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With this issue we commence our eighth year of continued existence, and the first under our new title. Already letters of appreciation have been received, and the new title is considered to be more dignified and more in keeping with the contents of the journal. We have some important subjects to deal with, but it will be necessary that our subscription list should at least double itself during the coming volume, and a corresponding increase in the total sales. We already have a circulation far greater than any other astrological magazine, but our readers can considerably increase this by presenting a copy to their friends, or by subscribing for two copies.

The Policy of the Journal.

The scientific aspect of astrology is that which appeals to us very strongly, and it is our intention to make a special effort to keep to this side of the science. The fortune-

telling element, which has for so long been the curse of the science, and this entirely from the sordid tendencies of its supposed professors and advertisers, who were concerned more with the "shekels" than the "truth," will be rigidly eliminated and opposed. The trashy 'tell me what is going to happen to me' imposition will have no place in our pages. Everything that appears will be on a higher level than the common or garden astrology, and purely of a scientific character, capable of being demonstrated in every-day life, and at the same time kept free from many of the questionable pseudo-occult theories which are being woven into it. We shall welcome contributions from our readers, and will endeavour to find a place for all matter which will be of interest and instruction. We are also restarting our correspondence column, full particulars of which appear elsewhere. Our readers' wishes will be one of our chief considerations, and any matters on which there seems a desire for fuller information will always receive our attention.

The Great War.

A correspondent has called my attention to the omission of a very important factor in the articles on this subject in the last issue,

The eclipse of the Sun of August 21st fell in Leo 27.35. The progressed ascendant of the Kaiser at that date was Leo 28.42, just past the square of the radical Moon, and forming the square of Uranus. The eclipse falls on the progressed ascendant, violently acting on the two directions. The 10th October and the 6th to 10th November are evil dates for the destinies of the German empire and its ruler.

The Autumn Equinox.

The Sun enters the sign Libra just after half-past nine at night on September 23rd, with Saturn just below the ascendant in square to the Sun in the fifth. This is an evil influence and denotes the illness and death of people of high position, probably connected with Royalty, much distress in the land, and a heavy death-rate. Theatres and music halls will have a bad period. Mercury in the fifth in trine with Jupiter in the ninth is favourable for educational affairs, any many benefits will accrue to the rising generation. Much sickness of an epidemic nature is likely.

The lunation nearest to this equinox is on September 19th, when we again find Saturn rising in square to the Sun in the fifth, with Mercury in the fifth in trine to Jupiter elevated. The King will be popular, and victory will attend the British arms. Metaphysical science will make headway.

Answers to Correspondents.

THE EDITOR is prepared to give his services free to all readers who require advice and instruction in the study of Astrology.

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Astronomical Phenomena

OCTOBER, 1914.

Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	4th	...	5h. 59m. morn.
Last Quarter,	12th	...	9h. 33m. morn.
New Moon	19th	...	6h. 33m. morn.
First Quarter,	25th	...	10h. 44m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Libra, enters Scorpio on the 24th at 6.18 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Libra, enters Scorpio on 2nd, conjunction Mars on 5th, and again on the 31st.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Scorpio, enters Sagittarius on 10th.
- ♂. MARS is an evening in Scorpio, too near the Sun for observation.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Aquarius, a conspicuous object in the Southern sky.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is an evening star in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is a morning star in Leo.
- D. The following table gives the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	3, 4, 5, 31	Libra	...	18, 19
Taurus	...	6, 7	Scorpio	...
Gemini	...	8, 9, 10	Sagittarius	22, 23
Cancer	...	11, 12	Capricorn	24, 25
Leo	...	13, 14, 15	Aquarius	26, 27
Virgo	...	16, 17	Pisces	1, 2, 28, 29, 30

Weather Forecast.

The month opens fine, with wind 5th, fine weather to 10th, change 11th, rain 15th, unsettled for some days, dull 24th, cold with rain 26th, unsettled with high winds last two days.

Astrology Toes the Line.

By SEPHARIAL.

IT APPEARS very certain that the public at large were not in the least sense prepared for the sudden developments which, during the past month, have plunged the whole civilised world into a maelstrom whose vortex is in Berlin. It is my intention, in these columns, to show that astrologers saw further and clearer than any of the specially-equipped purveyors of public intelligence, and it is by no means the first instance of the sort on record.

I have already recited (THE MESSENGER, June, 1911) the particular conditions from which I predicted the sudden call to arms in July, 1911. These were first mentioned in the *Green Book of Prophecies* for that year, the "copy" for which was delivered at Easter, 1910, and the whole of the evidence was reproduced in the June issue of THE MESSENGER for 1911, it being intended that what the passage of time might have obscured should be again emphasized and insisted upon in a current issue of the journal referred to. If there had been no solid ground for the prediction, or if in the meantime I had lost faith in it, nothing would have been easier than to obscure it. Readers of the article, "Any Old Iron?" in these pages, will know that the warning was made and repeated in all good faith and in the fullest sense of responsibility.

But this prediction, clear and accurate as it was both as to date and circumstance, was founded upon a very much older prediction, and one in which, I confess, there was an error of judgment as to the time of the event. The astrological reasons for that error will be apparent to any student, and need not be here recited. What is of more importance is that the prediction is coming true to-day, by a revival of exactly similar indications as those from which the prediction was made. Here, however, is the prophecy as quoted in the daily papers of August, 1914:

"FATE AND THE KAISER."

"Writing some twenty years ago about the birth map of the Kaiser, the well-known astrologer, 'Sepharial,' said: 'The Emperor has a most fateful horoscope, and during his reign the German Empire will suffer reversals of which it has hitherto had no shadow of experience. The destiny of Kaiser Wilhelm is such that he will lose nearly the whole of his possessions. It is not improbable that his territory will pass into the hands of France and Russia. These, at least, are the two Powers who will contend for the possession of the Empire which the Kaiser will be powerless to retain.'"

Further calculations from the same radix led me to the conclusion that the present year was likely to bring the latent evils of the Germanic horoscope into play, and from a study of the current indications it became a conviction that the months of July and August were, of all others, the most critical. Consequently, in the preparation of my prophecies for the *Green Book*, 1914, under these months I voiced certain predictions, which have since found currency in the press all over the world. The following excerpts show the trend of my interpretation:

"JULY, 1914.—There appears to be signs of a sharp agitation in the commercial world. Financial strain is shown, and a tendency to panic may be observed on the markets. Disbursements on further munitions of war will give rise to alarm in commercial centres. The development of political affairs at this time is not reassuring, and about the 25th the indications tend to a crisis of an acute nature. There will be much war-talk throughout the country and the trade and financial interests of the nation will suffer. . . ."

"AUGUST.—The atmosphere is highly charged with explosives, which are in danger of sudden ignition. About the 3rd our diplomatic relations will be severely strained."

The hieroglyphic picture for the month shows the German eagle in flight with a naked sword in its talons over a vast army of men, and below it is the wallet of the British financier charged with I.O.U.'s. On the same page is this significant sentence: "The Balkan concert will now be disturbed and affairs tend to a crisis in Austria."

It will be noted that the ultimatum of Austria to the Servian Government coincides

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with the first of our dates, July 25th; and the second date is that of the British ultimatum.

The predictions in *Zadkiel's Almanac* were not less striking. Under the heading of the "Summer Solstice" we shall find the following significant statements:

"Jupiter stationary in Aquarius 22° 18' on the 11th day, in opposition to Mars in Leo 22° 17' on the 12th, are the chief phenomena occurring in June this year, and as those zodiacal signs are 'fixed' and rule Prussia, France, and Italy respectively, there is risk of a serious crisis near at hand in those countries, which, if not skilfully and patiently handled by the respective Governments, might develop alarmingly. At the summer solstice Mars is in the ascendant at Berlin, Rome, Constantinople, and Cairo, and has only just risen at St. Petersburg! The Eastern question is only too likely to destroy the harmony of the 'Concert of Europe,' and may incarnadine the middle East. The twelfth and twenty eighth days will be critical for Europe and Asia. Increase of armaments and a busy time for armourers and ironworkers will be experienced in England."

Writing also in the same almanac under the heading of the "Solar Eclipse of August 21st," Junctinus is quoted as authority for the prediction of "the motion of armies, the death of a king, danger of war, and scarcity of rain." In this connection it has to be observed that the eclipse is mainly significant in regard to the Austrian Emperor and President Poincaré, since it falls close to their respective anniversaries, and therefore on the radical place of the Sun in their respective horoscopes. (See "Studies in Brief.")

Alan Leo, in the July, 1910, issue of *Modern Astrology*, writing on the horoscopes of King George and the Emperor of Austria, after comparing the significant interplay of factors in the two, said: "It is no idle prophecy to say that if a European war breaks out during the lifetime of these monarchs the Emperor of Austria will be the direct cause of drawing England into the struggle." By England is, of course, meant Great Britain. Belgium, a neutral country, appears rather to have been the cause of British intervention.

Probably the most striking forecast of the war stands to the credit of Mme. de Thèbes, in her almanac for 1912. Apart from the mistake of fixing the war for 1913 instead of 1914, the outbreak of hostilities was very clearly defined in the following words:

"Germany menaces Europe in general and France in particular. When the war breaks out, hers will be the responsibility, but after the war there will be no longer Hohenzollern or Prussian hegemony. This is all Berlin will gain by her violence and the brutality of her political methods. I have said, and I repeat, that the days of the Emperor are numbered, and that after him all will be changed in Germany. I say the years of his reign, I do not say the years of his life."

Raphael, in his almanac for 1914, has the following significant statements. Under the total eclipse of the Sun, August 21st, he writes:

"It falls in the third decanate of Leo and in the 9th house, and according to the ancients denotes the profanation of holy places, churches, and sacred buildings, captivity and ransacking of towns."

And in reference to the specific influences in the Kaiser's horoscope it is said:

"The Kaiser of Germany is under very adverse directions, and danger both to health and person is indicated. The year opens with Mars in square to the radical Sun, and with Uranus transiting the Sun's place at birth, and Mars passing over the ascendant, the indications of war and disaster are strongly marked. A crisis is apparent in the history of the German Empire."

Commenting also on the horoscope of President Poincaré, the Emperor of Austria, and the Tsar of Russia, the adverse influences in these are clearly brought out. In reference to President Poincaré especially there is a definite statement that "the indications for war are very powerfully shown."

Yet whole volumes have been written to prove that a European War was an impossibility! The notion has been scouted in Army and Navy centres, and has been specifically discredited in Parliament. And here it is!

The war influence extends from 1913 to 1919, and my readers will find a note under the title "Events in Review," which was published in January, 1912, in *THE MESSENGER*, where it is said: "Among my notes I find the following: 1913, Great War; 1919, Financial chaos, 'Composite Tax'; 1929, India's Upheaval." The notes were made from the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in November, 1901. The war was signified by the setting of Mars.

It will thus be seen that there is a general tendency to anticipate the date of the war

by one year, and a possible explanation of this lies in the following letter to *The Times* on Monday, 31st August. It is the first circumstantial report of the case that I have seen.

THE KAISER AND THE WAR.

THE EFFECT OF A PROPHECY.

To the Editor of *The Times*.

SIR,—In the summer of 1899 I chanced to be sitting with the present German Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Herr von Jagow (then a secretary of the German Embassy in Rome), on the balcony of the Embassy, the Palazzo Caffarelli, on the Capitol. In the course of conversation Herr von Jagow expressed the belief that no general European war was likely to occur before the end of 1913. He gave as his reason the influence of a prophecy made to the Kaiser's grandfather, Prince William of Prussia, at Mainz, in 1849. Prince William of Prussia, who was proclaimed German Emperor at Versailles on January 18th, 1871, was in 1849 wandering incognito in the Rhine Provinces, attended only by an aide-de-camp. He had incurred great unpopularity by his attitude during the Berlin revolution of March, 1848, and had been obliged to spend some time in England, whence he returned, still a semi-fugitive, to the Rhineland. At Mainz a gipsy woman offered to tell him his fortune and addressed him as "Imperial Majesty." Not a little amused—for at that moment his chance of succeeding even to the throne of Prussia seemed slight—the Prince asked, "Imperial Majesty, and of what empire, pray?" "Of the new German Empire," was the reply. "And when is this Empire to be formed?" he inquired. The woman took a scrap of paper and wrote on it the year 1849. Then she placed the same figures

in column beneath	1849
	1
	8
	4
	9

and adding them together obtained the total 1871

"And how long am I to rule over this Empire?" asked Prince William again. The woman repeated the arithmetical operation, taking the number 1871, and adding the same figures in column...

1871
1
8
7
1

which gave the result 1888

Astonished by her confidence, the Prince then asked, "And how long is this fine Empire to last?" Then the woman, taking the figures 1888 and repeating the same operation ...

1888
1
8
8
8

obtained the result 1913

The story soon spread in Prussian Court circles. Prince William became German Emperor in 1871 and died in 1888. The effect of the double fulfilment of the prophecy upon the present German Emperor's mind was great, and, as my experience shows, it entered into the calculation of Prussian diplomatists as long ago as 1899.

May we not have here a psychological clue to the failure of the German Emperor to use his influence for peace during the diplomatic negotiations of last month?

I am, Sir, yours,

VIDI.

The inference is that the Kaiser, who had been deeply impressed by the fulfilment of the first and second of these prophecies of the Mainz gipsy, had definitely decided that no aggressive war should be inaugurated until the fateful year 1913 had passed by. There may be something in this view of the case, but whatever may have operated to defer the cataclysm which has been hanging over the heads of the European rulers for the last three years, it is certain that the irritant cause has been the direction of Mars to the square aspect of the Sun, brought into activity by the transit of Uranus over the radical place of the Sun in the Kaiser's horoscope. This transit first happened in April, 1913, and it has been in operation ever since that date, and occurs for the last time in October, 1914, when it will be stationary within about half a degree from the Sun's place.

The lunar eclipse of March last fell in direct opposition to the midheaven of the Kaiser's horoscope, while the solar eclipse of August 21st last fell on his progressed

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ascendant. The direction of Mars square Sun is still in force and there is the above-mentioned transit of Uranus over the Sun, operating to excite the radical portent of Sun opposition Saturn! Truly it has been said by an oriental sage: "The gods do not punish men for their follies; their follies deprive them of reason and they punish themselves!"

To make things more interesting there has appeared a comet in declin. 58° and right ascension 120° , which shows that it is directly affecting the ascendant of the Kaiser's horoscope. Visible as it is in the zenith of Northern China, and in the ruling sign of that country, it is to be expected that complications will arise from the action taken by Japan in support of her alliance with Great Britain, aided, of course, by the machinations of the strong Germanic representation in those parts.

The question may now arise as to why I have set the probable period of the war to extend to April, 1918. First of all, I see the readjustment of the finances of this country in 1919, and this is likely to occur as soon as the war is over and the total of our expenditure known. Secondly, the direction of Mars to the Sun's radical place in the Kaiser's horoscope is now exact and will endure for four years. At the end of that period the conjunction of Saturn and Neptune, coinciding with the transit of Uranus to the opposition of the progressed ascendant, will bring the full force of the radical opposition of Saturn to the Sun into play. Lastly, the solar eclipse of August 21st lasted for four and three-quarter hours, which carries us well into the year 1918, and, indeed, to May, 1919.

Meanwhile it is, of course, admitted that the transit of Saturn over the radical ascendant and the simultaneous transit of Mars over the opposition of the midheaven of the Kaiser's horoscope, which happens in July, 1916, will be an evil day for the fortunes of Germany. But surely the transit of Saturn over its radical place in opposition to the Sun, followed by that of Neptune over the same place, cannot but break down the last vestiges of the Kaiser's power, and

it is significant that Mars, which held the most powerful position in conjunction with Neptune at the birth of the war-lord, is then in the lowest position in his horoscope, being opposed to the meridian in the Spring of 1918.

Now let us look back for a moment to the root of these astrological indications, which is to be found in the map for the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the sign Capricornus, November 28th, 1901, at 4.36 p.m. It will be seen that at this time Mars is setting and that the conjoined planets are in the 8th house, and this, taken in connection with the sign in which they fall, denotes the demolition of property, the fall of empires, great wars and mutations, and overwhelming mortality.

Mars, the traditional indicator of war, appears to be near the cusp of the 8th house, but he has $1^\circ 4'$ of S. latitude. His meridian distance in right ascension is $42^\circ 11'$ and his semi-arc is $55^\circ 6'$, so that he is only $12^\circ 55'$ from the western angle, which shows a period of close upon 13 years before he comes into opposition with the ascendant, and $1901 + 13 = 1914$ —the year of the commencement of the Great War! A little more care and it would have been possible for me to have taken out the exact year as far back as 1899, when I published this horoscope.

The next aspect of Mars to the ascendant is in the zodiac, and this carries us to the year 1916, after which we get the direction of Mars to the place of the conjunction, and this brings us close to the period when the worst influences are forming in the Kaiser's horoscope. I believe that the carnage in September next year, when Saturn and Mars are both conjoined in direct opposition to the place of the Great Conjunction of 1901, will exceed everything that we have hitherto experienced. Efficient as are the forces, both human and material, employed in this tremendous struggle, it must be remembered that the number engaged is beyond all historical experience, and it therefore seems puerile to suppose that "it will all be over in a month or two at the most," as I have heard more than one ordi-

narily level-headed person remark. Would to God it might be over to-morrow! And but for the insensate folly of one megalomaniac it had never been at all. It is a matter of amazement that one man, inspired by the lust of power, can so dominate the minds of his people that they consent to be as dumb cattle driven to the slaughter! We have to go back to the days of Nero to find a phenomenon in any sense parallel to it.

Meanwhile, it will be seen that the transit of Mars over the ascendant of the Austrian horoscope has produced nothing but disaster for the German ally. The transit of Jupiter over the progressed midheaven in our King's horoscope has produced a fine rally among the friends of Great Britain, and has further given us the advantage of great volumes of trade, which have been deflected to our shores by the most masterly manoeuvres of the Navy. Our men have done doughty deeds in the field against tremendous odds, and have been wearing down the enemy by rearguard fighting of the most plucky description. The Germans set out from Berlin with the fixed determination of investing and taking Paris. But I am writing with the Germans no nearer the object of their ambitions than they were a month ago. With Saturn going to the opposition of the midheaven in the royal horoscope, it is to be feared that September will show heavy losses in our ranks and a possible temporary reverse on the field, but the 26th September should complete the

discomfiture of Austria and so reduce the problem before us.

In October we shall fare better, for the new Moon of the 19th September, extending its sway to the 19th October, falls in direct opposition to Mars in the Kaiser's horoscope, and threatens a disaster of the worst sort. This, I think, must be due to the fact that at the end of September Saturn transits the midheaven of the Austrian Emperor's horoscope, and what follows appears to be indicated by the transit of Uranus to the place of the Kaiser's Sun, the said planet signifying "allies" by its position in the Kaiser's horoscope. The new Moon of October is not fortunate for Germany, for it finds Mars in opposition to the progressed midheaven and Uranus close to the place of the Sun, and falling in trine to Uranus and sextile to Jupiter in the British horoscope, great advantage will be gained, but at great cost. Between the 5th and 7th November a most decisive blow will be struck at Germany owing to the transit of Mars over the Moon's place in the Kaiser's horoscope.

The new Moon of November 17th is evil for Germany and Austria. That of December is too important to discuss adequately in this place, and may be reserved for special comment next month.

The main point is that Astrology has proved itself well ahead of all ordinary means of intelligent anticipation, and it is for the express purpose of bringing out this fact that I have ventured to review the position somewhat fully.

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INTRODUCTION.

I propose during the present volume to illustrate the epochal theory from an entirely different standpoint. I have already shown the mathematical basis and the process of computing the exact time of birth by the interchange of the Moon and ascendant at birth with the ascendant and Moon at the epoch, and have illustrated the process by taking numerous well-known horoscopes as examples. I have further developed the theory from the view of directions from the epoch, and have dealt with what may be termed the elementary and mathematical sides of the subject. There is no more to be added to these parts of the subject, except where it touches on the question of infant mortality and multiple births, and both of these important questions will be dealt with later.

In the present volume I propose to deal with the question of generation and the inter-uterine life, showing how the whole process is governed by the lunar action. I shall deal with several cases of malformation and abnormal births, illustrating the causes of such from the charts of descent, similar to the one given in the special article in the last volume. It is some years since this part of the subject was introduced, and much new information has been obtained. The results which will be obtained from an examination of this side of the subject will prove conclusively that the epoch is really founded on fact, and is no "plausible delusion," as we have been gratuitously informed in the last volume.

CHAPTER I.

A LITTLE PIECE OF WASTE GROUND.

I have a great dislike in going over old ground, but in view of the many weeds of

prejudice and ignorance which ill-informed and misguided critics continue to sow in our field of scientific facts, I feel it is necessary to plough over the ground once more. I would therefore ask my readers to carefully distinguish between the facts and the weeds, so that they may be able to gather the real fruit from the information which I shall plant before them.

First of all, I want everyone to understand what constitutes the real epoch. Let it be stated, once and for all time, that because at a certain specific date and time, the Moon and ascendant at such time interchange with the ascendant and Moon at birth, it does not follow that this is the epoch. It can only be so when it complies with four separate and distinct conditions. It must

- 1.—Confirm the birth time within the limits of an ordinary error of observation.
- 2.—Indicate the sex of the subject.
- 3.—Determine approximately the actual period of human gestation.
- 4.—Give directions for the events of life.

1.—It has been already stated in these pages how easy it is to find a fictitious epoch which agrees with the birth time, merely as a time measure. This is another way of saying that it is easy to find a time when the two factors at birth interchange with the two factors at another time. This disposes of the objection that epochs can be found by the dozen both before and after birth. The objection is, in our opponent's terminology, a plausible delusion.

2.—I have also shown from cases where the actual facts to do with generation are known, that the epoch does occur at the commencement of the gestative period, sometimes a few days before and at others a few days after the commencement of this period. This statement, however, is not to be taken as implying that the epoch is coincident *in*

point of time with any of the preliminary stages of generation.

3.—The question of the normal period of gestation is one which does not admit of further argument. The normal period is 273 days, equal to 10 lunar months or 39 weeks. Of course, it varies in many cases, but it has been proved from obstetric statistics that 85 per cent. of cases have a gestative period ranging from 37 to 41 weeks. This is quite in accord with epochal laws. Abnormal cases exist, but there are reasons for them, which we shall later on demonstrate.

4.—It has been demonstrated from two authentic cases (the particulars of one being supplied by Raphael himself), that the four stages, coitus, epoch, quickening, and birth, are related to each other by a definite factor or line, which we term the line of lunar impulse, and that it is possible to determine the birth of the child from the act of generation. This will also be demonstrated later on.

5.—The calculation of directions from the epoch as illustrated in the last volume, has fully and completely proved that the epoch, as we calculate it, is the real and true epoch, and not a figment or a delusion. I ask no one to take my word; let everyone test it for themselves.

Finally, let me point out that every statement put forward by me in these pages has been substantiated by facts and illustrations. I have put forward nothing that I cannot prove, nor propounded any theory that I have not facts behind me to illustrate. This my critics have never done. They have continually made statements, persistently contradicted facts, but when challenged to prove their assertions have been silent. My readers are asked to take special notice of this, for there have been two very glaring instances.

I shall, therefore, do now what I stated on page 101 of the last volume, viz., ignore the objections, continue the further elucidation of the subject, and leave our narrow-minded (and I can now say baffled) critics miles behind in the progress of the science.

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OCTOBER, 1914.

1	6 ✕ 55	Travel, change, push business, start new enterprises.
2	19 7	Deal with superiors noon; visit friends and amusements evening.
3	1 ♃ 12	Act carefully till evening. Then ask favours.
4	13 10	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and reflect. Keep quiet.
5	25 5	Avoid disputes and act with circumspection.
6	6 ♄ 56	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
7	18 47	Keep quiet and safeguard health.
8	0 ♀ 40	Avoid the opposite sex. Attend to ordinary work.
9	12 37	Travel, change, start new work, seek employment.
10	24 42	A dangerous day. Avoid sport, guard against accidents.
11	6 ☽ 59	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel, change, study and write letters, p.m.
12	19 31	Act discreetly, a.m. Visit friends, p.m.
13	2 ♃ 24	A doubtful day. Avoid duplicity.
14	15 40	A variable and unsettled day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
15	29 24	Act discreetly in all things.
16	13 ♃ 37	Travel, change, seek work and push business.
17	28 16	A doubtful day. Safeguard health. Visit friends, evening.
18	13 ♀ 16	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel, and visit friends and acquaintances.
19	28 31	A very evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
20	13 ♀ 48	A dangerous day. Act most carefully in all things.
21	28 58	Travel, and visit friends.
22	13 ♄ 50	Court, marry, visit friends and acquaintances.
23	28 17	Ask favours, midday. Act discreetly, p.m.
24	12 ♃ 16	A variable day. Travel, p.m.
25	25 47	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for study and contemplation.
26	8 ♃ 52	Travel, visit friends and amusements. Push business, p.m.
27	21 35	An evil day. Act carefully and avoid disputes.
28	4 ✕ 0	Ask favours, seek work, deal with elders and superiors.
29	16 11	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
30	28 13	A variable day. Do nothing important.
31	10 ♃ 9	Travel, visit friends, seek work and push business.

The Horoscope of the Month.

PRINCE ALASTAIR OF CONNAUGHT.

P RINCE Alastair of Connaught was born on August 9th, 1914, at 11.20 p.m., according to the announcement in the papers. The time was apparently well noted, the rectification by the epoch showing only a very slight alteration of 24 seconds. Aquarius 5.9 culminates and Gemini 9.32 ascends. Uranus and Jupiter are in the tenth house, the Moon in the eleventh, Saturn in the second, Mercury conjoined with Neptune in the third, the Sun in the fourth, and Mars and Venus conjoined in the fifth.

The conjunction of Mercury, ruler of the horoscope, with Neptune, and the close sextiles of these two planets with Mars and Venus, and the Moon having only just left the trine of the two former, points to a very clever and ingenious child. The mind is impressionable, romantic, with psychic tendencies, very active and energetic, artistic and musical, with probably poetic talent. The mental abilities are far above the average, though some tendency to peevishness and mental inertia exists.

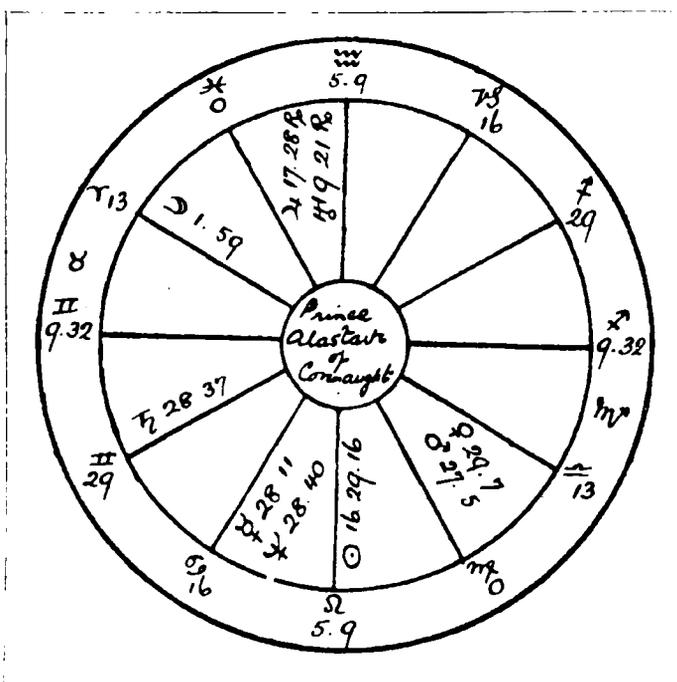
The character is manly, noble, generous to excess, honourable, but proud. The personality is martial, somewhat rash and hasty, rather prodigal, but ambitious and prone to rule. The position of Saturn in the second in square to Mars and Venus is

not good for financial affairs, showing extravagant tendencies, and as the Moon has only just left the square of Saturn, and the oppositions of Mars and Venus, heavy losses are shown through speculations and investments. The marriage prospects are not of the best, for Mars and Venus in the fifth in square to Saturn point to trouble in love affairs, grief and disappointment. Jupiter

ruler of the seventh elevated, but retrograde and opposition Sun, is also unfavourable.

The culminating position of Uranus with the Moon applying to the sextile is favourable, and denotes honours in some high position, civic or imperial, but it also denotes some family troubles about the age of four.

The luminaries in sesquiquadrate point to somewhat delicate



health in early life and a tendency to easily take cold. The ascendant being hyleg and in parallel to Saturn, is additional evidence in this respect, and points to the lungs being a weak part of the body. From 18 to 21 will be a critical period for the health, the ascendant being then in square to Mars, Venus and the Moon, and in conjunction Saturn.

It is significant to note that the Prince is born under the same sign as his mother, and the fact has been continually observed, that when the first child is a boy, it is usually born under the same sign as one of the parents.

Studies in Brief.

By "SEPHARIAL."

I AM glad to be able to give the outlines of two or three important horoscopes bearing directly on the crisis of the war.

Among them is that of Mons. Poincaré, which, for lack of data, I was unable to include in the Comparative Study published in the September issue of this journal.

President Poincaré.

President Poincaré was born on August 20th, 1860, at 5 hours p.m., at Bar le Duc, in the Province of Meuse, the seat of the present military operations.

The sign Capricornus rises with the planet Mars in the ascendant, in quadrature to the Moon on the cusp of the ninth house in the sign Libra. This shows a strong, forceful, ambitious and incisive character; while the Moon, being in mutual disposition with Venus, and the latter planet angular in Cancer, refines and softens the nature, giving that degree of agreeableness, suavity, and courtesy for which the French President is noted. The ascendant of the Kaiser's horoscope is Cancer 20, and here we find Mars in the 20th degree of Capricornus in direct opposition to it. The Sun and Saturn, being conjoined in the end of Leo, form a square aspect to the Moon and Uranus in the horoscope of the German Emperor. Other interacting factors are Moon square to the Kaiser's ascendant and Venus on his ascendant. This latter is a singular position, seeing that the two represented nations are at war; but the opposition of Mars to Venus in the President's horoscope and its quadrature to the Moon, seems to have entirely neutralised its pacific influence. At the present time the midheaven is directed to Capricorn 9 and the ascendant to Aries 20. Thus we have for the present crisis the following remarkable directions: Sun P., square Mars R., square Venus R., conjunction Moon R., ascendant P., opposition Sun R., square Mars R., square Venus R., opposition Moon R. An ugly-looking category!

At the present time we find Moon P. trine Mars P. During the current year the progressed direction of Saturn conjunction Venus is in force and also Mars P. square Mercury P. Fortunately the Sun is coming close to the sextile aspect of Jupiter in the progress, and I should count on this indication to see France successfully through the campaign against barbaric despotism on which it has set out. It must not, however, be overlooked that Saturn in 1915-16 will be passing over the opposition of the midheaven P. and opposition ascendant R. This will not only bring temporary reverses, but will also cause bereavement and undermine the health of the President. It is worth notice that Mars in this horoscope has progressed to Aquarius 7, which is the longitude of the Kaiser's Sun. It appears that France was but waiting for representation under President Poincaré to fulfil its destiny. France will mightily afflict the Kaiser and cover herself with glory. Vive la France!

Lord Kitchener.

The illustrious soldier was born on the 24th June, 1850, at Ballylongford, Co. Kerry, Ireland. He is the son of Lieut. H. H. Kitchener, of Cossington, Leicestershire, and Miss Chevalier, of Aspoll Hall, Suffolk.

I am not among the number of astrologers who have predilections in favour of pigeon-holing human faculty. The general idea is that only certain signs can produce a man of a particular type. I dissent. Any sign can produce its crop of genius providing the ruling planet is in elevation and significant enough to indicate a man of mark. Consequently, in electing to place this birth at G.M.T. 2.29 p.m., or local time, 1.51, under the rising of the 21st degree of Libra, I am not, for that reason, departing from the canons of Astrology. This I can show.

Lord Kitchener is a man of exceptionally fine physique. He has the square-cut brows

and clear blue-grey eyes which belong to the sign Libra, and with the ruling planet Venus elevated above all others in the midheaven of the horoscope in the sign Leo, we get that exceptional stature which arises from a combination of these two signs Libra and Leo. Next to Venus, the ruler of the horoscope, we find Mars, the military planet, in elevation in the same sign Leo. Jupiter, showing the emoluments of the profession, is correctly found in the 11th house (2nd from the 10th house), and we find the planet Neptune in the 5th house, and the planets Saturn and Uranus in the 7th. I think this is altogether favourable to the rising of the sign Libra. Everybody knows that our man of the single purpose is averse to marriage, and the position of the negative planets Saturn and Uranus in the 7th and the position of Neptune in the 5th house, entirely bears this out and supplies good reason for the fact.

But calculation will show that after the brilliant battle of Omdurman, when the hero of Khartoum received the thanks of the national representatives in Parliament assembled, a peerage, and a grant of £30,000, the planet Jupiter had just reached the midheaven by direction, and the new Moon in conjunction with Jupiter, fell exactly on the ascendant of this horoscope!

At the outbreak of the war we find the new Moon of July exactly on the midheaven of the horoscope, and in the middle of September we find Mars in the ascendant of the same figure, so that we may expect great activity to be manifested by Lord Kitchener at this time. I confess that I do not like the transit of Saturn so close to the place of the Sun and opposition of Moon, as is shown in October. But if my estimate of the birth hour be correct, the month of June, 1915, will be the toughest time of all for Lord Kitchener, for then Saturn will be on the place of the Sun and in opposition to the Moon, while Neptune will be on the midheaven. But that it will work out to a favourable issue is shown by the stationary position of Jupiter in trine aspect to the midheaven. It will be a critical period, however, in any case.

An alternative horoscope shows Mars

rising in the sign Leo, the 14th degree of that sign being on the ascendant, and Jupiter would then come to the ascendant at the time of the conferring of the title and the Government grant. But while this brings Mars to the eastern angle, it also brings Saturn and Uranus into elevation on the meridian, and in other respects is quite unsuitable. I think the above estimate cannot be theoretically improved upon, and I am anxious to see how nearly it accords with the fact should we be so fortunate as to obtain an authentic statement as to the time of birth.

The Austrian Heir-Apparent.

Charles Francis Josef, the son of Prince Otto, and nephew of the late Franz Ferdinand, whose horoscope was given by me in a recent issue of the journal, and who was assassinated on June 28th last by a Hungarian malcontent, was born on August 17th, 1887. He was married on Oct. 21st, 1911, and has a son (Franz Josef Otto) born in Nov., 1912.

Prince Otto, the father of the Heir-Apparent, died of an incurable disease in November, 1906. This appears to point to the time of birth as 11.44 a.m. local time, when Saturn would be conjoined with the Moon in the 9th house, and Mars also in the 9th, six degrees west of Saturn, the Sun in the 10th in 24 Leo, Neptune in Gemini on the cusp of the 8th, Venus and Uranus in the 11th in Libra, Jupiter just risen in the beginning of Scorpio, and Mercury a little East of the Moon in the sign Leo, but past the meridian westward. The node was exactly on the midheaven.

The disasters of foreign warfare are here indicated by Mars, Saturn, and Moon in the 9th house, the Moon ruling the 9th and heavily afflicted, but it has the good aspects of Venus and Neptune. The Moon, however, has also the square aspect of Jupiter, and the ruler of the ascendant is cadent and in its "fall." The eclipse of August 21st fell close to the place of the Sun in this horoscope, showing the eclipse of Empire. At the present time the Prince is under the extremely adverse influence of the converse direction of the Sun to the square of Jupiter

and conjunction of Saturn, and the direct direction of Sun semi-square Jupiter. The lunar eclipse of March last fell on the place of his progressed Sun for the year 1914. The ascendant is now directed to the square aspect of the radical Sun in the 10th house. For some time the Prince will be in abscondito and a fugitive. Four years hence he will, in all probability, be instated, for then

a great and favourable change in the sphere of life is indicated. It cannot be expected that the aged Emperor will survive the potent influence of the total eclipse of the Sun.

NOTE.—The above problematical horoscopes are only guaranteed as to the date of birth in each case, the suggested hours of birth being purely speculative, but consistent with such events of life as are available to me.

A Numerical Theory.

By NUMERARY.

I HAVE been asked by many readers to give a clearer and more definite statement regarding the method of forecasting as mentioned in the July MESSENGER, and as this entails considerable trouble and valuable time to explain separately to each client, I think it advisable to publish fuller particulars in this month's issue of the B.J.A. (by the way the letters B.J.A. equal 4 which shows accomplishment and discovery, a good omen for this valuable paper).

As one example is worth a mass of explanation I will give a simple illustration of my method.

To begin, the most important letter in a name is the initial, and this must have its true value. To this value add the number of letters in the name or names, and then you have the true value of the name, to be used as follows:—All the names having been reduced to a number by the above method, you proceed to add these numbers in the form of a sum, the gross value of this sum must be again reduced to a single unit, this is done by adding the resultant numbers together as follows:—We will suppose the result of the sum be 85, this means $8 + 5 = 13$ and $1 + 3 = 4$, or divide 85 by 9 you have 4 as the remainder. Now, presuming the resultant number is 4, you seek for a name having 4 as the value, and that name will be your decision in the competition, race, or whatever problem you may endeavour to solve, as example:—

	Value of initial.	...	Number of letters.	=	=	=
George	7	...	6	=	13	= 4
Thomas	2	...	6	=	8	
Frederick	6	...	9	=	15	= 6
John	1	...	4	=	5	
William	5	...	7	=	12	= 3
Albert	1	...	6	=	7	
Richard	9	...	7	=	7	

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40=4

The result of the sum is 4, and George being 4, is your choice. If this method is applied for one week on daily events the results will show a remarkable percentage of successes. In racing this can be applied to horses and trainers alike on the morning programme. It will often be found that several selections for each event are given, and so far "The Master Key" is the best method I have yet seen for discriminating between several selections which any one method may give. I have heard from many students that they possess a good method of predicting results of various events, but that they cannot discriminate between two or more selections that their method gives. "The Master Key" will pick the best of these and without much trouble. All that is necessary to know to understand "The Master Key" is the value of letters contained in two alphabets. The planet governing the day and hour, and the interchangeable numbers.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

INTRODUCTION.

In accordance with the plans made at the beginning of this journal we now take up the subject of Primary Directing, a difficult subject to deal with in a simple manner. We have gone through various methods of directing in the past volumes: the progressed horoscopes, with postnatal and prenatal directions; the various methods of directing by planetary periods; the Hindu system; and directions from the prenatal epoch. We now take up the more difficult method, known as the Placidian system—one which requires a knowledge of trigonometry and the higher mathematics. We propose to make the lessons as simple as is possible and illustrate them in an equally simple manner, but it will not be possible to give the many requisite tables, such as those for Right Ascension, Declination, Proportional Logarithms, etc. As these are published we refer our readers to Sepharial's "Prognostic Astronomy," Simmonite's "Arcana," and to Mr. A. J. Pearce's "Text Book of Astrology."

CHAPTER I.

PRIMARY DIRECTIONS.

Primary directions are arithmetical calculations of the apparent motion of any point in the heavens or of a planet, from the situation occupied by it at the moment of birth until it meets with the conjunction, parallel, or aspect of some other heavenly body or point in the heavens. The value thus obtained is termed the arc of direction, and this is turned into time by allowing for every degree of arc one year, and every five minutes of arc over the complete degrees one month. There are other methods of turning the arc of direction into time, or, as it is called, "equating the arc"; but the one given is that generally in use and accepted as the most correct.

The place of a heavenly body in the horoscope is considered to be a fixed point, for they are believed to impress the nature of their influences on the places held by them at birth as fully as if they were always there, although they may be no longer there when the direction is complete.

Now, as an illustration of this point, suppose a horoscope with the Sun exactly rising and Jupiter in the second house. It must first be understood that all primary directions are formed by the rotation of the earth, and in this particular instance the direction of Sun conjunction Jupiter will be formed by Jupiter rising to the place held by the Sun at birth, this process being made by the rotation of the Earth. Any child knows that the stars appear to rise in the East, come up across the meridian, and set in the West, and this is all due to the diurnal rotation of the earth, and once this fact is realised the formation of primary directions can be easily understood. In the case mentioned, the Sun being exactly on the ascendant, Jupiter will rise up to that point, although when the direction is formed the Sun will not actually be there. If we reverse the positions and put Jupiter in the eleventh house the Sun will rise up to the place held by Jupiter at birth, although that planet will not be there when the direction is formed.

There are two classes of primary directions, viz., mundane and zodiacal, and each of these will be fully explained later.

There are two kinds of primary directions, direct and converse, and it is very essential that these two terms should be properly understood. In mundane directions they are employed in a certain way, while in zodiacal directions they have a different meaning, and some confusion may arise in the student mind, unless the distinction is properly understood. This will be fully explained in its proper place.

Now, as all primary directions are formed

by the rotation of the Earth on its axis, all those falling out in an ordinary lifetime are completed within a few hours of the birth time.

All directions to the midheaven, both mundane and zodiacal, are computed by arcs of right ascension; those to the ascendant by both methods by the semi-arc of the planet or point of the heavens directed.

All directions of the Sun, Moon and planets mundane are computed by means of their semi-arcs. The semi-arcs of the planets are also used in computing zodiacal directions, but these latter may also be computed by the poles of the Sun and Moon.

A number of terms will be found in the above paragraphs, all of which will be fully explained and illustrated in the next chapter.

The chief difficulty in dealing with primary directions is the time of birth. It is necessary that this time should be exact, for an error of four minutes will throw out all directions to the angles to the extent of one

year, and mundane parallels to as much as two years. Directions of the Sun and Moon are not much affected by an error of a few minutes in the birth time, and this difficulty has, no doubt, much to do with the reluctance of many students in attempting to master the subject.

It is not to be supposed that because we have given so much attention to the system of progressive directing, and have used it to such an extent in our illustration, that we do not believe in Primary directing. We unhesitatingly accept the primary or Placidian system of directing equally as much as the progressive, and we hope to give sufficient proof in these lessons that it is not to be ignored, but that it must be regarded as a perfectly true and scientific system.

We propose to show, after these lessons are completed, that the primary and progressive system are two parts of one complete system, and not separate and independent from each other.

Lessons in Temperament -- Series II.

By ALBERT, IDA and FRANK ELLIS, Incorporated Character Readers.

LESSON I.

EXPLANATION OF THE TERM "TEMPERAMENT," WITH TABLE OF THE THIRTEEN TYPES.

For the convenience of students who have not followed Series I., but are desirous of taking up the study at this point, it is necessary to explain what is meant by the term "Temperament," as defined and classified by us.

Astrologers and Pathologists classify "Temperament" somewhat different to Physiologists. We take the physiologists' view as the most appropriate, understandable and useful, as a means to study human nature.

The term "Temperament" means a mixture or arrangement of qualities, and we take the mixture or arrangement of the Mental, Motive and Vital Systems in their numerous combinations, and call these combinations "Types of Temperament."

To attempt to read character, capacity and health without reference to fixed principles, is to flounder in confusion. We must, therefore, recognise the principles of the law of "Form" before we can correctly diagnose what the various forms of the body indicate.

We observe many kinds of forms made up of the three systems aforementioned, and these forms or types may be classified in a thousand ways, and tables can be prepared to fit every known type, but

for our purpose we confine ourselves to thirteen well-known and defined types, and provided the student will bear in mind that each type may represent one of many stages of evolution, he will realise the magnitude of the subject.

The following Table should be memorised :
7 indicates greater than,
= indicates equal to.

No. of Type.	Name of Type.
I.	Mental 7 Motive 7 Vital.
II.	Mental 7 Vital 7 Motive.
III.	Motive 7 Vital 7 Mental.
IV.	Motive 7 Mental 7 Vital.
V.	Vital 7 Mental 7 Motive.
VI.	Vital 7 Motive 7 Mental.
VII.	Mental 7 Motive = Vital.
VIII.	Motive 7 Vital = Mental.
IX.	Vital 7 Mental = Motive.
X.	Mental = Motive 7 Vital.
XI.	Motive = Vital 7 Mental.
XII.	Vital = Mental 7 Motive.
XIII.	Balanced.

There are also abnormal types which require special study and treatment.

If this lesson is not clear to the student we recommend him to study Lesson I in Series I., published in Vol. VII. of the MESSENGER, before proceeding further, or the present series will not prove so interesting and instructive as they otherwise would.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN OCTOBER.

OUR object in these short sketches is to illustrate the practical uses of astrology in the training of children. The birth month always affects the character and abilities, and proper training in the early years of life will do much to bring out the better side of the character and develop the abilities. It is very easy to ruin a child's prospects in life by wrong treatment, but by observing the short notes of instruction given herein month by month, much may be done to ensure a brighter future and more prosperous career for our little olive branches.

Children born in October come under the rule of the signs Libra and Scorpio, those born before the 23rd of the month being under the former sign, and those after that date under the latter. All children born from the 23rd of September to the end of that month come under the rule of Libra. Our remarks, therefore, deal with those born under the former sign, that is, from the 23rd of September to the 23rd of October. This arrangement will be adopted in dealing with each month.

Now little people born between these two dates are particularly noted for their kind, amiable, and loving disposition, harmonious tempers, and artistic natures. They are very sensitive, inclined to be impatient and careless, but should never be scolded or roughly spoken to, for they are so even-tempered and always amenable to kindness and affection. They are fond of everything beautiful, have artistic tastes, are fond of pleasure, and always look forward for a word of approval in all they do. They are very quick to perceive how things are done, and particular pains should always be taken to show them how to do things, for their faculty of imitation is very strong, and once shown they do not easily forget.

They like to take things quietly, being fond of ease, and never like to be rushed or disturbed. A regular, harmonious life will

work wonders with them. The Libra children are apt to be irritable, careless, and untidy, and are exceedingly susceptible to what goes on around them. A good example should always be set them, and they will not be slow to follow it. Their parents should always be careful to be strict without severity, firm without harshness, for these little ones are very sensitive and easily frightened.

Little ones born during this period are liable to affections of the kidneys and bladder, and they should never be allowed too much liquid, sugar or sweets. Their food should always be of a light and nourishing kind, and especially should they be given plenty of wheat meal bread, porridge, rice and similar cereals. Skin troubles often occur, and the blood requires to be kept pure. If they suffer at any time from pains across the lower part of the back, that is a sure sign of some kidney trouble, and it should have immediate attention.

One particular point in conclusion. Libra children should always have plenty of variety in the daily occupation, and everything done to prevent them from getting into a "rut." If this occurs they will become indifferent and lack energy. Harmony in work and daily surroundings will be conducive to a happy childhood.

"THE MASTER KEY."

By NUMERARY.

The latest discovery by "Numerary" is contained in "The Master Key," which is a process of divination by Numerology in relation to sport. Personally written to each client, and furthermore, free information on any technical point which may not be understood by the student. This discovery (which has been thoroughly tested and proved) is offered at a price within the reach of *all*.

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A Modern Kabbalist.

By G. V. DODDERIDGE.

IN "The Kabbala of Numbers," published by Sepharial, there is a chapter entitled "Of Things Lost," by means of which light may be thrown upon articles which have been mislaid, or, if the thing which has been lost is past recovery, statements to this effect may be obtained.

The story I am about to relate will demonstrate what great truth is contained in this chapter, and what confidence and reliability may be placed in its pages.

A friend and myself were once travelling by train on business and I was carrying in my hand a book, somewhat oblong in appearance and wrapped in brown paper. The book was, indeed, of great value, and one which we would not have lost for £5.

On entering the train I placed the book on the rack, and after some little time got into conversation with an old gentleman seated in a corner of the same compartment. The gentleman's talk was of so humorous a nature that it drew away all my attention from the book and business.

On arrival at our destination I promptly opened the carriage-door in order to alight with my friend, and smiling heartily at one of the jokes I had just heard, left the station with my mind deeply wrapped in our conversation. Some little way along the street my friend, noticing that my hands were empty, remarked: "Where's the book?" But no book was in my possession. I had left it in the train on the rack.

Immediately rushing back to the station I gave notice of the loss to one of the railway officials, who told me that I should probably find my property in the train I had just left, since it had not quitted the station, but was at a standstill by the platform. The train was searched from top to bottom, but no book was to be found. Gone was the volume that was so valuable—yes, gone, and perhaps for ever.

We were obliged to do our business as best we could, and at our earliest possibility

returned to the station to find out whether the book had been found; but no trace of it had been discovered. We were compelled to return, minus the book, and, dismayed as we were, sat down to ponder over it, when suddenly we thought of Sepharial's "Kabbala of Numbers." Just the very thing, we thought, and we would try it, and no doubt it would ease our troubled minds. Constant thought was placed upon the book and the following figures were put down:

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"It is in two persons' hands, and may, with difficulty, be recovered. It has been treated for."

Whether it was ever in the hands of two persons or not I have never been able to ascertain, but I should not be in the least surprised if this were the case. Then we are told that if ever it was to be returned it would be with difficulty. This we knew to be true, since we had taken such trouble with "wires," and had made so many other enquiries which were of no avail. And then, lastly, "it has been treated for." Certainly, this was true also, for it had been treated for, and in a great many ways, too.

This, however, was not much consolation, and, later on in the evening, thinking that the book by this time might have been discovered, we decided to put down more figures, and the following were thought of:

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	3
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	53
	—

"A manservant has it in possession now. He will restore it."

This was, indeed, more comforting, and we were able to retire feeling more at ease.

Next morning I called at the station to

find out whether anything had been heard of the book, when I was handed a parcel, neatly packed, containing our property. I was never more surprised, and yet I should not say surprised, since I had every belief in the accuracy of the statements made the night before. But the facts revealed the previous evening were proved realities when I was told that the book had been found in

the railway-carriage by someone who had taken care of it, and had taken it to an official in the cloak room, who had returned it.

As my readers probably know, Sepharial holds a foremost position among modern kabalists, and the above is a remarkable example of the experimental value of his works.

Birthday Influences during October.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

NOTE.—All back numbers from October 1907, except September 1908 and January 1909, can be supplied 3d. each post free, giving each month's Birthday Influences.

1. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, Δ ♃, Δ ♂. A splendid year, travel, changes, new work, important developments in affairs. A child born on this day will be clever, original, inventive, energetic, and may become a skilled mechanic, electrician, or aeronaut.

2. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, Δ ♀. A variable year, many annoyances and duplicity, but social gain and pleasure. A child born on this day will be artistic, affectionate, but somewhat hasty-tempered, and will have many annoyances to contend with in life.

3. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, Δ ♄, □ ♃. A variable year, good for business or employment, but danger of ill-health or bereavement. A child born on this day will be romantic, impressionable, clever and steady, but somewhat selfish and diffident.

4. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ♀ ☉, * ♄, * ♃. A changeable year, financial gains, changes, but indisposition and trouble in employ. A child born on this day will be proud, high-handed, but original and intuitive, and will be fairly successful in life.

5. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, □ ♃. An unsettled year, danger of accidents and duplicity, some grief, but favourable changes. A child born on this day will be clever, hasty, impressionable and unreliable, and not successful in a career.

6. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄, □ ♃, ♀ ♂, ♀ ♃, * ♃. A doubtful anniversary, success financially and in business, but danger of disputes, accidents and litigation. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, have a hatred of control, be erratic and wayward, but should be fairly successful in life.

7. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, □ ♃. An evil year, indisposition and bereavement shown. A child born on this day will have much trouble to contend with in life, be weak-willed and unreliable.

8. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ♀ ♀. An unsettled year, disappointments and annoyances, some benefits from friends. A child born on this day will be careless and untidy, have some artistic or musical tastes, but will not be successful.

9. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, Δ ☉, Δ ♄, Δ ♃. An important year, changes, promotion, travel and success in affairs. A child born on this day will be popular, inventive, original, kind and generous, and will be very successful in life.

10. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ♀ □ ♄. An unpleasant year, annoyances, reversals, danger of disputes and law. A child born on this day will be hasty and erratic, wayward and impulsive, and often in trouble.

11. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ♀ ♃, Δ ♂, Δ ♃. A changeable year, danger of bereavement or indisposition, many important changes and benefits in business. A child born on this day will be clever, active, intelligent, skilful, but somewhat diffident, and will lose opportunities through lack of initiative.

12. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, □ ☉. An unpleasant year for business, losses through bad judgment, but some social gains. A child born on this day will be clever, but sceptical, kind and affectionate, and unlucky in business.

13. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♃, Δ ♀. A doubtful year, danger of duplicity, indisposition and reversals, but new friends and social gains. A child born on this day will be impressionable, kind and affectionate, but will meet with many obstacles in life.

14. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, * ☉, ♀ ♃, □ ♂, □ ♃. An evil year, many annoyances, reversals, scandal, danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will be erratic, wayward, rash and hasty, have a hatred of control, although clever and skilful, and will not be successful in life.

15. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, * ♀. A variable year, grief and disappointment, gain through elders. A child born on this

day will be steady and reliable, but careless, and generally unsuccessful.

16. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, * ♂, * ♀. An active year, changes, new work, success and gain in business. A child born on this day will be active, intelligent, and successful in business or employ.

17. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♃, * ♀, ♀ — □ ♃. An unsettled year, financial losses, danger of law and indisposition, some help from friends. A child born on this day will be impressionable, kind and affectionate, but extravagant and often involved in troubles.

18. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♄ in ♄, Δ ♃, ♃. A successful year for business, with travel and promotion. A child born on this day will be original, inventive, popular, and will rise in life.

19. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♄ in ♄, ♂ ☉, □ ♀, Δ ♃. A variable year, changes, benefits from elders, but danger of accidents and treachery. A child born on this day will be popular, steady, but hot-tempered and wayward, and will have many drawbacks in life.

20. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♄ in ♄, ♂ ♂, ♀ — □ ♃, ♃. An evil year, losses, reversals, danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, erratic, extravagant, and often involved in serious troubles.

21. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♄ in ♄, Δ ♀. A quiet year with pleasure and social gains. A child born on this day will be artistic and romantic; will have a quiet life.

22. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♄ in ♄, * ♃, ♃, ♂ ♀. A successful year, marriage or engagement, popularity and success. A child born on this day will be artistic, musical, kind, affectionate and popular, and will be successful in life.

23. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♄ in ♄, * ☉, ♂ ♃. A variable year, annoyances, indisposition, but gain in employ. A child born on this day will be popular, and should always remain in employ, as he will have many difficulties in life.

24. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♄, * ♂. An unsettled year, much duplicity and treachery, some social gains and changes. A child born on this day will be popular, active, kind and affectionate, but impressionable and unreliable, and should guard against treachery.

25. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♄ in ♄, □ ☉, ♂ ♀, * ♀. A very evil year, indisposition, treachery, losses and much annoyance, some favourable changes. A child born on this day will be impressionable, proud, deceitful, and unreliable, possess good abilities, but will not put them to a good purpose.

26. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♄ in ♄, ♂ ♃. ♃ — * ♀. A variable year, benefits from elders, promotion, financial gains, social success, but indisposition and upsets. A child born on this day will be steady, reliable, kind, affectionate, clever, popular, and refined, but will have many annoyances to meet with in life.

27. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♄ in ♄. □ ♂, ♀. An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes, scandal and annoyances. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, have a hatred of control, and often be involved in serious difficulties.

28. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♄ in ♄, Δ ☉, ♃. A successful year, promotion, popularity, gain and success in business. A child born on this day will be popular, steady, reliable, and successful in business or employ.

29. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♄ in ♄, Δ ♂, □ ♀. An active year, with changes, but disappointments and annoyances. A child born on this day will be active and energetic, but careless and untidy, and will have many difficulties to meet with in life.

30. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♄ in ♄, Δ ♀, ♀ — □ ♃. A variable year, beneficial changes, but many annoyances and indisposition. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, possess psychic gifts, but have many drawbacks in life.

31. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♄, * ♃, ♃, Δ ♀. A generally successful year, some danger of disputes and accidents, but changes, journeys, social gain and much success. A child born on this day will be popular, kind, affectionate, artistic, original, but of an argumentative nature, and often involved in disputes.

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1. When the little people of the Oder shall feel themselves strong enough to shake off the yoke of their protector and when the barley is sprouting from the ears their King William shall march against Austria.

2. They will have victory upon victory up to the gates of Vienna, but a word from the great Emperor of the West shall make the heroes tremble on the field of victory, and the barley shall not be gathered in until he has signed the peace, shaken off the yoke, and returned triumphantly to his country.

3. But at the gathering in of the fourth barley and that of the oats, a dreadful sound of war shall call the harvesters to arms. A formidable army, followed by an extraordinary number of engines of war that hell alone could have invented, shall start towards the West.

4. Woe to thee, great nation, woe to you who have abandoned the rights divine and human.

The God of Battles has forsaken you; who will succour you?

5. Napoleon III., mocking his adversary at first, shall soon turn back towards the "Chene-Populeaux," where he shall disappear, never to reappear.

6. In spite of the heroic resistance of France, a multitude of soldiers, blue, yellow and black, shall scatter themselves over a great part of France.

7. Alsace and Lorraine shall be carried away from France for a period and half a period.

8. The French shall only take courage again as against each other.

9. Woe to thee, great city, woe to thee, city of vice! Fire and sword shall succeed fire and famine.

10. Courage, faithful souls, the reign of the dark shadow shall not have time to execute all its schemes.

11. But the time of mercy approaches. A prince of the nation is in your midst.

12. It is the man of salvation, the wise, the invincible, he shall count his enterprises by his victories.

13. He shall drive out the enemy of France, he shall march to victory on victory, until the day of Divine justice.

14. That day he shall command seven kinds of soldiers against three to the quarter of Bouleaux between Ham, Woerl and Paderborn.

15. Woe to thee, people of the North, thy seventh generation shall answer for all thy crimes. Woe to thee, people of the East, thou shalt spread afar the cries of affliction and innocent blood. Never shall such an army be seen.

16. Three days the Sun shall rise upwards on the heads of the combatants without being seen through the clouds of smoke.

17. Then the commander shall get the victory; two of his enemies shall be annihilated, the remainder of the three shall fly towards the extreme East.

18. William, the second of the name, shall be the last King of Prussia. He shall have no other successors save a King of Poland, a King of Hanover and a King of Saxony.

All the first part of this prophecy up to the ninth verse inclusive is verified by the war of 1806, then by that of 1870, and then by the Commune of 1871. Here are the last nine verses:

10. Courage, French patriots, Germany cannot carry out its schemes of supremacy.

11. The time of retaliation approaches. The Tzar shall come in the midst of you to seal the alliance.

12. That is the man of salvation.

13. He shall chase the enemy of France, he shall conquer Germany until it is completely destroyed.

14. The last battle on the field of Bouleaux, near to Paderborn, in Westphalia, shall reunite seven allied peoples (French, Belgians, English, Dutch, Russians, Japanese, and Servians) against three (Germans, Austrians and Hungarians).

15. Woe to thee, Prussia, thy seventh generation shall answer for the wars thou hast made upon all the people. (Seven generations make 30 years $\times 7 = 210$ years. The realm of Prussia dates from 1713. The seventh generation is, then, living between 1893 and 1923.) Woe to thee, Austria. Never such a battle shall have taken place.

16. It shall last three days in the smoke of the conflagration.

17. Finally Prussia and Austria shall be annihilated. Hungary shall fly towards the extreme East (of Europe).

18. William II. shall be the last King of Prussia. Germany and Austria shall form three realms: Poland, Hanover, and Saxony.

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An Astounding Statement.

It is with some considerable amount of astonishment that I find in the *Adept* for October, 1914, Mr. J. B. Earley, one of the notable living astrologers, voicing predictions that Germany will conquer in the present great war. Fortunately for the world, his deductions are based on utterly erroneous conclusions, and a number of statements are made which are entirely wide of the mark. In the first place, the astrological almanac makers *have* given definite predictions as to this war, and for some considerable time past, in spite of Mr. Earley's assertions to the contrary. Moreover, his statement that the pioneer astrologers in England have so popularised the "degree for a year" system that little progress has been made in finding the true method of directing, is entirely incorrect, for with the exception of Mr. A. J. Pearce, who works from the primary method, which is the degree for a

year theory, not one of the other astrologers have used this method. The progressed horoscope is not a degree for a year method but a day for a year. Mr. Earley should be careful not to make these erroneous statements.

The astounding statement to which I refer is that "a cursory glance over the radical and progressed maps will convince any unprejudiced novice in astrology that the Emperor of Germany has the strongest nativity and the best directions during 1914 and 1915 of any of the heads of nations engaged in the present war." Mr. Earley writes in the language of the novice, and prejudice is seen in almost every line. We have a horoscope with the ruler in its fall, with Uranus in elevation and opposed to it, with the Sun, ruler of the second, opposed to Saturn in that house, with Mars conjoined with Neptune in the tenth in square to Venus, and this is called a stronger horoscope than one with the Sun in sextile to Mars and Neptune, the two latter in trine, Moon sextile Mars, and Jupiter elevated above all the planets.

Mr. Earley is apparently ignorant of the difference between mean and apparent time, and his method of erecting figures by this

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latter time is opposed to all astronomical rules. Mean time is the basis of all calculations, all ephemerides are calculated to mean time, and mean time must be used in computing horoscopes. This matter was definitely settled by astrologers in England years ago, and Mr. Earley is only reviving an egregious error. I wonder what the directors of the *American Ephemeris* and *Nautical Almanac* would say if they knew Mr. Earley's views on mean and apparent time. It is greatly to be regretted that reputable astrologers will persist in employing questionable factors and ruining the science by running away from recognised mathematical laws. They are doing their science incalculable injury and making themselves the laughing stock of scientists. Four horoscopes were published with this most amazing article, but all are incorrectly computed, owing to this bogus theory.

The Transit of Mercury.

An interesting astronomical phenomena occurs on November 7th, when the planet Mercury will transit the Sun. This phenomena begins at three minutes to ten in the morning, and finishes at nine minutes past two in the afternoon.

The Progressed Horoscope.

Important evidence comes to hand month by month of the remarkable success achieved by this method of directing. Among the letters received this month occurs the following: "All that you predicted has up to now come perfectly true, the death of my mother, an entire change in my life, etc." Yet this method was referred to in these pages as a "chance-medley" one.

The November Lunation.

The lunation of November 17th, is a very important one. It falls on the cusp of the seventh house, and Mars is also in that house. It is in square to the great eclipse of August 21st, and the ascendant is also in square to the same eclipse. At Berlin

Uranus culminates, and the ascendant is the place of the conjunction of Mars and Saturn of August last. This lunation is on the Kaiser's Moon and opposed to his Uranus, while this latter planet culminates at Berlin in conjunction with his radical Sun. The opposition of the Moon and Uranus in his horoscope is shown across the horizon of this figure. The entry of another nation into the arena seems probable from this figure.

An Echo from the Prenatal Epoch.

I always find it a useful thing to refresh my memory by reading old astrological magazines, and looking up old discussions which have taken place in their pages. Raphael, in his ephemeris for 1903, makes the following observations: "The prenatal epoch of my first child occurred a month before my marriage, and strange to relate, this child got married, and the epoch for his first child occurred about a month before his marriage, so in the face of experiences and facts like these how can the epoch as at present calculated be other than a delusion." We had the pleasure of dealing with both these cases in the last volume, and it was then shown that the epoch was three days in one and four days in the other, before the date of marriage, and not a month as stated. Some people's ideas as to calculating the epoch are very weird.

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The Prophecy of Johannes the Monk.

(c. A.D. 1600).

TRANSLATED (WITH NOTES) BY SEPHARIAL.

MONS. PELADAN, writing in the *Figaro* under date 30th September, says:

"From all sides there are enquiries as to the authenticity of the prophecy of Friar John and for his biography. I can only reply through the *Figaro*.

"I found the translation of this text (Latin) at the death of my father, in 1890, among many articles of the same sort. My father, Adrian Péladan, abandoned legitimist polemics at the end and devoted himself to the study of prophecies, ecstasies and visions. He has published three volumes under the title of *Dernier mot des Prophéties* (Final Word of the Prophecies) and also six years of the Review entitled, *Les Annales du Surnaturel* (Annals of the Supernatural). He collected everything that came within this category and, without doubt, he had published the prophecy relating to the Antichrist.

"He obtained it from a Canon of the Order of S. Michel de Frigolet, near Tarascon, who had it from an Abbot named Donat, a studious priest, who died at Beaucaire at a great age.

"I have given but a section of the prediction, in which there are some breaks, but which extends from the sixteenth to the twentieth centuries.

"The course of events alone served to remind me of the remarkable prediction, and in passing through Paris I found it and brought it to Angers.

"There the tapestries of the Apocalypse arrested me at once and made me decide to publish the Prophecy.

"I have only slightly restricted the form of the Prophecy, but I have suppressed that which concerns the great Monarch, offshoot of the Lily, who in the text achieves the victory. At a time when France and humanity generally are at the

hazard of their destiny, it seems to me unwholesome to offer a challenge, however obscure, to a Party. I bitterly regret not having excised that which is written concerning the Pope (*religio depopulata, de S. Malachie*). And now everybody knows as much as I do about the said Prophecy."

THE PROPHECY.

1. It will have been thought that he, the Antichrist, has frequently been identified, for all slayers of the Lamb have a resemblance, and all evil-doers are found to be typical of the Great Evil.

2. The veritable Antichrist will be one of the monarchs of his day, a Lutheran; he will invoke God and will claim to be His messenger.

3. This Prince of Liars will swear by the Scriptures. He will represent himself as the instrument of the Most High for chastening the wicked.

4. He will have but one arm; but his innumerable troops, who will take for their motto, "God with us," will appear as the legions of Hell.

5. For a long time he will agitate by ruse and felony, his spies will overrun the world, and he will be master of great secrets.

6. He will employ philosophers, who will prove that his mission is celestial.

7. A war will cause the mask to be lifted. This will not be that waged against France, but another distinguished Power, and in two weeks this war will become universal.

8. This war will enlist all the peoples of Christendom, Mohammedans, and even those from afar. Armies will arise from the four corners of the earth.

9. For the angels will enlighten the souls of men and in the third week they will recognise that this is the Antichrist, and

that they will all be enslaved if they do not overthrow this despot.

10. The Antichrist will be recognised by many indications. He will go out of his way to massacre priests, monks, women, children and the aged. He will show no mercy. He will go forth torch in hand, like the barbarians, but invoking the name of Christ!

11. His pretentious words will resemble those of the Christians, but his actions will be those of Nero and the Roman persecutors. He will have an eagle in his coat of arms, and another will appear in that of his ally, the other bad monarch.

12. But this one is a Christian and he will die by the malediction of the Pope Benedictus, who will be elected at the end of the reign of Antichrist.

13. There will no more be seen any priests or monks to absolve the combatants, for, in the first place, priests and monks will fight with other citizens, and further, the Pope Benedictus will have cursed the Antichrist, and it will be proclaimed that those who fight will find salvation and, dying, will be straightway translated to Heaven, like the martyrs.

14. The Papal Bull which shall proclaim these things will resound afar and will give fresh life to the brave and bring death to the allied monarch of the Antichrist.

15. The defeat of the Antichrist will demand the death of more men than Rome has ever contained. It will need the united efforts of all the Powers, for the Cock, the Leopard and the White Eagle will not make an end of the Black Eagle if the prayers and wishes of all humane people do not aid them.

16. Humanity has never yet known such great peril, for the triumph of the Antichrist would be that of the demon of whom he is the incarnation.

17. For it has been said that twenty centuries after the incarnation of the Word, the Beast will, in his turn, incarnate and menace the world with as much of evil as the Divine Incarnation brought of grace.

18. Towards the year 2,000 the Antichrist

will manifest himself. His army will exceed in numbers anything that has been imagined. There will be Christians among his followers and there will be Mohammedans and savage troops among those of the Lamb.

19. For the first time the Lamb will be all red. In all Christendom there will be no little space that is not red, and the sky, earth, water, and even the atmosphere will be red, for blood will flow into all four elements at the same time.

20. The Black Eagle will hurl itself at the Cock, who will lose many feathers, but will use his spur heroically. He would speedily be reduced but for the aid rendered by the Leopard and his claws.

21. The Black Eagle, who will come from the Lutheran country, will surprise the Cock from another border and will invade half the Cock's territory.

22. The White Eagle, who will come from the northern side, will surprise the Black Eagle and the other Eagle, and invade the country of the Antichrist completely from one end to the other.

23. The Black Eagle will be forced to retreat from the Cock in order to fight the White Eagle, and the Cock should follow the Black Eagle into the country of the Antichrist to help the White Eagle.

24. The battles which have taken place up till now will be insignificant beside those which will take place in the Lutheran country, for the Seven Angels will now pour out the fires of their vials of wrath on the impious land, which signifies that the Lamb will ordain the extermination of the race of Antichrist.

25. When the Beast finds that she has lost she will become furious, and for some months the beak of the White Eagle, the talons of the Leopard and the spur of the Cock will have to rend her.

26. Rivers will be forded by means of the dead bodies, which will divert the course of the waters. Only the very distinguished will be interred—the generals and the princes—for the carnage of the war will be heaped together with the victims of plague and hunger.

27. The Antichrist will, on several occasions, sue for peace, but the Seven Angels who go before the Three Animals, the defenders of the Lamb, have proclaimed that victory shall only be accorded on condition that the Antichrist is crushed as straw in the threshers.

28. The Three Animals, agents of the justice of the Lamb, cannot stop fighting whilst there remain soldiers of the Antichrist.

29. What makes the decision of the Lamb so implacable is that the Antichrist has pretended to be Christian and has acted in His name, and if he does not perish the fruit of the Redemption will be lost and the gates of hell will prevail against the Saviour.

30. It will readily be seen that the combat which is fought in the places where the Antichrist forges his weapons, is no longer a human war. The Three Animals, the defenders of the Lamb, will exterminate the last army of the Antichrist; but the battlefield will be made a charnel-house as large as the greatest of cities, for the dead will have transfigured the place, making of it a chain of hillocks.

31. The Antichrist will lose his crown and will die in solitude and insanity. His empire will be divided into twenty-two States, but none of them will have either a fort, an army, or a ship.

32. The White Eagle, by order of Michael, will drive out the Crescent from Europe, where there will remain none but Chris-

tians. He will establish himself in Constantinople.

33. Then will commence an era of peace and prosperity for the world and there will be no more war, but each nation will be governed by its conscience and will live in justice.

34. There will be no more Lutherans nor Schismatics, but the Lamb will reign and happiness will dawn upon the race.

Happy they who shall escape the perils of this marvellous period, who shall taste of the fruit of the reign of the Spirit and the holy celebration of humanity, which cannot take place until after the defeat of the Antichrist.

NOTES ON THE PROPHECY.

In this Prophecy it appears that the symbolism applied is as follows:

The Black Eagle = Germany.

The White Eagle = Russia.

The other Eagle = Austria-Hungary.

The Cock = France.

The Leopard = Belgium.

The Lamb = Symbol of the Christian faith, represented by Great Britain, under the sign of Aries.

The Antichrist = The Spirit of Evil animating the Black Eagle and generally symbolised by the Dragon or "winged Beast."

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belongs to the Lutheran Church while many of his subjects are Roman Catholics. Attention is called to paragraph 4, in which he is said to have only one arm (the Kaiser has one arm withered and also a short leg, and he mounts his horse by the wrong side). He is notably somewhat of a Bible-banger and quotes Scripture like the very devil. Paragraph 10 is quite descriptive of the German method of waging war on neutrals and non-combatants. The mention of Pope Benedictus in paragraph 12 is remarkable, as his Holiness of that name has but recently been elected to the Papal Seat. The fact that there are many priests fighting, and fighting most bravely, in the ranks of the Allies, is a clear fulfilment of paragraphs 9 and 13 (see *Le Cri de Londres*, 12 Octobre, 1914, in which several abbés are notably mentioned for their brave work in the fighting line). All social and spiritual differences are abolished in the field. All soldiers are comrades, and in the course of the present war we find striking examples of this fact in the many priests who go under fire with the greatest courage, and can fight and slay in the sacred cause of their beloved country.

Paragraph 15 gives us an idea of the awful carnage that will attend this war. Rome in the second century had a population of about two millions—a fact which must have been known to Friar John, who was obviously a Romanist. Paragraph 16 puts this war on its proper spiritual level. It is a war against the slavery of the human soul, against the tyranny of the autocrat, materialistic philosophy and the one man creed of the German cult. It regards all humans as embodiments of spiritual forces which, at this time, are massed together for the coming "tribulation." If Truth and Equity, Peace and Justice have their representatives among men, so also have those demoniacal powers who are dominated by the Father of Lies and the Great Accuser. There is nothing specific in the date "towards the year 2,000," but the fact that we are in the twentieth century, while the writer of this prophecy lived in the sixteenth, appears at least a creditable estimate.

It can be literally said that blood has been

shed in all the four elements of fire, air, water and earth, as stated in paragraph 19, for the hated incendiary has spared neither palace nor cottage, nor sacred edifice, nor common hostel, but all has been burned and devastated; while women and children have been slaughtered as ruthlessly as the most active of the troops, whose blood has mingled with the waters in the rain-filled trenches, where it has not soddened the earth about them, or been spilled in mid-air in the course of some adventurous pursuit of the enemy's aircraft. As stated in paragraph 26, the exigencies of the war and the great number of fatalities have prevented the proper interment of the dead. Often enough, especially in Belgium, the fighters have been driven out of their positions and forced to retire, leaving their dead and wounded to the mercy of the enemy.

Paragraph 27 appears to give little hope of hostilities coming to an end at a near date, for the "several occasions" on which the Antichrist sues for peace must be sundered by great battles and even whole campaigns. The Spirit has entered into our troops and has impressed the minds of our rulers, so that it is a fixed determination that this war is to be one of finality and, if need be, of annihilation, so that never again shall the ambition and arrogance of one man threaten the peace of the world. Have you put the question to yourself: What if Antichrist should win? Claiming, as he now does, to be *subregulus dei*, he would then claim to be a god himself and his blood-engorged brain would present him to the world as the "Man-child ruling the nations with a rod of iron." Plutocrat and autocrat, the blasphemer would bracket his name with that of the Most High. The world would be enslaved to tyranny and oppression, and all the peaceful arts would perish. Hell would be let loose upon this earth and the planet would be given over to destruction.

"Here is the patience and faith of saints." Paragraph 30 of the Prophecy tells us of final victory over the Antichrist, and that the tribulation is not in vain. Paragraph 31 confirms our belief in the ultimate destiny of the Kaiser and his kingdom. But it also

informs us that Russia will drive out the Turks from Europe and become keeper of the Gates of the East. And finally, in paragraph 34, we learn that there will be no more sectaries and schisms, but that the Spirit of Christ will animate the nations and induce a period of happiness and prosperity over the world.

A PROPHECY OF THE WAR.

The following is an extract from a sermon preached on Sunday, September 13th, 1914, by the Very Rev. Canon O'Shaunessy, at St. George's Church, Taunton. It concerns the prediction made by a saintly priest of Turin, named Dom Bosco, the founder of the Salesian Order, who died about ten years ago, the prophecy having been published in *Le Matin* (Paris) in June, 1901.

"A European war will break out in 1913 or 1914. Germany will be dismembered; not, however, before she shall have penetrated into the heart of France. There a mighty arm will hurl her back across the Rhine. The man of pride will see his tree shattered and crushed to the roots and trodden under foot by all. The great battle will take place between the two days of Our Lady, namely, between August 15th and September 15th, when the Pope is dead and alive again. Belgium will undergo great suffering, from which she will emerge increased in strength and admired by all. Poland will regain her rights."

NOTE.—The special point in this Prophecy, so far as it differs from others relating

to the same event is, that it refers to the death of Pope Pius X. and the election of Pope Benedict V. during the course of a great battle. The Prophecy of Friar John gives the name of the Pope who has succeeded to the Chair of St. Peter. What are known as the Strasbourg and Mayence prophecies are better known, and the latter has already appeared in these pages.

Book Notices.

PHRENOSCOPY—A SYNTHETIC SYSTEM OF ASTRO-PHRENOLOGY. By Sepharial. London: W. Foulsham & Co., 5, Pilgrim Street, E.C. Cloth, gilt, illustrated. Price 3s. 9d. post free.

Something in the nature of the work before us has long been wanted, not only by students of astrology, who will seek in vain among the various authors for synthetic rules of characterisation, but also by students of phrenology, who have in general but imperfect ideas regarding the alignment of the two systems. Sepharial does not argue for a common origin but for a common basis, which he finds in natural symbolism and universal physiognomy. The work purports to afford a basis for the scientific study of mental evolution and expression of character. He seizes at once, by means of the synthetic system here expounded, upon what may be called the dominant affection or ruling passion of the mind, and thence argues by grouping and interaction of faculties towards a concise reading of character. The work extends through some 160 pages, with illustrations, and it would be beyond the scope of our present notice to indicate the characteristic manner in which the author has dealt with his subject. But among the more interesting headings we may note: The Description of the Groups; Problematical Points; Sign Characters; Planetary Indications. Each Group and its evolutionary development is dealt with separately, and the synoptic review puts the whole system clearly before us. It is certainly a work that should be in the hands of astrologers and phrenologists alike. A.H.G.

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Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER II.

HOW TO CONSTRUCT THE SPECULUM.

Before it is possible to commence the computation of primary directions it is necessary to construct what is termed a "Speculum," a table of the latitude, declination, right ascension, meridian distance and semi-arc of each of the planetary bodies.

We now proceed to give an explanation of each of these terms and illustrations of their calculation. Where it is necessary to use tables of logarithms, etc., these will be found in Simmonite's "Arcana" on the pages quoted.

LATITUDE.—This is the angular distance of a planet north or south of the ecliptic. The latitudes of the planets are given in the ephemeris.

DECLINATION.—This is the distance of a planet or degree of the zodiac, north or south of the equator. As the maximum declination of a degree of the zodiac does not exceed $23^{\circ} 27'$ at the points Cancer and Capricorn, the following simple calculation is made to determine the declination of any other zodiacal degree.

Rule.—To the log sine $23^{\circ} 27'$ add the log sine of the planet's distance from the nearest equinoctial point (Υ or \cap) and the sum is the log sine of the declination required.

Example.—Required the declination of $15^{\circ} 45'$ of Taurus, or $45^{\circ} 45'$ from Aries (Table VII., p. 343—365).

Log sine $23^{\circ} 27'$	...	9.599827
,, ,, $45^{\circ} 45'$	...	9.855096
= ,, ,, $16^{\circ} 34'$	...	9.454923

The declination of this point is, therefore, $16^{\circ} 34'$ and North, because it falls in a northern sign.

It must be understood that this computation only applies to the declination of the Sun and ecliptic degrees, and cannot be used when the heavenly body has latitude.

RIGHT ASCENSION.—The right ascension of a planet is its distance in equatorial degrees from the first point of Aries. It differs from longitude inasmuch as the latter is the distance in ecliptic degrees from the same point.

We will give two methods for computing the right ascension.

1. For the Sun, and for any degree of the zodiac.
2. When the planet has latitude.

Rule 1.—Add the log tangent of the longitude from Aries or Libra to the log cosine of $23^{\circ} 27'$. The sum is the log tangent of the right ascension.

Example.—Required the right ascension of the Sun in the horoscope of King Edward VII. Longitude $16^{\circ} 54'$ ♍, or $46^{\circ} 54'$ from Libra.

Log tangent, $46^{\circ} 54'$	...	10.028825
,, cosine, $23^{\circ} 27'$	...	9.962562
= ,, tangent, $44^{\circ} 26'$	...	9.991387

As this is taken from Libra we add 180° to the $44^{\circ} 26'$, making $224^{\circ} 26'$ as the right ascension of the Sun.

Rule 2.—This process is required when the planet or heavenly body has latitude.

Add the log cosine of the longitude from Aries or Libra to the log cosine of the latitude, and subtract the log cosine of the declination from the answer, and the result is the log cosine of the right ascension.

Example.—Required the right ascension of Venus in King Edward VII.'s horoscope. Longitude, $19^{\circ} 14'$ Libra. Dec., $5^{\circ} 58'$ S. Latitude, $1^{\circ} 42'$ N. The longitude is $19^{\circ} 14'$ from Libra.

Log cosine, 19° 14' ...	9.975057
" " 1° 42' ...	9.999809
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	9.974866
" " 5° 58' ...	9.997641
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= " " 18° 24' ...	9.977225
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As this is taken from Libra we add 180°, making the right ascension 198° 24'.

A simplified method of computing the right ascension (with or without latitude) can be found by using the Tables of right ascension in Simmonite's "Arcana," but as these tables are too long to reproduce in these pages, reference thereto is useless.

One important point must not be forgotten in the previous calculations. Reference is made to the longitude from Aries or Libra. Students should particularly note the following:

1. When the longitude is in Aries, Taurus, or Gemini, the distance is taken from Aries, and the result obtained is the right ascension.
2. When the longitude is in Cancer, Leo, or Virgo, it should be subtracted from 180° and the result used. The answer should also be subtracted from 180° and the result is the right ascension required.
3. When the longitude is in Libra, Scorpio, or Sagittarius, subtract 180° from the longitude. Use the result and add 180° to the answer.
4. When the longitude is in Capricorn, Aquarius, or Pisces, subtract it from 360°. Use the result and subtract the answer from 360°.

MERIDIAN DISTANCE.—This is the distance in degrees of right ascension between the planets and the meridian, and must be taken in the following manner:

1. When a planet is in the twelfth, eleventh, or tenth houses, subtract the R.A. of the M.C. from the R.A. of the planet.
2. When a planet is in the ninth, eighth, or seventh houses subtract the R.A. of the planet from the R.A. of the M.C.

3. When a planet is in the fourth, fifth, or sixth houses subtract the R.A. of the fourth house (which is always 180° less than the R.A. of the M.C.) from the planet's R.A.
4. When a planet is in the first, second, or third houses subtract the R.A. from the R.A. of the fourth house (which is 180° less than the R.A. of the M.C.).

In each case the result is the meridian distance.

One point must not be forgotten here. Sometimes it is impossible to make the subtraction, owing to having to take a large amount from a small one. Suppose, for example, the R.A. of the M.C. is 340° and a planet has 31° R.A. According to Rule 1 we are to subtract the 340° from the 31°. In order to do this add 360° to the 31° and subtract the 340° from the answer. In all cases where this occurs, and in whatever part of the heavens, add 360° to the smaller amount. It is due to the fact that the R.A. cannot exceed 360°, and after reaching that figure begins again at 1°.

SEMI-ARCS.—The semi-arc of a planet is the time it takes in moving over a quarter of the heavens, reckoned in degrees and minutes. The time required for a planet to pass from the ascendant to the midheaven, or from the midheaven to the descendant is the semi-diurnal arc, and for the opposite two quarters the semi-nocturnal arc. This is an important point and requires careful attention. The first step is to find the ascensional difference.

Rule.—Add the log tangent of the declination to the log tangent of the latitude of the birthplace, and the result is the log sine of the ascensional difference.

Having ascertained this the following four rules must be observed:

1. If the planet has *north* declination and is above the Earth *add* 90° to the ascensional difference.
2. If the planet has *south* declination and is above the Earth *subtract* the ascensional difference from 90°.

3. If the planet has *north* declination and is below the Earth *subtract* the ascensional difference from 90°.
4. If the planet has *south* declination and is below the Earth *add* 90° to the ascensional difference.

The result in each of the four cases is the required semi-arc.

Example.—Required the semi-arc of Saturn in the example horoscope, Saturn being in south declination 22° 44' and below the Earth.

Log tangent,	latitude	51° 32'	10.099914
„	„	declin.	22° 44' 9.622207
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= „	sine,	asc. diff.	31° 50' 9.722121
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Now, by Rule 4, Saturn being in south declination and below the Earth, we add 90° to the ascensional difference, making 121° 50', which is the semi-arc required. Saturn being below the Earth the semi-arc is nocturnal.

R.A. OF THE M.C.—We have spoken of this several times during this chapter and an explanation will naturally be desired. The R.A. of the M.C. is the right ascension of the meridian or the sidereal time at any given moment. In a horoscope it is the sidereal time at the moment of birth. The R.A. of the M.C. at the birth of King Edward VII. was 13h. 50m. 55s., which is equal to 207° 44'.

[The rule for turning time into arc is as follows :

1. Multiply the hours by 15 and call the result degrees.
2. Divide the minutes by 4 and call the result degrees, for what is remaining 1=15', 2=30', 3=45'.
3. Divide the seconds by 4 and call the result minutes.

In the case above—

13h. × 15 =		195°	0'
50 ÷ 4 = 12 and 2 over		12°	30'
55 ÷ 4 =			14'
—————			
207° 44'			

Astronomical Phenomena

NOVEMBER, 1914.

Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	2nd	...	11h. 49m. after.
Last Quarter,	10th	...	11h. 37m. after.
New Moon	17th	...	4h. 2m. after.
First Quarter,	24th	...	1h. 39m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Scorpio, enters Sagittarius on 23rd at 3.21 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is retrograde in Scorpio until 16th; in conjunction with and transits the Sun on the 7th.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Sagittarius, retrograde after 8th, conjunction Sun on 27th.
- ♂. MARS is in Scorpio, enters Sagittarius on 11th.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Aquarius.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- ☾. The following table gives the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries ...	1, 27, 28	Libra ...	14, 15
Taurus 2, 3, 4,	29, 30	Scorpio ...	16, 17
Gemini ...	5, 6	Sagittarius	18, 19
Cancer ...	7, 8, 9	Capricorn	20, 21
Leo ...	10, 11	Aquarius...	22, 23
Virgo	12, 13	Pisces	24, 25, 26

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with variable and unsettled weather, windy 3rd, finer 6th, gales with downfall about 10th, a finer spell for a few days, change 15th, variable middle of month, rain 21st, colder with fogs, fair to end of month.

The Horoscope of the Month.

THE PRESIDENT OF FRANCE.

RAYMOND POINCARÉ, the President of the French Republic, was born at Bar le Duc, France, on August 20th, 1860, at 5 p.m. This would, of course, be Paris time, and the birthplace being 5° 11' E. of Greenwich, the correct local mean time would be 5h. 11m. 22s. p.m. Rectification by the prenatal epoch confirms this time, and yields as the correct birth moment 5h. 8m. 44s. p.m. local time (a rectification of less than 3 minutes), for which time the appended figure is drawn.

The planet Mars rises in Capricorn, but badly afflicted by the square of the Moon and the opposition of Venus. The Sun has the conjunction of Saturn, but the Moon applies to the sextile of the Sun. Mercury and Jupiter are conjoined in the seventh in sextile to Uranus. The Moon is in close parallel to Saturn. The heavy affliction of the luminaries is a serious matter, and but for the approaching sextile of the Moon to the Sun might be held to presignify a violent death.

The rising position of Mars in Capricorn gives a strong, forceful and determined disposition, tact, diplomacy, carefulness and forethought. The mental abilities are of the highest order, with good judgment, intuition, a remarkable facility for grasping intricate problems and ability for rulership.

The rising position of Mars, ruler of the tenth, indicates the rise in life to the high position of President.

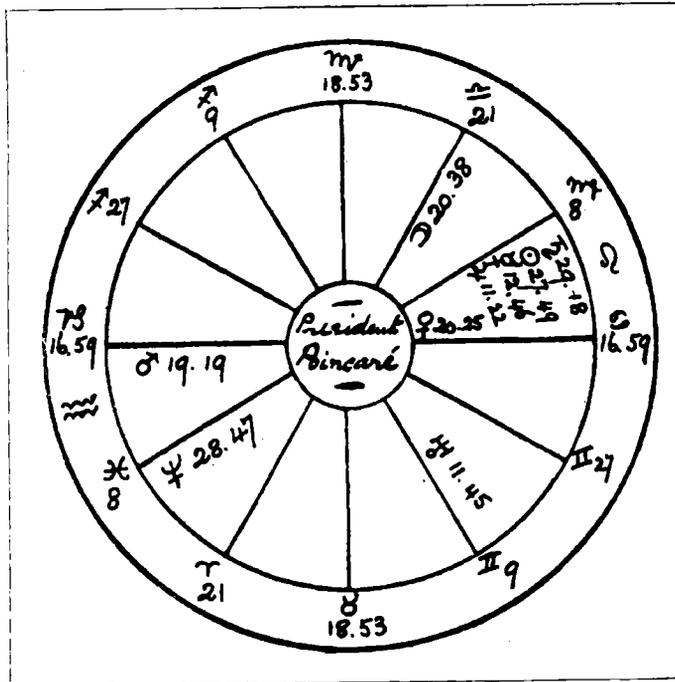
In view of the great war now raging it will be useful to denote the directions operating in the horoscope and to make a comparison with the horoscope of the Kaiser.

The progressed ascendant has now reached the 20th degree of Aries, and the Sun to the

same degree of Libra. We have, therefore, the following directions to tabulate:

- Asc. P. □ ♂ R.
- ♀ R. 8 ♂ R.
- 8 ☉ P.
- ☉ P. □ ♂ R.
- ♀ R. ♂ ♂ R.

The Sun is, however, within 1° of the sextile of the progressed Jupiter, while the latter planet is now only 5' from exact par ♂ R., two very powerful counteracting influences. The train of directions of the ascendant and Sun are re-



markably characteristic of the war, and the other two of eventual victory.

It is interesting to note that the President's Mars is opposed to the Kaiser's ascendant, and his Sun in square to the Moon and Uranus of the latter. Mars in the President's horoscope has reached the Kaiser's radical Sun, and the latter's ascendant has reached the former's Saturn. It is quite unnecessary to pass comment on this comparison.

The prenatal epoch of the President occurred on Nov. 28th, 1859, at 3h. 27m. 29s. a.m.

local time. The Sun was opposed to Uranus, and Mars was on the Moon's birth-place and rising at the epoch in square to the Moon. Jupiter, however, is in parallel with the Sun and Venus with the Moon,

protecting influences. At the commencement of the war the Moon was in square with the radical Mars and Mars square Saturn. By converse motion the M.C. was conjunction ♁ P. and the Moon again in square to Mars.

The Prenatal Epoch--Series III.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER II.

The first illustration I propose to deal with is the case of the six and a-half months' child sent to me by Mr. E. Kloss, of Florence, Italy. The particulars of birth are: Male, born 0.30 a.m., May 2nd, 1897. Florence, Italy. Lat. 43° 47' N. Long. 44m. 53s. E.

The following is the comparison of the birth and epoch.

<i>Birth.</i>			<i>Epoch.</i>			
1st May, 1897.			12th October, 1896.			
H.	M.	S.	L.M.T.	H.	M.	S.
12	5	12		8	15	19
11	20	16	G.M.T.	7	30	23
Asc. 16.47 ♃			Moon 16.47 ♃			
Moon 12.58 8			Asc. 12.58 ♍			

I must point out here that the time given by Mr. Kloss was standard time, and that the true local mean time was 0h. 14m. 56s. a.m., so that the rectification is one of less than ten minutes.

This case is not one of very great importance, inasmuch as it is an ordinary case of a premature birth, the child having been *in utero* only six and a-half months.

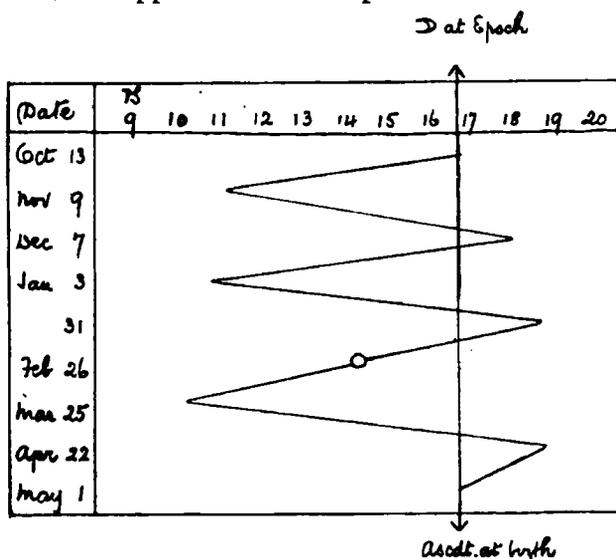
The following diagram is the chart of descent.

It will be observed that the librations of the Moon are extremely lopsided, indicating some abnormality, but it will be also noticed that these librations are very regular, and up the seventh return, cross the central line of impulse in a perfect pendulum swing. The child had quickened on February 26th, and up to that period there was nothing to indicate any disaster. On the various dates up to and including March 25th, there were

no evil transits to the extremities of the lunar elongations, but on April 22nd we find the following:—

Moon's libration	18.55 ♃
Mars	15.55 8
Central line ...	16.47 ♃

Now, at the epoch we find the ascendant in 12.58 ♍, ♃ in 18.10 ♍, and Venus 16.36 ♍, and on April 22nd, we find Venus in 8 13, the opposition of the epochal ascendant.



It is, therefore, evident that on this date something must have occurred to have disturbed the equilibrium and brought about the expulsion of the *fetus* before its proper time. Personally, I should judge the cause to have been an over-indulgence in pleasure (Venus in Taurus) and intoxicants (Mars in Cancer, crossing the extremity of the Moon's libration on April 22nd). A possible alternative is that it was due to shock caused by fire (Mars opposition ascendant at birth).

Studies in Brief.

By "SEPHARIAL."

Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands.

I have been asked by a Dutch correspondent to indicate the position of Holland in regard to the progress of the war. I gladly accede, as it has already been evident to my mind that the Netherlands cannot remain neutral. Holland has been up till now a fruitful source of supplies to the German commissariat. This has now ceased, so far as shipments from this country are concerned, but it is otherwise quite patent that the Netherlands are bound to be involved.

The representative horoscope of the Queen is set for the time of birth, August 31st, 1880, at 6h. p.m., which is the official time.

At this time Sagittarius 12 culminates and Aquarius 19 rises. The Sun and Uranus are conjoined in the seventh house in Virgo 9, and Mars is conjunction Venus in the same sign. Mercury is just setting. The Moon holds the cusp of the sixth in 23 of Cancer. Neptune is near the cusp of the third in Taurus 14, while Jupiter holds the cusp of the second in Aries 19, and Saturn is ten degrees away in Aries 29.

The conjunction of Uranus with the Sun in the seventh is unfortunate for alliances and treaties. These will be broken and violated. The congeries of planets in the seventh shows a remarkable destiny. It characterises the horoscopes of President Poincaré and the late Cecil Rhodes. Queen Wilhelmina is doubtless destined to figure prominently in the contest that is now decimating Europe. But while Jupiter remains in her ruling sign her country will be exempt from assault. Holland, however, has to reflect on the experience of her neighbour at the hands of the Huns. But in 1916, when Saturn reaches the place of the Moon in the royal horoscope and Uranus comes at the same time to the ascendant, the Sun being then directed to the opposition of Jupiter, there will be heavy expenditure, great devas-

tation of property, and it will be found necessary to open up the dykes and flood the country.

Saturn, which affects the Moon at this birth, shows loss following acquisition, and the beautiful heritage into which the young Queen came at the early age of ten years, will be considerably depleted. For in 1915 there will be a periodic conjunction of Saturn and Mars in the sign Cancer, which rules Holland, and reference to the history of 265 years ago will show that such history is likely to repeat itself. *Similia causa simile effectus.*

The conjunction of Mars and Venus will endow the Queen with a very lovable nature, and she will receive the willing service of her devoted subjects. A similar conjunction in the horoscope of our Dowager Queen Alexandra captivated popular affection.

In November, 1915, Holland will be involved. The eclipse of September 4th last fell close to the Sun and Uranus in this horoscope, and Saturn will come to the opposition of the midheaven (directed for 1915) and will be stationary there; while Uranus will soon add the effects of its conjunction with the ascendant of the radix. November, 1915, will therefore be the beginning of Holland's dire experience, and June, 1916, will see its worst phase. If Holland can bring itself to forego the advantage of feeding the Huns, and can learn from the experience of its neighbour that German treaties are "scraps of paper" used for the lighting of incendiary fires, they will be timely prepared for that which is signalled as the greatest epoch in Dutch history since the year 1650. I have already had occasion to refer to this in my second brochure of the war, entitled, "The Great Devastation."

Sir John French.

The Commander of the Expeditionary Forces of Great Britain was born on the

29th September, 1852, the estimated time from events being 6h. 1m. a.m., with the Sun rising in the beginning of the 7th degree of Libra. The ruling planet Venus is in the sign Leo, and this, with the Sun in Libra, comports well with the physique of the distinguished General.

The Moon in Aries and Mars in Scorpio gives the true accent of the soldierly character, in whom the analytic and destructive faculty is strongly represented. This is moderated and refined in its expression by the trine aspect of Venus to the Moon. The rising luminary gives faculty for command, and the excellent aspects of Mercury trine Jupiter and Mercury trine Saturn give prudence, forethought, mental stability, and endurance.

The midheaven is supported by the sextile of Uranus and the trine of Mars.

Cardinal signs on the angles of the horoscope, and the luminaries angular in cardinal signs, show distinction and a celebrity outlasting death. The worst aspects are Uranus opposition Mars and Venus square to Jupiter and Saturn.

Directed for the outbreak of the war, in which the military genius of Sir John, in association with General Joffre and King Albert of Belgium, has already shone so conspicuously, the horoscope now shows the midheaven sextile to Mars and trine to Uranus, while Jupiter is coming into close association with the Sun and ascendant.

I wonder who that "very noted astrologer" is who had the immense audacity to predict the termination of the war on October 9th last, and the *Te Deum* of the nation on the 18th? What awful lack of perspective! It is quite evident that the astrologer in question has no capacity for thinking in millions. If you kill a thousand of the enemy every day of the year for three consecutive years, you will have come to the end of the first only of the enemy's available four millions. There is, of course, the financial side of the question, but Germany has been banking for thirty years with "Am Tag" at the head of the ledger. To suppose that we can exhaust her resources in two

months is ridiculous nonsense. We shall not do it in as many years.

The conjunction of Jupiter with the Sun and ascendant in this horoscope does not transpire until four years from the date of the outbreak of the war, and there can be little doubt that Sir John will then receive those emoluments and distinctions which his illustrious campaign will have so fully earned for him. For Jupiter will then be in transit over the midheaven of the horoscope, as well as directed to the conjunction with the Sun and ascendant.

There are difficult times to be encountered before then, and the forthcoming transit of Saturn over the midheaven in Cancer 8 degrees, which happens in July, 1915, and again in March, 1916, when taken in connection with the lunar eclipse on the place of Mercury in this horoscope and that which fell on the place of Neptune, seem to indicate unusual stress during the next two years.

On the whole, however, I do not think that Great Britain could be better represented in the present strife than by Sir John French, seeing that he has the Moon in Britain's ruling sign, and well aspected by Venus in the regal sign Leo in the house of the Allies. With such a benefic configuration I should imagine that he must have the happy knack of getting people to work for him with a willingness expressive of the highest respect and the sincerest devotion. And it is also satisfactory to observe that the positions of Mars and Uranus in this horoscope mightily afflict the Sun in the horoscope of the Kaiser Wilhelm II.

Venus being almuten and in trine to the Moon in the 7th house, shows that he will overcome his enemies, who will be ineffectual to contend against him. The 6th degree of the sign Libra is figured by "an angel holding an open scroll in hand," which denotes a man with a special commission or an unusual destiny to fulfil, and the Commander-in-Chief has the destiny of the British Empire locked up in his saddlebag. It is related to the 21st degree of the sign Cancer, which shows "a commander on horseback," symbol of power and authority of an exceptional kind. It is thus strange

that the ascendants of this and the Kaiser's horoscopes should be related, for the German Emperor was born under the rising of Cancer 21. That Sir John will win through

and come through great hazards to complete and glorious victory, seems a conclusion altogether justified by the signs in the heavens at the moment of his birth.

Leaves from my Note Book.

By C. SHERBURN.

The Prenatal Epoch.

The Prenatal Epoch—like most great scientific truths—has been a target for the missiles of bigotry and narrowmindedness since the moment of its publication. In the astrological circle, as in those of other sects, there are in evidence those who desperately cling to the old ideas and beliefs, obstinately refusing to reasonably investigate any new discovery which is brought to light, and preferring rather to fight a guerilla warfare against the same than to come into the open and conduct the struggle upon the plains of investigation, one of their chief reasons for such conduct apparently being the time-worn one: "I do not like you, Dr. Fell," etc. In this respect they may be likened to the priesthood of Galileo's time, and in their attempts to break the wall with their heads.

I entirely agree with Mr. Bailey's attitude in refusing to discuss the epoch with the opponents of the theory until they have thoroughly studied the subject. I may also add that I have myself applied the laws of the epoch to a large number of nativities during the last five years, and have particularly noted the following facts:—

1. That the rectifications made by means of the epoch tallied with those made by the use of primary directions.
2. That both primary and secondary directions from the epoch coincided with the events of life.
3. That the figures obtained by applying the correct rules of the epoch gave directions which coincided with the events of life, *but the "possible epochs" did not.*

The last-mentioned discovery is particularly important in view of Raphael's state-

ment to the effect that "there are so many 'systems' of directing that some of them are sure to coincide with events. I pay no regard to them, as the *true* system of directing is, at present, unknown." If what Raphael says were true, then should we not expect to find that the "coincidences" were equally distributed among the epochs and the "possible epochs?" If Raphael will apply the rules of the epoch to the horoscopes of twelve or fifteen persons of an age which will ensure several important events having taken place in their lives, he will find what I have stated above to be true, viz., that both primary and secondary directions from the epochal figures will "coincide" with the events of life, while the directions from the non-epochal figures, or, as they have been termed, "possible epochs," will not do so.

Again, if Raphael does not think the "systems" of directing at present in vogue to be true ones, what virtues does he think a "system" should possess to be a "true" one? Should it be such that it will enable one to forecast every event of life with the accuracy and certainty that the astronomer predicts the lunar changes and planetary motions? If Raphael thinks this he cannot reasonably maintain a theosophical attitude, as fatalism holds no part in theosophical doctrines. And on the other hand, if he does not subscribe to such a view, why does he not, in the absence of the impossible system just mentioned, either pick out the best of the "many systems," substitute a better one, or deny the existence, or possibility of existence, of any reliable system of directing at all? It is true that he has set forth in his well-known "Guide to Astrology" a system which he claims to be the

nearest approach to a "true" one which has yet been discovered, but it is evident that (to meet the occasion or otherwise) his own system is meant to be included among the "many systems of directing" which he mentions in his letter to the Editor in the May issue, for if it were otherwise he would surely have instanced that method, stating that the fourth rule of the epoch was not complied with when directions other than his own were used, and that, therefore, the argument from directions in favour of the theory fell flat.

Had Mr. Bailey, when vindicating the prenatal epoch, amalgamated the various systems of directing extant and brought them to bear upon the theory *as one system*, Raphael's argument would have been more logical. No such thing was done, however, and although admittedly the different systems are parts of one great whole, *each, by itself*, will give, and has been shown to give, directions from the epoch coinciding with the major events of life.

Astrologers of the present day are greatly indebted to Raphael for his large share in purifying the science and placing it within the reach of the majority, and this makes his apparently bigoted attitude towards the epoch the more regrettable.

Kings.

The subject of the Divine appointment of kings has lately been brought to the front. It appears to me that whatever views one may hold in regard to the crown and sceptre, one cannot get away from the fact that more than half of the monarchs who have ornamented the thrones of the world during the past ages and up to the present time have been noodles or profligates, or both. Of the remainder, few have shown themselves capable of using their power more wisely than would the common gutter-merchant. One or two, indeed, have shown a spark of genius, but on the whole the "kings of the earth" have not been noted for wealth of intellect or wisdom, in spite of the fact that their education has been such as should have given every encouragement to the said qualities. "Divine plan" there

may be, and probably is, behind all this, for the souls of kings have "earned" the particular environment into which they are born, just as have the gutter-merchants above mentioned. Also a plan which consists of putting (more often than not) duffers, fops, profligates, brutes, and noodles, upon the thrones of the world to be a burden upon the hands of their tax-payers and a curse to progress, should be a very estimable one, should it not, since it generally results, or should result, in the people realising the folly of allowing a man to rule over them for no other reason than that he is the son of his father, and promptly removing him from the throne. I cannot, however, bring myself to share the views of those who think that the Almighty only places the best and most highly evolved soul in the bodies of kings, and that therefore they cannot do wrong, and that one could not do better than allow them to retain their throne. I know that there are revised forms of this belief, but they practically amount to the same thing.

That the monarchs of the present day are some of them superior in their mental and moral make-up to their ancestors, one cannot deny. But can it honestly be said that any one of these monarchs is a man better able than any other person in his country to rule his people with the wisdom and justice that it is necessary they should be ruled? Everyone is entitled to his or her own opinion, but for my part I think the answer to this question to be in the negative.

A ruler is, or should be, a supreme judge, and therefore, only the person who is perfectly unbiased and best fitted for ruling should be given the post, and that only for as long as such person continues to show himself (or herself) worthy of the position.

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And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

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1. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♈, ☉ □ ♁. An evil anniversary, losses and reverses, some benefits from superiors. A child born on this day will be erratic, independent, will have many trials in life and be generally unfortunate.

2. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, ♀ ☉, □ ♁, ♀, * ♃. A variable year, some gain in business, but danger of accidents, disputes and law. A child born on this day will be erratic, wayward, excitable, often involved in serious troubles, but have good friends to help him in life.

3. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, □ ♃, ♀ ♄. A troublesome year, losses, annoyances, danger of scandal and upsets. A child born on this day will be erratic, have a hatred of control, and be often involved in serious troubles.

4. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, * ♀, ♀ ♃. A variable year, changes, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will be impressionable and romantic, but hasty and rash, and will not be successful in life.

5. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♀, ♀ ♃, △ ♁, ♃. A fairly good year, changes and journeys, financial gains, but grief and disappointment. A child born on this day will be intuitive, inventive, kind and popular, but careless and untidy, and should be careful in dealings with the opposite sex.

6. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♀. An unsettled year, with many little annoyances but some pleasure. A child born on this day will be artistic, but unsettled and erratic, and not very successful.

7. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♃ ♃, ☉ □ ♃, ♃ ♃. An evil year, losses, indisposition, bereavement and much annoyance. A child born on this day will be extravagant, wayward, weak-willed and very unfortunate.

8. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, △ ☉, ♃. An active year, changes, journeys, benefits in business, slight disputes. A child born on this day will be erratic, but clever, intelligent, popular, and successful in business.

9. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in △, ♃ ♀, △ ♃. A changeable year, indisposition and bereavement, travel, changes and activity, some deception. A child born on this day will be active, energetic, impressionable and wayward, but will have many obstacles in life.

10. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, □ ☉, ♃, ♀ ♁, △ ♃. An evil year, reversals and dis-

putes, danger of scandal, financial loss, business troubles, but popularity, social gains and gain through superiors. A child born on this day will be rash and erratic, have a hatred of control, be extravagant, proud, and independent, but will have many friends and supporters.

11. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, □ ♃. A doubtful year, changes, gain in business, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, but rash and hasty, and generally unfortunate.

12. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, * ♃, ♃ — □ ♃. A successful year, promotion, financial gain, changes and business benefits, some disappointment. A child born on this day will be steady, reliable, clever, popular, somewhat careless, but should be successful in life.

13. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, * ☉, A fairly successful year for business, with many little annoyances. A child born on this day will be popular, kind, but erratic, and should be fairly successful in affairs.

14. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, * ♀, ♃, ♃ — △ ♁, □ ♃. A successful year, changes, activity, new work, social gains, but some indisposition. A child born on this day will be active, energetic, popular, clever, intuitive, artistic, and kind, will have many troubles in life, but be fairly successful.

15. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, △ ♃. A quiet, but generally successful, year with changes. A child born on this day will be clever, kind and popular, and should be successful in life.

16. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, □ ♁, ♀ — △ ♃, ♃ ♃. A generally good year, changes, promotion, gains, but some danger of reversals. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, of good judgment, should guard against reversals, but will be fairly successful.

17. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, ♃ ☉, □ ♃. An evil year, danger of reversals, disputes, accidents and indisposition. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, erratic, extravagant, and will have many disasters in life.

18. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, △ ♀, * ♁, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃. A variable year, good for marriage or courtship, but danger of accident and disputes. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, but kind, romantic, intuitive and musical.

19. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, * ♃. A variable year, some financial gains, but much unsettlement. A child born on this day will be erratic and wayward, but generally successful.

20. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, 8 ♃, * ♃. A year of many worries, indisposition, but changes and gain in business. A child born on this day will be sarcastic, often adversely criticised, but be clever and intelligent, and fairly fortunate.

21. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♃. A variable year, deception, disputes and disappointments, some pleasure. A child born on this day will be impressionable, musical, somewhat hasty, and fairly fortunate.

22. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, * ☉, ♂, ♀, — ♂ ♃, 8 ♃, ☐ ♃. This is an evil anniversary for single women, warning them to be very discreet in dealings with the other sex. Indisposition and danger of accident is shown, but it is also good for marriage and courtship. A child born on this day will be erratic, rash, prodigal, but kind, active, affectionate, and if a female, should guard her honour.

23. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♃. A successful year, promotion, journeys, social and financial gains and much success. A child born on this day will be kind, popular, impressionable, somewhat hasty, but fortunate in life.

24. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ☉, ♀, — Δ ♃. A variable year, gains in business, but indisposition and disappointment. A child born on this day will be clever, steady and reliable, proud and careless, and should always remain in employ.

25. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♂, Δ ♃. A changeable year, danger of disputes and accidents, but changes and gain in business. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, clever and intelligent, but not very successful in life.

26. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♃, ☐ ♃. An unsettled year, danger of indisposition and many annoyances. A child born on this day will be impressionable, but weak-willed and somewhat unfortunate.

27. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, Δ ☉, ♂, ♀, — * ♃. A good year for marriage, courtship, changes, new work, promotion and much success. A child born on this day will be popular, kind, affectionate, active and energetic and very successful in life.

28. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, * ♃. A variable year, some gains, but much worry and annoyance. A child born on this day will be popular and kind, but will have many troubles to fight against.

29. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♃, * ♃. A good year, success in business, promotion and gain through elders, some danger of deception. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, steady and reliable, will suffer from deception but will be generally successful in life.

30. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♃, ☐ ♃. A variable and unsettled year, many annoyances, losses and upsets, but gain in employment and new friends. A child born on this day will be kind, affectionate, popular, but erratic and extravagant, and not very lucky in life.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

NOVEMBER, 1914.

1	22 ♃ 2	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends and acquaintances, evening.
2	3 ♃ 54	An evil day. Avoid disputes and accidents. Keep quiet.
3	15 46	Another evil day. Do not sign any papers.
4	27 39	Visit friends and amusements in the evening.
5	9 ♃ 37	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
6	21 39	Act discreetly in all things.
7	3 ♃ 48	A very evil day for business. Do nothing important.
8	16 6	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends in the evening.
9	28 38	Travel and push affairs, a.m. Safeguard health, p.m.
10	11 ♃ 26	An evil day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
11	24 35	Attend to business and correspondence, a.m. Avoid accidents, p.m.
12	8 ♃ 8	Push business. Ask favours, seek work. Avoid females, p.m.
13	22 8	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
14	6 ♃ 35	Travel, change, ask favours, visit friends. Safeguard health.
15	21 27	<i>Sunday.</i> Keep quiet. Study and contemplate.
16	6 ♃ 36	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
17	21 55	An evil day. Avoid accidents and disputes, safeguard health.
18	7 ♃ 10	Act discreetly, a.m. Visit friends and travel, p.m.
19	22 12	A quiet day. Do nothing important.
20	6 ♃ 51	A good day for business, travelling and changes.
21	21 1	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
22	4 ♃ 40	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends.
23	17 51	Travel, change and push business.
24	0 ♃ 36	A doubtful day. Act discreetly in all things.
25	13 0	Attend to correspondence and business, a.m.
26	25 8	A variable day. Safeguard health and avoid accidents.
27	7 ♃ 6	Court, marry, visit friends, travel and change. A splendid day.
28	18 59	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
29	0 ♃ 49	<i>Sunday.</i> Keep quiet. Study and contemplate.
30	12 40	A variable day. Visit amusements, p.m.

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LESSON II.

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE LAWS OF HEALTH, AND A CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES EACH TYPE OF TEMPERAMENT IS LIABLE TO.

When writing on health subjects, one is apt to write a song of health, or preach the moral obligation to maintain a healthy mind in a sound body, or pen words of a metaphysical character which, however, are not of sufficient practical value to the sub-

of nature's laws, or living in unnatural conditions. Our habits, food, clothing, bathing, sleeping, breathing, and climate, may all cause ill-health if they are not such as will harmonise with our anatomical construction or elements of which our bodies are composed. Over-study in the case of a predominant Mental system, over-work in the case of a predominant Motive system, or inactivity and indulgence in the case of a predominant Vital system, may be the cause of much ill-health.

What kinds of disease are the various types of

HEALTH TABLE.

TYPE OF TEMPERAMENT.	CLASS A.	CLASS B.	CLASS C.	CLASS D.
Explanation of Terms— 7 indicates Greater than. = indicates Equal to.	Congestion of the brain, neuralgia, spinal weaknesses, various forms of nervous troubles.	Gravel, joint troubles, lumbago, rheumatism, sciatica, stone.	Apoplexy, asthma, bowel complaints, bronchitis, cancers, dropsy, fevers, gout, heart troubles, imperfect circulation of the blood, kidney diseases, liver troubles, obesity, skin eruptions, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, tumours.	Consumption, coids, dyspepsia, or indigestion.
I. Mental 7 Motive 7 Vital	Most susceptible	Slightly susceptible	Least susceptible	Most susceptible
II. Mental 7 Vital 7 Motive	Most "	Least "	Slightly "	—
III. Motive 7 Vital 7 Mental	Least "	Most "	Slightly "	—
IV. Motive 7 Mental 7 Vital	Slightly "	Most "	Least "	Most susceptible
V. Vital 7 Mental 7 Motive	Slightly "	Least "	Most "	—
VI. Vital 7 Motive 7 Mental	Least "	Slightly "	Most "	Least susceptible
VII. Mental 7 Motive = Vital	Most "	Least "	Least "	—
VIII. Motive 7 Vital = Mental	Least "	Most "	Least "	—
IX. Vital 7 Mental = Motive	Least "	Least "	Most "	—
X. Mental = Motive 7 Vital	Most "	Most "	Least "	—
XI. Motive = Vital 7 Mental	Least "	Most "	Most "	—
XII. Vital = Mental 7 Motive	Most "	Least "	Most "	—
XIII. Balanced	Least "	Least "	Least "	Least susceptible
XIV. Abnormal	May be " *	May be " *	May be " *	May be "

* Subject to most extraordinary complaints and require special study and treatment.

ject under review to warrant such a lengthy pen picture. Let us, therefore, confine our studies to a few practical questions, which may prove of immediate benefit to all.

The following questions, if correctly answered, will suffice for the present. 1. What is health? 2. What is ill-health? 3. What are the causes of ill-health? 4. What kinds of disease are the various types of temperament liable to? 5. What are the remedies?

First, what is health? Health has been defined as that state of the human physical body in which all the organs and functions work harmoniously, and no bodily pain or mental hallucination is experienced. A condition recognised as the greatest physical blessing mortals can enjoy.

What is ill-health? A state in which the various organs of the body do not work harmoniously, thus causing pain and discomfort.

What are the causes of ill-health? The breaking

temperament liable to? This question will be best explained by the following table, showing the susceptibility or otherwise of each type of temperament to certain classes of diseases, but it does not necessarily follow that the type suffers from any disease, the object of the table being merely to indicate liabilities and probabilities, and not certainties in any case.

Class A may be termed diseases of the Mental system; Class B, diseases of the Motive system; Class C, diseases of the Vital system; and Class D, diseases accompanying a special combination of the three systems.

It will be observed that each class is alphabetically arranged, and the object of this is to avoid conveying the impression that the diseases are classed according to their importance, as such is not the case.

With reference to the fifth question: What are the remedies? we think it unwise for the practitioner to dabble with drugs and poisons, and therefore confine

ourselves to the study and application of the laws of hygiene which treats of the preservation of health, and the arrest of constitutional disease, and leave drugs to the medical practitioner to administer as and when required.

No attempt should be made to encroach upon the

medical profession, for we have quite enough to do to follow our own calling, and should never attempt to treat a serious complaint, but call in a doctor immediately, and he will be pleased to have your temperamental explanations of the cause of the disease.

Astrology in the Nursery. IF BABY IS BORN IN NOVEMBER.

OUR sketch this month deals with all babies born between October 23rd and November 22nd, the Sun being in the sign Scorpio during that period.

The parents of children born during this period have a very difficult task in developing the characters and dispositions of their little ones, because there is a strong evil tendency in them. These little ones are very decided, determined, passionate, and given to finding fault for very little reason. They are very vindictive if they cannot have their own way, will give way to fits of temper, throw their toys about, and often throw themselves on the floor in passion. These evil tendencies require careful checking, much firmness is necessary, and parents should try to realise that to "spare the rod" in these cases is to "spoil the child."

On the other hand, there is a great deal of good in their natures. There is much firmness, tenacity, and plenty of that grit and backbone which will enable them to fight their way in life.

As they grow older these children should be taught to be very temperate in their desires, not to be greedy and impatient, but to practice self-control and restraint. They have plenty of energy and go, but being suspicious they tend to the distrustful. They do not like changes, and are very obstinate.

The little ones born during this period are generally strong, with good constitutions, but are liable to suffer from peculiar and uncommon disorders, urinary and kidney troubles, and affections of the excretory parts. They are also liable to feverish and inflammatory complaints. Great care should be taken in their diet, and all heating food, too much meat and drink should be avoided. They

should be taught the value of moderation in all things. Circumcision is a valuable thing for baby boys born during this period.

These little children are apt to be bad mannered, and care should always be taken to train them to be courteous, kind, manly, and affectionate, to despise all that is low and uncouth, to chose loyal and manly companions, and always be discreet and gentlemanly in speech. There are two extremes in these little olive branches, one strong, manly, and brave, and the other aptly described in the two words "little devils."

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The War.

The continuation of the war and the gradual wearing down of the German armies comes as no surprise to students of astrology, in spite of the ridiculous prediction by a certain "accomplished astrologer" of peace on October 9th, and a national *Te Deum* on the 18th. Such a prediction ought never to have been made, and, apart from the superficial knowledge of the science, shows an utter lack of perspective, and an ignorance of military facts.

I confidently recommend all my readers to purchase two pamphlets by Sepharial—"The Great War," and "The Great Devastation." There is much food for thought in these little works, and the astrological forecasts respecting the visions of St. John in the Revelations are of more than ordinary interest.

The Lunation.

The lunation of December 17th, at 2.35 a.m., is a very evil figure. The luminaries

are conjoined with Mars in the third house, and opposed to Saturn in the ninth. The Sun is ruler of the tenth, and Mars of the sixth and seventh. The ascendant is the place of Mars at the Autumn Solstice, and the configuration of the luminaries with Mars and Saturn falls across the horizon of that figure. Venus is on the place of the Moon thereat. The figure indicates treachery in high places, terrible railway disasters, storms, wrecks, and much loss of life. A big naval engagement is indicated with victory to our fleet, but serious loss. The affliction of the Sun, ruler of the tenth, indicates the loss of many of high social position, and royalty itself will suffer bereavement. It will be a bitter Christmas for many a home in this country.

The Prenatal Epoch.

Mr. Cecil Sherburn is to be complimented on his defence of the Prenatal Epoch. More than once in these pages I have stated that I ask no one to take my word about the theory, but to test the rules for themselves. Mr. Sherburn is one who likes his information first hand, independent of what others tell him. In his own words, "he has applied the laws of the epoch to a large number of

nativities and particularly noted certain facts." These facts are exactly the same as those discovered by me in my examination of the theory sixteen years ago. Mr. Sherburn's independent testimony is another proof of the validity of the theory, and another nail in the coffin of its opponents.

A Remarkable Case.

Are there any astrologers, orthodox or otherwise, capable of solving this most astonishing conundrum? On April 29th, 1861, at Leeds, two female children were born, one at 9.15 a.m., and the other at 9.30 a.m. The latter married only once, and had a quiet life. The former married twice, and her life was of an entirely opposite character. Both were born under the last decanate of Cancer, hence there is no difference in their rising signs.

Death of Prince Maurice.

In *Moore's Almanac* for 1914, pages 27 and 34, and in the October *JOURNAL*, our prediction as to deaths among royalty has been sadly fulfilled by the death of Prince Maurice of Battenburg. The young prince was born on October 3rd, 1891. At his death the Sun was exactly conjoined with Uranus by direction, and conversely in conjunction with Mars. At birth he had Mars, Saturn, and Mercury in conjunction with Virgo.

Owing to pressure on our space we have been compelled to hold over several articles until our next issue.

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Astronomical Phenomena

DECEMBER, 1914.

Moon's Phases.

Full Moon, 2nd ... 6h. 21m. after.
Last Quarter, 10th ... 11h. 32m. morn.
New Moon, 17th ... 2h. 35m. morn.
First Quarter, 24th ... 8h. 25m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Sagittarius, enters Capricorn on the 22nd at 4.24 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Scorpio, enters Sagittarius on the 8th, and Capricorn on the 27th, conjunction Venus on the 7th.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Sagittarius, retrogrades into Scorpio on 5th, stationary on 17th, re-enters Sagittarius on 30th.
- ♂. MARS is in Sagittarius, enters Capricorn on 22nd. Too near the Sun for observation.
- ♃. JUPITER is in Aquarius, a conspicuous object in the S.W. skies after sunset.
- ♄. SATURN is in Cancer, retrogrades into Gemini on the 7th, well placed for observation in the N.E. after sunset.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo, retrograde into Cancer on the 14th.
- ♁. The following table gives the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	24, 25, 26	Libra	... 11, 12
Taurus	... 1, 27, 28	Scorpio	... 13, 14
Gemini	2, 3, 29, 30, 31	Sagittarius	15, 16
Cancer	... 4, 5, 6	Capricorn	17, 18, 19
Leo	... 7, 8	Aquarius...	20, 21
Virgo	... 9, 10	Pisces	... 22, 23

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with fair weather, change 3rd, cold rain 5th, unsettled 8th, change 10th, then finer and increase of temperature for a few days. Mild weather middle of month, high winds, gales, and stormy weather 20th to 26th with snow and rain. Unsettled end of month.

The Fortunes of War.

By SEPHARIAL.

ALREADY there has been a serious outcry in the Press regarding the necessity for more vigorous measures of enlistment, and the Government will have to consider the proposition of Conscription. Recruits that were ready for the front, from the point of view of general training, have been held back for lack of equipment. Obviously, it is the duty of the authorities to employ as fully as possible the industries of the country, and this has been done. But with the depletion of the factories through the call to arms the filling of contracts has been greatly impeded, and large orders have had to be filled from abroad. On the other hand, a huge volume of trade has been deflected from the enemy to our own markets, and to ensure its maintenance we must wear down the enemy until the time comes to make the final and resistless onslaught. But to this end it is felt that the Government must offer some guarantees to the people that adequate and even generous provision will be made for those to whom the volunteer is sole or part bread-winner. We cannot ask all that a family has to give and offer nothing in return. Further, it appears evident that a home defence will have to be constructed from among those whose ties or years render them incapable of service abroad, so that the regular home contingent may go forward. Almost every man between 35 and 60 can put up a good fight on occasion, and the work of training would only consist in bringing them under the word of command and instruction in the use of arms. In short, the man who perforce must stay at home, needs only the license of the authorities to become a self-supporting unit in the Home Defence line. In the event of invasion there should be no such person as a non-combatant. It is the inalienable right of every man to defend his own country and his own home. We want that right to be recognised.

I have said so much by way of preface to my further outlook upon the fortunes of war because it is a grievance of a very real and widespread nature, and because, from all indications, this "war of attrition," as it has been rightly called, is not going all one way from first to last. Fundamentally, it is a war against war, a determination that the ambitious will of one man shall not dominate the world or endanger the freedom of the people. For that reason it has to be once and for all time finally effective. The Kaiser and his military bureaucrats will go the way of all flesh, but the race will continue, and it is for the future of humanity as much as for our own present safety that we are at war. It is the purpose that justifies the means and that renders our fighting of ultimate avail. For neither ambition nor hope of gain could justify the sacrifice of a single life, and this holocaust of death will remain an everlasting reproach to our race if it be not finally crowned by the priceless diadem of Liberty.

The Outlook.

As rightly predicted, the fortunes of war have gone with the Allies, and what was foretold as "the greatest engagement since the opening of the war," ending in the defeat of the Germans, has taken place on the Yser. What is known as the Battle of the Dykes will go down to history in connection with the prophecy of Friar John, and our own pointing of this terrific conflict. It is stated that the Germans lost 37,000 killed. The dead were literally heaped together in the flooded dykes and were used as bridges in successive rushes of the enemy, and afterwards as a screen for their firing line. Our success by inference would have been greater but for the fact that the new Moon of October 19th, which extends its influence to November 17th, fell on the place of Saturn

in the royal horoscope. This climax was due to the transit of Mars over the Moon in the Kaiser's horoscope, and the opposition of Saturn to the Midheaven of the horoscope for this period. And now what of the future?

Germany.

The new Moon of November 17th falls near the place of the Moon in the Kaiser's horoscope, which is evil, as it is afflicted at his birth. He will lose ground.

On December 3rd, the Moon sets and is followed by the opposition of Uranus to the ascendant, and Venus also in opposition on the 5th. This will coincide with some reversals and severe losses.

On the 9th Neptune opposes the Midheaven. This will bring loss by an effective ambushade, and the Germans will be outmanœuvred. If, as is probable, the Navy is engaged, Germany will fall into a well-laid trap.

On the 15th, Jupiter rises. This will enable the Kaiser to make resistance, and even to gain some advantage over the Allies. But this is short-lived and deceptive.

On the 17th and 18th the Midheaven is opposed by Saturn, and Uranus transits the same point, while Mercury opposes the Ascendant. At this time heavy losses will be sustained by the Germans and they will make a precipitate retreat.

On the 26th, Venus sets. The German troops will have cause to complain of equipment and food.

About Christmas Day there will be an effectual advance and most heavy assault on the part of the Germans, by which the Allies will be hard hit. About the middle of December Mars transits the ascendant of the Great Conjunction figure and danger draws very near to our coasts. About the 7th, Mars will oppose the place of its last conjunction with Saturn, and that date must therefore be regarded as one of singular fatality. From the 4th to the 8th December will be exciting days in London. With the Ascendant of the horoscope now directed to square Uranus, the Kaiser can gain nothing but adversity from his allies, Turkey and Austria,

but the Moon's trine aspect to Neptune may be effectual on the seas.

Great Britain.

The fortunes of our troops cannot be said to embrace those of all our Allies, but in a sense they may be taken as representative. In the same sense the horoscope of H.M. King George is summative of the fortunes of his subjects. From this horoscope I deduce as follows:

November 27th-28th, Jupiter opposition Midheaven, Mars opposition Sun. These are adverse influences which tend to reversals and heavy loss of material at the front.

December 1st, Midheaven conjunction Uranus, Saturn conjunction Midheaven. A critical date. Dislocations and sudden surprises. Danger of a serious hurt.

December 4th, Moon conjunction Ascendant, Jupiter on the Midheaven P. Further great advances and victories. Reprisals. Great captures.

December 12th, Mars opposition Ascendant P. Heavy losses.

December 17th, Ascendant opposition Neptune. Naval disaster threatened. An ambush. Great strategies on the part of the enemy. But Jupiter's influence will prevail to a great extent.

December 23rd, Mars transits Midheaven, Neptune transits Sun P. This is another extremely fatal day. The enemy will make a terrific onslaught, and their great efforts will not be without effect. The transit of Neptune over the Sun's place in the horoscope for 1914-1915 is of singular note. On this occasion it should serve to awaken the sleepers and call forth the highest powers of every true Briton.

It must not be forgotten that in Lord Kitchener's horoscope the Sun holds the 3rd degree of Cancer in opposition to the Moon, and therefore at this time Mars will transit the opposition of the Sun, thus bringing into force the direction of Mars square Sun now in force. Christmas, therefore, will be an anxious time for all of us. The government of the universe from centres is reflected in human life. At times like these we look to the central figures in the great drama of life.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN DECEMBER.

OUR sketch this month covers all children born between November 23rd and December 22nd, the Sun being in the sign Sagittarius during that period.

All little ones born during this period are of a naturally joyous and happy disposition, full of mischief, brave, generous and kind. They are active, apt to be petulant and irritable, and hate restraint in any form. They are quick to learn, much attached to those they love, have very expressive feelings and an affectionate nature. Parents should never put undue restraint on these little ones, otherwise the fretful, irritable and petulant tendencies will show themselves, and it will be difficult to pacify or appease them. They are not naturally cruel, but if angered they can say and do things which give hurt to others.

They are particularly fond of liberty, like their own way, and at times are rebellious, but with all these little faults they can easily be shown the right way, and all their little failings are such as can be easily forgiven. They are full of life and energy, and their characters develop quickly and naturally.

Little girl babies are great lovers of dolls, and there is nothing better to develop their natural instincts than a nice large doll and some pretty clothes. It is a known fact in astrology that Sagittarian women make the best mothers, and it is due to this extreme

fondness in infant years for dolls. The baby boys generally develop a military tendency, play at soldiers and imitate them in their actions. They are also fond of reading, and are very often forward in their mental pursuits. But parents should carefully watch this, because if allowed to develop too quickly they are apt to overstrain the nervous system and weaken their powers for learning later.

These little children are generally weak in the lungs, but this is mostly caused by over-activity, depleting the vital forces. Fresh air and plenty of exercise is an essential for good health, and nothing injures the future development of these little ones more than to make them "hot house plants" in early life. In matters of diet there is little to choose. All good wholesome food in moderation should be given, not too much meat, but plenty of muscle-forming food. Any food which tends to overheat the blood should be avoided, as purity of blood is an essential.

One point in conclusion. All these little ones have a strong religious and devotional spirit, which should be properly cultivated, and any inclinations they have as they grow older for scientific pursuits should never be checked, as all this will tend to a higher development of their character, and will bring out much that is concealed within them.

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Studies in Brief.

By "SEPHARIAL."

King Albert of the Belgians.

According to report the King of the Belgians was born on April 8th, 1875, at 10 o'clock in the morning in Brussels. By calculation I make the time 10.18 a.m. local time, or 10.1 Greenwich Time, and 10.10 at Paris.

This gives Cancer 19° 16' on the ascendant, and Pisces 20 on the midheaven, in lat. 51° 50' N., and long. 4° 51' W.

The 20th degree of the sign Cancer is

he has shown such remarkable fighting qualities. With the exception of Saturn, which tempers the mind and gives stability and firmness, all the planets lead back to Venus, which is here a well elevated planet, dispositor of the Moon, and ruler of the 11th house. The love of home and country, which are here dominant characteristics, form the motive power of the King's great endeavours. The majority of planets in fixed signs gives that self-reliance, pivotal stability, and endurance which have rendered

	♄ 12	♃ 8	♂ 27	♁ 20	♃ 24	♃ 5
				♂ 32' 6"	♂ 30' 23"	♃ 25'
	18° ♃ 21'	18° ☉ 10'				19° 16' ♃
♄ 19° 16'	0 ♃ 2	17 ♁ 31				
						26° ♂ 10'
	11° ♃ 13' R.			27° ♃ 54' R.		
	♁ 5	♁ 24	♁ 20	♃ 27	♃ 12	

symbolised by a granite wall. It indicates that one born under its ascension will show remarkable powers of resistance, and will do some great deed which will be handed down to posterity.

It is quite obvious, I think, from this horoscope that not all warriors are animated primarily by the spirit of Mars, for Mars in this horoscope is decadent, though well aspected by Jupiter, Saturn, and the Sun. But it is not almuten, and the Moon in Taurus, together with Venus in Pisces, more fully express the character and disposition of King Albert than any other configuration in the horoscope. Kindly, beneficent, home-loving, genial and sympathetic, with considerable appreciation of artistic effects and the beautiful in Nature, the wonder is that

his name illustrious. The majority being in succedent houses shows success by patience and endurance. The ruler being the Moon in its exaltation sign and in sextile to Venus, also in its exaltation sign and in elevation, denotes a high degree of popularity and success. The elevation of the planet Mercury shows that in the end the King will attain to more than his inheritance.

The horoscope as set answers exactly to the events of life. The death of King Leopold is shown by Sun square Saturn R., Ascendant conjunction Uranus R., Sun sesquiquad. Mars P., the secondary indications being a transit of Uranus opposition Ascendant and Neptune close to the Ascendant, Saturn *stationary* close to the Sun. An eclipse of the Sun in June, 1909, fell exactly

in opposition to the place of Mars in this horoscope, the planetary positions thereat being Saturn conjunction Sun R., and Uranus opposition Ascendant R.

The outbreak of the War and invasion of Belgium by the Germans was indicated by Sun square Saturn P., and the direction of Midheaven conjunction Neptune—a sure sign of treachery.

The war eclipse of March 12th last, fell in opposition to the midheaven of this horoscope, and was brought into activity by the transit of Mars over the same place on the 1st August.

The Ascendant being now in the sign Leo we have to look to the transits through that and the opposite sign, and we find that Jupiter is now in opposition to the ascendant (December 1914), and will be followed by Mars in February next, while Uranus becomes stationary close to the progressed ascendant in May, 1915. But as at that time Jupiter will have reached the midheaven of the radical horoscope, and will continue in elevation until August, 1916, it is to be expected that the fortunes of war will add lustre and even material advantage to the Belgians.

But the year 1916, which shows Uranus transitting the opposition of the progressed ascendant for the most part during the whole year, and Saturn stationary on the radical ascendant, will prove one of the most difficult and dangerous of the whole campaign. For it will be seen that in July, 1916, Uranus is in opposition to the Ascendant P., Saturn is on the Ascendant R., and Mars is again on the place of the war eclipse, and in direct opposition to the Midheaven R. Only one feature is outstanding against this array of adverse portents. It is that Jupiter is then on the progressed midheaven, and whatever evils may betide it may be safely said that they will rather add to than diminish the glorious record of this brave ruler, whose example is one for all to emulate, and whose name, so long as the world holds ideals of manhood in esteem, will be honoured in remembrance as that of a king among men.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure
DECEMBER, 1914.

1	24	♄	35	Court, marry, visit friends, avoid disputes.
2	6	♁	34	Travel afternoon, act discreetly p.m.
3	18		40	Attend to ordinary duties only on this day.
4	0	♁	52	An evil day. Safeguard health and avoid accidents.
5	13		12	An evil day. Do nothing important. Safeguard health.
6	25		42	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends. Study and reflect.
7	8	♃	22	Visit friends and acquaintances, and go to amusements.
8	21		15	A good day for business. Act carefully in money matters.
9	4	♁	24	Act discreetly in all things. Do nothing important.
10	17		51	A very evil day. Act circumspectly. Ask no favours, avoid disputes.
11	1	♁	40	A good day. Travel change, seek work, safeguard health.
12	15		51	Travel, change, push business, commence new work.
13	0	♁	23	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel, visit friends and acquaintances.
14	15		13	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
15	0	♄	13	Court, marry, visit friends. Avoid disputes.
16	15		15	Attend to business affairs and correspondence.
17	0	♁	9	A very evil day. Guard against disputes and accidents.
18	14		45	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
19	28		58	Travel, change, a.m. Act discreetly p.m.
20	12	☿	43	<i>Sunday.</i> A day of study and reflection.
21	26		0	A variable day. Do nothing important.
22	8	♁	51	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
23	21		19	Avoid disputes and wrangling.
24	3	♁	31	A most evil day. Avoid travelling, and guard against accidents.
25	15		31	<i>Christmas Day.</i> Of thine abundance give to him that needeth.
26	27		23	A variable and uncertain day. Do nothing important.
27	9	♄	14	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and reflect.
28	21		6	A very evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
29	3	♁	4	Do nothing important. A doubtful day.
30	15		10	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
31	27		25	An evil day. Safeguard health and avoid accidents.

The Late Field-Marshal Lord Roberts ("Bobs").

By SEPHARIAL.

IN the death of Lord Roberts from inflammation of the lungs on Saturday, November 14th, our country has lost one of the greatest upholders of military integrity that the world has ever known. For Lord Roberts combined in his person many of the greatest of human virtues, unflinching bravery, gentleness, courtesy, steadfastness and purity. In seeking for a parallel among the many illustrious men who have brought glory to the British Arms and dignity to the profession to which they have devoted their lives, I can think of none more akin to him in character than that good

veteran expert what the defences of the country should be. The measureless services of Lord Roberts to his country will be better known and understood when and as they will be written in the history of Greater Britain.

I have attempted the somewhat difficult task of finding the horoscope of the illustrious soldier, and what I have arrived at must be taken problematically by students of astrology. I feel fairly confident, however, that the time has been correctly found, inasmuch as it agrees with the main incidents of his career. The horoscope is set for

♄ 10			♃ 11			♅ 14° 15'		
♁ 21			♂ 25			♁ 7		
♂ 1° 31'						♂ 21		
						♁ 21		
♃ 24			♄ 15			♂ 6		
♁ 7			♃ 8			♁ 10		
						♁ 14° 15'		
						♃ 11		

Christian soldier, General Gordon, who died at Khartoum on January 26th, 1885. Nothing perhaps is more pitiable than the lot of the man who is called to be a prophet in his own country. What bitterness of spirit must Lord Roberts have suffered, when with his far-sighted, accurate vision he warned his country of its impending danger, and called upon a deaf Government to put all its available manhood under training, to increase its armaments, and to prepare to play the part of "the strong man armed!" The world now knows that to a large extent, and despite the Government, he did not urge in vain. But it also knows that Great Britain will have to pay the price for allowing itself to be out-lawyered by representatives who presumed to know better than the

September 30th, 1832, at 22 mins. past noon at Cawnpore.

The sign Capricornus ascends and its ruler, Saturn, is found with Mercury in the sign Virgo in opposition to Jupiter, quadrature to the Moon, and trine aspect to Neptune, which latter is rising. The planet Venus in its own sign Libra holds the meridian together with the Sun. The Sun has the trine aspect of the planet Mars, which is appropriately placed on the cusp of the sixth house, showing the occupation to be of a martial nature. It will at once be apparent that with the Moon, Saturn, Mercury and Jupiter in cross aspect from common signs and cadent houses, there is none too much assistance given from external sources to the expression of this character

and destiny, but Venus elevated and strong in its own sign and in sextile to the Moon would confer honours, and none deserved them better than he. Cardinal signs on angles show celebrity, and a fame that would outlast his day. Five planets rising shows ambition and a desire to accept responsibility, but the point most certainly brought out by this horoscope is that sympathy and flexibility together with gentleness, wisdom and virtue, can hold concert with real strength. Another point is that character counts for more than circumstance, and willingness for more than opportunity. It is, of course, recognised that the rising sign Capricornus is productive of exceptionally strong characters, forceful and indomitable spirits, who, in common with their antiscion, the Eagle, cleave their way to the Sun. But in this case there is no ruthless ambition, for the Moon in Sagittarius, with its dispositor in the sign Pisces, brings out the sympathetic qualities of the mind into active expression, and benevolence was surely a main characteristic of the great warrior. It will be remembered that the Duke of Wellington had Capricorn rising and Jupiter strong in the horoscope. Probably no better description of the late Field-Marshal's life-attitude could be had than that of the man "standing on a lonely eminence of rock with arms folded in contemplative attitude," a man self-possessed, with confidence in his own powers, and in the cause he has espoused; and truly it can be said that none could have proclaimed his cause more fearlessly nor served it with greater zeal.

Taking this horoscope as set for 12.22 local time p.m. the following directions are found to coincide with the nature and time of death: Primary—Sun 135° , Mars P., ab 90° Saturn, ad conjunction Mercury (Saturn), Ascendant opposition Sun. Secondary—Moon square Jupiter, square Saturn and Mercury, conj. Moon R. Transit—Saturn opposition Ascendant R. Diurnal—Ascendant opposition Saturn. Note—Mercury acts as Saturn being at birth conjunction Saturn.

His voice is heard no more among us, but the roar of the guns over the wide-flung

field of battle brings back to us the voice of the great Patriot: "Prepare! prepare!" That voice crying in the wilderness will be heard as a reproach to many to whom this world-war has come as an apparition from the region of the Impossible. To others it will come as an inspiration not less than the glorious example of the immortal dead. *Requiescat in pace.*

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The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

A CORRESPONDENT who has an unfortunate idea of business methods in so far as they apply to the publication of books, has sent me a text that is worthy of my attention. After buying a book and reading it, to deface it and return it to the publishers with a request for "my money back," savours somewhat of the cavalier inconsequence of an irresponsible Quixote. But this is what my correspondent did, and in quite correct form the firm awarded his poverty of spirit the full return of his money and a free copy of the work in question. I mention the circumstances lest any reader should misinterpret our generosity. The proverbial process of "heaping coals of fire" on the heads of delinquents is now adjudged a ruinous and disappointing task, a mere waste of good material.

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From the same source I am instructed that no reliable firm publishes a science series including the subject of astrology, and that if it were really useful and reasonable it would be included with such subjects as surgery, mechanics, physiology, etc. But then my correspondent fails to reflect that we have to discover the usefulness and reasonableness of things before we adopt them, and so far as astrology is concerned, this finding has not been pursued with any scientific diligence. Nevertheless, it would perhaps be well to point out that John Kepler, the man who propounded the mathematical laws of the solar system; Sir Isaac Newton who confirmed them; Tycho Brahe, the colleague of Kepler; Baron Merchiston, the inventor of logarithms; Sir George Whichell, the astronomer royal of Portsmouth; Edward Sonstadt, the man who made magnesia a trade manufacture, and who invented the salts known by his name for testing the specific gravity of minerals in solution; the late Dr. Richard Garnett,

a famous encyclopædist and curator of the British Museum, were all competent astrologers and ardent students of the science. It is of further interest to observe that Claudius Ptolemy, to whose work we owe the introduction of astrology to the West, was the first practical geographer, the man who first determined the longitudes and latitudes of important places by astronomical observations, who laid down the first map of the world (as then known). He wrote a work on optics and propounded the laws of astronomical refractions, and he also wrote on music, chronology, the construction and use of the dial, and on mechanics. Read what Laplace has to say about this giant intellect in his "Système de Monde." From science we might turn to literature, to the *beaux arts*, to theology, and even to the domain of "surgery, mechanics and physiology," and still find numerous others who are either students or exponents of astrology. Of course, it does not concern our critics to know that the faculty of medicine was founded by an astrologer, namely Hippocrates, whose terminology still infests the *vade mecum* and the pharmacopœia. It matters not to him that the greatest mechanic that ever lived, I mean Newton, was a writer upon the subject and in the first instance studied astronomy the better to understand astrology. Some sciences are useful, others reasonable, and some merely interesting. It may not be useful to know that the planets revolve about the Sun in elliptical orbits, but the Laws of Kepler by which this statement is rendered reasonable are at the root of all mechanics and are thus of greatest utility. Astronomy, as a practical science, has given us certain means of predicting the tides. But this contribution to things useful is to some extent discounted by the fact that the Phœnicians, the Assyrians, the Chinese, and Danes, none of whom are credited with any knowledge of the Tidal Law, were all great navigators.

