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THE USE OF THE MAPS;

OR

HOW TO READ A NATIVITY.

The next point we now feel disposed to deal with in connection with this most remarkable nativity is, what amount of popularity is the native likely to meet with, and to what position in society, either by good or ill fortune, is he likely to attain.

For guiding our judgment in this respect, let us in the first place, observe Venus ruler of the figure is above the earth, cadent 'tis true but not afflicted, only by semisquare of Uranus, lord of the eleventh, the house of friends, while the Moon is in that house in sextile aspect with Venus, also applying to the same aspect of the Sun and a conjunction of Uranus. These things alone we should contend, if we had never heard a single word either from or about the person in question, are quite sufficient to lift him up at least several degrees above the position in which he was born, and that chiefly through the instrumentality of friends, for the Moon in this house unafflicted produces many friends, and when applying by good aspect to the asc. and its ruler, friends render much valuable assistance.

It is not only by friends that this most remarkable personage is likely to rise in position, but even his enemies, in endeavouring to check his progress, will only aid as it were in pushing him up the mountain side; and although the General must be very unfortunate in some respects, yet in scaling the heights of popularity and fame he is very fortunate. Thus the events of his life have so far fully borne out.

For a confirmation of what we say, let us note that the Sun, the centre of the universe, the ruler and governor of all the other bodies of our Solar system, is practically on the asc., and although afflicted by the opposition of Saturn in the seventh, and is lord of the tenth, the house of honour, it has the sextile aspect of the Moon and Uranus, also the Mundane trine of both Jupiter and Mars. Now the Sun in this position in any person's nativity must be very much afflicted indeed if the native does not make some good progress up the ladder of fame and fortune. Of

course the better the Sun is dignified, and the better it is aspected by other planets, the more success will the native meet with, and the more progress will he make.

In the present case the Sun is afflicted by the opposition of Saturn in the seventh, and is lord of the tenth, but this ruler of the universe is placed on the most important angle of heaven, consequently is rising in the east, and has a good aspect of several other planets.

Now, had the General been born in a workhouse he could not have helped but become prominent and popular among those by whom he was surrounded, and would have risen just in proportion to his circumstances all the same. He was born, according to reports, in a somewhat humble rank of life, but as sufficient means were forthcoming to enable his parents to give him a good education, and to start him off at an altitude some distance above that in which he was born, he has thus succeeded according to the circumstances with which he has been connected, which success however has only being in proportion to what it would have been had he been, as we say, born in a workhouse.

HINTS AND ADVICE TO STUDENTS.

(Continued from page 182, vol. 2.)

After a little practical observation, the character and disposition of the various individuals one comes in contact with may soon be read in their general appearance, but if their time of birth can be obtained their mental traits may be more easily defined. Of course this in every case is an impossibility, because to erect a figure of every person's birth that we come across or have to do with would occupy all our time and somebody else's as well. It can therefore only be done in exceptional cases, such as two persons going in partnership, lawsuit, marriage, or any kind of transaction of an important nature. The nativities of the two parties should always in such cases be consulted.

If this cannot be done, a horary figure should be set up for the time of any important news arriving, either personally or by letter, and let all matters concerning that business, be answered from that figure; that is, of course, if the figure be a radical one, which may be seen by the asc. if it describes the querent, or if the figure as a whole describes the business enquired about fairly well, the scheme may then be considered a radical one and fit to be judged.

Perhaps one of the greatest difficulties students have to contend with is the reading of their own questions, without

allowing themselves to be led to some extent by their wishes and desires, and thus straining all the points they possibly can to their utmost limits, and a little beyond, in order to make the answer suit their purpose; and until they have gained a sufficient amount of self-control, by practical experience, to enable them to overcome their own feelings, look the matter straight in the face, and accept with full resignation whatever the heavens may reveal, they should in all such cases consult some competent and disinterested person.

It is all very well to erect a figure on a question, and to accept its definition when it unmistakably harmonizes with our every wish and desire, for it is an easy matter under these circumstances to accept and believe either Astrology or anything else. Any student can read and accept such declarations as these; but only let the reverse be shown, let an examination of the nativity, or the interpretation of a horary figure, blight our most cherished hopes, when some promising object makes its appearance before our imagination with all the grandest promises of success, and anything to the contrary seems to our mind an utter impossibility, then let Astrology clearly and emphatically declare that the sooner we abandon all idea of such a thing being a success, or turning out satisfactory, the better it will be for our welfare. For instance, where two person's are drawn together by sympathetic influences operating upon their individual organisms, and they become so much attached to each other that they have consented to be man and wife, when before their mental vision has appeared a life of domestic comfort, happiness, and bliss, then let Astrology say, enter not into the marriage state, or you will repent it all the days of your lives. There are not many to be found who under such circumstances as these can accept the thing as a fact, act upon the advice given, and say with all seriousness and sincerity of purpose, "Thy will be done." There are not many who can accept Astrology as a revealer of secrets at times like these; but there are plenty to be found who are ready to repudiate it, and to spurn it from them as a thing to be despised, simply because it reveals the truth, and the revelation it has given is not what they expected and hoped for.

As we before said, it requires a good deal of practice and a lot of personal experience for one to accept the declaration of his horoscope, or of a figure set upon any question, when it is against him; therefore it is best in matters of an important nature to submit such questions to the investigation of some other person, who has no interest in the thing enquired about. We have seen many who are well qualified and could give straightforward and definite replies to others but could not trust to their own judgment in important matters of their own.

We therefore recommend young students to assist each other by answering each other's queries, particularly those who live within speaking distance, and can benefit themselves by personal contact.

