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THE OUTLOOK FOR MAY, 1920.

May, 1920, comes in under the full of the April Moon. The new Moon occurred at 3:43 p. m., April 18th, and the full of the Moon occurs on the 2nd of May at 7:47 p. m., Central Standard time. The new Moon, following, occurs on the 18th of May at 12:25 a. m. At the time of the full Moon, April 2nd, we have the Sun in Taurus, the sixth house past all aspects, the Moon in the twelfth house, and Saturn in the mid-heaven opposite Uranus in the fourth house. The aspects and positions of the planets at this time are strong and unusual, and in some ways, not all, are annoying and unfavorable. Saturn in the tenth opposed by Uranus indicates more or less serious criticism in government affairs, and possibly some scandal apparent. Those in office subject to more or less discredit. As a rule, strong positions of these planets in the angles indicate unusual calamities in parts of the country, severe storms, earthquakes, where they are common, and as Saturn and Uranus rule the labor world, we may expect the usual amount of discontent, strikes, etc.

In speculative markets I judge that those controlled by the government cannot be affected seriously, and good for the country that they cannot, for the cereals and such as the farmers depend upon would be subject to severe declines. It is possible for some breaks in corn or other cereals. Stocks will be quite changeable, may have occasional strength, but I look for a quick down turn close to the 5th of the month and surrounding it for a day or two, but some recovery after this is past, and around the 12th to 15th there may be quite a little strength to the markets generally, although not such as will

hold for any length of time.

The new Moon for May 18th is more or less changeable and uncertain. The Sun is applying to a square aspect of Uranus and Saturn, making an uneven and somewhat uncertain business period; plenty of work for the workers and good wages, but a certain discontent and gloomy feelings off and on, seeming to see that something is wrong and something going to drop hard in a short time. It is not a good period for the average person to make radical changes or to start new affairs from the 18th to June 1st. Better to wait till after this doon has passed.

Weather conditions look favorable for agriculture, although a little too much moisture in places, and somewhat colder than usual for this time of the year.

The Days for May, 1920.

1st-Moon 26° Libra, noon, with Mars. Risky and uncertain; avoid risks,

2nd, Sunday-Moon 8° Scorpio, square to Jupiter. Changeable,

uncertain.

. 3rd-Moon 20° Scorpio, no aspect. Dull and uncertain.

4th—Moon 2° Sagittarius, trine with Jupiter, square with Uranus. Very deceiving and very changeable; avoid unnecessary risks and changes.

5th-Moon 14° Sagittarius, no close aspect. Quiet and unfavor-

able.

6th-Moon 26° Sagittarius, trine to Venus. Favorable; go ahead, push affairs.

7th-Moon 8° Capricorn, sextile Uranus. Favorable; go ahead;

use your judgment.

8th-Moon 20° Capricorn, square with Mars. Changeable and risky; use care.

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9th, Sunday-Moon 2° Aquarius, square with Venus. Avoid extravagance.

10th-Moon 14° Aquarius, square with Sun. Changeable; be cau-

tious, avoid risks.

, 11th—Moon 26° Aquarius, trine with Mars. Slightly good for general affairs.

12th-Moon 9° Pisces, leaving Uranus. Avoid unnecessary risks;

go ahead with regular affairs as usual.

13th—Moon 22° Pisces, sextile with Sun. Favorable; go ahead, push affairs.

14th—Moon 5° Aries, trine with Jupiter. Good; go ahead, push

15th-Moon 19° Aries, opposite Mars. Is risky and uncertain;

be careful.

16th-Moon 40° Taurus. Good aspects favoring Sunday affairs in

17th-Moon 18° Taurus, with Mercury. Active but uncertain;

use care.

18th—Moon 3° Gemini, square with Uranus. Is changeable, uncertain and annoying.

19th-Moon 18° Gemini, no aspect. Somewhat quiet, uncertain;

avoid risks.

20th—Moon 3° Cancer, trine with Uranus. Go ahead and pushe affairs.

21st—Moon 18° Cancer, square with Mars. Avoid unnecessary risks and changes.

22nd—Moon 3° Leo, with Jupiter. Go shead and do as you feel is best.

23rd—Moon 17° Leo, square with Venus. Avoid extravagance; be cautious.

24th-Moon 1° Virgo, with Saturn. Evil and deceiving; be careful.

25th-Moon 14° Virgo. Somewhat quiet and inactive.

26th-Moon 28° Virgo, trine with Sun. Generally favorable.

