

THE
BOOK OF FATE:

*Whereby all Questions may be Answered
Respecting the Present and Future.*

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P R E F A C E.

FATE is a peculiar word. Some people believe implicitly in fate, others believe in nothing of the kind, but that all our doings and actions are ruled by Providence. I do not agree with either—my opinion being that we can shape our own course, and that we are never tempted beyond what we are able to bear. Astrology teaches the same thing, for where there is evil there is sure to be some good, which creates, as it were, a loophole for us to escape from the evil.

Although this is called a "Book of Fate," it is nothing of the kind—it is really a compilation of different modes of Divination, whereby one may know the future.

In the human soul are seeds of *omniscience*, that is, the power of knowing or perceiving *everything*, and thus when the mind is *truly* anxious about anything, the soul gets stirred, and energizes and directs the mind to the truth. If man could subdue the *mind* and the *passion*, he would hear the voice of his own soul, and this voice would never deceive him, or lead him astray. The mind should be kept absolutely *passive*. The very *thoughts* render it impossible for the soul to make itself heard. Therefore, when thou consultest any of the following pages, let it not be upon any trivial or superficial occasion, but only such as thy mind is truly anxious about; and during the operation let thy mind be intent upon the subject, and sincerely anxious to know the truth, for in this case the soul will dispose the action of the mind, and guide it to the proper and correct solution of the doubts.

In the following pages thou wilt find various ways of ascertaining the future, but the "Grand Oracle of Fate," on page 5, and the "Grand Oracle of Human Destiny," page 118, are to be preferred to the others.

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THE GRAND ORACLE OF FATE.

DIRECTIONS FOR CONSULTING THE ORACLE.

WHEN thou wouldst consult the ORACLE in the following pages, thou must first have a clear perception of what thou wouldest know. Thou wilt then inspect the table of celestial signs and questions hereafter given, and thou must choose that one which agrees the nearest to the subject of thy interrogation. When thou hast so done thou must shuffle a pack of common playing cards three times, and having placed them on the table, thou shalt proceed to cut them. The bottom card of the lot which thou hast in thy hand, is that which shall decide or give a true answer to the question which thou hast previously selected. Reference having now been made to the mystical table, thou shalt ascertain the corresponding number of the card which thou hast cut; having found this, thou shalt, with due solemnity, turn to those pages which correspond with the mystical number belonging to the card. Having found this thou shalt look for the celestial symbol which corresponds with thy question, and which will point thee to the true and unerring answer.

EXAMPLE.

Suppose the inquirer desires an answer to the question presided over by Cancer or the Crab, viz., "*Shall I enjoy health and live long?*" and after having shuffled the cards three times, he cuts the eight of hearts, the number of which is xxv, he will then find the corresponding number in the Oracle, and in the fourth space from the top will see the sign of φ (Cancer), and the answer to his question will be, "*Health, but not happiness will be thy share in this world.*" Thus wilt thou proceed with this or any other question.

**TABLE OF THE CELESTIAL SIGNS, WHICH INFLUENCE
THE DESTINIES OF MAN.**

♈	ARIES—<i>THE RAM.</i> Presides over Absent Friends and Relatives.
♉	TAURUS—<i>THE BULL.</i> Presides over Travellers by Sea and Land.
♊	GEMINI—<i>THE TWINS.</i> Presides over Friendship and Enmity.
♋	CANCER—<i>THE CRAB.</i> Presides over Health and Longevity.
♌	LEO—<i>THE LION.</i> Presides over Property Lost or Mislaid.
♍	VIRGO—<i>THE VIRGIN.</i> Presides over Love and Courtship.
♎	LIBRA—<i>THE BALANCE.</i> Presides over Promotion, Wealth, and Fortune.
♏	SCORPIO—<i>THE SCORPION.</i> Presides over Males who desire Marriage.
♐	SAGITTARIUS—<i>THE ARCHER.</i> Presides over Success in any Undertaking.
♑	CAPRICORNUS—<i>THE GOAT.</i> Presides over Public and Private Events.
♒	AQUARIUS—<i>THE WATERMAN.</i> Presides over Happiness and Misfortunes.
♓	PISCES.—<i>THE FISHES.</i> Presides over Females who desire Marriage.

CORRESPONDING QUESTIONS, WHICH ARE TO BE
PUT TO THE ORACLE.

γ	I wish to hear news of my relations and friends?
8	Is it necessary or proper that I should ever quit my native land?
Π	What have I to expect from FRIENDS, or to fear from ENEMIES?
☿	Shall I enjoy Health, and live long?
Ω	Give me some Information respecting the Property which I have lost?
♐	Let me know some interesting Particulars relating to the Object of my Affections?
♑	Inform me whether I shall ever be Promoted, Wealthy, or Fortunate?
♒	Exhibit to me, M—— N—— (<i>here the name of the enquirer is to be inserted</i>), my Matrimonial Prospects.
♓	What will be the result of my present undertaking?
♈	I desire to obtain an Insight into those future Events, public or private, which affect my Interests.
♉	Shall I enjoy Happiness, or suffer Misfortunes, in this life?
♊	Exhibit to me, E—— C—— (<i>here the name of the enquirer is to be inserted</i>), my Matrimonial Prospects?

**THE MYSTICAL TABLE OF THE NUMBERS OF
THE CARDS.**

Ace of HeartsI.	Eight of Diamonds xxvii.
„ SpadesII.	„ Clubs.....xxviii.
„ DiamondsIII.	Seven of Hearts....xxix.
„ ClubsIV.	„ Spades....xxx.
King of Hearts.....V.	„ Diamonds xxxi.
„ SpadesVI.	„ Clubs.....xxxii.
„ Diamonds ..VII.	Six of Hearts....xxxiii.
„ ClubsVIII.	„ Spades....xxxiv.
Queen of HeartsIX.	„ Diamonds xxxv.
„ SpadesX.	„ Clubs.....xxxvi.
„ Diamonds...XI.	Five of Hearts....xxxvii.
„ ClubsXII.	„ Spades....xxxviii.
Knave of Hearts.....XIII.	„ Diamonds xxxix.
„ SpadesXIV.	„ Clubs.....XL.
„ Diamonds .XV.	Four of Hearts....xli.
„ Clubs.....XVI.	„ Spades....xlii.
Ten of HeartsXVII.	„ Diamonds xliii.
„ SpadesXVIII.	„ Clubs.....xliv.
„ Diamonds .XIX.	Three of Hearts....xlv.
„ Clubs.....XX.	„ Spades....xlvi.
Nine of HeartsXXI.	„ Diamonds xlvii.
„ SpadesXXII.	„ Clubs.....xlviii.
„ Diamonds .XXIII.	Two of Hearts....xlix.
„ Clubs.....XXIV.	„ Spades....L.
Eight of HeartsXXV.	„ Diamonds LI.
„ Spades.....XXVI.	„ Clubs.....LII.

γ	They are expecting much money.
8	Thou wilt soon have to take a long journey.
Π	Fear not ! thou hast no real enemy.
9	Thy health will be good, and thou shalt have long life.
Ω	Seek diligently, and thou shalt find what thou hast lost.
π	Thy love is returned without measure.
⌒	Thou wilt be fortunate, but great wealth I will not promise thee.
π	Thou wilt marry a woman that will wear the breeches ; but by her perverse disposition her life will be shortened.
↑	Thy hopes will be realised, even beyond thy expectations.
∞	A rich harvest may be expected, which will benefit thee.
≡	Thou wilt enjoy both happiness and misfortune in this life, as no rose is without a thorn.
✕	Marriage will be fortunate for thee, increasing thy wealth and prolonging thy life.

γ	They are enjoying excellent health.
8	No. Thy safety depends on staying at home.
Π	Take heed ; a secret enemy is now circumventing thee.
99	Thou wilt enjoy pretty good health, and wilt live to see thy wishes fully realised.
Ω	There is every probability that thou wilt find thy lost property, or anything which thou hast lost.
μ	Thou wilt be united to the object of thy affections before many weeks are past.
∩	Thou wilt be fortunate after a time, so do not despair. Persevere !
∩	Thy fortunes will be impaired by entering matrimony.
↑	Be not too hopeful lest a failure takes place in that which thou hast undertaken.
∩	Two powerful kingdoms will soon be engaged in war.
≡	Thou wilt enjoy more happiness, and have better fortune in thine old age, than in thy youth.
⋈	Thou wilt have a large family, but thy wealth will be small.

3	They are in great difficulties, and are labouring under much trouble.
8	Shortly it will be necessary for thee to remove to a foreign country.
II	Thy welfare will be promoted greatly by the valuable assistance of thy friends.
99	By careful living thy days will be lengthened.
Ω	Thy loss is but small in comparison with what thou shalt soon gain.
π	In due time thou shalt gain the object of thy choice.
Ω	Thou wilt be possessed of great riches before thou diest.
π	Thou wilt obtain a handsome and good-natured woman for thy wife.
†	Thou wilt have a favourable termination to thy undertaking.
∞	Some dreadful events are about to occur, but thou needest not be disturbed.
≡	Throughout thy whole life, a fair share of happiness will be thine, so do not complain.
✕	Remain single ; matrimony will not make thee happy.

γ	One of them are about to undertake a long journey.
8	Thou wilt have to sail over the briny ocean for many a league.
Π	Beware ! much harm is intended thee, but with care and forethought thou mayest avoid it.
ε	Change of climate will not affect thy health.
Ω	With care and prudence thou wilt soon regain that which is missing.
μ	In the choice of a partner let thy mind be guided by prudence, and not by beauty.
⌒	Promotion awaits thee ; thou wilt be fortunate.
⌚	Thy matrimonial prospects are far from good ; be careful whom thou marryest.
↑	Success will be the termination of all thy exertions.
∞	Thou wilt soon hear of a short war, but it will be succeeded by peace of long duration.
≡	Domestic comfort and happiness shall be thine.
⋈	They are bad ; thou wilt have a large family, and but little to keep them with.

♈	Write to thy friends ; they are much troubled at not hearing from thee.
♉	Thou wilt soon undertake a long journey.
♊	Thou must beware of those that flatter thee ; they are thine enemies.
♋	Thou wilt live to see thy children's children sport and play around thee.
♌	Thou wilt never find that which thou hast lost thy time would be sacrificed in seeking after it.
♍	Thou wilt shortly have a <i>letter</i> from the object of thy affections.
♎	The oracle does not promise thee vast riches, but thou art more fortunate than many.
♏	In the outset of thy marriage poverty will show itself, but by industry a fortune will be amassed ; thou wilt have many children.
♐	Failure and disappointment.
♑	There will be some sharp war in the <i>East</i> .
♒	Thy life will be chequered, and thou wilt experience alternate changes of happiness and misfortune.
♓	Thou wilt have an affectionate husband, therefore do all in thy power to merit his kindness.

γ	One of them is dealing unfairly towards thee.
8	Thou wilt be more fortunate in a foreign land.
Π	Thou hast not many true friends, and those who make large professions should be avoided.
σ	Thou wilt live to over four score years.
Ω	Thy property, or whatever thou hast lost, will be found, but not for some time.
μ	Thy suit will meet with encouragement, and a happy termination.
Ω	Thou art born a fortunate person.
μ	Thou wilt marry a woman through whose acquirements thou wilt obtain wealth.
♂	The planet that thou wert born under was an unfortunate one, therefore little hope can be entertained.
∞	Thou mayest expect to hear of a great rise in public securities.
≡	If thou canst gain happiness by riches, thou shalt possess an ample share.
✕	If thy lover is inclined to <i>jealousy</i> , reject him, as thou wilt have no happiness with a jealous partner.

♈	Some of thy friends will soon visit thee.
♉	Thou wilt meet with one in a neighbouring country who will have great sway over thee, and captivate thy affections.
♊	Thy fortune will be greatly improved by the active and disinterested exertions of friends.
♋	Thou wilt be afflicted with a lasting complaint—gout.
♌	Thy goods have been very unfairly taken away from thee ; but thou wilt discover the thief.
♍	Be thou careful, thou hast a wealthy rival to contend with.
♎	Thou mayest expect great wealth.
♏	Thou wilt have a handsome wife, but she will give thee great cause for jealousy.
♐	With care, thou wilt prosper in this affair.
♑	A public event will ere long take place, from which thou wilt receive great benefit.
♒	Thou art about to have many difficulties, but despair not, for in the end is much happiness.
♓	Thy future husband is at present in a foreign land.

γ	There is one friend in particular, wishing to see thee.
8	An advantageous offer for emigration will shortly be made to thee ; accept it.
Π	One, who intended thee much ill, has failed in his design, and greatly injured himself.
6	Thou wilt have a long useful life, and be much regretted when thou art dead.
Ω	Thou wilt recover thy property in a most surprising manner.
Π	Thou mayest expect a wealthy partner.
ρ	In time thou wilt be wealthy, but thou wilt not have a contented mind.
π	Thou wilt have a morose, ill-tempered spouse, with a little wealth.
†	Great success ; for there is nothing which can prevent the completion of thy utmost wishes.
∞	Shortly a man of high station will arrive in this country, and thou mayest look for preferment from him.
≡	Thou wilt meet many vicissitudes, but a strong will will support thee under every trial.
⋈	Thy husband will be inclined to jealousy and ill-humour ; see that thou givest him no cause for either.

γ	Some disagreeable news has just reached them.
8	An enormous fortune awaits thee in the East.
Π	One, who hast slandered or talked ill of thee, will soon become a true and sincere friend.
9	A most malignant fever will seize thee, but thou wilt recover, and live many years.
Ω	Give thyself no further trouble, it is forever gone from thee.
⌘	Beware of those who have bad tempers, lest it leads to unhappiness for life.
⌒	Fortune will crown thy efforts.
⌚	Thou wilt marry an industrious person, who will contribute greatly both to thy health and wealth.
↑	A designing female will prevent thy undertaking ending fortunately.
⌚	Thou art about to undergo some domestic calamity.
≡	Cares and troubles in thy youth, but competence and content in thy latter years.
✕	Thou wilt be disappointed in thy present lover, but wilt meet with one more agreeable who, in the end, will give cause for gladness.

γ	A great fortune has just been received by one of them.
8	No. Thou canst only expect prosperity by remaining at home.
Π	Fear thee one whom thou now thinkest a staunch friend, as ere long he will prove unworthy of the name.
9	Thy health will remain good for many years; but thine will not be a long life.
Ω	Thou must search well, as perhaps in the most remote corner thou mayst chance to light upon it.
π	Thy lover is inclined to be fickle, but with encouragement may still remain constant to thee.
Ω	Happiness is not always gained by acquiring riches, therefore be not over anxious for much wealth.
π	Thou wilt get a faithless and adulterous spouse.
†	If thou persevere, and be not discouraged, thou may'st easily obtain the object of thy wishes.
W	Anything of a public nature thou would'st do well not to meddle in; they would in juriously affect thy fortunes.
≡	It is thy fate to suffer misfortunes in this life.
✕	Thy partner is indicated as a wealthy merchant.

♄	A marriage has taken place among some of thy relations.
♅	If thou travellest to foreign lands thou wilt meet advancement and preferment.
♆	Thou wilt have little to expect from friends, or to fear from enemies.
♇	If thou quit not thy native land, thou wilt live to a great age.
♈	Thou must be more circumspect in future, as this time thy utmost efforts will prove ineffectual, and wilt not find the goods lost.
♉	In a certain quarter success in thy suit has excited much envy and hatred.
♊	Thou wilt be wealthy, by having a large fortune bequeathed to thee.
♋	Thou shalt obtain a comely wife with a good temper.
♌	Patience will be much wanted, but, with that, final success may be looked for.
♍	The sovereign of some country will shortly be laid low.
♎	Rugged is thy path ; the Oracle does not speak of happiness.
♏	A native of a foreign country will make thee a splendid offer of marriage, but thou wilt have to leave thy native shore.

γ	Thou mayest expect shortly to see one of thy relatives.
8	To gain happiness thou must never quit the land of thy nativity.
Π	Persons who are honoured by the name of friend are not always those which are the truest ; be careful whom thou trustest.
Ω	Thou wilt enjoy good health, and live to a fair age.
Ω	The property thou hast lost shall be restored to thee by a female.
π	Heed the proverb, "Marry in haste and repent at leisure."
Ω	Marriage will bring thee a fortune.
π	Thou wilt have an ill-favoured spouse, whose tongue will give thee cause to repent thy marriage.
♂	Let nothing discourage thee ; fortune favours the brave.
Ω	Thou wilt hear of rebellion in the south, the consequences of which will be dreadful.
≡	Thou wilt have many years of unalloyed bliss, happiness, and fortune ; all this is in store for thee.
✕	The fates decree that thou shalt die an old maid.

♄	Thy relations should be aware of treachery amongst their supposed friends.
♅	If thou art industrious at home there will be no necessity for thee to seek riches abroad.
♆	One of thy greatest friends will use all their exertions to undermine thee in thy affections.
♇	Thou should'st avoid all kind of dissipation, if thou desirest to live to a good age.
♈	Thou must lose no time, but speedily make application to the civil authority.
♉	Thy marriage is not likely to take place for some long time, but be patient and thou shalt behold wonders!
♊	If thou suffer misfortune and poverty, thy children shall be equally wealthy.
♋	Thy partner in life will be endowed with beauty, wit, and fortune.
♌	Put thy trust in the Almighty, and He will not desert thee in the time of affliction and distress.
♍	News of a great battle will shortly reach thee.
♎	Being compassionate to others and endeavouring to make them happy, thou, thyself, will be completely so.
♏	The Oracle foretells that thou wilt be more nice than wise in the selection of a husband.

♄	The stars indicate that good fortune now shines upon thy family.
♅	Thy genius shall procure thee much gain in a city about two hundred miles hence.
♆	Trust not others, and beware of telling thy warmest friend more of thy affairs than is absolutely necessary.
♇	Thou shalt ! so thy planet decrees.
♈	Thou wilt have little cause to regret what thou hast lost.
♉	Thou wilt not find much happiness, unless all thy friends are made acquainted with thy intended.
♊	Thou shalt have more wealth than brains to know how to use it.
♋	The person who is intended for thy spouse will have a very unstable temper, and her hair will be carrotty.
♌	A sea-faring man will stop the completion of thy desires.
♍	The trade and commerce of this country will shortly be greatly extended beyond its present limits.
♎	The partner of thy life will long render thee supremely happy.
♏	Thy planets were in an unfortunate place at birth, as they decree that thou shalt not marry the man thou lovest.

♄	An increase in the family of one of thy friends is denoted.
♅	Thou wilt soon have an opportunity of advancing thy fortunes at home.
♆	Thou shalt meet with many friends ; it will be only for thee to preserve them as such.
♇	Thou wilt be healthy and vigorous to a good old age.
♈	By silence and caution thou shalt make a wonderful discovery.
♉	Thou wilt meet with much opposition from the relatives and friends of the person whom thou lovest.
♊	Seek not riches, or it will be thy curse.
♋	An affectionate wife, who will bear thee a large family ; and they will be the comfort of thy life and the staff of thy age.
♌	A fortunate planet presides over thy destinies, and will guide thee in thy undertaking.
♍	The independence of a small but flourishing Republic in the West will speedily be acknowledged.
♎	The shortness and irritability of thine own temper will be the cause of much of thine unhappiness.
♏	By declining every offer of marriage for six months, thou wouldst make a most advantageous choice.

☿	They are in the enjoyment of good health, and desire to see thee.
♄	Thy journeyings will be advantageous and prosperous.
♁	Thou hast a bitter enemy; but it is for thee to return good for evil.
♊	By living quietly and soberly thy days will be lengthened.
♋	Thou hast mislaid it.
♌	Thou should'st not pursue the object of thy affections too ardently.
♍	Wealth and fortune await thee; see that thou usest them well.
♎	Thou wilt wed one who will prove a vixen and a slut; but despair not, for a second marriage will compensate for thy sufferings.
♏	Thou shalt be successful.
♐	War is portended.
♑	Thou wilt have much unhappiness on this earth.
♒	Thou wilt make a speedy and advantageous union; thou wilt have no progeny.

γ	Those of whom thou wishest to hear news would gladly welcome thee amongst them.
8	Remain at home; travelling is unsafe for thee.
Π	Thou hast several powerful enemies.
☿	Thou shalt have health but not longevity.
Ω	Thou must be patient and renew thy search.
♊	Fret not on account of thy suit being rejected this time; try again, and in due time thy love will be returned.
♋	Be not too anxious for this world's goods.
♌	Thou wilt probably meet with a sad disaster in the marriage state; watch thy spouse well.
♍	Nothing can be gained without <i>courage</i> .
♎	The Oracle portends, peace at home and war abroad.
☿	Thy happiness shall be complete.
♏	Thou wilt make a marriage with love wanting on both sides.

γ	At the present time some heavy misfortune is pressing upon them.
8	Dangers many and great will beset thee, both by sea and land, if thou leavest thy country.
Π	Nothing !
☞	Some of thy relatives will wish thee dead, that they may inherit thy riches ; fear not, thou wilt outlive many of them.
Ω	Be not fast in suspecting others ; it will be found in due season.
𐀀	Thy lover will be faithful, and thou mayest trust him.
⤵	Riches would but prove thy destruction ; therefore thirst not after them.
𐀁	Let not trifles daunt thee in the marriage state, as thy spouse will persecute thee much with her tongue.
♂	By proceeding cautiously thou wilt prosper.
♂	Some important circumstance will shortly occur in thy family.
𐀂	Thou canst not expect unalloyed happiness.
✕	Thou shall be blessed with a rich and kind husband, and a long race of descendants.

7	Thou art about to receive a rich present from one of them.
8	The fates decree that thou shalt travel far.
II	Thou hast a secret enemy near thee. Beware of him !
☿	Though in thy youth thou enjoyest but poor health, thine old age will be strong and vigorous.
♊	The recovery is so very uncertain that thou mightest spend much time and money without avail.
♊	Thou hast much cause to fear a successful rival.
♋	If thou art not rich, thou wilt have only thyself to blame, for it will be thine own fault. ✓
♌	Thou wilt wed a rich widow, who will be extra fond of thee, and whose jealousy will cause thee much uneasiness.
♍	Disappointment to thy hopes, caused by a relation.
♎	Insurrection in the North ; but it will have a speedy and happy termination.
♏	For a few years of thy life thou wilt feel the heavy hand of misfortune.
♐	Thy husband will be too fond of gambling, and will spend much time and money at the gaming table, but thou mayest reclaim him.

☿	One of thy female relatives is about to be led to the altar.
♂	By quitting thy native land thou wilt gain honours and wealth.
♂	A friend of whom thou little drestest will be the means of improving thy fortune.
♂	To obtain long life thou must reside in the country, and live temperately.
♂	Within three days thou shalt find it.
♂	If thou art not careful, the object of thy affections will soon be engaged to another.
♂	Thou wilt make a lucky speculation, which will enrich thee.
♂	Thou shalt have a happy marriage with the one thou lovest most.
♂	Great disappointments await thee; the cup will be dashed from thy lips just as thou art about to taste its sweets.
♂	A brave nation, now in obscurity, will ere long recover its ancient rights, territories, and glorious name.
♂	Thy happiness or misery, except in one particular instance, will wholly depend upon thine own conduct.
♂	Thy present lover will wed another, but thy happiness will be secured by a more propitious alliance!

