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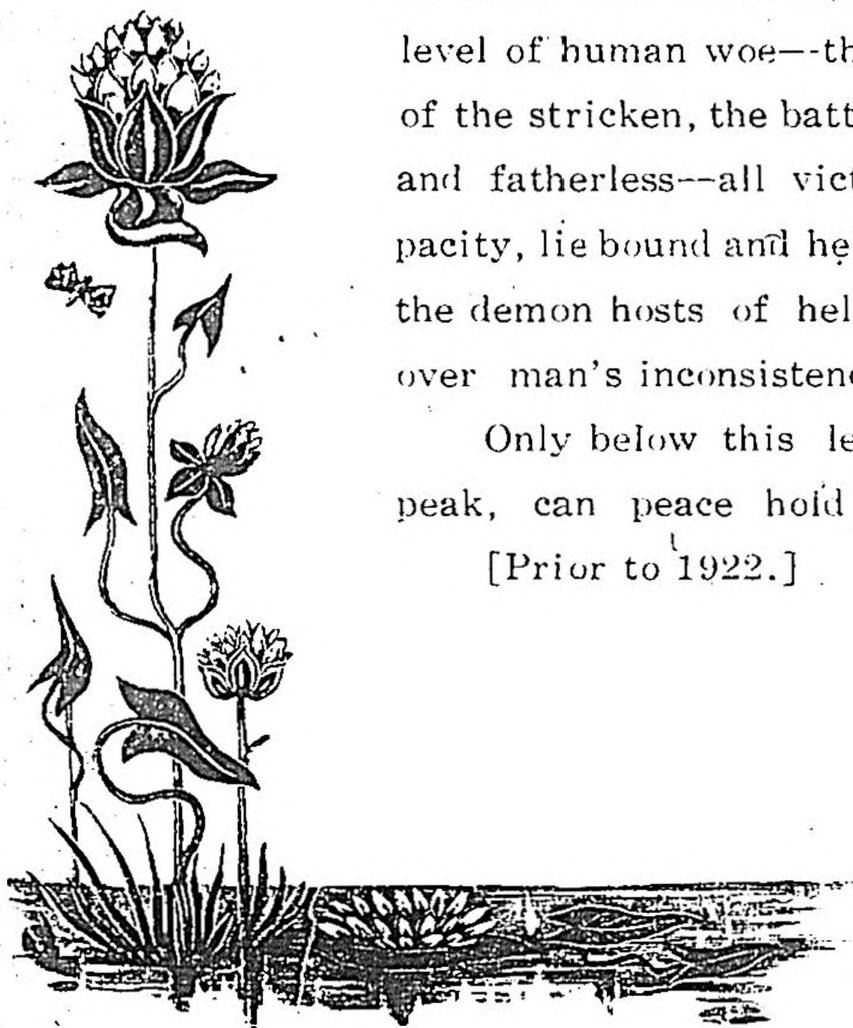
unto thee a key

THE TWO LEVELS

So high as the loftiest peak the courage of man will raise him, just so low is the level of human woe—the level where the moan of the stricken, the battle-scarred, the widowed and fatherless—all victims of greed and rapacity, lie bound and helpless—the level where the demon hosts of hell hold revel and gloat over man's inconsistencies.

Only below this level, as above the lofty peak, can peace hold sway.

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EDITORIAL MIRROR

We are entering the year 1933, a year that promises to be filled with actions, and the scales can balance one way or another according to the attitude of humanity. Let us all do our best to make it balance for the good of all.

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The number 1933 in a way is very occult. The sum of 1933 is seven and from the standpoint of numerology as well as occult philosophy the number seven has to do with a new cycle that will bring in new things. Therefore the very number itself is full of possibilities and probabilities.

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Also let us remember that we human beings can make a cycle good or bad according to our aspirations and according to our attunement with the Higher or lower self. If we determine individually or collectively to make it a good cycle, it will be so, for after all we have free will and are not the puppets of blind forces. This will be a good thought to remember.

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Our readers' attention is called to the article, "Lincoln's Voice Today," given space in The Artisan, 1905. This was one of Lincoln's messages to Congress, 1861, afterwards published with other papers, by H. J. Raymond in "The Life, Public Services and State Papers of Abraham Lincoln" (Derby & Miller, New York, 1865.) Copies of this paper have been sent to many persons of national renown in this country, and nearly all of them have replied, expressing appreciation of having it in their hand.

We are quite sure that our members everywhere will appreciate the splendid articles in this issue of the Artisan. We particularly call attention to the article entitled "From the Master," being an interview with HIM, and also the one entitled "The Lesser Lives."