We have also seen persons much annoyed because they could not make the science answer their requirements by compelling it to give the kind of declaration they required. Others we have heard say when the interpretation has been contrary to their expectations concerning the object they have been so anxious about, "Oh, well, whether or no I am going in for it; there is every prospect of it being a perfect success; it is almost impossible for it to be otherwise, and I am going to chance it, anyway," and not till they have proved it by bitter experience could they accept the science as a fact.

Students we have known to be led astray by such mental delusions as these more than once. Our advice therefore is, either consult the nativity, or erect a figure for the time of inquiry on any important matter, the former of course is preferable when it is available; then let some competent and disinterested person give the answer, for it is seldom, as we before remarked, that a person is prepared to give a correct rendering to his own questions, when such rendering is of a disappointing nature.

Students are getting pretty numerous now, and we think there will not be much difficulty in their way of assisting each other in this manner, or by some similar means.

THE REASSEMBLING OF PARLIAMENT.

This is announced to take place on Thursday, Feb. 21st. We are sorry the time is not given, for then we might have erected a figure for that time, and made some comment upon it. However, as it is the most we can do is to draw up the figure for the noon of that day, and observe the aspects (both lunar and planetary) for the day. These we find to be on the whole of a very afflicting nature. The first thing that strikes our attention is the Moon decreasing; the next is that three planets are retrograding; then we find the Moon is applying to square of Saturn and Mercury, while Venus is applying to an opposition of Uranus, and Mercury is in opposition to Saturn, while Jupiter squares Mars from cardinal signs. The only good aspects in the figure being a parallel of Moon and Mercury and a sextile of Sun and Jupiter. As we before said, we do not know the time our legislators are called upon to meet, so cannot say in what mansions of the heavens these evil influences will

be emitted from, so will defer our judgment in this respect until our next. The influences from heaven, however, are decidedly evil, and will operate according to the mansions they fall in at the time of the meeting, and what mansions the magnetic bodies rules.

We as a nation spend large sums of money every year in sending Missionaries to various parts of the world to enlighten and civilize the heathen, and to persuade them to accept our doctrines and our theories in preference to their own. That an immense amount of good has been done in this way and by these means, no reasonable person can deny, and we think when looking at the thing fairly and honestly we have no cause to begrudge the money that has been spent in this venture; but we cannot help thinking there is equally as much need, for some at least, of these dark and benighted people to send missionaries among us, as for us to send ours among them, for if they are ignorant in some respects, we are equally as ignorant in others, and we have equally as much to learn of them as they have of us. They, to a very large extent, are led by their knowledge of the stars, and in that respect could teach us much.

There are not many of these supposed superstitious people, over whom we spend our money and manifest so much sympathy (particularly among the rulers of them), who are so enveloped in presumption, bigotry, stupidity, and ignorance as to assemble in Parliament, or to commence a work of serious import, under such influences as those described by the map of the heavens here before us.

What will many of the Eastern Monarchs and legislators say when they find the leading Government of the world, composed of what is supposed to be the most enlightened men upon earth, meeting together to legislate for their country at a time when the very powers that govern them are in such a terribly confused state? They might be excused if they would allow reason, science, nature, truth, and experience to teach them; but no, prejudice and fashion are, in their estimation, before any of these.

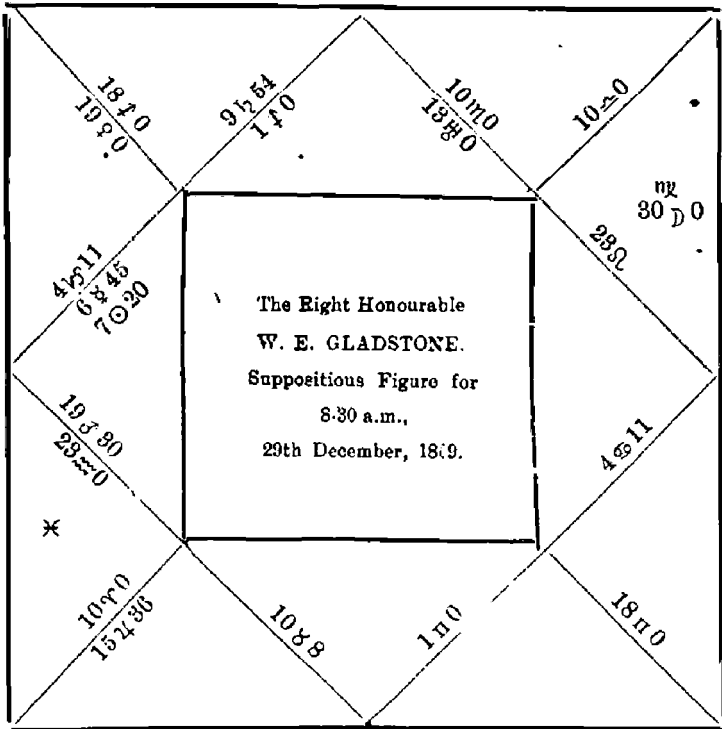
What then are we to expect as the result of this august assembly meeting together under such adverse influences? As we before remarked, not having the time it is difficult to say. We may, however, confidently expect troubles, disputes, tumult, and excitement on every hand.

NOTICE.

We are sorry space does not allow us to resume our article on Revolutions, Transits, &c., as we promised to in this number. We will, however, endeavour to give a somewhat lengthy article in our next.

TWO HOROSCOPES OF MR. GLADSTONE,
WITH REMARKS, BY ALBERT DAWES.

R. A., M. C. 14 h. 80 min.



In answer to many enquiries as to the nativity of Mr. Gladstone, I beg to suggest the above figure as being in many respects near the right time.

Raphael, in the "Prophetic" for 1874, in giving the planets' places for noon on day of birth, remarks that if the birth occurred before noon, from early morning till 8 or 9 o'clock, then the native would feel the benefic influences of Jupiter about his moon's place; and if so, that this might retain him in power for some months; saying further, "The student will notice that no planet is herein dignified."