27th—Moon 10° Libra, sextile with Jupiter. Push affairs; ask favors, etc.

28th—Moon 23° Libra, with Mars. Avoid all unnecessary risks.
29th—Moon 5° Scorpio, trine with Uranus. Use your judgment;
push affairs.

30th-Moon 17° Scorpio. Favors Sunday affairs.

31st-Moon 29° Scorpio opposite Venus. Avoid extravagance; be careful in all general affairs; avoid changes.

ASTROLOGY CONVERTED INTO MYTH. By Prof. Weston.

Sir George Lewis, of England, has shown conclusively that the account of Romulus and Remus and of the foundation of Rome as given by Livy, Plutarch and Cicero's Republica is mythological and that the date of the foundation as fixed by Varro at the year 753 B. C. can not be considered in any way definite or correct. It is shown indeed, to be a mere astrological myth, and I will here trace its development from the ancient astrological origins.

The story, in the form we now have it, was fabricated by Fabius Pictor, a Roman historian, and it is to the general effect that Romulus and Remus, the twin sons of Mars and the Vestal Virgin Sylvia, were cast adrift on the Tiber river, in a wooden trough. The trough, in floating down the river, finally grounded in the marshes where Rome was later built and the spot where the ark came to rest was at the foot of a wild fig tree. A she-wolf suckled the babies and they were fed by Picus, a woodpecker, until they became strong, after which they proceeded to found a city on the spot, the great city of ancient Rome.

Now all this is astrological mythology, perverted. When the perversion is carried to its lowest depths and to the extreme opposite of all truth it becomes Christ and St. John, the Christ born of a Virgin, same as Romulus and Remus, and instead of a basket with Moses in the bulrushes it becomes a cradle in a manger, much like the wooden trough on the waters of the Tiber containing the Roman twins. The rearing is by adoption in all cases but the she wolf of Romulus and Remus merges into Pharach's daughter in the case of the mythological Moses, and into Joseph, the husband of Mary, in the more recent contertion.

The basis of the story has been shown to be simply astrological mythology by numerous writers and we now know that all these versions of the same old story are based on the following astrological circumstances:

Romulus and Remus are exactly equivalent to Castor and Pollux, the two famous stars in the constellation of Gemini. They are the 'heavenly twins' of common astrological mythology. The idea that they were sons of Mars by a vestal virgin arises from the ancient

astrological doctrine that the nature of these two stars is like that of Mars and Mercury combined (see Ptolemy's Tetrabibles.) They floated, naturally, on the great river, which is simply the ecliptic, and when they came to the wild fig tree, which is the vernal equinox, they are figured to have founded a city, simply and merely because the vernal equinox is the foundation of the signs of the zodiac.

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The she wolf is the constellation of the "Lynx of Bacchus" which is an asterism just above the Gemini in the ancient astrological maps of the fixed stars. It looks, in those maps, as though the twins might be sucking the breasts of the she wolf, for they are situated just beneath her breasts on the old astrological planispheres. The woodpecker is Mars, just as his common name indicates, the word "Picus" being the Roman name both of Mars and of a kind of migratory redheaded woodpecker. The extremely ignorant historians of later times could not tell the difference between a reference to the planetary influence of Martial nature and a reference to a redheaded woodpecker having the same name, "Picus," and knowing absolutely nothing of astrology they concluded it was a woodpecker that was meant and so translated the idea. It must be remembered that the early Greeks were almost idiotic in their profound ignorance, and hence they were utterly incapable of grasping any idea above those that were taught by their fantastic poets who dealt in mythological fiction.

Stripped of the falsities which cling about this old and often revamped story we may state the fundamental essentials of it thus: About in the year 5938 B. C., when the vernal equinox was about in the longitude of that star in Gemini called Castor, some immigrants from the north settled on the borders of the marshes now occupied by the city of Rome. The astrologers that were with them made the astronomical observations and placed them on record at the foundation of the settlement. They stated that the settlement was founded when the vernal equinox was in the longitude of the northern-most twin. These records and the scientific language which they used to express the astronomical positions was misunderstood and later was woven into a piece of simple mythology by the poets whose stock in trade was always and invariably pure fiction, still later called

mythology.

In making the computations for the time of the foundation of Rome as told in this myth we assume the mean procession of the equinoxials has been at the rate of 1° for each 72 years. In 1910 Castor was in longitude about 109°, so then we shall have 72x109=7848—1910=5938 B. C. as the time when Castor was in the vernal equinox. This was about the time when all mythology relating to the "heavenly twins" was invented. The Damon and Pythias story arose from this, and, indeed all the Masonic and fraternal cults came under organic functions while the equinox was in this constellation or asterism. It was the ending of the ancient tribal customs and the beginning of the eras of national government as exemplified in the Babylonian system and later in the formation of the Greek and Roman states.