♈	Sickness is prevailing amongst thy friends.
♉	Thou wilt shortly have to travel a long journey.
♊	A great deal. Beware !
♋	Thy health will be greatly impaired by troubles in which thy partner will involve thee.
♌	By offering a small reward thou wilt soon have the lost property restored to thee.
♍	Should'st thou lose thy present favourite, thou wilt have no cause to be sad.
♎	By going abroad, thou shalt return laden with gold and silver.
♏	A beautiful, true, and faithful spouse will grace thy dwelling.
♐	A secret enemy is at work in this affair.
♑	A once powerful empire is tottering to its fall.
♒	Thou wilt never have cause for much joy, nor be oppressed by much sorrow.
♓	Thou shalt have a short courtship, a hasty marriage, and plenty of time for repentance.

♈	Thou mayest be in expectation of a letter containing glad tidings of them.
♉	Let nothing induce thee to stir from home.
♊	Thy best and truest friend is at present exerting himself on thy behalf.
♋	The planets signify that thou wilt live until the age of ninety-three.
♌	For a short period only will the thief escape detection.
♍	By guarding thy heart against the shafts of love for some time, thou wilt meet with an object worthy of thy choice.
♎	Trade, commerce, and business, will procure thee wealth.
♏	Thou shall have four wives ; the first will be slothful, the second a true one, the third an industrious helpmate, the last a widow.
♐	The stars and planets which influence the destinies of men are favourable to thy wishes.
♑	A great diminution of taxes is in contemplation.
♒	Thy happiness will be centered in an excellent partner, and a large family.
♓	Felicity in the marriage state ; but thy marriage will excite envy amongst thy female friends.

γ	They are expecting thee to visit them.
8	It is necessary; and will prove highly beneficial to thee and thine.
Π	Thou must always depend upon thyself; friends are fickle! Thou hast nought to fear from foes.
9	Thou shalt enjoy health and happiness, and live to three score years.
Ω	Thy property will be recovered through the instrumentality of a child.
⋈	Marriage without love is a curse; therefore let not wealth alone induce thee to marry.
♂	Thou wilt be promoted through honourable conduct.
♍	The star of thy birth forbids thee entering into the state of wedlock.
♂	Thou wilt have success, though many will try their utmost to prevent thee.
♂	A most important law will soon be passed, which will greatly affect thee.
☿	Happiness shall be thine.
♂	Thy husband will be double thine own age; he will, nevertheless, make thee a happy wife and mother.

γ	They grieve that they are forgotten by thee; thy last letter to them hath miscarried.
8	Wealth awaits thee in a foreign land.
Π	Benefits from friends; one will bequeath to thee a large fortune.
☿	Health and longevity will be thy portion, if thou avoidest all drugs and the mixtures of the pharmacopolist.
Ω	Thy property will be discovered through an accident.
♐	Thou shalt meet with a disappointment in love.
♑	A rich relative will unexpectedly bequeath thee much wealth.
♒	Thou shalt have much happiness in the marriage state.
♓	Success will attend thy every effort.
♈	An event will shortly occur in which the ruin of many will be involved. Be thou wary!
♉	Thou wilt enjoy health and wealth; live virtuously, and happiness will be thine also.
♊	Thy partner will be young, handsome, and wealthy, and thou wilt be greatly beloved by him.

γ	A large fortune is bequeathed among thy family. See that thou obtainest thy share.
8	It would be most unfortunate for thee to leave thy native land.
Π	The malice and hatred of thy enemies will avail but little, if thine own actions can bear scrutiny.
9	Health, but not happiness, will be thy share in this world.
Ω	All will be revealed unto thee in a dream. Attend to the suggestions of the vision !
π	The course of true love never did run smooth. How canst thou expect it to be otherwise in thy case ?
ρ	Perseverance brings its own reward. Thou shalt be fortunate.
π	The person destined to be thy bride is a scold ; due chastisement produces reformation.
‡	The oracle decrees ill success.
∞	The prices of all the necessaries of life will shortly be greatly reduced.
≡	A circumstance is about to happen which will decide thy future happiness or misery.
✕	Thy partner wilt be a wealthy widower, and thou wilt be his third wife.

γ	Disagreeable news respecting them will shortly come to hand.
8	If thou art wise thou wilt tarry at home.
Π	Thou hast many friends who would assist thee if they had the means; thy future fortune depends solely upon thyself.
σ	Anxiety and exertion in labouring after riches will impair thy health and shorten thy life.
Ω	What thou supposhest lost has only been too carefully laid aside.
μ	A short courtship but a happy marriage.
Ω	Thy industry shall be rewarded with prosperity.
μ	The Oracle warns thee not to get married for three years to come, else misfortunes will befall thee.
†	News from abroad will alter everything respecting this adventure.
∅	A new religious sect is about to be established, to which there will be innumerable converts.
≡	A grievous misfortune will ere long overtake thee; but keep a stout heart, for peace of mind will surely follow.
✕	Thy husband's unkindness will render thee unhappy, but the affection and love of thy children will be to thee a source of joy.

γ	If thou conductest thyself satisfactorily one of them will leave thee a sum of money at his decease.
8	Thy fortunes would be better abroad than at home.
Π	If thy friends are scarce thou wilt have fewer enemies.
9	Thy wish for health will be gratified, but not thy wish for longevity.
Ω	Whenever the property stolen is exposed for sale, detection will take place.
𐌆	Take heed, and let not thy infatuation lead thee at present to fix thy affections unalterably.
Ⲁ	The first step from the path of righteousness will be the commencement of misfortune to thee; take heed!
𐌌	Thy spouse will be rather a drawback than a help to thee.
♂	Thou mayest expect a happy result.
𐌔	An important communication will shortly take place between this country and the most powerful nation in the East.
≡	Good fortune awaits thee.
✕	Thou must wean thy husband from the bottle, else it will lessen his attachment to thee.

γ	One of thy relatives is about to be promoted.
8	The planets signify that thou wilt flourish in a strange land.
Π	Thou wilt suffer much harm from the evil machinations of a false friend. Beware!
9	A quiet and even temper will insure to thee health and long life.
Ω	It is gone for ever from thee.
π	The object of thy choice is about to take a long journey, but this will not prevent thy marriage.
ρ	Thou shalt find a rich treasure which shall make thee wealthy.
π	Thou wilt have a fortune with thy spouse, but it will be the cause of much quarrelling betwixt thee.
†	Partial success; but thy next undertaking of the same nature shall be more prosperous.
∞	The government of a neighbouring nation is about to be thrown into great trouble and perplexity.
≡	Thy hopes of happiness will be fulfilled through the kindness of friends.
✕	Thou wilt have a clandestine marriage proposed to thee; decline it, as better prospects are in store for thee.

☿	Thy friends are expecting thee to visit them.
♄	It is destined for thee to go abroad; thou wilt be surrounded by danger, but shalt return wealthy and happy.
♅	If thou act honestly and justly thy friends will do much for thee.
♆	Long life and health thou shalt enjoy.
♁	Thou shalt never behold it again; thou must be more careful.
♂	Thou wilt not see thy beloved for some time.
♂	Thy fortune depends solely on thy own integrity.
♂	Thou shalt have a young, beautiful, and accomplished bride, but watch over her health.
♂	Complete success.
♂	Great events are about to take place which will excite much astonishment throughout the whole of the civilised world.
♂	Great grief will be caused to thee through the death of a relative.
♂	Thy future partner shall be extremely pleasing and praiseworthy.

γ	At present they are full of gaiety, but a cloud will ere long overshadow them.
8	Thou hast nothing to fear, but much to expect, from going abroad.
Π	Thy greatest enemy is rendered powerless, therefore thou hast nought to fear.
☿	By early rising, virtuous and temperate living, thou shalt be happy, enjoy health, and live long.
♊	Turn thine eyes in another direction, thou suspectest wrongly.
♋	Thou wilt behold another who will inspire thee with stronger affection than thy present choice.
♌	Bear up against the frowns of the world, and thou shalt be rich.
♍	A beautiful and virtuous wife is ordained for thee ; she will be the mother of a numerous progeny, who will inherit her perfections.
♎	Leave thy undertaking alone, as failure is shown.
♏	A violent political storm is about to burst forth.
♐	Thou art about to be greatly enriched, and, if thou abusest not thy wealth, a happy life is before thee.
♑	Thy husband will be a plain, unadorned man, of rustic type, but his wealth and goodness will compensate for want of polish.

7	Their business is prospering greatly, but a reverse is to be feared.
8	Thou shalt soon be transported to a far country.
II	A powerful enemy is near thee ; beware of him !
9	Thy health will be good if thou lettest not vice bring on disease.
Ω	Be patient ! Shortly the thief will become conscience-stricken, and will confess all.
𐌆	Thou hast a too romantic mind. Think deeply before thou weddest, else thou wilt have short happiness.
𐌒	After marriage, <i>want</i> will not come near thee.
♏	Thy wife will be twice thine own age, but she will bring thee a store of wealth.
♁	Great and permanent advantage
♄	A long spell of fine weather may be expected.
≡	Thou wilt have much trouble through thy relatives.
✕	Beware of the promises and flattery of a villain who would deceive thee with false pretences. Thy next lovers shall be worthy of thee.

γ	One of them has just given birth to a male heir.
8	In a distant land thou shalt meet with thy future partner.
Π	In the time of need and peril a female friend will serve thee well.
96	Thy life will be full of enjoyment ; but it is not warranted to last long.
Ω	It is a female that is in fault ; be merciful !
π	Thy lover doubts thy sincerity ; a speedy explanation will do thee service.
ρ	Thou mayest rest assured that thou wilt find a rich partner.
μ	The Oracle decrees thou wilt have a rich and beautiful wife, but one who will cause much sorrow by her pride and haughtiness.
†	Thy success is liable to be marred by procrastination and delay.
∇	The career of a Hero has commenced, whose talents far surpass all others who have gone before him.
≡	Great uneasiness of mind occasioned by pecuniary losses.
✕	A soldier of rank will be thy husband ; see that thou remainest faithful to him when he is fighting for his country.

γ	Startling news will soon reach thee concerning one of them.
8	Something will occur which will prevent all idea of going abroad.
Π	Thy friends esteem thee much, and will serve thee well.
☞	A timely application to the physician will prolong thy life.
Ω	Thou shalt find it ere many days are past.
♐	Thou mayest continue thy attachment, but avoid a hasty marriage; it would much impair thy fortunes.
♑	Thou shalt have prosperity in thy middle and latter days.
♒	Thy spouse will be an ill-tempered, passionate woman; argument will not prevail; blows only can do good.
♓	Thy exertions will shortly be crowned with success.
♈	A grand discovery, important to all Europe, is about to take place.
☿	Thou wilt be more fortunate than wise.
♊	Thy happiness shall be secured by marriage, wealth, and retirement.

γ	Thou shalt soon see one of thy dearest friends.
8	By travelling northward thy wealth will be increased.
Π	Thou shalt have a powerful friend, who will counteract the malice of thy foes.
☿	Thou wilt meet with an accident before thy fiftieth year, which will greatly impair thy health.
Ω	The police only will be able to sift this matter to the bottom, and it will be attended with much trouble.
♐	The object of thy affections has many virtues, likewise faults, which thou wilt find out anon.
♂	Misfortunes will not assail thee, but thou canst never expect wealth.
♂	Poverty in all its shapes and forms, if thou art too precipitate.
♂	A happy termination depends on co-operation with the one thou lovest most.
♂	Revolution in the West; the contest will be long and doubtful.
☿	Thou shalt have much happiness in marriage and retirement.
♂	The man thou shalt marry will be high in favour with his sovereign.

γ	They are much regretting thy absence from them at this time, and not without a cause.
8	Thou wilt never quit thy native land.
Π	By the artful suggestion of an enemy thou art liable to fall into trouble.
☿	Beware ! dissipation will shorten thy life.
Ω	Notice well the countenance of the second person thou seest to-morrow morning.
♐	Thou needest not be disturbed by jealous apprehensions ; thou art truly loved.
♑	Doubt not but that fortune will favour thee.
♒	Thou must have the consent of the relatives on both sides to the connection thou art about to form, or thou wilt suffer.
♓	Proceed not, or a failure will take place.
♈	Violent storms are portended, but no injury will result to thee or thine.
♉	A fortunate enterprise will give thee great cause for contentment.
♊	Be open with thy husband, in case of serious misunderstandings between thee, which would occasion thee much grief.

☿	One of thy female friends has just been blessed with a daughter.
♄	By being upright and honest in thy dealings, thou mayest attain great wealth in a distant land.
♀	Thy enemies may triumph for a season, but thy ultimate success will put them to shame.
♎	Thy days will be lengthened if thou removest to a warmer climate,
♏	The whereabouts of the property will be found by a dog.
♐	For a season give not thy heart up to sweet enticements of love; be patient, and thou shalt behold one who will gladden thy heart.
♑	Thou wilt have a large sum of money bequeathed to thee by one from whom thou hadst no hopes.
♒	In a foreign land thou shalt wed a spouse who will render thy life comfortable and happy.
♓	If thou couldst see into the future, thou wouldst perceive that the undertaking would prove fruitless.
♈	An expedition, lately gone from this country, will soon return crowned with success.
♉	Thou wilt shortly hear news of a disagreeable nature.
♊	A nobleman is destined to be thy bridegroom.

γ	Thy friends are now indulging in mirth and jollity ; they grasp the wine cup and drink to thy prosperity.
8	Illness, perhaps death, would be thy fate in a foreign land.
Π	Gentleness of disposition, on thy part, will secure thee many friends ! one, indeed, will prove himself as such.
Σ	Thou wilt live to a good age, but thy temper will be so irritable that thou wilt annoy all around thee.
Ω	It is irrevocably gone from thee ; let no persuasion induce thee to continue the search.
π	Those who have an influence over thy fortunes, ardently desire marriage between thee and thy beloved.
ρ	A handsome estate will be left thee by a female relative.
π	Thy bride will be the second daughter of a rich man, whose name begins with D. Thy bride's name will begin with E.
†	Persevere, nothing is impossible to those who use all their exertions to gain the point.
W	Changes are about to take place amongst statesmen of high rank.
≡	A fortune will be thine by marriage, which ought to make thee happy.
✕	Thy time for marriage has not yet arrived ; wait patiently.

γ	One of them will shortly visit a far country.
8	In a western province thou wilt meet with advancement.
Π	Thou art happy in the love of thy friends; they would do much to serve thee.
☞	To enjoy health and live long, thou must avoid three things, viz., high buildings, voyages by sea, and the sparkling goblet.
Ω	It shall be found in less than three weeks.
μ	Let not thy soul be enslaved by the enchanting delusions of love, whilst affairs of far greater importance claim thy attention.
ρ	Thou shalt have a rapid and satisfactory promotion.
π	Thy bride will be a beautiful brunette, with teeth like pearls sunk in a bed of coral, and her cheek like the opening rose.
‡	At the present time a successful termination appears improbable, but not impossible.
∞	A most infamous political intrigue will be discovered which is now being carried on.
≡	Thou shalt be particularly fortunate in business.
✕	Thou hast not yet seen the man to whom thou art to be united; on the hundredth day from the present thou shalt behold him.

γ	Thou wilt have a proposition made to thee by them which it will be for thy benefit to accede to.
8	The oracle portends great success to thee in a distant colony.
Π	A foe will injure thee, but the laws of thy country will afford thee ample redress.
Σ	Health is the reward of temperance, but premature old age is brought on by excess. Take heed !
Ω	Search diligently after thy goods.
μ	A meeting between thee and thy beloved will soon take place ; she is now occupied by thoughts pertaining to thy happiness.
Ω	Riches will pour in upon thee by acting honourably in thy dealings, and being industrious and frugal.
μ	By wedding the one thou hast set thy affections on, thou shalt find a hidden treasure.
†	Money is required to insure success.
Ω	An important change will take place in thy country ere many weeks.
≡	Industry and carefulness in thy youth will render thine old age happy and respected.
✕	Wed not thy present admirer : it would be productive of much loss and pain to thee.

γ	The birth of a male heir causes much gladness in the family of one of thy friends.
8	Thou wilt acquire much wealth at home ; see that thou useth it wisely.
Π	One of thy friends will relieve thee from an embarrassment into which a foe will plunge thee.
96	Thou shalt have a strong constitution until thy forty-first year.
Ω	Commence a minute search, and give up all suspicion of dishonesty.
Π	Let not corrupt desires defile the pure and gentle stream of true affection ; beware of all allurements to wantonness.
9	Wealth would only make thee unhappy, therefore be content.
Π	A daughter of the North will consent to be thy bride : search her out ; she has abundance of wealth.
7	The advantage to be derived will not compensate for the labour and expense attending thy pursuit.
96	Peace is about to take place between two contending powers, but it will not be lasting.
96	Wealth thou shalt possess, but it will not bring thee happiness.
✕	Thou wilt have two offers of marriage about the same time. Accept him whose disposition is most congenial to thine own.

γ	Their affairs are in such condition that they require thy presence.
8	No. Thou canst remain at home.
Π	Be cautious of thy supposed friend ; he may prove thy bitter foe.
Ϡ	Thy teeth will be renewed at the age of seventy-nine. ✓
Ω	Success attends perseverance.
♂	Let nothing divert thy affection from its present object ; in time thy love will be rewarded, and happiness will attend thee both.
♂	Be contented with thy lot, and seek not after this world's goods.
♂	Thou wilt visit the East Indies, where it will be the fate of a very rich female to call thee husband.
♂	Pecuniary embarrassment will prevent thy undertaking terminating successfully.
♂	Great losses by sea !
♂	Happiness will be thine in a foreign land.
♂	Thou wilt have to submit to thy husband in everything ; he will tyrannize over thee : thy children will love and comfort thee.

γ	One of them is procuring patronage for thee.
8	In a distant clime thou wilt meet with one who will greatly contribute to the success of thy future.
Π	Trust not friends and shun enemies.
☿	Thou hast a weak constitution ; equanimity and temperance, only, will insure thee health and long life.
♂	One of thy family, or an inmate of thy house, will recover the lost property.
♂	Let thy affections be genuine and pure, and it will be appreciated by thy beloved.
♂	Wealth would never compensate thee for the loss of thy peace of mind, were it ever so great.
♂	A virtuous spouse, who will bear thee many children, whilst thine own industry will greatly increase thy wealth.
♂	It is a hopeless pursuit ; give it up.
♂	A comet of immense size will soon appear in the firmament ; look out for it !
☿	Thy partner will cause thee much sorrow.
♂	It will be the determination of thy husband to keep thee under him ; strive not for mastery.

γ	Thou art about to receive a sum of money from them.
8	Thou wilt visit foreign countries with benefit to thyself. Thy latter days will be passed in peace and tranquillity at home.
Π	One of whom thou thinkest little, will be the means of advancing thee to great honours and fortune.
☿	Thine old age will be blessed by the affectionate and kind attentions of a large family.
♋	Carefully examine the building detached from thy dwelling-house.
♊	Thou shalt soon perceive that thy lover is affianced to another.
♈	Thy planet at birth was a lucky one.
♍	Thy marriage will be more wealthy than happy.
♂	Good luck thou shalt have. ✓
♄	A mine of silver will shortly be discovered; thou shalt partake of some of the profits.
♊	Love will bring thee much happiness.
♂	Thy bridegroom will be a very short man; use him gently; thy happiness will depend on the length of his days.

γ	Thou wilt soon receive some agreeable news from one of them.
8	Misfortunes will surround thee if thou venture from thy country.
Π	Thou hast one friend who will remain faithful to thee under every change of circumstances.
☿	• Travelling will improve thy health and lay a foundation of a strong constitution.
♂	A tall man, if he would, could give thee sure information. Try him !
♐	Look around thee and thou shalt behold a more desirable object than thy present favourite.
♑	Thou wilt have a moderate fortune, but sufficient for all thy wants.
♒	Thy wife will be a most amiable woman.
♓	Thou wilt be defeated by the malice of an enemy.
♊	Very general illness will shortly prevail !
♋	Great grief will be caused in thy family through a clandestine marriage.
♌	Thou wilt be left a widow with five children, but thy second husband will act the part of a kind parent to them.

γ	One of thy friends is about to be greatly trusted by men in power and authority.
8	A visit to a foreign country for a short season, will greatly amend thy fortunes.
Π	One whom thou trustest as a friend will prove treacherous to thy interests.
95	Thou wilt suffer from ill-health ; but by due care thy days shall be prolonged.
Ω	Thou mayest recover it by stratagem.
μ	Thy constancy to thy present lover will in due time meet with its reward.
⌒	Thou shalt be fortunate ; thou shalt win a prize in the lottery !
μ	Nothing ought to induce thee to marry for three years, when thou wilt meet with one worthy of thy most ardent love.
↑	Pursue not this undertaking longer, for every prospect of success has vanished.
W	An extensive plot will shortly be discovered.
≡	Thou wilt meet with many difficulties ; still despair not, for thou wilt surmount them all.
✕	The stars portend that thou wilt be the wife of four husbands ; all of whom thou wilt survive.

♄	One of them has been very ill, but is now recovering.
♅	By going abroad thou wilt acquire a large fortune, which thou wilt have the pleasure of spending at home.
♆	Thine enemies will be caught in the nets they have spread for thee.
♇	Thou shalt live to threescore and twelve years.
♈	Thou wilt receive some sign to-day, whereby thou wilt know that the property will be found.
♉	The love of the lady of thy choice is stronger even than thine own.
♊	Riches would bring thee unbounded misery.
♋	Thy wife will be an heiress. Cherish her !
♌	Unbounded success !
♍	Great scarcity will shortly prevail.
♎	The stars allot to thee and thy spouse a cottage and contentment.
♏	Thy partner will be the handsomest man in the district to which thou belongest.

7	A great fraud has been practised on them ; thy care may rectify it.
8	Yes ; for it will result in much gain to thee.
II	Thou wilt have friends in prosperity, but they will forsake thee in adversity.
5	Thou wilt lead to the altar thy third wife on the day thou enterest upon thy seventy-sixth year !
Q	A greater treasure than that which thou hast lost will be found during thy search.
77	Thy suit will be successful if thou lovest truly.
Q	Thou shalt soon be wealthy ; see that thou forgettest not thy poorer relations.
77	Thy spouse will be an orphan ; if she brings thee no dowry, she will prove a virtuous wife.
7	Thou wilt have great disappointments.
W	Active preparations are taking place for war in a neighbouring country.
W	After an active business life thou wilt enjoy the sweets of retirement.
7	Thou wilt be three times married, and be the mother of nineteen children.

γ	They are about to be involved in litigation.
8	Forsake not thy home, friends, and relatives, for uncertain fortune abroad.
Π	The malice of thy enemies will not affect thee; but the good offices of thy friends will do much to establish thy name and fortune.
☿	A sedentary life will cut off ten years from the natural period of thy existence.
Ω	Institute further inquiry; the property might be found whilst thou art lamenting its loss.
♊	An envious person will endeavour to mar thy happiness by speaking ill of thee to thy beloved. Be on thy guard!
♋	Thou shalt have wealth in abundance.
♌	In thy married life thou shalt have beauty, health, wealth, and happiness; but it will be of short duration.
♍	A generous female will secure to thee every advantage that thou canst desire.
♎	Thou wilt derive much benefit from a new manufactory which will be established.
♏	Thy family and children will cause thee much trouble of mind; but in the end cometh happiness!
♐	Thy husband will be a grey headed old man. Cherish old age.

