking a language that sounds like so much gibberish to Europeans. They are filled with weird superstitions, haunted by ghosts and demons of their own imagining. How can the mind of one of these savages be expected to have a part of the intelligence that is the heritage of the white man?

But we have convincing proof that the African savages have for centuries mastered the secrets of hypnotism, mesmerism, auto-suggestion and telepathy.

There is no doubt that the witch-doctor as he mumbles his incantations, trades on the weakness of his fellow tribesmen with weird powers of mesmerism, this combined with a skill in rough surgery and a knowledge of the blending of many kinds of herbs, together with a highly developed weather sense, cause the witch-doctor to be feared and revered by all of his tribe, even the king feels the

despotic influence of the witch-doctor's power.

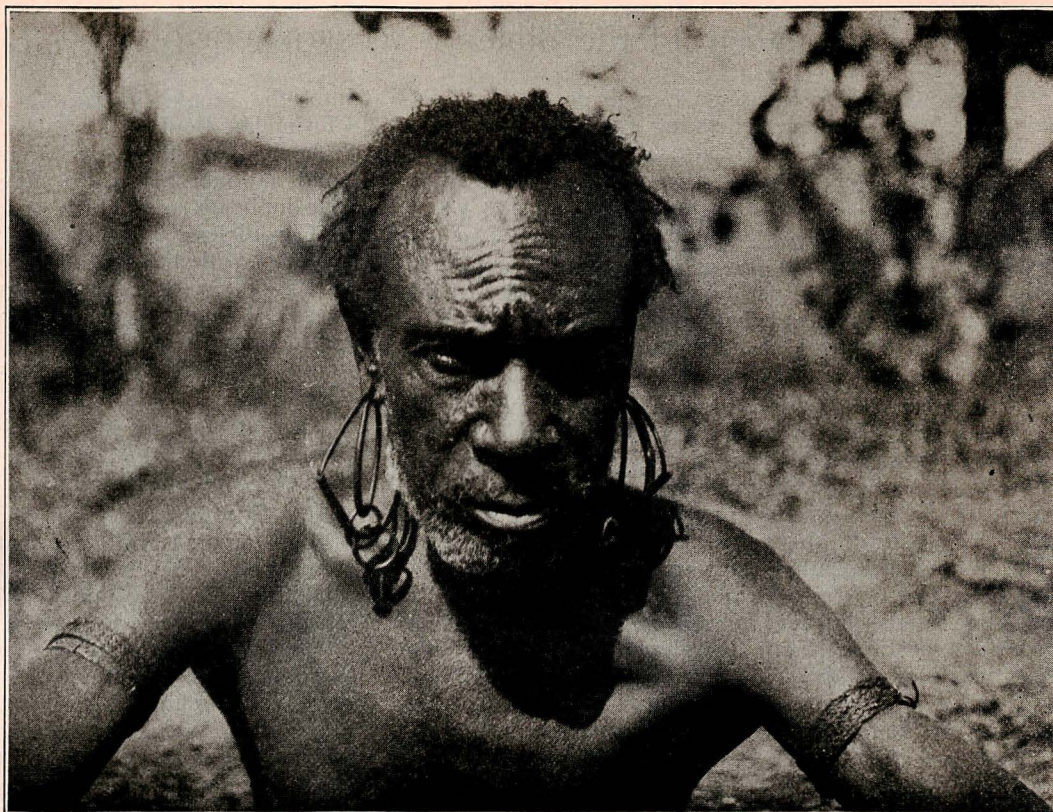
A savage practice of mass hypnotism is used by the witch doctors in a manner somewhat resembling the Indian magician in his art of making his audience believe they see a rope thrown up in the air, where it hangs supported by the air itself, up this a coolie boy scrambles disappearing finally into the clouds. The same sense of awe inspiring magic is obtained when thousands of men, women and chil-



Six Maori Belles of the Ro

Secrets of the Savage

BY ANDER MERWE



A Cannibal from Far-Off New Guinea—the last stronghold in our old civilized world that has not yet been explored. This particular "gentleman" boasted to the photographer that until three years ago, his principal choice of diet was that of human flesh.

dren witness the planting of a tiny seed that in a few seconds will become a mighty tree laden with fruit, which at a wave from the magician's hand will vanish. To Europeans it is scarcely credible that large crowds of natives of all ages and sexes could simulate the tense apprehension which they appear to exercise at all rituals of mass hypnotism.

Auto-Suggestion is practiced by the witchdoctors in



Porurua District in New Zealand

working charms, for good or for evil, over friend or enemy, as the case may be. An incident was once related to me when a native stole some watermelons from a farmer. The farmer suspecting a small band of natives living close to his farm, went at once to the chief of these and complained that he was sure one of the tribe had stolen watermelons from his field. The chief called all the natives into a large circle so that he might question them. The natives one and all denied ever having been near the field.

Fearing further deprivations, the farmer threatened to employ the help of the witch-doctor; immediately a man, with fear written on his face came forward, begging the white Baas to spare him and offering payment of chickens in return for the consumed watermelons.

This native well knew that the power of the witch-doctor was a mighty and fearful enemy to combat. There are many punishments that a witch-doctor employs. He may smear on the vine a charm that in native belief would emanate fumes that settled in the fingers of the thief, causing them to wither. Only by a return of the stolen articles, can the sufferers hope to recover. This is a case where human beings are bewitched by pure suggestion.

To prove a contention of Telepathy being used by the natives, it is generally known all over Africa that during the Boer War, news from the battlefield was received among the natives long before word came by telegraph. This was done by the native placing his ear on the ground and listening to the various tappings. The native, miles away transferred the news by a series of knocks with his knopkerrie on the earth, a certain number of knocks hav-

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The Spiritualism of the Bible

By GEORGE BROWN

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after Jehovah had condemned him to death, Saul was confronted with an overwhelming force of Philistines.

When Saul sought advice, there was no one to give it to him; even the priests of the temple refused to foretell the future for him. He also sought aid and advice from God who answered him "Neither by dreams nor by Urim"—the crystal—for as Samuel had foretold, the Lord had turned against him. Thus because of his persecution of the seers and prophets—mediums—Saul had no one to whom he could turn for advice in his time of woe.

In answer to his repeated appeals, some of his servants succeeded in locating a clairvoyant who had not fled when Saul persecuted the seers and prophets. Saul went to her in disguise and was warned, by the spirit of Samuel, of his impending fate. His nerves gave way beneath the awful warning and he fainted. The hunted, persecuted clairvoyant exhibited the God-like qualities of mercy and compassion toward her persecutor—the despised of man and of God—and from her scanty store set forth refreshments for the one who had murdered, by the score, her friends and co-workers. This great clairvoyant of Endor has gone down in history as one of the few who had compassion on Saul.

Saul met the fate that the spirit of Samuel had foretold for him at the house of the clairvoyant of Endor. In I Samuel xxiii, is found the account of the death of Saul; this chapter is a direct continuation of the life of Saul.

There is a chapter similar to that of I Samuel xxxi, to be found in I Chronicles x. The two chapters are practically the same, with the exception of two verses added in Chronicles. These two verses are quoted in full: Verse 13, "So Saul dies for his transgressions which he committed against the Lord, even against the word of the Lord, which he kept not. And also for asking counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to inquire of it." Verse 14, "And inquired not of the Lord, therefore he slew him and turned the kingdom unto David, the son of Jesse."

These two verses, as quoted above, have been used for many years to further certain purposes. Many unthinking people are imbued with the idea that these two verses were especially inspired by the Lord in order to prevent the growth of spiritualism. A few moments' inspection of them will show very clearly and incontrovertibly that these two verses are an interpolation, for the reason that this chapter, except for the last two verses, is practically the same as that of I Samuel xxxi.

That this interpolation was not the result of an accident, but was done with deliberate intent to deceive, is shown by the fact that Verses 12 and 13 of the 31st Chapter of Book I of Samuel have been compressed

into the single Verse 12 of the 10th Chapter of Chronicles, Book I.

Analysis of these two Verses 13 and 14 proves beyond a doubt that they were written and attached to that duplicate copy which was then inserted in the Book of Chronicles. The first nine chapters have nothing in common with the tenth, nor has the tenth the proper or rightful relation to the rest of the Book of Chronicles—proving beyond a doubt, that the 31st Chapter of Samuel was lifted bodily and then, with the interpolation of the last two verses, placed in the Book of Chronicles.

The analysis of the two interpolated verses shows even stronger proof, if such a thing were necessary, that they are interpolations.

In I Chronicles x, 13, it is found that the first charge brought against Saul was that he disobeyed the Lord's commands. These commands can be found in I Samuel, xiii, 11-12-13-14. Samuel's failure to arrive at the time designated caused Saul to make a burnt offering.

See I Sam. xv, 3. In this command of the Lord, Saul is commanded to utterly destroy the Amaleks, to kill men, women and children, and all their live stock. Saul killed all the men, women and children as the Lord had commanded him, and all of the old and crippled live stock, but saved Agag the king, and the best of the live stock—see I Sam. xv, 9.

In I Sam. xvi, 13, Samuel anointed David as king of Israel. This is absolute, incontrovertible evidence that Saul was condemned by the Lord, because he had not killed Agag, king of the Amaleks, and also had not killed every head of live stock.

The second charge is that Saul inquired of a seer or prophet, or one who had a "familiar spirit." If this clairvoyant had a "familiar spirit"—whatever that might be held to mean—then the clairvoyant woman of Endor must, of necessity, have had Samuel as a familiar spirit, as it was he who appeared and spoke. This calling up of Samuel's spirit was after the Lord had proclaimed the downfall of Saul.

The third charge, I Chronicles x, 14, is that Saul did not inquire of the Lord, and for this reason the Lord destroyed him. This charge is so plainly and palpably a falsehood that it is difficult to understand how any one who claims any truthfulness or honesty of purpose, can repeat it and proclaim it as the truth.

The actual facts of the question can be found in I Samuel xxviii, 6. There in it is specifically and most unequivocally stated that Saul inquired of the Lord, and the Lord refused to answer him. This interpolated verse—name I Chronicles x, 14—proves conclusively that these two verses were not in the original text of the Bible, but were inserted by a few who desired to accomplish certain ends of their own.

INTRODUCING

in the next number G. H. POHLAND, whose scientific but interesting portrayal of "Occult Materialism," "The Interleaving of Individualities," "Mathematics and Cosmogensis," "Intersections of Consciousness" and "Architectonics" will open the eyes of the layman and confound the Psychologists of the Old Schools whose cut-and-dried theories fail to explain the "unexplainable" that Occultists have sought and found years in advance of physical Science's "discoveries."

LISTENING IN ON W-O-R-L-D

News Notes of Interest to Occultists

What Your Shoes Reveal About You

Some people claim to be able to tell a man's character by the company he keeps or by the books he reads; others can tell it by his eyes. But give a clever cobbler an old pair of shoes and hear what he can disclose.

That heel worn low, that toe kicked through, each betrays its owner's character. Even the way the laces have been left gives something away.

The slouches can be told by his boots, the plain-clothes policeman, trying to dissemble his business, is given away by his large, heavy "crushers."