WHICH WAS FIRST, ILLITERACY OR LITERATURE?

The first intellectual thing that a child has to learn concerning this world is to distinguish or to discriminate one visible object or sensation from another. In this operation of life, he does not have to go to college, nor to even learn the letters of a language nor any of the branches of arithmetic. Yet, these things which he does learn, become to him a natural alphabet and a natural arithmetic. It is as natural for him to learn these things and to form a judgment from their appearances to him as it is for him to breathe, or, as for the chicken to distinguish a worm from a caterpiller before it is a week old. It makes no difference where he is born, what his parental is, nor whether he is fed from a silver or a wooden spoon. We have all passed through this sphere of life, therefore we ought to know how it is ourselves, unless we have been artificially taught to forget it. Some children during this initiation into the First Degree of MASONRY of LIFE, are apparently brighter than others, but, no one can tell except by the laws of astrology, which one of them has the Profoundest SOUL, nor what the little "critter" is thinking about as he looks into our eyes. We can not tell what a horse is thinking about, or what a diningroom waiter is thinking when he stands behind our back. A child may, in the first twenty years of its life, be educated by the artificial power of society, or money, to become a pampered fool, or by the scientific laws of Nature to become a Giant in Knowledge, with literature or text-book learning having nothing to do with it. Because a man cannot read or write, does not signify that he is ignorant or "illiterate," except from the artificial and monopolized standpoint of bigotry, tyranny, or damn-foolishness. These are not incorporated in the Declaration of Independence, nor do such ideas in any way belong to Americanism. In the Constitution of the United States Government, which is quite another thing from FUNDAMENTAL law, illiteracy is considered for a wise purpose at the ballot box. I have wrestled with many a collegiate-chump, who could almost repeat the Iliad and Olyssey backwards, who had no discriminative faculty and were lost in any conclusion unless they could read the letter of the law as framed by someone else. Oh, yes, they were "learned" people, just like the "learned pig." But, they never advanced to the Judge's Bench, nor to the office of the Bishop, except by some "political pull." They might study geometry, trigonometry or history until they grew black in the face, but, they could never become an astrologer, unless they had thumb-rules before their eyes to guide them. And, whenever they desired to know something about themselves they would have to go to someone else, or else egotistically guess it. No use to talk to them of the fundamental alphabet and arithmetic; nor of the Virgo health laws of Mother Nature, which are born, harmoniously or discordantly with the Father God, into the Soul and Mind of every child. Those fundamental functions would permit that child to take care of itself, after a certain strengthening period, as well as any other animal, if the artful enemy GREED, had not provided Laws to protect Privileged Dominancy over other animals. And that is where the law of inequality comes in; occulting the TRUTH from some, and teaching others to ignorantly imagine that they are "more holy," more capable and more worthy to understand the Laws of God, as written in the heavens, than people are that have not been taught by Almamater's appropriate Rule of Three. Astrology on earth began at the first moment that the first child on earth began to observe objects and to discriminate and to judge the differences between them. In like manner it now begins individually and personally when a child first opens its eyes after That is during, usually, the First DAY, of 24 hours in this That first DAY is the NATIVITY. Everything then within world. his sight is the spiritual and objective Heavens to his Soul which views, through his eyes, the new world into which he has wandered on his journey through Eternity. His physical body is another thing. That body is only the HOUSE in which he is to LIVE and to manage This House is judged by another Circle of influences called Horoscope, to distinguish its physical functions from the functions of his Intellectual soul, and, his Imaginative mind which reveals Natural knowledge to him is called "Light;" it is represented by the SUN, it is Positive. It has its untithesis in a secondary field of operation, between his intellectual soul and his physical body. It is represented by the Moon. There is no Darkness, except when something gets between his eyes and the LICHT of the Sun. That Interference of the LIGHT to his soul, is termed "OCCULTATION." No matter how it is produced, whether by what we term an eclipse, or night time, or by any sort of concealment from our Right to enjoy the Knowledge or blessings of our own God, is a TRESPASSING upon our share of the Kingdom of God, and is a detriment to the enjoyments of our SOUL.

