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IF THE WORLD COULD ONLY KNOW

By EFFA DANIELSON

SINCE records have been kept, Man has communicated with an Intelligence superior to his own, an Intelligence that had form and voice that was revealed only to mortals who had the *Inner Vision*, the extended sight and hearing. These Intelligent beings were worshipped and temples were erected to the mission which they performed and, according to the times and people, were given names by which they were to be known as time went on. Whether for good or ill, the Super-mind was always in the lead.

If the world could only awaken to the Truth about *Life* and forget the clay that holds it, in the study of cause and effect, this cloud of doubt and uncertainty about Life after the death of the physical body would be forever abolished. Men would then be baptised with the Fire of Truth and walk in the Light of Understanding.

The *Life* that animates the physical body, making you the individual that you are, *never dies*. You are created perfect. Your imperfections are a result of false teachings and false conceptions of Life and its purpose. *Life* clothes itself in many garments; the flesh body is the last garment to be put on and the first one discarded. Birth and Death are the process of "putting on" and "taking off" of this mortal garment. The Physical vibration, through which we pass, is the alpha and omega of experience to gain the entrance to the *Immortal* vibration or complete consciousness of Life and its multiple mysteries. If the world would apply the law of *common sense* to these questions instead of blindly worshipping and quarreling about a Deity of which they have absolutely no first-hand knowledge, they would soon receive a clear vision of their own *Life*, its powers and duty to the *Whole*.

Man conceives and bears fruit of the silent power in his pursuit of Nature's Laws concerning every angle of activities but on this one question, the question most vital

to everyone, he prefers to remain a strap hanger to the cobwebs of the old traditions of the ancients; he prefers to get his Light from those who struck two pieces of flint together and discovered the spark, rather than from those who developed the arc-lamp of the present day.

Why are we in the darkness of the tomb? Because the world will not relegate the tallow-dip to the rubbish heap and be illumined with the Wisdom of applied intelligence in these vital questions of *Immortal Life* governed by a Natural Law and not by a myth or an illogical theory handed down from the past before Man had any conception of Life from any logical angle. If the world could only know the importance of this question of *Life* and what it means to the children, they would teach their children to THINK instead of searing their brains and dulling their powers of conceptions by fears and lies about Life, its functions and governments!

Who is to blame for the present crime control? There is only one answer. The Churches controlling the lives of little children from generation to generation! If children were taught the Truth about Life after Death and allowed the use of their Natural Psychic Sight that every child is endowed with at birth, they would become supermen and super-women in one generation. Interference in the natural development of the child's early awakening to Life is the cause of nine-tenths of the abnormal conditions we find in the adult Life of the human race in every succeeding generation.

Begin TODAY to train your mind and the mind of your child to think about "Life after Death" as a Birth into a new world of opportunities and progress, a Life governed by the same Natural Law which governed it before the physical birth.

Remember there is only ONE LAW governing ONE LIFE through ALL TIME—Past, Present and Future.

Without
Fear or Favor

Editorials In Tune

Kidnapping, A Lucrative Business

KIDNAPPING for ransoms and rewards seems to be a lucrative business these days. When we read the headlines in the great Dailies offering large rewards for the murderers of the Lindbergh baby, we marvel at the stupidity of the Press. Can it be that the United States of America has no red-blooded men and women? Justice, not reward, should be their cry.

Let the Press organize the people as a nation whose only incentive is to rid the country of gangland's rule. The only reward necessary is safety for our homes. The Daily Press is the lawmaker for all the people of all the World. The power of their influence could rid the world of all lawbreakers in forty-eight hours if they were interested in the welfare of the people of the world. Money, Money! Hush Money! Ransom Money! Reward Money! Election Money! All corrupt money to corrupt a world of helpless people. Let there be a cry for Justice sent forth from the Press.

Corrupt money must be made valueless, in the search for these murderers; they must be found by the vigilance of a Home Protection Service that comes from the heart of the Nations. By far, too much ransom has been paid. Let the murderers be delivered by the vigilance of the people, organized by the Daily Press in the name of Justice, not Money.

History Repeats Itself

WHILE the political leaders play ball with the people's rights, over the whole World, "Rome burns." Tragedy stalks through the lives of our most trusted and time-honored people. The welfare of not only our Nation but the welfare of every Nation is threatened by the lawless and treacherous leaders in every quarter of the World. Our only hope of restoring law and order lies in the planets' luminous light rays entering the consciousness of the leaders whose cosmic consciousness is awakening to their influences.

The Youth of Today has been robbed of their inheritance. They were born from the lap of luxury and lavish spending, knowing nothing about hardship. Their inheritance of the Jazz Age together with the prohibitional ogre has closed the avenues of research and reflection.

Time, that great solace, cannot undo the ravages of the money changers in the high places of the Nations' Capitols. Time can rebuild the foundation of sound principles in the third or fourth generation perhaps, but yesterday's ruthless sowing by the fathers and grand-

fathers will yield its harvest in the lives of their children and grandchildren.

Organized Crime is in the Seat of the Government and until a sufficient number of public-spirited citizens become aroused to action, it will remain there.

Take the sign off of the dollar—make it worth its value only in exchange for value received. Take the wealth from gems—let them be for adornment only and place a greater value upon a day's work than upon the price paid for it. Make the pursuit of happiness the greatest incentive a man can have and rule the dollar out of the race for the Goal of Life. Let ambition bring to the world happy homes and worthy citizens as this is the greatest asset any country can possess. Teach the children the value of learning for learning's sake rather than for the reward of gold or medals.

The world's latest tragedy (the kidnapping and murder of the little son of its hero) should arouse every respected citizen to arms against Organized Crime and the fabulous rewards offered which, of itself, produces Crime. Let the Nation train its boys and girls to do right because it is right.

The piling up of wealth has been the downfall of every Nation in the history of the World and unless the responsible citizens in all Nations awaken to its curse, it will cause the destruction of the human race in all civilized countries.

The present unemployment cataclysm has laid low the fairest of our race. No war ever devastated the morale of our people such as this last ogre of the International Crime Commissions under the guise of Patriotism and World Unity.

Make the world safe for Intelligence and Patriotism, and World Unity will follow as the day follows the night.

Could a Psychic Have Located the Lindbergh Baby?

THIS question has repeatedly been asked of us and we most sincerely think it could have been done. One of our own staff received explicit directions which were carefully transcribed and forwarded to Colonel Lindbergh the day of receipt. Recent developments seem to bear out the vision. Whether the letter reached the Colonel or Mrs. Lindbergh, we do not know. The message was received at a private seance. According to press reports there were many reliable Psychics who offered to help in the search. Those who believe in the Higher Life and those who communicate with the

With Our Times

By Effa
Danelson

"dead" could have given great aid if granted the privilege of helping.

One must seek Wisdom to possess it. Surely the search for a little child would be a greater incentive for a Psychic than the search for gold and riches. The grandfather would have been eager to have led the way but no one opened the door for him to enter in the search. Burly policemen and detectives stood guard against intrusion of their inalienable rights. Some day the Truth will be revealed to the distracted parents and from the baby's own lips the story will come. Every act and every thought is recorded in the "Book of Life;" every thought set in motion will be revealed to the boy.

This is the Age of Revealment and no one can escape his wrongdoing. The party who carried the babe from the cradle and the one who delivered him to the kidnapers, will be forever cursed by the haunting imagery of the helpless babe thrown to the mercy of the wind to cover its little form after the murderers had done their atrocious work. It looked like easy money for them as they had been promised the safe return of the child. What bitter disappointment awaited them and what cruel fate is still in store for them, Time only can reveal.

Yes, Psychic Vision would have revealed much to those troopers that their eyes did not behold. Psychic Vision would have revealed the hoax of the ladder and the hoax of the note on the window sill. Psychic Sight would have revealed the white hands of the deliverer of the babe, all of which will some day be proven and, we hope, before it is too late. All is not well with these traitors who betrayed the trust of the parents.

Yes, Psychic Sight could have saved the life of the little one had it been sought in time. Psychic Sight can still restore the child to its parents for Death only took the little body.

Little Charles Augustus Lindbergh Junior, still lives and some day will reveal himself to his beloved parents. Until such a time the search for the murderers will go on by those who have eyes to see but see not, ears to hear but hear not.

The Watch Tower

WE are coming into an Age of Watchfulness and it behooves us to set our Watch Tower in order. The accumulation of years of carelessness in our own thinking will not be quickly removed. Our Fires of Obedience to the best there is in us, will have to be rekindled and made to burn brightly before we can say

we are prepared to go forth in the battle for a return to sanity and constructive thinking. Even the best of us grew careless in the abundance spread before us on the feast table. *Now* has come the Seed Time and those of us who were careful to prepare for this Event, will reap the harvest of reconstruction. Time and Seasons do not wait for Man to awaken from his slumber. The traveler who awakens at dawn, is the recipient of the gifts which the dawn distributes. Labor while it is day and rest when the slumber hour overtakes you.

Is your Watch Tower illumined by the application of your own mental equilibrium or, do you depend on the Apostles of Truth for your Light? Remember "He that carries the Torch in his own hand, cannot stumble or cause others to stumble for he lights not only his own way but the path on either side."

Rise above despair about petty dissensions. "Truth" needs no defense, my brother. If you know—you know. Your Watch Tower will reflect your Light and direct the traveler emerging from the *mist* of misunderstanding.

The *Masters* who shed the Light on the *Path*, in olden times, have not digressed. Once a Master, always a Master. Neither *time* nor *distance* bar them from our presence. The Twentieth Century is already ablaze with the Light of Wisdom pouring forth from many Watch Towers in many lands.

Does your Blessing flow freely to those who are in distress? Have you the power of the spoken word—the silent messenger of Thought, producing manifestations of healing the sick and reducing poverty to riches? If you do not have this Light burning brightly, awaken to your need. "The Hosts of Heaven" are at your command; you need not fear. *March on* and the Gates of Opportunity will swing wide at your command! Do not wait for the barrier to be removed—march on and know that every obstacle will be removed from your *Path* of *Progress*. Do not rely on yesterday's strength; it was only sufficient for its day. Today must create anew the strength for its needs. Tomorrow will rise from the seed planting.

Watch your *Watch Tower* that *no thing* obstructs your Light. Do not be faint of heart; call upon the "*Hosts*" as they are listening for your word of command. You are not alone in the struggle. The line of march is long and unbroken save by your murmuring. Murmur not, but *forward march* to the mountain-top of your desire.

Let the Blessings fall like rain from your lips and your Light will shine far out, lighting up all the hillside around and about. Individual duty, well done, is like the stars above, shining in their Glory.

Peace abundant be yours.

The Seven Brothers

Wrecks of Dissipation—Junk Heaps of Hell.*

By JEFFERSON HOCKER

THE SEVEN BROTHERS ARE HELL'S ESCAPED TEMPTERS, PREYING ON THE HUMAN FAMILY, running at large, invading the family circle, offering tempting and imaginary inducements, polluting the very souls of man, corrupting our local, state and national governments; dispensers of the only and real HELL; destroyers of human lives, of property; depleters of manhood. They pile up unlimited taxes, paralyze commerce, encourage recklessness and excess disbursing of moneys. They are responsible for developing selfishness, and diverting wealth into the hands of a few. They change the business plans of a country—a nation—placing the people in financial bondage. The Unborn, for hundreds of years, are bound for the acts of *this* selfish and greedy brother—the developer of criminals, murderers and plunderers—Hell's most popular and damnable representative—WAR.

WAR! Fellow citizens, think! Permit no one to think for you! Use your own brain—THINK—THINK! Constantly pray for peace and harmony. Confiscate capital along with manpower and *this* brother of destruction can not exist. Cannon fodder is not as easily procured when people become enlightened and use their brains more. The late WORLD WAR has greatly increased government expenses all over the world. It has been to industry, commerce, economics and politics as a destructive earthquake or cyclone would be. It has forced upon a greater part of the world unlimited depression, unemployment—creating thousands of bank failures, abandoned farms. The indebtedness on the people from the last great conflict—THE WORLD WAR—was approximately 185 billions of dollars, or within a billion or two of the entire wealth of the United States of America. It is estimated by Mr. Ogden Mills, Under-Secretary of the Treasury, that the remaining balance of our debt of sixteen billions can be paid off in eighteen years, or by 1949.

WAR IS HELL! Our great American general was right in his statement. It calls for the pick of our young men and transforms them into fighting demons. It forces from them what civilized qualities they had obtained through evolution up to this time, thus placing them into the low-

est depths of ancient savagery. No civilized nation or people, while in the state of 100% civilization, will countenance war or permit this disturbing brother to enter the fold. Time is fast approaching when war will be a thing of the past. Thus this Brother of Hell's Tempters will be dispensed with through enlightenment, education and continued evolution.

The Tempter Brother—TOBACCO—did over a billion-dollar business in 1929. He estimates that from his increased sales by 1940 he will be able to dispose of 400,000,000 pounds of his product. In 1929 the Federal tax on his products was \$450,339,060.00. He is installing machinery in one of his most active departments that will make and turn out 1600 cigarettes every minute; or 1000 more cigarettes than with the old line of machinery. BROTHER TOBACCO'S only God is profit; his only Bible is the balance sheet of his business. GREED! GREED! He is pouring millions into flaring advertisements in order to create new armies of cigarette addicts. Our schools should be well fortified with literature and special lectures should be given to enlighten our boys and girls on this damnable and selfish habit. Brother Tobacco conceived the idea of advertising for female addicts and at once twelve millions was disbursed for this end, using many tempting suggestions. Every conceivable temptation Brother Tobacco can devise is placed in the path of our boys and girls.