A man's footwear also reveals how he travels. The push cyclist scores a rut in the sole; the motorcyclist, using his feet as brakes, wears away the inner sides of the soles. And who has not seen the horseman's spur mark on his riding boots?

Waiters, nurses, and all others who stand for long hours, are apt to suffer from flatfoot. If a child's shoe shows flatfoot, rickets or muscular weakness is to blame.

A bare footprint reveals telling peculiarities. A footmark in sand like Man Friday's is smaller than the foot that made it, whereas a print in mud is larger.

The footprint varies according as a man runs, walks or stands. Small as he runs, it grows larger as he slackens to a walk, to become largest when he stands firm.

The landsman plants his feet one in front of another, but the seafarer places his heels wide apart, not so much to avoid rubbing his bell-mouthed trousers together as to preserve his balance when afloat.

In the elucidation of crime footprints have to be preserved early. Detectives discovering a footprint in dust on a wooden floor cut the floor through to take the print. Clay or sand footprints are preserved by taking casts. Melted paraffin wax is poured in and allowed to cool, when the cast can be removed. These casts pick out every nail and heelplate of the boot and every deformity of the footprint.—London Mail.

Character As Shown by Your Laughter

"People who laugh heartily may be trusted," said a student of psychology

recently. These people laugh with the eyes and the whole body as well as the vocal cords, and they are usually generous and sympathetic.

"Laughter is a sure indication of character. The man who laughs in his throat, with an almost straight face, for example, is generally shrewd and cautious, and not always over-scrupulous in his methods.

"Inside laughers," whose shaking shoulders express their mirth, are good-natured, and make excellent parents, while those who laugh without a smile are hard-boiled, and cruel people with little jerky laughs are often of shallow character, and are unable to withstand temptation. They are, however, often mentally brilliant.

"People who laugh explosively and loudly are not the hearty, bluff creatures they are generally believed to be.

"The large-hearted souls are those who laugh but rarely, but whose joy is reflected in eyes, lips, and face."

Shape of Hand Reveals Character

The size and shape of the hand gives a true insight into the character of the individual, points out Riley Barnes in an article in Liberty magazine.

"Consider your own hand," writes Mr. Barnes. "Is the palm thin and narrow? Well, then, are you not by nature timid, uncertain, lacking in depth, energy, and moral force? Perhaps not, but you are merely fortunate in that you are the exception to the rule. Is yours a well proportioned hand, firm but not horny, and pliable but not flabby? Then you should be well balanced, open-minded, appreciative, intelligent. But should these chiromnomical evidences be exaggerated, you are not such a desirable character after all you are or should be, if the books do not lie, selfish, sensual overconfident, and inclined to bully.

"There is the hollow, deep palm," continues the writer. "The possessor is inclined to misfortune, is an adopted child of misery, and more or less inclined to material failure. There are, however, gay and festive successes whose palms are just that way, so do not surrender to your deep hollow palm. I need not speak of the obvious. The drooping, listless hand speaks for itself, as does the brisk, unerring, busy one."

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Under Which Sign Were You Born? ASTROLOGICAL PROVERBS *(Continued from page 8)*

Cancer native is rather fond of dress and jewelry and puts many rings, not merely one, upon his fingers. If Cancer people see a pretty trinket, they feel they must possess and wear it.

5.—LEO. "Love me, love my dog" is the most characteristic proverb to apply to the Leo person. Leos are very fond of their relatives, especially of their own particular family, and can see no fault in them. They want others to be as fond of these relatives as they are themselves.

The Leo people like to do things upon a large scale, so we advise them, "Cut your coat according to your cloth," because having large ideas there is a danger of running into extravagance or prodigality. They think optimistically, ambitiously, grandly. Mediocrity does not appeal to the Leo people, so "if you cannot do what you wish, wish to do what you can," applies to them.

6.—VIRGO. "Discretion is the better part of valor" applies admirably to the Virgo person, for Virgoans are not fighters. Neither are they aggressive, and often it is only by their own discretion that they get out of a difficulty. We could advise them to "let well enough alone," and tell them that "to be over-busy is a witless task," for being lovers of detail they will, even when a thing is completed, look it over unnecessarily to see if any improvement can be made. Although it is a virtue to be busy, it is a fault to be over-busy, and as the proverb says, it is even a "witless task." Virgo people work from a sense of duty, not for reward, so "Virtue is its own reward" especially applies to them.

7.—LIBRA. "Every cloud has a silver lining"; "Marry in haste, repent at leisure"; "Love teaches even asses to dance," all apply to the Libra person for he does not like gloom. If anything unpleasant takes place he usually looks for the bright spot and tries to turn sorrow into joy.

Libra people often make undesirable marriages, for as Libra is the sign of partnership its natives often marry hastily, feeling the need of a partner. Afterwards they wish they had waited. "Love teaches even asses to dance": the pleasantness, affability, and affectionateness of the Libran will often dispel the gloominess in a melancholic person and make him so happy that he does indeed feel inclined to dance and be merry.

8.—SCORPIO. Of a Scorpio person we might truthfully say, "His bark is worse than his bite." Although he may make stinging remarks, he does not by any means always carry them out in action.

"Sub rosa," or "under the rose," applies also to him, for he is naturally secretive. "A word to the wise is sufficient," and "Hidden fires are often the hottest" likewise suit the Scorpio person. It is not necessary to say



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much to him if one wishes to convey a message. A word or look or even the flicker of an eyelid is sufficient for him to understand one's meaning. The Scorpios being silent people one does not always realize the deep feeling underlying their quietness until the fire of suppressed emotion suddenly bursts forth.

9.—SAGITTARIUS. "The eagle does not hunt for flies"; "It is better to be envied than to be pitied"; "One good turn deserves another"; "All's well that ends well."

Sagittarians being ruled by Jupiter are expansive, benevolent, jovial, and kind. They expect great things and when developed aim high—at the stars. "The eagle does not hunt for flies" is a very typical proverb to apply to them. They do not like to be pitied but prefer to be envied. They like to do a good turn when they can. If a matter ends well, they are happy, and do not trouble very much as to how the end is brought about.

10.—CAPRICORN. The Capricorn person is cautious, patient, enduring, prudent, and painstaking, so the following proverbs describe his characteristics: "Slow and sure wins the race"; "Once bitten, twice shy"; "Look before you leap"; "To be forewarned is to be forearmed"; "Sweet are the

uses of advertitisty." Saturn brings adversity, and the Capricorn person discerns the uses of it and profits thereby, as he is noticeably endowed with common sense.

11.—AQUARIUS. "Cold hand, warm heart"; "He loses his thanks who promises and dallies"; "He who would have friends must show himself friendly"; "From saying to doing is a long way." Aquarians frequently have cold hands, but their hearts are warm, although that fact does not always show in their manner. Aquarius is the sign of friends. The Aquarian often has many friends and would have more if he showed himself more friendly. "He loses his thanks who promises and dallies." Aquarians are apt to promise a thing too readily and then find it difficult and often impossible to keep their word. In consequence they may lose their friends.

"From saying to doing is a long way" contains really the same meaning. When the Aquarian learns to respond to the Uranian ray instead of to the Saturnian, then the warmth of heart will show itself always in his actions; but it is difficult for him at the present stage to be very demonstrative, although there are unmistakable signs of a change in this respect taking place even now.

12.—PISCES. "Don't let the grass grow under your feet"; "It is foolish to fear what you cannot avoid"; "Do not cross the bridge before you come to it"; "Fear is a great inventor"; "Let sleeping dogs lie"; "Let bygones be bygones," all apply to the Piscean person. Being negative, Pisceans require encouragement to get on well. Also they are apt to fear what never happens; but they are peaceable, lovable people and never stir up strife nor bear a grudge. So if anyone mentions a past grievance, they say in effect, "Let sleeping dogs lie," or "Let bygones be bygones." These last two proverbs we can each and all practice with great profit to ourselves and others. Each sign has its outstanding virtue, but that most peaceable maxim of the Piscean, "Let bygones be bygones," conduces more to general happiness than almost any other sign maxim.

I will close by repeating some lines upon the idiosyncrasies of the twelve signs:

"Who works from dawn to set of sun
And never likes to be outdone?
Whose walk is almost like a run?
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Who smiles through life, except when
crossed?

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The Suicide Breath

Schopenhauer once asked whether a man could commit suicide merely by holding his breath. The question is answered by the discovery that the act of respiration is governed by a definite center in the brain, subject to chemical action exerted by varying amounts of oxygen and carbon dioxide in the blood. In a report in the *Illustrirte Zeitung* (Leipzig) we read:

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"Now, in the brain there is a definite spot which is highly sensitive to the amount of carbon dioxide in the blood. A certain amount of this gas is always contained in the blood, and often it travels a long path, from the great toe, for instance, before it reaches the blood-vessels of the lung, to be expelled with the breath. If this percentage of carbon dioxide exceeds a certain limit; as, for example, when one holds his breath and therefore has not expelled the gas for some time, so that it accumulates in the blood, there is exerted upon this spot in the brain an incredibly strong stimulus which is immediately carried along the nerves to the muscles that control the breath, rapidly setting them in operation.

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Since this small but important area of the brain is infinitely sensitive to minute variations of the carbon-dioxide content of the blood, we can not voluntarily hold the breath long enough to cause death—long before the cells stop working from lack of oxygen, this little brain sentinel, which is always on the job, has set our breathing apparatus going in spite of us, thus furnishing the required oxygen for the vital process.

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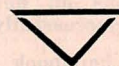
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Miriam: A Third Triangle

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incarnated ego ready to assume charge of his unprotected body. This I did to my satisfaction, then returned and told him all was well.

"On the astral plane all things first take place. I misspeak when I say first, because there are still higher planes, and from these planes all that happens on earth, or the physical plane, descends. But these higher planes can wait. They are hard, if not impossible, to reach for many years. Look around you well while you are gone and learn what you can. Then take this learning and use it in your everyday life. The knowledge will help you."

After listening carefully to me Manning composed himself upon the bed and was soon so far away he did not heed me. I then projected myself into the astral, and presently saw him emerge from his body. He was strange at first, as we all are, even at death, and inclined to be frightened, but I soothed him.

"Go!" I ordered. "Search and learn." And he disappeared!

Immediately the ego, hovering near, watching our maneuvers, slipped into Manning's body, and what had a few minutes before been Robert Manning, arose and left my hotel. I did not await the real Manning's return from his search, but assumed control of my own body and followed the false Manning. I spoke to him and took him to his home, where I left him.

I then sought out Miriam, and asked her to marry me. I told her I had noticed a great change in Manning; I pointed out my power and great wealth and painted with gorgeous colors a picture of what her life would be in America, with me.

"Your feeling for Manning is but a fancy," I told her. "I love you and would willingly do anything for you." Ah, what had I not done!

I was not disappointed by her refusal, for I believe I had shaken her somewhat, and I felt triumphant. What need I fear? Was I not powerful, even without my guide, Nerio, who had now deserted me, I was sure. It was Miriam I wanted and I would have her!

The following day she told me that Manning had not called, and that when she telephoned him he spoke strangely, but had promised to call that night. What took place that night I do not know, but the following day Miriam promised to become my wife, and although I read a reluctance in her promise I told myself I could make her love me—after we were married.