In the "Prophetic" for 1875, Raphael says, "We insert the places of the planets for the noon of the day of the right hon. gentleman, in order to draw attention to the places of the luminaries at birth, and the transit of Mars during the coming months, as also to show the moon must have been near the point named by us last year (beginning of Libra), which led, no doubt, to the right hon. gentleman's retirement, and we shall not be surprised if he gives up the leadership of the party [which he did for a time]

. . . for Mars must soon come to a bad aspect of the Zodiacal place of the Moon, and in May he will be very near that of the Sun at birth; we therefore gravely question in the future the return of the right hon. gentleman to office."

Some time after this I began to observe the effect of transits in the above native's career, and I came to the conclusion that the time suggested by Raphael was not far from the mark. Herschell in the 10th in square to Mars agreed uncommonly well with the extraordinary popularity and insatiable desire for destructive legislation, and the equanimity with which it was so long endured can only be accounted for by having Jupiter in the ruling sign (Aries) of England, and Venus in sextile to mid-heaven.

As regards his mental capacity and disposition, the mutual aspects of the planets are anything but good, as we have the Moon square of Sun and Mercury, and semisquare of Herschell, and sesquiquadrate of Mars, also Sun semiquartile of Mars. The benefic aspects being Jupiter sextile of asc., Mercury and Sun, and Mars, the three first being in Mundo and the last in the Zodiac. Mercury rising so close to the ascending degree in a cardinal sign (the ascendant of Charles V., Emperor of Germany, Julius Cæsar, Oliver Cromwell, and the Duke of Wellington) gives him elocutionary powers, and the Sun being asc. gives publicity and office; but the bad Zodiacal aspects before mentioned show that his abilities have been much over-rated.

On the approach of Herschell to the Moon's place his power and influence began to wane; as I had told an astrological friend it would do (supposing I was right as to the time of birth), he also thinking a saturnine sign was rising.

Some time since a friend sent me a suggestion that 3.40 of Virgo was rising at birth, and giving Jupiter sextile of mid-heaven as direction for entrance on the political arena, and asking my opinion; but with the exception of Mercury and Sun trine of asc., Mercury being lord thereof, I see absolutely nothing that agrees with the life or fortune of so public and prominent a character; and though Mercury, lord of asc., and in trine thereof, would show great ability and oratorical power, it would also indicate wit and humour, instead of the saturnine and ponderous verbosity which is so characteristic of the People's William.

One of your correspondents, signing himself "A Friend," in his letter of Oct. 11, 1888, gives the time of birth of the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone as Dec. 29, 1809, at 10h. 15min. a.m., at Liverpool. This gives a Figure with R.A. meridian 16h. 10min., or a trifle less. Here we have Aquarius rising, Mars therein in sextile to Jupiter, showing the masterful disposition, and impatience to yield to any opinion but his own; Sun and Mercury in the 11th and in mundane sextile to the 10th, giving a public name and commanding official position, with a troop of subservient followers; Herschell in the 9th in mundane trine of asc. and Zodiacal sextile of Sun and Mercury, showing the extraordinary legislative changes introduced in Church and State; Moon in Zodiacal and mundane sextile to meridian popularity. The sextile of Herschell and Mercury shows great causality, and would indicate consummate administrative ability, were it not for the square of Moon to Mercury and Sun, which warps the judgment, and points to mis-directed energy. Lastly, the rise to such eminence and sudden fall agree with position of Saturn in the

10th, and I should be almost inclined to think this last Figure might be right were it agreeable to his personal appearance and extraordinary oratorical powers, but in this respect I do not think it is.

A correspondent in this month's "Astrologer" inquires as to his return to power and time of "terminus vitæ." Not having an Ephemeris for 1810 I do not know either the progressive or primary positions by direction of the planets at present time of life.

If the first figure I have given is right, then the present year ought to bring some considerable return of influence and revival of energy. If the Figure last given is the true one, we cannot, I think, entertain the prospect of any return to power; the position of Saturn in the 10th points to the contrary, especially as Jupiter transiting lately over the meridian, and in sextile to the Moon has failed to give any success to the Home Rule project, though the transit over Sun and Mercury, and stationary position in Spring, will doubtless have a marked effect. If the native were really born with 3.30 of Virgo rising, then we could scarcely expect him, at his advanced age, to survive the stationary position of Saturn (on such an asc.) in the Autumn of the present year, especially as Sun by progressive direction is coming so near opposition of moon.

If our Prime Ministers were chosen on astrological grounds, our Sovereign would not have chosen a statesman whose Saturn was in opposition to her Sun, Moon, and ascendant, as is the case in the present instance. This nullifies the good we might otherwise expect from the presence of Jupiter in Aries.

I am, dear sir, yours truly,

ALBERT DAWES.

Bournemouth, Feb. 4, 1889.

CHOICE APHORISMS.

75.—When Saturn is in the tenth house, either in nativity or questions, he destroys the most hopeful things.

76.—When Saturn is in the seventh house, he often changeth the businss, and brings much mischief.

77.—When Saturn is in the fourth house, he declares an unhappy end of every business or undertaking.

78.—In any geniture, election, or question whatever; Saturn bindeth, Jupiter dissolveth.

79.—Whatever Mars at any time bindeth, Venus sets free.

80.—When the Moon separates from Jupiter or Venus, she undoes what happens to be bound by Mercury.

81.—The three superior planets in opposition to the Sun are observed not only to hinder the question but corrupt it.

82.—When Saturn is in square to the Sun, there is a show of a good progress, but a bad end of a thing.

83.—Saturn in conjunction, square, or opposition to Jupiter, dissolveth the oppression and violence menaced.

84.—Saturn in square, conjunction, or opposition to Mars, prohibits mirth, and impedes or destroys the question.