Regard one item alone! If every addict, male and female, could see and know the effects of tobacco upon the liver, they would never pollute their systems with tobacco. Read up on the subject of narcotics! Our public libraries have books on the subjects. Tobacco wears out the liver, heart and kidneys. REMEMBER—there are no extra parts for the human machinery! So stop that craving to smoke! No intelligent person will want to indulge if he or she will visualize the terrible havoc wrought by the deadly drug. You can take a regular cigarette addict and bare the arm, placing a leech upon the flesh. Just a moment after it has begun sucking the blood, it is released and rolls from the arm to the floor—dead! It is killed almost instantly from the nicotine which is in your blood from the smoking of cigarettes.

There is no longer any doubt about the fact that smoking, particularly cigarettes, is very ruinous to the human system—in fact, smoking of any kind is injurious. It

is a proven fact that excessive smoking produces hardening of the arteries, apoplexy, heart and kidney diseases, etc. Statistics prove that out of every ten persons who die, suddenly, nine are men. Thorough investigation shows them to have been heavy smokers. By filling your system with the poisonous filth of tobacco smoke, you are paving the way for the break down of the blood vessels and heart.

And WOMEN CANNOT WITHSTAND THE EFFECTS OF NICOTINE POISONING AS LONG AS CAN MEN. Cigarette smoking increases domestic discord. Homes will be less peaceful and many will be broken up because the man or wife, or both, are smokers. Nicotine has a bad effect on the nervous system. It has been found that nicotine is equivalent in its poison qualities to prussic acid.

In closing, that is, with this BROTHER—TOBACCO—just remember that cigarettes are slowly killing the continued addict, robbing him of a great many years of his life. Smoking dwarfs a boy, makes him dull in school, and time after time causes him to fail to make his required grades. When a man smokes he shortens his life and lessens his efficiency in business. The addict leaves his mark of stains and scars from burning cigarette stubs on desks, window sills, etc. BROTHER TOBACCO with his vast holdings is doing much to degenerate our youth of today and he is growing wealthy on it. What kind of mothers will our girl addicts become? Tobacco smoke is smelly and dirty and a public nuisance—especially that of cigarettes. The cigarette is ruining the youth of the country—now the girls as well as the boys. Cigarettes, it is estimated from reliable sources, destroy over \$90,000,000 worth of property every year.

Smoking mothers will take notice that your indulgence in cigarette smoking inoculates your milk with nicotine. WHAT A CONTAMINATED MEAL FOR THE BABY! The cigar has a tobacconist at one end and an undertaker at the other. Tobacco is a large factor in causing the notable increase in crime and divorces in recent years—coupled with ignorance of the sex laws, etc. Smoking destroys the finer sensibilities and makes a STINK POT of a man or woman. It creates unlimited selfishness in all who indulge in the habit. Tobacco is a cause for high blood pressure. Every cigarette or cigar smoked increases the work of the heart. Smoking

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(*Hell referred to above is not taken and considered as the Hell formerly preached by the old fashioned minister—a Lake of Fire and Burning Brimstone. But in reality portraying the various stages of degradation, pain, sorrow, misery, etc., inflicted upon a person through violation of Nature's laws; thus paying the penalty as Wrecks of Dissipation and Junk Heaps of Hell.)

NO THING MOVES

By D. W. STARRETT

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TODAY amongst great scientists there is a query that constantly appears above the horizon of their mentalities, namely, "Is matter in motion or is it at rest?" Of course, to settle such a momentous question one must do so alone through the power of reasoning. In the time of Columbus the entire world sensed that the earth was flat. Reason taught the great Columbus that it was round. At that time as well as now, the sun seemed to move around the earth, but reason has taught that the earth moves around the sun.

Today when one seemingly gazes through glass and views objects on the other side great is one's amazement when shown that one does not see through glass, but that the light waves bring the impressions of objects through the glass to one's eyes. And, further, when shown that the interior of one's skull is stygian darkness and that one sees in the brain only, one begins to doubt one's senses. But the seeming fact that the light waves bring the pictures of objects to the interior of the skull, may be easily disproven. It is known that the impressions of all objects are everywhere all the time. All impressions come through vibration, hence one cannot think until the afferent flow has taken place. Thus when one thinks the impression was already static within the brain. For instance, when one gazes at Polaris, the north star, if there be motion, the light with which one views this star left it about forty-five years ago. Hence, it is plain that as far as one's ability to create motion, it is completely lacking. When one *picks* up music, it was already static within the spaces around one.

Nearly every intelligent person admits that there is but one basic force. Some name it God, others name it Absolute, some prefer to designate it as Infinite. This force has been traced to the positive electron, known also as the proton, and that all matter is composed of these minute particles of matter. All life has been traced to the one cell, thus the religionists and the scientists practically agree in the above statement.

All agree that this force is universal, meaning that it is everywhere all the time; that there is no space where it is not. If this be true, then how can there be movement, as, first, there would be no reason for movement, and, secondly, it is very plain that One Thing that completely fills all space could not move, if one calls upon his reason to decide the question.

When mundane Life first thought to



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move through space, it did not realize that it could move faster than a worm can crawl, yet at that time there was something that moved at the rate of 186,000 miles per second. Today man realizes fully that time will be annihilated, and when it will be obsolete, all distances will be present spaces. Even now, light waves are so rapid, as man thinks, earthly distances are practically overcome. It is practically known that there is a movement in the cosmos that is speedier than the speed of light waves, 186,000 miles per second.

All scientists, as well as every thinking person, admits that when one throws a stone up into the air that it must come to a complete rest before it again reaches the earth. As the earth is in rapid motion, when the stone leaves the earth, it describes a curve. Nature abhors a straight line, and the above shows why it never produces a straight line. If there be motion, all the planets and suns with their attendant fields of force are moving along curved tracks, hence a straight line could not be drawn by the planets and suns. Man upon the earth cannot draw a straight line, because while he is seemingly doing so, he is in rapid motion. Thus the old saying that curves are made up of minute straight lines is not a true saying; in fact, it is the reverse, namely, all seemingly straight lines are made up of minute curves, if there be motion.

Today it is well known that all intelligence comes to one through what is known as the afferent flow, or inflow. This

afferent flow is always in the form of vibratory motion. Vibratory motion means the number of wave crests per inch and the number of times they are formed per second.

As far as this motion is understood under the guise of hearing and seeing, meaning, sound waves and seeing, or light waves, sound waves range from eight to thirty thousand per inch and light waves range from thirty-four thousand waves per inch for basic red and sixty-four thousand waves per inch for violet. Man never sees through the use of any vibrations other than within the range mentioned, namely, between basic red and basic violet. Here again man has to realize that seeing as mentioned above is merely a seeming to do so, for it is known that through certain methods of approach, infra-red waves may be conceived, that are below the red, and that ultra-violet waves may be conceived, that are above the violet, and that each of these conceivable groups change until they reach an infinite number. This means no vibratory motion.

As stated, vibratory motion means the number of waves per inch and the times formed per second. It is conceivable that no matter how many waves there are per inch, the waves are all in the form of curves. The times formed per second, means the electrons rising and falling to produce the wave forms. This rising and falling also is in the form of curves, because of the reasons stated.

When one considers a circle understandingly, and fully realizes that each minutest part of it if in motion is merely trying to reach its opposite point, and that all curves be they great or small, are but parts of a circle, one will grasp the fact that like the stone thrown into the air, from the earth, each part is in perfect rest, because it is at its apex of movement.

Thus one has to assume that each electron in the cosmos is in movement, and, for a fact, it is trying to move along a curved path, and that because of this movement, it is at perfect rest. Thus rest and movement are one Thing, Infinite.

Rivers of water, unless they have fresh streams running into them, become stagnant. So with our thoughts. If we do not express them by words or actions, add to them, clarify them and purify them; they, too, become stagnant.—W. F. Poole.

If there is anything in religion that burdens the heart with fear, know that man alone has put it there.—Radiance.

Complete Course in Astrology

By LAURITZ C. LARSON

The influence of the various planets in the various Houses

(Continued from the June Issue)

MOOON: Changing circumstances in life and change of abode; lively imagination, a sensitive nature and strong attachment to parents unless afflicted. If afflicted, native's education suffers through inharmony with parents; troublesome domestic life. Well aspected, it is favorable for domestic harmony with comfort and ease in later life.

Saturn: The father is probably master of the house, and there is not the best of harmony with him. Even though a strict master, his advice proves out in advancing years to have been sound. Difficulties through over-sensitiveness. Native is careful, economical. Usually anxious about old age and if Saturn is afflicted may become a miser or hermit. Illness or early death of one of the parents.

Jupiter: Parents well to do. Relations with them satisfactory. Gives a deep inner support which helps native overcome all difficulties. Much co-operation in place of birth. Legacies from parents and prosperous old age. If afflicted, native should leave place of birth. Difficulty in finding lasting prosperity because things are taken too lightly. Thoughtless and frivolous expenditure may result in bankruptcy.

Mars: Usually takes native away from home early in life, probably due to family "rows." Unfavorable position for a satisfactory domestic life. If afflicted one of parents dies early. Danger of fires in home. Extravagance in the home.

Uranus: Restlessness. Many changes of residence, with many ups and downs. Many strange experiences. Misunderstood by parents and disagreements with them. Does not promise a permanent home or satisfactory domestic life. Interest in occult studies and in all strange matters and doctrines.

Neptune: Some peculiar domestic and family affairs. Parents are afflicted in some way. Some possibility of scandal in the home. Possibility of loss in property matters through fraud. Gives great taste and liking for occult studies and these can benefit much. Close of life will probably be in seclusion.

Planets in Fifth House

Sun: Inclination for speculation, but only partially advisable since native finds it hard to await the right moment for it. Strong inclination for social life and more or less luxurious pleasures. Does not promise children and may not let them become full grown. A well aspected Sun will give gain through speculation, children and amusements.

Study Course in Astrology Lesson No. 5

(Greenwich Mean Time—Calculations of the positions of the Planets.)

The necessary equipment is Ephemeris for 1932, a Table of Houses No. 2 and Starcraft Chart Blanks.

Venus: Self-indulgent and impulsive. Relations of love and friendship rest upon an idealistic basis. Success in social affairs, speculation, children and various forms of amusements. Afflicted, too much indulgence in pleasures; sorrow and disappointment in love affairs, loss in speculation and through children.

Mercury: Fond of agreeable intimate, but merely friendly intercourse with opposite sex. Much pleasure and interest in the education of children. Witty talker. Afflicted, gives trouble and worry through affections and children; native is superficial, rambling and inconstant in love affairs; loss in speculation.

Moon: In some way connected with the needs of the education of children. Public success in connection with amusements. Fondness for pleasure and the opposite sex. Changeable affections. If afflicted, there is loss through speculation, and sorrow and trouble in love affairs, children and morals.

Saturn: Delays and disappointments in connection with love affairs and social life. Usually denies children or gives trouble through them. Loss in speculation although satisfactory investments can be made in trustworthy concerns. Adversity in enterprises may be expected.

Jupiter: Much social success. Satisfaction through children. A knack and success in speculating. Fondness for pleasures. If afflicted, there is a tendency to go in for gambling; a dislike for work; too much trust in good luck and as a consequence, the best opportunities pass unnoticed until too late.

Mars: Great pluck in starting enterprises and carrying out plans; quick insight into new possibilities, but there is danger in rashness in words and actions. Too much indulgence in pleasures and amusements result in physical, financial and social loss. Loss by speculation. Trouble through children.

Uranus: Native's mind is very active and fertile in the field of new inventions, physics and chemistry, and in occultism

and metaphysics. Utopian social views; rather unconventional ideas; danger of extravagance in love affairs; sudden uncommon impulses. The clear intuition should be aided by concentration. Trouble with or through children; loss in speculation; social vexations; difficulties in love affairs.

Neptune: Strange and peculiar thoughts about love, rather idealistic and platonic although possibility of abnormal experiences in connection with the feelings, emotions and affections. Afflicted gives trouble and sorrow in love affairs; loss in speculation and trouble through children and too much pleasure.

Planets in the Sixth House

Sun: The Sun has set in this House, and hence a cloud seems to hang over its influence. Be more cheerful, is the advice to those who have it here. In this way, joy of life and power can replace the lack of vitality. Well aspected, success in employment that benefits others. Afflicted, opposition of superiors and lack of co-operation of inferiors.

Venus: Good health if no excessive demands are made upon the body. Usually an illness is of long duration or returns repeatedly. Fresh air and sunshine will help. Gain in employ of others and co-operation of subordinates. Love of pets and success with small animals.

Mercury: Gives a logical clear mind. Good for study of hygiene, medicine or chemistry. Many small vexations through subordinates; criticism of superiors, sometimes unjustly. Danger to nervous system through anxiety, worry or overwork. Very much influenced by surrounding conditions.

Moon: Uncertain health. Diet plays an important part in preventing or curing illness. Knack and ability in serving others. Desire for public service for the good of the masses. Success in catering to the public's want for necessities. Afflicted, trouble with employers and employees. No success with small animals.

Saturn: A serious, business like manner that commands respect and obedience. Afflicted, however, there is fearfulness, melancholy and listlessness and no popularity with either employee or employer. Health is poor, most diseases are chronic. The native has a hard life brought on by fear and distrust. Native should leave drugs alone and strive for a cheerful and contented frame of mind. Diet is important and there must be plenty of fresh air exercise.

