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## THE HIGHER KNOWLEDGE

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"Man, know thyself," is a command which must be observed, if man would perfectly realize the object of his creation and fulfill the will of a Divine Creator.

We must then study nature by man and not man by nature. The Ancients knew that man was analogous to the universe. Thus they called man the Microcosm (or little world), and the universe the Macrocosm (or great world).

In the study of man three methods will lead to the same results. One may study man by investigating the organs and their functions. This is called the study of the invisible by induction. One may study man by investigating the life or intelligence or that which some persons call the *Soul*.

One may finally unite the two methods by consideration of the organs and their functions. This is the

study of analogy. Many students have pursued the study of occultism with about as much success as "the man who pursued the rainbows." Why? Because they have endeavored to conform to beautifully worded theories, without having first attained the practical knowledge of the mysterious workings of nature.

There is no proof upon record to show that any *one* of the great harmonious laws which regulate the Cosmos has ever been set at naught. *Miracles* and *occult manifestations* of all ages were nothing more than the effects of causes operating according to the hidden and unknown laws which are just as exact and by far more *potent* than the *known laws* of the physical plane.

#### ANALOGY.

If we consider the lungs in detail, we find that they receive air from without, which on the inside undergoes certain changes. If we consider the stomach in the same manner, we find it also acts as a transforming agent upon the food it receives. Our knowledge at this stage becomes facts. These analogous facts may be generally stated, or, we may pursue the same analogous investigation in detail. We may say that the lungs receive something from without which it transforms. Thus the lungs and stomach exercise functions which are analogous between themselves. To pursue the study in detail we would find similar relation between the arms and legs, the hand and foot, etc.

It is erroneous, however, to suppose that two things

analogous must be similar. Even in the beginning of analogical study we note the triple gradation, Facts, Laws and Principles. This gradation is based upon the number Three, which plays an important part in Ancient Science. It is upon this that a great part of the domain of analogy is founded. These three terms appear in man, as, the Body, the Life and the Intelligence.

Law—If one thing whatever is analogous to another, all parts of the thing are analogous to the corresponding parts of the other. Thus when the Ancients compared man to the universe, it followed that to know the circulation in man and to know the detail of creation, origin and death of man, it was only necessary to study the same phenomena in the earth. This may seem a little obscure to the student at present, but as we proceed it will be all made plain.

Facts, Laws and Principles were designated by the Ancients as the three worlds, which was the basic teaching of Pythagoras. The divisions into three worlds and their further development into a greater or less number of concentric spheres, inhabited by intelligences of more or less purity, was known long before the time of Pythagoras, who received the doctrine at Babylon, Memphis and Tyre. The same doctrine was also known to the Hindus.

The Ancients considered the universe as a great animated whole, composed of Intelligence, Soul and Body, which was called Pan.

Man was composed of the same in an inverse man-

ner. Body, Soul and Intelligence, and each of these three, were still further subdivided each into three. In fact, the ternary or trinity reigned supreme throughout ail.

*(End of First Lesson.)*

## THE MYSTIC AND PSYCHIC

There is a vast difference between Mystic and Psychic development. The word Mystic means one who holds to esoteric truth and embodies it in symbols, rites and allegorical writings.

Mystics are profound students of nature and her laws; the mathematical sciences, and some cult of philosophic thought. The word Psychic means one who senses material things; Astrally and Astral things materially; Psychic experience calling for reciprocal action between the senses of the material body and the corresponding spiritual senses of the soul or astral body. The Mystic, therefore, exercises intelligence in investigation, induction and intuition; while the Psychic exercises sense in attraction, perception and inspiration. It follows that one may be a Mystic without being a Psychic or a Psychic without being a Mystic. A Mystic is very often a Psychic, but the Psychic is rarely a Mystic.

During this year will give some lessons on developing mediums, Psychics, etc.

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At night my gladness is my prayer;  
 I drop my daily load;  
 And every care  
 Is pillowed there,  
 Upon the thought of God.

N. H.

**NEDOURE—PRIESTESS OF THE MAJI**

**An Historical Romance Presenting a True Explanation of  
White and Black Magic**

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**Synopsis of Previous Chapters.**

The Author finds Mss. in an old Paris bookshop. It records the story of Eastern mysticism. Gobab, an old monk of the Ouri monastery, was bathing in the Jhelum with his ward, Hari. They were encountered by the Maharajah, who was on a hunting trip. While he was interviewing them, Hari, who was a sensitive, becomes self-magnetized by gazing at a large diamond worn by the Maharajah.