♈	A serious quarrel and misunderstanding have taken place among them.
♉	If thou quittest thy native land, it is doubtful if thou wilt return. ✓
♊	Thou wilt soon be rid of thy greatest enemy.
♋	Thou wilt suffer much debility and weakness as thou advancest in years.
♌	When thou hast given up hope of ever finding the property, it will accidentally be recovered.
♍	The object of thy affections is preparing a present for thee.
♎	Thy circumstances will be greatly improved by marriage.
♏	Thou wilt have an industrious, beautiful, and prudent spouse, who will compensate for want of fortune.
♐	Much anxiety with little advantage.
♑	News will shortly arrive of the eruption of a volcano, which will cause great devastation. ✓
♒	The latter days of thy life will be smooth and pleasant, no matter what the outset was.
♓	Thou wilt remain single many years, but will gain a husband at last.

γ	One of them will shortly make thee his heir.
8	Thou wilt meet with many changes of fortune in a foreign land.
Π	Thou art about to receive a gift of great value from a friend.
9	After thy fifty-second year, thou mayest expect a periodical visit of gout and rheumatism.
Ω	Search more minutely than thou hast yet done.
π	No opportunity is to be lost of gaining the heart of thy beloved, as a rival is about to reap all the fruits of thy attachment.
Δ	Thou art in the way of great preferment.
π	Thy marriage will be a wealthy one, but thou wilt not enjoy much happiness, as thy spouse will be in ill-health for many years.
♂	If the moon be at the full the next time thou beholdest her, thou wilt be fortunate ; if not, will be proportionately unsuccessful.
∞	A dreadful engagement by sea will soon take place.
≡	Thy prosperity may be greatly augmented by care.
⋈	Thy partner will be a glutton and a wine-bibber.

♈	A secret enemy is trying to cause a serious misunderstanding to arise between thee and them ; be cautious.
♉	In a foreign land thou shalt be under the planet which presides over thy destiny ; thou wilt therefore be safe and fortunate.
♊	Thy enemies will meet destruction ; fear them not.
♋	Thou wilt be inclined to fits, apoplexy, etc., but due attention will prevent them ending fatally.
♌	The real truth will not be discovered during thy lifetime.
♍	The course of thy love shall be smooth. Be happy.
♎	Thou shalt have much success in thy business.
♏	Be not in such haste to wed, the demon of jealousy will ever be an inmate in thy bosom.
♐	Failure!
♑	A man in high power and authority will speedily be debased.
♒	Thou wilt be the parent of a child of wonderful genius and vast acquirements.
♓	Thy husband's talents will procure him much respect and wealth.

☿	A conspiracy among them is about to deprive thee of thy lawful rights.
♄	Relinquish all idea of going abroad ; it would improve thy fortune but impair thy health.
♀	Perseverance in the paths of virtue and honour will knit thy friends closer to thee and abash thine enemies.
♁	Thou wilt live to a century of years ; at their termination death will be a welcome visitor.
♊	It will be found when least expected.
♋	A rival is taking advantage of thine absence. Go to them ; thy presence will put an end to their intercourse.
♌	Thou shalt be promoted to a post of great responsibility ; see that thou provest worthy of the trust.
♍	As desirous as thou art to lose thy liberty, be assured that thou shalt be as desirous to regain it.
♎	Utter dismay and disappointment.
♏	Thou shalt be taken before the judges of the land ere many days are past.
♐	The fates decree a mingled texture of good and evil.
♑	Thou shalt be more happy in the choice of a husband than many of thy companions.

FORTUNE-TELLING BY CARDS.

IN Fortune-Telling by Cards, as in all games in which they are employed, the Ace ranks highest in value. Then comes the King, followed by the Queen, Knave, Ten, Nine, Eight, and Seven, these being generally the only cards used.

The order, and comparative value of the different suits, is as follows :—First on the list stand “Clubs,” as they mostly portend happiness, and—no matter how numerous, or how accompanied—are rarely or never of bad augury. Next come “Hearts,” which usually signify joy, liberality, or good temper ; “Diamonds,” on the contrary, denotes delay, quarrels, and annoyance ; and “Spades”—the worst suit of all—grief, sickness, and loss of money.

We are of course speaking generally, as, in many cases, the position of cards entirely changes their signification, their individual and relative meaning being often widely different. Thus, for example, the King of Hearts, the Nine of Hearts, and the Nine of Clubs, respectively, signify a liberal man, joy, and success in love ; but change their position, by placing the King *between* the two Nines, and thou wouldst read that a man, then rich and happy, would be ere long consigned to a prison !

SIGNIFICATION OF THE CARDS.

The individual meaning attached to the thirty-two cards employed is as follows :—

THE EIGHT CLUBS.

Ace of Clubs.—Signifies money, joy, or good news ; if reversed, the joy will be of brief duration.

King of Clubs.—A frank, liberal man, fond of serving his friends; if reversed, he will meet with a disappointment.

Queen of Clubs.—A clever and enterprising young man; reversed, a heartless flirt and flatterer.

Ten of Clubs.—Fortune, success, or grandeur; reversed, want of success in some small matter.

Nine of Clubs.—Unexpected gain, or a legacy; reversed, some trifling present.

Eight of Clubs.—A dark person's affections, which, if returned, will be the cause of great prosperity; reversed, those of a fool, and attendant unhappiness, if reciprocated.

Seven of Clubs.—A small sum of money, or unexpectedly recovered debt; reversed, a yet smaller amount.

THE EIGHT HEARTS.

Ace of Hearts.—A love letter, or some pleasant news; reversed, a friend's visit.

King of Hearts.—A fair, liberal man; reversed, will meet with disappointment.

Queen of Hearts.—A mild, amiable woman; reversed, has been crossed in love.

Knave of Hearts.—A gay, young bachelor, who dreams only of pleasure; reversed, a discontented military man.

Ten of Hearts.—Happiness, triumph; if reversed, some slight anxiety.

Nine of Hearts.—Joy, satisfaction, success; reversed, a passing chagrin.

Eight of Hearts.—A fair person's affections; reversed indifference on his or her part.

Seven of Hearts.—Pleasant thoughts, tranquility; reversed, ennui, weariness.

THE EIGHT DIAMONDS.

Ace of Diamonds.—A letter, soon to be received; and, if the cards be reversed, containing bad news.

King of Diamonds.—A fair man, generally in the army, but both cunning and dangerous ; if reversed, a threatened danger, caused by machinations on his part.

Queen of Diamonds.—An ill-bred, scandal-loving woman ; if reversed, she is to be greatly feared.

Knave of Diamonds.—A tale-bearing servant, or unfaithful friend ; if reversed, will be the cause of mischief.

Ten of Diamonds.—Journey, or change of residence ; if reversed, it will not prove fortunate.

Nine of Diamonds.—Annoyance, delay ; if reversed, either a family or a love quarrel.

Eight of Diamonds.—Love-making ; if reversed, unsuccessful.

Seven of Diamonds.—Satire, mockery ; reversed, a foolish scandal.

N.B.—In order to know whether the Ace, Ten, Nine, Eight, and Seven of Diamonds are reversed, it is better to make a small pencil-mark on each, to show which is the top of the card.

THE EIGHT SPADES.

Ace of Spades.—Pleasure ; reversed, grief, bad news.

King of Spades.—The envious man, an enemy, or a dishonest lawyer, who is to be feared ; reversed, impotent malice.

Queen of Spades.—A widow ; reversed, a dangerous and malicious woman.

Knave of Spades.—A dark, ill-bred young man ; reversed, he is plotting some mischief.

Ten of Spades.—Tears, a prison ; reversed, brief affliction.

Nine of Spades.—Tidings of a death ; if reversed, it will be some near relative.

Eight of Spades.—Approaching illness ; reversed, a marriage broken off, or offer refused.

Seven of Spades.—Slight annoyances ; reversed, a foolish intrigue.

The Court cards of Hearts and Diamonds usually represent persons of fair complexion ; Clubs and Spades the opposite.

SIGNIFICATION OF DIFFERENT CARDS OF THE SAME
DENOMINATION.

Four Aces coming together, or following each other, announce danger, failure in business, and sometimes imprisonment. If one or more of them be reversed, the danger will be lessened, but that is all.

Three Aces coming in the same manner—Good tidings ; if reversed, folly.

Two Aces.—A plot ; if reversed, will not succeed.

Four Kings.—Rewards, dignities, honour ; reversed, they will be less, but sooner received.

Three Kings.—A consultation on important business, the result of which will be highly satisfactory ; if reversed, success will be doubtful.

Two Kings.—A partnership in business ; if reversed, a dissolution of the same. Sometimes this only denotes friendly projects.

Four Queens.—Company, society ; one or more reversed denotes that the entertainment will not go off well.

Three Queens.—Friendly calls ; reversed, chattering and scandal, or deceit.

Two Queens.—A meeting between friends ; reversed, poverty, troubles, in which one will involve the other.

Four Knaves.—A noisy party—mostly young people ; reversed a drinking bout.

Three Knaves.—False friends ; reversed, a quarrel with some low person.

Two Knaves.—Evil intentions ; reversed, danger.

Four Tens.—Great success in projected enterprise ; reversed, the success will not be so brilliant, but still it will be sure.

Three Tens.—Improper conduct ; reversed, failure.

Two Tens.—Change of trade or profession ; reversed, denotes that the prospect is only a distant one.

Four Nines.—A great surprise ; reversed, a public dinner.

Three Nines.—Joy, fortune, health ; reversed, wealth lost by imprudence.

Two Nines.—A little gain ; reversed, trifling losses at cards.

Four Eights.—A short journey ; reversed, the return of a friend or relative.

Three Eights.—Thoughts of marriage ; reversed, folly, flirtation.

Two Eights.—A brief love-dream ; reversed, small pleasures and trifling pains.

Four Sevens.—Intrigues among servants or low people, threats, snares, and disputes ; reversed, that their malice will be impotent to harm, and that the punishment will fall on themselves.

Three Sevens.—Sickness, premature old age ; reversed, slight and brief indisposition.

Two Sevens.—Levity ; reversed, regret.

Any picture-card between two others of equal value—as two tens, two Aces, etc.—denotes that the person represented by that card runs the risk of a prison.

It requires no great efforts to commit these significations to memory, but it must be remembered that they are but what the alphabet is to the printed book ; a little attention and practice, however, will soon enable the learner to form these mystic letters into words, and words into phrases ; in other language, to assemble these cards together, and read the events, past and to come, their pictured faces portend to reveal.

There are several ways of doing this ; but we will give them all, one after another, so as to afford our readers an ample choice of methods of prying into futurity.

No. I.—DEALING THE CARDS BY THREES.

Take the pack of thirty-two selected cards—viz., the Ace, King, Queen, Knave, Ten, Nine, Eight, and Seven, of each suit, having before fixed upon the one thou intendest to represent thyself, supposing always thou art making the essay on thine own behalf. If not, it must represent the person for whom thou art acting. In doing this, it is necessary to remember that the card chosen should be according to the complexion of the chooser, King or Queen of Diamonds for a very fair person, ditto of Hearts for one rather darker, Clubs for one darker still, and Spades only for one very dark indeed. The card chosen also loses its signification, and simply becomes the representative of a dark or fair man or woman, as the case may be.

This point having been settled, shuffle the cards, and either cut them or have them cut for thee (according to whether thou art acting for thyself or another person), taking care to use the *left* hand. That done, turn them up by *threes*, and every time thou findest in these triplets *two of the same suit*, such as two Hearts, two Clubs, etc., withdraw the highest card and place it on the table before thee. If the triplet should chance to be all of the same suit, the *highest* card is still to be the only one withdrawn; but should it consist of three of the *same value* but *different suits*, such as three Kings, etc., they are to be all appropriated. We will suppose that, after having turned up the cards three by three, thou hast been able to withdraw six, leaving twenty-six, which thou must shuffle and cut, and again turn up by threes, acting precisely as thou didst before, until thou hast obtained either *thirteen*, *fifteen*, or *seventeen* cards. Recollect that the number must always be uneven, and that the card representing the person for whom the essay is made must make one of it. Even if the requisite thirteen, fifteen, or seventeen have been obtained, and this one has not made its appear-

ance, the operation must be recommenced. Let us suppose the person whose fortune is being read to be a lady, represented by the Queen of Hearts, and that fifteen cards have been obtained and laid out—in the form of a half circle—in the order they were drawn, viz., the Seven of Clubs, the Ten of Diamonds, the Nine of Diamonds, the Ten of Hearts, the Queen of Spades, the Eight of Hearts, the Knave of Diamonds, the Queen of Hearts, the Nine of Clubs, the Seven of Spades, the Ace of Clubs, the Eight of Spades. Having considered thy cards, thou wilt find among them two Queens, two Knaves, two tens, three sevens, two eights, and two nines; thou art, therefore, able to announce:—

“The two Queens before me signify the reunion of friends; the two Knaves, that there is mischief being made between them. These two tens denote a change of profession, which, from one of them being between two sevens, I see will not be effected without some difficulty, the cause of which, according to these *three* sevens, will be illness. However, these two nines promise some small gain, resulting—so say these two eights—from a love affair.”

Thou must now begin to count *seven cards from right to left*, beginning with the Queen of Hearts, who represents the lady thou art acting for. The seventh being the King of Diamonds, thou mayest say:—

“Thou often thinkest of a fair man in uniform.”

The next seventh card (counting the King of Diamonds as *one*) proves to be the Ace of Clubs, thou must add:—

“Thou wilt receive from him some very joyful tidings; he, besides, intends making thee a present.”

Count the Ace of Clubs as “one,” and proceeding to the next seventh card, the Queen of Spades, thou resumest:—

“A widow is endeavouring to injure thee on this very account; and” (the seventh card, counting the

Queen as one, being the Ten of Diamonds) "the annoyance she gives thee will oblige thee either to take a journey or change thy residence ; but" (this Ten of Diamonds being imprisoned between two sevens) "thy journey or removal will meet with some obstacle."

On proceeding to count as before, calling the Ten of Diamonds one, thou wilt find the seventh card prove to be the Queen of Hearts herself, the person for whom thou art acting, and may therefore safely conclude by saying :—

"But this thou wilt overcome of thyself, without needing any one's aid or assistance."

Now take the two cards at either extremity of the half-circle, which are, respectively, the Eight of Spades and the Seven of Clubs, unite them and continue :—

"A sickness, which will lead to thy receiving a small sum of money."

Repeat the same manœuvre, which brings together the Ace of Clubs and the Ten of Diamonds :—

"Good news, which will make thee decide on taking a journey, destined to prove a very happy one, and which will occasion thee to receive a sum of money."

The next cards united, being the Seven of Spades and the Seven of Hearts, thou sayest :—

"Tranquility and peace of mind, followed by slight anxiety, quickly succeeded by love and happiness."

Then come the Nine of Clubs and the Knave of Clubs, foretelling :—

"Thou wilt certainly receive money, through the exertions of a clever, dark young man—Queen of Hearts and King of Diamonds—which comes from the fair man in uniform ; this rencontre announces some great happiness in store for thee, and complete fulfilment of thy wishes. Knave of Diamonds and Nine of Diamonds—Although this happy result will be delayed for a time, through some fair young man, not famed for his delicacy. Eight of Hearts and Ten of

Hearts—love, joy, and triumph. The Queen of Spades, who remains alone, is the widow who is endeavouring to injure thee, and who finds herself abandoned by all her friends !”

Now gather up the cards thou hast been using, shuffle and cut them with the left hand, and proceed to make them into three packs by dealing one to the left, and one in the middle, and one to the right ; a fourth is laid aside to form “a surprise.” Then continue to deal the cards to each of the three packs in turn, until their number is exhausted, when it will be found that the left hand and middle pack contain each five cards, whilst the one on the right hand consists of only four.

Now ask the person consulting thee to select one of the three packs. We will suppose this to be the middle one, and that the cards comprising it are the Knave of Diamonds, the King of Diamonds, the Seven of Spades, the Queen of Spades, and the Seven of Clubs. These, by recollecting our previous instructions regarding the individual and relative signification of the cards, are easily interpreted as follows :—

“The Knave of Clubs—a fair young man, possessed of no delicacy of feeling, who seeks to injure—the King of Diamonds—a fair man, in uniform—Seven of Spades—and will succeed in causing him some annoyance—the Queen of Spades—at the instigation of a spiteful woman—Seven of Clubs—but, by means of a small sum of money, matters will be finally and easily arranged.”

Next take up the left hand pack, which is “for the house”—the former one having been for the lady herself. Supposing it to consist of the Queen of Hearts, the Knave of Clubs, the Eight of Hearts, the Nine of Diamonds, and the Ace of Clubs, they would read thus :—

“Queen of Hearts—the lady whose fortune is being told is, or soon will be, in a house—Knave of Clubs—

where she will meet with a dark young man, who—Eight of Hearts—will entreat her assistance to forward his interests with a fair girl—Nine of Diamonds—he having met with delays and disappointments—Ace of Clubs—but a letter will arrive announcing the possession of money, which will remove all difficulties.”

The third pack is “for those who did not expect it,” and will be composed of four cards, let us say the Ten of Hearts, Nine of Clubs, Eight of Spades, and Ten of Diamonds, signifying :—

“The Ten of Hearts—an unexpected piece of good fortune and great happiness—Nine of Clubs—caused by an unlooked-for legacy—Eight of Spades—which joy may perhaps be followed by a slight sickness—Ten of Diamonds—the result of a fatiguing journey.” There now remains on the table only the card intended for the “surprise.” This, however, must be left untouched, the other cards gathered up, shuffled, cut, and again laid out in three packs, not forgetting at the first deal to add a card to “the surprise.” After the different packs have been duly examined and explained, as before described, they must again be gathered up, shuffled, etc., indeed, the whole operation repeated, after which the three cards forming “the surprise” are examined ; and supposing them to be the Seven of Hearts, the Knave of Clubs, and the Queen of Spades, are to be thus interpreted :—

“Seven of Hearts—Pleasant thoughts and friendly intentions—Knave of Clubs—of a dark young man—relative to a malicious dark woman, or widow, who will cause him much unhappiness.”

NO. 2.—DEALING THE CARDS BY SEVENS.

After having shuffled the pack of thirty-two selected cards—which, as we before stated, consist of the Ace, King, Queen, Knave, Ten, Nine, Eight, and Seven of each suit—either cut them thyself, or, if acting for

another person, let that person cut them, taking care to use the *left* hand. Then count seven cards, beginning with the one lying on the top of the pack. The first six are useless, so put them aside, and retain only the seventh, which is to be placed face upwards on the table before you. Repeat this three times more, then shuffle and cut the cards thou hast thrown on one side, together with those remaining in thy hand, and tell them out in sevens as before, until thou hast thus obtained twelve cards. It is, however, indispensable that the one representing the person whose fortune is being told should be among the number; therefore, the whole operation must be recommenced in case of it not having made its appearance. The twelve cards being now spread out before thee in the order in which they have come to hand, thou mayest begin to explain them as described in the manner of dealing the cards in threes—always bearing in mind both their individual and relative signification. Thus, count first the cards by sevens, beginning with the one representing the person for whom thou art acting, going from *right* to *left*. Then take the two cards at either extremity of the line or half circle, and unite them, and afterwards form the three heaps or packs and “the surprise” precisely as we have before described. Indeed, the only difference between the two methods is the manner in which the cards are obtained.

No. 3.—DEALING THE CARDS BY FIFTEENS.

After having well shuffled and cut the cards, or, as we have before said, had them cut, deal them out in two packs, containing sixteen cards in each. Desire the person consulting thee to choose one of them; lay aside the first card, to form “the surprise;” turn up the other fifteen, and range them in a half circle before thee, going from left to right, placing them in the order in which they come to hand, and taking care to re-

mark whether the one representing the person for whom thou art acting be among them. If not, the cards must be all gathered up, shuffled, cut, and dealt as before, and this must be repeated until the missing card makes its appearance in the pack chosen by the person it represents. Now proceed to explain them—first, by interpreting the meaning of any pairs, triplets, or quartettes among them; then by counting them in sevens, going from right to left, and beginning with the card representing the person consulting thee; and, lastly, by taking the cards at either extremity of the line and pairing them. This being done, gather up the fifteen cards, shuffle, cut, and deal them so as to form three packs of each five cards. From each of these three packs withdraw the topmost card, and place them on the one laid aside to form “the surprise,” thus forming four packs of four cards each.

Desire the person for whom thou art acting to choose one of these packs, “for herself” or “himself,” as the case may be. Turn it up, and spread out the four cards it contains, from left to right, explaining their individual and relative signification. Next proceed in like manner with the pack on thy left hand, which will be “for the house;” then the third one, “for those who do not expect it;” and lastly, “the surprise.”

In order to render our meaning perfectly clear, we will give another example. Let us suppose that the pack for the person consulting thee is composed of the Knave of Hearts, the Ace of Diamonds, the Queen of Clubs, and the Eight of Spades *reversed*. By the aid of the list of meanings we have given, it will be easy to interpret them as follows:—

“The Knave of Hearts is a gay young bachelor—the Ace of Diamonds—who has written, or will very soon write, a letter—the Queen of Clubs—to a dark woman—Eight of Spades reversed—to make proposals to her, which will not be accepted.”

On looking back to the list of significations, it will be found to run thus:—

Knave of Hearts—A gay young bachelor, who thinks only of pleasure.

Ace of Diamonds—A letter, soon to be received.

Queen of Clubs—An affectionate woman, but quick tempered and touchy.

Eight of Spades—If reversed, a marriage broken off, or offer refused.

It will thus be seen that each card forms, as it were, a phrase, from an assemblage of which nothing but a little practice is required to form complete sentences. Of this we will give a further example, by interpreting the signification of the three other packs—"for the house," "for those who do not expect it," and "the surprise." The first of these, "for the house," we will suppose to consist of the Queen of Hearts, the Knave of Spades *reversed*, the Ace of Clubs, and the Nine of Diamonds, which reads thus:—

"The Queen of Hearts is a fair woman, mild and amiable in disposition, who—Knave of Spades reversed—will be deceived by a dark, ill-bred young man—the Ace of Clubs—but she will receive some good news, which will console her—Nine of Diamonds—although it is probable that the news may be delayed."

The pack "for those who do not expect it," consisting of the Queen of Diamonds, the King of Spades, the Ace of Hearts *reversed*, and the Seven of Spades, would signify:—

"The Queen of Diamonds is a mischief-making woman—the King of Spades—who is in league with a dishonest lawyer—Ace of Hearts *reversed*—they will hold a consultation together—Seven of Spades—but the harm they will do will soon be repaired."

Last comes "the surprise," formed by, we will suppose, the Knave of Clubs, the Ten of Diamonds, the

Queen of Spades, and the Nine of Spades, of which the interpretation is :—

“The Knave of Clubs is a clever, enterprising young man—Ten of Diamonds—about to undertake a journey—Queen of Spades—for the purpose of visiting a widow—Nine of Spades—but one or both of their lives will be endangered.

No. 4.—THE TWENTY-ONE CARDS.

After having shuffled the thirty-two cards, and cut, or had them cut, with the *left hand*, withdraw from the pack the first eleven, and lay them on one side. The remainder—twenty-one in all—are to be again shuffled and cut. That done, lay the topmost card on one side, to form “the surprise,” and range the remaining twenty before thee, in the order in which they come to hand. Then look whether the card representing the person consulting thee be among them ; if not, one must be withdrawn from the eleven useless ones, and placed at the right extremity of the row, where it represents the missing card, no matter what it may really be. We will, however, suppose that the person wishing to make the essay is an officer in the army, and, consequently, represented by the King of Diamonds, and that the twenty cards ranged before thee are the Queen of Diamonds, the King of Clubs, the Ten of Hearts, the Ace of Spades, the Queen of Hearts *reversed*, the Seven of Spades, the Knave of Diamonds, the Ten of Clubs, the King of Spades, the Eight of Diamonds, the King of Hearts, the Nine of Clubs, the Knave of Spades *reversed*, the Seven of Hearts, the Ten of Spades, the King of Diamonds, the Ace of Diamonds, the Seven of Clubs, the Nine of Hearts, and the Ace of Clubs.