Thus, while it is not the business of publishers to determine what is or is not to be included in the domain of science, it is their business to cater for any demand which is made and in this respect the "trade" does not ignore astrology. To judge only by the number of books on the subject that are sold in the course of a year, it is quite obvious that there is a wide and practical interest in it, and when it is known to what class of people such books are sold, we are able to judge as to what value we may attach to such trade. The astronomical ephemeris alone has a very large circulation and is bought by people in all social grades. But inasmuch as it is prepared for the use of astrological students and not for astronomical purposes, its circulation is a close guide to the number of astrological students in this country. America has its own ephemeris, and so have India and Australia. France has its own, and also Spain. Put all these together for any year of issue, and it will be found that there are hundreds of thousands of students. To this fact, we may add that it has never been recorded that any person having investigated the subject has ever abandoned it, or denied its claim to serious attention. Cases to the contrary, however, can be cited by thousands. Consequently, I am justified in saying that my correspondent is altogether wrong in asserting that "public opinion is founded on the common acceptances of the last generation," and therefore, "the ignorant and credulous may still believe in astrology." For the ignorance lies entirely with my correspondent, and the credulity with those who accept the statements of others about a subject of which they do not know the bare elements. The last generation was, if anything, more hard-headed and materialistic than its predecessors. It is not to any single generation that we refer the survival of astrology among the sciences. It is to the continuous labours of detached students in all nations and times, the astrologers, such as Ptolemy, Kepler, Ricciolus, Napier of Merchiston, Vincent Wing, Sir George Wharton, Lilly, and others, that we owe the survival of astronomy. They were all competent students and

mostly writers on the subject of planetary action in human life.

In what has been called appropriately "The Battle of the Dykes" there has been a literal fulfilment of the Prophecy of Friar John (B.J.A. November, 1914). In the north of France and in Belgium the country is cut up into sections by numerous dykes and rivulets, and both Germans and Allies have constructed a marvellous network of trenches within those lines. An attack has to be made across these brooks and ditches, and this is done by means of small portable platforms or "table-tops." In an engagement reported to the west of Dixmude the Germans hurled their massed troops over a platoon against our lines, and were no sooner on the bridge than they were charged from the right by another detachment of the Allies. They were cut up in terrible fashion, and "their dead bodies so encumbered the dyke that its waters were unable to find a passage under the bridge, but were diverted into the flat agricultural land on either side of it." Another account shows that the Germans used the dead bodies of their comrades as a bridge when rushing our trenches. (Prophecy, para. 26).

Egypt is now fully embroiled, and the good work done by Lord Kitchener will soon be more nearly estimated at its true value. In this connection it is of interest to note that, referring to the conjunction of Saturn and Mars, and the transit of Saturn through Gemini, I said: "Its last appearance in that sign was in 1884-5, which marked the period of the great Egyptian Campaign. A condition of unrest and revolt will again be apparent in the land of the Pharaohs. It will be well if we are prepared for eventualities. History repeats itself." Our credulous critic might regard this fact in the light of the scientific statement of the Law of Periodicity, which, applied to physiology, upholds the doctrine of Hippocrates.

That Turkey and Portugal were likely to be involved all students of eclipse influences

will understand. Referring to these in the Almanac for 1914 it was observed that the eclipse of March fell in the ruling sign of Turkey (Virgo) and would last for eighteen months, while that of September 4th fell in Pisces, and "the effects will chiefly be felt in Portugal." As to the solar eclipse of August 21st, it was said: "It is an indication of war, and the death of great military leaders." It fell in the ruling sign of France.

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But these were not isolated predictions they formed a part of a general outlook gathered from the portents of the Summer Solstice. Under this head it was said: "A very tight money market characterises the quarter and expenditure on munitions of war will be heavy. Something in the nature of a panic is threatened in financial circles. Taxation will be increased. There will be frequent cause for unrest in our diplomatic relations. The National Exchequer appears to be under a severe strain. At the end of June there are signs of diplomatic strain. A month later, about July 20th, there is danger of war and a very excited state of affairs in the money market." Other astrologers did equally well, and there are manifest proofs that we were all on the alert for a crisis in Europe. This sort of thing may not be called science, but it is something like it, and apparently as certain as the official prediction of the weather over which the country spends a good deal of money. It appears also to be rather more useful.

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A most commendable criticism of official methods of "recruiting" appears in the *Evening News* of November 6th, and in the *Times* of the same date we get some breath of the official view regarding the duration of the war. Many critics who pride themselves upon a passing acquaintance with our subject made merry over the prediction of a long war. According to them it would be all over by Christmas, some said as soon as September, others saw the overthrow of the Kaiser in the last days of October. All these were so many snapshots of transits

occurring about the dates mentioned. But that is not science. Eclipses, ingresses, primary and secondary directions, transits and diurnal pointers have all to be taken into account. An Austrian student told me a fortnight before the war broke out that the German army would be in Paris in a fortnight. They would walk through France. An English student informed me that our envoys would be in Berlin at Christmas. They were talking without their books. The Prime Minister spoke with balanced moderation when he said that not this Christmas nor the next should we welcome our heroes to the Yule Tide festival. I am disposed rather to think that the country generally has not yet got the hang of this great conflict. The people have not got it into focus. To some who are indifferent it is not nearer or more real than the blurred memory of a dream. To others it swamps the imagination and fills the soul with unnamed terrors. Rightly considered it is the greatest conflict that ever engaged the powers of the present race of mankind, and it is all the more terrible that it finds us the better equipped by all the vast forces of modern scientific invention. But it is a war against war, and as such it will be waged to the bitter end. It has been given to "the three witnesses" to uphold the cause of freedom, and the destiny of our race is not wholly in the hands of any one of its rulers. The Power behind the Throne is moved by a higher and a wider purpose than the crushing of Germany and Austria. These hold within themselves the seeds of dissolution and corruption, and in process of time would come to their end. What is aimed at is the devilry which deploys all the wealth of commercial prosperity and all the powers of advanced scientific knowledge to the enslaving and subjugation and spoliation of the people. The arrogance of the human will is at the root of it all. Babel was confounded, the arrogance of Persia met with its appointed doom, the pride of Egypt was levelled to the dust, Rome was overthrown by the Turks, and Turkey itself is about to suffer an eclipse, because it has sold away its freedom to the Antichrist. It was human arrogance that

sent the Titans to their doom, and sank the mighty empire of Atlantis in the depths of the ocean. I would rather that the compact of the Tsar should prevail—a compact which savours somewhat of propitiation by agreement—than that the hand of God should be unrecognised in this great judgment. “God give me victory and I will let your people go,” as referring to the Poles, is reminiscent of the overtures of Pharaoh in 1494 B.C. Be that as it may, it was a timely act and hardly will pass unrecognised, by the Poles at all events.

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My interpretation of the symbolism in the prophecy of Friar John has been challenged in a friendly way by a correspondent whose opinion I esteem. He points out that “the leopard” is synonymous with “the lion” of the British standard, and that what is represented by the lion in the heraldry of to-day was formerly, and in its Gallic original, a leopard. That may be so. The name “pard” is apparently generic, and the leopard may thus be distinctive of the lion. It is further known that at the alliance of the English and Scottish thrones the lion stood for England and the unicorn for Scotland. But if the leopard as identified with the lion was of Gallic origin, the question arises as to whether it was not applied to France itself, of which Belgium once formed a part, and earlier a part of the Roman Gallia Belgica. The warrant for it is in the old astrological ascription of the sign Leo as that ruling France. Aries, the Lamb, was always associated with England and with the planet Mars, and the spirit of Freedom. It has been our country's privilege to be the means of enfranchising the dominions and making an end of slavery. But if the Cock which has been long associated with France be held to stand for that country in the Prophecy, and indeed Gallus (Lat.) a cock, is a play on the name Gallia, then the leopard and the lamb are left to represent either Great Britain and Belgium. The alternative is that the lamb signifies the Spirit of Liberty and Truth in its apocalyptic association. So indeed it may, but that is no reason why it

should not have its terrestrial counterpart, and in such case symbolism would lead us to connect it with the British. So our *felis pardus* or panther, which is the leopard under discussion, may very well have been associated with Belgium, as the lily is elsewhere mentioned as the symbol of France. It is a moot point, and one that might engage the powers of an Encyclopædist.

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A correspondent sends me an excerpt from the New Standard Dictionary (Funk and Wagnall) concerning the interchange of the Leopard and the Lion. It appears that in heraldry a “lion passant gardant” was emblazoned as a leopard on the Arms of England until far into the fifteenth century. It was customary to adapt the name to the attitude of the animal, as when rampant, it was a *leopard lionné*, and in any other attitude it was *lion leopardé*. An English coin struck in the time of Edward III. for use in France had on its obverse side a lion passant gardant. This seems to dispose of Belgium as connected with the leopard in the prophecy. In such case we must assign it no part in the prophecy, except in its association with France, the Cock, to which it was formerly allied, though it should be observed that at the time of the writing of the prophecy it was part of the German Empire. On this account it may have escaped recognition. The great part played by Belgium in the western area of the War,

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however, seems to call for comment, and we can only express our surprise that *le lion Belge* finds no representation.

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It is wiser not to count on victory by dissent as many do who predict a revolution in Germany. The Teuton is not of the revolutionary type. He is very much at the heels of Militarism, and has imbibed the doctrine of "the mailed fist" with his mother's milk. He has been educated in it, and taxed for it, and it is his whole investment. He wants to see his money back. It is only natural. This year has been one of tremendous land forces. The year 1915 will witness the Titanic struggle for mastery of the seas. Let none who are disposed to disparage the enemy make light of the transit of Jupiter over the Midheaven of the Kaiser's horoscope. I predicted rightly enough that the early days of November would witness a great blow to Germany owing to the transit of Mars over the Moon's place in that horoscope, and it very nearly gave the Kaiser his quietus by a little message dropped from an aeroplane. Also it was noted that the transit of Jupiter over the King's Midheaven for 1914 (Aquarius 17) would give much aid to our arms. Well, if it has helped our case while in Aquarius, may it not do as much for the Kaiser when in Pisces? But what seems to make it the more apparent is that when in May next Jupiter is on the Midheaven of the German horoscope, Saturn is in opposition to that of the British, as represented by the horoscopes of the rulers; and although Saturn progresses through Cancer, Jupiter retrogrades, and comes again to the Germanic Midheaven twice before the end of the year, and I think the turning of this tide of warfare will happen first of all in February, when Jupiter leaves the ruling sign of Russia, and the planets Mars and Uranus become conjoined therein, Uranus being stationary in Aquarius in May, 1915.

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By a singular coincidence it happens that the Moon in Lord Kitchener's horoscope is on the Midheaven of H.M. the King, but

it was also in opposition to the Sun at Lord Kitchener's birth, and consequently the transit of Saturn over the first degrees of Cancer in May next will simultaneously involve the destinies locked up in these configurations, and also will be in transit over the Austrian Emperor's Midheaven. Moreover, it will be observed that Uranus is then on the Midheaven of London, but there is time to consider these positions in the light of other factors, and they are of sufficient importance to revert to again. They only illustrate the fact that the cause of King and country, and anything above and beyond it that one may apprehend, is more likely to be served by a just estimate of the duration of the War and of the enormous powers, material and spiritual, with which we are assailed, than by any degree of over-confidence and sense of security in the glorious prowess of our warriors. Most of all I disparage the practice of issuing immature astrological predictions such as that which now faces me: "Peace and Victory on Thursday, August 19th. August 29th, National *Te Deum!*" which was issued, on September 13th last, by one who is capable of better work if not of more sober judgment.

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I have already pointed out that the last conjunction of Mars and Saturn took place close to the Ascendant of London, and on December 4th next Mars will transit the opposition of this conjunction, Uranus being close to the Midheaven of the London horoscope. I have, therefore, little doubt that some surprise will be sprung upon us unfortunate home-birds, and if we get some echo of what is the deadly orchestration for every day of the week, and almost every hour of each day, at the front, it would be well if we accept it as a not unuseful tonic. At all events in wishing our King and country a prosperous New Year, and conspiring to it as best we may, we shall be doing the loyal and seasonable thing.

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1. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, * ♀, ♁ ♃. A successful year, important changes, marriage or courtship, many benefits, slight danger of accidents or indisposition. A child born on this day will be popular, inventive, original, kind and affectionate, somewhat hasty and intractable, but generally successful in life.

2. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, ♁ ☉, ♁ ♃. A variable year, indisposition and trouble in employ, some changes. A child born on this day will be proud, haughty and domineering, will have good abilities, but should always remain in employ.

3. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. Another variable year, social and financial gains, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will be popular and respected, but hasty and hot-tempered and not very successful in life.

4. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ♃. An evil year, danger of ill-health and bereavement. A child born on this day will be weakwilled and diffident, and not successful in life.

5. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, ☉ par ♃. An evil year, indisposition and bereavement, many troubles. A child born on this day will be enterprising, but health and environment will be a drawback to success.

6. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. A doubtful anniversary, many ups and downs, annoyances, slight benefits in employ, but nothing lasting. A child born on this day will be intelligent, rash, kind, popular, impressionable, but not reliable, and will have many troubles to meet with in life.

7. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ♃. A good year for artists, novelists, and teachers, but many annoyances and rebuffs. A child born on this day will be clever, artistic, given to literary work, but erratic and wayward, and not very successful in life.

8. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ☉, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. A successful year, changes, gain in business, financial gains and new undertakings. A child born on this day will be popular, generous, active and energetic, and fairly successful in life.

9. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, * ♃, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. An unsettled year, indisposition, losses, annoyances, but gain through friends. A child born on this day will be careless, untidy, have a hatred of control, but will gain through elders.

10. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ☉, ♁ ♃. A very evil year, indisposition, acci-

dents, disputes, and reversals. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, proud and imperious, and very unsuccessful in life.

11. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♁, * ♀, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. A successful year, financial gain and promotion, marriage or courtship, changes, but slight danger of indisposition. A child born on this day will be kind, popular, clever and intelligent, will have many trials in life, but will be successful in a career.

12. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, * ☉, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. A successful year, changes, new work, popularity, and gain. A child born on this day will be popular, inventive, kind and generous, and very successful in life.

13. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃, * ♃. A generally successful year, benefits in work, but danger of duplicity. A child born on this day will be steady, kind, affectionate, popular, but somewhat impressionable, and will be fairly successful in life.

14. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. A variable and unsettled year, many ups and downs, slight benefits, and many little annoyances. A child born on this day will be clever, but erratic, wayward and hasty, and will not be successful in life.

15. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. Courtship or marriage shown, or a sea-voyage, some danger of accident. A child born on this day will be romantic, affectionate, but hasty.

16. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, * ♃, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. A good year for business with promotion and changes. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, popular, and generous, and fairly successful in life.

17. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ☉, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. A very evil year, danger of accidents, indisposition and bereavement. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, impetuous, and very unfortunate.

18. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♁. A quiet year with little change or variety. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, and attain no credit or notoriety.

19. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ♃, * ♃. Courtship or marriage shown, with changes, but danger of indisposition. A child born on this day will be kind, affectionate, artistic and clever, but will have many obstacles to fight against.

20. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♁, ♁ ♃. A variable year, danger of accidents, disputes and reversals, some business gains. A child born on this day will be clever, but hasty, rash and erratic, and will not be successful in life.

21. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, * ☉, ♁ ♃, ♁ ♃. A variable year,

danger of indisposition and bereavement, but many little benefits and successes. A child born on this day will be clever, popular, kind and affectionate, but will have many heavy difficulties to meet with in life.

22. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋. A quiet year with some unpleasant changes. A child born on this day will be impressionable and unreliable, but will have a quiet life.

23. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♌, □ ♌. A year of annoyances, danger of slander. A child born on this day will be sarcastic, unruly, have a hatred of control, and be unlucky.

24. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♍, □ ☉, ♃, ♄ Δ ♀. A very evil year, danger of losses, indisposition, accidents and disputes, some changes. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, cruel in disposition, often involved in serious troubles and most unfortunate in life.

25. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♎, * ♃. A good year, financial benefits and success. A child born on this day will have many friends in life, but will not be very successful.

26. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, □ ♄, * ♃, Δ ♄. A changeable year, benefits in employ, through elders, but many worries and annoy-

ances. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, active, steady, but inclined to be sulky and rebellious.

27. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, Δ ☉, ♄, □ ♄. A variable year, gain in employ, but many upsets and annoyances. A child born on this day will be popular and successful in employ, but will be erratic and wayward.

28. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, □ ♃. An evil anniversary, losses, indisposition, danger of accident and bereavement. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, ill-tempered, extravagant and very unlucky in life.

29. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars) ♃ in ♐, * ♄, ♄ ♀. A doubtful year, changes, and gain in employ, but losses and grief. A child born on this day will be careless and untidy, though clever and intelligent, and will not be successful in life.

30. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♐, Δ ♄. A quiet year with some changes and journeys. A child born on this day will be intuitive and original, but will have a quiet life.

31. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♐, ♄ ♃, Δ ♃. An evil year, danger of indisposition and bereavement. A child born on this day will be selfish and indifferent, and not very successful in life.

Arrest and Imprisonment.

An Astrologer's Prediction Fulfilled.

THE scene was moonlight on the Brighton Pier. I was absorbed in a most interesting conversation with an astrologer I had recently met.

As we sat there, looking down upon the calm shimmering sea, nothing could have seemed more remote from tragedy. It is often so when the crisis is imminent.

"Of course you are aware," said my new friend impressively, "that Mars and Saturn meet in Gemini 17 to-night? It is an evil conjunction."

"Of course," I said, "but surely it cannot be evil for everyone?"

"It depends where it falls in your horoscope," he replied; "more especially if angular or near the radical lights. Now where does it take place with you? Not near the midheaven I trust."

"Oh no, 'tout au contraire.' It falls on the cusp of my fourth house, as the midheaven is 17 Sagittarius."

"Ah, but that, too, is serious, especially if

Mars was by any chance in the twelfth house at your birth," he replied excitedly.

"Why, that is just where it was!" I cried. "Good heavens! What do you think it means?"

"Danger of imprisonment, without a doubt," came the prompt reply, "and as Saturn is conjoined in the fourth angle, probably death during imprisonment."

"Thank you," said I laughingly, as we strolled off the pier. "It is a cheerful prospect you offer me. I think bed would perhaps be the safest place for me to-night," and so we parted.

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An Hour Later.

Surrounded by a jeering crowd with two stalwart policemen gripping my arm upon each side, I found myself being borne along in an open cab to Brighton Police Station.

In vain I looked helplessly from side to side for any one kind pitying face among the

throng. Not one outstretched hand was raised to help. On every feature around sat a mocking smile or look of sterner condemnation.

Could this really be me? A quiet, inoffensive law-abiding citizen as I had always been? What had I done? It seemed but five minutes ago I was enjoying my freedom discussing astrology on the pier. I felt sick and queer at the very thought of captivity and disgrace and farewell to all the refinements and beauties of life. At last I turned to one of the stern captors who clutched my arm and asked faintly, amid the shouts of the rabble around me, "May I not even know of what I am accused?"

"You'd best keep your mouth shut," he replied grimly. "You'll know soon enough, the evidence against you is black enough without making it worse." Upon this I relapsed into a kind of stupor of horror as we drew rapidly nearer to the police station, and wondered what tortures were in store for me.

Marie Antoinette must have passed through just such phases of anguish and terror upon the tumbril on her way to the scaffold, I felt. Could her spirit have taken possession of me and be living it over again, or was I going mad?

Just then the crowd surged up closer to the cab as we neared the police station, and I heard one rough shout to another.

"Look at 'im, 'e don't 'arf looked scared. More like a ghost. I say 'e'll never come out alive."

"What'll 'e get?" said the other.

"Ten years or a lifer, and not a bit more nor 'e deserves. It'll be a nice change for a toff like 'im to find 'issel' togged out in broad arrers."

I shuddered at the very thought, and even clung unconsciously to my stern guardian's arm as he shouted out, "Stand back there, will you!" as the cab door was opened, and strong arms lifted me almost bodily into the police station.

Then I must have lost consciousness, for the next thing I remember was finding myself seated between two constables in broad daylight in a crowded police court.

One of them held a glass of water to my lips, and the hush in court plainly showed that the audience were anxious the victim should not be too ill to be baited, and provide a good show for their amusement.

The heat was stifling. At last the magistrate addressed me, not unkindly, and I felt grateful even for that.

"Prisoner, you are here on a very grave charge, but as you are evidently in a precarious state of health I feel sorry for you, and wish to lighten this ordeal as far as possible. If, therefore, you prefer to be represented by counsel at your own expense you will be allowed that privilege. But if you prefer to defend yourself I advise you to be careful what you say." He paused for a reply.

There was a buzz of whispering and a fluttering of fans, and rustling of women's skirts as I tried in vain to find my voice. But my throat seemed parched. At last I spoke out huskily.

"May I ask what the charge is?" but my voice sounded miles away and not my own.

A feminine titter ran through the court at the audacity of this assumption of innocence. But the magistrates interposed sternly.

"You must not trifle with the time of this court. Do you mean to tell me that when you were actually caught in the act you pretend not to know what you are here for?"

"Certainly," I replied in the frozen tones of one whose nerves are paralysed by an impending crisis. "If I did know, I have forgotten what occurred before I fainted last night."

There was a moment of intense silence in court as the magistrate summoned the constable who had arrested me, and a whispered consultation took place.

A terrible thought ran through my brain. Were they questioning my sanity, and was I to be for ever immured in some ghastly asylum? Better death than that.

Suddenly the whispering ceased, and amid a dead silence the magistrate turned and looking towards me said, "Prisoner, stand up. Incredible though your ignorance of this

grave charge against you appears to be, we make allowance for your health. It is now my duty to read the charge to you.

"You are hereby charged with being found upon the Brighton pier *without a ticket*, and thus feloniously obtaining an evening's enjoyment *under false pretences* at the expense of the Brighton Corporation. If this had been your first offence you might have been discharged. But the police records show that last year you were charged with a similar offence upon a Brighton tramcar, and you protested you had lost your ticket. Therefore, unless you can pay sixpence into court

or find bail to that amount, it is my painful duty to sentence you to seven hours imprisonment."

"It is my last sixpence, my lord," I sobbed as I held out the solitary coin, "and I am innocent, but I thank you for your courtesy."

"I am not a lord yet," he replied, "but I hope to be shortly."

I awoke with a start as my landlady entered with breakfast, and thanked my stars that Mars and Saturn had passed, and had only imprisoned me in a dream.

A. V.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

The tabulation is the speculum of the horoscope used in the lessons on "How to Calculate and Judge Directions," which appeared in Vols. IV. and V. I propose to use this horoscope in illustration of the rules

	LAT.	DECLIN.	RT. ASC.	MER. DIST.	SEMI-ARC.	SEMI-ARC.
☉	—	21.36 S	245.55	17.53	60.26	20. 9
☽	4. 8 N	19.17 N	37.57	45.51	64. 9	21.23
☿	0.28 S	21.37 S	242.56	20.52	60.25	20. 8
♂	2. 1 N	9.40 S	208.53	54.55	77.45	25.55
♁	0.51 N	10.41 S	208.14	55.34	76.24	25.28
♂	0.30 N	21.43 S	250.16	13.32	60.15	20. 5
♃	1.45 S	12.26 S	334.35	70.47	74. 3	24.41
♄	0.44 N	13.58 N	147.19	63.31	71.57	23.59
♅	1.49 S	10.49 N	31.27	52.21	76.14	25.25

for Primary Directing. The particulars stated in the table can be computed by the rules given in the last issue of the JOURNAL, and students are recommended to make all the calculations and compute the various figures given therein.

CHAPTER III.

MUNDANE DIRECTIONS.

Mundane Directions are computed by means of the planets' meridian distances and semi-arcs. They have no connection with the degrees of the zodiac, but the actual

position of each of the planets in regard to the angles and cusps of the houses have to be considered.

The principle of Mundane Directions is that all the twelve houses are equal in size, and that from one cusp to the next is thirty degrees. The cusp of the tenth is thirty degrees from that of the eleventh and the same distance from the ninth. It follows, therefore, that the space of two houses is equal to sixty degrees or a sextile aspect, and, therefore, a planet rising will be in sextile aspect to one on the cusp of the eleventh house, and to one on the cusp of the third. Four houses make a distance of 120 degrees or a trine aspect. One house and a-half measures 45 degrees or a semi-square. Four houses and a-half equals 135 degrees or a sesquiquadrate aspect. A planet placed on the ascendant would be in sesquiquadrate aspect to one in the middle of the fifth or eighth houses. This is a very simple matter and easily understood.

The next point to be understood is that all Mundane Directions are formed by the rotation of the earth. A planet rises in the East, it comes up to the cusp of the twelfth, then in succession to the eleventh, tenth, ninth, eighth, and seventh. During its passage it forms aspects to the meridian and ascendant and the other planets. This

motion is exactly the same as the apparent movement of the Sun, and, once the rotary motion is understood, it is very easy to see how Mundane Directions are formed.

Mundane Directions are divided into four groups, viz. :—

1. Directions to the midheaven and ascendant.
2. Directions of the Sun and Moon.

3. Mundane Parallels.

4. Rapt Parallels.

There are also two classes of directions, viz. :—(a) *Direct* and *Converse*.

I propose to deal with each of these groups separately, illustrating the process of calculation from the speculum on page 58, and explaining them in as simple a manner as it is possible.

The Prenatal Epoch--Series III.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER III.

A CASE OF MALFORMATION.

In the December, 1912, issue of this Journal we published the horoscope of "L'Enfant Grenouille" (the frog child). The following are the facts relating to this child (page 50, Vol VI.): "It was born with the *right* arm only from the elbow to the shoulder, the right forearm and hand being missing. Both legs are present from the groin to the knee, and that part from the knee to the ankle is missing. The feet and toes are stuck to, or rather start from, the knee."

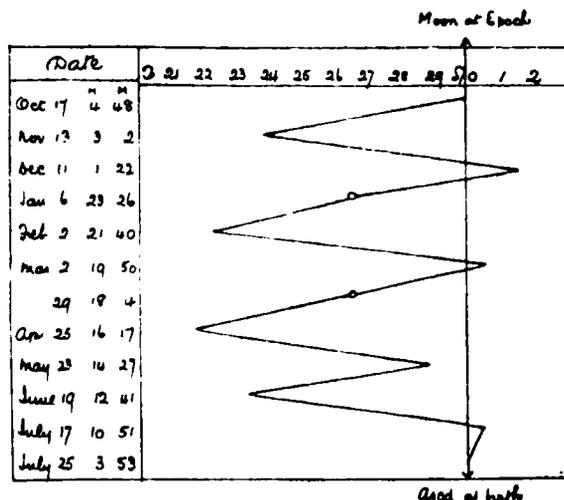
Let us examine this case in the light of the Prenatal Epoch and the Chart of Descent. The child was born at Holvenen, Antwerp, latitude 51.12 N., longitude 4.24 E., on July 25th, 1909, at 4 a.m. (local time 4h. 17m. 36s. a.m.), and the rectification was made according to the sex degrees of the Sephirothal cadence. Recent experience has shown that the sex degrees by the Law of Polarity are the correct ones, and the following is the rectification by that law.

<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Epoch.</i>
25th July, 1909.	17th October, 1908.
H. M. S.	H. M. S.
3 53 29 a.m.	G.M.T. 4 48 28 p.m.
4 11 5 a.m.	L.M.T. 5 5 4 p.m.
29.59 ☿	Asc. 26.57 ♀
26.57 ♃	Moon 29.59 ☿

The following is the Chart of Descent, and a more abnormal one I think will be hard to find.

Now, it will be observed in this chart that

the librations of the Moon are abnormally lopsided, only on three occasions out of the ten crossing the line of central impulse, in one case not crossing at all. Also, it will be noted that instead of the libration continuing at the fifth month, as in the illustration given last month, we find that this



occurs at two distinct times, the *third* and *sixth* months. This is a distinct irregularity, and from investigation I am led to believe that this peculiarity is always noticeable in "irregular epochs." In a "regular" epoch this combination would only occur at the fifth month.

In regard to the peculiar deformities or malformations in the limbs of the child, what disturbing influences are to be found along the path of the Moon from epoch to birth? There are several very important ones.

At the first return of the Moon (November 13th) to ϖ 24.53, we find Mars in \sphericalangle 22.13 in square thereto.

At the third return (January 7th) to ϖ 26.38, Mercury is in \sphericalangle 25.13 in opposition.

At the fourth return (February 3rd) to ϖ 22.17, we find Uranus in Capricorn 18.33, and Venus in 23.0 of the same sign, both in opposition to the epochal Moon.

The sixth return (March 30th) is the most remarkable. Here the Moon is in Cancer 26.37. Mars is in Capricorn 21.55 and Uranus in 20.47 of the same sign. These two planets are conjoined in opposition to the Moon.

The seventh return (April 26th) brings the Moon to Cancer 21.50 and Uranus *stationary* in Capricorn 21.5.

At the ninth return (June 20th) the Moon is in Cancer 23 18 and Uranus in 19.59 of the opposite sign.

It will, therefore, be seen that at six of the ten lunar returns, either Mars, Mercury or Uranus, notable the latter, are afflicting the Moon, a more than remarkable coincidence.

But to return to the horoscope of birth. Is this malformation shown therein? Truly Mercury and Neptune are conjoined in the twelfth house, ruling the feet, in opposition to Uranus and square to Saturn, but how many other children were born on or about this time with the same configuration, Jupiter in the third house, ruling the arms, is not seriously afflicted, while it is well aspected by three planets. The malefics are elevated, it is true, but one is in trine with the Sun, and neither are in a sign ruling the hands or feet. Moreover—and this is the point which I wish to bring strongly forward—the child was born in the condition described and therefore the *cause* was antecedent to birth, and such cause cannot be found in the horoscope. What does the epoch show? It shows Saturn in the twelfth opposed to Mars in the sixth, showing a deformity of the feet. It shows the Sun on the Moon's place at birth, in opposition to the birth Saturn, and the opposition of the Moon and Saturn at birth across the horizon. It further shows the opposition of Uranus and Neptune at birth across the Meridian.

Reports of Meetings.



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Since the last published report, Mr. Henry John Allen Croft has passed the Preliminary Examination in "Palmistry," and Mr. Albert Edward Davis in "Astrology."

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Greetings.

It is again my pleasant duty to wish my readers a very Happy and a Prosperous New Year, and this in spite of the gravity of the conditions at present prevailing, and the general gloom which will be cast over many homes, bereft of their loved ones, some fighting for Empire and home on the Continent, and others who will never return, lying beneath the soil of a foreign country or fathom's deep beneath the ocean wave. To those whose sorrow it has been to lose loved ones, it is my earnest wish that they should remember that those who have gone before have given their lives in the cause of Liberty, in defence of that which their fathers won, that glorious inheritance which has always been Britain's pride and glory.

What of the Year 1915.

In view of the terrible war now raging, I have thought that a brief survey of the chief influences operating during the year will be appreciated by my readers. There is no need to go back over what has already been written, and of the chief causes of the present titanic conflict, but there is one point which has apparently been lost sight of.

In August of last year, the two malefics, Saturn and Mars, were conjoined in Gemini on the ascendant of London, and in the sign ruling Belgium. We all know the devastation which has passed over that little tract of country. The city of Louvain is ruled by Gemini. We know what happened there.

The city of London is ruled by Gemini $17^{\circ} 54'$. The meridian of the metropolis is $\approx 12^{\circ} 14'$. The conjunction of Saturn and Mars fell within 2° of the ascendant. On February 15th next, the planets Mars and Uranus are conjoined in $\approx 12^{\circ} 26'$, within $12'$ of the exact meridian. "An accident or catastrophe of some dimensions is likely to occur." This is what we wrote three years ago. (Vol V. page 38.)

Two hundred and sixty-five years ago, at the time of the Civil War, London was

entered by troops. We can trace back to earlier days by multiples of 265, and we find that London was sacked and burned by the Danes. What happened to Louvain *may* happen to London. We know Germany's threat—we know she has the means at her disposal to at least attempt an outrage on our great capital. Let it also be noted that at the time of this conjunction of Mars and Uranus the degree rising is exactly opposite to that rising at the last great conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn, the primary astrological cause of the war.

Moreover, this conjunction of Mars and Uranus falls within 5° of the progressed meridian of King George, and Saturn will be stationary less than 3° from his progressed ascendant. Such indications as these cannot be ignored. I have but pointed the facts. *Tempus omnia revelat.*

England.

As regards the horoscope of King George, we have the two malefic influences mentioned in the previous paragraph, the evil action of Saturn being strong from January to the end of April, while Uranus falls stationary within 2° of the progressed meridian in May. The Moon by direction passes from the conjunction of the Sun P. to the sextile of the radical Moon in March, acting on the approaching direction of Sun sextile Moon R., but these directions seem clouded by the adverse ingresses of the major malefics mentioned. The early months of the year appear to be depressing, and disasters of some magnitude are threatened. July is an evil month, the Moon being conjoined with the radical Mars acting on the direction Sun P. par Mars R., and as Mars transits the King's Sun, the place of its last conjunction with Saturn, the ascendant of the last great mutation, Uranus will be in transit over the meridian of London, and Neptune over the Sun P., auguries of grave disasters. Elsewhere, the summer of 1915 has been spoken of as disastrous. The connection of Neptune with plots, *spies*, etc., in transit over the Sun is one of importance. October is again evil, for Mars and Neptune are conjoined within 2° of the progressed Sun.

Germany.

In the horoscope of the Kaiser, we have Mars in square to the radical Sun, and the Sun in parallel to Mars. There are no benefic influences to lighten these. The new Moon of January 15th, 1915, at Berlin, is a facsimile of the Kaiser's horoscope, so far as the angles are concerned. This new Moon gives Mars exactly setting. Here is an indication of the entry of another power into the field against the forces of Germany. The conjunction of Mars and Uranus falls on the radical Sun, and the solar eclipse on the day following is in square to Uranus and the Moon R., and on the progressed descendant. The new Moon of March on Mars, and trine Moon R., presignifies some naval successes. The solar ingress into Aries places Saturn on the meridian at Berlin, an omen of death in high places, for the Sun is less than 5° from the square of Saturn. Mars transits the Sun P. on April 20th, a day of evil import. I am not disposed to place much reliance on the transit of Jupiter over the meridian at the end of April, because of the radical debilities of that planet (in its detriment and badly placed by house). The lunation of May 14th is again unfortunate, and denotes further losses. Saturn stationary in October close to the ascendant, Uranus close to the Sun, and Mars opposition to the Sun, preceded by Mars and Saturn in conjunction close to the ascendant and in opposition to Mercury R., presignify a disastrous Autumn, destruction of ships, defeats and losses.

France.

From President Poincaré's horoscope it would appear that some serious disasters are threatened, if not personal injury during 1915, for from May to July we find the following highly dangerous influences at work. Moon passing from square Mars R., conjunction Moon R., conjunction Sun P., the progressed Sun being in square to Mars and conjoined with the Moon. Fortunately, the Sun is in sextile to Jupiter, and the Moon after the above malefic directions forms the sextile with Jupiter also, otherwise the outlook for the President and for France would be ominous.

Austria.

There is little to be said about the Emperor of Austria's horoscope. The solar eclipse of February 14th falls in opposition to the Sun, Moon, and Saturn at birth, and the Moon reaches the opposition of Mars in the summer.

Russia.

Here we find strange influences. The Sun is in conjunction with Venus, a favourable influence for peace, but the Sun is also conjunction Uranus P., square Jupiter P. The progressed Sun and Uranus are on the progressed meridian in $\approx 13^\circ$. In September Mars and Saturn are conjoined in the same degree. From July to November the Moon passes opposition Uranus R., sesquiquadrate Sun R., opposition Sun P., opposition Venus R., square Jupiter P., opposition Uranus P. Russia will not gain much from this war, nor will the Czar. If peace is concluded before the Autumn, then revolutionary troubles will shake the Empire, and bring about a disaster.

Summary.

From a comparative study of the various influences given in the preceding paragraphs, one thing stands out strongly. Granted that the war is not concluded within the next three months, the summer of this coming year will see a grave crisis in the history of our Empire. I say "granted that the war is not concluded within the next three months," because I cannot ignore the powerful directions operating in King George's horoscope, although the afflictions of the progressed midheaven and ascendant at the time are ominous enough, and, indeed, sufficiently powerful to counteract them. The horoscope of the French President confirms my view of the summer months, and it would seem that some grave disaster is then threatened in which Britain will be involved. When we look at the fact that Neptune is hanging round King George's progressed Sun, an augury of treachery, spies, and duplicity, we can only say that

Britain is exposed to great dangers which will tax both the strength of her manhood and her resources. Let my warning fall not on deaf ears and indifferent minds. Let Britain awake and put forth her mighty strength, and then in the words of the novelist teach the world "the lesson that a great and free nation, when it rises to the sense of the highest of all duties—the protection of country, home, and hearth—has never yet been conquered, and never will be, no matter how seemingly overwhelming the forces brought against it may be."

Correspondence.

The Prenatal Epoch.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR,—I hoped I had done with the controversy respecting the prenatal epoch, but it seems another gentleman has entered into the fray.

May I ask Mr. Sherburn why I should waste my time over a subject which I am convinced is false? If the epoch idea is correct it should apply in every case, if it does not, it cannot be correct.

A "true" system of directing is a reliable one, if it is not reliable, it cannot be true.

"Fatalism" has nothing to do with it. I am not a fatalist, but I believe in the doctrine of Karma, or "What a man sows that shall he also reap," and the planets carry it out.

On page 22 a quotation is given from my Ephemeris for 1903. What purpose it is intended to serve I do not see, except that the method of calculating the epoch then was different to what it is now.

We have been told over and over again that the epoch has nothing to do with conception, and that it may occur either before or after. Yet Mr. Bailey says on page 204 that it occurs at the beginning of gestation, which must be conception, if not, what is it?

I repeat, that the degree ascending at conception is the degree of the ascendant at birth. I cannot prove it, because it is impossible to obtain the moment of conception. We study the planets too much, and the zodiac too little, yet in the latter is to be found the key to "true astrology."

RAPHAEL.

Owing to pressure on our space we have been compelled to hold over several articles until our next issue.

Astronomical Phenomena

JANUARY, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	1st	...	0h. 21m. after.
Last Quarter,	8th	...	9h. 13m. after.
New Moon,	15th	...	2h. 42m. after.
First Quarter,	23rd	...	5h. 32m. morn.
Full Moon,	31st	...	4h. 41m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Capricorn, enters Aquarius on the 21st at 3 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Capricorn, enters Aquarius on the 15th, conjunction Mars on 1st, the Sun on 5th, and Uranus on 21st.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Sagittarius all the month.
- ♂. MARS is in Capricorn, enters Aquarius 30th; too near the Sun for observation.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Aquarius all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Gemini all the month, well placed for observation.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer all the month.
- D. The following table gives the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries ... 21, 22	Libra ... 8, 9
Taurus ... 23, 24, 25	Scorpio ... 10, 11
Gemini ... 26, 27	Sagittarius 12, 13
Cancer 1, 2, 28, 29	Capricorn 14, 15
Leo 3, 4, 30, 31	Aquarius... 16, 17
Virgo ... 5, 6, 7	Pisces ... 18, 19, 20

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with unsettled weather, wind and rain. Gales 5th, cold and snow 8th, dull and variable for some days. Rain or snow middle of month, warmer 17th, stormy 19th, variable for some days. Milder about 26th, cold and windy end of month.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

JANUARY, 1915.

1	9 ☽ 50	Avoid disputes and accidents. Act discreetly.
2	22 27	Avoid accidents. Ask favours at night.
3	5 ♀ 15	<i>Sunday.</i> Study, keep quiet, and reflect.
4	18 13	Visit friends, ask favours and push affairs before 7 p.m.
5	1 ♃ 24	An evil day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
6	14 46	Travel, change, push business, ask favours, seek work.
7	28 21	Act discreetly, a.m. Visit friends, p.m.
8	12 ♃ 10	A very evil day. Avoid disputes and accidents. Safeguard health.
9	26 12	A variable day. Do nothing important. Visit friends in the evening.
10	10 ♃ 28	<i>Sunday.</i> A quiet day. Study and reflect.
11	24 54	Avoid disputes and wrangling. Do nothing important.
12	9 ♃ 27	Court, marry, travel, change and visit friends.
13	24 2	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
14	8 ♃ 31	Act discreetly. Avoid deception and fraud.
15	22 48	Guard against accidents, duplicity, and disputes.
16	6 ♃ 47	Travel, change, visit friends. Act with caution.
17	20 26	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends.
18	3 ♃ 42	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
19	16 35	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
20	29 7	Guard against fraud and deception.
21	11 ♃ 23	Travel, change, study, and visit friends.
22	23 26	A variable day. Do nothing important.
23	5 ♃ 21	Contradictory influences prevail. Visit friends, but act discreetly.
24	17 12	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and keep quiet, <i>A dangerous day.</i>
25	29 6	Act carefully during the day. Ask favours at night.
26	11 ♃ 6	Court, marry, travel, change and visit friends.
27	23 15	An evil day. Safeguard health. Do nothing important.
28	5 ♃ 38	Act discreetly in all things. Keep thoughts pure.
29	18 15	A quiet day. Do nothing important. Attend to ordinary duties only.
30	1 ♀ 8	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
31	14 16	<i>Sunday.</i> Keep quiet. An evil day.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

ON the threshold of a New Year, I am going to ask my readers to make a special effort to reinforce the great astrological revival which is now in progress by taking two copies of the BRITISH ASTROLOGICAL JOURNAL, and giving one away to any friend or acquaintance who may be likely to pass it on or retain it as of interest to themselves. Whether from the point of view of the world-war or the general stress of the times we are living in, it is certain that people are turning for light, not to their accustomed spiritual advisers, but to those who have made a study of the signs of the times, and have given proof that they are able to see a little further than the average man about town. Since the re-naming of our Journal, the B.J.A. has quadrupled its circulation, and special efforts have been and will continue to be made to render it a publication of the first interest. No expense tending to this result will be considered superfluous, and therefore I confidently make this appeal, feeling it to be a proposition of mutual advantage.

Friar John.

A good deal of controversy has been going through the press as to the genuineness and authenticity of the Friar John (Brother Johannes) prophecy which was reproduced in these columns. Among others, Mr. A. E. Waite, who is well known as an exponent of mystical and occult subjects, states that he is certain, from a study of the text, that it is of much later date than 1600. Unfortunately, there is no such thing as a "text" of the prophecy, which was originally written in Latin, and only Mons. Peladan's translation into the French exists, so far as his son is aware. The Chevalier Adrien Peladan, who died in 1885, was an ardent Legitimist, and devoted much time to the cause of the Bourbons. But later, according to his son's report, he abandoned the work and gave

himself up to the study of prophetic and mystical works. Among other of his writings we find the *Nouveau Mirabilis Liber* (1873), and *Derniers mot des Prophètes* Part I. (1879), and Part II. (1882).

The Lutherans.

Mr. Waite's chief argument against the date 1600 is the expression "Lutheran Protestant" and also "Lutheran country." If that is all, then I certainly think that Mr. Waite has erred, for nothing is more certain than that the followers of Martin Luther were a considerable and active body, even in his own day, and, after his death in 1546, were everywhere greatly increased and nowhere more than in Germany. For it was to uphold the right of German Princes to administer Church affairs in their own dominions, and to restrict the political powers of the Papacy that Luther entered his great protest at the Diet of Spiers on September 19th, 1529. For his service to the cause of religious freedom he was excommunicated, and he was an ardent Schismatic during his entire religious career. At Wittenburg, he nailed ninety-five protests to the Church door against the Sale of Indulgences, and was excommunicated on June 15th, 1520. He continued an active Schismatic and Protestant for the remainder of his life, and his views were embodied in the Augsburg Confession (1530). He also translated the Bible from the Latin into German. It is, therefore, ridiculous to suggest that Friar John, writing in the year 1600, nearly sixty years later, would be unlikely to speak of a Lutheran Protestant or of Germany as a Lutheran country, for it is most probable that these are the very terms a Romanist would use. The attempt to render Luther an inconsiderable person in his own day, and as one without following some sixty years after his death, is quite futile, and at variance with the historical

facts. It is true that Friar John writes as if he held the view that after the Great War there would be no more Schismatics of the Lutheran type, but it is also possible that he may have foreseen a considerable enfranchisement of the Roman Church, as indeed seems inevitable from the march of events in the social, scientific, and political worlds. From all accounts, however, it appears undoubted that Johannes de Clementus wrote a book of Prophecies in 1603, which was published in Venice in 1604. Nobody appears to have attempted to associate the prophecy transcribed by Mons. Peladan with this work.

Press Criticism.

Consequently, the belated criticism of the *Star*, after the publication of the prophecy of Friar John in the *Figaro* and several leading London newspapers, illustrates only the prejudice of non-success. The case would have been so different had the *Star* discovered the prophecy! When, therefore, it is said that there is no proof that Brother Johannes ever existed or that he ever left a page of prophecy, we can only suggest that literary criticism is held cheaply in Bouverie Street. Whether we read the prophecy in French, or English, there are surely enough marks of genuineness, if none of authenticity, to be found by anybody with an eye to internal evidences. The obvious suggestion is that Mons. Peladan is its author, but this does not accord with the atmosphere of the prophecy, and it does not ease the position of the critic, since there are statements made which have since been fulfilled in the most remarkable manner, and of which Mons Peladan could have had no certain knowledge unless he were himself gifted with the power of prophecy. In any case, we have indubitable evidence that the prophecy was extant very many years before the outbreak of this war, and I have among my correspondents some whose parents were well acquainted with it. I refer my readers also to a leading article in the *Occult Review* (December, 1914) on this point.

Nostradamus.

As an instance of the sloppy methods of certain writers on this subject, we have the following reference to Michael Nostradamus. "The prophecies of the French physician, Nostradamus, who flourished in the sixteenth century, differ from some in that they are not inventions produced after the event, and Nostradamus really lived. But their wide vogue is astounding when one realises how vague they were. For instance :

The blood of the just shall be wanting in London.
Burnt by fire of three and twenty the six.
The ancient dame shall fall from her high place.

This was alleged to foretell the death of Charles I. and the Fire of London, but it obviously might mean anything."

The text says : *Le sang de juste a Londres. Fera faut brusler par feu de vingt et trois less six.* Literally, the blood of the just in London requires that it be burned by fire in sixty-six. There is nothing about the blood of the just being "wanting" in London, and "de vingt et trois" is the old way of indicating sixty and "de vingt et trois les six" means the sixth year of the 'Sixties, *i.e.* Sixty-six. Here there is a prophetic reference to those "cleansing fires" which followed the Great Plague of 1665, and which were necessary for the purging of the City. Nostradamus made this prediction from the anaragonic conjunction of Mars and the Sun in the sign Gemini, which is well known to be the ruling sign of London, as witness its "Gog and Magog" in the old Coat of Arms, akin to the Romulus and Remus of ancient Rome. It is of course, quite impossible to study Nostradamus without his key. This will presently be published and the validity of the prophecies made clear to all students of Astrology and the Kabala.

William Lilly.

The merit of having predicted both the Plague and the Fire rests with William Lilly, the astrologer who was arraigned by Parliament as to the source of his prediction. The story is told on the credible authority of Sir Elias Ashmole, who was one of the astrologer's patrons and prefaced his work upon Christian

Astrology. Lilly may have been a charlatan in the common conception of those who include all astrologers among itinerant gypsy fortune-tellers, but in such case it would be well to observe that he finds himself in good company of such men as Tycho, Kepler, Flamsteed the astronomer royal, Dr. Richard Garnett the encyclopædist, the late Lord Chief Justice Russell of Killowen, and others of equal merit in their particular fields of work, before any one of whom the ephemeral reputation of these irresponsible newspaper scribblers, who prejudice popular opinion by their own ignorance of the subject, would curl up like a worm in the rays of the Sun!

Astrologer Royal.

So far as Nostradamus is concerned, it may be well to recall that he was born on the 14th December, 1503, about noon, at St. Remy in Provence. He was schooled at Avignon and Montpellier, where he studied philosophy and medicine. Thence, he was driven by plague to Narbonne, Toulouse, and Bordeaux successively, and in the latter place he began to practice medicine at the age of twenty-two. Later he compiled almanacs and made predictions which were so successful that he was much in demand, and, like the physician Francis Moore at a later date, he had many imitators, so that his reputation began to suffer. It was at this time that he was sought after by Queen Catherine and Henry II. of France, who sent for him to Court, where he was presented by Lord Montmorency and lodged at the Palace of Cardinal de Bourbon. Then, he wrote his famous prophecies extending from the year 1555 to the coming of Antichrist. He was entertained by Charles IX., who repeatedly sent for him, and also by the Court at Lyons. The king made him Physician-in-ordinary to his royal person, and thereafter he lived but one year and four months, dying on the 2nd July, 1566, according to his own anticipation which was found in the almanac of that year at the end of June: "*Hic prope mors est*"—Here death is near! He was interred at Salon in the Church of Franciscan Friars. That

is the history in brief of the Royal Astrologer of France.

The Kaiser.

A writer in *Modern Astrology*, very interested in astrology from the point of view of *Deutschland uber alles*, objects particularly to my interpretation of Kaiser Wilhelm's horoscope, published in the year 1898, at a time when the German Emperor was on his best behaviour, and therefore without prejudice, on the grounds that it is partial and does not bring out the true masterly character of his Most Highest the Great Incarnation. He points derisively to the failure of that part of my prediction where I endeavoured to time the event of his downfall and exile. I gave the year 1905 for reasons which any astrologer will understand. Saturn just succeeded in putting an effective muzzle on the intermeddling and loquacious monarch by debarring him debate in the Reichstag. What Saturn left undone Uranus has most effectively completed. And here I may mention that it was within my power to rectify my mistake in print on two separate occasions after 1905, so that subsequent editions would have appeared with the year 1918 instead of 1905. The error had already been pointed out to me. I preferred it should remain as a object lesson to myself and others.

The reader will note, however, that my critic is discreetly silent as to the body of the prediction, which is the cause of his trouble. But he, being a German, and a genuine tête-carrée, his unwillingness to take my measure of the horoscope is easily understood.

A Prophecy.

Speaking of Nostradamus, I may mention that in his luminous epistle to Charles IX., he speaks of the world as "at this time governed by the Moon, under the power of Almighty God, to which Moon before she hath finished her course, the Sun shall come and afterwards Saturn" so that the world between this (June, 1910) and the prefixed time—"shall on several occasions be so diminished through pestilence, famine, war, and inundations, that the scarcity of people

shall be such there will be found none to till the ground." Now, I find by calculation that we are in the seventh millenary, so that the conjunctions will take place chiefly in the signs Aquarius and Cancer, according to their periodic times, which agrees with the saying of Nostradamus, "some (planets) shall be gathered in Aquarius for many years, and others in Cancer, also for many years," which is not to be understood of celestial motions according to nature, but of symbolical chronocrators merely. For each sign rules the world for 1,080 years, and the 12 signs are completed in the space of 12,960 years, and twice in a complete solar period or Great Year. And this chronology began in the sign Leo, so that we are now advanced in the sign Aquarius some 188 years according to this enumeration, which answers to the 6th degree of that sign. This being under the influence of the planet Uranus, and being now in the process of changing from the period of the Moon to that of the Sun, we shall witness during the ensuing century the fall and destruction of dynasties, the overthrow of kings, the depopulating of countries, great political and social changes, religious protests and convocations, and immense commercial revival. And according to the same computation the sway of the Anglo-Saxon race shall persist for a further eight hundred and ninety-two years all told, which brings us to the end of the seventh millenary.

Prussian Downfall.

While on the subject of Prophecy, I would wish every reader of this journal to obtain a copy of the remarkable forecast of the destiny of Germany, and particularly of that section known as Brandenburg, which is the heart of the Empire, extending from the Thirteenth to the Twentieth Centuries. No more remarkable instance of the power of prophetic writing is to be found in the whole range of extant literature. The pamphlet, entitled: *A Prophecy of the Rise and Fall of the German Empire*, being a Prophecy by Arminius, the Monk of Lehnin. Translated and annotated by Sepharial, is now on sale at all Bookstalls, Price 6d., or post free 7d., from my publishers.

Made in Germany.

Not content with glutting our markets with inferior goods made in imitation of British manufactures, the Germans are now trying to foist upon us a God "made in Germany," as witness the following from the *Temps* through Reuter's Agency: "The very priests in the pulpit fulminate against England, ordering the Almighty to chastise her pride severely. We have only one enemy, they say, the English! But God is with us. Our mission on earth is to destroy the enemies of God. No one can conquer Germany because she is under the special protection of the Almighty! May France die, may England perish, may Russia be annihilated! It is the will of our *German God!*" It is just a way they have, these Germans, of ordering their friends about. But even Franckenstein could not long control the Monster of his own creation, and eventually it destroyed him. What a clever little woman was Mary Shelley! It was quite a touch of prophetic genius that made her give that usurper of the Demiurgos a full-sounding German name!

Astronomical Tables.

There is an impression among some of my correspondents that the new publication "*The Astrological Ready Reckoner*" is identical with the *Astronomical Tables* formerly advertised by me for subscription. This is not the case, and the works are in no respect identical. The *Ready Reckoner* contains many very useful tables and hints, but it in no way trenches upon the volume which contains my thesis of the Moon's true motion, and the tables of the Sun and Moon, etc., required to uphold that thesis. I regard this as a considerable contribution to theoretical astronomy, and it is now definitely arranged that my publishers will produce the work in one or two volumes as may be thought expedient. Subscribers to the *Sun and Moon tables* will, therefore, get the full benefit of the first section of the work, while the *Historical Survey* and the *Planetary Tables* will be produced in uniform size at a price commensurate with the cost of production.

The Prenatal Epoch--Series III.

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CHAPTER IV.

A CASE OF IMPERFECT SEX.

We will now examine the horoscope of the child, particulars of which were forwarded to us by "Azros." The child was born on July 9th, 1913, at 6.15 a.m., at Hull, and the following are the particulars given by our correspondent. "A sexless child, medically described as an imperfect boy. It had been fairly healthy although not very strong, and was making good progress when its death occurred on December 11th. It was found dead and apparently died of convulsions. The infant was born with an imperfect or dwarfed male organ by which water was passed, but there were no testicles. The period was believed to be a short one, and the mother attributed malformation to a shock."

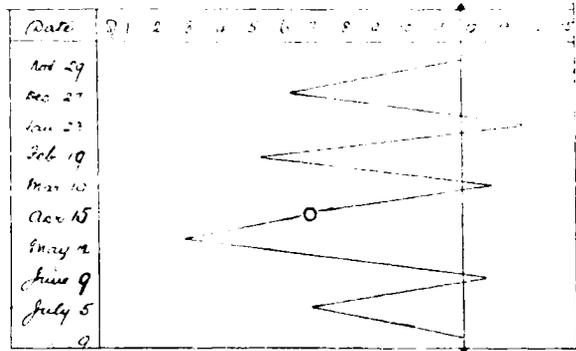
Our best thanks are due to "Azros" for the data of this remarkable case, and for the details respecting the malformation. The following is the rectification and tabulation.

<i>Birth.</i>		<i>Epoch.</i>	
July 9th, 1913.		Nov. 29th, 1912.	
H. M. S.		H. M. S.	
6 10 52	L.M.T.	1 19 55	
6 12 12	G.M.T.	1 21 15	
11.52 ♋	Asc.	24.47 ✕	
24.47 ♍	Moon	11.52 ♋	

The period as stated is a short one, being only $8L + x$, that is, exceeding eight lunar months by the Moon's distance from the ascendant divided by 13, and in order to obtain the required sex, the Moon's place at birth sets at the epoch, and the Moon thereat is found in the degree rising at birth according to rule.

Examination of the chart of descent appended will at once disclose a remarkable abnormality, the librations of the Moon being particularly lopsided, only just crossing the line of central impulse to the right, but extending on the left from six to ten degrees.

Now, taking each return of the epochal Moon to its own place, it will be found that on the third return, February 19th, 7h. 59m.



a.m., the Moon is in ♋ $5^{\circ} 9'$, Mars in $\approx 0^{\circ} 0'$, and Uranus in $\approx 5^{\circ} 0'$, the two latter being conjoined and opposed to the Moon. It would be interesting to note whether the fright, to which the mother attributes the cause of the deformity, occurred on February 25th or 26th, the two planets Mars and Uranus being in conjunction in ≈ 6 , the Moon at the time being in the sign Scorpio, ruling the afflicted parts.

Again, at the return on April 14th, the Moon was in Leo $6^{\circ} 59'$ and Uranus $7^{\circ} 13'$. This being the central point where the Moon continues her librations instead of returning, the point of sex formation, the conjunction of Uranus with the Moon within only $14'$, is particularly worthy of note. At the return previous to birth, the Moon was in $6^{\circ} 54'$, Leo and Uranus in Aquarius $6^{\circ} 29'$.

The ascendant of the epoch was Pisces $24^{\circ} 47'$, the Scorpio decanate of the sign, and Mars was in the last degree of Scorpio in opposition to Saturn, the same malefic influence as in the case of the "Frog child."

The cause of death is not hard to find. Neither luminary is hyleg, so the ascendant has dominion. This point is afflicted by square of Mars, opposition Uranus and semi-square Moon. Mercury, strongly malefic,

having the same aspects, is only 40' below the horizon. This planet is said to cause convulsions and clearly indicates the cause of death.

Those short sighted astrologers who always consider the Sun as hyleg will find that body ruler of the ascendent in exact sextile with Mars at birth.

This horoscope is another proof of the reliability of the Kaballistic rule that the seventh hour after birth decides whether the child will live. A figure erected for seven hours after birth shows Mars, the chief afflicting planet to the hyleg, on the cusp of the eighth house and Uranus on the cusp of the fourth.

Studies in Brief.

By "SEPHARIAL."

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was born on June 23rd, 1894, at 10 o'clock at night. The sign Aquarius 3 degrees is on the ascendant, and Sagittarius 4 culminates at this time. The Moon is rising in the intercepted sign Pisces in sesquiquadrate aspect to Saturn, and in trine aspect to the Sun. The Sun in Cancer 2 has the square aspect

then the horoscope is stronger than our view of it would suggest.

At the present time the directions are Ascendant square Neptune, going to the square of Jupiter, and Moon mundane parallel Mars. Uranus, by solar arc, has come to the opposition of the Sun radix, and the Moon is near the sextile of Venus, which itself is directed to conjunction Neptune. The transits for the year 1915 show

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of Mars from the first point of Aries, and the mundane parallel of Saturn in the 8th house. The planets are all below the horizon except Uranus in the 9th house, and Saturn in the 8th. The majority are also setting. This is not what is astrologically known as a "Royal" horoscope, and should the Prince survive the transits of Neptune opposition Ascendant, and Saturn stationary on the progressed place of the Sun, which happen in 1917 and are followed by an eclipse of the Moon in opposition to the radical place of the Sun in June 1918,

Saturn conjunction Sun R. (May), Jupiter conjunction Ascendant P. (April), Mars conjunction Ascendant R. (February), Mars conjunction Ascendant P. (March), Mars conjunction Sun R. (August), Mars conjunction Sun P. (September), and Neptune stationary on Ascendant R. (November.)

It is to be observed that the continuous transit of Neptune over the horizon of this horoscope during the next three years is extremely prejudicial to the health and tends to produce a decline, so that particular care should be taken to avoid a chill.

Neptune being in the 4th house is distinctly adverse to the fortunes, and although the trine of Jupiter to Saturn shows an inheritance, the position of the Sun in the sign Cancer in square to Mars shows it to be largely depleted. There are no indications of succession.

The month of March, 1917, which shows Saturn on the Sun P., and Neptune on the Ascendant R., is decidedly evil, and Saturn's subsequent transit of the opposition of the radical Ascendant together with the eclipse of the Moon in opposition to the radical Sun, are fraught with grave physical dangers, which are observable chiefly in the month of August, 1917,

With Uranus in the 9th the Prince is not likely to be fortunate in foreign countries. The square of Mars to the Sun induces to dangerous fevers. With Jupiter so close to the Ascendant of London, the Prince would do well to reside in the Capital. The exact Ascendant of this horoscope is $2^{\circ} 23'$ of Aquarius.

The Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill.

The Rt. Hon. Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill was born November 30th, 1874. He has been described as a meteor which became a fixed star, and one, moreover, of considerable brilliance. His chief characteristic is adaptability. His horoscope shows three planets in flexed signs, three in fixed signs, and three in cardinal signs. A more equable distribution of the factors could not be wished for. Mars and Jupiter are near to a conjunction in opposition to Neptune. He will therefore take risks with fortune. The Sun is square Moon, but sextile Saturn. Mercury is square to Uranus. Like his father, Lord Randolph Churchill, he has a tendency to nervous collapse, but there appears no danger of this until after the age of 47, when a great change takes place in his career, and five years later there are indications of severe reversal of fortunes, from which, apparently, there is no recovery. For from that age onwards health and fortunes are on the wane, reach an acute nervous stage at 60, and are climacteric at 68.

At the present time the Sun is in 19 Capricorn, and next year (1916) will receive the opposition transit of Saturn. This will coincide with official troubles. There will be a total eclipse of the Moon on the place of the progressed Sun in January, 1917. The Sun has now just passed the square of Mars, and is coming to the square of Jupiter, while the Moon is coming to the conjunction with Mars.

These positions are not favourable, and the secondary directions are adverse. Affairs connected with the Service and the Administration will not, therefore, progress as well as could be wished.

Admiral Sir John Jellicoe.

Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, Commander of the Fleet, was born on December 5th, 1859, and is now 55 years of age. The Sun has progressed to Aquarius 9, where it had the transit of Uranus in the latter days of 1914. On an estimate of the time of birth, at present not certainly known, the Moon is coming up to the opposition of the Sun by direct direction. But Jupiter, during 1915, will be in trine aspect to its own place and in conjunction with Neptune at the birth, and this is an indication of successful maritime operations, for at his birth Sir John had Neptune in its own sign Pisces in trine aspect to Jupiter in the maritime sign Cancer. The Sun was in trine to Moon, and Venus was conjoined with Mercury in the beginning of Capricorn, these planets being trine to Saturn and in sextile aspect to Mars.

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The End of the War.

A CONTEST OF ASTROLOGICAL OPINION.

By SEPHARIAL.

THE badly informed optimism which induced an astrologer to scatter broadcast a prediction of the termination of the War in these words: "Peace and Victory on August 19th. National *Te Deum*, August 29th," is of a sort calculated to bring reproach upon the credentials of astrology to say nothing of the confusion which such a prediction, if seriously taken by the public, would have entailed in the matter of recruiting. Fortunately for the public weal, matters of this sort are in more responsible hands, and questions of finance, munition, commissariat, and recruiting are well looked after by responsible people who are in no way affected by predictions of the duration of the war. They work to figures which are not horoscopical.

Nevertheless, it is of immense importance to us as students of astrological science that a subject which in our belief so nearly affects the intellectual and social welfare of a properly instructed public, should not be allowed to suffer faulty illustration at the hands of well-meaning but immature and precipitate students. I have, therefore, thought it well to review in these columns the various forecasts that have been made in regard to the probable duration of the war.

And if it should transpire that in this collated effort to arrive at a just estimate of the various indications we should come to the conclusion that "in the multitude of counsel there is—chaos!" we shall, I think, also arrive at the conclusion that the fault lies chiefly in the tendency of individuals to pin all their faith on isolated pointers. For it is obvious that a conflict in which so many interests are involved, and in which so many factors are convergent, cannot be judged offhand from the indications in any single horoscope. And, moreover, whatever judgments may be determined to the world

at large for the higher purposes of human evolution and unfoldment are distributed during successive periods according to the indications current in the horoscopes of the rulers of the various countries. Nature acts from centres and not universally. We see this in the constitution of the atom, in the solar system, in all our social and political organisations.

But, inasmuch as it is the function of astrology to see the end from the beginning, we may here indicate the forecast of the war as given by several representative astrologers.

The Beginning.

Zadkiel's Almanac, 1914—Voice of the Stars, June. At the Summer Solstice, Mars is in the ascendant at Berlin, Rome, Constantinople and Cairo and has only just risen at St. Petersburg! The Eastern question is only too likely to destroy the Concert of Europe and may incarnadine the Middle East. The twelfth and twenty-eighth days will be critical for Europe and Asia."

The 28th day of June was the date of the assassination of the Archduke Ferdinand and his wife, and this was the immediate cause of the declaration against Servia by Austria.

It is here quite obvious that the Quarterly figure was used as the special pointer of this event and from the same source I was able to make the prediction of the exact dates of the declaration by Austria and that by Germany. The Royal nativity for this period shows only the parallel of the Sun with Neptune by direction, which measures to April, 1914, but "Zadkiel" has since discovered that the direction of the mid-heaven to the South Scale (*Alpha Librae*) coincides with the time of the outbreak. Students will remember that it was from the Summer Solstice of 1899, which showed Mars and the Moon conjoined in the mid-

heaven in the sign Cancer, that we predicted the South African War. Hence, we conclude that the mundane horoscope is of first importance in international affairs. Nevertheless, by the correct method of direction by solar arcs, we find the Sun parallel with Uranus, Saturn opposition Sun, and Moon opposition Mercury for the year 1914 in the Royal horoscope. The planet Mars has reached the 22nd degree of the sign Virgo, the exact point of the lunar eclipse of March, 1914, which has been held to be so significant of the war in its relation to the horoscopes of the Kaiser and King Albert.

By the same method of direction by solar arcs it is found that the year 1914 brings up Gemini 23 to the Ascendant of the Royal horoscope, and Saturn was exactly in this degree of the zodiac at the date of the outbreak of the war. Taken in connection with the direction of Saturn opposition Sun from the cusp of the 9th house (foreign lands) it is of the greatest significance.

Raphael's chief predictions are to be found under the heads of the Royal horoscopes and "the Crowned Heads of Europe," where it will have been noticed that the Sun in the King's horoscope is said to have reached the parallel of Mars, which denotes "the continuation of warlike tendencies" and the stationary position of Saturn on the radical place of the Sun is also noticed as causing depression of trade, etc. The strong touch is evident in the judgment made from the directions current in the Kaiser's horoscope, when it is said that "the indications of war and disaster are strongly marked," and "a crisis is apparent in the history of the German Empire." Also in reference to the horoscope of President Poincaré, it is said that "the indications of war are very strongly marked."

Antares Almanac, 1913 has the following significant paragraph: "When will Germany strike? This is the question constantly put to us by our readers. We fear that Germany will strike in 1913 or 1914, either in England or one of her smaller neighbours, and as the German Emperor is under such adverse Star courses the result for him will be disastrous. The Stars are a menace to his health and fortunes in 1914."

But undoubtedly the most perspicuous prophecy was that of Me. de Thèbe in the Almanac for 1913. She erred most singularly in advancing the prediction of the war by one year, making it and the circumstances that led up to it due in the year 1913. She speaks of the deception of Austria by "her new masters," and states that "the hour of open hostility between the Slavs and the Germans is near." The Austrian heir-apparent is definitely said not to reign, but "a young man who is not expected to reign" should come to the throne. "Belgium dragged into the vortex, and even possibly bringing about the war, has lasted longer than she will last in the future." She is to be reformed by a Congress. Brussels is menaced by fire. "A double Royal mourning" evidently refers to the ill-starred Archduke Ferdinand and his wife. There was to be "a great silence in Russia and then a thunder-clap and after that new conditions and an awakening." Of Poland, she said: "Poland, you were right not to despair, for it is upon you that the future smiles. Beautiful but bloody deeds will be accomplished at Warsaw before long!" Excellent prevision, and altogether better than the laboured results of the astrology of Placidus.

It will be observed, then, that the astrological predictions of the war were based on a variety of indications according to the several methods followed by their exponents. The Primary Direction of the Moon opposition Mars in the Kaiser's horoscope appears to be the best pointer, taken in connection with the eclipse of Moon (March 12th, 1914) in direct opposition to the midheaven, and that of the Sun (August 21st, 1914) which fell on the Ascendant of the horoscope when directed to the year 1914. No astrologer has ever doubted that these indications are fatally martial in their tendency and that they are portents of a great disaster. It has been pointed out that at the time of Napoleon's great Russian campaign, which ended so disastrously, the indication was exactly the same, Moon opposition Mars by direction. It is only a question as to what is the true time-measure.

The End.

When we come to the question of the duration of the war, it might have been thought that instant uniformity of opinion would have been expressed. Such, however, is not the case. In my pamphlet on "The Great War,"* published on the 1st August last, it will be seen that I have carried my predictions into the year 1917, and much further in "The Great Devastation." There it is said of the Kaiser: "His going out is signified by the total eclipse of the Moon in January, 1917, which falls in opposition to his Ascendant, and the subsequent transit of Mars over that point, together with that of Saturn over the opposition of the Sun's place, which happens in August, 1917."

The editor of the *Occult Review* in his summary of a mass of prophetic matter concludes as follows: "To prognosticate when the war will end is no easy matter. The end may not come in all quarters at the same moment; and there may be an aftermath of war which would make the fixing of a specific date no easy matter. What appears probable, astrologically, is that the war will *in no case last more than ten months* approximately from its commencement, that it may end in the Spring, and that the month of July, 1915, will bring with it some European settlement fraught with the promise of *a lasting peace*." It would hardly be fair to commit astrology to this view-point.

The editor of *Zadkiel's Almanac, 1915*, who writes with the advantage of knowing that war has broken out all over Europe,—most of the almanacs for 1915 were published before the war broke out—appears none too confident about the possibility of its continuance beyond the year 1914, for he says: page 66—"At Petrograd, the Moon is in trine to the Ascendant and Uranus is setting, so that Russia is likely to succeed not only in keeping Germany at bay, but also to defeat her, *if the war be not ended by the seventeenth day of December, (1914)*."

In regard to the vernal equinox horoscope,

the same authority says: "It cannot be pronounced an auspicious figure," but naval successes are promised in the Spring "if Great Britain should be at war." Also the prognostic for the Summer quarter, which shows Saturn on the midheaven, is inclusive of "a great naval battle about or soon after the 22nd June," but here again we have the tentative phrase "if Great Britain should be at war." But in the study of the Royal horoscope the editor appears to conclude that the indications are "favourable to the securing of Peace with Honour" and "we may confidently anticipate that Peace will be secured and that the British Empire will emerge from this awful conflict stronger than ever and with greatly expanded trade and commerce."

These prognostics, like those of Mr. Ralph Shirley in the volume referred to, are evidently inspired by the directions current in the Royal horoscope. In this connection it is to be observed that the "directions" failed utterly to indicate the outbreak of the war, and the nearest pointer that could be obtained was a direction of Mars conjunction Saturn, which measures to December, 1914, and a converse direction of the midheaven to the conjunction with the fixed Star *Alpha Libra*, which measures to the end of September, 1914. I have not, therefore, much confidence in the method from which the prognostics of peace are drawn for the year 1915. More to the point, perhaps, is the solitary direction of Midheaven conjunction Venus, which takes place in the Tsar of Russia's horoscope (September, 1915).

But this arc of direction is only an approximation, as are all primary arcs on the basis of a degree of Right Ascension for a year, for one cannot employ a universal measure to arcs that have a purely local formation. This has been pointed out again and again, and the failure of satisfactory pointers from this system is further proof of our contention. To be logical one must apply the local solar measure to the arc of direction and equate it. Zadkiel ignores entirely the strong primary direction of Sun conjunction Uranus, which comes into force in 1915, and is attended by a secondary direction of the Moon to the

* "The Great War: An Astrological Survey." By Sepharial. London: W. Foulsham & Co., 5, Pilgrim Street, E.C. Price 6d., post free 7d.

opposition of both, together with a square of Jupiter. But what is more important is that Venus at birth was *afflicted* by its conjunction with Uranus, and both these planets afflicted the Moon by square aspect. Uranus has only just left the midheaven by direction for 1914, and the powerful direction of Moon opposition Ascendant in zodiac is coming into force. By solar measure the Moon does not reach the opposition of the planet Mars in the Kaiser's horoscope until 1917 by converse direction, and 1918 by direct direction. Moreover, in 1915, Jupiter will be in transit over the midheaven of the Kaiser's horoscope; and Saturn will be on the meridian of King George's horoscope, in opposition to the midheaven at birth at the same time; and during the early part of this year Saturn will transit the progressed Ascendant of the Royal horoscope, while Neptune transits the progressed Sun in the later part. This certainly does not look like any finality of the war during the ensuing year, much as it is to be desired. And from external considerations it has to be observed that the march to Berlin will be more difficult as it proceeds; for the enemy will then be within their own territory, nearer the base of their supplies, and behind their well disposed fortifications. But as has been frequently pointed out by the authorities, this is a war of attrition, and the wearing down of the enemy by a steady resistance, and the throttling of her overland and maritime trade, will inevitably have the effect of compelling the Germans to capitulate and sue for peace. But that will be after all available munitions of war have been expended, when the people are reduced to semi-starvation and the lives of thousands of interned foreigners are held in jeopardy, when, in fact, the German Eagle has neither beak nor talons to fight with. And these are represented by the Grand Army, the Navy, and the Air-Fleet. From my own point of view, there will be no finality until Saturn comes to the opposition of the Sun in the Kaiser's horoscope, and this happens in August, 1917. That will be the final stage. Then when in November of that year Saturn becomes stationary on the Ascendant of the Germanic horoscope (Leo 14) in conjunction

with Mars, defeat will be carried to the very heart of the Empire. In the prophecy of Mayence the war is said to last "three days in the smoke of the conflagration," and this gives three years' duration. The conflagration may be related to the Solar Eclipse in the fiery sign Leo, or to the conjunction of Saturn and Mars in that sign. In general, however, it merely denotes devastation.

What we have to ask ourselves finally is whether this "culture" of the German Franckenstein is divine or diabolical in its origin, whether it were better that the philosophy of the maniac Nietzsche should prevail throughout the world or the Gospel of the Christ, and whether or not this war be the Armageddon, or whether a greater devastation has yet to come upon humanity. For, if we are assured that the whole of the German culture is of Antichrist and that its present blasphemous representative is identical with the "First Beast" of the Apocalypse and of Daniel, then it certainly will not be our wish that this war should be easily terminated and an ineffectual peace concluded, but rather that the Monster with its infernal doctrines should be crushed beyond all power of resuscitation. For although it is given to the First Beast power to continue for forty and two months (a time, times and a half time = $3\frac{1}{2}$ years) there is the following danger of the Second Beast which shall come in the likeness of the First.* The temptation, both from humanitarian and economic considerations, will be strongly in favour of an immature peace. For the greater benefit of humanity let us hope that the means will be given us to resist it.

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16. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♌, ♃, ♃, ♃. A variable year, indisposition, success in business, gains, new friends, reversals, and annoyances. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, intuitive, somewhat erratic and impressionable, but generally successful.
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21. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♌, ♃, ♃, ♃. A fairly good year, changes, journeys, new friends, social gains, but duplicity and annoyances. A child born on this day will be very

clever, scientific, intuitive, kind and popular, but will have many troubles to face in life.

22. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃, ♂, * ♃, ♃. A changeable year, social gains and promotion, but danger of disputes and treachery. A child born on this day will be rash and revengeful, but kind and popular, will not be very successful.

23. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♄, □ ♄, ☉, ♄. A good year for business, literary work, but danger of indisposition and reversals. A child born on this day will be clever, artistic, intelligent, popular, but proud and abrupt, and will not be successful.

24. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♁ in ♁, □ ♁. An evil year, indisposition, bereavement and disputes. A child born on this day will have a hatred of control, be rash, impetuous, and unfortunate.

25. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♀, Δ ☉, ♂, — * ♀, □ ♃. A good year for business with promotion and gains, some financial losses and annoyances. A child born on this day will be active, energetic, popular, impressionable, but extravagant.

26. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♁ in ♁, Δ ♄. A good year for marriage, with changes and journeys, some annoyances. A child born on this day will be clever, artistic, popular, and very successful

27. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, ♂ ♃, ♄ ♃, Δ ♃, ♃. A variable year, some benefits in employment, changes, and financial gains, but indisposition and disappointments. A child born on this day will be careless, selfish, erratic, but clever, popular, and fairly lucky in business.

28. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♃ ♃. An unpleasant year, duplicity and treachery shown. A child born on this day will be hasty and revengeful, and unlucky in life.

29. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃. A quiet year with slight losses. A child born on this day will be extravagant, but have an uneventful life.

30. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♄, ♂ ♄, ♄ ♄. A very evil year, treachery, danger of accidents and disputes, indisposition and many annoyances. A child born on this day will be clever, but hasty, rash, revengeful, and often involved in serious troubles.

31. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♁ in ♄, ♄ ☉, ♄. A very evil anniversary, indisposition, reversals, and many untoward events. A child born on this day will be kind, but proud, hasty, abrupt, and selfish, and often involved in serious difficulties.

The Fortunes of War: January, 1915.

By SEPHARIAL.

DURING the month of January, 1915, the following indications appear in the horoscope of His Majesty King George, and may be regarded as indicative in some part of the course of events. The secondary directions are adverse, the Moon being semi-square to Venus and sesquiquadrate to the Sun, and also in quadrature to the node. The daily indications are as follows:

Great Britain.

3rd.—Midheaven conjunction Neptune. Danger of ambush or mine. The development of complicated issues.

6th.—Midheaven conjunction Saturn R. Losses in foreign territory. Cause for apprehension. A critical time.

8th.—Midheaven conjunction Mars R. Powerful assault. The Lion victorious. A desperate position retrieved.

13th.—Midheaven opposition Uranus. Some reversal to the Russian forces inimical to our allied interests. Danger of a break in the line of communications.

15th.—Mercury trine Moon R. Reinforcements. Effective supplies. Favourable news. Active operations successful.

18th.—Venus opposition Sun R. A note of sadness.

26th.—Ascendant opposition Venus R. Losses and bereavements. At the end of the month the Midheaven comes to the opposition of Jupiter and conjunction with the South node. This, taken in connection with the new Moon falling in square to Saturn in the 9th, does not augur well for the Western Allies, and for the time it will only be possible to hold on to the enemy at great cost. But it will be done, and every man shall be accounted a hero.

Germany.

In the Kaiser's horoscope the following indications are due for January, 1915. The new Moon fell in conjunction with Venus R. but sesquiquadrate Saturn R., and semi-square Sun R., so that while there will be effective work done by the German troops, there will be wasteful expenditure of ammunition and a heavy toll of fatalities.

1st.—Midheaven conjunction Jupiter. Success will attend the arms of Germany on this date. An advantage is gained in Prussia towards the South-East.

6th.—Midheaven conjunction North node. Further success in the Eastern area. The first week appears delusively advantageous to Germany.

8th.—Mars conjunction Mercury R. Mercury opposition Ascendant R. This will give cause for the greatest chagrin to the Kaiser, and for a time he will appear to be frenzied.

15th.—The new Moon falls favourably in sextile to its own place in the radix, and in sextile to Mars and Neptune. Therefore, up to the new Moon of February 14th, it

will be a hard task for the Allies to keep the German advance in check.

18th.—Mars opposition Ascendant R. The Kaiser will be in danger of wounding to the knee. Heavy assaults by Allies will cause irritation and frenzied reprisals. Operations adverse for the time.

31st.—Jupiter opposition Ascendant P. Heavy expenditure and losses. Financial straits. Losses in Belgium.

False objectives and inordinate waste of war material will characterise the policy of the Council of War at German headquarters. Every shot fired goes to the forging of that gate that "bars the pit over destruction's strength." That is certain.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN JANUARY.

OUR sketch this month includes all babies born between December 23rd and January 22nd in any year, the Sun being in the sign Capricorn in that period.

Now all the little folks born during this period are of a quiet and somewhat gloomy nature, very self-conscious, apt to repine and take a dark look at things. They are very patient, grave, diligent, but at the same time industrious and persistent. They want a lot of persuasion, as they are doubtful, and there is a perverse tendency in their natures which requires attending to. Parents should never be too severe with these little ones, for they are extremely patient and will suffer rebuffs and ill-treatment without complaining, but at the same time any wrong treatment will live in their little memories and they never forget. The worst side of their disposition is shown in the repining, gloomy tendency. They seldom take to any one, and require a lot of coaxing to make friends, and even then are very distant. They are apt to be selfish, to keep things to themselves, and sooner than let any one share with them they will hide their toys, and this tendency

is one which should be firmly checked, because it is the seed of miserliness and avariciousness; two of the worst evils belong to their natures.

These little ones have big ideals, they are ambitious, possess much endurance, with capabilities for future development, which should be watched and assisted. They are very self-centred, and will frequently work out a thing for themselves, puzzle their little brains until they have found out what they want sooner than ask others. This gives them the ability to stand alone, and to rise in life by their own personal merit.

In matters of health, every care should be taken to see that they are well clothed, as most of their complaints arise through cold and chill, their little bodies lacking a great amount of animal heat. Their desponding tendency is another cause of illhealth, for unless inspired and encouraged they sink into a morbid condition from which arises many complaints, the most of which arise from the digestive system. They require food which supplies internal heat, but it should be light, capable of being easily digested, and not likely to cause flatulence.

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CHAPTER IV.

DIRECTIONS TO THE MIDHEAVEN AND ASCENDANT.

The meridian distance and semi-arc of each planet are the factors in computing Mundane Directions to the ascendant and midheaven.

These directions are in reality the distances of the planets from the cusps of each house.

A direct direction of a planet is its distance from the cusp of the house to which it is approaching by the rotation of the earth. Thus, in our example horoscope, Saturn is in the twelfth house; it is approaching the meridian by the rotation of the earth; its distance from the meridian would be a conjunction by *direct* direction with that point.

A converse direction of a planet is its distance from the cusp of a house it has already passed, by the rotation of the earth. Take Saturn again. It has risen just above the ascendant. Its distance above the ascendant is its *converse* direction to that point.

This point must be carefully observed, as terms, direct and converse, are used in a different sense in other Mundane Directions.

All the directions enumerated in this chapter are formed to the midheaven and ascendant by the planetary motion round the heavens. The following table will show the Mundane position in which a planet must be placed to form the various directions.

Directions formed to Midheaven. Ascendant.		Mundane position required.
♄	□	... On the midheaven.
♁	*	... On cusp of 11th.
♁	∟	... Middle of 11th house.
*	∇	... On cusp of 12th.
□	♄	... On ascendant.
△	∇	... On cusp of 2nd.
□	∟	... Middle of 2nd.
—	*	... On cusp of 3rd.
8	□	... On cusp of 4th.
—	△	... On cusp of 5th.

Directions formed to Midheaven. Ascendant.		Mundane position required.
□	□	... Middle of 5th.
△	—	... On cusp of 6th.
□	8	... On cusp of 7th.
*	—	... On cusp of 8th.
∟	□	... Middle of 8th.
∇	△	... On cusp of 9th.

The object of the above table is to show the directions made to the midheaven and ascendant as the planets move round the heavens. For example, when a planet is on the twelfth cusp, it is sextile to the meridian and semi-sextile to the ascendant. When it is in the middle of the fifth house, it is in sesquiquadrate with both points. A little study and attention will soon show the value of the table.

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LESSON III.

ON THE LAW OF BALANCE IN RELATION TO TEMPERAMENT.

The law of balance or equilibrium appears to be the first law to demand obedience when ill-health assails us, and in Lesson X. of Series I., a serious attempt was made to show in a general way how defective parts of the three systems could be improved to produce a harmonious temperament.

We are sometimes asked which of the three systems is the most desirable to possess in predominance, and in attempting to answer such a query have to emphasize that in the great scheme of evolution all the three systems are of equal impor-

continue to live near that equilibrium or balanced condition, we should find most of the diseases banished, and success in life more perfected.

But the fact is the majority of persons are more or less out of harmony. We cultivate one quality at the expense of another and suffer accordingly, and it behoves us all to recognise at once the importance of the law of Balance.

We are, however, so constantly advocating balance that it is as well to remember that there is a value to be set upon extremes of temperament.

It is the balanced man who sees both sides of a question, and the unbalanced who takes extreme views, and to these we look for "advanced" or "reactionary" ideas to be nicely balanced by the man in between. One class agitates against the other, and the balanced man benefits thereby without

TABLE.

Explanation of Terms— 7 indicates Greater than. = indicates Equal to.	MENTAL SYSTEM	MOTIVE SYSTEM	VITAL SYSTEM
I. Mental 7 Motive 7 Vital	—	—	Cultivate
II. Mental 7 Vital 7 Motive	—	Cultivate	—
III. Motive 7 Vital 7 Mental	Cultivate	—	—
IV. Motive 7 Mental 7 Vital	—	—	Cultivate
V. Vital 7 Mental 7 Motive	—	Cultivate	—
VI. Vital 7 Motive 7 Mental	Cultivate	—	—
VII. Mental 7 Motive = Vital	—	Cultivate	Cultivate
VIII. Motive 7 Vital = Mental	Cultivate	—	Cultivate
IX. Vital 7 Mental = Motive	Cultivate	Cultivate	—
X. Mental = Motive 7 Vital	—	—	Cultivate
XI. Motive = Vital 7 Mental	Cultivate	—	—
XII. Vital = Mental 7 Motive	—	Cultivate	—
XIII. Baianced	Cultivate	Cultivate	Cultivate

tance, and that stage by stage as we evolve, each system becomes more and more pronounced, one after the other, in rotation, as experience demands. At one time of life, the Mental system may prevail over the Motive and Vital systems, and at another period the Motive system may prevail over the Mental and Vital systems, and so on.

From the table of combinations it will be seen that we may pass through at least thirteen stages of development, in any reasonable period of time, and then commence again the spiral climb, for it will be obvious that when one system develops over the other systems, it is essential that the other systems be brought up to the higher standard to produce again the balanced condition, and thus go up one rung of the ladder of evolution of both Consciousness and Form.

Provided every man and woman would attain to what we may term a state of equilibrium, and would

strife. Extremes in all things are dangerous, the safest position being occupied by the man in between, who is the level-headed well-balanced individual.

Something exceptional and eccentric must be expected from those who exhibit great predominance of any one of the three systems, and it may safely be stated that any relative excess or deficiency to a certain extent mars the peace of life. Let us, therefore, learn from the imperfect how to become perfect.

The table given above will show at a glance the parts of the body each type should cultivate to become balanced.

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Prince Henry of Prussia.

The time of birth of Prince Henry of Prussia, brother of the German Emperor, is not known to us, but the following information from the planetary positions on the day of his birth will be of interest. He was born on August 14th, 1862, with the Moon conjoined with Mars in Aries, well aspected by the Sun and Uranus. By direction, he has the Sun in opposition to Mars P., and in 1916 the Moon is in opposition to the Sun P. and conjunction Mars P. His eldest son was born on March 20th, 1889, and has the Sun by direction just past the opposition of both Mars and Uranus with the Moon about to form the opposition of the former, and the conjunction of the two latter planets. His other son, born November 27th, 1896, has the Sun progressed to Sagittarius 25 in exact opposition to the radical Mars. By converse direction he has Sun par. Saturn R., and Moon conjunction Mars R. and P. To

the astrological student these indications can only show that disasters of the most extreme nature will shortly fall on these three princes.

The Empress of Germany.

The Empress of Germany was born on October 22nd, 1858. By direction, she has the Sun in sesquiquadrate with Saturn, and by prenatal motion in exact square with Uranus. The Moon will shortly form the opposition of the progressed Sun and square of Uranus. Here are further indications of reversal and disaster.

The Empress of Russia.

In view of our prediction concerning the Czar of Russia on page 63, the indications from the planetary positions at the birth of the Empress are remarkably confirmatory. By direction, she has the Sun in Cancer 28, within one degree of the conjunction of Uranus, while the Moon, during 1915, will pass the opposition of both planets. The Czar has exactly the same directions in October of this year. What do these configurations mean? Does it mean the end of the Dynasty of the Romanoffs? One must not forget that Uranus is in

Aquarius, the ruling sign of Russia, and that influence alone means more than we may think.

Conjunction of Mars and Saturn.

The next conjunction of these two planets takes place in September in the sign Cancer. A special article on the subject will appear shortly.

The Prophecy of Friar John.

Owing to the great demand for the November issue of the B.J.A. containing the above prophecy, many were unable to secure copies. The publishers have now reprinted same, and copies can be had at the usual rates.

Phenomena of the Year 1915

Major Planetary Conjunctions and Oppositions.

JANUARY.—Mars oppos. Neptune, 28th, ♄ & ♆
 FEBRUARY.—Mars conj. Uranus, 15th ... ♃
 MARCH.—Mars conj. Jupiter, 24th ... ♃
 SEPTEMBER.—Mars conj. Saturn, 11th ... ♄
 OCTOBER.—Mars conj. Neptune, 12th ... ♆
 Mars oppos. Uranus, 30th, ♄ & ♃

Stationary Positions of Planets.

FEBRUARY 25th ... Saturn in ♄ 25° 22'
 APRIL 9th ... Neptune in ♆ 27° 39'
 MAY 20th ... Uranus in ♃ 15° 40'
 JULY 19th ... Jupiter in ♃ 28° 31'
 OCTOBER 22nd ... Uranus in ♃ 11° 44'
 OCTOBER 29th ... Saturn in ♄ 16° 30'
 NOVEMBER 5th ... Neptune in ♆ 2° 41'
 NOVEMBER 14th ... Jupiter in ♃ 18° 37'

Eclipses.

FEBRUARY 14th, at 4.32 a.m.—Total Sun Eclipse in Aquarius 24° 25'.
 AUGUST 10th, at 10.52 p.m.—Total Sun Eclipse in Leo 17° 11'

Astronomical Phenomena

FEBRUARY, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 7th ... 5h. 11m. morn.
 New Moon, 14th ... 4h. 31m. morn.
 First Quarter, 22nd ... 2h. 58m. morn.

There will be no full Moon during the month.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Aquarius, enters Pisces on the 19th at 5.23 p.m.
 ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Aquarius, enters Pisces on 2nd, stationary on 12th, retrogrades into Aquarius on 23rd, in conjunction with Jupiter on the 2nd and 20th.
 ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Sagittarius enters Capricorn on the 6th.
 ♂. MARS is in Aquarius all the month, too near the Sun for observation.
 ♃. JUPITER is in Aquarius, enters Pisces 4th, too near the Sun for observation.
 ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Gemini all the month.
 ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month.
 ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer all the month.
 ♁. The following table gives the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries ...	17, 18	Libra ...	4, 5
Taurus ...	19, 20, 21	Scorpio ...	6, 7
Gemini ...	22, 23	Sagittarius	8, 9
Cancer ...	24, 25, 26	Capricorn	10, 11
Leo ...	1, 27, 28	Aquarius...	12, 13, 14
Virgo ...	2, 3	Pisces ...	15, 16

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with unsettled weather, fogs 2nd, variable for some days; change with drop in temperature 8th; fine for a few days; cold with snow 15th; variable 18th; heavy rains 21st; warmer to 24th; change 25th; wind and rain end of month.

A Forecast of the Year 1915.

FROM THE ALMANACK DE ME. DE THÈBES.

ME. DE THEBES has acquired a considerable reputation by her prophecies. In the following excerpts from her Almanack it will be seen that she relies chiefly on her knowledge of palmistry, the predictions being formulated from a collection of the indications in typical and representative hands. In a minor degree she avails herself of kabalistic astrology, but lacks sufficient knowledge of the science to pursue it to its full scope. It appears clear, however, that she sees early victory for France, and great rejoicings, and generally leaves one with the impression that she thinks the war will be over, but that in the Balkan area fighting will be continued. It is evident what she means by "a third of the Sun's course," as the point of departure is given as March 21st, so that the war is here predicted to end in July. The following is the substance of her remarkable predictions.

* * *

General Outlook.

"I shall call the year 1915 the year of haze or fog. The dominating influence is still that of Mars, not now in conjunction with Saturn, but with Jupiter. Mars is the symbol of combats, and the Greek tradition following that of others now lost to us has given the name of the God of War to that mysterious force disposing to conflicts which has its origin in one of the planets of our system. For our instincts are material rays, even as those which regulate the equilibrium of worlds, the laws of life and of social existence. The same tradition has baptised with the name of Jupiter that planet which stands for power, the authoritative expansion of activity. Do not believe for a moment that the planets of that system to which our world belongs are exclusively created for the hypothetical recreation of

our astronomers, or as bright spots in the infinitudes. They are more reasonably regarded as the symbols of our destiny. Then 1915, dominated by the force called Mars, is strengthened by all that Jupiter imports of order and authority. What is cut must be sewn together again. A great year full of tumults and splendours, of atrocities and things sublime. Moderate attainments, a few results only, but hidden. A year of great negotiations and of great secrets. The leaders of the people, assembled together, would desire to apply themselves to the work of to-morrow and the future, for we are not yet near the time when affairs can be settled. Destiny has thrown us into the melting-pot of war over a fire which cannot be extinguished in a moment.

"Generally the year will be a barren and volcanic one. Let us beware of the subterranean dangers which threaten, although until now they have been restrained. A year of battling fleets in seas of flame. Lands buried and lands discovered. Young lives by thousands will be taken, and for ourselves a cruel part in the task. The forces denominated by Mars and Jupiter are fearful when they come into conflict, and especially to be dreaded at the moment of the changes of the seasons, and at the time of the summer solstice. In every way, in popular demonstrations, tumults, risings, desperate rivalries, and great activities. Appreciable progress made by women towards a rational emancipation. The attention of people turned towards Europe, and in Europe towards France. Everything in the civilised world depends upon the European movement, which, as it were, controls the flow of human enterprise.

"*France.*—Oh, France! Oh, sublime country! What great heroism and bloody sacrifices mark the path of destiny that you follow! What a crusade of selfless combat for the

final triumph of human transformation by greater love and greater works! What unprecedented activities after *this war, which will soon be finished*. I feel that *before the Sun has run a third of his course through the haze of the year that thy blood will have ceased to flow*. But to what purpose? Not what thou thinkest, but the equivalent, if not at once, then surely later. That which should come from this war will be enormous, but a painful re-birth and altogether different to thy anticipations. One surprise after another! Continue faithful to thy glorious ideals, to thy marvellous destiny, and thou wilt be the benign Queen of Earth. If not, but I cannot say it for I know well that thou hast understood and seen clearly, informed by the great task in which thou goest to thy triumph. But take care! Destiny awaits thee at the moment of negotiations. Harken to magnanimous traditions. Listen only to them, and thou shalt have the fruits of victory. Moreover, thou wilt be wise in thy comprehension of the baseness of the vanquished foe, and of that which he may become when transformed by thee, and, moreover, thou shalt have thy reward, and whilst this greatness to which thy destiny conducts thee shall flourish there shall be no more war. Two kinds of men will counsel thee. Choose wisely.

"Paris and the great towns.—There it is, to-morrow! Emotion, feverish excitement, delirium. Magnificent dashes by new men, the uplifting of souls, and the march of crowds towards the uplifted standards. Then a conflict of interests, a marked development of party interests, but some independent aspirations. Paris enlarged and reduced, increased by its attractions upon the foreigner, reduced by its influence upon the country. Progress, but altogether in the future, and scarcely perceptible in the fierce conflict of parties and individuals. Little by little the sky clears. *Oh! the dash of the town towards the soldiers of France and their Allies. What triumphal arches are added to those that already exist in Paris, and in all the bedecked and renovated towns after so many alarms, and so great an anguish! Oh, what a fine year for the journals, and all who*

serve the expression of new thought! Over Paris itself, the menace of fire that I indicated during the past year appears to be suspended, even as the bloody and subterranean assaults. But whatever the trials may be, they are wiped out by the pomp of processions and the enthusiastic recognition of days that can never be forgotten. *The summer and autumn will be such that the history of Paris has never yet recounted.* A dramatic sorrow greater than the triumph, for hatred is always armed. A national and even universal emotion, and then one of ours will be great as the drama. It is at this moment that a plague threatens us which might be fearful did we not know how to combat it, more dreadful than ever before even to the point of obliterating our good fortune. I see the time coming when there were to be great assemblies of men in large towns intent upon a rational organisation of our country's defences. Women, too, are assembled for the defence of the family and the children, a movement which will extend from the provinces and include Paris. Bad days for theatres and pleasures, but will this be the end of the distressful times through which we are passing? This trial is necessary for the revival that is approaching. A generation that is stronger and at the same time more gentle will emerge from the struggle. More faithful to the national character, retrieved in battle, this generation will eschew excess and frivolity, and those who do not conform to the spirit of the race, which will result immediately from these tragic days, will be condemned. Then through the drama and through literature there will rise up new men, and notably one whom the Muses favour. For the rest, the immediate future belongs to the poets, and those who serve the ideal in prose. Women will shine less in literature, for destiny requires of them a more useful work in the family, and in social life. One whom I know will thus devote herself after having burned her idol, and will contract a marriage that will be a sensation of brilliance and elegance. A word or two about finance. The times will be concerned with preparations outside the immediate needs of the hour. Not

immediately will Paris and the great townships resume their work or regain their functional liberty. From 1915, however, there will be public proclamations of material interest regarding new methods of credit, of revenue and exchange. In France and Paris especially, three men, of whom two, one from the East and the other from the South, will conduct affairs in all essential matters, and events will take an entirely unexpected national adjustment.

"I see no general changes during 1915 in Paris and the great towns, but there will be progress in the general desire to reform and renovate existing conditions, unless after some troubles a single man should dispose of the situation."

Particular Predictions.

In this section of her predictions Me. de Thèbes specifies the events likely to arise in the East, West, North and South, and Centre of France. In the course of her predictions it is made quite clear, as also from the forecast above, that the war will be over, and that the business of readjustment will be in process. It is noted that there will be a patriotic crusade in France against divorce, and insistent upon the upholding of familism. "Less of art and pleasures, and more of work. In the North, miracles of Faith and prodigies of solidarity. Better working conditions, much invention and initiative, and much work of reconstruction. Lille and its suburbs will be the scene of some great religious events. At Lyons some evils flowing from peasant agitations. A singular fortune awaits a young man of promise, who, coming originally from the Centre, takes part in an imbroglio which dates from the day of Peace and from his negotiations. In the West there will be reorganisation, and from the war will spring forth an incredible new life in this part of France, so frightfully menaced every time that Germany has essayed to march upon Rouen. A plague will make numerous victims among the *élite* of the West. In the South the days of privation are not yet over, it will be a cause of alarm to the whole country. In effect, 1915 will be favourable

to France, although the ordinary course of human afflictions will not be particularly, if at all, diminished. *The year appears to follow a bloody and broken line for one-third of its course, then to rest upon the horizon in a radiation of Peace, but still hidden by the smoke and haze up to the end of its course, which then takes a direction clearly ascendant and expansive.*"

Foreign Affairs.

Italy.—The part which Italy is destined to play in the drama of humanity has yet hardly begun. What obstacles lie in the path of these people who are called to such a wonderful future, so great, indeed, that it will know how to further the Latin destiny, and gradually to seek in a close friendship with France a solution of those problems which are forced upon a people whose generosity is their greatness. The hour is not distant when Italy, rising above all her troubles, which have until now paralysed her, will be forced to draw the sword, and no longer to listen to the studied counsels of those who advised her to be ready to help the victor. She will be forced to it. At the Vatican the coming of the new thought which I have predicted is in need of development. She can expect much from silence and from God. More than heretofore will the voices of England, Russia, and the Orient go up in supplication and hope towards the Roman capital. The coming year will witness some renewal of hostilities, and will favour political mistakes. One of the greatest of Popes is dead. He was the strength of holiness. It will be difficult to replace him. I have fresh reason to believe in the high destiny of the House that reigns over Italy, but the coming year threatens it. A feminine hate has not abandoned the pursuit. What tears and alarms in the South of Italy, and what irreparable artistic destruction! The time of peril is chiefly about the summer solstice, while that of reparation and congratulations of all sorts is at the end of the year. An Italian celebrity, who lives not far from the Arno, upon a secluded hill, she alone will understand that this is not to betray her. If the predicted

fate is realised all the world will talk of her. That is what I know of Italy.

"Germany.—There are degrees of human misery, and I have known for a long while that William II. was on the lowest rung of the ladder. I have known all the duplicity and felony of this soul without faith. How many Parisians could testify that I have even at the risk of assault publicly said of this Kaiser that has been so much admired: "You are mistaken. He is not the man you believe him to be." He is execrated now, but only six months ago how many French believed in him, and admired his spirit? Well, it was nothing but the spirit of Evil in a man incapable of governing himself. It has been said in religious pamphlets: "He is Antichrist!" Too much honour has been done him. The Devil would have chosen better! His character determines his end. *He will soon die or disappear.* The times are accomplished, and Germany herself is condemned to be no more what she was, at all events. Around William II. the sorrows predicted have begun, and can now only precipitate themselves. One cannot imagine so lofty a being to fall without breaking his heart! The Germany of tomorrow, what will it be?

Two visions haunt me. I see one Germany rending itself, South against South, and North against North. *It is the revolutionary movement, the fury against the military aristocracy, the barbarities of the squires, and yet, despite these troubles, resistance continues, or at least attempts to continue, imitating France in her great Revolution of the past: hostages, massacres, judgments, scaffolds, all are there, and meanwhile the enemy has crossed the frontiers.* The other Germany, more redoubtable perhaps, appears to concede everything at once, ready to declare itself defeated, to submit to the conditions of the victors, and to gain time by multiplying intrigues, paralysing attacks in order to take up their own again with renewed strength, but in either case, more of the Hohenzollern. Meanwhile, where is the man that I know, whom I have predicted in the past year, who would sound a word in Germany that will be heard above

every other word, and who is able to save his country from at least a part of the righteous penalties which Providence has reserved for it?

"Austria.—To the depths with the sinister old man! He no longer lives, and to think that France has for years treated him like a venerable Emperor! Do you not know what all the world knows in Vienna, the abiding scandal of his private life? The scorn with which his wife treats him? The cruelty of the torturer which he has exercised all his life, even to his own son Rudolph, whose death is imputed to him? None would believe it. We are so easy-going, so good, that people appear to be that which we would wish them. Here was a gentle old man, and we spoke of him with respect. In reality no man perhaps has ignored or despised France more than Francis-Joseph. With regard to the tragic deaths of his heir and spouse it was foreseen that they could not withstand destiny and the domination of the heart's law. There are obligations of conscience and human nature which will not be thwarted by ambition, by avarice or by intrigue. With regard to the young people called to reign over that which still remains to Austria, I know nothing which permits of an inspiration. I know something of the hand of the Archduchess, Marie-Josephine, the mother, if I am not mistaken, of the Austrian heir. If all that has come to me is correct she is a noble woman who has suffered, who is suffering, and will still suffer. It is not difficult to find good women among the ladies of the Austrian Archduchate.

In regard to the Austria-Hungarian empire, taken together, it appears that what I have predicted of late years confirms that which awaits, not only the results of the war itself, but the normal course of events already in being, *the dismemberment of an empire which has no reason to exist.* The Slav elements ought to be dissociated from the Germanic elements, and be united to the Catholic Germany by the bond of the Danube, and by the community of religion. In some hands I have seen signs of mourning, and in others the evils of warfare. All

that pertains to Budapest and Vienna, near or afar, is fraught with trials and afflictions of all sorts. Thus they expiate their crimes, their defections, their errors, their barbarities. Sorrow is yet the most efficacious agent of morality and civilisation. Francis-Joseph has brought misfortune to all those who have made the mistake of loving him. He cannot die without bringing misfortune to his people.

"*Belgium.*—I have not recoiled before the explanation that I owe to the Belgians. In predicting, during the past year, the fire and downfall which threatened Belgium, the Court and the King, at all events in passing, I have given the reasons which induced my vision, and of which I have taken account despite myself, and which now present themselves anew to my mind. God guard me from saying anything that should prove painful to a people who have given their blood in defence of their independence, and out of regard to treaties. It was needful to risk non-existence for a time rather than never again to exist by becoming German. Honour has dictated their interests, and their interests have dictated their honour. We owe to this practical and profound view of things a heroic movement which anticipated our own, and which later was associated with it. A prodigy that none was able to foresee has awakened in a priest and principles of honour have upheld the sovereign. Two representative men in Belgium, the King and the Cardinal of Malines, have saved Belgium. It was time! If one or the other of them had read my humble pages during the past year they could not have denied the truth. And now what is the fate determined by these two moral forces which sustain the Belgians, greater than ever in spirit, if not in deed, whilst his land is still invaded as I write these lines? Its destiny seems to be prodigious by reason of those very men who have been instigators of this fusion which at last has thrown the country into the melting-pot of sorrow. The external rôle pertains to the King if he should escape the peril of which the menace is not as yet entirely past. There will be mourning for a long time in this tender soul of

heroic simplicity. I know nothing more, save that the hands of the Belgians abound in signs of future prosperity. After the trials of the present war and the general transformation of all that was, the Belgian combination, which will be as much more solid as it will be more moral, will rely more fully on the realisation of ideals than upon material interests, and thus will create a Belgian as honourable as fortunate.

"*England.*—So then, this foreign war which I predicted last year has been realised. Even the participation of India in troubles which I vaguely foresaw is now explained. England has gone to war with her own soldiers, and those of her Colonies. She is playing a sublime part. She has saved herself in a marvellous manner by recognising an authority other than that of her sovereign or the enemy. She was on the threshold of an abyss, facing the Irish problem, which was capable of reviving the worst days of the religious wars, and of inciting to terrible troubles. Year after year she saw Germany increasing her naval strength, and her commercial rivalry throughout the world, opposing dishonest traffic to her own honest industry in a strife which employed all her powers. She held back from her love of peace, and through Christian horror of barbarities when, despite all her pacific efforts, fate gave its decision. Being party in the strife she will now continue it to the end in alliance with France, whose defects she understands, and whose good qualities she knows how to estimate. It behoves us also to understand her. The *entente* will be fruitful. Her destiny reveals her fresh and radiant, for the fiery ordeal entirely heals all that which in England is most in need of cure, and the unfortunate episodes of the past will be effaced, but the price of victories must be paid and concessions must be made, and there will be mourning. But in the future new and great glory comes to England, the Mother and Guardian of universal accord.

"*Spain.*—Here the future continues great, but it will be a slow evolution. She follows peace, and will continue to do so. The King, as I observed last year, has escaped the gravest of dangers, not that they have ceased

exist, for they are always there, and his star shines brightly. Nevertheless, time passes without the country understanding him as he would wish to be understood. A year of troubles, especially in the summer, and a year of trials on the ocean. Last year I announced a great trouble for the King, and, as I said, "unexpected trouble." Death has struck very close to him, and one very dear to him has vanished who could have been a valuable means of influence for progress.

Portugal, Switzerland, and Luxembourg.—Of Portugal I have nothing to say different to last year. The same destiny remains probable, but nothing very brilliant appears, and so far as the precarious state of affairs is concerned fate hangs in the balance, and it is uncertain whether the hopes of a good woman, in her ceaseless efforts to compass the desire of her noble heart, will be realised.

Of *Luxembourg* I seem to have seen a happy political destiny, excepting the ordinary lot of human experience. Seeing only the customary state of affairs would indicate that the state will come out of the red talons of the German vulture in no way reduced. I make no conclusions from the impressions coming from the Swiss-French, who are far from being *Swiss*. Their hands are fortunate with good upward lines, save that of one condemned to illness. If the destiny of the Swiss-French appears favourable that is what all Switzerland should be, and what I would wish for them.

South America.—Here, where I have many friends, war will disturb French relationships. Many have been the good wishes for the fortunes of my country, and many the question as to the issues of the war, and the after-effects as concerning the destiny of South America, and chiefly in the Argentine Republic. I have pleasure in saying that the future is a brilliant development. I see only one danger in the field of my vision, drought. The crops, which in this country are so important, will not be satisfactory, and I see some scourge in the shape of forest fires. I see also seismic disturbances, but elsewhere they will be greater. However, in all parts of this new world peace will be more durable after days of fermentation and error.

Germany troubles the whole world. The misfortunes of Mexico come from her. Her happiness will proceed from her return to the Latin course. What a great future will arise from the Latin race in South America! Nevertheless, the present financial crisis will pursue its course through a yet more difficult period.

North America.—Here are good hands also, but marked with the tragedy of privations. The European disturbance will modify so many things, and America has been so closely connected with Berlin. I predict a singular occurrence in regard to New York. A society woman of America who is singularly endowed with great influence and riches, so that what she endorses is of universal interest, will in the course of her schemes encounter a finality which she has not reckoned upon. A mediocre year for agriculture, but very good for industrial progress, albeit there is trouble from financial crises, and from the effects of seismic catastrophes.

Russia.—Petrograd has learned that it had not a more redoubtable enemy than Berlin, as I predicted in my forecast for 1914. The Slav world is on the march. It is the greatest moral event of history since the Crusades. Here, especially, the Divine Hand appears, and the marvellous mystery of the progress of the Cross. When, tomorrow, Poland is re-born, and become an organised frontier between the gradually coalescing masses of Russia and a humanised Germany, she will effect a union between them through the Catholic Faith. The errors of Prussian Protestantism will diminish from this relationship and orthodox autonomy will be increasingly disposed to look to Rome. Years are nothing. We do not measure things by our standard of time. Down on the horizon I behold the splendour of the imperishable Cross. It is that which dominated all this war, even as it triumphed in the preliminary strife between the Balkans and the Turks.

Of the House of Romanoff, I foresee nothing but greatness, despite the perils and affrights that spring from hate. The war will effect marvellous changes in the Slav

character, always so sensitive and generous, and Russia will go forth to honour and progress in the world, morally better equipped and stronger in its own unity. But she will have to pay dearly for victory!

"*Turkey and the East.*—Turkey must go out of Europe, as it is determined. It is needful to resist the wicked. I see blood, fire, weeping. All the Bosphorus is ensanguined. One of the hands I have seen is neither good nor happy. It confirms the downfall of the Turks. The neighbouring people, the Bulgarians, Serbs, Roumanians, and Montenegrins are wounded by the fall of the rubbish. *We are not near, oh no, we are by no means near seeing Europe entirely at peace, and the valient Serbs are not yet at the end of their warfare.* As to Bulgaria, it will be disturbed by men of the past.

"This is what I have seen, and what I now see for the coming year (1915), but I ought to say that the images present themselves in much confusion, an obscurity from which I continue in trepidation . . . an icy shuddering which obsesses me, the vision giving place to a curtain of flame and smoke which envelopes everything, and which itself in turn gives way to inchoate and undecipherable images. It is the first time that my mind has been thus troubled. Is it due to the emotion of war, an action independent of my thoughts? I do not know, but I take note of it, and consign myself to destiny."

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Notes on the above will appear next month in an article by Sefharial.

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FEBRUARY, 1915.

1	27 ♈ 39	Deal with superiors, ask favours and push business before noon. Evil for all else.
2	11 ♀ 15	A quiet day. Avoid disputes and attend to ordinary duties.
3	25 3	Act discreetly in all things on this day.
4	9 ♁ 0	Travel, change, seek work, push business, ask favours.
5	23 3	An unsettled day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
6	7 ♀ 12	An evil day. Avoid accidents, disputes and pleasure.
7	21 23	Sunday. Study, keep quiet, and contemplate.
8	5 † 35	Avoid disputes in a.m. Travel and change in p.m.
9	19 45	Ask favours in a.m. Safeguard health in p.m.
10	3 ♃ 51	Court, marry, ask favours, travel and change.
11	17 49	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
12	1 ♃ 37	A variable day. Do nothing important. Act discreetly.
13	15 12	A most evil day. Avoid pleasure and sport, and guard against accidents.
14	28 32	Sunday. Study. Visit friends and keep quiet.
15	11 ✕ 35	A good day for business. Travel, change, visit friends.
16	24 21	Act discreetly in all things. Safeguard health.
17	6 ♀ 52	Travel, change, avoid females and keep quiet.
18	19 7	A good day for business, new work and for asking favours.
19	1 ♃ 11	A variable and unsettled day, attend to ordinary duties only.
20	13 8	An evil day. Avoid pleasure, safeguard health and guard against accidents.
21	25 0	Sunday. Study, travel, and improve the mind.
22	6 ♀ 54	An evil day for all things. Do nothing important. Travel p.m.
23	18 53	Travel, make changes, and push business.
24	1 ♃ 2	Push business, seek work, commence new undertakings. A splendid day for all things.
25	13 26	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
26	26 8	An evil day. Do nothing important. Act discreetly.
27	9 ♈ 10	An unsettled day, act carefully in all things.
28	22 34	Sunday. Study and contemplate.

The German Royal Family.

A SKETCH OF THE HOROSCOPES OF THE KAISER'S SONS.

By E. H. BAILEY.

IN giving this illustrated sketch of the horoscopes of the children of the Kaiser, my primary object is to throw some light on the outcome of the war, and its ultimate result so far as Germany is affected.

I am indebted to our contemporary, *Modern Astrology*, for the birth times of the German Princes, except that of the Crown Prince, whose horoscope appeared in this journal upwards of five years ago, and I am following my usual practice in rectifying each birth time by the Prenatal Epoch, in order to have definite and reliable data to work on. The articles will, I think, prove of great interest to my readers, and as I propose to follow them with the horoscopes of the Russian Royal Family, the value of the first volume of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY will be greatly enhanced by these collections of authentic Royal horoscopes.

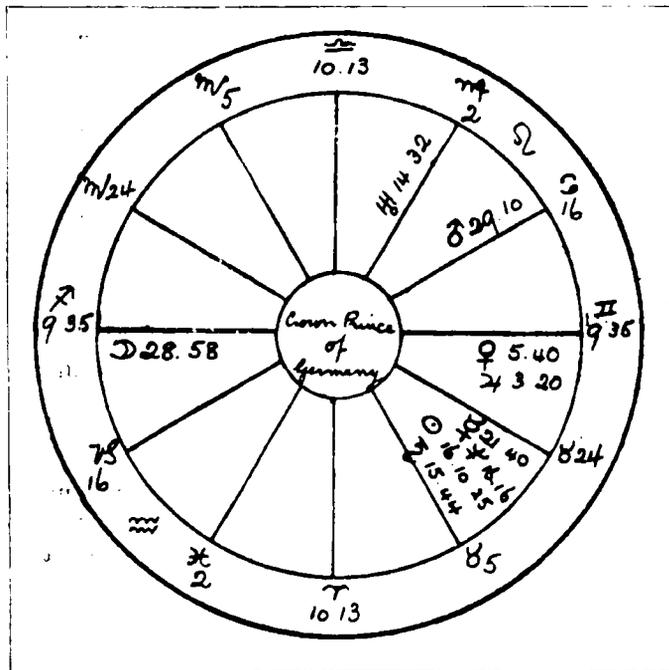
The Crown Prince of Germany.

The Crown Prince, Frederic Wilhelm, was born at Potsdam on May 6th, 1882, at 9.45 p.m. The noteworthy point in this horoscope is the triple conjunction of the Sun, Saturn and Neptune in the fifth house, while Mercury is closely configurated with

the three planets. The fifth house rules patrimony, and the meaning of this configuration can but mean that the Prince will not succeed to his father's throne, and that he will lose his inheritance.

In dealing with this horoscope in the July, 1909, issue of this journal, five years ago, I made the following prediction: "The conjunction of the Sun with Saturn and Neptune in

Taurus is a difficult influence to judge, but it seems to bring some notable disaster into the prince's life, probably at the age of 33. I append the rectified map, the time corrected by the epoch being 9h. 39m. 8s. p.m. of May 6th, 1882. As I am principally concerned with the outcome of the present war, I shall deal particularly with the directions operating during



the present period. The meridian is now directed to the oppositions of the Sun, Saturn and Neptune, and the ascendant by converse motion is in opposition to the same three planets, while the Sun is also in rapt parallel with both Saturn and Neptune.

Taking the progressive directions I find that June 8th at noon measures to December 24th, 1914. The directions are as follows.—

- ⊙ P. sep. □ ♁ R. and P.
- ⊙ P. sep. ∠ ♂ R.

☉ R. par ♂ P.
 ♂ P. ☐ ☉ R.
 ♂ P. ☐ ♃ R.
 ♂ P. ☐ ♀ R. and P.
 Dec., 1914, ☽ ♂ ♀ R. and P.
 ☽ ☐ ♂ R.
 Mar., 1915, ☽ ☐ ☉ P.

It is true that the Sun is in close * ♂ P., but the latter is heavily afflicted by several other planets and cannot act favourably. It accounts for great military activity however.

By converse direction, I find ☉ P. ☐ ♂ P., while in the early summer of 1915 we have ☽ P. ♂ ☉ P., ☐ ♂ P.

The correctness of this rectification is proved by the figure for the prenatal epoch (1st September, 1881, 2h. 36m. 52s. p.m. G.M.T.). The direction M.C. ♂ ♃ measures to 1888, the year of the deaths of his great grandfather and grandfather. In the same year, we find ☉ P. ☐ ♀ R. (sep.); ☉ P. ☐ ♂ R.; ☽ P. ♂ ☉ P. ♂ ♀ R. ☐ ♂ R.

For his marriage we have M.C. △ ♀ R. Venus being in the 7th house at the epoch, and ascendant P. ☐ ☽ R., the latter being part ruler of the 7th house.

In the epoch we note the following aspects : Moon square Sun, Mercury, Uranus, opposition Mars. Sun conjunction Mercury and Uranus, square Mars. Mars square Mercury and Uranus. During the coming period we have the following directions :—

Venus P. ☐ ☽ R.
 ☽ ♂ ☉ R., ☐ ☽ R., ☐ ♀ P., March, 1915.
 ☽ ♂ ♀ R. April, "
 ☽ ♂ ♀ R. July, "
 ☽ ♂ ♀ P. Sept. "
 ☽ ♂ ♂ R. Nov. "

We also find M.C. ☐ ☽ R., ☐ ☉ R., and the ascendant P. coming to the square of ♃ R. and P. By converse directions the Sun P. is in par ♂ P.

A point of interest is to be observed in the following fact. The Sun P. from the horoscope is exactly ☐ ♂ R. at the epoch, and the conjunction of Mars and Saturn of August, 1913, fell exactly on the conjunction.

In connection with this horoscope it will be interesting to make a brief study of those of the Crown Prince's four sons, and observe the influences operating therein.

Prince Wilhelm.

Born at Potsdam, July 4th, 1906, at 9.15 a.m. The rectified horoscope shows ♃ 6.32 rising, the Sun, Mars and Neptune being closely conjoined in Cancer in the eleventh house, in opposition to Uranus on the cusp of the fifth, with Saturn setting in Pisces 14.59, in square Moon in ♃ 15.42, in the fourth.

In March next we find the following very significant progressed positions :

☉	...	20°	9'	...	♄
♂	...	20°	52'	...	♄
☽	...	21°	0'	...	♃

This gives ☉ P. ☐ ♂ P. ☽ P. ☐ ☉ P., ☐ ♂ P. Mars, be it noted, is ruler of the fourth house. In addition to this we find Asc. P. ♂ ♃ R. These are influences which are inimical to health, but also have particular influence on the father. From the epoch we have Asc. P. ☐ ☽ R.

Prince Louis Ferdinand.

Born at Potsdam, November 9th, 1907, at 9.30 a.m. The rectified horoscope shows ♃ 6.41 ascending, with the Sun close to the twelfth cusp, less than a degree from the square of Mars, again ruler of the fourth house, with the Moon in semisquare to both. By direction the Sun is now in rapt parallel with Mars, the arc measuring 6° 51'. The Sun and Mars are also close to a mundane parallel, both by direct and converse motion.

Prince Hubertus.

Born at Potsdam, September 30th, 1909, at 10 p.m. This Prince was born with Neptune rising in Cancer, in opposition to Uranus setting. Mars elevated in Pisces in the tenth, in opposition to Jupiter in the fourth ; the Moon conjoined with Saturn in the eleventh in opposition to Mercury in the fifth. The Moon is hyleg and heavily afflicted, an indication that he will not live to maturity. The year 1915 will be a tragic one, for the Sun is in parallel with both Mars and Saturn, and the Moon square Sun, conjunction Neptune, opposition Uranus and square Saturn. By converse direction the

Sun will be in opposition to Mars, again reflecting on the father, and Mercury, ruler of the fourth, in opposition to the Moon R.

From the epoch the meridian has progressed to midway opposition Neptune and conjunction Uranus, and the Moon to the conjunction of Saturn, being in square to that planet at the epoch. By converse direction the Ascendant is in conjunction with Saturn, the Sun in parallel to Mars, and the Moon square Sun, Neptune and Uranus.

Prince Frederick.

Born at Berlin, December 19th, 1911, at 1 a.m. The first decanate of Libra ascends

with Neptune in the tenth, opposed to Uranus in the fourth. The Sun is in the third, applying to sesquiquadrate Saturn in the eighth. At the present time the Sun has just separated from the evil aspect of Saturn and the Ascendant is exactly square to Mercury in the fourth. The conjunction of Mars and Saturn in September falls exactly on the progressed midheaven.

Summing up the indications from these four horoscopes, and comparing them with that of the Crown Prince, there appears every indication of a tragedy. I personally doubt whether the Crown Prince will survive 1915.

(To be continued).

Studies in Brief.

The Sultan of Egypt.

The appointment of the Sultan Prince Hussein, second son of Ismail Pasha, to the control of affairs in Egypt, was designed to checkmate the Ottoman influence and clear the way to a more effective control of all the avenues leading to the Suez. He is regarded with affection by the native populace, and has strong European sympathies. He has been well called "The Father of the Fellah." The appointment was in the nature of an exceptional *coup d'état*. How far it will be productive of good, however, is problematical. The Sultan was born on December 20th, 1853, when the Sun was in the end of Gemini, the ruling sign of Lower Egypt. Thirty years ago, when Saturn was in that sign, the Sudan war ended in the relief of Khartum and the death of General Gordon. (See horoscope in *Raphael's Almanac*, 1886.) Saturn will again transit these degrees, and incidentally the Sun's place in the Sultan's horoscope, so that between now and April his hands will be full and dangers beset him. He is just sixty years of age as I write, and the Sun has the sextile aspect of Saturn, but the places of the Moon and Mars are beset with eclipse influences, Mars being at

birth in opposition to Neptune, and from the recent conjunction of Mars and Saturn in Gemini we may expect some measure of trouble before the Spring is well advanced.

His Holiness the Pope.

Born on November 2nd, 1854, at Pegli, in Genoa. He is the Pope under whom, according to the prophecy of S. Malachi, "Religion would be depopulated, the race rendered more cruel than Satan, and the Italian Order established." And after him, the Deluge! From the indications in this horoscope, I consider that the Pope will rule with a strong and careful hand, commanding respect rather than love and devotion. In 1917, there is a conjunction of Mars and Saturn in Leo, which appears to be the beginning of a period of unrest and trouble in Italy. There are manifest dangers in 1919 and 1920, when the ship of St. Peter will be storm-tossed as never before, and I see nothing beyond 1922. I would like very much to know at what hour of the day His Holiness was born, as without it I am to some extent labouring in the dark, sure of what I see and feel, but uncertain of what may be beyond. S.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

Prussians and Germans.

Those who have taken the trouble to read my translation of the Prophecy of Lehnin, with the historical commentary, will have come to the conclusion that the popular conception that all Germans come of the same military stock as the Prussians, and are tarred with the same brush, is ethnologically and psychologically incorrect. It should be clearly pointed out that the Swabian Princes who came out of Schwaben in Bavaria and formed themselves into marauding cliques under the Teutonic Order, and who laid waste the province of Brandenburg, together with all its monasteries and religious institutions, is that same stock from which sprang the modern Hohenzollern. These Knights of the Teutonic Order indulged themselves in pillage, ransack and rapine in the thirteenth century exactly as they are doing in the beginning of the twentieth. Before the time of the Hohenzollerns in 1415, when Frederick of Hohenzollern was given the Electorate of Brandenburg by the Emperor Sigismund, this part of Germany had been governed religiously and well by the Ascanie, and so remained until Louis of Bavaria gave the country over to his rapacious sons. The Prophecy depicts the life and death of each member of the Hohenzollern family until we come to this last who ascended the throne in 1888. They have been the enemies of Germany from the first. The Prutzi are a genus of themselves, and are as far removed from some of the people of the great Provinces they have absorbed and dragooned as they are from ourselves. From this stock sprang Frederick-William I., the ruler of Prussia, who instituted the military *régime*, and he was followed by Frederick the Great, who created the Seven Years' War, and had scarcely assumed the throne when he made war on the young Queen of Austria. It is this same accursed military stock of the Hohenzollerns, continued to our own day,

that has inaugurated the Armageddon Father Hermann called them "foreigners." The human race may well re-name them "Aliens" and Ishmaelites, for they are the enemies of all mankind. How long the Germans will suffer them, appears rather to depend on the fighting powers of the Allies than themselves, since they have consented to be dragooned and to serve the Militarist faction, and to bear the yoke of the plundering autocrats. For forty years they have been laid under tribute to this Cæsarism that half of their people may be killed and maimed their country reduced, their industries ruined, their commerce seized, and the proud name of a patriotic people laid under the greatest stigma and reproach that ever attached to a nation.

The Prussian Downfall.

Concerning the time at which this unfortunate issue may be expected the reader will find in these pages a summary of the various indications upon which I have ventured to make my estimate. So far as the first five months of the Great War have shown, the task before the Allies is as hard and likely to be as slow as the ultimate result is sure and certain. Germany still holds more of foreign territory than the Allies have taken in the East or West. Germany has not yet ventured to take our measure on the seas. We have proved them to be the most persistent, skilful and resourceful force, as well as numerically one of the greatest that it is possible to encounter. But there are factors at work which will eventually convince them that the arts of peace and principles of civilization are not necessarily divorced from either effective fighting qualities or political integrity. Then it will be abundantly clear, and most of all to the German people, that the setting up of false gods and the elaboration of a godless "culture" are the historical precedents of revolutions, earthquakes, devas-

tations, and great wars. The successive Empires of Babylonia, Assyria, Persia, Egypt, Greece, and Rome, tell us the same universal story of the downfall of nations through the Fetish of Militarism. Let it cease! Is there ever any adequate reason why millions of human beings should lay down their lives in hated strife with their fellow-creatures merely to add new feathers to some strutting peacock whose voice is akin to that of the hyena, and whose plumage serves only vanity, except it be used to keep the flies off a jam-pot. On the real need for war as a factor in human evolution I have never yet heard a sound argument. There is, of course, the interested apologist, who knows enough of Scripture to quote that "There shall be wars and rumours of wars, etc.," making of the Christ prescience an excuse for organised destruction of life and property. But the holy Nazarene spoke as from the evidence of human nature that was then everywhere before Him. Was it not a fine summation of human character when He said: "Where the carcase is there are the vultures gathered together"? In fact it was at variance with the dictum of Carlyle, who gave the vote to the "fools" of this world as distinguished from the "knaves." It was perhaps not concerning the Temple at Jerusalem alone, but rather of the whole earth, that Christ spoke when He accused men of making it "a den of thieves," and so long as human nature remains divorced from the principles of Christianity, which is Humanitarianism and Altruism, in their most practical forms, there will continue to be usurpers and autocrats, despots and war-makers, as well as parasites, sychophants and slaves, followers of the servile ambition that would sell its birth-right for a mess of pottage.

The Great Plague and Fire.

I have been looking at the indications which attended the great plague and fire of London, in 1665 and 1666, and I find them so significant as to merit citation. According to the most ancient observations to which we have access it appears that the City of London has for its Ascendant the sign

Gemini, and for patron saints Gog and Magog, who are the equivalents of Castor and Pollux, Romulus and Remus, the Dioscuri of the Greeks. These "Heavenly Twins" have presided over the destinies of the Metropolis ever since the building of the City, which some chronologists make more ancient than Rome, but of which I find no mention before the Roman Invasion. By a series of observations it has been satisfactorily proved that the 18th degree of the sign answers to the influence of the planetary transits, and from a series of careful researches I am disposed to place the Ascendant in Gemini $17^{\circ} 23'$, and the Mid-heaven in Aquarius 12. With the same meridian degree the Ascendant in the year 1665 would be Gemini $17^{\circ} 46'$, but owing to the diminution of the obliquity of the ecliptic this has now been reduced to the 24th minute of the 18th degree. However that may be, it is of interest to observe among recent portents that the eclipse of the Sun in June, 1899, fell in Gemini $17^{\circ} 11'$, close to the Ascendant of London, and that when Saturn transitted the opposition of that point in September of the same year, the Boer Ultimatum was issued against Great Britain. Saunders appears to have taken the date of the Charter by King John as that for the horoscope of London, but he makes the Ascendant in Gemini 13, which is certainly too early. He observes, however, as do both Edlin and Booker, that the positions of the great conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in October, 1663, are significant of a "great mortality" specifically determined to the City of London, and the appearance of three comets at the end of 1664, and the early part of 1665 appeared to lend colour to the predictions. When finally it was observed in the 1664 almanacs that there was a total eclipse of the Moon in the 14th degree of Aquarius, and definite predictions by Lilly and others of a great plague, public excitement was raised to a great pitch.

New Moons and Conjunctions.

I may here say that owing to the imperfections of the best ephemerides it was impossible to determine the exact time of

the ecliptic conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, but they appear to have been conjoined in about $12^{\circ} 21'$ Sagittarius, and therefore very near to the opposition of the London Ascendant as computed by Saunders. To avoid the ambiguity of this observation, it was customary in those days for astrologers to refer to the New Moon immediately preceding any great configuration of the planets, just as at the present day we make calculation of the Neomenia preceding the Vernal Ingress. This having been done, the great plague was most successfully predicted, but the astrologers seem to have been so taken up with the plague that they failed to notify the "cleansing fires" which effectually stamped out the great contagion in the following year, and none but Lilly appears to have foreseen it, save Nostradamus some hundred and eleven years earlier. His prediction is well-known, and his reasons for it were that from the radix of 1550, the planet Jupiter, being in conjunction with Venus in the sign Libra, and representing the "blood of the just", came to a conjunction with Mars in the sign Gemini, which is the ruling sign of London after an interval of 116 years, which measured to 1666, and therefore he set the time as in the "sixth year of the Sixties," being as intent upon making himself obscure as he was upon making a true prediction.

Another Opportunity.

Now it happens that we have an excellent opportunity of testing the validity of these data, for on February 15th there will be a conjunction of the planets Uranus and Mars, both being notably violent planets, in the 13th degree of the sign Aquarius, and the same planets come into opposition in the 12th degree of Aquarius on November 30th of the present year. Further, on February 3rd, 1916, there will be a total eclipse of the Sun in the 13th degree of Aquarius, so that if this or any degree near it is certainly the meridian of London, of which I have no shadow of doubt myself, there will be strange happenings in and over the Metropolis. Manilius said that Aquarius rules over aqueducts and waterways, which in his day were

the channels of mechanical energy. In these days we refer the sign to electrical supply and storage. It may be well, therefore, if the London Water Board and the Electrical Supply look after their interests during the middle of February, the end of November, and the early part of December during the present year. Without desiring to be alarmist in any degree I think it would be puerile and reprehensible to ignore the obvious portents and signs of the times. The professed scientist may regard it as no integral part of his creed that the planets were primarily given us for "signs," but we who hold that belief have it against him that he has failed to find any further use for them, they being in his conception "uninhabitable worlds."

A Great Eclipse Year Coming.

I have already indicated that the fortunes of war go entirely against Germany in 1916-17, and in confirmation of this it is of interest to note that Frederick I. was crowned King of Prussia on January 18th, 1701, when Aquarius 6 was on the Midheaven, the Sun in Aquarius $9^{\circ} 29'$, the Moon in Libra $17^{\circ} 37'$, the 12th degree of Gemini rising. Hence there will be an eclipse of the Sun in direct opposition to the Midheaven of the Dynastic horoscope at the end of July, 1916. This, followed by transits of Saturn and Neptune will spell out "red ruin" to the Hohenzollerns, and in this connection it may be observed that in the year 1805 there were in all seven eclipses of the luminaries, some of which affected this horoscope, while Saturn and Uranus were in transit over the place of the Moon in the same figure, and we all know what happened at Austerlitz when the French legions under Napoleon ran the rule over Germany. Well, there will again be seven eclipses of the luminaries in 1917, and just for luck they will be falling in the same signs, Cancer and Capricorn, the first of them being on the Kaiser's Ascendant!

Representative Horoscopes.

The foregoing statement reminds me that I do not altogether see eye to eye with some of my readers on the point of representative

horoscopes. One writes that, "There seems a tendency on the part of Sepharial to judge the fate of nations by their Kings' horoscopes, and notwithstanding the blunders in his predictions (see May issue, 1913), he still upholds the divine right of kings." Now this seems a little "animated," for on reading the article referred to I find that I have distinctly repudiated the holding of any special views about the divine right of kings, but "if I were king I might see things differently. We mostly have strong views as to our right to exist whether as kings or dustmen." That seems explicit enough, I think, and I merely spoke of royal horoscopes as focal centres, which every practised astrologer knows them to be, in proof of which I have time and time again quoted from ancient and modern authors showing that all the great crises in the national history have been predicted from the horoscopes of kings, presidents and rulers, but the singular point is that the article in question, "Things of Interest" (Vol. VI., No. 8, p. 150), dealt with "The Coming War." There is, I said, the possibility of a flare-up throughout Europe. I then cited the indications, taking as my basis the Solar eclipse of April 17th, 1912, and ended by remarking that "It will be strange if the opposition of the Ascendants of Austria and Great Britain does not culminate in some hostility," and showed that the only alternative solution would be the death of the Austrian Emperor, and his removal as a focal centre from the field of action. The fact that he did not die, but that through him England was involved in the greatest war in which she has ever been engaged, says something for the case of "government by representation" being the celestial law. For I will warrant that in the case of a non-combatant, such as I take my "regular reader" to be, there was no indication of detriment by war, still less of a general call to arms, whereas in the horoscopes of our King, of the Kaiser, the Emperor of Austria, and Tsar Nicholas there are abundant indications. My correspondent has yet to learn that Nature acts from centres and not universally.

Spain and the War.

What will be Spain's share in this great war of the nations? That is a question I have been asked. It appears almost impossible that she can long detach herself from the complex of interests that are involved, for the last eclipse of 1914 fell in close opposition to the place of Mars in the King of Spain's horoscope, the longitude of which was $10^{\circ} 54'$ Virgo. Further, the Mid-heaven is now directed to the sixth degree of Cancer, where it comes to the place of Saturn in the radix, and during the present year, about the end of June, Saturn will transit the same place, having completed its first zodiacal revolution after a period of thirty years, but also it will be seen that Saturn is coming to the Sun's place in the progress, and makes the transit at the end of January, and again at the beginning of April, after having been stationary close to the place of the Sun P. Hence we are bound to conclude that there will be extreme difficulty in the avoidance of war, and in such event it cannot be regarded as otherwise than unfortunate for the destinies of Spain.

Important Phenomena.

Elsewhere I have given the Planetary Conjunctions and Oppositions which occur during the present year, together with the positions of stationary planets, and the dates at which they appear so. These should be carefully followed by the student, not only in regard to their general effects on popular thought and feeling, but also their effects upon the weather, the two sets of phenomena being perhaps more nearly connected than is commonly supposed. The political significance of these phenomena should also be traced, and as the observations are confined to the major planets it may be anticipated that considerable weight attaches to them in a symbolical sense as regards human affairs, and in a cosmical sense as regards physical phenomena.

Our Western Ally.

The *Astrological Bulletin* has recently had a series of most interesting articles on

"The Mysteries of the Zodiac," which formed the substance of a lecture delivered by Mr. J. B. Lindon, in Chicago, and which will be found very instructive and suggestive to those whose knowledge of the symbolism of the zodiac is limited to the general information of the primers and text-books. There are generally some choice little gleanings to be had from the pages of the *Bulletina*, and among other studies now in progress I may mention "The Children of the Cusps," by Mrs. Painton. This journal is published monthly, and is under the auspices of the best American representatives of astrology.

Astral Diary of the War.

The daily course of events has gone very much as I anticipated in my "Fortunes of War." The Falkland Islands victory, under the command of Admiral Sturdee, being only one day from my forecast, while in the middle of December, as predicted, danger came "very near to our coasts," as the inhabitants of Scarborough, Hartlepool, and Whitby can testify. It is further to be noted that the Kaiser has gained "nothing but adversity from his allies, Austria and Turkey." Austria has proved itself decadent. Turkey has been beaten by Russia, and finally ousted from Egypt, thus giving us effective control of the Suez, East Africa, and the Orient. These daily forecasts, while of extreme interest, are exceedingly difficult to time to within twenty-four hours, owing to the fact that they frequently are formed during the nocturnal hours, and hence may operate either a day earlier or later than the time indicated. I am glad to be able to say, however, that they are read in quarters where they are likely to prove of considerable practical value. Meanwhile I wonder how long it will take to tire out those Sisyphean astrologers who have consecutively predicted the termination of the war in October, November, December, 1914, making new predictions from the same data as each occasion proves them false and incompetent, but without any acknowledgment of defeat. Fortunately for us our soldiers have already discovered that it is a long, long way to Berlin, and

they mean to go the whole distance. Good luck to them!

More "Light" Wanted.

The Editor of *Light* is at pains to censure me for wasting powder and shot in "a defence of the phrases" Lutheran Protestant and Lutheran country which Mr. A. E. Waite contended were unlikely to have been used by Friar John in his famous prophecy, and from which he argues that the prophecy is not genuine, the alternative being that M. Péladan concocted it after the War had begun. The evidence is against Mr. Waite's finding, but I have nothing against his rendering of the terms *filis de Luther* and *pays de Luther*, in fact I think a Protestant Lutheran is the only "son of Luther" we know of, while *pays de Luther* cannot be better rendered than as Mr. Waite has given it. The point of my contention, entirely missed by *Light*, was that Mr. Waite was wrong in deeming the expressions unlikely in the year 1600, since Luther lived to see his Protestant principles widely established, and he died in 1546.

Notes.



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The legal position of occult practioners is being seriously considered by the members of the Council, who recognise we are having an anxious time in reference to the matter.

ALBERT ELLIS,
General Secretary.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN JANUARY.

OUR sketch this month includes all little ones born between January 21st and February 18th, when the Sun will be passing through the sign Aquarius.

These little olive branches born during this period are very difficult to understand, and parents require to be very careful in their upbringing. They are very quiet and unobtrusive, patient, readily take to strangers, are very loving and affectionate, and seem to live in a little world of their own. They have a tendency to be selfish, tricky, and deceptive, inclined to boast, and will show a vacillating and capricious nature unless kept well in hand.

They will have a particular fondness for toys of a mechanical nature, for the inventive faculty is strong, and this trait should be allowed to develop. They will be quick at learning, and remember easily whatever they acquire. As they grow up they will develop a manly tendency, be kind and humane, faithful and determined.

Mentally, they will be a long way in advance of others, possessing clear reason, good intuition, and excellent judgment. The artistic faculty is strong, and they may early in life show musical abilities, and a studious and persevering mind.

Their chief fault is an egotistical nature, and they frequently use their mental powers for selfish desires. Parents of these little ones should always try to appeal to their minds more than to their emotions, and will find it easier to deal with them by kind and instructive teaching than by threats of punishment.

The chief ailments of these little ones are caused by defective circulation, and a proper quantity of fresh air and gentle exercise is essential for their health. The eyes are also liable to affection, and great care should be taken of these organs in early life. The lungs and bladder are often liable to disorder, and good warm clothing and proper attention to

Nature's requirements are very essential. Generally speaking, these little olive branches have the making of good and useful people wrapped up in their little bodies, and good sound teaching, judicious parental authority, and careful development of the mental faculties will bring out what is latent in them, and make them in after years honourable, humanitarian, and high-souled men and women.

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The Fortunes of War: February, 1915.

By SEPHARIAL.

Great Britain.—The new Moon of January, which fell in evil aspect to Saturn in the Royal horoscope, holds sway until the middle of this month, when it is superseded by the new Moon of February 14th, which, although an eclipse, falls in good aspect to both Saturn and Jupiter in the same horoscope. Consequently, the fortunes of war will proceed with difficulty until the change of the Moon, and then will progress to our abundant satisfaction until the middle of March at all events. In confirmation of this we have the good aspects of the Moon by direction to the conjunction of Sun P. and sextile to its own radical place. These aspects will bring new allies into the field and satisfactory conferences during February and March.

About February 2nd, both Mercury and Jupiter are opposed to the Midheaven, and over-confident counsels may prevail to our detriment, while the Moon's node passing the same point adds further significance to a difficult passage of arms during the first few days of this month. As Mars trines the Moon at this time it is to be expected that an evil will be averted by the prowess of the troops.

The 12th brings Mercury to the opposition of Ascendant, signifying financial anxieties and grave musings.

From the 23rd to 25th the Midheaven is afflicted by Jupiter and Uranus from which ill proceeds first on the right and then on the left flank of the Allies, and the transit of Mars at this time over the Midheaven R. will evolve a crisis on or about the 23rd. From that date the Allies will dominate the situation. But while Saturn continues to transit the Ascendant of the Royal horoscope for the year, progress will be slow and costly. The transit lasts till the end of April.