This caused a separation of his physical body and Higher Spiritual Self, who appears to him.

**Chapter IV.**

After giving out this unusual information, which, strange to say, neither startled nor surprised me, my visitor stood silent and regarded me with a look of mute appeal. I felt sure that my Higher Self wished me to spurn the kingly honors. After reflecting a moment, I asked:

“What benefit, O my master, will one receive by initiation into the Egyptian mysteries?”

“He will learn the hidden laws of Nature. He will learn how the worlds are constructed. He will come to know the manifestations of Universal Life; of what man is composed, whence he came, why he is here, and



whence he goeth. One will also learn how to develop his soul, which will hasten his return to the Unity."

"Cannot one learn to develop without so much preliminary study?"

"One may walk around the base of a building and closely examine the materials, yet such inspection, alone, will give him no knowledge of the general form of the structure.

"He may, on the other hand, view the structure from some neighboring eminence; he will then have an idea of its form, but no knowledge of its materials. To know the secret of an atom is to know the secret of God. Hence to become an initiate you must learn the hidden laws of life and creation.

"To attempt the use of Nature's great forces, without knowledge, results only in destroying the ignorant operator. One who enters the domain of occultism must become either a Magus or a Sorcerer.

"The former understands the forces evoked and knows the results, while the latter is like a child playing with fire."

As my higher self continued to talk in a low, musical voice, with scarcely any change in his position, I began to feel an indefinable sensation creeping over me, and to feel a love for this being that words are powerless to express. I also became filled with an abhorrence for the throne and its attendant powers and pleasures. Nor did I find in my heart a desire for revenge upon the despoiler of my fortune. Instead, I had for him naught but compassion and pity.

As I sat thus reflecting, my ethereal visitor made a movement as if to depart, when I impulsively arose to my feet and cried out in a voice that sounded strange and husky:

"Stay! Do not leave me!"

He smiled sweetly and sadly as he again motioned me to my seat.

"Brother, it is not my desire to go hence from you. Indeed, I have longed for you every day, every hour, and each minute since our separation."

"Why, then, did you leave me?" I asked.

"Because, as before stated, you had not the necessary power of cohesion. It is dangerous for one to enter such a negative state without the aid of a strong guiding spirit. The human body is but an incompatible compound, held together by vitality. When this vitality or life departs the physical body soon returns to the elements from which it came. But this is not all; man consists of other principles, among which may be found the spiritual, that is ever seeking separation from the physical."

"Where, then, O mysterious one, have you been during these moments of absence?"

"Ah!" said he, "the question was not unexpected. Though separated from you, in one sense, I was and am still attached to you by the invisible silver thread.

"To begin with, all things upon the earth have a spirit. As there is an ascending scale on the physical plane, so will the same be found in the spirit realm.

"Some make the error of dividing things into ani-

mate and inanimate forms of existence. While the correct terms of differentiation are organic and inorganic, as everything has life, varying only in degree.

"As man consists of the most perfect physical form, so the perfect man has also a superior spiritual essence.

"Thus it is possible for the developed man to hold intercourse upon the two planes. The ordinary mortal develops the physical only; he is therefore restricted to the physical plane alone. Yet there are those who develop their spiritual sense, while yet in their earth life, and are thus enabled to receive knowledge from the Universal Spirit.

"Since our separation I have dwelt in companionship with such spiritually developed mortals. Their harmonious vibration gave me strength to exist apart from you, although at no time was the silver thread broken."

"Tell me more of this, O Great Teacher, I pray you," gasped I, hardly able to suppress my great interest.

"Before you can comprehend much concerning them, dear brother, you must know more of Self; you will then realize the One Great Self that embraces all. Though we cannot go beyond that first inconceivable beginning, we may study and even comprehend the immutable laws that follow its manifestation.

"In the study of occultism we find that a few general laws apply to a vast number of facts. Man works during the day and rests at night. So, also, after a



great period of creative energy, the Universal Creative Principle rests.

"As all things are only visible by vibration, when that ceases they merge again into the great invisible matrix. Such a period of inactivity is called the Night of Brahm. Then manifestation begins again. The first motion is produced by the Unity dividing itself and again seeking reunion.