Thou wilt proceed to examine the cards as they lay, and perceiving that all the four kings are there, thou canst predict that great rewards await the person con-

sulting thee, and that he will gain great dignity and honour. The two queens, one of them reversed, announce the reunion of two sorrowful friends; the three aces foretell good news; the two knaves, one of them reversed, danger; the three tens, unbroken conduct.

Thou must now begin to explain the cards, commencing with the first on the left hand, viz., the Queen of Diamonds. "The Queen of Diamonds is a mischief-making, under-bred woman—the King of Clubs—endeavouring to win the affections of a worthy and estimable man—Ten of Hearts—over whose scruples she will triumph—Ace of Spades—the affair will make some noise—Queen of Hearts reversed—and greatly distress a charming fair woman who loves him—Seven of Spades—but her grief will not be of long duration—Knave of Diamonds—an unfaithful servant—Ten of Clubs—will make away with a considerable sum of money—King of Spades—and will be brought to trial—Eight of Diamonds—but saved from punishment through a woman's agency. King of Hearts—a fair man of liberal disposition—Nine of Clubs—will receive a large sum of money—Knave of Spades *reversed*—which will expose him to the malice of a dark youth of coarse manners. Seven of Hearts—pleasant thoughts, followed by—Ten of Spades—great chagrin—King of Diamonds—await a man in uniform, *who is the person consulting me*—Ace of Diamonds—but a letter he will speedily receive—Seven of Clubs—containing a small sum of money—Nine of Hearts—will restore his good spirits—Ace of Clubs—which will be further augmented by some good news." Now turn up "the surprise," which we will suppose to prove the Ace of Hearts—"a card that predicts great happiness, caused by a love-letter, but which making up the four aces, shows that this sudden joy will be followed by great misfortune."

Now gather up the cards, shuffle, cut, and form into three packs, at the first deal laying one aside to form "the surprise." By the time they are all dealt out, it

will be found that the two first packets are each composed of seven cards, whilst the third contains only six. Desire the person consulting thee to select one of these, take it up, and spread out the cards, from *left* to *right*, explaining them as before described.

Gather up the cards again, shuffle, cut, form into three packs (dealing one card to the surprise), and proceed as before. Repeat the whole operation once more; then take up the three cards forming the surprise, and then give their interpretation.

We may remark that no matter how the cards are dealt, whether by threes, sevens, fifteens, or twenty-one, when those lower than the Knave predominate, it foretells success; if Clubs are the most numerous, they predict gain, considerable fortune, etc.; if picture cards, dignity and honour; Hearts, gladness, good news; Spades, death or sickness.

These significations are necessarily very vague, and must of course be governed by the positions of the cards.

THE ITALIAN METHOD.

Take a pack composed of thirty-two selected cards, viz., the Ace, King, Queen, Knave, Ten, Nine, Eight, and Seven, of each suit. Shuffle them well, and either cut or have them cut for thee, according to whether thou art acting for thyself or another person. Turn up the cards by threes, and when the triplet is composed of cards of the same suit, lay it aside; when of three different suits, pass it by without withdrawing any of the three; but when composed of two of one suit and one of another, withdraw the highest card of the two. When thou hast come to the end of the pack, gather up all the cards except those thou hast withdrawn; shuffle, cut, and again turn up by threes. Repeat this operation until thou hast obtained fifteen cards, which must then be spread out before thee from *left* to *right*, in the order in which they come to hand.

Care must, however, be taken that the card representing the person making the essay is among them; if not, the whole operation must be recommenced until the desired result is obtained. We will suppose it to be some dark lady represented by the Queen of Clubs—who is anxious to make the attempt for herself, and that the cards are laid out in the following order, from left to right:—Ten of Diamonds, Queen of Clubs, Eight of Hearts, Ace of Diamonds, Ten of Hearts, Seven of Clubs, King of Spades, Nine of Hearts, Knave of Spades, Ace of Clubs, Seven of Spades, Ten of Spades, Seven of Diamonds, Ace of Spades, and Knave of Hearts.

On examining them, thou wilt find that there are three Aces among them, announcing good news; but, as they are at some distance from each other, that the tidings may be some time before they arrive.

The three Tens denotes that the conduct of the person consulting the cards has not always been strictly correct. The two Knaves are enemies, and the three sevens predicts an illness, caused by them.

Thou must now begin to count *five* cards, beginning with the Queen of Clubs, which represents the person consulting thee. The fifth card, being the Seven of Clubs, signifies that this money will be accompanied by some very joyful tidings. Next comes the Ace of Spades, promising complete success to any projects undertaken by the person consulting the cards; then the Eight of Hearts, followed at the proper interval by the King of Spades, showing that the good news will excite the malice of a dishonest lawyer. But the Seven of Spades coming next, announces that the annoyance he can cause will be of short duration, and that a gay, fair, young man—the Knave of Hearts—will soon console her for what she has suffered. The Ace of Diamonds tells that she will soon receive a letter from this fair young man—the Nine of Hearts—announcing a great success—Ten of Spades—but this will

be followed by some slight chagrin—Ten of Diamonds—caused by a journey—Ten of Hearts, but it will soon pass, although—Knave of Spades—a bad, dark young man will endeavour—Seven of Diamonds—to turn her into ridicule. The Queen of Clubs, being representative of herself, shows that it is towards *her* that the dark young man's malice will be directed. Now take the cards at either extremity of the line, and pair them together. The two first being the Knave of Hearts and the Ten of Diamonds, thou shalt say: "A gay young bachelor is preparing to take a journey—Ace of Spades and Queen of Clubs—which will bring him to the presence of the lady consulting the cards, and cause her great joy." Seven of Diamonds and Eight of Hearts—scandal talked about a fair young girl. Ten of Spades and Ace of Diamonds—tears shed upon receipt of a letter. Seven of Spades and Ten of Hearts—great joy, mingled with slight sorrow. Seven of Clubs and Ace of Clubs—a letter promising money. Knave of Spades and King of Spades—the winning of a lawsuit. The Nine of Hearts being the one card left, promises complete success.

Now gather up the cards, shuffle, cut, and deal them out in five packs—one for the lady herself, one for the house, one for "those who do *not* expect it," one for "those who *do* expect it," and one for "the surprise," in the first deal, laying one card aside for "consolation." The rest are then equally distributed among the other five packs, which will, four of them, contain three cards, whilst the last only consists of two.

We will suppose the first packet for the lady herself to be composed of the Ace of Diamonds, the Seven of Clubs, and the Ten of Hearts. The interpretation would run thus:—

"Ace of Diamonds—a letter will be shortly received—Seven of Clubs—announcing the arrival of a small sum of money—Ten of Hearts—and containing some joyful tidings."

The second pack, "for the house," containing the King of Spades, the Nine of Hearts, and the Knave of Spades :—

"The person consulting the cards will receive a visit—King of Spades—from a lawyer—Nine of Hearts—which will greatly delight—Knave of Spades—a dark, ill-disposed young man."

The third pack, "for those who do not expect it," composed of the Ace of Spades, the Knave of Hearts, and the Ace of Clubs, would read :—

"Ace of Spades—pleasure in store for—Knave of Hearts—a gay, young bachelor—Ace of Clubs—by means of money ; but as the Knave of Hearts is placed between two Aces, it is evident that he runs a great risk of being imprisoned ; and, from the two cards, signifying respectively 'pleasure' and 'money,' that it will be for having run into debt."

The fourth pack, "for those who do expect it," containing the Eight of Hearts, the Queen of Clubs, and the Ten of Diamonds :—

"The Eight of Hearts—the love-affair of a fair young girl will oblige—the Queen of Clubs—the person consulting the cards—Ten of Diamonds—to take a journey."

The fifth pack, "for the surprise," consists of the Seven of Spades and the Ten of Spades, meaning :—

"Seven of Spades—slight trouble—Ten of Spades—caused by some person's imprisonment—The card of Consolation—Seven of Diamonds—which will turn out to have been a mere report."

PRESENT, PAST, AND FUTURE.

The person wishing to try her fortune in this manner (we will suppose her to be a fair, young person, represented by the Eight of Hearts) must well shuffle, and cut with the left hand, the pack of thirty-two cards ; after which she must lay aside the topmost and

the undermost cards, to form the surprise. There will now remain thirty cards, which must be dealt out in three parcels—one to the left, one in the middle, and one to the right.

The left-hand pack represents the Past; the middle, the Present; and the one on the right hand, the Future. She must commence with the "Past," which we will suppose to contain these ten cards: The King of Clubs, the Ace of Spades, the Knave of Diamonds, the Nine of Diamonds, the Ace of Hearts, the Knave of Hearts, the Queen of Hearts, the King of Spades, the Knave of Clubs, and the King of Hearts.

She would remark that picture-cards predominating was a favourable sign; also, that the presence of three Kings proved that powerful persons were interesting themselves in her affairs. The three Knaves, however, warn her to beware of false friends, and the Nine of Diamonds predicts some great annoyance, overcome by some good and amiable person, represented by the Queen of Hearts. The two Aces also give notice of a plot. Taking the cards in the order they lay, the explanation would run thus:—

"The King of Clubs—a frank, open-hearted man—Ace of Spades—fond of gaiety and pleasure, is disliked by—Knave of Diamonds—an unfaithful friend—Nine of Diamonds—who seeks to injure him. The Ace of Hearts—a love-letter—Knave of Hearts—from a gay young bachelor to a fair, amiable woman—Queen of Hearts—causes—King of Spades—a lawyer to endeavour to injure a clever—Knave of Clubs—enterprising young man, who is saved from him by—the King of Hearts—a good and powerful man. Nevertheless, as the Knave of Clubs is placed between two similar cards, he has run great risk of being imprisoned through the machinations of his enemy."

The second parcel, "The Present," containing the Ten of Diamonds, the Nine of Spades, the Eight of Spades, the Queen of Diamonds, the Queen of Clubs,

the Eight of Hearts, the Seven of Spades, the Ten of Spades, Queen of Spades, the Eight of Diamonds, signifies:—

“The Ten of Diamonds—a voyage or journey, at that moment taking place—Nine of Spades—caused by the death or dangerous illness of some one—Eight of Spades—whose state will occasion great grief—Queen of Diamonds—to a fair woman. The Queen of Clubs—an affectionate woman seeks to console—Eight of Hearts—a fair young girl, who is the person making the essay—Seven of Spades—who has secret griefs—Ten of Spades—causing her many tears—Queen of Spades—these are occasioned by the conduct of either a dark woman or a widow, who—Eight of Diamonds—is her rival.”

The third packet of cards, “The Future,” we will suppose to contain the Eight of Clubs, the Ten of Clubs, the Seven of Diamonds, the Ten of Hearts, the Seven of Clubs, the Nine of Hearts, the Ace of Diamonds, the Knave of Spades, the Seven of Hearts, the Nine of Clubs, which would read thus:—

“In the first place, the large number of small cards foretells success in enterprises, although the presence of three Sevens predicts an illness. The Eight of Clubs—a dark young girl—Ten of Clubs—is about to inherit a large fortune—Seven of Diamonds—but her satirical disposition will destroy—Ten of Hearts—all her happiness. Seven of Clubs—a little money, and—Nine of Hearts—much joy—Ace of Hearts—will be announced to the person making the essay by a letter, and—Knave of Spades—a wild young man—Seven of Hearts—will be overjoyed at receiving—nine of Clubs—some unexpected tidings. The cards of surprise, viz. ‘the King of Diamonds and the Ace of Clubs, predicts that a letter will be received from some military man, and that it will contain money.”

TO KNOW IF THOU WILT GET THY WISH.

Shuffle the cards well, and cut or have them cut with the *left* hand, then deal out thirteen cards. If among these is to be found one or more Aces, lay them aside. Shuffle and cut the remaining ones, and again deal thirteen; withdraw the Aces as before, and again shuffle, cut, and deal. If in these three deals all four Aces make their appearance, thou wilt get thy wish. If all the Aces come at the first deal, the response is in the highest degree favourable.

THE ENGLISH METHOD OF CONSULTING THE CARDS.

Having described the French and Italian methods of consulting the cards, we will proceed to notice the manner in which the art of fortune-telling is generally practised in this country. Hitherto, only thirty-two cards have been made use of, but now the whole pack is employed. The significations also slightly differ; therefore we shall first give a complete list of them, and then pass on to describe how the cards are to be arranged, so as to disclose their mystic meanings.

Ace of Clubs.—Wealth, happiness, and peace of mind.

King of Clubs.—A dark man, upright, faithful, and affectionate in disposition.

Queen of Clubs.—A dark woman, gentle and pleasing.

Knave of Clubs.—A sincere, but hasty friend—also a dark man's thoughts.

Ten of Clubs.—Unexpected riches, and loss of a dear friend.

Nine of Clubs.—Disobedience to friends' wishes.

Eight of Clubs.—A covetous man—also warns against speculations.

Seven of Clubs.—Promises good fortune and happiness, but bids a person beware of the opposite sex.

Six of Clubs.—Predicts a lucrative business.

Five of Clubs.—A prudent marriage.

Four of Clubs.—Cautions against inconstancy or change of object for the sake of money.

Three of Clubs.—Shows that a person will be more than once married.

Two of Clubs.—A disappointment.

Ace of Diamonds.—A letter—from whom, and about what, is seen by the neighbouring cards.

King of Diamonds.—A fair man, hot-tempered, obstinate, and revengeful.

Queen of Diamonds.—A fair woman, fond of company, and a coquette.

Knave of Diamonds.—A near relation, who considers only his own interests. Also a fair person's thoughts.

Ten of Diamonds.—Money.

Nine of Diamonds.—Shows that a person is fond of roving.

Eight of Diamonds.—A marriage late in life.

Seven of Diamonds.—Satire, evil speaking.

Six of Diamonds.—Early marriage and widowhood.

Five of Diamonds.—Trouble arising from unfaithful friends. Also a betrayed secret.

Three of Diamonds.—Quarrels, law - suits, and domestic disagreements.

Two of Diamonds.—An engagement against the wishes of friends.

Ace of Hearts.—The house. If attended by Spades, it foretells quarrelling; if Hearts, affection and friendship; by Diamonds, money and distant friends; and Clubs, feasting and merry-making.

King of Hearts.—A fair man of good-natured disposition, but hasty and rash.

Queen of Hearts.—A fair woman, faithful, prudent, and affectionate.

Knave of Hearts.—The dearest friend of the consulting party. Also a fair person's thoughts.

Ten of Hearts.—Is prophetic of happiness and many

children; is corrective of the bad tidings of cards next to it, and confirms good ones.

Nine of Hearts.—Wealth and high esteem. Also the wish card.

Eight of Hearts.—Pleasure, company.

Seven of Hearts.—A fickle and false friend, against whom be on thy guard.

Six of Hearts.—A generous but credulous person.

Five of Hearts.—Troubles caused by unfounded jealousy.

Four of Hearts.—A person not easily won.

Three of Hearts.—Sorrow, caused by a person's own imprudence.

Two of Hearts.—Great success, but equal care and attention needed to secure it.

Ace of Spades.—Great misfortune, spite.

King of Spades.—A dark, ambitious man.

Queen of Spades.—A malicious, dark woman—generally a widow.

Knave of Spades.—An indolent, envious person; a dark man's thoughts.

Ten of Spades.—Grief, imprisonment.

Nine of Spades.—A card of very bad import, foretelling sickness and misfortune.

Eight of Spades.—Warns a person to be cautious in his undertaking.

Seven of Spades.—Loss of a friend, attended with much trouble.

Six of Spades.—Wealth through industry.

Five of Spades.—Shows that a bad temper requires correcting.

Four of Spades.—Sickness.

Three of Spades.—A journey.

Two of Spades.—A removal.

Having given the signification of the various cards, we will now proceed to describe how they are to be employed.

After having well shuffled, cut them three times, and lay them out in rows of nine cards each. Select any King or Queen thou pleassest to represent thyself; and wherever thou findest that card placed, count nine cards every way, reckoning it as one, and every ninth card will prove the prophetic one. Before, however, beginning to count, study well the disposition of the cards, according to their individual and relative signification. If a married woman consult the cards, she must make her husband the King of the same suit of which she is Queen; but if a single woman, she may make any favourite male friend King of whatever suit she pleases. As the Knives of the various suits represent the *thoughts* of the persons represented by the picture cards of a corresponding colour, they should also be counted from.

METHOD OF TELLING FORTUNES WITH DOMINOES.

Shuffle the dominoes well on a smooth table, with their faces downward, then draw one, and see what it signifies according to the description given below.

It is useless for any person to draw more than three dominoes at one time of trial, or in one day and the same month, as they will only deceive themselves. Shuffle the dominoes each time of choosing; to draw the same domino twice makes the answer stronger.

Be very particular, and do not attempt to tell thy fortune by dominoes on *Friday* or *Monday*.

SIGNIFICATION OF THE DOMINOES.

DOUBLE-SIX.—Denotes much riches by speculation, and a happy and prolific marriage. It is not good to farmers as far as relates to crops and success in their calling, but it foretells that their lands will rise in value, and that they can make money by selling out.

If a girl turns this domino to learn her fate in matrimonial matters, it is a sign she will marry rich, and have a large family of children.

SIX-FIVE.—If thou art in search of employment, this domino shows that thou wilt succeed by proper perseverance. If in love, do not be discouraged by any rebuff, for success awaits thee. If thou hast planted a crop, or about to plant one, it will yield nobly. In money matters exclusively thou mayest not be fortunate, as the domino is not lucky for money. If thy wife is about to give birth to a child, and thou triest thy fortune with special reference to such birth, this domino foretells its early death. If thou art about to buy real estate, thou wilt be lucky in the purchase; if to buy silverware, jewellery, or a watch, thou wilt get cheated. If thou expectest a legacy, thou wilt probably be lucky, and get it.

SIX-FOUR.—This domino denotes early marriage, and much happiness; the sexes of the children will be about equally divided, and they will live, but will leave home early—the girls to marry, and the boys to do for themselves. It denotes neither poverty nor riches.

SIX-THREE.—This domino denotes constancy and affection. It is an excellent domino for lovers, who will marry early, and enjoy much happiness. It is also a sign of riches and honours, and no troubles of any account will mar thy fortune. There is some danger, however, that thou wilt die at middle age, but if thou survivest that period thou wilt live to a good old age.

SIX-TWO.—Is an excellent domino for lovers, as it foretells a happy marriage. A gentleman turning this domino will get an orderly and economical wife, and a lady will have equal good fortune in a thrifty and industrious husband. Those who turn this domino for luck in business matters will realise all and more than they expect. To dishonest and selfish people, how-

ever, the domino is fatal. If it is turned to determine the result of any scheme that is not fair and above board, it foretells ill success and exposure. To a married lady, who expects to present her husband with an heir, it presents a beautiful and healthy child, and one who will excel as a mathematician, and (if a boy) will probably become distinguished.

SIX-ONE.—This domino foretells to young people that they will be married twice, and the second marriage will be the happiest of the two. To married people it is a sign that they will be better off in middle age than when young, and that one child will be faithful and remain with them, while the others will seek their fortunes away from home.

SIX-BLANK.—If thou turnest this domino thou wilt hear of the death of an esteemed friend, or an acquaintance, will experience the loss of a relative or member of thy family, or some one will die in whom thou art interested. To a farmer, or the owner of horses or other animals, it may denote the loss of some of the animals rather than human beings; but it foretells death in some shape, and may even mean to warn thee of thine own decease.

DOUBLE-FIVE.—Is a decidedly lucky domino in everything thou undertakest. It foretells success in all enterprises, but does not assure thee that thou wilt become rich.

FIVE-FOUR.—This domino shows to a lady that she will probably marry a poor man, will have a large family of children, and then become a widow. He may be pretty well off, to appearance, when she marries him, but if it be so, she will find he has debts and expensive habits that will bring him to poverty and the grave. It is not a good domino for money matters, for if thou hast lost money, or if people owe thee, the turning of this domino shows that thou will not be apt to get the cash. To a farmer it is a sign of good crops, but it is also a sign that something unfortunate will occur in

connection with the farm, such as cattle lost or injured, or property of some kind destroyed.

FIVE-THREE.—Denotes ample means, without any other peculiarity of fortune. If thou turnest this domino thou mayest calculate thou wilt never be poor, and may become quite wealthy. But to one already wealthy, it shows that though he may not become poor, he will never be any better off than he is, and perhaps not so well off. To young people the domino denotes comfortable circumstances after marriage, but not over-zealous love. It shows no positive bad luck in love matters; at the same time, it does not assure thee of devoted attachment of thy proposed partner for life, of either sex. On the whole, it is a pretty fair domino for any one to turn.

FIVE-TWO.—If thou art in love, thou wilt probably be unfortunate; for though thou mayest get the person thou wishest, and an apparently happy marriage may follow, it will prove an unhappy one in the end. Nevertheless, thy happiness may continue for some time after marriage. To a gentleman this domino foretells a thrifty and industrious wife, though one with an unhappy temper and disposition. To a single lady it denotes thrift and independence as long as she remains single. If a man is engaged in a speculation, or is about starting any new enterprise, he will not be likely to succeed. If thou art a candidate for office, thou wilt be defeated. On the whole, this is not a lucky domino for gentlemen, though for ladies it is a pretty good one.

FIVE-ONE.—Is a jolly domino for persons fond of excitement. It predicts that thou wilt receive an invitation to a dinner, or social gathering, or to some place where thou wilt enjoy thyself. If a married lady turns this domino it is a sign she will present her husband with a triple addition to his family—all boys. To a young lady it predicts a beau, who will not be rich or refined, but rather a rough customer, and she

will discard him and marry another. If thou expectest to earn or receive money, this domino is one of disappointment.

FIVE-BLANK.—If a man turns it, he will be either a gambler or a rich rogue, if he has brains enough, and if his intellect is not sufficient, he will probably be a small swindler, or the favoured lover of a lewd woman, or both. Although these will be his characteristics, yet circumstances may place him in a different position; but he will always be mercenary, selfish, impudent, and without pride of character. To a girl this domino foretells an unhappy marriage, and misfortune by that means; but if she remains single, and keeps clear of lovers, she will avoid the ill omen.

DOUBLE-FOUR.—Is a good and smooth domino for lovers, for farmers, and for labouring people of all kinds. On the contrary, lawyers, doctors, or professional men who turn it, will probably have a spell of hard times to encounter. To little girls and boys it predicts that they will soon be invited to a party, and have much pleasure. If any one is about to give a party, and turns this domino, he or she may count on a first-rate time, for everything will go on well, and the party will be a decided success. It likewise predicts that a wedding will come off very soon.

FOUR-THREE.—Those who turn this domino will marry young, live happily, and will not probably have more than one child that will live. It denotes neither poverty nor riches. To a couple who are childless, it is a sign of a second marriage. If a married person who has children turns this domino, it is a sign that the family will be reduced by death or long absence.