Jupiter: Cheerfulness, health and popularity, but native should always remember

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Advanced Course in Palmistry

By ALICE DENTON JENNINGS

Shapes of Hands--- and Their Meaning



Character Analysis and Vocational Guidance

Chief Characteristics

WITH the psychic type of hand, you have a visionary, idealistic nature. With such a hand, you would appreciate the beautiful in every shape and form. You would be gentle in manner and quiet in temper. You would be inclined to be confiding and instinctively trust everyone kind to you, sometimes to your own detriment. You are inclined to live outside the real world, living in a world of fantasy and day dreaming. Being intuitive, impulsive, impressionable and sensitive, you are inclined to reason only with the heart. You are easily influenced by others, sometimes against your will. You are often easily imposed on, yet bitterly resent being deceived. All forms of magic and mystery appeal to you. You are inately devotional. However, it is often the music, the ceremony, the service that impresses you more than the logic or truth of the sermon. The business or logical side of life does not appeal to you. You should confine your activities to the visionary, idealistic types of endeavor, such as art, music, literature.



The Psychic
Hand

If you have a *PSYCHIC HAND*—That is, the palm formation long, narrow and fragile, with slender tapering fingers and long, almond shaped nails, you have what is known as the psychic hand.



are likely to promise more than you can fulfill. You should particularly guard against this tendency. Being emotional and often running from the extreme of maddest gaiety to most profound discouragement, avoid dissipation in any form, as once any intemperance should gain hold on you, it would be very hard to overcome. Be fair with yourself. Admit your shortcomings and try to improve them.



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Shortcomings

You entirely lack a sense of order, reason and logic. You are clever at everything, but rarely bring anything to a satisfactory termination. You are inclined to pass from the maddest gaiety to the most profound discouragement and yield easily to the good or evil influence of environment about you. Loving, affectionate, sentimental, you delight in change and flirtation. You are often inconstant, faithless, fickle, changeable and capricious. You have no idea of order, punctuality or discipline.

Suggestions

With the psychic type of hand, you should endeavor to think of material things, to reason logically, to act, make an effort. Endeavor to bring everything you start to a satisfactory termination. Do not take yourself or others too seriously. Loving, affectionate, sentimental, you are likely to suffer most through your heart attachments, therefore use judgment and select your friends carefully. You are quickly moved to pity and want to do so much for others less fortunate that you

Vocations

The psychic type is the hand of the born artist, with an understanding for all the arts, and clever at all of them. There is an aptness for literature, poetry. Other occupations for which you are best suited and in which you would find the greatest success are those of emotional actor, designer, especially of women's apparel, and also an occultist.

Affinities and Marriage

Your best mate would be the conic hand. That is, the palm of medium size, tapering slightly at the base, the finger tips rounded. This is the type hand that mixes intuition and imagination with reason. This is the type hand that has a horror of discord or discussion and is often found in the role of mediator.

Suggestions to Parents and Teachers

The child with the psychic hand has absolute need of liberty, independence, love. Its uncommonly lively and romantic imagination, exuberant, always bubbling over, is ceaselessly active, and there is sometimes a tendency to exaggerate, to distort the truth. Do not take these tendencies too seriously. Try always to lead such a child back into the world of reality and into a knowledge of the practical meaning of life. Teach him to think of material things, to reason, to act, to make an effort. Insist that everything that is started be brought to a satisfactory termination.



Facing Life

By Stanley G. Jacobs

Life is a challenge. It is a challenge that must be met sooner or later. As long as we seek to evade it we are not living in the true sense but are making self imposed limitations of discord, inharmony and suffering. We make unhappiness for ourselves because we do not face life with courage, hope and optimism. When we try to run away from life and avoid the great issue we are forgetful of our true power. We are Gods; a part of life and it cannot defeat us. When we realize this great truth we free ourselves from all limitation and rise above conditions and circumstances. We have within us everything that is needed in order to meet the challenge. We need but let our Godhood flow forth. We must realize our true state of being every minute of the day and try to live as nobly as possible at all times. The more effort we make to rid ourselves of the bonds of unreality the sooner shall we reach that state of bliss which is rightfully ours.

Handwriting Reveals Character

"By Their Handwriting Shall Ye Know Them"

By Dr. JAMES H. CALLAHAN

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There is no subject in which we are so keenly interested as in learning something about ourselves, yet curiously enough, how many are aware of the fact that our inclinations, impulses, desires, capabilities, and many other character traits are all revealed by our handwriting, and that the character they express is the real nature of the individual? The ancient adage, "Know Thyself," is more applicable today than at any time in the history of the world, and just as by the study of nature and science do we gain the knowledge and power to master it, so only by the study of our own selves can we gain the knowledge to master our own lives and destinies.

Handwriting is the written record of the innermost self each of us makes that he who runs may read. No one doubts that every handwriting is characteristic of the person by whom it is written. The legal system in all five continents is based on the assumption of the identity of signature, and modern money transactions would be impossible if the least doubt existed that signatures could be disregarded in financial transactions. For example, when you purchase a traveller's check from the express company or your bank, you are required to affix your signature, and the cashier in turn affixes his signature as attestation of the fact that your signature is genuine. When you cash this check in some distant city or foreign country, your signature again written on the check is sufficient identification for payment.

The science of Graphology is divided into two main divisions, namely, Psychological and Forensic. Inasmuch as the Psychological deals exclusively with the analysis of the handwriting with a view of determining the character of the writer, his true vocation in life, et cetera; and the Forensic deals with all cases in which forgery and questioned documents are involved, as the realm of legal handwriting expertism lies beyond the range of this article, and it is not our intention to deal with questions relating to proof of identity, for the purposes of our study only the Psychological will be sufficient for our consideration.

It is not the purpose to go into an extended discussion of the science of Graphology, as these articles necessarily must be brief and concise. However, it will be my intention to present to you in this series of articles a general view of the science.

What is Graphology and How Does It Reveal Character, you ask

AS ONE who accepts theories and dictums with much mental reservation until positive facts have proved them, I can readily appreciate the position of those who, from lack of interest or want of time, have not investigated the truth that the science of Graphology is not a modern fad but a proven and established science, founded upon 350 years of study and research and classified knowledge. The knowledge that character is revealed in handwriting is so old that we find the Emperor Nero, nineteen hundred years ago, in ancient Rome one day, writing to a friend that he fears a certain man at his Court—"I fear Quintilius treacherous for his writing shows him to be so," said the Emperor surprisingly, and here we have the first known judgment of the inner man according to the mark made by his pen. Later we find Seutonius making observations upon the handwriting of the

but wait for another hundred years, and thrive as well as it could on the lean diet of cultured interests.

Graphology was, up to a certain period of the world's history, like many of the other sciences, only the hobby of the curious and the preoccupation of the very few, who lacked data with which to pursue it in exactitude. Strangely enough Graphology had its ascendancy along with the advance of modern medicine, and has been well received as a valuable adjunct by that science.

The first book on characterological interpretation of handwriting was written by Camille Baldo, an Italian, in 1622. A contemporary of his, Marcus Aurelius Serwinus, a professor of anatomy, also wrote on the same subject in 1656. In time we find the Abbe Flandrin, a learned Frenchman and churchman, became the head of a movement which took up the science. He took nothing for granted. He compared, sorted, investigated, systemized, slowly building and perfecting the science. His

Chart No. 1

Emperor Augustus. Some traces of graphology we find in the Greeks.

Certainly you will want to know if there is anything to back it up, and this, perhaps, may interest you right here: that handwriting was already furnishing the chart for some first explorations in psychology at a time when even medicine was largely in the hands of barbers, and when it would have been considered fantastic, to say the least, to consider the state of a man's mind when giving him a pill.

There was another difficulty, too, in the way of a working science with handwriting, for at this time handwriting itself was still an art, and the great mass of people could not write at all. So, with Europe just emerging from the Dark Ages, there was nothing for our infant science to do

pupil, and eventually his master, the Abbe Michon, carried the work much farther, who, unrestrained by theoretical considerations, collected, observed, ascertained, arranged, noted and clarified, and who wrote a number of books on the subject, and passed the mastership on down to Crepieux-Jamin, the great French Graphologist, who has given us many indispensable works on Graphology.

Lombroso, famous criminologist of Italy, Krafft-Ebbing, neurologist of Germany, and Havelock Ellis, English physician and pioneer authority in sex scientifics—these, among others, had based important researches on their experiences with handwriting. Sir Herschell of England, who entered the field of criminology and estab-

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Advanced Course in Numerology

By MARY ADAMS

Prepared to Supplement "Numerology Is Practical"

Sounds and Systems

NUMEROLOGY is basically simple and completely practical. In the original twelve lessons the fundamentals of Numerology were explained. The value of each letter of the alphabet with its meaning was given; also how your Soul or Talents, your Personality, your Destiny and your proper Vocation are found. Then we discovered how to find your chief characteristics, your Best Days, and all the other points necessary to compute a complete character analysis.

These steps make up the elements of Numerology, just as addition, subtraction, multiplication and division are the fundamentals of mathematics. Did you understand each point? Can you write out a perfect, complete chart? (See Lesson 11.) Good! But after you have done this can you interpret satisfactorily what you have written down? Probably not. And why? Because you have not practiced enough.

People ask me "How can I become a writer?" There is only one answer—by writing and writing and writing. How can you become an artist? By painting and painting and painting. How can you become a musician? By practicing and practicing hours and hours. Fifteen or twenty minutes once a week will not make you either a writer, an artist, a musician, or a Numerologist. Please do not think because you read the twelve lessons and "see" what is meant that you are a Numerologist. Remember—"A little knowledge is a dangerous thing." You are dealing with hearts and souls; hopes and fears; with all the intricate mental and spiritual processes that separate the human being from the animal. If you were a surgeon you would hesitate to cut off a man's leg. Be just as careful in cutting off a man's hope or ambition. Be just as careful in injuring a woman's happiness and trust.

If you cannot tell a person something good, something hopeful, something inspirational then keep silent. He may flounder out of his difficulties by good fortune plus his own common sense, but if you hang a thought of danger, failure, or discouragement around his neck, you add just that much more of a handicap to his success. Occult Sciences help people—not hurt them. There is always a way to help.

Life is a road—rough in spots, with right and left turns, detours and dangerous curves. A good road is marked so a motorist can see exactly where he is going and what type of travel is just ahead of him. When he sees the mark for a "left turn," does he say "Oh, nonsense! I want



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to go straight ahead. I'll take a chance."

When he sees a "Danger!" signal, does he laugh and say "I don't believe in signs" and continue right on over the precipice or into the ditch? NUMEROLOGY is exactly like the traffic markings on a highway. It shows you the turns, detours, hills and rough spots. It hangs out the danger signals but always with the purpose of showing you which way to turn to avoid disaster. It *never* says "You can't go ahead, there is no use in trying." It *sometimes* says "Here is a rough spot," but it *always* says: "If you will try this way, you will get along better than if you continue in the way you are going."

What would you think of a surgeon who tells you that your leg is broken but does not "set" it for you? Or a doctor who tells you that you have indigestion without telling you how to regulate your diet? What would you think of a Numerologist who tells you that you will never be a good accountant without telling you in what line you can succeed? Numerology is not a game; it is not even a crutch; and it most certainly is not fortune telling. Numerology is to your life and happiness, what the signs along the highway are to the life and safety of the motorist. The motorist, learning to drive, goes slowly and cautiously at first, until he has mastered the mechanics of his car. In Numerology you must "go slow" until you have mastered its mechanics. Then, like the motorist, you can go faster and faster, further and further until you advance almost instinctively—yet sanely, safely and happily.

The twelve lessons already printed in the Occult Digest gave you the mechanics; the articles which are to be printed during

the coming months will enable you to see the deeper, more spiritual, more beautiful things along the road of life that you are traveling.

Numerology is the scientific application of numbers to the characters and affairs of men and women and children; yes, and babies, too. Is it not fascinating to know that your little son may become a great scientist, a musician, a financier, a doctor? Wouldn't you like to be able to read the "sign-posts" along his road of life? That is one of the things that Numerology does for the earnest student. Numbers are common to all nations, regardless of language, customs, geography or chronology. Numbers are Nature's symbols. Numbers are, in fact, Nature's language, and have been read and interpreted from prehistoric times to the present day. Some of the greatest occult writers, seem to prove without a doubt, that the ancients knew more about numbers and the interpretation of numbers than we do. Languages differ; alphabets differ; but numbers are always the same.

0, the circle or zero as it is sometimes called, has always stood for Eternity.

1, symbolizes the Sun, the Creator, the Beginning.

2, symbolizes the Moon, femininity, duality, balance.

3, symbolizes the Planet Jupiter, power, self-expression, the Union of Body, Soul and Spirit.

4, symbolizes the Planet Uranus, closely related to the Sun and in occultism is expressed by giving the Sun a double number, 4-1. It indicates work-accomplished through Will (1), Experience (2), Action (3) and Realization (4).

5, symbolizes the Planet Mercury, versatility, keen desire for change, new things.

6, symbolizes the Planet Venus, love, but rather the parent love than sexual love. The number 6 is the cube, a solid figure. It is the only digit combined of an odd and an even number ($2 \times 3 = 6$ or $3 \times 2 = 6$).