"The first or active Unity principle resulting from this division is passive and may be represented by the number one, and is called Intelligence.

"The second principle resulting from this division is passive, indicated by the number two. It is called Matter.

"The action of these two principles, one upon the other, gives birth to a third, which is represented by the number three, which represents Force.

"These principles form the Sacred Trinity of the Infinite, and are further expressed as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

"The universe of mighty suns and planets, stars and worlds, came forth from the womb of this great Intelligent First Cause.

"As man is but an infinitesimal miniature of the Great Father, he also is a trinity."

"Tell me more of these great truths," said I as he appeared about to cease.

"No one can learn much in a single lifetime," he gravely replied, "and few can learn all the great lessons of Self in many incarnations. In my present free

and untrammelled state, I can look back over the vista of past incarnations and recall the wisdom of all ages, but as yet I am no more than a neophyte.

"In my present state, however, no earthly considerations can compare with knowledge. I desire nothing so much as that light of truth which will hasten my return to the Father.

"When you and I are again reunited, the lucidity of my vision, and my knowledge of right and wrong, will be entirely subservient to your active mind. I will be able to manifest my desire and guide you through the faculty known as your conscience.

"Yet, my dear brother, I look forward to the time when we may again contemplate each other. Such a time will come when you enter the inner circle of light in the Brotherhood of the Magi.

"The life of a true Magus is a brilliant, shining light for men. He reflects the light of the Creator as the Moon reflects the life-giving rays of the Sun. The choice now remains with you."

My decision was formed long before he ceased speaking, and I promptly responded to his appeal.

"I choose to become one of the Magi."

"Well said!" he exclaimed, with joyful emotion. "You have chosen the reality instead of the illusion. I am with you now, to part no more," saying which he threw himself into my arms.

A feeling of inexpressible happiness stole over me; my eyelids became heavy as if under the influence of

some powerful soporific, and I remembered no more as I sank into a deep and peaceful sleep.

Early the next morning I was awakened by the usual rap upon my door.

While resting one elbow upon the small table beside me, and wonderingly rubbing my still drowsy eyes, I tried to recall to my mind the strange and occult circumstances that had caused me to go to sleep in my chair in this unusual manner.

As I mechanically extinguished the still burning candle, the events of the previous night began to flit through my brain like the memory of a realistic dream. Arising, a stiffness was observed in my limbs. A few rapid strides up and down the small room did much to arouse me, and I began to feel a vigor of body and clearness of mind to which I had been a stranger for many months.

"Peace be with you, Hari, my boy; you are looking well, and I see, for once, you have arranged your room before breakfast," said Gobab, as he appeared at the door, rubbing together his fat, chubby hands, and wearing his bright, simple smile, which illuminated his broad, kindly features, as he glanced at me and then let his eyes fall approvingly upon my undisturbed cot.

"You must have known that our Great Master, the Lama, comes today," continued the corpulent little monk, turning his eyes thoughtfully to the floor.

(To be continued.)

If aught of good hath come to thee  
    Within the year;  
If heav'n hath served thee graciously  
    With cup of cheer,  
Give thanks. And if thine enemy  
Hath suffered much adversity,  
Then shed for him, in sympathy,  
    A loving tear.

N. H.

### BOOK NOTICE

Elizabeth—the whole world knows her—sent me her “JOY PHILOSOPHY” the other day. I have just laid it down. But not for good. Only long enough to say to our readers:—you can not afford to be without it. I can't. And seems to me if I can not, neither can you. My copy of the book, in the few days I have owned it, has been so heavily penciled as I read, that it looks already a well worn volume. The book is only a dollar, and there's a hundred dollars' worth of real joy philosophy in it. It is pretty to look at, and much prettier to live by. It is plumb full of sunshine and hope, and the veriest plodder would cease to plod if he made it a part of his daily life to read a few pages in her sermonetting little bound pages of life-journeying. To be or not to be, confronts every questioner. But if one had even decided NOT to be, because discouraged, they would determine otherwise before finishing Joy Philosophy.

“Elizabeth” is Elizabeth Towne of Holyoke, Mass.,—editor and owner of “The Nautilus,” a monthly

journal, 50 cents a year. I would no more think of doing without "Nautilus" than my daily nap and my dinner. It is just as essential to my happiness and well-being. We quote Elizabeth on all occasions. Read and quote her TOO—and find the world growing brighter. It surely will, under her wise counselings.