FOUR-TWO.—Foretells a change in thy circumstances, condition, family, relations, or thy ideas. It is not known what the change will be, but that there will really be a change, fate has ordained. It may be nothing at all serious, or it may be something that will affect thy whole life. For instance, a young per-

son who turns this domino may get married—that will be an important change, but whether the marriage will be a happy one is not known. A married person may lose their partner; a man may fail in business, or may become pious, and join the church; a family may break up housekeeping and take board, or may lose a favourite child. Indeed, a thousand little incidents may occur in life which will cause a change in thy usual routine. To farmers and persons who work hard for a living, the change will probably be a favourable or happy one. To rich and lazy people it will be an unfortunate one. To any other than these two classes it is uncertain what the nature of it will be. If thou hast offended thy lover, or any particular friend, this domino shows that thou wilt soon make up and become stronger friends than ever. It is a lucky domino for farmers in business matters, although it does not point any particular good fortune that awaits them.

FOUR-ONE.—Those who turn this Domino will marry happily, and no uncommon event will mar their nuptials; the omen connected with it usually points to childless couples who are well off; and I find that where children are born, the parties will lose their wealth and position in proportion to the number of their offspring, which will never exceed four. In most cases there will be no children, but ample means.

FOUR-BLANK.—Is an unfortunate domino for lovers, as it foretells quarrels and separations, old maids and old bachelors. A girl who has a lover, and turns this domino to find out his peculiarities, had better look out somewhere else at once, for she will certainly either lose or discard him. It is the same with a gentleman—he will never marry the girl he then expects to, and may be jilted. To married people the domino gives a prolific promise. A married lady who turns it will probably have twins or triplets at her next maternity. If thou thinkest to entrust a secret

to a friend, this domino denotes that it will not be kept. It also foretells that thy future husband or wife will be a very credulous person, perhaps a believer in spiritualism or some other curious doctrine.

DOUBLE-THREE.—Denotes immense riches, but has no allusion to matrimony. It is an excellent domino for any one to turn, as it points to money in abundance, and does not intimate any unhappiness; therefore, the person who turns it will get plenty of cash, and be happy or not, as fate may ordain.

THREE-TWO.—Is a fortunate domino in the following cases:—Marriage, love-making, recovering stolen property, going on a journey, entering into a speculation, planting a crop, collecting a debt, or making a purchase. This domino shows also that thou mayest be lucky in collecting some old claim or debt that thou hadst given up as lost. It is bad for gamblers, for a woman about to give birth to a child, and for pedlers.

THREE-ONE.—A young girl who turns this domino will be in danger of losing her chastity, therefore let her be careful. A married woman turning it will have an outside admirer, who will flatter her with a view to an improper intimacy. To a man it foretells the loss of money, through his illicit intercourse with the opposite sex. It is not a favourable domino to any one.

THREE-BLANK.—This domino denotes that thy sweetheart is artful and deceitful. If thou marriest, thy wife will be either shrewish, or vain and unprincipled, and perhaps run away and disgrace thee. To a girl it foretells a putty-head of a husband—one who is easily influenced, and whom she can wind round her finger. If thou turnest this domino, it is a sign thou wilt soon be invited to a party, and there make a new acquaintance, with whom thou wilt afterwards have a quarrel. If a married man or woman turns it, it predicts a family quarrel.

DOUBLE-TWO.—The turning of this domino denotes

success in love matters and much happiness in the married state, together with good children, who will live and be prosperous. It also denotes success in any undertaking, and thrift, though not great riches.

TWO-ONE.—The turning of this domino denotes to a lady that she will marry young, and that her husband will die, leaving her a large property, and childless. For a long time she will be a gay, rich widow, but will be caught at last, and married happily. To a young man it denotes a life of luxury; he will never marry, but will be a favourite of the ladies, and have several mistresses. It is not a good domino for business men, as it foretells losses by failures.

TWO-BLANK.—The turning of this domino denotes poverty and bad luck. To a marriageable young woman it predicts a poor, dissipated, and dishonest husband. On the birth of a child, if a boy, it is a sign that he will be poor and shiftless, and perhaps dishonest; if a girl, that she will not marry well. It is not a bad domino for a girl who lives unmarried, for she may do very well alone. It is a domino of good luck to thieves and bad people. If thou turn it, it is a sign of success in any dishonest undertaking. Shouldst thou turn this domino in reference to a journey, it shows that thou wilt go in safety. It predicts an easy deliverance in case thou art attacked, and should be obliged to defend thyself.

DOUBLE-ACE.—Denotes affectionate constancy and happiness in the marriage state. It is an excellent domino to turn, both for lovers and married people, as, besides the above, it indicates a competency of this world's goods.

ONE-BLANK.—This is an unfortunate domino to turn, denoting loss of money, business, and domestic grief. To the young it foretells sorrows in love, an unhappy marriage, and consequent separation. To the married, quarrelling and infidelity.

DOUBLE-BLANK.—To turn this domino is the worst

sign in the whole set, and is only favourable to misers, usurers, gamblers, and unprincipled cheats, and seducers. To any heartless, selfish person, the turn of this domino foretells good luck ; to all others, disappointment. To a lover it foretells disappointment and sorrow. In business matters it is decidedly unfavourable, and is a sign that thy business will decrease. If thou art wanting a situation, thou wilt not obtain it ; and if anything is lost or stolen, it will not be recovered.

FORTUNE TELLING WITH DICE.

Take three dice, shake them well in the box with thy left hand, and then cast them out on a board or table, on which thou hast previously drawn a circle with chalk ; count the number of spots on the uppermost sides of the dice, and look at the signification of the numbers, as given below. Be careful, and do not attempt to tell thy fortune on Mondays or Wednesdays, as they are unlucky days for dice. To throw the same number twice at one trial shows news from abroad, be the number what they may. If the dice roll over the circle, the number thrown goes for nothing, but the occurrence shows sharp words, and if they fall to the floor, it is blows. In throwing out the dice, if one remains on top of the other, it is an unfortunate sign for ladies.

SIGNIFICATION OF THE SPOTS ON DICE.

THREE.—If a young lady throws this number (three aces), it foretells she will have numerous lovers, and if she marries, will have a large family, and then become a widow. To a young man it denotes that he will never marry, but will be a great favourite of the ladies, and probably a gay seducer. If a married person throws it, he or she will become a widower or widow, as the case may be.

FOUR.—To throw this number denotes frivolity in love matters. Unmarried persons who throw it will have many lovers or sweethearts, and will not be fully satisfied with either. It foretells to a married woman that her husband admires the sex generally quite as much as he does her ; but it also denotes that she will be the mother of many children, and that both herself and husband will live to raise them.

FIVE.—To throw this number of the spots of the dice foretells good luck in a land speculation to any one who is about buying lands. It is a very good number for farmers, prognosticating a fortunate season to come. To lovers it shows that some obstacle will present itself to their marriage, or else that they will quarrel. In a family it is a sign that some person will soon visit there that is not welcome. If thou art about to go a journey, and throw this number, thou wilt meet some one who will bother thee, or that thou dislikest, or else some disagreeable accident will happen ; but the accident will not be serious.

SIX.—If a girl throws this number (three deuces), it denotes that she will be of gay disposition and have many lovers, but will never marry ; if she escapes illicit connections, she will be fortunate, and probably get some money by will. To a young man it denotes that he will marry a gay wife, who will be of loose principles ; and also that he himself will keep a mistress, and perhaps become a gambler. He will not be poor as long as he is young and attractive, but he will either die young or become poor in middle age. To gamblers, the throwing of this number is a sign of success in winning money.

SEVEN.—If a man throws this number it foretells he will never marry ; but will be lucky in business speculations. A young lady who throws it will be apt to marry a wealthy husband, although he may not be an agreeable companion. To farmers and mechanics it is not a particularly bad number, though it does not

promise them much success, and it foretells that they will have pretty hard work to keep even with the world.

EIGHT.—This is the miser's throw ; those who throw it will probably be well off, though not rich. It foretells a miserly or stingy disposition, and a character too close in money matters to be very prosperous. If a girl throws this to test the character of her lover, she may be assured that he will not be poor, though it is possible he may lead her an unhappy life from his selfish and penurious habits.

NINE.—If thou throwest this number with the dice with reference to thy future husband or wife, be assured that thou wilt be lucky in thy choice. It foretells an orderly, energetic, and industrious person. To a young girl it does not promise riches with a husband, but it foretells thrift and plenty, and that she may be rich, too. It is a fair business throw also, foretelling pretty good luck in everything except games of chance, predicting bad luck in such games.

TEN.—If a young girl throws this number, she will not marry very soon, and perhaps not at all ; but she will have good luck in other matters, and rise above her present position in society. If a man throws it, he will get a rich wife. It is a favourable number to the male sex in love matters. A married woman who throws it will rise in the world, or have a legacy left to her.

ELEVEN.—This throw foretells extravagance and fondness of show and display. Those who throw it, or for whose fortune it may be thrown, will probably have the command of means, but all will be spent in gimcracks, parties of pleasure, and in adorning the person ; and though they may not come to poverty, they will leave nothing but debts to their heirs. To labouring people it denotes that they will be always in debt, and live beyond their means.

TWELVE.—Shows that an event of some kind is soon

to occur in thy affairs, either for good or evil. To a farmer or a labouring man it will probably be fortunate, but it may be otherwise. To a banker, money-lender, or a jeweller, it is generally a bad omen; to other tradesmen, uncertainty. It has no special reference to love matters.

THIRTEEN.—This number is one of the most unfortunate for either male or female to throw; especially to females, and they should be cautious and suspicious of the male sex, putting no faith in their promises. If a man throws it, it is a sign he will never marry, but will associate with other men's wives.

FOURTEEN.—This is the gambler's throw, and denotes dishonesty and an unprincipled disposition in men and misfortune in women. If a man throws it, he will be either a gambler or a rich rogue, if he has brains enough, and if his intellect is not sufficient, he will probably be a small swindler, or the favoured lover of a lewd woman. Although these will be his characteristics, yet circumstances may place him in a different position, but he will always be mercenary, selfish, impudent, and without pride of character. To a girl this number foretells an unhappy marriage, and misfortune by that means; but if she remains single, and keeps clear of lovers, she will avoid the ill omen.

FIFTEEN.—If thou art a speculating character, a buyer of lottery tickets or lottery policies, or are engaged in any games of chance, such as gambling, horse racing, shooting at a mark, betting, or in fact any scheme that thou expectest to win money by, this number foretells bad luck and discomfiture. If thou triest to test thy luck in any such matters, and this number turns up, thou may'st be sure thou wilt lose, and had better give up at once. If thou wantest to buy land, thou wilt be apt to get a good bargain and be fortunate. This number foretells good luck to a farmer putting in his crops, and the same to a girl choosing a husband; for though she may not get a

rich man, yet he will be industrious, thrifty, comfortable, and good-hearted. To consumptive people this throw is not a favourable one, as in many cases it predicts a short life to them.

SIXTEEN.—This is an unlucky number to a merchant, a banker, or a mechanic. It foretells bad luck of some kind, though it is generally a forerunner of a brisk and profitable business. An excellent run of business may come first, and the bad luck afterwards, or *vice versa*, but the misfortune is sure to come in some where. To a farmer this throw foretells abundant crops, and to a gold-digger good luck, and plenty of the precious metal. A young girl who throws it will get a thrifty husband, and have a numerous family.

SEVENTEEN.—If thou art a girl, and thinkest of getting married, thou wilt be apt to lose thy lover, unless he is a farmer, a gardener, a well-digger, a gold-miner, a brewer, a coal-heaver, a grave-digger, or some occupation that makes him use a shovel a good deal. If thou thinkest of marrying any such man, this throw is a good one. For a man of any other occupation, it foretells disappointment. To a young man, this number shows that by perseverance and industry he will do well in the world, that his luck will be good if he only tries his best to get along. If thou hast had anything stolen from thee, or have lost valuable property whilst walking or riding, this throw is unfavourable, and thou wilt never recover what thou hast lost.

EIGHTEEN.—People who throw this number may congratulate themselves, as it foretells riches, honours, and a happy and contented life. It predicts unexceptionable prosperity in all kinds of business, good luck in love matters, and advancement to those who are honourably ambitious. To rogues and dishonest people it is an omen of discomfiture, detection, and punishment.

SIBYLLINE LEAVES;

OR,

QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO DESTINY ANSWERED AND EXPLAINED.

This plan of divination is exceeding popular among fortune-tellers and astrologists. It is said to have been a favourite pastime of the first Napoleon, and that he always consulted the Sibylline Leaves before any new campaign.

In consulting the Sibylline Leaves to obtain answers to the class of questions on page 99, the reader must use the key on the page following, in this wise : Write three lines on a slate, or piece of paper, the subject of which must relate to the question asked and thine own name, to make another, or four lines ; or thou canst write down the question itself, dividing the words into four lines. After having written these four lines, count the letters in *each* line. If the number of letters is odd, put one dot at the end of it ; if it is even, put two dots, and so on. After having thus counted and dotted the end of each line, thou must compare the dots with the column of dots at the head of the key, and on finding a column, the dots of which agree with thine, pass thy finger down the column to the letter which is opposite the number of the question to be asked. Having thus found the right letter, turn to the same letter in the Leaves, under which thou must again match thy column of dots, and there thou wilt find the answer to thy question.

There are various methods to obtain answers to the questions thou mayest wish to propound, which will suggest themselves to the ingenuity of the reader when he understands the matter fully. Thus, if thou should'st desire an answer to some question not to be found in the list of questions on page 99, thou must write down thy question and compare it with each one in

the list until thou findest the one that corresponds the nearest to thine ; then number thine the same as that, and proceed from the number to find thy answer. The questions in this list are intended merely as leading ones to all similar questions, even if the subject be different. To illustrate my meaning : suppose that a man had entered into some great speculation, he would naturally feel a desire to know how it would turn out. He consults the Leaves, but finds no corresponding question ; he then writes down as follows :—

Shall I.....	0	0
gain by.....	0	0
this speculation?.....	0	
Frederick Smith,.....	0	0

Thou wilt observe that I have counted the letters of each line, and made the requisite dots. Referring to the list, I find that question 23 corresponds, as it asks, Shall I prosper in my undertaking ? In this way, by carefully classifying thy question, thou canst procure an answer to any that thou desirest to ask, no matter what the subject.

QUESTIONS WHICH MAY BE ASKED.

1. Have I any enemies ?
3. Who has got my (lost or stolen) property ?
5. How many children (if any) shall I have ?
7. Will the patient recover from illness ?
9. Is my sweetheart honest and true to me ?
11. Is my lover true and constant ?
13. Will (naming the person) be released from prison ?
15. What sort of a wife (if any) shall I marry ?
17. What sort of a husband is ordained for me ?
19. Will she have a son or a daughter ?
21. Shall I meet with good success in life ?
23. Shall I prosper in my undertaking ?
25. Can I rely upon my friend's promises ?
27. Shall I gain my suit at law ?
29. What is the signification of my dream ?
31. Shall I acquire much wealth ?

KEY TO THE SIBYLLINE LEAVES.

Question	oo o oo o	o o o o	o oo o o	oo o o oo	oo oo oo o	oo oo o oo	oo o o o	oo oo o o
1	N	P	R	S	T	V	W	Z
3	L	K	H	G	F	D	C	B
5	Z	W	V	T	S	R	P	N
7	B	C	D	P	G	H	K	L
9	F	D	C	B	K	W	V	T
11	T	V	W	Z	B	C	D	F
13	S	R	P	N	L	K	H	G
15	G	H	K	L	N	P	R	S
17	W	Z	T	V	R	S	N	P
19	C	B	F	D	H	G	L	K
21	D	F	B	W	C	Z	G	H
23	H	L	G	R	D	T	S	C
25	K	G	S	H	Z	N	F	D
27	P	N	L	K	V	F	Z	R
29	R	T	Z	F	W	L	B	V
31	V	S	N	C	P	B	T	W

KEY TO THE SIBYLLINE LEAVES—*continued.*

Question	o o oo oo	o o o oo	oo o oo oo	o oo oo oo	o oo oo o	o o oo o	o oo o oo	oo oo oo oo
1	L	K	H	G	F	B	C	D
3	N	P	R	S	T	V	W	Z
5	B	C	D	F	G	H	K	L
7	Z	W	V	T	S	R	F	N
9	S	R	P	N	L	Z	G	H
11	G	H	K	L	N	P	R	S
13	F	D	C	B	Z	W	V	T
15	T	V	W	Z	B	C	D	F
17	K	L	G	H	D	F	B	C
19	P	N	S	W	V	T	Z	R
21	R	T	L	V	K	N	S	P
23	V	F	Z	P	W	K	N	B
25	W	B	T	R	C	L	P	V
27	C	G	B	D	H	S	T	W
29	D	S	N	C	P	G	H	K
31	H	Z	F	K	R	D	L	G

B

o o o	Partially—but will be short lived.
o o o o	Possibly so, but somewhat doubtful.
o o o o o	Only one who will live—a daughter.
o o o o o	She does not love thee any too much.
o o o o o	Yes, a very large amount.
o o o o	It is very probable.
o o o o o	A fine boy.
o o o o	Very good fortune.
o o o o	A fidgety old maid of thirty-six, but very loving.
o o o o	He is a gay deceiver, but he loves thee truly.
o o o o	Two or three, but they cannot injure thee.
o o o o o	A young fellow, rich and handsome.
o o o o o	Be assured the chances are in thy favour.
o o o o o	A pretty, but a naughty Miss.
o o o o o	Yes, after some long time.
o o o o o	The chances are most favourable.

C

○○○	Foolish man—she is far too good for thee.
○○○○	I cannot be quite positive, but I think thou wilt.
○○○○	Much prosperity.
○○○○	It is ordained to be otherwise.
○○○○	Thou wilt not.
○○○○	Yes, and very speedily.
○○○○	Yes, considerable increase.
○○○○	Yes.
○○○○	Twins, boy and girl.
○○○○	He is weak and fickle, but his heart is thine.
○○○○	It has been sold, and, possibly, thou wilt not get it again.
○○○○	A Methodist preacher of excellent abilities.
○○○○	Thou thinkest well of a person who speaketh ill of thee.
○○○○	An heiress of great beauty and many accomplishments.
○○○○	Thou wilt realize all thy expectations.
○○○○	Thou wilt have one every fifteen months; number uncertain.

D

o o o o o	A coquette, who will run away from thee.
o o o o o	Yes, but with great difficulty.
o o o o o o o	His release is sure.
o o o o o	Thou wilt have none.
o o o o o	Not so much as thou expectest.
o o o o o	Yes, thou wilt.
o o o o o	Without doubt.
o o o o o	A weak, sickly daughter.
o o o o o	A certain old maid thinks thou art vain of thy looks, and therefore hates thee.
o o o o o	The person thou askest about I fear is not over fond of thee.
o o o o o o o	A barber, disguised as a gentleman.
o o o o o	He thinks thou mayest have some money.
o o o o o	Probably thou wilt.
o o o o o	A married lady has it now.
o o o o o	Fortune will attend thee.
o o o o o	It is uncertain.

F

○○○○	Nothing can be more sure.
○○○○	A minister, who will greatly distinguish himself.
○○○○	An immense sum.
○○○○	Not for some considerable time.
○○○○	A dark eyed boy.
○○○○	Thou mayest be sure of it.
○○○○	She is true.
○○○○	Ill luck, unless thou art wary.
○○○○	A widow, with a large family of young children, and one at the breast.
○○○○	He merely wants a wife to wait upon him.
○○○○	Thou art not actually hated by any one, but a married woman does not like thee.
○○○○	A young woman got it first, but it is now hidden by a married woman.
○○○○	At present the chances are very good.
○○○○	Possibly twenty or more.
○○○○	It is uncertain.
○○○○	It is but just possible.

G

000000	Yes, but with much difficulty.
000000	I fear not, but it is possible.
000000	No ; by no means.
000000	No.
000000	Certainly.
000000	A fine and healthy daughter.
000000	A lovely, amiable person.
000000	Do not calculate upon it.
000000	Thou wilt have seven healthy boys, one of which will be very distinguished.
000000	He loves number one the best, but thinks thou art pretty and loveable.
000000	One of a very devoutly pious mind, but remarkably silly.
000000	There are several who hate thee much.
000000	A rascal, who will keep it in spite of thee or any one.
000000	Good luck, and a large family.
000000	If thou thinkest otherwise, thou must be very stupid.
000000	It is highly improbable.

H

o o o	Yes, but thou wilt have troubles afterwards.
o o o o o	She is playing a little with thee, I'm afraid.
o o o	Much more than thou anticipatest.
o o o	He dotes upon thee.
o o o o	Thou wilt be greatly favoured.
o o o o	Thou must not in the least expect it.
o o o o	Yes, certainly.
o o o o	It is doubtful if thou wilt have any.
o o o o	A tall, thin, shabbily dressed man, who is very poor, and needs it more than thou.
o o o o	A very young girl ; she will prove a scold.
o o o o o	One who has plenty of money, but a gay deceiver.
o o o o o	An insignificant person pretends to dislike thee.
o o o o o	A boy, and he will live to be a great man.
o o o o o	I think so now, but better ask again, to-morrow.
o o o o	Freedom will soon be realised.
o o o o	Thou mayest not, but it is possible.

K

ooooo	Thou wilt be very unfortunate.
ooooo	Uncertain now—try to morrow.
ooooo	Not the least doubt of it.
ooooo	Some, but not so many as thou wishest for.
ooooo	A widower, with a family of nine.
ooooo	Three fine daughters.
ooooo	Not for a long time.
ooooo	Yes, but with much trouble.
ooooo	There are those who do not esteem thee much, but thou hast not any very fierce haters.
ooooo	A short, dumpy woman, with sharp black eyes—thou wilt not get it again.
ooooo	A blushing and red-haired maiden—modest, but fond of the opposite sex.
ooooo	She is a pattern of purity, but it would not break her heart to lose thee.
ooooo	He is only proud of thy beauty and grace.
ooooo	It will depend upon thine own prudence.
ooooo	A girl who will grow up an extraordinary beauty.
ooooo	The case is very dangerous; thou must prepare for the worst.

L

ooo	Don't be too sure, but I think it probable.
oooo	Escape is certain in this instance.
ooo	No, thou art not prompt enough.
oooo	Yes, if thou canst avoid one accident.
oooo	After much suffering, recovery is sure.
ooo	A son.
oooo	One high in authority, and rich.
oooo	Doubtless.
oooo	Thou wilt gain a great deal of property.
oooo	One who is pious, and affectionate.
ooo	A squint-eyed girl; she will never re- turn it.
oooo	She is a dear, good girl, and loves thee truly.
oooo	Thou "lovest thy enemy"—the only one thou hast—solve this!
oooo	A very good young man, who loves thee dearly.
oooo	A son and a daughter.
ooo	Thou wilt have good luck in that respect.

N

○○○	With great exertion, thou mayest.
○○○	A fine gentleman, without any cash.
○○○	Thou wilt be very poor.
○○○	Thou standest a good chance.
○○○	Very doubtful.
○○○	A girl.
○○○	Certainly.
○○○	It is doubtful.
○○○	Five boys ; all of them will be very smart.
○○○	Do not worry ; all will yet be well.
○○○	It will be a long time ere he is.
○○○	She is more true to thee than thou art to her.
○○○	Thou wilt never marry ;—thou art too diffident.
○○○	I am afraid not.
○○○	A coloured woman whom thou wilt see thyself within two weeks.
○○○	An envious person says thou art vain and silly.