It was shortly after this that I made my great mistake. I allowed Miriam to leave me. When I say "allowed," I mis-

speak, for I had no recourse. I could not prevent it at the time. Perhaps you do not know that during sleep one can visit the astral plane, provided he does not go too far, leaving his etheric double to guard his body, this latter fact being what I had kept from Manning.

It was during sleep that Miriam met Robert Manning, who must have told her what had happened. Be that as it may, she insisted that I teach her what I had taught him. I refused.

"Then I shall find out from another source," she replied.

Perhaps her old uncle taught her. I do not know, for I myself had never entered the astral since that fateful day when I had left Manning to its mercy.

Miriam asked me to stand guard over her body, but I refused. How could I let her go and verify what her dreams had told her! Not heeding my refusal, and before I could stop her, she lay down upon the divan, composed herself, and, to my practiced eyes, was soon on her way.

"Miriam," I cried in agony. "Miriam!"

My voice halted her and she hovered between the two planes, until suddenly she cried out in a strange voice, in a strange language, and I knew it was fear of the astral sights and sounds that caused her cries.

"Miriam," I commanded. She struggled and opened her eyes and at sight of me, screamed.

Her uncle, the servants and a friend in the house hurried to her and carried her away by force.

Poor little Miriam! It was impossible for her to fully make the contact again with the physical, and the doctors pronounced her hopelessly insane, while I, the cause of everything, had to stand by and know it was all a lie, for from that moment I lost my power. I became just like any other ordinary man of my age. I could do nothing.

I have spent my fortune trying to find help for her but there is none.

Often I waken at night, the cold sweat on my brow, for I have dreams of Manning wandering on the astral plane, earth-bound perhaps for centuries, while Miriam alternates between a sort of coma in which I know she is with her Robert, and ravings that have caused her to be shut up in a padded cell.

Such, then, is my story, and I can only hope for the time to come when I shall have paid in full for my sin and can help these two unfortunates, for I have learned my lesson, that whatsoever knowledge we are given must be used to help others. The way to happiness lies in that direction.

The End.

Brains—How Come?

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sionally as true hands. But his brain got its start, for at last it began to count through its performing partners.

The hands divided their job between them. The left hand hung on to keep the balance, while the right got real clever at manipulation. The one got the stupid job of just holding things, while the other got the handyman's job of picking things apart. So the one stayed awkward, while the other became "dexterous," which is just Latin for right-handed. Sometimes Nature trades about and makes the left hand clever and the right hand dumb, but it takes just this kind of a pair, a holder and a picker, to make the unbeatable combination.

Some of the descendents grew big, much too heavy for tree life and so they took to the ground. In the trees they had acquired the semi-erect attitude which partially freed the hands and as the free hands were too handy to lose, they become more and more erect. In walking, they kept their weight on the hind feet and for all practical purposes, the hands were free. Thus it happened that the partnership of "Hands and Brain" got its big chance. The junior partner soon grew up and now runs the works.

The hands did another good job. They

picked up sticks and stones and used them for tools. Further directed by the brain, they also made tools by chipping and grinding and carving. Now, instead of cracking nuts with the teeth, they used a heavy stone. Instead of tearing tough meat with the teeth, they cut it up with a stone knife. The tools of the hand relieved the heavy work of the jaws and the jaw grew smaller. The lower face receded, while the growing brain-case bulged upward. Man became a high-brow.

The erect attitude helped too. It shifted the resting point of the head. The head no longer hung, it balanced. The physiologists tell us this changed the neck and helped to free and develop the organs of articulate speech. Speech meant that we could pass ideas around and thus learn from each other. Later we also learned to write our speech and then we could pass our ideas along down through the ages. Knowledge then began to accumulate and each generation could start off where the last one left off. That meant progress in knowledge.

But this is only the story of how man's hands helped him get his brain. His two eyes had something to do with it too, but that is a story for the next issue.

On The Witness Stand

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at your watch. You asked John what time it was. Your watch was eleven minutes slow. You set it.

"And now an odd thing happens. One by one the witnesses who were to swear to a lie get on the stand. They become confused. Their stories get mixed.

"However they are all clear about one thing. Bert's watch was eleven minutes slow. They all have a childish belief that, if they agree on the eleven minutes, if they all remember that, their whole story will be believed.

* * *

"The man who has committed a crime is in the docket. He is watching the witnesses. Sometimes it happens that, to save their own scalp, his own people are compelled to testify against him.

"He is watching the faces of the jurors, the judge's face. Let us say he is facing a prison term. He looks out at a window. Others out there are walking about, are free, free.

"A sickening hunger for freedom. What chance has he in a dash. Offi-

cers are sitting about. They have guns. He has to give that thought up.

"He becomes indignant. The criminal on trial, like all people, has to save as much as he can of his self-respect. That is the great thing. Even to feel himself a dangerous man is something. The Kinney Wagners are trying to make people respect them. That is what they are up to. It is a great egotist who dares kill another man.

"There is a twist in the brain.

"Most criminals have convinced themselves that all society is armed against them. 'I never had a fair chance,' they all say.

"That is another way to save their self respect. If I can convince myself that society is in a conspiracy against me I can say to myself—'what chance have I?'

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Moon and Venus produce wind and storms.

Moon and Mars produce changes and relief from drouths or rainy spells.

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Moon and Saturn produce cooler weather, rain or snow.

Moon and Uranus produce unsettled and miserable weather.

Moon and Neptune produce fair weather and clear up the skies.

Venus and Mercury produce winds, showers and overcast skies.

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Mars and Mercury produce winds, rain, hail, snow, gray skies.

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Jupiter and Mercury produce fair but high winds. Medium temperature.

Jupiter and Venus produce fair, mild and warmer weather.

Jupiter and Mars produce fair, still and mild weather.

Jupiter and Saturn produce slightly colder. Gray skies. Thunder.

Jupiter and Uranus produce dull weather, overcast skies and warmer.

Jupiter and Neptune produce milder and warmer weather.

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something. I finally had the courage to whisper, 'Have you come for Alfred?'

"No," she murmured, 'I am taking Mary this time. I'm coming back for Alfred.'

"She then faded ever so slowly into the darkness and I screamed in terror."

The relation of the story seemed to quiet her, and auntie helped her to bed while grandmother gazed into the fire with a stern expression.

I had fallen asleep in the chair when I was aroused by the murmur of voices.

"She seemed to be mentally exhausted, and dropped off to sleep very quickly," auntie remarked.

"The vision annoys me, coming at such a time," returned grandmother.

"Just a fancy. She must have been looking too steadily into the fire," auntie said carelessly.

"Perhaps so," sighed grandmother, "but how do you account for the red hair entering into the fancy? Anne never saw Elizabeth, and as she told us, her hair in the picture is black. I had entirely forgotten that Elizabeth had red hair until Anne mentioned it."

The murmur of their voices died away as they wandered back to grandmother's room. I slipped unnoticed to my own room where I quickly prepared for bed and was soon wrapped in slumber.

Three weeks later Aunt Mary, father's only sister, died in childbirth, and three years later father followed her at the early age of thirty-two.

When I was fifteen I sat in that same living room and I had a similar experience. I had been reading rather late after the other members of the family had gone to bed. Grandmother was spending her annual six weeks with Aunt Helen in a town about ten miles west of us. The lamp flickered several times, and once I went through the lower part of the house to see if someone had left carelessly a window or a door open, as there had been a recent robbery of a nearby bank, the night watchman being murdered.

Finally, in disgust I turned the light down, and removing the chimney by holding its hot base with my handkerchief, I took my pocket-knife and gently trimmed the wick. Replacing the chimney, I sat back in my chair to see if I had achieved my purpose. The light still flickered, but the draft seemed to come from the open stairway. I looked up that way and was frozen with horror at the apparition that met my view.

There stood the most ghastly sight that has ever come before me. A tall haggard figure dressed in mouldering

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grave clothes was evidently trying to attract my attention. I am positive that I smelled the odor of the grave from those mouldy bedraggled garments. The flesh had long deserted the bones of the face and the long bony hands were clasping and unclasping as though the figure was in the utmost agony.

I was about to cry out in terror when the figure swayed toward me and began to speak. The accents were the most horrible I have ever heard. I was sure I recognized the tones when it said, "O, I beg you put me into my grave, I'm so wretchedly unhappy."

Then it began to moan and wring its hands again, and the body writhed and swayed as though in mortal agony.

I made a terrific effort to recall the tones of that voice. I finally recognized them as those of my dead grandfather. I must have fainted because the next thing I remember my mother stood over me saying, "Come, come, you must sleep scunder than I ever do for I have had a hard time getting you awake. I heard you talking in your sleep, but your voice sounded so unnatural that I feared you might be sick."

"Mother, I haven't said a word," I replied. I then told her of my vision, but I could not bring myself to tell her why I had fainted.

She laughed and said, "You are subject to the same failing that has always been my curse. We have had so much ill luck that I can't imagine anything more coming just now"

I could see that my story gave her some concern so I tried to laugh it off as a possible dream and after saying a few comforting words made my way to bed where I spent a very troubled night. I was partly conscious several times, but was glad to drift off again into the realm of sleep as I feared a recurrence of my fearful vision.

Consciousness came to me when my room was flooded by the bright sunlight. It required some effort on my part to open my eyes as I was positive that I heard the same moaning that I had heard the previous night. The moaning seemed to become clearer, and I recognized the sounds as those of someone sobbing in my own room. I looked down at the side of the bed and saw my own dear mother kneeling there with her head resting on her arms, and in her hand, which was trembling violently she held a yellow telegram. Reaching down I quietly drew it away from her and read, "Mother died last night at ten o'clock of heart failure," signed, Helen.

The Son of Man

By MAX HEINDEL

(The following article is from Mr. Heindel's hitherto unpublished notes.—ED.)

CHRISt JESUS was not really called the Son of Man; He called Himself that: "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?" He said. He was the Son of Man in the respect that He had a body, but there is a reference in that appellation to the sign Aquarius into which we are going. The Son of Man shall come again, that is the Scripture, but when is He coming?

There was a time when humanity worshipped the Bull; this was when the sun by precession went through the sign of the Bull, Taurus. Every year the sun comes northward, and about the 21st of March it reaches the equator, that is, the first degree of Aries. Then it goes around the circle, and the next 21st of March it comes again to the equator, but it comes a little bit earlier, it precedes. Thus the vernal equinox, the point where the sun crosses the equator, is each year a little further back than it was the year before, and so by precession it goes all around the zodiac. When it went through the sign of the Bull, people worshipped the Bull. Then it went into the sign of Aries, and it became a deadly sin to worship the golden Calf any longer. "Come out of Egypt, don't worship the Bull, but by the blood of the Lamb, shall you pass over," was told to the Egyptians. So the doorposts were sprinkled with the blood of the lamb, and they passed over into the Aryan Dispensation.