Germany.—The enemy, as dominated by the horoscope of the Kaiser, is still under the direction of Moon opposition Jupiter, which disposes to excessive expenditures and wasteful misuse of means and ammunition.

The new Moon of January upholds the fortunes of Germany until the middle of this month. Then the portents change and are mainly adverse, the new Moon of the 14th being square to the Moon R.

The first day of the month brings Mercury opposition to Ascendant, and this will harass the Germans considerably and create much adverse criticism in the Empire. On the 2nd, Mars comes to the Midheaven for the day which is square to Saturn and Venus. This is an occasion for serious reverses except in naval affairs, wherein some effective attack is successful. The 4th brings Midheaven to square of Uranus, and the 7th shows Midheaven conjunction Neptune followed on the 8th by a transit of Mars over the Sun's place. From the 4th to the 9th will, therefore, be attended by marked reversals and a heavy toll of life resulting in the first place from British naval strategy and in the next by a strong Russian advance.

Russia.—Jupiter goes out of the sign of Russia on the 3rd. Hereafter, there is less cause to regard the Russian prospects as so fortunate, nor the campaign in the East as effectual as it has hitherto been.

The year is to be of one gigantic sea-fight such as the world has never seen before and probably will never see again, for the signifiers are met together in Cancer, traditional sign of the ocean, and Vulcan has reached his highest powers of expansion, and more will be blown out of the waters than ever came from the dockyard or will go back to it. The 13th is London's critical day, and from the 12th to the 18th are days of unusual excitement and public hazard. Alas, but St. Valentine has fallen on evil times!

France.—"Another month by 56 or 67 the Republic is touched to the quick and a great chill will strike into the heart of the people. The die is cast, the least possible, and next to nothing at all." *Que veut dire ça?*

Birthday Influences during February.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, * ♃. ♀, ♄ ♃ ♃. An evil year, losses, reversals, annoyances, but some benefits from friends. A child born on this day will be kind, popular, and clever.

2. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋. A good birthday for lawyers and divines. Disappointment and grief shown. A child born on this day will be clever, judicious, but careless and untidy.

3. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ☐ ♃, ☐ ♃. An evil year, indisposition, grief and losses. A child born on this day will be careless and untidy, poor spirited and not successful.

4. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, ♃, ♃, ♃. A successful year, changes, new work, journeys, and much progress. A child born on this day will be skilful, mechanical, inventive and popular.

5. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, ☐ ♃, ♃, * ♃. A successful year, social and financial benefits and promotion, some little annoyances. A child born on this day will be steady, reliable, popular, and fairly successful in life.

6. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ☐ ♃, ♃ — ♃ ♃, ♃. An evil year, losses, danger of accidents and disputes, reversals and annoyances, some benefits in business. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, but rash and hasty.

7. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ☐ ♃. An evil year, indisposition, bereavement, and troubles in employ. A child born on this day will be proud, hasty, weak spirited, and unfortunate in life.

8. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, ♃, * ♃, ♃ — ☐ ♃, ♃. A variable year, losses, annoyances, but changes, new work, and journeys. A child born on this day will be extravagant, sceptical, but skilful, energetic and inventive.

9. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ♃. A changeable year, benefits in business, but indisposition or bereavement. A child born on this day will be popular, but somewhat rash.

10. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ♃, ♃ ♃. A good year for marriage or courtship, with social and financial gains. A child born on this day will be kind, popular, affectionate, successful in business, and very clever.

11. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋. A quiet year, with slight gains and annoyances. A child born on this day will be somewhat unruly, but will have a quiet career.

12. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃. A variable and unsettled year, good for courtship and gain from friends. A child born will be kind, affectionate, but impressionable and unreliable.

13. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃. A very evil year, danger of accident, injury, reversals and disputes. A child born will be rash, hasty, erratic, and often in difficulties.

14. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃. A successful year, benefits in business,

changes, promotion, and success. A child born will be popular, steady, reliable, and successful.

15. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ♃ ♃. A variable year, promotion, changes, social gains, but danger of accidents. A child born will be honourable and reliable, clever, kind, affectionate.

16. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃, ☐ ♃. An unsettled year, indisposition or bereavement, and some changes. A child born will be impressionable, weak spirited, and not very lucky.

17. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ☐ ♃. An active year, with changes and journeys, but some disappointments. A child born will be clever, inventive, intuitive, but careless.

18. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, * ♃. Another active year, with success and changes in business affairs. A child born will be active, kind and popular, and fairly successful.

19. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, ☐ ♃, * ♃, ♃, ♃, ♃. A successful year, changes, journeys, success in business, financial gain, some personal danger. A child born will be clever, steady, reliable, generous, popular, and successful.

20. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ☐ ♃, ☐ ♃, ♃ ♃. A variable year, new friends, popularity, but danger of accidents, reversals, and indisposition. A child born will be kind, affectionate, and judicious, but hasty and rash.

21. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, * ♃. A successful year, changes, benefits in business, popularity and gain. A child born will be kind, clever, popular, and successful in life.

22. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, ☐ ♃, ♃, ♃, ♃ ♃. A very evil year for finance, health and business, much annoyance. A child born will be proud, unruly, extravagant, and unsuccessful.

23. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃. An active year, with changes and new work. A child born will be active, energetic, and successful.

24. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃ — ♃ ♃. A brilliant year, financial gains, new work, changes and promotion, probable bereavement. A child born will be clever, kind, active, popular, and very successful in life.

25. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋. A quiet year, with little annoyances. A child born will be successful, but have an uneventful life.

26. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃. An evil year, grief and disappointment, some success in business, deceit and indisposition. A child born will be clever, but careless and unreliable.

27. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃. An unsettled year, reversals and annoyances, some benefits from friends. A child born will be kind and affectionate, but erratic and unreliable.

28. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃. An evil year, danger of disputes, accidents, annoyances and scandle. A child born will be rash, hasty, unruly, and often involve in trouble.

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America and the War.

The attitude of the United States in connection with the war has brought us some queries as to whether they will enter the arena of conflict. The question is to my mind rather doubtful, for although at the Winter solstice the Sun and Mars are in the tenth house, the general indications of the map are not warlike. The power of the conjunction of Mars and Saturn in Gemini has not yet passed, but there does not appear any reason for the United States to participate in the present conflict. Should they do so, however, it will not be as the ally of Germany.

While on this subject I think it well to warn my readers to take the many questionable predictions which are appearing in American Journals *cum grano salis*. My attention has been specially called to the statements made by a Mrs. C. H. Thompson, one of which is to the effect that the Germans are the most advanced of the

nations of the earth, and that the Kaiser is really the promoter of the new age and therefore God sent, and his name will go down in history when other Kings are forgotten. If the promoting of the new age is to be commenced by the murder of babies, the killing and maiming of the young and helpless, and the outraging of girls and women, then we can only express our extreme disgust that such a statement (O! the shame of it!) should emanate from a woman.

The Prenatal Epoch.

In the letter of Raphael which appeared in the January issue, occurs the following statement. "On page 22 a quotation is given from my Ephemeris for 1903. What purpose it is intended to prove I do not see, except that the method of calculating the epoch then was different to what it is now." It will interest my readers to know that apart from certain developments of the epochal theory which have greatly extended its scope and utility, the method of computing the epoch is exactly the same now as it was in 1903.

Notable Personages of the War.

The King of Saxony.—Born May 25th, 1865. The Sun is now applying to the

square of Saturn, and in 1916 the Moon will meet the square of the Sun and the opposition of Saturn. By converse direction, Mercury and Mars are in square, and in 1916 the Moon will be in square to Mercury and conjunction with Mars. All these influences are portents of disaster.

Prince George of Saxony.—Born January 15th, 1893. The Sun has progressed to Aquarius 17, and the conjunction of Mars and Uranus falls thereon, and Uranus transits the point later in 1916. The indications here are also adverse.

Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria.—Born May 18th, 1869. He was born with the Sun in square to Mars, and the Moon in square to the Sun and conjunction with Mars, indications of a violent death. He has the Sun applying to the conjunction of Uranus, and the conjunction of Mars and Saturn in September next falls on the progressed Sun. The Sun is also in parallel with Uranus. By converse direction, the Sun is in square to Uranus and parallel with Neptune. Here again are portents of grave disaster.

The New Moon.

The New Moon of March 15th falls in the sixth house in square to Saturn. It denotes some disasters to warships, and bad news from the colonies. It falls on Mars in the Kaiser's horoscope, but in trine to his Moon, which is somewhat indicative of a naval success. Death will strike people of high position, and some notable lady of the land will pass away. Scandals are threatened in high life, and the Government will have many complications to deal with. The Spy peril is likely to assume some proportions. Financial troubles are shown, and some heavy losses to the Exchequer.

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Astronomical Phenomena

MARCH, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	1st	...	6h. 33m. after.
Last Quarter,	8th	...	0h. 28m. after.
New Moon,	15th	...	7h. 42m. after.
First Quarter,	23rd	...	10h. 48m. after.
Full Moon,	31st	...	5h. 38m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Pisces, enters Aries on the 21st at 4.51 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Aquarius, enters Pisces on the 19th, in conjunction with Mars on 2nd and Jupiter on the 30th.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Capricorn, enters Aquarius on 6th, conjunction Uranus on the 18th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Aquarius, enters Pisces on the 9th, conjunction Jupiter on the 24th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Pisces all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Gemini.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer all the month.
- ♁. The following table gives the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries ...	16, 17, 18	Libra ...	3, 4, 31
Taurus ...	19, 20	Scorpio ...	5, 6
Gemini ...	21, 22, 23	Sagittarius	7, 8
Cancer ...	24, 25	Capricorn	9, 10, 11
Leo ...	26, 27	Aquarius...	12, 13
Virgo 1, 2, 28, 29, 30		Pisces ...	14, 15

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with high winds, rain and fog 4th and 5th, variable to the 10th; change 11th; turning to cold with snow or rain 17th; damp 18th; unsettled for some days. High winds about 24th, finer at end.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

The End of the War.

So, then, we are going to make an end of the war by July. This is not official, but it is reliable information which comes from "down the street." Not Downing Street. Oh, no. The Official Prophet has not yet got an appointment. But it has been several times affirmed by newspaper writers that on an economic basis alone Germany will be beaten by the summer or autumn at latest, and by a strange coincidence of opinion though not of view-point, the same statement has been made by several students of astrology and other prognosticators, among whom Me. de Thèbes is perhaps the best known. The opinion, however, is by no means general among astrologers, and many press writers are obviously shy of committing themselves to any definite statement on the point. It may, therefore, be well if at this stage we review the grounds for the prognostic.

The Economic Factor.

Great Britain buys three-quarters of her food-stuffs from abroad, and she has command of the high seas sufficiently to secure the regular shipment of these supplies to her markets. On the other hand, the Government has allowed both shippers and merchants to exploit the public and rush prices up to almost famine figures. This infers a large debit, which has to be met from the industrial profits of the country, now greatly reduced by increased cost of material, deficiency of workers, and the enhanced price of money. The national credit is unsurpassed, and the financial position perfectly secure for some time to come. But it will be seen that our whole security depends solely on our undisputed command of the seas. This has not yet been contested. Germany, on the other hand, is short of certain war materials, and until the harvesting of the next crop in August, is moderately short of bread-stuffs.

She has, however, grappled with the economic factor from the outset and the Government has very wisely taken over the entire available food supplies of the country. Germany only bought one quarter of its comestibles from abroad before the war, and is buying less because of the increased difficulty of importation. Practically the country is self-supporting and the money remains in the country. Economically Germany is better situated than Great Britain. Financially, however, it is quite the reverse, as the flotation of various war-loans has proved. Consequently, I doubt if Germany will ever be starved out. She will be played out because we can put down two pieces of gold to her one. That she is not easily to be reduced by force of arms is evident.

Fleet and Army.

The naval effective of our enemy is an unproved quantity. An engagement *en masse* has not been attempted, and the untried German navy has so far only succeeded in preventing a direct attack upon her coast. Wherever units have been engaged the superiority of our Fleet has been conspicuous. There are obvious strategic reasons why Germany should hold its navy in reserve and avoid all possible risks from minor engagement. It must be her last card. Then, so far as her land forces are concerned, it has been shown that her losses have been ten times greater than ours, which necessarily follows from the fact that she is fighting simultaneously upon two fronts and also sustaining Austria-Hungary on a third. On the other hand, she has been effective far beyond her own borders, which remain practically unbroken. How long she can continue to reinforce her army depends very largely on the course of events during the next few months, and finally upon what she is able to do with her navy. There is no doubt whatever that the Allies will make

things very busy for her in both directions before April next.

Astrological Views.

A great deal of value has been set upon the operation in the King's horoscope of a benefic direction of the Moon to the planet Jupiter. The first aspect is a parallel of Moon to Jupiter in January, 1915, and the last is Moon conj. Jupiter in zodiac, July, 1915, with an intervening square aspect of Sun to Jupiter. I have already expressed myself to be justifiably suspicious of these so-called Primary directions. None were found adequate for the beginning of the War, which from this system was not signalled at all. The Kaiser's horoscope shows only two directions during 1915, and these happen in January and February, after which the heavens refuse to signal. Moreover, these two directions are to some extent ruled out of court from the circumstance that they have no precedent, being in fact directions of promissors to promissors instead of Significators. Here there is an entire abandonment of all the orthodox rules of astrological calculation upon which "Zadkiel" has hitherto lain such great stress. The only direction that looks at all hopeful of pacific results is that of Venus to conjunction Midheaven in the horoscope of the Tsar of Russia, a direction which measures to September, 1915.

Mr. Heald, the exponent of Chromoscopy, says the war will end in March, that is, this month. But as his antecedent predictions since the war began have proved faulty there is not much reliance to be placed upon it. I can get plenty of pros and cons but no definite prediction from other astrologers and, consequently, I am left to my own resources. Here, then, is a definite expression of opinion which, while binding in no sense upon any other astrologer, still less upon the science itself, of which I am only a humble exponent, will lend itself to discussion by all who have opinions to voice or new theories to advance. It takes the form of a letter which was acknowledged by *The Express* and unfortunately crowded out owing to the prevalence of war news.

A Definite Prediction.

To the Editor of *The Express*.

ASTROLOGY AND THE WAR.

SIR,—I have read your excerpt from the *Dépêche de Lyon* in which you refer to the view of M. Ch. Barlet on the duration of the War. I have been closely associated with public exposition of astrology for over 30 years and have never yet heard of this French "astrologer of great repute." The defect may, however, be entirely mine. I observe, however, that he agrees to within a few months with Me. De Thèbes, whose Almanack is well known on the Continent, and who fixes the termination of the war, with all the attendant rejoicings and reconstructions in July, 1915. I am not in agreement with either of these writers, as is well known from my various publications since the outbreak of the war. I say neither this year nor next will see the termination of this war against War. The year 1915 is one of great Naval operations, especially around Holland. It will be a year of droughts, of great conflagrations, of terrible earthquakes and of religious animosity. The year 1916 will witness the crisis of the war fever and will be the greatest of all war years and an apotheosis of Mars. The year 1917 will crown the Allies with victory. The eclipse of the Hohenzollerns will be complete in April, 1918. But the war will be virtually over in August, 1917, having lasted three years. The year 1918 will witness the destruction of Capitals and the founding of others that are new or newly revived. Thus, Lyons will become greater in the near future than it has been since the year 1560, and Warsaw will revive the Order of the "White Eagle" as in days of old. Holland will shortly be drawn into the vortex and Amsterdam will suffer great hurt. The year 1918 will undoubtedly be the year of Peace, but the reverberations of the great conflict will be heard among the citadels of Europe until the year 1930, when the Great Peace will begin, and the arts and industries will again flourish. Nine years before then, however, the Ottoman Empire will have been transferred to the other side of the Bosphorus, its centre being at Smyrna. Finally, as 1915 will be one of attack on the part of Germany, 1916 will be altogether one of defence, and 1917 one of defeat. This is the astrological view of a constitutional optimist, and although I do not think that I am under-estimating the enemy's power of isolated defence, I trust I am not exaggerating it.

I am, etc.,

London. January 11th, 1915.

SEPHARIAL.

To this I may add that the rising of Venus in the sign Libra in the horoscope of the year current, which happens in the interval between the 21st of June and 22nd of July, may bring Peace talk, but I do not regard it as finally effective until it becomes the ruler of the year in 1918, when it will dominate every situation and circumstance. At the

present time it is subsidiary to the influences already specified.

Celestial Pointers.

Enquiry as to the basis of the calculations will show that although in 1916 Saturn transits the horoscope of the Kaiser in Cancer 20°, and may very well produce a financial crisis in Germany, it is not until 1917 that Saturn enters the sign Leo and confirms its radical import by again opposing the Sun. At that time Neptune begins to add its influence from the same sign, disaster and chaos waiting upon one another for the final subjugation of the great enemy of our common brotherhood. In 1916 there is an eclipse of the Sun in 6° of Leo, which falls exactly on the Midheaven of the Germanic horoscope, *i.e.*, the horoscope of the Dynasty of the Hohenzollerns, and which is followed by transits of the major planets Neptune and Saturn. This eclipse is absolutely final, as much so as those which preceded and indicated the fall of the Babylonian Empire. But I confess that I see nothing that is indicative of a signed Peace between the belligerents in any of the mundane horoscopes at the Quarterly Ingresses. I do not lay great value upon the meridian position of Venus by direction in the Tsar's horoscope, as the planet is so severely afflicted by the conjunction of Uranus and the quadrature of Jupiter, Moon and Neptune in the Radix. I am of opinion also that the Kaiser's horoscope stands for considerable success in maritime affairs, as both Mars and Neptune are in the Midheaven in a watery sign, and in trine aspect to Moon, also in a watery sign. When Jupiter passes through the last decanate of Pisces in the period between May 1st and January next, this potential of the horoscope will come into play, though undoubtedly the simultaneous transit of Saturn over the Ascendant is a strong modifying factor, and but for the transit of Neptune in trine aspect to Jupiter, I should be disposed to predict a difficult and indeed a fatal turn in the tide against Germany. As things are I am bound to say that the radical import of the horoscope is strongly favoured at the very time that most astrologers are predicting

a termination of the war, namely in July next. Germany will not attempt to capitulate until she is either starved out of war material or has been crushed beyond hope of recovery. Nor shall we seek Peace until these things be.

Nature's Frightfulness.

All the apparently cruel things in the world are not of man's invention. Nature, that jealous mother of us all, in whose warm lap humanity has been nurtured these many ages past, can be as frightful as the most besotted Hun. And yet, "so careful of the type she seems, so careless of the single life," that whereas she has lent herself and all her powers to the welfare and service of the race, she counts it not a waste of life and substance that some twenty-two thousand humans should meet their end suddenly and in the space of only eight seconds because it pleases her to shake her hide. And in truth there is neither waste of life nor substance, for she is the producer and sustainer of all living forms, and what we take from her in one way we must render in another. But it is very frightful. Fortunately for us nature is not prodigal of her huge strength. For if she did but continue her quakings for only one day, she would in that time account for some four and a half millions of human lives! Finally, she only asks to be understood and used by us, and the problem of our own safety is a matter that rather concerns us as individuals than it does the mother of millions.

Austria's Downfall.

Elsewhere will be found two interesting studies in brief which have particular point at the present time, and in view of the predicted collapse of the House of Hapsburg it is not surprising that the latest innovation should be altogether in terms of what we already know concerning the ill-starred Emperor. There are certain signs that cannot be mistaken and which, whenever seen, point unmistakably to ruin and disaster. Such signs are dominating the horoscope of Austria at the present time, and already the hour is approaching when Hungary will reassert its independence and Austria will

retire from the field of war broken in fortunes and wasted in life, so that it will become an easy prey for the croaking vultures of its own generation.

Nothing English.

Among American "astrologists," as they call themselves, since common English is out of date, there is none more pessimistic concerning everything British than that poor patriot and worse astrologer who writes in the *Globe* (U.S.A.) of 8th November last concerning the horoscope of King George. According to this fire-eating daughter of Jeremiah, we are all going to the bottom of the sea, or if we escape that we shall be thoroughly trounced by Germany, and the end of the war will see us in arms against those very ideals for which we are now fighting. She fairly gloats over the domestic affairs of the English Court, and shows herself nothing but an opportunist in that she speaks of things of which she has no first-hand knowledge, and puts the worst possible construction upon them. But she has her own ideals, and the Kaiser comes close up to the best of them, and this being the case we have no need to say more, save that none could do astrology a worse service than to misrepresent its teachings as does she.

The Golden Key.

Many readers of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY have come to the erroneous conclusion that this work is in the nature of a publication similar to the "Silver Key," and have consequently addressed letters regarding it to my publishers. I should therefore explain that it is a private issue, sold under private agreement which precludes publication or resale. My publishers are in no way responsible either for its production or its contents, nor have they any financial interest in it. From time to time I have studied to solve some of the more intricate problems of common interest, and especially such as are apparently governed by what we call "chance." The discovery has been in the nature of an evolution, and step by step I have pursued the enquiry until I have

arrived at a conclusion which gives the highest possible frequency of successful results with the least possible amount of labour. And in effect it is claimed that no other method has anything like the same show of success. To be infallible would entail the use of some six or seven factors and an intuitive knowledge of which among them is dominant. I have worked on an average of actual results over a number of successive years and have elected to employ only one factor and that invariably, this factor being the one that yields the highest frequency of correct results. Owing to the war stress I have reduced the price to one half, so that anybody employing the 1915 code will be using the very latest expression of this system at the least possible cost. To all those who hold former issues the price is only one quarter of that originally paid. The 1915 formularies applied to the records of 1914 show no less than 105 points net gain in the course of the first week, and a close run of 12 out of 18 of the principal events at that period. These runs are periodically repeated with small variations and are apparently all controlled from a single source.

THE GOLDEN KEY

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Weather Forecasting.

By C. SHERBURN.

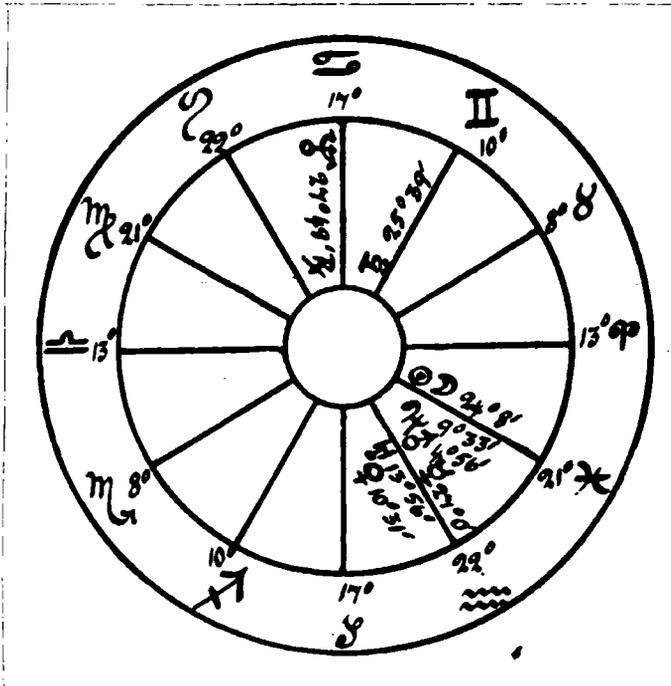
VERY little progress seems to have been made by astrologers in regard to weather forecasting during the last few years. Those who have checked the "Weather Predictions" in the Almanacs day by day will agree that the science of astrometeorology, although ahead of meteorology in some respects, has by no means reached a stage at which it can prove of real use to the average person. By its means great storms are predicted with a tolerable degree of accuracy, but such occur comparatively seldom, and although marines, farmers, etc., are glad to be prepared for them, it is about the weather week by week and day by day that the average John Bull and his wife would be pleased to receive a little reliable information.

I think the excuse, often made, that while the Meteorological Office has the telegraph, telephone, etc., etc., at its disposal to aid it in its forecasts, we have only the planetary positions from which to make our prognostications, to be a rather poor one, for whether we regard the planets as symbols or forces it is not unreasonable to expect astrology to yield as good results when applied to the weather problem as in the case when the astral searchlight is turned upon the individual and the nation. Before we smile at the laboured efforts of the Meteorological

Office, we should do well to endeavour to discover the reason for our own lack of success so far as the weather is concerned.

In my opinion, the failure of present-day astrologers to make reliable predictions of the weather day by day is due largely to the fact that they pay too much attention to individual inter-planetary aspects, and too little to the luminaries, their configurations,

and the positions of the planets, etc., at the time of such configurations. The Sun and Moon are naturally the chief signifiers in regard to the weather, the former generally and the latter particularly, and it is not, therefore, illogical to assume that the weather following their conjunctions, squares, and oppositions will partake of the nature of the state of the heavens at the



moment of said aspects, to a certain degree.

Two or three years ago, I contributed an article to this magazine in which I stated that no inter-planetary aspect could take effect upon the weather until aspected by one of the luminaries. At the same time I suggested that Almanac Editors would find a more reliable working basis for weather forecasts in the New Moon Figures. Recent experiments, however, have necessitated an extension of those theories, and the following system will be found to give better results. I do not bring this method forward as a

perfect one, but as a foundation, for more searching investigation into the effects of Solar and Lunar action upon the weather:—

Firstly, before daily forecasts can be attempted, the general character of the weather for the month must be determined, and this is to be seen from the Chart of Heavens for the time of the New Moon. This figure is of the greatest importance in astro-meteorological forecasting, as in it the luminaries are conjoined, those great positive and negative forces in nature, therefore, receiving the same aspects and being similarly posited zodiacally and by house.

Secondly, the character of the weather for each week in said lunar month must be enquired into, and to this end figures for the times of the four phases of the Moon must be erected. The figure for the New Moon will show the weather for the first week, in addition to the general weather for the month. The figure for the square aspect of the luminaries (first quarter Moon) will do likewise for the second week. The opposition figure will indicate the type of weather during the third week, and the character of the weather for the fourth week will be seen from the square aspect figure (last quarter Moon). The planetary positions at the times of the last three phases are subordinate in significance to those at the time of the New Moon. Thus, if the indications in the New Moon Figure are very bad, and give a prospect of a very rainy month, it would be useless to predict a week of very fine weather from a favourable state of the heavens at the time of the first quarter Moon. If, however, the New Moon Figures indicated some bad weather and some fine weather, the latter would come to pass when any of the subsequent phases contained favourable indications.

A Chart of the Heavens at the time of the New Moon of March 15th, 1915, viz:— 7.43 p.m., will be found on the preceding page, and in the next issue I propose to explain this system more fully, referring to this chart and those of the phases following, and showing the method of forecasting the weather *day by day*.

(To be Continued.)

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

MARCH, 1915.

1	6 ♃ 18	A variable day. Do nothing important.
2	20 21	Avoid disputes. Visit friends p.m., but safeguard health.
3	4 ♌ 38	A changeable day. Act discreetly in all things.
4	19 4	Travel, push business, deal with lawyers a.m. Evil rest of day.
5	3 ♍ 34	Act carefully a.m. Visit friends and ask favours in evening.
6	18 2	An unsettled day. Avoid wrangling and safeguard health.
7	2 ♃ 24	<i>Sunday</i> . Study and contemplate.
8	16 35	A variable day. Travel p.m.
9	0 ♄ 35	Travel and change, but avoid disputes.
10	14 22	A good day for business; ask favours, avoid wrangling.
11	27 56	An unpleasant day. Avoid deception, safeguard health.
12	11 ♍ 18	An unsettled day. Attend to ordinary duties.
13	24 26	Travel, change, seek work, ask favours of elders.
14	7 ♃ 22	<i>Sunday</i> . Visit friends p.m.
15	20 6	An evil day. Act discreetly, safeguard health.
16	2 ♃ 38	A good day for business. Ask favours of superiors.
17	14 59	An evil day for all things. Safeguard health.
18	27 10	Travel, ask favours, write letters, visit friends.
19	9 ♃ 11	Travel, push business, ask favours, seek work before 4 p.m.
20	21 7	An evil day. Do nothing important. Act discreetly.
21	2 ♀ 59	<i>Sunday</i> . Visit friends. Study and reflect.
22	14 51	Travel a.m. Visit friends and amusements p.m.
23	26 48	A very evil day. Safeguard health and act discreetly.
24	8 ♄ 55	Travel, change, start new work, ask favours, seek employment.
25	21 16	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
26	3 ♄ 55	A variable day. Attend to business, but act discreetly.
27	16 58	An evil day for all things. Do nothing important.
28	0 ♃ 27	<i>Sunday</i> . Study and contemplate. Visit friends in the evening.
29	14 21	A very evil day. Act most carefully in all things.
30	28 41	A variable and uncertain day. Do nothing important.
31	13 ♌ 21	Attend to correspondence a.m. Travel p.m.

The Fortunes of War: March, 1915.

By SEPHARIAL.

DURING the course of the present month there are some striking astral indications to which we have only to refer in order that the student may see their great significance. The month appears likely to produce events of the most remarkable nature, and indeed to afford landmarks in the vast arena of war which will become historical.

1. At the end of February, Saturn becomes *stationary* in opposition to the Ascendant of the horoscope for the Great Conjunction taken on the horizon of London. This point of the zodiac is also the progressed Ascdt. of the Royal Horoscope for 1915, and therefore we make interpretation in terms of the progressed position of Saturn in the 5th House. Our enemies will be active, dangerous and hurtful, to the extent that the weight in the balance is against us. Our coast line will be endangered, for Saturn is now in the 3rd of the radical horoscope.

2. The eclipse of the Sun, which took place in Aquarius 24, on the 14th of February, is now brought into evidence by the transit of Mars and Mercury, a particularly violent configuration, on the 2nd of this month. The early days of this month, therefore, will be productive of great explosions, assaults and frenzied actions on the part of the enemy. And these violent operations will not be ineffectual, for at the time of the eclipse referred to Saturn was just setting.

3. In the region of the Black Sea, the eclipse was on the Ascendant, and the conjunction of Mars and Mercury will therefore fall on the same place. In the Eastern arena, therefore, we may expect some exceptional display of subtle violence. Russia is not favoured by this eclipse, nor by the transit of Uranus through its ruling sign. And even as I predicted, no sooner had Jupiter left the sign Aquarius than the strategy of von Hindenburg proved effective in East Prussia, and the Grand Duke Nicho-

las met with the first real mishap in his campaign. Among other evils indicated by the eclipse, we shall soon hear of earthquake disasters in the region of Lake Baikal, for there the eclipse is on the midheaven, while Saturn is exactly rising.

4. The opposition of Mars to the progressed Ascendant of the Kaiser, will create for him a disaster about the end of the first week in March.

5. The eclipse of February 14th, and the transit of the place of the eclipse by the conjoined planets Mars and Mercury, all in direct opposition to the Moon in the horoscope of the Austrian Emperor, will now put the fortunes of that monarch to the touch, and it would not be surprising if a serious seizure were to put an end to his existence. At least, he can hope for nothing but sudden alarms, and violent reactions.

6. The New Moon of March 15th falls on the place of Neptune in the Kaiser's horoscope, and this planet being well aspected at birth, the issue during the next month, *i.e.* from March 15th to April 14th, will be mainly beneficial. The same lunation falls in square aspect to Jupiter in our Royal horoscope, and is indicative of heavy expenditure and disbursements to foreign parts. The transits already cited are of greater significance and should be chiefly regarded. There is little doubt that for the Germans, at all events, the month will prove one of exceptional naval activity, and an attempt to grasp the trident will give rise to historic incidents on the high seas.

7. It would appear that the conjunction of Mars and Uranus on the meridian of London has resolved itself into an organised blockade of all neutral shipping, and, of course, of everything British. Those who have read my pamphlet, "An Astrological Survey of the Great War," will have noted that on page 12 great stress is laid upon the turn of Russia's fortunes in February, when Jupiter passed out of Aquarius.

The German Royal Family.

A SKETCH OF THE HOROSCOPES OF THE KAISER'S SONS.

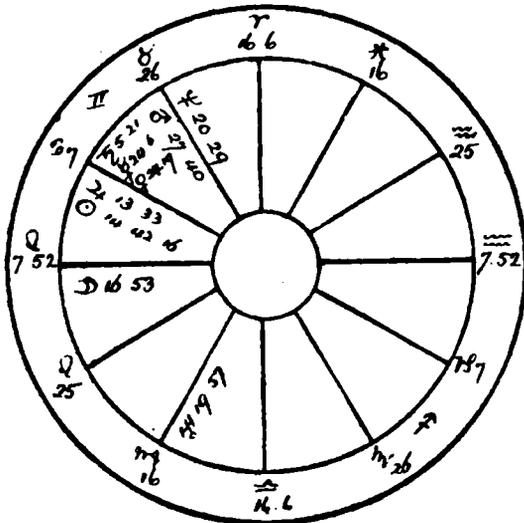
By E. H. BAILEY.

(Continued from page 92.)

Prince Eitel Friedrich.

The second son of the Kaiser was born at Potsdam on July 7th, 1883, at 6 a.m., with the beginning of the sign Leo rising. The rectified horoscope appears below.

The Sun, ruler of the horoscope, rises in Cancer, conjoined with Jupiter and sextile to Uranus. The Moon, hyleg, applies to the square of Neptune, which is in conjunction



with Mars on the cusp of the eleventh house. Saturn is also in the eleventh, less than 8° from the conjunction with Mars. This affliction of the eleventh house, and Mars ruler of the fifth, is again strongly shown.

By direction the Sun is in parallel with Neptune R. and P., and Mars has just left the parallel of the radical Sun. The Moon, by primary direction, will now be close to the square of Saturn, zod.d Mars and Uranus will also be in square aspect. By converse direction, Venus will be in square to the radical Moon, and Mars will be in square to the radical ascendant.

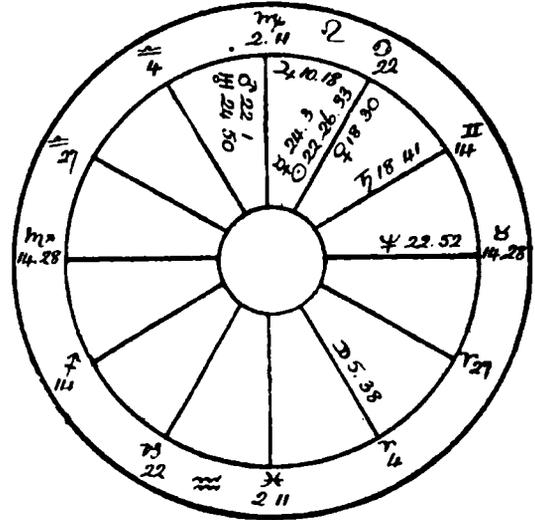
From the prenatal epoch the following arcs will be in operation :

- ☉ P. par ♃ R. and P.
- ☉ P. ♄ 4 P.
- ☉ P. ♃ ♄ R. and P.
- ♄ P. ♃ ♃ R. and P.

The full force of the directions does not appear to act until 1917-18.

Prince Adalbert.

This Prince was born at Potsdam on July 14th, 1884, at 2.45 p.m. Scorpio 14.28 rises in the rectified map, and Mars and Uranus—



the former ruler of the fifth—in conjunction and square to Saturn. The Sun is well aspected by Venus, Mars, Uranus, and Neptune, but has the exact parallel of Saturn. The Moon has the parallel of Mars, semi-square of Neptune, but trine of Jupiter.

By direction we find the meridian approaching the opposition of the Moon, and due at the end of 1915. The Sun is within 1° of the square of Neptune, and in the early days of 1915 the Moon is square Sun, conjunction Neptune. Mars is just past the parallel of the radical Moon.

By converse direction, the ascendant has reached the square of Mercury, ruler of the eighth and tenth, and applies to square of

the Sun R. The Sun is in square to Uranus R. and P., and within 2° of the square of Mars R., while the latter planet has reached the parallel of the radical M.C.

From the epoch the following directions are shown :

Sun P. opposition Saturn R.
Asc. P. conjunction Saturn P.

M.C. P. opposition Jupiter R.

Asc. P. conjunction Saturn R.

The last two are due in 1916-17.

By converse directions from the epoch, Mars has reached the place of the Sun at birth, and the Sun the opposition of the birth Moon, and the parallel of the birth Saturn.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

IN order to show how the planets form directions to the midheaven and ascendant, students must first understand that they move round the map in the same manner as the Sun appears to move in the heavens.

Take a planet exactly rising. Its meridian distance is then equal to its semi-arc. By the rotation of the earth it rises up to the twelfth cusp, which is two-thirds of its distance from the midheaven. Two-thirds of its semi-arc subtracted from its meridian distance will show how far the planet has travelled since rising. It then goes on to the eleventh cusp, the second part of its journey, and it will then be one-third of its distance from the midheaven. One-third of its semi-arc subtracted from its meridian distance will show the distance it has travelled. It then covers the last third of its journey and reaches the tenth cusp. The meridian distance of the planet will show how far it has travelled since rising.

As a more practical illustration, take Saturn in the example horoscope. It is found just above the ascendant. To find a planet's distance from the ascendant subtract its meridian distance from its semi-arc.

From the speculum it will be seen that the S.A. of Saturn is $74^\circ 3'$ and the meridian distance $70^\circ 47'$, the difference, $3^\circ 16'$, being the distance of Saturn above the ascendant.

Now, as the distance from the ascendant to the twelfth cusp is one-third of the distance from the ascendant to the meridian, it will be equal to one-third of the planet's semi-arc, or $24^\circ 41'$. But as Saturn is already

$3^\circ 16'$ above the ascendant its distance from the twelfth cusp will be $24^\circ 41' - 3^\circ 16' = 21^\circ 25'$. Turning to the table (page 79), it will be seen that a planet on the twelfth cusp is in sextile to the M.C., and as Saturn is moving towards the twelfth cusp it is a direct direction. It is therefore written :—

M.C. * $\frac{1}{2}$, *modo direct* (or m.d.) $21^\circ 25'$.

Reference to the table (page 79) will show that the next direction Saturn makes is a semi-square to both meridian and ascendant, and to form these the planet must be half way between the 11th and 12th cusps. This is exactly half way between the ascendant and midheaven, and therefore equal to half a semi-arc. Half of Saturn's semi-arc, $74^\circ 3' = 37^\circ 1\frac{1}{2}'$, less the $3^\circ 16'$ as before, yields $33^\circ 45\frac{1}{2}'$, and this is termed :—

M.C. or Asc. $\angle \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. $33^\circ 45\frac{1}{2}'$.

The next direction is that of sextile to the ascendant formed on the cusp of the 11th house. Saturn having to pass through two houses, two-thirds of its semi-arc are taken = $49^\circ 22'$, and subtracting the $3^\circ 16'$ as before, $46^\circ 6'$ is obtained, which is noted down as :—

Asc. * $\frac{1}{2}$ m.d. $46^\circ 6'$.

The next direction is the conjunction of Saturn with the midheaven. Here the whole of the semi-arc is taken, less the $3^\circ 16'$, making as the arc of direction, M.C. $\circ \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. $70^\circ 47'$. It will be observed that this arc is equal to the planet's meridian distance.

These directions are usually worked by means of the planet's meridian distance and semi-arc, but I have adopted the plan above in order to show the apparent motion of the planet Saturn in the map.

Studies in Brief.

The Emperor of Austria.

The remarkable and almost unique tragedy of this aged ruler's career, which is fast drawing to a close, makes it of interest to students to review some of the leading features of the horoscope under which he took birth on August 18th, 1830.

The second degree of the sign Libra was rising in direct opposition to Mars in Aries 2. This striking position is indicative of powerful and effective adversaries, disastrous and unfortunate alliances, and the sudden death of the wife. Venus in the tenth house in opposition to Neptune is an index of susceptibility to the machinations of women in position who will dominate the life, and most probably undermine the prestige. But the most prominent position is that of Saturn, Moon, and Sun all in conjunction in the sign Leo (third decanate), which denotes unfortunate alliances and dangerous associations. The Sun is not hyleg, and this accounts for the prolongation of life, despite the serious affliction of the luminaries. The Ascendant, which holds the vital prerogative, is afflicted by the direct opposition of Mars, and the end is sure to be sudden when it comes, though with Jupiter in the fourth house there is no reason why it should not be due to natural causes, most probably syncope.

At eighty-five years of age the planet Saturn is coming to the semi-square aspect of the Ascendant by solar motion, and the solar eclipse of February, 1915, falls in direct opposition to the conjoined luminaries and Saturn. By direction of the Midheaven the planet Mars is coming to the opposition, while Saturn is in transit through Cancer, and therefore in transit through the Midheaven, passing the radical Midheaven in May, 1915, when Jupiter will also be close to the opposition of the progressed Midheaven by transit. Hence we may expect a crisis in March and a capitulation in May.

For in the course of this month Mars will transit the place of the eclipse in opposition to the radical luminaries. The Emperor would be wisely advised not to find more cannon-fodder for the Prussians.

The Austrian Succession.

Karl Francis Joseph, who is the heir-apparent in place of the late assassinated Archduke Franz Ferdinand, was born on August 17th, 1887, at about 8.30 a.m. local time, at Schoenbrunn. As in the Austrian Emperor's horoscope, the sign Libra is rising and exactly the same degree, the exact Ascendant being Libra 2° 3' with Cancer 2° 38' on the Midheaven. Consequently, the Prince will come under exactly the same meridian and Ascendant transits as affect the royal horoscope. The horoscope shows a remarkable satellium in the sign Cancer, namely, Mars in 23, the Moon in 28, and Saturn in 29 degrees, respectively. This is extremely violent, and the Moon being hyleg there is no question as to the probability of a violent death. The House of Hapsburg seems fated to be blotted out root and branch that a whole nation may be liberated from a dynasty whose domestic life has been sullied by such startling tragedies and whose imperial policy has been suffered to fall into the ruthless and unscrupulous hands of a tyrannous bureaucracy. The Sun in the 24th degree of the sign Aquarius meets with ecliptic conjunction on Feb. 14th, 1915, and thence will proceed the evils that at the present time are looming large in the history of the Austrian succession. For the Sun, after 28 years, has come to the place of Mars in the radix, and will be in conjunction with the radical Saturn and Moon from 5 to 6 years later, when Saturn will be in transit over the radical place of the Moon, the progressed Sun and its own place. This eclipse will be the beginning of the end, and Saturn will do the sweeping in 1919. It is obvious to any

student that the emoluments of office represented by the malefics in the eleventh house will be practically nil.

This also appears conspicuously in the horoscope of the infant son whose birth took place on Sunday, February 7th, 1915, at 10 p.m. local time, at Schoenbrunn, the Right Ascension of the Midheaven being 7h. 7m. 24s. This gives Cancer 16 on the Midheaven and the 12th of Libra rising. Mars, Uranus and the Sun are in the sign Aquarius in the lower angle, and Neptune in the tenth. But with Jupiter in the fifth house in sextile to Venus it is extremely probable that the third generation will be born more fortunately, and that the heirs of this child, should he survive and marry, as appears likely, will restore the fortunes of the

ancient dynasty. But the point is that the Sun in this horoscope will have progressed to the opposition of his father's Sun at the time when Saturn makes his transit through the end of Leo, following that of Uranus through the end of Aquarius. This year is 1919, when Austria will ask for pledges that its ruler cannot give. The interlocking of three horoscopes under the ascension of the sign Libra, that ruling Austria, is a remarkable feature, and one that will hardly escape the notice of attentive students. I may here add that the forthcoming conjunction of Mars and Saturn in the sign Cancer falls directly on the Midheaven of this infant's horoscope, and plainly points to a dangerous climax involving the whole of the Hapsburg succession.

Astrology in the Nursery. IF BABY IS BORN IN MARCH.

OUR sketch for this month includes all those children born while the Sun is passing through the sign Pisces, covering all dates from February 19th to March 20th.

Those of our little olive branches born during this period are of a very quiet nature. easily brought to tears, patient, submissive and gentle. They are very sensitive, their feelings are easily wounded, and nothing hurts the development of the natures more than snubbing, and parents will find that by gentle persuasion, and by appealing to their emotions and fancies, they will soon make these little ones understand what is right and wrong.

They will be very much attached to others, and readily take advice and act upon it, but they are changeful and imaginative, somewhat desponding, and rarely self-reliant, always looking to others to lead and control.

The worst side of their nature is indolence and indifference, and every care should be taken to check these faults in early life. Parents should also be careful to see that they associate with pure-minded children,

for they are very mediumistic, and easily absorb the magnetism of others. It is essential in babyhood that they should have kind and clean nurses, and receive proper attention in the matter of clothing, etc.

These little children are not particularly strong in early years, and careful attention is required in diet, as the digestive organs are easily upset. The lungs are also weak organs, and cold or chill will soon bring on pulmonary disorders. Parents should see that these little ones are well shod, for wet feet are the cause of most of their ailments. They should never be allowed to worry or despond, and should also be taught the value of cleanliness.

Generally speaking, these little olive branches are difficult to understand. They possess a peculiar knowledge of their own, and may frequently be summed up in the old saw "still waters run deep." They like to investigate what is going on around, are sensitive and secretive, fond of detail, and like being in the company of others of their own age, and are fond of making others happy and comfortable.

The War: An Astrological Analysis.

By JAMES HARVEY.

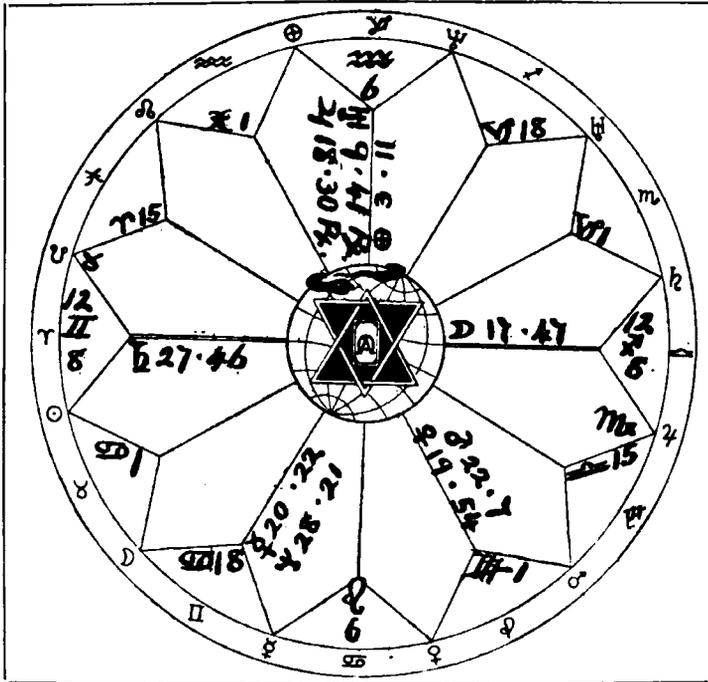
THE fierce glare of war is upon the earth, and mankind are cast in bloody strife on a vast field of carnage, steel and flame. The seers and prophets have spoken as to the end and outcome of the colossal struggle: when the sweet Sun of peace shall rise over the desolation of mighty battle, adorning with its benign light the new heaven and the new earth. Many are those who speak with confident tongue and certain opinions on this gory wassail of the nations: assuming the mien of wisdom and of light to hide their kenless souls, which are groping in the gloom of speculation and ignorance, from the eyes of men. And with all the expert diplomacy and wisdom of government, the unexpected has taken place and the legions of hell and darkness have been let loose on those who were dreaming of peace.

Amongst the many theories as to the cause of the war, that coming from Mr. Sinnet in the *Vahan* is extravagant, unique and most grotesque in its explanation to the world in general. Yet, although of a very uncommon kind, it may nevertheless be terribly true; from the very fact that the explanation is of a most extraordinary and rare nature.

Mr. Sinnet professes to have had "communications" made to him at different periods

from 1911 to 1913 regarding the present war. He was told that Bismarck was working on the German Emperor and obsessing him with the belief that it was the Divine Will that Germany should rule Western Europe. The war was to be "short, sharp and terrible." At first, a successful invasion of Great Britain was foretold, but the Balkan War apparently served to use up some of the

bad forces at work, and the White Lodge were successful in postponing the outbreak of war till a time when the danger of invasion seemed practically over. . . . The German Emperor had been "shown" the end of the war—Germany triumphant. But it was the Black Powers who had granted him this vision, "that he might be their more effective tool."



This, from an occult standpoint is thoroughly explanatory of the fearful crisis brought about by this megalomaniac of Berlin; and is in keeping with the theosophical doctrine of race. This exegesis of the strife claims acquaintance with the powers behind and the factors unseen, who move the mighty scenes and passings of races, nations, dynasties and thrones. The lust of hate and possession is the outward bodily sign; but despite A. P. Sinnet's explanation as to the real actuating forces, who shall say? It is well it has come at

and galling humiliation. That Austria went into this unloosening of hell with poor heart is not to be questioned, as ♀ ♂ ♂ points to her reluctance for war and her friendly attitude to England. The ☉ moving to the ♌ of ♀ points to the participation of Turkey in the struggle; the ☉ being 4° from the ♌ and in a fixed sign in an angle. Also the South African rebellion is indicated by ♀ coming to the ♂ of ♄, 8° measuring in approximation to the beginning of October: ♀ and ♄ being in a cardinal sign in a cadent house, being within orb at 2°. The 5th house shows the Crown Prince, and is descriptive of his immense solicitude for the care of other people's property; and an idiotic and baboonic love for finery. The 10th house displays the nature of the Prussian government—erratic, warped, sophisticated, cruel, merciless and despotic. The position of ♄ in the 3rd house is a significant point in the figure, as it bears out the rumours that the Kaiser is insane; and more than that—the victim of obsession, as Mr. Sinnet has noted in his recorded experience with higher forces.

Many prophecies have been made as to the duration of the war; and those which give the crisis a term of years, I do not agree with. Personally, from examination of this figure, I believe the matter will come to an end in a matter of months, and in the manner of the month of March "go out like a lamb." There is a direction in this figure which measures to February 20th, 1915—let students find it for themselves; it will help their study. If the war does not end between that date and the end of the month, great overtures will be made for peace and reconciliation. But the reconciliation will be the dismembering of the German Empire, and the complete overthrow of the throne of the War Lords of Prussia.

Another significant point is, the ☉ is eclipsed on February 14th, 1915, within 3° of the 8 of the Kaiser's progressed ascendant, which is 27 ♈, the eclipse occurring in ♈ 24. This measures in horary work to approximately May 25th, 1915. Fixed sign on an angle—and ♈ is M.C. of the horary

figure of declaration of war. Let this be noted and observed. Much more is in this figure of the hour of launching forth the great bid for possession of Empire, and the student, earnest in his art, shall find much that will requite him for his labour in this direction. At this period, space and time forbid going further at present, however. I have waited for what would be said about the war by the star-gazers, to see if they in any way corroborated my work. Had they done so, I would have been silent; they have not. The above is the result.

As to the end and meaning of the war, nothing can thoroughly explain the matter unless the theory of reincarnation. Meaningless is this immense holocaust of human life considered in the light of Christian monism; in the light of materialism it is indescribably terrorising. Although we cannot really get at the truth, yet as a solace and pacifier comes this doctrine of rebirth to the canker of the spirit in its contemplation of this great inundation of death and destruction. Let us take it in the light of the words of old that God makes known His Will in strange ways, perfecting His great plan. Who are we that we should question?

"The invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made" And so—no more.

Answers to Correspondents.

THE EDITOR is prepared to give his services free to all readers who require advice and instruction in the study of Astrology.

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1. All questions must relate to Astrology, students' difficulties, and advice as to methods of study, best books to read, and the like, but no questions relating to individual horoscopes or professional advice must be sent.
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Birthday Influences during March.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, ☽ ☉ ♃. An unsettled year, losses, trouble in employment, some benefits from friends. A child born will be unruly, extravagant, sceptical and proud, will do best in employ, but never very lucky.

2. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁, ☐ ♃, △ ♃. A year of disputes, with indisposition, but social gains. A child born will be kind, affectionate, argumentative, but weak spirited and not successful.

3. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, * ♃. An active year, benefits, but many little annoyances. A child born will be energetic and heroic, popular, but often involved in little disputations.

4. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♁, △ ♃, ♃, ♃. A changeable year, journeys, and success in business, danger of accident and duplicity, new work and promotion. A child born will be clever, steady, reliable, judicious, but hot-tempered, and often involved in questionable concerns.

5. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♁, ☐ ♃, ♃, △ ♃, ♃. Another changeable year, treachery and grief, activity and changes, some benefits from friends. A child born will be active, energetic, kind, but erratic and impressionable, and should be very discreet in dealings with the other sex.

6. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, △ ♃, ☐ ♃, ♃. A good year for business, but danger of scandal, reversals and many annoyances. A child born will be erratic, unruly, have a hatred of control, and succeed best in business.

7. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, △ ♃, * ♃, ☐ ♃. A bad year for money, with danger of litigation, but some social gains and changes. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, and extravagant, will have many friends, but be generally unsuccessful.

8. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♃, * ♃, * ♃. A variable year, indisposition and trouble in employ, changes and journeys. A child born will be proud and self-willed, but clever, intelligent and intuitive, and not very successful in life.

9. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, ☽ ♃, * ♃. An unsettled year, indisposition and bereavement, disputes, but new work and activity. A child born will be active and energetic, somewhat quarrelsome and weak spirited.

10. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ☉ ♃. A successful year, financial gains and benefits in business, and some little annoyances. A child born will be kind, generous, popular, and successful in business.

11. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ☽ ♃, || ♃. An evil year, indisposition or bereavement, much annoyance. A child born will be impressionable, unreliable, weak spirited, and have much to contend with in life.

12. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, ☽ ♃, ☽ ♃. A variable year, social gains, pleasure, but danger of reversals. A child born will be kind, affectionate, but erratic and wayward, and not very successful.

13. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, △ ♃, ☽ ♃. A successful year for business, with changes, but danger of accident. A child born will be steady, contemplative, and intelligent, but somewhat hasty of temper and generally successful.

14. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, ☽ ♃, ☽ ♃. A variable year, social gains and financial benefits, but danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be rash, hasty, and somewhat extravagant, but will have many friends and be fairly lucky.

15. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ☽ ♃, ☐ ♃. A changeable year, slight business benefits, but indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be popular, but weak spirited, and have much trouble to contend with in life.

16. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, △ ♃. An unsettled year, travel, but many annoyances. A child born will be impressionable, popular, but wayward and erratic, and not very successful.

17. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♃. An evil year, indisposition and bereavement, some slight benefits and new friends. A child born will be weak spirited, have many troubles to contend against, but will have help from friends.

18. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, * ♃. A variable year, indisposition and duplicity, but gains in business and success in court, ship. A child born will be clever, artistic, steady and reliable, will have many troubles in life, and be fairly successful.

19. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♃, * ♃, ♃. A successful year, a sea voyage or journey, activity and financial gains. A child born will be active, energetic, popular, generous, somewhat erratic, and fairly fortunate.

20. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♃. An evil year, losses, disappointments, much grief. A child born will be weak spirited, careless and untidy, and generally unfortunate.

21. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♃, ☐ ♃. Changes, journeys, but danger of scandal and annoyance. A child born will be popular, impressionable, successful in business, but unruly and erratic.

22. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, △ ♃, ♃, ☐ ♃, ♃. An evil year, danger of disputes, law and losses, journeys and benefits from friends. A child born will be rash, extravagant, hasty, often involved in serious troubles, but will have many friends and gain through them.

23. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♀, ☐ ☉, ☿ ♃. An evil year, indisposition or bereavement, trouble in business and much annoyance. A child born will be proud, weak spirited, and have many serious troubles in life to contend against.

24. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ☿, Δ ♃, ☿, ♃. Changes, social gains, new work, promotion, but danger of law. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, enterprising and popular, but should guard against extravagance and litigation.

25. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃. An unsettled year with many annoyances. A child born will be erratic and weak spirited, and not successful.

26. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♀, Δ ☿, ☿ ♃. A good year for business, but danger of indisposition, bereavement and disputes. A child born will be popular, but rash, hasty, weak spirited, and very impressionable, but will be fairly lucky.

27. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ♄. An evil year, serious reversals and many

annoyances. A child born will be erratic, wayward, and unreliable, and very unsuccessful in life.

28. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♁, * ♃, ☿ ♃. Changes, journeys, promotion, but grief and disappointment. A child born will be kind, clever, steady, but careless, and should be discreet in dealings with the other sex.

29. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, ☿ ♃, ♃ ♃. A very evil year, danger of litigation, disputes, accidents, and much annoyance. A child born will be unruly, have a hatred of control, be hasty and extravagant, and very unsuccessful in life.

30. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁, * ♃, ☐ ♃. A variable year, losses, indisposition, but some gains in business. A child born will be clever, judicious and popular, but will have much to contend with in life.

31. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, ☿ ☉, Δ ♄. A changeable year, gains in business, journeys and changes, but some indisposition and danger of disputes. A child born will be clever, but rash and hasty, proud and domineering, and will not be very successful in life.

Lessons in Temperament -- Series II.

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LESSON IV.

THE LAW OF BREATHING IN RELATION TO HEALTH, AND GENERAL INSTRUCTION HOW TO BREATHE.

After fully recognising that the law of Equilibrium is of first importance in maintaining perfect health, it becomes our duty to consider what remedies are of the most importance in attaining it.

To eulogise one remedy above another is open to a charge of supporting "fads," and we therefore consider them alphabetically.

The first then to consider is the law of breathing. One of the first laws of nature is that man should have plenty of air, and that the air should be breathed through the nose, as there is a natural filter in the nostrils which warms and purifies the air from particles of dust, microbes from infectious surroundings, nauseous smells and other evils.

Breathing through the mouth is not the correct method.

Deep breathing through the nose is essential to the Mental and Motive systems if they would work hard and long.

In the Vital system, copious breathing will renew the carbon consumption carried on in giving warmth and heat, and when the body becomes too warm, deep breathing opens the myriad of pores of the skin, and throws off the excessive heat in gentle perspiration.

Thus the law of breathing properly obeyed assists in the preservation of health, breaking up colds and all manner of morbid conditions. It matters not whether the efforts put forth be physical or super-

physical, the practice of deep breathing will do much lasting good.

The correct method is to breathe slowly. Fill the lungs at every inspiration, and empty them at every expiration, at the same time concentrating the thoughts on the weak or diseased parts of the body to be improved. This may be done sitting or standing.

Professor Washburn is stated in the *Phrenological Journal* to be able to inhale air for four or five minutes. His method is to inhale and exhale without any perceptible effort, for as long and as gradual as possible. It will tax a beginner to inhale gradually for one minute.

Of course, the air breathed must be pure. Breathing the same air over and over again encourages diseases, however careful we may be in breathing. Exhaled air is injurious, being vitiated with organic matter, having an unpleasant odour, and is a good medium for bacteria to thrive in. All this shows the necessity of proper ventilation, as well as correct breathing.

It is estimated that each person requires 1,000 cubic feet of space to ensure a proper amount of air, therefore, where rooms are small or over-crowded, its occupants are inviting ill-health.

It is interesting to know that the composition of the atmosphere surrounding the earth consists of over 98 per cent. of oxygen and nitrogen, and less than 2 per cent. of other gaseous constituents. A constant supply of oxygen is partly kept up by the fact that animals inhale oxygen and exhale carbonic acid, and green trees and plants inhale carbonic acid and exhale oxygen.

Luck and Intelligence.

By "NUMERARY."

WHAT IS LUCK?—A natural question that arises in everyone's mind at one time or another. Some people are blessed with fortunate occurrences in life, while others seem to meet continually with disaster.

Some lives are filled with unfortunate occurrences, while others appear to be one ray of sunshine from the beginning to the end. Many term this luck, others again consider good or bad luck to be the result of education or environment, yet even the most highly educated meet with ill success at times, and the illiterate often are very lucky. Take the case of an ignorant man who cannot even sign his own name, he will speculate and win, yet the man of wisdom who uses his judgment and discretion often fails. One took the tide in his own affairs at the flood, and the other at the ebb. There is this continual ebb and flow in the affairs of men, and if it is at all possible to intelligently anticipate this ebb and flow one is bound to be successful. The man who relies entirely upon luck will, in the end, merely arrive again at the point of departure, and will be no better off than he was at the beginning.

Now, by a knowledge of astrology one can guard against the evil influences which invariably bring in their wake bad luck, and when the good influences are at work or when the flood tide commences, then is the time to launch forth, and the result will invariably be good luck. Many students assert that luck, either good or bad, is brought about by the condition of the individual's mind, and that sheer will will bring about what you desire, and that it is necessary to be optimistic, certainly it seems that bad luck dogs the steps of the pessimist. To many *keep smiling* is the talisman to charm away evil influences. To my mind it is necessary to know the good and bad periods that occur in everyone's life.

The planetary numbers as given by many Kabbalists afford a good foundation for an example of the run of successes and failures that may occur in life, showing that he who trusts to chance will eventually be as badly off as at the beginning.

I have taken the planetary numbers commencing with the number attributed to the Sun, viz. 4 and 1, and place the numbers in their order as follows: 4, 1, 6, 5, 7, 2, 8, 3, 9. Now, commencing with 4 successes, and taking every other number we obtain the following list of successes and failures: 4 in, 6 out, 7 in, 8 out, 9 in, 1 out, 5 in, 2 out, 3 in, showing a result of 28 in and 17 out—a profit of 11 points. Now anyone speculating at this time would be successful. Proceeding, we take column 2 or every third number, commencing with 4 down, the next is 5 up, the next 8 down, result 12 points down and 5 points up, or a loss of 7 points.

Now every fourth number gives as follows:—4 in, 7 out, 9 in, 5 out, 3 in, 6 out, 8 in, 1 out, 2 in, showing 26 in and 19 out, or a profit of 7 points. The fifth numbers show 4 out, 2 in, 1 out, 8 in, 6 out, 3 in,

5 out, 9 in, 7 out, giving 22 in and 23 out, or a loss of 1 point.

The sixth numbers show 4 in, 8 out, 5 in, or a profit of 1 point.

The seventh gives 4 out, 3 in, 2 out, 5 in, 1 out, 9 in, 8 out, 7 in, 6 out, or 24 in, 21 out, 3 points profit.

The eighth numbers, and last, give 4 in, 9 out, 3 in, 8 out, 2 in, 7 out, 5 in, 6 out, 1 in, or 15 in and 30 out, a loss of 15 points.

To sum up we have 11 points in, 8 out, 7 in, 1 out, 1 in, 3 in, 15 out, showing as a result of chance speculation 22 points in and 24 points out, so that the man who blindly speculates has himself to congratulate for being worse off than when he commenced. Now an unlucky man would no doubt commence on the eighth column and fare badly. Another may speculate on column 1 or the secondary numbers, he would win and consider that he had a good run of luck. If, by a knowledge of the laws governing, we are able to cut out the third, fifth, and eighth columns we shall so gain by intelligence 22 points instead of a loss of 2, and if this be possible then we can go a step further and fare better by cutting down the loss in each column a great deal, and then column 1 would show 28 points profits. Should it be possible to anticipate all the good or propitious moments we should have a net gain of 129 points. So that it will readily be seen that the man who trusts to luck gets nothing in the end, whereas the intelligent anticipator gains considerably.

To everything there is a season, so use your craft and skill at the propitious moment, and you will obtain success.

Reports of Meetings.

British Institute of Mental Science.

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At a meeting of the Council held at the Registered Office, 64, Central Beach, Blackpool, on February 13th, 1915, the resignations of Mr. E. Williams and Mr. J. B. Kopf were accepted. Mr. Crott was appointed Auditor in the place of M. J. E. Costa, resigned. Mrs. Nellie Clara Moore passed the Intermediate Examination in Palmistry, Mr. A. E. Davies was admitted a Fellow in the Temperament section, and Mrs. Louie Lester was admitted to Membership.

Floreat Commentarium Anglicum de Astrologie.

By G. V. DODDERIDGE.

SINCE October last, the title of this valued paper has been known as the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY, and no longer shall it be called "Old Moore's Monthly Messenger." Times have changed, and we change with them, and by the influences of conditions around us, do we fix our own environment.

In the article "A Numerical Theory," published by Numerary in the October issue, the writer says that the initial letters of the new title equal 4, which, he goes on to say, "shows accomplishment and discovery, a good omen for this valuable paper."

In this we may find an indication of the success of this journal; but this is not the only one, for as we shall afterwards see, the name has been changed at a most appropriate and fortunate time. If we take the title of this paper, calculate it by the Kabala A.J.S. = 1, etc., and reduce it to a potency, we arrive at the following results:—

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and 4 plus 1 plus 3 plus 6 equal 14 equal 5.

Now all students of numerology will know that the number 5 signifies dexterity and success in intellectual pursuits, and taking the date October 1, 1914, we get the following: 1 plus 1 plus 0 plus 1 plus 4 equal 16 equal 7, October being the 10th month (1 plus 0 equal 1), and thus it will be seen that the time at which this change was made is in harmony with the title, the title being equal to 5, and the time being equal to 7, both of which agree, since they are in the first triad of 1-5-7. The Sun was at the time in Libra, and Libra being the seventh sign forms another harmonisation, and moreover, when we add the date and Sun's position together we get 7 (sign), plus 7 (date), equal 14 equal 5, making yet another complete harmonisation with the title.

The change has, therefore, been made at a most opportune moment, and the new title harmonises exactly with the time at which the alteration was made, and on account of these favourable omens the journal will no doubt continue to flourish even more than it has done already, and hold the foremost position amongst all astrological magazines.

We have entered upon new times, and we have entered upon them at the right moment. Hence we may feel confident that our journal will surely succeed, and that our battle cry "Long live the B.J.A." will be effective.

Side-Slips in February Issue.

Page 92.—"Studies in Brief," line 15—for Gemini read Sagittarius.

Page 95.—"Another Opportunity," line 8—for November 30th read October 30th.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

Dear Sir.—Regarding Sepharial's remarks in "Studies in Brief" in your January issue on the horoscope of the Prince of Wales indicating the afflictions for the years 1917 and 1918.

It is remarkable that in 1918 a very evil train of solar directions set in for Princess Mary, his sister.

I have not taken time to figure these closely, but they may be roughly tabulated as follows:—

- 1918 Sun square Moon; Sun par. Uranus.
- 1919 Sun opposition Uranus prog.; Sun opposition Saturn prog.
- 1920 Sun opposition Uranus natal.
- 1921 Sun opposition Saturn natal.

The transits of the planets during this period are not reassuring, and among those may be mentioned the transit of Saturn in opposition her Moon in 1918-9, Uranus passes over her Moon these same years, Neptune square her Sun in 1918, Saturn over her Ascendant in 1921, etc. It must be remembered that King George has Uranus close to the cusp of the fourth house at birth 8 24, and his progressed Ascendant comes to a conjunction of his natal Uranus during the above period. An examination of some of the other children will show that this will be a trying time for the English Royal Family.

Of course, if Princess Mary is married by that time, some of these afflictions may fall on her husband, though she will perhaps share them.

Yours truly,

STUART ARMOUR.

January 17th, 1915.

[The study referred to will be found in B.J.A., vol. viii., No. 4, p. 70, and reference to Sepharial's Manual of Occultism, p. 75, will show that the year 1918 is a most critical one for the Crown.—ED.]

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The War.

In spite of the numerous predictions which have been made as to the end of the war in March, we are still far away from any realisation of this much longed for event. We have refrained from giving any decided opinion on this point, as our esteemed contributor Sepharial has devoted much space in the Journal to the matter, and we have been too busy in other directions to give the time to an examination of the mundane figures and lunations bearing on the point. We hope next month to deal with this particular matter in our monthly notes.

Standard Time.

There appears to be some little misunderstanding on the part of students as to how standard time should be applied in the erection of horoscopes. Mr. James Harvey in his article in the last issue is decidedly in error in assuming that when it was 12 p.m. at Berlin, it was 11.6 p.m. at Greenwich. Berlin keeps East Europe time, which is one hour faster than Greenwich, and therefore

midnight at Berlin, is exactly eleven o'clock at Greenwich. Berlin being 13.24 E. Long. equal to 53m. 36s., the true local mean time for which the figure should have been erected would be 11h. 53m. 36s. p.m., and the planet's places computed for 11 p.m. The meridian of such figure is therefore ≈ 5.44 and the Ascendant ≈ 11.46 . We gave some instructions on this point in a previous volume and students are referred to them for guidance.

Weather Forecasting.

Readers of the Journal will doubtless welcome Mr. Sherburn's investigations on this subject. The art of weather forecasting is at present in a very unsatisfactory condition, and this, no doubt, is due to the fact that not sufficient interest has been given to the subject by any astrologers. Personally, we have studied the subject somewhat, and have evolved a line of prognostication, which generally speaking, has proved very satisfactory. Our contributor's contention that too much attention is paid to individual interplanetary aspects and too little to the luminaries, is one which we must emphatically confirm, for our own experiences have shown that the aspects of the Sun are far more important than has hitherto been supposed. We shall follow Mr. Sherburn's views with great interest.

Our Serial Articles.

We much regret that owing to the space taken up by articles on the War and matters arising therefrom, we have not been able to give the usual space for our serial articles. The Lessons in Primary Directing have unfortunately been rather curtailed, and the papers on the Epoch have had to stand over. We have to express our regret at being compelled to hold over these interesting articles, but our readers will, no doubt, understand that it is unavoidable. There are several important articles being held over, and we shall publish them at the earliest opportunity.

The Vernal Equinox.

The Sun enters the sign Aries just before five in the evening of the 21st March. The elevated position of Saturn is evil and points to trouble in high places, deaths of people of high position, and serious trouble to the Government. The conjunction of Mars and Jupiter just below the cusp of the seventh points to great naval activity, but as the actual conjunction falls within orbs of the seventh house, it is rather indicative of trouble with another power, let us hope not America. At Berlin, Saturn is exactly culminating, and a serious crisis is threatened. The conjunction of Mars and Jupiter in the opposite sign to that ruling Turkey, will sound the death knell of that country's power, while serious trouble is threatened in Portugal. It also indicates a great naval victory for this country.

A Prediction Verified.

No doubt, many readers will have read with surprise of the distinctly unpatriotic action of the Clyde dock labourers in striking at such a time as this. In Francis Moore's Almanac for 1915, page 32, occur these words, "discontent is shown . . . among dockyard employees."

Will lady or gentleman exchange conversation on "Horary Astrology." Must be experienced.—Write "Venus," 9, Porteus Road, Paddington, W.

Astronomical Phenomena

APRIL, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter,	6th	...	8h. 12m. after.
New Moon,	14th	...	11h. 36m. morn.
First Quarter,	22nd	...	3h. 39m. after.
Full Moon,	29th	...	2h. 19m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Aries, enters Taurus on the 21st at 4.28 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Pisces, enters Aries on the 10th, and Taurus on 26th, conjunction Mars on 4th.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star, enters Pisces on the 1st and Aries on the 27th, conjunction Jupiter on 15th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Pisces, enters Aries on the 16th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Pisces all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Gemini all the month.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is stationary at the end of Cancer.
- ♁. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	...	13, 14	Libra	...	1, 27, 28
Taurus	...	15, 16, 17	Scorpio	2, 3, 29, 30	
Gemini	...	18, 19	Sagittarius	4, 5	
Cancer	...	20, 21, 22	Capricorn	6, 7	
Leo	...	23, 24	Aquarius	...	8, 9
Virgo	...	25, 26	Pisces	...	10, 11, 12

Weather Forecast.

The month opens fine, high winds 3rd to 5th; changing to fine to 13th, then unsettled; turning colder 18th, with rain; change 21st, finer for some days. End of month, mild.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

A Renegade Astrologer.

There still continues to be a stream of belated predictions regarding the duration of the war, all of which, by their great divergence both as to the length and the final results of the conflict, tend "to make confusion worse confounded." In the current issue of *The Adept*, edited by Mr. F. M. White, and published from Crystal Bay, Minn. U.S.A., it is of importance to note that "the Editor does not always agree with some of the writers who furnish articles for it." So much the better for the Editor, whose remarks about the war are eminently sane. The same cannot be said for the writer of "The Great European Armageddon War," whatever that Hebrew-American-English conglomerate may mean. This writer, whose identity is conspicuous by the tone she adopts, says that "the Kaiser may have a tragic horoscope, but has certainly the strongest and by far the best directions during 1914 and the first half of 1915 of any of the Rulers of Nations engaged in the present war." The writer points out that the indications do not tend to much success for the Republic of France, and that "the men connected with public affairs in England have not very good horoscopes." But the most sapient aftermath comment of this pro-German enthusiast is that "General French had a very evil horoscope. At birth he had the Sun in opposition to Saturn and leaving a square of Uranus. *These astrological influences indicate that thousands of young men, on the battlefield under his leadership, will be slain.*" In common parlance, this is a piece of unmitigated rot. The indications point to no such thing. Sir John French (here mistaken for George A. French) was born on September 29th, 1852, when the planets were in no way situated as stated by this sapient writer. (See "Studies in Brief," November, 1914, B.J.A.) If all her conclusions are of this sort, they must be a very insecure basis for the general

conclusion that the Kaiser will come out top dog, a conclusion which is inferred time after time in the course of the article. The writer further refers to my own prediction of 1898, in which I dealt with the Kaiser's horoscope, but fails to mention that the Kaiser in 1905 was effectually muzzled in the Reichstag, and his nominee at the election defeated in the Capital. The Kaiser all over Europe has always been most unpopular, and I venture to say that the Prussians will be, if they are not already, as badly hated in Germany as they are by the enemies of the Anti-militarist Party throughout Europe. Of course, the time error in the prediction is carefully recorded, but to any astrologer the reason is obvious. In 1905, Saturn was in conjunction with the Sun in the radix, and it was held that its radical import would then be experienced. It was, however, left to Uranus in conjunction with the Sun R. to stir up the mischief, and my readers already know that I have left it to Saturn to finish what Uranus began when it comes to the opposition of the Sun R. and confirms its radical import. Anybody can be wise after the event, but can this critic be honest enough to cite my definite prediction of the outbreak in June-July, 1914, already quoted in these columns? This writer is British born and bred, and has drawn sustenance from the Mother country for years, but having done badly by British astrologers she looks through Taurean eyes with a short-sighted prejudice, which is as harmful to her reputation as a student of astrology as to the Science itself.

The Cyclic Law.

Every student of astrology knows the cycle of 360 years, and we now behold, after a complete revolution of seven such cycles, a return of that struggle for world mastery which animated Nebuchadnezzar in B.C. 606. For seven times 360 is the extent of the "times of the Gentiles," or 2,520 years, and if from this we take 606 we obtain A.D.

1914. It is by the use of these astrological periods that one is able to foresee the occurrence and issues of great international crises, for they are founded upon the same principles as those which informed the astrological minds of the Chaldeans and Hebrews, and of which the prophet Daniel was a consistent exponent. These cycles are divided into ten sub-periods of 36 years each, and the outbreak of the war in 1914 was coincident with the conjunction of Moon, Saturn, and Mars in the sign Gemini, than which there is no combination more significant of great human strifes. For it will be remembered that in Jacob's last Prophetic Blessing he cites the destiny of Simeon and Levi, and says: "Simeon and Levi are a twin. Instruments of cruelty are in their hands." And this leads to the Roman Restoration, about which Scripture students are at this time so greatly concerned. Romulus and Remus, the reputed founders of Rome, are identified with the Dioscuri (the Gemini of the heavens), and there is not the slightest doubt in my own mind that the British are modern representatives of the ancient Roman Empire as the French are of the Greek, and the Prussians of the Persian Empires. I am speaking, of course, in regard to psychic tradition, and not in any way of physical heredity, though the seeds of a physical cultivation have to be planted in soil before the conditions are ripe for a possible psychic tradition. So far as the Roman-British tradition is concerned, these seeds were sown in England at the time of the Roman invasion under Julius Cæsar. I would recommend students to follow the interpretation of Mr. F. L. Rawson, which, although neither astrological nor occult, is certainly the best interpretation of Scripture prophecy that I have ever seen. Mr. Rawson sets the end of the war at December 3rd, 1917. This hardly agrees with *The Adept*, which, in an article under the heading of "Slams" (the American equivalent for "all on to win"), says that the war will end in May, just when, according to Lord Kitchener, it is due to begin in real earnest. What you have to remember in Scripture prophecy is that the prophet uses existing nations and

topical affairs as symbols of future peoples with which his prophecy is concerned, and this again points to the free use of the Law of Periodicity as applied to human events.

A Genuine Prediction.

Elsewhere in these pages I am reproducing a remarkable astrological prediction by Prof. Cheslav Chinsky, who has contributed from time to time a forecast of the year in the *Stock Exchange Messenger (Birzhevyya Viedomosti)*, published in Petrograd.

In this prediction it will be seen that the astrologer uses, "intelligent anticipation" for all it is worth, and although there is little in even the most remarkable of the horoscopes of the year 1914 to indicate all that he says from them, yet given a clear prescience of the outbreak, the rest would follow as a consequence. Like Me. de Thèbes he has erred in his time by one year, but upon the other side, making it a year later than the fact, while she made it a year earlier. Still, I would sooner regard the conclusions of any astrologer who predicted the event than those of would-be exponents of astrology who came in "girt about with omniscience" after the event. Chinsky says that "Peace will come in 1916," but as his war does not begin until 1915 it may possibly be that he intends us now to read 1917 for Peace. However, I leave readers to put their own interpretations on the matter, merely remarking that it is a very definite prediction and quite worthy of a skilful astrologer such as I know Mr. Chinsky to be.

Other Men and Methods.

From other sources we are deluged with vaticinations, "Clairvoyant, psychometric, telepathic," which are guaranteed "in no way to prejudice the military or naval authorities whatsoever," as we can well believe, but the trouble really begins, from our point of view, when those who profess and call themselves astrologers begin to instruct the public on points that are obvious to a clodpole, and which, taking the form of astrological "predictions" bring the whole study into disrepute. Thus one of our shining lights has the boldness to say: "The

Germans will hold on to Belgium until they are driven back to their own frontiers!" The public have generally understood that they would hold on until they were driven off. That is why we are under arms. Surely the writer of this luminous sentence has not yet forgotten that we are out to avenge Belgium and to reaffirm the Treaty of August, 1870. But, we are told, before Germany can be induced to relinquish her foothold in Belgium, "some very decisive battles will have to be fought, entailing the loss of thousands of lives, to say nothing of the fact that other nations (not specified) are yet to be drawn into this great world struggle!" In a word, bathos to the last degree. And this particular prophet goes on to say that in this great world struggle, into which other nations have yet to be drawn (they must hurry up), the naval warfare will be "the most realistic the world has ever seen," and that in May "the Kaiser will be betrayed by his own people and an unwise move will bring eventual ruin." In June "the war-clouds begin to clear," and in July the "star of Peace is seen to be rising," and yet on October 8th Jupiter will be the highest planet in the heavens at the New Moon, and "this is very favourable for peace." Incidentally we learn that it is good for the Kaiser, who can then make special terms with the Allies, but if he throws away this chance, the war "will continue to the Spring of 1916, when the fall of the House of Hohenzollern will be complete." Now this, to my mind, is spoiling good meat, for the effort is obviously an ephemeral one and far removed from a "Scientific Prediction" such as it imports to be.

Another Spanking Bess.

It is of interest to observe that the appearance of H.M.S. *Queen Elizabeth* as the first of the Super-Dreadnoughts to take part in the Great War, coincides exactly with the appearance in the sphere of political activity of good Queen Bess, daughter of Henry VIII. and Anne Boleyn, if we employ the period of 357 years commonly ascribed to the planetary cycle. For Queen Elizabeth succeeded in 1558, and by the addition of 357

years this bring us to 1915, the year in which the monster battleship began to hammer at the Gates of the East.

We know what our Sea Dogs did for the Spanish Armada in those days, and there is no reason to suppose that their modern successors have forgotten their hereditary arts or lost aught of their alertness and tenacity. Another Armada may go the way of the first, and if it be the only way through to the end in view, why, let it happen soon! And mention of the Armada in connection with the Armageddon recalls the fact that these words have not even the distant relationship of my aunt's greenish-grey grizzly cat's whiskers to the mouse in the corner. The one is a Spanish word denoting an armed force, the other a Hebrew word denoting the "Mountain of Glory," where the Israelites pitched their spiritual battles, and employed historically to indicate Mount Carmel where many great battles were fought—Har Megiddo.

Freedom of Slaves.

It is said that the *Queen Elizabeth* has guns which are capable of throwing a ton to a distance of 21 miles. What a terrific display of energy that must be! There is a future for the human race and for some particular inventor in the conversion of explosive energy to continuous energy. Why should these great forces be employed only for destruction? In this Uranian age upon which we are now entering, the constructive powers of the nations should vie with each other in the effort to disband and convert the powers of destruction to the service of the race. This can only follow upon a wider apprehension of the essential unity of all peoples, their common origin, nature, needs, hopes, aspirations and destiny. But that it *will* come appears as certain as that all the great wars of the past have had their origin in some form of human oppression and have found their culmination in the Great War against War. The domination of the world by some supreme Power capable of administering justice and of maintaining Peace, would seem to be the only solution of this vast problem, but whether that Power be centred in a

nation or a people, in a race or an individual, the desire so to govern must be deep-set and indeed ineradicable. Never was such an Alliance as this in which the greatest of European Powers are united in their resolution to crush once for all the eternal menace of international war among civilised peoples, and when the laurels of victory are firmly grasped and the tyrant has found the measure of his worldly ambitions to hold but dust and ashes, then we shall revolt against the horror of it all as we have revolted against the idea of it from the first, and to humanity will be given the power once for all to banish from the world this inhuman and unchristian doctrine that "Might is Right" and so order things that we shall come nearer to the ideals of godliness and say with equal fervour, but more truth, that "Right is the only Might." Thus only can the Desire of the Nations be finally realised.

Another Parallel.

In the prophecy of the monk Arminius, which was originally written in Latin hexameters and thence translated into French and German, and by me for the first time into English, there appears a remarkable parallel between the Prussians, Joachim II. and Wilhelm II., whose reigns were separated by 353 years. The former began to reign in 1535 and continued until 1571, a period of 36 years. Wilhelm II. has now reigned only 26, but the parallel of the two characters and their sons is already remarkable. The prophecy says: "There cometh one, O Lehnin, who excites deadly hatred against thee! He cuts, he cleaves as with a sword! The atheist, the debaucher, the adulterer! He devastates the Church and sells to auctioneers those things that have been consecrated to God! Go forth, flee away, O my people! For no longer is there found a Protector among you! The son shows his approval of actions on the part of his insane father. Deprived of all reason he passes for a Saint, and because he tolerates disorder he is regarded as a perfect ruler. To him it is given to see five of his own even as himself, and in the course of a disastrous year he dies in the midst of luxury." How

aptly these words apply to the Kaiser and the Crown Prince in their devastating war upon the sacred places of France and Belgium it needs but a glance to see. But there are minor details which have a curious ring of familiarity about them, and which may bear closer attention.

Made in Germany.

Even the prophecies of so well known an author as Nostradamus have not escaped the mendacity of the German Press agent. *The Kolnische Zeitung* has hunted up prophecies which are capable of being made to show the coming success of Prussian tyranny. Nostradamus is referred to as the "Lyons Jew Michel," although he was a sound Catholic and born at St. Remy in the Provence, his father being a notary of that town. But when we come to the prophecies themselves, we find that the translation is altogether worthy of the Imperial Press Bureau.

Albion royne de la mer
Alors qu'ira montagne de l'air
Cloche en canon, navir en cloche,
Dis que la derniere heure approche.

(Albion, queen of the sea! When the air-mountain comes, and the bell in the tube and the ship in the bell, say that the last hour approaches.) It is not said whose hour approaches, but according to calculation it would appear to be that of the planetary cycle. The German pirate, however, sees something altogether different. The air-mountain is, of course, the Zeppelin, the bell in the tube is the hollow 42-centimetre gun shell, and the ship in the bell is, of course, the submarine. This would be all right if the quotation were right, but it is all wrong. Another verse is thus misquoted:

De l'Aquilon les efforts seront grands;
Sus l'Océan sera porte ouverte:
Le regne en l'Isle sera reteingrand,
Tremblera Londres par voile decouverte.

This should read in the second line "Sur l'Océan," etc., and in the third line the word "reteingrand" should be "re-integrand," as appears in the original edition of 1555. The *Cologne Gazette* does not understand the "great efforts from the North," but we modestly suggest that our valiant Russian

Ally may possibly fill the bill. "The Gate of the Ocean shall be opened" seems plain enough until a German lays hold of it, when promptly there is a clear prediction of something "under the ocean," which is, of course, a German submarine—though it does not say so. Most probably it is the Sublime Porte which opens out upon the Black Sea to the North and to the Mediterranean on the South. *Queen Elizabeth* has the keys in her pocket! "The reign on the Island will be set back" sounds very well, no doubt, in good military Deutsch, but unfortunately, the word is "re-integrand" *i.e.*, reconstructed or reformed. That London would tremble by "a veil drawn aside" would, of course, apply to the veil of the ocean waters torn aside by the all-penetrating submarine, did it not actually apply to a "sail," the word *voile* being the old French for ship's sail. Such a tremulous moment was actually experienced by London in the year 1588, when the Spanish Armada came sailing up the Channel, and may do again for an equal occasion. But our Drakes and Frobishers will be there and London's fears will be abated. History has a tendency to repeat itself, but also it is subject to variations. The prophecy of Nostradamus that "Great Empire to the English arms shall be in fullest force three hundred years" is eagerly seized upon to show that its decline began in the year of the Kaiser's accession, 1888, which is just three hundred years after the Armada! Here again, we see the editorial touch, for the omission of the word "plus" (more) makes all the picture! The original says: *Grand Empire sera par l'Angleterre, le Pempotens plus de trois cents ans,* *i.e.*, Great Empire to the English arms shall be in fullest force three hundred years *and more*. And in this case that little "more"—how much is it?—may be just what we want to finish the job we are engaged upon. After that—well, we shall go back to the washing and our own little affairs. That is the British way.

Business as Usual.

So there is going to be "business as usual" even in the matter of racing, through it is definitely decided that there will be no social

side to the various meetings. This seems a sane conclusion despite the efforts of the Dogberrys in and out of Parliament to urge an adverse decision from the Stewards. The amusements of the people, whatever form they happen to take—and I am not referring at all to the "abusements" which sometimes pass for such with the stuffy-heads—are without doubt safety valves of the most useful kind. To shut down on these when there is so much steam being generated, is asking for trouble. The élite patrons of this English sport will doubtless be largely conspicuous by their absence, so far at least as the male element is concerned, for the best blood of the nation is either at the Front or applying itself closely to the needs of those who are there. And while there is every prospect of sport during the entire racing season, there will be plenty of business in connection with it, so that those who have not tried to "figure" on the various events may with some confidence be invited to test the merits of "The Silver Key," or having done so with commensurate success, to secure the "Golden Key" under the new terms. Next month I shall have something to record about the opening of the 1915 season.

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CHAPTER V.

THE CONNECTING LINK.

In the recent discussion with Raphael in these pages, two horoscopes were given in which the date and time of the coitus were noted. It is with the first of these (*Vide* Vol. VII., page 143), that I am now particularly concerned.

In commenting on this case I gave the following information. "In November, 1905, a gentleman resident at Sittingbourne, Kent, acquainted me with the fact that he was about to become a father, and that he had computed the birth of the child, which would be of the male sex, to take place on December 23rd, 1905, at 3.35 p.m.

The date and time of the coitus in this case had been noted as occurring at 11 p.m., on March 26th, 1905, and from this the epoch had been computed as taking place on the following day at 7.34 a.m. No reason was assigned for this particular computation, and I was left to ascertain the *modus operandi* myself.

Now, I propose to make a detailed examination of this particular case with a view of explaining and illustrating the relationship of these three times and the connecting link with each other.

The three times are as follows:—

- Coitus: March 26th, 1905. 11 p.m.
- Epoch: March 27th, 1905. 7.34 a.m.
- Birth: Dec. 23rd, 1905. 3.35 p.m.

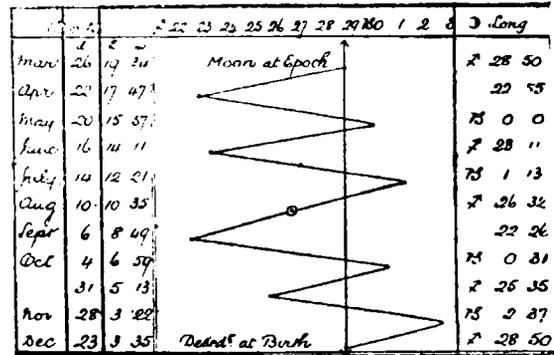
It is to be noted that my correspondent correctly computed the birth time—weeks before the birth took place—from the one fact of the coitus occurring at the date and time mentioned.

At the time of the *coitus*, the R.A.M.C. was 11h. 17m. 47s. Asc. 26 m. Moon 24.3 f.

At the time of the epoch it is noted that the degree rising at the *coitus* is now exactly setting, 26.39 8 being on the Asc.; the Moon

had progressed to f 28.50, an increment of 4° 47'. At the time of birth the positions are reversed, the Ascendant being 28.50 n, and the Moon 26.39 m.

The point to be noted is that the Ascendant at the *coitus* was the Moon's place at birth. The period of sex formation, the fifth return of the epochal Moon to its radical place, shown on the chart of descent by the



circle, on August 10th, at 10h. 34m. 57s. p.m., shows 26.39 8, again ascending with the Moon in 26.31 f.

The distance of the Moon at this time from the line of central impulse is 2° 19', approximately half the distance moved by the Moon between the coitus and the epoch.

Examining the position of the Moon and Ascendant at the four periods, the following is obtained.

- Coitus: 26.39 m. Ascendant.
- Epoch: 26.39 8. "
- 5th Return: 26.39 8. "
- Birth: 26.39 m. Moon.

Thus, at all the four points there is found the same identical longitude of either Scorpio or Taurus the opposite sign. The transposition is due to the Moon at birth being decreasing. With an increasing Moon all four would be in the same sign. A connecting factor is thus shown to exist, the Ascendant or its opposite at the first three stages becoming the Moon's longitude at the fourth stage, that of birth.

A Clever Prediction.

THE *Evening Standard* of March 8th calls attention to the remarkable predictions of Professor Cheslav Chinsky, a well-known Russian Astrologer, whose contributions to the *Birzhevyya Viedmosti* in 1910 to 1913 on New Year's Day contain some food for thought. As far back as 1910 this astrologer stated that there were indications of an approaching conflict, and that Russia would be in danger from Austrian intrigues, but that with the aid of France and England, Italy remaining neutral, victory would fall to the Russian arms. He warned the country to "keep watch on Galicia." This warning was repeated in 1911, when he said: "There is danger to us from Germany and Austria. Germany, besides, is a danger to the entire world. The Prussians will attempt to conquer Great Britain and to destroy Russia, but the mighty alliance of Russia, France, England and Japan, will bring Germany to her knees on a mountain of dead bodies."

Berlin Sounds the Tocsin.

Again in 1913, he declared: "The stars indicate that Austria will start a terrible European conflagration. Austria will become dismembered eventually, although she was but a marionette in the hands of an able manipulator. The year 1915 will mark the beginning of great events. Berlin will give the signal for the beginning of a dreadful war. There will be enormous slaughter of human beings, but the slaughter shall mark the last attempt of Prussia to dominate the world, for after the war the German Empire will cease to exist as such."

Mighty Coalitions.

"I see new and mighty coalitions come into existence. On the one side Great Britain, Russia, France, and the Balkan Union; on the other, Austria, Germany and Turkey. Rumania and Italy will remain neutral for a long time, and will not join in

the struggle unless assured that they are on the side of the victors. I see the sign of the Cross placed on St. Sophia, as well as the end of the Turkish Empire. Greece, having remained outside of the Balkan Union, will occupy many islands that were formerly under the Turkish dominion."

Following are some of the professor's predictions made last January as to the final outcome of the war. Their general correctness so far has caused considerable interest throughout Russia.

"The forces of Russia, Great Britain, France, Belgium and Japan, aided by Italy (which will finally decide to throw in her lot with the Allies), will destroy the power of Germany.

"Prussia, deserted by Austria, will attempt to bully Rome and the Vatican. In the final counting up Germany will lose all her colonies and part of her European possessions. I see hunger in Prussia, a revolution, and a tragedy in the Hohenzollern family.

"Austria, broken, defeated, the victim of her blind confidence in Prussia's power, will accept peace conditions offered by the Allies, saving more of her territory than she could have hoped for. In any case Austria will lose Galicia, Silesia, Bohemia, Moravia, Hungary, and all the Slav-speaking provinces.

Turkish Revolution.

"Turkey will also finally rid herself of Prussian influence, and will conclude a separate peace. She will remain the possessor of Constantinople, but only for a short period, losing at the same time several of her provinces. I see the downfall of the Young Turks, a revolution, a Republic, and a dictatorship. The Dardanelles will be opened to all nations, under an international control.

"Victorious Russia will acquire Galicia, the province of Cracow, a part of Eastern Prus-

sia, and of Posen. Russia will enlarge her possessions in the Caucasus, and will join in the control of the Dardanelles with her Allies. The Christian Church will be re-established at Constantinople.

"France will take possession of Alsace and Lorraine, and will occupy Westphalia. She will enlarge her colonial possessions, increase her diplomatic influence, and will enter upon an era of great prosperity.

"Great Britain will take possession of the greater part of German colonies, and will establish her protectorate over Syria, Palestine, Egypt and Arabia, which countries will be later formally annexed to England. (As has since been the fact in the case of Egypt.)

Belgium and Luxemburg.

"Belgium will re-occupy all her territory, together with the 'Principality' of Luxem-

burg. The Grand Duchess of Luxemburg, influenced as she was by the Hohenzollerns, will receive as compensation some province of Western Prussia. Belgium will also enlarge her colonial possessions.

"Japan will continue to hold the German colonies in the Far East, and her voice will play an important role in the peace negotiations.

"Italy will finally acquire Trieste and the Trentino, but her ambition will not be satisfied, for she will seek to take possession of Albania and a part of Northern Africa.

"Poland will be enlarged at the cost of Austria. Her capital, Warsaw, will become an important centre of art, science, commerce and industry.

"The United States of America will play the leading rôle at the peace congress, which will be held partly at Berne and partly at Copenhagen, and peace will come in 1916."

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN APRIL.

CHIS month our sketch includes all babies born between March 21st and April 20th in any year, the Sun being in the sign Aries at this time.

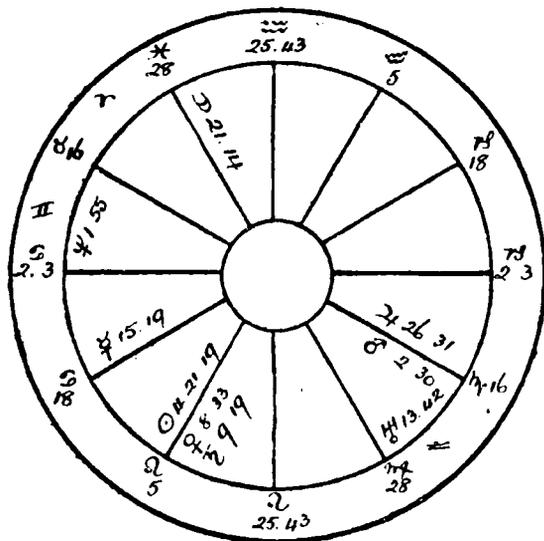
All the little olive branches born during this period are usually of a very lively, active and idealistic nature. They like change and novelty, never being content with one or two toys, but liking to change first from one to the other and soon getting tired of playing with one thing. They are affectionate, very highly strung, intensely alive to what is going on, and possess particularly keen perceptions. On the other hand they are very independent, always like to be at the head, and never content when playing with others, unless they have their own way and all the others do as they wish. This tends to make them somewhat domineering and unmanageable at times, and unless this is restrained by kind and gentle treatment, they will become self-willed and self-opinionated. They are easily influenced by kind and

sympathetic treatment, but should never be coerced or repressed, and any undue harshness will do them much harm.

Mentally they are particularly active, and once their little minds are made up they will carry a thing through despite difficulties. They are excellent in a children's party, for they are always full of plans for making those around them happy, and can always be looked upon to provide amusement. There is, however, a weak point here, for they should never be allowed to exert their minds too much, for their brains being a sensitive part of the body, any over-exertion of the mental faculties is apt to be detrimental to their mental development.

The head being the most sensitive part care should always be taken of the eyesight, and with the slightest tendency to headaches, especially across the forehead, the eyes should have immediate attention. They should always have plenty of sleep, fresh air and daily exercise.

The Sun is at present in semi-square to Uranus and Mercury, while in 1917 it will be in square to Neptune, and Mars will be in parallel with the radical Sun. Mars is at present passing the parallels of the five planets mentioned above, and bringing out the combined effects of this configuration. By converse direction the meridian is in con-



junction with the Dragon's Tail, and the Ascendant approaching the conjunction of Neptune. From the epoch we obtain some very powerful directions of an adverse nature. The Sun has reached the parallel of Saturn R. and P., and applies to the opposition of Neptune. The Ascendant is directed to the opposition of Mercury R. Mars has progressed to a close opposition with the Ascendant. By converse direction we find Sun P. square Moon R., and the meridian applying to the opposition of Neptune.

SIGNALS—APRIL, 1915.

Saturn recently stationary in opposition to the Ascendant of the Eclipse figure for London (February 14th) has menace of heavy devastations and great loss of life. Mars and Jupiter recently conjoined in the sign Pisces warns Portugal of sudden alarms and dangerous outbursts of public feeling. The square of Mars to Saturn will vex American diplomats and incense the populace of the States against the piratical policy of Prussia. Mars conjoined with Mercury on the 4th is a signal of danger to Portugal. Neptune stationary in Cancer and square to the Sun in the 18th warns of plots against the integrity of Holland. Venus with Jupiter on the 15th will pacify the Portuguese and disperse recent alarms. S.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure
APRIL, 1915.

1	28 ♄ 15	Deal with elders a.m. Visit friends p.m. Avoid wrangling.
2	13 ♁ 13	Ask favours noon. Travel and attend to important matters p.m.
3	28 6	Avoid accidents. Act discreetly. Safeguard health.
4	12 † 47	Sunday. Study and read. Avoid disputes.
5	27 10	A good day for business. Travel p.m. Safeguard health.
6	11 ♃ 13	Visit friends and ask favours before 7 p.m. Attend to business.
7	24 55	Travel. deal with correspondence and push affairs a.m. only.
8	8 ≡ 17	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties.
9	21 21	A good day for business. Deal with elders and ask favours.
10	4 ♁ 10	Court, marry, visit friends. Safeguard health.
11	16 47	Sunday. A good day for marriage. Visit friends. Avoid disputes.
12	29 13	A variable day. Avoid disputes and act discreetly.
13	11 ♃ 30	Court, marry, travel and change. Ask favours and push business.
14	23 39	A quiet day. Do nothing important.
15	5 8 41	Visit friends and amusements. Avoid disputes.
16	17 39	Visit and ask favours a.m. Safeguard health.
17	29 32	Travel, change and push business. Seek employment.
18	11 ♀ 23	Sunday. Travel, study, visit friends. Avoid disputes.
19	23 15	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties. Safeguard health.
20	5 ♁ 11	An evil day. Avoid disputes and accidents.
21	17 15	Ask favours and push business before 3 p.m.
22	29 32	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
23	12 ♄ 7	Another evil day. Attend to ordinary affairs only.
24	25 5	Travel, change, seek work, ask favours, push business.
25	8 ♁ 30	Sunday. A day for quiet study and reflection.
26	22 24	Visit friends, but safeguard health and avoid quarrels.
27	6 ♄ 47	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
28	21 35	Push business, ask favours, seek work, avoid deception.
29	6 ♁ 43	A very evil day for all things. Do nothing important.
30	21 59	A variable day. Safeguard health. Attend to ordinary duties.

True and False in Numbers, Dates and Superstitions.

With a Complete Refutation of the Modern Libel on Friday and Thirteen.

By ASESHRA.

FABLES that have crystallized around the various creeds of humanity are mainly responsible for the common superstitions concerning numbers, dates, and omens.

Brahminism and Buddhism with their theory of universal re-incarnation undoubtedly fathered the superstition that it is unlucky to kill any living creature even though the victim be a venomous insect. In many sects it is a positive sin to take life.

Of course, the western defence is that the human being as the highest form of life comes first, and may kill anything that is obnoxious to him or in self-defence or that is necessary for the prolongation of his own life! This seems sensible enough, but the terms are vague; it is difficult to say off-hand where "self-defence" ends or begins, and the same may be said of "necessity."

Can it be wrong to kill a snake or wasp or pestiferous vermin in self-defence seeing that the land would be overrun with them, if we did not? Yet the Buddhist would tell you that by doing so you are interfering with the "karma" which Providence has allotted to every creature.

Then many a genius who is perhaps doing great work for the human race may be such an invalid as to be able to digest nothing but oysters eaten alive or boiled lobsters or the carefully cooked flesh of a sheep.

But this diet is probably a "necessity" if his life is to be prolonged or his brain to continue to create original ideas! Therefore the oyster's, lobster's, and sheep's lives are rightly held to be of secondary importance.

Again, the borderland between the animal and the vegetable is so indefinable that on the same principle we have no right even to take the life of a cabbage or a potato, and to pursue the theory to its logical conclusion the human race would eventually perish of starvation. Scientists tell us that plants like the sunflower, the flycatcher, the ear of

corn, and the sensitive plant have quite as much instinct and vitality as the oyster or jellyfish, which are included in the animal world.

Curious echoes of these Oriental doctrines of the sanctity of animal life are frequently to be met with as superstitions in the Western world to-day. Most housemaids would prefer instant dismissal to the risk of misfortunes that are said to follow the killing of a spider, though they have no scruples as to the murder of harmless moths, butterflies, or even pretty little mice.

Ask any sailor to kill a cat, or embark upon his next voyage on a Friday, and he will regard you with open-eyed amazement and undisguised pity as a fitting inmate for an asylum! Even as lately as February 8th of this year, 1915, it was recorded that the householders of a London suburb petitioned the London County Council to be allowed to change No. 13 in the various terraces of the district by substituting for it that clumsy subterfuge 12A.

Yet the samples of superstition quoted above are utterly false in their *raison d'être* as omens of ill-luck. They have their origin in other things, such as the utility of the spider and cat as foes of the fly and mouse! But also behind them lurks the Oriental sanction of re-incarnation, which says that you are interfering with the karma of a future human being by abbreviating its insect life!

Yet who can say that the three most cherished superstitions of the civilized inhabitants of Europe and America are one whit less absurd? Moreover, these three undoubtedly owe their origin to an adulterated christianity, in no way authorised by Christ Himself!

First that Friday is unlucky because it was decreed by some artificial enactment of the churches that the Crucifixion took place on that day. Yet these same ecclesiastical records are strangely silent as to the day of the *week* on which the Saviour of the world was

supposed to be born! "If He was ever born at all," wrote one cynical scientist, "and it is not certain that the story of His life was not merely the old allegory of the Sun attended by the twelve signs of the Zodiac, dying at sunset and rising again—a re-hash of Isis and Osiris with variations."

Again, if He was ever born it has been abundantly proved that this event must have taken place in the Spring, and certainly not in December, which the Church merely arranged to fit in with the old heathen festivals and attract proselytes, nor strangely enough did it name any special day of the week.

Moreover, if the Crucifixion did take place on a Friday, it was not analogous with the Friday of to-day. I remember once discussing this subject of Christian superstitions with the late Professor Max Muller, when he explained the absurdity of "Friday" being identified with the Crucifixion, adding that the days of the week have been so often changed and whole weeks arbitrarily cut out or inserted during the last 2,000 years that even as lately as Queen Elizabeth's day the present Friday was Tuesday, and New Year's Day was in March.

Even our present New Year's Day (a ridiculous fixture) has only existed since A.D. 1752, before which date the equinoctial one, March 21st, was the beginning of the year, and the sooner we return to it the better.

Thus not only is the libel on the modern Friday proved to be false owing to the fact that it has no claim to be a multiple of seven from the day of the Crucifixion, but before the Christian era it was held to be the luckiest of days, as it was sacred to Venus, the Goddess of Love and Pleasure, until it came to be labelled "Vendredi Sainte." Saturday used to be regarded as the most unlucky day before the birth of Christ as it was ruled by Saturn, the planet of limitation, disappointment, and death. Thus Moses decreed that no important work should be undertaken on that day, and named it the Sabbath.

Having thus cleared Friday from the aspersions cast upon it by the Christian authorities, we will now turn to the other false

superstitions emanating from the same source.

Obviously, the next in importance is No. 13, originating with the story of the Last Supper! Ever since the date of that function it has been held that whenever thirteen dine together the one who gets up from the table first must die within the year—ignorant people associating this with Christ sometimes assert that it is the last to get up, who will die! But this is, of course, utterly illogical, as the church holds that Christ did not die—that he merely descended into Hades for a brief stay of three days. The only one who died was Judas, who got up first, went out and hanged himself.

Before that time No. 13 was considered as especially lucky by the ancient Magi. For it contained the 1 of Deity plus the 3 of magic and creation, which added together make the number 4, which is the symbol of Jupiter and Prosperity!

The evil numbers, astrologically, have always been 8, 9, 11, and 2. Of these, 8, as the number of Saturn and symbol of the opposition aspect, has always been considered the worst. No. 9 is little better, being under the rule of Mars—it signifies "combat," which may, however, if aspects are favourable, result in victory, whilst numbers 2 and 11 represent the Moon in her malefic aspects of change, deceit, and mirage or disappointment. But among the compound numbers the Egyptians regarded 17 as particularly evil, representing thwarted aims, and of course its key number again is 8.

Now that 13 is entirely vindicated (and to-day's paper quotes a letter from a soldier at the Front saying that he has found No. 13 particularly fortunate, as a coin with that number on it intercepted a bullet and so saved his life), I can think of but one more groundless superstition that modern Christianity is responsible for, and that is "upsetting the salt."

Although we know that salt was once so precious in many countries that probably children were told it was "unlucky" to upset it, we do not hear of its being unlucky to upset diamonds or gold or other precious commodities! So again we are forced to the

conclusion that we have to thank Leonardo de Vinci's famous picture of the Last Supper for this also, where Judas, in his confusion, has just upset the salt!

Amongst the throngs who have visited the great masterpiece at Milan, supposed to be a contemporary copy of the original destroyed in a Dominican convent, it is a never-ceasing topic of heated argument for days afterwards, viz., "Did this picture, which was copied all over the world, originate the superstition, or did Leonardo paint it expressly to illustrate it?" My contention is that no record of its existence can be dis-

covered before the picture came into being—not even in the Bible, which records so many ancient ones.

Shakespeare, who lived a hundred years after Leonardo, and makes Desdemona and others of his characters afraid of various omens, never once alludes to it, which seems to prove that before the days of railways, telegraphs and tourist tickets, the fame of this Italian artist had not yet reached England, just then absorbed in the new birth of Protestantism and feuds with Spain and other Roman Catholic countries.

(To be continued.)

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

Now, Saturn on the cusp of the twelfth will be two-thirds of its distance from the M.C., so, two-thirds of S.A. $49^{\circ} 22'$ subtracted from $70^{\circ} 47'$, the meridian distance, gives $21^{\circ} 25'$, the arc of direction M.C. * $\frac{1}{2}$ m.d.

Half of the semi-arc, $37^{\circ} 1\frac{1}{2}'$, taken from $70^{\circ} 47'$, yields $33^{\circ} 45\frac{1}{2}'$, the arc for the M.C. $\angle \frac{1}{2}$ m.d.

One-third of the S.A., $24^{\circ} 41'$, taken from the meridian distance as before gives $46^{\circ} 6'$, the arc of Asc. * $\frac{1}{2}$ m.d.

Careful observations, however, will show that all these calculations may be avoided and all the directions of one planet computed by a series of short addition sums, instead of separate calculations for each direction.

Thus, in the case of Saturn just taken, the following appears:—

Saturn's distance from the cusp of the twelfth being the direction M.C. * $\frac{1}{2}$ m.d.	$21^{\circ} 25'$
The next direction is formed from the middle of the 11th house, half-a-house from the twelfth, or one-sixth of a semi-arc	$12^{\circ} 20\frac{1}{2}'$
M.C. $\angle \frac{1}{2}$ m.d.	$33^{\circ} 45\frac{1}{2}'$
Add another sixth of a semi-arc, bringing Saturn to the cusp of the 11th and forming	$12^{\circ} 20\frac{1}{2}'$
Asc. * $\frac{1}{2}$ m.d.	$46^{\circ} 6'$
Add one-third more bringing Saturn to the meridian and forming	$24^{\circ} 41'$
M.C. $\delta \frac{1}{2}$ m.d.	$70^{\circ} 47'$

I will now give an illustration of the converse directions of Saturn to the midheaven and ascendant and here an important point must be noted. Saturn has to descend below the eastern horizon to form these directions and therefore, after the ascendant has been reached, the *semi-nocturnal* arc of the planet is brought into use. This is found by subtracting the semi-arc given in the speculum from 180° . In this example it will be $105^{\circ} 57'$.

Now, as previously shown Saturn is $3^{\circ} 16'$ above the Ascendant, so that the arc of direction, Asc. $\delta \frac{1}{2}$ M.C., is	$3^{\circ} 16'$
Saturn has now to reach the cusp of the second house, equal to one-third of the semi-nocturnal arc, or	$35^{\circ} 19'$
Making (see table) M.C. $\Delta \frac{1}{2}$ M.C.	$38^{\circ} 35'$
Half of the second house, equal to one sixth of the semi-nocturnal arc, or	$17^{\circ} 39\frac{1}{2}'$
Will give M.C. $\square \frac{1}{2}$ M.C.	$56^{\circ} 14\frac{1}{2}'$
The other half of the second house, bringing Saturn to the cusp of the third	$17^{\circ} 39\frac{1}{2}'$
Gives Asc. * $\frac{1}{2}$ M.C.	$73^{\circ} 54'$
The planet has now one more house to pass to the cusp of the fourth house, so another third of the semi-nocturnal arc is added	$35^{\circ} 19'$
Making M.C. $\delta \frac{1}{2}$ M.C.	$109^{\circ} 13'$

Now as in the previous example, M.C. $\delta \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. $70^{\circ} 47'$ was equal to the planet's meridian distance, as in this example the

arc given is the planet's distance from the lower meridian.

Now note. The distance of a planet from the meridian (10th house) subtracted from 180° gives its distance from the 4th house and *vice versa*.

Saturn's meridian distance is 70° 47'. Subtract this from 180° and the result is 109° 13', the arc of direction M.C. 8 h. m.c. given on the previous page.

As a concluding illustration of these mundane directions, I now append the direct arcs of Venus to the Ascendant and Midheaven. Venus is placed just below the cusp of the 8th house.

From the speculum, it will be seen that the semi-arc of Neptune is 77° 45', and its meridian distance 45° 55'. Its distance from the descendant is therefore 22° 50'. As one-third of its semi-arc, 25° 55', is greater than its distance above the descendant, it has therefore passed the cusp of the 8th house and cannot come to that point by direct motion.

The first direction to be formed by Venus is its opposition with the ascendant.

S.A. of ♀	77	45
M.D. „	54	55

Arc of direction Asc. 8 ♀ m.d. 22 50

The next direction formed is on the cusp of the 6th house, but as Venus has to cross the horizon and descend below the earth to form it, the semi-nocturnal arc must now be used. This, as previously shown, is 102° 15' (180°—77° 45').

The following series of calculations now obtain:

Asc. 8 ♀ m.d.	22°	50'
Add one-third semi-nocturnal arc, distance from descendant to 6th cusp	34°	5'
M.C. Δ ♀ m.d.	56°	55'
Add one-sixth S.A. distance from 6th to middle of 5th	17°	2½'
M.C. □ ♀ m.d.	73°	57½'
Add one-sixth S.A. again, distance from middle of 5th to 5th cusp	17°	2½'
Asc. Δ ♀ m.d.	91°	0'
Add one-third S.A., distance from 5th to 4th	34°	5'
M.C. 8 ♀ m.d.	125°	5'

This latter amount is equivalent to saying that Venus is 125° 5' distant from the lower meridian.

R.A. of ♀	208	53
R.A. of I.C.	83	48
	125	5

A simpler way of proving the above result is to subtract the planet's meridian distance from 180°. Thus 180°—54° 55'=125° 5' as given above.

Book Review

THE HOUR OF OPPORTUNITY. By Orison Swett Marden. Rider & Son. Post free 1s. 3d., from Messrs. Foulsham & Co., 5, Pilgrim Street, London, E.C.

This is a thoughtful and inspiring work, brim full of encouragement to those who are on the point of "giving up" because the object they seek to reach seems for ever to fall just out of touch. It is very prolific in biographical illustration of celebrities who have risen from most unlikely circumstances, not merely because "their luck was in," but because they prepared in advance for the day when Opportunity knocked at the door. The book reminds one of Walter Malone's fine poem on the same subject, in which he says:

"They do me wrong who say I come no more
When once I knock and fail to find you in,
For every day I stand outside your door
And bid you wake and rise to fight and win."

The author believes in a success which is not a sporting chance, but one which can be earned by all who have the will, and the book is one of the greatest incentives to high endeavour that one could read.

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Lessons in Temperament -- Series II.

By ALBERT, IDA and FRANK ELLIS, Incorporated Character Readers.

LESSON V.

ON THE LAW OF CLEANLINESS IN RELATION TO HEALTH, WITH A TABLE INDICATING THE KIND OF BATHS SUITABLE AND UNSUITABLE FOR EACH TYPE OF TEMPERAMENT.

Obedience to the law of cleanliness is necessary to ensure perfect health, and therefore the proper use of sun, air, water, and friction as an aid to keep this law is a proper subject for our consideration.

caused by the blood being suddenly driven to the internal organs, which are not always able to return it, are frequently caused by improper bathing, but because disease often takes some time to develop, this cause is little suspected.

Cleanliness should be the principal consideration when bathing, and not mere gratification, and it is well to bear in mind that a bath which causes an uncomfortable rather than a pleasurable feeling is injurious to health.

The form of bath, and the length of time in bathing, should be carefully considered, as well as the

BATH TABLE—CLASSES OF BATHS.

For Definition of each Bath, see letterpress following table.

TYPE OF TEMPERAMENT Explanation of Terms: 7 indicates greater than = indicates equal to	CLASS A (1) Hot Foot (2) Hot Hand (3) Warm Wet Towel	CLASS B (4) Warm Plunge	CLASS C (5) Cold Wet Towel (6) Cold Plunge Shower and Swimming	CLASS D (7) Air (8) Sun (9) Tepid	CLASS E (10) Hot (11) River Swimming (12) Turkish
I Mental 7 Motive 7 Vital	May use with advantage	May use cautiously	May use very little	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
II Mental 7 Vital 7 Motive	May use with advantage	May use very little	May use cautiously	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
III Motive 7 Vital 7 Mental	May use very little	May use with advantage	May use cautiously	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
IV Motive 7 Mental 7 Vital	May use cautiously	May use with advantage	May use very little	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
V Vital 7 Mental 7 Motive	May use cautiously	May use very little	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
VI Vital 7 Motive 7 Mental	May use very little	May use cautiously	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
VII Mental 7 Motive = Vital	May use with advantage	May use cautiously	May use cautiously	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
VIII Motive 7 Vital = Mental	May use cautiously	May use with advantage	May use cautiously	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
IX Vital 7 Mental = Motive	May use cautiously	May use cautiously	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
X Mental = Motive 7 Vital	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	May use very little	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
XI Motive = Vital 7 Mental	May use very little	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
XII Vital = Mental 7 Motive	May use with advantage	May use very little	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
XIII Balanced	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only
XIV Abnormal	Use under medical advice only	Use under medical advice only	Use under medical advice only	May use with advantage	Use under medical advice only

When one considers that water constitutes two-thirds of the total body weight, the application of it internally and externally to replace the waste that is constantly carried on will be obviously necessary.

Blood is 791 parts water, 209 parts solid=100°.

Muscle is 757 parts water, 243 parts solid=100°.

Bone is 486 parts water, 514 parts solid=100°.

and the various juices of the body have a still larger proportion.

Water is such a powerful agent that it should be used with the utmost discretion, for many people run great risks of being invalids for life by recklessly using water in the form of baths entirely unsuited to their constitutions.

Injudicious bathing has ruined many constitutions. Congestion of the brain, asthma, internal tumours,

strength of the system and state of the circulation, and these things are best understood by those who study Temperament.

To judge the kind of bath most suited for a person necessitates some knowledge of the relative conditions of the brain and nervous system, and the motive and vital powers.

A person who has what is termed the Mental system predominant, that is to say, a large brain in proportion to the bones, muscles, and vital organs, should seldom, if ever, indulge in cold plunge baths of any description, because they have a tendency to send a rush of blood to the head and cause a shock to the nervous system.

Every individual has more or less vitality which may be relaxed or stimulated, according to the kind of

bath indulged in. A weakly person may exhaust what little vitality he possesses by cold plunge baths, or stimulate it by tepid or warm baths as the case may require.

At this stage let us consider the various kinds of baths most generally used.

Perhaps we can best study the subject by comprehending the demands of each system, and classifying the various kinds of baths under five headings—A. B. C. D. and E. Class A will be those most suited to persons who have a predominance of the Mental system. Class B will be those suitable for the Motive system. Class C will be those suitable for the Vital system. Class D those suitable for all the temperaments, and Class E those not recommended unless medically advised.

The demands of a predominant Nervous system are that it may be soothed, and not receive a shock to its delicate organization.

The demands of a predominant Motive system are that it may be warmed, and not chilled; that the natural tendency to bone and joint troubles may not be increased.

The demands of a predominant Vital system are that it may have more assistance to carry off its superfluous material waste.

The object of the following table is to indicate to the student the class of baths suitable for each type of temperament, and the class that should be avoided. Exceptional cases may be found where the table may not apply as in cases of certain diseases, but as a general rule the table may be relied upon. In cases of doubt, a doctor should be consulted.

Let us now study the various classes of baths as enumerated in the table referred to:

CLASS A are specially suited for those who have a predominant Mental system.

1.—A Hot Foot Bath is useful to draw the circulation of the blood away from the brain, especially at night before retiring to bed.

2.—A Hot Hand Bath is useful to relieve blood pressure in the head, and when the person is hot with exertion, is a great reliever.

3.—A Warm Wet Towel Bath. This means the rubbing of oneself down quickly with a warm wet towel. This form of bath is specially useful where others are not available, and for weakly persons may be used when no other form may be attempted. It should be taken quickly, so that the body is not left exposed to the cold air too long.

CLASS B are most suitable for persons who have a predominant Motive system.

4.—A Warm Bath. The temperature of a warm bath is from 96° to 104° , and causes redness of the skin and increased frequency of the pulse, and should not last more than fifteen minutes.

CLASS C are most suitable for persons with a predominance of the Vital system.

5.—A Cold Wet Towel Bath. A good rub down with a cold wet towel used vigorously night and morning gives the necessary exercise required by certain types, and thereby adding to the value besides cleanliness.

6.—Cold Plunge, Shower and Swimming Baths. These may be used by the strong and robust who delight to be heroic and have a shock for a couple of

minutes, but these must be followed by a quick and vigorous rub down with a dry towel.

Ninety-nine persons out of every hundred cannot safely indulge in cold baths, hence weakly people should avoid them.

To enter a cold bath immediately after a meal is injurious, because the reaction which sets in draws part of the blood from the stomach and delays digestion, and it is also injurious to eat within an hour after a cold bath, because the stomach draws the blood from the surface to assist the assimilation of the food, and the benefits of a good reaction are then lost.

Swimming baths are better when tepid and in the open air. Swimming has the advantage of exercise as well as cleanliness, which is good for the Vital system, but the bath should not last more than 15 minutes.

Sea bathing is only suitable for those who have sufficient vitality to cause a good reaction when the bathing is over. When a person bathes in the sea for a minute or two and feels uncomfortable and tottery afterwards, he may be assured that nature is warning him not to repeat the operation.

In any case, sea bathing should not be indulged in for more than 15 minutes, and it is as well to remember that in England, July is about the best month of the year for this purpose because the water is then a little warm.

Before breakfast or during the forenoon is a good time for sea bathing.

CLASS D are suitable for all classes of Temperament.

7.—An Air Bath is perfectly safe and suitable for rich and poor, old and young. On rising in the morning, expose the whole of the body to the air whilst performing every operation possible before covering the skin with the day's clothing. Draughts, however, should be avoided.

8.—A Sun Bath may also be used by all classes of temperament. Select the sunniest room in the house. Lie on the floor in the sun rays. If the sun is very hot, the head should be protected by a towel. The slightest feeling of discomfort, or the slightest headache, is a sign to stop the sun bath; complete the bath by rubbing down with a towel. The value of this bath will be recognised when the benefit derived from merely exposing the hands and face in the country air is experienced.

9.—A Tepid Bath. This is from 85° to 90° and feels neither hot nor cold. This is generally recognised as the safest kind of bath, and may be used with advantage by most individuals, but even these should not last more than 15 minutes. Salt may be added with advantage.

CLASS E. We cannot recommend Class E unless medically advised.

10.—A Hot Bath has a temperature from 102° to 110° and causes great redness of the skin. This is injurious to the health of many persons. When a person immerses the body up to the neck in as hot water as possible to bear, and just because it feels comfortable and soothing remains in the bath for half an hour or more, what can he expect but a relaxation of every muscle and organ of the body? It takes a day to get over such treatment, and should be sufficient warning to the sufferer to beware of

injudicious bathing in the future. When hot baths are indulged in, the bather should be dried as quickly as possible and dress at once, and then rest on a sofa and refrain from immediate exercise. Hot baths draw blood to the surface, and cold baths favour internal congestion.

A thermometer to test the degree of heat in a bath can be purchased for a shilling from most chemist shops, but see that a Kew certificate is given with the thermometer or it may be valueless.

11.—River Bathing is most risky, as the water is often very cold, and the banks of a river sometimes most unhealthy.

12.—Turkish Baths, while useful in many ways, are liable to affect the heart, and should only be indulged in under medical advice.

Should there be any doubt as to the correctness of the application of any of the foregoing statements, many medical men will give the necessary information to suit particular individuals for a small fee.

The following general rules should be remembered. Extremes of hot and cold are always to be avoided. To enforce every boy and girl to learn swimming in cold water is unwise on medical grounds. Babies should never be placed in cold water. Some babies like bathing, others do not, and parents will do well to remember that cleanliness should be the principal

consideration, and not the mere gratification of baby's whims. Whether baths should be taken daily or weekly depends upon the nature of the occupation followed by the individual, therefore this may safely be left to the individual who recognises the moral obligation of cleanliness imposed on all.

The question of the treatment of disease by means of packs, coloured water, and other phases of the subject, we leave to the doctor, as it is somewhat outside our province to go beyond the broad lines of general treatment.

EXERCISE.

Answer the following questions without reference to notes.

(a) What class of baths would you recommend a person with a predominant Mental system to use? Also state the reason why.

(b) What class of baths would you recommend a person with a predominant Motive system to use? Also state the reason why.

(c) What class of baths would you recommend a person with a predominant Vital system to use? Also state the reason why.

(d) Name the most dangerous class of baths.

Birthday Influences during April.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♈, ☿, ♁ ♃, ♀. A variable year, new friends, gain through elders, danger of disputes, and many little annoyances. A child born will be kind, affectionate, reliable, but erratic and rash, and not very successful in life.

2. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♎, ☿, ♁ ♃, ♀. An active year, with changes, new work or promotion, danger of indisposition and reversals. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, popular, but erratic, and will have many troubles to face in life.

3. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♎, ♁ ♃, ♀. An evil year, danger of accident, disputes and bereavement. A child born will be hasty, rash, careless and untidy, and not successful in life.

4. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ♁ ☉, ♀. A variable year, benefits in business or employ, changes, but danger of disputes and litigation. A child born will be popular, intuitive, but disputative and quarrelsome, and will be successful in employ.

5. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, ♁ ♃, ♀. An unsettled year, changes in business, some benefits, but many little annoyances and indisposition. A child born will be clever, intelligent, intuitive, have a hatred of control, be hasty and rash, and have many troubles in life to contend against.

6. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, ♁ ☉, ♀. A good year for social and financial

affairs, new friends, courtship, but trouble in employment. A child born will be kind, affectionate, artistic, popular, but inclined to be proud and haughty, and should always remain in employ.

7. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, ♁ ♃, ♀. An active year with changes and new work, but indisposition and duplicity to be guarded against. A child born will be active, intelligent, enterprising, impressionable and wayward, and will have much to contend with.

8. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♎, ♁ ☉ par ♃. A successful year generally, promotion and financial gain, but many little worries. A child born will be popular, generous and successful, but inconsiderate.

9. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♎, ♁ ☉, ♀. A fairly good year, benefits in employ and through elders, some reversals and disputes. A child born will be argumentative, but steady, reliable and successful in employ.

10. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♎, ♁ ☉, ♀. A good year for marriage or courtship, social and financial gains. A child born will be kind, affectionate, artistic, popular and fairly successful.

11. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♎, ♁ ☉, ♀. Another good year for marriage and courtship, social and financial gains, but slight danger of accidents. A child born will be kind, affectionate, popular, generous, inclined to be rash and hasty, but will be successful in life.

12. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, Δ ♄, □ ♃, ♂ ♃, ♀. An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes, many annoyances, worries and troubles. A child born will be rash, hasty, sulky and unreliable, but clever and intelligent; will not be successful.

13. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, * ♄, □ ♃, ♂ ♃, ♀. A successful year, marriage or courtship, changes, journeys, and popularity. A child born will be kind, generous, artistic, popular and successful in life.

14. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, ♂ ☉, □ ♄, * ♃. A changeable year, benefits from elders, but duplicity and annoyance. A child born will be steady and reliable, but will suffer much from underhand actions of others.

15. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, — ♀ ♂ ♃. A quiet year, some social benefits, and little annoyances. A child born will be kind, affectionate, slightly wayward, but will have a quiet life.

16. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄, * ♃, ♀. A variable year, social and financial benefits, new friends, but some reversals and indisposition. A child born will be erratic, slightly hasty, but kind, affectionate, generous, popular, and fairly successful.

17. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, * ♄, ♂. An active year with changes and journeys. A child born will be active, enterprising, impressionable and fairly successful.

18. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, Δ ♄, □ ♃, * ♄. A variable year, danger of duplicity, financial losses, but gain in employment and through elders. A child born will be clever, intuitive, steady and reliable, will have many trials to contend with, but will be fairly successful.

19. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, * ☉, ♂ ♃, □ ♀. An unsettled year, good for scholars and scientists, but danger of indisposition and bereavement; gain in employ. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, but will have much to contend with in life.

20. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, □ ♃. An evil year, accidents, disputes and reversals. A child born will be rash and hasty, erratic and unsuccessful.

21. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, Δ ♃, □ ♄. A successful year, social and financial gains, but many annoyances. A child born will be popular, generous, have a hatred of control, but be fairly successful.

22. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, □ ☉, ♂ ♄, Δ ♃, ♀. An evil year, duplicity, indisposition, trouble in employ, but some activity and changes. A child born will be deceitful, proud, active, but will have much to fight against, and should always remain in employ.

23. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, ♂ ♄. An evil year, reversals and many annoyances. A child born will be erratic, wayward, unreliable and unsuccessful in life.

24. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, Δ ♄. A successful year, changes and benefits in business, gain through elders, but slight financial troubles. A child born will be clever, popular, steady and reliable, somewhat extravagant, but successful.

25. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, Δ ☉. A variable year, benefits in employ, but disappoint-

ments and many annoyances. A child born will be clever, popular, kind and generous, but will have many disappointments and much to fight against in life.

26. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, * ♄, □ ♃, ♂ ♃. An evil year, danger of accidents and indisposition, losses and worries, some benefits from friends. A child born will be rash, hasty, extravagant, but artistic and affectionate, will have many trials and be unsuccessful.

27. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, ♂ ♃, ♀. An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes and disappointments. A child born will be rash, hasty, careless and untidy, and very unfortunate.

28. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄, Δ ♄, ♃. A good year for business, with changes, promotion and journeys. A child born will be clever, intelligent, intuitive, steady and popular, and will rise in life.

29. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, ♂ ☉, ♀. An evil year for business, trouble in employ, losses and indisposition. A child born will be proud, have a hatred of control, be unfortunate in business or employ, and unlucky in life.

30. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄, Δ ♄, ♃. A variable year, reversals, indisposition and disputes, financial gain and new friends. A child born will be rash, erratic, wayward, but generous and impressionable, and not successful in life.

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When will the War end?

The war has spoiled the reputation of many astrologers, and the illogical predictions of peace and a national *Te Deum* in October, of the end of the war in December and also in March, have certainly not benefited the science or its exponents. Vague forecasts from horary figures set up for the alleged times of declarations of war have been equally erroneous, and it is with these facts in view that I am making a few brief notes on this question.

The figure for the Sun's entry into Aries, with Mars and Jupiter just setting, is certainly not indicative of peace, and the new Moon preceding this is still less so. The entry of the Sun into Cancer is warlike, for Mars rules the seventh, and the Sun is conjoined with Saturn and Mercury on the Midheaven. The new Moon of July and August have a slight tendency towards peace, but that of September, with Mars again ruling the seventh conjoined with Saturn, is warlike in the extreme. The figure for the

Sun's entry into Libra is somewhat better, especially as Jupiter is in the seventh house at Berlin, so that it is possible that overtures for peace may be heard of in October or December, for at both of these lunations Jupiter is elevated above all the planets.

The conjunction of Mars and Saturn in Cancer in opposition to the last great conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn in Capricorn must not be overlooked, for in my opinion it seems to indicate an extension of the conflict.

With these few facts before me, I am not disposed to consider that there will be any final cessation of hostilities during 1915.

The solar entry into Capricorn in December certainly has Jupiter in the seventh house, both at London and Berlin, and the lunation of February 3rd falls close to the place of Jupiter at the solar ingress. But here again the retrogradation of Mars through Leo over the place of the solar eclipse of August, 1914, and the opposition of that of February, 1915, is too warlike in tendency to suggest the idea of peace. The vernal equinox is not reassuring, for Mars is stationary close to the solar eclipse of August, 1915. There is nothing of importance in this direction in the figure for the Summer solstice, but in that of the Autumn equinox we find Jupiter setting, and Venus, ruler of

the seventh, conjoined with the Moon. I have not had sufficient leisure to cast all the lunations and eclipses for 1916, but it seems quite apparent to me that the year 1915 will not see the definite cessation of hostilities, and until the Autumn equinox of 1916, there does not appear to be any definite indications of peace. Next month I will deal more fully with the various figures for 1916.

The April Lunation.

The new Moon of April 14th falls in opposition to the planet Saturn in the King's horoscope, but in trine with his Jupiter, while Mars will be crossing his Ascendant. It is in trine with Venus in the Kaiser's horoscope, and falls on Mars in the Czar's figure. These influences seem to point to some temporary advantages to the German arms, and reverses to the Russians. Apart from these indications it denotes danger of dockyard troubles, strikes, treachery on the sea, and the spy trouble is still likely to cause serious annoyance. The conjunction of Jupiter and Venus is favourable for agriculture, and the spring promises to be warm with a fair amount of moisture.

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Astronomical Phenomena

MAY, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter,	6th	...	5h. 23m. morn.
New Moon,	14th	...	3h. 31m. morn.
First Quarter,	22nd	...	4h. 50m. morn.
Full Moon,	28th	...	9h. 33m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Taurus, enters Gemini on the 22nd at 4.10 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Taurus, enters Gemini 10th and Cancer 29th, well placed for observation after sunset, setting on the 31st at 10.8 p.m., conjunction Sun on 1st and Saturn on 31st.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Aries, enters Taurus on 22nd, conjunction Mars on 15th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Aries, enters Taurus on the 26th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Pisces all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Gemini all the month.
- ♅. URANUS is stationary in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in the end of Cancer all the month.
- ♁. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	... 10, 11	Libra	... 24, 25, 26
Taurus	... 12, 13, 14	Scorpio	... 27
Gemini	... 15, 16	Sagittarius	1, 2, 28, 29
Cancer	... 17, 18, 19	Capricorn	3, 4, 30, 31
Leo	... 20, 21	Aquarius	... 5, 6
Virgo	... 22, 23	Pisces	... 7, 8, 9

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with windy weather, fine, but changing 4th, colder 5th, unsettled 7th, change 10th, then fine and warm for some days; change 17th, variable to 23rd, then fine to end of month; dull and wet 31st.

The Prussian Horoscope.

DISASTROUS PORTENTS.

IN the Prussian horoscope we find Jupiter in the second house in sextile to Neptune and Venus, the ruler, in trine to Mars.

This signifies the expansion of the new Empire under Prussian rule. But the Sun and Mercury in the Midheaven are opposed by Uranus in the fourth house, clearly showing the eventual downfall and dismemberment of the Prussian dynasty. At 43 years after the founding of the Empire the Moon comes to the conjunction with Mars in the sign Libra. This gives us the year 1914. The Moon then passes to the square of Saturn on the cusp of the ninth house in the year

not be allowed to involve the peace of the world for the gratification of Imperial ambitions! But to return. It is of some significance that the Kaiser's Sun is on the place of Venus in the dynastic figure and opposed by Saturn. Venus is the ruler of the Hohenzollern life chart. More striking still is the fact that Uranus in the Kaiser's horoscope is on the dynastic Ascendant, and that it opposed the Moon at his birth. Now it may be well to point out that Saturn passes the Midheaven of the Prussian horoscope in August, 1916, turns retrograde and again passes the Midheaven, and the places of

♁ 25		♃ 17		♃ 26		♃ 8		♃ 20	
♃ 19 ♄		♃ 13	♃ 27		♃ 4	♃ 24			♃ 27
♃ 27		♀ 8	♃ 28						♃ 27
	♃ 4		♃ 24						♃ 6 ♃
♃ 17			♃						
♃ 20		♃ 8		♃ 26		♃ 17		♃ 25	

1915, a clear indication of the blockade of German ports following upon the war, indicated by Moon conjunction Mars, ruler of the seventh and twelfth houses. In 1916, being 45 years after the founding of the Empire, the Sun comes to the conjunction with the Moon in the eighth house. In July, 1914, when the war broke out, Saturn was exactly in opposition to this point in Sagittarius 25, and it can signify nothing but the end of the Hohenzollerns. The question that springs to my mind is: Are they worth so much of blood and money? When will the race shake itself free of the fetish of Might? When will "Swellfoot the Tyrant" be immured and the "Revolt of Islam" as prefigured by Shelley find its fulfilment? Times are growing ripe. Let us see to it that these maniacs do their own fighting behind the walls of a madhouse, and

Sun, Mercury, and Uranus between January and June, 1917. The opposition of Mars and Saturn in January, 1916, takes place exactly on the place of the Sun's meridian, and being at the time in square to Jupiter in Aries, the end is then within sight. The following conjunction of Mars and Jupiter on the Ascendant of the Prussian horoscope will cause the entire break up of all effective plans for the continuance of hostilities, and the revolutionary party will be in the ascendant. Germany will then experience a convulsion such as she has never known. I know that the crown of victory will not fall to the hands of any belligerent till 1917, nor can peace be proclaimed till 1918. But do I think that war will end then, or finally for Europe? Nations are only complex individuals, altogether swayed by the same passions as their component units, and in

the readjustment of what we call "the balance of power" in Europe after the war, it is clear that even if there is enough meat to go round every jackal will believe himself a lion. Besides, plague and famine will stalk through Europe with the ghosts of a million dead, and these, together with the vast devastations which will be caused by the war, will bring about those natural reactions of the mind which sway the less steady elements of a populace to lawlessness, open revolt, insurrection, and violent reprisals. Great revolutions follow upon great wars. Until the majority have learned the art of self-control there will be wars between

nations, revolts and insurrections among the people. An old Chinese axiom says: "The king is the first subject." Unless a king can govern himself he cannot govern his people. The German monarch is a neurotic megalomaniac. His people are suffering from a contagion of his mania. All honour to the king who is capable of setting his people a good example. King Albert of the Belgians and King George of England are such great exemplars, the one by his perfect self-abandon and lion-hearted bravery, the other by his courageous self-denial and admirable restraint, that we cannot give them too much honour and gratitude.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

The Never-Ending War.

The War! Are we not all sick of it? In more senses than one we are indeed. Apart from the fact that we all feel it might never and ought never to have been, that, in fact, it is a disgrace to civilisation, and has no other *raison d'être* than the inordinate ambition of certain military bureaucrats in Berlin—apart from all this we know that the War has got such a hold over the whole of Europe's population that we may be truly said to have all fallen victims to the War fever.

Here am I, *par exemple*, wearing the khaki and putting in three or four good drills a week, and with my hand on the rifle from day to day; the last thing I ever expected of myself, or was ever expected of me by those who know me for a student, a visionary and a mystic. Nobody can say that I am not very unwell. The fact is I have the war fever, and I have it badly. It gripped me by the throat one day that I heard a story direct from an eyewitness in the trenches. It was a horrible story of human depravity, and the perpetrator of the hellish act was an educated German officer. The fact that he was drunk at the time does not mitigate his diabolical cruelty in the least, for he was in command of men—and self-command is the first essential to

command of others. And so, with many another of the same vein, I am war-sick and veritably sick of the war. We are out against War. Every man who can go to the front whether it be in Flanders, in France, in Egypt, or even in one of the great arsenals or munition factories, makes the end in view nearer by, it may be, a minute of time, and the path to it so much the less sanguinary and deadly. We are fighting to save life, to overcome tyranny, and finally to relegate the arbitrament of arms to the category of things effete and barbarian. Believe me, there is not, and never will be, such a thing as civilised warfare. People or nations that cannot settle their differences without clubbing one another are savages at heart, and none are more responsible than those who are a thousand years behind their own ideals. We want an end of it. Nothing now avails but that you get into line in the war against War. If you cannot go to the front you can at least sign on for Home Defence and so release one man who is able and willing to go forward.

The Eternal Conflict.

Yet there are those who tell us that so long as the world endures there are bound to be wars and there always will be. I affirm that such doctrinaires are war-makers and war-desirers. I do not believe that war is at all

necessary, nor in any real sense a final argument of right and wrong as understood and apprehended by civilised peoples. I conceive that it may always be necessary for established nations to dragoon and police refractory peoples and to administer condign punishment for affronts against the civilised order of things. But that nations professedly akin in all essentials of polity, of commerce and social order should grip one another by the throat in the ambition to prove themselves "top dog," appears to me altogether foolish, suicidal and depraved. Right is the only might, and a community of nations could see to it, and finally will have to see to it, that this standard is observed. The poison of all political life is diplomacy. Diplomats are like Mark Twain's "Injuns," and as he says: "Injuns is snakes and snakes is p'ison wherever you finds 'em!" The time is not far distant when the diplomat and the hated spy will be regarded as "all of a kind" in the political rubbish-heap. The man who lends himself to political intrigue among nations is an arch-criminal. He is responsible for the holocaust of devoted dead, for the widows and orphans, and for that everlasting regret that every true man feels when he has slain a brother—however righteous the cause, imperative the duty, or foul the victim of his hand. But one may say this is not the true function of the diplomat. It is his to avoid wars, to arrange our differences and to placate the enemy. History makes him out to be either a rank impostor or a miserable failure. All the great wars have been due to human ambition and diplomatic intrigue. Many of our ideas are topsy-turvy. The old notion is that "God made man in His image and likeness." The true idea is that man makes a god in his own image and likeness. Another old notion is that "the voice of the people is the voice of God." The true idea is as Seneca puts it: *Placeat homini quicquid deo placuit*—Whatever is God's pleasure should be man's pleasure. The substance of which ideas is that we progressively apprehend God as we apprehend and realise our own ideals, and that man is never farther from God than when he is at war with his fellow-creatures.

Some Curious Predictions.

In a series of remarkable predictions by Mme. Lucille Beryl, entitled: "Predictions Astrologiques pour 1915 sur la Guerre Européenne," which has been submitted for my comment, I am struck by the singular coincidence of some of her predictions with those embodied in the "Great Devastation" and "The Great War." Indeed, I ventured to ask Mme. Beryl if she had not read the pamphlets in question. I am assured that she had not. The predictions deal specifically with the fortunes of Russia, France, England, Belgium, Austria and Germany, and to these are added some notes on the *status quo post bellum* when Peace is signed. Here are some of the chief points. The actual result of the war will not be advantageous to Russia but will, on the contrary, arouse great social troubles. England is assured of victory. The navy will be severely hurt but will come out victorious. The enemy will be driven out of Belgium. But 1915 shows the country in a continuance of present evils. France will drive out the enemy and regain Alsace-Lorraine, but the war will not end in 1915, and there will be enormous sacrifice of life and substance. The 18th August is an evil time for the President. The year 1915 will not register the downfall of the German Empire. But it will be a period of great trouble and adversity to the Kaiser. The year does not bring a decisive solution to the Austrian Empire but in May the Government will meet with great troubles. The war will continue beyond 1915 and will be ruinous to Austria. After the war there will be a Confederation which will secure peace to the nations and this will be organised by a man of genius in France. There will be ten confederated countries: France, England, Spain, Italy, Austria, Greece, Egypt, Syria, Turkey, and the Balkan States (Bulgaria, Roumania, part of Serbia, and Hungary). There will be five Eastern and five Western confederated countries. Despite treaties already signed there will arise a new King of Syria about the year 1922, who will conquer three kingdoms of the confederation. He will attain the summit of his power in 1926, and then will be the greatest war that we

have ever known, as well as vast cataclysms and terrestrial disasters. Only in 1930 will the nations agree upon an universal Peace. The Antichrist will be that King of Syria who will rule over ten kingdoms, who will conclude an alliance with the Jews, devastate Egypt, trample on the Holy City, and initiate the great reign of terror.

Cyclic History.