P

o o o o o	Thou wilt have more than thou carest for.
o o o o o	Thou wilt soon have cause to rejoice.
o o o o o	Yes, the Fates ordained it so.
o o o o o	Thou must not expect it.
o o o o o	Fear not ; he is all right.
o o o o o	It is exceedingly doubtful.
o o o o o	It is doubtful, indeed.
o o o o o	Wealth and honour.
o o o o o	Two men have taken it off to a great distance, and hidden it.
o o o o o	True as the fixed stars of heaven, and chaste as the icicle, of purest snow, on Dian's Temple.
o o o o o	A sweet-natured, good-looking, sluttish person, who delights in much company.
o o o o o	A shoemaker ; he will afterwards turn politician.
o o o o o	It's very doubtful.
o o o o o	A promising son, but thou must be careful of him.
o o o o o	I think so, but cannot be positive to-day.
o o o o o	Yes, a female ; she is even now plotting to injure thee.

R

○○○ ○○○	I doubt it now ; try again shortly.
○○○ ○○○	It is ordained otherwise.
○○○ ○○○	Undoubtedly so.
○○○ ○○○	A crusty old bachelor.
○○○ ○○○	An interesting girl, but delicate.
○○○ ○○○	Vast riches.
○○○ ○○○	The Fates will it otherwise.
○○○ ○○○	Doubt him not.
○○○ ○○○	Possibly—ask two days hence.
○○○ ○○○	Thou certainly wilt have none in wedlock.
○○○ ○○○	I am afraid not, as the worst is not past yet.
○○○ ○○○	A man whom thou hast refused a favour is hostile to thee.
○○○ ○○○	Yes, as speedily as the law allows.
○○○ ○○○	It is not eighty yards from thee now—a neighbour has it.
○○○ ○○○	Thou wilt be remarkably fortunate.
○○○ ○○○	A shrew ; but pretty and tender-hearted.

S

o o o	Thou wilt live in splendour and plenty.
o o o	Nothing is more certain.
o o o	Thou mayest be sure of it.
o o o	All is against thee.
o o o	It depends solely upon one circumstance.
o o o	He only admires thee—be cautious.
o o o	A beautiful daughter.
o o o	Nothing in the world is surer.
o o o	A good-natured, fat little fellow, who will get plenty of money.
o o o	Thou art a very good-natured person, and no one will dispute the fact.
o o o	Thou art too bashful ; it is doubtful if thou wilt marry.
o o o	Doubt her not ; she is as true as steel.
o o o	Not at present ; eventually he will.
o o o	Thou wilt have twin daughters thrice, and two sons.
o o o	Thou hast a false friend, who knows where it is.
o o o	With great care, the case will terminate favourably.

T

o o	Only one boy, and he will die young.
o o o	That depends upon one act of thine.
o o o	Certainly, No.
o o o	This time bad luck.
o o o	Yes, with prudence.
o o o	A widow, who will greatly deceive thee.
o o o	A very fine boy.
o o o	Poor success.
o o o	She is coquettish, but she loves thee truly.
o o o	It is quite uncertain ; thou mayest learn to-morrow.
o o o	Thou wilt be a sour old maid.
o o o	Thou excitest gossip, but hast no real enemies.
o o o	Borrow not trouble—freedom will soon come.
o o o	There is no need to think of danger.
o o o	A middle sized, light complexioned man, with red hair.
o o o	He sincerely loves thee.

V

ooo ooo	Yes, if thou actest fair.
ooo ooo	There are many chances in favour of it.
ooo ooo	Thou mayest go ahead with confidence.
ooo ooo	A spooney fellow, but young and rich.
ooo ooo	A son, but he will not live many years.
ooo ooo	He is constant, doubt him not.
ooo ooo	Yes ; very shortly.
ooo ooo	Certainly.
ooo ooo	Be on thy guard ; there are those who envy and watch thee closely.
ooo ooo	A female acquaintance whom thou little thinkest would keep it—but she will.
ooo ooo	Yes, if thou art temperate and industrious.
ooo ooo	With exercising common prudence, yes.
ooo ooo	It is uncertain—more than a dozen, however.
ooo ooo	Indeed, yes ; she never had a thought but for thee.
ooo ooo	It is uncertain now.
ooo ooo	A pretty girl, but coquettish and extravagant.

W

0000	Thou wilt be rich and respected.
0000	The doctor knows it cannot be.
0000	Thou mayest be sure of it.
0000	A daughter—still-born.
0000	Thou wilt, indeed.
0000	Thou mayest depend upon it.
0000	Certainly not.
0000	It depends upon thine habits.
0000	A fine, noble woman, but older than thyself.
0000	A fine-looking dark man, with black whiskers.
0000	A young man whom thou thinkest honest.
0000	Nine small ones, only one boy.
0000	Thou deservest to be refused for asking that.
0000	Thou standest in danger of an enemy ; be careful.
0000	He adores thee, but is a rake at heart.
0000	No, but despair not ; thou wilt be happy.

Z

oo oo oo	Thou wilt be surrounded by many difficulties.
oo oo oo	Four sons and two daughters.
oo oo oo	Most probably.
oo oo oo	No ; none whatever.
oo oo oo	Yes, imprudence.
oo oo oo	No, indeed.
oo oo oo	Thou wilt be lucky.
oo oo oo	Thou wilt have triplet daughters.
oo oo oo	An insignificant amount.
oo oo oo	He adores thee, and is true.
oo oo oo	A lovely, noble, and rich girl.
oo oo oo	Not for a considerable time.
oo oo oo	Thou wilt live and die an old maid.
oo oo oo	Yes, but with much trouble.
oo oo oo	A smart fellow—a rogue, who will soon dispose of it.
oo oo oo	Not yet for some time.

THE GRAND ORACLE OF HUMAN DESTINY.

METHOD OF CONSULTING THE ORACLE.

When the thoughts of thy mind bend earnestly towards thy wishes, mark thou down on any convenient tablet, slate, or piece of paper, four unequal lines of diversified points, and abstain from counting them till the whole is finished, so that the number in each line may be left to the doctrine of Chance. Count now the number of points in each of the four lines, and when thou hast so done, add them all together, then put down the number corresponding to the letter of thy proper name, and which thou wilt find in the Mystical Table of the numbers of the letters, on page 123. Lastly, add the number of the age of the moon, or the number of days the moon is old, when the question is asked, which can be seen daily in Raphael's or any other Almanac.

Now add all these numbers together, and subtract therefrom 20, as often as thou canst, and the remainder is the *number of the Oracle*, but if nothing remains when 20 is subtracted, then 20 is the number thou seekest after.

When thou hast found the number of the Oracle, thou must look for that number at the top of the Emblematical Table of Letters, page 122, and in the first column to the left hand thou wilt find the number of the question thou seekest to solve; then move the finger of the left hand gradually along the line of that question, until thou comest to the column containing the number of the Oracle at the top of the table; thou wilt then find a certain letter of the alphabet, which will tell thee to what Oracle thou must refer in the following pages.

The planetary characters or hieroglyphics at the top of the table, will point thee to the answer to thy question.

As, for example :—Suppose thou wishest an answer to question No. 6, *Is it better for me to remove, or to remain where I am?* Thou wilt proceed to make the four lines of dots or strokes, as it were at random, in the following manner :—

1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	—10
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	—16
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	— 9
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	—11
	—
	46

Suppose the initial letter of thy name is W, thou wilt find in the Mystical Table, that the number of W is 9, and suppose the age of the moon on the day of the question is 13, thou wilt add them together, thus :—

Number of points,.....	46
„ of letter W,.....	9
„ age of Moon,.....	13
	—
	68

From this number, take away 20 as often as thou canst, which will be three times, and 8 will remain, and this will be the *number of the Oracle*.

Now look for this number at the top of the Emblematical Table of letters, and the number of the question (6) in the column to the left hand, and thou wilt find the letter P, and under 8 (the number of the Oracle) thou wilt find the hieroglyphical sign ☿. Now refer to the following pages for the Emblematical Letter P, and on the first page of this letter thou wilt find the sign ☿, and the answer to thy question will be—“*The omen is doubtful; thou must think well before thou removest.*” Thus wilt thou proceed with any other question.

Thou shouldst not consult these pages, unless thy mind be truly anxious, neither shouldst thou repeat the *same question* in a less space of time than three months.

The reader will understand that if he or she consults this Oracle upon any trivial or frivolous occasion, they will get deceived by the answers therein contained; but if the subject be of moment, and the inquirer sincerely anxious, the answers will be found to be true and faithful.

TWENTY SELECT QUESTIONS THAT MAY BE PUT TO
THE ORACLE.

1. Shall I be fortunate or unfortunate in this life?
2. What periods of my life are the most important
3. Will the sick person recover?
4. Am I born to long or short life?
5. Will the promise be fulfilled?
6. Is it better for me to remove or remain where I am?
7. Is my friend trusty and true?
8. How long will my present *ill fortune* continue?
9. What day of the week or month is the most important to me?
10. A *Male*.—What is my fortune in marriage?
11. What will be the result of things lost or stolen?
12. Shall I gain or lose in this law-suit?
13. A *Female*.—What is my fortune in marriage?
14. Is my absent friend fortunate or not?
15. Shall I win this wager or game?
16. In what part of the world shall I succeed best?
17. Is it good for me to travel or voyage?
18. What will be my fortune during the next seven years?
19. In what business or profession shall I succeed best?
20. Will my intended speculation prove fortunate?

ANOTHER METHOD OF CONSULTING THE ORACLE.

When thou wishest to ask a question, refer to the following table, and choose any of the numbers therein contained, and let this number serve instead of making the points. To this number add the age of the Moon, and the number answering to the initial letter of thy *Christian* name, and add them together. When this is done, subtract 20 as often as thou canst, and take the remainder and look in the Emblematical Table of Letters as before shown.

EXAMPLE.—A person inquires the event of a suit at law, which is the 12th question, and suppose the number chosen to be 15, add all together, thus:—

To the number chosen,15

Add the initial letter of thy name, G,.....21

The Moon's age on the day of the question, 7

—
43

Subtract 20 twice over, which will be,...40

—
Remainder,..... 3

Go to the Emblematical Table, and in a line with question 12, under 3 at the top, is found the letter R, which is the page where the answer is to be found. The sign under 3 is h_2 , and the answer is this,—*Thou wilt have extraordinary trouble in the matter, and much ill-luck; I cannot promise thee success.*

TABLE OF THE NUMBERS TO BE CHOSEN.

1	7	8	20	10
9	2	13	12	11
15	14	3	16	17
18	4	19	5	6

EMBLEMATICAL TABLE OF LETTERS.

Quest.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	♄	♅	♆	♇	♈	♉	♊	♋	♌	♍
1	A	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	L	M
2	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	L	M	N
3	C	D	E	F	H	I	L	M	N	O
4	D	E	F	H	I	L	M	N	O	P
5	E	F	H	I	L	M	N	O	P	R
6	F	H	I	L	M	N	O	P	R	S
7	H	I	L	M	N	O	P	R	S	T
8	I	L	M	N	O	P	R	S	T	U
9	L	M	N	O	P	R	S	T	U	W
10	M	N	O	P	R	S	T	U	W	Y
11	N	O	P	R	S	T	U	W	Y	Z
12	O	P	R	S	T	U	W	Y	Z	A
13	P	R	S	T	U	W	Y	Z	A	B
14	R	S	T	U	W	Y	Z	A	B	C
15	S	T	U	W	Y	Z	A	B	C	D
16	T	U	W	Y	Z	A	B	C	D	E
17	U	W	Y	Z	A	B	C	D	E	F
18	W	Y	Z	A	B	C	D	E	F	H
19	Y	Z	A	B	C	D	E	F	H	I
20	Z	A	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	L

EMBLEMATICAL TABLE OF LETTERS—*continued.*











Quest.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	⊗	⊗	♂	♀	♀	♂	*	□	△	♂
1	N	O	P	R	S	T	U	W	Y	Z
2	O	P	R	S	T	U	W	Y	Z	A
3	P	R	S	T	U	W	Y	Z	A	B
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EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

A

Sign.	
	The enquirer shall have fortune in this world ; he shall have riches and pleasant abodes.
	There will be some delay in thy speculation, but the general signs are propitious and foretell success.
	Watery signs predominate at thy birth, therefore choose the sea, ships, or dealing in fluids, as thy profession.
	A wedding to which thou wilt be invited ; three heavy misfortunes, a hazardous journey, and a gift of money.
	On land thou wilt be safe, but trust not thyself on water, the waning moon and her horns are omens of danger.
	Travel to the eastern parts of the globe, but avoid the western ; the other quarters are indifferent.
	Thou wilt succeed and win, but thy present intentions seem doubtful.
	Thy friend has lately changed residence ; evil planets have prevailed of late ; the news will reach thee shortly.
	Thou wilt have a slow and irksome courtship, then a quick marriage, to one of a tall and handsome stature.
	Thy enemy has the longest purse, but if thou canst keep away false witnesses, thou wilt gain.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

A

Sign.	
♂	Whether lost or stolen, a female is concerned in this matter; search diligently, thou mayest find.
♀	Thou wilt marry a prudent and clever female, dark, but comely, and one whom thou canst love.
♂	Sunday is thy most auspicious day, Friday is thy most sorrowful day.
♀	A change is visible in the future, within three months it will be manifest, and a greater one will follow it.
♂	Beware of those who are red haired; if thy friend is such, do not trust him.
♂	Remove not at present, or misfortunes will befall thee.
✱	There is some secret wile, snare, or artifice designed for thee; the promise will not be fulfilled.
□	Enquire not farther into this matter, for before thou reachest thy 42nd year, perils must be borne and dangers faced.
△	There are serious tokens of relapse; change the physician, and preserve life.
♂	Thy fortune will be evil at 22, and perilous at 30, but after then thou wilt be very fortunate.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

B

Sign.

♄	In thy youth thou wilt have many perils, disasters, and calamities, and some years of fickle fortune before good arrives.
♅	Thou wilt have a fate replete with vicissitudes and changes.
♆	The moon governs thy speculation ; it will succeed to thy satisfaction.
♇	Deal thou in the produce of the earth, or in merchandise, and thou wilt be enriched.
♈	Thou wilt spend three years on the briny ocean, and twice shalt thou attend the ceremonies of <i>Death</i> .
♉	Beware of the red planet ; defer thy desires for a period, else thou wilt meet with danger.
♊	To the South, or South-East is thy fortune, but shun the water and its vicinity, and dwell near high and lofty places.
♋	These numbers are fortunate, and thou mayest win, but beware of an enemy under the garb of a friend.
♌	Thy friend has been laid on the couch of affliction, but shortly his troubles will vanish.
♍	Twice shall thy hand be asked in marriage, once by a dark, saturnine man, and once by a fair, comely person.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

B

Sign.

Ω	He who expects to win shall lose ; the hour in which thou askest this question is evil, and thou shalt be vexed.
∞	If the thing be lost, search in high and lofty places, or amongst books, but if stolen, then it is by one of tender age.
♂	Thou wilt love many, and deceive some, but will meet thy <i>match</i> in wedlock after all.
‡	The third day of the month will be unfortunate for thee, and Sunday is thy evil day, yet it will be the most noted in thy life.
♀	Thy fortune shall presently change; these signs are the forerunner of wealth.
♂	Thy friend is trusty and true, and in the next moon he will surprise thee.
*	Remove not before three months, then do it quickly.
□	The promise will be partly fulfilled, but not without divers interruptions.
△	Thy horoscope threatens thee with sickness, and the length of thy years can be counted on thy hands.
♂	A crisis is already past, the Moon and Venus give hope that the sick will recover.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

C

Sign.

⚡	The sick is in manifest jeopardy, but will escape; the 3rd and 7th days hence are critical, the 5th day will decide the matter.
⚡	Every seventh year thou wilt meet with misfortune, but thou wilt enjoy a full store of wealth thereafter.
h	Fortune and prosperity will be thine, but thou wilt have also many enemies.
⌘	Put not too much confidence in thy speculation, the sign of success is doubtful.
♂	By dealing in drugs, potions, and chemistry thou wilt succeed and amass a fortune.
⊙	Thou wilt woo, weep, and marry, and roam and wander for two years, but beware of the third summer hence.
♀	The omens are not propitious to thy wishes, beware of the turbulent and tempestuous sea.
♀	Travel not far from thy native land, and especially avoid the Northern quarters.
⋈	Thou wilt win many times, play boldly, fortune favours thee.
⊕	Thy friend is reclining on a couch of peaceful ease, blest with the approvals of fortune.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

C

Sign.

♂	Thou wilt reject a host of admirers, and marry one who will be a light to thy feet and a lamp to thy path.
⚹	The suit is doubtful, a new adversary shall vex thee, change thy present measures.
♀	If stolen, part will be recovered ; if lost, search in thy bed-chamber.
♂	Thou wilt be woefully outwitted by the fair and gentle sex ere thou marriest.
♀	The eighth of September is thy fortunate day, but Friday and Monday are days to be shunned.
♂	Misfortune will prevail for some time, after which some great and remarkable benefit will befall thee.
*	Thy friend is as true as himself, yet after a time a difference will arise.
□	Remove thy house, occupation, or business within three months, and go towards the South.
△	The signs speak of fulfilment, unless the Lord of thy Ascendant were much afflicted at thy birth.
♂	Many accidents threaten thee, once by fire, once by a beast, and twice by the hand of man, yet thy life will be long.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER

D

Sign

ψ	At times thou wilt be beset with sickness, but there is no fear of an early termination to thy existence.
⚙	The planets threaten to delay the recovery, but a skilful physician can preserve life.
h	Thy success will be in thine old age, when thou wilt inherit the glittering treasures of wealth.
℥	The significations are favourable for thy fortune, and thou wilt be a lucky adventurer.
♂	The omens are deceitful, and there is doubt if thy speculation will succeed.
⊙	Thou shouldst seek for some office or employment under Government, and avoid all speculative projects.
♀	Thou wilt have a wound in the head, sickness and death in the family, removals, a long, tedious journey, and a legacy.
♀	Begin thy voyage on a fortunate day, and it will succeed, but for travelling on land the omens are not favourable.
⋈	By going Eastward thou wilt gain, avoid the West, and hilly mountainous regions.
⊕	At first there will be danger of losing, but in the end thou wilt win, if cheating be not practised.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

D

Sign.

Ω	Thy friend is under fickle fortune, as thou wilt learn very shortly.
∞	Thou wilt marry a sea captain, or rover, fair-haired and comely, who will enrich thee in money and goods.
♀	Three times thou wilt be in danger of losing, but the fourth time thou shalt obtain the mastery.
♂	If lost, they are fallen into sewers or ditches; if stolen, thou wilt not recover them.
♀	Thou wilt take to wife one from a distant land, beautiful, virtuous, and respected as a damsel of worth.
♂	A great sickness will seize thee on a Friday; Wednesday is thy fortunate day, but the ninth day of the moon is unfavourable.
*	Avoid all useless speculations if thou wouldst amend thy fortune, the symbols are not yet free from alarm.
□	Thou wilt doubt thy friend, but in the end he will prove true and faithful.
△	Give thy present position a fair and candid trial, for better fortune is approaching.
♂	The promise will be performed, the omens are favourable.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

E

S gn.

⚡	There is some doubt herein, the asker is not sincere, or he credits not the Oracle; seek some other time.
⚖	If thou passest thy 37th year thou wilt survive to 62; thy health is delicate and thy constitution frail.
h	A relapse at first, then partial recovery, then a worse and critical period, change the physician.
2	Thou wilt be well off in early youth, and in old age have wealth; from 30 to 35 remarkable events will occur.
♂	Thou art very ambitious, and will sacrifice much for it; thou wilt have troubles before thou meetest fortune.
⊙	Delay thy speculation for three months if thou wouldst ensure success.
♀	By dealing in portable articles, in law, or in religion, thou shouldst seek thy fortune.
☿	An unexpected change in thy pursuit, three deaths in thy family, and marriage, if single.
♃	Thou mayest travel or voyage, as the omens are of excellent import.
⊕	If thou crossest the ocean let it be to the West; but if thou travellest inland, then steer for the south-east.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

E

Sign.

♂	Unless thou art very careful thou wilt be cheated ; beware of a young, dark person.
♂	Thy friend's destiny is as changeable as the moon ; ill fortune has befallen him.
♀	Thou wilt marry one in public life whom thou knowest or hath seen, and who will be a good partner to thee.
♂	By proper attention to thy case thou wilt win, even though thine adversary be the stronger of the two.
♀	If thou hast lost or mislaid the thing, look in places high above the ground ; but if it has been stolen a female was the thief.
♂	Thou wilt have a laborious and painful marriage life, and but little success.
*	Thursday is thy fortunate day, also the 16th day of the month is one of great consequence to thee.
□	Thou wilt quarrel, and go to law, after which there will be a change to good fortune.
△	Hypocrisy and deceit will be found amongst thy friends ; trust them not.
♂	Remove quickly, there are signs of gain by so doing, delays are dangerous.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

F

Sign.

☿	Thy mind is uncertain and the Oracle is inconstant ; try again at a more convenient season.
♁	If the promise tells of love, it shall be fulfilled, but if of money doubt it.
♂	Thou hast a weak constitution, and art liable to internal maladies, yet thou mayest reach a fair age.
♂	There is danger, the physician is not treating the sick correctly.
♂	The best part of thy life will be the next seven years, the past seems to have been full of evil and vexation.
☉	Thou hast great inconstancy in thy character, pursuits, and desires, which will embitter thy latter years ; thou shalt be fortunate.
♀	Thy intended speculation will partly succeed if thou entrustest it not to others.
♀	Thou wilt do well to sell the juice of the grape, or occupy thyself in a public-house or hotel.
♂	A long voyage, a year of ill-fortune, marriage if single, new friends, and scenes of joy.
⊕	Neither travel nor voyage, there is danger of storms and shipwreck, piracy and thieves.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

F

Sign	
Ω	Travel not for the space of three years, then bend thy footsteps to the South, and dwell near busy cities.
88	Thou art not fortunate in games of hazard, and a pale, red-haired man will cheat thee.
♂	Thy friend is at present fortunate, but a mighty change is at hand, mark the consequences !
♀	Thou wilt marry a witty, discreet person, whom thou wilt love ; he will be fair, and highly respectable.
♀	Beware of false promises and false oaths, for through these thou wilt be in danger of losing thy suit.
♂	If thy things were stolen, thou wilt not recover them ; but if mislaid, search near fire-places or in cup-boards.
*	Thou wilt marry one whom thou wilt love ; she will be discreet, but will place restraint on thy freedom.
□	The most remarkable event in thy life will occur on a Wednesday, which is thy fortunate day, but Thursday is bad for thee.
△	Thou wilt have a great change three years hence, and still a better one after that.
8	Trust not every friend, else thou wilt deceive thyself.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

H

Sign.