85.—Saturn in conjunction, square, or opposition to Venus, chiefly in tenth house, declares the question then propounded to aim at dishonesty.

86.—Saturn in conjunction, square, or opposition to Mercury, destroys the question, and make things that are in themselves impertinent, more impertinent than idle.

87.—Jupiter in conjunction, square, or opposition to the Sun, is found to hinder an evil threatened; and not only so, but also to turn such an evil into good.

88.—Jupiter in conjunction, square, or opposition to Mars, hinders the force of generation and corruption.

89.—Jupiter in conjunction, square, or opposition to Mercury, shows the aptitude of the question and its good end.

90.—Jupiter in conjunction, square, or opposition to Mercury, shows the business enquired after will come to a good end, and this with an addition to what the querent expects.

91.—The infortunes in the second house strong declares the querent's substance or fortune to change from evil to good, as well in nativities as questions.

92.—But if the infortunes are there unfortunate, his substance is then changed from good to evil.

93.—You may give the same judgment when you find them posited in either of the other angles.

94.—When you find the lord of the ascendant in the combust way, the question is commonly corrupted. The combust way is from 15 deg. of Aquarius to 15 deg. of Virgo.

95.—An infortune in the tenth or fourth house from the ascendant of the question, obscures the matter or things quesited after, and the querent shall tremble (says my author) to think of evil attending it.

96.—An infortune in the ascendant, and second house, fortunate, portends the business in question to answer the querent's desire, but shows he shall reap small gain thereby.

J. S., Sheffield.

To be continued.

LESSONS FOR STUDENTS.

ON THE SIGNS, PLANETS, AND ASPECTS.

*The Dominion of the Moon in Man's Body as she passes through the
Twelve Signs of the Zodiac.*

- ♈ The head and face the Ram doth always rule,
 ♉ The neck and throat are govern'd by the Bull ;
 ♊ O'er the arms and shoulders still the Twins preside,
 ♋ Breast, stomach, ribs, the crooked Crab doth guide ;
 ♌ The noble Lion rules the back and heart,
 ♍ The bashful Virgin claims the abdomen part ;
 ♎ The reins and loins the equal Balance weigh,
 ♏ The Scorpion o'er the generative parts doth sway ;
 ♐ The curious Archer doth the thighs affect,
 ♑ So doth the Goat our bended knees protect ;
 ♒ The legs unto Aquarius' lot do fall,
 ♓ The Fish our active feet their portion call
 The parts of the body which we stand upon.

J. S.

The Twelve Signs of the Zodiac.

- ♈ Aries—Head and Face...Fiery...Masculine.
 ♉ Taurus—Neck and Throat...Earthy...Feminine.
 ♊ Gemini—Arms and Shoulders...Airy...Masculine.
 ♋ Cancer—Breast and Stomach...Watery...Feminine.
 ♌ Leo—Heart and Back...Fiery...Masculine.
 ♍ Virgo—Bowels and Abdomen.. Earthy...Feminine.
 ♎ Libra—Reins and Loins... Airy...Masculine.
 ♏ Scorpio—Generative Members...Watery...Feminine.
 ♐ Sagittarius—Hips and Thighs...Fiery...Masculine.
 ♑ Capricorn—Knees and Hams...Earthy...Feminine.
 ♒ Aquarius—Legs and Ankles...Airy...Masculine.
 ♓ Pisces—Feet and Toes...Watery...Feminine.

Characters of the Planets.

- ♅ Uranus is fortunate in moneys, arts, and sciences ; in other respects a malific, especially in marriage and law.
 ♄ Saturn is the great ill-fortune, and is said to be the greatest plague of man.
 ♃ Jupiter is the greatest fortunate : benevolent, but extravagant.
 ♂ Mars is an unfortunate planet, delighting in science, but warlike.

- ♀ Venus is the second fortunate planet.
- ♿ Mercury is both good and evil, according to the company in which he is.
- ♃ Luna is very changeable, somewhat fortunate, but convertible.
- ☉ Sol is fortunate.

Aspects and their Character.

- ♃ Conjunction is good with Jupiter, Venus, and the Moon; but is evil with the Moon to Mars, Saturn, or Uranus; with others moderate.
- * Sextile, and △ Trine, are good configurations with all.
- ♁ Semisquare, ♁ Sesquisquare, and ♁ Opposition, are bad aspects with all the planetary bodies.

The above information is more particularly for those of our readers who wish to understand the nature of the aspects, in order to benefit by our information.

A Table of Fortunate Days in the Week.

- Moon in Aries at birth, their fortunate day is Tuesday.
- Moon in Taurus at birth, their fortunate day is Friday.
- Moon in Gemini at birth, their fortunate day is Wednesday.
- Moon in Cancer at birth, their fortunate day is Monday.
- Moon in Leo at birth, their fortunate day is Sunday.
- Moon in Virgo at birth, their fortunate day is Friday.
- Moon in Libra at birth, their fortunate day is Saturday.
- Moon in Scorpio at birth, their fortunate day is Tuesday.
- Moon in Sagittary at birth, their fortunate day is Thursday.
- Moon in Capricorn at birth, their fortunate day is Monday.
- Moon in Aquarius at birth, their fortunate day is Wednesday.
- Moon in Pisces at birth, their fortunate day is Saturday.

This is valuable to be known, for then persons can take advantage of the good effects of the Lunar positions.

Fortunate Times for Selecting Servants.

In selecting a time for choosing servants, let the Moon be unafflicted in Taurus, Cancer, or Pisces, for women servants: For such servants, let the Moon be in Gemini, Scorpio, Sagittarius, or Aquarius. If the Moon be afflicted in Pisces when you engage a servant, he or she will assuredly prove unfaithful and dishonest. If the Moon be in Capricorn, he or she will run away, or be idle, will return after a day or two's absence, but will go again; this also applies to taking of apprentices.