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We regret the lack of space that makes real book review impossible through our little journal. But, we are glad to note for the benefit of our readers, an addition to occult literature—A SPIRITUAL TOUR-OF THE WORLD by Otto A De La Camp. It is a 50 cent volume, for sale by the PURDY PUB. CO., McVicker's Theatre Bldg., 78-84 Madison St., Chicago. It is interesting and instructive, and of occult literature an occultist can not have too much.

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Pernicious Pork, by William T. Hallett, has materially lessened the writer's appreciation of pork as a part of the meat-diet. It is a revelation of facts not widely known by meat eaters—facts that lessen the cultivated taste for all meats, and pork in particular. Occult people are not meat eaters to any great extent. That is, of course, when they have become genuine occultists. One who reads this book will gain much both physically and mentally. Physically if heeded, and in knowledge whether lived up to or not. A book worth having. Price and particulars learned by addressing "Broadway Pub. Co."; 835 Broadway, New York City.

NELLIE HAWKS.



**PRAYER**

Prayer is an earnest desire of the heart; a very serious and thoughtful address to the Supreme Being.

A prayer is a beautiful thing, if a **TRULY** prayer. For it consists of beautiful thoughts—the highest and purest, and none other—else it **COULD** *not* be a prayer.

For years I struggled with the problem of prayer. Yes; the *problem*! For my soul told me one thing concerning it, and the world told me another. I understood the words of the world-speaking people, but could not be reconciled; neither convinced. And, I had communed with my soul not at all. Hence there I was; as practically “at sea” as souls are wont to be.

The soul had spoken, to be sure. But I had listened to the **WORLD** so long, that the language of the soul was unintelligible. It was as though a foreign tongue had been spoken, and I in a strange land, bewildered and dazed, finding none to interpret to me the word, or message.

The world told of prayer offered in the presence of men. The soul tried to tell of the **SILENCE** as the place for prayer-making. The world’s word for it all, did not conform with my ideas, and openly I declared “I can not do it! There’s nothing in prayer for **ME**.”

“Heretic and infidel” were the things I heard said of me, because of the declaration. But it changed me not at all, except to make the heart grow harder, and the soul to grope in deeper darkness of misunderstanding. I could not help it. If prayer meant some of

the things I had seen done and heard said under the guise of prayer, I deemed it well not TO understand, feeling fully as well cared for and protected in what "they" termed "darkness."

This manner of going upon the knees and calling in shouts to the great Jehovah for everything, did not accord with my beliefs—beliefs that were taken to mean unbelief, by many who knew me. To tell the All-Father what He should do and should not do, and relating to Him the past, present and probable future events, filled my soul with a restless discontent, and a feeling of adriftness in the universe; a lone wanderer; a misguided barque, rudderless and too far from shore to ever land in the country or plane of LIGHT that I was seeking, but telling not OF.

But—I could NOT pray. I did not know how! I sometimes doubted that there was efficacy in any kind of prayer. I oftentimes doubted the earnestness of the prayers I listened to from others—the prayers that bewildered me, tried my soul, and that NEVER comforted me. The prayers I felt leading me farther away from LIGHT, until at last I ceased to go where prayers were "said."

When I had done this, and had thought, and waited FOR light, alone, the truth of the All-Power began to manifest to me through my own pen. I could not sit down to write the most commonplace article but that INFINITY would make its way into my penned lines before I had finished. In amazement, many times, I looked at the productions of that pen and would find

myself saying aloud, "But 'they say' you are an atheist. This does not look like it! Whence came the things you have put on paper? Do you believe, yourself, what you have written?"

Something answered "YES!" And something said "send it out!" And I sent it out, again and again. In time, letters came from EVERYWHERE, it seemed to me—from old-times press and stranger-friends, asking "what the change? In times gone by we have noted many times in your articles, thoughts seeming to bear the sting of sarcasm, and almost of unbelief."

I answered seldom, but kept on writing and finding my listeners unnumbered, just as every writer does.

And, when I had worn away, in silence, and in my own soul's companionship, the effects of much that had tended to embitter me, I found my thoughts going out into, and unto all the world, in a tone of sweeter harmony; in a deeper understanding; in a prayer of thankfulness and uplifting; and where bitterness had found lodgment, LOVE began to reign.