Then Jesus was born, and He told the people that He wanted them to be His disciples. "Come away from the old place; I am going to make you fishers of men," He said. The sun is now going through the sign of the Fishes, as it has been doing the last 1430 years. During those years we have been eating fish on Fridays and during Lent. Some time after the death of Christ there was a great controversy. Should His symbol be a lamb or should it be a fish? But the bishop wears a mitre on his head in the form of a fish's head, so we see that the Savior is indicated by the sign that the sun is going through by precession.

The sun is approaching the cusp of Aquarius, the great intellectual sign. We are getting away from the influence of the devotional sign of Pisces in which people have blind faith. We are nearing Aquarius, the intellectual sign of the Son of Man, and we are beginning to feel its influence. The Bible states that the first miracle that Christ performed was to change water into wine at the marriage feast of Cana. But when He came to the

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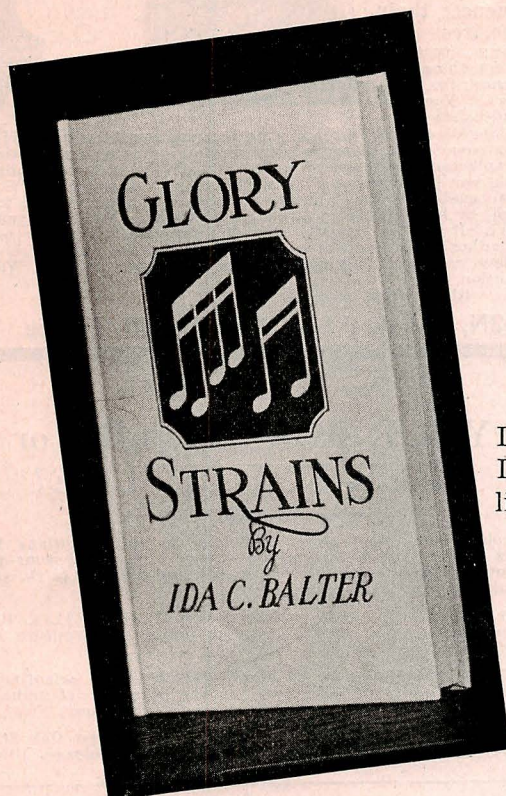
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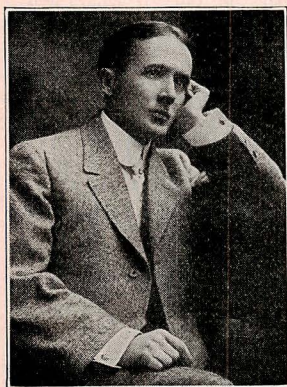
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Under Which Sign Were You Born?

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Who knows, or thinks he knows, the most?

Who loves good things—baked, boiled, or roast?

Who? Taurus.

Who's fond of life and jest and pleasure?

Who vacillates and changes ever?

Who loves attention without measure?

Who? Gemini.

Who changes like a changeful season, Holds fast and lets go without reason?

Who is there that can give adhesion To Cancer?

Who praises all their kindred do,

Expecting friends to praise them too, And cannot see their senseless view?

Who? Leo.

Who criticizes all she sees—

Yes, e'en would analyze a sneeze?

Who hugs and loves her own disease?

Who? Virgo.

Who plays the game of luck and chance?

Whose gait is like a graceful prance?

Who loves to pose and toe the dance?

Who? Libra.

Who sees the things you least desire?

Whose anger stings like living fire?

Who loves to rouse another's ire?

Who? Scorpio.

Who loves the law and loves the court?

Who take delight in outdoor sport, And takes religion as his forte?

Who? Sagittarius.

Who seeks revenge for wrongs received?

Who craves by friends to be believed

Who grows morose when he's deceived?

Who? Capricorn.

Who is the ready promise-maker?

And who so readily the breaker,

Which makes one love and then forsake her?

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Clidomancy Divining by means of a key, Bible, virgin, and ring.

Clothes (Phantom) Weaved or ensouled by the thoughts of the entity.

Cloven Foot Many are the tales of the devil who appeared with cloven-foot as a distinguishing mark. This probably originated from the fact that evil often comes or travels to us by way of the Martian and the Saturn rays which united are a cloven foot of evil, from man's view.

Cluricaune An elf of evil disposition generally appearing as a wrinkled old man with knowledge of concealed wealth.

Cock A herald of the dawn, always associated with magical rites. In medieval history there are many recorded instances in which his cock-a-doodle put the "Sabbath" to rout. He entered Europe from India, by way of Persia where the Zoroastrian books allude to him as the beadle of Sraosa, the sun, and the affrighter of demons. The Jews and Armenians received their ideas of the cock being an affrighter of evil spirits from the Persians. Among the Chams of Cambodia, the black cock was the tool of the sorcerers. To propitiate the devil, the black cock was offered up, while the Germans were wont to offer up the black hen. His fiery sheen and his gay plumage have in many legends connected him with the sun. In the New Testament we find him associated with the Son of Righteousness.

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Coleridge, Samuel Taylor An English mystic and author (1772-1834), whose

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(G.S.).....	The Great School in America	(S).....	Sanskrit
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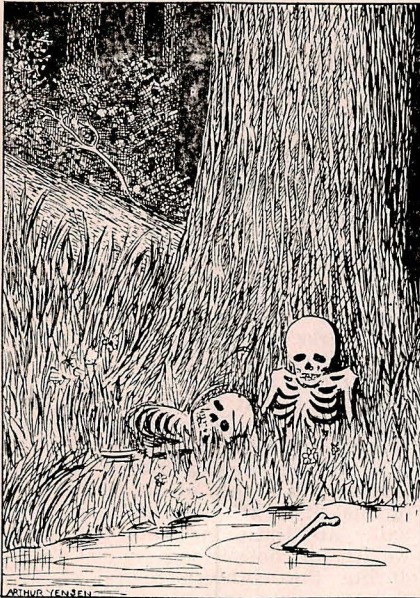
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J. H. Phillips, an Occult Digest reader, vouchsafes this story of the "Dream Children of the Alleghenies" as authentic. "Jacob Dibert was the brother of my grandmother and our family records bear testimony to its truth," says Mr. Phillips.

IT WAS April 24, 1856, that Samuel Cox, hearing his dog barking in Spruce Hollow, near the Cox homestead (near Pavia, Bedford County, Pa.), took his rifle (at that time hunters used rifles in bagging small game) and went after the squirrel which he knew to be treed by his dog. He shot the squirrel, but was not successful in finding the animal and returned home. Soon after his return, Samuel Cox inquired of his wife as to the whereabouts of the boys, George and Joe. It turned out that the boys followed their father, but evidently were misguided by the echo from the rifle fire and, instead of going in the direction of the shot,

traveled in the opposite direction.

When the father returned to the Cox home, the boys already had been absent two hours. Search was started and by night the Cox family had started to build fires in the woods. The hunt continued for sixteen days and it was estimated that 5,000 men, women and children took part.

Jacob Dibert of Blue Knob, Blair county, residing 15 miles from the Cox home, about the 12th day told several neighbors of having dreamed the night before about the lost children. He told of seeing in his dream a dead deer along the path and at a closer point a deer head. He was a subject of ridicule, but the following day he reported having dreamed of a similar view. Again the third day Mr. Dibert told of his dream and announced that he would make the trip to the vicinity of Spruce Hollow,

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Lost Children of the Alleghenies

PHILLIPS

even if he had to go alone.

Mr. Dibert's brother-in-law, Harrison Wysong, volunteered to accompany him, and they started out on what all the neighbors believed to be a "pipe dream." Upon reaching the vicinity of where the Cox boys disappeared, Mr. Dibert told his brother-in-law that soon they would find the dead deer. The finding of the carcass came to pass. When they came to within 50 feet of a foot-log, they found the deer head and also found a shoe worn by one of the Cox children.

Coming to Bob's creek, Mr. Dibert shouted: "Here is the beech log where I crossed the creek in my dream." Although Jacob Dibert never had been in that vicinity, he hurried forward, apparently as familiar with the wooded section as though he had made daily visits to the spot.

"Do you see that tree with the broken

top on the edge of the stream?" cried out Mr. Dibert. "In my dreams that is where I saw the boys." It was at the foot of this birch tree that Mr. Dibert and his brother-in-law found the Cox brothers, 16 days after they followed their father into the woods of Ciana hollow.

Bob's creek at that time was running high and the thousands of searchers never penetrated beyond the creek, taking for granted that the tots were unable to cross the stream. Subsequent search revealed a fallen tree over which the boys crossed the torrent.

When found the body of Joseph Cox was in a semi-prone position, with his head resting on a flat stone, George had removed his coat and had placed it under his younger brother's head. George lay beside his brother, with his head resting on Joseph's side.

When Mr. Dibert and Harrison Wy-

song sounded the alarm and other searchers arrived, the bodies were lifted from their position. The startling discovery was made that warm blood flowed from George's nose. Instead of laughing at Mr. Dibert for starting on what everybody believed to be a wild goose chase, the hundreds of searchers bowed in respect. Many were of the opinion that had Mr. Dibert been given support the day following his first dream, instead of discouraging him until he had three dreams of the gruesome affair, at least one of the Cox boys might have been found alive.

The Cox boys, "lost children of the Alleghenies," are buried in old Mt. Union cemetery, and at the spot where the bodies were found in May, 1856, there has been erected a granite monument.—*Altoona (Pa.) Tribune.*

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Famous Men of Today

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There is pride here too, but it is the pride of a good name and honor. There is strength of purpose, and a depth of feeling that flows, even as a mountain stream hidden in a gorge—deep down.

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Aye, even with Kipling, "There is neither East nor West, nor Border nor Breed nor Birth"—no matter what the course they take. And more than this, these strong men—these women who accomplish, are of the same nature as you, and your neighbor and your friend. If they have done more, they have done it because they would. They have used their natures to build rather than to drift; they have taken the High Road, and so have accomplished. But strong men and women as they are, they are only strong as they have used the talents, the traits that they have, just as you may use your own, may make of your life what you will. Your heritage may not be the same as another but if this is true, it becomes increasingly true that you have more chance to build for yourself a name, a place in life. This is your problem, that "When two strong men stand face to face" whether you will stand—or will you run away?

The Qabalah and Secret Wisdom

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knows that he knows his facts, because he carefully verifies them, and then employs them in his work with results that are in accordance with anticipation. And he further has the occasional joy of meeting with a brother who has made the same discoveries, thus they are able to discuss and theorize upon the relation of the fact that was new to them with other facts known to both; to invent new experiments to test the validity of any theories at which they may have arrived; and so to pave the way to still further discoveries.