W

Beloved Comrades and Friends, let us at this beginning of the New Cycle of 1933 endeavor to do our very best to help the world, all our friends and neighbors, and people everywhere. Let us not belittle our apparently slight efforts, because we can make ourselves channels through which mighty forces can flow for the Good of All, if we are open to the High Forces of this Cycle, which will invoke the Christly Forces, the Avataric Forces, to flow through our hearts and our whole being for the help of all the races of the earth.

W. H. D.

ADMONITION

Oh you who see the living spate
 Of Truth, now rising fast,
 Don't hesitate.
 The Hour grows late—
 The waiting time is past—
 It is for you to up and nail
 Your colors to the mast—
 Nor count the cost,
 Nor shun the price,
 Even though it be
 On that Holy Tree
 To nail the sacrifice!

Wellington, New Zealand

Carrie Dencker

Christ's Day

Beloved, the days and nights are one
 To the heart that is centered within the Sun,
 That radiant image of God's own face,
 Dispenser of Life and Light and Grace.

Each Christ day draws us still nearer the trail
 Up which we must climb to the Holy Grail.
 But every day is a Christmas day
 To the soul that has sought and found—*The Way*.

Dec. 25, 1908

B. S.

FROM MIDNIGHT COMMUNICATION

The days since you were last assembled as common body, in scheduled hours of convention, have been so overcharged with opposing, devitalizing forces of discouragement, physical incapacities, entrance of weakening and disrupting elements permitted in instances, along with meritorious and worthier endeavor to persist in face of seeming defeat, *that* I have felt called to stop with you at this important Thanksgiving hour to definitely revitalize you, to charge you with actual life essence for the coming months—to help you accomplish and to remind you that depression is never more than temporary unless you will it so.

Ways and means will be found by you; you will ignore the ignoble designs of the enemy and we will encourage and help in every way possible.

Beloved Children, be brave; you are not without our deepest love and care. Keep fast hold of the rock on which you have builded.

My Thanksgiving thought to you is: Look up—look up to me and smile. Carry it for others also. The smile upon your face today may save a desperate, stricken one whom you pass by and you may never know.

Do you not feel my hand, my heart with you now?

Thy Father-Brother,

November 29, 1932.

HILARION.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE

At the foot of the Christmas Tree stands the Christ Child. Above hang the branches, laden with berries, yea, weighted almost to the ground, so full, so heavy are they. Upward reach the baby arms in effort to climb the tree and grasp the berries in the little hands. But each time the hands clasp the limbs, instead of finding support by which to rise, not only do the branches yield to that gentle grasp, but the tree itself inclines, loosens at the root, and would fall upon the Little One, did it not leave hold, discouraged, frightened, bewildered. But still the brightness of the berries lures its gaze upward, and it tries again and yet again, with similar result, until strength begins to fail.

Behold, what else has happened? As the tree root loosens more and more, unable to sustain the baby efforts to climb, the tree gradually loses its bedecked glory and wears, instead of its gay adornment, a mass of bronzed, browned, withered foliage, betokening likeness to twig, branch and limb. For the life no longer flows through root from earth to limb, branch, berry. Color, vitality are gone. The spirit of the tree has fled. Personality, selfishness, form remain. Yet still at the foot of the tree stands the Christ Child, sad, cold, alone.

Hurrying, scurrying like bees maddened in swarm, like ants thwarted in building, run men, women, children, in the midst of the Christmas season, in wild haste for gain, love, pleasure, endeavoring to hold the form of things, ignoring, refusing, unable to aid the helpless, the tender, the aspiring standing 'neath their own Home Tree, seeking to reach the beauties of its branches want only carelessly to adorn the outer selves in desperate effort for vainglory, bedazzling the eyes of the innocent, falsely calling "Merry Christmas!" to passers by, with hatred, malice, insincerity at heart, caught in the swerving, swirling currents, from which they cannot escape nor extricate themselves - forgetting, thinking not, remembering never that it is *Spirit* alone that lives, that survives, and that all the mad stampede of mind and body will soon be pushed out of way, ended, dropped, as withered berries on brown and brittle limbs of trees that would not, could not give itself to the Christ in joy, support, encouragement, because of insecurity of root.

But the Christmas tree, the Yggdrasil, the Tree of Life, stands, and shall ever stand, fresh, green, flowering, back of all outer form, the loosened root, the ruby berry, back of the Child itself. Yea, back

of the particular Christ sent to any home, individual or race, stands the Cosmic Christ, enveloping, enfolding, transmuting, encouraging, vitalizing Tree of Life itself, causing it to ever break forth in beauties which shall never die and be a constant Bright and Merry Christmas to all who would stand beneath its branches.

[Dec. 12, 1926.]