Prayer is NOT a simple falling upon the knees and pouring out of words. To me, these things are ostentation, and for effect, more than in true love and reverence for the Being of Beings.

A simple turning of the thoughts within—which is the true way of turning thought to the Infinite—the Creator—many times daily, for a little moment of time in invocation—is true prayer. To claim and ask love, guidance and protection of the Higher Forces, IS

prayer. Our thoughts and desires are our prayers—all thought directed to Infinity in thanksgiving and real, and silent supplication. He knows and understands, without a trumpet of loud shoutings and beseechings.

And in the quiet and silence of one's own closet (one's own heart); in quiet calm lying in comfort upon one's own restful bed; in the peace of seclusion, and aloneness with one's own soul, the true prayer manifests, and for every one offered, greater strength is given, and the way of life grows not only more plain, but more restful and peace-filled.

Pray often, and pray much. But learn first HOW to pray. Do not ask to have done for you what you are to do yourself. Ask to be shown the way; to be granted LIGHT; to be strengthened and made more brave. And always with a promise to trace the way when it has been shown, and with all the bravery at your command. Ask to be given the strength to BEAR the burdens that come into all lives, in some way, at some time or times. When one has learned to ask for strength to bear, rather than in cowardice to ask that all burdens shall be kept from one, a long step has been taken and a strong step has been borne.

Blest the child in all its future life that has been taught, and will be taught to pray aright. Pity the child wrongly taught. For the later years find so much of undoing to be done; so much undeceiving to be accomplished.

Have you asked of the Father of Light for some

gift—some boon—and have waited in vain for fulfillment of your highest hopes and expectations? And have you then grown pessimistic, and grown to lose faith because your prayers were not answered literally?

Doubtless had those prayers found answer as asked, much of havoc might have been eventually wrought. And at the best, it is wisest to early realize the truth, that God's laws are immutable, forever unchangeable, and to know that His law is perfectness, and our wishes and desires of comparative inconsequence.

The soul, if accepted as teacher and guide, will teach one how to pray, how to ask, how to receive, and how best to acknowledge Divine favors.

If, in earnestness and in concentration, the soul asks of the All-Infinite, at the hour of death, that when time and Infinite-mind wills the Spirit to a next incarnation, one's material body shall be such as one would picture as the desired beauty and perfectness, the prayer will be granted.

Isn't it a beautiful thought to live with, and to keep in mind daily? And would it not be a happier thought for the last moments of earth-time, than to be passing them in dread and fear of death, and in agony of heart because of the sorrow our departure is making? And to "pass out" with the soul and mind thus engaged in planning for the future, one can leave their "own" in hope and comparative happiness, knowing that death is simply transition, partings but temporary, and never real, but seeming.



Prayers sent out from day to day of this nature will make it possible that the mind shall not forget it when the time of dissolution comes. To me it has been a comforting and inspiring thought since the day "Our Doctor" passed this bit of occult knowledge on to me. The Doctor's storehouse is rich in wisdom and lore. It is my hope that all the rest of my life I shall be able to be giving to others of these gleanings, as I have gleaned and am still gleaning from his inexhaustable fund of the wisdom of the Orient, and the wisdom of Infinity.

Prayer strengthens, makes brave and hopeful and glad. But all prayer requires the guidance of reason and intelligence. Learn to commune with your own soul, and then will you have learned HOW to pray, and the blessedness of prayer.

NELLIE HAWKS.

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Say to thy soul, when the waves roll high:

"Calm! my soul—sweet calm."

Say to thy heart, "Be still, for I

Remember thy PROMISED *calm*."

Tho' aching and empty my heart of cheer,  
And the way I shall journey, ofttimes NOT clear—  
If I will but TRUST, and FLEE from my *fear*,

My WORLD will be filled with CALM!

NELLIE HAWKS.

**DON'T YOU KNOW?**

Don't you know the sweets of life  
Come through bitter smart?  
Don't you know that wisdom, pure,  
Cometh thro' *the heart*?  
And until the troubled hour  
Has sent the soul full sway,  
E'en down to the depths of woe,  
One seldom finds the way  
Out into the glory of love's celestial brightness,  
Down into the soul-depths, where dwelleth all  
the LIGHTNESS  
Of joy and PEACE all Infinite; of life burned  
to that WHITENESS  
That cometh only when the dross  
Hath not longer PLACE TO STAY!