7, symbolizes the Planet Neptune, mystery, the perfect form on the physical plane. It is not divisible, it is always related to the God Force and appears in all religions as a sacred number. Neptune is considered as closely related to the Moon, so the Moon has for its number 2-7. (Note the Sun and Moon have double numbers.)

8, symbolizes the Planet Saturn, strength, material prosperity, a double balance $4 + 4$.

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The Poets' Page

True Work and Square

By Phil Chatfield Isbell

My God's the God that cries "Be Bold!"
"Be bold, be brave and March on Through!"
For space, nor depth, nor heat, nor cold,
Shall mar one atom of God-made You!"

The Greeting of the Dawn

Contributed by A. S. Knapp

(From an unknown author in Sanscrit
about 5,000 years ago—translated into
Esperanto, the Universal language, and
from it into English by A. S. Knapp.)

Oh listen to the whispers of the dawn:
Take well care of the present day
For it is Life,
The very essence of all life;
Within its short course
Lie all the truths and realities of your
existence:
The glory of work,
The ecstasy of growth,
The brilliance of beauty.
Because today only is,
For yesterday is only a dream,
And tomorrow only a phantom;
But today well lived
Makes every yesterday a dream of happi-
ness
And every morrow a vision of hope.
Take well care then of the present day!
This is the greeting of the Dawn.

The Signs of the Times

R. O. Warren

To live, to love, to serve,
Are the guide-posts of success;
And the more we seek their guidance,
That much will we progress.

These seeds are planted early
In every human breast,
To grow in strength and beauty
If we give them daily test.

The three are sorely needed
In this hour of changing life,
And the power is surely growing,
Ridding earth of present strife.

There's a harvest and a reaping
For all seeds the world around,
And the bursting forth will follow,
When the fruit is ripe and sound.

So the coming of the morrow
With its lessons of the years;
Will raise a generation
That will silence all the fears;

That will put to use these virtues
With a zest so great and strong;
That Peace on earth, Good will toward man
Will be the victor's song.

While the sons of men are waiting
For this cycle to come in,
Hear the noise of battle rising,
Stirring kin against their kin.

But the cry of nations' shouting
And the call of the oppressed
Will lovingly be answered
By the coming of the Blest.

The Dream

By Helen M. Pettes

You had been lost so short a time,
I scarce could feel it true;
How could I live and you be dead?
My heart still lived in you.

A dozen times throughout the day
To you I would confide,
My constant thought to you I'd tell
As if you had not died.

And so one night it seemed that I
Approached the wide front door,
And met you in the open way
And sank upon the floor.

I clasped your knees in frantic joy:—
"O Mother dear!" I cried,
"I knew—I knew it was not true,—
But O I dreamed you died!"

Fairies

By Ada C. Carmichael

Hush, Be still!
The fairies dwell within this dell.
Fleet dryads play and tease,
Running on silent feet,
Among these very trees.

On stormy nights the solomn Gnomes
Go stalking; talking their queer language.
I know these things for I can hear,
I always know when they are near.

Hark, please listen.
That Undine! Coy within the pool;
See how she glides so calm, so cool—
But can you hear her splash? Her hair
All golden, floats about her there.

Oh, now you've frightened them!
All gone, all gone are they.
They will not come to dance and play
For many and many a day.

A Last Request

Iola J. Davis

I shall want music when I die—
The wild, clear call of Nature's pagan
things,
The pulsing whirl of sky-accustomed
wings;
The muted crash of ocean waves piled
high,
The swish of trees outlined against the
sky.

These be my requiem—for me, no funeral
hymn;
No measured chant in hallways hushed
and dim.

I shall not fear this thing that is so nigh,
If I can have my music when I die.

LIGHT Leads to Liberation

The meaning of the word "LIGHT" as
received

by Marie Miller

L—Liberation
I --Illumination
G—Glory and
H—Higher heights and finally to
T—Truth Eternal

Mother Mary

By Helen M. Pettes

The Catholic to Mary prays
To Mary Mother sweet,
And brings her adoration-vows
And lays them at her feet.

But I was born a Protestant,
To worship not a saint;—
The Heavenly Father hears my prayers
And my confession faint.

And yet it seems my heart allows
St. Peter's accolite,—
Though some may cry, "idolatry!"—
My heart assumes a right.

For I, too, worship at a shrine
That holds a saint secure
And "Mary Mother!" is my cry
My Mother, sweet and pure.

Since she who loved me best resigned
This earth for heaven above,
My heart has held its treasured saint
And worships her in love.

Why Do I Believe?

By Alma Leggett Lonsdale

Why do I believe
That, somewhere, I've had life
Before this present one?
Because
The soil of my soul is too deep
To have been cultivated
In but one generation.
The loam is too rich,—exotic,—primeval!
Ancestors, I hear you say?—Nay!
If I am,—and will be,—then I have been!
The passion in my heart
Is the distilled wine of many centuries.
My dreams,—but the flowering again of
plants
That life,—like spring,
Brings once more to fruition.
With the frosts that blight them here,
I am not unacquainted,—I would not
Have the stamina to sing above their bier,
Had the roots of my being
But the depth of one living.
Beauty, like down, would lie upon my
spirit.

But, instead, down the dream-road
I walk like a sleeper
Almost aware of the ages!
While beauty, blasting like a trumpet
Back through life's corridors,
Has its echo, and its echo, and its echo!

"THE BONDAGE OF HATE"

Edited by JAMES W. GOW

PREFACE

Evidence of what is probably the greatest advancement yet achieved in scientific research work relative to the "Science of Psychics" is being given expression to in my private "materialization" seance room in Inglewood, Calif., in which the usual ruby light is used—with the able assistance of Mr. W. W. Aber; the well known international medium.

The following narrative—written personally by one, Henry Morrison—describes his "transition"—which resulted through his automobile striking a lamp standard as he raced his former friend "Coulson" home to save his daughter from his importunings—he also describes the reaction in "spirit" life as the result of his having called down a vow on his friend—whom he later drove to insanity.

After completing the story—Morrison emerged from the cabinet with his wife, Eleanor—whose "passing" he relates.

Development has reached such a point that Ediphone records of "spirit" voices have been made—and ere long a doubting world will hear over the radio—the voices of many of the past great men whom an unknowing orthodoxy had compelled the unthinking majority of its adherents to believe—had been stilled.

So it is that education lifts man out of the sloughs of ignorance in which he had been almost overwhelmed by dogmatic teachings and preachings of undeveloped mental back-ages.

PART of my life must be revealed to you my dear reader in order to explain the connection our moral being has with the external agents of nature.

Do not confound my recital with the chatter of the chimney corner. It is always our weak points that cause our troubles on earth and beyond it.

Retribution waits upon all evil-doing. Such facts as I can pluck from memory and find correct expressions for, I will give you.

Understand that we newcomers here are often very muddled—at other times we are able to function with keenness and force. The balanced adjustment of ethereal motion on this side and yours determines the issue.

In an American city where I was born and grew up to manhood, my people were highly respected citizens, but of middling earthly possessions.

Attending the H. University I became very chummy with a scion of wealth and high life. He professed to be nothing better than a roue; but youth is superficial in judgment. We all knew that his "bark

was worse than his bite"; so nobody took serious notice of his gay life. At that time his hands were always open, scattering gold, so of course he was a good sport, admired by most of us.

After our university training was over, my friend was to travel and enjoy himself. I had to follow a profession as a livelihood. He tried to induce me to accompany him; or at least accept a "stake", for a more brilliant opening than I could afford. But on a vacation trip to my home he visited with me for some time, and my mother warned me against him. My father had by that time become an invalid, so I felt a certain responsibility for the family and on this occasion I persuaded my childhood sweetheart to announce our engagement as a protection against Coulson's (fictitious name used) persistent attentions.

He always expected to have his own way it seemed. Now I had responsibilities to face and we parted, to meet again at his leisure.

Years passed; I had married Eleanor, we had a darling daughter. I was successful and happy.

Several letters came from Coulson. Mutual friends, fraternity members; told me about his worthless and vice-ridden life. Suddenly he decided to visit my home town.

I had acquired a handsome mansion a few miles out across the river. From the first day he seemed fascinated with the place and decided to remain as a guest at our most exclusive club. He spent a great deal of time at my home, to the evident annoyance of my wife.

Our daughter was attending a distant school.

Always suave and agreeable I found no cause to show him the coldness with which Eleanor rather openly treated him. He had changed in one respect; instead of frivolously squandering his patrimony he was now engaged in making money by stock speculation. Generously he gave me information which netted me a profit.

Months passed, our young daughter of sweet sixteen spent Christmas with us. Coulson made it a point to turn the child's head with costly presents over our objections. He even entered like a youngster into childish games played by my daughter and her chums. It was very ridiculous for a fellow of forty odd years, loose muscled from long dissipation to cut capers with flappers and half baked youth.

Since he always referred to our little girl as "Eleanor the second" let that name stand.

After she left our life resumed its usual

course. But during that winter Coulson's tips were wrong and I became very seriously involved in debt. Many an evening I spent alone brooding in a little summer-house at an extreme end of the large grounds surrounding our home. I suffered from dark forebodings. It is no mere platitude the saying that "coming events cast their shadows before". But only a few souls on earth have the gift developed to discriminate mundane reflections on the mirror of time.

While I had not told my wife the full import of my trouble, she sensed my worry and leaving me undisturbed in my retreat she also left the house. She was tender and solicitous, but how could I tell her about a predicament from which I intended to fight my way out alone.

The atmosphere of our home became tense with apprehension and Eleanor's nervousness prevented her from sleeping at night. On my return at dinner time one day she did not meet me at the door with her customary kiss. Well, I was glad, for undoubtedly the poor darling had taken a nap and was sound asleep.

I waited in the living room, not wishing to wake her. I ordered the maid to leave her undisturbed, and the regular dinner could be dispensed with. At last I tiptoed to our bedrooms; sure enough she was lying on the day-bed by the window. I stole softly nearer, how marble like was her face. I grasped a hand to feel her pulse; the hand was icy and limp.

With a shudder of horror I realized that my darling was dead; she had left me desolate.

Shocked into insensibility at the time, scenes are blurred in my memory; but one thing about Eleanor's death I knew. The verdict was an overdose of a sleeping potion. And I also remember that my daughter returned home to be with me and to continue her studies under private tuition.

My daughter was the one idol fate had left me. Financial cares seemed less since the upbringing of my daughter became so important. She was almost too modern to allow me peace of mind. I worried about her future without a mother, but her presence was wonderfully soothing to me who worshipped her.

I suppose I had humanity's sixth sense developed in my solitude for often I dreamed that Eleanor came with arms outstretched to give me that last kiss of welcome. I spent much time in the summer-house, sitting looking through the open door; imagining that I saw her flitting in

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PAST

By EUGENE E. THOMAS

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UPON REACHING the knoll, Harry was surprised to see on one side of it a stairway that led downward into the earth. His visitor guided him down the steps until they came to a door which opened noiselessly before them as if of its own accord. Walking along the hallway which they had entered, they came to a large entrance over which hung great portieres. These his guide pushed aside for them to pass. They were now in a large room richly and beautifully furnished.

Pointing to a wonderfully carved casket the young man said, "That is yours. Open it."

No sooner had he opened the casket than he was almost overpowered by the effects of a subtle perfume that emanated from it. He sat down with the casket in his lap. Instantly there flashed across his mind the picture of himself as he stood alone beside the river with the grassy banks. In kaleidoscopic manner all the other visions he had experienced followed each other in rapid succession, supplemented with other details that he had not before noticed, making the picture more complete. Then followed others not included in his former experiences.

The room had vanished. He was now on a high mountain. All around him, down below, were green fields, orchards and gardens. The aroma of many flowers reached him even where he stood. From there he saw the very river he had so often seen before.

Suddenly all was changed. The beautiful land was drenched with rain; the waters arose; people and animals were seen climbing higher and higher up the mountain sides, and finally, the land seemed to sink from view and the waters closed over it. The wonderful country was no more!

Successively, other scenes came into view—scenes of which he was always a part. We have not the space here to record what he saw. Suffice to say that they explained much of what he formerly was unable to understand. Fragments were pieced together, until he was enabled to get more or less complete events from those glimpses he had experienced at different times during his life, and many things, for which he could not account, were explained.

Episode after episode finally brought him back to more recent times. A cabin on the frontier. A young couple who sought home and fortune in the great open spaces, braving the dangers of Indian uprisings. A young babe less than a year old playing on the floor.



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Without a moment's warning the young husband and father was shot down in his doorway, as he was entering with the evening's supply of wood in his arms. A band of Indians swooped down upon the helpless mother, whom they slew, and yelling, they rode away, carrying the frightened infant with them.

Later, a white man, seeing the babe in front of an Indian tepee, carefully crawled up near enough to snatch up the infant and made away with him to the white settlement some distance away. At this point the lid of the box fell shut, and Harry looked around to see the young man who had escorted him down the stairs looking at him with a kindly smile.

"Your questions have been answered. But other questions will arise. Thus it is ever. It is according to the law of growth. But you now know who you are, and who your parents were, and what became of them. This has been your question of all questions. Let us return to where I found you."

When they had returned, Harry said, "I must thank you, whoever you are. I will always be indebted to you. But please tell me who you are."

"I am your Higher Self. Your continued longings have opened avenues of knowledge to you. You have been enabled to invade the storehouse of memory in a way which few are privileged, though it is in the power of all to at some time accomplish this. From this day on you will learn much by seeking me, your Higher Self, and in this way, you will be enabled to contact the Source of all knowledge as

rapidly as you are ready for that knowledge. For the present, farewell."