CLOSER CO-OPERATION WITH THE OVERSOUL

Try to understand the meaning of what you are going through. First of all it is a world condition in which you are involved and which must be borne in mind constantly if you are to have any intelligent outlook and be able to control situations or keep them within command.

There is a world house cleaning in process, a most thorough one indeed. Every room, closet, corner, crevice and shelf in every department of life is being overhauled.

The very vessels and articles for carrying on the process must be cleansed themselves before the work can fully go on. Tubs, piled one within the other, but partially drained, must be upturned, scrubbed, scalded, sunned and made ready for fresh, sanitary waters, to be used lavishly otherwise.

Here again care and wisdom must be brought to bear. Certain skill, born of interest, concentration and devotion to higher principles must be used rather than anything gained by outer skill and discipline by technical instruction or command. In other words, the Key must be turned that opens up the current of interior observation and situations, and ways and means will come directly before your attention for your immediate helpful service and thoughtful, practical care.

For instance, rare articles are needing preservation in various places. Some are being destroyed by wear and tear, of exposure to dust, climatic conditions and neglect. You have passed them by so many times without seeing—have brushed against them so repeatedly—have shoved or snuffed them out of sight or mind until tomorrow that it would be doing you a wrong to specify in particular just what they are and where they are to be found. You must call up the activities of your own inherent mental faculties, your so highly important, so hard-

ly achieved powers—and apply them where most needed that the reconstructive forces of the Lodge be injected into the work with power, rather than allow the straining of Their souls to find you in the dark.

Jerk yourselves into spiritual activity. Feed the hungry souls standing on every side, pressing against you with wide-opened mouths for spiritual food to save their starving spirits. You are in luxury compared to these. Feed them through your own persistent, incessant, determined faith, courage and cheer; your positively promised knowledge that Light Will Come, the Darkness be vanished; Power, Possibilities and Opportunity present. Patience and Endurance must be used unto the end, and in repeated *new beginnings* if efforts fail you temporarily.

Failure in effort is only temporary. Truer and better beginnings renewal of effort, greater and more efficient union with the Divine, closer Co-operation with the Over Soul of the Race—Purer alignment and adjustment with the Master Forces of your lives, with the Great Lodge of which you are in reality a necessary and integral part, without whom can not be accomplished the complete and perfected work, which ever confronts you and the race in all cycles of time.

[For the New Year, 1933.]

HILARION.

THE LESSER LIVES

Temple Teachings. Open Series No. 259.

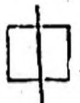
Only a fragment of Time, as the Gods count that great illusion, lies between you now and that day when out of the slimy ooze of the underworld rose the elementary lives which en masse have built the rupas you now so proudly drape in cloth of gold and deck with precious stones—those changing forms you place in the seats of the Gods, build golden altars before, and call aloud to your fellowmen to refuse at their peril to kneel down and worship, forgetful of the way and means by which those forms (similitudes of the real selves, the expanding mentalities clothed in eternal substance) have reached their present status; forgetful that the way and means of their ascent are still open for their descent; forgetful that the homogeneous bodies may again become the heterogeneous elementaries, if so be they cannot serve the purpose which called them into expression

You would laugh to scorn those slimy pools through which you waded if so be they found voice to claim worship and allegiance from you. And yet they hold within their depths the lesser lives, the basis of a myriad forms like yours, waiting only the striking of the hour set by the Gods to start upon the path that you have traversed.

Give opportunity to Time to cleanse the slime of that foul ooze which yet does cling to you, ere you dare to cry "unclean" to any other fragment of the Self whose feet were loosed from that same ooze but yesterday, and who may take your place tomorrow, thrusting you far back upon that open path which leadeth to the point of first departure, if you do not rise to greater heights and so make room for them.

The gold and jewels and the altars raised to them may blind ye for a time to that great truth which leaves no room to doubt your oneness with your brother. But when the blindness passes, the true adjustment made within the scale of life for all the lesser lives, the things which now loom up so large upon the screen of your mentality, your brother's face will be the dearest thing on earth to you, however it may be defiled, however far his feet have wandered in forbidden paths, for you will see behind that sore defilement another face, your own, and farther still the face of God, the imprint clear of every life the Son of God hath loved into the image of Himself.

[Prior to 1922.]

H—

FROM THE MASTER

Temple Teachings, Open Series No. 260.

My Child:

It would seem that your question, in relation to resigning or expelled members of the Temple, or pledged disciples of any Order whatever, had been fully covered over and over again in previous communications.

The confusion of mind, lack of principle or cohesive power, or deliberate disloyalty, whatever it be, that makes possible the withdrawal or expulsion of a once accepted neophyte of the Lodge is primarily due to the throwing open of the individual aura to the influence of our hereditary enemy; and once the seeds of decay or disruption are planted in an auric sphere, it takes more heroic effort to kill them out than the average man or woman is able or willing to make.