♄	At present thy friend is true and faithful, but his future behaviour is doubtful.
♅	Think well before thou removest, as a change is promised if thou remainest.
♆	There are signs of delay and deceit in the matter, and the fulfilment of the promise is doubtful.
♇	Thy 22nd, 35th, 41st, and 42nd years threaten thee with sickness, yet thou hast a fair chance of long life.
♈	The state of the sick is dangerous for three days, but not until the third week will the matter be decided.
♉	After 40 thy planet wanes, therefore make the most of thy time, that thou mayest not die in obscurity.
♊	Thou wilt have a changeable destiny; many joys and many sorrows; wilt become rich, but be melancholy.
♋	Thou wilt succeed to thy fullest satisfaction, for the omens are good and flattering.
♌	Seek not a business on thine own account, but take some place, office, or situation.
♍	Thou wilt have a narrow escape, a false friend, two deaths in thy family, and six months of good fortune, or marriage, if single.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

H

Sign.	
Ω	If thou travellest by land, perils will attend thy steps ; if by water, much alarm ; keep thee at home.
88	If on land, go to the East ; if by water, to the South ; but thou wilt not be fortunate, apart from thy native place.
♂	One shall face thee, who shall cheat and lure thee to thy loss ; evil fortune surrounds thee.
♀	Thy friend is in danger from enemies, and is much troubled thereat, but he will escape them.
♂	Thou wilt marry one tall and handsome, a fortunate man, from a distant country.
♂	There are three adversaries in this case, one whom thou least expectest, but be of good cheer, thou wilt conquer.
*	If thy things be lost, thou wilt never recover them ; but if stolen, thou wilt hear further about them.
□	Thou wilt marry a dark female from a far country, who will bring thee love and money.
△	Thursday is thy most noted day, Sunday the worst, and Friday the best day.
8	The mysterious omens speak plainly and loudly of better fortune.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

Sign.	I
	For the next seven weeks thou wilt experience the same influence, after then there is hope.
	The signs are changeable, put not too much confidence in thy friend.
	Remove not at present, it will be some time before the omens promise thee success.
	After many disappointments and anxieties the promise will be fulfilled.
	Thy constitution is rather weak, but the "Lord of Life" promises thee long years.
	There will be a speedy relapse, but total recovery in the space of one month.
	Thou wilt have ill-luck from 20 to 25, good fortune from 28 to 30, very good after the age of 40.
	Thou wilt begin in trouble, which will last even until thy middle age, <i>then</i> thou wilt prosper.
	Thy speculation will perplex thee much, and will require much thought to make it successful.
	By dealing in jewellery and goods employed by the rich, thou shalt be fortunate.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

Sign.	I
Ω	Thou wilt have love, marriage, friendship, and remove four times, travel, and suffer damage by fire.
8	Thou art threatened with many dangers, and wilt be robbed; thou wilt do well <i>not</i> to travel.
♀	Thou should'st reside near watery places, rivers, or the sea; thy disposition seems unsettled.
P	Thou wilt have care, disappointment, and, perchance, loss.
♂	Of late thy friend has been in trouble, but his fortune has changed for the better.
♂	Thou wilt be mortified, vexed and crossed in love, after which thou wilt marry, but not favourably.
*	There will be many petty troubles in this affair; the omens are malignant, tedious, and unfortunate.
□	If thy goods be lost, search near the door, on a shelf, but if stolen, a young man of quick step is the thief.
△	Thou wilt marry a prudent, sensible woman, with rich relations, who will despise thee.
8	The longest day in the year will be the most noted in thy fate; Monday is thy best day for business and adventure.

EMBLEMATIC LETTER.

L

Sign.	
♃	Thursday is thy chief day, both for fortune and prosperity, the decrease of the moon is evil to thee, and so is the month of January.
⚡	Great dangers await thee, and much good hereafter.
h	Thy friend is trusty and true, but do not overtax him.
℥	Remove not at present, thou wilt be better to remain where thou art.
♂	There are signs of deceit, but thou mayest put faith in the promise.
☉	Thy disposition is peculiar, and gnaws thy vital energy, curb this, and there is hope for long life.
♀	There is danger of relapse, look well after the physician.
☿	The morning of thy life will be happy, the noon will be dark as a cloud, the evening tide will be thy best season.
♃	The Oracle foretells of many years of good fortune, but be not greedy, liberality is a virtue.
♀	Venus protects thy speculation, thou mayest expect success in thy endeavours.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

L

Sign.

Ω	By dealing amongst papers, books, or writings, or in any mental occupation, thou wilt meet fortune.
⋈	Three deaths in thy family, and one wedding, sickness and disease, loss by theft or fire.
♀	Take heed before thou travellest, danger threatens thee.
♂	Go to the high parts of towns or cities, but avoid water, especially the sea.
♀	Thou wilt win, for thy star is one of good fortune.
♂	Thy friend is deeply in trouble, and he suffers manifold heaviness and cares.
*	Thou wilt marry a dark, tall man, with hazel eyes, who will inherit some wealth.
□	Thy suit is troublesome, friends will forsake thee, cares will multiply, thou art in much danger.
△	If thy goods be stolen, thou wilt not recover them, if lost, search thine own closet well.
♂	Thou wilt have many disappointments at first, but thou wilt enjoy the object of thy love after much delay.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

M

Sign.	
♄	Thou wilt have a great adventure in love, and a surprisal in marriage, but thou wilt be lucky therein.
♅	Monday and Friday are thy fortunate days, also when the moon is in the sign Taurus.
♆	Thy fortune will become worse before it is better.
♇	Thy friend is faithful, and thou mayest trust him.
♈	Good and faithful friends will persuade thee to relinquish thy idea of removing.
♉	There is danger of deceit ; think whether thou has not been promised too much.
♊	Thou wilt have a peculiar destiny, but if thou survivest thy 43rd year thou wilt live long.
♋	The coming moon will bring an unfavourable change to the sick.
♌	In thy youth thou wilt be successful ; the planets favour thee in a marvellous manner.
♍	Thou wilt have a world of difficulties to overcome, labours, cares, and sorrows.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

M

Sign.

♂	Thou wilt be thrice disappointed in thy speculation; think well before thou commencest.
♂	Working in metals, gold, and silver, will enrich thee.
♀	Many surprising events of a beneficial nature will befall thee during the next seven years.
♀	Travel not at all, neither voyage, or thou wilt injure thy health and welfare.
♀	Thou mayest go westward, eastward, or southward, but not northward; lowland and busy cities will suit thee best.
♂	Thou wilt have a loss, after which thou wilt win.
*	Thy friend is about to travel or remove, when thou wilt hear news from him.
□	Thou wilt marry a rich old man, but thou must beware of a youthful spendthrift, to whom thy thoughts will much incline.
△	Thy law-suit will be postponed; at present thou standest well, and may succeed.
♂	If thou hast lost gold, silver, or metal, it will not be recovered, but if the goods be stolen, thou wilt hear tidings of them.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

N

Sign.	
☿	If thou seekest stolen things thou wilt not find them, but if a thing is lost or mislaid, search near fires, or fuel, or near brick-walls.
♄	Thou art very fickle minded, and too fond of pretty faces, and but few <i>real</i> opportunities of marrying well.
♅	Friday is thy most auspicious day, and the eleventh of the month will prove eventful.
♆	Thou wilt have a change for the better in a month hence, but after then a bitter disappointment.
♂	The omen tells of untruth, trust not thy friend too much.
☉	Remove not, but give thy present abode a fair and lengthened trial.
♀	There are ominous signs that the promise will pass by and not be fulfilled.
♀	Thou wilt have many narrow escapes in thy early life, but will outlive them all.
♃	The sick will recover, for a noble star beareth rule.
⊕	Thy most prosperous years will be between 40 and 45, but thou wilt be very unlucky before thy 33rd year.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.











N

Sign.	
♂	Thou wilt suffer much through women, pleasure, and the joys of prosperity; thou wilt be cast down but will rise again.
♀	If thou art sincere in thy desire, thy speculation will succeed.
♂	Thou wilt succeed in buying, selling, and dealing with others; inheritances will also enrich thee.
♀	A love intrigue, an illegitimate offspring, a severe sickness, a heavy loss of money, and a funeral.
♂	It is scarcely good for thee to travel, but if thou dost, let it be by land.
♂	Go thou due North, or North-West, avoid the South, but thou wilt do best in thy native land.
*	Thou wilt not win, but lose.
□	Thy friend has had a stroke of ill-fortune, but it will soon be over.
△	Thy love, fair lady, will be like a shallow brook, but after all thou wilt get a prudent husband.
♂	If possible come to some agreement in this matter, otherwise thou art in danger of losing the suit.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

O

Sign.

	Be careful of thy lawyer, or legal adviser, as he is not to be trusted.
	If thy goods are stolen thou wilt not recover them, but if lost search in low hidden places, in jars, cupboards, etc.
	Thou wilt marry one who will bring money, a fair and handsome damsel, but wilt have domestic broils, impediments to thy happiness.
	Wednesday is one of the most remarkable days out of the whole seven for thy fortune.
	Ill fortune will continue with thee still, for some time, and then a change for the better.
	Thy friend is not to be trusted with anything of a weighty nature.
	Remove at once; in three months a remarkable event will occur in thy dwelling.
	The promise will be in part fulfilled, but were it all fulfilled, thou wouldst not be satisfied.
	The omens do not promise thee long life, so spend it well.
	The sick is in danger; the omens are fatal; it is doubtful if medicine can avail.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

O

Sign.

Ω	Thou wilt be fortunate in thy youth, and after the age of 43.
8	Thou wilt have an unsettled and chequered career ; an ominous star threatens thee.
♀	Thy speculation will fail ; change thy design
‡	Thou wilt succeed in handicrafts, but avoid the briny ocean.
♀	Thou wilt be worse off at first than now, but suddenly thy fortune will change ; thou wilt have sickness, and death of a relative.
♂	If thou settest off on a lucky day, thou wilt go safe, and succeed.
*	Go thou to the East ; reside in a high and populous town ; avoid the sea.
□	The omen is a sign of fortune ; therefore thou wilt win.
△	Thy friend is safe and prosperous.
8	Thou wilt marry an expert and clever man, who will love thee, but beware of jealousy.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

P

Sign.

♄	If the moon be going to the full it is a sign of a prosperous marriage, with a tall, good-looking man.
♅	Vexation and sorrow will annoy thee, and false witnesses will rise up against thee ; thy success is doubtful.
♆	More than one thief did this deed, but part will be recovered ; if the enquirer ask about a loss, search in high and lofty places.
♇	Thy marriage signs are scarcely visible, be on thy guard against lures of unlawful women, or thy roses will be surrounded by thorns.
♈	Sunday and Friday will be the most noted days in thy fate, but the 13th day of every month is evil.
♉	Thou wilt have a succession of cares and adversities, after which good fortune.
♊	Thy friend is truthful, and can be trusted.
♋	The omen is doubtful, thou must think well before thou removest.
♌	The promise will not be fulfilled, thou wilt have disappointments.
♍	Be thou temperate and sober, eschew evil things, and length of days shall be thine.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

P

Sign:

♂	The sick will recover and be restored to health.
☿	From 35 to 42 will be the best years in thy life, and will bring thee much fortune.
♀	The path of thy life is beset with sorrows and troubles, be thou patient and virtuous.
♂	Thy speculation will succeed in part, but not wholly.
♀	The omen is evil and melancholy, enquire again at some other season.
♂	Thou wilt suffer through women, have a tedious journey, a great loss, a removal, but marriage if single.
*	Do not travel or remove, the omens are against thee.
□	Keep thee chiefly in cities and towns, but thou wilt do best in thy native place.
△	There are signs of some trouble in this affair, and it is doubtful if thou wilt win.
♂	Something remarkable is about to happen to thy friend, of which thou wilt soon hear tidings.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER,

R

Sign.

⚔	Lately the signs have portended a troublesome period, but a more beneficial time for thy friend is at hand.
⚔	Thou wilt be tormented by a gay and gallant admirer, but in the end thou wilt marry wealthy.
h	Thou wilt have extraordinary trouble in the matter, and much ill luck ; I cannot promise thee success.
℥	Stolen things will only be partly recovered, but if the question be about <i>lost</i> goods, they are out of thy house.
♂	Thou art a general lover, a flatterer, and an admirer of thyself ; be faithful, and thou shalt obtain a worthy wife.
☉	Monday is thy fortunate day ; the 21st day of the month will prove remarkable.
♀	Thy fortune will change for the better in three months hence, and again for the better after three years.
♀	Thy friend may be trusted ; the omen is a sign of fidelity.
♂	Remove shortly, and go to the West.
⊕	If the promise is by a dark man it will not be fulfilled ; neither will it be fulfilled if it concerns money.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

R

Sign.

♂	Evil testimonies prevail, and do not promise thee long life.
☿	A benign and friendly planet promises recovery to the sick.
♀	Thou wilt be fortunate between the ages of 30 and 40; but after then take heed; the Fates are not propitious.
♂	Thou wilt eclipse thy contemporaries, and outlive thy relations, and die rich.
♂	Thou wilt succeed in thy speculation, for the omens are favourable.
♂	Thou shouldst deal in moveable articles, or in pawnbroking, if thou wouldst succeed.
*	The next seven years will be the trial scene in thy life; perils, dangers, and losses will befall thee.
□	The signs are not favourable for travelling; thou wilt do well to avoid it.
△	To whatever part of the world thou mayest go, thou wilt amass money.
♂	Deceivers are near thee; be careful, or thou wilt lose.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

S

Sign.

⚡	The sign is auspicious and fortunate, and promises thee success.
⚖	Thy friend is in good health, and prospering fairly.
h	The yoke of Hymen is to be imposed upon thee by the soft hands of love; thou wilt be contented in thy home.
℥	This is a sign of much confusion, be watchful in the proceedings, there is one who owes thee a grudge, thy success is doubtful.
♂	Stolen goods will not be recovered, but if lost, search in the bed-chamber of the mistress of the house.
⊙	Thou wilt taste of the sweets of love, and the bitter waters of disappointment, but in the end thou wilt wed an accomplished female.
♀	Sunday is thy most remarkable day, thou wilt probably marry on that day.
♀	The cmen is hopeful that thy present ill-fortune will speedily change.
∩	Thy friend is not to be trusted, he has too much "self" to be conscientious.
⊕	Thou wilt do well to remove within two months from the present time.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

S

Sign:

♂	If the promise were about love or money, and a female asks, it will not be fulfilled ; but if a male, it will.
♀	Thou must not depend on long life, as the omens are against thee.
♂	A recovery of the sick will speedily take place.
♀	Be not over-anxious, thy fortune will not come till late in life.
♀	Genius and perseverance will open thee a path, strewn with fortune and roses.
♂	The omen says that thou wilt not succeed in thy speculation.
*	On board ship or in the public walks of life thou shalt succeed best.
□	Thou wilt be troubled by scandal, thou wilt journey, change thy habitation, and gain by the death of a relative.
△	It is good and safe for thee to travel.
♂	Thou mayest journey southward, but thy place of birth is the most fortunate.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

T

Sign.

☿	Go thou to the West, but avoid the sea, rivers, and large spaces of water.
♄	Thou mayest, but remember that those who play at hazard are rarely winners in the end.
♅	Thy friend has been troubled with misfortune for at least the last three months.
♆	Thou wilt marry a man so worthy of thy love and esteem that thou canst not fail to be happy.
♂	If thy law-suit comes off during the present moon, thou wilt win.
☉	Stolen things will not be recovered, but lost things will be found.
♀	Thou wilt have much happiness and sympathy in wedlock.
♀	Wednesday is thy best day ; Thursday the most noted ; Saturday the most evil.
♁	At present the omens are against thee, and and it will be some time before thou experiences a change for the better.
• ⊕	Doubt not but that thy friend is faithful.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

T

Sign.

♂	It is both dangerous and unsafe to remove at the present time.
♀	If the promise was given by a female it will be fulfilled, but if by a male it is not so certain.
♂	The omens promise thee long life.
♀	The sick will have more than one relapse ; change the physician.
♀	Thy middle age will be the most fortunate time in thy life ; make the most of it.
♂	Honest poverty is better than meanly toiling for riches ; fame and public love are but delusions.
*	Thy speculation will result in failure.
□	By keeping public edifices, or by working in metals, silver, or gold, thou wilt succeed.
△	Thou wilt have sickness, journeys, changes, a bad beginning, but a good ending.
♂	Shun thou Friday ; the other days of the week are indifferent.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

U

Sign.

⚡	Neither travel nor voyage for the space of three weeks, as there is danger of personal injury or loss by theft.
HI	If thou art really sincere, travelling is good for thee, and the quarter of the globe to which thou goest is of little importance.
h	It may be done, but beware of envious and deceitful persons.
u	Thy friend is harassed and perplexed by fickle fortune.
♂	Doubt not of thy success in love, but be careful of thy choice, else thou wilt be miserable.
⊙	Prepare thyself for action, for thy foe will press thee hard.
♀	Search for things lost in closets or cupboards, but stolen goods will not be recovered.
♀	Thou wilt be disappointed, and have much woe and sadness in thy love and marriage.
)	Wednesday is thy fortunate day, Friday thine unfortunate, the 14th day of the moon is also remarkable.
⊕	Many turmoils and cares will happen before thou hast a change for the better.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.











U

Sign.

♂	Thou mayest trust thy friend, for he will not deceive thee.
♂	Thou wilt do well to change either thy habitation or business.
♀	Part of the promise will be fulfilled, but part will not.
♀	The Oracle is doubtful and ambiguous; try again at a more convenient season.
♀	The hopes of recovery are but faint; let the sick prepare for the worst.
♂	Two-thirds of thy life will be full of unaccountable adventures, the other part will be happy and felicitous.
*	Thou hast had many troubles, and more are to come, yet thou wilt enjoy the sunshine of prosperity later on in life.
□	If thou art careful, thy speculation can be brought to ultimate success.
△	Thou wilt do well in law, or as a merchant, as thy intellect is good.
♂	Thou wilt have many totally unexpected changes, and great ups and downs in thy fortune.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

W

Sign.	
	To the single, marriage ; to the married, increase of family, removals, a law-suit, and a year of great misfortune.
	The signification of the Oracle is dubious ; think well before thou goest.
	North or North-West. Locate thyself near the sea or a river.
	The signs foretell cheating and fraud ; be thou careful.
	Thy friend, protected by the orbs above, is prospering.
	Thou wilt love more than thou wilt be beloved ; thy heart will be pierced with ingratitude, and grieved with inconstancy.
	Thou standest in dread of a loss.
	Lost things thou wilt find on high shelves, but stolen things are doubtful in the recovery.
	Thou art very impetuous, and if not guarded, marriage will be the bane of thy happiness.
	Thursday is the most noted day, but not the best ; the increase of the moon is thy most fortunate time.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

W











Sign.

♁	Thy present ill-fortune will speedily turn for the better.
♂	<i>Real</i> friendship is rare, but thou mayest trust him.
♀	Be careful what thou art about, do nothing hastily ; nor without much thought.
♂	Deceit is in this omen, rely not on the promise.
♂	A remarkable conflux of evil influences indicates but a moderate age.
♂	The sick will speedily recover, of that there is but little doubt.
*	In youth thou wilt be in perpetual trouble, but in thine old age thou shalt be more prosperous.
□	Thou wilt amass much gold, and will be mean and miserly with it, and it will be a curse to thee.
△	Suddenly an impediment will arise, which thou must check if thou wouldst have success.
♂	In travelling and voyaging to distant lands thou wilt succeed best.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

Y

Sign.

	The asker is an adept, and will prosper in almost any business, especially in such as relate to the produce of the ground.
	An almost total change in thy profession, travelling, the death of relatives, losses by theft, much trouble, but many advantages.
	There are signs of a quick and speedy voyage, which seems favourable for thee.
	North, or north-east, and in country places, or the suburbs of large towns or cities.
	The omens are extremely doubtful; be thou careful.
	Thy friend is afflicted, or certainly in trouble.
	Wedlock will be thy greatest happiness; thou wilt marry one worthy of thy love and esteem.
	There is danger of a loss, probably by treachery or bribery.
	Ill-luck is in this omen, and thou wilt find nothing thou hast lost or that has been stolen.
	Thy partner will be the means of enriching thee, and will prove the joy of thy life.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

Y

Sign.

Ω	Friday is thy worst day of the week, and the 17th day of the month is very unfortunate.
93	Thy fortune will change for the better, and that very soon.
♀	Thy friend wavers, but kindness towards thee is visible in the omens of the hour.
‡	It were better by far to stay than to remove ; of this thou mayest be assured.
‡	Something remarkable will happen that will cause thee to alter thy wishes.
♂	Thy horoscope betrays many dangers ; thy life will not be long.
*	Much danger is threatened, and the sick can scarcely recover.
□	The whole of thy life will be full of vexation, and thy mature age unprofitable.
△	Thou wilt be lucky, prosperous, and fortunate ; what canst thou wish for more.
8	This sign is very doubtful, there is danger ; thou wilt not succeed.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

Z

Sign.

⚡	The result of thy speculation will be— success.
⚖	By dealing in apparel, household furniture, or as land-agent, thou wilt do best.
h	Thy person and purse will improve; marriage or love intrigues; many strange adventures.
4	The sign is rather favourable, but thy sojourn will be slow and tedious.
♂	Northward, and near hilly, mountainous parts, but avoid the sea.
☉	A cheat will confront thee, but be of good cheer, thy star will protect thee.
♀	Thy friend is in some trouble, which will not pass for some time.
♂	Thou wilt wed one who will be the joy and plague of thy whole life.
☾	Thy evil star is in the ascendant, and threatens thee with loss.
⊕	If thou hast lost anything, search in chests or coffers, but if it be gold or silver, thou wilt not discover it.

EMBLEMATICAL LETTER.

Z

Sign.	
♂	Thou wilt be inconstant in thy love, and will woo many, yet marry well in due season.
♂	Tuesday is thy worst day, and Wednesday is thy best.
♀	There are many changes approaching ere long ; when fortune favours thee, take heed and not be backward.
♀	This is an omen of truth and constancy.
♀	Do not act hastily in this matter ; a removal cannot be recommended.
♂	Something will frustrate or delay the promise, but it will be fulfilled.
*	Spend thy life well, as the omens are against a long one.
□	Unless thy medical adviser be extra skilful, the sick will scarcely recover.
△	Thou must sacrifice pleasure in thy youth, and in thy age thou shalt meet fortune.
♂	Thou wilt have a most fortunate career, to a degree that will astonish thy contemporaries.

WITCHCRAFT.

To speak of witchcraft and witches in the present day raises a smile of incredulity, and an expression of doubt as to the sanity of the person speaking, but, nevertheless, the fables and stories are not all false. Witchcraft is a possible fact. We read of it in many places in Scriptures, and the punishment to be inflicted on those who dealt in this art. Many learned authors distinguish between the *Black Art* and the *White Art*; the former including sorcery, and the tormenting and destruction of others; and the latter, in the relieving of pain, and assuaging the troubles of others. The reader may ask, but how is it possible for one person to affect another? It is quite possible, and is done magnetically, for understand, that witches cannot act, unless they have something to act upon. This something must belong to, or have been in contact with, the person whom they would affect, in order that it may contain some of the vital magnetism of that person. For instance, the witches will wrap up images, etc., in a piece of garment, begged from the person they would afflict, and having done this, the connection is established, for *anything* which thou hast handled or used in any way contains some of thy magnetism. Having established this connection (which some witches do by means of blood drawn from their own bodies, as being more potent), the WILL is then set to work, and the desired result follows. No witchcraft can be accomplished without a *strong, continued, and persistent* will of thine own; that is, thou must have the desired object continually in thy mind, and excite thy mind to a determination to accomplish thy purpose. Witchcraft is, therefore, simply one person affecting another through the power of *will*, and

magnetism is the *conducting rod* by which the mind works ; or, in other words, it is putting human magnetism to a bad and injurious purpose. Tradition tells us that there once existed a race of beings who could slay their enemies from afar, without swords or weapons, simply by the power and exercise of their will. It is, therefore, no wonder that any one with a *strong will* can affect another, when once the magnetic link is established between the two.

The following pages are copied from a very old work in my possession. I have never had occasion to put any of them into practice, so cannot speak for the truth of them.

HOW TO CURE WITCHCRAFT, AND BREAK THE SPELL.