Harry arose, and with rapid strides retraced his steps until he was again at the old farmhouse. The odor of the evening meal was in the air as he entered the great living room where the fire in the huge fireplace was burning cheerily.

At the table he asked kindly Mr. Knot if he knew anything about the history of the early settlers in that part of the country. He answered that he did, being one of them himself.

"Did you know of a young couple by the name of Thornton?" asked Harry.

"Why, yes. I knew them well. They were too venturesome, however, and were killed by the Indians not far from a little creek in the main woods we call Willow Brook. We buried them, after the Indians had left them dead and scalped. Their baby must have been carried away, for we never heard of it again. Why do you ask?"

"As I was going through the woods, I found a stone on which was inscribed the names of these unfortunates, and the manner and date of their death," replied Harry.

"Well, you must have taken quite a stroll today. It is all of twelve miles to the old grave."

"Mr. Knot, I am going to ask you to do me a favor. I would like to have you go to town Monday and order a tombstone that I shall sketch for you tonight. I cannot go because of the School. I will pay you for whatever the time may be worth to you. I am going to put up a nice tombstone on the place and build an iron fence around it."

"Bless my soul, my dear professor, I shall be glad to do what you ask, and will contribute toward the stone myself."

"No, Mr. Knot, I want to bear all the expense for this alone. I have a special reason for so doing."

So it happens, that near the little creek they call Willow Brook, there is a neat iron fence enclosing a beautiful tombstone on which is engraved the following:

Sacred To The Memory
of
HENRY and CLARA THORNTON
Beloved Parents
of

Charles Edward Thornton
Time has passed. Once each year a grave faced man gets off at the railway station, from which he is driven either by carriage or motor to a great farmhouse. From there he walks twelve miles through the woods to place a wreath of flowers upon the well kept grave.

THE PROMISE

By GUSSIE ROSS JOBE

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NOW his answer hung suspended—for the first time he hesitated—then: "Blood from your living veins would make the astral aura visible . . ."

I drew back in horror—a vampire? Surely not *this* spirit, he was too clean to be a member of that hideous tribe. He read my thoughts instantly.

"One drop of blood contains every essence of the body's consistence as surely as does a quart. One drop a day until I materialize, is that asking too much?"

"But one drop—how can you stop with one drop?"

"I could stop. In the spirit world we have drunkards just as on earth, but we are not all blood drunkards. Few of us wish to remain of the earth. We learn very early the first lesson of disciplined appetites; with the passing of the carnal senses appetites remain only with those degenerate souls who refuse to accept the Transition and fight to remain of the earth."

"But how would you take this drop?" my hand flew to my throat, I pictured a ghastly deed.

He smiled and shook his head. "I will indeed take the drop with my lips but from the *median cubital vein*." and with a touch unfelt by me, he indicated the inside of my elbow.

Being a nurse I knew that this is the source of blood transfusions but I could not disassociate the two acts in mind.

"You must not think of me with horror," he said, "I am not a vampire. You must think of me as one of the many living, breathing humans who owe their lives not to a drop, but a quart, often more—of some fellow being's blood through a transfusion. You do not consider them vampires, do you? No, that is scientific knowledge to be respected, not loathed. But the fact remains—he or she, exists through the act of taking another's blood into their veins."

I admitted his logic and my scruples fell away. I held out my arm, bared to the elbow. "Take the initial drop now, if you wish, and return every night until things work out as you wish."

His boyish face grew luminous with joy. The look on his face was not one of greed but of gratitude as he bent his head over my arm. It was a gesture as tenderly gallant as an olden time beau bowing above the hand of his lady. I felt a tiny little "ping" in my flesh and he was gone.

I walked on toward the hospital, passing some children playing upon the sidewalk below the cinder path. I heard them talking about me—one high pitched little

voice announced: "There comes the 'Goofy' lady what was standin' up there talkin' to herself."

When I reached my ward I inspected my arm under the strong electric light. It bore a small speckled red spot.

It was hard to concentrate on my work that night, I felt restless and animated, at the same time I was sort of uplifted and humble. Here was the most stupendous experience of all and I, a lowly night nurse at St. Ignatius hospital was the chosen factor to bring forth a miracle. Would it succeed? Was he sure it could be done? Why, it would be like the miracles in the Bible. I wondered if back of those miracles, so called, there was not some logical, scientific fact. I resolved to live carefully and pray constantly that I might be worthy in every respect of his choice.

The next evening found me nervously awaiting the hour of twilight and his approach. In fact I almost frustrated his appearance by my eager anxiety. He was indeed there on the cinder path, but so dim and misty. Out of this haze he looked at me reproachfully, his words came into my consciousness as though from a great distance. Not clear as they had been last evening.

"I cannot hold against your state of mind," he said, "your feverishness will cause me to disintegrate. You must be calm and serene." He faded into a mist of nothing.

I was chagrined to think I had allowed myself to do this when I knew full well that a tranquil state of mind would be necessary. I had become excited and my nerves were non-conductors in connecting with the other world. I felt my own pulse: it was racing. I resolved to school myself with meticulous care and the following evening found me waiting in the sweet wild thicket, calm and unhurried.

He was beautifully clear and well pleased with me. There were many things that I wished to ask him. Many long pondered questions about the enduring life. Things he could set my mind at rest about. But I thought I had best be cautious and not appear too curious, so I only asked him one question on this our second meeting.

"Does love endure after death?" I had often wondered about the emotion called love. After the reign of the carnal senses was over was it love for this girl that made him seek a way to keep his promise to her?

"No," he told me, "we do not love on the astral plane, except 'en masse' we love *love*, universal devotion. It's the essence in which we are wrapped and live and

move and have our being. But the individual emotion that earth folks mistake for love is nothing more or less than a biological excitement called forth by physical attraction which is, of course, impossible to the high souls. We are no longer bodies. We are mind. We seek our advancement by following the teachings and example of the LORDS OF MIND. Our aim is to go on and on growing deeper and flowering—merging at last into the WHOLE MIND, the over soul. Just as each drop of water on earth works its way onward to its source, thus do the earnest seekers strive to reach their goal in spirit. This, of course, with the exception of the FORM SLAVES, the degenerates and the wanderers. These are souls who refuse to accept the transition and cling to their life on the earth.

So I learned that it was not love that kept him earth bound, but faith. This girl's faith in his promise that tied him so securely to his other life. I mused upon the definition of faith in the Bible. Never before had I appreciated its force . . . "FAITH is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of *things not seen!*" Substance indeed, the very substance of substance. Evidence of things not seen . . . How childish that we should demand evidence of *sight* before we believe in the verities of the unseen.

The days that followed were the happiest of my life. Everything blended perfectly. I was living so carefully, eating right, thinking right and trying, oh so hard to be worthy of the wonderful experience. I obtained so much happiness from the meeting and was learning more and more of the *real existence* that follows the dream of flesh existence.

This radiant happiness that permeated every moment of my life at this time was not due to the fact that I was in any way influenced by affection for the spirit man, or that I thought he held affection for me. No, it was deeper than that . . . I was needed; I was giving of my heart's blood for a worthy cause, I was doing something that I alone seemed to qualify for. This was in no wise a feeling of vanity but one of humble thanksgiving. It was grand to know that I was needed thus for the divine scheme.

It was interesting to learn that already his earth life was becoming a bit hazy to him, wiped out by the tremendousness of the Astral plane. One day I asked him about punishment. Not that I believed he would verify the belief of *Hell* and *Brimstone*, but when I asked, "Are we punished?" meaning after death, I was amused by his somewhat boyish remem-

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Swallows and Invisible Entities

By W. Colson

It has always seemed so queer to me that the white people, claiming to believe literally in the Christian Bible, refuse to accept or even consider the statement that Jesus himself "drove out the evil spirits". There is no question expressed whether or not there existed any but the apparently completely recognized fact, that spirits, good and evil, existed in nature, in humans, and animals, (Jesus drove the spirits into swine).

When I was about 18 years old I lived with my father in Central-China on the very wide, interesting river Yang-tze-kiang with its ever changing currents, big and little whirlpools and beautiful, mountainous country on either side and occasional villages, or single huts, occupied entirely by Chinese. Not counting a Roman Catholic monastery, or a convent of the same creed, there were only between 30 and 40 white people living in the Chinese city of about 60,000 natives and none in the country for many miles around it. The white man's civilization had not yet reached this, at that time, peaceful part of the province of Hupeh.

When I arrived from Europe my father had lived for several years among the Chinese in a stone house built by and for white people and located immediately on the riverside. And, though the windows of the little back hall and the shutters of the upstairs verandah were never closed; swallows had never attempted to build their nests in or on this house. However, I had not been there a month when three swallow families insisted on making their home also within our house, one feathered family in the back hall and two in the verandah. In fact, another one desired very much the front hall where a window stood open most of the time. But we could not put up with the dirt and were forced to close the window, until Mr. and Mrs. Swallow understood and had chosen a place elsewhere.

This discrimination of the swallows was in the minds of our Chinese help, in fact of all those who knew about us, exceedingly important; for, swallows will live—according to these Chinese—only where very good and strong spirits congregate around a person. Of course, they knew that space, invisible to us, is filled with superphysical entities.

We owned a summer-house in a picturesque canyon up the river. We never went there by boat but that we glanced inquisitively at a cave high up on the steep mountain side almost overhanging the river. From below we could only see the dark hole surrounded by wild, impenetrable looking shrubbery. Ascent was impossible. Could it perhaps be reached from above? It looked doubtful. We had inquired here and there regarding it and had heard merely a few odd ideas consid-

ered facts by the natives asked. Some said that the cave was inhabited by a dragon and nobody could enter it. Others told us that it was the gathering-place of evil spirits and that any human who risked to enter would not come out alive. Some stated that evil spirits in the shape of leopards lived there. This seemed more reasonable, if the cave could be reached. And if a leopard could enter it there was no reason why we, two good climbers, could not. Only, animals of that nature did not choose as a steady home any place near the living quarters of humans; and there were about half a dozen Chinese huts located about a quarter of a mile away, on a little mesa from which it was an equal distance to the river below.

Historically there were various caves all along the upper Yang-tze-kiang, which had been used in olden times by the then flourishing pirates and thieves. But, for a generation or two none had been seen. We decided to investigate, if at all possible.

When our servants, who were very faithful indeed, heard of our intention they begged us not to go because all knew that we should be killed by whatever lived in that cave. Still, we insisted and made the following arrangement: Our Lao-dah, the old boatsman, with his row-men should take us in our boat to the above named settlement near the cave, that is, to the trail. They should wait there four hours. If by that time we had not returned, they should immediately advise the Consul of what had happened. We knew that then a thorough investigation would be made.

Supplied with the necessary ropes, a torch that would burn two to three hours, (flash-lights were not in our possession), and plenty of curiosity and faith, we started the climb. Our first boy—so-called—the head-servant, Lee-Sr-Fu, went with us. He had attended my father ever since he had come to China and he and his wife were our most devoted servants and friends. Nothing worth while happened on the way, except that we did have to use the rope to make the entrance. Here our good Chinaman went down on his knees imploring us to go back, since we would be positively killed by the evil spirits. My father and I were convinced that the cave had been used by pirates who killed the people, or had spread that story in order to be left alone in their retreat. So we did not listen but asked Lee-Sr-Fu to wait for us and make sure that white people would come to our help, if necessary. He

refused, preferring to die with us. I reminded him of his wife who would be left alone.

"She can take care of herself," he said. "Besides, she would be wailing for your death and sorrowing and we would be too unhappy. I come along." And he arose. In the darkness it was impossible to tell anything about the size of the cave which at the entrance looked very ordinary and unattractive. Not having any stalagmites nor stalactites, we concluded that there was no moisture of any kind in the various rooms of different sizes; rather a convenient hiding-place for evil-doers, if they brought food and water along. It was necessary in one place to crawl on one's abdomen through an opening in order to get into another very large looking room. Gingerly we continued our advance. I had gone ahead, followed by my father. The boy, carrying the lighted torch, was the last, walking a bit to one side so that we all might see.

Suddenly I saw a shadow move at a distance in front of me. It filled half the hall and in the uncertain light it was difficult to tell where the darkness ceased and the more palpable shadow of that something started. Keeping my eyes glued to the background, I made a sign to the others and whispered to my father who had stepped up to me:

"There is something alive."

We stood motionless. Ever since we had crawled through that hole, I was conscious of a peculiar psychic feeling of being watched by unseen beings. My father also had become aware of something, since we both had involuntarily stopped chatting and had moved ahead more cautiously.

I do want to mention here that it had not occurred to either of us to take weapons along, following, as I like to think, a reliable intuition. As in the other rooms of the cave, after glancing around we walked near the wall around the room to make sure of any exit, writing, or moisture, then crossed through the center so as not to overlook anything of interest. Thus in this room. Silently, carefully, we moved a few steps forward along the wall where there was a ledge about 5 feet above the ground, like a narrow shelf.

My eyes had never left the darkness ahead and now that shadow, grey-black and superhumanly large, condensed into something smaller and blacker, and still smaller and blacker. The next moment the shadow of something on the shelf was clearly visible in the torch light. This in

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itself was odd. Though I had not studied the laws of shadows and reflections I sensed something abnormal about it. Suddenly a black animal was staring at us from the shelf. It looked like a huge black rat, the size of a large cat; but it was decidedly a rat in appearance rather than a cat. Its eyes were overlarge, brilliant, and so penetrating that they seemed human rather than animal.