Hermetic philosophers endeavor to be very careful in distinguishing their facts, even from the tenets of the philosophy that have not yet been proven by themselves; for every man

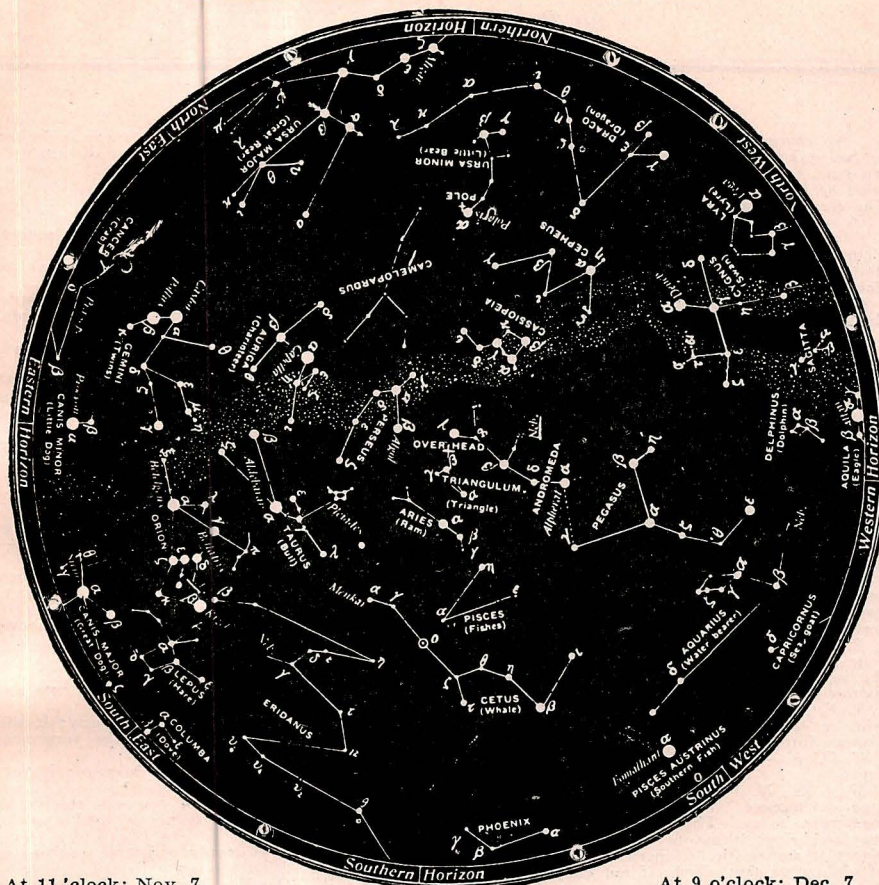
has to go every step of the way for himself, and take nothing for granted except unquestioned axioms. Information that is possessed of only a degree of axiomaticity is but *information* still awaiting development of that quality which is characteristic of *intuitional knowledge*; which, though having a degree of dependability is not an incontrovertible truth until every legitimate doubt concerning it has been logically removed by Geburic action.

In conclusion therefore we find that the Qabalah itself is the sacred lore of the ages, received by man in all later ages by sanction of the Lodge. That it was contained in the Bible, but so hidden that it was undiscoverable by noninitiates until today. While in the

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The Heavens in December

By PROF. HENRY NORRIS RUSSELL, Ph.D.



At 11 o'clock: Nov. 7.
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At 10 o'clock: Nov. 22.

At 9½ o'clock: November 30.

At 9 o'clock: Dec. 7.
At 8½ o'clock: Dec. 15.
At 8 o'clock: Dec. 23.

NIGHT SKY: NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

MERCURY is a morning star and can best be seen about the 9th, when he is farthest from the Sun and rises about 5 A.M. At this time he is in Virgo, about five degrees east of Spica, and appears about five times brighter than that star.

Venus is an evening star setting about 6:45 P.M. She is far south of the celestial equator and hence less conspicuous than she would otherwise be.

Mars is in Gemini and is a brilliant object. He rises at 7:30 P.M. in the middle of the month and dominates the morning sky. At the end of the month he is less than 60,000,000 miles distant, and planetary observers will be very busy with him.

Jupiter is in Aries, just past opposition, and is the brightest object in the evening sky.

Saturn is an evening star. On the 7th he is in conjunction with Venus at a distance of a little more than two and a half degrees. By the end of the month he is lost to view.

Uranus is in Pisces and comes to the meridian about 8:30 P.M.; while Neptune is in Leo and "souths" not far from 6 A.M.

The Moon is in her last quarter at 9 A.M. on the 4th; new at 5 A.M. on the 12th; in her first quarter at 9 A.M. on the 20th, and full at 4 A.M. on the 27th. She is nearest the Earth on the 27th and farthest away on the 14th. During the month she is in conjunction with Mars on the 1st, Neptune on the 5th, Mercury on the 10th, Saturn on the 14th, Venus on the 15th, Uranus on the 23rd, Jupiter on the 25th and with Mars again on the 29th.

There are two eclipses this month. The first, a partial solar eclipse on the 12th, is invisible in the United States but can be seen shortly after sunrise throughout Europe, excepting Spain, and at other hours during the day across Asia as far as India. The lunar eclipse on the 27th is total and is visible throughout North America. The Moon enters the outer penumbra of the Earth's shadow at 1:25 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, reaches the dark shadow at 2:24; is immersed in it completely from 3:33 until 4:29; leaves the shadow at 5:39, and the penumbra at 6:37. The Moon will be high in the sky and, weather permitting, the eclipse should be well worth watching.

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By Haasan Osiris

1. A. M. favorable. P. M. doubtful.
2. Attend church. Read. Remain quiet.
3. Unfavorable. Remain quiet.
4. Same as yesterday.
5. Attend things at a distance. Telegraph. Write important letters.
6. Push business. Seek work. Ask favors.
7. Do not mix with the "angry mob". Remain quiet.
8. Attend minor affairs.
9. Excellent for all usual Sunday affairs.
10. Start travels.
11. A. M. unfavorable. P. M. Good.
12. Adverse. Postpone important things.
13. Attend usual affairs only.
14. Push business. Ask favors. Do not look for work.
15. Entertain. Mix with others.
16. Remain quiet. Be friendly.
17. Mix with the crowds. Push personal affairs.
18. Push business. Ask favors. Seek work. P. M. rather unfavorable for these things.
19. Adverse. Avoid business matters. Avoid accidents and fires.
20. Avoid explosions. Do not become irritable.
21. Adverse. Same as the 19th.
22. Push business to the limit. Ask favors. Seek work.
23. Attend church. Remain quiet.
24. Be careful and cautious in all dealings.
25. Attend things at a distance. Telegraph. Correspond.
26. Avoid inharmony.
27. A cheerful day. Make new friends.
28. Start travels early in the day. Attend usual affairs rest of day.
29. Do not mix with others.
30. Good for usual Sunday affairs.
31. Push business. Seek work. Ask favors. Sign papers and important documents.

A happy and prosperous New Year to all.

Dark Secrets

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ing certain meanings.

Scientists can throw no light, as yet, on the strange power of the African savage. It is but one of the many instances of the uncouth mind grappling with one of the mysteries of the world and blundering upon its secrets which have long baffled many learned professors of well known colleges.

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S. R., Mich.—No; the love is not sufficient. Your financial condition will not change perceptibly before July of next year but your condition will not become more embarrassing.

G. C. R., Mich.—You would be successful in the building line. You will marry later in life.

P. M. F., Mexico—Father-in-law left no will. Operation not advisable.

E. M., Ill.—Would not advise crystal gazing in your present state of mind. You are discontented because you lack poise and concentration. Watch your thoughts, govern your speech and it will bring contentment.

A. J. L., Wash.—Brother's products net him a good income. Marriage not indicated in the near future.

C. E. A., Calif.—Europe and marriage certain.

A. B., Fla.—Will not dispose of property. Inheritance certain.

L. S. L., Wis.—To both questions, the answer is no.

M. J. B., N. Y.—You would be successful in interpretive literature. Home life improves as you improve your mind. Time brings new interests.

E. P. A., N. Y.—You will leave New York in four months. The near future is the same as the near past but your life takes on new activities in 1930.

R. E. H., Calif.—The greater part of your life will be spent in California. Marriage in the distant future.

V. D., Pa.—Marriage not indicated in the near future.

M. L. S., N. Y.—Mindreading is a very common occurrence. No one thinks it queer or mysterious today. The present understanding of the law brings it out of the mystery class and places it among the sciences. Yours is a case of plain obsession which, if not encouraged will give way to more constructive, psychic manifestations.

M. M. M., Calif.—Ill health and lack of poise due to obstruction of blood stream, caused by injury to the 3rd vertebrae; have this corrected before attempting any writing along occult lines.

C. M., Pa.—You will make a change later in life. You can make yourself very happy at the present time by refusing to let anything make you unhappy. Understanding of the Divine Law is the law of practicing the law of reconstruction through forgiving and forgetting.

M. E. S., N. Y.—You will find happiness in an early marriage.

P. H., Calif.—You will achieve success as a writer after which time you will visit all the worth while countries of the world.

F. L., Mont.—Success and happiness will come early in the New Year.

T. M., Mich.—You will not marry for several years.

A. V., Ill.—You would be successful as an electrical engineer, in the Radio or aviation field. You are a natural mathematician and mechanic. Your trouble is too much self analysis. Accept things at their par value.

E. R., Colo.—Close out business. Mother will get better.

R. E. S., Ga.—There is nothing wrong with your vibration; you need to concentrate on your business success, stay where you are and look out for your own interests.

L. G., Ind.—1929 brings changes for the better. A happy marriage is consummated.

H. C. O., Mo.—Your work and your income will improve. Your wife will not get well as the power of volition has become depleted.

A. G., Ky.—Your environment will change within one year through marriage. Initials—W. A.

H. P. W., Calif.—The vocation that was best suited to you, you gave up. You will have another opportunity before long.

D. McN., Calif.—No indication of any change.

M. V. L., Ia.—Telepathy does not reach. Re-model home.

R. L., Ia.—By all means—NO.

M. M. L., Ia.—You will develop talents and be freed from handicap.

E. W. B., O.—Hold Florida property; it will come back. Son will return in the very near future.

V. S., O.—Financial success in music is very slow coming. Do not sell property.

L. A., Calif.—Write and you will receive an answer. Your location is not a good one for great success.

A. T. L., La.—A steady progress, resulting in a big success. Marriage not indicated.

L. A. W., O.—You are too self conscious. Study more and you will meet your class. There is immediate change for the better.

J. A. B., Mass.—Why not use your house for a small business? Many are doing that these days. Can not encourage sale.

I. R., Ky.—Not favorable; do not marry.

M. D., N. Y.—There is great improvement and much happiness within the year.

H. C. H., Calif.—Your oil royalties are good security for the future. Consult an Osteopathic physician.

M. A. S., Calif.—Brother of L. L. is no longer living. Others not located. Go to San Diego early in the winter.

J. H. P., Calif.—You will be settled in a home very shortly in your present location.

E. H., Minn.—Your best work is what you are now doing. Do not change location. Forget the young man.

DREAMS

Psychically Interpreted

By THE DREAM EDITOR

Psychically interpreted dreams are of benefit to the individual only for the specific dream discussed. Communications without name and address disregarded. No responsibility shall rest upon The Occult Digest or its editors in any replies given. Questions must be in the editor's hands by the 1st day of second preceding month. Address THE DREAM EDITOR, The Occult Digest, 1900 North Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

G. C., Canada.—Your dream is important in that it indicates your going to England.

T. P. H., Calif.—Your dreams signify a clean sweep pertaining to home affairs resulting in a closer relationship, in establishing harmony in the midst of turmoil.

D. L., N. Y.—Your dream is very symbolical of your present surroundings. It bears a mute testimony of what is lurking in their minds, bidding the time for unmasking. You need not fear as your eyes will discern the truth as depicted in the dream by the unmasking of the negro.