NELLIE HAWKS.

**SUCCESS DEPARTMENT**

In our secret journeys in various parts of this great country, we have heard the harsh, discordant note of dissatisfaction. As this journal is not a political organ, we will not go further into details. No doubt many have also observed the trend of the times. These conditions impress upon us all the necessity of remaining calm and serene.

We are forced to recall those luminous words: "What profiteth a man if he gaineth the whole world, and loses his soul."

Or the philosophy of Solomon when on his journey of the winds:

"I Ad, the son of Schedad, was ruler over a thousand thousand provinces, a thousand thousand soldiers did my bidding, and a thousand thousand men I slew, and a thousand thousand servants were in waiting, but when the angel of death came I was powerless against him."

"So think not too much of the affairs of this world, as the end of all men is to die, and nothing remains but a good name."

All things in the material plane are subject to change. If they have brought to you pain, it cannot last, and if they give to you pleasure, that, too, will pass away.

But one who has a bright, happy mind and a harmonious spirit, has it in his power to attract all else and go through the progressive cycles with success and unending happiness.

Success is yours, if you but choose to demand and secure it according to the law. Material obstacles will vanish if you will to sweep them aside. Hold yourself in the higher realm of vibration. If you are inclined toward depression, take a seat in silence, relax all of your muscles, take several deep breaths, and say, in a low but audible voice: "Peace to all mankind. Success and happiness to all who deserve it. May we all become worthy. Peace." The next process cannot well be explained, but all may attain it. Remain per-

fectly quiet with your mind in contemplation of the Creator. Elevate your invisible self upward. From the lower limbs raise it up to the solar plexus, or abdomen, then upward to the chest. Higher still, until you find your spirit in the auraic plane, which will become manifest by the great thrill of ecstasy. Then, while in this happy, hopeful mood, say, "I will success to be mine."

Then, when you have enjoyed this inexpressible bliss within the reach of all, set about doing a good act. Make some friend a present of a year's subscription to this helpful little magazine. Meet your friends with a smile.

Avaunt, misery, poverty and distress! Success shall be mine!

Don't forget, three subscriptions give you a life membership in our Success Club. Five secure Bettiero's Practical Occultism.

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Be still and KNOW that I am God, my child;

Be still and let my spirit speak to thine.

Be calm, and let the storm that's surging wild

Within thy soul, be stilled thro' power Divine.

Be still, and let the world disturb NOT THEE!

Be firm and brave, and meet thy EVERY FOE.

If thou wilt live in CALM, and look to ME,

The PATH I've chosen thee, you soon will KNOW.

NELLIE HAWKS.

## LOVE

There is a love transcending that of earth;  
Its aspirations live *above* the sod;  
It gives unto the soul that spirit-touch  
Which proves that LOVE, in TRUTH, is born of  
God.

Rare graces spring to life beneath its touch;  
And life—however bare of earthly things—  
When blest BY love, hath stores of treasure—such  
As will NOT, like the world's, some day take  
WINGS.

In service, it doth find its chief delight;  
It seeketh not its OWN, but joys to GIVE.  
When unrequited, to the skies takes flight,  
And from the fount Divine draws strength to live.  
It does its part in patience; learns to WAIT,  
Knowing its "OWN" will COME—tho' tarrying  
late.

LURA BROWER,  
California.

## HINDU ASTROLOGY

All persons born from March 21st to April 19th are born under the sign of Aries. This is the head sign of the Fire Triplicity and represented by the Ram.

In earnestness and determination, Aries people are seldom equaled. They are fearless; do not recognize opposition, and swing through life overriding obstacles. They are natural commanders and will domi-



nate or rule those about them. Yet, with all their natural desire to rule and command, they are kind and gentle, generous, pleasing and agreeable, and they are magnetic and progressive.

Aries people are deeply occult by nature. This latent force within them, if awakened, gives them wonderful force and power. There are magnetic forces and solar influences or fluids about them they little dream of. Their clairvoyant powers are so great that, if cultivated, make them capable of succeeding in anything they undertake.

When Aries people live in the eternal, letting the past alone, and the future to take care of itself, there is no limit to their possible and probable greatness.