It makes man wretched, sinful and rebellious and nothing else does. It is born on the change of the Moon. BUT, and this is very important to consider-THERE ARE OTHERS, and here is where the Civil, Moral, Free-Will, Religious, Social and many other Man-made laws and customs come in to create our little and our big hells on earth. Every one of us know in our heart that they are dead wrong. but, by EDUCATION we have become HABITUATED to them, and our 20th Century Half-Civilization Culture, does not possess a Christ. a Philosopher, a Scientist, a Philanthropist or even a Sophist who knows enough, or who has courage enough to even permit any Heaven-Born idea to be advanced or even suggested, looking toward relief; and wholly through fear that it might overthrow someone's scheme of commercial import. Nothing that can be done on earth, by Church or Banking Institutions can change any mortal soul's DESTINY, any more than to change the rising or the settings of the sun; but, like changing our clocks and our attitude towards God's Infallible laws, we may change our Daily Necessities and create a new order of Devilish Fate. Those changes are employed by the privileged classes to oppress the under-dog. But, these Mundane Fatalities can never be operated on the SOUL plane of life. They belong to the occult

operations of MIND and Body, and, by law of Cause and Effect, they invariably return like a boomerang, or like Bread cast upon the waters, "After many days," and, unto the "Third and fourth generation." For, the Spirits of the dead are so connected with the threads of life in the lives of their Children, that they linger on the ghoulish-plane of mundane operations, until the evil of inequality is compensated for. Nothing is lost in the winding up of the threads of Destiny even to the smallest particle. "The mills of the gods grind slowly." And THAT is where the bodily Fate, the mental Free-Will, and the destiny of the Soul, meet again on an equality, to further pursue the Eternal Path.

Not to flaunt any knowledge of antiquity, or to give credit for astrology to any particular class of people, did I write the article in the March Adept; but, to trace the COURSE of the MIX-UPS, and the Trends of Jealousy, Bigotry, Tyranny, Occultism and Destruction of Scientific Laws and Traditions, that the hierarchy have been engaged in, from pre-historic times, to lift the upper dog up higher and to push the lower dog down lower in the scale of soul-enjoyments,

mental attainments and physical necessities.

Ancient astronomy was practically the same in all of the countries around the 30th degree of latitude in Asia and Africa. Chaldeans. or astro-magicians, can be traced in all of them, before they dominated as priests in Babylonia. They appear to have originated in the lands about the Persian gulf and to have been more or less associated with the Phoenician navigators who were also students of the heavens. Sailors are not apt to be litterateurs, yet they know enough to note the change in the heavens and to steer their barks by a northern constellation. Egypt dominated all of these people in the earliest historical days, and that is why the Alexandrian Library was of such importance. Literary people are seldom "Wise Men." They are only LEARNED men. They are the kind that Jesus called "Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites." They steal the wisdom which the "Illiterate" reveal and then put a fence around it and call it their own. They are good compilers, catalogers and occultists, and they would shift the Sun around if their pen or tongue could only reach it. They are all right, each it for their bigotry and their mis-representations. Greece outrivational all countries with Scribes, just before and after the Christian era, and to them is due the literary facts concerning the astronomic knowledge gathered by "illiterate" peoples, ages before the Greeks woke up. To any man of Intellectual wisdom, it is more reasonable to ascribe the discovery of visible signs in the heavens to the illiterate, than to learned people. The latter hardly know enough to go in out of the wet, unless they have been literally educated to do so. They are wonderful in Sentimental ideas and in the expression of their imaginations. Astrology never grew in any college. It has to have Practical Common Sense and Natural Intellect to thrive upon. The Privileged Classes oppose these on Sophistical and not on Philosophical or Scientific tenets. "Anything to beat the other fellow." Don't be afraid of the zodiacal neomeniums of 1920. It will only be a sky-rocket exhibition of brilliancy; let off a little steam and prevent the boiler from bursting.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS AND CRITICISMS.

In your fequests for change of address for The Adept, do not for get to give the former address. We have many subscribers in every state in the Union as well as in foreign countries. If you do not give the old address, I may not be able to remember just where it was and

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Did you ever live in a state where the "wind blows to beat the band" once in so often? If you would come up into Minnesota, just when the Sun, Mercury and Venus are on the equinox, you would get a sample of breezy weather that would keep you guessing. If you wish to know just what kind of weather each planet produces, get a little day book and keep track for a time, and notice just what weather comes when each of the planets is close to the same decliration with the Sun (which means that it is same as with the Earth and also note the effect of each planet as it passes the 1st degree or lies and Libra. The United States Weather Bureau would do well to hire a good man, who is broad enough minded to ask a lot of the Astrologers what they have noticed in regard to such things and to look the matter up; of course our politicians know most everything that there is to know; but they might find out one thing quicker if they were not quite as anxious for salary and more anxious for wisdom.