There was not a sound nor a move made while we studied each other intensely, questioning in our minds what kind of a being the other one might be and what it was doing there. Analyzing my feelings, I can only say that I had complete confidence in being protected by Higher Powers and, at the same time, being intensely interested in the whole weird atmosphere. I was wondering whether or not this being was similar to the historical "were-wolf" of the Middle Ages in Europe, and of natives of the dark races.

Asking my father in a whisper if we should go to the center and a little further to see whether or not this was the last room, I turned for a moment to Lee-Sr-Fu. He was petrified. Fearing that a sudden call would be too much for his terror-racked brain, I sent him the strongest thought of help I could muster, while my glance returned to the ledge. The animal had vanished. We walked about the room which was the last one. No animal could be seen. Our moving around had brought the boy back to his senses. He had seen the animal, thinking that now we would die. Then it was gone and he saw us moving around. Neither of us had been conscious of time. The watch showed that two hours had elapsed since entering the cave.

We emerged from the cave safe and sound; and even friend Lee-Sr-Fu was none the worse for having gone through this experience. Our boat-men on seeing us thought that we were merely the ghosts of ourselves and they started to move away with the boat. Our very physical shouting that we were alive and our running towards the water made them change their opinion. As soon as we reached home, they let loose several hundred fire-crackers to celebrate our safe return and incidentally shake off any evil spirit that might have followed.

But the incident does not end here. Mrs. Lee had something disquieting to tell. The fact that the swallows had moved to us proved that my spirits were good and

strong; they had protected us in the cave. But—

"You know, dear lady, at night that evil spirit in that animal will try to come to you. If your spirits are strong enough to protect you, all will be well. But I cannot feel joy till to-morrow."

So said Lee-Nai-Nai.

Evening came. After supper I went upstairs to rest awhile on the verandah and watch the stars and try to decide whether we had merely seen a freak cat or rat, or something superphysical.

I stood for a while watching the grand old river. The moonless night was brightened only by the light of the stars. On the opposite shore of the Yang-tze-kiang a majestic mountain rose some 4000 feet high, shaped symmetrically like a pyramid and named accordingly. There was no room for settlements because towards the upper side of the river, hills and growth made an uneven, impenetrable shoreline. On the opposite side a trail wound its way from the river into the interior. The side facing the river was practically perpendicular from the top of the mountain to the edge of the water and mostly barren of growth. To climb this Pyramid was impossible except from the back in good day-light, since there were no trails whatsoever and the upper part consisted of steep, impassable walls and thicket.

I was looking at the imposing triangular shape, when suddenly two lights appeared on the perpendicular side of the mountain facing me, moving about in its center, intensifying a weird feeling that had started to grip me. In any other place, the idea of people carrying lanterns, looking for something, would have been a satisfactory solution. Forward they slid, then back; standing still for a while, they would again hurry forward, then slow down. I called my father and Lee-Nai-Nai.

When she saw the lights, she paled and trembled.

"Your good spirits are fighting the evil ones," she whispered. In a few moments I heard her say happily:

"They are winning."

Such a sigh of relief escaped her; she had caught hold of my arm out of sheer satisfaction. I must say, the ugly vibrations around me were broken. My father had held his eyes constantly on that phenomena. He said:

"It looks as if people with lanterns were moving about 300 feet away; but this distance is perhaps 3000 feet. Natural fire

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A Peculiar Occult Experience

By Jerry Greenlee

AT THIS particular time we were living in Oakland, California. The children were going to school and I was taking care of the home, making the best of the time allotted to my study along Occult lines. I had been investigating along the Psychic experience and was especially interested in the Phenomena. Many strange and wonderful realizations came to me and life was most interesting. I did not mind the long hours of service necessary in caring for the home and in making both ends meet.

I soon learned, that if I expected knowledge along the lines that were most interesting to me, I must pay for it, since the Divine Law demands *something* for that which *It* gives. So to me,—the service rendered to the home came first and it was in a spirit of love and gratitude that it was accomplished.

Occasionally I felt the need of an hour or so of rest in the afternoon. During this time, long journeys took place, while I was asleep, or as we sometimes say, "out of the Physical form".

Several years later, I was living in Long Beach, California, where I had much time for study and investigation along lines of Truth. One morning about 7 a. m. I was awakened rather suddenly,—I sat up in bed wondering what it was all about, when a voice said "Go up to Los Angeles and take the first train that leaves, about nine o'clock."

I had several blocks to walk to reach the train,—I got on at Second street and when the train stopped at Tenth street quite a crowd got on the car in which I was riding. I was sitting beside a middle aged man and he, being beside the window, reached back of me and touched a gentleman on the shoulder and said, "Just tell that lady in the brown coat to have my seat." Of course I thought she was somebody he knew; he arose and I moved over into his seat and she sat down beside me, saying, "How kind of that gentleman to let me have his seat."

I must have had a rather puzzled look on my face; then she said, "I do not know him, do you?"

"No," I said. "I never saw him before."

I could not help but wonder why he had singled her out, when there were at least ten others standing in the aisle. We entered into a very pleasant conversation, which partook of many mystical,—or occult meanings. Suddenly she looked up into my face and said, "Have you ever seen me before?"

"Well," I said, "your face is familiar and yet, I do not know you."

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Mediums and Radios

By G. L. Barnes

EIGHT YEARS AGO, if we had a radio and tried to get KDKA, we fished around with three dials for from 5 to 30 minutes and maybe then quit in disgust. Those three dials had to be set to a hair and the exact spot the needle was on yesterday got a fearful squawk today. But 8 years ago science had recognized the radio and was working to take the squawk out of it, not to make the squawk final evidence of fraud. Today if we want KDKA we know just where to turn the dial and in a second we have KDKA if on the air and our radio is in order. Now before we turned on the radio the music from KDKA was in the room, but we didn't hear it because we were not using the medium (machinery) that made it audible. The music or voice was there in the form of vibrations and the receiving set caught, built up and magnified those vibrations so that we could hear them with our normal ear. The human radio or the voice medium functions as an avenue for voice communication with the so-called dead in much the same manner. The ectoplasm of a voice medium corresponds to the tubes of the radio in that in some way it performs the same function. We know what to do when one of our radio tubes burns out and when our radio battery runs down we recharge it or get a new one. But with our human radio we can't get new tubes yet and recharging that physical, or superphysical battery may need chemicals that we know little or nothing about—yet, this thing or force called ectoplasm exists in, generate from and emanates unconsciously from the physical bodies of all individuals, whether mediums or not and the physical body is a natural dynamo that constantly produces and stores it as a battery stores electricity. But its function at present is largely involuntary and it may work quite satisfactorily one day and the next day very poorly.

Now let us imagine that 50 years ago, the 100 leading scientists of the world all went to sleep one night and slept for 50 years, then were wakened to listen to a radio demonstration. Having been asleep for 50 years they do not know a thing about radio and such a thing can only be a fantastic dream to them. We have them all gathered together in a hall in Chicago. The one who is going to demonstrate steps out on the stage, points to the radio and says—Gentlemen, this machine I have here will reproduce music or voices from any distance and we will now demonstrate by starting this machine and you will hear a program now being produced in New York. This comes thru the air instantly from New York. Our scien-

tific gentlemen pass knowing looks to each other, tap their foreheads to signify what a rattle brained fool is on the platform and wonder why they even came. The demonstrator turns on the switch and he gets music and voices as he said. Our scientists are mystified, but being experts in their respective lines and knowing this thing is not possible, they explain to the reporters present that it was a very clever fraud, probably done so and so, but beyond any doubt it was a fraud for voices can't be projected thru the air from New York; it's absolutely impossible and anybody who really believes it must be crazy.

Now we will suppose that the demonstrator had happened to make a mistake in the time and New York was not on, or a tube was out, our wise skeptics would have explained—we told you so. It simply can't be done. The fraud was so obvious that it's silly to try to pull such stuff before people of intelligence. About this time our unfortunate demonstrator finds he has a broken circuit and he steps out and starts explanations, saying the machine won't work under these conditions, come back tomorrow and we will try again. What a ha-ha his perfectly good excuses would get from those asleep for 50 years.

Our radio demonstrator would have been damned if he did produce and damned if he didn't. And this is very much the attitude of our present day scientists (except a few courageous ones who brave ridicule) in regard to voice manifestations from the so-called dead.

If a medium who can bring thru independent voice tried to give a demonstration before 100 scientific skeptics today, that medium would be a clever fraud if successful and a simple fool if not.

Yet some of the same causes that could stop entirely or badly hinder radio reception can stop or hinder the medium because the same force, vibration, is the active factor with both. The highly sensitized nerve system of the medium functions the same as the wiring and tubes of the radio in that it catches, steps up and makes audible the voice of the spirit entity. The medium has no more control over the conversation that may ensue than the loud speaker of your radio has over the program being broadcasted. The medium acts as and actually is a human machine being used at the time by an outside intelligence. With the independent phase the voice is not from the medium's lips and vocal cords but out of thin air and the medium's mouth may even be taped shut or kept full of water.

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2. Another good day. Very active. Push your affairs.

3. Be cautious in contracts and papers to be signed today. This day is very disturbing, mentally, up to 7 P. M.

4. Considering the day, it is in order to warn against accidents but this is really so; be very careful up to 2 P. M.

5. Be cautious up to 2 P. M. in step and tongue. The evening is very good.

6. You'll probably get up in low spirits but cheer up, the influences for the balance of the day are good and you'll finish the day with a fine evening.

7. A good day but be cautious of the evening since there is deception in the air.

8. A fairly good day and a particularly fine evening for reading poetry (original) to her.

Note: All of July, so far, has had a fine, strong influence for betterment in all conditions as should be in evidence by booming stock markets.

9. A very energetic day but do not take any chances or be too ambitious and over-reach yourself.

10. A fine Sunday for all things for the day. The evening is, however, one to be cautious of since there is deception in the air.

11. Another very fine day and being the first day of the week, put in some good "licks" and have a good start. The early evening to 7:30 P. M. is quite depressing.

12. The morning is fairly good but it is best not to have any important business deals for the afternoon or evening. Exercise care in the signing of papers this afternoon and evening.

13. A day of deceptive influences. "Check and double check" yourself today or you are going to make mistakes.

14. Use that "double check" system today, too, and watch both step and tongue.

15. The morning has some good influences but it is doubtful if they can overcome the disturbing undertone of this day. Think twice before you do anything today. Better reverse your position in the market also.

16. After yesterday this can be like the

calm after a storm. Nevertheless, the influences say "go slowly."

17. Sunday and very good to 10 A. M., but you'll probably be still in bed. When you do get up decide to stay quiet all day. If you do have to go out for a drive, practice all the caution you ever heard of.

18. A fairly good day but a very depressing and unsatisfactory evening.

19. A very fine day. Push your affairs right up to 5:30 P. M. In the evening, wait until after 8 P. M. and you'll enjoy every minute of it.

20. A day and evening full of deception and mistaken judgment. "Double check" yourself again.

21. A very good day after 12 Noon. Do not call before 8 P. M. or you'll spend the evening quarreling.

22. This is a depressing and gloomy day to 1:15 P. M., but after that some improvement with a fairly good evening.

23. Here is a pretty tough Saturday all day and evening. Your own company will prove the most satisfactory tonight.

24. If you have recovered from yesterday, you can have a fine afternoon and evening. The morning is not so good.

25. You'll probably get up on the wrong side of the bed this morning and not recover until late afternoon. Then "go to it" for the influences are favorable. Look out for the late evening since deceptive influences abound.

26. You'd better decide on a different side of the bed this morning because we have that "grumpy" feeling again and will be "sharp" and "snappy" all day. The evening is a little better.

27. Here it is Wednesday and we did not get away to anything yet. After 2:30 P. M. dig in hard to catch up.

28. Nothing special today.

29. There is an undertone to this day until 5 P. M. that is going to make your mind "click" and be in "tune." Get everything done that you possibly can today.

30. Not a very important day but, on the whole, fairly good.

31. July is sort of going out quietly, but if you are not careful, can give a sudden, good account of itself in the early evening to 9 P. M.

The Seven Brothers—(Continued from Page 6)

hastens old age. No man who values long life and efficiency can afford to indulge in tobacco smoking. When Mark Twain found what tobacco was doing to his heart, he stopped smoking and made a discovery of interest to all smokers. This famous humorist said: "The way to stop smoking is to stop!" Think of the harm it is doing you instead of the pleasure it gives you and you will cease to want it.

Smoking slows down mentality and promotes insanity. It encourages premature death. DO NOT SMOKE. THINK—THINK! Plan a clean life!

(The reader will take notice before continuing this article that the writer wants you to understand that it is not his intention to tell any one what he should or should not do. He, rather, leaves you, after presenting the truth in the case, to use your own judgment. If you choose deliberately to associate, mix and mingle—banquet, dine and revel—with the SEVEN BROTHERS, do not blame anyone for your developing a "WRECK OF DISSIPATION AND A JUNK HEAP OF HELL!")

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9, symbolizes the Planet Mars, the highest number, 3×3 , the inclusion of the three planes, perfect wisdom, a sacred number. No matter how many times it is added or multiplied it always can be reduced to 9. Added to any other number, the value of the number is not changed. It represents the higher and sacred powers of the Soul.