R. D. A., Conn.—Your dream has no particular significance. You were what is known as Astral traveling and became conscious of your surroundings at this point. Some time in the near future you will gain a conscious control

over physical vibrations and travel in the psychic consciousness to the great satisfaction of yourself.

A. B., Fla.—You were astral traveling. You are what is known as a spirit healer and all unknown to yourself you are healing and comforting the sick and afflicted ones of earth. The snow symbolizes forgiveness as it covers all ugly places.

G. S., Tex.—Your dream comes as a warning against trusting a hypocritical person whose method is first a warning in the form of a mild threat. Failing to instill fear in this way, uses the method of cajoling but without success.

R. E. L., Calif.—Your dream was a psychic experience. You were psychically contacting those of the spirit. It has no particular application but demonstrates your power to see psychically.

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The Son of Man

end of His teaching, He abrogated the old covenant. He sent His disciples to a place where He would have the passover, and He said to them: "Go into the city, and when you find a man bearing a pitcher of water (the symbol of Aquarius), follow him. And in that house (the house of Aquarius) will I eat the passover." They did as He told them, and He passed the cup and said, "Take, drink, this is the sacrament of the new

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Covenant. I will no more drink of the fruit of the vine until I drink with you in the kingdom."

There is the point. He told them to look for a man with a pitcher of water—the sign of Aquarius. There is only one sign in the whole zodiac that has a man as its symbol. Aquarius sits with an urn pouring out water. That is why Christ Jesus called Himself the Son of Man.

—Rays from Rose-Cross.

The Two-Petaled Lotus

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lotus, he be shown an object in such a way that he could see the reflection. The same night he heard a voice say, "does this answer your requirements?" Looking, he saw the face of a man, which he had before seen in the dream state, close to his eyes. The light, pale bluish, was reflected from the forehead, as the man smiled and nodded.

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The Eleusinian Mysteries

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was taught that he who in the present life is in subjection to his irrational part is truly in Hades. There were two degrees, Mysta and Epopsta, which make a total of three degrees given in the mysteries. Before entering upon the second and third or last two degrees the initiate had to spend two days in strict fasting and solitary confinement, which not only represented the sufferings of Demeter in search for Persephone but because of the danger of the contact of holy things with unholy, or clean with unclean. The candidate was also required to divest himself of all ornaments, jewelry and clothing, then attire himself in a sacred tunic, which was furnished, and was instructed in the answers to certain questions. During the degree, binding oaths of secrecy were taken with strict penalties attached.

The highest office of the mysteries was the hierophant, the revealer of holy things. He alone was permitted to penetrate into the innermost shrine in the Hall of Mysteries. It was his duty to give all instructions, although later, on account of the many candidates, he had to have assistants and only directed the instructions. To attain this position one had to be exemplary in his moral life and was regarded by the people as being particularly holy. Prior to a special ceremony in being raised to this dignity he underwent a special purification of immersing himself in the sea.

The hierophant was assisted by a female hierophant or hierophantide, who was selected according to certain regulations. Her special duty was to superintend the initiation of the female aspirants, but she was present throughout the ceremony and played a part in the initiation of the male candidates. There were other officers for every part of the ceremony.

At one time nearly everyone boasted of having been initiated into the mysteries, and those who had not were looked upon with suspicion. The occasions of these celebrations, the lesser in the Spring, and the greater in the Autumn, were periods of great festivity. Practically all the rulers and great men, during the time that they flourished, were initiates.

There is no doubt that the mysteries had some influence upon Christianity and Masonry. They taught the existence of a Supreme Being, the immortality of the soul, and moral purity. Albert Pike said in this regard:

Originally the Mysteries were meant to be the beginning of a new life of reason and virtue. The initiated or esoteric companions were taught the doctrine of the One Supreme God, the theory of death and eternity, the hidden mysteries of Nature, the prospect of the ultimate restoration of the soul to that state of perfection from which it had fallen, its immortality, and the states of reward and punishment after death. The uninitiated were deemed Profane, unworthy of public employment or private confidence, sometimes proscribed as Atheists, and certain of everlasting punishment beyond the grave.—H.

ASTROLOGY

By HAASAN OSIRIS

V. A., (Okla.) What are my future prospects? In what profession will I be successful? (A) You are successful with law firms, social secretary work, jewelry concerns and Ry. office work.

F. A., (Okla.) What are my future prospects? Will I be successful as a composer? (A) You are destined to rise above your present sphere of life, financially and socially. Eventual success and public eminence is denoted. You have good talents along originating lines.

W. J. S., (Calif.) Will I be successful in my new story adapted for the screen? What title is best suited for its popularity? (A) I cannot see success for you in Scenario writing. It is impossible for me to suggest a title not knowing anything about the plot of your story.

H. S. C., (Fla.) Is there any change ahead? Is there any work at which I could succeed? (A) You are in an adverse Cycle right at present. Changes made at this time would not result satisfactorily to you. You can be successful in floristry, horticulture, gardening, also breeding rabbits, gold-fish, persian cats, etc.

J. H. B., (Fla.) In what year will I sell my lot in L. A. Harbor? Am I in the right location for successful poultry raising? (A) You will have a good offer the latter part of 1929 or 1930. Florida is an excellent place for your present business—but you need to get nearer the source of demand.

W. S. H. Read paragraph at heading of this column. These rules must be observed to receive free answers.

J. H. Mac, (Canada) Will be grateful for anything you tell me that is best for my future. (A) The first half of your life is be-set with many obstacles but the latter half looks very bright indeed. You will conquer your enemies, your limitations and all things which have held you back shortly.

B. J., (Oakland) Please tell me at what work I will make a success at my age. What good or bad does the future hold for me? (A) You would be happy as travelling companion to some rich younger lady. You are also successful with occult science, if you care to take it up. 1929 is a very fortunate year for you. Holds some travel, good news from afar and a goodly share of happiness and pleasure.

O. D. W., (Ga.) Have I any talent capable of bringing a rich monetary reward? Should I develop it to the exclusion of all else? (A) Riches are not indicated for you. You will gain some property and a home and a comfortable living only. You are or could be an excellent cook. All food-stuffs, groceries, etc., are lucky for you.

E. H., (Mont.) Shall my husband reform? Will he return to me? (A) You failed to give his birthdate.

G. W. C., (Calif.) Will I sell my place? Will I get any return for the various stocks I'm interested in? (A) Yes a sale will come unexpectedly, but not at present. 1930 looks best for disposing of it. I see little return for the stocks.

M. I. H., (Wash.) Will I marry again? Will I sell my place of business? (A) Two marriages are denoted in your chart. Not, at present. Better keep it for a while.

I. F., (Ill.) Are my conditions to improve soon? What year will I marry? (A) Next year looks very favorable for improvement in many of your affairs. Date of marriage is not told by Astrology.

F. F. E., (Calif.) Tell me something of my future life? (A) Your future looks like an adventurous one. You will have many successes and failures through life.

L. A. B., (Wash.) What am I fitted for? What about finances in 1929? (A) You are talented for executive management of business enterprises. 1929 holds fairly improved finances over this year.

L. B. G., (Calif.) Tell me whatever I need to know? (A) For the coming year beware of injury from fire and also loss of property thereby. Looks favorable for affections and domestic affairs. Some short journeys this year and next.

F. W. F., (Mich.) Will I be successful in 1928? What line of work should I take up for success? (A) 1929 is a more successful year for you. It denotes some fortunate changes and improved finances. You are successful with mental pursuits and occupations in connection with writing and speaking. Also on the stage with music.

C. E. L., (Mich.) Will I be successful in 1928? What employment should I take up for success? (A) Not so successful. 1929 denotes some serious illness. Guard health by strict daily hygiene. You are most successful in office management.

E. Y. C., (Australia) Is there a change in my occupation soon? (A) 1929 denotes some beneficial changes in occupation and finances.

M. C., (Australia) When will my financial troubles end? Will my son stop drinking and return home? Will I end my days in Australia? (A) Your finances show some improvement in late 1929. You did not give birthdate of your son so cannot answer. Your demise occurs in a foreign land from that of your birth.

H. A. Y., (Calif.) What does 1929 hold for me? What of domestic life? (A) Delays in many of your plans. Slight illness and disappointments. Confusions and possible estrangement from some close to the home circle.

D. C., (N. Y.) Will I succeed as an author? What line of work could I take up to advantage? (A) Do not see success for you as an author. All lines of literary work are fortunate for you, except actual story-plot construction.

M. S., (Mich.) What does 1929 have for me? (A) 1929 holds loss of old friends and gaining new ones. Assistance in finances or occupation will come unexpectedly. Possibility of travel and many minor beneficial changes.

J. C., (Calif.) What line of study should I take up? What does 1928 have for me? (A) Take up the study of elocution and expression, music or dancing teacher. You are entering a year of some strife among friends. Avoid hasty temper and accidents.

D. M., (Ind.) What is best work for me? Is marriage promised? (A) Office and stenographic work. Marriage is denoted but will be somewhat delayed.

V. M., (Ind.) Will I be successful in obtaining work? Will I marry? (A) 1929 denotes better opportunity for work. You should hold executive positions. Marriage is denoted for you.

A. A. B., (Calif.) What important things for me in 1929? Will the oil stock I own amount to anything? (A) Some change in position and danger of being robbed. Be careful. Avoid accidents and traffic jams which incline to injury or wounds. Not much of a future for the oil well I believe.

P. A. C., (Calif.) What does the future hold for me? Any special gift that I should cultivate? (A) Many ups and downs unless you get into the right work to start off with. Many and varied talents.

F. M. C., (Calif.) Any changes in my domestic life? What has near future for me? (A) You gave the year of birth but not the month and day.

E. M. S., (Calif.) Any changes for me financially? What does future hold? (A) Improved finances, beneficial change. Trips, long journeys, voyages, litigation, inheritance, marriage, and strange experiences abroad.

W. G. F., (Ohio) Will I have success in music and amusement world that I am planning for? (A) You should be very successful in music and the stage. You are especially talented for these lines and they are ruled by favorable planets in your chart. Your future will be successful indeed.

P. M. S., (Ariz.) Along what lines will I find successful expression? What studies should I pursue? (A) Along religious and scientific lines. Missionary and relief work are in your good lines. You should take up occult study, psychology, astrology, etc.

M. E. M., (Calif.) What has 1929 in store for me? Any changes or new friends? (A) Treachery of supposed friends and sorrow thereby. Several new friends will be made and one of a lasting quality. Favorable for love-affairs and affections. Will travel and have other minor changes which benefit your position in life. Will be very popular among your friends and have your share of joy next year.

F. L., (Calif.)—(A)—It is not possible to answer your questions thru horary or natal astrology, the systems used to answer these questions.

Mrs. A. M. A., Pa.—What changes would afford me a new companion? Will I ever be happy again? (A)—Change to a warmer climate. Southern California is decidedly fortunate for you. Yes, to your last.

G. C. R., Mich.—What is my vocation? Will my finances improve soon? (A)—Electrical lines, building trades, dredge-boating, and Civil Service employment. Your finances show an improvement in 1929.