Despite his doubt or loss of faith in personalities, if a disciple possesses the courage, devotion to principle and faith in the survival of good, to hold him steady to a point he is in honor bound to hold, he will find that the constructive forces of the world will work in and with him, and by the power of his own unaided will he will bring about a change in the right direction and circumstances; and if a change be required, if he lack these essentials he not only fails in everything of importance he undertakes, but drags other weak souls down with him, adding the karma of their weakness to his own.

No matter how great our pity and compassion for such a one, our duty to the world precludes the admission or retention of a coward or recreant, or selfish disciple to or in the Degrees or Orders of the Great White Lodge. The battle between the black and white is too strong to admit our placing a coward, a recreant, or a spy, on the vantage points of the battle field, and where such a one finds entrance to the field he is unable to remain there for any length of time.

He naturally sifts himself out from the ranks of his comrades, by one method or another, when the currents of destructive fires working in him come into collision with the constructive forces of the body as a whole. He may think the impulse to resignation or the act which necessitates his expulsion is entirely due to his own or his comrades' volition, but it is not true. He has come into collision with a Universal Building Force, and is thrown out by that Force in the same way the mechanic throws aside a broken or imperfect tool. When this occurs, it is of no use to mend or perfect the tool; it will only break with some severe strain; so it is of no use to retain an unfit or unworthy member. They will naturally sink to their own level if left alone, and the safety and usefulness of the body as a whole be more perfectly assured by their withdrawal.

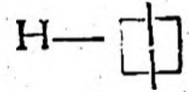
Neither have those who are left anything to regret in such withdrawal. Far better is it for the former that they should not be compelled to meet the future tests and trials of strength under which their failure is a foregone conclusion.

There was a very deep meaning in the words of Jesus: "Gather up the fragments," for it is the fragments *left behind* after the feast, after the supreme trials are over, which form the basis of the newer, stronger effort; so no matter how many a body appears to be broken by the withdrawal or expulsion of its unworthy or useless members, - those that remain are worth more to the cause than all the others put together.

Never forget that you have been chosen to build a peculiar structure under a definite plan. If the stones that have been chiseled for each individual part refuse emplacement, or must be rejected by the Master Builder, for cause, the work may be delayed, but it will be finished in time; but it is the height of absurdity for the withdrawn or rejected stones to imagine that they can build the same structure while the corner stone remains intact in its original place, and the plan is not available for them.

Let this answer your question and all future questions of a similar nature.

[Prior to 1922.]



Redemption is always on our door step. As a man thinks, so shall he be redeemed.—From "*The Path Victorious*," by B. S.

ERRATA

In the Sept.-Oct., 1931 issue of the Temple Artisan a mistake was made as to the numbers of the Temple Teaching, Open Series. We have therefore to correct the numbers as follows: In Artisan of Sept.-Oct., 1931, p. 43, "The Obligations of Life," No. 248. Sept.-Oct., 1931, p. 45, "Concerning World Conditions," No. 249. Nov.-Dec., 1931, p. 69, "Faith in Christ a Spiritual Guidepost," No. 250. Nov.-Dec., 1931, p. 71, "Extracts from Interviews With Master Hilarion," No. 251. Jan.-Feb., 1932, p. 87, "Superabundance of Life," No. 252. Jan.-Feb., 1932, p. 88, "Desire," No. 253. March-April, 1932, p. 110, "Universal and Individual Soul," No. 254. May, 1932, p. 124, "Ans. to Ques. Concerning Bible and Temple Instructions," No. 255. May, 1932, p. 126, "Photography," No. 256. June-July, 1932, p. 4, "Power of Akasha," No. 257. Oct.-Nov., 1932, p. 53, "Interaction of Lives," No. 258. We ask our readers to kindly correct the numbers.

THE FALLEN OF THE EARTH

It is the Fallen of the Earth we give into the hands of the bloody fiends of hell.

In our cities the girls are crying bitterly.

It is the dull, loveless life of monotony and ignorance that is making the tears.

They are being tortured by the devils of Lust, of Treachery and Debauchery to their undoing;

They are starving for Love and for Happiness.

The red light of Sin is the light of Crucifixion for them.

In the dungeons of the jails of the earth the Fallen suffer endlessly.

Are we to be making their souls strong, and their hearts kindly and loving

With rotting food, dead air, and black Darkness?

Are we to be lifting them up to the Light by cursing them with evil and with horror?

It was to be lifting up the Fallen the Master came indeed.

We are crushing them under our feet in our mad rushing foolishness.

It is a civilization of tooth and claw we have built on His gospel of Peace,

And the Fallen He came to save, we crowd into prisons of shame.