That surely is enough to go on with in face of all that we have in hand. The predictions strike me as luminous where they are confessedly Biblical, and otherwise open to considerable discussion. It is worth noting, however, that the date for the making of the European Peace (1930) is the same as that given by me in "The Great Devastation," which I have reason to regard as a yet greater convulsion of the world than the present war. If by "the Holy City" we intend Rome rather than Jerusalem, as is generally indicated by Scripture interpreters—and the idea is consistent with the "alliance with the Jews" by the so-called Antichrist—and if for Syria we substitute Prussia, since the Prussians, Persian, and Syrians are all under the dominion of Surya (the Sun), we shall probably be in strict agreement with Mme. Lucille Beryl. History has a tendency to repeat itself, and the same succession of events under new names and in a new setting is found to be recurrent under the operation of a cyclic law of cosmical pulsation. This periodicity I have shown to exist in the destiny of the German Empire (*vide* "Great Devastation"), and there is every reason to believe that the same cyclic law holds good in regard to other great political powers. The subject is worth all the attention that we can give to it. In a forthcoming work I am dealing with the scientific presentation of the same idea as applied to physiology and chemistry.

In this connection I would mention a new publication entitled: "The Kaiser's Double," which can be purchased for one penny. It is a translation of the celebrated pamphlet by Prof. Ludwig Quidde, of Munich, who, it will be remembered was arraigned on a charge of *lèse Majesté*. He makes out

that the Kaiser is the exact counterpart of the Emperor Caligula, the embodiment of Roman Cæsarism, and although Quidde never once suggests the parallel, it is altogether so striking that one cannot evade it. Quidde was only quoting Tacitus and Suetonius, but it was evidently a case of "If the caps fits, wear it." In this case the Kaiser gave himself away by trying it on! The incident is as amusing as the story of Caligula is revolting, and the pamphlet is well worth reading.

Unlucky Thirteen.

Many readers have been interested by the current article in the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY upon the virtue of Numbers, by "Aseshra," and none more than myself, I venture to say. There are many traditional reasons for regarding numbers as being invested with peculiar virtues or characteristics. That thirteen is generally regarded as unlucky is perhaps beyond dispute, but few would be able to give any reason for the superstition. The famous "Thirteen Club," whose members always sit down to table thirteen in number and generally manage to spill the salt in so doing, is in itself a protest against a popular fallacy. Many writers upon folklore and popular beliefs have traced the sinister reputation of the number thirteen to the thirteen disciples of the Christ, Matthias being elected to fill the place of Judas of whom it was said: You twelve have I chosen, and one of you is a devil. But I think we may find a more likely traditional origin in the Kabala, in which system, the Thirteenth Key of the Tarot is the Reaping Skeleton or Death. In the same system the number 13 is associated with accidents, 18 with sickness and misfortune, and 22 with blindness or insanity. We ought to be grateful to our contributor for having done his best to dispel our ancient faith in unlucky thirteen. The subterfuge 12A may even be found to offer no protection to anybody save the man who, being naturally fortunate and under benign star influences, cannot be in any need of giving No. 13 the "go by," or the "missing baulk." In this belief we are sustained by the pub-

lished communication of one of the Scots Guards who wrote recently from the front: "Are you superstitious? How is this for unlucky thirteen? Thirteen men were taken from the 13th platoon to go on a listening post, otherwise certain death. We were on 26 hours, that is twice 13, and the day was Saturday, the 13th. The strange thing is that we are the first party that has come back complete. We did not even get anyone wounded. As the post is situated between four lines of German and British trenches, you can imagine how dangerous it is. Of course, I was one of the 'unlucky' 13 and belong to the 13th platoon." That settles it!

The Prophecy of a Fakir.

In the event of my readers not having come across the story about the Brahmin seer, who is attached to the Sikhs, who came over from India to the wars, I may repeat the following particulars given in the *Daily Mirror*. Kaya Andra is an old ascetic who has studied astrology. He came over with the Indian troops and is established in the village of Picardy. He predicts for the German Emperor, solitude, desertion, exile and sickness. The year 1915 will bring him terrible reverses, notably in June, July, and December, but his entire downfall is not due until the first half of 1916, and it will entail the exile of the Kaiser and his family. As regards the Austrian Emperor it is said that the signs Leo, Taurus and Scorpio conspired to inflict upon him a joyless existence, his throne and empire being annihilated after a bloody revolution in 1915. With all due respect to the learned Brahmin, it may be pointed out that Saturn does not culminate in the Germanic horoscope until the year 1917 (August). This planet in the Kaiser's horoscope was on the Midheaven of the dynastic horoscope and clearly indicated that he was destined to bring about the ruin of the Prussian prestige and the downfall of the Hohenzollerns. This planet was in direct opposition to the Sun at the Kaiser's birth. The downfall is followed by the transit of Neptune over the Midheaven of the German horoscope and from this we may argue a state of chaos following upon the historic

fact of the death of German Cæsarism. As to the Austrian Emperor, we have already shown that the eclipse of the Sun presignifies his demise and the ruin of his empire. It may take place at any time that this point of eclipse is quickened by malevolent transit. Mars passed the opposition in March, when the Carpathian campaign was successfully carried by the Russian forces. It will form the conjunction in December next and again in January 1916 and in June 1916. But Saturn passes the Midheaven of the Emperor's horoscope in this month, and it will convince the Austrians that they have been the cat's-paw of German diplomacy.

Business as Usual.

The stability of any nation is measured by the degree to which in abnormal times it is capable of preserving its normal existence. It is equivalent to self-control and competence in the individual. We are, as a nation, alarmingly imperturbable. It is the index of our innate strength, political, financial, industrial and moral. Among other things, and with exemplary encouragement, we are continuing our racing, and those who have been following the law of astral influence as defined in the "Golden Key," have been consistently knocking bricks out of that popular resort known as the Doctrine of Chance. I promised to say something about this as soon as racing began, and I am glad to be able to record a net gain of 45 points during the first week of the season, the sequence being as follows: W.L.W.L. W.L.W.L.W.W.W.W.L.L.L., the prices being 8/1, 20/1, 2/1, 10/1, 4/1, 100/8, 6/1, and 9/2, making 22 points lost on 15 events and 67 points won, leaving 45 net gain. Anybody using my 1915 revised formulary will be within reach of similar results. The second week gives 27.1 net profit, the sequence being: W.W.L.W.W.L.L.L., and the prices 20/1, 11/10, 8/1, 10/1, giving 12 points loss on eight events over £200 in value and 39.1 gain, showing a net gain of 27.1 points. I do not think anything better than 72 points net gain in two weeks can be beaten. The conditions are a level stake throughout, which is the supreme test of any system.

The German Royal Family.

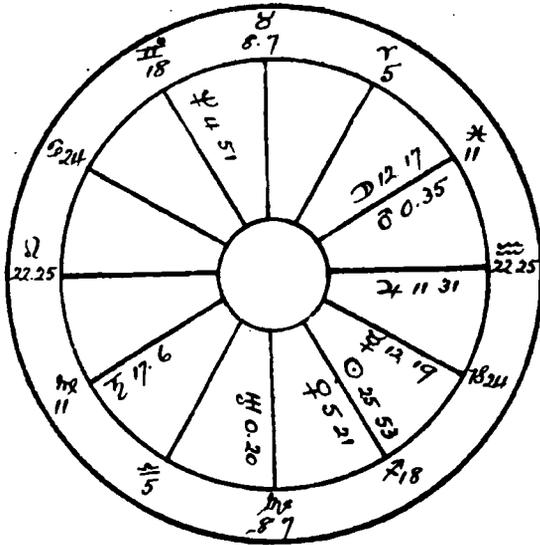
A SKETCH OF THE HOROSCOPES OF THE KAISER'S SONS.

By E. H. BAILEY.

(Continued from page 132.)

Prince Joachim.

Prince Joachim, the youngest son of the Kaiser, was born at Berlin on December 17th, 1890, at 8.45 p.m. The rectified map is appended below. The Moon is in the eighth house, parallel Mars and opposition Saturn, and the Sun is in mundane square to both. Neptune is in the tenth, square Mars and opposition Venus. The Prince has an evil horoscope.



The directions at the present time are particularly malefic, and point to grave disaster, if not to death by drowning.

The Sun has reached the sesquiquadrate of Neptune and semi-square of Venus.

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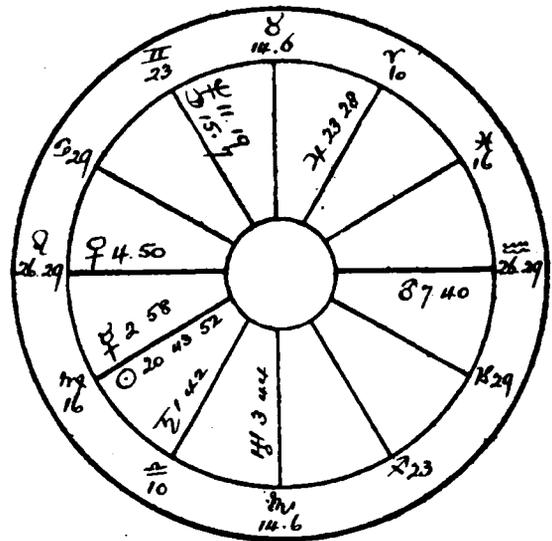
By converse direction, the Sun has reached the square of Mars R., and the Meridian the square of Mercury.

From the epoch the directions are equally as adverse, Mercury and Venus are now

separating from square Moon R., the Sun is in parallel with Saturn R. and P. and square to Jupiter, and by converse direction the Ascendant is in square Uranus and parallel Mars.

Princess Victoria Louise.

Princess Victoria Louise, the Kaiser's youngest child and only daughter, was born on September 18th, 1892, at 3.30 a.m., and the rectified map appears below. Here we find the Moon conjoined with



Neptune and applying to square of the Sun, and the latter in sesquiquadrate with Mars. The square of Uranus to Venus and Mars and the opposition of the two latter are weak points in the horoscope, especially as Mars is ruler of the fourth.

The marriage of the Princess in 1913 took place under the following directions:—

- η P. δ Asc. R.
- M.C. \ast η R.
- Asc. par η R.
- and M.C. δ η R. converse.

At the present time the Ascendant is directed to the square of Neptune, followed

by the same aspects to the Moon and Sun. The Sun, however, is applying to the trine of the Moon. By converse direction, the Sun is in parallel with Uranus R. and P.

From the epoch we have the Sun in square to Uranus, and in the degree held by Mars at birth.

The Princess has a son, born at Brunswick on March 18th, 1914, at 5 a.m. The rectified horoscope shows \approx 9.19 rising with Uranus in 10.12, and Jupiter in 12.28 of the same sign, in trine with Saturn in 12.18 π in the fourth house. The Moon is elevated in Sagittarius in opposition to Saturn. From this horoscope it would appear that a crisis is imminent in the early years of life, due to

Ascendant \circ ♁ , M.C. 8 ♁ ; whether this denotes the father's death, it is difficult to say, as the latter's birth time is unknown, and the birth date alone is not sufficient to determine the point. Certainly, with Ascendant \circ ♁ , and Ascendant Δ ♁ following directly after the first evil direction of the Ascendant, the possibility of such is not remote, and moreover, the epoch shows Mars on the cusp of the fourth, corroborative of the evil shown in the horoscope.

This concludes the brief judgments in the directions operating in the several horoscopes. In the next issue I propose to summarise the whole of the various influences, and add some further comments.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN MAY.

OUR usual arrangement is again followed in this short sketch, the period covered being from April 21st to May 23rd, this being the time when the Sun is passing through the sign Taurus.

Those of us who have children born during this period will find them very peculiar to deal with. They are very decided, with very strong likes and dislikes, are hard to convince, and possess a very obstinate and sulky temper. With all this, however, they are exceedingly affectionate, warm-hearted, and loving. They are very patient and persistent, but can become very furious if angered, and become really passionate and beside themselves with rage if upset or irritated.

They are very persevering, steady, somewhat reserved, yet can become faithful companions. Their chief faults are obstinacy and disobedience, and parents will do well from the very earliest to teach these little bairns the virtue of obedience. A certain amount of strictness will be required, but if their feelings are appealed to a quick response to parental authority is soon manifest. They are fond of ease and comfort, and the good things of the world, and nothing will please

one of these little ones more than a stick of candy and a nice picture book.

Generally, they possess good vitality, but the throat is one of the weakest organs, and should always receive careful attention, otherwise serious developments may occur. They should also never overdo things physically, for the heart being more or less weak is apt to become affected by too much strain on the physical powers. Parents should be very careful in their dieting of these little olive branches, heating and fattening food being always avoided, and all excesses guarded against, for there is a weakness for sweet things, and too much sugar is injurious to their systems. Little ones born during this period have a tendency to over-eat, and nothing is more injurious to them.

Generally speaking, these little children are practical, matter of fact, patient, and industrious, disliking change, plodding and persevering, never disheartened by obstacles, much swayed by feeling, but trustworthy, reliable and faithful.

Will F.E. who recently advertised in the B.J.A. kindly communicate with the publishers? A letter waiting, but have lost address.

The Occult Significance of Genesis.

By JAMES HARVEY.

THE Bible is a book of a strange and wondrous construction, embodying science, economics, philosophy, ritual, history, morals and religion; and is without equal in the literature of the world. The Bible is undoubtedly the greatest collection of writings in the history of human thought. It has caused the destruction of dynasties and empires; it has swept nations, faiths and observances from the earth; it has built up and torn down; it has regenerated and it has degenerated in its mighty march through history; it has penetrated the most remote corners of the earth: an attainment achieved by no other book. But it has been more misunderstood than any other book that is known. By some it is approached as a fetish, a thing of stone or wood, with the idea that it is unchangeable, that it is to be taken as it is in its literal expression; approached in the same spirit as that of the heathen who falls before his idol. By others it is sought as a counsellor and adviser—as a friend in trouble, doubt and adversity; as the child who comes to seek wisdom and guidance from one who has more experience in the ways of life. Nothing but misunderstanding can result from the literal acceptance of the Bible; but gleams and knowledge of the spiritual beatitudes are the gleanings of those who seek it in the spirit of wisdom and truth. The Bible taken literally, resolves the Book into a collection mostly of meaningless, purposeless, ridiculous writings. The production is not a God-inspired book, as has been said by a great divine, but the writings of a God-inspired people. Its literal acceptance has driven great souls into the abyss of doubt and despair, who have passed through life on a path of pain and anguish until they lay down in the sweet peace of death. And in this the Biblical record of Creation might be considered the greatest cause of scepticism. It was the factor that drew the fearful cry from the pure, white soul of Shelley:

There is no God:
Infinity without, Infinity
Within, belie creation.

Darwin's agnosticism was the result of its chronicle, that state of mind which brought the great naturalist woe and despair, causing him to foster for years the hope that some day a document or *data* would be discovered to corroborate the Spiritual account of the beginning of things. But alas! the dream died, and the great scientist sunk into the slough of unbelief, and the darkness of disconsolation. The disagreement of the record with orthodox science wrung from the Spirit of Romanes the terrible announcement of a Godless world, and the grim belief in the accursed truism, "work while it is yet day, for the night cometh when no man can work."

These souls, like legions of others, had read with literal eyes, for it had not been given unto them the knowledge that the narrative was a symbolic one, an occult annal inscribed in the darkness of the world by great souls, men of high spiritual attainment, who saw into the heart of the universe and read the enigma of Genesis: being in touch with the mystery of God. And so for want of knowledge, souls have passed into the Valley of the Shadow of Death in this life; passed away into the outer darkness, filled with the burning of despair, without hope, and in sorrow and woe. But all is well. The purpose of God is evident everywhere and in everything. He works and manifests in divers ways; and it is sure the end is rest and peace.

That Genesis is an occult record cannot be disputed, from the fact that it was originally written in ancient Hebrew, a language which possessed no vowels. Witness to this is that which is known in the scholastic world as the "Tetragrammaton," or the "Four Letters," signifying God. These letters are J H V H, which has been rendered Jah, Javah, Yahweh, and Jehovah: the aim being to typify some Being with an ever-

abiding, ever-present existence. In the "Book of the Dead," God is found to be expressed as, "I am! I am He who I am! I am that I am!": thus the human mind endeavouring to personify, or make comprehensible, the Being of the Absolute. But to those who stand in the outer court no meaning can be conveyed; as unto those only who stand in the shadow of God is it given to read aright and penetrate beneath the symbols of the secret of the Universe.

The priests, occultists and seers always wrote in cryptic language, owing to the fact that, humanity was not high enough in the scale of evolution to participate in the knowledge, which was the inheritance of the wise men through their higher consciousness. Egypt had its hieroglyphics, which were the property of every scribe and scholar of its civilisation. But besides the hieroglyphic, they also had the hieratic which was the secret language of the priests. What this was no scholar has as yet discovered, as no writing was kept of it: it being taught by word of mouth only. All that is known is that it existed, the key to its symbolism being lost. Concomitant with this are the cuniform inscriptions of Babylon and Nineveh, the monuments and temple chasings of ancient Peru, and hieroglyphics of Egypt. In the latter field of investigation much progress has been made, but it is contended that in many instances the renderings are very imperfect and the proper meaning lost. However, enough for the purpose, it is seen that the accounts of the great workings and processes of the Cosmos, by those who wrote them in the dim and sacred past, were clothed in a style, only clear to the initiate, master and seer.

The Scriptural narrative of Genesis, when taken from this occult standpoint of symbolism, becomes perfectly lucid, and is in complete agreement with the theory of evolution, as far as science has gone in that direction. But when taken in the pure literal statement it is hopelessly unscientific and contradictory, making the mind take refuge in scepticism or materialism. Looking from the angle of literal sense, it is found there was light on the first day, and the Sun

was created on the fourth day, an idea which cannot be audienced from the standpoint of Astronomy or Physics, or any other phase of natural science. It also conveys the palpable absurdity of something coming out of nothing, which is repugnant to reason and heretical to all scientific doctrine. Examined as a truth cloaked in symbolism, however, it falls into relevancy and becomes an archive of wisdom and light, consoling to the mind and significant of divine lore and meaning.

In the consideration of Genesis it must be understood that the first and second chapters are two documents by different writers; in the first account, man being made last, and in the second he is made first. These documents are known to the world of learning as the Elohist and the Jehovistic, for in the first chapter it is written, "God said, 'Let Us make man'"; and in the following record, "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground." Thus there is a plurality of Gods in the first annal, the *Elohim*; and in the following writing the One God, Jehovah, hence the title, *Jehovistic*. But there is really no difference in the accounts, the one being merely a further explanation of the other. As in a similar manner in the Church, the Apostle's Creed contains the complete tenets of the Christian Faith, yet it is further elucidated in the Nicene Creed and Thirty-nine Articles: and in the Roman Church, the Creed constructed at the Council of Trent, and further at the Vatican Council. The Rosicrucian School of Occultism holds the opinion that the first chapter is the account of the evolution of form, the second chapter that of the evolution of life; and, in addition to this, they teach that the fifth chapter is the record of the evolution of consciousness. Much could be written on this conception, but learned dissertation availeth little, and it is only of interest to the scholar and specialist in this field of research.

In a sweet, old book called "Astrology Theologized," written in the seventeenth century by an author who at present escapes recollection as to name, is ingeniously presented the genesis of man and all things on planetary principles; and in the work it is put in a

wonderful way, bringing home the truth of the ancient Hermetic axiom, "As above, so below." A modern edition of this production contains an introduction by the great soul Anna Kingsford, wherein an occult explanation of Genesis for the greatest part is embodied. This exegesis is of such a simple and illuminating kind, that it appears to be

a faithful rendering of the occult archive. Occult schools of different teachers will undoubtedly have different readings of the record, but when they are all compared it will be found that they agree in all the principles, making plain a great harmony, characteristic of all mighty seekers after God.

(To be continued)

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER V.

DIRECTIONS OF THE SUN AND MOON.

The next class of directions to be dealt with are the direct and converse directions of the Sun to the Moon and planets, and the Moon to the planets. The directions of the Sun and Moon to the Ascendant and Mid-heaven are included in the previous chapter.

Now, in these directions the terms *direct* and *converse* have a different meaning. Suppose the Sun to be on the meridian and Saturn on the Ascendant. By the rotation of the earth, Saturn will appear to rise up to the twelfth cusp, making the sextile with the Sun, then to the middle of the eleventh, making the semi-square of the Sun, and afterwards to the meridian coming to the conjunction of the Sun. These are *direct* directions of the Sun. By the same rotation of the earth, the Sun will descend into the ninth house, forming directions with Saturn on the cusp of the ninth, middle of the eighth, and cusp of the seventh. These are *converse* directions of the Sun. The same applies to the Moon, if she held the same position as the Sun in the above examples. Students should remember these four rules.

1. When the Moon and planets move to aspects of the Sun's radical position, these are *direct* directions of the Sun.
2. When the Sun moves to aspects of the Moon and planets, these are *converse* directions of the Sun.
3. When the planets move to aspects of the Moon's radical position, these are *direct* directions of the Moon.
4. When the Moon moves to aspects of

the planets' radical positions, these are *converse* directions of the Moon.

Now as the planetary bodies rarely, if ever, occupy positions exactly on the cusps of the houses, directions are not formed on the cusps. For instance, suppose the Sun be between the cusps of the tenth and ninth houses and Saturn in the twelfth. The latter will form the sextile between the cusps of the twelfth and eleventh houses.

Again, let the Sun be 10° from the cusp of the tenth and in the ninth. Saturn to form the sextile aspect must reach the ten degrees past the twelfth cusp, and be in the eleventh. But the ten degrees past the twelfth cusp must be in the same proportion to Saturn's semi-arc as the ten degrees past the tenth house bear to the Sun's semi-arc.

Now let this be extended. Place the Sun in the ninth house, 10° from the meridian with a semi-arc of 100° . Place Saturn in the twelfth house 12° from the cusp of the twelfth with a semi-arc of 70° . Required Sun sextile Saturn m.d.

The planet Saturn to form this aspect must cross the twelfth cusp and proceed as far beyond that point in proportion to its semi-arc, as the Sun's distance past the tenth house bears to its semi-arc. The Sun's distance from the tenth house (10°) is exactly $\frac{1}{10}$ th of its semi-arc, and therefore the distance Saturn has to go past the twelfth cusp is 7° , or $\frac{1}{10}$ th of its semi-arc (70).

Saturn being on one side of the twelfth house and the direction being formed on the other, the two distances are added together: $12^\circ + 7^\circ = 19^\circ$, the arc of direction required.

Weather Forecasting.

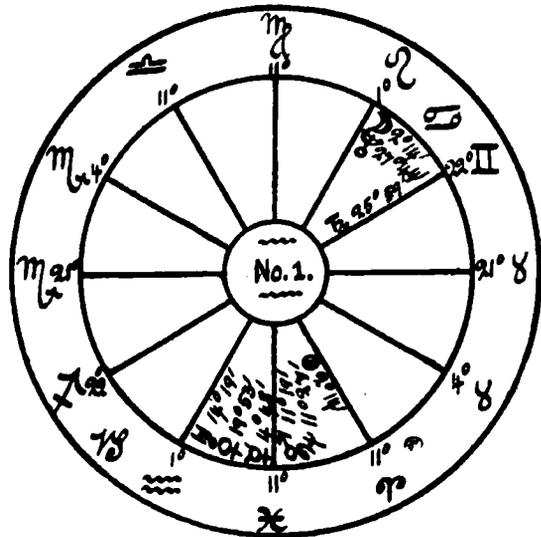
By C. SHERBURN.

(Continued from page 107).

IN order that readers may follow my remarks I append three Charts of the Heavens, No. 1 being cast for the time of the first quarter Moon of March 23rd, 1915, viz. : 10.48 p.m. ; No. 2 for the time of the Full Moon of March 31st—5.37 a.m. ; and No. 3 for 8.14 p.m., April 6th, 1915—the time at which the Moon reaches its last quarter. The figure for the New Moon of March 15th was given on page 107 of the March issue, and it is to this that we must give our first attention. Let us examine it and see what type of weather is in store for us during the lunar month commencing March 15th.

In Natal Astrology the most important parts of the horoscope are the Ascendant and Midheaven. In atmospherical Astrology, however, it is to the Ascendant and *Nadir* that particular attention must be paid. The New Moon figure shows Libra ascending and Capricorn 17° on the cusp of the fourth house. Venus and Saturn, therefore, strike the atmospherical key-note—if I may so speak—of the month, and much will depend upon how they are placed and aspected. The former planet is in the fourth house applying to the conjunction with Uranus, in semi-square with the luminaries, and semi-sextile Jupiter, while the latter is in the ninth house, square the lights, trine Mercury, sesquiquadrate Uranus, and semi-sextile Neptune. The Sun and Moon, conjoined in the sixth house, apply to the trine aspect with Neptune. It may here be stated that in atmospherical astrology the evil aspects are considered to have the greatest effect in the case of an "evil" planet ; the good aspects having the least power. With "good" planets, however, the favourable aspects are the stronger, the unfavourable ones coming last in importance ; with the exception of the opposition aspect, which is always regarded as the strongest aspect after the conjunction. With regard to our figure we may note as follows :

- ☽ ☉ □ ♃ Cold rain or snow, gloomy, and bleak. Low temperature.
- ☿ ☌ ☿ Cloudy and wet, with bright intervals.
- ♃ □ ☿ Hailstorms, heavy downpours. Reduced temperature.
- ☿ ∟ ☉ ☽ Cloudy and mild.
- ☿ ∆ ♃ Wind and rain. Cold and gloomy.
- ☽ ☉ ∆ ☿ Probably rain and fog.
- ♃ √ ☿ Rain and fog.
- ☿ √ ♃ Fine and sunny. Pleasant temperature.



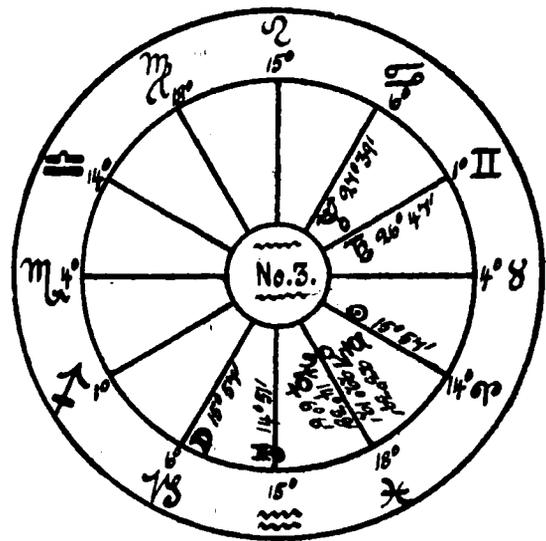
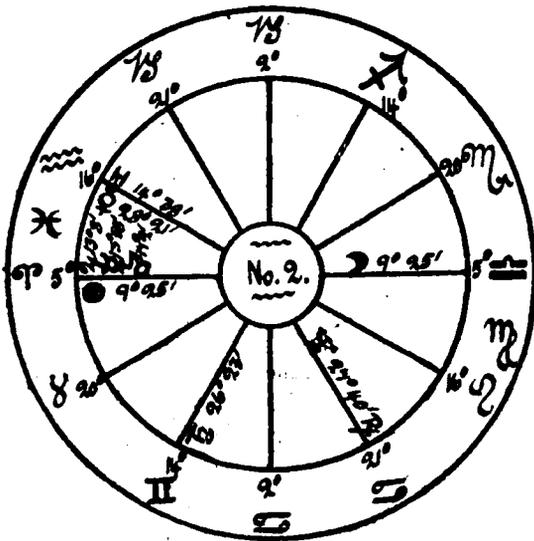
We have, therefore, plenty of ground for venturing a prediction that during the lunar month with which we are dealing the rainfall will be above the average, and that cold, wet, and windy weather will prevail. The presence of five planets, including the Sun and Moon, in watery signs, and four, including the rulers—Venus and Saturn—in airy signs, is a further indication that rain and wind will be a good deal in evidence. Winds from between the East and South-West predominate.

It now remains to discover during which weeks of the month the above unfavourable aspects are likely to bear fruit, and when the

one favourable aspect—that between Venus and Jupiter—is likely to make itself felt. And, finally, the probable variations of the weather day by day must be considered. The weather during the first week (New Moon to first quarter), as before mentioned, is judged from the New Moon figure itself, so we will pass on to the figures for the other three phrases. In Fig. No. 1 it will be seen that Mars and Jupiter are rulers, and are both conjoined with Mercury in the fourth house.

The Sun is square Saturn, semi-square Uranus, and trine Neptune, while the minor luminary has separated from conjunction

are in square aspect. The former is trine Neptune, and the planet Saturn is square Mercury, semi-sextile the Sun, and semi-sextile Neptune. The Moon has the sextile with Jupiter and Mars, and semi-sextile with Uranus. The Sun is semi-sextile Jupiter, semi-sextile Saturn, and sextile Herschel. The week should prove a more satisfactory one, so far as the weather is concerned, as the aspect of Jupiter and Venus in the New Moon figure is brought into operation by the aspects of the Sun and Moon to Jupiter. Although better than the preceding weeks it is likely to contain some very unpleasant



with Saturn, is trine Mercury, sesquiquadrate Venus and Uranus. Five planets are in water, three in airy, and one in a fiery sign. The weather will, therefore, be of a stormy character during the week commencing with the first quarter Moon and ending with the Full Moon. High winds, hail and rain, are probable, and rapid changes of temperature.

Fig. No. 2—that for the Full Moon—shows Mars and the Moon to be rulers of same. The former is conjoined with Jupiter and Mercury, and semi-sextile Uranus; the latter trine Uranus and quintile Neptune. The Sun is sextile Uranus. Weather of a somewhat similar character to that of the second week is likely, and violent winds are indicated.

Mars and Saturn are rulers of the figure for the last week of the lunar month, and

weather. The aspect of Mars and Saturn indicates rain and storms, but the aspects to Jupiter increases the temperature and bring fair weather and sunshine.

Having described the method of forecasting the type of weather for the month and week, I can now explain how the probable weather for each *day* is arrived at by this system.

Daily forecasts are made by reference to the Solar, inter-planetary, and lunar aspects which occur day by day, and which can be seen in *Raphael's Ephemeris*. These only operate, however, in terms of the weekly figure. Thus, if the figure for the week contains no indication of heat, and decided indications of cold, an aspect of the Moon and Mars will not increase the temperature. If, however, the figure shows some heat and

some cold, the temperature will be high or low on days when suitable aspects occur. I mention the lunar aspects because the Sun and Planets move comparatively slowly, and therefore, if they are within orbs of an aspect in the weekly figure, they often remain so during the whole or a greater part of the week. For instance, if the Sun be applying to the square aspect with Saturn, and is within three degrees of the exact aspect at the time of the last quarter Moon, that luminary (moving at the rate of one degree per day) will be only four degrees past the aspect at the end of the week following the phase. The first quarter Moon of March 23rd occurs late at night, so we take the 24th as the first day of the lunar week.

On the 24th, the Moon aspects Mercury, Mars, and Jupiter, and Mars is conjoined and parallel with Jupiter. These aspects are in harmony with indications in the figure, and we may come to the conclusion that the weather will be stormy, with high winds, hail, and rain, on this day.

On the 25th, the Moon aspects Mercury, Saturn, and Jupiter, and similar weather will be experienced to that of the 24th, with the exception that it will become colder. The 26th will also be a day of high winds, heavy rains, and low temperature. I think these instances will suffice to show our readers how daily predictions of the weather are made by this system, and it only remains for them to test it for themselves.

The Symbolism of Numbers.

By G. V. DODDERIDGE.

THERE are many people who still refuse to believe that we are signalled by the power of numbers, despite the fact that many excellent articles have appeared on this subject from time to time in these pages. Many refuse to take the trouble to peruse them, simply because they consider that numbers have nothing whatsoever in common with human life.

For the benefit of my readers who adhere to such a view as this, may I be allowed to trespass upon your valuable space, and your readers' patience, to give a few illustrations of how numbers have been working in the lives of some of those brave men, who at the present time are striving manfully and gallantly to uphold the Motherland's glorious career. I do it in the hope that it may be a means of persuading a few, at any rate, to look upon numerology in a more favourable light. I will then leave you to draw your own conclusions as to whether the arithmetical symbols are effective or not.

FATAL 13.

"What about this for the number 13?" said Lance-Corporal H. Beaumont, of the West Riding Regiment. "I belong to No. 13 Battalion, Company No. 1 Section, with 13 men to start out with. We had 13 shillings pay, and sailed from Ireland on the 13th, so that you can tell the number 13 is lucky for me." But, unfortunately, the number displayed its old property, for he was afterwards killed in action.

FATEFUL FRIDAY AND 13.

News reached Bromley, Kent, that on Friday, December 13th, the same day that his thirteenth child was born, Private J. Waldron, of the Scots Guards, was killed in action. Only a few days before, the relatives at Bromley were discussing the "superstition" attached to a Friday and the number 13.

SOLDIER'S LUCKY 9.

The following from the *Birmingham Daily Mail* is even still more striking:

"The influence of a certain number upon their lives and fortunes is firmly believed in by many people. Thirteen is almost universally regarded as being singularly unlucky, and on the same principle there are other numerals which are "supposed" (the inverted commas are mine) to exercise some mysteriously beneficent influence. An extraordinary example is the way in which the figure 9 has cropped up in the experiences of a Birmingham ex-soldier. The subject was born at the 9th hour of the day, he left school at the age of 9, and 9 years later enlisted in the Royal Field Artillery. As a soldier he has crossed the ocean 9 times, serving abroad for 9 years, 9 months, and 9 days, and he was a non-commissioned officer for 9 years and 9 days. While fighting in the Boer War he was wounded 9 times, and on one occasion was seriously injured by a bayonet thrust, although as it happened to be the 9th day of the month he put paid to his adversary's account. He has 9 bars on his South African medals, he has been an army pensioner for 9 years, and his present situation is the ninth he has held since leaving the army."

After reading these lines, can you honestly say that numbers have not the slightest influence in the tide and affairs of men? Can you deny that they possess hidden mysteries? I think not. And if you agree, as I think you must, that "all things can be reduced to number," why not endeavour to ascertain the mathematical principles that are ruling your own particular course of life? Read the works of Sepharial, read the articles of Numerary, and you will soon obtain that knowledge which will develop into a most serviceable factor in your daily life.

True and False in Numbers, Dates and Superstitions.

With a Complete Relutation of the Modern Libel on Friday and Thirteen.

By ASESHRA.

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CHEN what can be more absurd than superstitions about our artificially numbered years, differing according to the creeds of the nations, and not founded on any historical or astronomical basis! Look at the outcry against A.D. 1913 when it was first ushered in—"Sure to be unlucky with 13 in it—I shall be thankful when it is over," was the usual feminine comment heard on every side, entirely ignoring the fact that it was not 1913 at all in Russian, Mohammedan, or Jewish reckoning, and that the very hallmark of A.D. is a fiction that won't bear the smallest examination, and is lost in mythical mists! Many savants have declared that A.D. began 50 or 100 years after the death of Christ, others from before his birth, and others again assert that the story of the persecuted socialist Carpenter of Nazareth was merely selected by early promulgators as a fitting nucleus for a new setting of the old Osiris—Christ—Ormuz solar allegory. In any case, the A.D. period has no authentic starting point.

True numbers and dates are those that rest on absolute mathematical and astronomical foundations. Such are the birthday anniversary or solar revolution when the Sun makes its annual return to the exact degree of the zodiacal sign occupied at birth. Secondly, the lunar revolution when the Moon makes its monthly return to the degree occupied at birth. Third, the recurring seventh day or lunar quarter (commonly called week-day) which ushered in the birth.

Thus, if you were born on a so-called Sunday in modern dates, that day is a weekly milestone for you (even though Queen Elizabeth dubbed it Thursday), and has a certain importance as marking a small weekly cog-wheel in your life.

As regards unlucky week-days in a life, I

am inclined to think that each person has his own, if any, apart from the nomenclature of the days! Thus the greatest disasters of my life have generally taken place on a Saturday (the old Wednesday), and I cordially dislike the day whatever its true name.

Finally, a thorough reorganisation of the world's dates is imperative! Astronomy is the only true source of all real measurements of time; thus the earth's journey around the Sun is our year, and the Moon's journey round our planet is our lunar month of four times 7 days, repeating itself 13 times in a year. These are the only true data of those periods founded on facts in time and space.

Why, then, are we to be fooled by the whimsical decrees of ancient Kaisers like the Roman Emperors Julius and Augustus, who named July and August after themselves, or the learned Emperor Justinian, the great law maker, who again changed the divisions of the year to suit himself.

Above all, if it is not to be an empty mockery, New Year's Day should rest on an irrefutable astronomical foundation. For the Northern hemisphere, in which the bulk of civilised humanity resides, there are only two possible dates, viz., our December 21st, when the earth enters Cancer, and the days first begin to get longer (personally, I am in favour of this, and also of the rolling into one of Christmas and Easter day for about April 1st, as probably being more correct). The other date is the vernal equinox of March 21st, which is still the Persian's New Year, when days and nights are equal. It was our New Year's day prior to A.D. 1752, and is also supposed to usher in the virgin Spring with the new birth of the vegetable world! But why should we associate ourselves with vegetables? In the Riviera, lucky people are eating new asparagus in February! Personally, I prefer the new birth of daylight on

December 21st as the Northern New Year. Concerning public dates, space will not permit me to more than touch upon the subject here. Seeing that the present epoch of A.D. is, scientifically speaking, of entirely spurious origin, the years upon this planet should certainly be counted from the cycles of the Naros and the Saros, when the eclipses and new Moons and planetary positions repeat themselves with relation to an interdependence upon the recurring precession of the equinoxes and the greater cycle of 12,600 years.

The year itself should, of course, count from the solar ingress at one of the four cardinal points of the zodiac. Moreover, science must eventually abolish the present system of fictitious calendar months, substituting the 13 lunar months and a 24-hour day instead of the a.m. and p.m. muddle, which is the curse of the time-tables and harrassed travellers.

No doubt these lunar months would have been adopted long ago but for Leonardo's picture, which would still lead ignorant persons to dread the 13th month. Whereas, if numbers mean anything, ancient tradition has made 13 the luckiest of all, with the exception, perhaps, of the perfect numbers 6 and 10.

Astronomy and mathematics are, as I have said, the bed-rock foundation of all scientific reform. When the war is over and the Kaiser and his sons are cooling their heels and heads in exile at St. Helena, let us hope that the world will proceed to set its house in order, and that the first step may be a council of the astronomers of every nation (including the new peaceful German Republic) to place our numbers and dates upon a truly scientific basis by one sweeping enactment for the reform of the calendar.

(To be Continued).

Lessons in Temperament -- Series II.

By ALBERT, IDA and FRANK ELLIS, Incorporated Character Readers.

LESSON VI.

THE LAW OF CLIMATE IN RELATION TO TEMPERAMENT AND HEALTH.

Climate undoubtedly has a remarkable effect on the temperament of human beings, as many people who have the opportunity to change from the cold northern countries to the genial southern countries can testify.

Certain temperaments cannot stand the great change of temperature between day or night that exist in some localities, neither can they endure the north and east winds prevailing in other districts. Persons lacking vitality need a milder climate than those of greater vitality, and the difference in health after removal from a cold to a warmer climate is soon realized by the former to their benefit.

When the cold weather sets in, the registrars' reports of deaths increase, and doctors become busy, whereas in the summer months, the doctors are relatively slack.

The inference from this fact is that a mild climate is conducive to good health and longevity.

Some parts of the west of Scotland and Ireland are said to have mild climates owing to the influence of the Western Ocean, and the protection of the range of hills from the north and east winds.

Along the west coast of England, especially to-

wards the south-west, the effect of the Gulf Stream from the West Indies is said to cause a much milder climate than other parts.

With reference to invalids and travelling abroad, Sir James Clarke says: "I believe a sufficiently mild climate is to be found in England and with English comforts," and as we are writing mostly for residents of the United Kingdom, readers will understand why we confine our observations to the English climate more than foreign.

We are somewhat disappointed that no medical expert appears to have attempted to classify climates suitable for the various types of temperament.

What has been done, however, is to name certain districts which are suitable and unsuitable for chest complaints, but this is not sufficient for our purpose.

It is apparent that relatively bracing, warm, mild, and cold districts may be found in all parts of the United Kingdom, and even bracing, warm, mild, and cold areas in a single town. Our attention has been drawn to the fact, by the particular experience of the town from which this is written. We refer to Blackpool, the popular health resort on the Lancashire Coast. This town has a promenade three miles long, and the north is distinctly bracing and cold, the south part is distinctly warmer, whereas the central portion will be found possessing a temperature between the two.

Thus the town has a climate suitable for almost

any type of temperament, if the part of the town is judiciously selected. One of the many reasons for this variation of temperature is that the north has a clay subsoil, the south a sandy subsoil, and the central portion a large share of peat mixed with areas of clay and sand. The prevailing winds also lend themselves to cause this difference.

In a former lesson we pointed out that the demands of a predominant Mental system are that it may be soothed and not receive a shock to its delicate organisation, and it will be obvious that extremes of climate will be unsuitable, and that a bracing and mild climate will have the best effect.

TYPE OF TEMPERAMENT Explanation of Terms - 7 indicates greater than - indicates equal to	CLIMATE SUITABLE
I Mental 7 Motive 7 Vital	Bracing and warm
II Mental 7 Vital 7 Motive	Bracing and mild
III Motive 7 Vital 7 Mental	Warm or mild
IV Motive 7 Mental 7 Vital	Warm and bracing
V Vital 7 Mental 7 Motive	Cool and bracing
VI Vital 7 Motive 7 Mental	Cool or mild
VII Mental 7 Motive - Vital	Bracing and warm
VIII Motive 7 Vital - Mental	Warm or mild
IX Vital 7 Mental - Motive	Cool and bracing
X Mental = Motive 7 Vital	Bracing yet warm
XI Motive = Vital 7 Mental	Mild
XII Vital - Mental 7 Motive	Cool and bracing
XIII Balanced	Mild, bracing, warm or cool
XIV Abnormal	Should seek medical advice

The demands of a predominant Motive system are that it may be warmed and not chilled, that the natural tendency to bone and joint troubles may not be encouraged. This, naturally, points to a warm climate as the most suitable in a district with a sandy subsoil.

The demands of a predominant Vital system are that it may have assistance to carry off its superfluous material waste, and a bracing cold climate is the most suitable, so that this type may have that tonic which prompts to exercise in the open-air to walk off superfluous flesh.

Perhaps our reference to Blackpool may savour of advertisement, but it is not intended as such, being merely an example of features which many other towns possess.

In these days of advertising the virtues of coast and inland health resorts, it is difficult to state if one place is superior to another, because it would appear they are all unequalled in the opinion of the advertisers, and we must frankly admit that the subject has not yet had the impartial attention it deserves, because towns are written up for payment.

In a general way, the Nervous system requires a bracing warm climate, the Motive system a mild or warm climate, and the Vital system a cooler climate.

Whether residence in one place should be temporary or permanent depends upon whether actual disease is present. In many cases a temporary residence may benefit and a permanent residence become injurious.

If bracing, cool, and mild climates are classified according to the types of temperament, the following table is the result, but we must leave the reader to select his own district to obtain the climate he desires, not forgetting that the subsoil will have some relation to climate and its effects.

To a Comrade at the Front.

We pledged our troth as comrades true,
 When skies were blue;
 The setting sun upon us cast its roseate hue,
 And Nature smiled.
 The Promised Land appeared in sight, its vintage rare
 Allured us with the pure delight that none could share
 But souls beguiled.
 But then across the Eastern sky an angry glare
 Of lurid light shot through the air,
 Appalling man!
 Cried fiery Mars: "Athirst for blood am I,
 To arms, ye nations! Sound long the battle-cry!"
 And Hell began!
 At times my soul grows weary, and a black despair
 O'erwhelms my faith, unanswered prayer
 My patience tries.
 Then, as from Heaven like soft refreshing dew,
 Your sweet "I love you" inspires my soul anew,
 And sorrow flies.

Where are you, comrade? Canst thou not impress
 Your nearness on my waking consciousness
 When I return
 From Dreamland, where all kindred spirits meet,
 And changing thoughts of love in commune sweet,
 Themselves discern?

For you my thoughts are one long
 Constant prayer,
 That war shall cease, that God our lives may spare
 And make complete.
 Hope springs eternal in the human breast,
 We can but trust and leave to Him the rest
 Until we meet!

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And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, Δ ♂, Δ ♀. An active year, changes, new work, benefits in business and social gain. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, energetic, kind and affectionate, and will rise in life.

2. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♁, * ♃, 8 ♃, □ ♃. A good year for business with changes, but financial losses and danger of indisposition. A child born will be clever, original and inventive, but extravagant and careless, and will have many obstacles in life.

3. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, Δ ☾, □ ♂, ♀. A good year for business or employ, but danger of accidents, grief, or scandal. A child born will be popular, kind, successful in employ, but careless, hasty, and liable to get into trouble through the other sex.

4. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁, 8 ♃, * ♃. Δ ♃. A variable year, changes, financial benefits, but danger of duplicity, indisposition, bereavement, and many annoyances. A child born will be clever, kind, generous, but erratic, impressionable, unreliable, and will have many troubles in life.

5. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, * ♀. A variable year, indisposition, financial troubles, but social gain and new friends. A child born will be kind, affectionate, but wayward, extravagant and weak willed.

6. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♁, □ ☽, ♂ ♃, * ♂, □ ♃. A doubtful year, activity and changes, some benefits in business, but danger of indisposition, bereavement, reversals and much annoyance. A child born will be clever, active, popular, have a hatred of control, be erratic, proud, and often involved in serious troubles.

7. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♁, Δ ♃. An evil year, danger of serious reversals and troubles, some gain from elders, and changes. A child born will be steady and inventive, but will have a hard struggle in life and suffer many reversals.

8. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, * ☽. A changeable year, social and financial gains, success in employ, but danger of accidents and reversals. A child born will be rash, erratic, but kind, generous, affectionate and popular, and will be fairly successful.

9. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♁, Δ ♃, □ ♃, ♂ ♃, * ♃. A generally good year, success in work, promotion, changes, journeys, but danger of indisposition. A child born will be clever, intelligent, generous, popular and skilful, will have many troubles in life, but should be fairly successful.

10. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁. Social and financial gains, new friends, but danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be rash and hasty, but kind, affectionate, generous, and fairly successful.

11. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁, * ♃, ♂ ♂, ♀. A variable year, social gains, success in courtship, journeys, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born will be kind, courteous, romantic, and original, but very hasty and rash, and liable to many troubles through want of thought.

12. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, □ ♃, * ♃. An unsettled year, benefits in business and through elders' advice, but much annoyance and upsets in affairs. A child born will be steady, reliable, popular, but erratic and deceitful, and will do best in employ.

13. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♁, □ ♃. A successful year, promotion and financial gains, but many little hindrances and annoyances. A child born will be kind, generous, popular, but erratic and impressionable, will be very successful, but have many little drawbacks in life.

14. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♁, ♂ ☽, * ♃, ♃. A successful year, important changes and developments in affairs, social and financial gains, activity and changes. A child born will be clever, active, intelligent, popular, generous, will rise in life and be very successful.

15. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, ♂ ♃, — ♀ ♂ ♂. An active year with changes, but not good for females, there being danger of trouble through the opposite sex. A child born will be clever and intelligent, but should always be discreet in dealings with the opposite sex, and keep strictly to the moral path.

16. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♁, Δ ♃, □ ♃, * ♂, ♀. A fairly good year, changes, journeys, activity, social gains, but some financial losses and disputes. A child born will be active, enterprising, original, affectionate, but somewhat extravagant; will be fairly successful.

17. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, ♂ ♃. An evil year, danger of indisposition, bereavement, and many annoyances. A child born will be weak willed, despondent, and health and environment will be detrimental to material progress.

18. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁. An active year, with changes and success in business. A child born will be clever and intelligent, and fairly successful in life.

19. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, * ☽, ♂ ♃, Δ ♃, □ ♃. A variable year, danger of disputes and grief, indisposition and deceit, but gains in employ and popularity. A child born will be kind, generous, popular, but hasty and prodigal; should be discreet in dealings with the opposite sex, and avoid wrangling.

20. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♁. A doubtful year, changes, journeys, but many annoyances, trouble through opposite sex and worry. A child born will be impressionable and psychic, popular, but have many troubles in life.

21. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, ♂ ♄. Δ ♂, * ♀. A variable year, reversals and annoyances, changes, new work, activity and journeys. A child born will be erratic and abrupt, but kind, clever, active and enterprising, and will be fairly successful.

22. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♏, □ ☉, * ♃, Δ ♀. A variable year, indisposition, trouble in employ, danger of scandal, but new friends and social gains and benefits from elders. A child born will be proud, imperious, impressionable, but kind, affectionate and steady.

23. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ♂ ♃, □ ♀. An evil year, danger of indisposition, accidents, financial losses and many annoyances, some slight gains. A child born will be rash, hasty, revengeful, extravagant, and have a hatred of control.

24. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♌, Δ ☉, * ♀. A variable year, indisposition, losses through bad judgment, some financial gains and benefits in employ. A child born will be popular, successful in employ, but will be sceptical and irreligious.

25. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♌, Δ ♄. A doubtful year, changes and journeys, trouble through the opposite sex and many annoyances. A child born will be original, kind, but rash and prodigal, and not very successful.

26. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♌, □ ♀, Δ ♃, ♀ — ♂ ♂, ♀. A changeable year, changes and gain in business, but danger of deceit, accidents, grief and disappointment. A child born will be clever, intelligent, but rash, hasty, revengeful.

27. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♍, □ ♄. An unsettled and worrying year, some benefits in employ, but annoyances, reversals and upsets. A child born will be unruly, erratic, wayward and unreliable, and will do best in employ.

28. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♍, ♂ ☉, Δ ♀, ♃. An active year, with benefits in business, but danger of indisposition. A child born will be proud, imperious, clever, intelligent, and would be successful in naval affairs.

29. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♍, * ♄. A year of changes, journeys, and many annoyances. A child born will be original and inventive, but will have many upsets and annoyances.

30. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♍, ♂ ♃, ♀, □ ♃, Δ ♂. An evil year, financial losses, grief, disappointments, indisposition and bereavement, some changes and activity, but many annoyances. A child born will be active and energetic, but rash, hasty, and extravagant.

31. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♍, Δ ♀, — ♀ ♂ ♃. A year of much worry and anxiety, with benefits from friends. A child born will be kind and affectionate, but greatly given to worry.

British Institute of Mental Science.

The Annual Meeting of Members will be held on Saturday, May 8th, 1915, at 3 p.m. in Mrs. Ridley's rooms, 13A, Air Street, Piccadilly Circus, London. Council meetings will also be held immediately before and after the General Meeting.

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MAY, 1915.

1	7	12	Travel, change, court, marry, visit friends, push business.
2	22	13	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and reflect. Keep quiet.
3	6	53	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
4	21	7	An unsettled day. Do nothing important.
5	4	54	Visit friends evening. Safeguard health.
6	18	15	Ask favours in a.m. Avoid wrangling.
7	1	14	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
8	13	55	Visit friends in the afternoon and evening.
9	26	20	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and reflect. Safeguard health.
10	8	34	A variable day. Avoid accidents and do not travel.
11	20	39	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
12	2	39	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties.
13	14	35	An unsettled day. Act carefully in all things.
14	26	28	Travel, change and push business.
15	8	19	Act discreetly a.m. Correspond, travel and change p.m.
16	20	11	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends in the evening. Avoid disputes.
17	2	5	An evil day. Avoid disputes and safeguard health.
18	14	4	Travel, correspond, and attend to business p.m.
19	26	10	An unsettled day. Do nothing important.
20	8	28	A variable day. Ask favours in the morning.
21	21	1	Travel, change, correspond and push business.
22	3	55	Contradictory influences prevail. Do nothing important.
23	17	14	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for quiet study and contemplation.
24	1	0	Safeguard health and ask favours afternoon.
25	15	16	Act discreetly a.m. Visit friends in evening.
26	29	59	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
27	15	3	Another evil day. Do nothing important.
28	0	21	Travel, change, and attend to business before 4 p.m.
29	15	41	Travel in a.m. Guard against disputes.
30	0	51	<i>Sunday.</i> Quiet contemplation.
31	15	41	Act quietly and do not worry.

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The Editor's Observatory.

The Progress of the War.

Our predictions under the heading of the April lunation in the last issue have been unfortunately fulfilled. We predicted reverses to the Russians, and temporary advantage to the Germans, which has been fulfilled in the checking of the Russian advance. Dockyard troubles and strikes have happened, and the sinking of the *Lusitania* is well signified by our forecast of "treachery on the sea." The spy trouble has still caused serious annoyance, and forced the Government to take active steps to intern Aliens. Our prediction in regard to the weather has also been verified.

With regard to the duration of the war, we have nothing to add to what was stated in the last issue. There are no definite indications of peace until the Sun enters Libra in September, 1916, and it is quite apparent that the end of the first phase of the war will not take place until the following year. We say "the first phase of the war" for reasons which are quite apparent to students of Mundane Astrology.

The May Lunation.

The lunation of May 14th takes place in the 32nd degree of Taurus on the place of

the Kaiser's Uranus, and opposed to his Moon, but in sextile to his Mars and Neptune. It is in square to the luminaries and Saturn in the Emperor of Austria's horoscope, and on the Sun of the Czar. It will bring serious reversals to the Kaiser, but naval success. It is equally as serious to the Austrian ruler, but should benefit the Czar. Saturn transits the lower meridian of King George, and Uranus is stationary on his progressed meridian. These are adverse influences, and point to losses, disturbances in the country, and continuation of strikes. Trade will improve considerably. Parliamentary affairs will be disordered, and the probability of a Coalition cabinet being formed is not unlikely.*

The Outlook for 1917.

In the next issue we propose to deal with the question of the likelihood of the war continuing through 1917. There are several important influences in that year affecting the horoscopes of the rulers of Europe, and although as previously pointed out there are indications of peace in the Autumn ingress of 1916, a fixed sign rises thereat, and the figure has rule for twelve months after.

* This prediction has since been fulfilled.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

The Telescopic Eye.

How few men possess the coveted gift of the telescopic eye is brought home to us in the exceedingly short-sighted predictions that have been made in various quarters, astrological as well as journalistic, concerning the duration of the war. At last it is beginning to dawn upon these writers that they have no perspective, no sense of proportion, and that the capacity for thinking in millions is not theirs. One astrologer predicted it all over in a fortnight! Others went as far as October of last year. A notable astrologer suggested that it might terminate in December. A great many journalists have looked to June of this year for the end of the war. A belated prediction sees the end in 1916. All of which forecasts are sheer nonsense. One writer, the Military Special of *The Observer*, whose deductions are generally sound, and whose observations are remarkable for their perspective, puts the case so clearly that I cannot do better than quote him verbatim. He says:

"All men now know two things which every competent witness has been steadily asserting. In the first place, the nation as a whole still labours under a serious under-estimate of the task before us. Secondly, the optimism was insane which imagined a few weeks ago that the worst of the war would be over by June, and that high summer would see the Allies on the high road to victory. It is almost of life and death importance to destroy these delusions once for all, and to realise that our more vivid hopes must be postponed until the Allies have secured that overwhelming preponderance of available force which they do not yet possess."

The Flaming Sword.

It may be known to some few students of astrology that there exists an ancient kabalism which deals with the cycles of time, marking the course of each cycle through the signs of the zodiac, and the various planetary conjunctions that take place in the course of each cycle. In this system

the year 1916 is described as the "Year of the Flaming Sword," and as such it will have to be regarded. It will witness the apotheosis of the God of War, the planet Mars in a triple conjunction with the Sun, Moon and Saturn. It will be a year of great fires, devastating fevers, terrible wrecks and wide-spread ruin. If there be any man capable of doing anything for the country under whose protecting flag he has enjoyed all the advantages of a long and prosperous peace, and who now soothes himself with the vain delusion that these things cannot last, that the tyrant will be starved out or crushed without doubt in the near future, and all without help from him, let him consider now whether he is dealing honestly with himself or his fellows. What if all men thought as he? The Huns would very soon be in England, and the man of vain delusions would see his mother turned out of her home, his sisters and children violated and tortured, his own house ransacked, pillaged and burned to the ground, and himself, with others like him, stacked against the nearest wall and shot, if nothing worse! And by what right does he expect to escape his share of the national burden, the danger of the times, the duty of the citizen? By what strange fascination does he hug himself so closely, fearing to lose that which he came by so cheaply, forgetting that the life-lease he holds does not constitute ownership, and that, after all, he holds it but in trust, first to those who gave him birth, next to the country that sheltered him in infancy, and finally to the nation in whose community he has grown up and prospered? Here, again, there is lack of perspective. He does not see that this is a spiritual as well as material war. He thinks that the Armageddon, like the millenium, has been talked about so much that it will never come. Well, it is here! Hell has been let loose upon the earth. And now it is only a question: "Art thou for us or the enemy?"

The Lusitania.

The Satanic joy which thrilled all the Prussian Huns and their German Slaves when it was known that the great Trans-Atlantic steamer had been torpedoed and sunk, and that over a thousand defenceless people, including a great number of women and children, had been sent to a watery grave, clearly indicates the diabolical obsession which has taken hold of the German nation. Years ago they started to argue God out of existence. To-day they are acting as if they had accomplished the annihilation of the Deity! But wait—there is always *to-morrow*. Does this impious fiend imagine that the scales of Justice have fallen from the hand of God? The witnesses may lie about the streets for three and a half days, the war may continue for a time, times and a half time, power may be given to the Beast to continue for forty and two months. But that is the end. Thereafter he will go down into the depths. He will see again those drowned women and children, those wrecked and ruined cities, those choking, gas-poisoned men, those desecrated churches, those mutilated women and the myriad blood-stained slaves who died in his service under the glamour of a false illusion—and every one of them will accuse him. Accursed by the meanest of his subjects, the Great Autocrat, the War Lord, the man whose insane ambition would wrest the earth itself from the hand of God, will be weighed in the scales against a million victims of his World-lust. German and French, Belgian, British and Indian, and his guilt will be found greater than the follies of them all, for it will be measured by the greatness of his power and the use to which he has put it. And not all the waters in the seas, nor all the blood of the nations, will wipe out those two black spots from the indictment—Louvain and *Lusitania*. Who but a brood of devils could look upon them and laugh?

The Danger Signal.

According to the record of "Our Days and Hours," by Mr. Thos. S. Eyre, the *Lusitania* was launched at 0.30 p.m. on Thursday, 7th June, 1906. It was then the world's largest

and fastest vessel. It was the hour of Saturn. A figure for this time shows Saturn in the sign Pisces in the sixth house going to the exact square aspect (90°) with the Sun and Mercury. Mars held the tenth house in Gemini 27° in close opposition to the Moon in Sagittarius 25°. Neptune held the tenth house in Cancer in opposition to Uranus in Capricorn. Mercury the ruler of the horoscope was in the sign Gemini and the ninth house (Mercury, the messenger, in the house of long voyages)—a most suitable and suggestive symbol, especially when we consider the conjunction of Mercury with Jupiter. But the quadrature of Saturn to Mercury and the Sun, the Moon afflicted in the lower meridian, Mars and Neptune in elevation in the tenth, and Uranus in the fourth—all violent and disastrous indications—we understand fully the significance of Mr. Eyre's comment written in 1907: "We are also awaiting the result of this new enterprise," and this launching of the *Lusitania* in the hour of Saturn ends a list of known disasters and unfortunate episodes which, the author says, "will give our readers some knowledge of that unfortunate planetary hour." And this last has proved to be the greatest of them all. The vessel started on its maiden voyage on the 7th September, 1907, at 9.10 p.m. Again it is the fatal hour of Saturn! A figure for this time shows the 28th degree of Capricorn on the Midheaven and Gemini 3° rising. Mercury is again the ruler of the horoscope. We find the Sun, Moon, Venus, and Mercury conjoined in the sign Virgo (constellation Argos) in trine to Mars and sextile to Neptune, Mars and Neptune being in opposition. Saturn near the cusp of the twelfth in the sign Pisces. Seven days later, answering to the seven years elapsed, we find the Sun in Virgo 21°, the place of the Great War eclipse of March, 1914, and forming the opposition with Saturn and in exact semi-square to Jupiter, but in conjunction with Venus, also in opposition to Saturn from the sign of its "fall." The Moon in the twenty-seventh degree of Sagittarius is in direct opposition to the place of Mars at the launching, namely, Gemini 27°, and having recently separated from the square of Saturn in the radix, it is now found in close square to Mercury. All

these are portents of approaching disaster, and it is to be noted that Saturn passed the place of Mars in the radix, and the opposition of the Moon in the progress, towards the end of April, when notification of the intended murder was published, while Jupiter at the date of the disaster was in direct opposition to the progressed place of the Sun in the horoscope of 1915.

Reading the Signals.

From this and innumerable other evidences accumulated during the evolution of modern astrological science, we are bound to admit that the *signals are always there* and that it is our own ignorance, our limitations, our preoccupation in other directions, which prevent us from reading them. Our minds are too heavily chained to the maze of earthly things to be able to disengage and take proper count of all these multiplex celestial portents. But whether we regard the disasters which overtake the mind, body or estate of individuals, or great epochs in the destinies of nations, or such collective disasters as attend upon a state of war, we find upon examination that the signals are always there. God does not fail us, it is rather that we fail Him, in that we are unable by ignorance or self-interest to become divine conspirators. Certain things happen by divine will, and Nature, as seen in our greater environment, is an expression of that will. Other things happen by divine permission, which is a concession to human nature, so that we may be held free and responsible agents. Without this concession human evolution would not be possible. The idea of planetary causation which has grown up in connection with the study of Astrology should be scouted by all who hold belief in the spiritual basis of the universe. Those who seek a material interpretation of all the circumstances of human life, will find themselves confronted by logical difficulties of an insuperable kind.

A False Vision.

One of the most remarkable features that has ever entered into the text of an Official Report is to be found in the account of the South African Revolt—incidentally signified and predicted from the passage of Neptune

through the sign Cancer. It appears from the report that the visions and prophecies of Van Rensburg had an enormous influence in determining the revolt. This pseudo prophet first created a reputation by saying that he had had a vision, and that General Delarey would be followed home by a carriage of flowers after losing his hat. But so faulty was the prophet's interpretation of the symbolism that instead of a hearse, he predicted a triumphal procession, and instead of the loss of his life, he had predicted high honours for the General. He had also seen the number 15 on a dark cloud. So the 15th of the month was selected as the day for the secret meeting of the Burghers with pro-German sympathies. Not only was Delarey affected by these prophecies, but also Maritz who held the prophet in great esteem. In effect, Delarey got accidentally shot, was brought home without his hat, and was followed to his grave by a hearse of flowers. His death had broken the back of the conspiracy. Maritz, however, was not deterred, and his revolt in October was followed by that of De Wet. Van Rensburg had always predicted that General Botha would not resist the revolt. The course of events proved him to be absolutely false, and with the disillusionment of the Burghers came the end of the rebellion. A more curious case of occult experience in connection with political affairs has perhaps never been chronicled, and it serves to show that seers are not necessarily prophets.

The Hymn of Hate.

According to the *Morning Post* it has now been found that the famous Hymn of Hate has been extracted from the wastepaper basket of Georg Herweg, the stubborn German revolutionary, who wrote the verses and addressed them to the Prussian tyrants in 1841. In the original the concluding words are: "We have only one common foe—Prussia." This is now made to read: "We have only one common foe—England." The plagiarist is Ernst Lissauer, who, by substituting England for Prussia, has created for himself a reputation second only to that of the Kaiser among German poets! So it appears that not only are these Prussian

bullies women-slayers and defamers of things sacred, but pirates, plagiarists and thieves. What Father Arminius said of the Bavarian invaders of Prussia in the thirteenth century, Georg Herweg repeated in the nineteenth, and we of the present day have no doubt, whatsoever that they are "rapacious wolves, whose maws drip with the blood of innocent victims." In a word, Germany has but one common foe—Prussia!

New Science Ideas.

Modern investigations go to show that the theory of transmission of life from one planet or system to another, as advocated by Sir Hiram Maxim and others, is by no means improbable, despite the fact that interplanetary space is permeated by ultra-violet rays which are germicidal and therefore likely to kill all incipient life exposed to them. For it is seen that meteors, comets, and shooting stars, as well as cosmic dust, are full of germ life and as they are carried into the atmosphere of a planet it is probable that they are capable of impregnating the air with germ-life, hitherto foreign to the globe. This throws a new light upon the reputed disease-producing effects of cometary invasions of the solar system. Milton writes of the popular view of the comet, which "from his horrid hair shakes pestilence and war" (*Par. Lost II.*) and likens a comet to the "brandished sword of God, which, with torrid heat and vapours as the Lybian air adust, began to parch that temperate clime." And if we link this idea up with that of the "streams of cosmic dust" which our system passes through from time to time, we may perceive how life may be transmitted from planet to planet and from system to system. Even the old Moon, that played-out world and vast volcanic grave, may some day be caught up in one of these cosmic streams of energy and cradled into new life. And in this connection the observation of an ingenious writer in the *Chemical News* to the effect that the Moon's rays, being reflected, are all in the same plane and therefore polarised, admits of considerable speculation. The Sun's light flows in all planes, being radial, while the Moon's light is in one plane being reflected. Hence there is a difference between the action of the two kinds of light, for the

Moon will have less germicidal power than the Sun, and this will account for the fact that decay is accelerated in the rays of the Moon and retarded in those of the Sun. The facts were early noted by primitive peoples, but not scientifically explained by them. It serves also to explain why astrologically we discern a difference of action on the physical plane between the rays of the planets, those of the Moon and those of the Sun. In the "Manual of Astrology" I have attempted the same theory of distinction between direct and reflected light upon a more elaborate and generous scale. The solar rays, I said, were reflected by the planets in altered magnetic and electrical conditions, differing according to the nature of the planet which transmits them. This theory lies at the root of all consideration of the supposed physical effects of the planets upon the human constitution.

Scratched.

Among the candidates for successful prediction concerning the War there are already a good many who must be regarded as "scratched." Me. de Thèbes, for example, whose prediction of the end of the war in June of this year, must already be counted out. So also Mr. Heald, the diviner by Chromoscopy, who concluded that the war would end in March, 1915, is already among the dead prophets. The editor of "Prophecies and Omens of the Great War" has, perhaps, a month in hand in which to see the fulfilment of his hopes and anticipations. "What appears probable, astrologically, is that the War will in no case last more than ten months, approximately, from its commencement, that it may end in the Spring, and that the month of July, 1915, will bring with it some European settlement fraught with the promise of a lasting peace," says that writer, and the indications cited are (1) A favourable aspect between the Moon and Jupiter in the King's horoscope at this time, and (2) A transit of Jupiter which brings it stationary close to the Ascendant of that horoscope. Astrological students will doubtless see that the radical position of Jupiter is far more likely to indicate successful operations abroad than any conclusion of a peace.

which involves a contract or countersigned declaration. But personally I have no faith in the method of direction by which this portent is obtained. The greatest measure of success, however, is reserved to the period when Jupiter passes through the sign Aries, namely, from February, 1916, onwards, and as I have already said, we ought to have the enemy beaten by August, 1917.

The writer of "When the War will End," is hardly to be scratched, seeing that he was never a certain candidate or entry. According to that writer, the war may be finished this year or it may not, but if not it will continue into 1916, and that seems to be as near as we get to the views of this particular writer. But all are agreed that finally the Prussians will be beaten and Germany released from the yoke of militarism under which it has sweated during the last forty years. Conspicuous among dissentients are Mr. Earley and Mrs. Catherine Thompson, both American writers, who have no hesitation in predicting that England will go under and that Germany will emerge triumphant, though both these pessimists are careful to avoid telling us when we are expected to cover ourselves in dust and ashes! Yet it is some consolation to know that the wind which blows to us from American shores is destined to prove our greatest protection and the cause of our final victory. I have not seen any other very definite predictions of the duration of the war and its final outcome, but I will ask those who wish to make a fresh start to read carefully the prophecy of Friar John, which, whether written three hundred years ago, or even three years ago, is the most luminous and direct of any of the many prophecies extant. I suggest also that they should study Daniel XI. and Revelations XIII., and bring their astrology into line with the facts.

Keys to Interpretation.

Every prophet appears to use his own symbolism. I am not now speaking of astrologers, who uniformly use the symbolism of the heavens, but of inspirational writers who veil their utterances under symbols which

have a local colouring. Thus, the writer of the Apocalypse speaks of the host of perverted or diabolical spirits now engaged in the Armageddon, as locusts and scorpions, over whom is the arch-fiend Abaddon (Heb.) or Apollyon (Gr.) the ruler of the underworld. None but an oriental would speak of vindictive and devastating forces as scorpions and locusts. Both these terms apply, however, most fitly to Prussian militarism. The prophet of Brandenburg, who wrote at a time when that country was overrun with wolves, speaks of the Bavarian princes who came from Schwaben to devastate and dominate Brandenburg as "wolves whose mouths drip with the blood of innocent lambs." Similarly, the prophet Daniel uses local names and colouring to voice his prophecy of the great war, which should last for three and a half years. He figures the contending forces as Medes and Persians against Greeks, calling them Kings of the North and South respectively. He figures the incarnation of the arch-fiend as the first Beast and his successor as the Second Beast. In Hebrew there are three numbers, the singular, dual, and plural. When, therefore, he speaks of a "time, times, and a half time," it should be understood that the second word is in the dual number and denotes two "times." A time is a year. Thus, we have the duration of the war as three and a half years, corresponding to the prophecy of John of Patmos, who says: "Power was given unto the Beast to continue for forty and two months." In scripture prophecy unregenerate humans are spoken of as "beasts," while regenerate humans are referred to as "men," and spirits that have not passed through incarnation are spoken of as "angels." Evil spirits are often called "scorpions" and this explains the sentence: "Nevertheless rejoice not that ye have power over the spirits, but that your name is written in heaven," which follows upon the promise: "I will give you power to tread upon scorpions." That is the power we most need to-day, for the earth is alive with them. They lurk in every corner of the house, in the dark places of our cities, and in places of counsel. The greater number are German spies waiting for the moment to

strike. Others are to be found among Anglo-Saxon renegades and self-seeking traitors. It is for us to root them out and put them under heel. If the Government fail to do it, the people surely will, and that most effectively. If I had my way with the interned alien enemies, who are feeding at our expense and laughing in their sleeves at our folly while many of our own people are on the verge of starvation, I would put them aboard interned German vessels with plenty of provisions but no ammunition, and after hoisting the German flag for their protection from pirates, I would send them off to their own country under command of some of their own naval officers at present prisoners of war. If the underwater sneaks came to the conclusion that they were British vessels sailing under false colours, a taste of their own "frightfulness" would be good medicine for them.

Revolt in Portugal.

The recent conjunction of Jupiter, Mercury, and Mars in the sign Pisces has not been long in fomenting an insurrection in Portugal, as was clearly predicted: "The Sun in opposition to Saturn will bring a period of stress in Portugal and troubles will soon be experienced in that country. . . . The conjunction of Mercury and Mars denotes a continuance of *lawlessness and violence* in Portugal. Some very unusual acts will be perpetrated in the name of Freedom. It may be found necessary for the Powers to police the situation." Taking place under a transit of Jupiter through its ruling sign, this revolt, we have every reason to think, will be effectual for good in the end, but the insurgents should have a care that they do not stultify the merits of their cause by the harshness of their methods. These transits have only served to bring to a climax the conditions which have been undermining the confidence of the people since the Solar Eclipse in Pisces last Spring. Mars and Mercury, the mischief makers, pass out of Pisces, and Jupiter remains behind. Let us hope it will confer a blessing ere it quits the ruling sign of Portugal in the Spring of 1916.

The Safety Valve.

It is with some degree of regret that I notice a decision of the Jockey Club to curtail racing in this country so as to limit the meetings only to those which in the opinion of stock-breeders are essential to the maintenance of the stamina of the animals. Apart from the fact that this will inevitably throw out of work a large number of men and boys—mostly of the light-weight and non-military type—there remains the fact that the popular amusements of the people constitute a safety valve which, if shut down, is liable to result in the generation of steam, which may prove disastrous in other directions. And, if racing is to go, why not also the theatre, music-hall, cinema and all other forms of recreation, which conceivably might prove adverse to recruiting. The sooner conscription settles the question for us the better, and if thereafter it is deemed essential to our military success that the nation should affect a most miserable attitude in all the circumstances of life—why, let us be patriotic if miserable, and yet not miserably patriotic, as some of the Jockey Club appear to be.

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Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

WILL now take a practical illustration from the example horoscope and compute all the possible *direct* directions of the Sun and Saturn. The Sun is just on the cusp of the ninth house and Saturn just above the Ascendant. Now as the cusp of the twelfth is in square to the cusp of the ninth, the first direction formed will be $\odot \square \frac{1}{2}$ m.d., and to make this Saturn must therefore rise up to a point whose distance from the cusp of the twelfth holds the same proportion to its semi-arc as the Sun's distance from the ninth bears to its own semi-arc.

The Sun's distance from the ninth is found as shown by the rules given in the previous chapter.

$\frac{1}{3}$ of Sun's S.A. ...	20° 9'
Meridian distance ...	17° 53'
	—————

Sun's distance from 9th 2° 16'

As the meridian distance is less than one-third of the S.A., the Sun has not yet reached the cusp, and the position Saturn has to reach (which must be in the same proportion to its semi-arc as the 2° 16' bears to the Sun's semi-arc) must be less than the cusp of the twelfth.

The rule is—and it is the same for all direct directions—as the S.A. of the Sun is to its distance from the nearest cusp, so is the S.A. of the planet to *x*.

This resolves itself into a simple proportion sum—S.A. \odot 60° 26' : \odot from ninth 2° 16' :: S.A. $\frac{1}{2}$ 74° 3' : *x*. Multiply the second and third terms and divide result by the first. The answer is the second distance of Saturn from the cusp where the direction is formed.

A quicker way to work this problem is by proportional logarithms. (See Simmonite's *Arcana*, pp. 327-342, or Sepharial's "Prognostic Astronomy," pp. 89-100.)

Rule.—Add together the proportional logarithms of the second and third terms and subtract the proportional logarithms of the first term from the answer.

In the above example the following obtains:

Prop. Log., 2° 16' ...	1.89988
" " 74° 3' ...	0.38575
	—————
" " 60° 26' ...	2.28563
" " 2° 47' ...	0.47400
	—————
" " 2° 47' ...	1.81163

From this it will be seen that 2° 47' bears the same proportion to 74° 3' as 2° 16' bears to 60° 26'.

Saturn's distance from the twelfth cusp (see Chapter IV., p. 135) is 21° 25', but as the position the planet has to arrive at is 2° 47' before the cusp, the latter is subtracted from the former, making 18° 38' as the arc of direction, $\odot \square \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. Had the Sun been past the ninth cusp, Saturn would have had to cross the cusp of the twelfth house, and the two amounts would therefore have been added.

Now as previously shown in the directions to the Midheaven and Ascendant, all the other directions of Saturn to the Sun may be computed by the addition of proportions of the planet's semi-arc to the arc of direction first found.

In the example just given the arc of direction $\odot \square \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. measures ...	18° 38'
As Saturn by the rotation of the earth is approaching the Sun, the next aspect will be sextile. This is 30° from the square and equal to one-third of a semi-arc. Therefore add one-third of Saturn's S.A....	24° 41'
Gives arc of direction $\odot * \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. ...	43° 19'
The next aspect is the semi-square 15° from the sextile. This is equal to one-sixth of a semi-arc, which is added to the sextile ...	12° 20½'
Gives arc of direction $\odot \triangle \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. ...	55° 39½'
The semi-sextile follows, 15° from the semi-square, equal to another one-sixth of the S.A. of $\frac{1}{2}$...	12° 20½'
This gives the arc of direction $\odot \sphericalangle \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. ...	68° 0'
The conjunction is the next, 30° from the semi-sextile, 30° being one-third of S.A., one-third of $\frac{1}{2}$ S.A. is to be added ...	24° 41'
Gives arc of direction $\odot \delta \frac{1}{2}$ m.d. ...	92° 41'

It is very infrequent that such an arc would be required in a lifetime, but supposing that the arc for this conjunction had measured only 25°, the next-aspect after the conjunction being a semi-sextile, one-third of

the semi-arc would again be added, followed by one-sixth for the semi-square, and another sixth for the sextile. A better illustration of this will be given in a future chapter.

(To be continued).

The Prenatal Epoch--Series III.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER IV.

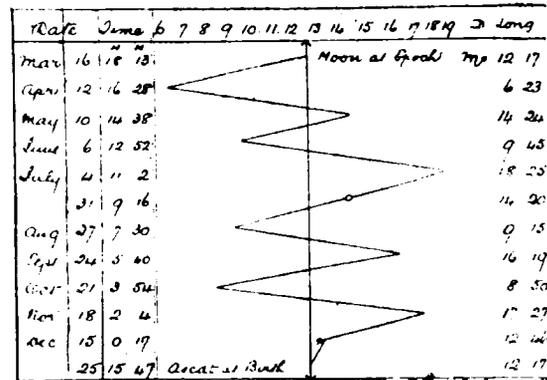
The next illustration is that given on pages 143-144 of the last volume, and was referred to thereat as follows:

"A lady relative, who was known to be *enciente*, related to my wife that at 1.15 p.m. on August 11th (1903), she experienced a turning movement in her womb, and suffered violent sickness. I computed the Ascendant and Moon for this time because I suspected the child had quickened. The Ascendant was the middle of Scorpio, and the Moon was in Pisces 22° 49'. In due time the child was born. This was on December 26th at 3.47 a.m. The Ascendant was again the middle of Scorpio, and the Moon was again in Pisces 22.49. At the Epoch which was on March 16th, 1903, the Moon was in the middle of Scorpio and the Ascendant was Pisces 22.49. Here again, at all three particular times the sign Pisces 22.49 was paramount."

My object in examining this case is to throw light on the following facts. On August 11th at 1.15 p.m., the Moon was in Pisces 22.49. The Moon was in the same longitude at birth. The Ascendant at the Epoch was also in the same degree and minute. The Ascendant on the day and time mentioned was in the middle of Scorpio. It was the same at birth. The Moon at the epoch was similarly situated.

Such a series of coincidences—if one may call them such—are not fortuitous. They are not chance, they are not to be dismissed as trivial occurrences. There is certainly more in them than meets the eye. There must be some reason, some natural law in operation which regulates the facts mentioned in the preceding paragraphs.

But a point arises now which opens up another phase in this theory. The date above named does *not* occur in the Chart of Descent, as appended.



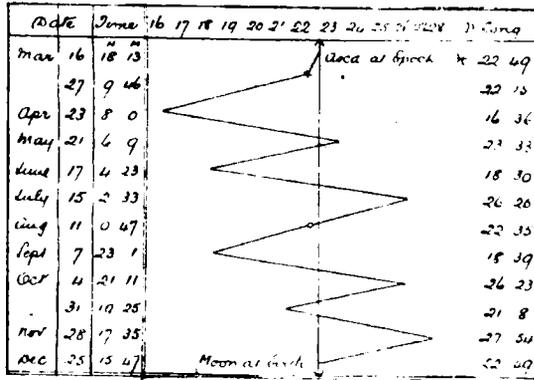
It must be pointed out here that the several dates given in the Chart of Descent are the days when the Moon is nearest to the radical Ascendant at the time of the rising or setting, as the case may be, of the radical Moon. In other words they are epochal figures set for the days when the Moon is nearest the epochal Moon, the line of central impulse being from the epochal Moon to the birth Ascendant.

But at the particular date given, the Moon is in its *birth* longitude at the rising of the degree ascending at that time. And this, therefore, brings us a new chart of descent, based on the days when the Moon is near its own radical longitude at the time when the radical Ascendant is on the horizon, giving a line of central impulse from the epochal Ascendant to the radical Moon, as shown in the following diagram.

Here we find that on August 11th at Oh. 47m. 4s. p.m., the Ascendant is 12° 17' sc ,

as at birth and the Moon in Pisces 22° 35', only 14' distant from its radical place, and this within a few minutes of the time recorded.

A further point of some peculiarity is shown in this case. In the original chart of descent it will be observed that on December 15th,



the last return of the epochal Moon, it does not cross the central line, stopping half a degree therefrom. In the new chart the same peculiarity occurs in the first return of the birth moon, the discrepancy being again half a degree.

Book Review

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Astronomical Phenomena

JUNE, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter,	4th	...	4h. 32m. after.
New Moon,	12th	...	6h. 57m. after.
First Quarter,	20th	...	2h. 24m. after.
Full Moon,	27th	...	4h. 27m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Gemini, enters Cancer on the 22nd at 0.29 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Cancer, well placed for observation first week, conjunction Saturn on 25th and Sun on 27th.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Taurus, enters Gemini on 16th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Taurus all the month.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Pisces all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is in Cancer all the month, but too near the Sun for observation.
- ♅. URANUS is retrograde in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer.
- D. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	...	6, 7, 8	Libra	...	21, 22
Taurus	...	9, 10	Scorpio	...	23, 24
Gemini	...	11, 12, 13	Sagittarius	...	25, 26
Cancer	...	14, 15	Capricorn	...	27, 28
Leo	...	16, 17	Aquarius	1, 2, 3, 29, 30	
Virgo	...	18, 19, 20	Pisces	...	4, 5

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with changeable weather, rainy 5th, change 6th, drop in temperature 7th, wind and rain 10th, change 13th, then fine and warm for several days; unsettled 20th to 23rd, end of month cold with rain and wind.

Studies in Brief.

By SEPHARIAL.

ITALY is on the verge of an active participation in the Great War, and it becomes, therefore, a matter of extreme astrological interest as to what signals are now and in the near future will be showing up in the representative horoscopes of the Italian nation. Modern Italy was created by the revolutions of 1848 from the debris of which the new kingdom was raised under the lead of Sardinia and Piedmont, through the united work and inspiring influence of Mazzini, founder of the "Young Italy" movement, and first Dictator of the Roman Republic after the revolution, of Garibaldi the military patriot, and of Cavour the statesman. This strange fusion of idealism, statesmanship, and military genius is represented in modern United Italy, and it is destined to undergo a severe test of its integrity and durability. The beginning dates from the accession of King Victor Emmanuel II., on 23rd March, 1849, to the throne of Sardinia. But the kingdom of Italy from the Proclamation in March, 1861. Taurus is the meridian sign of the country and Leo its rising sign. The approaching eclipses in Leo and the subsequent transits of Saturn and Neptune through that sign will greatly affect the populace, but more especially towards the end of the campaign upon which the country is now projected.

The King of Italy.

The King of Italy was born on the 11th November, 1869, in Naples, at about a quarter past ten o'clock at night, when Aries 27° was on the Midheaven and Leo 9° rising. The Sun was then the ruler and was in the lower angle of the heavens in the sign Scorpio in opposition to Jupiter in Taurus, semi-square to Venus, square to the Moon in Aquarius on the cusp of the 8th house, but in trine to Uranus in the 12th house. The Ascendant is hyleg. Saturn and Mars are conjoined in the 5th house in the sign

Sagittarius in trine aspect to Neptune in the sign Aries in the 9th house.

Foremost among the portents is the culminating position of Jupiter in the State sign of Italy, namely, Taurus. This should greatly favour the advancement of the country, although there is a decided menace of eventual loss from the opposition of Jupiter to the Sun. The Sun afflicted in the lower angle is also an indication of eventual loss. Saturn and Mars conjoined in the 5th is fatal to succession and fatal to the offspring. The danger is that war will be followed by revolution and this appears to be consistent with the prophecy of Arminius: "Israel will attempt a great crime which only death can expiate," and with the more pointed prediction of Nostradamus. For my own part I foresee a period of great suffering and devastation coming upon Italy. What are the signals? The Kaiser's Saturn is on the Ascendant of the King of Italy, the Ascendant of the Kaiser coincides with the position of Uranus in the 12th house of the King of Italy's horoscope, which planet is in the watery sign Cancer in square to Neptune, so that the submarine menace is a very real and dangerous one. Finally, Uranus in the Kaiser's horoscope is in square to the Moon in the King of Italy's horoscope, and the Kaiser's Sun is in direct opposition to the Ascendant of Victor Emmanuel.

At the present time the King of Italy is 45 years of age. The Ascendant is in trine aspect to Jupiter by direction, and this agrees with the forthcoming transit of Jupiter over the Midheaven in the latter half of June, 1916 and the beginning of 1917. So the first part of the campaign will be successful. But the Sun is separating from the conjunction with Venus and going to the semi-square of its own radical place, while the Midheaven is coming to the opposition of Saturn and then to that of Mars within the space of four years from the present time, and this coincides with the transit of Saturn and Neptune

over the Ascendant, while the direction of Uranus opposition Sun is formed at 51 years of age, and that of Sun opposition Uranus at 55. During the next four or five years, therefore, Italy will experience an opening period of success and expansion, followed by reversals of the gravest nature, which finally will lead to the subversion of the existing constitution and widespread disaster. The Papal authority will be transferred to France.

It is of astrological interest also to note that the last conjunction of Saturn and Mars fell in direct opposition to the same conjoined planets in the King of Italy's horoscope, and close to the Midheaven of the horoscope for the year of that phenomenon. There will be an eclipse of the Sun in Aquarius near the opposition of this horoscopical ascendant

in February, 1916, and another at the end of July of the same year close to the ascending degree, both of which are of some importance, and the latter of them decidedly inimical. In the pamphlet on "The Great War," written on August 1st, 1914, I pointed out that the King of Italy was then under a conjunction of the Sun and Venus and that he would be well advised to keep out of the conflict. That he was so disposed is well known, but the destiny of the nation appears to have at length overruled this disposition, for in proportion as the influence of Venus became weaker that of Saturn became stronger, and will increase until its climax is reached after the Declaration of Peace in 1918. Everything therefore points to the neutral policy of Sig. Giolitti being subjugated to the national military feeling.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN JUNE.

THE period covered by our sketch this month runs from May 23rd to June 22nd, the Sun during this time passing through the sign Gemini.

Now all the little bairns born during this period are of a very quick, intellectual and dual nature; sensitive, versatile, very tractable and easily made to understand. Parents of these little ones will find them easily persuaded if they appeal to the minds and intelligence, and with kindness they can be made to obey more than by strictness or harshness. They are particularly sensitive, hence they should never be snubbed or set back, as this will have a very injurious effect on their minds. They are very adaptable, can turn their minds to many things at once, and are fond of variety and diversity. Two or three toys will be no good to them; they want a lot, so that they can turn first from one to the other.

They love variety and have a very peculiar fault, which should be particularly attended to in early age. They never finish a thing. They will take up one thing, and after a while

leave it for something else, and again change to something else shortly after, and this is due to the peculiar quality that exists in their nature. It shows itself in many ways. They will be generous one moment and niggardly the next; will be assertive one time, and then show a nervous, timid tendency, consequently they are very difficult to understand and require careful training, but as just said, parents will find that by appealing to their intelligence they can manage them the best.

These little olive branches are not over strong physically. The lungs and nervous systems are weak parts, and parents should always see that they are well clothed, and any throat trouble should have immediate attention, or bronchial trouble will ensue, and these will develop into pulmonary complications. They should never be allowed to worry, and also over study, for their intellectual nature is very strong, and too much study in early years is detrimental. They should also see that their blood is kept pure. Plenty of sleep is necessary and mild exercise.

The Occult Significance of Genesis.

By JAMES HARVEY.

(Continued from page 152).

THE whole writing is not a record of the creation of the Cosmos, but is the annal of the evolution of man. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth": that is, the coming forth of the universe; from that onwards to the end of the record, it is the account of the dark, grim journey of man—up from the gloom of the inscrutable beginning. In the first day, "the earth is without form and void." This is the physical carcase, the sense body: the time when man had no reflection within him of the outer world, before the astral body had come to make him cognisant of the nonego. But light is made on this day, and the light is the symbol of the first dim spark of consciousness being set in the darkness of his spirit. The second day is allotted to the making of the firmament and the separation of the waters from the waters. Here is the aeon of the construction of the nervous fluid, the protoplasmic matter: the spark of the eternal is now beginning to glow and become bright. Man is now an almost sentient thing, but still has no knowledge of the world without. Man might be compared to a plant at this time, as consciousness is still very dim, and he is nothing but a thing of reaction. The third day is devoted to the making of the trees, herbs, and grasses, and this is typical of the evolution of organism. The life that became man has reached the point of purposeless energy and blind force, and is also emblematical of the advent of the struggle for existence. Man is now on the threshold of being, he is alive in a sense, but dead as a human soul. The creation of the Sun and Moon, and the Stellar Universe are the work of the fourth day, and this is symbolical of the birth of the Astral body. The word Astral means starry, but the best rendering of the term is self-luminous. And, of course, the astronomical distinction between a star and a planet is, "all stars are suns," that is, gene-

rators of their own light; whilst the planet borrows or reflects the light of the solar orb round which he revolves. So here, on the fourth day, man has come into his passional state of consciousness, he now is aware of the light within; but cannot understand the probings of the Infinite in the untraversed avenues of his soul. He is now in the psychic state, he is a creature of emotion, loves, hates and desires; the universe is now in existence for him, for he has become conscious of it. He has no mind in action as yet; but he is beginning to listen to the spirit of the wind, the god of the thunder, and he looks up in wonder at the night-bejewelled throne of God spread in its splendour over the darkness of the earth. Now is the epitomising of the Cosmos full in its strength, the soul is absorbing the impressions of the objective world, self-consciousness is at hand, and divinity is filtering slowly through the vistas of the being of man to make him alive to his holy heritage and divine origin. Yet when it is contemplated, this period of the advent of the passional consciousness, when man emerged into his psychic state, and became cognisant of the realm that lay without, the mind is filled with an element of indescribable terror. Think of this rude factor in the scheme of the Cosmos, at the stage when his soul has to be quickened in one long, immense vista of pain. Every sound is a phantom, the darkness of night is filled with fiends, the hail, the thunder, and the fire of the sky are all gods of wrath shedding forth their displeasure upon him in his horror and woe. And to-day, here with the soul, are the throbbings in our own breast, generated by this rude, prehistoric ancestor who wandered in the gloom of the distant, dark world, in fear, awe and trembling. Picture him as he is startled at the sound of the wind, the lightning or roll of thunder; image him as he stands wonderingly, listening to the song of the brook; think of him at the mouth of

his cavern, looking at the drift of jewels in the azure sky of night, striving in his undeveloped soul to make a meaning to it all. Oh, what a pathos is in this contemplation, how pathetic is the theme, the theme of this our poor brother in the darkness of the early world; beating and battling out the great plan of evolution. There is no pathos so intense, that can be generated in any thought as this one of prehistoric man in his universe unexplainable.

The record of the fifth day is assigned to the bringing forth of birds and fishes, symbolical of the dawn of intelligence. Now has man become a creature of instinct and sagacity, the faculty of construction and reason has descended upon him, he now compares, purposes undertakings, and is

filled with infinite wonder as he looks upon mountain, valley, and stream; and thrilled with the splendour of the drifting cloud, the sunrise and the sunset, the brilliant day, the swaying trees; the deep and holy peace of night, wherein God displays His blue throne, infinite with diadems of stars. The birds are indicative of man's flight of thought, his dim outreaching upwards to the colossal oversoul; and the fish are emblematical of his contemplation and sounding of the depths of his soul, flooded with the mystery of life and death. Now has he memory, now sings he rude songs of deeds and events; now weaves he explanations of the things around him,— God, the universe, dreams, sleep, and the great, dark unknown of destiny and death.

(To be Continued).

The German Royal Family.

A SKETCH OF THE HOROSCOPES OF THE KAISER'S SONS.

By E. H. BAILEY.

FROM a summary of the several horoscopes of the Royal Family of Germany it is quite apparent that they indicate utter and irretrievable disaster during the next three years. Not one of the entire family can escape, and in more than one instance a violent end is shown.

The Crown Prince is in grave personal danger during 1915, and the horoscopes of his sons confirm this fact. He will never succeed to the throne of Germany, and the horoscope to my mind presignifies a violent end.

Prince Eitel Friedrich has a better horoscope, and there are indications of his being taken prisoner. There are no actual indications of violence, and I judge that he will find an asylum in a foreign country.

Prince Adalbert is more fortunate, but beyond disaster and family ruin there does not seem any personal danger. The one evil point is the conjunction of the ruler Mars with Uranus, but the ruler of the fourth being well placed and in trine to the Moon, I am of opinion that he, too, will end his days in fair prosperity in a foreign country.

Prince August Wilhelm is shown to be in serious danger during the fall of 1915, and may suffer violence and be taken prisoner, for the Moon meets the conjunction of Uranus on the cusp of the twelfth.

Prince Oscar has a violent horoscope, and is likely to end his days suddenly. He has a weak heart, but there are also indications of death from violence.

Prince Joachim has also a violent horoscope and, as already pointed out, is under most evil influences, and will probably meet his end by drowning.

Princess Victoria is not so liable to disaster, but, of course, cannot escape from the general ruin which will eventually overwhelm the house of Hohenzollern. It is not a fortunate horoscope, but I judge she will lose her husband by the war, and suffer grievous afflictions in other directions.

To sum up, these horoscopes require but little consideration, as each one confirms the other. The end of the house of Hohenzollern is presignified, absolute and irretrievable ruin to the German Royal Family, and their public degradation.

Is There Such a Thing as Luck?

By G. V. DODDERIDGE.

WHAT is luck? If we were to search for this word in an English dictionary, the explanation we should probably find would be "chance" or "fortune," and should we look up "chance" the word "accident" would, no doubt, be given to simplify its meaning, and so as "accident" is "chance," and "chance" is "luck," if things happen by mere chance or accident, luck exists, but if, on the other hand, there is through all nature a regular succession of events, this so-called luck is imaginary. If we say that luck is non-existent, we have, therefore, to prove that there is a regular sequence of events throughout nature.

If a taper be applied to a mixture of oxygen and hydrogen, an explosion will take place, and the two gases combine to form water. If a cricket ball be thrown at a window, the glass will be broken. If sugar be thrown into boiling water it will melt. So we see that certain events regularly succeed each other in the inanimate world, and there is the same sequence of events in the animate world. Take for example a man who has nearly been drowned. After artificial respiration has been applied, you may perceive the person to move, to open his eyes and in time to recover. Take some corn and place it in the ground, and you may see the blade appear, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear. Or take again some eggs and place them in an incubator and soon the eggs will be seen to break and a small bird appear. There is the same succession of events attendant upon the action of animate bodies upon each other; of mind upon mind. Take, for example, the effect of distress upon the human mind.

From this it seems apparent that things in daily life do not happen by mere chance, but in regular sequence, and hence we arrive at a conclusion that there is no such thing as luck.

But objections may be raised to the theory as far as we have gone. It may be said that if this sequence is in existence there must be a cause or starting-point, since there is no effect without a cause. I quite agree that there is no effect without cause, and that there is a cause for the sequence, but we have no right to pick out one cause, excluding others, for there are generally more than one. If a person be lost at sea, the cause of his being lost and the cause of the sequence is all the antecedents which determined his fate, as, for instance, the act of embarking on the ship, and the state of ocean and weather. These are the causes from which the effects in the progression are obtained.

Again, luck, as we have already said, is another name for "chance," and whatever cannot be ascribed to any law is ascribed to chance. Now is it correct to say that any phenomenon is produced by chance? This is only another way of asking if any phenomenon is produced by luck. The following extracts from Mill's Book on Logic will help to decide this question

more clearly, and will bring out my point with greater facility.

"Supposing I were to turn up a particular card in a pack, this would be a consequence of its position in that pack. Its place in the pack was a consequence of the manner in which the cards were shuffled, or the order in which they were played in the last game, which again were the effects of prior causes.

"An event occurring by chance may be better described as a coincidence from which we have no ground to infer that it will happen again in those circumstances. This, however, when looked closely into, implies that the enumeration of the circumstances is not complete. Whatever the fact be, since it has occurred once, we may be sure that if all the same circumstances were repeated, it would occur again, and not only if all, but there is some particular portion of those circumstances on which the phenomenon is invariably consequent. With most of them, however, it is not connected in any permanent manner, its conjunction with those is said to be the effect of chance, to be merely casual. Facts casually conjoined are separately the effects of causes, and therefore of laws; but of different causes and causes not connected by law."

It is incorrect then to say that any phenomenon is produced by chance, and this, to my mind, seems to furnish more witness to the fact that luck is non-existent.

But now I seem to hear my argumentative critic say that "chance" has causes, in order to contradict my statement that "chance" has not. But what is chance? It is "probability," hence a thing which may or may not happen, and therefore a thing which, of course, does not come in a single one of the things which occur in a regular succession of events. Now *all* things have causes; chance is a thing, therefore chance has a cause. I have already endeavoured to prove that it is incorrect to say that phenomenon is produced by chance, but we may say that phenomena succeed one another by chance, that they are in no way related by causation. Hence, if we say that when two or more phenomena succeeds one another by chance they are in no way related through causation, surely we are saying that chance has no cause, which I have been trying to prove. I think, therefore, that I am at liberty to say chance has no cause whatever, and therefore, as all things have causes, how can "chance" or "luck" have anything to do with a regular succession of events? And hence it is that I consider "luck" imaginary, and I think we have now ascertained a worthy answer to the question we asked: "Is there such a thing as luck?" since, as all things happen not by chance, but in a regular sequence of events, how can luck exist?

Owing to pressure on our space we have been compelled to hold over several articles until our next issue.

Birthday Influences during June.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). D in ♋ , ♁ ♄ , ♁ ♃ . An evil year, losses, indisposition, deceit, trouble in employ and danger of accidents, some benefits from friends. A child born will be proud, rash, hasty, deceitful, generous and kind, will have many troubles and be unsuccessful in life.

2. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). D in ♋ , Δ ♁ , ♁ ♄ , ♁ ♀ . A good year for business and social matters, but some grief, reversals, and much worry and annoyance. A child born will be popular, kind, but careless and erratic, and will have many ups and downs in life.

3. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). D in ♋ , Δ ♃ . A variable year, danger of disputes and accidents, benefits from elders. A child born will be trustworthy, but rash and hasty.

4. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , Δ ♃ , ♁ ♃ , ♀ . A changeable year, trouble in employ and through females, changes, new work, activity and social gain. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active and pushful, should always remain in employ, and be discreet in dealings with the opposite sex.

5. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). D in ♋ , Δ ♄ , ♁ ♃ . A successful year, social and financial gains, journeys. A good birthday for a sailor. A child born will be kind, popular, impressionable and successful; would make a good sailor.

6. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♀ . A troublesome year, indisposition, bereavement, much worry and anxiety, some financial benefits. A child born will be popular, diffident, bad-tempered, have a hatred of control and be unsuccessful.

7. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ . A changeable year, indisposition or bereavement, important changes, journeys, and developments in affairs. A child born will be inventive, original, skilful, popular and clever, but will have many difficulties to fight against. Should be more than ordinarily successful.

8. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . An unsettled year, deceit, disputes, danger of accidents, many little annoyances, but some gain in position. A child born will be rash, hasty, deceitful, erratic, and will do best in the employ of others.

9. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes, reversals, and annoyances, some favourable changes. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, but rash, hasty, erratic, and very unsuccessful.

10. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . A very active and successful year, marriage or engagement, social gains, popularity, business success, some danger of indisposition. A child born will be clever, intelligent, artistic, kind, popular, successful in business, possess literary abilities, will have many little troubles to contend against, but should be successful in a career.

11. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). D in ♋ . A quiet year with many little worries. A child born will be dull and despondent, given to worry over trifles, and not lucky in life.

12. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . A successful year, important changes and developments in affairs. A child born will be original and inventive, possess a metaphysical mind, may travel much and be successful.

13. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . An evil year, losses, danger of litigation, indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be extravagant, often involved in financial trouble, and will have many obstacles in life to contend against.

14. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . An active year, with changes, new work and journeys. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, enterprising, and will have a busy career.

15. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). D in ♋ , Δ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . A changeable year, social gains, financial benefits, success in employ, but danger of indisposition, bereavement and deceit. A child born will be hasty, erratic, deceitful, but romantic, popular, fairly successful in employ, but have many difficulties.

16. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ . A successful year with social gains, popularity, changes and pleasure. A child born will be artistic, kind, clever and intelligent, and should be successful in a musical or literary career.

17. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . An evil year, losses, reversals, danger of accidents and disputes, and many untoward events. A child born on this day will be rash, erratic, wayward and impulsive, often involved in serious difficulties and very unsuccessful in life.

18. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . A good year for business, with promotion, but some grief. A child born will be popular, steady, reliable, and successful in business or employ, should be discreet in dealings with the other sex.

19. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). D in ♋ , Δ ♃ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . A variable year, heavy losses, danger of law, but changes, new work, activity, and success in employ. A child born will be clever, active, intelligent, popular, but extravagant, and should always steer clear of litigation and never speculate.

20. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). D in ♋ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . An evil year for financial affairs, danger of law and trouble in employ, many annoyances. A child born will be extravagant, erratic and hasty, and very unfortunate in life.

21. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). D in ♋ , Δ ♃ , ♁ ♃ , ♁ ♃ . A changeable year, danger of indisposition and accidents, scandal and worry, but social gains, changes and travel. A child born will be hasty, have a hatred of control, be kind, artistic, original and inventive, but have many difficulties in life to overcome.

22. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♈, Δ ⊙, □ ♃. A troublesome year, reversals and unsettlement, deceit and annoyances, some benefits in employ. A child born will be abrupt, erratic, deceitful and unsettled, and should always remain in employ.

23. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, □ ♃, Δ ♃, ♃. A variable and unsettled year, danger of rash acts, accidents, reversals and deceit, gain in employ, promotion and some success generally. A child born will be rash, hasty, impulsive, deceitful and unreliable, will have good abilities, be successful in employ, but have many ups and downs.

24. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♁, Δ ♃, Δ ♃, ♃. A variable year, indisposition, bereavement, danger of accidents and disputes, many annoyances, but gain in employ, financial benefits and pleasure. A child born will be rash, impressionable and kind, and be fairly successful.

25. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♀, * ♃, ♃ ♃. A year of much worry, anxiety, grief and disappointment. A child born will be sulky, depressed, much given to worry over trifles, and will have a troublesome career.

26. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, □ ♃. An uneventful year, but some financial losses and worries. A child born will be extravagant, often in financial trouble and not very lucky.

27. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ⊙, ♃, ♃. A very evil year for business, with losses, trouble for those in employment, indisposition and bereavement. A child born will be clever and intelligent, but health and environment will be such as to make his or her life a complete failure.

28. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ♃, * ♃, Δ ♃. An active year for business, with changes and financial gain, but danger of serious illness or bereavement. A child born will be ambitious, selfish, but active and energetic, may rise in life, but will suffer a serious downfall at some period.

29. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ♃. A year of disputes, wrangling, unpleasantness and annoyances. A child born will be clever, but keen, sarcastic, and often involved in petty disputes.

30. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃, Δ ♃. A year of unrest, many annoyances, danger of disputes and quarrels, accidents, and much worry, some benefits from friends. A child born will be kind and affectionate, but hasty, sharp in speech, and liable to trouble through lack of restraint.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure
JUNE, 1915.

1	0	♃ 6	A doubtful day. Ask favours about noon. Evil for most things.
2	14	3	Another evil day. Do nothing important. Visit friends evening.
3	27	30	Avoid accidents a.m. Attend to important matters p.m.
4	10	♃ 32	A variable day. Do nothing important. Visit friends evening.
5	23	13	Push business, seek work, commence new projects.
6	5	♃ 35	Sunday. Avoid worry and keep quiet.
7	17	44	Travel, change and push business. Safeguard health.
8	29	45	A variable day. Do nothing important.
9	11	♃ 39	Avoid disputes, guard against accidents.
10	23	31	A good day for business affairs. Make the most of it.
11	5	♂ 23	A quiet day. Avoid worry and disputes.
12	17	16	Travel, change, and consult astrologers.
13	29	11	Sunday. Study and reflect. Safeguard health.
14	11	♂ 11	Attend to business, travel in p.m.
15	23	17	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties.
16	5	♂ 31	A doubtful day. Act discreetly in all things.
17	17	56	An evil day. Avoid accidents, crowds and disputes.
18	0	♂ 35	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
19	13	32	Act discreetly in money matters. Travel in the p.m.
20	26	49	Sunday. A day for quiet thought and rest.
21	10	♂ 29	Be discreet in speech. Travel in the p.m.
22	24	35	A doubtful day. Act discreetly in all things.
23	9	♂ 4	Attend to correspondence and business, pay calls, avoid deception.
24	23	54	Avoid disputes, ask favours, push business, attend seances p.m.
25	8	♂ 58	Be discreet in dealings with others. Do not worry.
26	24	6	Attend to ordinary duties only and avoid disputes.
27	9	♂ 10	Sunday. A day for quiet study and contemplation.
28	23	59	Ask favours and push business before 3 p.m. Evil rest of day.
29	8	♂ 26	Avoid disputes, accidents and wrangling.
30	22	28	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.

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LESSON VII.

ON THE LAW OF DIET IN RELATION TO HEALTH WITH A DIET TABLE FOR EACH TYPE OF TEMPERAMENT.

That the subject of diet is of great importance in the economy of this life no one can deny, since most excruciating pains and gratifying pleasures are often traceable to the influence and effects of foods and drinks upon the Mental, Motive, and Vital systems. It is a well-known fact that certain foods and drinks

and last, but not least, the difficulties sometimes experienced in providing the required amount and kind of foods necessary to maintain good health, owing to the expense, scarcity, or lack of variety.

The function of food is to make good the waste of the body which goes on in thinking, motion, and excretion, which are the functions of the Mental, Motive, and Vital systems.

In other words, the solid part of our bodies are continuously wasting, and require to be repaired by fresh substances, therefore food which is to repair the loss should be taken.

TYPES OF TEMPERAMENT.	CLASS A.	CLASS B.	CLASS C.	CLASS D.
<p>N.B.—It will be observed from the classified lists that each class is arranged alphabetically. Were they placed otherwise, it would probably be inferred that one article of food is of greater importance than another, whereas, no such importance is justified for our present purposes.</p> <p>Explanation of Terms— 7 indicates Greater than. = indicates Equal to.</p>	<p>Nerve Foods, (Farinaceous Foods) include Gramineaceous and Leguminous Foods), Apples, Asparagus, Broad Beans, Fish in season, Green Onions, Green Peas, Kidney Beans, Lettuce, Sea Kale and Foods having the character of Grasses.</p>	<p>Bone and Muscle Foods(Albuminates, also called Nitrogenous and Protein Foodswhich nourish the Albuminous Tissues), Beans, Cheese, Chicken, Cutlets, Eggs, Lean Meats, Milk, Oysters, Peas, Turbot, Lobster Sauce, Turtle Soup.</p>	<p>Fattening Foods, (Carbo-hydrates also called carbonaceous which give heat and fat) Apricots, Arrowroot, Beetroot, Bread, Butter, Cereals, Fat Meats, Gooseberries, Grapes, Maize, Milk, Oatmeal, Olive Oil, Peas, Plums, Potatoes, Rice, Ripe Fruits, Sago, Starch, Sugar, Tapioca.</p>	<p>Foods to avoid, Liver, Pickles, Pork, Sausage and similar course and questionable foods.</p>
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have a remarkable influence on the body, clearing the skin, enriching the blood, refining the intellect, and improving the individual physically, mentally and morally. In the same way some diseases are caused by wrong feeding.

The law which regulates the food of a nation is the law of climate. In the very cold climates man lives largely on fats, and in very hot climates he lives principally on vegetables and fruits. In temperate climates he inclines to a mixed diet, and as we live in the latter condition, our advice is confined to those who live in the temperate zone.

We have to take into consideration many things, however. First the variableness of our climate, next the great variety of employment in which we are engaged, then the long ages which have accustomed our systems to our present varied kinds of foods,

It is, therefore, evident that each type of temperament requires a different class of diet to build up the systems most deficient, whilst not neglecting to maintain the system or systems well developed.

It is from this point of view that the best results can be achieved, although the fact that foods have a medicinal value in cases of local diseases, must not be overlooked, and will be mentioned later. In such cases expert advice may be sought with advantage.

At this point we may as well intimate that although Mrs. Ida Ellis and Mr. Albert Ellis have experienced for lengthy periods the effect of special systems of diet on their own bodies, we have classified the present system from a study of the works of Dr. Allison, Cassel's Family Physician, Dr. Densmore, Fraulian Leppell, Smedley's Handbook, and Dr. Andrew Wilson.

The ingredients required for the support of the body are to be found in nearly all kinds of foods, but these ingredients do not exist in all articles of diet in the same proportion.

Broadly speaking, it may be said that phosphorus is used up in thinking, nitrogen in working the muscles, and carbon in animal heat and fat.

It will be easy to associate these three elements with the Mental, Motive, and Vital systems, therefore the articles of diet in which these things exist should be selected and regulated by the demands of the system, and the habits of life of each individual.

Those who think and study hard should use the kinds of foods best suited for the support of the brain and nervous system; those who work with the muscles, those articles containing in a large degree the material which sustains muscles; and those who are exposed to cold should eat freely of the foods which promote animal heat and fat, but must at the same time have due regard to the foods required to build up the deficiencies, and thereby build up a harmonious temperament.

Thus the thin and slightly built person may increase his weight and flesh by a judicious selection of foods, and an obese person may bid a lasting farewell to the cumbrous, superfluous flesh by regulation of diet, and become more balanced in build without loss of strength or resort to drugs.

In our attempt to classify foods suitable for the various types of temperament, we confine ourselves to four lists only, classes A, B, C, and D, and have prepared the foregoing table accordingly.

A classification of foods in their exact relation to chemical analysis would appear most learned, but useless for general application.

Type I.—The Mental 7 Motive 7 Vital Temperament is built up of farinaceous substances and phosphates, and need a good proportion of foods of a carbonaceous nature to assist in the building up of a harmonious temperament, which is, of course, the ideal to aim at. His diet should, therefore, consist principally of Class C, sparingly of Class B, very little of Class A, and avoid Class D, as shown in the foregoing table.

Type II.—The Mental 7 Vital 7 Motive Temperament is built up of foods of a farinaceous substance and phosphates, and needs a good proportion of foods of a nitrogenous character, hence his diet should consist principally of Class B, sparingly of Class C, very little of class A, and avoid Class D.

Type III.—The Motive 7 Vital 7 Mental Temperament is built up of foods of a nitrogenous character, and needs a good proportion of foods of a farinaceous nature, hence his diet should consist principally of Class A, sparingly of Class C, very little of Class B, and avoid Class D.

Type IV.—The Motive 7 Mental 7 Vital Temperament is built up of foods of a nitrogenous character, and needs a good proportion of foods of a carbonaceous nature, hence his diet should consist principally of Class C, sparingly of Class A, very little of Class B, and avoid Class D.

Type V.—The Vital 7 Mental 7 Motive Temperament is built up of foods of a carbonaceous character, and needs a good proportion of foods of a nitrogenous nature, hence his diet should consist princi-

pally of Class B, sparingly of Class A, very little of Class C, and avoid Class D.

Type VI.—The Vital 7 Motive 7 Mental Temperament is built up of foods of a carbonaceous character, and needs a good proportion of foods of a farinaceous nature and phosphates, hence his diet should consist principally of Class A, sparingly of Class B, very little of Class C, and avoid Class D.

Type VII.—The Mental 7 Motive = Vital Temperament is built up of foods of a farinaceous character and phosphates, and requires foods both of a nitrogenous and carbonaceous nature to assist in the building up of a harmonious temperament, hence his diet should consist principally of Class B and C, sparingly of Class A, and avoid Class D.

Type VIII.—The Motive 7 Vital = Mental Temperament is built up of foods of a nitrogenous character, and requires a good proportion of foods both of a carbonaceous and farinaceous nature, hence his diet should consist principally of Classes A and C, sparingly of Class B, and avoid Class D.

Type IX.—The Vital 7 Mental = Motive Temperament is built up of foods of a carbonaceous character, and requires a good proportion of foods both of a farinaceous and nitrogenous nature, hence his diet should consist principally of Classes A and B, sparingly of Class C, and avoid Class D.

Type X.—The Mental = Motive 7 Vital Temperament is built up of foods of a farinaceous and nitrogenous character, and needs a good proportion of foods of a carbonaceous nature, hence his diet should consist principally of Class C, sparingly of Classes A and B, and avoid Class D.

Type XI.—The Motive = Vital 7 Mental Temperament is built up of foods of a nitrogenous and carbonaceous nature, and requires a good proportion of foods of a farinaceous character and phosphates, hence his diet should consist principally of Class A, sparingly of Classes B and C, and avoid Class D.

Type XII.—The Vital = Mental 7 Motive Temperament is built up of carbonaceous and farinaceous foods and phosphates, and requires foods of a nitrogenous nature, hence his diet should consist principally of Class B, sparingly of Classes A and C, and avoid Class D.

Type XIII.—The Balanced Temperament is built up of farinaceous, nitrogenous, and carbonaceous foods, hence he need not restrict himself to any special course of diet, therefore a mixed diet of Classes A, B, and C, consisting of those things which experience has proved agree best is of the greatest advantage. The foods in Class D are best avoided as much as possible.

Abnormal Types. These types require special dieting, as sometimes their diet has something to do with their peculiarities. Their natures usually crave for certain foods which should be restricted or gratified as occasion requires.

Other foods not included in the foregoing lists may, of course, be taken, but their values are not sufficiently known to include them in the present list.

The following general observations are of some practical value. Extreme measures are best avoided, or unfortunate effects on the health may be produced. All types should eat slowly, spend 30 or 40 minutes

over each meal, and be careful to stop eating before a feeling of satisfaction or fullness sets in. They should have their meals at regular periods and not eat between meals.

Laughing and talking during meals assists the process of digestion. They should drink before or after meals, but not while eating. Notwithstanding the foregoing advice, foods must not be taken which cause disagreeable symptoms, but should be taken in smaller quantities to gradually encourage the system to assimilate them. Be very particular that all foods are of the best quality, pure and clean in every way.

The amount of foods required per day depends on the age, sex, condition of health, and the habits of the individual. Some persons can live on two meals per day, others require four. Some people need 30 or 40 ounces of food daily, others can easily subsist on 20 or 22 ounces of the same quality.

Water is an important article of diet, and a glass of hot water night and morning, if taken in sips regularly, will keep the stomach in good condition, especially if taken the first thing in the morning.

If unpalatable to take, squeeze the juice of a lemon into the water. The reason why water required as food should be taken either before or after eating and not during meals, is because water dilutes the saliva, the gastric juices, the pancreatic juice, the bile and the intestinal fluids, so that their digestive powers are weakened, and the food cannot be digested as quickly and thoroughly as they would if these fluids were not diluted.

Tables recording fish in season and food values are to be found in most Almanacs and Year Books.

Many persons are far too weak in their vital systems, or otherwise too delicate to retain or digest meat, or even bread, and many persons with predominant nervous systems require a special diet in order to keep well.

There are many systems of curing diseases by means of diet, and much experiment is made to prove the effects of certain foods on the body.

On the one hand, we are urged to a full meat diet, called the Salisbury system, where the patient is given two or three meals daily consisting of minced lean meats lightly cooked, preceded by the drinking of at least a pint of hot water one hour before meals, and hot water on retiring to rest. We have personally known people of types V, VI, and IX possessing as they do a predominant Vital system, derive benefit from this system of diet.

On the other hand, we have the vegetarians who denounce all flesh, fish, and fowl as being utterly unsuited as well as unworthy for mankind to use, and these prescribe a purely vegetable cereal diet.

Then again, we have the "Natural Food Society," who advocates that fruit alone should be the diet of man, and that cereals are unsuitable, but because of the long generations of flesh-eating, this admirable Society generously accords us a little animal food if we so prefer, but distinctly states it is unnecessary in most cases.

Still further, there is the grape cure for disease, and many other systems which appear in some instances to be the product of well-intentioned yet peculiar, fastidious or erratic persons, and quite

unsuitable for a general system of diet a family can adopt.

Therefore in spite of all the allurements, fascinations, and alleged advantages of a purely fruit diet, or other individual special systems, we are compelled to decide that a mixed diet is for all *general* purposes the best for our present stage of evolution, civilisation, and climate. In individual cases a special system of diet may be found desirable on moral or other grounds, but each must decide that for themselves. Mrs. Ida Ellis is a vegetarian.

British Institute of Mental Science.

COUNCIL MEETING held at 63, Regent Street, London, W., May 8th, 1915. Mrs. O. H. Tassell, the President, occupied the chair. Nineteen members were lapsed.

The Secretary was instructed to register 63, Regent Street, Piccadilly Circus, London, W., as the Registered Office of the Institute, and members and friends are requested to call at the office any day between 10 and 4, when Mrs. Ridley, the local Secretary, may be seen. Mrs. Nellie Clara Moore passed the Final and Honours Examination in Palmistry. Mrs. Elizabeth Wills was exempted from the Preliminary Examination in Palmistry, and admitted as a member. Miss Edith Ruby Stanton was also admitted as a member of the Palmistry Group. Mrs. Nellie Clara Moore, Palmist, was admitted as a Fellow. A member was granted 10/- from the Benevolent Fund. Bye-laws were consolidated and approved.

A GENERAL MEETING of members followed. Mrs. Tassell, President (Stoke-on-Trent), gave an inspiring address of welcome. The Accounts for 1914 and the Auditor's Report were approved and adopted, as was also the Secretary's annual statement of progress. Messrs. M. J. Burgess, M. Morley, A. H. Postel, A. Q. B. Stow, and B. Costa were re-elected members of the Council, and Miss Hettie Wragg was also appointed. Miss Ella Thorpe was appointed to the place of a lapsed member. Messrs. A. J. Tassell and A. Croft, the retiring Auditors, were re-elected. A note of thanks was accorded the Officers.

A COUNCIL MEETING succeeded the General Meeting, when the following appointments were made. President: A. H. Postel. Vice-President: Mrs. O. H. Tassell. General Purposes Committee: All the members of the Council. Finance Committee: All the members of the Council. Disciplinary Committee: Messrs. E. J. Purdom (Chairman), B. Costa, F. Ridley, A. Stow, O. H. Tassell, M. Burgess, A. E. Davis, A. H. Postel, M. Morley, and E. Thorpe. Parliamentary Committee: Mr. A. E. Davis (Chairman), and all the Fellows of the Council. Examining Committee:—Astrology: Messrs. A. H. Postel, E. J. Purdom, A. E. Davis. Clairvoyance: Mrs. Morley. Chromoscopy: Mr. Mindo. Graphology: Messrs. Mindo, I. Ellis, F. Ellis. Hypnotism: Mr. Mindo. Magnetic Healing: Mr. Mindo. Palmistry: Messrs. A. E. Davis, E. J. Purdom and O. H. Tassell. Phrenology: Messrs. Ball, A. E. Davis, E. J. Purdom. Physiognomy: Messrs. Mindo, I. Ellis, F. Ellis. Psychometry: Messrs. B. Costa, E. M. Davis, F. Ridley. Temperament: Mr. A. E. Davis.

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The War.

We are deferring our proposed investigation of the astral influences for 1917 until later. A special article is in course of preparation, in which we shall endeavour to make a clear forecast of the outcome of the war. The opinions of the leading astrologers are practically unanimous on the question.

With reference to our note as to the prospects of peace arising from the Autumnal Equinox of next year, we find that although Jupiter is in the seventh, it is opposed by Mars, and although the Moon is conjoined with Venus, ruler of the seventh, the lesser luminary is separating from the conjunction with Venus and applying to the opposition of Uranus. The interpretation of this is that although movements will be made in the direction of peace they will not eventuate.

The Coalition Cabinet.

Our prediction on the probability of a Coalition Cabinet being formed, made in the

last issue, was verified before the magazine appeared. It is a striking proof of the scientific accuracy of the prediction. It was based on two influences, viz., the conjunction of the rulers of the first and seventh houses, and their sextile with Uranus in the eleventh.

The June Lunation.

The June lunation is particularly evil. It falls on the place of Saturn in the tenth house of the Vernal Equinox, and on the place of the conjunction of Mars and Saturn of August, 1913. It foreshadows a grave disaster, affecting both Royalty and the City of London, and it is not unlikely that a raid will be made on the City, and much damage and loss of life will ensue. Venus in the sixth, well aspected by Jupiter and Neptune, is beneficial for naval progress. Explosions and fires in schools and places of amusement are denoted. This lunation will adversely affect the United States, and cause much excitement, danger of war, and rioting. The lunation falls in square to the Kaiser's Mars and Neptune, an omen of a heavy naval loss, as well as repulses to his army. The Russians will gain some notable victories, for the new Moon is in sextile to the Czar's Mars.

The Summer Quarter.

The Sun enters the sign Cancer just after noon on the 22nd, conjoined with Saturn and Mercury. It is ominous of trouble in high places, disgrace of prominent men, illness and death among notable people. Scandals are shown in high life, and the spy trouble will still cause serious annoyance. A brilliant naval victory is shown, for Jupiter is in the sixth, in trine with Neptune and sextile to Mars. Grave troubles are threatened in the United States, for Uranus is setting

in square to Mars, and a dispute which may end in warfare is not unlikely.

A Clear Conviction.

At the inquest held at Ramsgate on the body of John Smith, aged 42, of Hythe Road, Thornton Heath, who died from the effects of hurt by a Zeppelin raid, a verdict of wilful murder was returned by the jury against the Kaiser, Wilhelm II. By this conviction the Kaiser is relegated to his right position among the criminal outcasts from civilization.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN JULY.

OUR sketch this month is intended to apply to all little children born during the period the Sun is passing through the sign Cancer, this period being from June 22nd to July 23rd.

Now all the little bairns born during this period require very careful attention, for as a rule they are delicate, and their constitutions weak. As babies, every care is required in diet, and one thing in particular should be observed, and that is, parents should be very particular who they have to attend them. This is due to their extremely receptive nature, which makes them attract the magnetism from others. They require tender attention, kindness and cleanliness.

They are very sensitive little kiddies, old-fashioned in their ways, shy and reserved, imaginative and fanciful, and their feelings are very easily wounded. Harshness towards them in any shape or form is nothing less than a crime. They tend to become impatient, fretful, and irritable, and their feelings are easily affected, and this makes them very trying to manage. They are very persistent and tenacious, much attached to home life and especially to the mother. They incline to selfishness, and this is a weakness which should be checked in early years, otherwise they will grow up grasping and parsimonious.

Intellectually they have a good memory, a tenacious mind, able to grasp many subjects, and to take a wide and comprehensive view of things. They are much affected by others and are easily influenced by surrounding conditions and people, and fall readily with the ways and methods of others.

Physically they are not strong, and the stomach and digestive organs are weak parts. Particular care is necessary in matters of diet, and light, plain food is essential, and nothing of a heating nature given, otherwise it will cause fermentation in the stomach and give rise to gastric troubles and disorders of the digestive system. Warm clothing is necessary, and the chest should be well protected, because cold and chill will be sure to affect the stomach and give rise to chronic disorders.

Generally speaking, these little olive branches are quiet, shy, reserved and delicate, inclined to be selfish and approbative, possess very sensitive feelings, and always look for sympathy and kindness. They are very tenacious, possess good memories, have abilities for music or singing, and may become clever as they grow older. They have strong imaginations, but should never be allowed to become too fanciful and whimsical, or this tendency will develop as they grow older and do much to hinder their progress.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

"London's Burning."

Everybody knows the old roundelay which commemorates the Great Fire of London, but few are aware of the astrological indications which attended, or rather preceded, that calamity. These are of sufficient interest to students to bear reiteration. In the first place, there was a total eclipse of the Moon in the 14th degree of the sign Aquarius, which happened at about 11.2 p.m. on the night of the 27th July, 1664, at which time the eclipsed luminary was in the 10th house or division of the visible heavens in conjunction with the planet Uranus, Saturn on the cusp of the 8th house in Sagittarius 22°, and Mars in the 6th house in Libra. Now it will be remembered that the 14th degree of the sign Aquarius is the meridian of the City of London, whose Ascendant is 17° 54' of Gemini. This eclipse, therefore, was significant of great calamities affecting the Metropolis, for as Saunders says: "There was never any great plague, fire, contagious disease, murder, sedition, conspiracy, or tumultuous mischief, but happened when either some eminent eclipse, conjunction, or other malevolent position or transit was made in or near the angles of the City Radix." Accordingly, we find that London was first affected by a terrible plague, generally known as the Great Plague, and afterwards by the Great Fire, which was undoubtedly a blessing in disguise, for it not only purged the City of its ill humours, but was the occasion of an entire renovation of the structure and sanitation of the City. But for this there would have been a continual recrudescence of the Plague. Doubtless, however, there was ground for regarding it as a most grievous calamity at the time, seeing that so much of life and property was thereby destroyed. This eclipse I do not find in the list of visible eclipses in *l'Art de Verifier les Dates*, nor in the Catalogue of Ricciolus, which

terminates with the year 1700, but on reference to the Greenwich Observatory, I learn that it is found in the Canon of Eclipses of Oppolzer, and also that it was included in the Almanac and Ephemeris of Vincent Wing for the year 1664, so that there is no doubt about its actuality. There was, moreover, an eclipse of the Sun in Leo 9° on the 22nd July of the same year, and another of the Moon of January 30th in Leo 20°. Thus the meridian of the City was considerably obscured by eclipses during the fatal years 1664 and 1665, extending their significance into the two following years, according to the rules concerning the duration of eclipse influence as given in the ancient authors.

A Test in the Making.

I have more than once recently dwelt on this subject of the City of London horoscope, for the purpose of calling attention to the dangers that are now and in the near future will be threatening the Metropolis. All my readers, I believe, have clear knowledge of the fact, so often expressed in these pages, that I scout the idea of celestial bodies as causes, and that I only regard them as portents and signals set up for our guidance and welfare. It is, of course, true that inasmuch as man is a physical organism as to his material existence, and therefore compounded of cosmic elements, he must of necessity respond collectively and individually to the changes taking place in his greater environment, and on these grounds, and to the extent that he is subject to and swayed by his physical nature, he is subject to a planetary influence that is both dynamic and chemic in its action. But since man took the government of himself in hand and learned to control his passions and to be swayed by the higher forces of the mind and spirit, his condition has been changed from that of the unbridled horse to that of the charioteer who directs and controls it,

which truth may be found depicted not only in the sculptures on the frieze of the Parthenon at Athens, but also in the sacred song of *Bhagavad Gītā*, wherein Arjuna, the warrior, is informed by Krishna that the horse represents the passions, the reins are the reason, and the man is the supreme will-power, while the road along which they travel is indicative of the senses. But to come back home, we have seen that the meridian transit of planets and the coincidence of eclipses with the meridian of the City are portents which deserve recognition and attention. It will be noted that ever since the war broke out Uranus has been transitting the degrees of Aquarius immediately associated with the midheaven of London, and during the present year will on various occasions be exactly in conjunction.

From this we may expect a series of raids by the enemy, and as Aquarius is astrologically one of the airy triplicity of signs, the others being Gemini and Libra, we may expect that weapons of the air directed from air-craft will figure very largely in such attempts. Aquarius also has significance of the blood, and unless great care is taken in regard to sanitation and segregation of fever cases, there may arise a condition of things similar in many respects to those that obtained when Saunders wrote his warning. But Saunders knew nothing of the planet Uranus, not then discovered, and its coincidence with the eclipsed luminary did not, therefore, come under his comment. We, however, have seen what effects followed, and should, therefore, be admonished to take proper precautions. Already there have been several air raids reported, and they point to a persistent endeavour of the enemy to reach and do damage to the City. I consider that these reported cases are for our good direction, but when the whole campaign is known to us I think it will be acknowledged that our air fleet has worked marvels of patient and effective defence. Nevertheless, there is undoubted ground for unceasing vigilance, for at the end of this month (July) not only will Uranus be on the Midheaven of London, but Mars will be on the Ascendant! And it should be

remembered that the last conjunction of Mars and Saturn fell on the Ascendant of London, which happened for the first time after a lapse of 265 years, and history informs us what great and stirring events were then taking place in London. Mars will be on the place of this last conjunction on the 30th July, and on the exact Ascendant of the City on the 31st, or the morning of the 1st August. On the 26th July there will be a small lunar eclipse in Leo 2°, and on the 10th August a full solar eclipse in Leo 16°, whereat Uranus will be in opposition to Mercury, and Mars in opposition to the Ascendant for London at the mutation conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, which lasts from 1842 until 2802 A.D. From these indications we can only predict a crisis in the affairs of the Metropolis which can best be prepared against by intelligent anticipation.

A Jewish Prophecy.

A valued correspondent has sent me a cutting from the *Church Times*, which is sufficiently curious and instructive to claim special comment in these columns. It is not generally known that the nursery rhyme "The House that Jack Built" is a direct adaptation from a very ancient Jewish allegorical prophecy, which is found in the Pass-over Service Book. The poem in the original speaks of a "kid" that was bought by a father for two pieces of money. Then came the cat and ate the kid which my father bought for two pieces of money—then the dog that bit the cat, etc.—then the staff that beat the dog, etc.—then the fire that burned the staff—then the water that quenched the fire—until at last we work up to the following finale:

Then came the Holy One, blessed be He!
That killed the Angel of Death,
That killed the butcher, that slew the ox,
That drank the water, that quenched the fire,
That burned the staff, that beat the dog,
That bit the cat that ate the kid,
That my father bought for two pieces of money!

The explanation is historical, and is apprehended by all the Jewish world as a retrospect and a prophecy. The kid is typical of Israel, the two pieces of money are the Two Tables of the Law. The cat refers to Babylon, who may be said to have consumed

and devoured Israel. The dog is Persia, which overthrew the Babylonian Empire. The staff is Greece, which put an end to the domination of Persia. The fire is the Roman Empire, which subjugated Greece. The water is the Mohammedan or Turkish Empire, which wrested Palestine from Rome. The ox may signify the Russian Empire, which is destined to put an end to Turkey, and has repeatedly assailed it, but it is held to signify Europe generally. The butcher denotes the Great War in which the nations are now engaged. The Angel of Death is the Great Plague that is threatened as a consequence of this war, and which, together with famine and other evils, eventually brings the war to a close. Then the Holy One of Israel lays hold of Azrael, the Angel of Death, and stays his devastating hand, and with him comes the Great Peace.

Our New Ally.

Italy has declared war, despite the fact that Venus has recently been in conjunction with the Sun in the horoscope of its most benevolent ruler, King Emmanuel II. The separation of that benefic planet from the Sun was attended by the primary direction of the Moon to the conjunction with Mars. There can be little doubt that the King was urged to war by the feeling and desire of the people, and in the more sober judgment of some of the Ministry it appeared an undesirable thing. But others in power argued that the time to settle long-standing accounts with Austria had come, and that if Italy was ever to realise its rights they must be pressed now while Austria was still an entity. Ghosts never pay their bills.

The state of war was declared by Italy as from midnight of Sunday, 23rd May, and a figure for this time shows the Sun on the lower meridian in Gemini $1^{\circ} 46'$, and the 11th degree of Aquarius rising, with Uranus in the Ascendant, Jupiter being also in the 1st house in Pisces in direct opposition to the Moon. The Austrian ambassador was handed his passports at 3.30, and if this be taken as the signal of war, then Cancer 21° was on the Midheaven and Libra 18° rising, Venus the ruler setting with Mars, and the

Moon, ruler of the 10th, in the 12th house in opposition to Jupiter in the 6th house. Neptune was then in the Midheaven in Cancer in close square aspect to Mars, but also near a trine of Jupiter. From these indications we may certainly predict the heavy assault of the enemy from the strength of the planet Mars in its own sign, and in an angle attended by Venus in its own sign, Venus being in the very beginning of Taurus. And yet there will be magnificent naval work done by Italy, as is indicated by the planet Jupiter in Pisces in the 6th house in trine to Neptune in the Midheaven, and this may save an otherwise extremely hazardous and perilous position. The Moon being in the 12th house appears to point to the enforced retirement of the King by the will of the people to some place of security, and as the Moon is making what is called "refraction or transmission of light" by separating from Jupiter and applying to Neptune's good aspect, it should eventually transpire that the campaign will be successful, but that out of this war there will arise an entirely new form of Government in Italy, which happens as soon as the eclipses and transits come into the sign Leo, dating from the conjunction of Saturn and Mars therein in the year 1917, and continuing into 1918 and 1919 under the adverse presidency of Saturn and Neptune.

It is understood that the Pope will shortly transfer the Holy See to Valencia, but it is extremely unlikely that he will abide there for long, as there are indications which point to the honour being eventually conferred upon Lyons. But we are looking ahead to a time of internal unrest which lies in the near background of Italy's destiny.

The Coalition Cabinet.

The British Constitution remains just where it was fundamentally seven hundred years ago, when King John was forced by Langton to grant to the people the supreme Charter of Liberty and government by representation. The 15th June was the anniversary of that event for the seven hundredth time. It forms the basis of all constitutional law, and it must have been fairly sound in principle to have withstood the changes of

fortune which have swayed the destinies of our country since then. The date according to the modern calendar is June 22nd, and it was at sunrise the Barons assembled in the Rune Meadow and brought John to his senses. I have not come across the time of the actual signing of the Charta, but the planets' places were approximately as follows at noon on that day: Sun in Cancer $0^{\circ} 45'$, Moon in Capricorn $24^{\circ} 14'$, Mars in Pisces $21^{\circ} 15'$, Jupiter in Pisces $12^{\circ} 1'$, Saturn in Virgo $26^{\circ} 27'$, Uranus in Virgo $29^{\circ} 42'$, Venus in Taurus $15^{\circ} 2'$, and Mercury in Cancer $7^{\circ} 32'$. If anything further is known about the matter I should be glad to learn it. But now for the second or third time in the history of our country we have been forced by the exigencies of war to resort to a composite government. By this act the Government saved its face and fortune. It was clearly shown in the predictions for May that "the political affairs of England are by no means satisfactory and a state of unrest is shown by the transits of the planets Mars, Venus, and Mercury through its ruling sign," also that in the Spring there would be "an unsatisfactory condition of the public Services and particularly the Navy," while we gave our readers due warning in these columns that the transit of Saturn over the place of the Sun in Lord Kitchener's horoscope, and over the opposition of the Midheaven in the Royal horoscope, would produce a critical state of affairs and a great menace to the country. But from the indications at the Summer Solstice it is evident this form of Government will not endure long, for quite apart from the fact that putting oil and water into the same bottle will not make them mix, there is the astrological signal of further trouble in Government circles in the near future. For at the Summer Ingress, Saturn will be on the Midheaven in conjunction with Mercury and semi-square to Mars, and I estimate that the end of August will see a violent fracture. This will coincide with the transit of Mars over the opposition of the Midheaven in the Royal horoscope, and the place of the Sun in the horoscope of the War Minister, and also its transit of the place of Saturn and Mercury on the meridian

of the horoscope for the Ingress. So that from the 22nd August to the end of that month there will be stirring events in political and Government circles, and as Mars is in the eighth house at the Ingress, we may expect that some great event connected with the war will bring the whole question of government by coalition into disrepute. At the eclipse of August 10th, there will be five celestial bodies in the sign Leo in opposition to Uranus. The cause of Peace is best served by a silent advocate, and so I will say no more on this point, save to express the hope that the best interests of the country will be served despite this adverse testimony.

Most Unusual Business.

Last month we spoke of "Business as Usual" in all matters which affected the well-being of the people of this country. We now have to change our tune. The Government orders the tune and we do the dancing. That is as it should be. Racing has been entirely rescinded in certain quarters, and only at Newmarket and Newbury will there be anything like the usual state of affairs. At these centres, and for the sole reason that they do not interfere with the demands made upon the railway services, there will probably be more than usual activity. Racing in Ireland will continue as hitherto. I admire this disposition of the British to be normal under abnormal conditions, for it is a sign of exceptional poise, self-possession, confidence and sanity. Despite the fact that we are not altogether normal, the fault lies in the circumstances rather than the disposition. I am, however, glad to be able to say that in the best opinion of competent critics, I have solved the problem of what are called chance happenings. Purchasers of my "Golden Key" have the satisfaction of knowing that they have an investment which is good for all time, and only the opportunity to use it is restricted. From various sources I continue to have the best reports of the system. Here is one from Manchester: "I find from practical experience that it works exactly as you represented it, and during the one week's racing I found such winners as Forfeit 10/1, White Prophet

8/1, Wise Symon 100/8, Hare Hill 7/1, and Fatal 8/1." That last was fatal to racing in this country, for it concluded the list of normal programmes. My correspondent adds: "As you remark, it would be almost magical if it were not so simple." Here is another just to hand: "I was most remarkably successful, and proved without the shadow of a doubt the overwhelming evidence of the truth of your claim. Out of six ventures, each of equal stake, I found four winners, one non-runner, and one loser. From these I picked up five times the amount of my stakes, and I can well believe that on the course, where all the pitfalls of the "mid-days" would be left out, a 75 per cent. of winners would very often be found in a full week." But although racing has been so much curtailed, it is still open to the speculatively disposed to realise the benefits of intelligent anticipation, and those who have not received my Monthly Report are requested to send me a stamped directed envelope, when they will receive by return of post some information which will more than compensate them for any temporary suspension of those benefits which they reasonably expected from the purchase of my "Golden Key."

Astronomical Phenomena
JULY, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter,	4th	...	5h. 54m. morn.
New Moon,	12th	...	9h. 31m. morn.
First Quarter,	19th	...	9h. 9m. after.
Full Moon,	26th	...	0h. 11m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Cancer, enters Leo on the 23rd at 11.27 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Cancer all the month, conjunction Venus on the 11th and conjunction Saturn on 22nd.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Gemini, enters Cancer on the 10th, conjunction Saturn on the 17th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Taurus, enters Gemini on the 6th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Pisces all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer, enters Leo on the 19th, conjunction Sun on 24th.
- ♁. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	...3, 4, 5, 31	Libra	... 18, 19
Taurus	... 6, 7	Scorpio	... 20, 21
Gemini	... 8, 9, 10	Sagittarius	... 22, 23
Cancer	... 11, 12	Capricorn	... 24, 25
Leo	...13, 14, 15	Aquarius	... 26, 27
Virgo	... 16, 17	Pisces	1, 2, 28, 29, 30

Weather Forecast.

The month opens wet, changing 3rd, fine to 7th, then rain and drop in temperature; change 10th, then fine with heat for several days; fog 17th, rain 19th, then fine to 23rd; unsettled for some days, fine end of month.

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The Prenatal Epoch--Series III.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER V.

INFLUENCE OF THE EPOCH ON CHARACTER.

In the *Occult Review* for July, 1914, there appeared a remarkable article by "J.D.L." on "The Influence of Prenatal Causes in the Formation of Character," and I would strongly recommend those of my readers who are interested in this subject to obtain a copy of the magazine, and study the various points raised.

First of all, let it be clearly understood what character is. As the writer of the article truly observes, by character is meant "those inherent traits which are peculiar to each individual, and which are more or less constant so long as he lives." He also particularly states that "it is important to distinguish between "habit" and "character." "Character is born with a man; habit is acquired."

As astrological students we are all more or less familiar with the very important distinction between individuality and personality, and I may use the author's distinction by saying that character is individuality, habit is personality. Now the author of the article referred to is apparently not familiar with this distinction, for he states that "if we accept the principle that man is born with his character already formed, this is tantamount to admitting that prenatal influences have been at work in shaping it." From an astrological standpoint, I do not think that this can be admitted, unless it be that prenatal influences have been at work in shaping the personality. In this latter view I am quite in accord.

Again, the writer says: "It is an old saying 'that a poet is born, not made'; in other words, those traits which are necessary to the formation of a poet are inherent, and cannot be afterwards acquired, except to a very limited degree. Education can help the poet to express his ideas, but it cannot

develop the poetical faculty." Now what does the prenatal epoch have to say in regard to these views, and what influence has it upon the formation of character and habit, and the development of faculty? I am, of course, giving my own personal views on the matter, but these have been arrived at after much study and thought on the subject.

In the first place, I hold to the view that the horoscope of the prenatal epoch represents "the lattermost of lives," that is to say, it represents the re-incarnating ego, at the stage of development or evolution at the end of its last physical manifestation. It represents the incoming ego at exactly the same stage of development as at the close of its last incarnation. The character is there, the faculties are there, they are already formed, they cannot be, and are not, altered during the embryonic stage; but just at whatever stage of development the ego had arrived at the end of its last incarnation, so is it at the commencement of its next life.

The horoscope represents the person then born, the form of body, nature of disposition, and the environment into which the ego is to develop. It is in this respect, and in this only, that prenatal influence has any influence in the formation of character, or rather habit.

I will support my views by the following case: The persons involved are well known to me. They were a family of six sons, and in mature age they took to drink and dissolute habits. They were of a highly respectable family, popular, and above the common crowd in talents and skill. What was the cause of this failing? I learned the truth quite casually. It was that during their embryonic stage their mother was addicted to drink. The prenatal influence had the effect of causing this evil trait in later years.

Other cases may be cited. Children born with "port wine stains," peculiar marks on the body. These are, as a rule, caused by a

fright, and show the action of prenatal influences in physical action. I have illustrated some of these abnormalities in the previous chapters. The author of the article in question cites a case of a pregnant woman who went to view the execution of a man who was broken alive on the wheel. The spectacle made such an impression on her

that when the child was born its limbs were twisted and distorted in the same manner as those of the victim on the wheel.

As J.D.L. truly states, "If the mental emotions of the mother can affect the physical development of the embryo, it stands to reason that they can with equal or greater ease affect also its mental development."

True and False in Numbers, Dates and Superstitions.

With a Complete Refutation of the Modern Libel on Friday and Thirteen.

By ASESHRA.

(Continued from page 157).

IT IS strange that there should be no reliable consensus of opinion as to whether "dreams" are true or false or mere coincidences. On this subject there has always been a singular absence of proof or proper investigation. Why is it that we so seldom hear of a duly testified written record of a dream *before* its fulfilment?

After an event has happened we see papers and magazines full of letters from imaginative people, who say they dreamt of it. Such hysterical effusions are worthless from a scientific point of view. Yet the Bible makes quite a speciality of this form of prediction, even before the days of Joseph the great dreamer.

Dreams must be studied by each individual dreamer for himself, duly recorded and tested by results. I merely recite here my own experience of three that for no apparent reason precede certain events.