Note—I have no intentions of wrecking our government, or saying such as would lead to a bloody revolution and I would hate like L to be deported to Russia. On a pinch, the N. Y. Legislature might set me down as a Rushing, as I am anxious for the government to save valuable time and some collateral in getting at the weather. It seems a shame, that so much is paid out to weather prophets, who might do

better guessing what Mars wants to borrow of us.

Speaking of Mars, and what it is trying to signal us for, the chances are that it was applauding our last scrap in Germany and wants us to give an encore. One thing is sure, and that is, Mars was with us in the fight, for when the Germans opened unrestricted submarine warfare, Mars showed by its position that the Red planet was with us, altho the Reds here are against us.

Seems kind of strange that some of these southern states, Mississippl, Delaware and others object to women voting; they evidently think that the southern women are not smart or intellectual; or may-

be they are afraid of them! The colored people vote "down south" except when the men don't want them to and then they have a peculian way of chasing the colored voters into the next town on election day and maybe they could not work this scheme on the women, who knows!

On June 7th, 1920, Uranus will be in exact opposition to Saturn, with Venus in close square to both. This will be a bad time for June brides; by all means, let all Adept readers who are contemplating a marriage, wait till Venus gets away from this aspect and a long way. past it, before they marry, for it looks to Ye Editor, that a marriage in early June would result in more or less inharmony with many who marry near that time, and it is possible for a so called three cornered fight. Uranus represents the older class, and the man who married near this time with the Moon badly aspected, stands good chances of having more or less trouble with his mother in law. These aspects occur early in the morning, with the sign Gemini ascending, which is unfavorable for Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces people, those who were born in late February, May, August and November of other years. Probably this combine will cause quite severe storms and unusual weather, but no one need to hold a prayer meeting to save the world from a calamity at that time, for like aspects have occurred thousands of times before and no one even knew of it.

War with Japan is the next thing on the docket, according to the ones who think they know. Maybe we will fight Japan, because Japan may get a notion, that with Mexico and some other nations, they could whip us, and more especially as we use our enemies so nicely even when we whip them. One thing is quite sure, however, that it's a number of years before the larger planets come into any real strong positions to cause a war anything like the last one. At the same time we should remember that at the time of the armistice the aspects were not conducive to a lasting peace. It will look very cloudy in the middle of 1920 for a short time, and again in 1922. There are aspects that indicate hard feelings between the United States and some of the smaller nations.

Quite a number of people are planning on having a panic in the next year or two, but it is very doubtful if there will be any panic of importance. We have more or less unfavorable indications regarding business in general, lower prices, etc., but no panic such as we had, in 1892 to 1896. The panic in 1893 to 1896 was caused by over-production, too much to eat, wear and live on, and not enough to consume what we had. We have at the present time too little to eat, wear and live on, for the world in general. High prices of labor, and too much harmony between the business men. The laborers have discovered that IF they will not work, prices go higher, and the middle class, or those who stand between the producer and consumer, have found that it pays best to let some material go to waste and get more money for such as they do handle. In other words, it pays better to

in the structure of the muscles and blood vessels. The tendency of such twins is always to absolute identity, but they never quite obtain it."

Are there not numerous biologic facts to support the astrologica assumption that twins of a single parent cell are born within a very few minutes of each other when all the planetary configurations and

elevations are substantially identical?

"Fraternal twins—those derived from two unions of two different mother and father cells—are never so much alike as those of the identical variety. In fact their resemblance to each other is only about equal to the average for all children of the same family."

Again will not biology endorse the astrological conclusion that fraternal twins are born at hours more widely separated than in the

case of identical twins?

The sorry thing about the scientific business of the American Genetic Association is that it has obtained six hundred cases for study and has very evidently ignored, or failed to obtain, the very essence of science—exactness of data. I would respectfully suggesthat the association include in their next report more consideration for Father Time.

"One twin and her sister commonly dream about the same person at the same time, even when sleeping in widely separated places And not only that—they actually dream the same things about these

persons.