Awake, for the Day is our Day! Awake, for the Night is our Night!

We still crucify God, we still crucify God.

If we hurt but the "Least of These," the fallen children of Light.

We pierce His hands and feet, we make a wound in His side.

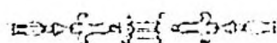
It is the Fallen of the Earth we give to the fiends of hell,

In our cities our girls are crying bitterly.

In the jails of horror the black god Cruelty works his will.

It was to be lifting up the Fallen the Master came indeed.

—J. O. Varian



LINCOLN'S VOICE TODAY

"I see in the near future a crisis approaching that unnerves me, and causes me to tremble for the safety of my country. As a result of war, *corporations have been enthroned, and an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign by working upon the prejudices of the people until all the wealth is aggregate in a few hands, and the republic is destroyed.* I feel at this moment more anxiety for the safety of our country than ever before, even in the midst of war. God grant that my forebodings may be groundless.

"Monarchy itself is sometimes hinted at as a refuge from the power of the people. In my present position I could scarcely be justified were I to omit to raise a warning voice against the approach of returning despotism. It is not needed nor fitting here that a general argument should be made in favor of popular institutions; but there is one point with its connections, not so hackneyed as most others, to which I ask brief attention. It is assumed that labor is available only in connection with capital; that nobody labors unless somebody else owning capital, somehow by the use of it, induces him to labor. *Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor and could not have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital and deserves much the higher consideration. I BID THE LARKING PEOPLE BEWARE OF SURRENDERING THE POWER WHICH THEY POSSESS, and which if surrendered, will surely be used to shut the door of advancement for such as they, and to new disabilities and burdens upon them until all of liberty shall be lost.*

"In the early days of our race the Almighty said to the first of mankind, 'In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread,' and since then, if we except the light and air of heaven, no good thing has been or can be enjoyed by us without first having cost labor. And inasmuch as most good things have been produced by labor, it follows that all such things belong of right to those whose labor has produced them. But it has so happened, in all ages of the world, that some have labored, and others have without labor, enjoyed a large portion of the fruits. This is wrong and should not continue. To secure to each laborer the whole product of his labor, as nearly as possible, is a worthy object of any government.

"It seems strange that any man should dare to ask a just God's assistance in wringing bread from the sweat of other men's faces. THIS COUNTRY WITH ITS INSTITUTIONS BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE WHO INHABIT IT."

(These are Abraham Lincoln's own inimitable words in his Message to Congress, 1861, and on pages 498-500 of H. J. Raymond's "The Life, Public Services and State Papers of Abraham Lincoln," published by Derby & Miller, New York, 1905.)



THE FUTURE OF THE PRESENT HUMANITY

BY FREDERICK WIENEY

As is well known by every occult student all occurrences of creation are bounded by cycles. Time is infinite duration broken into beginnings and endings; and, in between these beginnings and endings, all forms, whether they be states of consciousness with their evolving ideas in government, religion, art, a world or a cell, come into expression and pass out. Planets, races, nations come and go as cycles of creative effort and leave behind the fruits of their evolvment in the recesses of Infinite Creative Mind.

Greater cycles and lesser fit one into the other, and, consonant with the law of rhythm, every once in so often certain cycles of varying lengths hit the hour of opening together. When they do, far-reaching consequences follow. Around the close of the last century there occurred such a confluence of cycles. And, owing to their nature and the period of their confluence, it is no exaggeration to say that they are amongst the most, if not the most vital and prophetic in the history of the Race. This is a large statement. But, if our sources are trustworthy—and we believe them to be highly so—it stands that within the last thirty-odd years the Humanity of this Globe has passed through points that profoundly affect the history of the entire globe. We are at a veritable turning of the ways, long ways and significant ones.

This kind of a turning always comes in the life of a planet from the pure mechanics of its evolution—from the mathematics and geometry that are involved. So that, in a major way, there is a point in the evolutional processes of a cycle, whether it be that of plant or planet, at which the forces that built it begin to pour into the seed that is to form its successor; and since it is with worlds and races that we are dealing, let us begin with the word "race." In the terms of Theosophy

this word has little if anything to do with the classifications of the races of mankind according to material science. Something far more basic is understood. It concerns divisions of the Humanity of the Planet that are as old and as continuous in their life expression as the Planet itself. There are seven grand divisions of evolving man and they are states of consciousness and cycles of time as well as divisions of Humanity into tongues, peoples and civilizations. In the terms of Light or Color these divisions are called Rays and, in common terms, Races, and there are seven of them. These Seven Rays constitute the Seven Root Races, but these Races are divided into Seven Sub-Races and these, again, into Seven Families each.