1. That my hair is so thick and curly I can hardly brush it—always followed by a good financial surprise.

2. Riding on horseback—the same.

3. To dream of being naked—more especially out of doors or upon the seashore preparing for a harmless bathe—I find is ever the forerunner of unexpected disaster.

Then there are other kinds of dreams worthy of investigation that have been known to lead to tragedies, yet are in no way predictive, *e.g.* :

The two friends travelling in the Tyrol, who were overcome by a snowstorm and

fatigue one evening and were glad to find shelter in a lonely wayside inn. They had some supper before going to bed, but so suspicious did they feel of the surly-looking landlord and his wife that they drank but sparingly of the wine proffered to them. Then as soon as the landlord had brought the candle and shown them up into a musty-smelling room with a four-poster bed, the young men held a whispered consultation, and on finding there was no proper lock to the door, it was agreed between them that Paul should sit up in a chair with a loaded revolver in his hand and keep guard while Geoffrey slept.

As he sat there the candle flickered and the dimly-lighted room seemed full of deepening shadows. Suddenly the carpet seemed to move in one corner of the room—he felt he could not be mistaken as he saw a trap-door stealthily open from the floor, followed by a hand grasping something with a glittering blade. Another instant and the sinister outline of the landlord's head appeared distinctly against the wainscot of the wall.

Paul only waited until the dark, bushy eyebrows began to turn in his direction, when he quickly raised his arm and levelled his revolver at the intruder. As he pulled the trigger a shot rang clearly out in the stillness of the night—at the same time a piercing cry. The revolver fell from his hand—and Paul awoke, with horror, to find his friend sitting up in bed regarding him with eyes transfixed and blood trickling from his forehead. Then, without uttering a

sound, he fell back dead. Worn out with fatigue Paul had fallen asleep on guard and in a dream had shot his best friend.

Then there are the fatal dreams of sleep-walkers. I know one who walked in his sleep out of the sixth floor bedroom of a hotel to meet instant death.

There are those, too, who dream of Derby winners who don't win!

Then there is, again, the other kind of tragic dream that most people have heard of, viz.: The lady staying at Monte Carlo who, when entering the gambling rooms, encountered a new admirer whom she particularly wished to impress. Said she: "Do you know, I had such a thrilling dream last night. A veiled figure stood by my bed and murmured the words: "Fortune awaits you this day—your age will appear on the first table you approach."

"You ought to follow that up at once. Shall I come and back it for you?" cried the young man eagerly.

"Oh, do," she replied. "Put a 'pony' on for me."

"By the bye," he added laughingly, "I don't think I know your age yet."

"Why, of course not, how stupid of me," responded the fair dreamer, blushing furiously. "I was twenty-four last month, I am afraid I must admit."

They ran over to the nearest table. The ball was pirouetting. He threw down a little pile of notes on No. 24.

"Rien ne va plus," shouted the croupier. The ball wobbled—then fell into No. 36!

The fair onlooker gave a stifled cry. Even the most callous gamblers turned round in the hope of witnessing a sensational suicide.

Disappointment awaited them. It was merely her real age that had turned up. The dream had come true.

"If only I had told the truth," was her muttered thought. She had lost her chance.

In spite of civilisation, education and progress, superstitions of all sorts are just as rife now as in bygone ages of mankind. Not a motor car but sports its "mascot," and so do whole regiments of soldiers.

You will find Society women of to-day every bit as credulous of old country ditties

and folk lore as any nursemaid or gipsy. From the aversion to a peacock's feather or a solitary magpie down to the importance of the rhyme which runs:

"Cut your nails on a Monday, you cut them for health,
If you cut them on Tuesday, you cut them for wealth,
If you cut them on Wednesday, you're asking for woe
Cut them on Thursday, and conquer a foe,
If you cut them on Friday, a lover you'll meet,
Cut them on Saturday, nothing to eat."

All classes are much the same, and I fear the amount of nail trimming that goes on every Tuesday must be very trying to the temper of the Goddess of Fortune. Yet strange to say, the Tuesday snippers seem to remain as poor as they were. Possibly the rhyme was composed in the days of Good Queen Bess, and if so, the nail trimmers are backing the wrong horse.

Let them study this problem. If Friday was Tuesday in the 16th century, what was Tuesday? This looks like a head splitting enigma, but is really far more simple than "Why was Charing Cross?"

The truth is that the inevitable mixture of good and evil in each period of time must come in some form to one and all. No one ever expressed this better than Byron in his imperishable little philosophic poem:

"Care, like a housekeeper, brings every week her bills in,
And how'er we storm they must be paid,
Though six days smoothly run
The seventh will bring blue devils or a dun."

And poor Byron, like Wagner and many other geniuses, had had a vast experience of the latter, which is apt to make even a poet pessimistic. As ordinary mortals let us turn to the reverse side of the shield and encourage ourselves with the more optimistic proverbs: "Every cloud has a silver lining," "Darkest before dawn." And the old French proverb: "Ce qu'un jour vous refuse le lendemain vous en comblera," which someone has very freely translated: "What one day refuses you entirely in spite of all your efforts another day will throw at your feet unasked in abundance far exceeding your wildest dreams."

It will not be too much to assume that most people, whether Pagans or Christians, would be delighted to make the acquaintance of this last day as soon as possible, whatever its name.

Studies in Brief.

By SEPHARIAL.

The Horoscope of London.

IN making some researches in connection with current indications which point to a critical state of affairs approaching our Metropolis, these being especially signified by the recent conjunction of Saturn and Mars on the Ascendant of the City, and the forthcoming transit of Mars over that place of conjunction at the end of July, 1915, together with a transit of Uranus over the meridian of the same horoscope, I have come across an interesting piece of information in an old almanack by Dr. Richard Saunders, called the Apollo Anglicanus, and published in 1666 for the year current by E. Cotes of London, for the Company of Stationers. I have already pointed out that Saunders very clearly pointed to the indications of a Plague in London in the course of his remarks on the total lunar eclipse of 1664, July 27th. In these remarks he says that the eclipse fell in Aquarius 14° , which is "the very radical degree of the Moon's position in the Radix of London." Later on he says that the angles of the figure were "Gemini 13° , Sagittarius 13, Aquarius 8, and Leo 8," meaning that the Ascendant was in Gemini 13° , and the Midheaven in Aquarius 8° and "this eclipse in Aquarius doth threaten London with raging sickness and other mischiefs." He also says that the Moon at that very time was in opposition to Saturn and Mars, "who were radically in the fourth house." He then continues, "Further, in January of the following year (1665) there hapned another eclipse of the Moon in the 12th degree of Leo, near the cusp of the fourth, and place of Mars in the City Radix." And then, making mention of the first of two comets which appeared at this time, he says that it "was observed in the last decanate of Virgo, in square to the place of the Sun in the City's Radix."

We have, therefore, an interesting problem before us as to the date to which Saunders

is speaking when referring to these positions of the planets.

Now, if both Mars and Saturn were in the sign Leo, the Moon in Aquarius and the Sun in Gemini, we have certain data on which to ground our calculations. I find that the planets Mars and Saturn form a conjunction in the sign Leo in the year 1917, and going back by periods of 265 years, we come to the years 1652, 1387, 1122, respectively, at which times they were also in the sign together, approximately.

If we test for the earliest of these, we shall find that on the 3rd June, 1124, the Moon was in Aquarius 14° , when the Sun was in Gemini $20^{\circ} 26'$, Mars being then in the first decanate of Leo, and Saturn in the second decanate together with Uranus. This may be the date to which Saunders refers, but I find no historical grounds for it, for Henry I. at this time effected no great reformation nor created any institution in the City or its government. But 30 years later, in 1154, Henry II. granted a charter to the City, and by taking the Moon's position in relation to that of the Sun, Mars and Saturn, I find that the date must have been June 2nd, when the Sun was actually on the Ascendant of London in Gemini $17^{\circ} 54'$, that being the very degree and minute which has been found to satisfy all subsequent observations. But although Saturn is found in the 26th degree of Leo, the planet Mars is only in Cancer $27^{\circ} 55'$ and not therefore in the fourth house of a horoscope whose Midheaven degree is Aquarius 8° . For many reasons the indications are in favour of the date June 3rd, 1124 A.D., and it is evident that considerable further research is needed, by reference to events which have affected the Metropolis in some singular manner, in order to determine which of these two dates is the more reliable. Of course, Saunders may have made some error of calculation in taking out the longitude of Mars from the tables of Kepler, and these in themselves

show some slight differences when compared with modern tables of mean planetary motions, so that all things considered it is imperative that further observation should be made. I shall, therefore, take the earliest opportunity of fully calculating and submitting the two horoscopes, so that students may watch the course of events in relation to both of them. This, and some reference to past events affecting the City, should enable us to come to some decision regarding the true horoscope of the Metropolis. For this purpose I shall be glad of any data that students may have at hand.

The Heir to the Belgian Throne.

Prince Leopold, heir to the Belgian throne, was born on the 3rd November, 1901, in Brussels. The Sun was then in the 11th degree of Scorpio, in close sextile aspect to both Saturn and Jupiter in Capricorn, which points to a large inheritance. The Moon was in Leo, and although in quadrature to the Sun, has the fortunate trine aspects of Mars in Sagittarius and that of Uranus in the same sign, Mars and Uranus being in close conjunction. Venus has now come to the sextile aspect of the radical Sun, being in the 11th of Capricorn and therefore close to Jupiter and Saturn in the radix. The current indications are otherwise fairly normal, and the only drawback is the semi-square aspect that the Sun is now forming to Saturn

and Jupiter. These influences last for some years, and are liable to keep the fortunes of his illustrious father under a cloud. It will be observed, however, that very favourable secondary influences come into play in the 17th year, which measures to 1918, when there will doubtless be an access to some good fortune. But at 16 years of age there is a bereavement on the female side of the family, and either his royal mother or a sister will be in danger, and the indications point rather to a junior relative. The Princess Mimi José was born on the 4th August, 1906, at the time of a total eclipse of the Moon, and at the equivalent age of 11 years Mars is found close to the place of the Sun in the radix, and malefic transits of Saturn and Mars take place in the autumn of 1917. It will be observed that Uranus was in transit over the place of the Moon in this horoscope, and in opposition to the place of the Moon in Prince Leopold's horoscope at the outbreak of the war, when, of course, the "dislocation, separation, and sundering of ties" which attend the transit of that planet, took place in the lives of these young scions of the Belgian Royal House. It is satisfactory, however, to observe that despite the fact that the conjunction of Saturn and Mars in 12° of Leo falls in such strong conflict with the two horoscopes, there remains to the young Prince the promise of an extensive heritage and a royal ascent.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

I NOW append an illustration of a direct direction to the Moon, which involves a very important point. I propose to show the direct direction of Mercury and the Moon. As previously shown the step is to find the position of the Moon. The S.A. is 64.9 and the M.D. 45.51 , showing the Moon to be $18^{\circ} 18'$ below the Ascendant. One-third of the Moon's S.A. being $21^{\circ} 23'$ indicates that the Moon is actually $3^{\circ} 5'$ above the cusp of the second house. Mercury being on the cusp of the ninth will, therefore, descend

past the cusp of the eighth house to form the opposition of the Moon. The following is therefore obtained:—As S.A. of Moon 64.9 is to D above $2^{\text{nd}} 3.5$, so is S.A. of Mercury 60.25 to Q past $8^{\text{th}} 2.54$.

The distance of Mercury from the eighth house ($\frac{2}{3}$ of S.A.—M.D.) is 19.25 , and as the planet has to cross the cusp, the 2.54 is added, making $22^{\circ} 19'$ as the arc of direction, $\text{D } 8 \text{ } \text{Q}$ m.d.

The next aspect formed by Mercury will be the sesquiquadrate, followed by the trine.

This is the important point I want to be noted. The Moon is just above the cusp of the second house. The second house is in trine with the sixth, and 150° from the seventh. The sesquiquadrate will, therefore, fall about the middle of the sixth house, and the trine just past the sixth. The planet Mercury to form these directions must cross the horizon, and its *semi-nocturnal arc* ($119^\circ 35'$) must therefore be used.

The previous formula therefore resolves itself into this for the trine: *As S.A. of D $64^\circ 9'$ is to D above 2^{nd} $3^\circ 5'$ so is S.N.A. of ♀ $119^\circ 35'$ to ♀ past cusp 6th 5.45.*

Now Mercury's distance from the cusp of the 6th involves two calculations, for the reason that Mercury descends past the horizon.

Mercury's distance from the seventh house (S.A.—M.D.) is 39.33, and one-third of the semi-nocturnal arc, $39^\circ 52'$, the distance from the seventh to the sixth, is to be added, making $79^\circ 25'$. Mercury having to pass the sixth cusp by $5^\circ 45'$, as shown above, this also must be added, making $85^\circ 10'$ as the arc of direction, D Δ ♀ m.d.

The sesquiquadrate of Mercury to the Moon falling $5^\circ 45'$ past the centre of the sixth house will be less than the above arc by one sixth of Mercury's S.N.A., $19^\circ 56'$, the arc being $65^\circ 14'$.

This is a point which requires very careful attention, and students are warned to carefully note when the place of a direction falls in the opposite hemisphere to the radical position of the planet moving to form the direction. In such cases the opposite semi-arc to the one inserted in the speculum is to be used.

I now give an illustration of converse directions of the Sun and Moon. These, as already explained, are formed by the Sun moving to the aspects of the mundane positions of the planets. I will take the converse directions of the Sun to Uranus.

The first step is to find the position of Uranus. The M.D. is $63^\circ 31'$ and the S.A. $71^\circ 57'$, the difference, $8^\circ 26'$, being the distance of Uranus below the cusp of the seventh house. The Sun will, therefore, form the sextile aspect first, by crossing the cusp of the ninth into the 8th house.

The formula will therefore be:—*As S.A.*

of ♄, $71^\circ 57'$ is to ♄ below 7th, $8^\circ 26'$, so is S.A. of ☉, $60^\circ 26'$ to second distance of ☉.

The second distance of ☉ will be $7^\circ 5'$, and to form the sextile the ☉ must pass to this distance over the 9th cusp. The distance of the Sun from the ninth is $2^\circ 33'$, and as these two amounts have to be added, the arc of direction ☉ * ♄ m.c. is $9^\circ 38'$. One-sixth of the S.A. of the Sun, $10^\circ 4'$, added to this will give the next direction ☉ \angle ♄ m.c. $19^\circ 42'$, and a further sixth again added will give ☉ \sphericalangle ♄ m.c. $29^\circ 46'$.

The next direction ☉ ϕ ♄ m.c. falls below the cusp of the seventh, so the S.N.A. of the Sun has to be used, necessitating a fresh calculation, as previously shown, $119^\circ 34'$, the S.N.A. being substituted for $60^\circ 26'$ in the speculum. This will give the second distance of the Sun as $14^\circ 1'$, and this must be added to the Sun's distance from the seventh (S.A.—M.D.) 42.33, making $57^\circ 34'$ as the arc of direction, ☉ ϕ ♄ m.c.

One further illustration—a converse direction of the Moon—and then I will turn to another branch of mundane directions. I propose to illustrate the calculations of D ϕ ♃ m.c.

Saturn's position as previously determined is $3^\circ 16'$ above the Ascendant, and the Moon $18^\circ 18'$ below, but the Moon moving to form the conjunction has to cross the ascendant, and the S.D.A. must therefore be used.

The formula will therefore be:—*As S.A. of ♃ $74^\circ 3'$ is to ♃ above Ascendant $3^\circ 16'$ so is S.D.A. of ♃ $115^\circ 51'$ to second distance of Moon. This latter will be $5^\circ 7'$. The Moon being $18^\circ 18'$ below the Ascendant, these two amounts have to be added, making $23^\circ 25'$ as the arc of direction D ϕ ♃ m.c.*

The directions may be continued by adding proportional parts of the Moon's S.A. The semi-sextile being the next direction, one-third of the semi-arc, $38^\circ 37'$, added to $23^\circ 25'$ will give $62^\circ 2'$ for D \sphericalangle ♃ m.c. A sixth of the semi-arc, $19^\circ 18\frac{1}{2}'$, then added will give $81^\circ 20\frac{1}{2}'$ for D \angle ♃ m.c., and another sixth added would give $100^\circ 39'$ as the arc of direction, D * ♃ m.c. This latter, of course, would not be required in an ordinary lifetime, but the illustration serves the purpose of showing how all the directions between two planets may be computed.

The Occult Significance of Genesis.

By JAMES HARVEY.

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THE making of man and beast is the work of the sixth day, and this is the consummation of conscious life, that is, the Absolute has brought this work and masterpiece into the state of independent action. Man is now a responsible and free agent, he has now reached the stage of *homo sapiens*; he now stands in the state of the "Rational Soul." He has advanced from intelligence in the low state to that of intellect. But great as this attainment is, with him as possessing of his spirit, is the divine power of introspection. He is now looking inwards, examining and analysing the working of his mind and soul; endeavouring to tabulate, classify, and comprehend the dark, deep movements of his spirit. God has now brought His work to a point wherein he can leave the monarch of His creation to perfect himself in the scheme of destiny. It will be noticed in the reading of the account of the sixth day that the animals and man are made on the same day. Now it is contended that if the record of Genesis were intended to be taken in a literal sense, a day would have been set apart for the creation of man alone. This contention goes to establish the idea that the writing is a record of the creation of man: told by an occultist of old in the secret symbology of the Master of whom he was a disciple. "And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it, He rested from all His work which God created and made." Here in the annal of the seventh day all is accomplished: the Divine Spirit has descended into matter, and the spirit of man has reached up and joined in eternal, holy union. The second aspect of God has joined the third expression, known as the Holy Spirit, to the majority, and the activity of the Supreme and Nameless One to the mystic, occultist and seer. This rest of God is not to be misunderstood as inactivity, but to be comprehended as the consummation of consciousness which has now taken place;

man is now a responsible soul, and is on the path working out and building his own destiny. The Infinite is still with the Cosmos, guiding the stars, sending forth the winds, and turning the tides of dynasties, nations and races, presiding over

"The deep pulsations of the world."

This is the Sabbath of the Lord, this is the period of the Divine Spirit and inspiration. Man is now keenly alive to his great origin and inheritance; he is conscious of being akin to the spirits of the spheres, and the child of the eternal Father of supreme justice. Now can he lift his voice in praise and prayer, now can he sing, for at this time has come to his soul the divine gift of poetry: that spiritual faculty of voicing the aspects of the transient universe, which are voiceless feelings in the soul of others. Now he is cognisant of the superlativism of his ego, now he diminishes space and reads the stellar vast, now he is beginning to comprehend the meaning of God. This is the period of the evolution of his spirit, and the advent of his coming in touch with the Infinite—in touch with the throbbing of the heart of the Absolute.

The ancient astrologers gave to each day of the week a planetary ruler: thus, the Sun to Sunday, the Moon to Monday, Mars to Tuesday, Mercury to Wednesday, Jupiter to Thursday, Venus to Friday, and Saturn to Saturday. And when these rulers are applied to the Biblical order of the days of Creation, and read in the light of their astrological government, they support the arrangement in a wonderful manner. The first day is the creation of light, Sunday is the first day, and is ruled by the Sun; and the Sun gives light and rules life, and life was created on the first day, from the standpoint of occult science. The Moon rules Monday, on this day the heavens were formed and divided from the waters: chaos became arranged, and it is significant the Moon rules form. On the third day, the dry

land and plant life came into existence ; and the third day, Tuesday, is ruled by Mars, and Mars rules vitality. The life of the first day was the infinite principle ; but the third day is that of the creation of organised, functioning life : the focalised power as means to a definite purpose. The fourth day is ruled by Mercury, and Mercury rules the nervous system and the brain ; and the fourth period of the creation is the making of the Sun, Moon and Stars : symbolical of the light of the spirit, soul and consciousness. This is the age wherein man became cognisant of

is independent and responsible, this is the Sabbath, the day of rest unto the Lord ; man is now left to the unfolding of his own soul and destiny. This, as far as is known, is an original observation, and is here written that it haply may suggest or interest those who are students of astrology. And at this point it might be observed that the record of Genesis says at the end of each period of the manifestation of God : " the evening and the morning were the first day," and likewise to the end of the narrative. Now secular time is counted from noon to noon,

ASTROLOGICAL CHART OF CREATION : FORMATIVE, ELEMENTIVE, RACIAL.				
PLANET	DAYS OF CREATION	PHASES OF CREATION	RACES	EVOLUTION
☉	Sunday -	The Great Deep: The Waters of Space. Light: The Descent of the Spirit.	Polarian	Life: Sense Body
☾	Monday -	Firmament: Division of the Waters.	Hyperborean	Organism, Form, Vital Fluid
♂	Tuesday -	The Sphere: Earth and Water.	Lemurian	Etheric Body, Living Organism, Nerve Force
♃	Wednesday	Stellar Universe: Sun, Moon and Stars.	Atlantean	Brain, Astral Body, Nervous System, Animal Soul
♃ ♃	Thursday -	Height and Depth: Birds and Fishes.	Aryan	Mental Body, Psychic Organism, Rational Soul
♀	Friday -	Cosmic Completion: Animals and Man.	Sixth Root	Soul Organism: Spiritual Soul
♄ ♃	Saturday -	The Sabbath: Macrocosm and Microcosm meet—Equipoise	Seventh Root	Spiritual Organism, Spiritual Consciousness

the objective world. Jupiter governs the fifth day ; and at this point the Creator brings forth the birds and fishes : emblematical of the flight of thought, and the recondite probings of the soul ; and reverence, religion, mysticism, and devotion. And Jupiter rules these powers of the spirit, and also presides over the domain of the divine mind in man. The animals and man come forth on the sixth day, and Venus rules the sixth day of the week : and Venus rules sympathy, art, music, painting, and the fine arts, which are now the heritage and possession of man. The seventh day is ruled by Saturn, the planet of equilibrium, philosophy, reason, intellect, and justice. This is where man

and astronomical time from midnight to midnight, which is indicative of the record being the writing of the ancient Chaldean or Assyrian astrologers, who were the priests, seers and *magi* of their time. The chart above will help to convey the idea of the astrological rule of the days or epochs of Creation.

More could be said of this Book of Beginnings, how it teaches the Nebular Hypothesis in a rude manner, and agrees with natural science of to-day ; but it is too late at this time, as the books of masters on the theme are available to all who would understand. The Saturn, Sun, Moon, and Jupiter periods, as an occult doctrine of creation could have been dwelt upon ; but owing to the compli-

cated nature of the study it does not lend itself to a condensed presentation, unless to those very familiar with occult thought. There is plenty of literature on the subject, particularly "The Secret Doctrine," "The Rosicrucian Cosmo-conception," and the "Atlantis and Lemuria" of Rudolf Steiner.

But it does not matter how much one may read, if they glean no consolation to the yearning of the soul. Is it not so, that at the end of many profound books one finds that they have been fishing in a stagnant pool, or chasing the shadows of a pedant's mind? Odin, the great Norse deity, Carlyle tells, was great because he gave explanations of the universe to the primitive souls around him. He explained the trees as the hair of God, the rivers as His blood, the wind as His breath, and in this wise with everything. A scientific fact is merely an explanation: the best explanation of the phenomena under consideration. And perhaps in the far future the ideas of our time will be laughed at and sympathised with as ignorant notions, in the same manner as we hold the poetic imaginings of the ancient Odin. Science of to-day deals with forces they cannot resolve or analyse, they assume elements that cannot be measured or weighed, in fact, are mere assumptions to back out theory. They write learned books on the Universe and all things which, at the best, are only explanations, and in many cases—words, words, words. It is every soul's affair whether it agrees with the explanation of Odin, or any other; suffice it to say, if it is acceptable, it is well. Let all remember in all considerations of the problem of ultimates, the words of Job: "We are but of yesterday, and know nothing." And the scientist, the philosopher, the scholar, and the saint all subscribe to this dictum of the wise man of old, knowing the pertinent and significant nature of it. And so it comes that Genesis is just as reliable as any other explanation of Cosmo and Anthropogenesis. When we look at the great pages in the Book of Nature, the starry heaven, the seas, the mountain, stream and valley, we are filled with the words of the Psalmist of old:

"How manifold, O God, are Thy works;
In wisdom Thou hast made them all."

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

JULY, 1915.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	6 ♄ 1	Travel, change, push business. ask favours, seek work.
2	19 ♀ 9	Attend to business a.m., act discreetly p.m.
3	1 ♃ 53	A variable day. Safeguard health in p.m.
4	14 ♄ 18	Sunday. Study and expand the mind.
5	26 ♄ 28	A good day for business, visiting friends. Avoid deceit.
6	8 ♄ 28	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties.
7	20 ♄ 22	A doubtful day. Safeguard health. Visit friends afternoon.
8	2 ♀ 13	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
9	14 ♀ 6	Travel, change, and consult astrologers.
10	26 ♀ 2	Visit friends and amusements in evening.
11	8 ♄ 4	Sunday. A day for quiet study and contemplation.
12	20 ♄ 13	A quiet day. Visit friends evening.
13	2 ♄ 31	An unsettled day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
14	15 ♀ 0	Act discreetly in all things. Safeguard health.
15	27 ♄ 40	Attend to business and correspondence. Travel p.m.
16	10 ♄ 33	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
17	23 ♄ 42	Ask favours at noon. Act discreetly in all things.
18	7 ♄ 6	Sunday. A day for quiet and contemplation.
19	20 ♄ 48	A good day for business. Act discreetly p.m.
20	4 ♄ 47	Travel, attend to correspondence, deal with elders p.m.
21	19 ♄ 4	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
22	3 ♄ 35	A splendid day for business, new ventures, asking favours, etc.
23	18 ♄ 16	A variable day. Do nothing important.
24	3 ♄ 2	Avoid fraud and losses. Safeguard health.
25	17 ♄ 45	Sunday. A day for study and reflection.
26	2 ♄ 18	Contradictory influences prevail. Do nothing important.
27	16 ♄ 35	Travel in the a.m., and avoid accidents.
28	0 ♄ 32	Many little worries will occur on this day.
29	14 ♄ 5	Avoid disputes p.m. Visit friends and travel evening.
30	27 ♄ 15	Visit friends and ask favours.
31	10 ♄ 3	Safeguard health. Travel p.m.

Birthday Influences during July.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, △ ☉, ♃, ♀. A very successful year, changes, popularity, promotion in business and important developments. A child born will be clever, intelligent, serious and contemplative, popular and successful in life.
2. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, □ ♀. A variable year, financial gains, but grief and disappointment. A child born will be popular and generous, but careless, and not very lucky in life.
3. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, △ ♄, □ ♃, ♃ ♀, * ♂, □ ♀. A changeable year, much gain and success in business, new work, but great worry and anxiety, losses and indisposition. A child born will be active, energetic, popular and generous, have a hatred of control, and have many difficulties in life to fight against.
4. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, □ ☉, * ♄. A bad year for business, with indisposition, danger of disputes, but some changes and journeys. A child born will be proud and high handed, but clever and original; not successful in business.
5. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, □ ♀, * ♀, ♀. A good year for business and employ, social gains, changes and new work, some danger of deception. A child born will be kind, artistic, clever, intelligent, somewhat deceptive, but successful in business or employ.
6. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, * ☉, ♃. A variable year, changes, promotion in business or employ, but danger of disputes, accidents and annoyances. A child born will be steady, reliable, clever, popular, successful in business, but should guard against erratic and rash ventures.
7. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄. A changeable year, reversals and indisposition, but social gains, popularity, and success in employ. A child born will be erratic and wayward, but kind, affectionate and popular, will have much to contend with in life, and should always remain in employ.
8. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, * ♀, ♀, — ♃ ♂. An evil year, danger of indisposition and bereavement, accidents or disputes, some financial gains. A child born will be ambitious, rash, hasty and venturesome, will have some good friends, but have many troubles to face through life.
9. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, △ ♄. A year of changes and journeys, not very exciting. A child born will be original and inventive, but will have a quiet life.
10. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, □ ♀, ♃ ♀, ♀. A good year for artists, writers and students, social gains, but financial losses. A child born will be clever, artistic, with literary abilities, but will be extravagant and not very successful.
11. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃. A good year for social and literary affairs, but danger of indisposition and bereavement. A child born will be artistic, clever, possess literary abilities, but health and environment will be a barrier to success.
12. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ☉. A year of change, slight danger of accident, but social gains. A child born will be kind, affectionate, somewhat rash, but have a quiet life.
13. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♀, △ ♀, * ♂. A generally successful year, social and financial gains, changes and developments in affairs, but danger of indisposition, deceit and annoyances. A child born will be popular, kind, active and energetic, clever and intelligent, but somewhat deceitful, and will have many little annoyances to fight against through life.
14. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♄. A year of reversals, with many annoyances and worries. A child born will be erratic and independent, and very unsuccessful in life.
15. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, * ♀. A year of changes, with little annoyances. A child born will be clever and intelligent and should always remain in employ.
16. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, □ ♂, * ♀. A variable year, social gains and success in employ, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born will be kind, affectionate, reliable and trustworthy, but often involved in troubles through lack of discretion.
17. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, * ☉, ♀, ♃ ♀. An evil year, danger of accidents and disputes, grief, bereavement, financial losses and much worry, some gain through friends. A child born will rash, hasty and impetuous, extravagant and erratic, very self-willed, but with the help of friends may be able to make a competence.
18. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, □ ♃, ♀, ♀, △ ♂. An evil year, grief, indisposition, bereavement and much worry, some changes and activity. A child born will be active and energetic, have a hatred of control, be wilful and bad tempered, careless and very unfortunate.
19. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, □ ☉, △ ♄. A good year for business, with changes and journeys, but danger of accidents and loss of employment. A child born will be clever and intelligent, original and inventive, proud and imperious, and should always remain in employ.
20. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, □ ♀, △ ♃, ♀. A variable year, danger of deceit and annoyance, but gain in employ and success generally. A child born will be clever, intelligent, serious and contemplative, somewhat deceitful and erratic, but fairly successful.

21. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, □ ♃, △ ♀. An evil year, danger of losses, accidents, indisposition and bereavement, some benefits from friends and social gains. A child born will be kind, affectionate, clever, but erratic, hasty, rash, and generally unfortunate through life.

22. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, □ ☉, ♃, ♃. A very successful year, social gains, promotion, popularity, financial success, some worries. A child born will be kind, generous, popular, impressionable and romantic, will rise in life and be very successful.

23. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♃ ♃. A variable year, important changes, journeys, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, original and inventive, but not very successful.

24. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♃ ♃, □ ♃. An evil year, danger of deceit and fraud, financial losses and bereavement. A child born will be extravagant, weak willed, often in serious complications, and will have many troubles in life.

25. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♃ ♃, ♃. A worrisome year, many annoyances, disappointments and deception. A child born will have a hatred of control, be careless and untidy, deceitful, and not successful in life.

26. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ☉, ♃, * ♃. A variable and unsettled year, grief and disappointment, bereavement, loss of employ, deception and many annoyances, some gain through friends. A child born will be careless, diffident, rash, proud and deceitful, will have some good friends, and will be successful in the employ of others.

27. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ♃, △ ♃. A year of activity, changes, journeys, but some danger of reversals. A child born will be active, energetic, possess some mechanical or inventive skill, but should guard against accidents and reversals.

28. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, ♃. A year of many little worries and annoyances. A child born will be erratic, wilful, and given to worry over trifles, and not successful in life.

29. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, △ ♃, ♃, — □ ♃. A fairly successful year, gain, promotion, financial success, popularity, but some danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be steady, reliable, clever and intelligent, hot tempered and venturesome, but fairly successful.

30. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, △ ♃, ♃, — ♃ ♃. A very successful year, social gains, financial benefits, popularity, and important developments in affairs. A child born will be kind, generous, artistic, popular, and will rise in life.

31. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, △ ☉, * ♃, □ ♃. A variable year, benefits in business, changes, but danger of indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be popular, intuitive, original and clever, but will have many obstacles in life to fight against.

Correspondence.

Astrology and Determinism.

A LETTER TO SEPHARIAL.

SIR,—I have read your kind comments over and over again, and, in addition, have had put in my way, a work by A. Leo, "Esoteric Astrology," and have studied same very carefully in the hope of finding out the key, but in vain.

May I, for the last time, ask if you will explain a concrete instance taken from the brochure, "The Great Devastation," it might serve to give me the key of approach to many other puzzles having the same root implications.

I find I am by no means alone in the consideration of this enigma, and it seems with some of my friends to take form as an intuitive repulsion to prognosis, as giving no scope for changes to take place, not alone in mundane affairs, but, and I can see no way out, also in human progress, individually or collectively, except on a basis of inevitable sequence. If one is content to assume that conscious states are not co-related to events, all the difficulty from one point of concept, at any rate, is eliminated, but this is the very point at which I boggle.

I will just take one point from your remarks on the Crown Prince of Germany (*Vide* "The Great Devastation," page 16).—"He will be induced to offer the spoils of war to such as may . . . Empire." If I may, without offence and without expressing myself absurdly, I shall presume that the foregoing passage means exactly what one would read it as implying and not the contrary; and that *he will be induced to, etc.*, is to be accepted.

This seems to me to leave no room (in the interim between the present and the time you refer to in the future) for him to change his views, become a better man, more amenable to consideration of others, or of a "vision of something not readily expressed in words," in sum, the states of his conscious being are sufficiently well known, as it were, *in futuro*, that you do not say, "but it is possible that in the meantime such changes will take place in his consciousness that when an opportunity occurs he will endeavour to act out his changed inner life."

And again, if one assumed that the prognosis referred to above is only to be taken as a "possibility," one might be inclined to believe that many and various possible anticipations would be equally worthy of contemplation.

And once more, supposing you had said, "He will not be induced to offer the spoils . . . but will offer himself as a servant of Humanity."

This again, would imply a knowledge *in futuro* of the Prince's inner life, and in this case the outcome would be different from the prior outcome.

But then, "the ancient prophecies could or would not be fulfilled," and I am brought to a dead halt.

The same train of thought attaches to the other

figures in the great drama, and I, in common no doubt with many other people, would be glad to know how you would explain this position.

It being that certain events must transpire, and concomitantly certain persons must think and act in a certain and particular manner, and that these certain events and concomitant thoughts and actions of the persons most nearly concerned in the fulfilling of a prophecy or prognosis, connote a further range of people, thoughts and actions and subsidiary events, and, these again, a further range, and so on (somewhat as the ever widening of the rings from a stone dropped in a pond.)

Is it not reasonable to believe that *all* happenings, thoughts, actions, are interdependent and inextricably inter-related, and that, for example, the prognosis contained in your brochures on the war, only point and indicate certain outstanding features, the while and illimitable sequence of happenings to countless numbers of people are inevitably involved, and not only so, but the happenings contained in prognosis could not be fulfilled unless an indefinite number of souls acted, thought, felt, and desired, in one inevitable way.

It is not a matter of inconsequent criticism with me, I would welcome any light thrown on the riddle, and if you could take this one concrete instance with the points of approach as stated by me, and offer your comments in the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY, it may be the means of helping many individuals over a stiff style. At any rate, a clear exposition of the astrologer's way of looking at this one example would be interesting.

Yours truly,

LEICESTER,
May 25th, 1915.

H. F. COLLETT.

SEPHARIAL'S REPLY.

SIR,—I confess that there is no small difficulty in replying to your correspondent, for whereas it is extremely easy for us, as students of astrology, to take note of the various indications in a horoscope, and to observe their fulfilment in the course of events, it is quite another matter to present in a few words a system of philosophy based upon the scientific facts, which is inclusive of an intelligent conspiracy of (a) man's freewill, and (b) pre-established harmony, as expressive of the Divine will. Admitted that man has freewill, it must of necessity follow that such can only pertain to the individual within limits and according to his potential (*i.e.*, the measure of his soul power in the universe), for to admit unlimited freewill to the individual would be to deny it to others, and more particularly to restrict the operations of the Supreme Will by lack of agency. In thinking the matter out, I am bound to confess that there is no better solution of the problem than that offered by Bruno, and afterwards reiterated by Swedenborg, namely, that some things happen by Divine Will and others are allowed to happen by Divine Permission. For without this Divine Permission of events, which we call evil (*i.e.*, inharmonious with the general moral standards and detrimental to the common good), there would be no grounds for human responsibility, and hence no measure of individual merit or demerit.

And this viewpoint enables us to reconcile many apparently anomalous positions. It brings out clearly the co-operation of the human and Divine Wills in the production of events, and gives a ready answer to certain problems which have arisen not only in theological but also in scientific circles. It answers the question as to the Betrayal, which was so clearly foreseen by the Master, and was the source of an abiding sorrow to Him. "You twelve have I chosen," He said, "and one of you is a devil." For how else could the prophecy be fulfilled but by the betrayal of Jesus, and who could betray a benevolent Master save one who was by nature open to suggestion of evil and capable of agreeing to it? When therefore I say in the brochure referred to that the "Second Beast" will be "induced to offer the spoils of war, etc.," I am suggesting that he is an Ishmaelite, a spiritual renegade, a devil capable of attempting the revival of an arch-military despotism such as the whole civilised world has condemned, and to pursue which required the incarnation at this period of hundreds of thousands of evil intelligences. For while this war is a thing of Divine Permission, it appears also within the scope of the plan that it may subserve the higher purposes of the race, not only by the admonishing and chastisement of the nations, but by their moral and spiritual stimulation. Indeed, it may well be that in the interplay of individual human wills we may detect a net result which involves another factor by its very limitation, and that other factor I should be disposed to designate the Goodwill of God. Nor should I require that this finds immediate expression, but rather mediate expression through a variety of agencies, from the Archangel down to the simplest form of life in which there is conscious directional power. All of which appears to illustrate and uphold the ancient Chinese philosopher, who said: "The net of Heaven has a large mesh, and yet nothing escapes it!" This, I am aware, is but a partial reply to a complex proposition, but it may serve.

SEPHARIAL.

Answers to Correspondents.

THE EDITOR is prepared to give his services free to all readers who require advice and instruction in the study of Astrology.

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The War.

Our prediction in the last issue of the JOURNAL as to German naval losses has been fulfilled by the encounter in the Baltic, and the sinking of the German battleship. The lunation of July 12th falls on the Kaiser's Ascendant in trine to his Neptune, which should bring some naval successes, and with Jupiter in the seventh house at Berlin, some movements in the direction of peace are likely to be made. I am, however, not disposed to place much reliance on this position at present.

Mr. Maskelyne and the Occult.

In a *Weekly Dispatch* special Mr. J. N. Maskelyne makes some astonishing disclosures of fraud in connection with the occult, but he also makes the following very interesting statement: "In spite of all the fraud and humbug of the medium, it would not be true to say there is nothing in what is called the occult. There even seems to be something in astrology, and there is certainly a

great deal in telepathy." Slowly the scientific world is beginning to wake to the truth, and such a statement as this, coming from the lips of one of Mr. Maskelyne's skill in detecting imposture, is very enlightening.

Is the Kaiser Insane?

"When a madman directs the conduct of war it can only end in defeat." So writes Dr. McLane Hamilton in the *North American Review*. He gives some very strong reasons to show that the Kaiser is tainted with insanity: "His childhood and youth were characterised by peculiarities of conduct that may safely be said to be psychopathic, while his early manhood was punctuated with frequent instances of decided insane behaviour, which have since become more conspicuous and continuous." His belief in the Almighty as his ally is not an uncommon form of dementia. It is in his speeches and addresses that he most clearly shows this particular delusion, which are highly characteristic of paranoids. Astrologically speaking, there are undoubted evidences in the Kaiser's horoscope of insanity. Mercury is afflicted by the Moon and Uranus, while the conjunction of Mars and Neptune accounts for his psychopathic and theistic delusions.

The Solar Eclipse.

The solar eclipse of August 10th is not visible in this country, and according to some authorities its effects will not be felt here. It is likely to cause serious troubles in Japan and Australia. Seismic troubles are threatened in the East Indies. At Berlin, Uranus culminates, and the eclipse is on the nadir

with Mercury. It denotes a serious disaster to Germany, grave trouble to Italy, and a violent earthquake in the south-east of Europe. The spy trouble will give rise to many complications in this country, and a raid on the coasts is probable. Mars in the second in square to Jupiter is indicative of enormous expenditure of money and waste of public funds.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN AUGUST.

THE period covered by our sketch for this month is from July 23rd to August 23rd, the Sun during that time being in the celestial sign Leo.

Now all little bairns born during this period are of a merry, frolicsome, happy and joyous disposition. They are exceedingly kind and warm hearted, affectionate, and like to express their love in action. They are often in mischief, fond of playing pranks, full of fun, but it is not so much from any evil tendency as from a natural overabundance of life and spirits. They can be easily led, and parents will find by appealing to their emotions, and to their hearts that they will soon win their confidence and obedience. They are always sincere, generous, and magnanimous, make good playfellows, and when with a group of other children are the centre of attraction and the life and soul of the party.

Their chief fault is their passionate nature, and they are apt to sulk if not allowed to have their own way, and any severity is likely to do them more harm than good. They always like to rule and are never content unless their playmates look up to them and do what they wish, and in this respect they are apt to get imperious and domineering.

These little children are generally very strong, with good constitutions and plenty of vitality. The heart is their weakest part, and they should never be allowed to exert

themselves physically or mentally, as too much strain is sure to cause heart weakness. There is also a tendency to feverishness and impurity of the blood and care should be taken in diet, and no food of a heating or fattening nature should be given them. They also require plenty of sleep, harmonious surroundings and anything of a discordant nature should be kept away from them.

Generally speaking it will be found that these little olive branches are strong, high minded, persevering, and generous, always aiming at high things, fond of dress and finery, and possess a nobility of character which is especially marked. They like to "show off" and are never behind in making their presence known if they think that proper attention is not being given to them. Little girls are especially fond of dolls, and nothing pleases them better than a finely dressed doll, this being due to the very strong maternal instincts which always show themselves early in these little girls.

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The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

A Great Inventor.

Count Zeppelin, the inventor of aerial navigation, was born on July 9th, 1838, and this year attains his 77th birthday anniversary. The indications of successful invention are readily found in his horoscope. The Moon is conjoined with Neptune in the aerial sign Aquarius, in trine aspect to Mars and Venus in the aerial sign Gemini. The Sun, in the navigation sign Cancer, is conjoined with Mercury in trine to Uranus, trine to Saturn, and sextile to Jupiter. The adverse indications are Mars and Venus square to Jupiter, and Uranus opposition Jupiter. Therefore, despite his great accomplishments he has sustained very heavy losses. But wherever and whenever aerial navigation is mentioned in the future, the name of Zeppelin will be prominent in our thought, and the achievements of this great inventor will constitute a certain standard from which all subsequent efforts in the conquest of the air will be measured. It is of interest to note that at the outbreak of the war the planet Uranus was in the same sign that the Moon and Neptune held at Zeppelin's birth. The Sun is progressing into Libra, and four years hence will enter the eclipse zone, being within orbs of it at the present time. In November next Saturn will be stationary on the place of the Sun at his birth, when great disasters will befall his affairs, and his name will be largely discredited. In June, 1916, it again transits the Sun's radical place, and in October of the following year there will be a conjunction of Mars and Saturn in Leo in opposition to the Moon in the radix. All this spells disaster and defeat, and as in 1918 both Saturn and Neptune are conjoined in the sign Leo in opposition to the radical Moon, there will be a series of disasters between now and the end of the war, which will go far to discount the value of the particular form of aircraft which bears his name. The eclipses fall in Leo and Aquarius during this and the follow-

ing year, and they are dead against the popularity of the great inventor. Of his genius, however, there can be no doubt, and its guiding principles may hereafter be put to more beneficent uses than those to which they have so far been applied.

The Kaiser's Promises.

Mr. Alan Leo, among others, ought to be considerably set up by the recently published promise of the Kaiser to bring the War to an end in October next, the month specifically named by that writer as one fraught with the possibilities of a lasting peace, for then, according to this writer, "the Kaiser will be able to make the most favourable peace terms he is ever likely to obtain at any future time." But was the Kaiser ever known to keep a promise? He was to take Paris by the middle of August, 1914, Calais by the end of October, and Warsaw by the middle of June. None of these things has he done. He planned to sweep France in a month, to hold it, and then to reduce Russia, which being done, England, isolated and on the defensive, was to be invaded. Metaphorically he has sat in every coronation chair in Europe, and doubtless, side thoughts have glanced towards Vienna and Constantinople. None of these ambitions have been realised, nor will be. The Kaiser's promissory notes are "scraps of paper," like his treaties. We know their market value. Nevertheless, it cannot be said, as was prophesied by the editor of *Modern Astrology*, that "in June the War clouds begin to clear, and in July the star of peace is seen to be rising, though the star of peace sets again at the eclipse of the Sun on August 10th." Neither France nor England, nor yet Italy, has yet made its supreme effort. The bulk of our fighting force is in reserve. Our munitions are only now beginning to flow freely. Our economic position is beginning to be organised. But we have hopes. The Kaiser may, by accident, conspire to uphold

the faith of those who have observed that "on October 8th Jupiter is the highest planet in the heavens at the New Moon, and this is very favourable to peace." So mote it be! A winter campaign having been experienced, the German troops have no taste for another, and so the Kaiser has promised that there shall be none. But he is counting without the Allies. He may sue for peace on a *status quo* basis, but he will not get it. To leave him where he now stands, Kaiser of Prussia, autocrat of the Germanic people (not that he has ever been crowned German Emperor, for he had ideas of enlarging Germany first of all), and in occupation of territory in Belgium and Poland which he has devastated and laid under tribute, would be to give Europe over to the domination of the Huns and usher in a millenium of Hell, instead of putting an end to military despotism, which is the avowed object of the War so far as the Allies are concerned. This end must and will be achieved, and if it be not secured to the world by this greatest of great wars, how shall it ever befall? The Allies are out against the Scourge of Humanity, and they will remain out until the Kaiser is crushed beyond all hope of resurrection. Not that we are intent upon his person, for it could never sustain one iota of the agonies he has so ruthlessly inflicted upon man, woman and child without distinction, but we cry out against the principle for which he stands, and we have sworn death to it. What we leave undone, the downtrodden, dragrooned and driven slaves of militarism will complete. This cannot be done by October, it may not be done a year hence, but it will be done, and done most effectively, by the autumn of 1917.

The Prussian Horoscope.

This we know from the fact that the Prussian horoscope was instituted on January 18th (O.S.) 1701, when Frederick I. was crowned King of Prussia. Here the Mid-heaven is Aquarius 6° , and the Sun is in 9° of the same sign. This gives us the downfall of the Hohenzollerns in the Autumn of 1917, when Saturn, Neptune and Mars will be in transit over the opposition point, and thus bring into play the sinister indications

from the eclipse of the Sun (July 30th, 1916) which falls exactly in opposition to the Mid-heaven of the Prussian horoscope.

The Kabalism of War.

In an article contributed to the *Occult Review* it was shown that the numerical value of Germany is 2, which with her allies, Austria and Turkey— $11 = 2$. The British Empire has the value of 9. The eight countries in war with Germany and her Allies are of the mass value of $42 = 6$, while the Triple Entente is also 6. Italy is of the value of 6, and all the values of our united combination against Germany total to the unit value of 3. Hence we have Jupiter opposed to a decrecent Moon. The year $1914 = 6$ brought out the Triple Entente = 6, and symbolizes co-operation, union, reciprocity. Germany being of the value of 2, Turkey 1, Austria 8, they total $11 = 2$ under German domination. Thus we have for the year $1914 = 6$, when added to 2, the sinister value of $8 =$ reversal, retrogression, loss of what has been gained. For 1915 we get the value $7 + 2 = 9$, whereby the Germanic power is considerably reinforced, the year number 7 being positive to the radical name number 2, but it is altogether fatal to Turkey, because the year and name numbers are of the unit value 8. So in regard to the year $1917 = 9$, this brings out again the radical import of the contending forces, for Germany and her Allies 2, and for the great Alliance 6, and it needs no great knowledge of kabalism to determine which is the stronger of the two. The Duad denotes "dismemberment of forces, antagonisms within the country, division of forces, the reflex of action." The Hexad denotes "combination, co-operation, agreement and efficiency."

Sex and the Prenatal Epoch.

In the *Nineteenth Century Review* there is an interesting article by Mr. Norman Pearson on the question of the permanence of sex attributes. He holds that the "chief purpose of the physical organism is to serve as an instrument for physical development," and in tracing the evolution of sex he comes to the conclusion that it is intended by Nature to be a permanent attribute. "Many

of the qualities which are now distinctive of sex," he says, "have a value which is wholly independent of the physical function of reproduction, and consequently there is no reason why they should perish merely because the soul becomes dissociated from the body." Fundamentally, it will be found that the hope of an after-life and of the communion of souls is founded on the belief that sex is an imperishable quality, and will hereafter constitute the fulfilment of our fondest hopes. For "if there is to be recognition between souls hereafter, it is necessary that their essential qualities should persist." I do not think that this can be gainsaid, and it emphasizes the importance of that doctrine which is fundamental to the astrological thesis known as the Prenatal Epoch, and of which our readers have received continuous demonstration in these pages from the pen of Mr. E. H. Bailey. Sex is there shown to be at the root of all human manifestation, underlying the expression of character from the outset, and probably it will be the last of all the human distinctions to perish.

A Disgraceful Travesty.

I would call the attention of the Editor of *The Adept* to an article on "Zadkiel's Legacy—A Literary Curiosity," which appears in the June issue of that journal. Whoever is responsible for this article has most certainly succeeded in manufacturing a "literary curiosity," and foisting it upon an unwitting public in a most disreputable manner. The preface writer naively asks, "I wonder how our critics will, in the future, classify Commander Morrison, seeing that his predictions regarding England so nearly coincide with those of — and myself."

To this I reply that before critics can classify Morrison, they must know what he has said, and so far as the would-be sharer of his laurels is concerned, we have only to note how he quotes Zadkiel in order to see how completely he obscures him. Shakespeare warns those who would plunder the brows of dead men in their quest for laurels with which to adorn themselves, that "he who robs me of my good name, robs me of

that which not enriches him, but makes me poor indeed." The writer throws the responsibility of misquotation upon an inexperienced amateurish author, but it is his duty and that of his editor to see that the quotations are correctly made. Let us look at them in parallel form. My quotations are from the original and only edition of the work by Zadkiel, published in the year 1842 by Sherwood & Co., of Paternoster Row, London.

Quotation.

"Powerful and open enemies will be bought off, and there will occur great and serious detriment to the nation by means of foreign war loans, whereby much wealth will leave the country, which will fall into the hands of England's enemies, whereby she will lose many ships and much merchandise."

"In the second house we find Mars, which being in conjunction with Neptune, is powerful for all kinds of mischief. Mars here denotes accidents by water whereby the trade and property of the people will be injured; and it shows attacks upon commerce and ruination of shipping by public enemies of the neighbouring ruling powers, and there will be many bloody sea-fights, and the Moon in Cancer in the figure shows a multiplicity of naval forces opposed to England and secretly undermining her in war! . . . We would advise measures to prevent a fearful and fatal overflow and bombardment, etc."

Original.

"And we even foresee that . . . recourse will be had at some future day to the method of purchasing by gold in lieu of deeds of arms the forbearance of these enemies. We perceive great and serious detriment to the nation by means of foreign loans, whereby much wealth shall leave this country and fall into the hands of her foes." (Nothing about ships and merchandise.—S.)

"Therein we find Mars, who, being in his triplicity and in conjunction with Herschel, is powerful to mischief. He there denotes irruptions by water, injuring the trade and property of the people, attacks on their commerce and plundering of shipping, etc. by the neighbouring public enemies of the ruling powers. Nor can we perceive other than many very bloody sea-fights, which, although they may be generally successful, will not entirely prevent the aforesaid evils, as the Moon denotes a multiplicity of naval forces opposed to this nation in war! . . . We should advise measures to prevent a fearful and fatal overflow of a great river to the north-east of London, etc."

The conjunction of Mars was with Herschel, not Neptune as incorrectly quoted. Observe that Zadkiel says nothing whatever about a bombardment of the river Thames, and so far as the sea-fights are concerned, he speaks of them as "generally successful." By buying off of enemies I understand only

settlement of differences by treaty with compensation. When Zadkiel quotes Lilly, the author quotes without any mention of Lilly, as if the judgment on a particular position was that of Zadkiel who, by quotation, avoids responsibility in the matter. Where Zadkiel merely refers to "moral and political changes in the condition of the people" as the result of "sudden and violent revulsions in society, brought about, it is to be apprehended, by taxation and oppression," the author adds words of his own to the detriment of Zadkiel, saying that these political changes "will eventually overthrow the present reigning house, as in the past history of England." That may or may not be the case, but on this point Zadkiel makes no comment, and it only serves to show how grossly the "legacy" of this master of astrological science is twisted about, added to in parts and suppressed in others, so that the reading shall come into conformity with the predictions and hopes of these maladroit prophets. What is most certain is that critics will, in the future, know how to classify astrologers of this calibre, albeit they may now obtain a vicarious notoriety.

The threatened overflowing of the Thames was amply provided against by the construction of the Thames Embankment in 1868-1874. We are ready for any "bombardment" that our enemies may attempt.

The Austrian Emperor.

A remarkable pronouncement appears in *Le Cri de Londres* for June 26th, in which it is said on the authority of a Dutch journalist, M. A. de Smit, who travelled through Germany and part of Austria and sought to penetrate into Turkey, and now communicates his experiences to the *Petit Parisien*, that the aged monarch has become quite an imbecile.

This is the tragic story he tells about the Austrian Emperor: "I hear from a source which I have reason to regard as quite reliable that the Emperor Francis Joseph has fallen completely into his dotage, and spends his time in amusing himself with decorations, which he distributes by the handful to all who approach him. His brain has been dis-

turbed ever since his last visit to the military hospital. In passing through one of the wards of the hospital he came upon a Commandant who was formerly attached to his staff, and who had suffered amputation of both arms and both legs. Terrified by this horrible human wreck, the Emperor asked of the dying man: 'What can I do for you?' Say. 'Whatever you ask I grant it in advance.' The Emperor believed, without doubt, that a cross or at most a pension of some thousands of crowns, would suffice to make the unhappy man forget the future that awaited him and which was due to his sovereign, the instigator, with William II., of all those miseries, sorrows and tortures that Europe endures. The Commandant's reply was altogether different and more worthy than the offer of the Emperor. 'Sire,' said he, 'I have but one favour to ask of you, and I trust that you will grant it.' 'Speak, you have my word for it. Whatever you ask, I repeat, it shall be done.' 'Then let me be shot right away.' At this reply the Emperor was affrighted, cried out and fainted away. Some hours later they carried him to the palace in a state of prostration, which lasted for several days. Since then he has not gone out and passes his time with piles of decorations. This melancholy figure involuntarily recalls the sublime tragedies of Shakespeare."

Born on August 18th, 1830, the Emperor is now entering upon his eighty-sixth year. His anniversary shows the Sun in square aspect to Mars, and Mercury in square to Neptune, these are indications of reverses in war and a state of mental chaos, and as Mars is in Leo there is danger of a sudden and fatal heart affection about the month of December. The eclipse of August last has not yet run its course.

The Hull Raid.

Very little has been said about this attack of the enemy upon our East Coast, but the facts are well known and were common talk after the event, which took place on the night of Sunday, June 6th, at midnight. The raid commenced at 11.30 and lasted till 12.20 the next morning. At this time the planet Uranus was rising, and, we find three

planets in the sign Cancer, ruling Hull, namely Saturn, Mercury and Neptune. The place of the last conjunction of Saturn and Mars was then on the lower meridian. These positions appear to be significant enough to be cited.

The Coalition Government.

There is no getting away from the fact that British astrologers were unanimous in predicting an *impasse* in political matters in June of this year. Zadkiel says: "Our Government is perplexed, and may find it difficult to avoid a split and adjust taxation without undue pressure on the middle classes." And in the forecast for the Vernal Equinox he says: "Saturn in the tenth and elevated above the Sun in the descendant angle may be symbolical of loss of dignity and of harmony of the Cabinet, and of the probability of a serious rupture ere long." I like that word "symbolical"—"causative" would have robbed the Government of all responsibility. Zadkiel adds: "Neptune in the eleventh house does not

make for harmony in the House of Commons, and a crisis may follow, probably near midsummer." Our own Editor definitely predicted the formation of a Coalition Government in the course of his predictions for June in these pages. There is rightly a very pronounced feeling prevalent in all parts of the country, and indeed of the Empire, that everything should be done to facilitate and not to impede the actions of the Government, and political agitators who may attempt to snatch an advantage from the crisis in which the country is now involved, ought to be regarded as traitors and dealt with accordingly. The gilded journalism of this country has yet to learn that there are things which count with the public far more than party success. One of these is national safety, and while the Press talks the electorate are doing the work, irrespective of all party considerations, and there are sons of the Empire who have never read a single line of these political journals, being either too busy with the enemy to find time for animosities of this sort, or too near death to care about them.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER VI.

MUNDANE AND RAFT PARALLELS.

The next group of directions to be examined is that of the Mundane Parallel. These are formed by two planets being at equal distances from the meridian or ascendant. Thus a planet on the cusp of the twelfth is the same distance from the meridian as one on the cusp of the eighth, or the same distance from the Ascendant as a planet on the cusp of the second. All these directions are measured by the semi-arcs and meridian distances of the planets and have no connection with zodiacal degrees.

The two terms *direct* and *converse* have the same significance as in directions of the

Sun and Moon. A direct direction is formed by a planet moving to the parallel of the mundane place of the Sun or Moon, and a converse direction by the Sun or Moon moving to the parallel of the mundane place of a planet.

The first illustration I propose to take is that of Sun parallel Uranus m.d. The Sun has a meridian distance of $17^{\circ} 53'$ and Uranus by the rotation of the earth must arrive at a distance from the lower meridian which bears the same proportion to its semi-arc as the Sun's M.D. bears to its own S.A.

The formula will therefore be:—*A* S. A. of ☉ is to M.D. of ☉ so is S.A. of ♃ to *x*. From this we obtain:

$$60^{\circ} 26' : 17^{\circ} 53' :: 71^{\circ} 57' : x.$$

Worked by proportional logarithms in the

manner previously shown, x is found to be $21^{\circ} 17'$.

Now, as Uranus forms the parallel just past the cusp of the fifth house—the fifth and ninth being in mundane parallel—the $21^{\circ} 17'$ is subtracted from its M.D. $63^{\circ} 31'$ making the arc of direction Sun's parallel Uranus m.d. $42^{\circ} 14'$.

As an illustration of a converse direction of the Sun, that of Sun parallel Saturn will suffice. Saturn has a M.D. of $70^{\circ} 47'$ with a S.A. of $74^{\circ} 3'$, and the Sun by rotation of the earth must descend to a M.D. which bears the same proportion to its S.A. as Saturn's M.D. bears to its S.A.

The formula will therefore be:—As $\frac{1}{2}$ S.A. : $\frac{1}{2}$ M.D. :: \odot S.A. : x . Taking the necessary figures, and again employing proportional logarithms, x is found to be $57^{\circ} 46'$. As the Sun is already $17^{\circ} 53'$ past the meridian the two amounts are subtracted, yielding for the arc of direction \odot parallel $\frac{1}{2}$ m.con. $39^{\circ} 53'$.

For a direct direction of the Moon, that of D parallel $\frac{1}{2}$ m.d. is an instructive case, Saturn by the rotation of the earth rising to a distance from the meridian which is in the same proportion to its S.A. as the M.D. of the Moon is to the S.A. of the Moon. The result of this problem gives D parallel $\frac{1}{2}$ m.d. $17^{\circ} 51'$.

The following example of a converse direction of the Moon, will illustrate a very important point, and one which must not be forgotten. When a planet moves to the parallel of another and crosses the horizon, the opposite semi-arc to that given in the speculum must be used. The direction of Moon parallel Neptune, m.con., is a pointed illustration of this. The planet Neptune is close to the cusp of the second house and the Moon to form the parallel must rise to an equal distance from the cusp of the twelfth. In other words it must move to a distance from the upper meridian in the same proportion to its semi-arc as Neptune's distance from the lower meridian bears to its S.A.

The formula will therefore be:—As S.A. of ψ $76^{\circ} 14'$ is to its M.D. $52^{\circ} 21'$, so is S.D.A. of Moon, $115^{\circ} 51'$ to x . By proportional logarithms x is found to be $79^{\circ} 33'$.

This distance being from the upper meridian, it must be subtracted from the Moon's distance from that point.

Now, Moon's distance from the upper meridian ($180^{\circ}-45^{\circ} 51'$) is $134^{\circ} 9'$ and the two amounts subtracted give $54^{\circ} 36'$ as the arc of direction, Moon parallel Neptune, m.c.

Parallels like these, formed on opposite sides of the Ascendant may be worked by taking the planet's distance from the Ascendant and using these instead of their meridian distances. In this case, the distance of Neptune below the Ascendant (S.A.—M.D.) is $23^{\circ} 53'$, and that of the Moon $18^{\circ} 18'$. The following formula will therefore be substituted for the one above. As S.A. of ψ $76^{\circ} 14'$: $23^{\circ} 53'$:: S.D.A. of D $115^{\circ} 51'$ to x . By proportional logarithms x is found to be $36^{\circ} 18'$, the distance above the Ascendant to which the Moon rises. These being on opposite sides of the Ascendant they are added making, as shown above, $54^{\circ} 36'$.

The final group of mundane directions are Rapt Parallels. These are the most difficult to understand as they are formed not by one body forming a parallel with the radical place of another, but by both bodies being carried by the rotation of the earth until they arrive at equal distances from the meridian in proportion to their semi-arcs.

The rule is as follows:—

- 1.—Add together the semi-arcs of the planets directed.
- 2.—Subtract the R.A. of the two planets.
- 3.—Note the S.A. of the planet which is approaching the meridian.

From this the following formula is obtained:—As sum of semi-arcs is to difference of R.A. so is S.A. of planet approaching the meridian to x .

As an example, the direction of Sun rapt parallel Saturn is taken, the Sun being on cusp of 9th, Saturn in the 12th. As both are above the horizon and form the parallel above their semi-diurnal arcs are taken.

S.A. of \odot	...	...	60° 26'
„ $\frac{1}{2}$	...	...	74° 3'
			134° 29'

R.A. of ♄ ...	...	334° 35'
„ ☉ ...	...	245° 55'
		88° 40'

Saturn is the planet approaching the Midheaven. The formula will therefore give :

$$\text{As } 134^\circ 29' : 88^\circ 40' :: 74^\circ 3' : x.$$

By proportional logarithms the result will be 48° 49'. Saturn's M.D. being 70° 47'—subtract the 48° 49' and the arc of direction is 21° 58'.

This is really nothing more than dividing the distance between two planets in the proportion of their semi-arcs and subtracting the meridian from the R.A. of the midway point.

It can be shown by the following. The proportion of the distance between Sun and Saturn in terms of the latter's semi-arc is, as found above, 48° 49'.

R.A. of Saturn	334° 35'
Less	48° 49'

R.A. of midway point		285° 46'
R.A. of M.C.	...	263° 48'

Arc of direction ...		21° 58'
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Some astrologers teach that when the planets are in different hemispheres, one above the earth and one below, the opposite point of the one below should be taken and the problem worked from the upper meridian, but experience shows that when the planets are so placed the directions can be worked by taking the planets distances from the Ascendant or Descendant.

As a practical example of this point, the direction of Sun rapt parallel Uranus is taken, first by the old rule and then by the method shown above.

The Sun is on the cusp of the ninth and Uranus is therefore to be taken as though it were in the twelfth, the semi-arc remaining the same.

S.A. of ☉ ...	...	60° 36'
„ ☿ ...	...	71° 57'
		132° 33'
R.A. of ☿ + 180 ...	...	327° 19'
„ ☉ ...	...	245° 55'
		81° 24'

Uranus is the planet approaching the meridian.

The formula will therefore show:—

$$\text{As } 132^\circ 33' : 81^\circ 24' :: 71^\circ 57' : x.$$

Working this out as shown x will be 44° 11'. The meridian distance of Uranus 63° 31' less 44° 11' gives 19° 20' as the arc direction.

The above figures can be tested by working the direction according to the new rule just mentioned.

The S.A. of Sun and Uranus together are 132° 33'.

Sun above descendant	42° 33'
Uranus below descendant	8° 26'
50° 59'	

The Sun is approaching the descendant.

The formula will therefore give :

$$\text{As } 132^\circ 33' : 50^\circ 59' : 60^\circ 26' \text{ to } x.$$

Worked out as before x is found to be 23° 13'. Sun's distance from descendant 42° 33' less 23° 13' gives 19° 20' the arc of direction as shown above.

Now particular care must be taken in working these rapt parallels to use the proper semi-arc. It is always the semi-arc the planet *will* have when it forms the direction. In the above example, suppose Uranus had been above the descendant. In the speculum its semi-diurnal arc would be given, but as it descends below the horizon to form this parallel its semi-nocturnal arc would have to be taken. Again, suppose the rapt parallel of the Sun and Moon is required. The Moon is on the cusp of the second house. To form the parallel it must rise above the Ascendant. Its semi-diurnal arc must therefore be taken in computing the arc of direction.

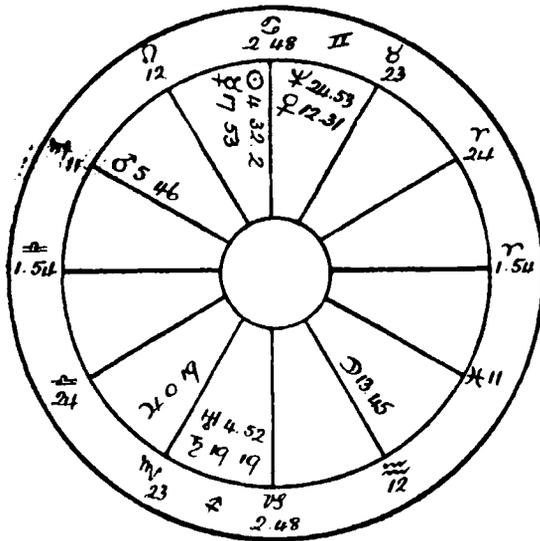
With these examples, the series of mundane directions are completed. I have endeavoured to explain them as simply as possible, but if students should find any difficulty in mastering any of the rules given, I shall be pleased to give them assistance and instruction through the post. Letters should be addressed "c/o the Publishers."

The Royal Family of Russia.

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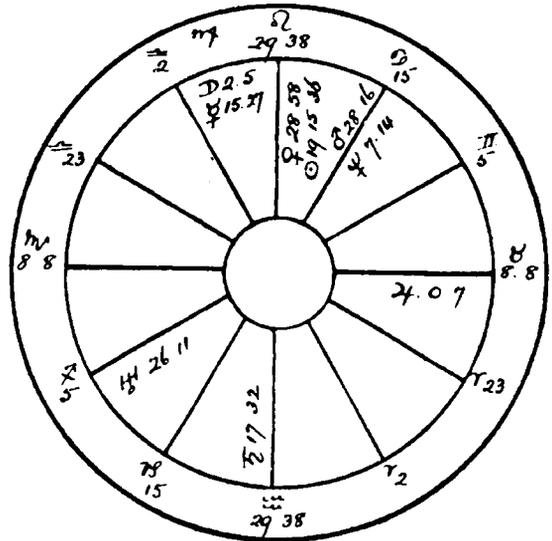
The Grand Duchess Marie.

The Grand Duchess Marie was born at Petrograd, at noon, on June 26th, 1899. She has a much better horoscope than her two elder sisters, for she has the Sun on the meridian, sextile Mars, trine Jupiter and



The Grand Duke Alexis.

The Grand Duke Alexis (Tsarevitch) was born on August 12th, 1904, at 0.30 p.m. Rectification makes the time a little later. But for the opposition of the Sun and Saturn, the horoscope is a good one.



parallel Mercury, while the Moon is in the fifth, trine Venus, ruler of the Ascendant, and sextile Saturn.

By direction the Sun is now in sesquiquadrate with Neptune, parallel with Saturn and semi-square with Mars. While Mercury is leaving the opposition of the Moon R.

By converse motion, the Sun is in opposition to Saturn, ruler of the fourth, and the meridian is in opposition to Saturn R.

The conjunction of Mars and Uranus falls on her radical Moon.

The Grand Duchess Anastasia.

The Grand Duchess Anastasia was born on June 17th, 1901, time of birth not known. Like the Grand Duchess Tatiana, she has the Sun conjoined with Neptune. By direction she has the Sun in opposition Jupiter. Conversely, she has Sun in parallel Neptune, parallel Saturn and applying to square of Mars.

The directions here are peculiarly confirmatory of disaster in 1915. The following are in force.

Moon	∠	♁	z.d.	...	10.41
M.C.	8	♃	m.con.	...	11.22
M.C.	8	♃	z.con.	...	11.44
		☉	P. ♂	M.C.	
		☉	P. Δ	♃	

By converse direction Jupiter is trine radical M.C., and Mercury conjunction same point, and the Sun square Ascendant.

From the epoch we obtain the following directions.

Direct.—

M.C. par. ♃ which measures 11° 47'.

Converse.—

☉	P. Δ	♃	R.	♃	8	☉	R.	Autumn	1915
♀	P. *	Asc.	R.	♃	8	♀	R.	Autumn	1915
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Studies in Brief.

By SEPHARIAL.

Lieut. Warneford.

There was something cometary about the career of this man which could not fail to strike the imagination. At the outbreak of War he came home to do something for his country and joined the Second Sportsman's Battalion on January 7th. A month later he was transferred to the Royal Naval Air Service. He went to Hendon, and on February 10th passed his test and was granted a commission as sub-lieutenant. He made remarkable progress and was complimented by his instructor. He then went to France, but was unknown to the public before his great feat in the single-handed contest with a Zeppelin, which he bombed and destroyed at 3 a.m. on the 7th June last, at an altitude of six thousand feet. The next day he received a personal telegram from His Majesty conferring upon him the Victoria Cross, while the French War Minister on the recommendation of General Joffre conferred upon him the Cross of the Legion of Honour. It was in a practice flight in company with Mr. Henry Needham, an American journalist, that he met his death by mishap when at an altitude of 700 feet, his machine turning turtle and throwing both occupants to the earth. His death was not instantaneous, as was the case with Mr. Needham, but he died as he was being admitted to the Versailles hospital having remained unconscious since the fall. This was on June 18th.

Thus in the space of a fortnight, Lieut. Warneford had attained the highest celebrity and had made the supreme sacrifice in the most ordinary circumstances. A meteoric career indeed! But he had his task given him to do and none could have done it better. May he go on to higher and more glorious flights and may his rest be sweet.

Lieut. Warneford was born on October 15th, 1892, in Kuch Behar, India.

Reference to this date will show the

planetary positions to be as follows: The Sun was in Libra 23°, in sextile aspect to the Moon in Leo, near the conjunction of Mercury in Libra 28°, in close trine to Mars in Aquarius 17°, but in opposition to Jupiter in 20° Aries, and near the sesquiquadrate of Neptune in Gemini 11°, Saturn was in Libra 6°, Uranus in Scorpio 6°, and Venus in Virgo 8°. Here, we find, no less than five planets in aerial signs, Gemini, Libra, and Aquarius, and undoubted signs of courage and prowess in the trine aspect of Mars to the Sun, but with the Moon opposed by Mars there was undoubted danger. Apart from the fact that the Sun has progressed to Scorpio 15° and is therefore approaching the square aspect of the radical Mars, I consider the secondary directions to be inadequate.

Unfortunately, we do not know the time at which he was born, though it is obvious there must have been a very mixed train of primary directions inasmuch as he gained such high honours and met his death within such a brief interval.

Sealing the Nations.

I wonder how many students have noticed the peculiar fact that the nations are very largely being ruled by Monarchs and Presidents under the signs of the countries they govern. It has struck me as of sufficient importance to take note of this fact in these columns.

England, under the rulership of the sign Aries and the planet Mars, a pioneer sign whose motto is "Forward," like that of the City of Birmingham, also under the rule of Aries, is represented by King George on whose ascendant at birth we find the sign Aries, Mars being in its own Lion.

Japan, under the rulership of the sign Libra, is now governed by the Mikado, at whose birth the sign Libra was rising.

Austria, under the dominion of the same sign Libra, has for its present monarch the

aged Francis Joseph, whose rising sign at birth was Libra.

Prussia is under Aquarius, in which sign the Kaiser has his Sun, while Germany is under Cancer, which is the rising sign in the Kaiser's horoscope.

Poland, the Caucasus and part of Russia, is ruled by Taurus, which is the Sun sign of the present Tsar, Nicholas II.

Italy, whose rising sign is Leo, is under the rule of King Victor Emanuel III., whose rising sign is Leo.

Holland, ruled by the sign Cancer and the Moon, is under the rule of Queen Wilhelmina, whose Moon is in Cancer.

France is under the rule of the sign Leo, which is governed by the Sun, and the President has the Sun in Leo at his birth.

Some further research may reveal other and equally striking coincidences. It is stated that President Wilson is born under the sign Gemini, which is the sign rising at the Declaration of Independence 4/7/1776 at 12.10 p.m. Philadelphia. On the former point, however, I have no certain knowledge. Probably some of our American friends can supply the correct data.

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Astronomical Phenomena

AUGUST, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter,	2nd	...	9h. 27m. after.
New Moon,	10th	...	10h. 52m. after.
First Quarter,	18th	...	2h. 17m. morn.
Full Moon,	24th	...	9h. 40m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Leo, enters Virgo on 24th at 6.16 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Cancer, enters Leo on the 4th, conjunction with Venus and Neptune on the 4th, conjunction Sun on 14th, enters Virgo on the 19th.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Cancer, enters Leo on the 4th, and Virgo on the 28th, conjunction Neptune on the 4th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Gemini, enters Cancer on the 19th.
- ♃. JUPITER is in Pisces all the month, a prominent object in the East after sunset.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- ♁. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	... 1, 27, 28	Libra	... 14, 15
Taurus	2, 3, 4, 29, 30, 31	Scorpio	... 16, 17, 18
Gemini	... 5, 6	Sagittarius	19, 20
Cancer	... 7, 8, 9	Capricorn	21, 22
Leo	... 10, 11	Aquarius	... 23, 24
Virgo	... 12, 13	Pisces	... 25, 26

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with unsettled weather, cool 3rd, then stormy with heat 7th, change 10th, fine 14th, change 18th, cooler 21st, then fine and warm rest of month.

The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

ON the theme of Reincarnation much has been spoken and written. In the knowing of this, the subject has to be approached in a manner not like unto the many empty, unappealing voicings, abundant in the place of human life; soundings that surge round the great minds who are clearing the path and making it visible; breaking into the sacred light of the sanctuary of God, so that they may be heard and noticed by those who earnestly struggle for truth in the fierce vortex of the enigma of dark existence. It is not by any amount of reading or poring over books that truth shall become real to the soul of man: truth must be thought out and examined by the soul itself, nurtured in the being of the mind, become part of the constitution of the spirit, until it flows in its great effulgence and glory, radiantly adorning the darkness and perplexity of mortal existence. Otherwise nothing will be attained. One may discourse learnedly and display wonderful gifts of knowledge, talk awingly of things seen and unseen: but as "sounding brass" is it all; it availeth nothing, but making wider the gloomy abyss of the soul. Knowledge is the tool unto wisdom; without wisdom it is as unto one who works with implements unto no end, bringing forth nothing, and wasting the heritage of God. Unto each is given the task of destiny, and unto each the power to carry out the task apportioned; and each man must bring forth unto perfection in his own manner that which God hath set aside for him to do. Sages and teachers fulfil their place in counsel and instruction: but truth can only become the real possession of the spiritual consciousness through the fierce struggle of the soul. Thus in this theme of rebirth and regeneration, it must be taken before the tribunal of the mind, sifted and filtered in the avenues of thought, until it stands in audience before the open tabernacle of the divine nature:

untrammelled and immaculate. Therefore, the soul which is devoted unto truth, hath full knowledge and beholding of the strife; and goes forward, resolving that the real and abiding shall be the heritage of his spirit. And so is the divine gift attained: in this manner comes forth the man from out the pointless gloom of hell, unto the resplendent magnificence of heaven.

It is well that the soul walk in the shadow of death. In the morning of life comes forth the might of doubt, attractive and alluring unto the man, and he leaves the high places where his soul was in peace: following the new brightness on the path to despair and darkness. At times he looks back to the sun-begemmed hills above the valley of the shadow, faltering and hesitating. But before him gleams the light that leads him on. Onward and downward he goes, the gloom becomes deeper, the shadows more; and he finds he is walking in the abode of the hopeless, lost and dead: where souls cry aloud to God, wringing their hands in the agony of woe, abandoned in darkness and desolation. Then seeks the soul return, he is lost, the path is gone, the hills of morning no longer are seen: he stands palsied and alone in the immense darkness of the unspeakable night. Legion are the souls who sink and perish in the gloom, cursing life and God as they go down unto death. Now is it the soul strives to regain the way that will bring again the light adorned hills to the vision of the spirit, every way is sought to reach the path which has been forsaken; but all end in the walls of night, or the abyss of death. Some again tread the way that leads to peace and wisdom; but countless are they who are lost in the gloom of the valley of the shadow of death. And even as light cometh out of darkness so cometh the soul unto its heritage of the light of heaven and peace.

(To be continued).

The True Horoscope of King Albert of the Belgians.

ACCORDING to information received from my valued correspondent Mons. Julevno, "a certificate delivered by the Lord Mayor of Brussels states that Albert, King of Belgium, was born on the 8th day of April, 1875, at 4.50 p.m."

This puts out of court the evidence derived from another source from which I erected a horoscope which was published in these pages in December, 1914, where the time was taken at 10.18 a.m. local time at Brussels, with Cancer 19° 16' rising.

favourable to the estate from the exigencies of war. . But Saturn in the 5th denotes some depletion of the patrimony, and its square aspect to the Moon is not fortunate, though its good aspects to the Sun, Mars, and Jupiter should offset this sinister indication to a large extent.

Jupiter came to the Ascendant at the age of 34 years 4 months, when the King acceded to the large fortune and estates of his father, King Leopold. The calculation brings out other confirmatory indications for the War.

R.A. 93° 26' M.C.

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								$2^\circ 26' \text{♅}$	
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		$24^\circ 27' 52'$		$26^\circ 8' 16'$		$23^\circ \text{♁ } 26'$		$6^\circ \text{♆ } 59'$	
								$22^\circ \text{♁ } 56'$	
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Comparison of the more recent events in the life of the illustrious soldier-king, seems to suggest that the official time is somewhat earlier than the truth.

The Ascendant at 4.50 local time would be Virgo 29°, and the Midheaven in Gemini 29°, the R.A. of the Midheaven being 5h. 56m. 7s. I make the R.A. 6h. 13m. 44s., and the time, therefore, rather more than 17 minutes later, or about 5.7 p.m. = G.M.T. 4.50 p.m.

The figure above shows the state of the heavens at this time as seen from Brussels.

The rising sign being Libra, and the Moon in Taurus with Venus in Pisces, shows kindness and benevolence of nature with refined tastes and disposition to the arts of peace. Jupiter in trine to Saturn shows a large inheritance and, as Jupiter is in the second house, it denotes wealth and increase. The sextile aspect of Mars to Jupiter appears

Thus at 39 we have Midheaven conjunction Uranus, with a transit of Uranus over the opposition of the place of direction, *i.e.* the progressed Midheaven, followed by a transit of Saturn over the radical Midheaven. This indicates sudden alarms, fracture of relationships, contests, rescinding of agreements, sudden assaults, dislocations and changes. Loss of children would be indicated by the transit of Saturn and domestic and social affairs set back, hindered or hurt, while the transit of Uranus would denote political upheavals, change of position, and a state of unrest and dislocation in all matters of government.

At the same time we have the direction of Ascendant opposition Neptune which, coming from the 8th house, indicates very clearly the treacherous act of the Germans and the deadly attack upon the country and people of Belgium. At 40 we have the direction of Moon opposition Mars, this planet coming

up to the point in opposition to the place of the Moon. It will be noted that all this time the progressed Mars is close to the opposition of the radical Midheaven and 40 days after birth is stationary in Capricorn $4^{\circ} 33'$, while Saturn is just leaving the square of the Sun.

Great good may be expected to accrue from the forthcoming transit of Jupiter through Aries next year, but as the Midheaven will still be in the sign Leo (in about 14°) when Saturn and Mars are conjoined in that sign close to the place of Uranus at this geniture, which happens in the year 1917 and is followed by the transit of Neptune over the same point at a later date, it cannot be expected but that great hurt will result towards the end of the War and especially at the preliminary settlement of affairs in Europe. Yet from August, 1918 until August, 1920, Jupiter will sustain and augment the fortunes of this benevolent monarch. What most is

to be feared is that the conjunction of Saturn and Mars in 12° Leo in October, 1917, will be the signal of further great assaults upon the fortunes of the king, and there will be a diminishing of his authority by reason of the younger generation (indicated by Saturn in the 5th at the birth) proving refractory and a militant discontent finding expression among the populace. In January and June of the following year Saturn will transit the place of the conjunction and, therefore, the year 1918 will be one of great crisis in the life of the Belgian monarch. Here we may see the German influence at work, for by terrorism on the one hand, bribes and promises on the other, the Hun will do his best between now and the end to alienate the Belgian from their sovereign and his faithful ministers. Our thanks are due to Mons. Julevno for having authenticated this interesting nativity.

As Through a Glass Darkly.

By NUMERARY.

FOR the benefit of those interested in numbers and their symbolical terms, The following prophecy with regard to the present great war may be instructive to students of Numerology. More especially, if the initiate brings the great science of Astrology to aid his researches. How long will the War last? That is the question that is on the mind of everyone, and mystics the world over are endeavouring to elucidate the problem. The great crisis was predicted many years ago and there is no reason why the end should not be foretold with a certain degree of accuracy. I shall only touch on the borders of symbolism in conjunction with numbers. The number of the Kaiser pyramidically is 666, the number of the beast, and it was about the 666th Moon of the Kaiser's life when he plunged the world into conflict, prompted by his greed for power. Now, the Moon is the symbol of the number 18, which is the sum of 666, another symbol is the "Blood-stained Path." It is symbolical of the world of materialism striving to destroy the soul, and

18 is the sum of two nines, the martial numbers. Now taking the opposite symbol, *viz.*, the Sun, the 666th appearance of which from the commencement of the War, brings us to the end of May, 1916; and as 18 is the number of treachery and deception, so 19—the number of the Sun—represents happiness, success, esteem and honour. It is emblematic of the rising of man, who has pierced the material world and begin to understand his link with God and the worlds divine and material. The above prophecy is given in all good faith and with a strong belief in its efficacy.

[There appears to be but slender grounds for this conclusion. The number 666 is here applied as if it had relation to the number of days during which the Sun would rise from the beginning of the War to its end. But the Apocalypse, where the number is used symbolically, applies it to the number or enumeration of "a man." The astrological indications appear to point to a later date. Perhaps our esteemed contributor would enlighten us further on this point.—ED.]

The Prenatal Epoch--Series III.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER VI.

PRENATAL INFLUENCE ON TWINS.

The author of the article referred to in the last chapter, speaks on the subject of twins, and remarks as follows:—"Twins, who are not merely subjected to the same external influences after birth, but are subjected to the same uterine influences prior to birth, develop not merely a striking facial resemblance, but also a marked similarity of character."

A certain amount of exception must be taken to these views, because it is not always the case that there is a striking facial resemblance in twins, or a marked similarity of character. Students of Astrology will well understand this point, for it is quite clear that unless the two children are born within a few minutes of each other, or under the same zodiacal sign, there will be little facial resemblance, while their dispositions and faculties will be in many cases widely different.

In the case of the real character, there can be no point of resemblance, because their epochal moments can be and are widely different and their horoscopes of the epoch totally dissimilar. Of course, where there is a close agreement in the birth moments, there is little difference in appearance and habits.

The author speaks only too truly, when he states that "the germs of character may already exist at birth, only to be drawn forth by the subsequent environment." This is a fundamental point in the epochal theory. A child may be born into an environment in which its real character cannot develop. The reverse may occur, and the environment may be such as to aid in the development of the character to an extraordinary extent. Such cases are well within the knowledge of many of us. A man possessing poetic talent of a wonderful degree, may be born into a

poor environment where there are no opportunities of developing his faculty. He is condemned to pass his life in comparative obscurity, while on the other hand, he might have been born into a wealthy or favourable environment where everything was at hand to enable this faculty to be developed. Here we have one of the practical uses of the epoch shown. The epochal figure may show this man with faculties developed, but the horoscope shows the environment to be a poor one, and incapable of allowing these faculties full play.

The same point comes very forcibly before us in the cases of children dying in infancy. I have seen many a figure of birth where very little affliction was shown, and where the ordinary astrological mind would never judge early death. On the other hand I have seen equally as many horoscopes with heavy affliction where life has been prolonged to the three score years and ten. The horoscope of the prenatal epoch shows the reason for this. The Moon at the epoch represents the mould out of which the body is formed, and if this is heavily afflicted at the moment of epoch the body then formed will be unable to develop when the time comes for it to have a separate existence. Too much stress cannot be laid on this point, and the sole solution of infant mortality lies in this particular theory of the epoch.

To recapitulate, the following points should be borne in mind:

(1) That character is not affected by prenatal influence, but is developed or retarded according to its environment.

(2) That the habits, or personal characteristics, are largely affected by prenatal influence and can be moulded by the mode of life and habits of the mother during the gestative period.

(3) That the horoscope of the epoch represents the incoming ego at his present stage of development, and that the horoscope portrays the environmental conditions into

which the ego is born, in which he has to develop, and shows the general outline of the physical life.

In conclusion, to quote again from the author of the article in the *Occult Review*,

"The child is born with its character already moulded, with innate likes and dislikes acquired during the foetal period, which cannot be appreciably altered during its subsequent life."

Birthday Influences during August.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, * ♂, □ ♀, ♃. An unpleasant year, much activity, but grief, scandal and annoyances. A child born will be active and energetic, have a hatred of control, and be careless and unsuccessful.

2. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, □ ☉, ♃, * ♃. A variable year, some pleasure and popularity, gain through elders, but trouble in employ and many annoyances. A child born will be erratic, hasty, wayward, proud and imperious, should always remain in employ, and act carefully in dealings with others.

3. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃. An evil year, social gains and changes, but danger of accidents, disputes, indisposition, bereavement and reversals. A child born will be rash, hasty, erratic and abrupt, clever and artistic, but not fortunate in life.

4. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♃, ♀, ♃. A doubtful year, danger of reversals, deceit and imposition, some social gains. Females should act very discreetly. A child born will be artistic, musical, poetic, clever and remarkably psychic, will have many friends, but will not be fortunate in life.

5. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, * ☉, △ ♃. A good year for business, with popularity, changes and journeys. A child born will be popular, reliable, original and inventive, but not very successful.

6. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃, ♂ ♂. A dangerous year, liability to accidents and disputes. A child born will be rash, hasty, erratic and extravagant, and very unlucky in life.

7. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, ☉ ♃. An evil year, danger of heavy reversals and losses, many annoyances. A child born will be clever and artistic, erratic and abrupt, will have many difficulties in life and be very unfortunate.

8. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♃. An evil year, indisposition and bereavement indicated. A child born will be erratic and wayward, weak-willed and generally unfortunate.

9. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♃, △ ♃. A doubtful year, financial gains, but danger of disputes, indisposition, deceit and accidents. A child born will be rash, hasty, independent, impressionable and deceitful, will have many friends, but will have a hard struggle in life.

10. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ☉, ♀, ♃, ♃. A very worrisome and annoying year, some social gains, changes, but losses, reversals, and trouble in employ. A child born will be clever, kind, artistic, generous, but erratic, hasty, unreliable and very unfortunate in a career.

11. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, * ♂. A year of annoyances, adverse criticism, changes and activity. A child born will be active, generous, abrupt in speech, and often involved in serious disputes, through scandal or slander.

12. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, * ♃. A quiet year, with some gain from elders. A child born will be steady, reliable and clever.

13. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, □ ♂. A variable year, some social and financial gains, but danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be kind, generous and popular, but very hasty-tempered.

14. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♃ ♃. A good year for business affairs generally, but some financial losses and many little annoyances. A child born will be clever, impressionable, generous, but extravagant and not very fortunate.

15. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, * ☉, ♀, ♃, — △ ♃, □ ♃. Another good year for business, with promotion and gain, social success, changes, journeys, but disappointments and indisposition. A child born will be clever and intelligent, romantic and intuitive, will have many difficulties in life, and should be discreet in dealings with the other sex.

16. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃, △ ♂. An active year, with changes, new work, social gains, popularity, but some danger of deception. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, kind, artistic, somewhat deceptive and erratic, but fairly fortunate.

17. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃, ♀, — △ ♃. An evil year, danger of reversals, losses, disputes and grief, some benefits from elders. A child born will be serious, but erratic, careless, extravagant, unreliable and unfortunate.

18. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, □ ☉, ♀, — △ ♃, ♃. A variable year, financial gains and changes, but trouble in employ and losses in business. A child born will be kind, generous and clever, but be proud, have a hatred of control, and should always remain in employ.

19. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, * ♃, △ ♀. An active year, with changes, new work, and success in affairs. A child born will be clever, intelligent, kind, artistic, active, and fairly fortunate.

20. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, △ ☉, ♃, — □ ♃, ♄ ♂. A good year generally for business or employ, but danger of financial losses, accidents and disputes. A child born will be clever, popular and intelligent, but extravagant and impetuous, and will often be involved in disputes through lack of discretion.

21. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃. A year of much trouble, indisposition or bereavement. A child born will have much to contend against, and health and environment will be a barrier to success.

22. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, * ♃, △ ♀. A dangerous year, indisposition, bereavement, accidents and deception, some gain through friends. A child born will be rash, impetuous, deceptive and unreliable, will have some good friends, but be very unfortunate.

23. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃. An unsuccessful year, danger of losses and reversals and much annoyance. A child born will be erratic and independent, rash and very unfortunate.

24. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♀. An evil year, losses, grief, and trouble in employ. A child born will be careless, untidy, proud and imperious, and very unfortunate.

25. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, △ ♃, ♂, — ♄ ♃. A variable year, activity and changes, but trouble in employ and much annoyance.

A child born will be clever, intelligent, sarcastic, and not very successful.

26. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃. A successful year, social and financial gains, popularity, but some little annoyances. A child born will be clever and serious, kind and generous, and fairly fortunate in life.

27. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, △ ♃, □ ♃. A changeable year, changes, activity in business, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born will be rash and hasty, clever and generous and fairly successful.

28. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, * ♃, □ ♃. A mixture of good and evil is shown, social gains, popularity, but indisposition and many annoyances. A child born will be kind, affectionate, popular, but will have many difficulties in life to contend against.

29. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, △ ☉, ♀, — □ ♃. A variable year, social and financial gains, popularity, but danger of deception and reversals. A child born will be kind, affectionate, popular, but erratic and unreliable, and fairly fortunate in life.

30. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, □ ♃, * ♃, ♂. An active but changeable year, new work, gain through elders, but danger of reversals and indisposition. A child born will be active, energetic, steady, but abrupt and unreliable, and will have much to contend with in life.

31. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, * ♃, △ ♃. An active year with much enterprise and financial gain, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born will be rash, hasty, active and energetic, and would do well to be discreet and not too impulsive in actions.

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LESSON VIII.

ON THE LAW OF REPOSE IN RELATION TO HEALTH.

The law of repose is another important factor in the acquiring and maintenance of perfect health. Let us take sleep as the principal form of repose, and it will be at once recognised that certain types of Temperament require more sleep than others. For instance, a predominant Mental type will use up more nervous energy than a predominant Motive type, and therefore requires more sleep.

General rules for sleeping that may safely be relied on are few, as what will suit one temperament is unsuitable to another. It is, safe to say, however, that it is well to retire at a certain hour if possible, as nature is regular in her habits, and if we are also regular we are so much the more in tune with nature.

There is evidence of a scientific character to prove that the position one should sleep in is of some

importance. Those of a predominant Mental temperament should generally sleep with their heads towards the South, and those of a predominant Vital temperament with their heads to the North.

The art of relaxing the muscles is another form of this law, but seldom practised. When sitting or lying down, many people contract their muscles, whereas, where rest and repose are essential to health, every muscle should be relaxed and be quite limp. Thus force is reserved till required for work. Those who follow sports such as wrestling, boxing, running and walking know well the value of relaxation, and the saying "saving up for the finish" are expressive of what is meant by the term.

In conclusion it must be borne in mind that it does not do to lay down hard and fast rules, and to say that all men should have a certain amount of exercise each day, all walk a certain number of miles, all eat the same amount of food, or all sleep the same number of hours. As well say all must have the same length of coat and the same size boot.

Book Reviews.

THE NEW AGE. By T. W. Buller, Ph.D. Los Angeles: The Austin Publishing Co., Cal., U.S.A. Price 25 cents.

This excellent little pamphlet is concerned with the causes, influences and forces at work that are bringing about the "New Age." The author deals with his subject in a practical manner. He shows that there has long been expected a new Messiah, a golden age, a millennium. He shows that the heavens are God's great timepiece, and that the new age will come, and is even now dawning upon the world in strict harmony with the portents of the heavens. This is an age in which our whole effort will be the preparation to live, instead of the old *régime* of getting ready to die. There will be no prisons, no wars, no battleships or forts, no slaughter of animals for food, no rulers and no law makers, for every man will be "a law unto himself," and there will be universal co-operation instead of competition. The Brotherhood of Humanity will be an accomplished fact. The period embraced by this remarkable prophecy is 2,160 years. The booklet is well worth reading if only to stimulate ideals which now seem more than ever distant from our suffering race.

A. H. G.

LIGHT: A Journal of Psychical, Occult and Mystical Research. London: 110, St. Martin's Lane, W.C. Price 2d. weekly.

There is a wealth of good reading matter in this journal, which even those who hold contrary faith to spiritualists will find of immense use in the stimulation of thought that is clean and wholesome. Among the articles in the July issue are two that are of considerable current interest. One is "The Vision at Mons," by N. C. S., with some reflections on the story of the Bowmen, which is concerned with the alleged psychical experiences of British soldiers at the front. It was a story which arose in the memory, and was adapted by the fertile imagination of Mr. Machen, press correspondent. The writer argues that Mr. Machen was writing from his subliminal consciousness, and that the story may well be true. By a singular coincidence a contemporary journal affords quite a lot of independent evidence to show that the stories are actually true, and that the Bowmen are not a figment of Mr. Machen's mind. Mr. Machen appears to have got a genuine inspiration and to have become frightened by it, so that he repudiates what he first presented as a fact of experience. The other article is on "Swedenborg and Mysticism," and it brings out the claims of Swedenborg as a special revelator in strong contrast to the mystics. He claimed an objective vision of the spiritual world, while the mystic claims but an introspective apperception of the same as mental concepts. You have to take Swedenborg or leave him on his own merits. Apart from some few detached experiences, which tend to show that he was a

psychic of considerable natural development, there is nothing in his doctrines which sunders him from the Church teachers of his day. But whatever you may argue about his doctrine, you cannot get away from the fact that his faculties were quite distinct from those which characterise the mystic, and we may confidently endorse the judgment of Garth Wilkinson that Swedenborg was the only theologian who was not a mystic, unless we are prepared to accept an entirely new interpretation of the latter term. "Travel in Sleep" is also an article of exceptional interest, and seems to link up with the Mons legend very closely.

A. H. G.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR,—The letter of H. M. Collett interests me particularly, as this person seems to have started on a road which I travelled for a long time, *looking for a way out*. I should be glad if you would publish this as it might help to dispel some of his perplexity.

Astrology certainly helped me more than the various religions that I studied, as it explained the *raison d'être* of circumstances, but when it came to the way out, the best I got from its esoteric teaching was, "The wise man rules his stars, the fool obeys them." "But how can I help being a fool?" I asked again. "By overcoming," says esoteric astrology. But that was no more practical help than by responding by any axiom of Euclid. Then a trine of the Moon to Neptune cleared some of the smoke from the glass and I began to see a little light. "All is Maya," sprouted somewhere from my memory, and I began to understand that what I had taken for reality, in spite of psychic research and experiment, had no existence, except in my human consciousness—that I was living a beastly bad dream—that it depended upon myself if I continued to do so—that the conditions of human existence are the crystallisation, or picturing of one's thoughts. I began to realise what was meant by "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he," and "There is neither good nor ill but thinking makes it so." I am proving that the material world is but the collective objectifying of human thought, that man has *perfect freedom* to think what he likes, to believe what he chooses, and that he uses his will according to his beliefs.

Personally, I think an astrologer should be a prophet, and if he possess much intuition, he will deduce certain inferences from the study of a horoscope, which, so long as the Native thinks on material lines, will most likely come to pass. But should the Native learn to think truth scientifically, *in proportion as he realised truth*, so the horoscope would go to bits; for if evil were foreshown or predicted he would know how to short-circuit the lines of force that were crystallising as events and so destroy them. One

should not say definitely that such and such will happen as that helps to picture or crystallise it.

I feel that I cannot let Sepharial's statement, that "God permits evil," to go unchallenged. It is the logical sequence of believing that darkness and light, filth and purity, death and life, hate and love, error and truth, evil and goodness, can be co-existing, can co-operate, or co-mingle; that spirit, and matter its opposite, can inter-blend. How can spirit, the only reality, be cognisant of matter, the non-real, that which is not and so assent to an illusion of human sense? We are told in the Bible, "that his eyes are too pure to behold iniquity." Confusion and trouble begin when one supposes that material consciousness is the image of the Absolute Good, one with the Father. Can anyone regard the seething multitudes of the material world, sin-stricken, miserable, deceased, maimed, chained to the wheel of evolution, being born and dying again and again, and believe that spirit, absolute life and love, ever evolved, or had anything in common with such a state of things?

This cinema show can be thrown on the screen by the astrologer, can be read from the akashic ethers by the seer, and it can be destroyed utterly by the sword of Michael (that is denying the evil, the unreal), and the sword of Gabriel (affirming spirit, life, love, truth, goodness, to be the only reality), which is the two-edged sword of truth, and is invincible. The illusions of material once destroyed, there stands revealed the image of God.

Yours very truly,

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Marble Arch, W.
July, 1915.

[The writer evidently mistakes Sepharial's statement. Good and evil are states of consciousness, as he affirms, and inasmuch as diametrically opposite states of consciousness can and do co-exist in humans, so what we call good and evil can and do co-exist. The evil like the good is in the thinking of it — ED.]

British Institute of Mental Science.

The following applications will be made at the next Council Meeting. Prelim. Exam.: Mr. P. S. G. Dubash, London; Mrs. E. J. Boldy, Bolton; Mr. A. E. Piper, Bristol; Mrs. Mary Thomson, Glasgow. Exemption from Prelim. Exam.: Mr. John Jones, Porth; Miss M. M. M. Rennold, Burnham. Inter-med. Exam.: Mrs. E. Bointon, Leeds. Transfer from Membership to Fellowship: Mr. O' Bryen-Hoare, Australia. Transfer from Associateship to Fellowship: Mrs. A. E. Blackburn, Leeds. Admission to Membership: Mr. C. D. Limji, India; Mr. P. S. G. Dubash, London; Miss M. M. M. Rennolds, Burnham; Mr. A. E. Piper, Bristol. Application for Reinstatement: Mrs. H. Wylie, Greenock; Mrs. J. Appleyard, Bridlington; Mr. E. Williams, Southport.

ALBERT ELLIS,
General Secretary.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

AUGUST, 1915.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	22 ♀ 31	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for quiet and contemplation.
2	4 ♂ 43	Ask favours mid-day. Act discreetly rest of day.
3	16 ♀ 45	Attend to correspondence a.m. Avoid accidents p.m.
4	28 ♀ 39	Court, marry, visit friends, ask favours, travel, change.
5	10 ♀ 31	Travel, change, ask favours, consult astrologers.
6	22 ♀ 25	Avoid disputes, losses, litigation and accidents.
7	4 ♀ 25	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
8	16 ♀ 34	<i>Sunday.</i> Keep quiet and safeguard health.
9	28 ♀ 54	A variable day. Do nothing important. Avoid deception.
10	11 ♀ 26	Attend to correspondence and business before 3 p.m. Act discreetly.
11	24 ♀ 13	Travel and change in the p.m.
12	7 ♀ 15	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
13	20 ♀ 30	Push business a.m. Avoid disputes in p.m.
14	4 ♀ 0	A good day for business. Act discreetly in dealings with others.
15	17 ♀ 42	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends, study and write letters.
16	1 ♀ 35	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
17	15 ♀ 38	An evil day. Act discreetly. Avoid disputes.
18	29 ♀ 49	A good day for business, but be discreet in dealing with others.
19	14 ♀ 6	Travel and change a.m. Visit friends p.m.
20	28 ♀ 26	A very evil day until 6 p.m. Then write letters.
21	12 ♀ 45	An evil day. Do nothing important and safeguard health.
22	27 ♀ 1	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for study and contemplation.
23	11 ♀ 8	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
24	25 ♀ 4	A very evil day. Safeguard health. Do nothing important.
25	8 ♀ 45	Act very discreetly and sign no papers.
26	22 ♀ 8	A good day for business. Attend to important matters p.m.
27	5 ♀ 13	Act discreetly. Avoid disputes noon. Travel evening.
28	17 ♀ 50	Do nothing important till evening. Visit friends p.m.
29	0 ♀ 27	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends.
30	12 ♀ 40	An evil day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
31	24 ♀ 42	Act carefully a.m. Push affairs p.m.

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The Editor's Observatory.

Our Journal.

With this issue we close the eighth volume of the JOURNAL, and eight years of continuous existence, the longest record of any astrological journal, save one. Our alteration of title has justified itself, and the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY has proved an unqualified success. Full particulars of our programme for the next volume will appear in the October issue. The Lessons on Primary Directing are held over this month, but will be continued in the next issue, when rules and instruction for the calculation of primary zodiacal directions will be given. Other matter of a very instructive and important nature is in course of preparation.

The War.

The successes of Germany, if one may really call them tangible successes, are quite in accord with what was expected astrologically from the transit of Jupiter and its stationary position in the midheaven of the Kaiser's horoscope. Our prediction in regard to peace movements emanating from Berlin, have been verified by the Kaiser's offer to the Czar, which the latter rejected. The September lunation brings the luminaries in opposition to the Kaiser's Neptune, a warn-

ing against Naval disasters, as well as socialistic intrigue in Germany. The month of September is full of evil for Germany, for the conjunction of Mars and Saturn falls close to the Kaiser's Ascendant, and Mars will later on transit this point.

The September Lunation.

The lunation of September 9th takes place just before eleven in the morning in the eleventh house, in sextile to Mars and Saturn and conjoined with Venus. This is favourable for the King and Government, and denotes a more determined, practical and active prosecution of the war. Treachery is shown in high places, for Neptune is in the tenth, and the spy trouble will cause anxiety. As Neptune is passing over the progressed Sun of King George, I am compelled to make this prediction. England has more to suffer from treachery within her borders than from open enemies without. The peace cranks will attempt to do mischief. The conjunction of Mars and Saturn in the ninth, Mars being ruler of the seventh, is ominous of some dispute with another power, who may be induced to side with our enemies. A terrible maritime tragedy is threatened, as well as accidents and losses to the Navy.

Lieutenant Warneford.

I am informed by a correspondent that this noble and gallant airman was born on October 15th, 1891, not 1892 as stated in the last issue. I do not know which is correct, but the 1891 date gives Mars conjunc-

tion Saturn in Virgo, the sign ruling Paris, and it was in that city that he met with his tragic fate. If this date is correct, this particular fact is another pointed instance of the danger existing in certain towns or countries ruled by signs in which the malefics are placed at birth.

The Royal Family of Russia.

By E. H. BAILEY.

IN summing up the influences operating in the horoscopes of the Russian Royal Family the chief point to be noted is the fact that the Czar himself is under most evil directions, which will eventuate during the coming two years, if not earlier.

The Sun is directed to the conjunction of the progressed Uranus, and the square of the progressed Jupiter, and the conjunction of the radical Venus.

The lunar directions are as follows:—

July ...	Moon square Moon.	R.
August ...	Moon opposition Uranus.	R.
September		
October ...	Moon opposition Venus.	R.
	Moon square Jupiter.	P.
	Moon opposition Uranus.	P.
	Moon opposition Sun.	P.

The meridian is directed to the conjunction of the radical Uranus, and the ascendant is near to the opposition of the radical Moon.

The converse or pre-natal directions are equally as evil. The meridian is directed to the square of Uranus R., and coming to the conjunction of the Moon R. The Sun is in exact square with Uranus, R., parallel Mars, P., and coming to the conjunction of the Moon, R. The Moon by direction is acting on all these solar directions during the coming twelve months.

The conjunction of Mars and Saturn of September 11th falls on the progressed mid-heaven, progressed Sun, and opposed to the progressed Moon. It also falls on the progressed Moon by converse motion. The lunar equivalent brings this conjunction to the descendant in the early days of October.

Taking the children's horoscopes, there are similar influences of disaster. The horoscope of the eldest daughter foreshadows danger to the father at this period. The third daughter has evil solar directions which portend evil to the parents, while the horoscope of the Tsarevitch shows the meridian in opposition to Saturn during the autumn of this year. The eclipse of the Sun of August 11th fell on this radical Sun, and in opposition to Saturn, while Mars at the fall of the year is stationary exactly on the meridian of the horoscope.

Another point of interest is shown in the fact that at the solar return of the Grand Duchess Marie the Sun is conjoined with Saturn, and the Moon in opposition to both.

The birth time of the Empress of Russia is not known, but here again evil influences can be seen. The Sun is within one degree of the conjunction of the radical Uranus, in parallel with the same planet. The Moon is passing the opposition of Mars and conjunction of Saturn, the conjunction of these two planets is in opposition to the progressed Moon, and the Moon will shortly pass the opposition of the progressed Sun and Uranus. In this horoscope, as in her husband's, the Sun is protected by a conjunction of Venus, and also in the Empress' case by a conjunction of Jupiter.

The influences are certainly of a very ominous nature, and foreshadow some disaster to the Russian Royal Family. The chief effects appear to fall on the Czar personally, and much depends how far the conjunction of the Sun with radical Venus will mitigate the evil of the other directions.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

A Military Prophet.

An American military critic, Colonel Harrison, has contributed to the *Pennsylvania Magazine* an article of extreme interest. This authority has already been successful in predicting the retreat of the Russians in Galicia, and therefore the conclusion to which he comes, after weighing all the factors involved in the various effectives of the belligerents, that in December this year the French will be on the Rhine, is of particular military interest. In the course of his article the Colonel says that he sees no change in the general front during July, a statement which we have already acknowledged as true by an official declaration of "stale-mate" so far as the Western front is concerned. Italy will be successful in pushing its borders forward, and doubling the casualties inflicted on the enemy. The progress to the Dardanelles will be slow, as well as in Armenia and Mesopotamia. The Italians will cooperate in this theatre of the war. The English lines will be extended in August, and there will be a great expenditure of munitions. Otherwise the front is unchanged in the Western arena during August. The Italians will invest Trieste and Istria. The German offensive will be arrested. The Serbians will be locally engaged. The Balkan Union will bring about the detachment of Roumania and Bulgaria. In September the Germans will make a general attack on the Western front. There will be immense expenditure of munitions. The Southern front will be cemented. Italy, Servia and Roumania will take the offensive against Austria. The Russians will press forward towards their Western Allies. September will also witness the ruin of the Turkish Empire, the fall of Constantinople and the opening of the Dardanelles. October will bring about the cessation of the German offensive on the Western front, and they will fall back on their own defences in haste,

owing to the French attack, which at the end of the month will rest on the line Ostende-Maubeuge-Ardenne-Luxembourg-Metz-Strasbourg. The Russians will re-invest Galicia, and will invade Hungary on three sides. The Austrian Government will retire to Germany. The Prussians will retreat in Courland and in Eastern Prussia. November will witness on the Western front a fresh retreat of the Germans on a broken front of three or four detached armies. The Germans will retreat also in Poland, laying Silesia open to the Allies. At the end of November Germany will be invaded. In December the French will be on the Rhine and the Germans will demand an armistice.

The Reckoning.

This is an encouraging forecast, but I think it is hardly the result of a purely military diagnosis. Colonel Harrison evidently imports a considerable degree of intuitive perception into his work. One cannot deal with human beings as if they were a constant quantity or a machine of measured capacity which could be counted upon to work in a given direction at a constant pressure indefinitely. Moreover, we are not disposed to think that this military critic, estimable though he rightly is in the American military school, is in any degree the confidant of the Allies' military authorities; or if he were, that he would be in a position to frank their counsels in the pages of a neutral journal. It is, therefore, entirely a matter of speculation as to how and why this forecast is arrived at. Let us take it for what it is, a piece of "intelligent anticipation," and console ourselves with the fact that the avowed intention of the Allies fully accords with the main purport of the prediction, though whether we can succeed in arriving to schedule time remains to be seen. Civilization owes Germany something which it will eventually and most assuredly get, but

whether the washing will come back on Saturday is not for us to say. *Le bon Dieu paie toujours, mais pas chaque Samedi!* (The good God always pays, but not every Saturday). But in God's good time there will be a reckoning such as will satisfy even German philosophers that they are altogether wrong, not only in regard to the motive-power of modern civilisation, but of Germany's power to impose it upon the rest of Europe.

Old Moore Out-Moored.

Under this title the *Sunday Pictorial* publishes the latest kabalism of the war, and this has been going the round of the journals. It is what may be known as a moon-rake. If you add together the dates of the declaration of the Franco-German War and its conclusion, namely 1870 and 1871, the total 3741 is made to represent the dates in those years which marked the beginning and the end, namely 3/7 or 3rd July, and 4/1 the 4th January. The same kabala referred to the present war gives the sum 1914 plus 1915 equal 3829, from which we derive the two dates 3rd August and 2nd September. Therefore, says the amateur kabalist, the war will end on the 2nd September of this year. I am sorry to spoil the picture, but it happens that the Franco-German War began on July 19th by the declaration delivered to Berlin on that date in the year 1870, and it was concluded by the Treaty of Peace signed at Frankfort on 19th May, 1871. Similarly, a state of War was declared by Germany on 31st July, 1914, a Declaration of War on Russia was made on the 31st July, an Ultimatum was issued by Germany to Belgium on the 2nd August, a Declaration of War on France was made on the 3rd August by Germany, and England declared war on Germany on the 4th August. From the kabalism, therefore, we are able to extract only the date of the declaration against France, and it is certain that there will be no peace signed with France on the 2nd September, 1915. The fact that spurious dates have been admitted into the first kabala necessarily vitiates all others dependent on it, and the further fact that one has to know the

year of the termination of the War before one can extract the date in that year when a conclusion will be reached, makes of the whole work of this particular moon-raker nothing but a hocus-pocus. Here, however, is a War kabala that is worthy of citation from the "Kabala of Numbers."

The House of Brunswick came to the British Throne in the person of King William the Fourth, from which we have the following significant events :

Accession of Brunswick ...	1830=12
	12
Scinde War	1842=15
	15
Indian Mutiny	1857=21
	21
Afghan War	1878=24
	24
Accession of Edward VII.	1902=12
Boer War ended	12
Balkan War and	1914=15
The Armageddon	15
The Great Peace	1929

How do I know that the Great Peace will begin in 1929? I know it from the fact that Venus will come to the meridian conjunction in the horoscope of the dominant Power in that year, just as Saturn and Mars came to the meridian for the outbreak of the War in 1914. This is pure astrology and not kabalism, but it is singular that the one supports the other. The seventh climacteric in the Brunswick kabala of succession constitutes a grand climacteric which will prove to be the most notable event in the chronicles of that dynasty, namely, the Victory of war against war. It closes the Great Devastation in what I have called the *Dies Populi*.

The Anniversary.

This War has now lasted a year, and at the end of it we find ourselves, from the

fault of consenting to be governed by talkers instead of men of business and action, in a position even more desperate than that which we believed ourselves to be facing at the outset. Thank God, at last we have got the conditions which were wanted to thoroughly rouse the phlegmatic Briton to a sense of his danger! The effective manner in which he has grappled with the problem of munitions and enlistment tells me that he is really wide-awake at last. So far Germany has had the best of it in Europe, and the worst of it everywhere else. She has gained a footing in Belgium, Northern France, and Poland, but she has lost her footing in the Far East, and her important Colonies in South Africa have passed into our hands. Finally, she has walked into the trap, and evacuated Poland will prove to be the downfall of Germany as surely as Moscow proved that of Napoleon. With Russia held at a critical position beyond the Warsaw junction, Germany will divert her main forces against the Western Allies, and the next few months will show whether the Kaiser's promise to end the war in October, and so escape another winter campaign, for which Fritz has no sort of liking, will not go the way of all his other solemn promises and covenants. *L'homme propose, mais le bon Dieu dispose!* And from all the signs Heaven is not well-disposed to

"the land where professors in plenty be,
 . . . the land which produced a Kant with a K,
 And many Cants with a C."

Successes were assured to Germany by the transit of Jupiter over the Midheaven of the Kaiser's horoscope, as we distinctly predicted, and this state of things will continue so long as Jupiter holds the meridian position in close trine aspect to the Moon in the radix. The month of October finds Jupiter retrograde over the Midheaven again, and the second week of that fateful month will witness a terrific onset on the western front, and from the attendant aspects I judge the action will prove to be the deadliest and most cruel of all in France. Then Mars comes to the opposition of the Sun in the German horoscope, and the tide turns like a giant in his frenzy, and the eventual issue of this Titanic struggle will be known to all

the world. Germany must stake everything on her next great movement in the West. The signs are favourable to the Quadruple Entente during the last week in September and the first in October, then against the Western Allies in the second week of October, and again at the end of the month. November shows some heavy losses in our ranks during the first week, but reports will come through in the middle of the month which will hearten the troops to even greater endeavours, and fortune favours our arms through the rest of the year, although the 12th to the 16th December is somewhat adverse. But the telescopic eye is not troubled by these near events, but is steadily directed to where the clouds lie like prison bars over the Gates of the East. Love does not sleep, Faith's eyes are never dim with watching. Over the fair land of Poland a Sun is rising like a crown of gold. The future exists, but our weary feet take more count of the thorny pathway of attainment. Man's business is here and now. The future belongs to the seer and the poet.

Karmic Signs.

An article of more than usual interest appears in these pages from the pen of Mrs. Painton. It is called the "Point of Karma." It may be unnecessary to inform most of my readers that *karma* is the Sanskrit word for "action," from the root *kri* "to do," whence *kara*, "a hand." But the word has a flexed meaning, and signifies in philosophic use the law of cause and effect in the moral world. It has been called the Law of Retributive Justice. There are three kinds of karma, namely, *prarabdha* karma, *kriyomana* karma, and *sunchit* karma, related to the past, present and future of the individual and the race. Thus we are what we are by reason of what we have been, and our future condition depends upon present action. That which acts is the Mind (*manas*) which comes from the root *man* "to think." Hence all responsible action to which merit or demerit can be said to attach is in the thinking. "Every act is a child of life, and motive is its soul." This should help to atone the views of those who are now in

correspondence concerning "Freewill and Determinism." What Mrs. Paignton has to say is that there is a special karmic symbolism in what are called "intercepted signs." These, when referred to their natural horoscopolical correspondents, as Aries to the 1st house, Taurus to the 2nd house, and so on, are alleged to give us a clue as to what is here called "the dominant problem of the soul" during its present incarnation. And here it is important to observe that the idea of correlated successiveness in action cannot be entertained apart from the doctrine of Reincarnation. This position was thought out ages ago. The novelty of this contribution to the argument consists in its horoscopolical relations. In the Hindu system the 5th house is that which has relation to karma or rather that generated in past lives. It is well said that a tree is known by its fruit, and hence, perhaps, this 5th house, astrologically relegated to progeny, bears some close relation to past action. Racial karma and national karma may overtop individual karma, so that a man becomes a mere unit of a body in action. Consequently we do not need to look for martial proclivities in all horoscopes to-day. Such as present them may be regarded as typical of the spirit of the times, and likely to find effective expression in the discharge of accumulated tendency, but all action begins (prarabdha) somewhere, and some individual is at the root of all collective action (sunchit karma). That is why I sometimes speak of "focal centres" in whom the influences concentrate and express themselves in the working out of the greater issues of the nation or community. The horoscopes of kings and presidents, and representative men and women of all kinds are of this nature, related to sunchit karma equally as to individual or initial karma. But I frankly doubt whether intercepted signs have any direct bearing on this problem. I doubt if they can be held significant of so much, for the further we go North or South the greater does this interception become, until at the Poles we get a congeries of intercepted signs in the 12th, 1st, 6th and 7th houses. It may be, of course,

that there are conditions which attend those who enter this life on the very periphery of its civilised activity, and who throughout life are in "durance vile," prisoners, outcast and aliens in a communal sense, yet we are met with the anomaly of wholly uncivilised and predatory peoples, even cannibals, born into latitudes where there are no intercepted signs, But I have said enough to indicate that we have to be critical of new ideas while keeping an open mind to light from whatever source proceeding.

The Nativity.

In connection with this thesis of karmic signs the author has had the temerity to mention the "chart of Jesus," as if it were an authenticated scheme. The horoscope published by Dr. James Butler, Chaplain to James, Duke of Ormond, is entirely faulty. It shows Cancer on the Midheaven and Libra rising, with Venus the Ruler in the sign Aquarius in trine to Saturn in Gemini in the 9th house. It has been shown, not only from Scriptural sources, where the occasion of the visit of the Mother to Jerusalem is cited, but also from astronomical evidence, that the Nativity could not have taken place at Christmas. According to the record it must have taken place in the astronomical year B.C. 3, or the secular year B.C. 4, at the Full Moon of September when the Sun was in the middle of Virgo. Here you have "the Woman clothed with the Sun," and "the Moon under her feet," who brought forth the man child who should "shepherd his people with a crook," generally translated "rule the nations with a rod of iron." Aries rises with the Star of Bethlehem in the constellation Andromeda, exactly on the zenith of the village of Bethlehem, and the planet Mars, ruler of the horoscope, is in the sign Leo, "the Lion of the tribe of Judah." Here we have the mission of the Christ—I came not to bring peace, but a sword! very clearly indicated, and the physiognomy of the great Reformer, as conveyed in the tribute of Constantine, which shows the flowing red hair of the Syrian Jew and the ruddy curling beard—probably the only authentic portrait

of Jesus extant. But this is a study of itself, and passing through the Kaleidoscope I cannot do more than take a snapshot view of it. But I would ask readers to take these facts into consideration when estimating the evidence from this source in regard to karmic signs.

Determinism.

I often speculate in ideas, and among them is this question of Determinism. Some thinkers propose a Universe created and endowed with specific tendencies represented to our minds as laws of existence, laws of matter, laws of forces, etc., from which there is no possible means of departure. Others speak of divine Grace, and divine intervention, as if the operations of Nature could be set aside, and even contravened by the imposition of a Superior Force, Mind, or Being. Possibly the two postulates are not incompatible. Certainly it is the fact that there is not a great scientist or thinker living who is not conscious of a dominating Intelligence in the Universe. The finite mind of man is fully alive to the fact that it is dominated by a Master Mind. So far as this solar system is concerned we have no reason to suppose that this dominating Mind is infinite. It is lord and ruler within its own kingdom as is the mind of man within his own body, but while that body answers to the gravitational pull of a centre greater than itself, it must acknowledge an over-lord. The greatest mind that ever had human form on earth humbled itself in adoration before the Unrevealed. Then there is the miracle, which employs an intimate knowledge of the secret processes of Nature, but this is a miracle of a sort. There is the miracle of the soul as well as of the body. A mind hitherto plunged in a lethargy of selfish indulgence suddenly wakes up to a consciousness of the Great Sacrifice. It may have come to him from the trenches, it may have lifted its accusing eyes to him from the gutter, it may have come to him in the faithful tenderness and devotion of some good woman—by these or one of a thousand ways it is borne in upon him that he is of all men the most miserable and most to be

despised. The soul in him awakes and cries: I will to live! I will to do! God help me, weak and wretched that I am! That is a miracle, but it is not a miracle of the flesh, it is a miracle of the soul—a miracle of healing. Now this and all its antecedents, were they predetermined, fixed in the horoscope of birth, made patent as necessity of existence from the beginning? Or were they a set of acquired morbid conditions which were arrested by the operation of a mind greater and more powerful than the supine will of the perverted and degenerate man? These questions are not easily answered, but they are being illustrated every day of this eventful epoch in the world's history. Men who never knew how to straighten their backs, and never had will enough even to conquer themselves are now aflame with the zeal of the hero fighting for a Cause—a bodiless, intangible thing—which to them is more real, more imperative, and more desirable than even life itself! You may call it collective hypnotism, but you are only changing the label, you are not altering the fact; and this fact is a living force which in the mass is invincible and indomitable, and in the individual an inspiration and a new

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life. It is a force, it has a cause, and it will have its effect. I am in quest of the Cause. You may tell a man a thousand times that "he who giveth his life the same shall save it," and he remains apathetic and unmoved. But when the Cause appears it is not his life but the life of all others that counts, and all the precious things of earth go *à deux mains* into the melting-pot. The cynic at my elbow says: "He does what others do, and finds a reason afterwards." I know him for the Devil's advocate, and he reads it as I write.

An Opportunity.

Owing to the general financial depression which appears to be affecting a large portion of the community, and particularly the small capitalist, not very much interest is being taken in the usual sports and pastimes of the public. Racing is going on regularly at Newmarket and also in Ireland. There is no reason why those who take an interest in this sport should not benefit by its continuance, and in order to meet the demands of many correspondents who find the Golden Key rather beyond their means, I have decided to issue a Formulary which I had intended to reserve for the following year. Applied to past years it shows an excellent sequence of winning results and it is currently sustaining its merits. From now until January 1st I am offering this Formulary at the price of One Guinea only. Applicants should observe that an agreement ensuring absolute privacy and non-publication will have to be signed in the mutual interests of all those who avail themselves of this offer. Holders of the Golden Key will be satisfied to know that this Formulary is not an adaptation or extension of that system, but an entirely new method of which they would do well to avail themselves.

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Astronomical Phenomena

SEPTEMBER, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter,	1st	...	2h. 57m. after.
New Moon,	9th	...	10h. 53m. morn.
First Quarter,	16th	...	7h. 21m. morn.
Full Moon,	23rd	...	9h. 35m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Virgo, enters Libra on 24th at 3.24 in the morning.
- ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Virgo, enters Libra on the 5th, and Scorpio on the 28th.
- ♀. VENUS is in Virgo, enters Libra on 21st, in conjunction Sun on 12th.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Cancer, in conjunction with Saturn on 11th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Pisces. A conspicuous object in the East after sunset.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- ♁. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	... 23, 24, 25	Libra	... 10, 11, 12
Taurus	... 26, 27	Scorpio	... 13, 14
Gemini	1, 2, 28, 29, 30	Sagittarius	15, 16
Cancer	... 3, 4, 5	Capricorn	17, 18
Leo	... 6, 7	Aquarius	... 19, 20
Virgo	... 8, 9	Pisces	... 21, 22

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with fine weather, some heat, changeable 6th; cooler 7th, variable for a few days, gales and thunder 11th, then fine spell to 20th, unsettled to 23rd, then fine to end of month.

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The Prenatal Epoch--Series III.

By E. H. BAILEY.

With this issue the series of special articles on the Prenatal Epoch are brought to a close. The subject, however, will continue to form part of my studies, and remain one of the leading features of the Journal.

I will now briefly run over the main features of the three series. First of all the general laws of the epoch were detailed and explained, and illustrations of notable births were given, showing the procedure involved, the necessary calculations, and the manner in which the actual process of rectification was performed. All these arguments and illustrations proved the truth of the epoch as calculated, and completely defeated the illogical contentions of prejudiced opponents.

Illustrations were then furnished showing that all the major events of life were adequately portrayed by the directions from the actual figure of the epoch, and this again was another proof of the validity of the epoch as calculated.

Through the last volume I combatted the objections of Raphael, and by means of authentic cases, some taken from his own observations, finally and conclusively settled the truth of the entire theory.

In the present volume I have dealt with the question of abnormalities, and shown from the chart of descent how such arise, and their astrological cause, and this has given further incontestable proof that the epoch is what I have always claimed it to be.

I can, therefore, for the time being leave the subject for other matters of equal importance. The subject will often be drawn upon, and in connection with such subjects as infant mortality, twin births, rectification of the horoscope, and also in regard to directing it will never be omitted or neglected. The time for discussion of the theory has passed. Opponents have had every opportunity to prove the theory false, but their objections have been based on a total misapprehension of the elementary details of the subject, coloured by prejudice and personal feeling,

and they have been signally worsted in every encounter with the author of the theory and myself. The theory is now no longer a theory, but a proved fact, recognised and accepted by all up-to-date students, and is a study of the greatest and most vital importance in "Natal Astrology."

At the same time the whole of the truth concerning this important subject has yet to be given. I deemed it inadvisable, some time since, to publish a considerable amount of information which I possessed in regard to the theory, and of certain developments and extensions of the laws. There were certain reasons why this information should be withheld for a while, not so much the attitude of our open opponents, but of the pretence of a certain section to a knowledge of the theory that they do not really possess. When it is found that reputed authorities on the science put forward statements that the time of birth should be accurately given at least to within ten seconds, and that, too, correct to Standard time, and raise other equally distorted difficulties, I think there is good reason to let them remain in ignorance, and continue to grope in the darkness of self-delusion a little longer.

The time is not yet ripe for a fuller demonstration of this important theory, but when it is, information of considerable and surprising magnitude, at present known only to two astrologers, will be made clear and explicit. A large work is in course of preparation, in which the entire subject is being dealt with in a new and original method, and covering all the different phases of the subject. The date of publication will be announced later.

In conclusion, I can only repeat what I have said over and over again. Do not take my word for anything. Study the subject for yourselves on the lines laid down, following the rules and instructions which have been given, and the result can only be that the subject will prove itself to be true.

The End of Prussia.

AN anonymous French diplomatist has written a book which was placed in the hands of the publishers in Geneva in 1913. In this book the author foretells the course of the Great War. He says that at the outset Germany would endeavour to buy Great Britain's neutrality by a promise of dividing Northern France and her Colonies abroad. He foretold that Italy would eventually come into the war after declaring her strict neutrality. That the Germans would invade France through Belgium; that General Joffre would obtain a high command, that a great French retreat would mark the earlier stages of the war, and that a general offensive movement on the part of France, Russia, Italy, and Great Britain would lead to a final and crushing defeat of the Germans. His forecast of the opening of the great offensive is October 1st, 1915, the move being on Baden, Wurtemberg, and Bavaria. Against the Allies will be set two million German troops under the command of the Kaiser, who will direct the defensive from Mayence. The battle of the Rhine, which, in the opinion of the author, is the deciding factor in the war, lasts till the 7th October, when defeat is inevitable to the Germans. The French troops enter Mayence on October 8th, the Kaiser having fled some hours in advance. Another battle sustained only by half a million of the remnant troops of Germany is fought by the Kaiser, and again he is defeated. With some fifty thousand refugees he flees to Berlin. There he is met by a tide of Revolution which is more furious than the Commune of Paris. Massacres and sackings take place in all quarters of the City, where peaceful citizens are subjected to famine and death. Meanwhile the vast armies of the Allies press forward towards Berlin, which eventually capitulates, and the Mad Dog of Europe is taken prisoner by the English and conducted to Westminster.

This is the work of a novelist rather than

a diplomatist, and it requires very little study of the actual resources of Germany to discount the anticipation of so swift a termination of the war as is here indicated. According to Lord Sydenham, "in nations as in individuals paroxysms of madness suddenly subside," but we have no means of measuring the strength and endurance of this particular obsession. Most of those who have been interrogated by the *New York American* as to the probable duration of the war have given their vote for "some time next year," that is, in 1916. Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge makes the sober forecast that "from the first I have been convinced that the duration of the war would have to be measured by years rather than by months. Hostilities are now taking on the character of a war of attrition. Military attrition is not a rapid process, and economic attrition operates much more slowly." Mr. A. H. Pollen, a naval expert of distinction, said in his forecast that "At the end of the first year the strength of the Allies is something better than five to the four of the Germanic Powers. Before Christmas it will be six to four. By March, 1916, it will be seven to four. By June it will be eight to four, not only in men but in guns and munitions also. Before or as soon as the ratio of two to one is reached the end of the war should come." The end, therefore, according to this authority, should be in June, 1916, a not impossible thing, as in July the planet Saturn will transit the Ascendant of the Kaiser's horoscope. It is extremely doubtful, however, if the solar eclipse of February 3rd, 1916, which falls in Aquarius 13, is near enough to the conjunction with Saturn in the Kaiser's horoscope to warrant an adverse forecast from this indication, seeing that it is at the same time in much closer trine aspect to Jupiter, which even in the event of retreat would guarantee a safe entrenchment. It is important, however, to note that it falls on the meridian of London! I confess that I

do not like the transit of Neptune over the King's progressed Sun during this year, and the first half of 1916, for it appears to coincide with a policy of muddle and opportunism which favours the enemy more than anything else, and falling in the 3rd House the planet Neptune certainly shows danger of submarine attacks in neighbouring waters. We have already witnessed some of the effects which have followed on the recent solar eclipse of February 14th, 1915, in conjunction to the progressed Midheaven of the Royal Horoscope. The effects of this eclipse last for rather more than three-and-a-half years, which certainly carries us to the end of the war, though not to the settlement of political affairs in Europe. According to calculation made on the meridian of London, it comes into operation in about five-and-a-half months from the time of its occurrence, which measures to the end of July, 1915. This period found our Russian ally hard pressed by the massed troops of Germany in Poland, sorely needing the relief of a distraction on the western front, and yet unable to obtain it, because we were not quite ready! If at the outset party Government had been abandoned and the resources of the country handed over to a military and naval Council of War with full powers of discretion, the National Registration would have been long ago effected, cotton would have been rendered contraband, and conscription would have been *un fait accompli*. Germany has gone a long way beyond its borders, and their march back will be a tragedy greater than that of Napoleon's legions after the evacuation of Moscow. We are letting them expend their strength in taking the offensive on all sides. Later on they will be hemmed in by a circle of fire and steel from which there is no escape, but what it will cost the Quadruple Entente in men, munitions, and money is too ghastly to contemplate. They are the fruits of procrastination, and "eight pounds a week"! Meanwhile, it is not pleasant that French writers should have occasion to satirise the youth of this country. "A new epidemic," they say, "sudden, unexpected, extra-

ordinary, very contagious, appears, according to certain indications, to be breaking out in England, and more especially in London. The curious thing about this epidemic is that it only attacks the male sex among the British and affects only men between the ages of 18 and 38 years. Those who are its victims find instant and imperative need for the use of spectacles and pincenez with smoked glasses." The satirist suggests that the malady is due to the strain set up through reading the recruiting placards on our walls! That surely ought to whip into line any man with an ounce of self-respect left in him, and that without more ado.

I started out to quote other people's opinions about the duration of the war. I am disposed to scrap my reputation by a prediction counter to all the expert opinion of the day, namely, that this war will not be brought to a conclusion for another two years, and that quite six months will be occupied in arranging the terms of peace and the new status of Powers in Europe. I look for the end of Germanic militarism in the downfall of the Kaiser in the Spring of 1918.

Those Wasps Again!

It is worthy of passing notice that the transit of Mars over the opposition of the London Ascendant of the Great Conjunction of Saturn and Mars, in Mid-August, has been attended by two enemy air-raids on the East Coast of England, extending from Suffolk to Kent. The transit of this planet over the opposition of the Conjunction itself on the 1st of September should have striking effects. Mars in this horoscope indicates "danger to coasting vessels and assaults upon our coasts," and is the more violent by reason of its conjunction with Uranus in the sign Pisces, and it is worthy of note that it holds the degree of Neptune in the Kaiser's horoscope. Our cruisers are hereby warned of submarine attacks upon our coasts, especially in the S.E. and East, on or about the 1st of September. Watch the total solar eclipse of August 10th in Leo 17° and the transit of Mars through Leo from October, 1915, to May, 1916!

The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

(Continued from page 213).

REINCARNATION as a philosophy of life has many credentials, favourable to its adoption as the true solution of the problem of the universe; credentials, which neither Theism nor Monism can offer as acceptable explanations of the enigma of nature, life and mind. Monism or Materialism in the tenet that there is but one existence, and that, matter and its states, denying the being of anything outside or apart from matter, makes life meaningless; and all things without a why, or wherefore: resolving the cosmos into a colossal chimera of chance. In this philosophy, a factor comes into operation in the procedure of analysis which is absolutely irresolvable and unanalytical as a force from its position, that is the factor of mind. The examination and resolution of matter comes about by the action of a power, which, in itself, can neither be examined nor resolved. Things may be tabulated and classified; but it does not necessarily follow that they are comprehended. Matter is but "states of consciousness" as Thomas Huxley said; and this being a self-evident truth, the monistic conception of the universe becomes meaningless and untenable as a philosophic position of life. Theism is equal in this respect, placing before the mind in its exegesis an explanation which is warping to the soul, and repulsive to the spirit in its attitude to God, and its conception of divine justice. Everywhere is found the infinite inequality of life, souls far from the way whereon they should tread and fulfil their destiny; souls lost in the labyrinth of life, continually seeking a way out and opportunity to let humanity know they are here: palsied and stricken with terror, hopeless, companionless and desolate in the immense vistas of human existence. Souls with unresponded love, painters with unpainted pictures, poets with unsung songs, writers with books stored away in their soul; but all out of place in avenues

where no soul speaks, or questions them, without consolation or sympathy—alone in the night and wilderness of life. Theism in its explanation of this, blasphemes against the beneficence of God, and thrusts out sweet souls thirsting for compassion into the darkness of bitterness and woe. It accredits God with the favouring of one soul more than another, it blames Him for endowing souls with faculties and powers, and placing them in surroundings wherein there is no demand for their expression. And in the light of one existence here, with an endless one beyond, and considering the great injustice of life surging everywhere; Theism becomes hopelessly inadequate as a philosophy and reduced to a mere fiasco of things. On the one hand we have Materialism asserting the infinity of matter and therein becoming unscientific and illogical in the postulation of the existence of that of which it is neither sensible nor yet conscious; for the postulation of the infinity of matter includes the infinity of knowledge. On the other hand Theism declares the infinity of God existing everywhere and apart from the universe, and, repudiating Pantheism, which declares the universe is God, thus becoming repugnant to reason in demanding the belief in two things occupying the same space at one and the same time. Thus Theism and Materialism contrasted, become like unto one another as irrational positions in the contemplation of the problem of human life and the origin of its phases: Theism with its palpable absurdity balancing the unscientific and assuming attitude of the other.

The repetition of history is a good argument in favour of Reincarnation; and proves that there is a return, at intervals, to the spirit and disposition of past ages, epochs and times. By a careful and impartial examination of the history of the nations, it will become beyond dispute that there is a cycle in their thoughts, words and deeds, in their march in the struggle of evolution. In

the great path of nations, we find that this is the case, the continual return of the past to the present and the continual resemblance of the present to the dark distant past.

Thus, the Upanishads, those classic and holy writings of ancient India voices the idea of Reincarnation.

"His mother that was becomes his wife ;
His wife that was becomes his mother ;
His father becomes his son,
And his son, again, becomes his father.
Thus in the circle of the *Samsara*,*
Like as the buckets on the wheel
Revolve, so turns he ever backwards
To his mother's breast and to his birth."

Again, in Paul Deussen's translation of the same scriptures of old is found this idea of rebirth, thus :—

"All who leave this world go directly to the Moon. By their lives its waxing crescent is increased, and by means of its waning it brings them to second birth. But the Moon is also the gate of the heavenly world, and he who can answer the questions of the Moon is allowed to pass beyond it. He who can give no answer is turned to rain by the Moon and rained down upon the earth. He is born again here below, as worm, or fly, or fish, or bird, or lion, or boar, or animal with teeth, or tiger, or man, or anything else in one or another place, according to his works and to his knowledge. So when a man comes to the Moon, the Moon asks him, Who art thou? If he answers rightly, the Moon allows him to pass onward, and he comes to the world of fire, then to the world of wind, then to the world of gods," etc.

Even in our own Scriptures the idea is seen, as in the case of Jesus of Nazareth asking his disciples, "Whom do men say that I am?" And they answered, "John the Baptist; but some say Elias; and others, One of the Prophets."† Here the belief is evident that the Galilean was the Reincarnation of some mighty soul of the past. Again, in the incident of the healing of the man blind from his birth, the disciples ask, "Master who did sin, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents; but that the works of God should be made manifest in him."‡ There is only one construction that can be put upon this episode, and that is, that the man was blind through the violation of the Law of Consequence in a past existence; or was the result of what is known in Indian philosophy as Karma. The explanation that, the man was

made blind so that the Christ might display his power is grotesque, and puts Jesus more in the position of a thaumaturgus than a Master, and reflects very unfavourably on the omnipotence of God. Jesus healed and wrought miracles because they were necessary, not because He wanted to demonstrate He was a man above men; knowing this no mind will give audience to the explanation offered by the orthodox school.

In the thirteenth century, the Persian mystic, Djelal-eddin-Rumi, says :—

"A stone I died and rose again a plant,
A plant I died and rose again an animal,
I died an animal and was born a man."

(To be Continued).

Book Reviews.

ECLIPSES: In Practice and Theory. By Sepharial. London: Foulsham & Co., 5, Pilgrim Street, E.C. Price 3s. 6d. net.

Here is another notable edition to the voluminous works of Sepharial which will be received with pleasure by all students of astronomy and astrology, for the work before me treats of Eclipses both from the practical astronomical side and also from the point of view of Astrology. The method of calculating eclipses of the Sun and Moon is clearly explained and fully illustrated. There is an appendix of Tables which enable students to follow the examples given and also to extend them by calculations of their own. All this appears correct practice from the astronomical point of view, and it is rendered extremely easy by the manner in which it is presented to the reader. The astrology of the subject is also very fully dealt with, and one feels to have made a distinct step forward after absorbing the rules and illustrations of this part of the work. All that is known about "eclipse influences," and a good deal that is entirely new, has been gathered together and presented in the briefest and clearest manner. The book, which is well printed and tastefully bound, runs to 112 pages, and no astrological library will be complete without it.

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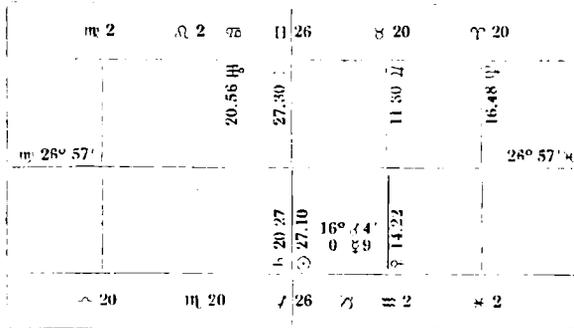
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The Point of Karma.

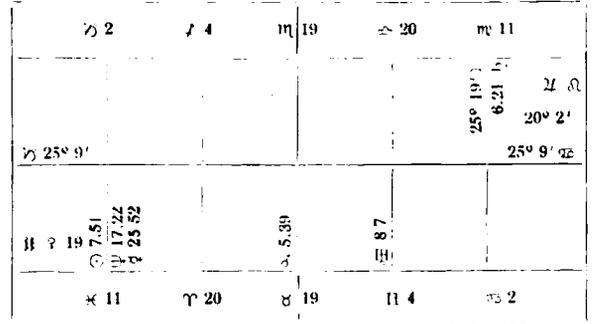
By EDITH F. A. U. PAINTON.

EVERY astrological student seems to have his own idea as to where this most sensitive point of the horoscope is concealed. Some fix it at the 4th house, some at the 8th, some the 9th, while others centre it in a combination of the 11th and 12th. Still others declare it can only be ascertained by means of the prenatal epoch; and some figure it out by a backward calculation from the birth hour, considering this to be the death hour of the old life at the gateway of the new. Some determine it

of the country," says the wise astrologer, and then proceeds with many long and high-sounding scientific phrases to explain just how and why. "Yes," I say, "but what spiritual causes behind this physical manifestation brought this to pass in the individual horoscope? Why this particular house in this particular chart, and what does it indicate?" "O merely an extra amount of work to be done in that house," is the careless reply. "It just brings the influence of two signs to bear upon the one house,



MAP No. 1.



MAP No. 2.

from the position of Saturn in the chart, some of Mercury, some of Uranus, while others, with greater reason, give all the planets a share in the fixing of its position.

In my study, I have form a theory of my own, altogether different from any of these, and probably, while quite as impossible of proof, equally as likely to possess at least a few grains of truth. For my own satisfaction, I have demonstrated it over and over, and always with surprising and fascinating results; so I do not hesitate to claim for it at least the same measure of consideration that is accorded to other theories.

I hold that the intercepted signs, and the planets posited therein, unmistakably indicate the accumulated Karma to be worked out through those particular planets in those particular signs and houses through this incarnation. What causes an interception? "Intercepted signs are caused by the latitude

you see! A sort of a cusp conflict, perhaps! All due to latitude!"

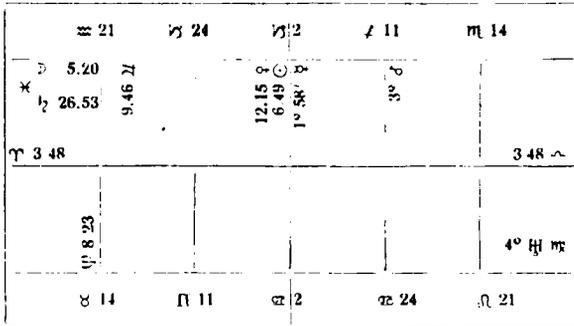
But being born of an investigating turn of mind, I refuse to see. My conception of the esoteric cause is far deeper than any such self-evident theory of its occurrence according to the process of Nature. I have learned that there is no Chance,—that nothing happens haphazard,—that "All Chance is direction that we cannot see," and that every interception of plan or purpose is in direct obedience to Divine Law. "What about the latitude of the soul?" I begin to enquire, and my experiments and investigations along this line have thus far most gratifyingly borne me out.