STUDENTS' COLUMN.

Owing to the number of queries we receive, and the lengthy detailed manner in which many of them are put, we find it impossible to reply to but a small percentage of them in anything like a satisfactory manner; being anxious however that all should have a place in our pages, and that all should be replied to, we have decided to devote a portion of our space to students and enquirers. Of course the latter must be restricted to questions that have a direct bearing upon the science only. No questions of personal interest can be inserted; if they were, our pages would soon be fully occupied with them.

Now, what we most respectfully request is, that correspondents will be as brief as possible in asking their questions, and at the same time we invite readers and students to reply to these questions also in as brief a manner as possible, in order that all may have a chance.

Of the value of this method we will say nothing, but leave our readers to judge for themselves, and hope they will fully appreciate it, and avail themselves of the opportunity of corresponding with each other.

The following are abbreviations of what we have now in hand, and to which in our next month's issue we hope to have a liberal supply of answers:—

“Halcyone” wishes to know what degree and sign is on the asc. Nov. 13th, 1855, at 8-43 p.m. (No place or latitude is given, perhaps table for 53 N. will do, as query is from Leeds.) Also, should the difference found in the equation of time be added to sidereal or clock time?

“J. M. S.”—Female, born January 7th, 1837, at 7-32 p.m., latitude 53 N., has suffered fearful cruelties from husband. What positions were the planets in, and what aspects did they form with each other at the time of my birth to produce such a sad state of things?

“Retlam” would be extremely obliged if some brother student would kindly give through “The Astrologer” the method of computing the poles of the houses when latitude is given.

“G. Scraw.”—Can any friend in need tell me what are the best books to get to instruct me in working the ephemeris up?

“Uranus in the 7th” has now forwarded to us his and his wife's time of birth, students may therefore erect a figure for each, and see for themselves what is the radical cause of the joyful existence this gentleman speaks of, and also reply to some or perhaps all of his earnest enquiries. Male born Nov. 3rd, 1861, at 10-20 a.m., no latitude or place given, but we presume in 51 degrees N. Female born April 1st, 1867, at 5-50 a.m., we presume in the same latitude.

HORARY ASTROLOGY.

WILL BOULANGER BE RETURNED ?

The following is a copy of a telegram received from the Stock Exchange on Jan. 25th, 1889, at 8-41 p.m. :—" Will Boulanger be elected in Paris on Sunday ? Please reply sharp."

On erecting a figure for this time we found 28° Cancer 18' rising Aries no degrees on the 10th, no planets angular, neither did the figure in any way give a clear reply to the question, we therefore replied by letter the next post, saying :—" Figure not radical ; if you are still anxious, wire again, and I will wire reply." Accordingly on the 26th, at 12-20 noon, we got the following :—" Will Boulanger be elected ? Reply sharp."

On setting up a figure for this time we found 17° Gemini 8' on the asc., and consequently 17° Saggitarium 8' was found on the cusp on the 7th. As it was a question of antagonism between parties, we took the first house and its lord to represent the person inquired about, as well as the person making the inquiry, the 7th and its lord for his opponents, the 10th for the exalted position contested for. Before we had got this figure half finished we concluded it was a radical one, and would reveal the true state of the case.

Now anyone putting up a figure for the time given will find as we say 17° Gemini 8' rising and 17° Saggitarium 8' setting, Mercury ruler of the figure, and representative of the party enquired about, is placed in the 10th, which, as we just previously remarked, represents the position sought for. This planet is just leaving an opposition of Saturn in the 4th, and is applying direct to a sextile aspect of Jupiter in the seventh. Let us now note Jupiter in the 7th in his own sign Saggitarium is very strong, and as it represents the General's opponents, it shows them to be very strong and powerful, but the planet is near the last degree of the sign, and not near the cusp of the house, which shows their strength is somewhat weakened. We must also remember this 7th house represents the general public, as well as the General's adversaries, and here we have the representative of the quesited actually in the house representing the position contested for ; and as we should have remarked before, in trine aspect with the lord of 10th, and applying to a sextile aspect of Jupiter, representative of the public. Our reply, therefore, was by wire the same day, " Yes, he will get in."

This, as every reader knows, was the day before the election came off, the result of which we have no need to mention. There are several other aspects in the figure the student may observe ; for instance, the Moon rules the 2nd, is cadent in the 6th, showing a deficiency of money to carry on the contest, but

the Moon is applying to a sextile aspect of the Sun, that illuminator being near the cusp of the 10th, which shows most distinctly, that some person or persons in a high position are finding him the money, and plenty of it, to go on with. There are other aspects of a less signification, which may be noticed figure be erected.

The question has already been asked, and very probably may be asked again, "Why has not this thing been made known before: If Astrology is qualified to reveal the results of important events, why don't those who practice it make such things as these known to the world weeks or even months beforehand?" Some persons are apt to doubt the science, or the statements of its students, because this is not done. Now to this question we will answer for ourselves only, leaving others to do likewise. In the first place, we have not yet had time to work up the General's natus to make our computations public in our pages, yet by our remarks we have distinctly shown that we were fully expecting him to rise in position and popularity, particularly in our last issue, on page 170. We there make use of this language, "For although he has not arrived at the climax of his exaltation," &c., which we think cannot fail to convey the idea to the mind of any unprejudiced person that it was already clear enough to us, and the only reason why we have not made it public, as we said before, is because since receiving his (the General's) figure of birth from our worthy friend Mr Dawes, our time and space has not allowed us to proceed so far in our calculations.