The simple meanings of the 9 digits were explained in the March, 1931, issue of the Occult Digest (Lesson II). In these more advanced articles we shall consider the esoteric and occult meanings of the 9 digits, and what they symbolize.

The question is often asked, "Why are there only 9 digits?" The only answer is "Because," that is all there are. The whole of creation, every angle of science, every phase of the physical world is based on the 9 digits. No number, however large, but can be reduced (by occult addition) to one of the 9 digits.

A look backward into the history of various nations and various centuries will reveal the fact that numbers, while always the same, have been interpreted by various methods or systems. There is the Kaballa (also spelled Kabballah, Caballa, Kabala) of the Hebrews; the Egyptian Tarot; the Chinese system, etc. There is much to be learned from all of them. Some of these ancient systems are wholly based on sound, but as "sounds" in the ancient tongues differ from those of modern languages, and even "sounds" in the present modern languages differ, we are forced to recognize the fundamental truth that alphabets (letters with sounds) are based on numbers; *not* that numbers are controlled by sound. To put it another way, it is the number that determines the value of the letter; and not the letter that gives a value to the number.

To illustrate what may seem a difficult point: The letter A in our own English language has several sounds, yet its symbol (A) and its number value (1) are always the same. In some words A is long and pronounced ay; in some it is short, as in rat; in some it is pronounced like "or," as in raw, etc. This difference in pronunciation or phonetic value appears in all vowels, as well as in some consonants (as C, S, TH, G). It is practically impossible to identify modern English with ancient Hebrew, therefore, since numbers are the basis of all calculations, it seems only scientific and logical to fit the alphabet to the digits—not the digits to the letters (or sounds).

It is precisely this method which has resulted in these different systems of enumeration. The Greeks set down the numbers and associated the letters with them, the first letter of the alphabet being identified with number 1. The Hebrews did the same thing. In fact, this was the method followed in all ancient tongues, and should be the method followed by

practical Numerologists today. In educational and scientific fields these by-gone tongues are known as "dead" languages. Let us then, learn all we can of these obsolete sounds and symbols, but apply them in a live, modern and practical way. There is too much to learn to quarrel (as they did in the middle ages) over "How many angels can sit on the end of a pin?"

There are differences among present-day Numerologists in the terminology of the various vibrations. Do not let that disturb you. If you pick up a book or an article which calls the Personality the Quiescent Self; or calls the Birth Path the Initiation, do not let it disturb you. It simply means that there are different names for the same vibration.

Another point of difference, but where there is really no argument, is in the relative importance of the Birth Path and Destiny vibrations. Some insist that the vibrations of the Total Name (Destiny) are more important than the Birth Path. Others consider the Birth Path the most important. Both, however, agree that the significant fact about the Birth Path is—that it cannot be changed, that it is the one thing about a person which cannot be altered. So, it comes down to a definition of what is meant by the word "important."

Those who stand for the superiority of the birth date vibrations, as a key to the character of a person, do so because they say, "The date of birth *cannot* be altered—therefore it is the most important." Those who claim that the Total Name vibrations are the most important say "The Name is the most important because it *can* be changed and altered to suit the development of the person."

All this resolves itself into a juggling of words. If you believe it is more important to be able to change a vibration, then in your analysis you will stress the Total Name and base your strongest conclusions on that vibration. If you believe that an unchangeable vibration reveals more about the character of a person, then you will consider the Birth Path the most vital fact. But, in reality there is no argument—just two people saying the same thing in two different ways; one emphasizing the quality of *change*, the other stressing the quality of *non-change*.

Your Total Name vibrations are of no value at all unless you have absolutely stabilized your name. Shifting from one name to another, or one form of signature to another results in unstable thinking and indecisive actions. Decide on the name (or signature) you prefer; be sure it harmonizes with your Birth Path and expresses the thing you want to accomplish in life. Then stick to it, study its possibilities, develop along the line you have chosen, make the most of your vibrations

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Handwriting Reveals Character—(Continued from page 10)

lished the finger-print system of identification, had placed the highest value on deductions from handwriting, and Alphonse Bertillon of France, who devised the famous Bertillon system of identification, was making keen and brilliant experiments with criminal psychology in handwriting. Dr. William Hammond, of high standing in the medical profession in England, in his well known writings on nervous diseases, had stressed the value of handwriting as often a first warning of dangerous physical degenerations; and names like Clemenceau and Poincaré lent dignity to the movement, while Crepieux-Jamin did his brilliant work. In Germany, physicians of the caliber of Doctor Ludwig Klages, and Doctor Georg Meyer of Berlin, entered the campaign with zest; as well as being taken up by American investigators.

Among those who have, in one way or another, borne actual testimony to the utility of Graphology, or their belief in it, may be mentioned: Robert Browning, Mrs. Elizabeth Browning, Sir Walter Scott, Victor Hugo, Alexandre Dumas, Lavater, Goethe, Disraeli, Lord Lytton, Edgar Allen Poe, Nathaniel Hawthorne.

Graphology is a truthful compilation of scientific knowledge; when properly applied to the natural handwriting of any one, it enables the man of affairs or the vigilant student of human nature to determine precisely the intellectual eminence, mental breadth, moral depth and spiritual height of another person who may be either close at hand or at a distance, and so establish the cubic measure of his or her personality.

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It has long been known that the process of forming letters has connection with the determination of the nervous system. The brain is composed of two great hemispheres and in these in turn are located the various centers governing the various parts of the body and their actions. The center of writing lies back of the forehead in the sinuosity of the left hemisphere in a right handed person, but on the right of a left handed person.

As we express our thoughts on paper there is first pictured in the brain that which we wish to write, which picture or expression is transmitted to the writing center of the brain. The writing, or operating center, in turn sends out impulses to the nerves which control the muscles of the arm and hand, so that the hand fulfills the orders of the brain just as the receiving typewriter of the teletype system or the printer of the simplex system receives and records the messages; or the television receiving set reproduces the pictures sent out by the television broadcasting station. The writing gesture is thus

reproducing the mental feelings or pictures, with the result that the thoughts are written and it will be easily seen that the handwriting is the expression of the mental self on paper. Writing doesn't belong to the hand; the hand merely obeys the brain and the result is not handwriting, but properly brain-writing.

Your handwriting is a picture of your innermost self painted by your own hand. The way you dot your i's, cross your t's, form your a's, make the upper and lower loops of letters, the shape and heights of your capitals, the direction of your line of writing, angle of inclination, the size of your writing, tells us the kind of memory you have, the kind of will power and temper you display, if you are inclined to put things off, whether you are generous or a tightwad, the kind of imagination possessed by you, whether you like to be flattered, the opinion you have of yourself, whether of a buoyant or depressed nature, the secrets of your emotional nature, your ability for concentration and detail, and many other things.

The writer of this very interesting specimen possesses a strong and spontaneous emotional nature, one governed entirely by the heart. She is a faithful, sincere, loyal, generous, sympathetic, warm-hearted and affectionate person, one whom you can depend upon and whoever has the good fortune to be her husband can be assured of her constancy in matters of affection.

The uniform upward trend of the lines tells us that she is a genuine optimist, that she really believes that to-day is a better one than yesterday. There is the manifestation of a pleasant disposition, and she has the wonderful ability to adapt herself to circumstances and environment, with much graciousness and ease of manner.

She makes up her mind, and then goes about the matter of carrying out her decision with a quiet, long, unassuming type of determination. She shows a great deal of loyalty for what she thinks is right and believes in following out a course when she is confident that it is what should be done. High aspirations, love of fair play and justice, honesty, truthfulness and straightforwardness are reflected.

This person is endowed with a mentality that is logical and deductive in nature. She thinks very quickly and has the ability to handle mental problems instinctively. There is also present a good imagination and good memory. She likes change and variety.

There is the evidence of a great deal of musical and literary appreciation and the capacity to enjoy a good opera or to derive much pleasure from a good book.

With Graphology we can tell the character of a person who lived in the past just as easily as those living today. Time, nor distance, nor life, nor death make any

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Mediums and Radios

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man radio in the same manner as the mechanical radio is affected. Static disturbance in the atmosphere may cause difficulty of voice enunciation, it may cause lessened volume and a shorter length of time that voice contact may be maintained after being established.

The health condition of the medium and also of the person talking with the manifesting entity may cause the medium to function to a lesser degree, the same as a loose connection in the radio lowers its efficiency. A weakened battery hurts radio reception and a tired out physically run down medium is affected the same way.

All this tends strongly to show that the active operating element or force is vibrational and quite possibly it is closely related to electricity. We know how to recharge our mechanical battery, but the human battery is a thousand times more difficult to charge or keep charged. The current of vibration of a mechanical radio is carried thru wires and tubes and a break can usually be located easily, but with the human radio the current of vibration operates thru the sensitized nerve system of the individual medium and no two mediums are of similar physical or mental character and each and every medium has an arbitrary receptive wave length that may or may not be such that any certain entity can manifest over it.

A medium should not be condemned if he or she fails to bring thru the voice of some one with whom you may have talked thru another medium. The failure can be due to the fact that the strange medium tunes either too low or too high to take the vibration.

Our present day mediums may be likened to the radios of 8 or 10 years ago when everyone built their own and there were no two that performed alike. Very few of the people who built their own radios could tell why they worked—they just did—after a fashion—sometimes. Many of our mediums are that way today and don't know how they work or what really makes them work and they are largely satisfied to let it go at that. Then they wonder why the public mostly regards them as fools or frauds.

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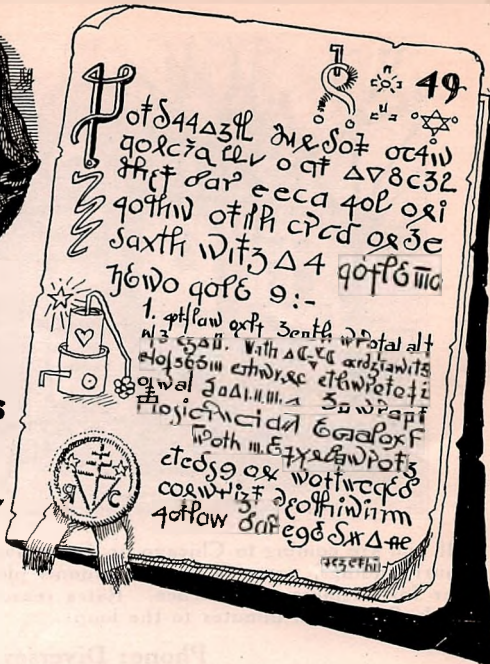
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Next month I shall tell you how to get the best out of life, according to the vibrations which represent the real YOU.

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Swallows and Invisible Entities

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balls or similar phenomena I have never seen here; and today the weather is not conducive to such display, anyway. I wonder if she (meaning Lee-Nai-Nai) was right?"

A few times it seemed as if they were coming in our direction, but something pushed them against that mountain side. I do not know how long we watched; it must have been a quarter of an hour, perhaps more. As suddenly as they had appeared, as suddenly did they vanish. Nothing further happened. We retired. Several times during that night, as well as occasionally later on, did I watch that Pyramid carefully. Never again in about two years, during my stay in that place, did we either see or sense unfriendly super-physical entities.

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to do what he can to help others in order to get the full benefit of this position. An afflicted Jupiter here gives self-conceit and trouble in employment; ill health through over-indulgence in foods.

Mars: An active, energetic and enthusiastic worker and liable to overdo, especially in the employment of others. Often forced into uncongenial employment through necessity. This position gives to modesty, great appreciation, but nevertheless, there is often trouble with superiors and subordinates. Blood impurities, inflammations and fevers come under inharmonious directions. Diet is important.

Uranus: Originality and inventiveness in manner of working and living, wants to live his life in accordance with his own views and habits. If afflicted, native is unreasonable, nervous; sudden fancies or delusive ideas rob him of courage and love or work; peculiar ailments and of a mental nature. Regular work, a simple way of living, avoidance of all stimulants and above all, fixed times of rest will help physical condition very much, and give better conditions in employment.

Neptune: Sharp and exacting to equals; patient to inferiors and devoted to superiors. An afflicted Neptune here may bring dishonesty among employees. Also peculiar ailments. Nervous system is not strong and hence there should be no over-indulgence to disturb it. Business first and pleasure afterward. Avoid going into detail again and again. Keep mind clear and pure. Be very careful as regards diet.

Planets in Seventh House

Sun: Marriage may add to the financial prosperity, but there is heavy expenses in household, due to desire for luxury, comfort and pleasure. Sometimes selfish, authoritative attitude on the part of marriage partner leading to quarrels.

Venus: Love, affection and partnership are a strong influence upon the life and marriage is a happy one unless Venus is afflicted and then there are difficulties in these matters. Considerable popularity.

Mercury: Relations are sought with intelligent people. The marriage partner is intelligent and marriage is a cheerful companionship. If afflicted, there can be unpleasantness due to critical mind and sharp tongue of partner. Native also should learn to listen and appreciate rather than to argue because of personal judgment.

Moon: Native can move in any kind of society. Fastidious and undecided in the choice of a marriage partner. Marriage can in many respects be very satisfactory, but there will be varying moods in the partner that can be quite disturbing even

if well aspected. If afflicted, gives unhappiness in marriage and little popularity in public contacts.

Saturn: Hinders married life. Wedding may be postponed. Hindrances and troubles in intimate relations. Under favorable influences, the marriage partner is older and practical. An afflicted Saturn here prohibits the finding of the right person for close relationships. Native is not popular.