Let me submit a few examples chosen at random from scores of similar evidences, and show you if I have not some good grounds to sustain my position. In Chart No. 1, we find Capricorn (the sign representing the 10th

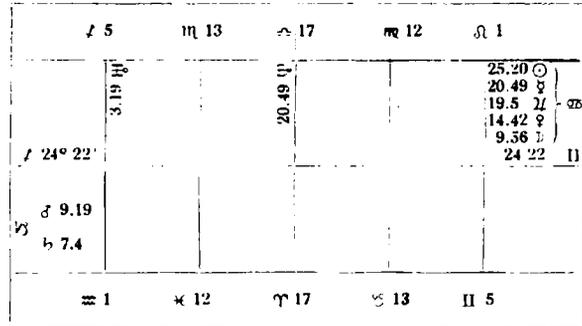
house) intercepted in the 4th, with Mars exalted therein, supported by Mercury (who is likewise ruler of the 10th), and we all know the influence Mercury is bound to wield over family affairs! In the 10th house is intercepted Cancer, the Home Sign (representative of 4th house), with Uranus to keep things in a constant state of agitation and upheaval. Saturn, the ruler of the 4th house interception, being in 3rd, connecting the brethren and their affairs with the generally mixed up conditions of affairs in early life. To me, this indicates the great problems of the native in this life are to be worked out through the affairs of the 4th and 10th houses in conjunction,—or rather, of the 4th, through the co-operation of the

life of to-day, with its combination of financial problems and professional entanglements may become interwoven with the destiny of yesterday, or how the chains were forged to bind the soul to its combination of contradictory influences, we cannot say; but we may be sure the Soul knows its own needs, and its problems, and chose just the right place and the right house in which to intercept them, to work out through the proper combination of conditions, "its own salvation."

Now, the native of this chart is known to me, and from earliest infancy his life has been a struggle against home conditions too miserable to relate. Parents and kindred have worked against him in every way, and



MAP No. 3.



MAP No. 4.

10th, inasmuch as Uranus's reformed spirit will permit him to really co-operate with anything in present-day conditions! Saturn, ruler of the 4th house interception, being in Sagittarius and in the 3rd house, shows that the Shadow of the Cross rests most heavily upon that portion of the life, and that the heaviest crosses this Great Initiator will bring the native will be through his own relatives and kindred of the home. Unhappiness through relatives and family connections threaten to cloud his whole destiny and form the largest burden in the load of Karma to be lifted through that 10th house interception of Capricorn. These are left-over matters of past incarnations that are to be worked out and conquered in this present span of existence. Whatever else the complex destiny may seem to lead to, will be subordinate to the dominant problem of the present. Just how the parentage and early

his has been the fate of the unwelcome child, not wanted anywhere, not able to do anything right. Endeavouring to right conditions, he has always seemed to add to the inharmony, and has finally, nearing the end of middle age, resigned himself to the role of endurance.

In Chart No. 2, the native was subject to sudden and unexpected love affairs and curious friendships (Venus intercepted in Aquarius—the sign representing the 11th house—in 1st), from earliest womanhood, (Uranus, ruler of interception, in 4th), her affairs of the heart being the most prominent feature in her life. Jupiter, ruler of 11th, intercepted in the sign of the Heart in the house of Marriage, should promise a most happy and favourable marriage; but Jupiter is retrograding, and therefore just fails to perform what he appears to promise. As a matter of fact the native was for many years an unhappy wife, doubtless due to Saturn in

7th, but was deeply loved throughout her entire life by a man whose one desire was to marry and make her happy. All that Jupiter promised, he desired to perform, but was called out of earth-life when at last, after many years, on the eve of its culmination. The woman's personal inclination toward the admiration of others, however, would never have permitted the ideal union to take place. Note the Sun, ruler of 7th house interception, in 1st. But this "affair" was the dominant influence of her life. It coloured her every act and motive, supreme over anything that might arise.

Again, the controlling features of life brought out by the interception, shows itself prominently in Chart No. 3. Note Saturn and the Moon intercepted in Pisces, in its own house, the 12th, with Uranus, in Virgo, also intercepted in its own house, the 6th. This tells the whole story of a very eccentric character and life. Secret illnesses nobody could ever explain coming at the most unexpected times (Uranus in 6th), seemed the result of secret sorrows (Saturn in Pisces in 12th), brought on by a secret profession (ruler of 10th in 12th), which led to secret enemies whose treachery caused the keenest of sorrow, yet ever secretly borne. Some occult work occupied the whole life and caused the secret sorrows and illnesses that the native ever declared he brought upon himself (Moon in Pisces in 12th). It was the key-note of both character and life, and clearly his mission to the world at this time; not a thread of life, but the very web itself.

Let us look, too, at the Chart of Jesus, the Christ, as given on page 198 of the May issue of *Bulletina* of 1914. Notice the interception of Gemini—"the little child" that "shall lead them," its ruler posited in 4th, connecting the earliest years of life with this mission—and Saturn, the Great Initiator, securely seated therein. Remember the words of Zarathustra as to the "Three Metamorphoses" of the Spirit—"and at last a child!" The Lion of Judah here in the House of Religion has passed this last initiation, and with all the wisdom that has been "hidden from the wise and prudent" and "revealed unto babes," travels to make

manifest the works of the Guru (Sagittarius intercepted, Jupiter in 1st) in the House of the Mentality. This sign of the Master in teachers in the House of Mind shows the work of the metaphysician that awaited him at his birth, while his trials and temptations at the hands of Saturn are as clearly manifested in 9th. Yet the metaphysician (Saturn in the house of Mercury) cannot be kept back by limitations or obstacles but is bound to express through Taurus and her Venus love the philosophy of the student mind. At a glance, these interceptions indicate the mission he came to fulfil.

Of the Chart No. 4, I have no evidence to present. The native is a stranger who submitted her data that I might draw her up a chart, and has permitted my using it in this way. Of the truth or falsity of its indications I cannot speak, but the lady undoubtedly has a large accumulation of Karma to work out in this life through her matrimonial relations. It is so unique that I wished to present it with the others, merely as "a study in souls."

These points have proved true in so many charts that I would be glad if other students would find the thought of sufficient interest to watch its indications in their own work.

The Conjunction of Saturn and Mars.

THE two malefic planets, Saturn and Mars, form their periodic conjunction in Cancer, 14.25 on September 11th at 4.38 in the morning. The conjoined planets are in the eleventh house at London, a warning against an outrage in the Commons, and the probability of heated debates. Scotland, Holland, South Africa, Mauritius, and Paraguay will suffer heavily for the next twelve months. It signifies that Holland will be drawn into the great War, and terrible scenes will be witnessed in that country, floods and devastation. The Isle of Mauritius is threatened with violent storms.

The conjunction bodes ill for all towns

and cities under the sign Cancer—New York, York, Amsterdam, Venice, Milan, Lubeck, Magdeburg, and particularly Constantinople. Insurrectionary movements will occur in China, and labour troubles in South Africa. The downfall of Constantinople is foreshadowed under this conjunction.

In the 47th degree of E. longitude the conjoined planets will be culminating. This will affect Persia, Bagdad, and Madagascar. Earthquake shocks are threatened in the former country, and insurrections. In the 133rd degree of W. longitude the planets are on the nadir. Seismic troubles are likely in the North-west States of America, and volcanic eruptions in the Pacific. Violent storms are denoted in the eastern parts of Canada, and in the Atlantic Ocean.

In China the conjoined planets are setting, which is ominous of war and internal dis-

putes, while earthquakes and volcanic eruptions are foreshadowed in the East Indies.

The conjunction falls close to the ascendant of the Kaiser, denoting personal danger, and disasters. It falls on the progressed Sun and Meridian of the Czar of Russia, a most evil influence, and is a portent of grave disasters. The subject is dealt with more particularly elsewhere in these pages.

It is of evil import to the King of Norway, for it falls in opposition to his progressed ascendant and near his radical Mars, and may involve him in war or disputes with other powers. It will severely trouble the President of the United States, and involve him in many difficulties, if not ill-health. A disaster is denoted in New York, for the two planets are rising at the time of conjunction.

Astrology in the Nursery.

IF BABY IS BORN IN SEPTEMBER.

THE period from August 23rd to September 23rd is covered by our little sketch this month, the Sun during this period being in the celestial sign Virgo.

The little olive branches born during this period are the little "mice" of the zodiac, quiet, reserved, shy, and extremely sensitive little folk. They are exactly the reverse of those born during the previous month. As they grow older they will show a very industrious nature, practical, methodical and precise. They will be diligent in their work, patient, careful and cautious, and possess strong domestic instincts.

Although quiet and reserved they always have their wits about them and when with others are quiet and reserved, rarely speaking, but listening intently to all that is going on. They are very self-centred and apt to become close and selfish. Parents require to be very kind and tender to these little bairns, for they are extremely sensitive and the slightest harshness will cause tears to flow. They are easily persuaded, are difficult to know,

but once their confidence is gained they are very trustful and affectionate.

They are usually strong physically, for they possess great recuperative powers, but they are easily affected by surroundings, changes of environment and the like. The bowels are the weakest parts of their little bodies, and they require careful feeding, and should never be given drugs as they are most harmful to them. Simple methods of dieting and medicine are required, plenty of milk and milk foods, but nothing of a heating nature.

In a general way these little kiddies are quiet, reserved, but affectionate, much attached to domestic life, very active mentally, and with good education can become very wise, discriminating and clever. They are very adaptable, always have their wits about them, and are never at a loss for an expedient.

We much regret that owing to pressure on our space some Correspondence and other articles are held over until our next issue.

Birthday Influences during September.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♀, ☉, ☿, — * ♃. An evil year, danger of indisposition, grief and trouble in employ. A child born will be careless, untidy, proud, and imperious, and generally unlucky.
2. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♀, ♃. A very active year, changes, new work, journeys, some trouble through errors of judgment. A child born will be active, energetic, skilful, original, but sceptical, and will be successful in life.
3. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ☿, ☿, ☿, ♃. A year of many worries, annoyances and trouble, much will be caused by lack of discretion and judgment. A child born will be extravagant, irreligious, have a hatred of control, and bring many troubles upon himself through his bigoted nature.
4. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, * ☉, ♀, ☿ ♃, ♃. A variable year, important changes and benefits in employ, but danger of accidents and bereavement. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active and popular, will have a hasty temper and have many troubles to contend with.
5. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ☿, ♃. An unsettled year, danger of indisposition, disputes and petty annoyances, some financial gains and benefits. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, and kind, will not be lucky in life.
6. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, ☿ ♃, ♃, * ♃. An evil year, danger of reversals and deception, many annoyances and upsets. A child will be clever, impressionable abrupt and hasty, will have much to contend against, and be generally unfortunate.
7. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁, — ☉, * ♃. An active year for business, with changes and promotion. A child born will be clever, acute, sharp and intelligent, very steady and reliable, and will rise in life.
8. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, ♃. A quiet year with some changes, and social gains. A child born will be kind, artistic and musical, will have a quiet life.
9. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ☿ ☉, ♀, * ♃, ♃. A very active and successful year, changes, popularity, activity, promotion, engagement or marriage, and much pleasure and success. A child born will be active, energetic, popular, artistic, kind and generous, will marry well, rise in life and be very successful.
10. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♃ ♃. A generally successful year, many benefits, and changes, but danger of financial losses. A child born will be clever, intelligent, of good judgment, but will be extravagant and should guard against law.
11. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♃, ☿, ♃, — ☿ ♃. An evil year, changes and journeys, but danger of serious accidents and indisposition. A child born will be clever, intelligent, original and inventive, will have a very hasty and violent temper, and be in danger of serious injury at some period of life.
12. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ♃. A good year for business, engagement or marriage, some danger of deception, and many little annoyances. A child will be clever, intelligent, artistic and musical, will be somewhat deceptive and unreliable, but fairly successful.
13. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♁, ☿ ♃, ♃, ♃. A changeable year, reversals, indisposition, many annoyances, but gain and success in employ or business. A child born will be clever, intelligent, original, active and energetic, will meet with many troubles in life and success will depend upon personal action.
14. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♁, * ☉, ♃, — ♃ ♃, ♃. A successful year, social gains, engagement or marriage, popularity and financial benefits, many little annoyances and danger of disputes. A child born will be kind, generous, popular, artistic, impressionable and romantic, will be somewhat hasty and erratic, but generally successful.
15. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♃. A year of changes, journeys and business success, some worry. A child born will be clever, intelligent, inventive and original, but despondent and sulky and not very successful.
16. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ☿ ☉, ♃ ♃. A troublesome year, losses grief, disappointments and trouble in employ. A child born will be proud, vain, foppish, extravagant and very unsuccessful.
17. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ♃. A very evil year, indisposition, bereavement and heavy financial losses. A child born will be extravagant, proud, independent, often involved in serious losses and very unfortunate.
18. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♃ ♃, ♃ ☉, ♀, ☿ ♃. A variable year, danger of scandal, litigation, accidents, and indisposition. Benefits in business, and social gains. A child born will be popular, kind, affectionate, but hasty, have a hatred of control and be often involved in serious difficulties through lack of discretion and hasty speech.
19. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃. A year of worries, annoyances, reversals and upsets. A child born will be deceptive, impressionable, wayward, erratic and abrupt, very unfortunate.

20. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, Δ ♄. An active year for business or employ with changes. A child born will be clever and intelligent, very active, and fairly successful.

21. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋. An evil year, danger of indisposition and disputes, many worries, annoyances and hindrances to progress. A child born will be erratic, wayward, hasty, quarrelsome, though clever, but very unsuccessful.

22. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋. Δ ♃, ♃, — ♄ ♃. A very successful year, financial gains, promotion, changes and activity, popularity and social gains, engagement or marriage. A child born will be steady, reliable, active, energetic, popular, will rise in life and be very successful.

23. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ☉, ♃, — Δ ♃. A variable year, grief, disappointment, trouble in employ, some gains and success. A child born will be proud, imperious, careless and untidy, will gain best in the employ of others.

24. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ☉ ♃. A good year for marriage or engagement, with changes and financial gain, slight danger of indisposition. A child born will be popular, artistic, kind, affectionate, enterprising, original, will have many troubles to meet, but will be successful in life.

25. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ☉ ♃, ♃, — ♃ ♃. An evil year, disputes, accidents, annoyances and deception. A child born will be clever, but rash, hasty, have a hatred of control and be very unscrupulous and unsuccessful.

26. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ☉ ♃. A doubtful year, losses, annoyances, reversals, some journeys and pleasure. A child born will be impressionable and romantic, but erratic, wayward and unreliable, will have many good friends, but will not be successful.

27. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ♃ ♃. An unsettled year, social and financial gain, popularity, but danger of accidents, disputes and indisposition. A child born will be kind, steady, and generous, often involved in serious disputes and liable to accidents.

28. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, Δ ☉, * ♃. A lucky year, with social gains and popularity. A child born will be popular, kind, social, possess psychic gifts, and be fortunate in life.

29. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, ♃ ♃, ♃. A generally successful year, social gains, changes, journeys and much pleasure, some little annoyances and upsets. A child born will be kind, affectionate, artistic, original and inventive, somewhat unruly, but fairly fortunate.

30. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, ☉ ♃. An unsuccessful year, financial losses, annoyances, worry and scandal. A child born will be extravagant, wayward, deceitful and unreliable, and not successful in life.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

SEPTEMBER, 1915.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	6 ♋ 37	An unpleasant day. Be careful in dealing with others.
2	18 29	An active day for business. Guard against errors of judgment.
3	0 ♋ 24	An evil day. Act discreetly. Avoid disputes.
4	12 25	An evil day. Avoid pleasure and boating.
5	24 38	Sunday. Study and reflect. Safeguard health.
6	7 ♋ 5	An unsettled day. Do nothing important.
7	19 50	Push business, ask favours, deal with elders.
8	2 ♋ 55	A quiet day. Visit friends and amusements in evening.
9	16 18	Court, marry, travel, ask favours, change, push business.
10	0 ♋ 0	A good day for business. Travel and change.
11	13 57	A very evil day. Avoid travel, pleasure and boating.
12	28 5	Sunday. Visit friends, marry, avoid deception.
13	12 ♋ 19	Act carefully a.m. Travel, change p.m. Safeguard health.
14	26 37	Ask favours, push business, but be careful in dealing with others.
15	10 ♋ 53	Travel, change, study, consult astrologers.
16	25 5	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
17	9 ♋ 11	A very evil day. Losses and indisposition shown.
18	23 10	A doubtful day. Do nothing important, avoid pleasure.
19	7 ♋ 0	Sunday. Study and reflect. Safeguard health.
20	20 41	Push business, seek work, write letters.
21	4 ♋ 11	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
22	17 29	Travel, change, court, marry, commence new undertakings.
23	0 ♋ 35	Be discreet in dealings with employers and superiors.
24	13 26	Court, marry, travel, change, speculate, safeguard health.
25	26 4	A very evil day. Avoid disputes, losses, and litigation.
26	8 ♋ 27	Sunday. Study and contemplate, write letters.
27	20 38	Act discreetly a.m. Push business travel and change p.m.
28	2 ♋ 38	Travel, ask favours, push business. Attend to correspondence.
29	14 32	Travel and change a.m. Act discreetly p.m.
30	26 22	A variable day. Ask no favours.

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The Editor's Observatory.

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The programme for the current volume will I trust be found of continued interest and instruction. My Monthly Observations, Daily Guide, Astronomical Phenomena and Birthday Information will remain as before. The Lessons on Primary Directing will be continued, and full instruction will be given in the computation of Zodiacal directions and the Equation of Arcs. A second series of Articles on "Astrology in the Nursery," dealing with the education, training and physical development of children born under each sign of the zodiac, will be a special feature. The most interesting and instructive subject of "Twins" will be dealt with from an astro-physiological standpoint, and further evidence of the truth of the Prenatal Epoch will be demonstrated. "War Horoscopes" will be given each month, dealing more particularly with the progressed figure and directions operating during the coming two years. Our contributor, "Sepharial," will continue his highly instructive and illuminating papers on various subjects, and space will be found for occasional contributions as often as possible.

Scientific Astrology.

As an exponent of strict scientific Astrology, THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY can claim to hold the premier place among contemporary journals, both in the old and new world. The number of letters of appreciation and thanks for our efforts in demonstrating the scientific and practical side of the science would fill our pages many times over, and it is a source of great gratification that our work during the past eight years has not been thrown away.

Speaking for myself, it was my plan and purpose, when accepting the Editorship eight years ago, to commence a series of articles dealing exclusively with a practical exposition of Astrology as a verifiable science. The lessons on Directing, including all the various methods extant; those dealing with the Prenatal epoch; others giving rules for judgment, and various occasional articles which have appeared from time, have been part and parcel of this pre-arranged plan.

My views on certain points have met with opposition in various quarters, and in this same respect I have had to oppose and

combat theories which did not possess a tangible scientific basis, and which could not be proved by an appeal to authentic horoscopes. In the case of the progressed horoscope, prenatal or converse directions, as well as epochal directions, I was told that they were neither scientific nor natural, and that the whole system was "chance medley;" but, in spite of this, sufficient proof was given to substantiate all that was claimed for it. The same in regard to the prenatal epoch. All sorts of objections were raised, but examination proved them to be without foundation. My attitude against—and refusal to accept—the supposed new aspects, was prompted solely on the ground that they had no scientific basis, and in the numerous cases cited as proving their efficacy I succeeded in conclusively showing that they were unnecessary and useless. In all matters connected with the science I have striven to defend its strict scientific foundation, and while health and time are given me I shall continue in this line of action.

The Autumn Quarter.

The entry of the Sun into the sign Libra just before half-past three on the morning of September 24th, takes place in the second house, the Sun having the conjunction of Venus, sextile of Neptune, but the opposition of the Moon. The revenue will benefit, receipts will increase, but there will be increased taxation, heavy losses, and danger of fraud. Troubles are threatened in railways, for Mercury in the third has the square of Mars. Heated and excited debates are shown in Parliament. Heavy mortality is shown in the country, especially among females and children.

At Berlin, Jupiter will be in the seventh, so that some efforts in the direction of peace will appear, but the end is not yet. Neptune has now entered Leo, the sign ruling Prussia, and Mars will shortly be conjoined with that planet in opposition to the Kaiser's Sun. This is an indication of serious defeats.

Jupiter in the tenth house at Washington will, I judge, preserve peace, but with Saturn

and Mars in the second house, there are portents of a panic in Wall Street, and heavy expenditure on war materials. Naval affairs will be prominent, and a Naval demonstration seems likely.

France and Italy will now be seriously disturbed by the passing of Mars through their ruling sign, and as the lunation of October 8th shows this planet conjoined with Neptune in the second, in square with Mercury, some serious troubles are threatened in this country as well as in the two countries named. Socialistic intrigue and peace blather will do much mischief.

The Point of Karma.

It is very unfortunate for the purely scientific aspect of our science that certain writers will persist in putting forward fanciful theories, and trying to make horoscopes fit in with such. The theory put forward by Mrs. Painton under the above title in the last issue of the JOURNAL is one of these, and the horoscopes appended only serve to completely disprove the very point which they are supposed to substantiate. Moreover, the writer falls into several very elementary errors. In the first case we find the Sun conjoined with Saturn on the cusp of the fourth house, in opposition to the Moon on the meridian. Mars is also in the fourth house, in opposition to Uranus in the tenth. The entire trouble in this case is shown by the planetary positions and aspects, without incorporating any supposed influence from the intercepted signs. Saturn is stated to be in the third, whereas any novice knows that it is on the cusp of the fourth. In the second case the "making things fit" is clearly evident. There are actually three errors of fact. Saturn is stated to be in the seventh, the Sun in the first, and Uranus in the fourth, whereas Saturn is on the cusp of the eighth, the Sun on the cusp of the second, and Uranus actually four degrees inside the fifth. An ordinary student would have declared that the strange love affairs were due to the position of Uranus in the fifth house—the division which has rule over love affairs—in square to the Sun. The

intercepted signs in the first and seventh have nothing whatever to do with the question. In the third case the position of Uranus in the sixth, opposition Moon, square Mars, account for all that is stated, and there is no necessity to attribute anything to the

intercepted signs. The fourth case speaks for itself. A stellium of five planets in one house, two of which are in opposition to two planets in another house. What have the intercepted signs got to do with it? Absolutely nothing.

Studies in Brief.

By SEPHARIAL.

PEOPLE who have a taste for tracing coincidences have pointed to the fact that on January 18th, 1701, Frederick, Elector of Brandenburg, was crowned King of Prussia at Königsburg, and his territory was thereafter known as Prussia and not Brandenburg. On January 18th again, in 1871, just 170 years afterwards to the very day, William I., King of Prussia, was created first Emperor of the modern German Empire. The coincidence would be striking if it were not for the fact that one is old style and the other new style date. The Gregorian Calendar was not adopted by Prussia until 1778. Hence the date January 18th, 1701, is the same as January 29th in the present style: that is to say, the Sun occupied the same place in the zodiac on that date as it now does on January 29th. This place was the 9th degree of the sign Aquarius. At the birth of the present Kaiser (who never yet has been crowned Emperor of Germany) Saturn was in opposition to the Sun in the dynastic horoscope, showing that he was destined to destroy the edifice that his ancestors had set up.

From the interval elapsed we get, by the addition of the Sun's mean diurnal motion, 59' 8" for 170 years, 167° 32' 40" which, being added to the 9th of Aquarius, brings the Sun to the 28th of Cancer in 1871, and to the 14th of Leo for the present representative of the House of Hohenzollern. This is the vital spot in the German Constitution, astrologically speaking, and a study of the influences which now affect it may be of interest.

1915.—Uranus is in opposition from April to August, Mars is in conjunction in the beginning of November, and a total eclipse of the Sun falls close to it on August 10th.

1916.—Uranus is in opposition in January, Mars goes back and forth over it in February, March and April, an eclipse of the Sun takes place in opposition to it early in February, influences being thus mostly adverse.

1917.—Mars in opposition in January, Saturn and Mars conjoined in conjunction with this vital point in the Hohenzollern horoscope in October, Saturn stationary thereon during the end of the year.

1918.—Saturn retrograde affects this point until July.

Do I think that this House is so firmly set upon the rock that the combined influence of Saturn and Mars, aided by a couple of important eclipses, cannot shake it? In my humble opinion, the rock itself could not withstand them! But when we observe further that the House is built upon the shifting sands of time, we see that, however strongly it may be buttressed, fortified and equipped, it cannot endure.

It is here worthy of note that the end of the Franco-Prussian War and the founding of the House of Hohenzollern was accompanied by a transit of Uranus over the dynastic Sun, then in Cancer 27, and the outbreak of the present War in 1914 found Neptune in the same degree. The former indicated dynastic changes, the latter denotes dynastics chaos and depletion.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

Look Out Aloft!

It was not without some reason, if our critics will allow that there is aught of reason in Astrology, that our JOURNAL was headed in the August issue with the salutary injunction: "Look Out Aloft!" Mars was then passing through the end of the sign Gemini and going into Cancer, thus forming the opposition of the Great Conjunction figure, 26th January, 1842, and the opposition of the place of the Conjunction. At the same time Uranus was transmitting the Midheaven of the City of London. Now this was a point to which I called attention when referring to the horoscope of the City suggested by Saunders in 1664, wherein he predicted the Great Plague. Not that I am making another plague, or anything half so important, as this Zeppelin raid. Not by a long way. Of the first of these, William Lilly, concluded that it was by the visitation of God. Of the second of these—the minor Zeppelin plague, we may safely say that it was by the visitation of the Devil. For what can fighting men, and soldiers to boot, find in a sport of this sort directed against women and children, except the satisfaction of a hell-born blood lust? To me it looks like the venom of a baffled hate. We cannot reduce your men in the field of war, they would say, but we can and will make raids on your women and children! Throughout the whole raiding process they have touched only four fighting men, and that by a fluke. But these magnificent Teutons never knew what real sport is. As victors they have shown no magnanimity to women or to children. To their prisoners of war they have shown brutality of the worst. When the hour of their defeat comes, we shall see how sleek and complacent they will be, even while choking with the venom of hate. Saturn has entered Cancer, the dominant sign of Germany and of its monarch. We may have to wait till the Spring, when Jupiter gets into Aries and

forms a sextile to Uranus, or even till the Summer of next year, for the turn of the tide. But in the long last we shall have done something for the cause of civilisation, as contrasted with military despotism, which will serve the cause of Peace for generations to come. Meanwhile these incursions will go on. We cannot expect otherwise, knowing that the mad dog is being roped in closer and closer as each month goes by. The air will be his only free path to destruction and frightfulness.

London's Horoscope.

But this enables us to fix with considerable accuracy the exact meridian of the City of London. On Tuesday, the 7th September, Uranus was in Aquarius $12^{\circ} 28'$. But there was an earlier raid on some outlying district to the N.W., which took place when the planet was in $13^{\circ} 17'$ of that sign, so that somewhere between these two points we must look for the Midheaven of the City. The former seems the more probable, as it gives the 18th of Gemini rising, which we know to be the Ascendant of the City. And this again appears to confirm my first impression regarding the calculation of Saunders, namely, that he has taken the year 1154 as that of the Charter of Henry II. But the original was granted by Henry I., and this was only "confirmed" by Henry II. The planets' positions as given by Saunders are those for 2nd June (O.S.) in the year 1154, but with the Sun in Gemini, the horoscope is set for a date anterior to the accession of Henry II., and in fact Stephen was then alive, for he died on October 25th, 1154. Hence, although we may conclude both from tradition and experience that the correct Midheaven and Ascendant of London are to be found in the 13th of Aquarius and the 18th of Gemini, respectively, yet there can be little doubt that the date must have been 1101, and it is not necessary that the Sun

should be in the sign Gemini at the particular date in that year when the Charter was granted. I have not been able to find what that date was, and shall be glad of any intelligence on this point so that the horoscope may be properly calculated. It is worthy of note that the coincidence of Mars with the progressed Ascendant for the year 1915 in the horoscope of King George, Gemini 27°, an aerial sign, gave warning of the recent raids upon the Capital. Uranus will not be clear of the Midheaven of the City's horoscope during the present year, and its coincidence with the transit of Mars over the recent solar eclipse in Leo 27 (Aug. 1914) seems to point to Christmas as being rather a lively period for all concerned, not excepting the Arch-Hun, on whose Ascendant for this year the eclipse happened to fall.

The World's Horoscope.

Individuals have horoscopes, and so have towns and cities, then why not the World? The Law of Cycles, which I have written about to some considerable extent in the course of my "Kabala of Numbers," goes to show that there are definite epochs, closely connected with planetary cycles, which constitute milestones in the world's evolutionary progress. Such an one occurred in the month of February, B.C. 3102, which is the beginning of the Kali Yuga or Dark Age, the "Iron Age" we call it, in the Hindu scheme of cosmical astronomy, outlined in the "Vishnu Purāna." In this system the *savan*, or world period, is divided into four great ages or yugas, which have been called the Gold, Silver, Copper and Iron Ages. (See Coleman's "Mythology of the Hindus.") Now it has been shown that there was a great conjunction of the planets in Aries at the equinox of that year, which, according to the Hindus, was the beginning of the Kali Yuga or Iron Age, and hence under the dominion of the planet Mars. Taking this as a radix or epoch, and adding the rate of precession, or longitudinal increment for 5,002 years (B.C. 3102—A.D. 1900) at the rate of 50" per year, according to the canon of Plato and the Hindu astronomer, Brahmagupta, we shall

arrive at Gemini 9° 28' 20". And this bears out my statement that "the signals are always up" for those that can read them. If you refer to the longitudes of the Fixed Stars, you will find something remarkable about this particular part of the zodiac, for a line drawn through it to the opposite point in Sagittarius 9° will not only define the meridian of the world for the epoch 1900, but will also coincide with the two great Stars, Aldebaran and Antares, which formed their opposition transit of the meridian about the time of the Napoleonic Wars; the first attempt since the days of Caesar at world mastery. If you look at the ephemeris for 1815, you will see how this attempt was doomed to failure, from the fact that Uranus was then at the time of Napoleon's downfall stationary on the place of Antares and in opposition to the Midheaven in the world-horoscope. Saturn was stationary close to the meridian in the Spring of 1898, and at the outbreak of the Hispano-American War it was almost on the meridian for the year, and in opposition to the Midheaven. It was followed by Uranus to the same point in 1899 and 1900, when the Boer War broke out. In the Spring of 1914 Saturn was again stationary close to the Midheaven in Gemini 11°. Jupiter will transit this Midheaven in August, 1917, and will be stationary close to it in October of that year, finally transiting the world's meridian in April, 1918. The existence of a connection between these opposing Stars and world-events would appear therefore to be directly linked up with the estimate of the world's horoscope as here suggested. Local Ascendants would be set off from this Midheaven, and local Midheavens would arise from their longitudes East and West of the meridian, but these would be merely pointers and not permanent significators, to be used only for eclipses, transits, etc., calculated on the meridian of Greenwich.

His Last Chance.

While we are in the war we must talk of the war, and I am glad to be able to announce that the time for the beginning of the

end is approaching. The Kaiser's last chance of success, either military or diplomatic, is swiftly drawing to a close. Nothing has been made of that Navy for which Germany has been so taxed out of house and home during the last two decades. It lies snugly ensconced in the Kiel Canal. True, it made one raid over the Baltic and went back with a broken nose, but in that sea which we call the North Sea, and which as a schoolboy I was taught to call "or German Ocean" is at the present in the occupation of British Watchdogs who are catching the drift of good things intended for consumption in Germany. But, nevertheless, it must be admitted that Jupiter's transit of the Kaiser's Midheaven and its stay in the sign, has had the predicted effect of sustaining the German arms to the extent of a persistent and effective resistance, and has even extended the German lines beyond Poland. But let us not forget that "power was given to the Beast to continue for forty and two months." Jupiter forms its last trine to the radical Moon in the German horoscope in January next and then goes out of Pisces, the meridian sign of the Kaiser's horoscope, and goes into Aries, which is the Ascendant of King George—we all know what happened to the "Dragon"!—and then the tide will turn, for Jupiter is a powerful planet in the King's horoscope, but weak in that of the Kaiser. Now Jupiter will have a continuous influence over the destinies of the Kaiser for two years from May, 1915, onwards to May, 1917.

But it will influence the horoscope of King George far more effectively and for a longer time, namely, until July, 1918, and there is an old saying which tells us that "he laughs loudest who laughs last." And at this very time it will be seen that Saturn is directly affecting the Prussian horoscope, to which attention has frequently been called, the grand finale being ushered in by the conjunction of Mars and Saturn in 12° Leo, October, 1917. This looks a long story, but there are only three chapters, and the first is ended. Written in Germany it may be translated "The Biter Bit: A tragedy in Three Chapters. Chapter I.—Top Dog, in which the dog with a long body and crooked

legs acquires an abnormal appetite. Chapter II.—At Bay, in which it is found that a long body and a great appetite does not compensate for short legs. Chapter III.—The Finish, in which the dog with the swollen head finds that he has bitten off more than he can chew and dies of starvation." Elsewhere I have said that this year is to be a great Naval year. So, indeed, it will be. Operations are drawing to a point where it will be possible for the combined fleets of the Allies to do some effective rat-hunting, the process of worrying them out of the Kiel sewer—smoking them out in fact—will be the preliminary to the finest sea battle that was ever fought in the world's history.

M.U.D.L. spells Muddle.

Morel's United Democratic League, which has been endeavouring by every subterfuge of which it is capable, to create a "Stop the War" craze throughout the country, and which the Trade Union has repudiated, is one of those pernicious organisations which take on a popular title in order the more effectively to do dirty work to which no respectable name can be given. The blindness of the man who cannot see that this is as much a spiritual as a material war is potiable beyond words. Whether the average man, concerned as he is mainly with material forces at every point of his existence, can appreciate the fact or not, does not matter ultimately. But it is nevertheless a truth that before this Armageddon began on earth it had been fought out to its finality in the immaterial world, which, in relation to our sphere of cognition, is as cause to effect. It is well not to lose sight of the fact that "matter is the ultimate expression of the Spirit as form is that of force," and that all spiritual forces ultimate in material forms to which they are definitely related. Not else can you understand that apocalyptic phrase "There was War in Heaven," where Michael and his angels contended against Satan, "the Father of Lies," and how the Archfiend was hurled down into the bottomless pit. An allegory, a parable, maybe, but the language in which all the great world teaching has

been conveyed to us. If you want to study astrology you must first read your Greek Mythology. It was their way of putting it, so that those of understanding might know what was else not good to be known. Now this "Stop the War" craze is doomed to disappointment, for the fiat has gone forth that there shall be no peace until the Serpent has been crushed, head and length, beyond revival. A premature peace would be the most disastrous thing that could happen to the civilised world. However hard the yoke may press upon the living, let it not be forgotten that men did not hesitate to sacrifice their lives so that others might continue to live and rear their children under the wings of Peace. On the other hand there is nothing which would suit Germany better than to conclude a peace at this stage of the war. I regard all Germans as spirits who have fallen under the delusion of the world-lust and are thereby determined to "the Great Tribulation." If the mermidons of Satan could be restrained from their folly it would be a heaven-sent benefice. But the awakening must be of their own desire, not one of compulsion. And here let me say that it is significant indeed that the M.U.D.L. has made no propaganda of Peace in Germany. It is not designed to affect our enemies, the enemies of Europe and of the World, but only us British. It is a question which in the circumstances may well be asked: Art thou for us or for the enemy? Remembering always that "Whosoever is not for us is against us." If the pamphlets and papers of this insidious organisation happen to come the way of my readers they will do well to send them at once to the *Daily Express*, which has been particularly active in the work of exposing this pro-German league.

How Long will the War Last?

The French periodical, *Je sais Tout*—the "Know-All" we should call it in English—gives the results of a canvas of opinions among the notable French representatives as to the duration of the war. It shows at least that there are some sane people left

in the world. Here is the digest of their replies:—

Emile Bontroux—"A long time"; Gen. Bonnal—"A long time"; Stephen Pichon—"Depends on our perseverance"; Alfred Capus—"The fighting may end before the War"; Gabriel Honotaux—"A long time, a very long time perhaps"; Adolphe Carnot—"Not much longer"; Whitney-Warren—"Through another one or two winters"; Paul Adam—"Three years more to crush Germany"; Rear-Admiral Degouy—"Two years for destroying the German colossus would not be too much"; Henry Simond—"Fairly early termination"; Jean Finot—"We shall need two or three years to lay the enemy low." Senor Blanco Ihanes—"It will take at least until 1917." If we were to ask the Kaiser, we should hear that the war is really over, that time did not count, as the end would be the same, and that is the only thing that counts in politics. He can see as plainly as I can see that this war did not begin as he had hoped and expected it to begin, and the longer it lasts the greater will be his ruin and loss of prestige. In his lucid moments he can see an infuriated populace turning against the idol of their dreams, on which they have lavished all their money and for which they have spilled their blood, the Great War-lord torn from its pedestal and dashed to the dust under their feet. That is why his victory must be short and decisive, and he knows that the fingers of Time are on his throat. A writer in the *Express* has suggested that the Kaiser adopted his political attitude from a study of astrology. That writer is a fool. All that the Kaiser needed to prevent him from this insanity was a knowledge of astrology and a conscience. The former he could have had for the asking, the latter is a matter of evolution. The Kaiser could have conquered his fate, he could have conquered himself, had he possessed even so much of the wisdom of experience as is contained in Carlyle's words: "Nature is conquered by obedience, and all her mighty powers can be used at our bidding directly we have the knowledge to work with the law and not against it." Let us beware of heaping up a destiny.

A Croaking Prophet.

I see that our pro-German lucubrator, who recently wrote in the *Adept*, and finished by misquoting and misrepresenting Zadkiel in her recast of the "Legacy," has now transferred her attentions to *The American*, edited by Mr. H. A. Macauley, at Marshall, Minn. In the course of an article on the "Horoscope of the War," it is said that "all the important events of the Bible are based on sixty-six eclipses of the Sun and Moon," and she leaves it at that, being incompetent to demonstrate what she has learned from somebody else, who also failed to prove it. The "Titanic Disaster" is spoken of as "the greatest disaster ever known," which shows a lack of perspective and common historical knowledge which is discreditable to any professing astrologer. She predicts the end of the war in "three years" from the time of the eclipse of April 17th, 1912, so that now we have something definite to go upon. Turning to the Bible for support of her various statements, it is found convenient to translate "Zidonians" as British, Elamites as French, Neeshec as Russia, and, of course, Assyria as Germany, "who, without the Lord, was going against this land (Zidon)"—well, and we all know what happened to Assyria! To further her argument, pro-German and rabidly anti-British throughout, it is found necessary to quote my period of 265 years, in order to show what happened to London in Cromwell's time is going to happen again, and what has happened to Belgium will happen to London also, since both are under the same sign! Then why not to the United States, which also is under Gemini rule? It is really a pity that astrology is lent to such intellects. I hope it will not be thought that I am attacking the person concerned. I have only one object, and that is to defend astrology from misrepresentation, if only by showing that from the same data we derive entirely opposite conclusions. The fact that this particular writer on astrology is a woman is unfortunate, that she misrepresents astrology is disastrous. There is an ugly twist in all that emanates from this source because, without knowing it, she allows her feelings and prejudices to deflect her judgment. But

time will straighten her. With Saturn in the sign of its fall in the Midheaven of the horoscope of birth and in square aspect to the Sun in the 7th house (in the typically British sign Aries) it is not difficult to see where the trouble lies. The Moon being in square to Mars, semi-square to Sun, and sesquiquadrate to Saturn, is not comfortably situated in the 5th house. To be underneath one's horoscope is unfortunate and, in the case of an astrologer, anomalous.

Early Callers.

I had scarcely made my announcement last month before applications began to come in for my new Key. And to those who have availed themselves of the special offer, which is only open till the New Year, events have come in with equal facility. Only long experience of the uses of Astrology have enabled me to gauge the needs of the public. They want practical astrology, something they can make use of, something that they can prove for themselves, and as one thing leads to another, they are soon convinced by facts that there is more in it than mere speculation. We do not speculate about the

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tides, because we now know the law of the forces which control them—we predict tides. There are other things equally unintelligible to the average man which belong to the category of things speculative. Speculation ceases where knowledge begins, a hackneyed expression doubtless, “but mine own,” as was said of Audrey. In the New Year, fresh material will be added, full rules and instructions will be given, and the whole system fully illustrated by consecutive events. But

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Astrology in the Nursery. Series II.

If Baby is Born with sign Aries rising.

IN continuation of the series of articles in the last issue, we now give a further series dealing with the disposition, intellectual abilities, and physical development of children born with each of the signs of the zodiac rising. Let us first of all explain that this does not relate to the birth month, but to the actual zodiacal sign rising at the moment of birth. Children are born with each of the twelve signs rising on every day of the year, and the time of birth is necessary in order to determine which sign is rising.

The rising sign affects the nature, disposition and mental faculties of all children, as well as determining the physical form, and natural strength of the body, and with these particular matters we now proceed to deal.

All little children born with the sign Aries rising are bold and fearless, always like to be “boss” when playing with others, and are generally active, enterprising, and venturesome. They tend to become self-opinionated, self-willed and quarrelsome, like to domineer over their playmates, and are often disliked for their forwardness and overbearing. They like to have things entirely their own way, are very enthusiastic, and when allowed to take the lead will follow up a plan with zeal and ardour. One of their chief faults is their destructive nature, and they are very petulant, hasty, and sharp-tempered. Kind treatment and gentle persuasion will do much to ameliorate these

tendencies, more than sharp punishment or harsh treatment, but firmness is essential, and they should on no account be allowed to have their own way.

Mentally they are keen, active, alert, and quick at learning, but they lack concentration, and like to change from one subject to another, never being content with one subject at a time. They are well-informed, ingenious, fond of learning, but should never be allowed to overstudy, or the head, which is ruled by Aries, will be affected. They are free in opinions, quick to change their views, but equally sure of their beliefs while they last.

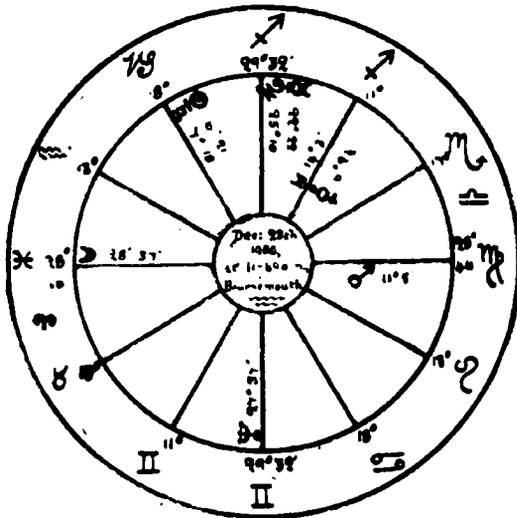
These little olive branches are generally well-built and sturdy, with plenty of strength and physical force. They are not fond of water or too much bathing, possessing a hot and dry temperament, and require plenty of fresh air and sunshine, an extra amount of rest and sleep, and an avoidancce of all excitement and hurry. Their chief complaints are affections of the head, eyes, stomach and digestive system. In matters of diet, little meat or heating foods should be given, and all foods which give rise to flatulence and colic should be avoided. The eyes should be carefully watched, and any tendency to headache looked well into, as these will invariable occur through defects in the eyes. These little children should always be warned against playing with matches, knives, and sharp instruments, as they are liable to accidents arising therefrom.

Two Interesting Cases.

By C. SHERBURN.

I.—Hæmophilia.

The horoscope given below is that of a sufferer from one of the most extraordinary and distressing diseases known to Medical Science, viz., Hæmophilia. Since the age of eighteen months, the native, who is of the male sex, has been in constant peril of a sudden termination to his life, owing to a



liability to bleed internally or externally upon the slightest bodily mishap, and sometimes without any apparent cause. Specialists were once of opinion that this complaint could be reasonably accounted for by the theory that such patients are born a skin deficient, but modern practitioners state that the nature of the disease rests in the fact that persons suffering therefrom have skins of too fine a texture, affording insufficient protection to the many tiny blood vessels which lie beneath them. In the present case doctors informed the mother of subject that her son had inherited the complaint from her, handed down from generations. There is no record, however, of any of his ancestors having been troubled in this manner so far back as can be traced.

In May, 1904, the native bit his tongue and bled profusely. The two medical men in attendance gave no hope of his recovery, but by untiring care and attention his mother pulled him through the jaws of death.

He broke a blood vessel in his neck in September, 1907, was very ill for some hours, and after a sleep of twenty minutes woke up without the power to use his right arm, and this is still useless from shoulder to elbow, but he uses his hand.

About December, 1912, he bled from a gum for 24 hours, was bleached, and took fifteen weeks to recover.

During two weeks in December, 1914, and three weeks in January, 1915, he was bleeding either from a kidney or the mucous membrane of the bladder (doctors could not say which), and about May this year he broke two blood vessels in the left arm, one in the stomach, and one or more under the tongue (internal bleeding in each case). All internal bleeding is very painful as he nears recovery, and relief is only obtained by application of intense heat to the parts affected.

The above are only a very few of his illnesses, for he has seldom been entirely free from pain. In only a small number of cases have Hæmophilia patients been known to live beyond infancy, and the native would have proved no exception to the rule had not his mother possessed strength of mind and experience in nursing, and the Hyleg in his horoscope received such good assistance. His parents have never dared to send his younger brother to school, fearing lest he should bring any form of disease into the house, for such might prove fatal to one so much weakened by loss of blood, and the two boys therefore receive their education at the hands of a private tutor.

The Chart shows the Moon almost exactly rising, in square aspect to Neptune, Jupiter, the Sun, and Mercury; receiving no favour-

able aspects whatever. The Ascendant is afflicted in like manner. The Sun, Hyleg and ruler of 6th, is closely conjoined with Saturn, its dispositor, in parallel with Neptune and Uranus, and square Moon. All these are clear indications of constitutional abnormality, and Neptune being posited near the cusp of the fourth house, in opposition to the Ruler (Jupiter), Mercury, square Moon, and parallel Sun and Saturn, appears to support the medical opinion with regard to the complaint being hereditary. The Hyleg, however, is at the same time well assisted, having the trine aspect with Mars, parallel with Jupiter, and semi-sextile with Venus, accounting for the fact that the subject is still alive.

As the last degrees of Pisces rise Mars is considered part-ruler of this nativity, and is placed in the sixth house. Readers will doubtless know that a person born with his or her ruling planet in the sixth house generally becomes dependent upon others through ill-health, providing other indications in the horoscope give testimony. Also that Mars is often found in the sixth in the horoscopes of those who have suffered violent pain, operations, etc.

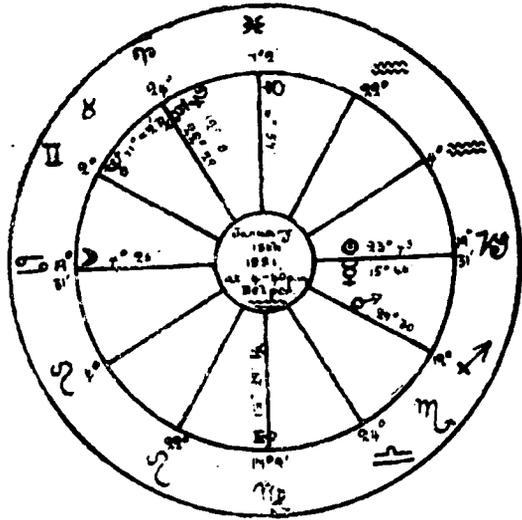
The conjunction of Mercury with Jupiter, and its close parallel with the Sun, bestows cleverness and wisdom, but as it is in square to the Moon, parallel Saturn, Herschell, and opposition Neptune, there is a danger that ill-health may adversely affect his brain, and in any case his parents would be well-advised to see that he does not overstrain his thinking powers.

A glance at this horoscope would suffice to show any astrologer of ordinary ability, knowing nothing of the native, that the latter had entered the world subject to abnormal physical limitations.

II.—Perforated Stomach and Peritonitis.

Another interesting nativity is that of a lady born January 13th, 1881, at 4.40 p.m., Belper, Derbyshire. For several years severe pains which she experienced after meals had led her to believe herself a sufferer from chronic indigestion. When spending an

evening with a few friends in January, 1909, she was suddenly taken seriously ill, and the doctor being called in, he had her removed to the hospital at once, saying that she must be operated upon immediately or she would



not outlive the night. In the course of the operation the surgeon discovered that native had a perforated stomach, and was also suffering from peritonitis, the latter having been brought on by the former. For years past part of the food she ate had been escaping from the stomach through tiny holes, thus causing the agonizing pains which she had ascribed to indigestion. The doctors at the hospital did not expect her to recover, but after continuing in a very critical state for some weeks a change for the better took place, the perforations healed up, and she had the satisfaction of knowing that her case was one of the very few where recovery from this particular complaint had taken place.

Here, again, we find Mars in the sixth house. The Moon rises also, and is ruler of the Nativity, but is opposed to Mars and square Jupiter; very significant positions when we take into account the fact that the minor luminary is in Cancer—ruling the stomach. The Sun is Hyleg, conjoined with Mercury, in close square with Saturn, semi-square Venus, parallel the Moon, and sesquiquadrate Neptune. Fortunately, the Moon is in sextile with Neptune and Venus, and

Mercury, with whom the Sun is conjoined, receives good aspects from Neptune and Uranus. Jupiter, ruler of the sixth, is square the Moon and Mercury. The native in April, 1898, had diphtheria and scarlet fever, and has not had very good health at any part of her life, being very anæmic during youth. Mars and Jupiter are both afflicted, and in mutual disposition, the former being in the sixth and the latter ruler of that house. With such violent indications it is not surprising that she has gone through much suffering, and those astrologers who state that the sixth house is not of great importance when giving judgment in regard to health would do well to study the horoscopes of a few persons who have had very serious operations, suffered a great deal of pain during life, and made unexpected recoveries.

Book Reviews.

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Astronomical Phenomena

OCTOBER. 1915.

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter,	1st	...	9h. 44m. morn.
New Moon,	8th	...	9h. 42m. after.
First Quarter,	15th	...	1h. 51m. after.
Full Moon,	23rd	...	0h. 15m. morn.
Last Quarter,	31st	...	4h. 40m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Libra, enters Scorpio on 24th at 0h. 10m. p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Scorpio, retrogrades into Libra on 21st.
- ♀. VENUS is in Libra, enters Scorpio on 15th; too near the Sun for observation.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Cancer, enters Leo on the 7th, conjunction Neptune on 12th.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Pisces, well placed for observation.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- ♁. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	...	21, 22	Libra	...	8, 9
Taurus	...	23, 24, 25	Scorpio	...	10, 11
Gemini	...	26, 27	Sagittarius	...	12, 13
Cancer	1, 2, 28, 29, 30		Capricorn	...	14, 15
Leo	...	3, 4, 5, 31	Aquarius...	...	16, 17
Virgo	...	6, 7	Pisces	...	18, 19, 20

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with changeable and unsettled weather, finer 7th, change to cold with rain 10th, stormy 12th, finer 14th, change with wind 18th, rain and wind 22nd, variable and unsettled to end of month, stormy 30th.

Twins.

By E. H. BAILEY.

THE subject of Twins is one of the "pegs" on which opponents of Astrology seek to base their puerile objections against the science, little dreaming that it is one of the most powerful arguments in support of Astrology as a verifiable science.

The examination of the laws governing twin and multiple births demands a knowledge of obstetric science and the laws of generation, and is not a subject to be dealt with only from a mathematical and purely astrological standpoint, and it is absolutely necessary that the gestative period should be thoroughly examined by means of the Prenatal Epoch and the chart of descent, before the matter can be brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

In the chapters following I intend to examine this subject in a manner quite new and original, basing my deductions on personal investigations made in connection with the Prenatal Epoch. The conclusion arrived at will, I think, solve the peculiar anomaly why the lives of twins are frequently different; why one dies and the other lives, and also in some cases where the lives run parallel. All this cannot be judged from the horoscopes of birth, since in most cases they are almost identical, or differ only slightly, and will prove that the horoscope of birth is not the final argument in the explanation of this apparent anomaly.

CHAPTER I.

A FEW FACTS AND FALLACIES.

One of the commonplace objections made against astrology by unreflecting persons is this: "The doctrines of Astrology cannot be true, because in large cities, there are births taking place at every minute, and consequently, every day many persons must be borne with exactly the same nativity, and die at the same identical time. But in fact, no two persons have the same events happen to them exactly."

As an answer to this objection, let me take a few facts. Mr. G. Hemmings was born on the same day and hour as King George III. Both were married on the same day. Both died on the same day. I have in my collection the horoscope of a gentleman who was born on the same day and hour as Lord Rosebery. Their fathers died on the same day. Both were married on the same day. On the day Lord Rosebery became Prime Minister the other was promoted in business. I have also the horoscope of a lady born on the same day and hour as Queen Mary, with this difference that the former was born at Glasgow, and the latter in London. There is a difference of some fifteen degrees in their respective ascendants.

But this argument like others of the same is both illogical and fallacious, as it ignores the main point. It is not a question of two different people born on the same day and hour, but two children, born at the same identical moment and of the same parents.

Here again facts must be considered. Cases are known of real twins, whose lives have been identical from birth to death; of cases of twin children, whose natures and disposition have been so alike, even to the very tone of their voices, that it was impossible for the nicest eye to find out any point of difference. Instance may be made of Nicholas and Andrew Tremayne, of whom it is said that they were governed by precisely the same feelings and affections. What one liked the other liked; what one loathed the other loathed; if one was ill, the other sickened; and if one was in pain, the other suffered in the same part and in the same degree. In more recent times the amusing escapades of Albert Ebenezer, and Ebenezer Albert may be cited. Numerous other anecdotes could be narrated to fill several pages of actual authentic cases, which utterly and flatly disprove the before-mentioned argument.

On the other hand, however, there are

equally as many cases of twins, whose personal appearance, lives and characters, and fate have been widely divergent, but there are astrological as well as commonsense reasons therefor.

Let facts again speak for themselves. In the case of twins born within a few moments of each other, their horoscopes are but little different. The same sign of the zodiac may be rising. If only ten minutes elapse between the two births, there is sufficient time for a different sign to be on the ascendant at the birth of the second child. But there are frequently much longer intervals, thirty minutes, one hour, hour and a-half and even longer, and the student of astrology knows that with such intervals as these, the horoscopes will be widely different.

But even this explanation is not all-sufficient. To astrologers who, like myself, have delved deep in the mysteries of generation in connection with the procreation of twins, there is a more important explanation to be found. It is impossible for me to accept the simple explanation that a difference of only five minutes will so affect the second horoscope that it will alter the entire life of the second twin. The mere erection of two separate horoscopes will not by itself suffice to explain the reason and the cause why one should die and the other live. In my collection of twin births, numbering some three or four hundred, I can produce numerous cases where only five or ten minutes elapsed between the two births, yet the two horoscopes will not show the slightest alteration as regard the hyleg, and yet one will die and the other live to maturity. What is the solution of this apparent anomaly?

In dealing with the practical uses of the Prenatal Epoch it was stated, (Vol. VI. page 35), "It is the key to the divergence of character and fortunes in twins." This is the final solution of this peculiarity, and the purport of this present series of articles is to prove the truth of this statement.

In order to do so, I must first of all present to my readers some astro-physiological facts concerning the generation of twins.

(To be continued).

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure
OCTOBER, 1915.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	8 ♄ 15	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
2	20 15	Visit friends, push business and attention to important matters.
3	2 ♃ 27	Sunday. A day for contemplation. Safeguard health.
4	14 56	Act discreetly a.m. Attend to correspondence and visit friends p.m.
5	27 47	Attend to ordinary duties. An unimportant day.
6	11 ♃ 1	Court, marry, travel, and visit friends.
7	24 41	Act discreetly a.m. Travel p.m.
8	8 ♃ 44	Court, marry, travel, visit friends and ask favours.
9	23 7	Act discreetly a.m. Visit friends and amusements p.m.
10	7 ♃ 44	Sunday. Study, write letters, safeguard health.
11	22 26	Attend to ordinary duties and push business.
12	7 ♃ 7	Avoid deception and treachery a.m. Travel evening.
13	21 39	Act discreetly in money matters a.m. Visit friends p.m.
14	5 ♃ 58	Travel, write letters, attend to business.
15	20 3	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
16	3 ♃ 52	A very evil day for all things. Keep quiet.
17	17 25	Sunday. Study and reflect. Visit friends evening.
18	0 ♃ 45	Court, marry, travel, change, visit friends.
19	13 53	A good day for business. Visit friends evening.
20	26 49	Act carefully a.m. Visit friends and amusements evening.
21	9 ♃ 34	Travel, change, push business, seek work.
22	22 9	A splendid day for business up to 4 p.m.
23	4 ♃ 33	An evil day for all things. Act very discreetly.
24	16 48	Sunday. Study and contemplate. Visit friends evening.
25	28 52	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
26	10 ♃ 49	Travel, change, and seek work.
27	22 40	Attend to correspondence. Avoid disputes.
28	4 ♃ 29	Ask favours and deal with elders. Commence new undertakings.
29	16 19	Safeguard health. Visit friends p.m. Avoid wrangling.
30	28 16	An evil day. Act with discretion in dealing with others.
31	10 ♃ 25	Sunday. A day for quiet meditation.

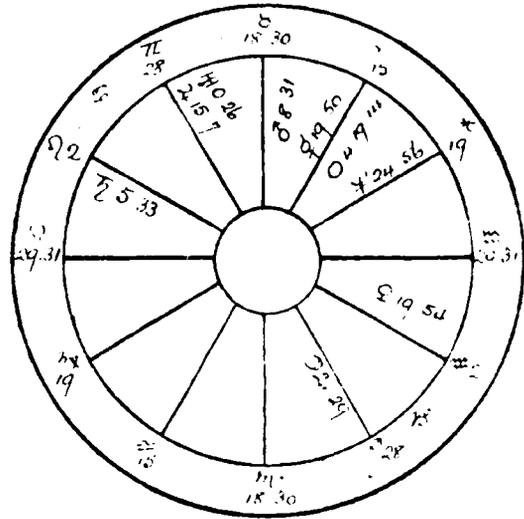
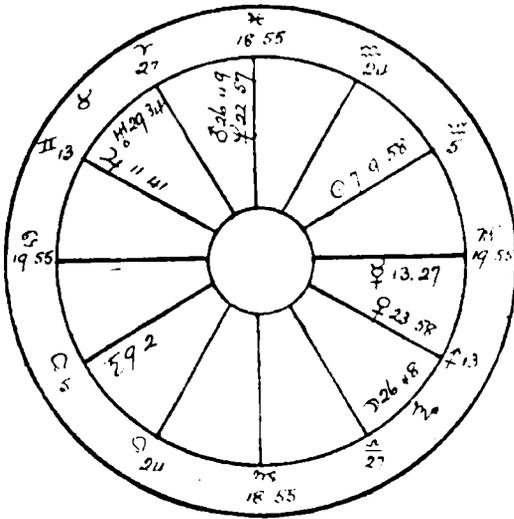
War Horoscopes.

I.—THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY.

THE Emperor of Germany was born at 3 p.m. on January 27th, 1859, at Berlin. The rectified horoscope, calculated for 2.54 p.m. is appended below.

point on December 24th and January 7th. This is a very serious and critical time and denotes severe defeats, personal danger and grave disasters.

The stationary position of Mars in March



The horoscope was originally dealt with in Vol. I. of this JOURNAL, but as my object is to throw light on the present condition of affairs, I am not taking up space with any comments on the map itself.

The map given in the next column is the progressed horoscope for the year 1916. It measures exactly to December 27th, 1915, and is equal to noon on March 25th, 1859. For explanation of this method of calculation see Vol. IV., February, 1911, pages 84-85.

The progressed horoscope shows Ω 29° 31' ascending this point being \square ♁ R., \square ♁ P., \square ♁ R. Mercury is found in Υ 19° 50' in square to the radical ascendant.

A very important and terribly effective transit is shown in December, 1915 and January, 1916, and again in May, 1916. In December and January Mars will be in the last decanate of Leo, falling stationary on December 31st in Ω 29.49 exactly on the progressed Ascendant, crossing the exact

nearly on Saturn R., and opposition \odot R., is an indication of further disasters, and will probably denote that the German hordes will be driven within their own frontiers.

As the progressed Sun has reached Υ 5° and the parallel of the radical Mars, I do not think much gain will accrue from the transit of Jupiter over that point, more especially as at that time the Moon will be square to the radical Mars, denoting naval disasters.

The eclipse of the Sun of 30th July falls on ♁ R., ♁ \odot R., \square ♁ P., and from that date onward the tide of battle will turn and disaster follow disaster in rapid succession. The late autumn shows the Moon in \square \odot P.

In 1917 the influences are of more evil import. On August 1st Saturn and Neptune are conjoined in opposition to the \odot R., \square ♁ P., and ♁ ♁ R., and later in the month Saturn transits the opposition of the radical Sun, while in November Neptune is

stationary only 4' from opposition ☉ R. September and October appear to be the worst months, for Mars adds his evil ray to these two, meeting Neptune on September

22nd and Saturn on October 1st, and transits the progressed Ascendant on November 2nd.

This will bring the climax and the final defeat of the German Army.

The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

(Continued from page 233.)

Again in the sixteenth century the pantheist Giordano Bruno voices the theme of rebirth in his lines:—

"Go then, fool, and tremble beneath the sword of Death,
Tremble and quake at the talk of fools: in quivering
anguish

List to the foolish prate of the crowd, as if thou wert
nothing.

Nothing, in sooth, but the dust of the earth and a
clod from the fallow.

Is not thy body for ever transformed, and flows it
not ever

Into the river of time? And in ceaseless alternation
Doth it not cast off the old for the new, ever losing
and gaining?

Art thou so mad as to think that thy poor corporeal
substance,

Whether in whole or in part, for ever shall be as it
has been?

Art so mad as to dream that the bones and the flesh
of thy boyhood

Still shall abide with thee now? That thou comest
unchanged to thy manhood?

Seest thou not how thy limbs, renewed in the process
of change,

Take to themselves new form? . . . Yet ever one
nature persisting

Ruling within thy heart is forming for ever a being,
Thou thyself, that one and the same abidest un-
changing. * * * * *

And back to the seed flies the spirit, but *thence he*
again re-enters

The world eternal and ageless. And this is death to
mortals,

Since in their folly they know not the light to which
we hasten.

Coming to the eighteenth century it is found Goethe favoured the belief. Prof. Bartholet in his book "Transmigration of the Soul," on pages 103 to 116 writes:—

"Goethe was inclined to explain a bond of sympathy between men as due to some relationship in a former state of existence.

'Ah! in the depths of time gone by
Thou wast my sister or my wife.'

he says to Frau von Stein, and he writes to Wieland (probably in April, 1776), 'I cannot explain the significance to me of this woman or her influence over me, except by the theory of metempsychosis. Yes we were once man and wife. Now our knowledge of ourselves is veiled, and lies in the spirit world. I can find no name for us — the past, the future and the All.' In a letter to Frau von Stein, under date

July 2nd, 1781, we also read: 'How well it is that men should die, if only to erase their impressions and return clean washed'

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"Lichtenberg (1742—1799) says of himself: 'I cannot avoid the idea that I died before I was born.'"

"In 1783 when Johann Georg Schlosser, Goethe's brother-in-law, wrote two dialogues on the subject, David Hume's posthumous work, 'The Immortality of the Soul' appeared. In that he declares that metempsychosis is the only theory of the kind seriously deserving the attention of philosophy."

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"Lessing in his 'Observations on Campe's Philosophical Dialogues,' says, 'Is it after all so certain that my soul has only once inhabited the form of man? Is it after all so unreasonable to suppose that my soul, upon its journey to perfection, should have been forced to wear this fleshly veil more than once? Possibly this migration of the soul through several human bodies was based on a new system of thought. Possibly this new system was merely the oldest of all.'

"Again in ¶ 95 of his work, the 'Education of the Human Race,' he says: 'Is this hypothesis ridiculous merely because it is the oldest, because the human intellect adopted it without demur, before men's minds had been distracted and weakened by the sophistry of the schools?' And further in a fragment, 'On the contrary, the first and earliest opinion in matters of speculation is invariably the most probable, because it was immediately accepted by the sound understanding of mankind.' And again: 'The path by which the race is to arrive at perfection must be trodden by every individual man (early and late). But can he be supposed to have traversed the path in one and the same life? Can a man be both a sensual Jew and a spiritual Christian in one and the same life? Can he surpass these in one and the same life? Surely not, but why should not every individual have lived more than one life in this world?' Then in his conclusion, in high enthusiasm, 'Why should I not at one time have taken those steps towards perfection which can bring but temporal rewards and punishments to men? Why again, should I not at another time have made that progress to which our vision of eternal reward is so great a help? Why should I not return as often as I am capable of acquiring fresh knowledge and further power? Do I achieve so much in one sojourning as to make it not worth my while to return? Never! Or is it I forget my former sojourn? Well for me that I forget. The recollection of my former state would enable me to turn my present condition to but poor account. And have I forgotten forever what I must forget for the time being? Or is it I should lose so much time? Lose time! What need have I for haste? Is not the whole of eternity mine?'"

Birthday Influences during October.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ☌, □ ☉, ♀. — △ ♃. A variable year, changes, and social gains, but grief and indisposition. A child born will be clever, but proud, careless, and unlucky in love.

2. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ☌, ☿ ♃, △ ♃. A changeable year, grief and bereavement, indisposition, but some important benefits. A child born will be selfish, indifferent, but will have many friends.

3. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ☿ ♃, ☿. — □ ♃. An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes and indisposition, many annoyances and spite. A child born will be rash, hasty, have a hatred of control, and be very unfortunate in life.

4. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, * ☉, ♀. — ☿ ♃. An unsettled year, adverse changes, grief, but gain in employment, and some social benefits. A child born will be erratic, wayward, careless, but will gain in employment and through friends.

5. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋. An unimportant year, little ups and downs. A child will be selfish and indifferent, but will have a quiet life.

6. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, ♀. A successful year, changes and journeys, social and financial gains, success in business or employment and promotion. A child born will be clever, original and inventive, kind, affectionate, steady and reliable, and will rise in life.

7. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, ☿ ♃, * ♃. A successful year, gain in business, some disputes, but much activity and new work. A child born will be extravagant, but active and successful in life.

8. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, ☿ ☉, * ♃, △ ♃. A successful year, travel, changes, social and financial gains, benefits in employ. A child born will be kind, generous, affectionate, original and generally lucky in life.

9. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, □ ♃, ☿ ♀. A doubtful year, indisposition or bereavement, courtship or marriage. A child born will be selfish and indifferent, but will have many friends, and will gain through them.

10. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, □ ♃. ♃, ☿, ☿ ♃. A very evil anniversary, danger of indisposition and bereavement, many untoward changes, but gain in employ. A child born will be selfish, erratic, wayward, but clever and intelligent, and will gain more in the employ of others.

11. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, △ ♃, ♃. Some indisposition shown, but important gains and successes. A child born will be steady and reliable, kind, and generous, but will have many difficulties to face in life.

12. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, △ ♃, ☿, * ♃. An active year, changes, new work, journeys, danger of deception, but some success. A child born will be clever, inventive, would make a good sailor, but should guard against accidents by fire.

13. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, * ☉, ♀, — □ ♃. A fairly good year, social gains, courtship or marriage, some losses and annoyances. A child born will be hasty and revengeful, but popular, affectionate, and fairly successful.

14. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, * ♃. A good year for business, with changes. A child born will be clever and intelligent, and successful in employment.

15. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, □ ☉, ☿ ♃, * ♃. An unsettled year, indisposition, bereavement, but some gains and success. A child born will be selfish, proud, indifferent, but will have good friends and gain from them.

16. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ☿ ♃, ☿. — □ ♀, ♀. An evil year, danger of grief, deception, accidents, disputes and many annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, revengeful, have a hatred of control, will require strict upbringing and training or will come to a bad end.

17. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, △ ☉, ☿ ♃. An unsettled year, changes, annoyances, gain in employ. A child born will be clever, original and inventive, rather erratic, but will be successful in employ.

18. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, △ ♀, ♀. A good year, courtship or marriage, important changes and success in business. A child born will be artistic, kind affectionate, clever, intelligent and popular, and should rise in life.

19. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, △ ♃, ☿ ♃. A fairly good year, many little petty annoyances, but much gain and success financially. A child born will be kind, generous, steady and reliable, will have many little drawbacks, but be otherwise successful.

20. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, △ ♃. An unsettled year, little annoyances, but social gains. A child born will be artistic and musical, but will have a quiet life.

21. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, * ♃, △ ♃. An active year, new work, financial gain, changes and journeys. A child born will be clever, active, inventive, generous, popular and successful.

22. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, □ ♃, ☿ ♃. A variable year, good for business, but changes, indisposition and many annoyances. A child born will be selfish, clever, and affectionate, but erratic, hasty in speech, and rather unlucky.

23. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♄, ♄ ☉, ♀, — ☐ ♃, ♂. An evil year, indisposition, bereavement, accidents, disputes and many annoyances. A child born will be clever, but hasty, revengeful, rash, deceitful and very unfortunate in life.

24. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ☉ in ♄, ☐ ♃, * ♃, ♃. A changeable year, indisposition and unsettlement, but financial gains and benefits in employ. A child born will be selfish and erratic, but steady and reliable and will gain through friends.

25. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ☾ in ♄, * ♃. Many little annoyances and deception are shown during the year. A child born will be deceptive, unlucky in love, but impressionable and romantic.

26. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♀, Δ ♃, * ♂. A active year with changes, new work, journeys and gain. A child born will be active, energetic, inventive, and rather hasty.

27. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ☿ in ♀, ☐ ♃, Δ ♃. An unpleasant year, danger of deception, losses, many annoyances, some business gains. A child born will be deceptive, extravagant, unruly, but clever and intelligent, will gain in employ of others.

28. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, Δ ☉. A good year for business, with social gains, but losses financially. A child born will be popular, kind, affectionate, but extravagant, and not very successful.

29. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♃, Δ ♃, ♀. A doubtful year, social and financial gains, but indisposition, worry and bereavement. A child born will be selfish, obstinate, but kind and affectionate, will have many ups and downs in life.

30. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♃, ☐ ♃, ♂. An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes and rash actions. A child born will be rash and excitable, extravagant, unruly, and often involved in troubles.

31. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ☉ in ♃, ☐ ☉, ♄, ♂. Another evil year, danger of accidents, disputes, rash actions and many untoward events. A child born will be rash, hasty, excitable erratic and improvident, will require careful training, or will come to an evil end.

Answers to Correspondents.

THE EDITOR is prepared to give his services free to all readers who require advice and instruction in the study of Astrology.

In order that the correspondence may be properly dealt with the following rules must be observed:

1. All questions must relate to Astrology, students' difficulties, and advice as to methods of study, best books to read, and the like, but no questions relating to individual horoscopes or professional advice must be sent.

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Correspondence.

Astrology and Determinism.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR,—Reading Sepharial's interesting notes *re* letter under "Astrology and Determinism," (July B. J. A.), I feel that the purely deterministic character of the prognosis of Sepharial, which was the subject matter of the letter you printed, is rather left in the background. This prognosis, with many others which may be found in the two brochures on the war, are pure determinism.

Any prognosis which is definite and unqualified is of necessity deterministic.

As a mystic, I earnestly desire to know why, as all prognoses are deduced from Stellar Symbology, some are unqualified and definite and deterministic, as the one referred to in letter, and others are (as in the case of interpretations of radical maps and progressed horoscopes) indefinite, and take form as prognosis or directions under the qualified heading of "Tendencies," "Inclination," and so on, *i.e.* why the radix and Progressed Horoscope of the Crown Prince of Germany is interpreted deterministically and the average radix and Progressed Horoscope indeterministically and what occasions and constitutes the diverse mode of interpretation.

Yours truly,

LEICESTER,

July 20th, 1915.

H. F. COLLETT.

Eventualities.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to the Editor's note *re* my article "As through a Glass Darkly," I would like it to be clearly understood that the number 666 is the correct enumeration of "a man." The number has been associated with "Satan." Another important item is that it is the number of Svrt, the Hebrew word for "Sun." The number was an emblem of "The Great Wicked One," still without identification, but he is implied in a prototype "Schechem-ben-Hamor," whose name is 666 by Gematria' SHKm-bn-Chmvr (reference), also 666 is the correct pyramidal value of Kaiser,—a name sufficient unto itself. The value of Kaiser is 36, and the numbers 1 to 36 equal 666. This is arrived at as follows: 1+2+3+4 and so on up to 36, or this can be performed in a simpler manner in this way, call 36 37, now half of 36 is 18, and 37 × 18 = 666. Suppose we wish to find the pyramidal value of 6, we can say 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 = 21, or better still, call 6 a 7, and half of 6 is 3, o 3 times 7 is 21.

It is quite unnecessary to go over the same ground again, but the 666th appearance of the Sun from the

time the war commenced brings us to the 27th of May, 1916. We find that on the 27th of May, the Sun is $8^{\circ} \Pi$, the 3rd sign, and $8 + 3 = 11 + 1916 = 1927 = 19$. This is the number of the Sun.

The 666th appearance of the Moon in the Kaiser's life, was the time that war was practically forced upon the peoples of the earth, and I maintain that the 666th appearance of the light and life giver will see the end of the war.

With regard to the article taken from the *Occult Review*, named "Kabalism of War," which appeared in the August issue of the B.J.A., I would like to say a few words. I am afraid the writer has allowed his or her inclination to govern his or her deductions. The number of Germany is not 2, but 11, which is symbolised as "The Clenched Hand"—power, and success in fearless undertakings. Kaiser is 36, or 9—"The War-lord" or "Mars."

What a combination! Again, we have France = 11 and Napoleon = 11; Bonaparte = 11. A similar combination.

There is also a tradition of Norman—Monkish origin that 3 is stamped on the Royal line of England. And by numbers, we find that England = 3; so also does Greater Britain; also King George's number is 3. It is known as the number of highest wisdom and worth, harmony and action, it signifies fruitfulness and exertion.

Yours truly,

NUMERARY.

[It would be of interest to our readers to learn how 666 = "a man." The "Svrt" name of the Sun is not recognisable as Hebrew. There are two words used for the Sun, namely, Cheres, which refers to the Sun as a body, and Shemesh, which refers to the rays of the Sun (sunshiae). The pyramidal value of 36 is certainly 666, but it remains to be seen that Kaiser = 36. I take full responsibility for the article "The Kabalism of War" referred to by "Numerary." The number of Germany is of course 11, but its unit value is 2, and by a strange misadventure "Numerary" confirms the practice by saying that "Kaiser is 36 or 9, "the War-lord" or "Mars"; and again, in the case of "England = 30 = 3," on the 27th May, 1916, the Sun will not be in Gemini 8° as stated, but Gemini $5^{\circ} 50' 19''$ at noon. The 8th degree is reached on the 29th May. The 11th Arcanum of the Kabala is known as "The Muzzled Lion," a symbol of passive strength, depicted by a woman closing the mouth of a lion with bare hands.—S.]

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR,—I have purchased the Ready Reckoner and find that the rule for the Moon's place does not always work out rightly. The following is an example: Required the Moon's longitude for the 1st January, 1916. I find the ephemeris for 1904. The year 1916 being leap year, I add 56 days, and this brings me to February 26th, 1904, when the Moon is at noon

To which I add $35. 2^{\circ} 21'$
 $45. 1^{\circ} 6'$

This is the same as $75. 3^{\circ} 27'$
Scorpio $3^{\circ} 27'$.

Also, I want the Moon's place for January 1st, 1911. I take the ephemeris for 1899 and count 57 days, which brings me to February 27th when the Moon is

$65. 0^{\circ} 18'$
To which add $45. 1^{\circ} 6'$

$105. 1^{\circ} 24'$ or Aquarius $1^{\circ} 24'$

I should be pleased if you would enlighten me on the point.

Yours truly,

THOMAS H. BROOKE.

[The rule presupposes that there are three leap-years included in the period of twelve years. Now 1916 does not become a leap-year astronomically till February 29th, you should therefore have added 57 days and the result would have been correct. In the second case cited, the year 1900, which is included in your period, was not a leap-year at all, being an odd "century year." You should therefore have added only 56 days and the result would have been correct. When there are two leap-year days add 56, when three, add 57.—ED.]

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR,—Could you find space in your journal for the following question? Why is it unfortunate for a lady to see a black cat? It has been proved in a certain case that such is the case, time and time again, misfortune and disappointment always following upon the sight of a black cat. What is the general experience in regard to this matter, and how is it accounted for?

Yours truly,

M. LYONS.

[All Nature is a symbol. Everything signals or indicates something, and if people were more alive to the significance of these signs they would have no reason to regard black cats as pre-eminently unfortunate. Some people regard the New Moon seen through glass to be unlucky. These things do not cause results, they merely signal them. This fact also lies at the root of dreams and their interpretation. A considerable knowledge of symbolism is necessary to interpret these happenings. Probably the lady in question will find that her Moon is afflicted by Saturn at the time, either by transit or direction.—ED.]

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The Editor's Observatory.

The Progress of the War.

In the September JOURNAL we predicted that that month was full of evil for Germany, and our prediction has been borne out by the terrible fighting on both frontiers, and the crushing defeats of the German forces. I anticipate further disasters during October, for Mars will be transitting the early degrees of Leo, acting on the opposition of Saturn and the Sun and the square of Mars thereto. Under the heading of the September lunation our predictions have also been strongly fulfilled, notably the dispute with another power who may be induced to side with our enemies, Bulgaria to wit.

The Number "666."

Our contributor, "Numerary," should be more careful in making statements which involve mathematical proof. He speaks of the 666th appearance of the Moon in the Kaiser's life as the time of the commencement of the War, but calculation will show that this 666th lunar appearance took place nearly twenty months before the outbreak of War, as 686 lunations had passed when War was declared, while if lunar returns are meant by his very vague expression, then

742 had elapsed. What 666 days have got to do with the period of the War, is quite outside the interpretation of the number, and no reliance can now be put on the supposition, seeing that the major premise, that of the 666th appearance of the Moon has been proved to be erroneous.

A lady correspondent has called my attention to the fact that if each letter of the word Kaiser be given its ordinary number as it stands in the alphabet, and 6 be put after it, there being six letters in the word, the total will come to 663, as follows :

K	...	...	11 6
A	...	...	1 6
I	...	...	9 6
S	...	...	19 6
E	...	...	5 6
R	...	...	18 6
			66 6

This is very pretty, but unfortunately unconvincing, for the mere number of the letters count for nothing, and the word itself is merely a title, which has belonged to other rulers of Germany before the present one. Moreover, the prime question is that 666 is the measure of "a man." It has not been proved.

The November Lunation.

The lunation of the 7th, just before eight in the morning, is more favourable, for the luminaries are in trine with both Jupiter and Saturn, but the square of the Sun to Mars and Uranus will seriously affect Prussia and Russia, France and Italy, where serious fighting is imminent. Mars will shortly transit the place of the solar eclipse of August, 1914, bringing a repetition of the

devastation which occurred at the beginning of the War. A serious railway accident is threatened, and there are unfortunately indications of a serious strike, as well as shipping disasters. The position of Jupiter will benefit this country, and agricultural affairs will be successful, while the weather will be mild with a fair amount of downfall. The countries ruled by the fixed signs will suffer more than this land of ours.

Astrology in the Nursery. Series II.

If Baby is Born under Taurus.

ALL little children born with the sign Taurus rising come under the influence of the planet Venus, and are generally of a lovable, affectionate nature, easily amenable to kind treatment, fond of pretty things, and possessing some artistic tendencies. They are very determined and persistent, very obstinate, and if not allowed to have their own way will sulk and show a very passionate temper. They tend to be secretive and reserved, make faithful companions, are very practical in their methods, are rather biassed, and have very strong likes and dislikes, amounting to prejudice in many things.

Their obstinate and sulky tendencies are the worst faults, and should be checked at an early age, and a certain amount of firmness is necessary in dealing with them. Harshness should never be used, as it is apt to accentuate these evils, and these little olive branches should on no account be allowed to have their own way, but they will be persistent and strive to get it, more for the satisfaction of having it than anything else.

Mentally these little ones are slow, but sure, quiet, plodding and persevering, but tending to be bigoted and stubborn. A great deal of quiet perseverance and persuasion is necessary in the training of these little Taureans, but they have the persistence and determination to go ahead and learn in a steady, quiet and decisive manner, having their own opinions, and always working with

a pre-conceived motive. They have musical artistic tastes, are fond of beautiful things, painting, poetry, and the fine arts, and have also vocal abilities which may be turned to good account. Generally speaking, these little ones are slow in coming to a decision, but once their little minds are made up they will exercise much patience and perseverance in the pursuit of knowledge. The memory is good, there is much mental endurance, and little Taurean boys generally possess good abilities for arithmetic and mathematics.

Personally, these little children are strong, sturdy, and possess much vitality. They are liable to fits during dentition, and the throat, heart, spleen, liver and kidneys are the weak parts of their systems. The throat is a very sensitive part, and requires very careful attention during babyhood. In matters of diet, sugary substances should be strictly avoided, especially sweets, as such food only causes kidney affections. Little Taureans are pronounced gluttons, and nothing is more injurious to their health than to be allowed any over-indulgence in sweetmeats and food.

The motto of these little ones should be temperance in all things, probably more so than all other children, because the chief tendencies are just the opposite. Diet of a cooling nature should be given, nothing of a sugary or starchy nature, plenty of variety, while frequent drinks of clear cold water are beneficial to the kidneys and bladder.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

The Great Delusion.

Does it not seem strange that there should be found millions of men, and even women, willing and even anxious to risk their lives for the sake of one man's ambition? Have you ever reflected calmly on the fact of this great delusion that men of a certain type are capable of exercising in this world? A Ravallac, a Corday, or other political surgeon could have made short work of this idolatry of an entire nation, and the world would have been the easier for it. But that was not God's way with man. For reasons and purposes that to us are inscrutable it was deemed fit that this heaped-up hatred of the nations should find its normal vent, and that good and bad alike should be numbered among the slain by millions. We can only believe that in some great adjustment of the equilibrium of the two worlds which from time to time seems to take place, this roll-call of a section of the world's populace was necessary. But here are men, to the number of seven and a-half millions, called away from among the living or relegated to the scrap heap of human material, simply because one man got an inflamed idea of Universal Dominion into his head! And, mark you, from the point of view of real utility, he was not in the running with the least of these his victims, for never at any time had he added anything of real value to the sum total of effectual good. I imagine that man at such time as his wild ambition is borne in upon his aged brain as a madness of the soul, which must inevitably follow immediately upon his failure to realise that ambition, and I see this idol of the nation torn down from its pedestal by a decimated and outraged people, his gilded vestiges trampled into the dust, and his name execrated and made *anathema maranatha*. Here, already, is the lurking thought of possible and even probable failure, with all its dread consequences.

Exactly a year after the outbreak of the War, Mons. Paul Hervier wrote this pen portrait direct from Berlin: "It is doubtful if many in Berlin would recognise the Kaiser in civilian clothes, so greatly has he changed during the past year. In this short time he has aged twenty years. He walks with a stoop, whereas he was formerly as erect as any of his Guard. His hair and moustache are almost white. . . . He is disappointed in his heir. . . . According to general opinion a royal divorce seems inevitable."

It is pathetic, and also prophetic. Possibly later generations will accord him this extenuation, that he was a marionet, a puppet whose strings were actuated by political wire-pullers and ambitious Princes. It may be shown that he was intuitive enough to foresee the end of this great adventure, and strong enough to denounce it. His great fault lies in that weakness of character which allowed his satellites to flatter and coerce him, so that finally he was not unwilling to play the part assigned to him by these intriguers. Seven-and-a-half million men, thousands of millions of pounds sterling, the accumulated wealth of all the labours of all the nations, blown to the winds to serve one man's vanity! If these are the results that "kultur" produces, let us hie back to some of our primitive ignorance and simplicity!

Other Dreams.

Thanks to our Navy and the Air Fleet the Germans no longer dream of Calais and London. Even ambitions towards Petrograd have cooled down under the influence of winter's first cold blasts, not to mention the hot guns of a rehabilitated Russian Army. Only old men, women and children are to be found in the streets of German towns. They have no more reserves. German generals have spoken of a timely

peace. The troops under them are getting restive and discontented, and means of bringing them to heel otherwise than by shooting them have had to be thought out. It was the Russian retreat that killed them by thousands, and crushed their last hopes of a sweeping and conclusive victory. That is exactly what everybody expected, except the German generals. That was how they trapped and defeated Napoleon. But how easily men and their works—and their errors and weaknesses too, thank God—are forgotten! The latest dream is through Bulgaria and Turkey to the Gates of the East, and yet there are many places where we may shoot a bolt which will effectually lock those Gates upon them.

The constitutional optimism, or is it vanity, which allows the enemy to think that a project has only to be entertained to make it at once a thing assured, has militated against them from the first. All their strength and ambition has been squandered so far in attempting things which have never come to pass. Paris, London, Calais, Petrograd and others have been confidently counted in as assets of the German Empire. But this destiny has not been heaped up against the Brotherhood of Man for nothing. They must dissolve it in their cup of bitterness, and drink it to its dregs on that day, "the day" to which the enemy of mankind set Germany's eyes when Bismarck dictated his policy of Blood and Iron, and von Moltke rose fresh from his study of Cæsar's campaigns.

Nearing the End.

I see that in the grand tourney which has taken place among astrologers, who never would be out of a fight if they can help it, there has been some fine tilting done. One by one the prophets of the day have fallen to the lance of Urania, and have been counted out. But some, I perceive, are not to be denied, and having obtained another mount have set about the work of predicting the War all over again. This may be their idea of a tournament, but to use a mixed metaphor, it is "not cricket!" A firm treaty of Peace was to have been signed in July last.

The War was to have been over in October, Germany was long since to have sunk the British Navy and to have captured London by July, 1915, and so on. All superficial astrology at best, and nothing pondered or thought out, much less calculated. But now we have hopes, for is not the approaching transit of Jupiter and Venus into the sign Aries in February next, and is not Mars, the ruling planet of Aries, the British sign, in trine aspect to the Sun, and rising at the Winter Solstice of 1915, as stated by one of the prophets? We may argue that this ought to finish the War, that the War ought never to have lasted so long as it has. But that does not convince us that these redoubtables have a correct view of things as they are, much less as they will be, and the fact that they have all lost one eye already in the tourney leaves them with a sort of semi-parallax of vision which may well throw their calculations out by some months or even years, and if they cannot apprehend the material side of this great conflict better than to imagine that such colossal forces, naval, military, and financial, could be exhausted in such brief time as their predictions indicated, how could they apprehend the spiritual side of the World-war? I recommend once more the reading of Rev. vii. Who is this Red Dragon that came up out of the void, except a material Power, having seven heads and ten horns? Germany answers to this description with its Kulturkampf and military despotism, by both of which it proposed to machine the world into an armed camp and dragoon its inhabitants by a soulless intellectualism into a godless servitude. The "seven heads" are the seven dynasties by which Germany has successively been ruled, the Carlovingians, the Saxon dynasty, the House of Franconia, the House of Suabia, the House of Hapsburg, the House of Austria, and the House of Hohenzollern. The "ten horns" are the ten principalities. These heads or Houses were dynasties, as is shown by their having crowns upon them. The Dragon drew with his tail one-third of the stars of heaven, and cast them to the earth in token of that Great Delusion whereby one-third of

humanity became incarnated as slaves of the Dragon. This army of spiritual renegades stood before "the woman clothed with the Sun" for 1,260 days, that is, three-and-a-half years. But the Woman brought forth the man child who was to "shepherd the nations with a crook." Then there was "war in heaven," Michael and his angels fighting against the Dragon and his angels. And the Dragon prevailed not, neither was there found any more place for him and his angels in heaven. He was cast into the earth, and his angels with him. Then began what is known as the Great War and the Armageddon. For whereas the spiritual war lasted for 1,260 years, "a time, times and a half time," 360 days multiplied by $3\frac{1}{2} = 1,260$ years, the earthly strife lasts only and literally three-and-a-half years, or "forty and two months." Then "woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea, for the Devil has come down among you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." If you see this, then you see all that is essential.

Lord Kitchener has declared that he has no doubt whatever about the result of the War, he has never doubted that this would be a long war, "lasting nearer three years than two." We may do well not to forget that "power was given unto the Beast to continue for forty and two months." Therefore, it will be wiser for us to prepare for a long war, and to make it as effective as we can. My ideas as to its duration have already been fully expressed, and what I said within a week of the outbreak in July, 1914, I see no reason to revise.

Wanted for Murder.

The appearance in the daily papers of a police notice with portrait of a French subject, Maurice Nicolas, alias Nicol, who is wanted for the murder of one Alessandro Castelli on the 5th October last, caused me to look at the date of birth that is reproduced from his passport. It is 14th December, 1877. I find the Moon with Mars in the sign Aries, in square aspect to Jupiter and Mercury, conjoined in Capricorn. He is now in his 38th year, and the Sun has pro-

gressed to the beginning of Aquarius, where it has the semi-square of Saturn, and is only three degrees from the square aspect of Neptune, this planet being in transit over the opposition of the Sun from the beginning of the sign Leo. These indications are decidedly malefic, but the fact that the same configurations in other horoscopes do not lead to such violence as that of which he is adjudged to be guilty, ought to make students think before they espouse a doctrine of fatalism in regard to planetary action in human life. Fundamentally, character is destiny. How individual character is evolved is a long story. Readers of "Phrenoscopy" will have some idea of what my belief is in this matter.

The Czar of Russia.

The Czar was born on the 18th May, 1868, at two minutes past noon, at St. Petersburg (Petrograd). The fact that Saturn was in the fourth house or lower angle at his birth in close opposition to the Sun led many to predict that he would soon terminate his reign. That I never thought so is proved by my study of this horoscope in the pages of *Madame*, in the year 1889, when I specifically affirmed that he was reserved for a high destiny, having no less than six planets in cardinal signs, and all the bodies except Saturn above the horizon. The Sun has now reached the 13th of Cancer, where it forms a conjunction with Uranus, a square of Jupiter, and goes forward to a square of Neptune. This year, from September to February, 1916, the Moon forms several evil aspects, including opposition Sun, opposition Uranus, square Jupiter, and square Neptune, while Saturn transits the progressed Sun in September this year, and in January and May next year. These secondary indications are quite malefic, and may well signal an unfortunate course of events. It will be observed that the great retreat was coincident with the transit of Saturn in September last. The spiritual integrity and moral tenacity of the Russian people should, however, outlast the assaults of the enemy. Meanwhile, I am keeping a lot of printed

prophecies about this monarch, which later, if the Zepps spare me, I shall compare with the course of events. Some astrological reputations in America are going to be scrapped.

Signals Hoisted.

I have once more to warn the public and those responsible for public safety that the signals are up against us for October 31st and November 1st. This time it is Mars that threatens the Capital by his opposition to the meridian of London, where the planet Uranus still lurks threateningly. We shall do well to prepare for incendiary attacks. From all accounts that reach me it appears that we are prepared, and that the next attack is likely to prove disastrous to the enemy.

The New Moon is adverse to the Russian forces under the command of the Czar, and threatens an ambush with considerable loss. At the outbreak of the War the Ascendant was directed to the opposition of the Moon, and now proceeds to square Uranus, square Venus, and opposition Neptune. The Sun by secondary direction is conjunction Uranus, the Midheaven, too, is separating from Venus, and going to the square of Neptune. The Ascendant is trine to the Moon in zodiac converse, and goes to trine Jupiter. The indications are bad, but if this crisis passes Russia will emerge more powerful than ever. On the 11th November Mars transits the place of the last solar eclipse (August 10th) in Leo 17. From all indications I judge a great onslaught about that date, entirely favourable to the Allies.

The approaching indications in the Kaiser's horoscope are Sun conjunct. Neptune, square Venus, sesquiquadrate Saturn, and semi-square Sun R. At the outbreak of the War the Ascendant was square Uranus and opposition Moon zod. con. In the British horoscope they were equally malefic. I suppose that after the War we shall be able to arrange to take in one another's washing. Certainly there will be such heavy taxation that we shall have little left with which to develop our industries or to encourage foreign trade. I can see that my 1912 prediction of the Composite Tax is as good as fulfilled already.

Still Going.

Despite the adverse conditions brought about by the War, clients are respectfully informed that I am still continuing normal in most respects, and not overworked. If I scent any danger it is that I may be allowed to die of neglect. With the assistance of my clients, however, I hope to "keep my end up," and shall be pleased to send my prospectus to all applicants.

Answers to Correspondents.

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War Horoscopes.

II.—THE PRESIDENT OF FRANCE.

THE horoscope of the President of France was given in the November, 1904, issue of this JOURNAL, page 31.

He was born at Bar-le-duc on August 20th, 1860, at 5 p.m. Corrected by the prenatal epoch the time 5h. 8m. 44s. Capricorn, 16.59 rises, with Mars in 19.19 of the same sign. The Sun and Saturn are conjoined in the seventh house, as also are Mercury and Jupiter, the two latter being in sextile with Uranus in the fifth. The Moon is on the cusp of the ninth in Libra,

the progressed Mars, the latter influence being brought prominently into power in August and September of 1916, when the Moon meets the conjunction of Mercury and square of Mars. These influences are also rendered very evil by the solar eclipse of July 30th, which falls in opposition to Mars and square to Mercury and the Moon. This seems to signify some reversals, and personal danger, Mars being ruler of the progressed Ascendant.

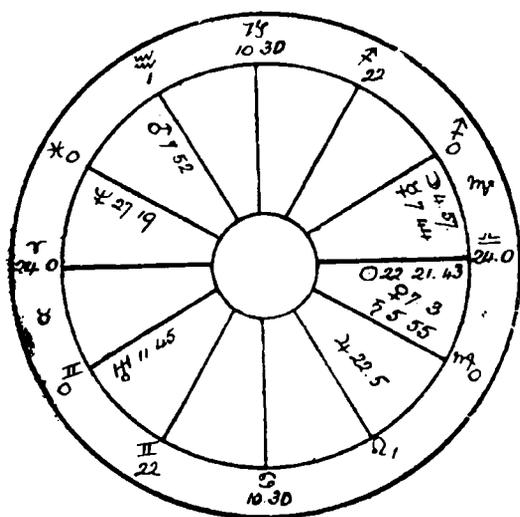
The sextile of the Moon to the Sun and Saturn in December of this year and January of next presignify some important gains, but it must not be forgotten that Mars is then stationary on Saturn and the Sun, and transiting the place of the solar eclipse of August, 1914. The early summer of 1916 is favourable for naval successes, but the fall of the year points to diplomatic blunders, the Moon being in square to Mercury and Jupiter. The end of May is favourable, Jupiter being then over the progressed Ascendant, while in December this planet will fall stationary exactly on that point, denoting gains and honours.

The Sun is also in parallel with the progressed Venus, which is further indication of successes.

On the other hand it must not be forgotten that the recent conjunction of Mars and Saturn fell close to his descendant, denoting many obstacles, and heavy warlike measures, and that Saturn falls stationary on the descendant, and crosses it again in June of 1916.

By converse direction the M.C. has reached Virgo, 21.18, and in two years' time will meet the trine of Mars, and sextile of Venus, but the Ascendant is in square to Saturn, having progressed to Scorpio, 29.32, and coming to the square of the Sun.

The prenatal epoch of the President took place on November 28th, 1859, at 3h. 27m. 29s. a.m. with Mars exactly on the Ascendant, in sextile to Venus and Mercury in the



20.38 in square to Mars rising, and square to Venus setting.

The map appended is that of the progressed horoscope for the year 1916, calculated for June 7th, the planets' places being equal to October 15th, 1860 (see pages 84-85, February, 1911, Vol. IV.).

The Sun has now separated from the squares of Mars and Venus and the conjunction of the Moon, and the Ascendant from the squares of the two planets and the opposition of the Moon, directions which were exact at the outbreak of the war. The Sun is now in sextile with the progressed Jupiter, and Mercury is in exact square with

third, and Saturn on the cusp of the eleventh, but in square to Jupiter on the meridian, and the Moon in the third. At the time of the outbreak of the war we find the Moon conjoined with the radical Mars, and Mars in square to Saturn. The Sun meets the trine of Uranus in 1917-18, and Mercury is conjoined with the radical Moon in 1916. By converse direction the Sun is again in

trine with Uranus, and conjoined with Venus, all typical of ultimate success.

A summary of these influences lead us to infer that though many serious struggles are shown, with probable reverses, success will come as sure as the Sun shines, and that the culminating point of the great struggle is the fall of 1917, and the end in the year following.

The Horoscope of London.

THANKS to the friendly assistance of some of my readers I am getting appreciably nearer to a conclusion with regard to the horoscope of the British Capital. From information received I find that a definite Charter was granted to the City of London by King Henry I. the day following his proclamation. This Charter (according to Law and Pulling's English History), "marked an important step in the development of local self-government." In "England under the Normans and Saxons," by H. W. C. Davis, it is stated that "on August 2nd; 1100, Rufus fell in the New Forest. . . . Henry being one of his hunting party, though not a witness of the accident, was the first to hear of it. . . . He at once hastened to Westminster to put forward his claims . . . and on the following day was elected King." We may, therefore, conclude that Henry reached London some time on August 3rd, and his case was heard by several members of the Council, including the Earl of Warwick, to whose influence his election was mainly due, others of the Council taking the side of Robert, who was then absent from the country. Two days later, we are told, he was crowned at Westminster. This would give us the date of August 5th for the Coronation. The date of the Coronation being established, we now look for the date of the Charter. Davis says that this was issued within a day or two of the Coronation, and ordered to be read to the people in every shire court of the kingdom. This would give August 7th as

nearly as one can judge, for the issue of the Charter of London. This horoscope would give Leo 22 on the Midheaven, with the Moon in Leo 19, the Sun in Leo 23, Mercury in Leo 26, Venus in Virgo 17, Saturn in Libra 24, Mars rising in Scorpio 23, Uranus setting in Taurus 15, Jupiter in Cancer 10, Scorpio 8 rising.

This horoscope, although pertinent to the fortunes of London in many respects, does not appear to be altogether conclusive. The meridian position of the luminaries in the regal sign Leo appears suitable to the Capital. The rising position of Mars in its own sign renders it a redoubtable citadel, and Jupiter ruler of the second on the cusp of the ninth house in the maritime sign Cancer, looks favourable to an important seaport of the world. But the horoscope does not appear to answer to the chief events of history, such as the sacking of London, and the change of Government effected by Cromwell, nor to the Great Plague and Fire of the City. The question in my mind is whether this Charter was not later enlarged and remodelled in 1154 by Henry II. At all events it appears quite conclusive that this is not the horoscope employed by Saunders, which apparently has Aquarius on the Midheaven and Gemini 18 rising, with the Moon in the Midheaven. This horoscope is worth finding, and I shall, therefore, have another search for it among the archives, and calculate anew for an appropriate date in that year, or 1155, whichever it may prove to be.

The Point of Karma.

II.—The Bridge of Consciousness.

By EDITH F. A. U. PAINTON.

DO not present this study as "something new and entirely different," nor give it the sensational introduction of something original and startling. It is too obvious to be either, yet too interesting and practical to be ignored by one really desirous of fathoming the depths of the point of Karma in the individual or national horoscope.

In these four natal charts, E represents the point of conception—*i.e.*, the position of the Sun at the moment of conception, as determined from the pre-natal figure—while B represents the position of the Sun at birth.

minutes of Sagittarius. Thus, in this, the bridge requires 23 degrees, 56 minutes of Aquarius, 30 degrees of Capricorn, and 29 degrees, 52 minutes of Sagittarius, covering entirely the eleventh and twelfth houses, with a portion of the first and tenth, with Jupiter and Mercury therein.

In Chart II. there are more signs to be worked out, as the bridge between the point of conception (18 degrees, 34 minutes of Aquarius), and the point of birth (22 degrees, 54 minutes of Scorpio) requires 7 degrees, 6 minutes of Scorpio, 30 degrees of Sagittarius, 30 degrees of Capricorn, and 20 degrees

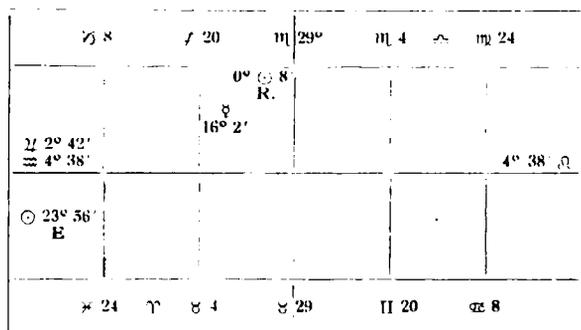


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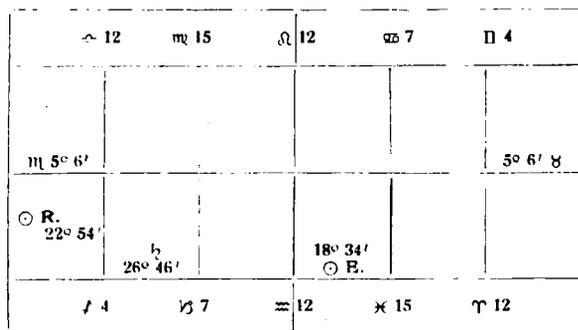


CHART No. II.

The nine months of gestation, from E, around the circle to R, represent the nine months in the womb, wherein the foetus has received through the mother the influence of the Sun in those particular nine signs. In other words, they represent the nine months' initiation of the soul in the dark world of transition, before being ushered into the light of physical expression. From R to E, then, we find the lapse of time which the soul has to bridge in this life, the three unexplored months, the three signs to be developed in this present incarnation in order to accomplish the Great Work and achieve Immortality.

In Chart I. the Sun, at the time of conception, was in 23 degrees 56 minutes of Aquarius, and at birth in 0 degrees 8

of Aquarius to span the gulf, covering the second and third houses, with portions of the first and fourth, with Saturn, retrograde in second, and the Dragon's tail in third, as the only influences to overcome.

In Chart III. the approximate position of the Sun at conception was 15 degrees, 33 minutes in Sagittarius, while the Sun at birth was 15 degrees, 6 minutes in Virgo, making the bridge include 14 degrees, 54 minutes of Virgo, 30 degrees each of Libra and Scorpio, with 15 degrees, 33 minutes of Sagittarius, involving the eighth and ninth houses, with half each of the seventh and tenth, and four planets to harmonise. The interception in the eighth house (Venus in Libra) indicates the principal focal point of Karma, the mission of the native in the present incarna-

tion being to balance, through the higher and positive aspects of Venus, the forces of life and death, occultism, and mystic power. (The native of this horoscope is a celebrated occultist, alchemist, biochemist, and esoteric student of the vital principles of regeneration).

In Chart IV., while the bridge covers four signs, and portions of four houses, there is not a single planet to face.

It is interesting to study this bridge, as it is brought forth in the various individual charts, and made to "prove up" by accumulated evidence the truth of its significance. In some cases it involves but three signs,

3rd.—Some special work for the accomplishment of which the incarnation was undertaken.

4th.—The parts of the *body* requiring special development, as well as the attributes of the soul needing particular attention. Biochemists tell us that the particular cell-salts represented by these "bridge-signs" are lacking in the physical man, and should be supplied in the endeavour to fully furnish the Temple for the indwelling of the High Priest.

5th.—The mundane houses of the horoscope, with all their affairs, as well as the influences of any planets posited there.

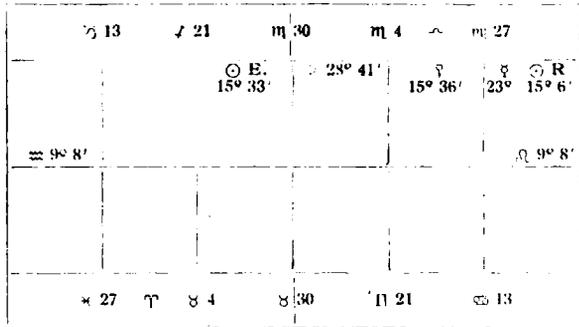


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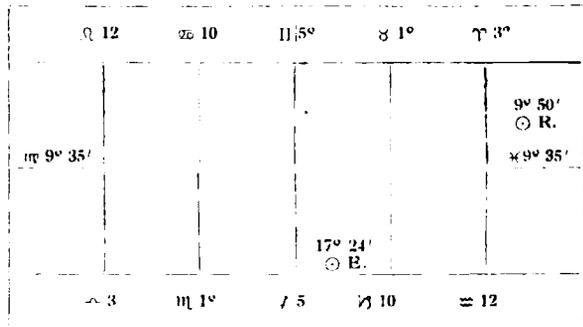


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in others four signs, but only three houses, in others four signs and four houses, while some have almost every one of the nine planets, together with the Nodes, included in the brief span of the circle that is covered by this bridge. I did not choose these particular four because they were of any more interest than the average, but because they presented the greatest variety of any four just now conveniently at hand, as well as seeming to dovetail, one with the other and present an almost unbroken circuit around the Wheel of Destiny, each seeming to take up the work where the other laid it down.

Now, just what does this bridge signify?

1st.—Powers lacking in the soul, which this incarnation is intended to assist in developing.

2nd.—Karma of the past, coming to fruition during the present, and symbolised by the Sun's progression by secondary motion after birth.

6th.—The birth-sign of those particular people with whom we will find most difficulty in harmonising, and whose association will be most essential for us, in order that we may make the greater growth.

7th.—As the first three months after a child comes into the light are the weakest and most inefficient of life, so those particular periods of the Sun's passing will be the weakest periods of every year, and will need to be most carefully guarded from disease, and protected from accident. The Moon's transit through these houses will also be productive of vital effects.

Somewhere, Alan Leo has written of this bridge: "While the Sun has passed through three-quarters of the zodiac, the Moon will have travelled the whole circle about ten times, but no lunation has fallen in the three signs untraversed by the Sun. The Ascendant will have swept around the circle about two hundred and eighty times, but not once will the Sun have risen in the three

uncompleted signs. The *present* condition of the soul will be represented by the solar position at birth; the *past*, by the motion of the Sun before birth; and the *future* by this same motion continued afterwards."

The great problem of life, then, for each

individual is *how* to span this bridge, and thus complete the circle of perfection, and escape the danger of oblivion, and drowning in the fathomless sea of Mortality.

To bridge this is to complete the Circle of Immortal Progression.

Twins.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER II.

SOME ASTRO-PHYSIOLOGICAL FACTS.

Now I am not going to weary my readers with any long dissertation on the technical points connected with the procreation of twins, but will go straight to the point with a few simple statements and illustrations of the facts I wish to present.

Twins may be divided into two classes, viz. : 1. Con-ovate or mon-ovate. 2. Bi-ovate.

Con-ovate twins are those born from a double ova, and probably from a single act of generation. Everyone has seen a nut with two kernels, and an egg with two yolks. Each of these is endowed with the power of generation. Bi-ovate twins are those born from separate ova, and from two distinct acts of generation.

Now it has been stated that the last born of twins is generally the first conceived, the push of the first conceived and mature foetus effecting the apparently premature birth of the later conception, whose extrusion has to be brought about in order to make way for the mature birth.

This point considered in the light of the family system current in the Decan, in India, is very important, as it is acknowledged in the recognition of the *last* born of twins as the elder of the two. "Not only does the second born of twins become the head of the family, but he has the custody of the joint income and estate of the whole family, and has chief control in the subsequent marriages of other members of the same *ashram* or domestic circle. To him descends the prerogative of Guru or spiritual teacher of the family, and the *mantram* or sacred word

is breathed into his ear on the moment of his father's death. Other privileges of equal magnitude are his by right of primogeniture. In the West it is quite otherwise. He who first sees the daylight is the elder of a twin, and in the case of an entail, succeeds to the whole of the family estate." (Sephariel, "Modern Astrology," vol. 12, page 27).

In the case of bi-ovate twins, those produced from separate ova, from distinct acts of generation, it may always be allowed that the last born is the first conceived, and that the first born is premature, its extrusion being necessary in order to allow for the birth of the mature foetus.

Again, to quote from Sephariel, in the case of bi-ovate twins, there is always one case in which the epoch is out of relations with the birth. That is to say, the horoscope of birth does not portend the life experience. The birth has been forced by the more advanced development of the prior conception. The last conceived may be first born, or in other words, may be thrust into physical life, at a time when the heavens are out of relation with the individual character.

Now this is the point of interest which it is my intention to demonstrate by an appeal to facts. It has been stated that the horoscope alone shows the life and destiny. My claim is that in the cases of twins one of the children is born out of time, as it were, and that the horoscope does not and cannot foreshadow either the character or predispositions, or the future life. I propose to illustrate this point by authentic cases taken from my collection, especially dealing with those cases where one of the twins has died, and showing the cause and reason of such.

Astrology Reviewed.

I AM disposed to classify astrologers in three main groups—fatalists, casuists, and idealists—according to the various views they take of the nature and purport of astrology. The Fatalists believe, or profess to believe, that there is a planetary configuration and an event which attends it. They admit no possible intervention, amelioration, or extenuation. *Che sarà sarà*, and that is the end of the matter. They argue a certain necessity of connection between character and environment as we find it, and planetary positions at the moment of birth. As regards “directions,” all of which are formed within a few hours of the birth, they speak of them as “seeds sown” in the plastic soil of the human soul which spring up and bear fruit at the appointed time, as measured by the arc of direction. They are born when they are born by necessity of universal law, and they die when they die because fatal arcs of direction are then in force.

They speak of laws of Nature as if they were dynamic forces against which mankind cannot possibly contend. They forget that laws are only mental concepts induced upon our minds by an apprehension of the correlated successiveness of events, and that what we know about natural laws is an infinitesimal part of the possibly knowable. They speak of the bodies of this microscopic solar system of ours as if they were the be-all and end-all of existence. They forget that the continuity of matter is a fact only on the material plane, and that there are forces of an immaterial nature which transcend both matter and what we call the laws of material existence. The moral law is an illustration of this. It is spiritual in its origin and spiritual in its effects. If astrology teaches fatalism, its use is at an end, and it becomes a suicidal science, since there is no object in knowing that which must inevitably take place. It would reduce man to an automaton, divested of all moral responsibility.

The Casuists are those astrologers who

accommodate their facts and figures to popular concepts by a discreet use of a *mélange* of spurious philosophy. They for ever quote the effete adage: “The wise man rules his stars, the fool obeys them”; and that other which says: “The stars incline but do not compel.” They put a premium upon the wisdom of experience and the will-power of a purposeful character, and promptly consign a man to destruction by telling him that his horoscope indicates he has neither one nor the other. They do not suggest to him that astrology, properly conceived and applied, is in itself the very concrete of experience, nor that the will-to-be and the will-to-do are functions of the human soul which rise superior to all circumstance, outlasting life.

The Idealists are those among astrologers who regard the intelligible universe as the expression of a Supreme Intelligence, who regard the planetary combinations merely as symbols, knowing that the causes of all effects are within themselves, the cognisers of all experience. They regard the “signs of the times” as the driver of a locomotive regards the signals, not as “causes” of disaster, but as warnings against it, an open book to those who can read the signals, but of no value to those who cannot. They look upon the science of astrology as a wireless operator looks upon his code-book, merely as a means of interpreting the signals—a science evolved by man for the service of man.

My own view of the matter is that there is something to say for the materialist side of the question, and a great deal more for the idealistic. There is not the shadow of doubt in my own mind as to the material fact of the interaction of the planetary bodies, nor as to the fact that this interaction is registered by an intervening body of the system only at certain angles. The Platonic dictum that “God geometrises” is nowhere better illustrated than in the law governing the interaction of bodies belonging to the same system. The physical effects of the syzygies, and

especially of ecliptic conjunctions of the luminaries, are immediately appreciable. The law of the tides is a concrete example of the fact of interplanetary action. We cannot deny the dynamic effects of planetary action on the material plane, and we have every reason for including in this category the human organism, compounded as it is of cosmic elements, and in direct physical relations with a material environment. But that does not warrant us in extending our views to include the action of physical bodies upon the immaterial part of us, *the only part of us that is essential and distinctively human*. The only thing that can directly affect the soul of man is the soul of another human being. There is continuity of action upon all planes of existence, because there is a continuity of matter upon all planes, but we have no grounds for extending the range of action from one plane to another plane, except it be by mediation or agency. Else we could say that a good soul must be possessed of a sound body, a beautiful soul of a comely body, and that our moral principles are derived from what we eat and drink—instead of which, what we eat and drink depends on our moral principles. There is sound philosophy in the words of Tennyson when he says that "Soul to soul strikes through a finer element of its own." It is capable of acting mediately through the physical body or immediately through its own essential being. These views will doubtless alter our viewpoint in regard to much that hitherto has been regarded as fundamental to a belief in astrology. The effort to accommodate the facts of astrology to the materialistic science of a generation ago has tended to this issue. Without in any way disposing of astrology as a physical science, it is high time that we learned to interpret the facts of that science in the light of the higher spiritual teaching to which we have access. Otherwise we shall debase the science and enslave our own souls. In such case it were better that our astrology had never been written. As a physical science, astrology has an immense future before it; but as a fatalistic creed it is not worth an hour's study.—SEPHARIAL.

Astronomical Phenomena

NOVEMBER, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	7th	...	7h. 52m. morn.
First Quarter,	13th	...	11h. 3m. after.
Full Moon,	21st	...	5h. 36m. after.
Last Quarter,	29th	...	10h. 10m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Scorpio, enters Sagittarius on 23rd at 9.14 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Libra, enters Scorpio on the 11th.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Scorpio, enters Sagittarius on the 8th; visible in the S.W. soon after sunset.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Leo.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Pisces, favourably placed for observation.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- D. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	... 17, 18	Libra	... 4, 5
Taurus	...19, 20, 21	Scorpio	... 6, 7
Gemini	... 22, 23	Sagittarius	8, 9
Cancer	...24, 25, 26	Capricorn	10, 11
Leo	... 1, 27, 28	Aquarius	...12, 13, 14
Virgo	...2, 3, 29, 30	Pisces	... 15, 16

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with stormy weather, changeable and unsettled, followed by cold and rain 9th, gales 10th, 11th, finer 12th, change 13th, unsettled to 16th, finer 19th, then turning cold 24th, variable end of month.

The Kaiser : A Study.

By "STELLARIUS."

THE Kaiser! Who can delineate his horoscope? He is easily the foremost figure in the World to-day, the representative of feudalism in the heart of the Twentieth Century. One of the few remaining believers in the doctrine of the Divine Right of Kings, he clings to the idea that he is the chosen instrument of God, destined to lead the German nation to achieve their ambition of Deutschland über alles.

Judged either from a mental, physical, or psychological standpoint, the Kaiser is certainly no ordinary mortal. Those who know him best say that he gives the impression of enormous energy and mental alertness. He is a man of moods and impulses, astonishingly restless, and versatile with a temperament of high nervous force.

From the physiological point of view the Kaiser may be referred to as a cracked vessel. To begin with, he only has the use of one hand—his right one. The paralysis of his left arm and hand dates from his birth. The German people have repeatedly been alarmed by the news of operations performed upon their Kaiser. In November, 1903, they were startled by the official announcement that he had undergone an operation for polypus of the larynx. Apropos of this operation, *The Lancet* remarked: "The feeling of every medical man on reading that in a man of 45 years of age, whose father died from cancer of the larynx, and whose mother succumbed to cancer, a laryngeal polypus had been discovered and removed, was naturally one of uneasiness." The growth, however, ultimately turned out to be non-malignant.

The Emperor's health has never been quite normal, even at its best. He has always been particularly sensitive to weather changes, and probably no living monarch has spent so much of his time indoors suffering from rheumatism and colds. Worry has always had a bad effect on his health.

Can astrology throw any light on the personality of this extraordinary individual? Let us see.

The outstanding features of the horoscope are the conjunction of Mars and Neptune in the Midheaven, the oppositions from fixed signs of the Sun and Saturn, and the Moon and Uranus. The evil of the opposition of Sun and Saturn is much lessened, due to the fact that these planets are in mutual reception, but that between the Moon (ruler) and Uranus I consider a fatalistic position indicating some tragic event affecting the Kaiser and his children (fifth house influence). It is well-known that the relations existing between the Kaiser and the Crown Prince have for some time been far from harmonious. A paragraph recently appeared in the *Nouvelle Revue* to the effect that the old quarrels between the two had been revived, and it is whispered everywhere that the Crown Prince has been a cruel disappointment to his father, who considers him absolutely incapable of taking his place on the throne.

To the opposition of Uranus and the Moon may be attributed much of the Kaiser's bad health. In such a position the effect of Uranus would be to impede the normal working of the system. Note its significance in Taurus, almost entering Gemini, accounting for the polypus growth in the throat, and probably also for the paralysed left arm and hands.

The close trine of Jupiter with the Sun gives authority to the statement of one of our leading journalists that the Kaiser did not want the war, and gave his voice against it, but was over-ruled by the Crown Prince, and the strong support he had gained for himself. It is said on high authority that after signing the declaration of war against Russia the Kaiser threw the pen across the table and said to the soldiers around him "Gentlemen, you will live to regret this."

The critical point in the horoscope I consider to be the conjunction of Mars and

Neptune in the Midheaven. This conjunction signifies infinite expansion of the personality. It is found in the horoscopes of Napoleon and Phillip II. of Spain, who sent the Great Armada against England. To its influence may be attributed the Kaiser's colossal egotism and his belief in the Divine Right of Kings. Neptune is related to the democracy, and the democracy of his own country will play a prominent part in his ultimate undoing.

The Kaiser is under unfavourable influences during the Autumn of each year from now onward to 1917. In the Autumn of 1917 he comes under a powerful combination of adverse aspects and transits, and this period will prove to be a fateful one for him. The loss of his kingdom is indicated, and eighth house afflictions are very powerful.

With regard to the War, I came to the conclusion at the outbreak of hostilities that it would be a long one, and in some notes which I contributed to the April issue of *The Superman*. I fixed the signing of peace for the Autumn of 1917. In six months from now Germany will, I think, be definitely beaten from a military standpoint. Internal troubles in that country are likely to follow, and before peace terms can be settled prolonged and difficult negotiations and arbitration will be necessary.

1917 I judge will be a truly psychological year, during which radical changes in the Governments of several countries will take place. So far as these changes of Government are concerned England appears to be more or less in the position of an on-looker.

On Names.

SOME Biblical and Hebrew students have made an interesting suggestion that the ten Patriarchal names may embody a prophecy and outline of the Gospel. In an American periodical they are explained thus:—

Adam (man), Seth (substituted by), Enos (feeble, mortal), Cainan (mourner), Mahalabel (the blessed God), Jared (came down), Enoch (consecrated), Methusaleh (by his death sent), Lamech (to the oppressed ones), Noah (comfort).

Read consecutively, the sentence runs: Man substituted by (or having become) a feeble, mortal mourner, the blessed God came down, consecrated, to send by His death, to the oppressed ones, comfort.

Here we have not only the Gospel, but also the cardinal doctrines of Christianity:—

1. Man made a feeble, mortal mourner. Result of the *Fall*.

2. The blessed God came down. The *Incarnation*.

3. Consecrated, to send by His death, to the oppressed ones, comfort, by *His vicarious Death and Redemption*.

It is only right to add that *all* Hebrew scholars do not ratify this interpretation, as the meaning of some of the names cannot be ascertained with absolute certainty.

The name received in Holy Baptism is always called the "Christian name," for it is given in the name of Christ, and is a constant memorial to us that we are baptised into Christ, the Anointed One and the Anointer, whose will it is that we, the children of God, should partake of His anointing, by the gift of the Holy Ghost. Each Christian name should show forth some grace of Christ, some gift of the Spirit.

Hence, if we are not true to our name, our name will enhance our condemnation. To address one who may be suffering some abnormal spiritual excitement, by his Christian name, is occasionally found useful to calm his spirit, for it carries with it *spiritual power*, inasmuch as that name, in the solemn Baptismal formula, was brought into close contact with that of the Holy Trinity.—From "*Baptismon Didaché*," by *Philaletheos*.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER VIII. (continued).

Directions of the Ascendant are more complicated, and require a little more attention. To perform these the following factors are required:—

1. Longitude of aspect.
2. R.A. of the aspect (see page 28, vol. viii.).
3. Declination of aspect (p. 28, vol. viii.).
4. Asc. diff. of the aspect (see page 29-30, vol. viii.).
5. Oblique Asc. of Ascndt. (R.A.M.C. + 90°).

The R.A. of the aspect is taken without latitude, and the oblique ascension of the Ascendant is always found by adding 90° to the R.A.M.C. In the example horoscope it will be 353° 48', and will be the same for all aspects. The rules are all given in the pages of last volume named above.

The direction Asc. Δ ♁ zod. d. is taken as the first example. The planet is in Ω 24.45, the trine aspect falls in Υ 24.45; the R.A. of this point is 22.55, the declination is found by the rule on page 28 of the November, 1914, JOURNAL.

Log. sine 23.27	...	9.599827
Log. sine 24.45 from Υ		9.621861

Log. sine 9.35	...	9.221688
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The ascensional difference is computed according to the rule on page 29.

Log. tan Declin. 9° 35'	...	9.227471
" " Latitude of birthplace 51° 16'		10.095768

Log. sine 12° 9'	...	9.323239
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Having obtained these particulars the rule is as follows: Oblique ascension of aspect—oblique ascension of Ascendant = arc of direction. Particular attention is required in finding the oblique ascension of the aspect. The following should be carefully observed:

1. If the R.A. is less than 180, subtract the asc. diff. from the R.A. of the aspect.
2. If the R.A. is more than 180° add the asc. diff. to the R.A. of the aspect.

3. The result in each case is the oblique ascension of the aspect.

In the example chosen the R.A. is less than 180°, so the procedure is as follows:—

R.A. of aspect	...	22.55
Less asc. diff.		12. 9

Obl. asc. of aspect	...	10.46
Add the circle		360

		370.46
Less obl. asc. of ascendt.		353.48

Arc. of direction	...	16.58
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The reason for adding the 360° is explained on page 29 of last volume.

The direction of Asc. par Moon zod. d. is computed as follows:—The declination of the Moon is 19° 17', and by the tables the longitude which has this declination is 8 26.5.

By calculation this longitude is found as follows. Log. sine declination minus log. sine 23° 27 = log. sine long. from Aries or Libra. Thus:—

Log. sine 19.17	...	9.518829
" " 23.27		9.599827

" " 56.5	...	9.919002
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This is 56° 5' from Aries, which equal 26° 5' of Taurus, as stated.

The R.A. of this point is 53.45. The ascensional difference is 25.51. The following is therefore obtained:—

R.A. of place of aspects	...	53.45
Less asc. diff.		25.51

Obl. asc. of aspect	...	27.54
Add		360. 0

		387.54
Less obl. asc. of Ascndt.		353.48

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This is the arc of direction, asc. par D zod. d. The following illustration of a converse direction, Ascndt. \square ♁ zod. con. will suffice

to complete this section of zodiacal directions. Mars being in 0° 1' m, the square aspect falls in 0° 1' z, the R.A. of which is 302° 12'.

The declination of this point is 20° 9', and the ascensional difference 27.13.

The following tabulation is therefore obtained:—

R.A. of place of aspect	...	302.12
Add asc. diff.	...	27.13
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Obl. asc. of aspect	...	329.29

Obl. asc. of Ascendant	...	353.48
Less obl. asc. of aspect	...	329.29
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Arc. of direction ... 24.19

The ascensional difference is added in this instance, because the R.A. is more than 180°.

All aspects which fall in the first to sixth houses inclusive are *direct* directions, those which fall in the seventh to twelfth inclusive are *converse*.

(To be continued).

The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

(Continued from page 17.)

Prof. Bartholet in his book "Transmigration of the Soul," writes:

"In 1777 Lessing wrote, 'that man may have more than five senses.' His idea was 'The soul is a simple form of existence, capable of an infinite number of impressions. But it is also a finite being. Hence these infinite impressions are only experienced gradually in infinite course of time. The order and proportion in which these impressions are slowly acquired are due to the senses. But the five senses which we use at present are not primordial. Nature never progresses by leaps and bounds; therefore the soul must have passed through all stages inferior to that on which it now finds itself. It is therefore probable that man passed through a former life with fewer senses, and that he has traversed stages of existence marked by varying combinations of senses. The idea is combined with the further idea that every particle of matter can be useful to the soul in the development of a sense, and Lessing is thus led to assume that additional senses must be possible: as for instance, the sense of sight responds to light, so special senses could and certainly will respond to electrical and magnetic stimulus, and will inform us directly whether bodies are electrified or magnetised, which information can now be gained only by means of special research. A new world of the most marvellous phenomena will then be open to us, of which we can now conceive no more than early opticians knew of light and colour.'"

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"Schopenhauer's references to the subject are certainly favourable. 'The myth of the transmigration of souls,' he says, 'has this great advantage, that it contains no elements except those which lie before our eyes in the sphere of actuality, so that it is able in consequence to provide ocular proof of its conceptions.' Schopenhauer has been included by some critics among the professed adherents of this belief. Consider, for instance, the passage in his "Parerga and Paralipomena:" "Continually as the pieces played and the masks worn upon the stage of the world may change, yet the players remain the same throughout. We sit in company and talk and grow excited: eyes

light up and voices ring clearer; but so did others sit a thousand years ago; they and the scene were the same, and so shall it be a thousand years hence. The mechanism which prevents our realisation of this fact is time.' And again, he writes of 'the transference of the so-called soul in its totality to another body.' But Schopenhauer supported palingenesis, for he speaks of 'the decomposition and reconstruction of a personality, in which process the will alone persists, assumes the form of a new organism, and receives a new intellect.' And in his work 'The World as Will and Idea,' where he writes of the mysterious connection between the death of an individual and the birth of a new personality, as shown by the fact that the more individuals die the more are born, he says: 'Every new-born being enters its new existence joyously and enjoys it as a gift; but there is and can be no gift in question. His new life is bought by the age and death of an organism that has lived its span, but continues the indestructible germ from which new life springs. The old and the new are one being. To show the link connecting them would be to solve a very difficult problem.' How impossible it was to solve this problem by a direct appeal to metempsychosis must be plain to everyone who has grasped the fundamental principle that Nature is careful of the type and not of the individual, and that her chief endeavour is the maintenance of the species."

These last remarks of Prof. Bartholet, of course, come from one who is opposed, both to the idea of metempsychosis and also rebirth; and has no direct proof or scientific foundation, as it is merely assumptive—peculiar to all schools with materialistic tendencies. The soul of Schopenhauer was more capable of discovering an irrational position in philosophy than Prof. Bartholet gives him credit for. Pursuing this enquiry into the repetition of thought through the ages, the idea of reincarnation is found in the

poem Hölderin to Diotima, the poet thus singing :—

Diotima! Noble being!
Mine by kinship's holy tie,
Sister ere my hand I give thee,
Long, I knew thee lovingly.

Coming to our own time, and apart from Madame Blavatsky and Annie Besant, and all the rest of the members of the Theosophic school who have written much upon this subject, in Dr. C. J. Whitby's work "Makers of Man," it is found an acknowledgement of the rational position of reincarnation as the philosophy of life. On page 102 this learned writer says :—

"Confusion also rises from our habit of regarding such highly specialised and complex mental products as music, mathematics, painting, science, as perennial pre-existent institutions, to which, thus regarded, it appears well nigh miraculous that human beings are born so pre-adapted that they take to them with the same instinctive confidence and success as a duckling to the water. How singular that when square, oval, and round pegs appear square, oval, and round holes are found ready to receive them.' This is only partly true for observers of life know that in many cases this does not exist; square pegs where round or oval ones ought to be, and so on. Dr. Whitby goes on to say :—'No wonder that our good friends the theosophists, when an infant prodigy exhibits his ready-made technique in the mastery of the violin or pianoforte, exclaim with confidence that here is one more proof of the reality of re-incarnation. A "musical entity," a soul deliberately self-destined to virtuosity, has entered, and at once dominates its living instrument, the little organism of the prodigy in question. How delightfully simple and — how naive. Believe it if you will —. I know nothing conclusive to the contrary."

The last sentence is a great admission coming from one of the school to which Dr. Whitby belongs, who believes that genius and all wondrous manifestations in the scheme of human nature can be accounted for by heredity; for the author of the "Makers of Man" advises "do not fail to investigate the family record of your prodigy." Yet this writer is found saying on page 2 of his work that :—

"From the point of view of psychology, a new born infant may be regarded as a specific embodiment of the organised experience of the race."

and further on page 8 :—

"Life is a torch that is never extinguished, but is handed on from one generation to another, with all its established potencies intact. They smoulder quiescent in the gametes, but infallibly revive in the developed organism to which these give birth. So regarded, instincts are clearly no free gift of nature. They are dearly won adaptations, hard bought victories of life over its environment; and it is one and the same life that wins and that wears the crown."

If this be not Theosophy, it is very near it; and despite the fact that this author considers the reincarnational view of life not sufficient in its exposition of the problem, he is unconsciously voicing the teachings of the school which advocates the truth of the philosophy of reincarnation. Again on page 9 is to be read :—

"And in dealing with human individuality it is to be noted that some quite inconspicuous but deep-seated quality, of remote and obscure origin, may quite well be, in any given case, the little leaven that leavens the whole lump. Hence, in part, the apparently paradoxical results often attained by consideration of the recent family history of remarkable personalities. Beyond all available human records, beyond all human ancestry, beyond the pre-human mammalian and sub-mammalian stock, beyond the primeval monocellular starting-point, even to the ground-work of inorganic nature, we must pass for our ideal completion of the sum of inborn mental and physical characteristics. There the manifestation of the contemporary human career has its dawn; there the ego begins its æonic march towards the fulness of predestined activity."

Now statements like these do not go to prove that the writer is a believer in reincarnation; but show that there is a recurrence of thought, a repetition of ideas from age to age; for the teaching is theosophic and the thought reincarnational.

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Birthday Influences during November.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ☐ ♀, * ♃. A good year for business or employment, some grief or disappointment. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, but somewhat careless; fairly successful.

2. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, * ☉. Another good year for business, with changes and financial gains, little annoyances. A child born will be clever, popular, kind, and successful in life.

3. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, * ♃, ♀, — ♄ ♃. A variable year, social gains and benefits in business, but financial losses, and many little annoyances. A child born will be steady, kind, faithful, and affectionate, but extravagant and erratic; will be fairly lucky in life.

4. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, * ♃. A changeable year, many little upsets and annoyances, but changes, journeys, and gains. A child born will be rash, hasty, and excitable, but clever, intelligent, of good judgment and generally successful.

5. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, Δ ♃, * ♄, ☐ ♃. An evil year, reversals and indisposition, many troubles, some changes, and benefits in business. A child born will be clever, active, intelligent, inventive, but will have many troubles in life, reversals, and will not be successful.

6. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ☐ ♃. An unsettled year, many worries, danger of accidents and annoyances. A child born will be hasty and erratic, impressionable and unreliable, and will not make much headway in life.

7. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ☐ ♃, * ♄, — Δ ♃ ♃. An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes, reversals and unfavourable changes in life. A child born will be rash, hasty, revengeful, often involved in serious troubles, and very unfortunate in life through his own lack of self-control, but will gain through friends and elders.

8. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, Δ ♃, ☐ ♀. A good year for courtship or marriage, some little benefits. A child born will be artistic, musical, with a love of fine arts, and be fairly lucky.

9. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, * ♃, ☐ ♃, Δ ♃. A changeable year, changes, journeys, new work, some losses and disputes. A child born will be active, energetic, inventive, but extravagant, and fairly fortunate in life.

10. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, * ♃, ☐ ♃. A dangerous year, a tendency to accidents and disputes, some benefits in employ. A child born will be rash, hasty, liable to accidents and quarrels, clever, but not fortunate.

11. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, * ☉, ♄ ♃, * ♃. A good year for business, with

success, but danger of indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be kind, popular, generous, fairly lucky, but will have many difficulties to face.

12. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♃, * ♀, ☐ ♃. A variable year, important gains, danger of accident or dispute, many little annoyances, and some minor benefits. A child born will be rash, hasty, generous and kind, have a hatred of control, have many ups and downs in life, but be fairly successful.

13. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn) ♃ in ♏, ☐ ♃, ☐ ♃, ♄ ♃. A very evil year, danger of accidents, disputes and many annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, proud, often involved in serious troubles, and most unfortunate in life.

14. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏. An active year for business, with some disappointments. A child born will be clever, and intelligent, but careless. Will be successful in employ.

15. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, Δ ♃, ☐ ♀ Δ ♃. A good year for business, with changes and promotion, some disappointments. A child born will be clever, kind, generous and reliable, but careless and untidy, generally successful in life.

16. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, Δ ♃, ☐ ♃. A successful year, financial gains, business success. A child born will be kind, popular, generous, and very fortunate.

17. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, Δ ♃, * ♃, Δ ♃. A generally good year, social and financial gains, changes and journeys, many annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty and proud, but kind, popular, generous and fairly successful.

18. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, ☐ ♃, Δ ♃. An active year with changes, but some indisposition. A child born will be active, energetic, but weak-willed and diffident, and will have many troubles to contend against.

19. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, ☐ ♃. An evil year, many annoyances, troubles, losses, and deception. A child born will be rash, hasty, deceptive, unreliable and erratic, and very unlucky in life.

20. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ☐ ♃, ♄ ♃, * ♃ ♃. A variable year, unfavourable changes, worry, scandal, some changes and benefits in employ, but indisposition. A child born will be erratic, bad-tempered, indolent, but will have good friends, and will gain in the employ of others.

21. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♃, ☐ ♃. An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes, loss of work, but some little benefits through friends. A child born will be rash, hasty, proud and domineering, will be very unsuccessful in life.

22. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♀, * ♀, Δ ♃. A changeable year, journeys, changes and removals. A child born will be clever, original and inventive, and fairly successful.

23. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♀, □ ♃, * ♃, ♀ ♀. An evil year, losses, disappointments, many worries and annoyances, some changes. A child born will be active, but vain, foppish, and extravagant, and will lose many opportunities for progress.

24. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ☿. A year of many little worries and annoyances, some indisposition. A child born will be erratic, diffident, and not successful in life.

25. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃. ♃ ♃, Δ ♃. A variable year, danger of indisposition or bereavement, but changes, social and financial gains, and new friends. A child born will be kind, affectionate, impressionable, but will have many difficulties to face.

26. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♃. A changeable year, good for business, with benefits therein, but danger of indisposition. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, but will have many obstacles to meet in life.

27. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄. Δ ☉, ♃ ♀, ♀ ♃. A very unsettled year, some business gains, but worries, annoyances, danger of reversals. A child born will be popular, clever, studious, but erratic and unreliable, and will gain best in employ.

28. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♃ ♃. An evil year, danger of accidents, disputes and annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, and quarrelsome, very unsuccessful.

29. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, □ ☉, ♀ — Δ ♀. A wearisome year, losses in business, annoyances, and indisposition. A child born will be erratic, have a hatred of control, be proud and very unsuccessful in business.

30. TUESDAY (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♀ ♃. Some gains in business, but losses financially are shown. A child born will be steady and reliable, but extravagant and unfortunate in money matters.

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DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	22 ♄ 51	A good day for business and correspondence. Avoid females.
2	5 ♃ 30	Travel, push business, seek work, ask favours in afternoon.
3	18 ♃ 53	A variable day. Visit friends evening.
4	2 ♃ 37	A good day for business, correspondence, and interviews.
5	16 ♃ 50	Act discreetly in all things till evening. Then travel and write letters.
6	1 ♃ 28	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
7	16 ♃ 25	Sunday. Study, reflect. Keep very quiet.
8	1 ♃ 31	Visit friends, court and marry.
9	16 ♃ 36	Travel a.m. Uncertain rest of day.
10	1 ♃ 31	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
11	16 ♃ 7	Safeguard health. Visit friends p.m.
12	0 ♃ 22	A doubtful morning. Do nothing important. Visit friends evening.
13	14 ♃ 14	An evil day for all things. Act discreetly.
14	27 ♃ 44	Sunday. Study and contemplate. Take walks.
15	10 ♃ 55	A good day for business. Avoid females.
16	23 ♃ 49	Push business, ask favours, avoid wrangling.
17	6 ♃ 20	A good day for business. Visit friends and travel evening.
18	18 ♃ 58	Travel, change, push business, seek work p.m.
19	1 ♃ 17	An evil day for all purposes. Keep quiet.
20	13 ♃ 28	A doubtful day. Act discreetly, and keep quiet.
21	25 ♃ 32	Sunday. A day for quiet reflection and study.
22	7 ♃ 30	Travel, change. A good day for business.
23	19 ♃ 22	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
24	1 ♃ 12	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
25	13 ♃ 0	Safeguard health. Visit friends evening.
26	24 ♃ 51	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
27	6 ♃ 47	A variable and uncertain day. Act discreetly in all things.
28	18 ♃ 54	Sunday. A day for quiet contemplation.
29	1 ♃ 16	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
30	13 ♃ 59	Attend to business and important matters before 4 p.m.

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The King of Bulgaria.

The recent treacherous action of the King of Bulgaria, and his dastardly attack on the heroic Serbians, as predicted in the Observatory for September, bring us to a consideration of the planetary configurations on his birthday, the time of birth not being known. He was born on February 26th, 1861, with the Sun in opposition to Saturn and square to Uranus, Mercury in conjunction with Neptune, and the Moon in opposition to the two latter planets. It is interesting to note that the Kaiser's Mars is on his Mercury and Neptune, a clear indication of his being the dupe and plaything of the former. He apparently entered the War arena under the directions of Moon square Uranus, square Mars, and although he has during 1916 the Sun in trine with Saturn P., very little can be expected from this direction, on account of the radical affliction. The

Moon also passes the opposition of the radical Mercury and Neptune. Moreover, the Sun is directed to the exact parallel of Saturn P., an influence which will bring grave disasters, if not his death. From the affliction of the luminaries at birth, I should judge a violent death. If the birth occurred in the afternoon, he has by converse direction Mars opposition Moon R., and if this should be correct, the end cannot be far off, especially as the Moon will be about the opposition of Mars, Mercury and Neptune, and the conjunction of its own radical place, during 1916.

The King of Greece.

The persistent attitude of the King of Greece in declining to take any part in the War as the ally of Serbia, is not to be wondered at astrologically, for he has the direction of Venus conjunction Sun R. in operation, but as the Sun is directed to the parallels of Mars and Uranus by converse motion, the possibility of an early reversal of his decision is not unlikely. His recent serious illness was due to these evil directions.

The King of Serbia.

The brave old King of Serbia was born on July 12th, 1844, and has now the Sun in opposition to Jupiter, but in sextile to Mars and coming to the trine of Saturn. These influences denote heavy losses, but eventual gain and success.

The December Lunation.

The lunation of December 6th, at 6.4 p.m., shows Saturn exactly rising in trine to Jupiter. The former position is rather ominous of a considerable amount of privation in the land, but the trine to Jupiter shows that the Government will be fully alive to the conditions prevailing, and will do what is in their power to remedy any distress. Financial affairs will be disordered, and losses on the revenue are to be feared. Some serious railway accidents are likely, and much excitement in the daily press. Naval and military affairs will be particularly prominent, and important changes in administrative affairs are shown. The culmination of Jupiter is favourable for the King and Government.

At Berlin, Neptune is rising, pointing to disturbances among the people, and socialistic intrigue. Saturn is now near the Ascendant of the Kaiser, and Jupiter is leaving his meridian, hence his period of success has reached its final limit. The King of Italy is in personal danger, for Mars is nearly in opposition to his radical Moon. The stationary position of Neptune on our King's progressed Sun is not so very reassuring, and treachery in high places should be guarded against. Uranus in the eighth house on the meridian of London is a warning against many deaths by air raids.

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Astronomical Phenomena

DECEMBER, 1915.

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	6th	...	6h. 4m. after.
First Quarter,	13th	...	11h 38m. morn.
Full Moon,	21st	...	0h. 52m. after.
Last Quarter,	29th	...	0h. 59m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Sagittarius, enters Capricorn on the 22nd at 10.16 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Sagittarius, enters Capricorn on the 20th, conjunction Sun on the 16th.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Sagittarius, enters Capricorn on the 2nd, and Aquarius on the 26th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Leo, stationary on the 31st.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Pisces, well placed for observation.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- D. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	...14, 15, 16	Libra	2, 3, 29, 30
Taurus	... 17, 18	Scorpio	... 4, 5, 31
Gemini	...19, 20, 21	Sagittarius	6, 7
Cancer	... 22, 23	Capricorn	8, 9
Leo	...24, 25, 26	Aquarius...	10, 11
Virgo	... 1, 27, 28	Pisces	... 12, 13

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with changeable weather, rain 3rd, finer for a few days; cold spell about 8th, change 10th, then fine to 13th; rain and fog 14th, windy 16th, mild 19th, changeable with some increase of temperature to Christmas; unsettled around 27th; change 31st to cold.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

Are you Satisfied?

You, who are supplying the men, munitions and material for the conduct of this Great War, have need to ask this question of yourself and your neighbour. We shall win this War, but we have a clear right to ask what it will cost us in men and money, and a perfect right also to ask whether it might not cost us less in future than it has done in the past. Economy on £5,000 a year is an easy problem. Economy on nothing at all is as difficult as extracting the root of minus one. We are wanting a new lead. We want men to legislate who practise what they preach—economy. We want “deeds, not words of swelling note.” If you wanted an engine built you would not give the job to a paper-hanger. On a point of law you would consult a lawyer, on a matter of War you ought to go to a warrior. If this War costs you more than you will ever get out of it, or generations to come for that matter, you are to blame, because you called in the paper-hanger to do that engineering job. Are you satisfied?

Back to the Balkans.