Presumably these are identical twins, and there is nothing more remarkable in this than that two receiving stations, tuned alike receive the same message at the same time. What is more to the point is that such a case tends to prove that in the realm of the subconscious time is everything, space is nothing. And since psychoanalysts have already proven that ninty-five to ninty-nine per cent of our lives are ordered subconsciously it is pretty evident that so-called heredity (that is, instinctive or subconscious urge) is derived not from the physical parents, but from Father Time himself, the

architect of horoscopes, the mathematician of Divine destiny,

The common and persistent belief in immortality, despite the wide range of speculative convictions as to the nature of the future life is instinctive, subconscious. It is a belief rooted in Time itself. but offering only the most confused and vague conceptions of Space relations. It is as though Time ceased in the physical outlines of Space which we call matter. In contrast, the conscious mind is mostly concerned with Space relations, with matter, or, as we say "realities," and the more submerged in or attentive to these everyday apparitions which we call "things," the more completely does "Time fly" and escape us. The subconscious has the Time without the Stuff, or rather for the sake of infinite time stuff is attenuated throughout space into dream stuff. To the psychoanalys dreams betray the subconscious concerns which the conscious mine has suppressed into it. Consciousness through attentiveness botl suppresses and compresses this dreamstuff and so limits dimensiona movement in Time as to destroy any true conception of the relation of Time to phenomena. The methods of popular or orthodox science are the methods of the conscious mind—weights, size, color, all the physical aspects, enter into it; Time is too often ignored as unrelated to reality, though it is creator in matter's becoming. This being so, it is rather vain to hope so orthodox a body as the Américan Genetic Association will so view Father Time as the original ancestor of each of these, six hundred pairs of twins as to make any inquiry

into the birthminutes of each of a pair.

"The importance of twins in furnishing science with evidence of the limitations of environment cannot be exaggerated. Identical twins are the only human beings in the world who have exactly the same heredity. If we can find out the characteristic ways in which they remain the same throughout life, the qualities and habits and mannerisms which persist unchanged in them both, in spite of their living in entirely different surroundings, we shall know much more than we do at present about what attributes are hereditary and fixed and what are those which we can hope to modify by environment and education."

From an astrological viewpoint substitute for heredity the term "horoscope," and for hereditary the phrase "are due to the horoscope at the birthplace," and we may say we shall know more than we do at present how much life may be modified by the projected horoscope of the twins at their widely separated points of residence and career. And this is something of which any student may learn much once he undertakes the simple mathematical calculations of projections in lieu of mumbling after the texts: "Aries go East, Libra go West, and the ninth house you wander afar."

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COMMENT AND CORRECTION OF STUART ARMOUR ARTICLE IN FEBRUARY ADEPT, ALSO THAT OF PROFESSOR WESTON, MARCH ADEPT.

I wish to say Mr. Armour's article is all right with the exception of one or two errors of which I will quote and correct. First, "The great teacher of Nazareth"—Correction, "of Galilee of the Gentiles," for there was no such place as "Nazareth" until three hundred and

fifty years afterwards

He was a Nazarine by initiation of that order. Second, he and his folks accepted the Jewish religion by pure compulsion outwardly but he never did inwardly, for in even his young manhood he knew better, but the time was not ripe for the launching out in opposition to all of their iron-bound dogmas, but the time did arrive and did as he intended.

There was one thing in particular he did try hard to break down—the Seventh day or Saturn's day worship; but today it is as bad or worse than it was in his day. You can see thousands of them every day, and there are more of them among the Gentiles than with the Jews.

the spirits of evil, and expected from a Lord's Supper salvation of body and soul. Like the latter, they also held Sunday sacred, and celebrated the birth of the Sun on the 25th of December, the same day on which Christmas has been celebrated since the fourth century at least. They both preached a categorical system of ethics, regarded asceticism as meritorious, and counted among their principal virtues abstinence and continence, renunciation and self-control. Their conceptions of the world and the destiny of man were similar. They both admitted the existence of a Heaven inhabited by beatified ones, situate in the upper regions, and of a hell peopled by demons, situate in the bowels of the earth. They both placed a flood at the beginning of history; they both assigned as the source of their traditions a primitive revelation; they both finally believed in the immortality of the soul, in a last judgment, and in a resurrection of the dead, consequent upon a final conflagration of the universe.

Cumont says, "The resemblances between the two hostile churches were so striking as to impress even the minds of antiquity. From the third century, the Greek philosophers were wont to draw parallels between the Persian mysteries and Christianity which were evidently entirely in favor of the former. The Apologists also dwell on the analogies between the two religions, and explained them as a Satanic travesty of the holiest rites of their religion. If the polemical works of the Mithraists had been preserved, we should doubtless have heard the same accusations hurled back upon their Christian adversaries."

STUART ARMOUR.

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