Then the question might arise, "Why did you not make it known to the public by the same means that you made it known to the individual from whom you got the telegram?" For the very self same reason, we only got the question on the 26th of last month, just a day before the election, and our number for the month was then all made up and almost printed off, therefore this is the first opportunity we have had of publishing these revelations. Had any anxious or interested person made the inquiry either days, weeks, or even months before, we have not the slightest doubt but the reply would have been the same, and we should have been able to have said then, as well as on the day we did, "Yes, he will get in."

Of course, a figure erected for any other time could not possibly have been the same as the one set up for the time given; it might, nevertheless, have been equally as clear and distinct in its signification.

IS BARRATT GUILTY OR NOT GUILTY?

Here is another most important question :—“ We wonder when are our police authorities going to act the part of sensible men, and investigate Astrology for themselves, and see whether it is any use to them or not ?”

An horary figure was erected by a student who lives in the neighbourhood where the boy John Gill was so horribly murdered and mutilated on Dec. 29th of last year. This figure was forwarded to us for our opinion upon it. We are not going to repeat here in public what we said to our correspondent in private ; but one thing we may repeat, “ He will be acquitted without a stain upon his character ;” whether this definition was correct or not we leave our readers to judge for themselves.

This figure was drawn up for Jan. 3rd, 1889, at 3-45 p.m. Let students erect the scheme for themselves and draw their own conclusions.

Let us, however, remark in this case, the asc. represents the querent (the person who puts the question), the 5th mansion and its ruler represents the murdered child, the 7th and its ruler the person who did the deed.

The following is from Albertus Magnus, M.E., the correspondent above referred to :—

After drawing up the figure, refer to the notes here given :— Released Jan. 18th, at 3 p.m., 1889, rearrested Feb. 4th, at 11 p.m. 1889.

Note.— Saturn is ruler of the 7th, and is retrograde, Sun and Mercury are in conjunction in the 7th, and in trine to Saturn. The 5th of the figure (which is the prisoner's) 11th house of friends of which house both Venus and Mars are joint rulers. These two rulers are in conjunction in the 9th, the house of religion, and in good aspect with Jupiter lord of 10th, the authorities, Judge, &c. It is a bad job for the prisoner that this good aspect is separating, and the Moon going straight to an opposition of Saturn, for it indicates future troubles. Uranus is in his house of friends, which also represents the child. This planet is in trine aspect with Venus and Mars, which, like the former named aspect is separating. This just corresponds with Barratt's friends. At the time of his re-arrest the Sun was within a few minutes of an opposition of Saturn, and the Moon was in opposition to Uranus, which turns retrograde ; also the Sun was in semi-square to Venus by progress. This is a very interesting and instructive figure, as all radical figures are, and students would do well to draw it up, and then watch the progress of the case.

MEDICAL BOTANY ;

OR, EVERY MOTHER HER OWN DOCTOR.

Herbs that are required for medical purposes, as we have often said before, should be collected under as favourable circumstances as possible ; that is, they should be perfectly dry when gathered, and only those taken that are in the most healthy condition, all leaves or parts that are dead or withered should be rejected. It is also very important they should be cut or dug up at a time when the planet that rules them is angular and strong, the stronger the better ; and for this purpose it is necessary for the person who wishes to take advantage of the best and most favoured times to possess himself of an Ephemeris for the present year, and also some little amount of knowledge how to use it, then he can choose his own times, and avail himself of various opportunities of collecting his medicines at the very best of times.

However, for those who do not possess that amount of astral knowledge, we give the following as a guide :—

For those of the Moon, March 6th, 3-30 to 4-30 ; Mercury, 4th, 10 to 11 a.m. ; Venus, 11th, from 2 to 3 p.m. ; Mars, 9th, from 1-30 to 2-30 p.m. ; Jupiter, 20th, from 6 to 7 a.m. ; for those of Saturn and the Sun there are no particular good times during this month.

The times given above are very limited, and it may be very difficult for some of our readers to take advantage of these particular times, or there may be various atmospheric causes which will render some of them altogether impracticable. It therefore becomes necessary, for the convenience and benefit of students, that we give some more general information in this respect, of which they may be better able to take advantage.

It is a well known fact that every planet in the system has a certain time in every day and every night in which it is said to rule. This theory was rigidly taught and implicitly believed in by the Ancients. It is also a fact that the days of our week of seven days derived their respective names from this hypothesis.

Sunday is said to be the Sun's day, because that orb rules the first hour of that day, Venus the 2nd, Mercury the 3rd, Moon the 4th, Saturn the 5th, Jupiter the 6th, Mars the 7th, Sun the 8th, Venus the 9th, Mercury the 10th, Moon the 11th, and Saturn the 12th.

On Monday the Moon is said to rule the 1st hour, Saturn the 2nd, Jupiter 3rd, Mars 4th, Sun 5th, Venus 6th, Mercury 7th, Moon 8th, Saturn 9th, Jupiter 10th, Mars 11th, and Sun the 12th.

Tuesday, the 1st hour of this day is governed by Mars, the 2nd by the Sun, 3rd by Venus, 4th by Mercury, 5th by Moon, 6th by Saturn, 7th by Jupiter, 8th by Mars, 9th by Sun, 10th by Venus, 11th by Mercury, and 12th by the Moon.

Wednesday is said to be the day of Mercury, because that planet is said to govern the 1st hour thereof, the Moon the 2nd, Saturn 3rd, Jupiter 4th, Mars 5th, Sun 6th, Venus 7th, Mercury 8th, Moon 9th, Saturn 10th, Jupiter 11th, and Mars the 12th.

Thursday is said to be the most fortunate day in the week, because it is Jupiter's day. That planet is said to rule the 1st hour, Mars the 2nd, Sun 3rd, Venus 4th, Mercury 5th, Moon 6th, Saturn 7th, Jupiter 8th, Mars 9th, Sun 10th, Venus 11th, and Mercury 12th.