Will there ever be peace in Europe while that seething pot of discordant elements is allowed to exist in the Balkans? It is clear to everybody that Turkey in Europe is an anachronism. These slippered slave-drivers, who buy their women as they buy cattle, and drive them similarly, have no right of place in a European Concert. For the rest, they are too small. The fish is all bones, and is forever causing irritation. The outcome of human warfare will be to gradually eliminate the small nations, and to coalesce the various peoples into two great Empires, one of which will eventually prevail. After a year of warfare we find ourselves back again in the Balkans as the supreme theatre of war. Curiosity, rather than any doubt of the

eventual issue led me to examine the horoscope of Mehmed V., Sultan of Turkey, and Constantine, King of Greece. I now understand why we have made a mess of it in Gallipoli. The time of Turkey is not yet, there will be no roast Turkey this Christmas. At birth the Sultan has the Sun in square to the Moon, Mercury in square to Saturn, and Jupiter opposition Venus. The Moon was in Leo 12.

These are positions which spell eventual misfortune. But at the present time the directions are: Sun sextile Jupiter R.; and the Sun going closely to trine Venus R., sextile Mars P., and trine Jupiter P. You cannot effectively assail an Empire that has these representative good aspects in force. An astrologer would have tackled the sausage first and left the turkey as a *bonne bouche* for later consumption. In point of fact I do not think this is our job. My firm belief is that it is reserved for Russia to clear Turkey out of Europe. It certainly concerns her more nearly than ourselves, though, of course, we are bound to help our Allies in any concerted action that may be decided upon. Only this was not the time. We shall have to wait until 1917-18, when Saturn and Mars fall together on the place of the Moon in the Ottoman horoscope before the Crescent begins to wane, and that will be after October, 1917. Also we must not forget that this 12th degree of Leo is the meridian degree of the Prussian horoscope, and when Saturn comes to this conjunction with Mars on the place of the Ottoman Moon in square to the Sun in the same horoscope, there will be the beginning of the end, which is signified by the following conjunction of Saturn and Mars in Virgo, followed by the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in Virgo, and the transit of Neptune over the Moon's place in the Sultan's horoscope. These phenomena bring us to the year 1921, which I have hitherto indicated as that of the Fall of the Ottoman Empire.

The Greek Crisis.

The dramatic turn of events in Greece was well indicated by the positions of the planets. At birth King Constantine has the Sun opposition Moon, but trine to Neptune and Jupiter. This latter conjunction of Jupiter and Neptune has a tendency to produce the "swell-head" and autocrat. I fear he will not be amenable to wise counsel. Mercury, Venus and Uranus are together in Cancer in square to Neptune and Jupiter. At the present time Mars has come to Cancer 22, which is the place of Mercury at birth. The tempering influence is Venus P. conjunct. Sun R. But by converse direction we find Sun in Gemini 26, parallel to Mars R., and Sun R. parallel to Mars P., a warlike combination. But that is not the end of the chapter. In October, 1917, Mars and Saturn form their conjunction in Leo 12, which is the place of the Sun in the radix, and the opposition of the Moon also. This, with the eclipses falling in Capricornus, will serve to paint Greece black and red all over. It should be observed that the recent opposition of Uranus and Mars in October, 1915, fell along the Sun line in the horoscope, and produced the crisis which resulted in the disagreement of King Constantine and his Government. Whosoever is not for us is against us! The policy of "wait and see" is played out. Even our slackers know that. Are you satisfied?

Accident to the King.

I see that in Zadkiel's Almanac there are four directions by the Semi-arc method given as operating in the present year. The first was the parallel of Jupiter to the Moon in January, the second Mars conjunction Saturn in the same month (a direction which is illegitimate), the third Sun quartile Jupiter mundo in April, and the last Moon conjunction Jupiter in July. The first and last directions, it is pointed out, are "favourable to the success of his Majesty's grand forces, and to securing eventually Peace with Honour," and it is also observed that they operate from October, 1914, to October, 1915. There were no directions in force at the

outbreak of the War. I wonder when this gifted exponent will reconsider and revise his methods. I see that the horoscope is set with Aries $0^{\circ} 15'$ rising. I make it Aries $3^{\circ} 9'$ by rectification. The difference in time is small, owing to the short ascension of the sign Aries. At the present time the following directions are in force: Ascendant opposition Jupiter zod. d. Jupiter being in the sign of the horse (Sagittarius), and in the ninth house (foreign territory), Moon sesquiquadrate Mars zod. d., Sun semi-square Sun, zod. d. and the approaching directions of Sun conjunct Neptune and par. Mars. These directions are, I venture to say, more in line with the facts as we know them. That there was danger of accident during the current year of his Majesty's life is shown by the progressed Anniversary, wherein the Midheaven has arrived at Aquarius 19, the Ascendant at Gemini $24^{\circ} 46'$, the Sun to Cancer $29^{\circ} 11'$, and the Moon to $12^{\circ} 40'$ Sagittarius, the date being July 23rd, 1915. Here we find the Sun in the third house in conjunction with Neptune, the Moon in the sixth house in the significant sign Sagittarius in direct opposition to Mars in the twelfth house, and Mercury the ruler of the Ascendant in conjunction with Saturn in Cancer on the cusp of the second. The first of these indications shows danger in short journeys, the second shows accidents connected with horses, the third shows anxieties connected with finance. The trine of Jupiter to the Sun from the eleventh house will fully satisfy all our hopes in regard to the Alliance. What is of remarkable note is the position of the planet Mars in conjunction with the place of the radical Sun and the Moon in opposition thereto. The student will do well to study these progressed birthday figures. They are immensely informing.

Defective Methods.

A further instance of the defects of the Semi-arc Method of Primary Directions is at hand in the case of the Kaiser. The directions for this year are given as follows: Saturn opposition Neptune, zod. $56^{\circ} 56'$, Moon

parallel Mercury zod. $56^{\circ} 4'$. Ptolemy would not have sanctioned the direction of one promittor to another. Directions, he says, are made to the Significators. These are the Sun, Moon, Midheaven and Ascendant, to which formerly the Part of Fortune was added. Now how could one interpret Saturn opposition Neptune? Neptune occupied the tenth house at birth, and this direction would indicate loss of honour and position. It may be permitted to say that the Kaiser lost all the honour he ever possessed when he went with his satraps and their hordes through Belgium. His position, however, was in January last, when this direction occurred, as strong as ever. The fact is that Neptune is a promittor and not a Significator. It can, therefore, be directed, but it cannot be directed to. The same author says the Sun in the Kaiser's horoscope is hyleg. It is one degree inside the eighth house, and has no hylegial prerogative. The Ascendant is hyleg in this horoscope, according to all prescribed rules. Why improve on what we have not yet disproved? The true directions for the outbreak of War were Ascendant square Uranus zod. d. $55^{\circ} 3'$ and Moon square Uranus zod. con. $55^{\circ} 45'$, Uranus in the radical eleventh signifying diplomatic relationships thereby severed. The secret Treaty with Ferdinand of Bulgaria measures to the summer of 1915, arc $56^{\circ} 30'$, for which we find the appropriate directions, Midheaven sextile Neptune zod. con. $56^{\circ} 30'$, and Ascendant sextile Neptune zod. con. $56^{\circ} 39'$. By this subterfuge the enemy was able to offer effective resistance in the Balkans, and thus to parry our attack in the East, and that of Russia from the North. But this advantage is speedily counteracted by the oncoming directions of Moon square Moon zod. con. and Sun conjunct Neptune zod. d., which may very well throw the whole populace into the scale against the tyranny of the one-man ambition. Neptune afflicts the Sun at birth, and this direction of the Sun to Neptune can bring nothing but confusion to the Prussian rule. On the other hand, one has not far to look for equally inadequate indications arising out of the system of Secondary directions. Take the case of the

late Dr. W. G. Grace, who was born on July 18th, 1848, and died on October 23rd, 1915. His age at death was 67 years 3 months. By direction the Sun was in exact sextile to the place of Jupiter at birth, and the lunar indications were altogether good, the Moon being conjunction Jupiter, sextile Venus and Mercury. These facts point most clearly to the need for a more luminous set of indicators. Such a system must clearly define the functions of the four Significators, and show how directions of the promittors are to be made to them as fixed points in the horoscope of birth. This, I venture to think, has been done in my forthcoming work, "Primary Directions made Easy." But on this point I must await the verdict of students.

Signals Hoisted.

The fact that no air raids took place on October 31st and November 1st, as anticipated, does not, I think, invalidate our general conclusion that the Midheaven of London is in Aquarius. Something may have been expected to happen from the opposition of Uranus to Mars from this sign, and, in fact, something did happen which is of far-reaching consequence to this country. The Government was mercilessly assailed on the point of the Gallipoli campaign, and the Prime Minister made an *apologia* of incompetence, and expressly signified that there would be no change of Government until after the War! Immediately upon this the Secretary for War was deputed to undertake an important mission, and the *Globe* newspaper was seized at five o'clock on the evening of Saturday, November 6th. London, at all events, felt that a crisis had been reached! And at this time the Sun formed the square aspect to Uranus on the Midheaven of London's horoscope. Now the last eclipse was a total solar eclipse which fell in Leo 17, very close to the lower meridian of that horoscope. On November 10th the Sun is square to Mars in the heavens, and on the next day Mars transits the place of the solar eclipse. Now what do we find as a result? Exeunt: First Carson, then Churchill!

London's Horoscope.

In my search for this horoscope I have been continually set back, for although I have found two dates on which the Sun, Moon, Saturn and Mars are placed according to the statement of Saunders, yet neither of them accord with any epoch in history which may be taken as specially significant to the fortunes of London. The Magna Charta was presented on June 15th, 1215, when the Moon was in the first decan. of Aquarius, and was probably signed the next day when the Moon was crossing the Midheaven of London. The Sun was in the end of Gemini. These two points agree with Saunders. But Saturn was in Libra $3^{\circ} 45'$, and Mars in Pisces $24^{\circ} 49'$ at noon of June 15th. These positions do not coincide with Saunders' statement. Nevertheless, we find the positions of the Sun and Moon to be significant. Thus in the year 1077 there was a fire in London, according to the *Saxon Chronicle*, "such as never was before since London was founded." Uranus was then transitting the Midheaven. In 1090 there was a great hurricane "which destroyed 600 houses and many churches." Saturn was then in transit over the place of the Sun in the radix. In 1664-5, during the Plague, Uranus was again in Aquarius. Also there was a total eclipse of the Moon in Aquarius 13° , the very degree on the Midheaven, on July 27th, at 11.2 p.m. 1664 (see "Eclipses in Theory and Practice.") And there was another eclipse of the Moon in January, 1665, which fell in Leo 12° . These observations altogether support the view that the Midheaven of London is Aquarius $12^{\circ} 11'$, and the Ascendant Gemini $17^{\circ} 54'$. As to the Ascendant, we find that there was a conjunction of Saturn and Mars in Gemini 18 when Cromwell invested London, and in 1913 there was such another conjunction when London became the objective of invasion by the modern Huns. It is also worthy of note that on January 30th, 1649, when King Charles was murdered, and Royalty proclaimed against by an Act of Parliament, Mars was in Aquarius 12, Saturn in the second decan of Gemini, in opposition to Uranus in the second decan of Sagittarius.

Unhappy Heads.

A correspondent points out to me a fact that has long been noticed, and which at this epoch of the world's evolutionary struggle appears worth recalling, namely, that almost all the responsible heads of nations have the Sun afflicted by Saturn. Among these are the Kaiser, the King and Queen of Greece, the Emperor of Austria, the Czar and Cesarewitch, Ferdinand of Bulgaria, the Sultan of Egypt, the President of the French Republic, the Queen of the Netherlands, the Crown Prince of Sweden, the Crown Prince of Roumania, the Crown Prince of Montenegro, the Crown Prince of Germany, and there may be others. "Unhappy is the head that wears a crown" in these our days, and but for the fact that there are some few heads not thus assailed by Saturn, and also that there is an immense and growing vitality of expression in the body corporate of the nations, there would be little hope for the present generation of people. From autocracy to limited monarchy, and from that to democracy are stages in national evolution which mature as the world generally gets to know the virtue of self-government. When every man is his own ruler, in the proper

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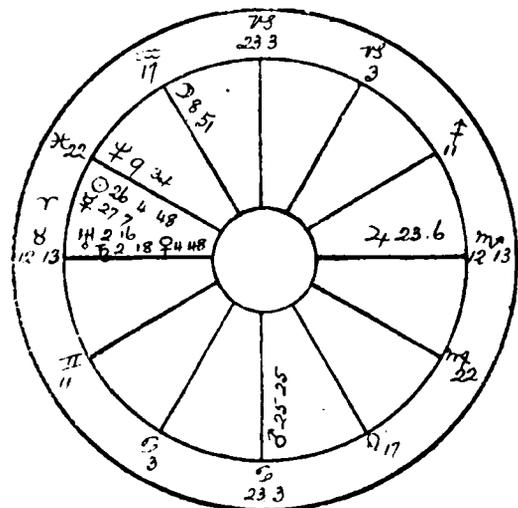
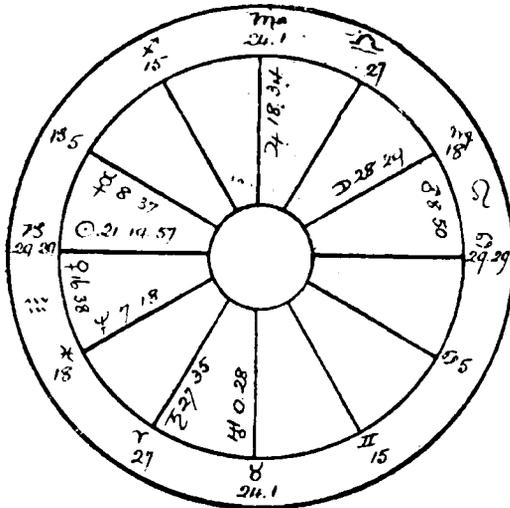
I specially invite readers who are over-taxed with work, those who want what work

they have to be successful, and those also who have problems of business which appear difficult, to write for my circular on Astrological Insurance. It embodies an idea that has long been shaping in my mind, and which now seems capable of useful expression. My circulars are free to all.

War Horoscopes.
III.—GENERAL JOFFRE.

THE Commander-in-chief of the French Army, General Joseph Jacques Césaire Joffre was born at Rivesaltes, Perpignan, on January 12th, 1852, at 8 a.m. Rectification yields the correct time

At the outbreak of the War the meridian was directed to the conjunction of the Sun, and the Ascendant to the square of Mars, and by converse motion the meridian was in sextile to Jupiter. The Sun was also within



of 8h. 2m. 38s. a.m. or G.M.T. 7h. 51m. 6s. a.m., and the map appended is for this rectified time.

The last degree of the sign Capricorn rises, and the signification of this degree as given by Charubel, in the "Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolised" is very remarkably significant of the rise in life of this celebrated and clever General. It is as follows:—

"Symbol: A shepherd on the mountain top with crook in hand, looking out for the locality of his sheep. This symbol is more figurative than literal, it denotes one who, by reason of his superior powers and advantageous position in life, will be called to be a leader and a commander of a society, a community, or perchance a nation, in the capacity of president. This degree is pre-eminently the degree of rule, and that ruler who has this degree on his Ascendant will be a ruler indeed."

one degree of the trine of Mars and the conjunction of Mercury.

During 1915 Jupiter has been in transit over the progressed Sun, and in January, 1916, will again transit the same luminary.

The map given above is the progressed horoscope for 1916, measuring to March 16th, and equal to noon on March 16th, 1852.

Here we have the Sun in close trine with Mars P., conjunction Mercury, and separating from trine Jupiter P. The Ascendant is applying to the parallel of Jupiter, and the meridian is in exact sextile with the progressed Jupiter. The Moon in exact opposition with Mars R. in March, and Mars stationary within 2° thereof, warns the brave old

General of grave personal danger about the 15th of the month.

By converse direction in 1917 the Sun is in parallel with Jupiter R., and conjunction and parallel with Mercury P., while the Ascendant will be near the sextile of Moon R. Jupiter will transit the progressed Ascendant in 1918. These configurations are undoubted benefic, and tend to show a continued and

successful prosecution of the War, in spite of numerous difficulties due to evil lunar directions, and the transits of Saturn over the radical descendant and the fourth cusp. The eclipse of the Sun on Mars in July, 1916, is ominous of some reverses, but the outcome of the numerous benefic directions shows but one ending to the present titanic conflict.

Twins.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER III.

SOME ILLUSTRATIONS.

The first illustration I propose to deal with is the cases of the well-known tennis-players, Messrs. C. G. and E. R. Allen, who were born at Colmworth, St. Neots, Hunts., on December 28th, 1868, the former at 9.50 p.m., and the latter at 10 p.m.

In accordance with the statement previously made that the second born of twins is the first conceived, we should expect to find the epoch of the latter to antedate that of the former.

In both cases the Moon is above and increasing, and the periods are less than the norm., but as the Ascendants are within areas of the female sex the Moon at the epoch must be found in the descending birth sign.

The epoch of the second twin occurs on April 19th at 0h. 22m. 35s. a.m., the Moon's place at birth setting, giving 13.53 π as the Ascendant, and the time of birth 9h. 58m. 52s. p.m., or 1m. 8s. earlier than the recorded time.

The epoch of the elder twin is one month later, the Moon's place at birth rising. The date is May 16th at 6h. 2m. 48s. a.m.

The Ascendant is π 12.28, and the birth-time 9h. 50m. 46s. p.m., or 46s. later than the observed time.

This case is a complete confirmation of the proof of the previous statement that the

second born of twins is the first conceived. The second case yields additional proof of this point.

The twins, both male, were born in East Kent on August 2nd, 1898, at 0.15 p.m. and 0.25 p.m. respectively. The beginning of Scorpio ascends, and the Moon is in Aquarius 15, decreasing and below, and the period is therefore less than ten revolutions of the Moon. The epoch of the second child—the first conceived—is found to be on November 22nd, 1897, at 0.23 p.m., giving π 3.56 as the Ascendant, and the birth-time as 0h. 23m. 3s. p.m. not quite two minutes earlier than the given time.

The epoch of the first child, the last conceived, takes place one month later, December 19th, at 7.43 p.m., the Ascendant of the birth figure being π 2.15, and the birth-time 0h. 13m. 29s. p.m., one and a-half minutes earlier than the given time.

Both of these cases are biovate twins, those born from separate acts of generation, and both prove the statement originally made.

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The Balkan Crisis.

MR. H. CLIFT, of Bender, Saskatchewan, Canada, has sent me the horoscope of the Balkan "Treaty of Bucharest," which I here reproduce. Bucharest is about 2 hours East of Greenwich, and the time of the signing of the Treaty is given as 10.30 a.m., August 10th, 1913. The figure shows Cancer 20 on the Midheaven, and Libra 16 rising. Venus,

of neutral territory under the terms of the Treaty of Berlin, and the spirit of the Hague Convention, and went to the assistance of Belgium and France. This involved the Empire, and the prosecution of an active war wherever Germany held Colonial territory. Japan honoured its alliance with Great Britain, and co-operated in the Far East, while the Mother Country was loyally sup-

TREATY OF BUCHAREST—AUGUST 10TH, 1913, 10.30 A.M.

$\text{♁ } 24^\circ$	$\Omega 24^\circ$	$\text{♁ } 20^\circ$	$\text{♁ } 15^\circ$
	$\odot 17^\circ$ $\text{♃ } 26^\circ$ $\text{♀ } 7^\circ \text{ R.}$	$\text{♀ } 4^\circ$	$\text{♂ } 8^\circ$
$\text{♁ } 16^\circ 20'$			$16^\circ 20' \text{ } \gamma$
	$\text{♃ } 2^\circ$	$\text{♃ } 5^\circ \text{ R.}$	
$\text{♁ } 13^\circ$	$\text{♂ } 15^\circ$	$\text{♁ } 20^\circ$	$\text{♁ } 24^\circ$

the ruler of the figure is cadent, and afflicted by Jupiter. The planets Mars and Saturn are coming to a conjunction in the ninth house in opposition to the Moon. Mercury in the tenth house is opposed by Uranus and is retrograde. Neptune holds the Midheaven.

These indications are of the most unsatisfactory character, and as our correspondent points out, the Treaty was signed by all parties with mental reservations. It was a Treaty which obviously was never meant to be kept. A malcontent of Austrian origin who had taken refuge in Serbia returned to his country and murdered the Archduke of Austria. This happened within a year of the Treaty, and once more the fire of international hatred broke out in the Balkans. Austria declared war on Serbia, Russia came to the assistance of her Slav allies, and Germany the real instigator of the whole Balkan plot, promptly declared war against Russia, and invaded Belgium and France. Great Britain protested against the violation

ported by sons from all parts of the world. Canada, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, and by brothers-in-arms from India, Africa, the West Indies, and the British Protectorates. Eventually, Turkey, under guarantees from Germany, joined Austria and Germany, while Italy declared in favour of the Allies, thus forming the Quadruple Entente. Bulgaria, being inconveniently close to two fires, closed a secret Treaty with Germany in July last, and for three months continued to hold back the defence of Serbia by diplomatic parleys which were dishonourable and treacherous, and finally declared itself on the side of the Central Powers.

Thus the War returned once again to the Balkans, where actually it began in 1912, when the first shot was fired at Adrianople.

In view of these facts it will be seen that the Balkan States are really the source of the European trouble, and in this light the Treaty of Bucharest concluded after the first imbroglio of 1912, is of considerable importance.

Now at the recent crisis in the Eastern theatre, it will be seen that the planet Mars was in transit over the Midheaven of the Treaty horoscope. The Sun's position in Leo 17 was totally eclipsed on August 10th last, a clear sign of the impending dissolution of the Treaty. Here we find a particular significance attached to my warning in the "Kaleidoscope" to "watch the total eclipse of August 10th in Leo 17, and the transit of Mars through Leo from October, 1915, to May, 1916," and although it was not sounded in regard to the Balkan crisis, we now find by reference to the Treaty horoscope that it was of the greatest significance. It will further be observed that in 1916, during the

summer, Saturn transits the Midheaven of the horoscope, and Uranus transits the opposition of the Sun, thus bringing the significance of the eclipse, which extends over three years, into actuality. There is every likelihood that this struggle in the Balkans will occupy the first place in the Great War for another eight months at least, but with the transits of Saturn and Uranus next year there will be a crisis which, dominated by the horoscope of the Kaiser, whose Ascendant, Cancer 21, holds the Midheaven in the Treaty horoscope, will prove disastrous to the aims of Germany in the East.

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If Baby is Born with the sign Gemini rising.

ALL little children born with the sign Gemini rising are of a very mercurial temperament, very changeable, easily irritated, and as quickly calmed, often giving vent to fits of anger, but easily amenable to kind treatment and gentle persuasion. They are very intellectual, quick at learning, but are inclined to become dabblers, and to study too many things at one time, taking up first one thing and then another, and in this way gaining only a smattering of different subjects. They tend to become restless and indecisive, very wilful, and at times show a hatred of control, and require a firm hand in training. A good deal of strictness is required in the training of these little ones, owing to their restless and indecisive nature, but they can best be reached through their intellects, and by a quiet talk, than by harshness or undue punishment.

Mentally they are particularly clever and intelligent, very active in mind, given to study, reading, writing, and mental occupations. They love variety in work, like to have many subjects on hand at a time, but have that peculiar fault of leaving things half-finished, easily tiring of one thing, and eager to take up with another, before the

first is finished. This lack of concentration and continuity is a fault that should be most carefully guarded against, as in after years it will lead to much trouble in the avocation taken up. They will succeed best in all occupations where the hand and mind are brought into use, such as secretarial work, book-keeping, commercial travellers, teachers, writers, and pressmen.

Physically they are not so very strong, and their tendency to worry will affect the nervous system, and generally disorder the lungs. The latter are a specially weak point, and many little ones born under this sign are liable to chest affections, consumption, and pulmonary complaints generally. The blood is also affected, and there are tendencies to blood poisoning, affections of the excretory system, piles and fevers.

These little olive branches should be taught early the value of correct breathing, and breathing exercises should be one of the daily duties while young. This will tend to develop the lungs and chest, as well as keep the system free from impurities. Too much brain exercise should be guarded against, and there should always be plenty of gentle recreation, sleep and rest.

The Prophecies of Nostradamus.

Translated by SEPHARIAL.

The Prophet.

Michael Nostradamus, whose name is known throughout the world as that of the greatest astrological prognosticator that ever lived, was born at St. Remy, the Provence, on Thursday, December 14th (O.S.) in the year 1503, at about noon. His father, James Nostradamus, was a Notary of that town, and his mother, Renata of St. Remy, was the daughter of a family renowned for their mathematical and medical skill, one having been physician to Renatus, King of Sicily and Earl of Provence, and another physician to John, Duke of Calabria. From them Nostradamus inherited his faculty both for mathematics and for medicine. He was educated at Avignon, Montpellier, Narbonne, Toulouse, and Bordeaux successively, and began the practice of medicine at the age of twenty-two in Bordeaux. After four years he returned to Montpellier to get his degrees, which he did indeed obtain with considerable distinction. At Agen he made the acquaintance of Scaliger, and there also took a wife, and by her had two children. But these all dying, he was left alone, and began to travel again, coming to Marseilles, and then to Aix, where he stayed three years on account of the plague—his expenses being chargeable on the City. Later he went to Salon and there married Anna Pontia Gemella, by whom he had three sons and a daughter, the eldest son being Michael, the astrologer; the second, Cæsar, the historian of Provence; and the third, who became a Capuchin monk.

Nostradamus studied Astrology for the better practice of the medical art, and made such progress in it that he wrote some pieces in the nature of almanacs, wherein he so cleverly foretold the course of events that he was everywhere sought after. His success was the signal for the production of a lot of spurious works bearing his name, from which he suffered discredit, but his genius was recognised and employed by Queen Catherine de Medici and King Henry II. of France,

who sent for him to the Court on July 14th, 1555, and thence he went to Paris on August 15th. There Lord Montmorency went to see him, and presented him to the King, who was well satisfied as to his faculty, and gave him lodging at the Palace of Cardinal Bourbon, the Archbishop of Sens. Here he was detained by an illness for about a fortnight, and eventually retired from the Court with a royal gift of four hundred crowns in a purse of velvet.

He returned to Salon, where he completed his prophetic centuries, and these he dedicated to King Henry II. in an explanatory epistle, showing that they were a forecast of events which should happen from the time of Louis XIV., then reigning, to the coming of Antichrist. While at Salon he was visited by the Duke of Savoy, and also Margaret of France, the sister of Henry II. Later he was visited by Charles IX. on November 17th, 1564, after he had made the salutations of the town in a speech to the King, and he was further honoured by the King and Queen when they came to Lyons in 1565, when he received a gift of two hundred crowns, and was appointed Physician in Ordinary to the King, with the salary and emoluments attaching to that office. But in a year and four months thereafter he died of a dropsical gout, on July 2nd (O.S.) 1566, at Salon, to which place he had returned, and was buried with all the rites of a true Catholic in the Church of Franciscan Friars. His tomb, which is to the left of the church door, bears a tablet erected to his memory by his widow, on which are his portrait and arms, and the epitaph: "Here lie the bones of the illustrious Michael Nostradamus, one who is held in esteem by all men, and who with a pen almost divine has set forth the future events which shall happen throughout the world from the influences of the stars. He lived 62 years, 6 months, 10 days, and died at Salon in 1536. Anna Pontia Gemella in hope of a joyful reunion wisheth him eternal happiness."

The Prophecies.

In distinction from his biography, which is clear and circumstantial and most readily verified, the prophecies of this remarkable student of prognostic astronomy are by no means so easily interpreted and applied. They consist of ten centuries or one thousand quatrains, printed without regard to the times of their fulfilment, being, according to his own statement, "joined obscurely," and further rendered difficult of apprehension by the insertion of cryptic names which evidently were intended to occasion doubt and baffle interpreters until such time as the course of events should render their meaning conspicuous to all. But this is by no means always the case, for he uses most clearly the names of places and persons, of countries and kings, in a manner which must have appeared curious to his contemporaries, seeing that they were related to times that were very distinctly *in futuro*.

As to the methods of Nostradamus, it appears from his own statements in the epistle to his son, and in that to the king, that he based them on "astronomical affections," which he makes some discovery of in the following sentences: "For although Mars makes an end of his course and is

come to the end of his period, nevertheless, he shall begin it again. But some shall be gathered in Aquarius for many years and others in Cancer also for many years. And now we are governed by the Moon, under the power of Almighty God, to which Moon, before she hath finished her circuit, the Sun shall come, and afterwards Saturn; for according to the celestial signs the reign of Saturn shall come again, so that all being calculated the world draws near to an anaragonic revolution; and at the present time that I write, before 177 years, 3 months and 11 days, through pestilence, famine, war, and for the most part inundations, the world shall be so wasted that they shall not find men enough to till the ground . . . and although we be in the seventh millenary which ends all and brings us near the eighth where the celestial bodies shall begin to move again."

This may be considered as the key to Nostradamus. He takes the planets in their inverse order according to the days of the week, using the periods which have been traditionally ascribed to them by the astrologers, beginning with the Sun in the sign Leo. The date of the Epistle Dedicatory is the 1st March, 1555.

(To be continued).

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER IX.

DIRECTIONS OF THE SUN AND MOON.

The next group of directions to be examined and illustrated are those of the Sun and Moon. Now it is very important that certain points should be well understood, otherwise difficulties will arise in the student's mind.

These directions are either *direct* or *converse*. A direct direction is formed by the place of the aspect moving round to the radical position of the Sun. A converse direction is formed by the Sun moving round by the earth's rotation to the place of the aspect.

A simpler method is this: In all direct directions the longitude of the aspect is greater than that of the Sun; in all converse directions it is less than that of the Sun. All aspects are taken without latitude.

Now as an illustration of a direct direction, that of Sun sextile Mars zod. d. will illustrate this point. Mars is placed in $0^{\circ} 1'$ of Scorpio, therefore the sextile aspect will fall in $0^{\circ} 1'$ of Capricorn.

Having found the longitude of the aspect, the next step is to compute its R.A., mer. distance and semi-arc. The rules for separately finding these factors have already been given in this JOURNAL for November, 1914, pages 28-30.

The R.A. of the place of the aspect, \sphericalangle 0.1 is $270^{\circ} 1'$. The M.D. is 6.13, and the semi-arc, 57.16.

These factors being obtained the rule is as follows:—

As S.A. of \odot is to its M.D. so is S.A. of aspect to x .

In the direction required this gives:—

$$60.26 : 17.53 :: 57.16 : x.$$

Worked by proportional logarithms x is found to be $17^{\circ} 45'$.

Now the Sun at birth was in the ninth house, and the place of the aspect in the tenth, on opposite sides of the meridian, therefore the 17.45 is *added* to its meridian distance 6.13, making $23^{\circ} 58'$ as the arc of direction $\odot * \text{zod. d.}$

Students should observe the following little "wrinkle" in dealing with direct directions. In *all* cases the two first terms will be the same, viz. 60.26 and 17.53, so if the prop. log. of the former be subtracted from that of the latter, it will give a "constant log." for use in every case of the Sun's direct directions. Thus:—

Prop. log.	17.53	...	1.00282
,,	,,	,,	60.26
			... 47400

$$\text{Constant log.} \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad 52882$$

This added to the prop. log. of the S.A. of the place of direction will give the fourth term. This process will be followed in the next example.

The Sun directed to the parallel of Jupiter by direct motion will serve as an illustration of a parallel. The declination of Jupiter is 21.43 S., and this will fall in \sphericalangle 21.36, as determined by the rule given in the preceding chapter, as follows:—

Log. sine dec.	\sphericalangle 21.43	...	9.568222
—	Log. sine	23.27	... 9.599827

$$= \text{Log. sine } 68.24 \quad \dots \quad 9.968395$$

As the distance has to be taken from \sphericalangle 0° the $68^{\circ} 24'$ is subtracted from 360° , giving $291^{\circ} 36'$ or \sphericalangle 21.36.

The R.A. of this point is 293.31 — M.D. $29^{\circ} 43'$.

The declination of Jupiter is given in the speculum, and the semi-arc will also be given. This is 60.15.

Now having obtained a constant log. for the Sun, the prop. log. of $60^{\circ} 15'$ is to be added as follows:—

Constant log.	...	...	52882
P.L., S.A.	60.15	...	47532

$$= \text{P.L. 2nd distance } 17.50 \quad 1.00414$$

The Sun being on the opposite side of the meridian to the place of the aspect the $17^{\circ} 50'$ is added to the M.D. of the aspect, making the arc of direction \odot par \sphericalangle z. d. $47^{\circ} 33'$.

In a converse direction of the Sun or Moon the luminary comes round by the earth's rotation to the place of the aspect. The formula is therefore:

As S.A. of aspect is to its M.D., so is S.A. of Sun or Moon to x .

The direction $\odot * \text{zod. con.}$ will serve as an illustration of this rule.

Longitude of Uranus, 24.45 Ω , place of aspect 24.45 \sphericalangle . R.A. of place of aspect 202.55. M.D. 60.53. Declin. of place of aspect 9.35 S. S.A. 77.51.

The above rule therefore becomes:—

$$\text{As } 77.51 : 60.53 :: 60.26 : x.$$

By proportional logarithms x is found to be $47^{\circ} 16'$. The Sun being 17.53 from the meridian, and on the same side as the place of the aspect, the two amounts are subtracted, making the arc of direction $\odot * \text{z. c.}$ $29^{\circ} 23'$. It should be remembered that the constant log. for the Sun must *not* be used for converse directions.

Our Tightening Grip on Germany.

The *New York Tribune*, undoubtedly expresses American public sentiment when it concludes: "Fortunately for France and Great Britain—and for the world, as the *Tribune* believes—the peril of a complete German success has been disposed of. France, Russia, and Great Britain keep the field with growing power and unshaken will. The blood tax on Germany has begun to tell. The British naval noose has been drawn to suffocation. The German advance has terminated in the East and in the West; only in the Balkans is there any progress. All doubt as to the outcome of the war as a military problem has passed."

The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

(Continued from page 38.)

THERE is nothing better, in concluding this part of the examination of the credentials of reincarnation, than to quote the poem of John Masefield, entitled "A Creed," to establish the fact that there is a cycle in thought and spirit: cosmic, racial, national, and individual. Masefield, in that admirable, strong, and penetrating style of his, proclaims in magic music the creed of re-birth:—

I hold that when a person dies
 His soul returns again to earth
 Arrayed in some new flesh-disguise;
 Another mother gives him birth;
 With sturdier limbs and brighter brain
 The old soul takes the road again.
 Such is my own belief and trust;
 This hand, this hand that holds the pen,
 Has many a hundred times been dust,
 And turned as dust to dust again.
 These eyes of mine have blinked and shone
 In Thebes, in Troy and Babylon.
 All that I rightly think or do,
 Or make, or spoil, or bless or blast,
 Is curse or blessing justly due
 For sloth or effort in the past.
 My life's a statement of the sum
 Of vice indulged, or overcome.
 I know that in my lives to be
 My sorry heart will ache and burn
 And worship unavailingly
 The woman whom I used to spurn,
 And shake to see another have
 The love I spurned, the love she gave.
 And I shall know, in angry words,
 In gibes and mocks, and many a tear,
 A carrion flock of homing birds,
 The gibes and scorns I uttered here.
 The brave word that I failed to speak
 Will brand me dastard on the cheek.
 And as I wander on the roads
 I shall be helped, and healed and blessed;
 Kind words shall cheer and be as goads
 To urge to heights before unguessed,
 My road shall be the road I made,
 All that I gave shall be repaid.
 So shall I fight, so shall I tread,
 In this long war beneath the stars;
 So shall a glory wreath my head,
 So shall I faint and show the scars,
 Until this case, this clogging mould,
 Is smithied all to kingly gold.

From the extracts here brought forward it is easily seen that thought repeats itself in cycles throughout the passings of races,

dynasties, and nations. Before concluding this part of the subject, in the doubt that not enough has been given from the Christian scriptures, the following are presented in relation to the dogma of re-birth, for no other explanation makes them comprehensible. In the ninetieth Psalm are the words, "Thou turnest man to destruction, and sayest, Return ye children of men." Christ in the Sermon on the Mount warns, "For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged, and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again." * Paul, in his epistle to the Galatians, declares, "Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap," † and in the Apocalypse the apostle John writes, "If any man have an ear, let him hear; he that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity, he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and faith of the saints." ‡ Now there can be no real or rational resolving of these texts unless from the attitude of considering the rendering as relating to re-birth. It is plainly stated that what a man does, that shall be done unto him; experiences must be undergone, so that the spirit and individual soul may become alive unto its place in the great march of the manifestation of God. All know that most souls do not reap what they sow in this life, good and righteous souls go unrequited, the genius dies unknown as a rule, the scoundrel, exploiter, liar, and cheat lives in luxury; the holy and the pure pass into night in poverty and misery. Then who shall make these words to be understood apart from the construing of re-birth. The captor is not led captive, he that killeth with the sword does not die by the sword, all observers of life know this is true. The only explanation is that all acts that interfere with spiritual, mental and moral liberty, shall react upon the factor from the spiritual, mental and

* St. Matthew vii. 2. † Revelations xiii. 9-10. ‡ Galatians vi. 7.

moral worlds in future embodiments. Further comment will avail nothing, the matter need only be considered for a while, and the truth will become apparent.

The saying, "History repeats itself," has become an accepted axiom of the world, and unquestioned, is believed in as an universal truth. Every student and disciple of history can testify to the accuracy of the statement, for in their study and investigation they observe cycles in the events of the drama of the world. As to the intervals they find differences, which are as dust in the balance when compared with the æons that constitute the march of the cosmic destiny. Fifteen hundred years was apportioned as the *interim* between incarnations by certain of the theosophists two or three decades ago, but later and more mature considerations have caused alterations which has made a more rational attitude towards the problem of human evolution.

Tersely stated, this view of the disincarnate *interim* is that the interval between incarnations depends on the capacity of the soul to respond to the astral, mental and spiritual conditions of the disembodied existence; if the mental and the spiritual nature have been neglected, or are latent in development, then the *interim* will be short, and if the higher powers of the soul have been brought forth then inasmuch will the soul be able to respond to the higher planes of the other world, and the sojourn will be longer. On this part of the subject, at this time, we cannot dwell, however, to unfold it further, as it serves no purpose in the inquiry, and, at best, is merely a conjecture.

Twenty years ago, or more, Annie Besant pointed out the prevalence of the fostering of prize-fighting in the civilised world, and concomitantly, the advent of interest in psychic themes and things invisible, and the crumbling of the edifice of natural science and materialism. Then, going back to the fourth century, this mighty woman drew the picture of the amphitheatre at Rome and the surrounding pagan countries, the bloodshed and brutality exhibited to glut the morbid tastes of the decadent world, and alongside of this the flourishing of the Gnostic philo-

sophy in the same area, fighting and struggling against the ideas of Paganism, and the materialistic conceptions of polytheistic religion. Thus history repeats itself with an *interim* of fifteen hundred years. Between three and four hundred miles from here is raging one of the bloodiest wars known to history, a mighty and fierce struggle for the dominion of the world. It was planned, projected, and thrown upon Europe by one suffering from exaggerated ego and power mania, who has associated his effort with that of the infamous and truculent Attila the Hun. Now taking this cycle of fifteen hundred years, we have a remarkable coincidence between the birth of Kaiser Wilhelm II. and the death of Attila. The death of the Hun occurred in 453 A.D., and the birth of Attila II. took place in January 27th, 1859. Here is an interval of 1,406 years, the space of time in an approximate manner making this theory of fifteen hundred years significant and worthy of study and contemplation. Claudius Ptolemy died in the year 140 A.D. Sir Isaac Newton was born in December, 1642; in this instance the interval is 1,502 years, and both Ptolemy and Newton were great astronomers. This case is remarkable, and makes the theme worthy of consideration. There is 1,531 years between the death of Marcus Aurelius and the birth of the great David Hume, and both were philosophers. Between Constantine I. and the great Napoleon there is a space of 1,432 years from the death of the Roman emperor to the birth of the famous military genius, and both were men of war. Justin, martyr, was put to death about the year 155, and Cardinal Newman was born in 1801, here is an interval of 1,646 years; and here, it may appear, the hypothesis falls out. But these have only been selected at random, and whether the *interim* between incarnations be fifteen hundred, a thousand years, or otherwise in the intervals between the going and coming of souls, it will be seen by a little study that cycles mark the advent and exodus of the souls of the great. These cases cited are not to establish that the one soul is a reincarnation of the other, but merely to show the remarkably approximate

results that are obtained from an examination of this fifteen hundred year theory. As to the *interim* between incarnations no one can postulate, and the speculation that souls remain disincarnate, inasmuch as they are able to respond to the conditions beyond physical death is the only rational one, and therefore is worthy of acceptance as a logical

conclusion. To go further into this part of the subject would avail little at this point, as it is only a theory—in fact, conjecture. But despite this fact, if a careful perusal of a universal history is made the student will find cycles in events, the going and coming of nations, souls, and men.

(*To be continued*).

The Prophecy of Friar John.

AMONG all the reputed seers and astrologers of Babylon one man, an alien Hebrew, stood out alone as able to read the "writing on the wall." A good many astrological reputations have been scrapped during the course of the World War in which we are now involved, and one by one the "military experts" and political seers have shewn that they have not as much of prophecy among them as is worth last year's almanac. Notable among the prophecies issued immediately after the outbreak, however, is that remarkable publication in the *Figaro*, known as the Prophecy of Friar Johannes, supposed to have been written about 1600. If we only regard it as a piece of modern journalism with no better credentials than the prophecies of "Mother Shipton," we still have cause to wonder at the precision of some of its forecasts. At this time it will perhaps be of interest to bring it into review.

The Prophecy.

The Prophecy says that Antichrist will resemble all former tyrants, but in this case he will be a Lutheran (Protestant), will invoke God, and claim to be His earthly representative for the chastising of the wicked. He will have only one arm and innumerable troops, and a vast army of spies all over the world. His paid philosophers will attempt to justify his cause. In two weeks the War will be universal, and will enlist Christians and Mohammedans, and even those from afar, armies being raised from the four

corners of the earth. All will recognise that they will be enslaved if they do not overthrow the despot. He will massacre priests, monks, women, children, and the aged. He will go forward like the barbarians (Huns) invoking the name of God. His words will be those of a Christian, his acts those of a Nero. His coat-of-arms will be an eagle, and his ally also will have an eagle for his bearings. Priests and monks will fight with other citizens. Pope Benedictus will curse the Antichrist. This will bring death to the Antichrist's ally. More men will be slain in defeating the Antichrist than the whole population of Ronie. The Cock, the Leopard, and the White Eagle will need the support of all human people, for humanity has never known such a peril, for his triumph would be that of the demon of which he is the incarnation. Blood will flow in all four elements at the same time. The attack would commence by the Black Eagle hurling itself on the Cock, who, for the timely aid of the Leopard, would be reduced. The Black Eagle would come from the Lutheran country (Germany) and surprise the Cock from another border (Belgium) and invade half the Cock's territory. The White Eagle, coming from the northern side, will invade the country of the Black Eagle and "the other Eagle" from one end to the other. The Black Eagle will be forced to retreat from the Cock to fight the White Eagle, and will be followed by the Cock into the territory of the Black Eagle. Up to this point the battles would be insignificant compared with

those which will take place in the Lutheran country. The Black Eagle will then become furious. Rivers will be forded by means of dead bodies, corpses will deflect the course of the waters. There will be no interments, except for generals and princes, for victims of the War will be heaped together with those of plague and famine. The Antichrist will sue for peace, but while there are men willing to fight for the Antichrist, no armistice will be permitted. The War will be carried to the great arsenals of the Antichrist. It will be recognised that this is not a human war. The Antichrist will lose his crown, and die in solitude and insanity. His empire will be divided into twenty-two unarmed States. The White Eagle will then drive out the Crescent from Europe, and will establish himself in Constantinople. After this there will be an era of peace and prosperity. Sects and factions will be disbanded, party strife will cease, Justice and Peace will be established.

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A writer in the *Occult Review* has suggested that there is a psychic identity of Kaiser Wilhelm II. and Nero Cæsar. The latter he regards as "the First Beast," and the Kaiser as "the Second Beast," who comes in the likeness of him who "was and is not, and yet is," that is, Nero was the First Beast, and he no longer exists, but he is nevertheless embodied in this modern representative, who is the "Second Beast." A careful study of the Apocalyptic Prophecy will serve to dispel this mistaken idea. That the Kaiser is the embodiment of the cult of "Blood and Iron," which finds its apotheosis in the brute "Superman" of its representative philosopher, Nietzsche, is an undoubted fact, and that being so it is for us merely a question of the Kaiser or the Christ. I see no middle ground. For if we allow despotism to win this War we must forever submit to brute force as the archarbiter of human destiny, subscribe implicitly to the materialism of which it is the product, and become the slaves of a scientific barbarism, more terrible, because more cognisant, than any which has ever yet stained the earth. More fearful than all is this, that in abandoning ourselves

to these conclusions, God will abandon us. This War is between Christ and the Kaiser, Humanism and Diabolism, Spirituality and Materiality, the Spirit of Truth and the Father of Lies. It will be a fight to the finish. Thousands do not know that they are fighting for anything more than their home and country, and thousands are inspired by the Spirit of Freedom and Justice. Later they will understand, and know that they were fighting for Christ. Before the year ends, before another year of carnage and desolation comes upon this stricken planet, put this question to yourself, and to those about you: Are you for Christ or the Kaiser? That is how Friar John has put the question to me.

SEPHARIAL.

Book Reviews.

A MANUAL OF HYPNOTISM. By H. Ernest Hunt. Author of "Nerve Control." Crown 8vo, cloth, 136 pp, 1s. net, post free 1s. 3d.

Contents.—The Sub conscious Mind. The Sleep State and its Induction. Phenomena in the Waking State. Post Hypnotic Suggestion. Psycho-Therapeutics. Auto-Suggestion. Phenomena in Daily Life. Inherent Possibilities. Practical Experiments in Suggestion. Practical Therapeutics. Bibliography.

The author states in his preface that in dedicating his work to the average man he does so because he believes he will find much in it to interest and concern him—a clue possibly to those powers he may have envied but imperfectly understood. Doubtless herein lies the reason why this clear and concisely written little volume should be so eminently useful. All larger works on the subject being so full of "phenomena" and results that the ordinary reader fails to grasp the real meaning of the hypnotic state.

"Hypnosis," as we all know, signifies "a sleep state," but perhaps it is not so well known that "suggestion," an important factor in the hypnotic condition, can be made whether the patient is asleep or not.

The book is divided into ten chapters, and opens with a brief account of the Subconscious Mind, the material upon which the operator works. An excellent chapter on Auto-Suggestion serves to show that self-hypnotism, a perfectly possible experiment, is safer for the patient than yielding indiscriminately will and body into an unscrupulous or doubtful operator's hands.

Considering the bewildering mass of material to the author's hand, the vastness of his subject, he must be heartily congratulated on producing so valuable an addition to hypnotic literature and on having supplied a long-felt want.

VIRGINIA MILWARD.

Birthday Influences during December.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♁, * ☉, ♃ — □ ♀. An active year for business, with changes, disappointments and little worries. A child born will be clever, impressionable, careless and erratic, and fairly successful.
2. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, * ☉, Δ ♃, □ ♃. An active year, with changes, new work, financial gain, but danger of indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be kind, popular, generous, clever, but somewhat diffident, and will have many troubles to face.
3. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♀, ☉ par ♃. A changeable year, danger of indisposition or bereavement, accidents or disputes, some important changes, new work. A child born will be active and enterprising, but rash and hasty, and will have many trials to face in life.
4. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♁, □ ♃, ♃ — Δ ♃. A variable and unsettled year, with many annoyances, but benefits to those in employ. A child born will be clever, steady and reliable, will have many ups and downs in life, and not be very lucky.
5. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♁, Δ ♃, □ ♃. An important year, with many great changes and benefits, but danger of indisposition, accidents, and disputes. A child born will be rash and hasty, clever, original, inventive. Kind and popular, but will have much to contend with in life.
6. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ☉, ♃, Δ ♃, * ♃. A splendid year for business, removals, changes, new work. A child born will be highly gifted, keen, clever, popular, and very successful.
7. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃, Δ ♃. An active year for business, but some losses financially. A child born will be very energetic and pushful, but inclined to be extravagant and wasteful.
8. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃. A good year for business, courtship or marriage, some danger of indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be clever, kind, affectionate, but selfish and indifferent, will have many trials in life, and should always remain in employ.
9. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ♃, * ♃. Another good year for business or employment, social and financial gains, but annoyances and deception. A child born will be clever, intelligent, possess abilities above the average, be popular and respected, but be subject to much deception and intrigue.
10. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, ♃ ♃, * ♃. A year of many worries and annoyances, upsets and reversals, some benefits in employ. A child born will be clever, intelligent, but erratic and unreliable, and not successful in life.
11. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, * ☉, ♃ ♃. A doubtful year, danger of accidents, disputes and indisposition, some benefits in employ. A child born will be rash, hot-tempered and hasty, should always remain in employ, and act discreetly all through life.
12. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, * ♃. A good year for social affairs, courtship and pleasure. A child born will be kind, affable, affectionate, generous, will have many friends and a fair amount of success.
13. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, □ ☉, ♃, Δ ♃, ♃ ♃. A variable year, changes, benefits in business, financial gains, but danger of indisposition, scandal, and many worries. A child born will be unruly, proud, wayward, but kind and generous, and will benefit in employ.
14. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♃. A changeable year, financial gains and changes, but some grief and worry. A child born will be sceptical, of bad judgment, but kind, generous and impressionable.
15. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, □ ♃, ♃. A very evil year, danger of accident, disputes, indisposition and grief. A child born will be rash, selfish, careless and indifferent, and not successful in life.
16. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, Δ ☉, ♃, ♃, □ ♃. An active and successful year for business, with changes, but danger of accidents and imposition. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, but rash and deceitful; should be successful in employ.
17. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃, * ♃. An unsuccessful year, with many annoyances and upsets, some little gains in employ. A child born will be careless, unruly, proud, but will gain through elders and in employ.
18. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, Δ ♃. A good year for courtship, marriage, social and financial gains, some indisposition. A child born will be kind, affectionate, artistic, generous, should rise in life, but will have many difficulties to surmount.
19. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, □ ♃. A good year for business or employment, with changes and gains, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born will be rash and hasty, but clever and intelligent, will be kind and popular, and fairly successful in life.
20. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♃, □ ♃. A changeable year, but losses financially. A child born will be original and intuitive, but extravagant, and will not be very lucky in life.

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21. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♀, ♄ ☉, ♃, * ♄. A very unsettled year, losses in business or employ, changes, annoyances, danger of scandal. A child born will be erratic, proud, have a hatred of control, and though active and pushful, will not be successful.

22. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ☿, ♄ ♃. A very active year for business, new work, changes, but indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, and very enterprising, will make a way in life, but will have difficulties to surmount.

23. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♀. A doubtful year, some social gains and popularity, financial benefits, but danger of indisposition and grief. A child born will be popular, kind, generous and affectionate, but careless and indifferent, and will have many difficulties in life.

24. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♀, ♄ ♃. An unsettled and worrysome year, little annoyances and deception. A child born will be romantic, impressionable, and rather deceitful, and will not be very successful.

25. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃. An evil year, losses, reversals, grief, danger of accidents and indisposition. A child born will be erratic, rash, hasty and consequential, will have many troubles in life, and be unsuccessful.

26. **SUNDAY.** Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ☉, ♄ ♃. A variable year, good for business and employ, but danger of accidents and many annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, improvident, and often in trouble, and will gain best in the employ of others.

27. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, ♄ ♃. An active year for business, with changes, gains, financial success, and popularity. A child born will be clever, intelligent, generous, steady, and successful in life.

28. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, ♄ ♃. An evil year, financial losses, annoyances, scandal and worry. A child born will be extravagant, bad tempered, unreliable and deceitful, and not lucky in a career.

29. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, ☉ ☉, * ♃, ♄ ♃. A good year, with changes, social gains, courtship and happiness, some danger of indisposition. A child born will be kind, generous and artistic, but proud, and will gain best in the employ of others.

30. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ♄ ♃, ☉ ♃, ♄ ♃. An evil year, indisposition or bereavement, danger of accident, but some changes and journeys. A child born will be rash, hasty, selfish and indifferent, will have some good abilities, but will not turn them to account in life.

31. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, * ☉, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. A very unsettled year, disappointments, reversals, deceit, but gain in employ and new work. A child born will be active, energetic, popular, but will have much deceit to contend with, and should be very discreet in dealings with the other sex.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	27 ♃ 7	Avoid females. Travel and attend to letters evening.
2	10 ♃ 44	Push business and travel a.m. Safeguard health p.m.
3	24 ♃ 51	Push business a.m. Act discreetly rest of day.
4	9 ♃ 27	An unsettled day. Do nothing important. Write letters night.
5	24 ♃ 26	Sunday. A day for quiet contemplation. Visit friends evening.
6	9 ♃ 41	Push business, travel, change.
7	24 ♃ 59	Travel, and commence new undertakings p.m.
8	10 ♃ 11	Travel, push business, visit friends, safeguard health p.m.
9	25 ♃ 6	Attend to business a.m. Act discreetly rest of day.
10	9 ♃ 38	A doubtful day. Act discreetly. Attend to letters night.
11	23 ♃ 43	A very evil day. Act very carefully and avoid accidents.
12	7 ♃ 22	Sunday. Visit friends p.m. and evening.
13	20 ♃ 35	Influences contradictory a.m. Visit friends and amusements p.m.
14	3 ♃ 27	Push business a.m. Avoid females p.m.
15	16 ♃ 1	A very evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
16	28 ♃ 21	Act carefully a.m. and evening, push business afternoon.
17	10 ♃ 30	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
18	22 ♃ 31	Court, marry, visit friends and amusements, push business.
19	4 ♃ 17	Sunday. A day for quiet study and contemplation.
20	16 ♃ 19	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.
21	28 ♃ 9	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
22	10 ♃ 0	Travel and push business a.m. Safeguard health p.m.
23	21 ♃ 52	Push business, ask favours, seek work before 6 p.m. Evil after.
24	3 ♃ 47	An unsettled day. Attend to ordinary duties.
25	15 ♃ 50	Christmas Day. Of thine abundance give to him that needeth.
26	28 ♃ 1	Sunday. A day for contemplation and rest.
27	10 ♃ 26	Travel, write letters and ask favours.
28	23 ♃ 9	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
29	6 ♃ 12	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
30	19 ♃ 39	An evil day. Act discreetly.
31	3 ♃ 34	Another evil day. Do nothing of note.

Correspondence.

Mind the Dollars.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
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DEAR SIR,—I observe in the November issue of *The Adept* that a Mr. J. B. Earley has written from Los Angeles in horrible trepidation lest American dollars should find their way to this country. He says :—

“If the Allies, through their agents, succeed in negotiating the big War loan in the United States, it will bring about, in the Fall, Winter and Spring of 1916 and 1917, the greatest financial panic ever experienced in this country, and may drag us into the great War.

“The agents of the Allies landed in New York on the eve of the great conjunction of Mars and Saturn, both planets in their fall in Cancer, and Cancer rules New York City.

“Woe to America if this loan goes through.”

The loan went through with due celerity. American financiers have not yet lost their faculty of estimating securities. Does Mr. Earley think that Germany will take over our debts and play her usual game of “Scraps of Paper” with America in the event of Great Britain being defeated? Let Mr. Earley rest assured that with or without his good wishes the Allies are going to win this War, and win it so conclusively and thoroughly that America, at all events, need never fear a German invasion, either military or commercial, for decades to come. We shall also repay the American Loan.

Yours truly,

SEPHARIAL.

War Casualties.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR,—Will you explain in your Journal some time how Astrology accounts for the number of almost simultaneous deaths which take place during battle? Do you consider that their radical horoscopes showed a tragic death for all of them?

Yours truly,

LORENZO E. FISH.

Lawndale, Cal.

[The question involves too many considerations to be dealt with in this place. A special article on the subject will no doubt be forthcoming very shortly.—ED.]

“Those Wasps Again.”

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
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DEAR SIR,—The paragraph in the September issue, p. 231, “Those Wasps Again,” seems rather mixed, if you go through it carefully. There has

been no planetary phenomenon of late years with Mars conjunct. Uranus in Pisces. And I do not see what sensitive point Mars transitted on September 1st. Some of Sepharial's?

Regarding the old question as to which parent the tenth and fourth houses of a nativity refer to, can you tell me surely, if you have the parent's horoscopes, as well as the other figure, which is referred to. For instance, in my case, I can give both parents' maps, as well as my own.

I note that Sepharial disputes Butler's map of Christ's Nativity. I think it wrong also. Can you publish a Nativity figure in the Journal. It would interest all readers.

Yours, etc.,

H. CLIFT.

[The paragraph referred to in Sepharial's “Kaleidoscope” article is perfectly clear. He definitely refers to the figure for the Great Mutation Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, which took place on January 26th, 1842, at 5.29 a.m. Greenwich. In this figure Mars and Uranus were in Pisces near the cusp of the third house, as stated. The position of Mars on September 1st was in direct opposition to the place of the Great Conjunction. As to parent's horoscopical position, in the Manual of Astrology it is stated that the tenth house takes the sex of the native, the fourth house being significant of the other sex. Hence the tenth in a male horoscope indicates the father, and the fourth the mother, but the reverse of this in a female nativity. Sepharial might perhaps consider the advisability of a further statement of his views with regard to the Nativity, and in such case he would probably submit the horoscope.—ED.]

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
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DEAR SIR,—The following is an extract from “The War and the Great World Change to Follow” (page 82), by F. L. Rawson, M.I.E.E., A.M.I.C.E. :—

“Certain conjunctions of the planets occur at the same time as certain classes of events in the history of the world. People have believed that the position of the planets affected circumstances. This is not so. From the position of the planets can be calculated out the vibrations acting on the material world, and these synchronise with certain effects. The evil thereby foretold can naturally thereby be destroyed by scientific right-thinking, even when one does not know what is about to happen. It is a waste of time, therefore, to study astrology, although it is a fascinating subject. We have enough to do to learn how habitually to think rightly. We have to study cause instead of to tinker with effects.”

Does not this book like the beginning of the end of Astrology?

Yours etc.,

REV. SIDNEY E. DODDERIDGE.

[This is a delicate question. It depends how much value we are disposed to put upon Mr. Rawson's “right-thinking.” The right-thinking of little children is not complex nor “scientific.” It is purely spontaneous. Therein lies its virtue.—ED.]

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The Editor's Observatory.

Greetings.

The Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY has once again the pleasure of wishing his many readers A Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

What of the Year 1916 ?

The great War, that Titanic conflict between the forces of Right and Progress on one side, and the hell-hounds of destruction and dishonour on the other, still progresses ; and, viewed dispassionately, it may be said that neither side can claim much advantage. The Kaiser, aided by the transits of Jupiter over the meridian of his horoscope, has succeeded in holding back the allied forces on both sides of the arena of the War, and may claim a possible, though superficial advantage in the Balkans, thanks in a very great degree to the senseless tactics of lawyer-politicians who have jeopardised the situation in that locality.

A Summary Survey.

What are the portents for 1916 ? The chief influences are the stationary position of Mars in the last degree of Leo on the progressed Ascendant of the Kaiser at the commencement of the year, the two oppositions of Mars and Uranus from the signs Leo and

Aquarius on February 19th and May 4th, the three conjunctions of Venus and Saturn in the sign Cancer, on May 25th, June 22nd, and September 5th, and the two eclipses of the Sun on February 3rd and July 20th.

The figure for the Sun's entry into Capricorn shows Jupiter in the seventh house. There will be movements in the direction of peace, but they will not eventuate. The stationary position of Mars close to the great solar eclipse of August, 1914, denotes terrible fighting in France, and much ruin and devastation. The solar eclipse of February 3rd shows Mars rising in Central Europe, and the New Moon of March shows it setting, with Mercury and Uranus rising in opposition. Terrible fighting will occur under these influences, and the hordes of the Huns will be driven to the confines of their own country. The solar ingress into Aries on March 20th brings the Sun close to Jupiter, but also the square of Saturn, with Mars still elevated above all the planets, and stationary on the place of the eclipse of February 3rd. The new Moon of May 1st brings Uranus on the meridian, and Mars in close opposition in longitude 20 degrees E., but Jupiter is in exact trine with Mars, presignifying important victories for the British Army. The lunation of May 31st, again brings Mars elevated, and Venus conjoined with Saturn in the eighth

house, denoting the demise of a great lady of the land, Venus being ruler of the tenth.

The solar ingress into Cancer brings Mercury in the seventh in square to Mars again in the ninth, which looks very much like a dispute with America, but with the Sun in the seventh in sextile with Jupiter, actual warfare should not ensue. Venus is again conjoined with Saturn in the eighth house, denoting much mortality among females, and maritime disasters. The new Moon of July 29th is a solar eclipse. It falls on the Kaiser's Saturn, and opposition his Sun R, and square Mars P. This will begin the final phase of the War, and the transits of Saturn and Neptune over that point in 1917 will end the conflict. At the new Moon of August 28th the Sun is in trine with Jupiter, bringing further successes to the Allies.

The entry of the Sun into Libra is the signal for some important peace overtures, but it is doubtful if they will succeed. Jupiter is in the seventh, but opposed to Mars; Venus is in conjunction with the Moon on the meridian, the former ruling the seventh house, but both are opposed to Uranus. A Royal wedding or engagement will be announced. The autumn lunations are not very important, but it seems likely that an armistice may be arranged, though the finale of the War is not yet.

Thus far are the indications from the Mundane figures. The War horoscopes given each month will indicate further details.

Our Critics.

Honest and impartial criticism, however adverse, is always warmly welcomed and appreciated by myself, but I must candidly state, that any fair-minded person, on reading the remarks made by Mr. Alan Leo, in the December issue of *Modern Astrology* would at once stigmatise them as anything but courteous or honourable.

A nameless correspondent, who apparently has more time on his hands than he can profitably or honourably employ, has written to Mr. Leo, casting aspersions upon my intellectual integrity, and wilfully misrepresenting certain remarks of mine in th

October issue of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY.

It appears that I am called to account because I have published Birthday Information, etc., and at the same time have claimed for the Journal (not for myself as stated by Mr. Leo) the credit of being the chief exponent of scientific Astrology. I see nothing inconsistent in the publication of birthday forecasts, etc., and I have already stated in these pages that all remarks under this head are necessarily general, on account of the numerous factors involved. At the same time I am quite satisfied that they serve a honest and legitimate purpose in bringing the truth of Astrology to the notice of the man in the street, and, moreover, I have had numerous letters calling attention to the accuracy of such forecasts.

Mr. Leo then goes on to say that in the October issue of this JOURNAL I stated that a child born on October 1st would be "unlucky in love," and asks how that is possible seeing that Venus on that day was in trine with Uranus, and near the parallel of Jupiter. Reference to the Ephemeris will show that on that day Venus was in square to Saturn, and the Moon was passing the squares of the Sun and Venus, and applying to the conjunction of Saturn. The first aspect was, therefore, accentuated by the evil aspects of the Moon, and our forecast was in no wise "unscientific." If this is not sufficient I would refer Mr. Leo to his own published interpretation of the aspects in question. Raphael publishes birthday information, etc., similar to my own in his Almanac, and Sepharial has also allowed the publication of similar forecasts, so that, at least, I am found in honourable company, and claim, therefore, to be exempt from any accusation of "wilfully deceiving the public." It might also be mentioned that Mr. Leo is condemning his own practice in former volumes of his Journal.

In conclusion, I may be permitted to add that Mr. Leo would have shown a more laudable and impartial spirit by ignoring his correspondent's communication, as it was obviously written in a spirit of malice.

E. H. BAILEY.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

WE are quickly drawing to the close of a year which is without precedent in the annals of human history.

Does that signify anything to you?

To myself it means much. I count the privilege of incarnation at this epoch as of inestimable value, an experience for which even the Archangels might have waited in vain. For never did one live so much as in these days of national stress, nor feel so much as now. And if, as Bailey says in his *Festus*, "Life should be counted by heart-throbs, not by days or weeks or months or years or figures on a dial; he lives most who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best," then here is scope such as never was before for mortal man. How big the sense of "I" becomes when it is invested in the nation, how greater still when centred in the race. We are for humanity, and all that serves the higher purposes of life, for humanism, and the creed of goodwill to man. This is the Aquarian Age. Happy are they who see its dawn and the routing of the powers of evil, which now are incarnate and arrayed against the principles of Light. If science or scholasticism, philosophy or culture could have saved the world, if they had aught of leaven in their substance, this world-war would never have taken place. We have to get back to something that is nearer to the soul of man and closer to his needs, when once we have slain the basilisk of a crass materialism, calling itself by various names, and having many heads, but known to us as Antichrist. One thing this War will have taught us is that we can make our wealth to consist in the reducing of our wants. Another, that in all great crises humanity thinks and feels alike. Chiefly, that there is always a Self greater than oneself, and that service to the race is the beginning and end of life. The great sacrifice is not the rendering of one's life, which in any event cannot continue long, but the foregoing of one's own material advantage for the sake of the greater

cause, the giving over of oneself to strife that others may hereafter continue in peace. Never yet was there a limit of age when men could serve their country, and, if need be, die for it. Never yet had a country more need of its full strength. See to it, you who fight, and you who have given your more than heart's blood as sons in the cause of Justice and Freedom, see to it that no ill-timed advantage is gained by the enemy of mankind by a specious plea for peace. In the name of God—Carry on!

The Argument for Immortality.

I do not know that I have ever come across a better phrasing of the central fact of all existence, namely, that "Nature never created a desire which she could not satisfy," than that which is contained in Mr. Arthur Machen's article on "The Meaning of Death," which appeared in the *Evening News*, London. Adverting to spiritualism, he shows that it is unconvincing, chiefly from the fact that it is most materialistic in its evidences. "I do not think that we shall ever be convinced by spiritualism of the persistence of the soul," he says, "simply because spiritualism is not spiritual, but essentially material." In that statement I most fully agree. I have time and again challenged the whole fraternity to advance a single new fact which has been added to the sum total of human knowledge by intercourse with discarnate entities. I have never had a single statement by way of answer. More, I have attended all sorts of manifestations, and heard every kind of trance address and direct communication that is to be had in the whole circle of mediumism, and my conviction is that there is no evidence for any higher grade of intelligence than that which characterised the same individuals when they were in the flesh, and that, for all practical purposes, one might as well consult the first man one met in the street. This is the essential fact. All

men are spirits, embodied or disembodied. It becomes an easy habit of mind, and a profitable one withal, to regard them all as disembodied. But this does not touch the point of Mr. Machen's main argument, which is contained in the following lines, logically sound, scientifically upheld, and undoubtedly worthy of repetition :—

“ So with this great debate of death and immortality, I feel on safer ground in proceeding from things known and ascertained. And it seems as if we might argue for immortality from our instinct of it and for it, our interior sense that our life is an unending fountain. I do not know that there is any such thing in this world of sense and spirit as an instinct for which there is no possible gratification. Men die sometimes of thirst : but thirst presupposes water, and water is. Men desire beauty, and there is beauty everywhere ; not only of the hills and valleys and waterfalls, but in all that great region which we call art. And men desire love, and it is given to them.

“ And then, again, I believe that many have experienced the curious sense that in all the joys of life there is—not necessarily something bitter—but something lacking. We desire, that is, perfection either in the world of nature, or the world of art, or the world of emotion. We always feel that there is ‘ a beyond,’ a world which we can imagine but not realise, wherein the most exquisite is still more exquisite. The artist, above all, is a man on a journey, and on a journey which has no end here below. He knows that his finest masterpiece is a failure, if he compare the thing achieved with the thing that his heart desired to achieve.

“ I say again that there is no instinct without its satisfaction. I believe, then, that there is a land of the perfect beauty, of the absolute masterpiece, of the fulfilment of all our purged and illuminated desires. The way to it goes by Death.”

No More Prophecies !

In a lament of some significance the *Daily Mirror* hopes that the second year of the War will be different from the first, namely, in that there shall be no more prophecies. Optimism is a relish, not a food. You cannot win wars through optimism, but only through a good cause supplemented by efficiency. The first year of the War found our Government horribly unprepared and inefficient. It also found it inflated with prophecy. It was always “ Wait till October, and we shall have the enemy crushed,” or “ within two weeks there will be news which will more than compensate for all that we

have gone through during these long months of hard fighting and terrible suspense,” and so on. These predictions did not materialise. It has been proved, as I said, that the people who *ought* to know have not between them as much prescience as you can find in last year's almanac. “ Watch and wait,” or “ Wait and see ” has been the most temperate of the many official advices we have received. We are tired of waiting, and we have seen all too little. Still, it is better so than to adopt what has been called the “ imperial astrology ” of the Kaiser, whose every prediction, so far, has gone astray. Now there is talk in France of a decisive advance in the Spring. Well, for once I am with them. Somebody in France has got hold of an inspiration. There will be a big advance in the Spring. Everything points to it, except perhaps the “ imperial astrology ” manufactured by the Prussian Headquarters Staff for public edification—the Sun, Venus and Jupiter, successively passing through Aries and throwing a sextile to Uranus in Aquarius, the ruling sign of Russia, and a trine to Mars in Leo, the ruling sign of France, the influences reaching a climax in the first week of April. M. Gallieni seems more than justified in his prediction, and something to the same purpose has been in print since last April. Thus in *Old Moore's Almanac* for 1916 I read : “ March—Great Britain goes forward under the most benefic influences. April—We are effective in our efforts in foreign parts, especially in France, and victories are scored to our credit.” I think this prophecy will mature.

Astrological Insurance.

I have already received many applications from correspondents for information about Astrological Insurance. These will shortly be supplied. The questions to which I call attention affect all those who are anxious to make the best possible provision for the future. These questions involve a consideration of all the probabilities of the family horoscopes considered as an unit or focus of astral influence, and we have to apply our conclusions to Who, When, and What

to insure. This not a matter hastily to be decided, or much effort and money will assuredly be misdirected. In order to properly determine the issue a species of "tontine" or cancellation is followed out, so that eventually an individual stands out from among the group-unit as the most insurable person of that group, and a specified period is derived from consideration of directional influences arising out of a special form of composite horoscope. Thus the greatest advantage arises to the greatest possible number at the least possible outlay, and this, according to Berkeley, is the essence of communistic virtue.

Astrological Amenities.

As one gets older a more temperate and tolerant spirit animates the mind, and although there is considerable "fight" always struggling into expression in my own case, yet for some time past I have abandoned all skirmishing to the young bloods of the astrological camp. In these I do not include such veterans as our friend, the Editor of *Modern Astrology*, and consequently I am rather surprised to observe the indiscretion which allowed *carte blanche* to an anonymous correspondent to inveigh against the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY on account of certain contributions which are included in its regular make-up. The said correspondent complains that the Editor does not sign his editorial notes entitled, "The Editor's Observatory." The writer should know that an initial declaration of policy and objective on the issue of a new Journal is regarded as adequate, and that the *innominati* of the press obscure themselves as far as possible by the use of a plural pronoun. The point is captious and inconsistent, seeing that the name of the correspondent is not given, so that our Editor, Mr. E. H. Bailey, does not know who is responsible for the attack. Perhaps this omission can be filled in a future issue of *Modern Astrology*. The other objection raised is of more consequence to astrologers generally, and most certainly it is so to myself as a regular contributor to this Journal. The critic objects to the publication of a

feature called "Birthday Influences," in which the general import of the aspects of each day of the month in the lives of those born thereon is defined. Now we all know that 2 and 2 make 4, but this is not the whole of mathematics. It is, however, mathematically true. Similarly we all know that certain aspects signal certain events and define certain tendencies of character. But this is not the whole of a scientific astrology. It is true and scientific as far as it goes. When, therefore, we see Venus conjoined with the Sun in square to the Moon and Saturn, these latter also being conjoined, we come to the conclusion that all will not be well in the domestic and social life of the person then born, irrespective of the time of day or night that birth may occur. This latter point will inform us more particularly as to the sources whence the trouble will arise, according to the position of the afflicting planet or planets. All this is obvious to those who know their astrology, and consequently I am surprised that the Editor should have entertained and published such a lame and amateurish criticism. When, however, it is said that publication of this matter is "wilfully deceiving the public," the whole credentials of astrology are called into question; for such a statement is nothing short of libellous, a point at law which is not to be decided by the alleged merits or demerits of astrology itself, but by damage done by imputation of unworthy motive. I trust that Mr. Leo will see that an explanation and apology are needed.

The Holocaust.

A correspondent has raised the interesting question as to whether in the case of wholesale disasters, such as happen in great onslaughts, shipwrecks and earthquakes, there are to be found adequate indications of death in all the horoscopes of the victims. It is extremely difficult to make an universal postulate from detached cases, and I am not disposed, as some have done, to take refuge behind what are called "major causes," which presumes that general indications of such disaster are adequate for all individuals involved. My belief is that in every single

case the signals are up to warn people of the danger that lies ahead. Because of our ignorance we are either unaware of the signals or else fail to read them, but that is not an indictment of the Supreme Intelligence which originally appointed the celestial bodies for signs and for seasons. My life-long study of these cosmical and philosophical problems has taught me that God is faithful even to those who deny His providence.

I am at present only able to say that in the case of the Sunderland disaster some years ago, when many children were crushed to death by a stampede following upon a fire alarm, some trodden under foot, some suffocated, others burned, I examined the horoscopes of some score or so of the victims, and in every case there were *current* indications of danger. They had all been drawn together at a place of amusement with the single object of enjoying themselves. They were of different ages, ranging from six years to fourteen, and when one considers the diversity of their dates of birth and the varying positions of the celestial bodies at their several births, it is marvellous that they should all show this uniformity of adverse direction at the time of the disaster. Surely the ways of God are past finding out! But what struck me at the time, and afterwards brought me to the conclusion I have since repeatedly advanced, namely, that events are signified by direction, for which there is not adequate indication in the radical horoscope, was the fact that in several instances evidences of a violent death were absent from the horoscopes of birth. In these circumstances I am bound to say that radical indications are not always present, but that current indications are always so. Doubtless also there were current indications of bereavement in the horoscopes of the parents, but on this point I cannot now speak, having lost or destroyed my notes on the cases examined. I believe, however, that some of them were published in *Raphael's Almanac* for the following year with original notes by the Editor or some correspondent. The case is open to test, and if any correspondent can furnish me with a score or more of *Lusitania* victims,

or of victims of the great Abruzzi earthquake, of Mons, Marne or Loos killed and wounded, I think there will be no difficulty in establishing the position here defined.

Reading the Signals.

At the end of this year, 1915, which as I write has but few days to run, the planet Mars becomes stationary on the place of the large solar eclipse of August 21st, 1914, an eclipse that is still in force. This eclipse fell on the Kaiser's progressed Ascendant, in opposition to the Moon in the King of Italy's horoscope, and on the place of the Sun and Saturn in President Poincaré's horoscope. Personal danger and many unforeseen difficulties will attend the Kaiser, a dark cloud overshadows the House of Victor Emanuel, and Azrael draws near to the President. Fighting will be extensive and furious this year's end. Next month I shall have something to say on the signals in the world horoscope. So far as January is concerned the beginning and end of January, 1916, are not favourable to the Allies, but the middle of the month will have some features of outstanding benefit to our cause. May the best of the New Year wait upon our fortunes!

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Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER IX. (continued).

Another point should be remembered in zodiacal directions. The Sun and Moon may also be directed to both direct and converse directions of the Meridian and Ascendant. Thus in the example horoscope, the sextile of the Ascendant falls in ♃ 15.27, and this by the rotation of the earth will come round to the Sun's radical place forming the direction Sun sextile asc'd. zod. direct. In like manner the Sun can descend to the place held by ♃ 15.27 at birth, the trine aspect of the Ascendant by converse motion. The procedure in these cases is exactly the same as shown in the preceding examples.

Two directions of the Moon will now be given to illustrate the working of direct and converse directions of that luminary.

Moon sextile Uranus, zod. d. The place of Uranus being 24.45 of ♈ the sextile falls in the same degree and minute of Gemini.

R.A.	of ♋ 24° 45'	=	84° 17'
M.D.	" "	=	0° 29'
Declin.	" "	=	23° 21'
S.A.	" "	=	57° 28'

In direct directions of the Moon, its S.A. and M.D. as given in the speculum are used, and a "constant log." may be obtained in the same way as shown for the Sun.

Prop. log.	M.D.	45.51	·59393
— "	"	S.A.	64.9
			·44808
= Constant log.			·14585

The rule is then:—Constant log. of Moon + S.A. of aspect = x .

Here we have as follows:—

Constant log. Moon			·14585
Prop. log. S.A. of aspect 57° 28'			·49586

Prop. log. x 41.4 ...			·64171
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The place of the aspect being just inside the fourth cusp, and therefore on the opposite side of the meridian to the Moon,

the 41° 4' is added to the M.D. of the aspect, 0.29, making 41° 23' as the arc of direction ♃ * ♃ zod. dir.

Moon sextile Jupiter zod. con. will serve as a very instructive example of a converse direction as it involves two fresh factors, viz. :—

1. The Moon is *below* the earth, the sextile of Jupiter falls in ♃ 11.43 *above* the earth. The Moon at birth being below the earth, its M.D. given in the speculum is taken from the lower meridian, but as the M.D. of the aspect is taken from the upper meridian, the Moon's M.D. from the same point should be obtained. The rule for obtaining this has already been given. The M.D. of the Moon from the upper meridian is 134.9.

2. The Moon having to cross the Ascendant, it is necessary to use its semi-diurnal arc and not the one given in the speculum. This, as already shown, is 115° 51'.

The factors required are as follows:—

R.A. of aspect 11.43 ♃ =			314° 11'
Mer. dist. "			50° 23'
Declin. "			17° 17'
S.A. "			67 12

The formula for this direction is as follows:—

As S.A. of place of aspect is to its M.D., so is S.A. of Moon to x .

This gives

$$\text{As } 67.12 : 50.23 :: 115^\circ 51' : x.$$

Worked in the usual way x is found to be 86° 51'. The Moon being at birth, 134° 9' from the meridian the 86° 51' is subtracted therefrom giving 47° 18' as the arc of direction ♃ * ♃ zod. con.

As previously mentioned the Moon may be directed to both direct and converse directions of the M.C. and Ascendant. The rules given above serve for both of these series of directions.

The Star of Bethlehem.

By SEPHARIAL.

THE central fact of Christian belief is that of the Nativity, for this, properly considered in its spiritual relations, constitutes the Great Sacrifice, and not, as is popularly thought, the crucifixion. This latter was a fanatical murder, instigated against the Powers of Light by the Father of Lies, whose incarnate agent was Iscariot, the traitor and suicide, who sold his Master to the temporal authorities. Only a spiritual renegade could so act towards his Preceptor, and it is so written: "You twelve have I chosen and one of you is a devil." This shows a prescience of human action, and a consent to the scheme of things whereby good might come out of evil, such as one may look for in the supreme intelligence that would apprehend the perfect atonement of things spiritual and material by rendering unto Cæsar the things belonging to Cæsar, and unto God the things that are God's.

That this Nativity should be attended by singular portents is not otherwise than rational if once we accept the position that Joshua-ben-Pandira, born "in the midst of time," was the representative Christ-soul of the Adamic race of humanity. And these portents of a singular incarnation are traditionally held to be manifest in (a) the recognition of the Magi, (b) the appearance of an unusual Star in the heavens, which had its meridian transit in the zenith of Bethlehem, (c) various psychophysical phenomena attending the birth.

The evidences have not hitherto been fully worked up, and as they hold a special interest for astrological students, I shall do my best to collate and review them critically.

The Star.

What is known as the "Star of Bethlehem" is a star having a variable period, the mean of which is 315 years, situate in the constellation of Cassiopeia. In the Greek mythology there is a legend which connects

this star with Andromeda, the daughter of Cassiopeia, Perseus, her husband, and Cepheus, the father of Andromeda. These are the names of constellations which are all in close proximity in the heavens. Now, according to Tycho, who saw the Star in 1572, it appeared above the head of Andromeda, and this would give it a N. declination of about 32° , which shows that it would be vertical to the latitude of Bethlehem in Judea. Thus we connect it immediately with the sign Aries, the sign of the paschal lamb, the Hebrew *pasach* meaning a transit, and indicating the vernal equinox, where the Sun passes over the equator. Reference to Ptolemy's *Tetrabiblos* will show that as early as the second century of the present era it was known that the sign Aries ruled Palestine. It is also seen that this sign corresponds with the East of the compass, as Libra to the West, Cancer to the North and Capricorn to the South. The appearance, therefore, of a remarkable star in the sign Aries might well lead the skilful astrologers of Arabia to conclude that a great luminary would be born in Judea. This, at all events, is the astrological explanation of the saying: "Where is he that is born King of the Jews, for we have seen his star in the East, and have come to pay him homage." Not else can we accord the statement that they saw the star in the East, and yet travelled westward to seek the King. It was the celestial East that was referred to.

Tycho saw the star in 1572, it was seen formerly in 1264, and by Albumazar in 945, and a mean period of 315 years will bring us to its appearance at the Nativity in the year B.C. 3 (astron.). Tycho says of this star that it gradually grew in luminosity until it outshone Sirius, and even Venus, and as gradually disappeared, but not until its lustre had become so great as to render it visible in the daytime! The appearance of Nova Persei, a new star in Perseus, at the

beginning of this century has been connected with the Star of Bethlehem as its period of 308-319 years would make it due in 1891, and Sir J. Herschel thought it might return in 1872. But we have reasons for thinking that the star in Perseus was not identical with that formerly seen in Cassiopeia. Indeed there is no record of its having kept its appointment, as if a Star so sacred to the Christian world withheld its coming, affrighted at a world so soon to be plunged in almost universal war! The Star which heralded "Peace on earth, goodwill to mankind," would be out of place symbolically at such a time as this, save that it were prophetic of the Great Peace which is coming upon the earth after awhile.

The account says that the star "stood over the house where the child lay." Any star near the zenith appears to be immediately over a particular house, even in an extensive city. If the Magi arrived at Jerusalem about the time of the southing of the Star it would appear to be over Bethlehem, a little to the south of the Royal City. Bethlehem is $31^{\circ} 43'$ N., and Jerusalem $31^{\circ} 50'$ N.

The Year.

It is stated that the Nativity took place in the same year as the death of Herod, the Tetrarch of Judea. This took place in B.C. 4, which is the astronomical year B.C. 3. In the *Antiquities* (Bk. xviii.) of Josephus, an eclipse is mentioned as having taken place on the night preceding one of the fasts, and he states that this eclipse was followed by the death of Herod.

The reign of Herod extended for 34 years after the death of his father, Antipater, and this took place in the 184th Olympiad, or B.C. 39. The year of the eclipse was therefore B.C. 3, and we find it took place on March 13th, in that year, at 8 mins. past 4 in the morning at Jerusalem. The Moon was then two-thirds of its course down the western heaven, and was more than half eclipsed, the magnitude of eclipse being 0.66. The Moon was in the sign Virgo, which the ancients affirmed to be the ruling sign of Jerusalem, where the death (symbolised by

the Moon eclipsed, on the cusp of the eighth house) took place. The following are the elements of the eclipse: Moon's anomaly = $39^{\circ} 48'$, Sun's anomaly $279^{\circ} 28'$. Nodal distance $7^{\circ} 34'$. Time 1.46 a.m. G.M.T. = 4.8 a.m. at Jerusalem.

The account of the Nativity in the R.C. Festes says that the death of Herod took place before the Passover, and after the eclipse of March 13th. It is clear, therefore, that we are in agreement as to the year of the Nativity. The Gospel account mentions Tiberius Cæsar by name, and also the Government of the provinces, as well as many dates. From this account we learn that the Mother had good reason to be in Jerusalem, or near it, at the time, because there was a registration or census under Augustus which was fixed for the 1st of Tishri, when the Jewish civil year began. The Feast of Tabernacles took place the same month. Bethlehem was the objective, as both Joseph and his cousin Mary were "of the house and lineage of David," who was born at Bethlehem, and this would occasion a passage through Jerusalem or a circuit of the city in the journey southward to Bethlehem.

The 1st Tishri fell on September 19th in the year 3 B.C. (astron.). At this time there would be "shepherds abiding in the fields keeping watch over their flocks by night." The Pagan date of December 25th, still retained by us, is impossible.

Thus the year and the month of the Nativity are historically and astronomically fixed.

The Hour.

Nothing is said as to the hour of the birth in the Gospel narrative, but it is quite clear, I think, that it happened during the night, otherwise there would be no relevance in the "shepherd" incident. Astrologically, there are certain signs which lend themselves to a nativity of this nature. These signs are Aries, Leo, Libra, Sagittarius, and Aquarius. Now as the Sun was in the middle of Virgo, "the woman clothed with the Sun" in the Apocalyptic vision, the rising of Sagittarius would make the birth about noon, Aquarius rising would make it

during the afternoon and before the folding of the sheep, Libra would give an hour or two after sunrise, Leo would indicate an hour or two before sunrise, and certainly while it was yet dark, as there would be no twilight in those latitudes so near to the equinox, and Aries rising would show the time to be about 8 o'clock in the evening, after sunset, and when the flocks had been folded. For many reasons which cannot here be discussed I incline strongly to the rising of Aries. The apocalyptic vision shows the

the feet, and in the house denoting sequestration, and the sign Aries (the manchild) is "brought forth" as soon as the Moon in Pisces enters the twelfth house or place of confinement. Most important of all is the fact that at this time the sign Aries rises with the Star of Bethlehem in the Ascendant! The ruling planet of the Nativity is Mars, and it is found at this date in the sign Leo, "the lion of the tribe of Judah." We may now construct the horoscope according to the above data.

R.A. 277° 50' M.C.

♈ 1°		♍ 1°		♌ 7° 16'	♋ 15°	♊ 18°
13° ♀ 34'						♃ 10° 21'
14° ♃ 17'						20° 32' ♀
♈ 11° 42'						11° 42' ♃
★ Star Mirach					♂ 20° 31'	
					♀ 18° 38'	☉ 11° 32'
	21° ♄ 54'		4° ♃ 44'			
♄ 18°		♈ 15°		♌ 7° 16'	♋ 1°	♊ 1°

B.C. 3 (astron.) September 5th, 5.20 p.m. G.M.T. Local time 7.42 p.m.

woman (Virgo) clothed with the Sun (the Sun in the middle of Virgo), and the Moon under her feet (a full Moon in Pisces, which governs the feet). "And she brought forth the manchild (Aries, ruled by Mars), who would shepherd the people with a crook." Here there is direct reference to *ail*, the sign Aries, pre-eminently the shepherd sign, for *ail* means a ram as well as a hero or warrior, and is the Hebrew name for Aries. "Ruling the nations with a rod of iron" has been latterly rendered "shepherding the people with a crook." The point does not affect the astrology of the case. No other sign than Aries appears so suitable. The language of the horoscope appears complete. The Moon in the twelfth (the house of confinement) quite accords with the fact that "she fled into the wilderness to escape the dragon." Here the dragon (Scorpio) is associated with the eighth house (death), the Sun is enfold-folding the Virgin sign with its rays, the Moon is opposed to it in the sign governing

The sign ♈ is rising (the Paschal Lamb) with the Star of Bethlehem and Mirach (the wonderful), and Mars its ruler is in Leo (the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, and the root of Jesse). The description of the person of the Man Jesus as given to Tiberias Cæsar by Publius Lentulus is as follows: "His hair the colour of chestnut, full ripe, plain to the ears, whence downwards it is more orient (golden). curling and waving about his shoulders. In the midst of his head is a seam or partition of his hair, after the manner of the Nazarenes; his forehead plain and very delicate, his face without a spot or wrinkle, beautified with the most lovely red; his nose and mouth so formed that nothing can be reprehended, his beard thickish, in colour like his hair, not very long, but forked; his look innocent but mature, his eyes grey, clear and quick." This is a most excellent description of Aries, with Mars in Leo, as any astrologer will perceive. The description adds: "In reproving he is terrible,"

which we observe is due to Mercury in conjunction with Mars, which always gives a ready answer, a cogent argument and a biting reproof.

Saturn in the second house clearly supports the statement, "my Kingdom is not of this world," especially when we consider the fact that most of the planets are below the horizon. But probably the most striking position in the horoscope is that of Uranus in conjunction with the Moon in the twelfth house, that of imprisonment, exile, bondage, etc., in direct opposition to the Sun. Not only would this denote the peregrin life of the great Teacher, but the physical hardships to which there is constant reference in the Gospel narrative. It shows also the secret enmity which was directed against him, while Neptune on the cusp of the eighth house, in the sign Scorpio, most fitly indicates the betrayal unto death.

The signs of a violent death are borne out in this horoscope by the affliction of both the lights (Sun and Moon) by a malefic planet, and a malefic on the cusp of the eighth house indicating the manner of death by betrayal. The position of Venus in Libra in the seventh house clearly points to the devotion shown to him by women throughout his ministration and after his death. The death is historically fixed as having occurred in April, A.D. 33, about the time of the Feast of the Passover. Now the Pascal Full Moon was on April 3rd towards noon at Jerusalem, and as the Sun was then about $6\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ from the Node it would be a partial eclipse of the Moon. This eclipse fell, therefore, in opposition to the Ascendant of the horoscope. Neither the Sun nor Moon are in hyleglacial places, and the Ascendant, therefore, is vested with vital prerogatives. At the time of the Crucifixion, of which the lunar eclipse in opposition to the Ascendant was a symbol, the Ascendant was directed to the opposition of Mars, zod. con., and to conjunction Saturn zod. d. It is of interest to observe that the prophet Micah predicted the place of birth, and when Herod asked where the Messiah was to be born the Scribes were able to answer, "In Bethlehem of Judea." Herod sent the Magi thither,

requesting them to return and report to him. Arriving after the birth of the Child, the Star would have risen, and soon after midnight would be "over the house where the child lay." The birth took place in the first watch of the night, and therefore before 8 p.m. local time. I make the time to be 7.42 p.m. at Bethlehem. This name "Bethlehem" signifies "the house of bread," and the Sun is in the constellation Ceres, the goddess of the harvest. From all points of view, therefore, we find a singular conformity of astrological facts with the traditional account of this great event.

The following is the calculation:—

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1797	11 21 47	6 11 5			
—1800	9 23 16	28 22			
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B.C. 3	1 28 31	5 12 43	aphel.		
Sept.	20 12	2 19 8	long.		
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5d.	25	9 6 25			
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	2 19 8	anomaly.			
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		con. „ 9.83098			
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	28 19	tan. „ 9.73133			
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	66 48	= 2 6 48			
		Sun 5 11 32			
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	= Cancer 4° 44'.				

A word or two as to the calculation of the horoscope may be of interest to the student. In the year B.C. 3 (astron.) which is the date B.C. 4 of chronology, the obliquity of the ecliptic was $23^\circ 43'$. It is now

23° 27'. The Sun's place in the zodiac having been calculated, its R.A. under this obliquity was found to be 162° 49' at noon of September 5th. The local time 7.42 was fixed empirically by the direction of the Ascendant to anaretic planets, Mars being rendered exceptionally violent by its conjunction with Mercury, and Saturn equally so by reason of its square aspect to Mars and Mercury. The planets' places were computed from the tables. In my "Cosmic Symbolism" it was erroneously stated that Jupiter was in conjunction with Saturn.

Seeing with what difficulty the various factors necessary to this horoscopal study are derived, it will not, I hope, be thought derogatory to the main object of this essay if I advance the horoscope with some reserve. I have made mistakes before by using planetary periods instead of astronomical tables, and although in this case I have employed the best material at hand, it is yet possible that some small errors, such as those due to change of eccentricity in the planetary orbits, may have crept in. I have, however, done all that is possible in the circumstances. Readers who would further study the data on which I have based my calculations should peruse *Coming Events*, June, 1899, "The Man Jesus," and *C. E.*, Feb., 1899, "The Star of Bethlehem." This, then, is my estimate of the horoscope of Jesus Messiah, as foretold by John of Patmos, by Isaiah in the eighth century B.C.; and by Micah, the last of the canonical prophets of Israel, in these words: "But thou, Bethlehem Ephrata, although thou art the least of the heads of Judah, from thee shall go forth he who shall rule in Israel, and whose goings forth are from of old, from times eternal."

This is the annunciation of that manifestation in time and space which is the revelation of God to man, and which at this season of the year is held in joyous celebration throughout the Christian world.

Through pressure on our space Mr. Harvey's article has been omitted. It will be resumed, however, in our next.

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Astronomical Phenomena

JANUARY, 1916.

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	5th	...	4h. 45m. morn.
First Quarter,	12th	...	3h 38m. morn.
Full Moon,	20th	...	8h. 29m. morn.
Last Quarter,	28th	...	0h. 35m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Capricorn, enters Aquarius on 21st, at 8.54 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Capricorn, enters Aquarius on 8th, conjunction Uranus on 17th.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Aquarius, enters Pisces on 20th, conjunction Uranus on 7th.
- ♂. MARS is retrograde in Leo all the month.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Pisces.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Cancer, opposition Sun on 4th.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- D. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	... 11, 12	|	Libra	... 25, 26, 27
Taurus	... 13, 14	|	Scorpio	... 1, 28, 29
Gemini	... 15, 16, 17	|	Sagittarius	2, 3, 30, 31
Cancer	... 18, 19	|	Capricorn	4, 5
Leo	... 20, 21, 22	|	Aquarius	... 6, 7
Virgo	... 23, 24	|	Pisces	... 8, 9, 10

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with cold and inclement weather, snow and downfall; gales 7th; change 10th; milder to 13th, then fine for a few days; unsettled around 19th; dull 22nd; variable to fine 26th; change 27th; warmer 31st.

The Point of Karma.

II.—The Bridge of Consciousness.

By EDITH F. A. U. PAINTON.

It may be noticed that, in the last paper, I did not give any evidence to prove or disprove the truth of the examples submitted. The reason for this was that in each of the four cases, save one, the natives of the charts were comparatively young in years, and while the general trend of their experiences substantiates the claim put forth, one had no actual assurance that the finger of Fate was leading them directly through the indicated Bridge conditions.

of mind that caused my birth to occur fully six weeks ahead of time. I was born without finger or toe-nails, and did not awaken until six weeks' old."

The accompanying chart, then, shows the Bridge this soul has had to cross in this incarnation. As, according to her own record, the approximate date of conception was August 24th, 1845, it gives us the Sun 0 degrees, 14 minutes in Virgo, while the birth, March 29th, 1846, shows the Sun

♌ 25°		♍ 29°		♎ 27°	♏ 21°	♐ 16°
		☉ E 0° 14'				♃ 2° 52'
♍ 16° 38'						16° 38' 8
						16.4 D 13.4 4
				10° ♃ 9' 9° ☉ 2'		♀ 27.50
♋ 16°	♌ 21°	♍	27°	♎ 29°	♏ 25°	

With this paper I bring to your attention a most remarkable case in support of this theory a case that has been brought to my notice as a direct outgrowth of the preceding paper.

A lady, born on March 29th, 1846, whose chart I was compiling with this particular feature in view, submits to me this interesting data. As I am well acquainted with the lady, and can vouch of her veracity with absolute certainty, I have no hesitation in presenting the chart as one of really exceptional significance.

"I had it in my mind to write you that my birth was not full time with my conception," she says, "and just about that time you were estimating my approximate date of conception as June 30, 1845, which is almost two full months too early. My birth was a peculiar one. My parents were married Sunday, August 23rd, 1845. Circumstances brought upon my mother a state

9 degrees, 2 minutes in Aries. Consequently, the Bridge covers 0 degrees, 14 minutes of Virgo, 30 degrees of Leo, 30 degrees of Cancer, 30 degrees of Gemini, 30 degrees of Taurus, and 20 degrees, 58 minutes of Aries, involving the sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth houses, with half each of the fifth and tenth, and bringing the planets Mercury, Moon, Mars, Jupiter, and Uranus to be harmonised, thus comprising six signs, six houses, and five planets, and covering nearly one-half of the chart.

I have asked the native of this Chart for her verification of the Bridge indications, and her report is very gratifying to one who desires to know the truth, and prove it to his own satisfaction, as well as to that of all other students who desire to probe the riddle of life to its very core. So large a part of her life has been lived that she justly feels that she has almost completed the crossing, and can look back with no little satisfaction

to the steps along the way, rejoicing that her experience may be of some little value to the earnest searcher after the real things in astrological research.

She has always been what the world, for want of a better word, terms "an unusual character," always very much alone among the associations of her kindred, never understood by any of them, nor of sufficient interest to them to excite even their curiosity. She seemed to be of an advanced type, years ahead of her time—a child of a future age and understanding. Her soul was from her earliest recollection too deeply concerned with the untangling of the skeins of the inner life to pay much heed to the allurements of the outer. The world only now, after seventy years, seems coming within sight of the ideal world of her early dreams.

The early part of her life was spent in the Aries element, working out with her head the problems of childhood's loves and pleasures, from her own peculiar point of view, meeting the swift Uranian changes, and learning the lessons of the fifth house through much mental questioning and surprising experiences. Those who connect the fifth house so closely with the individual Karma will find it very significant that her work should begin in this house.

Then came the struggles of the sixth house, with the three planets there, and the health of the body came up for severe adjustment. The seventh house next brought up the problems of matrimony, made yet more difficult of solution by the fiery Mars in possession of the house, and the Taurian force of expression hampering, yet compelling, at every turn. The experience was a bitter one, but from it she advanced into the house of mystery and occultism, and matters of spiritualism and the other world claimed much of her attention during this period of her life, while Gemini on the Cusp kept her always divided in opinion, and yet determined to attain unto that wisdom of Mercury that makes him indeed fit to be a messenger of the gods. The greatest struggle with the planetary influences was passed with the crossing of the cusp of the eighth house, and from there it was but a step into the house

of the higher mind, where, through Cancer, the deep, dark mystery sign, she delved deep into the mysteries of the North Wall, and defied its blankness, attaining unto a remarkably clear understanding of the sacred truths of the Most High, while the 30 degrees of Leo brought her into the fullest conception of the infinite love throbbing in the great Cosmic Heart of the universe. She is now finishing the remaining lessons of Virgo, in the house of honour, and is at the very zenith of her map, albeit the ending of her bridge.

A wealth of convincing detail might be given that would demonstrate all along the path through these six houses the wonderful lessons of this karmic law, but she shrinks from any more publicity than this study is necessarily giving, and in deference to her wish, I will refrain from any more definite delineations.

But while the length of this bridge naturally makes this case of exceptional interest, the world of humanity is full of just as vitally interesting records, and the field of experiment and research is world-wide, and wholly without fences. The more we study this crossing of Jordan the more we find in it as the chart of our present voyage, and the better we are able to steer our course toward the goal of that perfection unto which we must all eventually attain.

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Past Events Fulfilled.

Being now in the seventh millenary, we are also in the age of the Moon, which is the seventh of the spheres in the order prescribed. And this Moon is in the sign Aquarius. The Moon took rule from the year 1550 to the year 1616 complete, and was succeeded by the Sun, which ruled to the year 1685. And during this period the Moon was conjoined with Mars in the sign Gemini, which is the ruling sign of London, and by calculation it is found that Saturn, Mars, and the Moon were all conjoined in that sign in the year 1666, whence Nostradamus made his famous prediction:—

"The blood of the just in London spilled,
Requires a raging fire in Sixty-six."

And at this time there were other indications: such for instance as three blazing comets in the year 1664-5, and an eclipse near the meridian of London, and in opposition to the place of Mars in the horoscope of the City, from which Saunders and Lilly predicted both the Plague and the Fire.

The invasion of the Adriatic and Malta, by Solyman the Magnificent, in 1565, was thus depicted:—

"Out of the East the Punic heart shall come
The sons of Rome and Adria to vex,
With Lybian troops to compass Malta's doom;
The neighbouring isles shall be abandoned wrecks!"

Here Nostradamus calls the Romans, "les hoirs Romulides," the heirs of Romulus the Founder of Rome. The Turks in this war had the aid of troops from Tripoli, Tunis, and Algiers, cities of Africa then under Turkish rule. Malta and the neighbouring isles were almost wholly depopulated for a time, but eventually the Turks were hurled back with the loss of 26,000 men. Malta is ruled by the sign Leo, as also is Rome, and the planet Mars was then in that sign according to the computation of Nostradamus, and astronomically I find that Saturn was in the sign Leo in 1565, and when in the following

year it entered Virgo, the ruling sign of Turkey, Solyman died.

The Gunpowder plot of in 1605 was thus depicted by the astrologer:—

"The exiles, moved by wrath and hate profound
Against the King shall make conspiracy,
And secret set explosives underground,
Treating his old allies seditiously."

In this prediction the expression "les vieux siens," his old allies, refers to the alliance of the English and Spanish thrones by the marriage of Mary to Philip II. of Spain. Guido Faux was a Spanish exile, and his name has ever since been associated with "Guy Fox Day," when the effigies of traitors and criminals are publicly burned.

Nostradamus was well acquainted with the horoscopes of all the great men of his day, and having been often consulted by the King it is not surprising to find that he forms the subject of several of the prophecies. One reads thus:—

"The world a certain man for King shall mark
Whose peace and life shall not continue long;
Then shall be lost the piscatorial bark.
And governed afterwards in greater wrong."

This has reference to King Henry II. of France, who reigned only twelve years—from 1547 to 1559—and who was continually at war with Charles V of Germany and Philip II. of Spain, the son of the German monarch. The "Piscatorial bark" is the Church of Rome, the Apostle Peter having been a fisherman before his sacred mission commenced. At the termination of the reign of King Henry in 1559 the Pope (Paul IV) died, and under his successor, Pius IV, the Religious Wars began in France. Nostradamus evidently regarded Pius IV as a bad pilot.

Garencières, the first translator of the Prophecies, has made the mistake of presuming that all the predictions have a shorter range than they actually have, and consequently we find him explaining events which are even now in process of fulfilment, and

others which have yet to come. The first seven hundred verses were dedicated to Nostradamus' son on March 1st, 1555, and the last three to the King on June 17th, 1558. And in the latter Nostradamus says that he makes his commencement as from March 14th, 1557, and he extends his prophecies to the eighth millenary, comprehending, as he says, "almost as much time to come as is past," according to the general computation. The author in his preface to his son Cæsar says that they extend to the year 3797 A.D. Nostradamus predicted the manner of death of Henry II. of France, which happened in a tournament with Lord Montgomery, the king being struck in the eye, and from that contracting a tumour. He predicted the end of the House of Valois, and the year of Henry III.'s death. He states in one of his quatrains that there would be seven changes of blood on the English throne in the course of 290 years from the date of his prophecy. At this time the Tudors were reigning (1), and after them came the Stuarts (2), then Cromwell (3), then the Restoration (4), William of Orange (5), Stuarts restored under Queen Anne (6), House of Hanover (7), Brunswick (8), making seven changes of blood in 290 years expired to the year 1845.

He further says that England would have paramount power for over three hundred years, whilst the Spanish power would proportionately decline.

"Great empire to the English arms shall be
In fullest force three hundred years and more;
Her armies vast shall pass by land and sea,
While discontented Spain is vexed and sore."

Spain was the dominant power in Europe under Philip II., who married Queen Mary I., and under Elizabeth, her sister, the English power began to expand. The empire reached its maximum (pan-potens = pempotam) under Queen Victoria when Spain was shorn of the last remnant of its once vast empire by the war with America in 1898. But sometimes Nostradamus is explicit, and leaves us in no doubt as to details. Thus in Cent. III., quatr. 77, he says: In the Autumn (le tiers climat) comprised under Aries (Libra = Sept.-October) in the year seventeen hundred and twenty-seven, in October, the King of

Persia in a deadly conflict taken by Egypt, is lost, and the Cross is defamed.

The Treaty of Peace, signed in October, 1727, declared the Sultan of Turkey legitimate successor of the Caliphs, and his sway over the whole of Asia Minor was absolute. Nostradamus also says that "the great chain of the port which takes its name from the sea-bull will be opened," a statement which refers to the Bosphorus, at that time closed against the Russian fleet, but which was opened two hundred years later by the Treaty of Belgrade. To-day it is closed to warships, but open to trading vessels.

(To be continued).

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There has been what seems to me a somewhat regrettable tendency among astrologers to set different methods of directing in astrology in opposition to each other. Like the early Christians, the astrologers of the present day tend to exclaim "I am of Paul!" or "I am of Apollon!" as the case may be, and this tendency has perhaps been accentuated by the unfortunate description of one class of directions as primary and another class as secondary, the former expression being used by its exponents for the Placidian system and the latter for the Chaldean or day-for-a-year system. We may indeed describe the former as the degree-for-a-year system in contradistinction to the Chaldean day-for-a-year system. But there are points at which the two systems at least partially overlap, though the theories on which they are based are essentially different. The day-for-a-year system, as the merest tyro in astrology is aware, treats every day after birth as equivalent to a year in the life of the subject of the horoscope, the

aspects formed in the twentieth day after birth thus corresponding to the events in the twentieth year of life. The Placidian directions, on the other hand, are all formed within a few hours after birth. Here everything depends on the diurnal rotation of the earth, which brings the radical positions of the horoscope into various relations with each other by the apparent rotation of the ambient, due, of course, to the actual rotation of the earth. Inasmuch as the circuit of the heavens corresponds to 360 degrees, the diurnal rotation of the earth, when completed, will give, in the measure of time, 360 years. We may, therefore, say that even for a life of 90 years all directions will have been formed in the course of the six hours succeeding birth, twenty-four hours according to this method corresponding to 360 degrees. A man of the age of 45, therefore, will be experiencing the effects of the directions formed three hours after the minute of his birth. It is easy to see how, working on this hypothesis, the apparently revolving motion of the heavens will bring up the planets one after another, and also the angles of the horoscope itself, to different relative positions as regards their radical places at the moment of birth. The theory in fact is simple enough—quite as simple as the day-for-a-year system—but in practice the working out of the aspects is a more complex matter. The planets are not all travelling over the same arcs, in illustration of which we may instance the small arc of the Sun above the earth in winter time, and its correspondingly large arc below. In other words, though the complete circuit of every planet represents 360 degrees, it is a rare thing for any particular planet to take an equivalent number of degrees in its passage above and below the earth, inasmuch as to do so its position must coincide with one of the equinoctial points. Hence the necessity for proportional calculations. These are most readily calculated by proportional logarithms, and though this method sometimes frightens those who are not used to it, when once grasped it is simple and plain sailing enough. The calculation of directions to the angles of a horoscope involves less difficulty than those between the Sun and Moon and the planets, the ascendant being directed by oblique ascension, and the mid-heaven by right ascension, and thus only requiring a simple sum in subtraction.

The directions of the planets and their aspects to the Sun and Moon have usually been computed proportionally according to the relative size of their semi-arcs, and this is the method taught not only in the present work but in many other approved works, such as Pearce's "Text-book of Astrology." It has, however, its drawbacks from the point of view of accuracy, and this especially is the case where either of the lights occupies a position close to an angle of the horoscope at birth; the motion of the heavenly bodies not being uniform throughout the whole of their diurnal or

nocturnal course. It is for this reason that certain well-known astrologers, such as Mr. R. C. Smith, the first editor of "Raphael's Almanack," preferred the method of directing a significator under its own pole. This method is recognised in the case of directions to the ascendant, the ascendant being directed by oblique ascension; in other words under the pole of the place at birth. This process of calculating has, I think, the merit of more uniform accuracy than the other, though it is not equally applicable to all directions, and is more useful for zodiacal than mundane aspects.

The merit of the Chaldean system lies undoubtedly in the fact that mathematical exactitude is obtainable by its use to a much greater extent than by any other system, but many have come to grief through an attempt to make predictions on the basis of this system alone. Whereas the solar aspects in the Chaldean system are doubtless of considerable importance, the lunar directions by their very nature are extremely evanescent, and unless they correspond with powerful transits or important primary directions their value may readily be over-estimated. In most cases they come and go leaving little or no mark on the life. It is not this system, which has been fully expounded in Alan Leo's, Raphael's and other manuals, which forms the subject matter of the present treatise. It is none the less necessary to remember that methods of timing incidents in the life are not of one character only, and that those who ignore any one of the four principal astrological sign-posts, namely, the Placidian and Chaldean systems of directing, the transits of the major planets over important radical positions at birth, and the revolutionary (or birth day) figures, are leaving out of account an active stellar agency which may well vitiate the most carefully drawn conclusions.

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Always vitally interesting, the issue of this journal of December 11th is more so than many of its predecessors. One item of value is an interview with Professor Sir Oliver Lodge, by L. V. H. Witley, in which the hopes of the great scientist regarding the state of the British Empire after the War are very aptly linked up with some views of his regarding the state of man after death. Another article of unusual interest is that by David Wilson, entitled "Psychic Telegraphy," being a report of some remarkable experiments with a crystal. Those who are studying the use of the crystal will do well to read this article with more than ordinary care. S.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

JANUARY, 1916.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	17 ♀ 54	Act discreetly to 2 p.m., then write letters, push business, ask favours.
2	2 ♀ 39	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for study. Visit friends evening.
3	17 ♀ 42	An unsettled day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
4	2 ♀ 54	A day for action and enterprise. Safeguard health.
5	18 ♀ 6	Act discreetly a.m. Write letters, push business, ask favours, p.m.
6	3 ♀ 7	Evil in the a.m. Travel and visit friends p.m.
7	17 ♀ 50	A very evil day. Avoid disputes and accidents.
8	2 ♀ 8	A dangerous day. Keep quiet and safeguard health.
9	15 ♀ 59	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for study and contemplation.
10	20 ♀ 23	Push business, seek work, correspond, ask favours.
11	12 ♀ 22	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
12	24 ♀ 59	Act discreetly in all things till evening. Then visit friends.
13	7 ♀ 18	A variable and unsettled day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
14	19 ♀ 24	An unsettled day. Do nothing important, safeguard health.
15	1 ♀ 20	A doubtful day. Visit friends evening.
16	13 ♀ 11	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel, study, and visit friends.
17	25 ♀ 1	Act discreetly a.m. Travel and visit friends p.m.
18	6 ♀ 51	A very evil day. Avoid females, safeguard health.
19	18 ♀ 45	Avoid disputes and accidents, safeguard health.
20	0 ♀ 44	Act discreetly in all things, avoid deception.
21	12 ♀ 50	A very evil day. Act with caution, avoid accidents.
22	25 ♀ 5	Another evil day. Avoid deception, disputes, and accidents.
23	7 ♀ 30	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and contemplate.
24	20 ♀ 8	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
25	3 ♀ 0	Push business, ask favours midday.
26	10 ♀ 9	Travel, change, court, marry, seek work.
27	29 ♀ 35	A very evil day. Act with discretion in all things.
28	13 ♀ 21	Uncertain influences prevail, act discreetly, safeguard health.
29	27 ♀ 26	Push business during midday, evil for all else.
30	11 ♀ 50	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and reflect.
31	26 ♀ 29	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.

Birthday Influences during January.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♍, □ ♃, Δ ♃, ♀ — * ♀. A generally good year, social gains, popularity, financial benefits, but danger of indisposition and many annoyances. A child born will be kind, clever, popular, generous, but erratic, and will have many troubles in life.

2. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ☉ in ♄, Δ ♄, □ ♄, * ♀. A variable year, benefits in employ, social gains, but danger of disputes and annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, clever, kind and affectionate, but not very successful.

3. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ☾ in ♃, * ♃, □ ♀. A year of changes, with success in employ, but financial losses. A child born will be clever, original, but extravagant, but not lucky in life.

4. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♂, ☉ ♂ ♃. An evil year, some changes in affairs, but danger of indisposition and bereavement. A child born will be active and energetic, but health and environment will be a drawback to any success in life.

5. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ☿ in ♃, ♂ ☉, ♂ ♃, * ♀. A year of many changes, with benefits in employ, but indisposition and bereavement. A child born will be clever, generous, and successful in the employ of others, but will have many troubles and trials to surmount.

6. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♃, ♂ ♃. A good year for business or employ, but danger of disputes and deception. A child born will be clever and intelligent, rash and deceptive, and will be very unsuccessful in life.

7. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♃, ♂ ♃. A doubtful year, romantic episodes, evil for girls and single women, some disputes. A child born will be romantic, but hasty and spiteful, if a female should be discreet in dealings with the other sex.

8. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♀. A very evil year, danger of accidents, disputes, indisposition and bereavement. A child born will be rash and hot-tempered, and will have many heavy trials in life.

9. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ☉ in ♃, * ☉, Δ ♃. A generally good year, social and financial gains, popularity, but danger of deception. A child born will be kind, steady, popular, but impressionable and deceitful, fairly lucky in the employ of others.

10. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ☾ in ♃, Δ ♀, ♂ ♀, * ♀. A successful year, social and financial gains, changes, and benefits in employ. A child born will be clever, kind, generous and popular, and fairly successful in life.

11. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, □ ♃. Changes are shown, but indisposition and disputes. A child born will be rash and hasty, original, and will have many troubles and difficulties to face.

12. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ☿ in ♃, □ ☉, Δ ♂, * ♀. A variable year, benefits in business or employ, but danger of disputes, social gains. A child born will be kind, popular, active and energetic, but rash and hasty, and will do best in the employ of others.

13. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, □ ♃, —, * ♃. An uncertain year, many annoyances and deception, worries, disputes, some gain in employ. A child born will be deceptive, have a hatred of control, be unruly, and very unlucky in life.

14. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, Δ ☉, * ♀, □ ♃, ♀. A variable year, benefits and success in employ, but danger of indisposition, reversals, and grave worries. A child born will be erratic, wayward, careless, but popular and respected, will have good friends and gain through them.

15. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, * ♃, □ ♂. A year of much worry, with danger of accident or disputes. A child born will be rash, hasty, impressionable, but fairly fortunate.

16. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ☉ in ♃, Δ ♃, Δ ♀. A very successful year, promotion, financial gain, changes and journeys. A child born will be clever, intelligent, original and intuitive, will be very successful and rise in life.

17. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ☾ in ♃, □ ♀, * ♂, Δ ♀. A changeable year, good for courtship, social affairs and changes, but some money troubles and annoyances. A child born will be kind, affectionate, active and energetic, clever, and intuitive, will have many trials to face in life.

18. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♃. A very evil year, indisposition or bereavement shown, and troubles to females and girls. A child born will be improvident, diffident, lack spirit, and should be very discreet in dealings with the other sex.

19. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ☿ in ♃, Δ ♃. Another evil year, many annoyances, disputes and indisposition. A child born will be erratic, quarrelsome, careless and spiritless, very unlucky.

20. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ☉, ♂ ♃, Δ ♀. A changeable year, financial gains, but danger of indisposition, loss of work, deception and imposition. A child born will be generous and kind, but deceptive and unreliable, will do well to remain in employ.

21. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♃. A year of many changes, annoyances and much unsettlement, danger of reversal. A child born will be erratic, unreliable, hasty, rash, and very unlucky.

22. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, ♂ ♂, ♂ ♃. A very evil year, danger of scandal, deception, accident and disputes, many worries. A child born will be deceptive and unreliable, hasty, rash, have a hatred of control, and be very unfortunate in life.

23. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). D in m , \ast h , g f . An unsettled year, domestic trouble, but gain through elders, many worries. A child born will be impressionable and unreliable, careless and untidy, and not very successful.

24. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). D in m , g f . A very unsettled year, with losses and trouble in employ, some gain through friends. A child born will be extravagant, proud, very unlucky, but will gain through friends.

25. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). D in m , Δ O , \ast f . A variable year, some benefits in employ, but danger of reversals and upsets. A child born will be erratic and rash, but popular, and fairly successful in employ.

26. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). D in m , Δ f , g , O h . A good year for business, with changes and journeys, but indisposition. A child born will be clever, intelligent, intuitive, and original, kind and affectionate, but will have many difficulties in life.

27. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). D in m , O f , \ast g . A dangerous year, accidents, reversals, loss of work, changes. A child born will be active, energetic, but rash, hasty, venture some, and unfortunate.

28. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). D in m , O O , f — Δ h , f . A variable year, social gains and success in employ, but danger of reversal, indisposition, and annoyances. A child born will be kind, affectionate, steady, but proud and high-handed, should always remain in employ, and never undertake any risky concerns.

29. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). D in m , Δ f , f — O g , f . An unpleasant year, danger of scandal, worries and disputes, some benefits from friends. A child born will be rash, hasty, unruly, have a hatred of control, and but for the help of friends will be decidedly unlucky.

30. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). D in f , \ast O , f . A year of changes and gains in employ, but some disappointments. A child born will be popular, original, intuitive, but careless and unlucky in love.

31. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). D in f , O f , Δ g , \ast f . An active year for business, with changes, but danger of accident, disputes, and reverses. A child born will be clever, active, intelligent, but rash and hasty, and often involved in very serious complications.

Astrology in the Nursery. Series II.

If Baby is Born with the sign Cancer rising.

LITTLE children born with the sign Cancer rising are, as a rule, rather fretful and peevish, impatient, capricious, and somewhat discontented. They like plenty of change and diversity, make and break friendships easily, and are very changeable in their attachments to others. They are extremely sensitive, and the slightest harshness either in speech or action will bring tears to their little eyes, and their feelings are easily wounded by the merest affront or cross word. This is a very great failing with these little ones, and parents should be very discreet in their management, and should do all they can to uproot this sensitiveness, as if allowed to grow unchecked will be the cause of many troubles later in life. In temper these little ones are very petulant, but they can be appealed to through the feelings, for not only are they sensitive to a great degree themselves, but if they thought that by any act or word they had wounded the feelings of others they would be touched to the quick.

These little ones are easily affected by surroundings and conditions, much attached

to the mother, very timid and shy, and are apt to go to extremes of mood and temper.

Mentally these little Cancer children are quick to learn, easily absorb knowledge, have a fertile imagination, while the power of adaptation to the nature of others and the faculty of absorbing other people's ideas is very remarkable. Their minds are active and changeable, fond of novelty, and they have the ability to grasp many subjects, and to take a wide view of things in general.

Physically they are not very strong, for they are exceedingly sensitive and receptive to external conditions, changes of weather, and are especially affected by the magnetic conditions of other people.

The chest and stomach are the weak parts of the system, and there is always a danger in infant days of vomiting, gastric disorders, and flatulence, but this is due in most cases, not so much to organic weakness but to wrong methods of dieting. Cleanliness is very essential, and warm clothing, especially over the chest and stomach, is very necessary, because the slightest cold in these regions will quickly give rise to internal disorders.

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Mars "on the Lion's Breast."

Professor Turner, in a lecture delivered at the Royal Institution on "Wireless Messages from the Stars," spoke of the old belief in the influence of the stars on the destiny of Man, and mentioned that an echo of this was found in Tennyson's "Maud," in which the poet spoke of Mars shining "like a ruddy shield on the Lion's breast." This poem was written at the time of the Crimean war, and Mars was then stationary in the constellation of the Lion. On January 1st, 1916, Mars was again in the same position as on March 24th, 1854. The mentioning of this fact by the learned Professor is interesting.

Scientific Astrology.

The frequent use of the word "scientific" as applied to astrology appears to be like a red rag to a bull to some of my astrological *confrères*, and for this reason I intend to make a more frequent use of the term, but in a wider and more catholic sense. If astrology is to be recognised by the learned authorities,

it must first of all be substantiated as a verifiable science, and not a mere collection of semi- and pseudo-occult suppositions which cannot be verified or be capable of proof. If birthday influences are to be placed outside the domain of scientific proof, equally and perhaps more so must the making-up of horoscopes by set paragraphs taken from the pages of a book. What is the difference between the two? The birthday influences are based on the chief aspects on a certain day; they are interpreted according to the accepted rules of astrological science; they have been proved over and over again to be correct. Horoscopes drawn up on the lines mentioned are similar. The chief positions and influences are picked out; the interpretation of these influences and positions are given in books; they can be copied out one after the other; their construction is perfectly scientific as far as it goes. If, however, birthday influences are to be termed unscientific, then these paragraph horoscopes are ten times more so. I shall have more to say on this subject next month.

The War.

The stationary position of Mars on the progressed ascendant of the Kaiser has proved to be a serious influence, and the latest report

that he is suffering from a malignant cancer of the throat which may end his life at any moment is not surprising. The ascendant is directed to the square of Uranus, that planet being in the throat sign Taurus.

Stirring events may be expected after the new Moon of February 3rd, which is a solar eclipse. The luminaries are setting on the borders of France and Germany at the moment of new Moon, and heavy fighting may be expected, and the long awaited forward movement begun. In the eastern theatre of war Mars will be rising, and important developments may be anticipated in that quarter. Neptune will shortly transit the progressed Sun of King George V., and political affairs in this country will be more and more confused. Treachery in high places is again denoted. Once again I voice the prediction already made, England has more to fear from enemies within than armed foes without. The eclipse falls close to the meridian of London, a further indication of serious troubles, and possibly another Zeppelin raid. The authorities are warned to be on guard, especially about February 28th, the latter half of March and the middle of April. This eclipse has rule for the next three years.

The Lunation.

Serious earthquakes and volcanic eruptions are likely to follow on the heels of the solar eclipse of February 3rd. France, Italy, and the south-east of Europe are likely to be the scenes of much devastation. The eclipse is on the nadir in 122 E., and Mars on the meridian in 131 E. Both of these localities are likely to be visited with seismic disturbances. Grave troubles are threatened in China and Japan. Portugal will benefit from the benefics in her ruling sign.

The rising position of Neptune near to the trine of Jupiter will probably bring in this country a more settled state of affairs among the working classes, who will begin to realise the true state of affairs, and shows a more patriotic tendency. A naval disaster of some magnitude should be guarded against, for the lunation falls on the place of Uranus at the winter solstice. E. H. BAILEY.

Astronomical Phenomena

FEBRUARY, 1916.

Moon's Phases:

New Moon,	3rd	...	4h. 6m. after.
First Quarter,	10th	...	10h. 20m. after.
Full Moon,	19th	...	2h. 29m. morn.
Last Quarter,	26th	...	9h. 24m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Aquarius, enters Pisces on the 19th at 11.18 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Aquarius all the month, retrograde till the 18th, conjunction Uranus on 4th, and conjunction Sun on 5th.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Pisces, enters Aries, in conjunction Jupiter, on the 13th.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Leo all the month.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Pisces, enters Aries on the 12th.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Cancer all the month.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month, conjunction Sun on 5th.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo all the month.
- D. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	...	7, 8	Libra	...	22, 23
Taurus	...	9, 10, 11	Scorpio	...	24, 25
Gemini	...	12, 13	Sagittarius	...	26, 27
Cancer	...	14, 15, 16	Capricorn	1, 2, 28, 29	
Leo	...	17, 18	Aquarius	...	3, 4
Virgo	...	19, 20, 21	Pisces	...	5, 6

Weather Forecast.

Variable and cold weather is shown for the first three days; windy 5th; change 9th; stormy 10th; lower temperature for some days during middle of month; change and finer 20th; change to cold 24th; mild with rain end of month.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

A Correction.

Readers will please note that the example of Jupiter's mean geocentric longitude given for B.C. 3, September 5th, in the article on the "Star of Bethlehem," p. 71 of the January issue, was inadvertently misplaced by the printer, and it should follow immediately after the end of the first paragraph on p. 72. The calculation being made on the mean motion of the planet in its orbit, and its geocentric angle computed on a mean vector, the result is the mean geocentric longitude of the planet at the given date. The mean longitude is subject to slight corrections due to (a) change in the eccentricity of the orbit during 1,800 years, (b) the difference between the mean and the true vector, and (c) perturbation of the planet by the action of Saturn, known as the Great Equation. They are not sufficient, however, to effect any change of sign or house position, and for our purpose may be disregarded.

The Compact.

On November 30th last the Quintuple Alliance entered into a compact which secured that there should be no separate arrangement of Peace terms by any of the five Powers, and that when Peace was decided upon all should be signatories to the terms thereof. This compact is of the most vital character, not only in regard to the future conduct of the War, but also in its ultimate bearing on the conditions which will obtain after the Irenicon has been signed. A figure set for the time of this event shows the Moon in Scorpio, and Venus the ruler of the eighth in the sign Sagittarius (foreign affairs) on the cusp of the eleventh house (alliances). Nothing could be more to the point. The Moon has just passed the square aspect of Uranus on the Ascendant, and goes to the trine of Jupiter and Saturn. Jupiter, the dispositor of Venus, is well aspected,

and in the Ascendant in its own sign Pisces. Unfortunately, Mercury is the final arbiter, and he is in the sign Scorpio in the ninth house in square to Mars in the seventh, and sesquiquadrate to Saturn in the sixth. It is greatly to be feared that the course of hostilities (Mars in the seventh), and the domination of the figure by the Sun (ruler of the seventh) added to privations in regard to food and equipment, will sorely try at least one of the Allies, and therefore all. And when Mars becomes stationary in Leo next month, in opposition to the place of Uranus and the Ascendant of this horoscope, excitement in London will run high on a question raised as between France and Russia. Do I think——? But the *Daily Mirror* reminds me that there are to be no more prophecies.

Astrology in Japan.

Until quite recently it has been the custom of the Mikados of Japan to employ qualified astrologers in all matters of State, and the same has held good in China. With the onward march of events and the all-wisdom of modern civilisation, which, according to our friend, Edward Carpenter, is a synonym for corruption, this ancient custom has died out. But I find astrology in considerable recognition throughout Japan, and latest among the publications devoted to this subject is the *Tienwanitao*, or guide to the language of the heavens, by Mr. A. Kumamoto, of Tokyo. It is prefaced with the horoscope of the Mikado, whose accession has but recently been celebrated according to ancient practice. This horoscope, which is that given by me in these pages after the death of the illustrious Mutsuhito, the great Regenerator of Japan, shows Mars in the Midheaven, and Jupiter less than one degree from the exact conjunction with the meridian, the Sun in the ninth, opposed by Uranus and Saturn, but in good aspect to Neptune and the Moon. The Emperor will

have the loyal support of his subjects, and will greatly advance the interests of the empire, but there will be need of a check upon a somewhat ambitious and impulsive nature if he is to avoid frequent war. But mostly he has to fear the enmity of the neighbouring Republic and the dangers that arise from travels within his own territory. The book contains many useful tables, and much material culled from the best of the western astrological works, the whole being adjusted to the requirements of the Japanese student. It is called in English: Introduction to Horoscopy; and it is a work that reflects much credit upon its author and publisher.

Fixed Stars that Move.

A writer in the recent issues of *Modern Astrology* has laboured greatly to explain to us the reasons for the precession of the Equinoxes, and by what increment this progression of the stars through the fixed zodiac is accomplished. But I strongly suspect that the author has fallen into the common error of attributing the phenomenon to a change taking place in the inclination of the earth's axis. This sounds all very well in theory, but in order to get that particular "wobble" on the axis you have to arrest one of the poles. The peg-top analogy is erroneous, inasmuch as the earth has two free poles, while the top has only one, the other being held by contact. Moreover, it is obvious that the sine of $0.5''$ is not $50''$, and although it can be shown that the average diminution of obliquity is $50''$ per century, and the average amount of precession is $50''$ per year, the two phenomena have no direct relations. The diminution of the obliquity is due to the pull of the Sun on the earth, the inequality being due to the fact that the Sun is nearer to the earth when below the equator than it is when above the equator, the time above and below being practically equal. But precession is due to the Sun's proper motion through space taken in connection with the gradual approach of the earth to the Sun, the consequent acceleration of its axial rotation whereby the day and year are imperceptibly shortened. We have nothing to measure precession by except the

star-screen, and the whole solar system is passing across this at a rate which forms an angle of vision equal to $50''$ per year as seen from the earth. There is abundant evidence to show that the mean precession is from Ptolemy's date to modern times = $50.1''$ per year. Formerly it was less, and it is still increasing. But we have to remember that the moving Sun has an orbit in space, and this, like all others, has a certain degree of eccentricity, which implies that at one part of its great circuit of 25,920 years (average) its acceleration will be greater than the mean, and at another less than the mean. Hence we may look to find that precession has been less than $50''$, is now more, and will hereafter in due course be less again. But the mean is $50''$, and this gives a great year of 25,920. Plato did not invent this period. It was communicated. You may trust Plato. The observed result of precession is that stars which were once on the vernal equinox are now in the sign Taurus. The Orientals do not follow the system of a fixed equinox, but count according to the star-groups or constellations called by the same names as the signs. The calendar is automatically adjusted every nineteen years by the New Moon falling on the same date at the Sun's transit of the pointer or first point of the constellation Aries. The Hindus have long known of the precession, and a learned Brahmin informed me that they also knew of the motion of the Fixed Stars, but I have no authority for this by quotation.

Lunar Chronology.

The value of astronomical observations and records is very well brought out in a contribution to the *Observer* of December 26th, where it is shown that the common belief founded upon Usher's chronology that the Nativity took place in A.D. 1, is in error. The latest investigations, assisted by modern astronomical calculations, the most reliable means of fixing historical dates, clearly show that the Nativity was not upon December 25th, but, "at least two months earlier." The early Christians made their celebration to coincide with the Pagan

Roman festival of the Saturnalia, which were in turn derived from the Greek and Egyptian Epagomene. This arose from the use of a calendar in which there were twelve months of thirty days each, and the last five days of the year were thus relegated to a public festival as an adjunct of the Calendar. It was not until the days of Dionysius that the year of the Nativity was accepted, and it only came into general vogue in the tenth century after Christ. Dionysius fixed the Nativity at 753 years after the founding of Rome. This latter took place in the first year of the seventh Olympiad, and thus twenty-five years after the date of the Foundation. Now the Olympiads began in June (New Moon) B.C. 775 (astron.) which is equal to B.C. 776 secular date. This would give the Foundation date in the year B.C. 751, and thus according to Dionysius the birth would take place A.D. 2. But if he followed the record of Petavius, who gives the date from the eclipse of July 6th, B.C. 753, then the era commenced B.C. 0 A.D., which is the popular notion. Astronomers, however, have shown that Dionysius was at least four years out in his calculations, and the authority for this is Josephus, the contemporary of the Holy Nazarene, who mentions an eclipse of the Moon which took place shortly before the death of Herod the Tetrarch. Astronomy shows that there were two eclipses visible at or about the time in Jerusalem. The last occurred on March 12th, B.C. 4 (astronomical B.C. 3), for particulars of which I refer readers to my article on "The Star of Bethlehem" (BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY, January, 1916, issue), and the other took place on September 15th, B.C. 5 (astron. B.C. 4). From these dates we know that the death of Herod must have taken place between the eclipse of March 12th and the Passover of that year, the fact being that he was dead before the Passover, and alive at the time of the eclipse, for "on that night he condemned certain Jews to death for destroying his Golden Eagle." The writer accepts the evidence of the Nativity having taken place in the autumn before the eclipse of March, B.C. 4, and the previous eclipse of Sept. 15th,

B.C. 5. Here there appears to be a confusion of dates, for the eclipse of the Moon referred to as B.C. 5 took place September 15th, B.C. 4 (astronomically speaking), and it was a considerable phenomenon, for the Moon was totally eclipsed only about seven degrees from the meridian of Jerusalem. The Sun was then in the end of Virgo. In this position it cannot be said to satisfy the symbol of "the Woman clothed with the Sun," and for that reason I have preferred the smaller eclipse of the following year, B.C. 3, when the Sun was in the middle of Virgo. It is satisfactory to observe, however, that astronomers are in agreement in regard to the eclipses upholding the revised chronology. The era having begun in B.C. 4, the present year is 1920 Anno Domini.

The Wheels of God.

Truly they "grind slowly, and exceedingly small!" It was in 1870 that Germany subdued France by the starvation of the people of Paris. Exactly forty-five years later we find Germany in the throes of a terrible retribution. I begin to understand the dark sentences of the Apocalypse, which tell of the Beast having seven heads and ten horns on which were crowns, for there have been seven dynasties of the German Empire, and there are ten Princes wearing crowns and ruling the ten States of the Empire. And the Dragon (by which we understand Diabolos) inspires the Beast so that the people worship him, saying: Who can make war upon him, who is like unto him? "And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies." In a word, this Beast is a braggart and a swell-head, and he makes too free use of the sacred name of God. In witness whereof we have the New Year address of the Kaiser to his troops. After his perfidious secret Treaty with Austria, by which the Balkan War was inaugurated, and after the declaration of War against Russia, and his *grand coup* against France, an attempted invasion of Paris without first recalling the German Ambassador from that capital; the brutal devastation of Belgium, a neutral country, whose only

offence was her insistence on the neutrality guaranteed to her by Germany at the Hague Convention; after the slaughter of women and children, the desecration of Conventicles, the violation of holy women consecrated to the service of God, the brutal murdering of innocent children—after these things he is able to say to his troops on the eve of 1916: "We enter the new year with God." These are great things and blasphemies. But the judgment has been pronounced. "Power was given to him to continue for forty and two months." That is why, in my firm belief, conscience will grip the Kaiser by the throat and strangle him into submission not later than the Spring of 1918. It is not difficult to supply the astrological indications: The Sun at his birth was semi-square Neptune and opposition Saturn. The direction for that year is Sun conjunct Neptune in zodiac, the transit is Saturn opposition Sun, and stationary there. It is attended by Mars opposition Midheaven by transit, and followed by Neptune in opposition to the Sun. The eclipses at the same time are falling in the ruling sign of Germany.

The "Natal."

Espionage and treachery have berths in every ship. The explosions of the Bulwark, the Princess Irene, and the Natal prove it. The last event, happening as it did on December 30th, is of some astrological interest, for on that day Mars was on the place of the eclipse of August, 1914, which is held to be operative for three years. This indication, together with the ephemeral opposition of Mercury and Saturn, characterised the date as particularly sinister. But there is another point of even greater interest to students. It is that Captain Eric Back, in command of the Natal, was born on August 5th, 1870. It will be observed that on that date the Sun was in the 13th degree of Leo (recently transited by Uranus) in square to the Moon in Scorpio, but in good aspect to Neptune in Aries, Saturn in Sagittarius, and Jupiter in Gemini. Here there are no signs of a violent death. Ptolemy requires that either both luminaries

shall be afflicted by the malefics or that one luminary shall be doubly afflicted. These conditions are not carried out in the present case, and therefore we are led to inquire whether it may not be that, inasmuch as Ptolemy is referring to the prerogatives of the Hyleg, the Ascendant, when qualified to be hyleg, ought to be included in this category. For obviously, if neither the Sun nor Moon have vital prerogatives, such become vested in the Ascendant, according to the ruling of Ptolemy, and a double affliction of this point at birth would be sufficient to warrant prediction of a sudden if not a violent death. Without the time of birth, therefore, it would be impossible to come to a correct conclusion as regards the probabilities of accidental or violent death.

Astrology from the Lectern.

Professor H. H. Turner opened his popular Christmas Lectures to young people at the Royal Institution on New Year's Day with "The Message of the Stars." The lecture was made immensely interesting and amusing. Incidentally, mention was made of the stay of Mars in the constellation Leo in the days of the Crimean War, and of the significance which Tennyson attached to that fact in connection with the war in which the British "Lion" was then engaged. In point of fact the War lasted from 1853 to 1856. Mars entered Leo in October, 1851, and stayed in that sign until June, 1852. It resumed its normal course until January, 1854, when it became stationary in Virgo, the ruling sign of Turkey, and did not leave that sign until July, 1854. From a heliocentric point of view Mars never stays in any constellation or sign. The stationary position of a planet being due to the mixed motions of the planet and the earth, taking the earth as the centre of observation instead of the Sun. From this point of view it is difficult to understand the statement that "Mars was lingering in the same constellation at the time of the Boer War." Perhaps if these lectures were better reported we should be able to apprehend the Professor's meaning. Mars was certainly stationary in 1901 in that part of the

heavens, but it is quite obvious that we need something more than a stationary Mars to produce War, as an inspection of the planetary tables for a century past will readily demonstrate.

Mars in Leonis.

The first time that Mars was stationary in the constellation Leonis, which extends from Leo 23 to Virgo 24, was in 1807. At this time we were engaged in the Peninsula War. Fifteen years later, in 1822, Mars was again stationary in the same constellation, again fifteen years in 1837, then again after a short period of three years in 1839, then again in 1854 after a period of fifteen years, again in 1868-9 after a period of fifteen years, again in 1884 after a period of fifteen years, again in 1886 after only two years then again in 1900-1 after a period of fifteen years, and lastly, in 1915-16, after a period of fifteen years, and it will not again be stationary in the same constellation until 1932-3 after a long interval of seventeen years. This record shows that the mean period is about 13.7 or say fourteen years, and the most frequent interval fifteen years between one stationary position and the next. But it also shows that there is little or no connection with the British Lion and foreign war. It is of significance that the year 1916 is kabalistically "The Red Lion."

Lest we Forget.

In the early days of the War the man who walked about in khaki was a cynosure for wandering eyes, beheld of all beholders. Now that we are all practically soldiers of the King it is a different matter. That familiarity breeds contempt is an old and trite saying. Even the "Sooners" (those who would sooner do anything than fight for their country) have been unceremoniously whipped into line, and now form the redoubtable corps popularly known as "The Royal Standbacks." Even they will soon become merged in the crowd of the inconspicuous and the commonplace. But let us have a care that in this recognition of the colourless mediocrity of military life we do not over-

look the real thing. The heroes of Mons and of Loos, the stalwarts of Ypres, the death or glory boys of the Anzacs are not to be regarded with the same eyes as these belated conscripts. We do them dishonour by comparison. Men who have to be forced to fight for their country, who want everything nicely legislated upon before answering the call of their King are the sort of men who, at a pinch, would throw their mothers on the rates or make them shift for themselves. Our Mother Country has shielded and guarded us ever since the days of the Armada. Under her flag we have plied our trades, have eaten of the bread of peace and contentment, and have waxed great among the nations, just as, when we were helpless children our own mothers fettled and cared for us, and wasted themselves in devotion to our welfare. As sons of Britain we can never repay our debt any more than we can recompense our mothers for all that they did for us when we could do nothing for ourselves. Ingrate is the right name for the man who shelves his mother the day after he gets a wife, and slacker is the only name suitable to the man who takes all the privi-

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leges that belong to the sons of Britain, and gives nothing in return; or having found a soft job, lets others go and keep it safe for him. But we must learn to discriminate, not judge all men upon the common level. We must beware of falling foul of the commonplace and the ordinary. Rather let us adopt the view of the philosopher who would have lifted his hat to every little beggar in the street, because "the possibilities of everything lay buttoned up beneath his dirty little waistcoat," at least, I think it was a dirty waistcoat. Well, so it is with regard to our soldier boys. They are, or should be, all of them prospective generals. It was the great Napoleon who said that every soldier carried a general's baton in his knapsack. I, who have seen these boys coming home from the

front on a six days' leave, after fifteen months of tireless duty in the trenches, plastered all over with mud, war-worn in every feature, and strained in every limb, but still confident and even buoyant, though I have not seen the baton tucked away under their rough sheepskins or sticking out of their kit-bags, I have seen the "general" looking out from the face of almost every one of them. For I have seen there that sense of self-mastery, that regard for duty, that capacity to suffer and endure of which not only the best generals are made, but, conceivably, even the highest of the Archangels. Let us, therefore, be respectful even to the Royal Standbacks. We have much to fear of them, much to expect of them, and it cannot truly be said that they have failed us yet.

Astrology in the Nursery. Series II.

If Baby is Born with the sign Leo rising.

LITTLE children born under the sign Leo are of a bright, happy, joyous and mischievous spirit, full of life, always on the go, never happy unless having something to occupy their little minds, fond of pranks, games and healthy exercises. They are passionate in temper, somewhat pugnacious, but never wilfully hurt or injure their companions, although, if upset, they quickly make use of their little fists, but all of it is over in a few minutes, and they will soon make friends again. A certain amount of strictness is necessary for parents to use in their upbringing, and these little ones should be early taught the lesson of self-control. They like fine clothes, have a love of everything grand, and are fond of showing off.

Their chief faults are a quick temper, presumption, and inclination to prevaricate and be untruthful, while there is often a tendency to cowardice. All these faults can easily be checked, and these little kiddies will soon overcome them, if their reason and emotions are appealed to. They are very loving and affectionate, kind and generous, and have the making of high-souled and honourable men and women.

Mentally they are quick, very patient in work, possess much endurance, and whatever they put their minds to, they will do well and thoroughly. There are no half measures in the little Leonine mind, everything must be done openly and conscientiously. They like harmonious surroundings, possess much intuition, imitation, and love of pleasure.

Physically these little olive branches are generally very strong, possessing a positive body, and one able to resist disease. The heart is one of the weakest organs, and all over-exertion, both physically and mentally, should be avoided. There is also a tendency to feverish complaints, biliousness, and blood disorders. Care should be taken in matters of diet, all heating and fattening foods avoided, and a vital and nerve sustaining diet taken. Parents should see that these little people try and preserve the happy medium, not too much vitality, nor too little. There is always more danger of an excess of life force than a depletion, and this will give rise to an overheated condition of the blood, and feverish disorders of the system.

Twins.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER IV.

FURTHER FACTS AND ILLUSTRATIONS.

The investigation of the two cases of twin births given in the December issue proves the truth of the statement that in the cases of biovate twins produced from separate acts of generation, the last born is the first conceived. By this statement is meant that the twins are produced from separate ova by two distinct acts of generation. Two further cases are now given in order to further substantiate this contention.

The first illustration is that of twins, the elder male and the younger female, born in East Kent, on October 30th, 1854, at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. respectively (local time). The longitudes of the two factors are:—

Male. Asc. 14.24 \approx . Moon 0.16 \times .

Female, Asc. 14.59 \times . Moon 0.51 \times .

The Moon is below and increasing in the first case, and above and increasing in the second.

Following the statement mentioned above we should expect to find the second case show a full time birth, and the epoch is found to confirm this on January 31st at 8h. 22m. 33s. a.m., one day less than the norm., the Moon at the epoch being in the ascending degree of the horoscope and the Moon's place rising. This is a regular epoch of the first order. The Moon at this time is in \times 16.31, and this longitude rises on the day of birth at 2h. 57m. 23s. p.m. G.M.T., or 3h. 2m. 40s. p.m. L.M.T., 2m. 40s. later than recorded.