If any one suspect that they are bewitched, let them take some of their own water, and cut some of the hair from the nape of the neck, and from the armpits, and put all together in a saucepan, with nine new pins or needles, or nine pieces of broken glass, and at twelve at night put the saucepan on the fire, and let it boil all away, but not so that it runs over the side of the saucepan. During this operation, let not a word be spoken, or a sentence be uttered, or the operation will be in vain. Two persons should be present at the time, and all keyholes and crevices into the room should be stopped and plugged. Should there be a knock at the door, or a voice heard, as most frequently there is, heed it not, but continue on thy work, until the whole of the liquid is exhausted ; then go to thy bed, say thy prayers, and rest assured that thy work has not been in vain. If thou suspectest that any of thy beasts or animals suffer from this cursed art, thou shalt take some of their water, and hair from off their necks and tails, and proceed in the manner above taught. And understand this, that if thou proceedest in thy work when the moon is in

Scorpio (♏), it shall be so much the more powerful, especially if at the time the moon be afflicted by the planet Saturn.

A SAFE WAY TO SECURE A HOUSE.

If thou suspectest thy House will be robbed, and would secure it from *Thieves*, as no doubt but thou art desirous, consider the Night what Planet Reigns, and is Lord of the Ascendant, and these are the characters, the *Sun* ☉ on *Sunday*, the *Moon* ☾ on *Monday*, *Mars* ♂ on *Tuesday*, *Mercury* ☿ on *Wednesday*, *Jupiter* ♃ on *Thursday*, *Venus* ♀ on *Friday*, *Saturn* ♄ on *Saturday*. Now, consider on what night thou doest this, as to these Planets, and Write on fair Parchment these Characters, ☿ ☽ ♀ ☿ ☽ ♀, and suppose it to be on a *Sunday*, add the Planetary Character ☉ with this Number, 1, 3, 5, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{7}$, and at that Night lay this under the Earth, or covered with a Tile in the Middle of the House, as near as may be; sprinkle it over with the Juice of Night Shade, and so go to sleep as soon as thou hast thrice repeated them over, and if the Thieves have power to enter the House, they shall have no power to get out again, or to carry anything away till the Sun Rises, and if thou be watchful, then thou mayest easily apprehend them before they are able to depart.

And this thou may'st do any day of the week, adding the Character of the Planet that Rules that Day, as I have set it down, to what is beside set down in order.

A Safeguard for all Out-houses, to Secure Poultry, Cattle, Corn, or what else is shut up therein.

Consider the day, as in the Former, and set down on a piece of clean Parchment these Characters ☿ ☽ ♀ ☿ ☽ ♀, add the Character of the Planet, as for *Monday* ☾, and these figures, 9, 8, 5, 3, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{7}$, lay this sprinkled with the Juice of Hemlock under the Threshold of the Out-

house, or if there be none, in some secret corner, and if any Thieves Enter, they will be so blinded and amazed that they will not find their way out again, but group in vain till the Sun Rises, before which time thou must be watchful to come thither ; for the Sun shooting its Beams through the Air, the Guardian Virtues Retire, and the Force is dissolved for that time ; but with changing the Planet will serve for the next Night, and so on.

A Safeguard for an Orchard, Park, Warren, or Field, to take a Thief, etc.

The Several Places being Guarded by one and the same Planet, not to be too tedious to thee, one and the same thing will indifferently serve to secure any of them from Thieves that come to make Robbery or Depredation, whether it be for Fruits of the Earth, or any kind of Cattle, or to Steal any Timber in Fields or Woods ; to make which, take the following direction : Have a piece of curious clean Parchment, made of a sleek skin, cut it with five points or corners in the form of a star, but so large that thou mayest write in the centre of it what is to be written, viz., $\Pi \uparrow \times$, the character of the Celestial Signs governing these affairs, add the character of the Planet for the Day, as before directed, and suppose it to be *Tuesday, Mars* that governs that day has this character, which set down thus, δ , and this number, 1, 7, 11, 12, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{8}$; close it up with Virgin's Wax, as I should have told thee, thou oughtest to have done the former, and sprinkle it with the Juice of Fumitory, and place the same (if in a Garden) in the hole of a wall, if in a Field, Forest, Park, or Wood in the hole of a tree, having laid it before in Goose Tansey, and so whatever any Thief takes in these several grounds, he shall not be able to carry off till the Sun rising ; but then, if not watched, he may do it.

*To Drive Away Ghosts or Spirits that Haunt a House,
and Prevent the Nightmare.*

This is a curious secret, and I think never before made public, or privately practised but by a few. To do this, take the Wool that grows between the two Eyes of a black sheep, burn it to powder, after it has been steeped a night and a day in Man's Urine, mix this with the Powder of Nightshade, or *Wake-Robin*, an Herb so called, boil then in a Quarter of a Pint of *Aqua Vitæ*, sprinkle the Walls of the Chamber thou fanciest is haunted with it, and no disturbance will happen if thou turn thy face when thou goest to repose, to the *Eastward*, when in Bed, and say thy Prayers.

*This is to be carried about One for the Prevention of
Witchcraft, being under an ill-Tongue, or Planet
Struck.*

These Misfortunes generally happen under the Power of the Moon, who (as Ancients hold) is the Favourer of Magic or Enchantment; take the most Opposite Planet to her in allaying her force this way, which is *Jupiter*, write his Character thus, ♃ on a piece of Parchment, and add to it the following Characters, that are the Signs of the Zodiac, viz., ♈ ♉ ♊, and this number, 1, 3, 7, 5, 7, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{7}$, $\frac{1}{4}$; after this, set down the Number the Figurative Letters in thy name make, wrap it up in as small a compass as thou canst, and sewing it up in a piece of black silk that has been steeped in the Juice of Vervine, hang it about thy neck when the Moon changes, and thou wilt be secure from any Danger of this Nature, if thou ledest a good life.

*To prevent Affrighting Dreams and take away Fear
in the Night.*

Thou must take of *Laudanum* a dram, Frankincense

the like quantity, of *Bezora* stone as much ; beat these into powder, and write upon a piece of parchment these Characters, $\text{h } 4:8 \text{ } \text{Q}$, and under them thy name ; put the powder in the Paper thou writest on, and when thou repose, bind them on thy forehead and stomach ; for thou must have two papers ordered one and the same way, as directed, putting half the Powder in the one, and the other half in the other.

To help a Person under an ill Tongue, and make the Witch appear, or the Effects cease.

Cut off some of the Party's Hair, just at the nape of the Neck, clip it small and burn it to Powder, put the Powder in Sal Almoniac, write the Party's Name thou suspectest backwards, and put the Paper dipt in Aqua Vitæ into the other two ; then set it over a gentle Fire ; let the Party afflicted sit by it, and diligently watch it, that it run not over to catch flame, speaking no word, whatsoever noise is heard, but take notice of what Voice or Roaring is heard in the Chimney, or any part of the Room, and then write how often thou hearest it, and fix before each writing, this Character, D , and if the Party who Afflicts thee appears not visible, though thou mayest know the Voice, repeat it again, and if she appear in no visible shape, it may make her Charm impotent, and give Relief to the afflicted Party.

To Prevent or take Vermin, that come to destroy Poultry, or Coney Warrens.

Thou must take a piece of Wolf's Skin, the Hair on, the breadth of the palm of thy Hand, or somewhat more, prick a great many Holes in it with a bodkin, in the three corners, but leave the middle entire, scrape the middle part to the fleshy side, so that it may be smooth enough to write on ; then write these Characters, 2 3 4 7 5 ; this done, write the Guardian.

(Δ ⊙ Λ II L) Name underneath them, viz., *Azmeros*; then burn the wool of Fox's-tail, with some Feather few, and the seed of Henbane; lay the Powder on the Characters, that it may cover them pretty well, then fold the corners, and stitch them up close, with the Powder in it, and this done sprinkle it with the juice of Hysop, and hang it up with a couple of horse-hairs, drawn out of the middle of the Tail of a live Stone-Horse, and hang it up in thy Hen-House, Dove-cot; or, for a Warren, on a Pole, or a Tree, as near as thou canst in the middle of the Coney-Burrows, and the Vermin will either fear to approach, scenting it at a distance, or being come near it, will continue snuffing and endeavouring to get at it, then you may come and destroy them with a Gun, Dogs, Crossbow, or other-ways as thou findest most practicable; instead of a Wolf's-Skin, thou mayest use a Badger's, if the other cannot be had.

To prevent a Dog barking at thee in the Night-time.

Thou must take the Skin off the Forehead of an Hyena, a beast so called, which may be had at the Furrier's shop, boil it in the urine of a young Stone Colt, and smoke it over the burnt hoof of a cow, twice or thrice, till it is dry, and so carry it about thee, and so long as thou doest this, wherever thou comest in the night, the Dogs will not only be silent, but run away from thee as fast as they can, when thou approachest anything near them: For if they once scent it (as certainly they will), the great aversion they have to it will make them tremble and avoid thee, without being able to open at thee.

To draw Cats together, so that they shall not escape thy Hands.

So soon as ever the new moon appears, gather the Herb Nepe, and dry it a little in the heat of the sun,

when it is temperately hot, then take a fair piece of Parchment, and cut it in the shape of a half-moon, write on it these Characters, ☿ ♀ *, wrap the Parchment up close, and put it amongst the Herb, which hang up in a Net, in a convenient place, and when one of them has scented it, her Cry will soon call all those about her that are within hearing, and there they will rage and run about, leaping and capering, to get at the Net, which must be so hung, or placed, that they cannot easily do: for they will certainly tear it to pieces; and in this thou wilt have pleasant pastime, as well as to take and destroy them, if they are offensive to thy Gardens, Houses, Dove-cots, etc.

A Pledget to wear about one's Neck, to prevent Bugs, Fleas, or Gnats biting in the Night-time.

This to many People may prove no less advantageous than any, especially where these Insects are a second Plague of *Egypt* to People. To do this, gather Arsmart or Hounds Tongue, an Herb with a long, sharp-pointed little Leaf, that grows in ditches, in moist places, in summer. Dry it to a powder, add to it as much of the Powder of Sarsafax Wood as will lie upon a shilling, sprinkle them a little with Juniper Water, mix it with the Wool of a black sheep, cut off betwixt the Horns, in the Wane of the Moon, write on a piece of paper these Characters, ☿ ♂ ♀ * ♀ ½ ♀, sprinkle the paper, when thou has folded it up, with the Juice of Rue, and sew it up in a thin silk bag, and with a little small Cat's-gut hang it about thy neck, when thou goest to sleep; and if thou art awake, the power is the same: thou wilt rest without being disturbed with these, or other Insects.

To drive away Mice or Rats, in a House or Granary.

If thou canst get a He Weasel, about the Increase of the Moon, kill him, and take out his fat, then dry

his skin, that thou mayest write, on the fleshy side of it, these Characters, 8 7 II æ 3 *, do it over with Weasel's Fat, and stuff up the skin with Moss, taken from the Root, or lower part of an Oak-tree, and place it on a sharp Haw-thorn stick, put the sharp end into it Bellywards, and stick the other end in the Floor, in a little hole made with a Gimlet in the place of their resort: let it not be placed more than six Inches above the Floor, and as many as come there will immediately avoid the House, or Out-house; and if thou wouldest kill them there, it is but strewing Pot-ashes on the Floor, and it will work so powerful, that they cannot get away; but there thou mayest kill them at pleasure.

To prevent being robbed on the Road, or meeting with any bad Accident.

Consider (in this case) what Planet thou settest out under, ruling as to the Days, and its influence. The Moon ruling *Monday*, denotes inconstancy in success; *Mars*, *Tuesday*, violence; *Mercury*, on *Wednesday*, deceit and fraud; *Saturn*, on *Saturday*, envy and malignaminty; but the *Sun*, *Jupiter*, and *Venus*, governing *Sunday*, *Thursday*, and *Friday*, are very friendly Planets, promising success; however, other Days are proper enough, with the cautions I shall give thee hereafter; and this is as followeth, to prosper and prevent Ill Fortune, in being Robbed, Falling from thy Horse, or Sick, falling into any Pit, Water, or the like.

Now note, That the Malignant Planets are friendly to others, and befriended of them again; *Sol* is friendly to *Jupiter* and *Venus*; *Luna* to *Jupiter*, *Venus*, and *Saturn*; *Mars* is friendly to *Venus*; *Mercury* is friendly to *Jupiter*, *Venus*, and *Saturn*; *Jupiter* is friendly to *Sol*, *Luna*, *Mercury*, *Venus*, and *Saturn*; *Venus* is friendly to *Sol*, *Luna*, *Mars*, *Mercury*, and *Jupiter*; *Saturn* is friendly to *Jupiter*, *Sol*, and *Luna*; and these are temporising to hinder the malignancy

of each other ; therefore the Promises considered ; now as to what thou art to put in Practice for thy security.

Gather Vervine, an herb so called, in the New of the Moon, hang it up in the Chimney to dry, then powder it, and steep it in the water of *Agave Castus*, then dry it again, and reduce it to fine Powder ; these temporise with the Planets *Venus* and *Mercury*, which are so powerful in their influence for the protection of Travelers. Put this Powder into a Hollow Ring, of any kind of Metal, and have these characters engraved on the inside of it, ♀ ☿ ♀ ♀, then thou mayest go or ride safe without danger of any violence, keeping thy mind on Good Things.

To find out a Thief, or make him or her bring back the Goods stolen.

Thou must set down the Day, Hour, and Minute, if thou canst, when the Goods were stolen, and the name of the Planet ruling the Day, as I have before set down, to direct thee ; this being done, set down these following Characters in a fair piece of Parchment, ☾ ☉ ♀ * Δ ☿ ; this done, Turn Round thrice, and if thou hearest no news in 44 hours, of the Thief, as ten to one thou wilt, then prick the Parchment full of Holes, and hang it up in the Chimney, where the Heat of the Fire may a little scorch it, and the Thief is held to be so restless in his mind, and tormented, that he or she will discover the Thief to be at Ease, or bringing home thy Goods, throw them privately into thy house, or some place appertaining to thee.

THE MIGHTY ORATION,

TO MAKE A THIEF BRING BACK THE STOLEN GOODS.

By the most Great and Almighty Power of Alpha and Omega, Jehovah and Emanuel, and by Him that divided the Red Sea, and by that Great Power that

turned all the waters and rivers in Egypt into blood, and turned all the dust into lice and blains, and by that Power that brought frogs all over the land of Egypt, and entered into all the king's palaces and chambers, and by that Great Power, that terrible thunder and lightning and hailstones mixed with fire, and sent locusts which did destroy all green things in the whole land of Egypt; and by that Great Power that destroyed all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both of man and beast; and by that Great Power that divided the hard rocks, and rivers of water issued out of the same in the wilderness: and by that Great Power that led the Children of Israel out of Egypt into the land of Canaan; and by that Great Power that destroyed Sennacherib's great host; and by the Great and Almighty Power of Him who walketh on the sea as on the dry land; and by that Great and Almighty Power that raised dead Lazarus out of his grave; and by that Almighty Power of the holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, that did cast the devil and all disobedient spirits out of heaven into hell, that thou thief return immediately and restore the goods again that thou hast stolen away. Therefore in and by the names of the Almighty God before rehearsed, I charge thee, thou thief, to restore the goods again immediately, or else the wrath of God may fall upon thee, and cause thee to be consumed. Amen.—*From a very Ancient Old M.S.*

THE ALPHABET OF TRUTH.

A 10	B 2	C 22	D 4	E 14	F 6	G 10	H 7	I 18	J 18	K 10	L 11	M 12
N 4	O 14	P 6	Q 16	R 8	S 18	T 10	U 2	V 2	W 4	X 12	Y 4	Z 14

To know if thy "Lover" be True.

"Take the woman's name, and her mother's name, and account the sum by every letter throughout ; add the same together, and add 15 to the same ; then divide by 9 ; and if the same produce an even number for the product, she is 'faithful and true to thy love ; but if uneven, she loves some other swain ; and thou art cautioned to beware of rivals.'"

To know if Truth or a Lie be spoken.

"Write the name of the party, and of the day he or she told it, and add the number thereof when summed up together, and divide it by seven ; if the product be odd, it is untrue ; if even, true."

The reader will please observe, that what is meant by the "even product," is this, that the number should be divisible, without any remainder ; and the "odd product," when the number cannot be divided without a remainder.

THE TABLET OF GOOD AND EVIL NUMBERS.

GOOD NUMBERS.											
1	2	3	4	7	9	10	11	13	14	16	17
			19	20	22	23	26	27			
EVIL NUMBERS.											
5	6	8	12	15	18	21	24	25	28	29	30

THE ALPHABET OF GOOD AND EVIL.

A 4	B 6	C 26	D 18	E 12	F 4	G 21	H 28	I&J 11	K 16	L 12	M 19
N 11	O 9	P 12	Q 27	R 12	S 4	T 6	U & V 9	W 18	X 12	Y 2	Z 3

To know if a certain thing will take place or not.

Throw the dice on the table; and then take the number which stands for the first letter of thy proper name, and add to this the number of the day of the week on which the question is asked, and gather those numbers into one sum, and divide by 30, and seek the *remainder*; for if the remainder happen to fall in the *good* numbers, the things shall take place, or the wish shall be fulfilled; but if it falls in the *evil* numbers, it shall not.

THE NUMBERS OF THE DAYS OF THE WEEK ARE:—

Sunday. 106.	Monday. 52.	Tuesday. 52.	Wednesday. 102.
Thursday. 31.	Friday. 68.	Saturday. 45.	

“And if thou wouldst know *whether thou wilt enjoy thy love or not?* Take the number of the first letter of thy name, the number of the Planet, and of the day of the week; add them together, and divide by 30, as thou didst before, and take the remainder; seek in the tablet of numbers, and if it be in the *good* numbers, thou shalt have thy request, and if in the *evil*, thou shalt not.

THE NUMBERS OF THE PLANETS ARE :—

☉ Who rules <i>Sunday.</i> 34.	☿ Who rules <i>Monday.</i> 45.	♂ Who rules <i>Tuesday.</i> 39.	♂ Who rules <i>Wednesday.</i> 114.
♃ Who rules <i>Thursday.</i> 78.	♀ Who rules <i>Friday.</i> 45.	♄ Who rules <i>Saturday.</i> 55.	

FORTUNE-TELLING BY TEA OR COFFEE
GROUNDS.

TO POUR OUT THE GROUNDS OF A TEA OR COFFEE CUP.—Pour the grounds of coffee or tea into a white cup, shake them well about in it, so that their particles may cover the surface of the whole cup ; then reverse it into the saucer, that all the superfluous parts may be drained, and the figures required for fortune-telling be formed.

The person who acts as the fortune-teller must always bend his or her thoughts upon him or her who is to have their fortune told, and on their rank in life and profession, in order to give plausibility to the predictions. It is not to be expected that, upon taking up the cup, the figures will be accurately represented as they are in reality, but it will be quite sufficient if they bear some resemblance to any of the emblems ; and the more fertile the fancy is of the person that inspects the cup, the more he or she will discover in it. In other respects, every one who takes a pleasure in this amusement, must be a judge under what circumstances he or she is to make changes in point of time—speaking, just as it suits, in the present, the

past, or the future; in the same manner, their ingenuity ought to direct them when to speak more or less pointedly with regard to sex.

THE ROADS, or separate lines, indicate ways; if they are covered with clouds, and, consequently, in the thick, they are said to be infallible marks, either of many great or future reverses. But if they appear in the clear and serene, are the surest token of some fortunate change near at hand; encompassed with many points or dots, they signify either a gain of money, or long life.

THE RING signifies marriage; if a letter is near it, it denotes to the person that has their fortune told the initial of the name of the party to be married. If the ring is in the clear, it portends happy and lucrative friendship; if surrounded with clouds, the contrary. But if the ring appear at the bottom of the cup, it forebodes the probability of a separation.

THE LEAF OF CLOVER is, as well here as in common life, a lucky sign. Its different position in the cup alone makes the difference; because if it be on the top it shows that the good fortune is not far distant; but it is subject to delay, if it be in the middle or at the bottom. Should clouds surround it, it shows that many disagreeables will attend the good fortune; in the clear, it prognosticates serene and undisturbed happiness.

THE ANCHOR.—The emblem of hope and commerce, implies successful business carried on by water and by land, if in the bottom of the cup; at the top and in the clear parts it denotes inconstancy.

THE SERPENT, always the emblem of falsehood and enmity, is likewise here a general sign of an enemy. On the top or in the middle of the cup, it promises to the consulting party that by his always acting properly, his enemies will not be able to triumph over him; if in the thick or cloudy part, he must watch his temper and actions very carefully to prevent great troubles.

THE COFFIN—the emblem of death—prognosticates the same thing here, or at least a long and tedious illness, if it be in the thick or turbid. In the clear it denotes long life; if in the thick, at the top of the cup, it signifies a considerable estate likely to be made by cautious industry.

THE DOG, being at all times the emblem of fidelity or envy, has also a twofold meaning here. At the top, in the clear, it signifies true and faithful friends; if the image be surrounded with clouds and dashes, it shows that some whom thou takest for thy friend are not to be depended on; but if the dog be at the bottom of the cup, take much care not to excite any person to envy or jealousy, or thou wilt have to dread the effects of both.

THE LILY.—If this emblem be at the top, or in the middle of the cup, it signifies that the consulting party has, or will have, a good spouse; if it be at the bottom, it denotes anger. In the clear, the lily further betokens a long and happy life; if clouded, or in the thick, it portends trouble and vexations.

THE CROSS, in general, predicts adversities; if it be at the top, and in the clear, it indicates that the misfortunes of the party will soon be at an end, or that he will, by careful conduct, easily get over them: but if it appear in the middle, or at the bottom of the thick, the party must expect many severe trials; if it appear with dots, either in clear or thick, it promises recompense for sorrow.

THE CLOUDS.—If they be more bright than dark, thou mayest expect a good result from thy hopes; but if they are black, thou mayest give it up. Surrounded with dots, they imply success in trade, if thou art saving, and not too venturesome; the brighter they are, the greater will be thy happiness.

THE SUN is an emblem of the greatest luck and happiness, if in the clear; but in the thick it denotes a great deal of illness; surrounded by dots, or dashes,

it foretells that, without much circumspection, an alteration will soon take place.

THE MOON.—If it appear in the clear it denotes high honours; in the dark or thick parts, it implies disappointment and sadness, which will, however, pass without great prejudice. But if it be at the bottom of the cup, the consulting party may expect, by industry and prudent conduct, to be very fortunate.

THE STAR denotes happiness, if in the clear, and at the top of the cup; if clouded, or in the thick, it signifies long life, though exposed to various troubles. If dots are about it, it foretells fortune and respectability. Several dots denote good children; surrounded by dots, it predicts that, without good bringing up, they may cause thee grief and vexation.

MOUNTAINS.—If it presents only one mountain, it indicates the favour of people of rank; but several of them, especially in the thick, are signs of powerful enemies; in the clear they signify the contrary, or friends in high life.

THE LETTER signifies both pleasant and unpleasant news. If this emblem is in the clear part, it denotes the speedy arrival of welcome news; surrounded with dots, it announces the arrival of a remittance of money; but hemmed in by clouds, it forebodes some melancholy or bad tidings, a loss, or some other accident. If it be in the clear, and accompanied by a heart, lovers may expect a favourable letter; but in the thick it denotes the contrary.

THE TREE.—One tree only is indicative of good health; a group of trees in the clear part betokens misfortunes, but which may be avoided by carefulness and industrious habits. Several trees wide apart promise that thy wishes will be accomplished; if they be encompassed by dashes, it is a token that thy fortune is in its blossom, and requires only thine own care and prudence to bring it to maturity; if the tree be accompanied by dots, it is a sign of riches.