Friday is said to be the most fortunate day for young females, because Venus rules that day, therefore that planet governs the 1st hour, Mercury 2nd, Moon 3rd, Saturn 4th, Jupiter 5th, Mars 6th, Sun 7th, Venus 8th, Mercury 9th, Moon 10th, Saturn 11th, and Jupiter 12th.

Saturday was held by the Ancients to be the most unfortunate day, because the great malific, Saturn, has chief rule over it, and consequently claims the first hour thereof, Jupiter the 2nd, Mars 3rd, Sun 4th, Venus 5th, Mercury 6th, Moon 7th, Saturn 8th, Jupiter 9th, Mars 10th, Sun 11th, and Venus 12th.

The above refer to Solar hours and not to ordinary clock time; let that be understood by all, and under all circumstances.

The difference between clock and solar time is this:—The former divides the day into 24 equal parts, while the latter divides the time from Sun-rise to Sun-set into twelve equal parts, and the time from Sun-set to its rising into 12 other equal parts, thus Solar hours vary very much according to the length of the day.

In all cases take the times of Sun-rise and Sun-set, divide it by 12, then take that 12th part for collecting the herbs required over which the magnetic body that governs them preside. Thus a fairly good time may be selected any day during the summer months for gathering any of Nature's most valuable remedies.

Some people say, I am a thorough believer in herbal medicines, but I know nothing of botany, and therefore am at a loss as to what herbs to get. I don't know one from another, what am I to do? We always recommend the following under such circumstances as these:—Whatever herbs you want, if you do not know them by sight, go to the nearest herbalist's shop and procure a pennyworth of it or them, and you will have an infallible guide at once, and a cheap one too.

We have just received a testimonial from a lady, who states that she has a child that recently was very bad with bronchitis. She sent for the doctor—as she called him—who took the poor little sufferer in hand, and after a long and patient trial to effect a cure he utterly failed in the attempt, but sent in a bill of some length, which when summed up amounted to over three pounds. Just about this time a friend showed her the “Astrologer,” the number in which knot grass is recommended for this complaint. She acted the part both of a mother and a wise woman by as soon as possible procuring some. She had a good deal of difficulty in this, as none of the herbalists in Hull had any in stock, and of course there is none growing at this season of the year. However, like an affectionate and dutiful mother she persevered, and at last succeeded in obtaining a pennyworth. In the meantime another friend recommended the Gabriel’s Oil to be used in connection with the medicine, and, friendly like, proffered to let the mother have a part of what she had by her. As soon as all could be got ready the mother commenced to act as physician to her own suffering child; and who is more likely? She said she was astonished, as the first dose and the first rubbing had a marvellous and altogether unexpected effect; the child began to mend at once, and in what seemed to her an incredibly short time it was perfectly restored. The full amount she (the mother) laid out in medicine, oil, &c., was ninepence.

If all this be a true statement, which we are well satisfied it is, then there must be some quackery somewhere. Where is it?

The above is only one case among many of a very similar nature, that we are constantly coming across. Only a very short time ago a gentleman was suffering very severely with a cancer in the face. It had already made three holes through his cheek into his mouth. Of course there was plenty of medicine, medical skill, and high fees brought to bear upon the case, but all to no purpose. A very particular friend of ours happened to call at the house, and, as ladies often do when they meet, the person we refer to and the lady of the house happened to commence talking with each other, and one of the topics of conversation was the poor man’s face. After a rather lengthy discourse about what the doctor said, what he did, &c., &c., our friend strongly recommended Comfrey and Solomon’s Seal roots, both for internal and external application. The lady readily consented to this, as she said the doctors could evidently do no good, and these things could do no harm if they proved no better than the treatment already well tried. She said also that her mother was in her time a thorough believer in herbs, and had set much store by the *Solanum Dulcamra* (bitter sweet). Accordingly she added this to the former, and with a good deal of earnest pleading she overcame her husband’s prejudice, and he consented to submit himself to his wife’s treatment. He has had no reason

to repent so doing, for when our friend called again a month after the wife said her husband had that morning been eating some hard biscuits for his breakfast, and had gone to business the first time for several months. She also stated that after the first day's treatment he had a good night's rest, his face began to mend, and she said, now there is scarcely anything of it to be seen. Moreover, she said, the doctor is astounded, and does not know what to make of it.

Since receiving the above report we have received another of a cancer in the breast, which after a lot of useless treatment and an enormous amount of suffering was perfectly cured by an altogether unskilful person for a few pence by the herbs Vervine and Wood Betony. The first is under Venus, the latter under Jupiter.

We might quote numbers of such cases did time and space allow, but these we think are sufficient to encourage our readers to look after their own interests in this respect, and if they do that they will very soon have testimonies of their own, which is much better than that of others.

ANIMAL MAGNETISM, FAITH HEALING, LAYING ON OF HANDS, MESMERISM, &c.

All these terms, and as many more as may be added to them, are doubtless nothing more than a multiplication of the former, and all amount to the self-same thing. Man is a magnet, as we have before asserted, and every animal in creation is a magnet too, and many of them are much more sensitive than man is, for in numerous cases we have heard of the lower animals indicating by their manner and conduct that they possess some occult and mysterious instincts of approaching danger or coming events, when man has had no foreknowledge of them whatever. For instance, just before the earthquake on Sunday night, Feb. 10th, dogs and other animals are said to have been very restless and agitated, showing unmistakably that some invisible power was operating upon their organisms, and that they by some means or other knew that something unusual was about to happen; but we hear nothing of any man or woman being so affected on this occasion.