As we see, the complete evolution of these Races will complete the life of the Planet. Race by Race the clock of destiny ticks off the present and forecasts the future of a Globe's Humanity; and of these Seven Root Races the Secret Doctrine tells us "five have already appeared, and two more have still to appear in this Round," which makes it evident that, purely by cycles of progress, Humanity has reached an important point. But there is much besides this, or in amplification of it, that gives this race position a supreme importance. Some of the evidence of this is in the Secret Doctrine, other in Temple literature; and in this effort to point out the great cyclic moment that centers round the dawn of this century there will be a correlation of these two sources. For those who believe that H. P. B.'s statement that the Secret Doctrine contains all that can be given out "in this century" covers the entire present cycle of *bona fide* Lodge outpouring, that both the Teachings and the Lodge Line ended with her, little can be said in this article, as that is another subject. But for those who take Temple literature into account in connection with the Secret Doctrine there is a wealth of revelation on this subject, as will be seen.

Concerning the beginning of a race anywhere on the Globe the Secret Doctrine says: "All we know of any race is that it will silently come into existence." And it further informs us that "even now, under our very eyes, the new Race and races are preparing to be formed-- and the transformation will take place, and has already silently commenced. The forthcoming Sixth Sub-Race may begin very soon." And where is it to begin? "Thus the Americans have become in only three centuries a 'primary race,' temporarily before becoming a race apart. They are in short the germs of the Sixth Sub-Race, and in a few hundred years more," etc. And as to how this coming in will take place, H. P. B. goes on to say: "The Fifth will overlap the Sixth Race

for many hundreds of milleniums. This process of preparation for the Sixth Great Race must last throughout the whole sixth and seventh Sub-Races." S. D. II, 464.

The points of importance in these quotations are: first, that when a race is born it begins interiorly in the psychic forces of the old race that gives it birth. In that psychic field is the "zero point," the laya center that carries the "condition" in germ from which the future race is to unfold. It is a matter of incarnating forces, from which one readily sees that there may be no recognizable outer evidences of its beginning whatever. In fact the exact date of such a beginning is evident only to Those Who Know. Second, since a new race germinates in the soul of an old race there is no sudden appearance of one nor disappearance of the other. They overlap. In fact this law of overlapping is universal in life cycles. Third, and most vital to the occultism of our subject, is what is said about the "New Race and Races." It does not say that the Sixth and Seventh Sub-Races are now forming, which would be the logical conclusion if more than one race is beginning at one and the same time, as the Seventh Sub would naturally follow the Sixth Sub, but that these new races are the Sixth Sub of the Fifth Root Race and the Sixth Root Race. In other words, here is a pair of "sixes" which fact presents us with a law of Number, rather well known, but to which we will pay a good deal of attention.

(To be continued)



TEMPLE ACTIVITIES AND NOTICES

We are receiving many letters extolling the excellence of recent numbers of the Artisan.

The holiday season has passed and we wish to say to our readers that on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas and New Year a great spiritual richness poured into the Temple and Hiawatha Lodge. We had fine meetings and gatherings in the latter place, which is our social center, on the three occasions, with splendid dinners and entertaining features for all of us and friends and guests.

On Thanksgiving Day and New Year, beautiful communications were read, recently received from the Master. Another communication of an esoteric character will be sent to members of the Inner Orders when certain historical data have been added to it.

The Guardian-in-Chief, Dr. William H. Dower; the Inner Guard, Mrs. Ida J. Wilkins and the Treasurer, Mrs. Jane W. Dower, wish to express their heartfelt thanks and appreciation of the numberless gifts, greetings and wishes received during the holiday season, as it has not been possible to answer all of these by letters. This also includes letters of greetings from this and other countries addressed to the Group as a whole, and all good wishes are heartily reciprocated.

We congratulate our Comrades of the German Section on their splendid activities in pushing forward the Temple work in Germany and adjacent countries. They are about getting out a German edition of "The Temple Artisan" under the title, "Der Templer" (The Templar), and the Temple of the People—through the Guardian-in-Chief—confers on them the sole right of translation into German and publication in "Der Templer" of articles and instructions from "The Temple Artisan."

We recommend to our readers Mrs. Ada Muir's latest publications now on sale in the Halcyon Book Concern, "Pluto, the Redeemer," price \$1.00 post paid, contains interesting data concerning the newly discovered planet Pluto and its important influence in our horoscope, while her excellent pamphlet on "Food in Relation to Health—the Work of the Tissue Builders in the Food We Eat"—is of great importance to all. It contains a list of foods arranged according to the cell salts, advice and home remedies for first aid in illness, etc. Price of this neatly mimeographed pamphlet is 50 cents, post paid.