Jupiter: Happy and fortunate marriage. Religious, social and moral ideas are very pure and prominent. Pleasant public associations. Afflictions give trouble in marriage through pride, self-will, or wastefulness, or partner may be lazy and boastful.

Mars: Strong affection but much strife and opposition in partnership. Native himself may be combative, sarcastic and irritable which will disturb harmonious relationship and there may be resentful and revengeful thoughts. Real selfless love is necessary for the native of Mars here.

Uranus: Partnerships, particularly marriage, are usually on pretty thin ice. There may be platonic ideas regarding marriage. Native is irritable and often the cause of estrangements and separations. Often marriage is looked upon as too great a limitation and disregarded.

Neptune: Gives affections of a platonic nature; associations with artists, mystics etc. Native should not sacrifice himself on the altar of friendships, but should cultivate independence of character and ambition. Pity or admiration can be the basis of a love for some one not deserving. An afflicted Neptune makes strong demands on the native's morality.

Planets in the Eighth House

Sun: Probability of a material inheritance. Native should avoid too great expectations in this direction unless well aspected. There is trust in a higher power and great interest in occult subjects and success in them. Success comes late in life.

Venus: Probability of a well-to-do partner. Love of a universal kind. Great interest in occult subjects. Afflictions give an extravagant partner, difficulties with inheritance. Hallucinations and troubles in connection with psychic matters.

Mercury: Much interest in occult studies with a mind for research work along these lines. If afflicted, insight will be marred by rashness or self-will. Trouble in connection with legacy and partnership finances.

Moon: Gain from partnership and legacy. Great interest in all occult subjects. If good aspects from Jupiter or Neptune, personal contact with spirit world is possible. If afflicted, unsettled fortunes after marriage.

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The Bondage of Hate—(Continued from page 13)

and out among the trees as formerly, and when she sometimes came close to the entrance there was a mute yearning stamped on her dear face.

Coulson entertained my girl and her friends, took them riding and to sports in the open air. I did not at first object to his visits. He was a little older than myself.

But when my infatuated child plainly showed her admiration for the unscrupulous philanderer I saw that it was time to once more assert my authority and attend to worldly affairs, I began to restrict her outings, only to be defied.

I pleaded with her to use discretion in her choice of an escort; only to be told that I was insular and provincial. No one compared with Coulson, whose charm, wisdom and magnetism excelled that of all other men; over whom he towered as a king among rustics.

My fight for life began, yes; for more than life itself I cherished that foolish child. In the name of her dead mother who had always treated Coulson with great reserve, if not with open dislike, I asked my girl to exclude him from that circle of young studious friends who almost daily dropped in for their simple pleasures.

Then I learned that she considered him "her true mate"; her future husband. She was not yet seventeen; there was still more than one long year to wait. She well knew that my consent would never be given to the union.

My heart was now broken; I planned to save her from herself. I even wondered if her mother really existed somewhere, if I could not count upon her invisible influence to ward off such a disaster.

I then knew nothing of the law of vibration. How could the serene sweet spirit of my timid wife penetrate the turbulent effluvia surrounding our rebellious child?

I was still the owner of a modest fortune. If I could sell the house which now held only misery I would take my daughter abroad, ostensibly to finish her education, in reality to break up the devilish affair.

My best play would now be to appear resigned in my daughter's eyes and to give Coulson such a "raking over the coals" that might arouse his anger. Perhaps he would then console himself in his old manner and leave my daughter alone.

Concentrating all my energy; bubbling over with outraged feelings, I set out for the city and the club where I would meet the brute whom I now looked upon as my worst enemy. After a perfunctory greeting I attacked him with burning accusations.

Self contained and polite, he let me rave; waiting for his time to stab me to the heart. When worn out with fury I stopped for breath, he gently put his hand on my shoulder to detain me while spout-

ing poison into my ear. "Hush fool, he said; prating of honor and women in the same breath; do you know that the wife you robbed me of in my young days—the only woman I ever wanted to tie up with, your dear Eleanor took her own life to escape from your doldrums. I had her confidence".

Damnable falsehood I cried; I knew it was not true, but to ram that falsehood down his throat was for the moment impossible.

Sneeringly he continued. "Eleanor realized at last her folly in having married you. In despair she took her own life. Her younger copy belongs to me in spite of any objections you may voice."

"Another cursed lie," I panted.

With a Satanic grin he whispered into my ear, "your innocent child has put her fate into my hands, not yours. If you know her handwriting I will show you the proof." Pulling from his pocket a paper which I only too well recognized as a missive from my beguiled child, I read. "You dear only one; my man. If you think that we could begin a companionable marriage, not needing my father's consent for that modern device. Meet me at the summer-house at nine o'clock tonight, and take me away from this bondage. I adore you, my all in all. And next to you beloved, I crave freedom of action. Ever yours, etc."

A fearful blackness swam before my eyes; a fire from hell coursed through my veins. Right here let me explain to you that mind is the I. Our bodies on the earth plane are only tools, used during that one short period in evolution, which goes ever forward, never backwards.

To me then, body and earth were tangible things, any future existence concerned me little. Yet at that time I felt myself possessed of some thing mightier than muscles and nerves.

I became ecstatic in my wrath. If this cur had robbed me of happiness in life and turned my own flesh and blood against me I could surely retaliate by the "unwritten law". I would become his Nemesis.

I felt revenge incarnate; I would utter an imprecation with all the force of my being. At that moment I focussed upon my survey the idea of punishment at my hands so strongly that I felt dominion over his entire personality.

I have since learned here that the astral fluid is impressed with a record of every hidden or forgotten expression in thought, word or deed. Thought backed by will creates a force, bringing the desire to fulfillment sooner or later.

When shall the earth race learn that passions unconquered on the flesh remain doubly torturing on the next plane until quenched by long suffering.

Releasing my frenzy, I concentrated its full effect in the utterance.

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The Promise— (Continued from Page 15)

brance of a slang term, the first I had ever heard him use. He said: "I'll say we are!" Then he went on to explain that the generally accepted idea of fire punishment was the fire of remorse.

"Beware of hurting others," he said. "For if remorse in the earth mind can so cruelly torture an offender that he will confess to a deed that he knows full well he will pay for with his life, then how much keener would remorse stab the soul who is all mind and no body."

You may wonder how this spirit could be earth bound and still be so familiar with the life on the astral plane, but as he explained it to me, he was in the state of awareness upon each plane though he was barred from the activities of both. This was then, the source of his unrest, just as any ambitious earth man desires advancement, so did he yearn to begin his own work.

I had guessed by his knowledge of hospital and things surgical, that he had been a physician, and he told me that he had been ready to "Hang out his shingle" when he passed on. His sweet-heart was well-known in this city in the best circles. I wondered about the plan he had in mind once the materialization was effected. About his voice—which I had never heard. Would it come with his form? About his clothes—how would he be married without the thousand preliminaries that attended a wedding. But I trusted his sagacity and did not question him. After all, it might not work. We were only experimenting.

So the sweet summer days sped by and each day we met in the thorny fragrant growth at the hour of sunset and each day he extracted the drop of blood from my arm.

The children that played on the sidewalk above the cinder-path had named me, "The Goofy Lady." They whispered to one another, pointing rude little indexes, "There she is, the Goofy Lady." But I didn't mind, I smiled at them and endeavored to pat their tousled little heads. It was quite natural that I should look demented to their unseeing eyes, as I stood there apparently alone, talking to no one.

Spring merged into summer and the hot days were here. Still there was no talk of taking more than the drop that was agreed upon each day. I thought he would grow anxious and wish to hurry the materialization, but it seems there is no haste in MIND. No time, no space, just eternity. All else is a mirage, like

fever dreams when one has a temperature. So I was completely contented that the days lengthen. He told me that I would be helped in keeping myself as spiritual as possible, but I had not quite understood, until one night. . . .

The hospital served a midnight meal to the night force. This meal was for the night nurses, doctors, orderlies, supervisors, student nurses, their third meal. And we, the special nurses, sent in by agencies, were allowed to eat also if we wished. I generally went to the dining room for a glass of milk and a cake, but I endeavored to eat most carefully. This night I was seated with two other special nurses when the tray girl brought in a platter of smoking hot cod fish cakes, crisp and brown. I've always been very fond of them so I took just one upon my plate, severed it with my fork and lifted a bit of it to my mouth. It tumbled from my fork and lay upon the plate. I regained it and once more raised it to my lips; again it fell from the fork. I felt mortified at my awkwardness and speared the tines through the bit of fish with a resolute gesture. Half way to my mouth the morsel was struck from my fork with such force that I was no longer in doubt. The bit of fish went hurtling across the table and landed upon the floor. I felt like a child reproved. How could I have been so thoughtless? This food had once been *life*. One of God's creatures swimming about in its native waters, caught in fear and it had died in fear. Was I going to annex a surplus of fear into my own being by eating of it in its preserved state?

My companions looked at me in perplexity and as the rest of the cake remained on my plate uneaten, they tasted their own evidently thinking it must be tainted or that my etiquette was very bad, to toss something undesired upon the floor.

After this I was doubly careful to ask myself of everything I ate—had it had life? Certain lines of the Bhavagad Gita tersely explains this:

"Governed appetites.
Love of lonely study,
Humbleness, uprightness,
Heed to injure nought that lives."

There can be no perfect life on earth as long as we prey upon life in lower forms. For these lives too, advance to higher forms of perfection eventually. Another time I was to learn of this protection, but in a far more spectacular manner.

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A Peculiar Experience—(Continued from Page 17)

fillings in the teeth,—the same voice, in fact, I should almost say that you are one and the same person, but I am *not* in trouble. When I last saw you and I asked you for your name, you would not give it to me, but you said, 'we will meet again and then we will get better acquainted, and understand many things that today are not clear.' *How* will I know you, I said.—'You will know me, for you will be in great sorrow and I will be there to comfort you,' you answered me."

I said, "Tell me about this strange visit, which is being fulfilled now."

"Well, it was about three p. m. one afternoon in the early Spring; there was a ring at the door and I answered the bell. A woman stood there and asked if I were Mrs. S—, and I said, I am. The stranger said, 'May I come in? I have journeyed far and have tried to reach you twice before but failed in the effort. Today I have reached you, for I have a message from — to you.'"

I said, "but if you do not tell me *your* name, how am I to know that your message is true?"

"The stranger told me many things, some of which I knew to be correct. She said, 'In three days you will have a letter from your father, with some money in it';—then I doubted her for my Father's arm was paralyzed and he could not use the hand. She said, 'just wait and see.' Sure enough, the letter came at the allotted time, in my Father's own hand-writing, and in the envelope was a Five Dollar bill."

"Then the stranger said, 'I must be going for it is growing late.' I went out with her and as we were walking along she said, 'I see that you have some nice oranges, may I have two or three of

them?' I pulled three large ones from the tree and handed them to her. She asked me to put them into a bag as they would be easier to carry. I left her standing there until I went back into the house for a bag. When I returned she was gone; I ran out to the gate and looked down the street, but she was not in sight. Those who were in the house at the same time, heard us both talking and saw us going out toward the gate and were astonished at my guest's peculiar departure."

"Now—you are here with me again, but I am *not* in any trouble. I am exceedingly happy, for I am on my way to Pasadena, to visit my Uncle who has not been very well.

We both chatted on until we reached Sixth and Main street in Los Angeles. We both went into the Drug Store to use a phone. While I was trying to find my number, I heard a loud scream, "He is dead—He is dead." I dropped my phone and picked her up in my arms and comforted her with the assurance of the Truth that we both knew was an ever present help in our hour of need. There are no dead. They have only gone before.

We had both been told to take that especial train to Los Angeles. There are many strange lessons to be learned and one is "Obedience".

Sleep, strange mystery. How few ever realize what it is. Spirit never sleeps. Then what is it that does sleep?

Think of yourself as the THINKER using the body. Going to sleep is,—*You* leaving the body,—and waking up is *you* returning to the body.

There are NO DEAD. God is not the God of the DEAD, but of the living. (Matthew 22:32).

Bondage of Hate—(Continued from Page 28)

"I curse you as surely as you have victimized me of my all. You shall hereafter be my victim to pursue dead or alive. I shall hunt you into the pit of despair".

With a sneer he answered "Forget heroics; when you are dead you stay very much dead, and while you are alive you might take me along to the sweet appointment at your summer-house. The time draws near", he said.

To prevent myself from striking him down I turned and hurried away. He called after me.

"Never mind your boorishness; I have a car as fast as yours," This meant that he would attempt to outspeed me, and to my grief would be added the humiliation of a public scandal.

Beckoning come, I began as the law permitted.

I wanted to weep on a sympathetic breast. Where was there one in the whole wide world to which I could turn—none.

But a universal fount of understanding

suffices; love, forgiveness, comfort and protection.

In the suburbs, racing towards my despoiled home I remember calling out in anguish. "Mother o' mine."

Then a thousand red hot knives seemed to rend my body. Tearing, twisting and dislocating my very sinews. I struggled for air, for motion of my limbs. I could not see anything.

Arms lifted me, enclosed me. "Henry," called a never forgotten voice. Somehow I felt myself standing up unharmed, but much rattled as to brains. I saw several persons who appeared very sluggish in movement, who cleared away my wrecked machine.

They pulled out a corpse, queer. I had been alone in the car I was sure. That looked bad. I approached the traffic cop whom I recognized. I explained to him that I must have lost control and struck the concrete pillar at the beginning of the bridge. I did not know then that it was my own body.

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