Mrs. M. B. A., Wash.—What can I do to better my finances? Will I get what I desire along Spiritual lines? (A)—Move to Colorado or California. You are talented along spiritual lines and if persistent will succeed.

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What Is The Zodiac?

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than the signs, and the signs themselves have their divisions, all of which must be taken into consideration when judging the effect of Zodiacal influence upon the human life. Without going into detail, a few of these divisions and sign groupings will be briefly described.

One plan of division separates the Zodiac into four equal parts, with each quarter containing three signs. The four segments of the Zodiac thus obtained, are called the trinities. The first quarter or segment is known as the Intellectual Trinity, and consists of Aries, Taurus, and Gemini. The second, the Maternal Trinity, consists of Cancer, Leo, and Virgo; the third or Reproductive Trinity, Libra, Scorpio, and Sagittarius; the fourth and last, the Serving Trinity, Capricorn, Aquarius, and Pisces.

Still another four-fold division gives us the triplicities or grouping of the signs as corresponding to the elements fire, earth, air and water. The energies of the signs listed under the four elements impart a corresponding nature in the human consciousness.

To those born while the Sun was passing through one of its signs, the fiery group would give self-assertion. It is composed of Aries, Leo, and Sagittarius. The earthy group, practical and solid, is composed of Taurus, Virgo, and Capricorn; the airy or intellectual group, of Gemini, Libra, and Aquarius; while the watery group, movable, shrinking or self-protective, consists of Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces.

The first sign of each of these four groups is called a cardinal sign, for they occupy the four cardinal points of the Zodiac. Aries, the fire sign, occupies the east point; Capricorn, the earthy sign, the south; Libra, the air sign, the West; and Cancer, the water sign, the North. The influence of the cardinal signs imparts activity.

The second group is composed of the fixed signs, next following those of the cardinal group. These fixed signs are Taurus, Leo, Scorpio and Aquarius, and the influence causes, solid, fixed or practical manifestation. The signs in the third group, following next in order those of the fixed group, are Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces. They are called mutable or common signs and express versatility.

There are further divisions, classifications, such as decanates, male signs, northern signs, female signs, southern signs, et cetera, as well as the positions of the planets and their aspects to each other. These, with the movements of the Earth, will be taken up later in their proper place.

It is the thorough understanding of these different divisions of the Zodiac, and the ability to blend their energy or influence, taking into consideration also the positions of the planets, that makes the judgment of the horoscope possible; and only confusion awaits him who does not have a thorough comprehension of each step before he passes on to the next.

My Stars Tell Me

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clouds, rains and continued wet weather.

Uranus and Neptune produce uncertain temperature.

FORECASTING WEATHER BY THE SUNSET

Fleecy, delicate clouds clustered around the sunset denote clear weather.

Heavy, sharp edged banked clouds foretell high winds and possible thunder.

Much yellow in the sunset foretells wind and dull weather.

Orange mixed with yellow in the sunset denotes light rains.

Yellow training off to green in the sunset means the coming of rain and high winds.

Much green in the sunset predicts

cold and snow.

Much red in the sunset foretells a fair day to follow.

Much blue in the sky at a red sunset foretells fair and more moderate temperature.

Sharp-edged, blunt pointed gray banks with a red sunset denote fair weather but very unusual temperature either very hot or very cold.

Heavy gray, yellow edged clouds in the red sunset denote a fair day to follow but accompanied by distant thunder and fleeting clouds across the sky in the day to follow.

Purple scattered at the edge of the sunset presages warmer temperature with a bespeckled sky.

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The Qabalah and Secret Wisdom

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meantime the term has been given to certain writings of a mystic nature; and certain follies in literature called Gematria, Notarikon, and Temura, which were put forth as the keys wherewith the secret meaning of the scriptures

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Astrology's Answers

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H. C. S., Calif.—Will I be successful in securing the office position I desire? Will I accumulate a comfortable fortune? (A)—You will find difficulty in securing this work. Probability of travel this year. Avoid unnecessary travels, as accidents are indicated. You will be well-off later.

I. R., Ky.—Will I make a change this year? Can I win my former employer? (A)—Yes, several changes are denoted the coming year. Opportunity for marriage but not with man you speak of.

F. L., Mont.—Will I be successful in my present business? Do I remain here or move? Does the boy love me? (A)—Yes to your first. Not advisable to change in 1929. Did not give birthdate of boy so cannot answer last.

Mrs. D. G. V., Mass.—What about finances for 1929? Am I apt to sell or lose my house? (A)—Financial increase in 1929 but in danger of being cheated or swindled. Be careful. I judge you will be able to sell your house.

F. J. M., Mo.—What do you see in finance, health, occupation? Is marriage indicated for me? (A)—Liable to some sickness in 1929. Guard health carefully. Money matters look encouraging. Obstacles in your occupation but you can surmount them. Marriage is indicated for you but not the coming year.

P. M. F., Mexico.—What do the stars indicate about health, finance and occupation? (A)—An excellent year for your health, wealth and prosperity. Possibly suffer from slander but not seriously. Otherwise the year looks good for progress and success in all your undertakings.

W. A. E., Pa.—What are my future prospects? What kind of break will I have next year? How much longer to keep my nose to the grindstone? (A)—Immediate future holds trouble with employees and loss thru servants. Stay off from water as there is danger of drowning. Will have some changes next year but it is not one of your more fortunate years. About eight years.

Mrs. M. L., La.—Will my home life become better or worse? Will I ever get a chance to practice my horoscope work? (A)—Your domestic affairs will improve after next year. Yes to your last. You will be quite successful in it.

R. L., Ia.—Will this bad luck last until I am 35? Will my father keep me from expanding? (A)—Not much change in your fortune between now and then. Keep up your courage. Advise you to get into business for yourself for your quickest progress.

E. K. T., N. Y.—Will I marry and when? Will Julian Langner pay me the money he owes? (A)—You will marry but date of marriage is not foredestined by Astrology. Your last does not come under the scope of astrological research.

T. P. H., Calif.—What does 1929 hold? Shall I ever become a writer? (A)—Slight ill health, delays, annoyances, slander, adverse friendships, loss of some friends, quarrels, disputes, and some discouragements. 1930 is a better year and becomes decidedly good for all your affairs. Planets are not entirely favorable for you to become a writer.

M. E. S., N. Y.—For what am I talented? How and when will we surmount our difficulties? (A)—Talented for newspaper and journalistic work. Also horticulture and real estate dealing. The coming year looks favorable for you but not some of your partners. Advise you to dissolve partnership.

M. J. B., N. Y.—What profession is best? Changes next year? Will finances be better? Is it wise to sell my property or not? (A)—Lucky in music, nursing, and theatricals. No important changes next year. Not much improvement in finances yet. Best to hold your property until the fall of 1929.

F. V. C., Calif.—When will my troubles stop? Will I go East and what place is best for me? (A)—1930 and 1931 are more fortunate years for you. Yes, travel is indicated. Possibly in 1929. New Orleans, Birmingham, Atlanta and Norfolk all are favorable. Also many other places.

Mrs. A. A. R.—(A)—You did not give address.

Mrs. K. A., Okla.—What am I talented for? Which is better, music or occult science? Will I move away from here? Will my mother pass out this year? (A)—Are best talented for occult and scientific studies. Make more money at this than at music. Possibility of change of residence next year but can avoid it if you wish. I do not predict death.

Mrs. J. T. W., Mo.—What has 1929 for me? What line of work is best? (A)—A year of travel and excitement. Some friends turn against you but later become friendly again. Loss of money or property unless well guarded against. You are lucky in office and business work. Also lucky with stores handling food-stuffs and necessities of life.

Mrs. J. A. E., Ia.—Will love and marriage come to me? (A)—Yes, but much delayed.

F. H. J., N. Y.—When do finances improve? Will my real estate be sold? Anything I can do to hasten the sale? (A)—In 1929. Have more difficulty with your property. Several

offers but none satisfactory at present. No to your last.

S. B., Canada.—When shall I sell two lots in New York? Shall I reside in other towns? (A)—This year and next year are two best years to get them off your hands. Yes to your last.

W. E. R., Canada.—Will success in this firm come to me? What does next year say for me? (A)—Yes, stick with them. Will have a larger store soon, and later be appointed district manager. Next year holds change of residence, travel and journeys on business. New friends, increased income and danger of accidents around animals.

J. H. & P. A. B., Fla.—When will we dispose of these ten acres here? Will we come out even? What has 1929? (A)—In 1931 is a favorable time to sell it. Yes. Next year holds good success in most of your undertakings. New business offers that you should take up. Improved money affairs.

Dr. J. H. J., N. Y.—Shall I continue Chiropractic or enter law? Where is the woman? (A)—Judging from your peculiar aspects I would continue the practice of chiropractic. You will find many unexpected difficulties in a lawyer's profession. Your last is for you to find out.

Dr. M. J. L., Pa.—In what line is best financial return? Will I ever receive a legacy? (A)—Osteopathy, electrotherapy or Chiropractic. Yes to your last—a small one.

G. N., Mich.—What in 1929? Will I marry? (A)—Envious friends will harass you somewhat. Help from other friends in love and business. Possibly take a long journey. Marriage is not indicated next year.

Mrs. F. H. C., W. Va.—Will I ever be financially secure? Will I remain in this vicinity? (A)—Yes to your first. No to your last.

Mrs. O. V. B., Ill.—You did not give birthdate.

R. W. B., Ark.—Any important events to come? Shall I remain in this town much longer? (A)—Loss of some very good friends thru your own fault. Travel much yet in life. No to your last.

F. W. B., O.—What do stars indicate for me? What should I do about Florida investments? (A)—Next year denotes danger of loss by fire. Be careful and so avoid it. Possibility of travel next year. News of bereavement. Do not transfer Florida investments now. They are safe. Two years will see them much improved for you.

A. G., Ky.—What has 1929 for me? Is there an inheritance for me? (A)—Delays and disappointments with some friends. Delay in love affairs. Possibly loss of position unless careful. Last half of the year becomes decidedly fortunate for you. Yes to your last. About middle life or thereabouts. Impossible to tell exact date.

H. C. O., Mo.—Will my wife get well and how soon? Will we sell property soon and at what price? (A)—Your wife will show mental improvement soon. No sale is denoted for 1929.

E. H., Minn.—What will I be most successful in? Give some future events. (A)—Travelling, investigating, teaching, and manager of restaurant. A hurried marriage—or short courtship. Travel in foreign lands. An eventful life.

F. M. N., N. Y.—What do the stars hold for me? Any changes and when? (A)—1929 denotes severe illness unless you guard against it. Some friends become treacherous and cause trouble. Disputes with kindred. Possibility of a long trip. Your last is answered above.

R. E. H., Calif.—How will 1929 be for me? How will my health be? In what year will I marry? (A)—1929 is neither fortunate nor unfortunate. It is not one of your important years. Health is fairly good but some worry will undermine your health. Try to avoid this. Marriage is not foredestined by astrology.

Mrs. J. M. McC., Okla.—What business am I fitted for? (A)—Office or factory management. Theatricals and beauty parlor work.