Hence there is no difficulty in proving that all animals are acted upon by the magnetism of the earth, and that they influence and affect each other there can be no denying. They must, therefore, possess what we call animal magnetism. There are no animals, however, possessing such intelligence as the human, and none are so capable of obtaining a knowledge of what this occult power is; nor are there any, so well adapted

for utilising that power as man is when he knows how. He is doubtless the most powerful of the animal creation, and most decidedly the most intelligent, and if he knew how to rightly apply the power he possesses, he could compel all other creatures to submit to his sway. However, we do not want to enter into a lengthy or detailed account of these things; what we want is simply to show our readers how they may benefit each other by the physical force they each and all naturally possess, which power we will again call animal magnetism.

Now our article in last month's issue under the heading, "A cheap, simple, and ready remedy for toothache, headache, &c.," is bearing upon this same subject, but all we can say further about it on this occasion is, to advise our readers who are wishful to try experiments not to be discouraged if their first efforts prove a failure, as is often the case. There is a saying which runs thus—"Practice makes perfect." Perhaps, however, it does not do this in every case, yet in the generality of cases it makes much improvement, and so it is in this. If the operator fails the first time, let him or her try again upon the same person. In some cases several applications are necessary before any benefit is derived, but every operation makes the sympathy and contact stronger; and when once a person has performed a cure upon another, it becomes an easy matter to do it again to the same individual.

There are doubtless numbers of persons who possess marvellous curative powers within themselves and know nothing whatever about it; let them try experiments.

LETTERS TO EDITOR.

Bradford, Jan. 24th, 1889.

Sir,—In the "Astrologer" for January there is a letter from Barnsley, in which is given the time of birth of the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone. Having heard from good authority that this exact time has never yet been ascertained, may I ask the writer if he will kindly oblige a student by giving his authority or source from which this time is given? This I ask because of the importance of getting a true figure.

No doubt you will have noticed what a great difference there is between Raphael and Zadkiel in their new Almanacs respecting the time of birth of the German Emperor.

Yours truly,

STABILITY.

Nelson, Jan. 28th, 1889.

Sir,—I saw in the January number of the "Astrologer" a list of names of persons who have contributed to the Defence

Fund, also in the number for October, 1888. I am entirely in sympathy with this appeal, but have held back my mite till I heard of something more substantial, but up to the present this has not been forthcoming. I do not hesitate in saying that the Keighley people are sincere and their intentions good, but if a general Defence Fund is to be formed (which no doubt there will be if a surplus is left), I think the head-quarters should be at the office of the "Astrologer," and the names of the the officers and other particulars given in that journal. I think something in this form more business-like, and that many of your readers would gladly assist the fund who have not hitherto done so.

I, for one, should like to know how the Keighley Committee stand in this case. Has the full amount been realised yet?

The person who has had this unjust and tyrannical persecution to face, and to stand all the slurs and scorn, and the brunt of the battle, before an unenlightened and prejudiced public, deserves our help and sympathy.

It is high time we united to break down these tyrannical and unjust proceedings against honest citizens.

I remain, yours truly,

J. THOMPSON.

Sir,—In reference to the notes of your correspondent, Mr. A. Wilson, on his friend's horoscope, the reason for the prediction that he would have money by marriage was probably judged from Jupiter in Cancer, his habitation, and posited in the 8th house, having a trine of Moon in the 3rd, and lord of the 8th. There is, too, mutual reception between Jupiter and the Moon by sign. But we note that Jupiter is afflicted by the opposition and par decline of Mars, and that Saturn is in the 8th. The aspect between the Moon and Jupiter is a weak trine, being just within orbs, and both planets are slow in motion; thus we should think that the prospects of a lucrative marriage are much negated.

We would suggest that the benefits indicated by Jupiter and the Moon would be, Moon lord of 8th and trine to Jupiter lord of 1st, with reception benefits through a death, or by legacy from a sister or near relative; Moon lord of 8th in the 3rd, but this later in life, signified by the slow motion of Moon and Jupiter at birth. Moon in 3rd, afflicted by square of Uranus and Venus, death amongst relatives.

We should judge his wife to be Venus in Gemini (conjunction to Uranus, as Moon applies to Venus first, and Mercury in Aries lord of 7th, a fair person, rather tall, with small head, marked eyebrows, large feet and hands.

The "trouble now" is probably in connection with divorce or separation, or money affairs.

A severe struggle against adverse influences will bring him moderate success in his studies.

Your correspondent G. M., of fortunate seed-planting repute, has Moon in conjunction to Uranus and Pisces in M. C., trine to Sun, Mercury, and Cancer on asc., suggesting one having control or sympathy with the fruitful elements in nature, a power in him in sympathy with the moisture agreeable to luxuriant vegetation. We should say that he has a good deal of mesmeric power. It would have been interesting to have had the time, or even day, of birth of his friend, that we might form an opinion for the different results in planting the seeds.

Yours faithfully,

MAHARA.

NOTICES.

No doubt many of our readers will be highly pleased, and many of our opponents, critics, sceptics, &c., will be thrown into a dilemma, on reading the announcement that an Astrological College is about to be formed in the U.S.A., which is to be specially devoted to the teaching of astrological laws, and that the professorship has been offered to our esteemed and worthy friend Mr. A. J. Pearce. What will superstition and fanaticism say to this?

Letters received, but left over for want of space, from "Samuel," "Geo. Wilde," "F. Langdale," "Ben Julius," and "A. W. R."

We have also been compelled to leave out, for the same reason, our Astrological Advice to Farmers, Gardeners, &c.

CORRESPONDENCE.

NOTICE TO STUDENTS AND CORRESPONDENTS ON THE SCIENCE OF ASTROLOGY.

All letters must be of general interest and advantage to our readers. No letters in the form of advertisements will be inserted. Writers may use their own names or a *nom de plume*, but their correct names and addresses must be sent to the Editor, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith. Write on one side of the paper only.

We would particularly ask correspondents to forward the exact time of any event, birth, or horary sign they may write upon, that students may be able to verify the same, as without this the subject may lose its interest.