They are excellent scholars, and as a rule are brilliant conversationalists. They are full of brilliancy and wit, possess the ability to attract and to charm. They are inclined to be over-generous, to give away to those asking, even when they know the receiver of their gifts is a deceiver and lazy and unworthy.

They are impatient to achieve. They are too apt to forget that enduring progress is of slow growth. They are given executive ability, and many times overestimate their powers. To overestimate is dangerous, though to underestimate is likewise dangerous. The "happy medium" must be struck and maintained to insure exemption from loss.

Many descriptive writers, essayists, novelists and poets are found among the Aries-born. Excellent speakers and teachers come from this sign. In intel-

lectual work, the Aries man and woman are inclined to work too hard, neglecting the physical. This must in time result in ill health, and ill health in turn will do much to destroy inspirational powers.

These people are large and small; short and tall, as in all signs. But the majority of the Aries are spare, strong, quick, with a clear penetrating eye, an oval face, dark complexion, and broad shoulders.

Short Aries people are quick to anger and quite changeable of mind. They resent contradiction and being told of their faults. They are stubborn and insist on doing things in their own way. In fact, must do things their own way to succeed well. They should not be interfered with in their work or business. They are better fitted for business than their taller brothers and sisters. The taller ones are usually more inclined to intellectual pursuits. They are not so fortunate in accumulating money and property as are their shorter friends.

Great occult and spiritual powers can be developed by the tall Aries individual. They are inclined to silence, and have generally deep spiritual natures.

Aries people, like those born under all other signs, have their faults. It is best to know them, and thus be guarded and learn to control them and obliterate. Their principal faults are selfishness and anger, impatience and foolish generosity, with a strong tendency to capriciousness and fickleness. They are rarely revengeful, but they do not easily forgive a wrong. They are inclined to be egotistical, and to talk too

much about themselves. The Aries woman is inclined to be jealous, and this one weakness often destroys her chances of becoming an otherwise most charming woman.

Those born under this sign should spend a little time each day in meditation, and should determine or settle important questions while alone, after calm and long thought. It is well for them to also sleep over a matter. They should also curb their natural tendencies to high and luxurious living.

In selecting friends, Aries people should choose those born under the sign of Sagittarius. In marriage, it is likewise best to choose a person born under the same sign—Sagittarius.

The planets governing this sign are Mars and Neptune. Brazilian Amethyst and Diamond are the gems.

White and rose-pink are the astral colors.

## RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

We are approaching the first anniversary of our existence. And we feel proud of the success we have attained. True, we have not yet reached a point where we can value our success in profits, as the cost of printing and mailing this journal very closely approaches the amount asked in subscriptions.

Yet that does not deter us from feeling successful. Yea! highly so. We have the satisfaction of knowing that thousands who reside in nearly every part of the globe look anxiously forward for this little

monthly visitor, which brings cheer to the heart, and gives food to the spirit.

We hope to have you all with us the coming year, and shall strive to give you more and more as we grow. Don't wait for the last moment. Send in your subscription in ample time. Credit will be given for the full time. Your new subscription will begin only at the expiration of the old one. Remain in our family, and enjoy the good things in store. Thanking each one in advance, we send you our best thoughts for success and happiness.

## LESSON ON HEALING

It is a well known fact that all methods of healing record numerous cures. All forms of "Sciences" make marvelous cures. Their success can be accounted for viz:—

First—by an allwise arrangement of providence, Nature always strives to effect a cure in a disordered or diseased body; and if left to herself will often accomplish it.

Second—there is an intimate relation between the physical and mental in man; if he has faith in any medicine or system of healing by his act of faith or expectancy, a suggestion is made to the subjective mind that a cure will be made and as the subjective mind has control over the nerves, involuntary muscles, respiration, etc., it will be seen that a great number of ailments will yield to this form of self hypnotism. This also includes imaginary ills, which of



course disappear as soon as the apprehension is removed. The regular physician rarely cures a patient who has no confidence in him. In many cases the healer or scientist of whatever creed is to be preferred to an unskilled physician or even the learned physician; in diseases of obscure origin wherein the diagnosis is doubtful. As the drugless system will at least do no violence or obstruct the efforts of nature in attempt at correction, we regret to say the same cannot be said of the latter. Many evils can be traced to the employment of an unlearned healer or scientist in dangerous or contagious diseases of well understood pathology where delay may be fatal. Thus we would advise that all who intend to follow the healing art, of whatever belief, obtain first a knowledge of physiology, anatomy and hygiene. It is also necessary to become familiar with the pathognomic lesions which characterizes disease, neither will it be wise to spurn the education of trained physicians, although you may not believe in the efficacy of drugs.