V. B., Okla.—What kind of work for me? Will I marry this year? (A)—Millinery and designing. Also window trimming and decorating. Possibility of marriage will occur in 1929.

H. M. G., Calif.—What profession will I be contented at? When will I marry? (A)—Authorship when properly trained and the stage. Date of marriage is not foredestined.

S. S. S., Ill.—Is accounting suited for a man of my nature? When will I marry? (A)—No. You will do better in the jewelry line. Learn goldsmithing, or silver-smithing. Also professional dancing is in your lucky lines if you care to study it. See reply to H. M. G. in regard to your last.

A. H. B., Ill.—What vocation will I achieve the best success? Will I marry the man whose birthdate I am sending? (A)—Avoid office work. Best success in business for yourself in a small millinery or dress shop. Also stationeries and notions, art goods and antiques. The man is born in your harmonious sign so I judge it will be a satisfactory marriage.

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Your Next President's Horoscope

(Continued from
November issue)

The planets in Governor Smith's birth chart are well scattered. This shows that he will be very versatile. Cancer ruling the midheaven will give him the gift of elocution or the ability for emotional acting—this being further strengthened by the Moon in Taurus.

Cancer, a cardinal sign on the midheaven, gives him the ability for pioneer work and to engage in callings that are new, inventive and of a public nature. This enables him to fill positions requiring ingenuity, quick wit and diplomacy. It also denotes that he is ambitious, aspiring and never will rest until he reaches the top. The Sun in Capricorn favors positions of a municipal or governmental nature, or the ability to head huge projects.

Governor Smith's birth chart indicates that he is fully capable of performing the duties that would be required of him as President of the United States.

WHICHEVER candidate occupies the White House after March 4, the people will have an able representative, fully capable of shouldering the responsibilities entrusted to him—a man with the strength of character necessary to meet the exacting duties of the great office to which he has been chosen—whether it be the man from the "Sidewalks and Tenements" or the man from the "Log Cabin."

Although their individual and personal traits will be widely different an astrological analysis of their respective merits shows they both have much in common in the basic principles of their characters. Both are classified as of the fixed-fire type, according to the distribution of the planets through the signs of the Zodiac. Both have magnetism, and magnetic attraction conduces to success in life. Both have reserve and silent ambition and are more often moved from within than from without. Both are capable of displaying much passion when aroused and have energy that is persistent. Pride is very strongly marked in both of their characters, as well as conscientiousness, fidel-

ity, and loyalty to their ideals. This combination of the planets is favorable for governmental employment or for scientific pursuits.

The fixed element is far more pronounced in Mr. Hoover than in Governor Smith who has more cardinal or mutable qualities and who will therefore be more easily spurred into action. Mr. Hoover will have more of a tendency to run in a groove; to stick more to old, established customs than Governor Smith, who has more of the pioneer in his make-up and is more flexible. Both, however, can show grit and thoroughness and can be equally rigid, firm and unyielding.

That both candidates are constructive and not destructive is plainly shown in their birth charts. Both show a tendency to hold together, organize, build up, accumulate and make steady rather than to scatter, disorganize and change. Mr. Hoover may show more stubbornness and conservation than Governor Smith and may appear more cold and less sociable, for he has a badly afflicted Saturn and lacks the geniality that Jupiter rising in Libra gives Governor Smith. The afflictions of Saturn may cause a more self-interest with a stronger desire for seclusion. These afflictions will cause many obstacles that will strengthen his character through his determination in overcoming them.

Both will be steady workers and perform their work perseveringly in their respective spheres of action. Their intellects will be fortified by a clear, comprehensive mind suitable for dealing with serious subjects.

Both have good memories, great sense of dignity and pride, and are steadfast in their views. Both will ponder and weigh matters well before they act, though capable of jumping quickly into action when they desire to attain their aim or object.

The characters of both Governor Smith and Mr. Hoover, have for their underlying principles **SINCERITY, THOROUGHNESS, RELIABILITY and CONSCIENTIOUSNESS.**

Astrology's Answers

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Mrs. H. F., Mich.—Should I marry the man whose birthdate I send? (A).—No. He is not born in a harmonious sign to your own and the marriage would be unhappy.

N. S., N. Y.—You did not give your birthdate.

J. K. S., Ill.—Will I be more successful in art or chiropractic? Will I have my own home this year? (A).—Will be more successful in chiropractic. No to your last.

J. F. G., Ill.—What about bettering myself in business? Should I go in business for myself? (A).—1930 looks much better in a business outlook and you will be fairly prosperous then. Yes to your last.

P. W., Mich.—What form of art should I study? Will there be a reconciliation soon? (A).—Tapestry painting and interior decorating. No to your last.

A. R. T., Tex.—In what trade shall I succeed? What has 1929 for me? Will my mother recover? (A).—Mechanics and the building trades

are in your good lines. For 1929 you will have good news from afar. New friends and some travels. Loss of a few old friends. Health is normal and money will be more plentiful. Yes to your last.

B. H., Calif.—Will I be successful in studying violin? Will I go to Europe next year? (A).—Yes to your first. No to your last. Cannot answer other question as you failed to give mother's birthdate.

Mrs. F. H., Calif.—What do you see for my children? What do you see for me? (A).—You did not give children's birthdate so have to pass up that question. Next year looks good for money affairs. Liable to accidents so try to be careful. Otherwise health looks good. Gain some favors and help from influential friends.

W. H. N., Ohio.—What has 1929 for me? Will my financial trouble be overcome? (A).—Disagreements with friends. Some untrue friends. Loss by speculation. Avoid this. Liable to accidents and wounds. Yes to your last.

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You told me how you sign your name now but failed to give full birth name.

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You did not tell me what M. stands for and if it is your original name.

Agnes M. Garland.

You did not tell me what the E. stands for in Ralph's name.

Science and Psychical Research

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tice-work enclosure. During the séance the key was repeatedly depressed and the lamp lighted. At its conclusion, both cage and enclosure were intact, the glass shade in place, and the soap-bubble unbroken.

(2) A minimum self-registering thermometer (Negretti and Zambra) was fastened on the wall of the séance room, some 14 feet distant from the medium, who sat securely held, hand and foot. During the sitting extraordinary falls of temperature were noted—sometimes as much as 20° F.! Sharp "drops" of temperature coincided with the apparent production of phenomena. At the conclusion of the sitting the temperature of the room was sometimes cooler than at its commencement—quite contrary to what we should expect, when we consider that a dozen people had been shut up in a closed room for

several hours.

Such occurrences, it must be admitted, are baffling, and give us pause. The experiments were evidently conducted with great care and with due regard to the exact canons of scientific evidence. We greatly doubt if any of our readers could have done better. There is no taint, here, of credulity or the usual spiritualistic twaddle. The facts were merely reported as they occurred. It is accounts such as these—and we have read a considerable number of them of late—which prompted our query at the head of the present editorial. If there seems a possibility of answering this in the affirmative, does it not behoove us to inquire somewhat more carefully into these curious phenomena, before denouncing them off hand as due to hallucination, hysteria or fraud?

My Stars Tell Me

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A faint yellow (almost silver) sunset denotes occasional showers.

No clouds in the sunset denotes a rise in temperature.

A sunset behind heavy, gray banked clouds means wind, rain or unsettled weather conditions.

FORECASTING WEATHER BY THE SUNRISE

A yellow sunrise predicts a fair day.

A red sunrise denotes rain within twenty-four hours.

Sunrise with a solid lacce-work of clouds overhead means rain.

Sunrise with heavy, dark, gray clouds overhead or in the west denotes a fair day.

Sunrise with the sky overcast with restless clouds denotes a change of weather conditions to the reverse of what they have been.

Gray, thick, long, lazy clouds overhead at sunrise predicts rain.

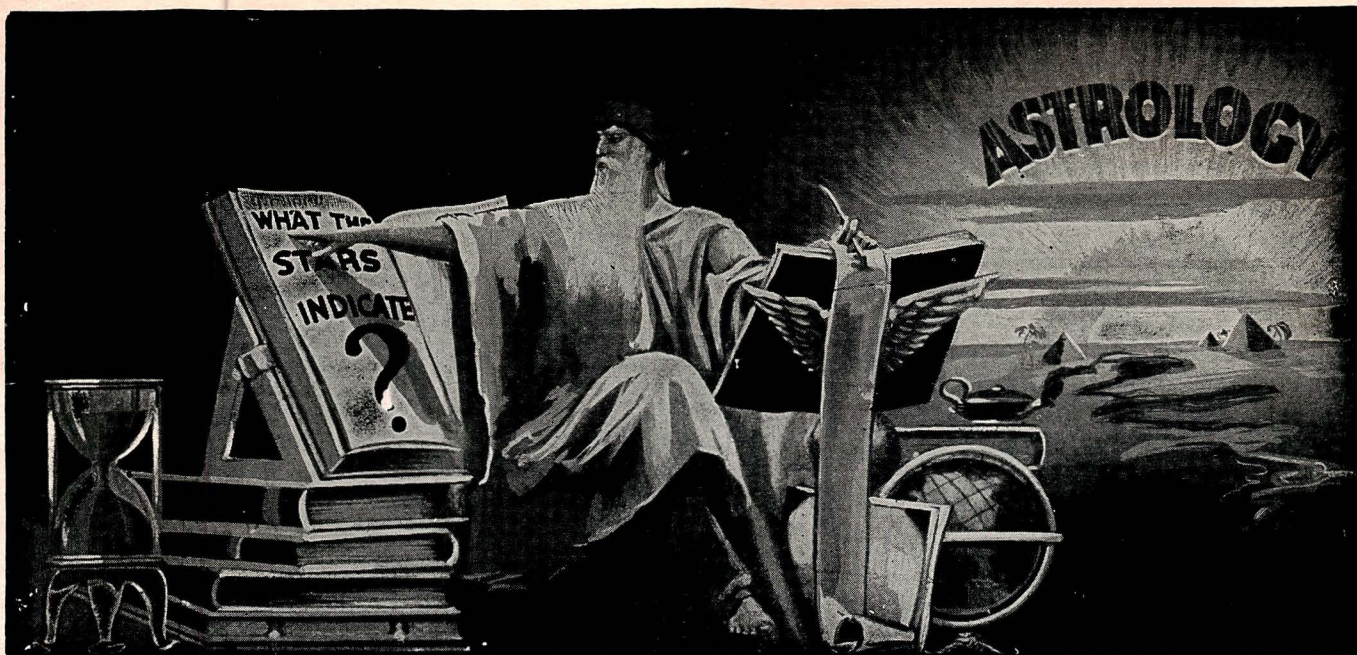
Heavy, loosely constructed, speeding, low clouds denote soaking rains within a few hours after sunrise.

A clear, blue sky at a yellow sunrise denotes extreme rise in temperature.

Mussolini (Continued from page 13)

Between the ages of 51 and 52, that is, during 1934-1935, a more complete change will be seen. It may be that the name Mussolini will go into comparative obscurity, or it may be that there will be an emotional experience of some sort that will interest many.

As may have been suspected, the numbers reveal Mussolini as a temperamental man. There is some emotional undercurrent at work, undermining his power, although he will continue to hold it in some degree until about the age of 52.



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