This issue of The Temple Artisan contains a poem by John Varian. Though he has left us as far as bodily presence is concerned, his spirit and helpfulness is still with us and faithful to the work. He was a true poet and left many unpublished manuscripts, and much of this poetry will appear from time to time in The Temple Artisan.

Do not look too far for the thing you are seeking most earnestly. You will generally find it close to you. The very longing has brought it. This is due to the law of supply and demand. Uncover the crust of the personality nearest you, the one who loves you most unselfishly, and you will generally find it.—From "Beacon Fires." by B. S.

ASTROLOGY AND HEALTH

Concluded.

By Ada Muir

The Sun passes through Leo from July 22nd to August 23rd. The key note of those born during that period is faith. Their work in life is to bring joy to others, but they have many emotional disturbances before they find real and lasting joy themselves. In times of intense turmoil, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him," wrung from their hearts and reaching the heart of the Infinite, will bring a solution to their deepest troubles.

The Leo people are the heart and center of many strong organizations, helping through their sympathy, their faith, their loyalty and inspiring others in their times of gloom. How necessary then, that their heart should be in tune with the Heart of the Infinite.

We all know how a sudden shock will seem to still the heart and a number of these shocks will gradually result in spasmodic action of some part of the body for every intense emotion must register somewhere until we have laid every vestige of pride on the sacrificial altar and are no longer "slain," because the heart is purified of personal desire and we seek only to radiate joy and happiness.

Foods which ripen in the Sun should form the diet of every Leo person and the most important herb is St. John's wort. This grows in almost every district, also the Camomile will answer the purpose as it is also the Leo herb.

These herbs will help to equalize the circulation when emotional stress has disturbed it to the extent of some spasmodic complaint, such as cramps, spasms, asthma, these often being the warning that chronic diseases will grip the body unless relief is obtained.

The Sun is passing through Virgo from August 23rd to September 23rd, and those born during this period have as their keynote, compassion. Martha-like, they are interested in many things and find time to criticise the compassionate Mary, who has found that silent love and worship are just as necessary to her Lord as ministering to His bodily needs.

Criticism of the shortcomings of others and the "holier than thou" attitude has a tendency to thicken the oil in the pores of the

skin and disfiguring skin complaints and dandruff result.

The evolved Virgo lives in the eternal NOW and compassionately ministers to the needs of those in his immediate environment, knowing that if these are healthy they will be a leaven to spread health among all whom they contact. Preparations for future needs gives place to present ministrations, and the medicine cupboard is abandoned as more advanced knowledge of food remedies is gained.

"Thou shalt not kill" is the watchword for the Virgo, remembering that in detracting from the merits of others we are killing in spirit and possibly injuring physically at the same time, for thoughts are things.

The commonest Virgo herb is fennel, the leaves of which may be used in summer, and in winter the seeds, in a powdered form, may be mixed with other foods, or whole, used as caraway seeds in cakes or bread. These contain the minerals necessary to reduce the consistency of the oil in the body and so help the digestive processes, cleanse the skin and make the hair more luxuriant through a healthier scalp.

The Sun is passing through Libra from September 23rd to October 23rd, and the keynote of those born during that period is balance. Love of praise and personal loyalty and chagrin through lack of these are very destructive to this type, for these negative states rob the blood of its alkaline properties, thus creating a condition known as over-acidity, which is the forerunner of many more serious complaints.

There are no finer melodies produced than by the Librans, for they are capable of hearing the music of the spheres and interpreting it to "Touch the hearts of men and bring them back to heaven again;" but before they can hear these heavenly melodies, they must be filled with melody through quiet poise and self-control. They must be able to see both sides of a question and find the truth which lies somewhere between, then they can fulfill their destiny in bringing conflicting parties together and restoring peace.

The violet is perhaps the best known of the Libra herbs, and, sweet and low though it be, it is a powerful agent for healing when acid thoughts have produced an acid blood stream and the kidneys are breaking down under the strain.

The fresh violet leaves will draw out poisons from running sores and the fresh or dried flowers will heal the broken tissues internally. All would be helped by this little plant, for the majority of mankind in this competitive western world is suffering more or less from over acidity.

The Sun enters Scorpio on October 23rd and leaves it on November 22nd and the keynote of those born during this period is regeneration. No other sign knows more of the mystery of life and death than Scorpio and, knowing this, great is their mission, for they can fathom the connecting links between the finite and the Infinite and indicate the path of mental, physical and spiritual perfection.

Unfortunately they fill their bodies with disintegrating poisons through personal likes and dislikes, for none are more personal than the undeveloped Scorpio. The sanitary engineer will use disinfectants to destroy noxious gases and poisons, and the Scorpio needs disinfecting foods to rid the body of poisons that lead to decay of tissues.