## MAGNETIC HEALING

The human body in a state of perfect health vibrates in accord with the planet under which one may be born. Those born under the influence of Mercury will be active business rustlers with short interrupted but powerful vibrations.

Under the planet Venus the voice is usually soft and pleasant, the disposition lovable, etc. The vibrations will be rapid yet smooth. The fiery planet of



war, Mars, gives a determined character with the stamina to fight the battles of life. The vibrations are irregular, yet possess great force. Jupiter, the largest and most stately of all planets, causes one to be proud and dignified under all circumstances. The vibrations are smooth and regular and of medium force.

Saturn causes one to look upon the dark side of life and always fear the worst; the vibrations are strong at times, at others so weak so that the native thinks he cannot exist. Uranus gives one a fine spiritual nature; most all successful mediums are born under the influence of this planet. The vibrations are very refined and delicate. Neptune causes one to love travel. The vibrations become very low when the native resides too long in one place; they become high and active while traveling especially upon the water.

The student must above above all keep his vibrations normal which can only be done by cultivating almost perfect health and development of the latent power which is accomplished by the breathing exercises as found in our combined course of instructions. He must be chaste, refrain from tobacco and intoxicants, as well as all forms of dissipations. It usually requires about thirty days to develop the latent power; said period of time cannot however be taken arbitrarily as some may succeed sooner, others, later.

**THE WAY GROWN CLEAR**

[NELLIE HAWKS]

Upon my shoulders once I bore the burdens of the  
race;

I looked with pity and heart-break into each sad-  
dened face,

And even longed betimes, and prayed, that I might  
take the place—

And bear the burdens for loved one's so soul-  
travailed with pain.

And oft my pitying heart o'erflowed, with tears that  
fell like rain.

But I have better learned to know his purposes all  
planned,

And see that He requires of ME to lend the helping  
hand,

And to give His messages, in LOVE, and make  
them understand

That if I lift *their* burdens, I simply shall retard—

Make the journey *not* less easy, but in ways, more  
long and hard.

For, each his burden must take up, nor drop the  
weary load

That he altho' unwittingly, along his own soul-road,  
With seeds of suffering and woe, has *unmistaken*  
*sowed*.

And I have learned to SMILE the HOPE, and  
speak the heartfelt word,

And leave my brother, then, to dwell upon the  
thoughts I've stirred.

I had not dreamed 'till recently, that one *could* be  
TOO kind.

But NOW I know the troubled soul its own surcease  
must find

From sorrow, by a journeying, with Infinite All-Mind.  
So the message I deliver; as from God it comes  
to me;

And I understand, tho' glad I WOULD, no soul can  
I set free.

I may awake the Angels—Love and Hope—and bid  
my friend be brave—

Will show him tho' sometimes grief sweep o'er him  
like a wave,

It comes but to awaken him—and he himself must  
save.

But should I lift him up and toil, his burden e'en  
to share,

I make thus heavier the load, that LATER he  
*must* bear.

And so I fill the doubting soul with hope and  
with desire—

And strive to fill his heart with *will*, to mount the  
life-crest *higher*—

And make his life such that he, too, shall other  
souls *inspire*.

But I not longer seek to hold the burdens of the  
race,

Since I've been shown why I shall NOT; and mine  
a needier place.

## DEPARTMENT of ORIENTAL MYSTICS

Dear Brothers—Greeting: We call your attention to the lesson in The Higher Knowledge of this month.

And we request you all, each and every one, to follow it most carefully, as it will contain some gems in occult knowledge for the coming year. We are working hard to increase the circulation of The Oriental Mysteries, and desire the aid of every mystic.

By extending the helping hand, that is, by speaking of it, and telling your friends of the wisdom to be found in its columns, you are helping to establish the great Light of Truth. Instead of aiding an individual, you are developing a great principle. By our fearless adherence to the truth, and desire to direct humanity, we have aroused many antagonistic forces. However, as long as we remain in the material plane, we shall continue to do our part in the great cause.

With a silent prayer for Divine blessings on all Mystics, I am,

Faternally yours,

DR. T. J. BETIERO.

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