As the healing processes are at work in their bodies, they become a source of health to others, for none are so magnetic. There is no height that they cannot scale and nothing that they cannot accomplish, but they must be "born again" to a realization of their enormous possibilities and with steadfastness and courage continue the upward climb.

The horehound is the best known Scorpio herb and this will stimulate the glandular system so that it can throw off the poisonous wastes that accumulate in the glands of the skin, throat and generative organs. Waste will always accumulate unless work of a constructive nature occupies their time, using their best energy, just as weeds will quickly fill all vacant spaces in the land, but the giving of one's best, irrespective of the results, is one of the finest antiseptics mankind can have. The slogan of the Scorpio should be "No material thought shall have dominion over me."

The Sun passes through Sagittarius from November 22nd to December 22nd and the keynote of those born during this period is courage. Through courage to face every issue, resistance to disease is obtained but it is spiritual courage born of faith that is required.

Lack of courage results in weak, brittle nails, falling hair, diabetes, chills and colds, but there is no finer type to inspire others with courage in times of crisis than the Sagittarian.

The mallows are the best known herbs of Sagittarius. The root of the marshmallow makes one of the finest foods for infants and invalids and the entire plant may be used although many prefer the root. It has a healing effect upon the entire digestive tract, expelling impurities and healing and repairing, just as the true Sagittarian dispels fears, and through faith and courage supplies the healing balm.

The Sun is passing through the sign Capricorn from December 21st to January 20th and the keynote of those born during this period is "I serve." The Capricornian can sum up the weaknesses of others more quickly than the native of any other sign and in the undeveloped ones this is used for selfish ends. He uses others for his own selfish purposes, casting them aside when they are no longer useful.

He is "taken up to the top of a mountain" many times in his life and sees all that may be his if he will scheme, but "Get thee behind me, Satan" will gradually eliminate from his consciousness all traces of covetousness and instead of using the weak, he becomes their servant, ministering to their needs as the friendly judge, the poor man's lawyer and the doctor.

If he lives for selfish ends only or gets into negative states of fear when business is leaving him, albuminous waste matter settles in different parts of the body, resulting in Bright's disease, stone and gravel, consumption, deafness, catarrh and kindred complaints.

If with Job he can still praise the Lord in the face of every difficulty, his body will remain healthy.

The most important Capricorn herb is the Comfrey root. This will repair broken tissues and allow the easy passage of stone and gravel from kidneys and bladder. The successful Capricornian is the one who is philosophical under every difficulty, knowing that no one can keep us from our own. With such a mental attitude there is no danger of excess allumen, for all will be absorbed as is necessary or will leave the body through the normal channels.

The sun is in Aquarius from January 20th until February 20th and the keynote for those born during this period is excellence. The Aquarians are filled with a host of desires among which is the desire for wealth, the desire for knowledge, the desire to help others, all of which can be fulfilled if they will concentrate on one at a time.

They can reach a point of excellence in whichever direction they concentrate, but often they fail to accomplish anything worth while because of their instability.

This instability and dissatisfaction as they see time fleeting result in nervous complaints which are followed by indigestion and many disorders which are more or less imaginary, for the fluids at the base of the brain are affected by the internal restlessness and this gives rise to a mental condition almost bordering upon insanity.

The keynote to health and happiness lies in being anchored to an interesting occupation and faithfully developing it to the point of excellence, knowing that all effort expended will result in added knowledge.

The best known herb of Aquarius is the Southernwood or Old Man. A little of this cut up with salad vegetables or even eaten raw will help to steady the overwrought nerves, but the will must also be aroused and take command of the senses instead of being subject to them, as it so often is in this type.

The Sun is in Pisces from the 20th of February to the 20th of March and the keynote of the natives is peace, but they obtain peace only through sacrifice, for this is the sign through which we give all we have, and, losing all, find ourselves.

It is in this sign that we can contact man in every degree of development, healing the sick, comforting the sorrowful and lifting the fallen; and the Piscean can feel with the lowest, stretching forth the hand of brotherhood, no matter how poor a man be, and rejoice with the most blessed.

Wherever he is the needy will find a ready helper even to the last of his possessions, but he must learn consistency if he would be happy, for self-help is the only real help. He who would give must also know how to receive, and the Pisces type is a poor receiver, until, forced to receive help through his improvident giving, he becomes sick.

Lack of iron is his chief weakness and this may most readily be obtained from the sea weeds such as Irish moss, dulse or kelp. All leafy vegetables contain iron also, but the body can only assimilate iron according to the amount of oxygen that is taken in by the lungs.

It is then necessary that people of the Pisces type get out of doors as much as possible and practice deep breathing until this becomes normal with them. The majority of consumptives have a number of planets or the Sun in Pisces, for directly trouble strikes them, they forget to breathe more than merely to sustain life.

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