Examination of the first birth shows that the epoch took place on February 12th at 7m. 34m. 12s. a.m. The Moon at the epoch is in the descendant of the horoscope to obtain the male sex and the Moon's place rises. The longitude of the Moon at this time is \mathcal{L} 14.3, and the opposite point rises on the day of birth at 1h. 54m. 1s. p.m. G.M.T., or 1h. 59m. 13s. L.M.T., 47s. earlier than the recorded time.

The epoch of the first twin is therefore later than the second, in other words the last one born was the first conceived.

The first child died one minute after birth from asphyxia, the second lived to maturity. Why? I shall refer to this in a later chapter.

The second case is a more remarkable one, and will also form the subject of further investigation later. The twins were born in London on October 30th, 1877, the elder a girl at 7 a.m. and the younger a boy at 11.30 a.m., an interval of $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

The particulars are as follows:—

Girl. Asc. \approx 6.36. \mathcal{D} \mathcal{W} 1.59.

Boy. Asc. \approx 24.4. \mathcal{D} \mathcal{W} 4.19.

The particulars of this case were given me some years ago, and the following very pertinent observation was made: "There were two separate after-births, and it appears to be most probable that the girl was a seven months' child, and was born simply because the boy's time had come, and could not be delayed." What light does the prenatal epoch show on this case?

The boy's case, the second birth, is a long period, being 17 days in excess of the norm., as owing to the ascending degree being female, the count has to be made round to the descendant to obtain the required sex. It occurs on November 30th, 1876, at 9h. 51m. 47s. a.m., the Moon being then in \mathcal{L} 24.16, the descendant of the horoscope, making the correct birth-time 11h. 31m. 4s., or 1m. 4s. later than recorded.

The girl's case, the first birth, is as surmised a seven months' birth, the epoch falling on February 2nd, at 5h. 30m. 35s. a.m., the Moon being then in \approx 6.45, making the birth-time 7h. 0m. 50s. a.m.

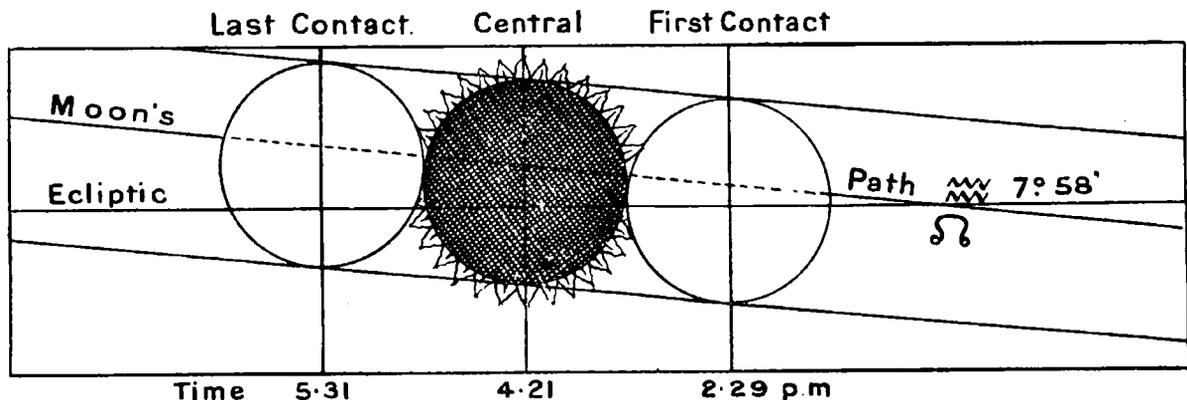
In both these illustrations we find the contention already mentioned as definitely proved, and we may lay down the following authoritative ruling, viz.: "That in all cases of biovate twins produced from separate acts of generation the last born is the first conceived."

The Signal Box.

THE eclipse of the Sun on February 3rd falls in conjunction with Uranus in the second decan. of Aquarius. Mercury is also in the same sign. This phenomenon points to a widespread outbreak of malignant fevers, violent earthquakes, and great tempests. Being a human sign the chief effects will fall upon the human species. The planet Mars is retrograde, and comes to the opposition of the eclipse point at the end of February. Falling in direct opposition to the Midheaven of London it is a signal of

of Mars to Uranus on the 19th of this month will bring a violent assault on both the Western and Eastern sides of the great battlefield. There is great danger that the plans of Russia and France will be at variance, and that by some mishap they will not conspire to the same objective.

Neptune retrograding in the sign Leo, in trine aspect to Jupiter and Venus, will discover some of the enemy's plans and favour the cause of the Allies. France will be affected by a great inspiration, and the



The Eclipse is central at noon in latitude 15° 57' N., and longitude 61° 56' W.
The time is then at Greenwich 4.21 p.m.

incendiary fires, great excitement in the Capital, violent disputes in the Government, and troubles of a critical nature in connection with the National Services, but especially the Army.

The benefics, Jupiter and Venus, in trine aspect to Neptune, enter the sign Aries about the middle of this month, and give promise of a strong forward movement on the part of the Allies, with signal success to the British Arms in France. In the course of the next two months we ought to have something to show for all that this effort will entail.

The forthcoming stationary position of Mars in the sign Leo will bring affairs to a crisis in France and Italy. The opposition

forward movement of the Allies will begin under most favourable influences, providing that they are not thwarted by the *manque de rapport* threatened about the 19th.

There is some active propaganda going on as I write in favour of a wider and more active display of our aerial forces. Mr. Pemberton-Billing is contesting the Mile End vacancy on this principle, and a "lighting-up" policy for London appears to be part of the programme.

I can only say that unless and until we are assured that our aerial forces are sufficiently strong, numerous and effective to meet a whole fleet of Zeppelin and Warplane aircraft, the lighting up of the streets of London would be absolutely suicidal. It

would be foolish in the last degree to illuminate London, and say to the enemy: Here we are! unless we are prepared to draw the German airfleet into a net from which there is no escape. In any event the damage done to London sites would be a considerable offset against any hurt we may do to the enemy aircraft. With the free use of incendiary bombs the whole of the Capital might be incinerated. The augmentation

and effective development of the R.N.A.S. might well form the basis of a successful election campaign, but an open challenge to the enemy on the eve of an organised attack for which the enemy have wrought and planned since October last, is sheer bombast and madness unless we have been doing an equal amount of work towards resisting such an attack.

SEPHARIAL.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER X.

ZODIACAL DIRECTIONS OF THE PLANETS.

The last group of zodiacal directions to be dealt with is that of the planets to aspects of the Sun, Moon, Ascendant and Midheaven. These are very important directions and should on no account be omitted. They are both direct and converse, and the procedure is the same as that used in directions of the Sun and Moon. In direct directions the places of the aspects move round by the earth's rotation to the place of the planet, and in converse directions the planet moves round to aspects of the four points named above.

Three examples will suffice to illustrate these directions:

Jupiter trine Moon, zod. d.—The Moon being in $8^{\circ} 11' 45''$, the trine aspect falls in $\varphi 11^{\circ} 45'$, R.A. 282.47, M.D. $18^{\circ} 58'$, S.A. 58.11.

The usual formula for direct directions gives:—As. S.A. of $\varphi 60.15$: M.D. 13.32 :: S.A. of aspect 58.11 : x . By Prop. Logs. x is found to be 13.4.

The place of the aspect being on the opposite side of the meridian to the place of φ , the M.D. of the former is added to the $13^{\circ} 4'$, making $32^{\circ} 2'$ as the arc of direction. Jupiter trine Moon zod. d.

Uranus trine Ascndt. zod. con. The trine of the Ascendant falls in 15.27 \ominus , and Uranus moves round to this point.

The R.A. of the place of the aspect is 106.46, M.D. $22^{\circ} 58'$, S.A. $58^{\circ} 50'$.

The formula for converse directions previously given shows:—

As S.A. of aspect 58.50 : M.D. 22.58 :: S.A. of $\# 71.57$ to x . By Prop. Logs. x will be 28.5.

As both the places of the aspect and of Uranus are on the same side of the meridian the $28^{\circ} 5'$ is subtracted from the M.D. of the latter 63.31, making $35^{\circ} 26'$ as the arc of direction, Uranus trine Ascnd. zod. con.

Venus square Sun zod. con. Students are requested to note this direction, as two important points are involved, viz.:—

(a). The square of the Sun falls in Virgo 7.43 below the horizon, and Venus has to cross the descendant to come to the aspect. The semi-nocturnal arc of this planet, 102.15, must therefore be used.

(b). The M.D. of the aspect is taken from the lower meridian, therefore the M.D. of Venus from that point must be taken, viz.: (180—54.55) 125.5.

The R.A. of the place of aspect is 159.24, M.D. 75.36, S.A. 79.2.

The formula for converse directions as previously given will therefore be:—

As S.A. of aspect 79.2 : M.D. 75.36 :: S.N.A. of $\S 102.15$ to x . By Prop. Logs. x will be found to be $97^{\circ} 48'$.

As both the M.D. of Venus and the place of the aspect were taken from the lower meridian, the $97^{\circ} 48'$ must be subtracted from the M.D. of Venus, $125^{\circ} 5'$, making $27^{\circ} 17'$ as the arc of direction, Venus square Sun zod. con.

War Horoscopes.

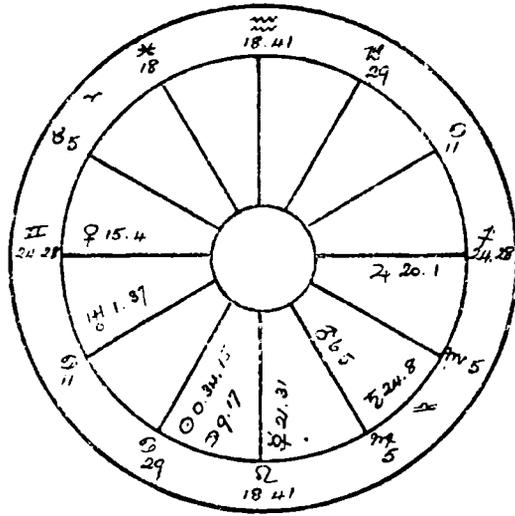
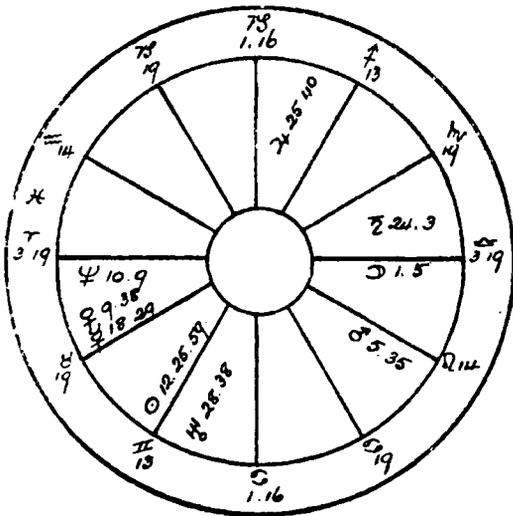
IV.—KING GEORGE V.

KING GEORGE V. was born at Marlborough House, London, on June 3rd, 1865, at 1.18 a.m. according to the official bulletin. Rectification yields the correct time as 1h. 20m. 6s. a.m. Aries 3° 19' ascending, as shown in the following figure.

The Great War commenced under the direction of Sun P. par. Mars R., and as this was followed by Sun P. sextile Moon R., the

and also during March and April, Mars will fall stationary on the progressed Moon in the third house, which is ominous of personal danger in travelling, especially in France.

The progressed horoscope which is drawn for November 13th, 1915, equal to the progressed positions on July 23rd, 1865, shows the Ascendant in trine with Saturn, and the meridian in square to Mercury. The former is favourable, but the latter denotes financial



success which has attended the operations of the Army and Navy is well accounted for. The one great drawback is the transits of Neptune over the progressed Sun, denoting the political troubles, peace intrigue and treachery which has so openly shown itself during the past year.

The sextile of the Sun to the Moon is exact during 1916, and we may confidently look for some brilliant victories both for the Army and Navy. June is, however, an evil month, and the eclipse of the Sun in July foreshadows some reverses, and possibly a bereavement. The stationary position of Saturn on the progressed Sun in November is again untoward. The transits of Mars and Uranus over the progressed meridian and the fourth house denote political troubles,

complications, much worry and anxiety of mind, as well as political troubles. It will be powerful during August, when the Moon opposes the progressed meridian and is in square to Mercury. Uranus transits the meridian P. twice during the year, April and June. All these are periods of grave stress. February and May show good lunar influences, and the fall of the year has the Moon in conjunction with Mercury P. trine Jupiter P., followed by the sextile to Saturn R. and P. and the trine of Jupiter R.

It will be seen that the directions are very conflicting, and it does not seem at all probable that the war can be brought to a close in 1916. In 1917 there are some favourable lunar directions, but the ascendant opposition Jupiter R. is not good for financial prospects,

or for political matters. From the point of view of primary directions, it is of note that the Moon is near the conjunction of Jupiter, and this latter planet close to the trine of the Sun, both of which eventuate during the next three years.

The prenatal epoch of the King took place on September 3rd, 1864, at 7h. 17m. 42s.

a.m., with the Moon rising in conjunction with Mercury, and both in trine to Mars. The Sun is now separating from trine of Uranus, applying to the sesquiquadrate of Mars, and trine of the meridian. Jupiter is near the sextile of the Ascendant, and by converse direction the Sun is in trine with the radical Jupiter.

The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

(Continued from page 56).

THE ancient science of astrology is another credential to the truth of reincarnation, which is strong in argument from the consideration of the individual horoscope. The *natus* or birth-map is the planetary position at the exact hour of birth. From this chart of the heavens can be read the traits, moods, character and disposition of the person for whom it has been computed. The leanings and susceptibilities to certain things, and particular environment, the power to overcome their weaknesses, take advantage of opportunity, or flow with the tide that drifts out into the sea of the night of death, the astrologer's celestial scheme indicates the genius, the criminal, the saint or the sinner, the one who has lost his way in life, and the soul that will walk in the ways of darkness, unknown to the average mind, and to them who know—unmentionable, through the horrors and terrors that have their dominion there. This stellar chart has everything contained, belonging to the individual, in its little circle, indicated by its nine heavenly bodies, and its twelve zodiacal signs. It is as an open book to those who can read, and where there is ever a shortcoming in the accuracy of astrology on any occasion, the flaw is not in the science, but ever on the part of the practitioner who has not mastered the subject. I know if the subject is investigated patiently, the rudiments perfected in operation, and the principles applied accurately and earnestly, the results will repay a millionfold, giving the student an art in life

which is priceless as a guide to human destiny. But this is not to be accomplished in a day, a week, or a month; it is a matter of years. Astrology is infinite in its application, its skill cannot be acquired in a short space; like the true and real conversion unto God, it is a lifelong growth. Those who teach otherwise are shams, liars, and rogues; if they believe there is a short and quick way to the mastering of the art, then are they pitiable in the sight of men, as creatures of folly and delusion that is death to the evolution of the soul.

Of course there are those who do not accept astrology as a science, repudiating it as a thing of superstition, groundless and unreliable, being only a relic of the undeveloped mind of the great dim past. Those who take up this position are, as a rule, thoughtless people: at the very most they have not examined the tenets of the art or had a sample of the science put to the test by an able student in their own case. To say that astrology is a false science, and has no really scientific foundation is to insult the memory and the great minds of the ancient and mediæval world. The reasoning of the minds of antiquity was, at the least, as good as the rational and scientific minds who are with us now, for their work stands equal, and, in some cases, unparalleled, as the production of men, under conditions and applications that are wondrous to the modern world. The existence of the planet Uranus was known to these men of old, as has been discovered from their ancient tabulation, but was considered as a fixed star up to the days

of the first Herschel, who observed its motion by means of his telescope. In their apporportioning planetary rule to the days of the week, by these sages of the past, it is found on examination of the *regime* that when each planet is taken alternately in their order of sway, that they indicate the specific gravity of each metal, which they rule in regular disposal. At the least this is significant, if only as a coincidence. There have been scientific truths intuitionised by these dreamers that have only recently been proven by the use of finely constructed instruments. Kepler intuitionised his three laws, but they had to wait until Newton could demonstrate them by his discovery of gravitation as truths in science,

as hitherto they had only been explanations. All who have written on and condemned astrology have displayed only the result of a scanty survey of its principles or ignorance. The writers in the last and present editions of the "Encyclopædia Britannica" are particular in this failing, in company with Sir Richard Proctor in his "Myths and Marvels of Astronomy," and Sir David Brewster in his article of the "Encyclopædia Metropolitana." The best attack was made on astrology by Burton in the seventeenth century in his romance, "Argenis," but it is the metaphysical sophistry of the Scotchman, and by the metaphysical mind can be seen to be fallacious in its conclusions.

The Prophecies of Nostradamus.

Translated by SEPHARIAL.

ANOTHER of his prophecies was that Italy would be assailed by the French when an aged ruler of the English should be in Rome. This refers to the war upon the Papal States in 1798. The aged ruler was Henri-Benoit Stuart, the Cardinal of York, second son of James III. and brother of Charles the Pretender. He was Cardinal in Frascati in 1747, and on the death of his brother took the title of Henry IX. When the war broke out he went to Venice, and later returned to Rome, in 1801, where he died at the advanced age of 82 years, the last of the line of Stuarts.

Concerning the future of France, Nostradamus was naturally very explicit and profuse. The malady of good fortune which assailed the monarchy under Louis XVI. was clearly indicated by him, and how the king sought safety in flight but was arrested and put to death, thereafter carrying his own name of Louis Capet; and also the Revolutions of 1792 and 1848. But Nostradamus was not alone in his prescience of these great upheavals, for it has been found that in a book published in 1531, and cited by M. Baresté, it is said: "Speaking of the eighth and marvellous conjunction which the astrologers say will be about the year of our Lord one

thousand, seven hundred and eighty-nine and more than twenty-five years, after which will be the fourth and last position of the altitudinary firmament. All these things being duly considered and calculated, the astrologers conclude that if the world last until then (which God alone knoweth) there will then be many great and marvellous changes and strifes in the world, as much religious as secular." It will be observed that from 1789 to 1814, the interval which separated the beginning of the Revolution in France to the time of the restoration of the Monarchy, is twenty-five years. It is certainly the fact that there was a conjunction of Uranus and Jupiter in the sign Leo—the ruling sign of France—in 1789, near the New Moon in the same sign, but writers in 1531 can have known nothing of this, as Uranus was not then discovered. Consequently we are to look for the said "conjunction" in the kabalistic method pursued by Nostradamus and others according to the key supplied by him in his epistle. Then it will be seen that there was a conjunction of the Sun and Saturn in the sign Leo, which is the fourth or highest station in the horoscope of the world.

In a book published in Venice, in the year

1550, the following remarkable statement is made: "Therefore I say that at the present time we are approaching the end of the world or of great mutations and annihilations, and, taking the date of the compilation of the present tract, in about two hundred and forty-three years, according to the common supputation of the historians, from the date at the end hereof."

And at the end of the said tract we find the following remarks: "End of the present book and tract of the state and mutation of the times, made pleasant and entertaining to those of intelligence who appreciate novelties, compiled and brought into conspicuous order by Richard Roussat, of Langroys, Canon and Physician, and which contains comparatively more than all others of the kind: done and finished the fifteenth day of the month of February, in the Year of Grace, 1548, desiring greatly that it will be well received by the kindly disposed and friendly reader." If, then, we add 243 years to the year 1548 we shall arrive at the eventful year 1791. So that it appears all the astrologers of this period were in accord in predicting a great revolution such as would make an end of existing institutions towards the end of the eighteenth century. But our author informs us that the great calamity would quickly follow "the advent of the people," so that those who were in the habit of giving bounty would be obliged to seek the aid of foreigners, and would go naked, famished with cold and hunger and thirst, to the countries beyond the mountains (Spain, Germany, Italy). In short, the age of martyrdom would be revived, and there would no longer be any monks, abbots and novices, and honey would be dearer than wax, from the circumstance that there would be no more church candles made. Nostradamus tells us in his Epistle to Henry II. that this state of affairs would last for eleven years, which is the interval from 1790, the year of the Civil Constitution, to 1801, that of the Concordat, and this prophecy was written over two hundred and thirty years before the event. Nostradamus predicted that Nantes would revolt against the tyranny of the revolutionary hordes, and would seek to save itself, but that the chief

people would be decapitated, and the condition of its people would be piteous to behold. Of Lyons he said that this great commercial town would for the most part be overthrown, and its inhabitants reduced to ruin by the pillaging of soldiers, and the rabble who would come down in great clouds as a fog comes down from Jura mountain. And he says that the songs of the imprisoned princes and lords would be sung like divine orisons by those fools who would soon be without heads; and of that arrogant and pitiless fiend, Robespierre, whom Nostradamus denominates le grand Roge (the great Arrogant), he says: "He will spill the blood of innocent children, and of the aged, and of women, without distinction of age or condition. He will make a mockery of sacred things, and, by reason of their fear and terror, none will be able to withstand him."

THE WORLD'S HOROSCOPE.

ACCORDING to the Chronocrators of Ptolemy we are now in the Lunar Age and in the subperiod of the Sun, whose dominion lasts until the year 2,089. During this period France will take the ascendancy and Russia will undergo enormous development, while the Moslem Empire will proportionately decline. The Porte will be open to the nations in 1917. Persia will become developed and modernised, and in the space of seventy-two years expiring in 1980, its ancient glory will dawn again. During the same period white becomes black and King Demos reigns in the north-west angle. A strange rule obtains in Ireland and the British arms are quartered. But after thirty years, ending in 1945, great affliction will come upon the Emerald Isle. In 1933 a religious rising takes place in the East. The islands of the Far East will excel in the arts of Peace and will become a star of the first magnitude in 1918. In the same year a great Convention will bring peace to the nations. But in 1928 other and great disasters befall France. For then Saturn rises with the Sun in the sign Leo. The forests of Brazil will become populated and a lost world will come to light.

The Point of Karma.

IV.—Still More of the Bridge.

By EDITH F. A. U. PAINTON.

WHILE about to begin an article bringing out an entirely different phase of this problem of the Great Karmic Law, a physician who is deeply interested in this study brought to my attention a case in such striking contrast to the previous example, and bearing so strongly upon the subject of the two papers immediately preceding this one, that I feel the present study must not be closed without submitting it, also, to the consideration of the student.

On February 23rd, 1912, hour and place immaterial, except to the investigator who wishes to pursue the case along other lines of study, a male child was born who had been carried by the mother *thirteen months*, thus giving not only no bridge at all to be covered, but a lap of one month at the beginning of another round. To the Kabalist this presents the feature of the letter Q, having completed the cycle of revolution in the circle O, and starting out in the endeavour to begin a second.

The map of this nativity need not be presented here, as it can have but little bearing upon the particular point I am to consider, its strongest aspect being Jupiter in Sagittarius in opposition to Mars in Gemini, the child weighing *nineteen pounds* at birth, and the case demanding surgical birth. The physician, in discussing the case, informed me that the mother was so utterly indifferent as to the peculiar conditions of the gestatory period that it might have gone on indefinitely had he, in his own uneasiness, not taken matters into his own hands, and insisted upon forcing delivery. This only concerns our study of the case as showing the pre-natal conditions and parental environment under which the child was called into being.

As following our previous findings in these studies, the first impression this case would naturally present would be that the soul must be of an unusual advancement, with no karma whatever to be worked out. The

facts in the case not bearing this out, the boy being of excessive animalism, even demoniac at times, in his expression, and springing from an ancestry of the so-called "lower class," crude, rough, uncouth, and purely physical, with the heritage of the most illiterate and undeveloped human type, leads us to the thought that thirteen months being the period of gestation of many of the brute kingdom, it must represent animalism; and thus when manifest in the human family, must necessarily be of the most physical and coarsely material type. This leads us to the conclusion that this bridge of consciousness represents our highest spirituality (however much or little we may have within ourselves) our strongest tendencies toward the illumination of the higher self, our firmest hold on the highest planes of expression, the noblest aspirations and best development of the inner man, his opportunity to grow, his door to illumination, his gateway to immortality. This conclusion is borne out by a further glance at the chart submitted last month, the native of which is one of the most spiritual individuals the present times have produced, her development and manifestation along all lines of the higher life being almost phenomenal.

One question I have been frequently asked since the appearance of the first study is: How long a time must this bridge cover? How long must a man live before he can feel that he has bridged the chasm, and done the Great Thing demanded of him? If the circle of the horoscope represents 360 degrees or years, then each sign represents thirty years. As each degree must represent a year, it would not be difficult to figure out from each map exactly how many years of each sign must be worked through. Ninety years would span the average gulf.

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What Happens to the Soldier after Death?

AT the present time when so many soldiers are dying in battle, because they believe it to be their duty to fight and die for their country, it is of the utmost importance that the world should have some positive information concerning what happens to a man who is killed suddenly in the midst of health and strength.

To ask a man to give up his life for any cause is expecting him to make a great sacrifice, even if he is sure of an after life. If, however, there is no after life, and with death there comes a total and final obliteration of the man, the sacrifice is then immense.

If we could be sure of what lies beyond the grave, and if the knowledge was comforting, how much more willingly and cheerfully would men then die for their country, and how much more contented and happy would the relatives of those dead soldiers be, if they knew for sure that their loved ones were still alive, though physically dead, and were not lost to them for ever.

Yet in spite of the world's present great need, and even though this War has produced a deep religious feeling, there remains a lamentable state of doubt as to what happens to a man after he has died. Quite recently the Rev. R. J. Campbell made a rather startling statement. It was to the effect that many soldiers who had been killed during the present War had communicated with physical beings after death. If this be a fact, it does not agree with a popular belief that when a man dies he remains totally unconscious until a resurrection brings him back to physical life, and a divine decision is then taken concerning his eternal future, rewarding or punishing him according to his conduct in his life on earth.

It would rob death of much of the horror with which we regard it if we were certain not only that man lives after death, but that death does not even temporarily destroy a man, that he continues his individual life, though on a different plane of existence. Still more comforting would it be if we knew that our beloved dead knew all about us after they had been killed, visited us sometimes, and could communicate with us. Such is the general idea held by spiritualists, and a somewhat similar one is held by some of those who believe in man's reincarnation through a series of earth lives. The writer was lately informed by a spiritualist of considerable experience that he had communicated, through a physical medium, of course, with a number of soldiers who had been killed in this War, and there are other people who also claim to have done so.

It is necessary, therefore, that such claims and assertions, instead of being regarded with religious tolerance, should be investigated by the established religious authorities, who would be doing a great public service if they published some form of document having reference to the future of the soldier who dies in battle.

Concerning the death of a soldier, one of the best-known of theosophists speaks as follows, the reason why he is quoted in preference to others being that he takes up the point of view most comforting and applicable at the present time.

"No one need ever have the slightest doubt or hesitation with regard to the fate of the man who dies unselfishly at the call of duty. His future, like that of everyone else, will depend upon his life and not upon his death, yet that death cannot but be a very potent factor in his evolution. The very fact that he has developed sufficient heroism to die for what is to him an abstract idea means very great advancement from his previous position. Whether the cause in which he is fighting be in the abstract right or wrong simply does not affect the case, he thinks it is right, to him it is the call of duty, the voice of his country, and he is willing to cast aside all selfish considerations and obey it even in the face of death. Observe that it is in the last degree unlikely that the type of man from whom our private soldier is drawn (this was written before the present War) would in his ordinary home life have an opportunity of developing such magnificent courage and resolution as he gains on the battlefield, and you will begin to see that in spite of its horrors war may nevertheless be a potent factor in evolution at a certain level. Nevertheless, though in certain cases death on the battlefield may do more for a man's evolution than continued life would, there is reason in a general way in the prayer of the Church, "From a sudden death, good Lord, deliver us." When a man lives out his life to old age most of his lower desires are naturally worn out and cast aside, even before he leaves this physical plane. A long illness often produces the same effect, but the man who dies suddenly in the full flush of youth finds himself in a very different case. In him the desires are strong and active, and other things being equal he is likely to have a much longer astral life. In some cases the man who is suddenly thrown out of the physical life on to the astral plane remains for a long time unconscious in a sleep filled with rosy dreams. Another compensation which come to the victim of sudden death, either in battle or by accident, is the special ministrations always accorded to such by the band of invisible helpers."

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Birthday Influences during February.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, 8 ♃, * ♀. An evil anniversary, indisposition, bereavement and disputes, some social gains. A child born will be rash, hasty, selfish and indifferent, will have some good friends, but will not be fortunate in life.

2. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, 8 ♄, * ♃. Another unpleasant year, danger of deception and ill health, some benefits in employ. A child born will be selfish and indifferent, deceptive and unreliable, but will gain through friends.

3. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, 6 ☉, ♃, ♀. A year of many reverses, upsets and grave annoyances, some benefits in employ, but nothing settled. A child born will be rash, erratic, wayward, very clever and ingenious, but unfortunate in a career.

4. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, 8 ♂, ☐ ♀. A fairly good year for business, but danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be very clever, ingenious and intuitive, but possess a very hasty temper, and will spoil his success in life thereby.

5. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♃. A changeable year, some success in employ and gain through elders, but danger of reversals. A child born will be clever, intuitive, steady and reliable, will meet with strange adventures, and be fairly successful.

6. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, 6 ♃, 6 ♀. A good year for courtship, marriage, social and financial affairs, much pleasure. A child born will be kind, affectionate, artistic, generous, popular and successful.

7. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♄, ☐ ♃, * ♀. A variable year, social gains, changes, and benefits in employ, danger of indisposition. A child born will be kind, affectionate, clever, somewhat rash, and will have many trials to face in life.

8. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, * ☉, ♃, Δ ♂. An important year, changes, gains and success in business, popularity, new work. A child born will be popular, clever, active, energetic, and very skilful, and be successful in life.

9. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♄. An unpleasant year, deception, upsets and disputes shown. A child born will be erratic, wayward, deceptive, rash, and very unlucky in life.

10. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ☉, ♃, ♂, ♀, * ♃. A very serious and critical year, danger of losses, disputes, accidents and indisposition. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, selfish, often involved in serious complications and very unfortunate in life.

11. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, * ♄, ♃, ♀. A good year for courtship, social and financial affairs. A child born will be kind, affectionate, generous, and fairly fortunate in life.

12. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♄. A good year for business, with changes. A child born will be clever and intelligent, but will have a quiet life.

13. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, Δ ☉, ♃, * ♂. An active year, with changes, success in business, popularity, journeys, and social gains. A child born will be active, energetic, popular, kind, affectionate, and very successful in life.

14. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, ☐ ♃, ♀. A variable year, losses and disappointments, some social gains. A child born will be proud, extravagant, careless and unreliable, and not very lucky in a career.

15. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, 6 ♃. An evil year, indisposition, bereavement and many troubles. A child born will be proud, but weak-willed and despondent, and very unfortunate in life.

16. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♃, 6 ♄, Δ ♃. A variable year, losses, indisposition, deception, danger of accidents, some financial benefits. A child born will be rash, hasty, unreliable and diffident, but will have many friends.

17. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♀, 8 ♄. A year of many worries, annoyances and upsets, not good for scholars and students, some benefits to the fair sex. A child born will be clever, but erratic, have a hatred of control, and be very unfortunate in life.

18. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♃, 8 ♃, 6 ♂. Serious danger is shown during this year, bad for soldiers and aviators, some popularity and social gains. A child born will be rash, hasty, erratic and unreliable, will be clever and popular, but often involved in serious difficulties and dangers.

19. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♃, 8 ☉, * ♃. A serious year, indisposition, loss of work, grave dangers. A child born will be rash, hasty, proud and ungovernable, often placed in serious difficulties and dangers.

20. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♃, ♃, Δ ♃, ♀. A good year for marriage or courtship, some little annoyances. A child born will be kind, affectionate, generous, and fairly successful in life.

21. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♃, * ♄, 8 ♃. An unsettled year, danger of disputes and losses, grief and disappointment, some benefits socially. A child born will be rash, hasty, extravagant, kind and affectionate, but very unsettled and unfortunate.

22. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♃, Δ ♃, ♀, * ♂, ☐ ♃, 8 ♀. A year of changes, activity, new work, popularity, but grief and disappointment. A child born will be clever, active and intelligent, careless and diffident, possess good abilities, and be fairly fortunate in life.

23. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♈, ☿. A very unsettled year, reverses, deception, some favourable changes. A child born will be clever, but erratic and deceitful, and not very successful in a career.

24. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♎, ♃. A good year for those in business, but danger of serious accidents, injury, disputes and annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, erratic, have a hatred of control, will be most unfortunate in life, and should always keep in employ.

25. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♎, ♃. A year of many worries and annoyances, grief and indisposition. A child born will be careless, indifferent, extravagant, and very unlucky in life.

26. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ♃. A changeable year, trouble in employ, but new work, changes, activity, and some successes. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, but proud, and will do well to remain in employ.

27. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ♃. Popularity and social gains are shown, but many worries and annoyances. A child born will be hasty and erratic, but kind and affectionate, and fairly successful in life.

28. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ♃. Financial troubles and indisposition are shown, but some gains and successes. A child born will be extravagant, indifferent and selfish, but will gain through employers.

29. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, ♃. A variable year, courtship, marriage and promotion, but grief and indisposition. A child born will be kind, affectionate, steady and reliable, will meet with many disappointments, and have many troubles to face.

British Institute of Mental Science.

Council Meeting held at Blackpool, 18th December, 1915. Mrs. O. H. Tassell (Stoke-on-Trent) in the chair.

The Secretary reported the appeal against Income Tax had been allowed. Mr. Frank Wood, A.C.I.S., 33, Tudor Road, Canterbury, was appointed Honorary Assistant General Secretary. Application No. 170 was struck out. Resignation of Miss Marie Morler was accepted with regret. Albert Ellis passed the preliminary examination in Temperament, Mrs. E. E. Bointon the intermediate in Palmistry, and Miss E. F. Antoni the intermediate in Physiognomy. Mrs. E. J. Boldy was exempt from the preliminary examination in Psychometry and Mr. M. R. Williams the preliminary examination in Astrology. Mr. M. R. Williams was admitted as a member of the Astrological Section and Miss E. F. Antoni an Associate of the Physiognomical Section. Mr. Albert Ellis was admitted to the Temperament Section as a member. A duplicate certificate was issued to Mr. A. E. Piper. Mr. P. O'Bryen Hoare's book on Mental Healing was adopted as the text book for examinations in the subject.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

FEBRUARY, 1916.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	11 ♋ 18	Avoid accidents, safeguard health a.m. Visit friends and amusements p.m.
2	26 11	Mixed influences prevail. Attend to ordinary duties only.
3	11 ♌ 0	An evil day. Act with discretion in all things.
4	25 38	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
5	9 ♍ 57	A good day for business up to 5 p.m.
6	23 53	Sunday. Study, visit friends and acquaintances.
7	7 ♎ 25	A doubtful day. Do nothing important. Avoid disputes.
8	20 31	A good day for business, ask favours seek work, push affairs.
9	3 ♏ 14	An evil day. Act with discretion in all things.
10	15 37	A very evil and disastrous day. Act with extreme caution.
11	27 45	Court, marry, visit friends, and ask favours.
12	9 ♐ 41	A good day for business and correspondence.
13	21 32	Sunday. Study and reflect. Visit friends.
14	3 ♑ 20	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
15	15 12	An evil day. Safeguard health and act with discretion.
16	27 10	Conflicting influences prevail. Attend to ordinary duties only.
17	9 ♒ 17	Sign no papers, and be discreet in dealings with others.
18	21 36	Doubtful influences in a.m. Ask favours and visit friends p.m.
19	4 ♓ 7	Avoid sport, pleasure and firearms. Act with caution.
20	16 53	Sunday. A day for contemplation. Visit friends p.m.
21	29 52	An evil day for all purposes. Keep quiet.
22	13 ♈ 6	Travel, change, push business, seek work, p.m. only.
23	26 32	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.
24	10 ♎ 10	A dangerous day. Avoid travel, disputes and accidents p.m.
25	23 59	An evil day. Do nothing important. Keep quiet.
26	7 ♏ 59	Evil a.m. Travel, change, and push business p.m.
27	22 9	Sunday. Study and reflect. Visit friends.
28	6 ♋ 26	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties.
29	20 49	Court, marry, seek work, safeguard health.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR.—In the "Kaleidoscope" in the January issue of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY is a quotation, supposed to be out of some writing or writings of a man called Mr. Machen. One part of it runs thus: "And then, again, I believe that many have experienced the curious sense that in all the joys of life there is, not necessarily something better, but something lacking." Now, then, let us just have a look at this, and see whether it will stand the light of day or not. In the first place, the general impression is that the person who talks that way is in a pessimistic mood; or else he has just suffered a disappointment, and is like the "fox and the grapes"; and, because he cannot reach the grapes, tries to console himself that they must be sour ("unattainable"). He also consoles himself that, seeing that it is—as he thinks—impossible to get the fulfilment of our desires on this earth, "the way to it goes by death." The best thing that gentleman can do is to bury such fossilised ideas. Such words are an admission of defeat, to say the least about it.

Now, Sir, by your kind permission, I will endeavour to give you my idea on this subject. I take it for granted that you are not altogether adverse to being criticised in a straightforward manner. To go back to that quotation, "In all the joys of life there is something lacking." What a dissatisfied fellow that must be! I should most certainly say that the writer of those words *never knew what real hunger or thirst was*—I, of course, refer to physical hunger and thirst—otherwise he would know that *right there*, without going any further, in the satisfying of "the inner man," when *really* hungry or thirsty, is a joy and pleasure that lacks *nothing*. The whole man is pleased, and he thinks about the pleasant task in hand because, for one thing, of its urgency—the *insistent* and imperative call of nature. And mark you, Sir, when I say "the whole man is pleased," that includes "the spirit of the man that dwelleth in him."

So much for material things. Now how about the spiritual? Our learned friend says: "Men desire love, and it is given to them." He also tells that there is something lacking even there, for the word "all" includes everything. Well, in the first place, I should be strongly inclined to say it was not *love* then, in that case, but some spurious imitation that our learned friend was talking about. And, as regards the "beyond" that is so alluringly (?) mentioned, the greatest man the world ever saw stated specifically and emphatically that the Kingdom of God was "within" us. Yes, not up in the sky, nor even on the top of Mount Everest, but "within you." That doesn't sound very much as though "The way to it goes by Death." Not only that, but the Scriptures verify in many places, that the human being is the masterpiece of creation, and only as human beings shall we be able to realise the

glory of God; but that will not be until the Millennium or, in other words, the Second Coming of Christ, for which many souls are earnestly and anxiously waiting. St. Paul tells us in his prophecy that we "shall not all sleep (meaning death), but we shall all be changed in the twinkling of an eye," "and the dead shall be raised incorruptible."

Now, Sir, I will close by saying that I am not an astrologer, although I believe in it, as who would not, if he were wideawake? We read in the Old Testament of Daniel and the astrologers, and as there were prophets of all kinds in those days so also are there prophets of all kinds in these days, these closing days of the new dispensation, and they all bear witness to the existence of an Almighty and Ever Present God. Trusting you will understand the spirit that prompts this.

Yours truly,

HUGH BOURNE.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

SIR,—I find difficulty at times in working out Ascendants for places abroad. Even with trained astrologers a difference of several degrees occur. It is quite easy with regard to M.C. Perhaps Mr. Bailey or "Sephariel" will give a short and easy method of arriving at the Ascendants in one of your immediate issues? For instance, how do you arrive at 18 ♀ Asc. for noon, Melbourne, for August 21st, 1906? M.C. = 28 ♄, Tables of Houses 37° S.

Yours truly, R.

[The S.T. at noon, corrected for Melbourne, August 21st, 1906, is 9h. 53m. 58s. To this add 12 hours = 21h. 53m. 58s., and refer to the Tables of Houses for 37° N. latitude, and against this you will find M.C. $\approx 26^\circ = \Omega 26^\circ$, and Ascendant $\Pi 17^\circ 54' = \uparrow 17^\circ 54'$. The rule is quite simple. You add or subtract 12 hours, and reverse the signs for S. latitude, using N. latitude Tables.—S.]

IN *Borderland*, published in 1895, there appeared a horoscope of the German Emperor, constructed 21 years ago by George Wilde, which contained some remarkable predictions: "In his 57th year (1915) Mars regards the Sun adversely, and will bring war, disputes, affronts, irritability, and he may prejudice his fortunes by a rash action. Others will provoke him, and his war spirit will impel him to war and contention with other Powers. Good and bad directions coincide with the 58th birthday (1916); a slight chill and indisposition, but he will increase his State and kingdom, and may obtain a concession from others. From his sixtieth year to his death he is the victim of adverse stars; unfavourable for finance and health." —*Daily News*.

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Paper Economy.

The shortage of paper and increased cost of production are responsible for a slight curtailment in the number of our pages, which we much regret. We are glad, however, that it has been found possible to effect the change with so little loss to our readers; for, by the use of slightly smaller type, we have been able to retain most of our regular articles, and to give approximately the same amount of reading matter as before. This we trust will be quite satisfactory to our readers, and we sincerely wish that all war economies might be carried through with as little deprivation.

The War.

There is little to record on this matter since my last month's notes. The first effects of the solar eclipse of February 3rd are shown on the 28th of that month, when Mars transits the opposition of the place of the eclipse, and at the beginning of the month when the same planet crosses the meridian of London. This is ominous of a Zeppelin raid of some magnitude, with much damage and loss of life.

The lunation of March 3rd is very evil, and the malefics in the seventh house presignify an extension of hostilities. The conjunction of Mercury and Uranus in opposition to Mars falls across the horizon in Eastern and Central Europe, and heavy fighting, devastation, and

bloodshed are shown. Violent earthquakes are denoted, volcanic eruptions, pestilence, and great mortality.

Scientific Astrology.

The uncalled for attack made upon myself in the December issue of *Modern Astrology* has brought me many letters of support and of appreciation of the articles in the B.J.A. This attack is continued in the February issue of *Modern Astrology*, and the Editor makes a very feeble attempt to justify his actions. It is not my intention to waste space in defending myself from the malicious imputation which has been placed upon me. An accusation which is in itself a lie needs no refutation. Mr. Leo's action will not redound to his credit, and I think he will have cause to regret his hasty and ill-advised attacks against the honesty and intellectual integrity of Sepharial and myself.

Remarkable Births.

I have received from Mr. Alton Z. Stevenson, President of the American Astrological Society, a number of interesting birth data, among which is the case of twins, one born on February 28th, 1915, at 1.30 p.m., and the other on March 3rd, at 2.30 p.m., an interval of just over three days. If space permits, I shall make use of this remarkable case in my illustrations of this subject.

Paragraph Horoscopes.

Since making my remarks on this subject in the last issue, I have received several letters, and the general consensus of opinion is that the method of judging horoscopes by means of paragraphs is not legitimate or scientific. Some have expressed their opinions in very pointed language, and have gone so far as to condemn the method as fraudulent. Personally, I am not disposed to accept these views. As a method of analytical judgment, presuming that a horoscope is properly dissected into its component parts, and the various influences actually belonging to such parts are tabulated, I fail to see why the judgment should not be scientific or correct.

I possess a system of my own, comprising some 2,500 paragraphs, from which I have delineated several thousand horoscopes during the past ten years, and, if the opinions of clients are to be taken as a criterion of the correctness and value of the horoscopes, the system stands unchallenged. But there is a key to the use of such a system, and, unless that key is strictly followed, the whole delineation becomes a confused and unintelligible mass of error and trash.

Personal Appearance.

Next month I shall have some remarks to make on the subject of personal appearance from the horoscope. E. H. BAILEY.

Studies in Brief.

By SEPHARIAL.

A War Horoscope.

A MONTH or two ago the question was raised in these pages as to whether in great wars and other catastrophic events the usual signals were to be found in the horoscopes of those who were adversely affected. As a partial reply to this interesting question, I am able to submit the case of a young lady, whose husband was killed at Gallipoli on June 12th, 1915. She herself was born in the London district on August 20th, 1890, at oh. 5m. a.m. The following is the horoscope :—

♄ 29	♃ 12	♂ 7°	♌ 14	♍ 26
♅ 6° 47'		♁ 18° 37'	♂ R. 3° 47'	♃ 26° 58'
♄ 10° 1'				♃ 10° 1' ♄
		♂ 7° 4'	♂ ♁ 20° 8' 12'	♂ ♁ 14° 57'
		♁ 5° 34'	♁ ♁ 1° 8' 58'	
♄ 26	♃ 14	♂ 7	♌ 12	♍ 29

It will be observed in the first place that the Sun is very heavily afflicted, for it has the semi-square aspect of Venus and Uranus, the square of Neptune, the square of Mars, and the conjunction of Saturn. Uranus and Venus are conjoined in the fifth house. The Part of Fortune is near to Jupiter, and has the trine aspect of Mercury. The lady is engaged in journalism.

For the event of the husband's death, which was so amply indicated in the radix, we find the following significant primary directions :

- Ascendant opposition Part of Fortune, in zod. d.
- Midheaven opposition Mercury, direct.
- Sun opposition Moon zod. con.

One cannot escape the dictum of Ptolemy to the effect that the double affliction of the Sun denotes a violent death, for here the Sun is (as in all female horoscopes) the natural significator of the husband, and it is seen to be afflicted by no less than five planets. Fortunately, the Moon is hyleg in this horoscope, and the Moon's benefic aspect to Venus, Uranus and Mars, and its freedom from affliction, does not threaten the life of the lady herself, but the Sun's affliction is sinister as regards all her male relatives, but principally the father and the husband.

I have failed to get the time of the husband's birth, but the date was June 3rd, 1888. Reference to that date will show that the Moon was in Aries applying to the direct opposition aspect of Mars and Uranus, which planets were conjoined in the sign Libra. Here we have a double affliction of the luminary by malefic planets to indicate the violent death, but there is no means of knowing whether the Moon was hyleg or not in this case, as that depends on the Moon's relations with the midheaven and horizon, which cannot be ascertained without the time of birth. He was twenty-seven years of age at the time of the fatal event, and the Sun is seen to have progressed to Cancer ♋, where it applies to the squares of Uranus and Mars, and probably also forms the square of the Moon in the radix. The primary directions cannot be attempted without some knowledge of the birth hour, but it is satisfactory to observe that the portents of this untoward event were not lacking in either of the horoscopes concerned.

The Kaleidoscope.

By SEPHARIAL.

An Explanation.

IN the December issue of *Modern Astrology*, Mr. Alan Leo has assumed a new role, in which he attempts to police astrological journalism. Our Editor, Mr. E. H. Bailey, had the temerity to speak of "Scientific Astrology" on one page of this journal and to admit "Birthday Influences" on another page of the same issue. There was nothing extraordinary in either fact, for Mr. Bailey has consistently advocated what he is pleased to call "Scientific Astrology," and the birthday information has appeared from the first volume of the B.J.A., and in the *Messenger*, which preceded it. There has therefore been ample time for Mr. Leo to protest had he thought it worth his while, either in his own interest or those of astrology. The same or similar information has been published for years in Raphael's Almanac and other publications. I seem to recollect something of the same sort in the pages of the *Astrological Magazine*. It is akin to the Daily Information found in Zadkiel's and other almanacs wherein good and bad days are given for a variety of purposes. It appears illogical to my mind to suppose that all these astrologers only insert this kind of information in their publications in order "to catch the unwary." Knowing perfectly well the unscientific astrology of which Mr. Leo is premier exponent, I marvelled at this *volte face*. True, there was an alternative to the charge against the B.J.A., for the Editor was "either wilfully deceiving the public or had no knowledge of scientific astrology." But now the truth of the matter is out. A "correspondent" has written to Mr. Leo complaining to that effect. Moreover, this correspondent is a very big bug, having been "a pupil of Commander Morrison, the first Zadkiel." Well, I happen to know the two men in this world who put up that claim, and one of them is Mr. A. J. Pearce, who so far followed his master as to repudiate his system of directions under the Poles of the Significators by inventing a system of directions by proportion of semiarcs, which system I have referred to as "a valuable approximation," but which is by no means scientifically correct. The other is Mr. Wallace, of Manchester, who has done a lot of hack work for Mr. Leo and other astrologers. Now I want to ask Mr. Leo a pertinent question.

What is Scientific Astrology?

It will be admitted that all interpretation of astronomical facts may be regarded as scientific when applied to merely mundane phenomena, as, for example, the tides, the weather, inundations,

droughts, famines, etc., and various electrical phenomena. You can argue a necessary connection between celestial phenomena and mundane effects because of the solidarity of the solar system and the continuity of matter throughout that system. And from like cause you can argue like effects. But by what "scientific" process does Mr. Leo propose to connect the 30 degrees of the ecliptic East of the vernal equinox with the human encephalon, or the 30 degrees East of the summer solstice with the stomach? By what scientific argument does he propose to connect the middle of the suborient quadrant with "finance"? He has only the traditional value of mythology to warrant his finding that Venus is the planet presiding over "love affairs" and Mars that governing "war and strife." There are thousands of love affairs and marriages which do not employ Venus as a Significator in directions. There are continual strifes which are unconnected with Mars. From a purely scientific standpoint—i.e., the astronomical—you can drive a carriage and four through the best horoscope that was ever erected. Part of it is scientifically correct and part is not. Does Mr. Leo take into consideration the relative bulks, densities, and magnitudes of the planets he is dealing with, or consider for a moment whether they happen to be in perihelion or aphelion? Does any horoscope show these relative positions in the heavens? Candidly, I am rather ashamed of the fact that Mr. Leo should have ventured upon a crusade so disastrous to his own objective! For if any man has sought to draw astrology away from the scientific basis on which it is supposed to rest, it is Mr. Leo himself, who, as Theosophist and Esotericist, knows, or ought to know, that the whole of Astrology is Cosmic Symbolism, and that it bears a human interpretation only because of man's relations to his greater environment. The manifest universe is a symbol, intelligible to us only because it is the expression of an intelligence. A truce to these amenities. If Mr. Leo is intent on producing his Goliath, I will put up a David to match him, and I warn him that he has a faculty for throwing stones from which those who live in crystal palaces have much to fear.

In the April issue of *Modern Astrology* I hope to see the colour of Mr. Leo's window-shutter.

An Apology.

When you fail to get what you want, the best thing is to give something away. I am therefore taking this opportunity of making an apology to Mr. Leo for the "very many unkind remarks"

which he alleges I have made against him in the past. I can only say that they were not meant unkindly. He does not say they were untrue. The fact is that Astrology is first and foremost with me, and Mr. Leo, or anybody else for that matter, is altogether subsidiary. I have my own ideas about what Astrology imports, and of its place in a perfected scheme of human thought, and if I am unorthodox it cannot be helped. I pay due honours to Ptolemy and Placidus, to Tycho and Kepler, to Worsdale and Morrison, seeing that through them the tradition was kept alive and even improved upon, but I do not blind myself to the fact that they touched only the mathematics of the subject, and that the psychology and philosophy of the subject was wholly ignored by them. Mr. Leo, however, makes a mistake when he says that his correspondent who objects to Mr. Bailey's "Scientific Astrology" was one of the active workers in the astrological world long before Sepharial came into the limelight. It was no fault of mine, but perhaps a discretion, that I was not born sooner, but I got into the running as soon as I could, and started the study of astrology at 14½ years of age. Another thing is that I did not "come into the limelight." I brought it with me. If I can use it for the better illustration of Astrology I shall not regret having learned the trick from Prometheus.

Illegitimate Directions.

For the reasons given above, I am unable to pass without comment the statement made by Mr. Leo in the February issue - that in his opinion the two directions questioned by me are legitimate. These directions were *post factum* directions discovered by Zadkiel as coinciding with the outbreak of war. The fact that he did not include them in his survey of the Royal Horoscope and that of the Kaiser, and that he did not predict the war, is presumptive ground for believing that up to that date he did not recognise their validity. I do not do so even now, and have plainly said so. It is contrary to the teaching of both Ptolemy and Morrison that promissors should be directed to promissors. I would ask Mr. Leo where he proposes to find the significator, and also what it signifies? The practice has always been to direct significators to promissors, or vice versa, never to direct promissors to promissors. In the cases cited: Mars conjunction Saturn zod. d. in the King's horoscope and Saturn opposition Neptune, zod. in the Kaiser's, only promissors are employed. What do they signify? That the places of their direction have no relation whatsoever to war is obvious. When I said that "a planet could be directed, but cannot be directed to," I was speaking of promissors. A promissor cannot be directed to a promissor, but it can be directed to a significator. What I want to know is when,

according to this sort of astrology, a promissor is not a promissor but a significator? Similarly, a significator can be directed to a promissor. It is all brought about by the rotation of the earth on its axis, as I explained to Mr. Leo in the lamplight many years ago. And now, having gone so far, let me explain further that directing by proportion by the semi-arcs is not the same as directing under the pole of the body to which direction is made, and for this reason: In the semiarc method the semiarc is found by taking the ascensional difference (or the descensional, as the case may be) under the pole of the place of birth, which is the pole of the horizon, and unless the planet is *on* the horizon that calculation of the ascensional difference is false. It should be taken under the pole answering to the position of the planet in the prime vertical. Thus a planet on the midheaven, or Nadir, has no pole, and therefore it is directed to by Right Ascension, just as if it were the midheaven. So that in directing by semiarcs under the latitude of the birthplace, you are not doing what you propose to do - namely, to find how many equatorial degrees pass under the midheaven while one body comes to the place or aspect of another *as seen from the place of birth*. Before making my mincemeat any smaller I should like to know which system Mr. Leo considers to be the right one - Commander Morrison's or Mr. Pearce's? And I want his uninstructed and unbiassed opinion. I shall then know exactly how much he has thought out the subject of primary directions. Other questions can be deferred until Goliath is set up.

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At the opening of the month the planet Mars is only just past the place of the most recent eclipse of the Sun. Events will take an actively aggressive turn in France. Large casualties and many sudden catastrophies will occur on the Western Front, while London is threatened with successive air-raids. But as Jupiter comes up to the trine of Mars, towards the end of the

month, there will be an effective forward movement made. The dates importing surprise attacks and high casualties this month are the 1st and 5th. But the stationary position of Mars in Leo on the 21st in trine aspect to Jupiter will carry the Allies forward by a series of most redoubtable assaults, culminating in a great victory very early next month. France is warned of treacherous work by spies on the borders of the Netherlands.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER XI.

EQUATION OF ARCS.

WHEN the arc of direction has been obtained there still remains the question of the equation and timing of the same.

The arc of direction stands as so many degrees and minutes, and the question is, What equivalent in time do they represent?

There are four principal methods of equating arcs of direction, viz., according to the teachings of (1) Ptolemy, (2) Naibod, (3) Placidus, (4) Simmonite.

The method advocated by Ptolemy is one of simplicity, and is generally accepted by votaries of primary directing. Each degree signifies a year, each 5' a month, and each 1' six days.

Thus an arc of 39° 55' would measure to 39 years, 11 months; 27° 27' equals 27 years 5 months and 12 days; 18° 1' will fall six days after the eighteenth birthday.

The method of Naibod is to convert the arc of direction into time by allowing the diurnal increment of the sidereal time—which is equivalent to the mean daily motion of the Sun—to represent one year. This is exactly the same as the increase of the R.A. of the M.C. for each year by the method of the progressed horoscope. In Vol. IV., page 85, a table of the progression of the meridian for each year of life was given, and this table will serve to show the equating of arcs by the method of Naibod.

Take the arc of direction, Venus, square Sun, zod. con., 27° 17'. This turned into time by the rule given in the November JOURNAL, page 36, is 1h. 49m. 8s.

Then proceed as follows:—

Look down the column headed "Days" until the progress next less than the required arc is reached, and subtract the two.

Then with the remainder look down to the column headed "Hours" to the next lowest. Subtract these two.

With the remainder look down the column headed "Minutes" until the required figure is found.

This will give the arc in days, hours, and minutes, which is to be turned into time in the usual way, by allowing two hours for each month and four minutes for each day.

Taking the example mentioned:—

	H.	M.	S.
Arc	1	49	8
27 days	1	46	27

		2	41
16 hours	2	38	

16 minutes			3
= 27d. 16h. 16m. = 27y. 8m. 4d.			

Personally, I regard this method as the correct one, and I mostly use it in practice.

The third method is that of Placidus, and is more complicated. The arc of direction is added to the R.A. of the Sun at birth, and the time when the Sun reaches the longitude corresponding to this R.A. by its daily motion is the time when the direction will eventuate.

Thus in the example quoted, Venus square Sun, zod. con. 27° 17'.

R.A. of ☉ at birth	245.55
Arc of direction	27.17

	273.12

The longitude corresponding to this is ♍ 2.56, and the Sun reaches this on December 23rd, 20h. 4m. Subtracting the birth time, November 29th, 0h. 55m., will give 24d. 19h. 9m., equal to 24y. 9m. 17d., equal to an arc of 24° 48'.

The fourth method, that of Simmonite (*vide the Arcana*, page 281) is an abbreviated method of Placidus, and consists of making a table showing the Sun's daily motion in R.A. from the point it held at birth.

Thus the motion in R.A. of the Sun in the example horoscope would be

24 years	26° 23'
25 years	27° 29'

The arc required, 27° 17', would therefore measure to 24° 48', the same as given above.

Twins.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER V. A SPECIAL CASE.

As a general rule it will be found that in the majority of twins the interval between the two births is not very large, varying from a few minutes to an hour. In three of the cases given in the preceding chapters, two are very small intervals, that of the third one hour, and that of the fourth four and a half hours.

I now propose to examine a few cases in which the interval was much larger, for the purpose of testing the before mentioned contention that the last born is the first conceived.

The first case is that of twin girls born on October 23rd, 1875, at 4 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. respectively, local time. Both these children were only seven months' births, and both died directly after birth, the former living 20 minutes and the latter only 10 minutes.

The longitudes of the two factors are as follows:

	Time.	Asc.	Moon.
Girl.	4 p.m.	4.3 ♀	25.42 ♀
Girl.	9.30 p.m.	22.12 ♂	28.42 ♀

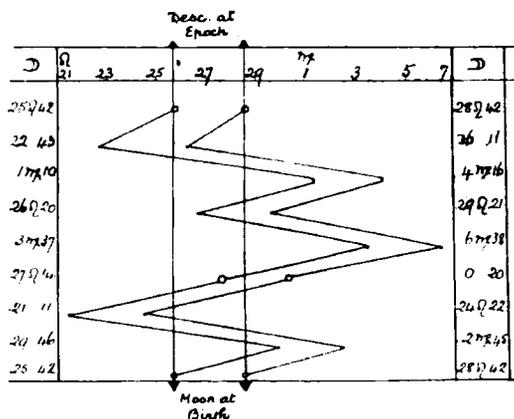
In both cases the Moon is below the earth, and decreasing. Seven months before birth measures to March 10th, and both epochs fall within fourteen days after that date.

In the elder twin the epoch falls on March 22nd at 4h. 56m. 8s. a.m., the Moon's place at birth setting at the epoch and the Moon being in the setting degree at birth. The epoch shows a female degree rising the Moon being in a male degree but a female quadrant, thus proving the sex to be female. The Moon's longitude at this time is 3.32 ♌, making the correct birth time 41s. earlier than recorded.

In the younger twin the epoch falls on March 31st at 4h. 26m. 38s. a.m., the Moon's place again setting, and the Moon being in the descending sign. This time gives 21.37 ♍ as the longitude of the Moon and the descendant of the horoscope. This makes the correct birth time 9h. 26m. 57s. p.m., a difference of 3m. 3s. earlier than the time recorded.

Here we have a distinct type of double epoch, the elder child being the first conceived, and the assumption is that this is a case of conovate twins produced from separate acts of generation. I incline to the view that two separate acts of generation took place on account of the interval of nine days between the respective epochs, five days being the limit allowed by obstetricians during which, from a single act of generation, conception may follow.

The particular point I wish to illustrate in this case is the cause of the premature births. The horoscopes themselves show that the children would not survive, but this would be the case had they been full time children. The point is—



What was the cause of the premature births?

My readers will remember that in the last series of the Prenatal Epoch articles I brought forward a converse method of taking the chart of descent showing the line of lunar impulse from the epochal ascendant or descendant to the birth Moon, contrary to the usual method of taking the epochal Moon to the birth ascendant or descendant.

The chart appended shows the line of impulse from the descendant at the epoch to the Moon at birth, and it will be observed at once that the librations of the Moon in each case are uniform with each other, and both are remarkably lopsided, and that at the third return the Moon does not reach the central line, giving an indication of danger of miscarriage at that particular epoch.

Reference to the Ephemeris will also show that the planet Saturn is close to the ascendant of the epochal figure and the opposition of the radical Moon, and that at the first, third, fifth and sixth lunar returns it is within a degree or two of the actual longitude of the Moon, an influence tending to produce disturbances *in utero*, and accounting for the premature birth.

In the ordinary chart of descent there are no disturbing influences in the line of impulse of the first child, but in the second child at the lunar return of October 8th Mars is conjoined with the Moon at that time, and would have contributed to the premature delivery. There are no such influences as that of Saturn in the chart given above, and to this I attribute the cause.

The Prophecies of Nostradamus.

Translated by SEPHARIAL.

(Continued from page 95.)

AND the end of this great orgy of an insensate democracy is predicted in the rise of Napoleon I. (Cent. V., quatr. 26). "When the common people have been raised to the highest positions and have overthrown their Prince, there will come a military man, who will have been born a provincial beyond the seas, and who will raise an army by the aid of those who have crossed the mountains (the exiles). All around Rome, the great city, he will have soldiers encamped in all the towns and in the fields, and the Pontificate will be greatly pillaged." (The invasion by Napoleon in 1797, concluded by a treaty by which the defenders paid 30 millions and ceded to France five provinces.)

Again he says: "An emperor shall be born near Italy (Corsica), who shall cost France very dearly, so she is left reduced and ruined, and about him will be gathered a new aristocracy who will be less princes than butchers" (Cent. I., 60). Elsewhere he says: "In the low West of Europe will be born of poor parents a young child who by the power of his word will create a great army, and the kingdom of his fame will extend even to the East," which happened when Napoleon carried his arms to Syria and Egypt. This coming son of a Falcon (Cent. II., 11) will rise even to the throne of France by force of arms. All will fear his bitter glory, but his relations will be cast forth, banished. This simple soldier will come to the Empire (Cent. VIII., 57), and will change his robe from short to long (from soldier to emperor); valiant in arms, but indifferent to the Church, he will treat the clergy as water in a sponge (alternately enlisting them and driving them out). He will exercise his tyranny for fourteen years (Cent. VII., 14). In Boulogne he will endeavour to repair his mistakes, but will be no more successful than in Egypt (at the Temple of Heliopolis). But nevertheless he will do such great things than never did such an one sit upon the throne. Then the Great King will seek to land near Nice, and so will bring death to his empire undoubtedly, for the Plunderer will be carried away by sea to the Antipodes and all his genius will vanish."

Nostradamus regards Napoleon as a scourge. It is worthy of remark that Garençières, writing in the year 1672, or over one hundred years after the prophecy, in regard to the prediction that an Emperor would be born near Italy (Sicily) who shall cost the Empire (of France) very dearly, and who, keeping company with strange people and upstarts, would be more of a butcher than

a prince himself, says: "This prophecy is for the future, for since Nostradamus's time till now such an Emperor was not heard of that was born near Italy, that cost the Empire so dear, and proved more a butcher than a prince."

Nostradamus continues: "Alas! what a great loss to learning there will be before the circle of the Moon is completed, what fires and floods, and more damage done by ignorant rulers than can be made good in a long century!" a clear forecast of the devastation created by the Napoleonic Wars.

"But these scourges being past, there shall come peace for awhile, the world being already greatly diminished. Lands shall again be repopulated, and there will be safe passage by sky and land and sea. And then war shall break out afresh! Men shall think to have seen the Sun at midnight, when the semi-human Pig shall appear. There will be shouting and singing and battles in the sky, and brute beasts shall become articulate!"

Here the author would say that after a spell of peace lasting one hundred years or thereabouts fresh wars would break out over Europe, and aerial fighting would take place, when one whose nature is bestial but whose form is human shall appear, and the war shall take people as much by surprise as if they had seen the Sun at midnight. Then he predicts a great famine, which shall become so wide-spread that even roots of trees will be plucked up and children snatched from the breast.

It is singular that Nostradamus should predict aerial warfare, but not at all surprising to those who have studied his remarkable achievements in prophecy. As a sign of the times he adds: "An old head shall beget an Idiot, who shall degenerate both knowledge and arms, the President of France (le Chef de France) shall be feared by this man's sister, and battlefields shall be divided and conceded to the troops."

Now this is exactly what has happened in Greece, where the Kaiser's sister is Queen, and who, under pressure of the French President, conceded to the Allies the passage of troops through Greek territory and the occupation of Salonika by an armed force. The "old head" is here the Kaiser; the Idiot is not hard to identify.

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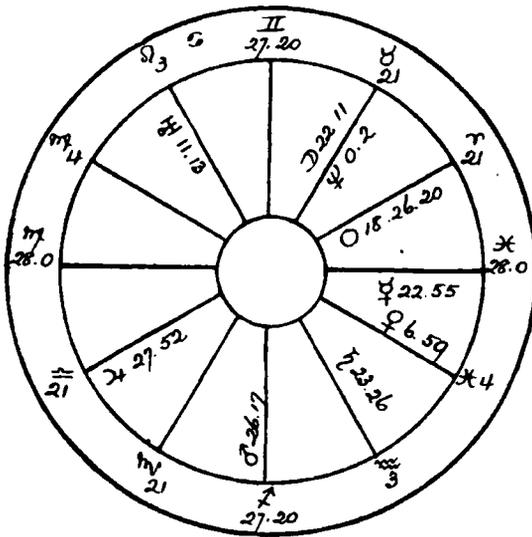
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War Horoscopes.

V.—THE KING OF BELGIUM.

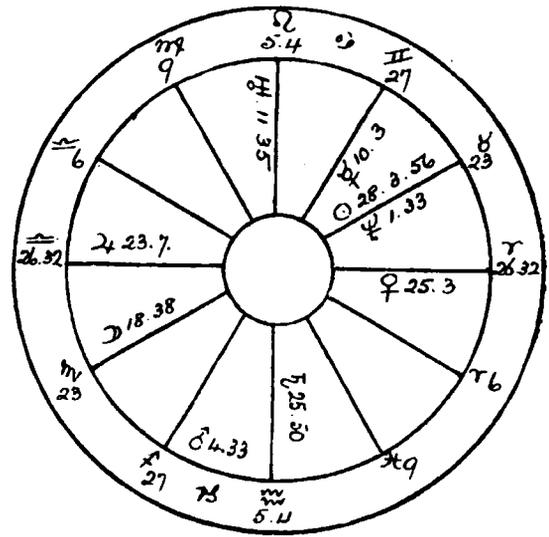
KING ALBERT OF BELGIUM was born on April 8th, 1875, at 4.50 p.m., according to the statement made in the August, 1915, issue of this Journal, and as given by Zadkiel in his almanac for 1916. The editor of that almanac rectifies the time to 4h. 44m. 50s. p.m., and following my usual custom I make the time by epochal rectification to be 4h. 42m. 43s. p.m., or G.M.T. 4h. 25m. 15s.

The following figure is the corrected horoscope :



Moon and Jupiter also conjoined. At the accession the Sun was directed to the trine of Neptune. By converse direction Mars was in square to the Moon R., ruler of the 4th.

At the outbreak of war the Sun was in parallel with Neptune, and Mercury in square to the ascending degree; the Moon was also parallel ☉ P. and ♃ R. By converse motion the Sun was in parallel with Mars R.



At the time of the father's death and the accession to the throne the following directions were in operation :—

- ☉ P. ☐ ♃ R. (♃ ruler of the 4th).
- ☉ P. ☐ ♃ R.
- ☉ P. ♂ ♃ R. ♀ ♃ R. (♃ and ♀ joint rulers of the 10th).
- ☉ R. ♂ ♀ P.
- ♃ P. △ ♀ P.

In August, 1914, when his country was invaded, the Moon by primary motion was ♃ ♂, the Sun was ☐ ♃ P., and the ascendant in ☐ ♃. The Moon was in exact opposition to Neptune. The meridian was also directed to the parallel of Uranus conversely. The most remarkable point is that by converse motion the Sun was in square to Mars and the Moon passing from square Sun to conjunction Mars, a clear indication of war.

The epoch took place on July 18th, 1874, at 11h. 56m. 38s. p.m. (G.M.T. 11h. 39m. 10s. p.m.). The Sun and Mars are conjoined in sextile to the

The above map is the progressed horoscope for 1916. The index date is February 2nd, 1916, and measures to noon, May 10th, 1875.

The Sun is directed to the trine of the radical ascendant and the ascendant is close to ♂ ♃ R. These are indications of great successes, and agree with our forecasts from other horoscopes as to the probability of the German hordes being driven out of Belgium. The Moon, however, makes evil aspects with Saturn and its radical place in the early summer, and meets the opposition of the Sun later, pointing to great devastation, financial losses, and damage to property. By converse direction the Sun is conjoined with Venus, a further indication of successes and benefits to his country.

The epoch shows the Sun coming to the parallel of Venus and the Moon to the same aspect with both. Conversely the Sun is in trine with Saturn, and Jupiter in trine with the ascendant.

My forecast from these directions is that Belgium will regain her own, will rise Phoenix-like from the ashes of her ruined cities, and prosper greatly.

Birthday Influences during March.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♊, ♀ ♃, ✱ ♃. A year of disputes, quarrels, accidents and treachery, success in employment, and new friends. A child born will be hasty, rash, argumentative and quarrelsome; will do well to remain in employ, and act discreetly in all things.

2. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♋, ☉ ♃, ☿ — ♀ ♃, ✱ ♀. A year of much unsettlement, quarrels and accidents, many annoyances, gain through friends. A child born will be rash, argumentative, and quarrelsome, will have some good friends, but will be very unlucky in life.

3. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♌, △ ♃, ♀ ♀. A good year for business, courtship, and affairs generally; some popularity. A child born will be kind, affectionate, popular, and will rise in life.

4. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♍, ☉ ♄, ♀ ♄. A very successful year, social and financial gains and benefits in employ. A child born will be popular, generous and successful in business.

5. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♎, △ ♃, ☉ ♃. An active year, with changes, new work, improvement of position and success. A child born will be clever, intuitive, impressionable and generally successful in affairs.

6. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♏, ✱ ♃, ☿ — △ ♃, ☐ ♃. A very successful year, changes, new work, travel, popularity, some slight indisposition. A child born will be clever, intuitive, active and energetic, will have many troubles to face, but be fairly successful in life.

7. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♐, ☐ ♃, ☉ ♀. Courtship or marriage, changes and journeys; some deception shown. A child born will be kind, affectionate, clever and original, somewhat deceptive, but fairly successful.

8. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♑, ✱ ♃, ☐ ♃. An evil year, danger of disputes, accidents and indisposition; some benefits from elders. A child born will be hasty, rash and impetuous, and will do well to remain in employ.

9. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♒, ✱ ♄, ☐ ♃, ☿. A year of much unsettlement and reverses, indisposition and annoyances; success in employ. A child born will be erratic, wayward, unreliable, have a hatred of control, and should always remain in employ.

10. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♓, ✱ ♃, ♀ ♃. A successful year, social gains, popularity, new work, and benefits in employ.

A child born will be active, energetic, kind and generous, and fairly successful in a career.

11. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♐, ☐ ♄, △ ♃. Changes and journeys are shown, but trouble and losses in employ. A child born will be original and intuitive, but proud and independent, and should always remain in employ.

12. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♑, ✱ ♀, △ ♃. A good year for business, with changes and social gains. A child born will be clever and intelligent, kind and affectionate, and have some artistic or literary abilities.

13. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♒, ☉ ♃, ☐ ♃. A year of losses, indisposition and bereavement. A child born will be artistic, kind, but extravagant, and have many troubles in life.

14. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♓, △ ♄, ☉ ♄. A variable year, danger of indisposition and disputes, many benefits in business or employment. A child born will be popular and fairly lucky in business, but will be rash and have many trials to face in life.

15. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♓, ☉ ♃, ♀ — △ ♃, ☐ ♃. A year of much deception and annoyances, danger of grief, accidents and disputes, many benefits in employ. A child born will be deceptive, rash, hasty, careless, but will have many friends, and should rise in life.

16. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♔, ♀ ♃. An evil year, many annoyances, danger of accidents, reversals, but gain in employment and through friends. A child born will be erratic, hasty, unreliable, will have some good friends, and should always remain in employ.

17. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♔, ♀ ♃. An unpleasant year, danger of scandal and annoyances. A child born will be erratic, have a hatred of control, be best in employ, but not very successful.

18. SATURDAY. (Rule by Saturn.) ☽ in ♕, ✱ ♃, △ ♃. A variable year, gain through elders and friends, financial gains, but many annoyances and upsets. A child born will be kind, affectionate, steady and reliable, will have good friends, but have many obstacles in life.

19. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♖, ♀ ♄, ✱ ♃. A good year for business or employment, but many worries and annoyances, disputes and losses. A child born will be kind, generous, popular, but rash and erratic, proud and independent, and should always remain in employ.

20. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♌, ☐ ♃, ♀ ♀, ✱ ♂. Important changes and new work are shown, but financial losses and bereavement. A child born will be clever, impressionable, but extravagant, diffident, and not very successful in life.

21. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♌, △ ♃. Some changes and journeys are shown, benefits in business, but many upsets and reversals. A child born will be intuitive, original, steady, possess good abilities, but have many obstacles in life.

22. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♌, ☐ ♄, ♀, △ ♃, ♀. A good year for business or courtship, but danger of disputes, accidents and deception. A child born will be rash and deceitful, but kind, affectionate, clever, and fairly successful.

23. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♌, ☐ ♃, ♀ ♀. A very evil year, grief, disappointments, indisposition or bereavement, many annoyances and worries. A child born will be rash, careless, erratic, proud and high handed, and very unsuccessful in life.

24. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♌, △ ☉, ♄, ♀, ♀. A very active and successful year, new work, promotion, popularity and changes. A child born will be slightly erratic, but generous, active, energetic, popular and successful in life.

25. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♌, ✱ ♃, ☐ ♀. An unpleasant year, many annoyances, worries, losses and reversals. A child born will be discontented, have a hatred of control, be hasty and erratic, and indiscreet in dealings with others.

26. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♌, ☐ ☉, ♀ ♃. Ill health, bereavement and many troubles are shown. A child born will be proud, selfish, indifferent, and very unfortunate in life.

27. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♌, ☐ ♀, △ ♀, ✱ ♂. A good year for business and courtship, some losses and indisposition. A child born will be clever, artistic, kind, affectionate, but will have many difficulties in life.

28. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♌, ✱ ☉, ♀ ♄. A variable year, good for business or employ, but danger of disputes and deception. A child born will be clever, kind, popular, active and enterprising, rash and deceptive, and not very lucky in life.

29. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♌, ☐ ♃, ✱ ♀, ♀ ♃. A good year for business, with financial gains and promotion, but danger of accidents and reversals. A child born will be rash, hasty and erratic, but will gain in employ, and should rise in life.

30. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♌, ☐ ♀. A very evil year, danger of indisposition and bereavement, many untoward events. A child

born will be clever, intelligent, but careless and unreliable, will have heavy troubles in life, and be very unsuccessful.

31. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♌, △ ♃, ♀ ♀. A splendid year for business or employ, new work, financial gains and promotion. A child born will be steady, reliable, clever, possess good judgment, be popular and respected, and fairly successful in life.

Astrology in the Nursery.

If Baby is Born with the sign Virgo rising.

LITTLE children born with the sign Virgo rising are usually quiet, shy and reserved, very patient, sensitive and modest, very difficult to know, but once their confidence is won are very trustful and confiding. They are generally very contented, can amuse themselves for any length of time with simple little toys, are very quiet when in the presence of others, and hardly ever make themselves heard, but listen to what is going on with interest, taking mental notes of everything that passes by. They are very critical, thoughtful and discriminative, very good tempered, not easily angered, but rather slow to forgive. Little Virgo girls are passionately fond of dolls.

Their chief faults are selfishness and a tendency to argue, and these faults should be early and easily checked, and on no account should little Virgo children be allowed to play too much by themselves, but should be allowed playmates, as the solitary playing has a tendency to make them self-centred, and accentuates the selfish side of their natures. Mentally they are very intellectual, philosophical, practical and ingenious, possessing a love of detail, and a very systematic and tenacious mind. Virgo girls are especially good in domestic and culinary work, and particular pains should be taken to train their minds in this direction. Virgo boys are best adapted for business and office work, also for banks and business houses. Little Virgo bairns are quick at learning, fond of study and reading, possess a good memory and can turn their studies to good account.

Physically they are not over strong, but they have peculiar natural methods of living, and are rarely ill for any length of time. Their chief complaints are those affecting the bowels, such as colic, diarrhoea, dysentery, and inflammatory action in the intestines. Particular care is required in matters of diet, all starchy food being avoided, while medicine in the shape of drugs should never be given. Plenty of fruit, fruit syrup, figs and vegetable laxatives are the best medicines, and the blood should always be kept in good condition.

Book Reviews.

YOUR DESTINY AND THE STARS. By Agnes Croysdale and George Wilde. London: W. Foulsham & Co., 5, Pilgrim Street, E.C. Price 10s. 6d. net.

A work of joint authorship is somewhat difficult to handle in review, inasmuch as it is impossible to allocate the share of each in the production. I have not previously heard the lady's name in connection with astrology. It is presumed, however, that the contributing authors are in full agreement upon all essential points. The position we are placed in as students of astrology is somewhat invidious from the outset, for we are frankly told that ever since the year 1840 astrologers have been pursuing a false method of erecting horoscopes. We are absolved, however, when we find that it is after all only a question of the difference between mean and solar time. We take our birth-time from a clock set to mean time, and this of course corresponds with a certain solar time. Had we timed our clocks by the dial we should have recorded our birth-time according to the Sun. Consequently, we need not disturb ourselves on account of this question, which is, after all, only a matter of taking one label off and sticking on another. The next item of interest is the genesis of aspects, new and old, from the Chaldeans to the time of Kepler. The Danish astronomer was an experimentalist. He has adduced no evidence in support of his suggested new aspects, which are subdivisions of the old ones for the main part, and what Kepler left untold Mr. Wilde has here laid out in profuse detail. One of the most interesting cases is that of Wallenstein, which perhaps we may examine more closely at a later date. The question of the new aspects has already been fully discussed in these pages, and there is therefore no reason for continuing the discussion in this place, but it is certainly the fact that those who wish to assure themselves in the matter will find in this work all the material for a thorough study of the question. Much, and indeed most, of the evidence is based solely on the solar aspects, the time of birth being apparently a negligible quantity, so far at least as the efficacy of the aspects is concerned. A point that cannot escape the reader's attention is that all the new aspects appear to be credited with a value equal to the old ones. There are some excellent cases for study taken from cases arising out of the Great War, but for comparative purposes they are largely useless as the time of birth is not given, only the date.

On page 47 we come across the new method of computing a horoscope. The time of birth is presumed given according to the clock—that is, mean time. The data given are: London, November 30th, 1901, at 9.33 a.m. According to the ordinary computation this gives a midheaven in R.A. 14h. 7m. 17s., but the authors show it as 13h. 56m. 16s. But as the clock was slow

11m. 34s. on that date, or thereabouts, it fully explains why the Sun passes the meridian before the clock shows noon; in other words, when it is 9.33 by the clock it is 9.45 by the Sun on that date. Our birth-time being recorded by the clock, and not by the Sun, we must make our calculation accordingly. This we do by employing Sidereal Time, which is the Sun's Right Ascension, corrected by the difference between mean and solar time. It must therefore appear that Mr. Wilde has been led astray by his misconception that Greenwich Mean Time is "that at which the Sun is on the meridian of Greenwich." It means the time that is shown by a properly regulated clock, and by comparing the clock with the meridian passage of the Sun we obtain sidereal time by applying the difference to the Sun's Right Ascension.

The next point that strikes me in the survey of this work is found in Chapter XV, on the Part of Fortune. The authors admit that what Placidus and Wilson laboured over without satisfactory results did not appear worth investigation, although they adduced no evidence against it. It was not until the progressed horoscope was brought into use that the Part of Fortune became recognisable as a definite working factor in directions. The idea is not altogether new, however, for even before Bonatti's method was cited in the pages of *Coming Events* the Part of Fortune had been recommended for observation both in the radix and in the direction of the progressed horoscope by employing the progressed longitudes of the Sun and Moon (see *Manual of Astrology*, pp. 10, 104, 188). The method of using it in connection with the progressed horoscope has been in use for years.

The feature that renders the work of exceptional value is a number of authentic horoscopes—that of Nietzsche, who blackguarded everybody from the Kaiser downwards, affording a most striking illustration of acute mania. I note that Mrs. Besant's horoscope is given with Pisces 23° 36' rising, in contrast to all previous figures wherein Aries is rising.

The work as a whole is decidedly interesting. Much of it is obviously debatable, all of it very readable, and a considerable portion of it very informing. In any event, the student is recommended to secure a copy and give it careful study, for it is certain that more will be heard of it in future discussion of astrological problems. On the historical side of the subject the authors have evidently spent considerable labour, and this of itself suggests that the work ought to find a place in every astrological library.

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Astronomical Phenomena

MARCH, 1916.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	5 ☾ 14	Push business, ask favours, and attend to correspondence.
2	19 ♀ 37	Visit friends in p.m. Evil for all else.
3	3 ✕ 53	Court, marry, ask favours, deal with elders.
4	17 ♀ 57	A good day for business, push affairs, seek work.
5	1 ♀ 44	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and visit friends, keep quiet.
6	15 ♀ 12	Court, marry, travel, change, seek work, push business.
7	28 ♀ 19	Court, marry, travel and change before 2 p.m.
8	11 ♀ 4	Avoid accidents and disputes and act discreetly.
9	23 ♀ 30	A doubtful day. Act discreetly. Avoid wrangling.
10	5 ♀ 40	Travel, push business, seek work, change and remove.
11	17 ♀ 38	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
12	29 ♀ 29	<i>Sunday.</i> Study, write letters and visit friends.
13	11 ♀ 18	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.
14	23 ♀ 10	Doubtful influences. Safeguard health and avoid disputes.
15	5 ♀ 11	An uncertain day. Do nothing important. Act discreetly p.m.
16	17 ♀ 24	An evil day for all purposes. Attend to ordinary duties.
17	29 ♀ 53	Avoid wrangling and disputes. Sign no papers.
18	12 ♀ 40	Visit friends and amusements.
19	25 ♀ 46	<i>Sunday.</i> Keep very quiet. Study and reflect.
20	9 ♀ 10	Act very discreetly a.m. Travel, write letters p.m.
21	22 ♀ 50	Attend to ordinary duties only.
22	6 ♀ 42	Contradictory influences prevail. Do nothing important.
23	20 ♀ 43	An evil day for all things. Act discreetly and safeguard health.
24	4 ♀ 49	Travel, change, push business, ask favours, seek work.
25	18 ♀ 59	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
26	3 ♀ 6	<i>Sunday.</i> Keep quiet and safeguard health.
27	17 ♀ 13	Court, marry, visit friends. Safeguard health.
28	1 ♀ 18	A doubtful and uncertain day. Do nothing important.
29	15 ♀ 19	Another doubtful day. Avoid disputes and accidents.
30	29 ♀ 15	A very evil day for all purposes. Safeguard health.
31	13 ✕ 4	A good day for business, correspondence, ask favours, seek work.

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	4th	...	3h. 58m. morn.
First Quarter,	11th	...	6h. 33m. after.
Full Moon,	19th	...	5h. 27m. after.
Last Quarter,	26th	...	4h. 22m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Pisces, enters Aries on 20th at 10.47 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Aquarius, enters Pisces on 14th, ☿ ♀ on 5th.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Aries, well placed for observation; enters Taurus on 9th.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Leo, well placed for observation.
- ♃. JUPITER is in Aries, too close to the Sun for a good view.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star, stationary in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo, retrogrades into Cancer on the 19th.
- ♁. The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	.....	5, 6, 7	Libra	.....	20, 21
Taurus	.....	8, 9	Scorpio	.....	22, 23
Gemini	.....	10, 11, 12	Sagittarius	.....	24, 25
Cancer	.....	13, 14	Capricorn	.....	26, 27
Leo	.....	15, 16, 17	Aquarius	.....	1, 2, 28, 29, 30
Virgo	.....	18, 19	Pisces	.....	3, 4, 31

Weather Forecast.

High winds prevail at the commencement of the month, changing to dull and unsettled weather 6th; change 11th; then fine, with some warm weather during middle of month; variable about 20th to 24th; change 26th; fine to 29th; end of month cold, with wind, rain or snow.

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THE EDITOR'S OBSERVATORY.

The War.

The Zeppelin raid predicted last month took place in the early days of March, and as I write these lines, another is in progress. The transit of Mars over the place of the solar eclipse of February 3rd has produced violent fighting on the western parts of Europe.

The figure for the solar ingress into Aries, on March 20th, is favourable for this country, denoting both naval and military successes, brilliant victories, but a heavy death roll. Maritime disasters are threatened with heavy loss of life. The exchequer will suffer, and there are indications of heavy and unpopular taxation. Religious affairs will be disturbed, and troubles on railways and in shipping circles seem imminent. A serious railway accident is threatened. Parliamentary affairs seem more settled, but changes and reorganisation are shown in the Ministry.

The lunation of April 2nd denotes grave disasters to Germany, for Saturn culminates in square to the luminaries. This is ominous of grave troubles, deaths among German royalty, heavy defeats and disasters. In this country the hand of death will fall heavily on notable people. There will be much intrigue in the Commons, but the position of Mars in that house well aspected by the Sun and Jupiter is beneficial for the successful progress of the war, and will bring victories to our Armies. A great German defeat is threatened in the eastern theatre of war.

Hindu Astrology.

I am more than delighted to introduce to my readers the new series of articles on Hindu Astrology, from the pen of that very talented writer, V. V. Ramanan, M.A., Ph.D., F.Z.S., etc. Information of a very remarkable nature will be published in these articles, and I recommend them to the careful consideration of my readers. All students of Astrology have much to learn from our Hindu friends regarding Astrology.

I am holding over my notes on "Personal Appearance" until next month.

Unscientific Astrology.

It is quite evident from recent publications on Astrology that the "schoolmaster is abroad." Probably he is in the trenches "somewhere in France." The Editor of "Modern Astrology" puts forward the most unscientific and absurd suggestion that the direction of Venus conjunction M.C. was the astrological indication of a mother's death. Venus is not a convertible planet, and does not take on the nature of any planet to which it is conjoined. Moreover, in the horoscope dealt with Venus is only very slightly afflicted, being in semisquare with the Sun (an aspect of frequent occurrence—in 1916 it was within orbs of the aspect for two consecutive periods of 82 and 85 days during the year), and was more than seven degrees past the opposition of

Mars, a weak and almost inoperative aspect. I suppose next we shall be told that Venus is a malefic. The statement put forward is on a par with the recent assertion of another astrologer that Sun square Saturn caused death by fire.

Another heresy of a more egregious type is found in the new work by Agnes Croysdale and George Wilde, in the method of erecting horoscopes by apparent time. Time as we count it is not apparent but mean, and as the eph-

meris is based on Greenwich mean time, all calculations must also be based thereon. The sidereal time at mean noon is the basis of all astronomical calculations, and all horoscopes erected on the supposition that the time given is apparent are absolutely incorrect. I do not know what object the authors have in violating astronomical canons, but such a grossly erroneous procedure will do considerable harm to the progress of the science, and must be at once rectified for the benefit of students.

LESSONS IN PRIMARY DIRECTING.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER X'I.

ZODIACAL DIRECTIONS—ANOTHER METHOD.

In Simmonite's "Arcana" a different method of zodiacal directing is fully explained, and I propose to deal with this method as part of the Lessons. It consists of computing all zodiacal directions under the pole of elevation of the significator. Now, as all students probably know, the pole of the Ascendant and Descendant is the latitude of the birthplace, and that of the upper and lower meridians is *zero*. Between the Ascendant and Midheaven, Descendant and Midheaven, and the opposite quadrants the polar elevation gradually decreases, and the first step is to find what polar elevation each planet has.

The rules are three in number, as follows:—

1. Multiply the planet's M.D. by 90° , and divide the result by its semiarc. This gives the planet's circle of position.
2. Subtract the planet's M.D. from its circle of position. This gives its ascensional difference under its own pole.
3. Add log. *sine* asc. diff. under own pole to the log. *cotang.* of the planet's declination, and this will give the log. tangent of the planet's pole.

Example.—Find the pole of the ☉ in the example horoscope. M.D. 17.53. S.A. 60.26.

Rule 1 can be worked by proportional logarithms.

Rule 1.

☉ M.D. 17° 53' P.L.	...	...	...	1.00282
90° P.L.	...	...	...	.30103
				1.30385
☉ S.A. 60° 26'	...	...	...	.47400
				0.82985
= 26° 38'	...	...	...

Rule 2.

☉ circle of position 26° 38' — M.D. 17.53
= 8° 45', ascensional difference under own pole.

Rule 3.

Log. sine A.D. 8° 45'	...	...	...	0.18220
Log. cotang. ☉ Dec. 21° 36'	...	...	...	10.40238
				0.58458
= Log. tan. ☉ pole 26° 1'	...	...	...	0.58458

This is the first step, and all the planets should be treated in exactly the same way.

The next step requires care. The planet's oblique ascension or descension under its own pole is now required. When the planet is situated in the eastern half of the map (between the 10th and the 4th by way of the 1st), its oblique *ascension* is required. When it is in the western half of the map (M.C. to 4th house by way of the 7th), its oblique *descension* is wanted. Now observe the following rules:—

1. When the planet has north declination, subtract its asc. diff. under its own pole from its R.A. The result is the oblique ascension of the planet under its own pole.
2. When the planet has south declination, add the A.D. to the R.A., and the result is the obl. asc. under its own pole.
3. When the planet has north declination, add its asc. diff. under its own pole to its R.A.; the result is its oblique descension under its own pole.
4. When the planet has south declination, subtract its asc. diff. from its R.A.; the result is its oblique descension under its own pole.

The Sun being in the western half of the heavens and in south dec., its ascensional difference is subtracted from its R.A. (by rule 4), and the result is its oblique descension. 245.55 — 8.45 = 237° 10'.

These are the preliminary calculations necessary for the computation of zodiacal directions under the pole of elevation of the planets. In the next issue I will give illustrations of directions computed by this method. Directions of the Midheaven and Ascendant are not altered. They are the same as given in previous chapters.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE.

By SEPHARIAL.

The Red Trail.

Every student must have observed how neatly the planet Mars has been picking up the line of eclipses. This transit of recent eclipse places by the major planets is, as I have pointed out in my "Eclipses in Theory and Practice," one of the most convincing proofs of the value of eclipses as pointers. Thus in 1912, April 17th, there was a large eclipse of the Sun in Aries 27, and in October Mars was in transit over the opposition point in Libra 27. It was then that the Balkan War broke out at Adrianople, and it should be noted that this eclipse fell exactly on the place of the Moon in Ferdinand of Bulgaria's horoscope. Hostilities ceased until June, 1913, when Mars passed over the place of the eclipse in Aries 27. Then renewed fighting broke out more fiercely than ever. The seeds of the Great War were actually sown in the hot-bed of the Balkans. In March, 1914, there was a large eclipse in Virgo 21, and at the end of July, 1914, Mars was in transit over Virgo 21 when the Great War broke out. The prime mover of this diabolical war, whose thirst for world-conquest led him to bagatelle with human souls as if they were cardboard counters, was directly stimulated by this eclipse, which fell in direct opposition to Neptune and Mars in the midheaven of his horoscope. In April, 1915, Mars came to the opposition of the same point and then began the campaign of "frightfulness" on land and sea. The next transit over this point will be in July, 1916. Meanwhile there have been a series of eclipses in formation in the signs of Leo and Aquarius. The most notable of these are the Solar eclipse of August 21st, 1914, which lasts for three years, and which fell in the end of Leo, the Solar eclipse of February 14th, and that of August 10th in the year 1915, the longitudes being Aquarius 25 and Leo 17. We therefore have to look to the transits taking place over Leo and Aquarius 27, 25, 17°. Inspection of the ephemeris will show that Mars came into touch with this zone of influence towards the end of January, and continues in it until the middle of February. But at the beginning of February there was another eclipse of the Sun in Aquarius 13, and Mars went on to the opposition of this point at the end of February. During this period there would, of course, be expected a terrific renewal of hostilities both on land and in the air, and news at the time of writing shows that the Huns do not mean to disappoint their master by any relaxation of their frightfulness. But, as they say in

Germany when there is a slip 'twixt cup and lip, "Der Mensch denkt, Gott lenkt." We have yet to see whether their own forces will not be turned against them. Mars enters the eclipse zone once more in the middle of April this year, and continues there until the end of May. Meanwhile Saturn's line of influence is travelling across New York and verging upon the capital of China. Faulty deliberations are apt to be the result, for Saturn is in the sign of its fall. At the time of the incendiary attack Saturn was exactly on the line of Ottawa.

A Stray Shot.

Nothing pleased me better than to observe that the transit of Mars over the opposition of the recent eclipse of the Sun, which fell on the meridian of the putative horoscope of London, passed without appreciable effects within the area of the Metropolis. It will be remembered that the last transit of Mars over the same point in November, 1915, was accompanied by a Ministerial climax which threatened to involve the country, but which was solved by the reconstitution of the Coalition Government. But although the transit of Mars produced no hurt to London, its actual position in the zodiac, taken in connection with the position of the eclipse of February 3rd last, has a most remarkable significance, for on the very date the great assault on the Western Front which had for its objective the capture of Verdun—or shall we say of Paris via Verdun?—was undertaken by the German Forces. Here the planet Mars in the sign Leo, ruling France, is mightily forceful, and the lion-hearted troops of the Republic proved themselves in courage and resource more than the equals of the massed and driven hordes of the Prussians even when inspired by the presence of their Overlord. The Kaiser returned in chagrin after suffering the loss of over one hundred and fifty thousand men killed and wounded. There never was such a battle in all the world. Let us now see what will transpire during the present month, when Mars again comes to the opposition of the eclipse. We have already had raids on the 1st and 5th March, Mars being retrograde from recent oppositions of Uranus and Mercury, which actually formed their conjunction on the 5th. The Germans have shown us that neither snow nor rain can stop the Zeppelins, as had been rashly surmised by our aviators, while darkness does not appear to prevent the localisation of their objective. The Zeppelin has now only to show us that it is capable of effective work *au clair de la lune*, and

we shall then better appreciate the fact, to which I have already called attention, that the Zeppelin airship will be the basis of all future developments of aerial navigation. Such an opportunity occurs about April 13th, when the Moon is near the full and Mars on the opposition of the last eclipse.

The Widening Circle.

Portugal came into the circle of operations at the end of February by seizing some twenty-eight German ships interned in the Tagus, and thus added one more to the number of the States arrayed against the Central Powers. It has been a wonder to me that Portugal has kept out of the sphere of action for so long, seeing that at the present time Mars and the Sun are conjoined in its ruling sign in the World's Horoscope. Its ascendant in Cancer 12 has recently been transited by Saturn, and accordingly there have been some serious internal troubles and considerable depression among the people, and Saturn will again be in that longitude in May, when further troubles may be expected, for Saturn rules the house of its enemies.

Saturn goes over the lower meridian of Washington during the same month, and consequently we may expect developments in the United States Senate, but as Jupiter will immediately follow with a transit over the Ascendant we may look for a favourable turn of events, especially as Mars will then be in trine aspect to Jupiter. The popular vote will be the right one, whatever it may be, and the Government is likely to suffer thereby. The States are now under a conjunction of Mars and Jupiter. Turkey is getting disaffected with the Prussian regime. It feels the obtrusive push and thrust of the Bulgarian hustler, the self-elected Czar, whose fateful horoscope is destined to bear such bitter fruit in 1920 and 1921, and it resents the manner in which it has been left to carry out the hard work of cutting a road through to India via Baghdad so that the Germans may pass over. The Prussian certainly knows how to make use of his own slaves. Next year we shall see the magnificent manner he has with his allies, especially naming Turkey.

The Law of Cycles.

After the lapse of the planetary period of 265 years, to which I first called attention in my "Manual of Occultism," p. 88, the year 1915 has produced exactly the same set of phenomena in Holland as were predicted by Nicholas Culpeper in the year 1650. One-third of the country now lies under water, which has in many parts reached the eaves of the houses, submerged whole tracts of country, and obliterated miles of railroad. The loss thus sustained has not yet been estimated, but it must be millions of pounds sterling. History repeats itself, and by the same sign we may know

that the forthcoming conjunction of the planets Mars and Saturn in the sign Leo in the autumn of 1917 will be followed by much the same conditions as those which obtained about the years 1652-4. Human nature changes but slowly, and Nature herself slower still. By reference to the history book I find that between 1652 and 1654 in France (ruled by Leo) there were severe intestine strifes due to the intrigues of the Prince of Condé, who set both the nobility and the Parliament by the ears and opposed the royal troops in Paris. Having been acclaimed by the people, he suffered himself to be bribed by the court, and thus Parliament had to submit to the court. The people were ground down with taxation owing to the wars. De Retz, Condé, and the Duchesse de Longueville kept the country in a state of turmoil and anarchy, and Condé was popular on account of his successes in the wars with Austria and Spain. We have to find the modern prototype of Condé. England at the same time was dominated by the Coalition Government called the "Rump," which cared only for perpetuating its own existence. They were an offence to the Army, they secured all places of honour and profit for themselves and friends, they delayed the public business, and were only solicitous of their own advantage. These things suited not the temper of Cromwell, and finding that he could not safely aspire to supreme authority, he took a body of musketeers to Westminster, and turned the Parliament out of doors. England became a Republic! This was confirmed by the Assembly of July 4th, 1653. This gives us the key to the *post bellum* state of things in the year 1918 ("Manual of Astrology," p. 75).

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THE PRINCIPLES OF HINDU ASTROLOGY.

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THEME I.

THE ASPECTS AND THEIR SIGNIFICANCE.

THE only aspects recognised in Hindu Astrology are "opposition," "square," "quincunx," "trine," and "sextile," though a sharp line of distinction is drawn between their dextral and sinistral varieties. The sinistral "sextile" and the dextral "quincunx" have no place in Hindu Astrology, that is to say, a planet throwing these aspects to a point in the zodiac will not be regarded as in any configuration with it. If the longitude of Jupiter be 15° Libra $50'$, and that of Uranus be 15° Leo $50'$, Jupiter is inconjunct* with Uranus, though Uranus is familiar with Jupiter. Similarly, if the longitude of the Sun be 20° Libra $9'$, and that of the Moon be 20° Pisces $9'$, the Sun is not in any aspect to the Moon, though the Moon aspects the Sun. This peculiarity is important to remember.

And so, the zodiacal aspects that can be thrown by a planet or significator are only seven in number. These are (i) the "opposition," (ii) the dextral "trine," (iii) the sinistral "trine," (iv) the dextral "square," (v) the sinistral "square," (vi) the dextral "sextile," and (vii) the sinistral "quincunx." It may be remarked here that the "conjunction" is not regarded as an "aspect," as it is placed under a different category altogether. But these aspects are not good or evil *per se*, as any of them will be good or evil, only according as it is thrown by a benefic or a malefic. For instance, it is possible to have an *auspicious* "opposition," or an *inauspicious* "trine," a *good* "square," or a *bad* "sextile," a *benevolent* "quincunx," or a *malevolent* "quincunx," according as the "aspect" is benign or evil. But, with reference to their power or efficiency, the aspects are marshalled into four classes, in this wise:—

- (i) First-rate aspects, importing maximum efficiency.
- (ii) Second-rate aspects, importing 75 *per cent.* of the efficiency of first-rate aspects,
- (iii) Third-rate aspects, importing 50 *per cent.* of the efficiency of first-rate aspects; and
- (iv) Fourth-rate aspects, importing 25 *per cent.* of the efficiency of first-rate aspects.

The following precepts have also to be borne in mind in this connection:—

I. When the "aspect" is either \odot , D , Q , V or S , its "opposition" is an aspect of first-rate efficiency; its dextral "square," or sinistral "quincunx," is second-rate; its dextral or sinistral "trine," is third-rate; and its dextral "sextile" or sinistral "square," is fourth-rate.

* Not in aspect.—ED.

II. As "aspector," h or P are not capable of any aspects of fourth-rate efficiency, since it can throw only aspects of first-rate, second-rate, or third-rate efficiency. In other words, its "opposition," dextral "sextile," or sinistral "square," is first-rate in power; its dextral "square" or sinistral "quincunx," is second-rate; and its dextral or sinistral "trine," is third-rate.

III. As "aspector," f or H cannot throw second-rate aspects, since its "opposition," dextral "square," or sinistral "quincunx," is of first-rate power; its dextral or sinistral "trine" is only third-rate; and its dextral "sextile," or sinistral "square," is fourth-rate.

IV. As "aspector," U or Q cannot throw any aspects of third-rate power, since its "opposition," or dextral or sinistral "trine," is first-rate in point of efficiency; its dextral "square," or sinistral "quincunx," is second-rate; and its dextral "sextile," or sinistral "square," is but fourth-rate.

Now, Hindu Astrology regards the D , Q , V , S and U as *benefics*, and the f , C , h , H and P as *malefics*. The Sun is considered so evil by nature that when he is in conjunction with any planet, benefic or malefic, he renders it evil or the more evil; the Moon's Nodes are, however, not affected by the Solar conjunction, that is to say, are proof against its evil influence. Mercury, though a benefic, is readily convertible in its nature, in that it becomes a malefic, when in conjunction with any malefic.

When once therefore we know whether a given "aspector" is a benefic or a malefic, the four classes of aspects we have enumerated above will have to be interpreted as the "very best," "best," "better," and "good," respectively, if the "aspector" is a benefic, and as the "very worst," "worst," "worse," and "bad," respectively, if the "aspector" is a malefic. It must at the same time be noted that the inborn or essential tendency of an "aspector" to be good or evil, may, in a given ambient, become modified or obscured in various degrees by its acquired or accidental tendency to occasion evil or good, about which, however, more in the sequel, but this reservation need not interfere with our present general tabulation of aspects into two series, to wit, "good," "better," "best," and "very best" on the one hand, and "bad," "worse," "worst," and "very worst," on the other, as under:

(a) When the Moon (not in conjunction with the Sun), Mercury (not in conjunction with the Sun or any other malefic), or Venus (not in conjunction with the Sun), is the "aspector," the four classes of aspects are all auspicious. The "oppo-

sition" is the "very best"; the dextral "square," or the sinistral "quincunx" is "best"; the dextral or sinistral "trine" is "better"; and the dextral "sextile" or the sinistral "square" is "good."

(b) When the Moon (in conjunction with the Sun), Mercury (in conjunction with any malefic), or Venus (in conjunction with the Sun), is the "aspector," all the four classes of aspects are inauspicious. The "opposition" in this case is the "very worst"; and so on in descending order with the remaining aspects mentioned under (a).

(c) When the Sun is the "aspector," the four classes of aspects are uniformly evil. The "opposition" is the "very worst." The dextral "square" or sinistral "quincunx" is "worst." The dextral or sinistral "trine" is "worse." The dextral "sextile" or sinistral "square" is "bad."

(d) When the "aspector" is *Caput Draconis*, the four classes of aspects are as shown already reduced to three, and these are uniformly auspicious. The "opposition," or the dextral or sinistral "trine," is the "very best." The dextral "square" or the sinistral "quincunx" is "best," while the dextral "sextile," or the sinistral "square" is but "good."

(e) When the "aspector" is *Cauda Draconis*, the four classes of aspects are uniformly evil, on the lines mentioned under (c).

(f) When the "aspector" is Jupiter (not in conjunction with the Sun), all the available classes of aspects are uniformly auspicious, on the lines laid down under (d). I need not remind that the four classes of aspects are reduced here to three, as in the case of (d).

(g) When the "aspector" is Jupiter (in conjunction with the Sun), the four classes of aspects are as already pointed out reduced to three, but these however are uniformly evil. In this case, therefore, the "opposition," or the dextral or sinistral "trine," is the "very worst"; the dextral "square," or the sinistral "quincunx," is "worst"; though the dextral "sextile," or the sinistral "square," is but "bad," and *not* "worse."

(h) When the "aspector" is Mars, the four classes of aspects are reduced to three, and these are uniformly malevolent. The "opposition," the dextral "square," or the sinistral "quincunx," is the "very worst"; the dextral or sinistral "trine" is only "worse"; while the dextral "sextile" or the sinistral "square," is "bad."

(i) When the "aspector" is Saturn, the four classes of aspects are again reduced to three, and these also are uniformly malignant. The "opposition," the dextral "sextile," or the sinistral "square," is the "very worst"; the dextral "square" or the sinistral "quincunx," is "worst"; while the dextral or sinistral "trine" is "worse."

(k) When Uranus is the "aspector," the four classes of aspects are reduced to three, and these are uniformly inauspicious on the lines described under (h).

(l) When the "aspector" is Neptune, the four

classes of aspects are, as must be evident, reduced to three, and these are further uniformly malignant, on the lines laid down in (i).

In his *Sārāvalī*, an astrological classic of high veracity of the Sixth Century A.D., comparable in its plan and scope to the justly renowned book of Julius Firmicus Maternus, Kalyāna Varman defines the essential or innate distinction between the various planets as benefics and malefics, in the following words:—

"Guru-budha-sukrah saumyah sauri-kuja-arkas-tu
nigaditah papah ;

"Sasijo' subha-samyuktah kshinascha nisakaraha
papah." —(Chap. iv., v. 9.)

And so, according to Kalyāna Varman, the Moon is essentially a malefic, when she is on the wane, or decreasing in light. This feature of the Moon, should also be remembered in gauging the quality and strength of the aspects thrown by her in a celestial theme. So much for the aspects, and their general significance.

(To be continued.)

[The terms "sinistral" and "dextral" are applied to aspects in the following manner. When a planet is in advance of another in longitude its aspect is "sinistral"; when it is approaching another it is "dextral." Thus in the example quoted in paragraph I, ♃ is ✕ ♄, and in advance of ♄, the aspect is therefore sinistral. If ♃ had been in 15° 50' ♀ it would be a dextral aspect.—EDITOR.]

British Institute of Mental Science.

Council meeting held at 63, Regent Street, London, W., February 26th, 1916. President Postel in the chair. Benevolent Fund: Grants made, £9 9s. 6d. Accounts paid, £13 9s. 2d. Balance sheet submitted and signed. Resignation: Mrs. Leightner. Lapses: Messrs. Wyatt, Deane, Judson, Pigott, T. W. Price, M. Price, S. J. Wood, Eccles. Preliminary Examinations passed: Mrs. Crocker, Palmistry; Mr. Kimber, Hypnotism. Final Examination passed: Miss Antoni, Physiognomy. New member: Mrs. Crocker, Palmist. New Associate: Mrs. Bointon, Palmist. New Fellow: Miss Antoni, Physiognomist. New Examiner appointed: Miss Antoni. A Benevolent Fund Committee was appointed, consisting of the President, Vice-President, and the General Secretary for the time being, and Miss Hird and Mrs. Ridley. Mr. Frank Wood, Chartered Secretary, 33, Tudor Road, Canterbury, was appointed Hon. Secretary to the Committee, and the donations to this Fund should be sent to Mr. Wood.

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THE PROPHECIES OF NOSTRADAMUS.

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Speaking of this great war which should break out after a century from the times of the Emperor Napoleon, Nostradamus says: "The gods will take on a human appearance, so that they will become the authors of a Great War, and where formerly the heavens appeared serene, sword and lance will be manifest, so that they of the left hand (the sinister and evil-doers) shall suffer the greatest affliction." For after an international peace there would break out a great plundering and assault, and because the invaders will be refused passage they will assault by land and sea, so that the dead and captive will extend to the third of a million. Then Italy shall be assailed by a great earthquake, and for fear of the confederacy of the Lion and the Cock (France and Great Britain) they will join the alliance, and only Spain and Holland will remain neutral. The Sultan of Turkey will be put to death at Constantinople, but nevertheless the liberty of the Turks will not be recovered thereby, for a new man of Mars shall arise in vengeance and remorse, and honour shall be done to a woman out of fear. But when the grey bird shall be seen near Burgundy and Tuscany, holding in its beak a green branch, then the war shall come to an end. In the course of this war it is said that "Wild beasts for hunger will swim across the rivers, the greater camp being over against the Styr, then shall the great one be trapped in an iron cage at a time when the son of Germany is unaware of it."

As to the author of this war, Nostradamus says: "One shall arise who shall cause the name of the infernal Huns to live again, the terror of mankind. There never was more horror nor yet more evil times than shall come by this author of confusion to the Latin countries. A hundred years shall pass since the inhuman tyrant died, and in his place will be set a wise and good king, to whom the Senate will be obedient but perplexed by his daring enterprises."

This brings us to the year 1021, and to a consideration of future events predicted by Nostradamus.

I.—THE ITALIAN REVOLUTION.

In the course of his Epistle to King Henry II., Nostradamus has these words:—

The Republic (which is here "the sterile Dame," because it does not go by hereditary succession) which is of greater power than the second (Republic of 1848) will be adopted by two nations, namely, the Latin Romans (who have held former sway over all) and the Latin

Portuguese and Spanish, the second and third peoples), and this Latin Republic will extend its sway of power towards the Orient of Europe by means of its fleet, towards Austria-Hungary, and there will be defeated by the united arms of Germany and Greece.

But this great Republic comes about by a Revolution in Italy, which will be more terrible than that which took place in France in 1792-3. Nostradamus has foreseen both, and he calls this second revolution in the Latin countries "a Libitine," the goddess of the dead, originally an Italian deity of profligacy and licence. He says: "An orgy of death will press upon the banks of the Tiber shortly before the great inundation (revolution), and the Pope (Commander of the Piscatorial Barque) will be taken and put under restraint, while both castle and palace will be put to the flame (royalty and aristocracy being exterminated)."

"Ruin comes upon thee, O thou great Rome! not to thy walls, but to thy blood and substance. The bitterness of the press will score thee as badly as if a stiletto hidden in the sleeve had been thrust to thy heart."

"When the power of Rome has been completely destroyed, its great neighbour (France) will assume the vestments of the Papacy, while internal dissensions will prevent the maturing of the follies of the revolution."

The condition of the clergy at this time is depicted in terrible form by Nostradamus in these words:

"The blood of the religious will be spilt like water and for a long time will continue without stanch. Alack! alack! there will be ruin and sorrow among the clergy."

It then appears that the Pope will escape away to France or some neighbouring country where the Holy See will be constituted.

"By the power of three temporal kings (or rulers) the Holy Seat will be transferred to another place where the sacrament and offices of the Church will be revived and the place regarded as the true See."

(To be continued.)

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STUDIES IN BRIEF.

Mr. Horatio Bottomley.

There is something classic about the name of Horace and its Latin equivalent Horatio. It is a name that ought to carry a man through Parliament and out at the other end somewhere in the neighbourhood of the Home Office. But there are other reasons why Mr. Bottomley should figure prominently in the public eye. At his birth, which occurred on March 23rd, 1860, there were no less than five planets in cardinal signs. I cannot say how many of these were in angles, as the time of birth is not known to me. But this cardinal disposition of the planets always indicates power to cut out a line in life for oneself, and to make headway against difficulties, while it gives executive ability and a taste for political and pioneer work. The Sun has the sextile aspect of Uranus, which gives inventiveness and resource. It also favours recognition in civil and official centres of government. The Moon in square to Jupiter denotes improvidence and a tendency to live up to the last penny of the income, if not beyond it. But Venus in the sign Taurus (its special mundane dignity) in sextile aspect to Jupiter, also in its exaltation sign Cancer, has a decided "John Bull" touch about it. A degree of finesse and craft is shown by the square aspect of Mars to Neptune. Mercury's trine aspect to Saturn will, however, give patience and endurance and steadiness of mental faculty. The significators are too volatile to give any philosophic depth to the character, and mentally he is more interested in things as they are and, like Billikens, "as they ought to be," than in any speculative philosophical enquiry as to why they are what they are, or what they are likely to be in the future. He is essentially an organiser, a business man, and a pioneer. He may be a leader among men, but will never be too far ahead of the crowd, in the sense that Leonardo, Bruno, Shelley, and Blake were ahead of the race to which they belonged. In early life he would be destructive of ideals and established thought, but later in life he would show himself zealous of many things against which he formerly inveighed.

At the present time the Sun is sextile to Neptune, and he will have many schemes on hand, some of which will mature. Two years hence there will be a complete change in his life and surroundings. He will find himself in the vortex of political activity, and, if he steers a straight course—putting Horatio first and Bottomley always second—he can safely bank his reputation with the public. Even now the stars are working

for him. He has, indeed, the opportunity of a lifetime at his command. Jupiter, the lord of increase and expansion, will continue to influence his fortunes until the cessation of hostilities in the Western area; and, although this will not be the end of war, it will serve his main project with a golden opportunity—namely, the institution of a "Business Government"—and I rather think he will have the country at his back.

SEPHARIAL.

Astronomical Phenomena

APRIL, 1916.

Moon's Phases.

New Moon	...	2nd	...	4h. 21m. after.
First Quarter	...	10th	...	2h. 36m. after.
Full Moon	...	18th	...	5h. 8m. morn.
Last Quarter	...	24th	...	10h. 38m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Aries, enters Taurus on the 20th at 10.25 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Pisces, enters Aries 2nd and Taurus 3rd on 17th; conjunction Jupiter on 6th and the Sun on the 14th.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Taurus, enters Gemini on 5th; a conspicuous object in the N.W. after sunset.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Leo all the month.
- ♃. JUPITER is in Aries, too near the Sun for observation.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is stationary in the last degree of Cancer.
- ☾. The following table shows the MOON'S sign position at noon on each day of the month:

Aries	2, 3, 29, 30	Libra	16, 17
Taurus	4, 5	Scorpio	18, 19
Gemini	6, 7, 8	Sagittarius ...	20, 21, 22
Cancer	9, 10	Capricorn	23, 24
Leo	11, 12, 13	Aquarius	25, 26
Virgo	14, 15	Pisces	1, 27, 28

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with fine weather, hot for time of year, changeable 5th, then fine and warm to 9th, wind 10th, unsettled for some days, rainy 14th to 16th, changeable 18th, lower temperature 20th, finer for some days, change 27th, with rain end of month.

TWINS.

By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER VI.

FURTHER ILLUSTRATIONS.

The next case I propose to take is one similar to the last, and is probably a case of bi-ovate twins produced from a single act of generation. It is also instructive from the fact that an interval of seven hours occurs between the two births. The first child, a girl, was born on July 13th, 1866, at 10.30 p.m., and the second, a boy, on July 14th, at 5.30 a.m.

The data are as follows:—

Girl. Asc. 27.47 ♋. Moon 13.39 ♎.
Boy. Asc. 6.44 ♎. Moon 17.41 ♎.

Both of these are full time births, the Moon in each case being below the horizon and increasing in light, and both children lived to maturity. We should therefore expect to find the epochs measuring to ten lunar months *plus* the number of days equal to the Moon's distance from the Ascendant divided by 13. Both are regular epochs of the third order.

In the girl's case the Ascendant is close to a female degree, the Moon is out of orbs, or, as I term it, negative. The Moon will therefore be in the birth ascendant at the epoch, and the Moon's place rise. This was found to occur on October 4th, 1865, at oh. 40m. 20s. a.m., the Moon then being in ♋ 27.54. Taking this as the correct Ascendant, the time of birth is 18 seconds later than given.

In the boy's case both factors are within orbs of male degrees; the epoch is again regular, and takes place on October 13th at oh. 27m. 40s. a.m., the Moon being then in ♎ 6.3, making the birth time 5h. 26m. 8s. a.m., not quite 4 minutes earlier than stated.

In this illustration the elder twin is again the first conceived, and I therefore conclude that, as the sexes are different, this is another case of bi-ovate twins produced from a single act of generation, although the interval between the two epochs is considerable, I am not disposed to regard it as precluding this possibility.

The next case is one with an interval of four hours between the two births. The first, a girl, was born on October 7th, 1860, at 4 a.m., and the second, a boy, born on the same date at 8 a.m.

The particulars are as follows:—

Girl. Asc. 20.7 ♎. Moon 4.25 ♄.
Boy. Asc. 2.32 ♎. Moon 6.35 ♄.

In both cases the Moon is above the earth and decreasing, and out of orbs of sex degrees. The Ascendant in each case is in the required sex, and the count has to be made from the Moon thereto, making long period births.

The epoch of the girl, the first conceived, falls

on December 16th, 1859, at 4h. 25m. 3s. p.m., with the Moon's place setting, making 21.37 ♎ as the Ascendant, and the correct time of birth 4h. 3m. 14s. a.m. The epoch of the boy falls three days later, December 19th, at 4h. 21m. 47s. p.m., the Moon being then in ♎ 2.47, making the time of birth 8h. 1m. 26s. a.m.

Here we have another distinct type of double epoch, and as the sexes are different it is a case of bi-ovate twins produced from a single act of generation, and in this class the first born is the first conceived.

Astrology in the Nursery.

If Baby is Born with the sign Virgo rising.

LITTLE children born with the sign Libra rising are of a very sweet and gentle nature, light-hearted, quiet and gentle. They have a tendency to be influenced by surroundings and conditions, and are apt to go to extremes of mood and temper, easily getting angry, but just as easily pacified. They are sensitive and intuitive, attracted by things beautiful, have an artistic nature, and love refined pleasures. They are very affectionate, and are always ready to do anything to give pleasure to others, but there is a tendency to indifference and inertia, which if not checked will lead to indolence and laziness.

Little girls show the Libra qualities better than boys, for this sign is essentially feminine, while boys born with it rising are rather weak characters, lacking decision, not sufficiently active and energetic, having a tendency to "wait and see" before deciding on any course of action.

Intellectually, they are fairly quick, with good perceptive and imitative powers, considerable intuition, able to see both sides of a question and give a dispassionate judgment. There is a musical faculty, sometimes a literary talent, with a love of flowers, artistic and fancy work, everything beautiful, and all that gives pleasure and enjoyment not only to themselves but to others. They are fairly quick in learning, but have not much depth of intellect or staying power, soon getting tired of work, and preferring something quick and fancy to serious study.

Physically they are fairly strong, as Libra is a positive sign, and they can resist external conditions and often overcome serious complaints. The kidneys are a weak part, and often disordered by over-indulgence in dainties. Parents should see that they do not eat too many sweets, and sugary food should be avoided. The liver is also likely to be affected, hence the necessity of healthy exercise and regular habits. One chief complaint of Libra children is consumption, and every care is required to see that they have good warm clothing in winter, and that the chest and back are well protected.

THE CREDENTIALS OF REINCARNATION.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

IN a horoscope is beheld the traits, character, disposition, and all that goes to make up a human soul. And in the analysis of the individual it is found they possess tendencies, faculties, predilections and susceptibilities that, despite Doctor Whitby and the school to which he belongs, cannot be traced to one progenitor even were it possible to go back to the tenth generation. It is useless to specify the anomalies and mysteries of human manifestation, needless to elaborate a matter that is common to every student of human life on the threshold of the theme. The point is, where have these traits and manifestations been originated? If it be contended that they have come from God, therein is imputed injustice to the Creator in the favouring of one person more than another. To affirm that one man is made a genius, another a fool, one a saint, another a devil, is the most blasphemous utterance against the infinite justice of God. That the powers which make the genius, fool, saint, and devil have been brought over from a former life is the best explanation; that they are the result of effort expended and opportunity missed adds dignity to man as a self-factor in destiny and real reverence to God, who brings all things unto perfection in His own inscrutable way. And so from the study of Astrology it can be seen to be one of the greatest methods of bringing unto the soul the truth of reincarnation.

Remember in the study of Astrology, even as an experiment, that Thales, Ptolemy, Cardan, Bonatus, Kepler, Regiomontanus, Bacon, Flamsted, Morrison, and Garnet were students and disciples of this art and most ancient of sciences. With these names as associates, who can entertain the idea that the thing is a chimera, that these great souls were deceived; that they wasted their energy and time in a pursuit that gave them no results in truth? "Some can be deceived all the time, all can be deceived at some time, but all cannot be deceived all the time." The study of Astrology recommends itself, for not long will it be participated in than results will be received which will show that the spirits of old were more in touch with God than those of the present time, making evident in its procedure that it is the key to soul, nation, race, and world; whose comings and passings are indelibly written in the everlasting splendour of the heavens.

In the enquiry into this subject it has been seen that great souls have predilections in favour of reincarnation, as has been shown by their ideas in different ages. The repetition of history has also been brought forward as a witness, strongly indicating the return upon return of ages, nations,

and peoples, in company with the most ancient of sciences, to establish a case for the same conception of the cosmos.

But these evidences are poor and weak, compared to the last credential that the theory of rebirth has for an acceptance as a real and existing truth. That credential is one which cannot be disputed; it is one which will recommend reincarnation as a philosophy to all thoughtful minds. That credential is: Reincarnation explains Life. What greater, what better, recommendation could rebirth, as a view of the problems of life, have than this—of possessing a power that is unknown to any other phase of philosophical thought? Materialism and Theism have been put upon trial as explanations of human nature, and have been found to be illogically, ridiculously, and absurdly inefficient.

(To be continued.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

SIR,—In figuring the place of the Part of Fortune, whose method is most reliable, Alan Leo's or Sibley's or Ptolemy's? The latter two agree.

In making a horoscope for California, what corrections should be made, seeing that we are so far West of London, for which the Ephemeris is made?

Yours, etc.,

LORENZO E. FISH.

[The Part of Fortune is one of the old Arabic points, and is employed as a symbol of territory, property, possessions, etc. It is variously computed by different authors. But if we accept the statement that it is in the nature of a Lunar horoscope we must so calculate that it corresponds with the place of the Moon in the heavens at the time of sunrise. There then remains the problem as to whether we are to take this in mundo or in zodiaco. The two processes are different. In the former you must add the oblique ascension of the Ascendant to the oblique ascension of the Moon and subtract the oblique ascension of the Sun. In the calculation for the zodiac only you merely add the longitudes of the Ascendant and Moon together and subtract the longitude of the Sun. This gives the distance of the Part of Fortune from the Ascendant, by oblique ascension in the first case and by longitude in the latter. Sepharial states that the Part of Fortune is a mundane position answering to the elongation of the Moon. The local time of the place in California has to be added to the difference in time between Greenwich and the place of birth. This will give the time for which the calculation of the planets' places is to be made from the Greenwich Ephemeris.—ED.]

BIRTHDAY INFLUENCES DURING APRIL.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♋, △ ♃, * ♀, ☿ ☿. An important year, promotion, new work, elevation in position, financial gain and great successes. A child born will be clever, active, kind, popular, will rise in life, and attain some distinction or position.

2. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♌, ☿ ☉, ☿ ♃, △ ♌. An active year, with important changes, improvement of position, but some indisposition. A child born will be active, enterprising, popular, generous, have some difficulties to contend against, but should be successful.

3. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♌, □ ♃, * ♀. An unsettled year, with changes, annoyances and duplicity. A child born will be intuitive, but erratic, impressionable and deceitful.

4. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♌, * ♃, □ ♌. A dangerous year, accidents and disputes are shown, much unsettlement, gain through elders. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, often involved in serious troubles, but will have some good friends.

5. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♌, □ ♃. An unpleasant year, grief and disappointment, reversals and unpleasant changes. A child born will be erratic, abrupt, despondent, and careless, not successful in life.

6. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♌, * ♃, ☿ ♃. Social gains shown, possibility of marriage or engagement, but danger of disappointments. A child born will be impressionable, possess some musical abilities, but will not be very successful in a career.

7. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♌, * ☉, ♃ ♌, ☿ ♌. A very active and successful year for business, with changes, new work, journeys, popularity and promotion. A child born will be clever, active, original and inventive, popular, and should rise in life.

8. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♌. An active year for business. A child born will be clever, intelligent, and fairly successful.

9. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♌, ☿ ♃. Important changes are shown, business gains, but danger of indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be clever, diplomatic, devout, original, but inclined to be selfish, will have many trials to face, but be fairly successful.

10. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♌, □ ☉, ♃ ♌, ☿ ♌. A year of many worries, danger of litigation, scandal, annoyances, and loss of work. A child born will be extravagant, sceptical, have a hatred of control, be proud and very unsuccessful in life.

11. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♌, ☿ ♃, * ♀. An unpleasant year, danger of accidents,

treachery and annoyances, some social benefits. A child born will be rash, hasty, deceitful, have much duplicity to contend with, but will have many friends.

12. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♌, ☿ ♃, △ ♃, ☿ ♃. A changeable year, beneficial for students, some successes financially, but danger of accidents and reversals. A child born will be clever, but rash, hasty, erratic, and often involved in serious difficulties, will have some good friends.

13. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♌, △ ☉, △ ♃. A good year for business, with changes, new work, and success. A child born will be clever, popular, somewhat extravagant, but generally successful in a career.

14. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♌, * ♃, □ ♃. A variable year, good for business and employment, gain through elders, but some grief and annoyances. A child born will be clever, steady, reliable and popular, should be discreet in dealings with the other sex, but will be fairly fortunate.

15. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♌. A quiet year with some little annoyances. A child born will be clever and successful in business or employment.

16. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♌, * ♃, □ ♃. An active year for affairs, some success generally, but danger of indisposition and annoyances. A child born will be clever, intelligent, impressionable, popular, somewhat erratic, and will have many troubles to face in life.

17. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♌, △ ♃, ♀ - ☿ ♃, * ♀. A successful year, social gains, new work and activity in affairs, promotion, changes, and benefits in employ, some financial losses. A child born will be affectionate, energetic, active, popular, original and intelligent, somewhat extravagant, but successful in life.

18. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♌, ☿ ☉, ☿ ♃, □ ♃. An evil year, troubles in business or employ, reversals, deceit, scandal, and many worries. A child born will be proud, deceitful, wayward, have a hatred of control, and be very unsuccessful in life, and to a great extent this will be his own fault.

19. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♌, □ ♃, ♀ - △ ♃. A dangerous year, accidents, reversals and indisposition. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous and over daring, should learn self-control and steadiness, and act discreetly throughout life.

20. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♌, △ ♃. An unpleasant year, some changes, but danger of deceit and imposition. A child born

will be impressionable, but will lack candour, and be liable to imposition and fraud.

21. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♀, * ♂, — △ ♃, ♄, — ♀ ♀. An uncertain year, activity, new work and success generally, but some grief, disappointments and annoyances. A child born will be active, enterprising, kind and original, somewhat careless, should be discreet in dealings with the opposite sex, and will be fairly fortunate in a career.

22. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♀, △ ☉. Some changes, little annoyances, social gains and business successes are shown. A child born will be clever, ingenious, kind, affectionate, somewhat hasty, and generally lucky in life.

23. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♃, ♀ ♃, □ ♃, △ ♄. Some gain and changes in business, but financial losses and indisposition. A child born will be clever, intelligent, but extravagant and discontented, and not successful in life.

24. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♃, □ ☉, ♀ ♃. An evil year, indisposition, treachery, loss of position, and grief. A child born will be careless, impressionable, unreliable, proud, and generally very unfortunate in life.

25. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♃, * ♃, ♀ ♃, □ ♄. A dangerous year, disputes, accidents, danger of law, many serious troubles, some gain through friends. A child born will be rash, hasty, provocative, spiteful, and malicious, will have good friends, but may come to a bad end.

26. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♃, ♄ ♃, △ ♀. A variable year, changes, social gain and popularity, but many annoyances and upsets. A child born will be erratic, wayward, but popular and affectionate, not very successful in life.

27. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♂, * ☉, △ ♃. A successful year, popularity, promotion, and much gain. A child born will be kind, generous, popular, steady and reliable, and should rise in life.

28. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♂, □ ♀, * ♄. A good year for business, but some grief and disappointment. A child born will be clever, intelligent, but careless and untidy, and not generally fortunate.

29. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♃, △ ♃, □ ♃. A variable and uncertain year, some gains, but many little worries, and danger of ill-health. A child born will have many little ups and downs in life, have good friends, but much to contend against.

30. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♃, * ♂, ♄ ♃, △ ♄, ☉, * ♀. A very successful year, new work, promotion, gains and important developments. A child born will be active, energetic, generous, original, affectionate, and will rise in life.

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APRIL, 1916.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	26 ♃ 43	Commence new undertakings, push business. A splendid day.
2	10 ♃ 11	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends, travel, p.m.
3	23 ♃ 24	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
4	6 ♃ 20	An unsettled day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
5	18 ♃ 59	Another doubtful day. Act discreetly in all things.
6	1 ♃ 22	Court, marry, visit friends. Safeguard health.
7	13 ♃ 30	Push business, travel, change, seek work.
8	25 ♃ 28	A good day for business, push affairs. Ask favours.
9	7 ♃ 18	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and reflect. Safeguard health.
10	19 ♃ 7	An evil day. Act carefully in all matters.
11	0 ♃ 59	Guard against accidents and deceit. Visit friends evening.
12	13 ♃ 0	Travel, change, push business, before 2 p.m. Evil after.
13	25 ♃ 16	A good day for business, especially a.m. and evening.
14	7 ♃ 1	Act discreetly in all things to 4 p.m. Then attend to new work.
15	20 ♃ 46	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
16	4 ♃ 7	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for quiet and contemplation.
17	17 ♃ 50	Act discreetly a.m. Travel and change after 11 a.m.
18	1 ♃ 53	A very evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
19	16 ♃ 13	Another evil day. Avoid accidents and disputes.
20	0 ♃ 41	Guard against deceit and imposition.
21	15 ♃ 12	Uncertain influences prevail. Do nothing important.
22	29 ♃ 39	Visit friends, ask favours. Guard against disputes.
23	14 ♃ 0	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for study and rest. Safeguard health.
24	28 ♃ 10	An evil day. Guard against deceit and fraud.
25	12 ♃ 9	A very evil day. Avoid disputes, accidents, safeguard the person.
26	25 ♃ 58	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
27	9 ♃ 15	A good day for business, seek work, start new affairs.
28	23 ♃ 1	Attend to business a.m. Avoid opposite sex, p.m.
29	6 ♃ 17	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
30	19 ♃ 21	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel study and reflect. Visit friends.

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THE EDITOR'S OBSERVATORY.

The War.

The recent air raids, following the stationary position of Mars in opposition to the meridian of London, have not come to astrologers as a surprise, and further raids may be expected at the end of April and early part of May, when Mars forms the opposition of Mercury at the eclipse of the Sun in February. The new Moon of May 1st is fraught with serious evil for Germany and Austria, for Uranus culminates in opposition to Mars in the Eastern theatre of the war. Violent battles are likely, and heavy defeats for the Central Powers. Mars ruling the sixth in trine to Jupiter presages a brilliant naval victory for England, and this is corroborated by the lunation falling on the place of Venus in the sixth house at the Vernal ingress. There will be some dissensions in the Commons, but Jupiter ruling the eleventh in exact trine with Mars shows a forward and progressive policy in carrying out military and warlike measures. The revenue will be good, and trade returns above the average. An attempt will probably be made at invasion, and the Government are warned to guard against treachery in this respect. Railways will have a rather depressing time. Much crime will follow this lunation, and cases of cruelty to children and assaults upon women will be heard of. Some sedition will occur in Ireland.

Personal Appearance.

Following the publication of the photo horoscopes in a previous volume, some correspondence took place upon this subject to the effect that the published rules were very vague and could not always be relied upon. My own case was taken as an illustration, several correspondents pointing out that the description of Pisces rising did not in any way describe my personal appearance. It may be of interest to know that I never could obtain any authentic proof of the hour of my birth, and that the horoscope presented was that worked up from primary directions by a well-known and competent mathematician, whose deductions I had then no reason to doubt. Although he gave proper directions to account for the several events given him, I afterwards found that earlier and later directions would never tally with events. Personally, I always inclined to the first decan of Sagittarius as my ascendant, and examination of a figure based on this with the events of my life, especially later ones, have confirmed my opinion. Moreover, the angles of my children's horoscopes agree with the angles of the Sagittarius figure, a further proof of its verity. As space is now very limited, I cannot give all the details, but at a future date I will give the figure and the primary directions in full. A very important discovery lies in the

publication of this horoscope, and additional information from other figures will be given in support of it.

Honour for the Editor.

I have pleasure in informing my readers that the Council of the Astrological Society, Inc., of America, have elected me an Honorary Member of the Society as a reward for services rendered to the science, and that such election carries with it the right to use the letters F.A.S. after my name.

E. H. BAILEY.

Astronomical Phenomena
MAY, 1916

Moon's Phases.

New Moon	...	2nd	...	5h. 20m. morn.
First Quarter	...	10th	...	8h. 47m. morn.
Full Moon	...	17th	...	2h. 11m. after.
Last Quarter	...	24th	...	5h. 16m. morn.
New Moon	...	31st	...	7h. 37m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Taurus, enters Gemini on the 21st at 10.6 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Taurus, enters Gemini on 2nd, stationary on 25th; visible after sunset about the 10th.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Gemini, enters Cancer on 5th, conjunction Saturn on 25th; a conspicuous object in the N.W. after sunset.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Leo, enters Virgo on the 28th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Aries.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- ☾. The following table shows the MOON'S sign position at noon on each day of the month:

Aries	.....	26, 27, 28	Libra	.....	14, 15
Taurus	.....	1, 2, 3, 20, 30	Scorpio	.....	16, 17
Gemini	.....	4, 5, 31	Sagittarius	.....	18, 19
Cancer	.....	6, 7, 8	Capricorn	.....	20, 21
Leo	.....	9, 10	Aquarius	.....	22, 23
Virgo	.....	11, 12, 13	Pisces	.....	24, 25

Weather Forecast.

Some rain is likely at the beginning of the month, followed by heavy thunderstorms 3rd to 6th. Hot weather will follow through the middle of the month, with thunder and electrical disturbances 10th, 13th and 15th. A fall of temperature on the 10th, followed by changeable weather for some days. The end of the month fine and windy.

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DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	2 ♄ 14	A very evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
2	14 ♀ 53	A good day for business till evening. Then safeguard person.
3	27 ♀ 20	Act discreetly a.m. Travel p.m. Uncertain influences prevail.
4	9 ♀ 34	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
5	21 ♀ 37	Travel change, push business, seek work a.m.
6	3 ♄ 31	An evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
7	15 ♀ 19	Sunday. Study and contemplate. Ask favours.
8	27 ♀ 7	An unsettled day. Avoid deception.
9	8 ♄ 58	Good for business, correspondence before 4 p.m. Evil after.
10	20 ♀ 58	A very dangerous day. Act discreetly in all things.
11	3 ♀ 13	Visit friends, travel, court, marry. Safeguard the person.
12	15 ♀ 47	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
13	28 ♀ 45	Visit friends afternoon.
14	12 ♄ 11	Sunday. Study and reflect. Safeguard health.
15	26 ♀ 3	A dangerous day. Avoid accidents, disputes and deception.
16	10 ♀ 20	Court, marry, travel, visit friends. Act discreetly in all things.
17	24 ♀ 58	An evil day. Guard against accidents, safeguard health.
18	9 ♀ 49	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
19	24 ♀ 43	Travel, push business, change, seek work a.m. only.
20	9 ♀ 34	An evil day. Avoid the opposite sex, safeguard health.
21	24 ♀ 14	Sunday. Keep quiet, read, study and contemplate.
22	8 ♄ 38	An uncertain day Do nothing important.
23	22 ♀ 44	Conflicting influences prevail. Attend to ordinary duties only.
24	6 ♄ 31	An uncertain day. Act carefully in all things.
25	20 ♀ 1	Avoid wrangling Act discreetly. Do nothing important.
26	3 ♀ 15	A fair day for business. Ask favours afternoon.
27	16 ♀ 14	Evil for all things a.m. Travel, correspond p.m.
28	29 ♀ 0	Sunday. Study. Take walks and visit friends evening.
29	11 ♄ 22	A doubtful a.m. Visit friends p.m. Safeguard health.
30	23 ♀ 56	An evil day. Safeguard health.
31	6 ♀ 8	Court, marry, visit friends.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE.

By SEPHARIAL.

More Trouble.

A correspondent writes complaining that I have had a "spiteful fling" at Spiritualism when I affirmed that to consult the average discarnate spirit was no better than consulting the first man you might meet in the street.

I want to assure my reader that I have no spite against Spiritualism, for it has never done me any harm and is never likely to. All men are spirits to my perception, embodied or disembodied. The trouble is to know who they are—not who they pretend to be—and where they come from. I think it was John the disciple who warned us not to believe all the spirits, but to try them to see whether they were of God or not. This suggests, does it not, that there are some spirits who are truth-speakers and workers of good? Well, then, what spite should I have against such spirits? And if I had, would that hurt anybody as much as myself? My writer tells me that his own brother was saved from death by a warning received on December 18th, nine weeks in advance of the date of danger, which latter was specifically given. The young man stayed away from work that day, and thereby escaped almost certain death from the snapping of a rope which drew coal trams out of a drift in the colliery where he was employed. Some embodied spirits known as astrologers, have often given warning of dangerous dates, and, indeed, it is part of one's general practice. My informant further says that he has heard a man speak twelve languages under spirit influence. Personally, I am content to speak one intelligibly, though I can lay my tongue to three and my pen to more. He has in his possession one page written in twelve languages, and asks me if I could do the same. That is not the point. I must first know what is said in those languages, whether or not they are the same sentence in twelve languages, or different sentences, and, if so, in whose handwriting they appear, whether the medium's or the spirit's? He asks further whether I expect his "little Tommy" to have suddenly developed into a fully fledged philosopher in the other life? Certainly I do not, nor do I think the act of death changes character right away. That is why I suggested that the man in the street who has knowledge of the subject in hand would be a better man to consult than one on the other side who knows nothing about it. The possibility of communicating with the deceased is tacitly admitted as a fact by what I have said. It proves post-mortem existence, but it does not prove im-

mortality. In the last resource, I ask: *Cui bono?* But when my correspondent says that the chief arguments for reincarnation are stolen from the Spiritualistic phenomena, I must ask him how that can be, seeing that the two schools of Spiritualists are in antagonism, the one affirming reincarnation as a truth, the other denying it, and both alleging authority from spirits. For some of us at all events reincarnation is as much a truth as spirit-communion. If men were more used to looking at spirits instead of the bodies they temporarily invest, and even if they pondered the facts of astrology, they would see that the passage of souls from one side to another of the Great Equator was a fact in nature. More, they would come to recognise one another for what they are, and not what they appear to be.

False Equations.

As was to be expected, the astounding pronouncement of Mr. George Wilde and his collaborateuse in the new work, "Your Destiny and the Stars," by which it was sought to institute a new method of erecting horoscopes, has met with caustic criticism in contemporary journals. Perhaps the best way to convince Mr. Wilde that his methods are wrong will be to take one of his own examples. On p. 47 of his work the example of "How to Cast the Horoscope" employs the following data: Basil, born in London, November 30th, 1901, at 9.33 a.m. It is quite clear, I think, that this time was taken from a clock set to Greenwich mean time. The ephemeris is also calculated for Greenwich mean noon. The longitude of the Sun at noon is seen to be in Sagittarius $7^{\circ} 36' 15''$, the Right Ascension of which is $245^{\circ} 48'$. This converted into Sidereal Time = 16h. 23m. 12s., and this will be the R.A. of the meridian at the Sun's transit on that date. The time will then be "apparent noon," but the clock will show about 12 minutes to noon, because the clock on that date was 11m. 27s. slow—i.e., behind the Sun. The Sidereal Time on the Meridian at *apparent* noon (when the Sun passes the meridian) will be as above stated, and at *mean* noon (when the clock shows XII exactly) the S.T. on the meridian will be 11m. 27s. more than 16h. 23m. 12s., and consequently will be 16h. 34m. 39s. Hence we see that the Sidereal Time for mean noon is that which is given in the ephemeris, and on November 30th, 1901, the Sun at noon (mean time) had passed the meridian of Greenwich nearly twelve minutes earlier. Therefore, to find the Sidereal Time on the Meridian at 9.33 a.m. on November 30th, we take

the Sidereal Time for noon on the 29th, which is 16h. 30m. 42s., and add to it 21h. 33m. (the time since elapsed), and to this we also add the equation of time at the rate of 10s. per hour (actually 0.88s.), which amounts to 3m. 35s., and in sum we have 38h. 7m. 17s., from which, subtracting the redundant circle of 24h., we get the Right Ascension in Sidereal Time on the Midheaven at the given place and minute of time—namely, 14h. 7m. 17s. The fact that Mr. Wilde makes it 13h. 56m. 16s. only shows that he does not know what is really signified by Sidereal Time. To put it clearly for his benefit, we may say that it is the Right Ascension of the upper meridian at the moment that a true clock shows noon. When the time of birth is taken from a clock, Sidereal Time must be the basis of the calculation, and not the Sun's R.A. unless this is corrected by the difference between apparent noon and mean noon, when, of course, it becomes Sidereal Time. But if the birth time is taken from a sundial or by the Sun's hour-angle from the meridian, then the Right Ascension of the Sun must be the basis of the calculation. It is extremely unfortunate that Mr. Wilde has run away with a false idea of the equation of time, and has applied it to a series of horoscopes, which, but for this interference on his part, would have been exceedingly valuable. As it is, however, they all require re-setting, and this should be done before any further consideration is given to them by the reader. Thus, if the birth time above given had been taken from the Sun's position it would have been recorded as 21h. 44m. past noon of the 29th, or 2h. 16m. before noon of the 30th November. In other words, 0.33 mean time is the same as 0.44 apparent time on that date. The apparent time would then be applied to the Sun's Right Ascension at apparent noon.

Portugal at War.

A declaration of war against Portugal was handed in by the German Ambassador at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 9th, 1916. Portugal takes Greenwich time, and the equivalent local time at Lisbon is therefore 5h. 23m. 15s. p.m. The latitude is $38^{\circ} 42'$ N. A figure set for this time and place shows the 10th of Gemini on the Midheaven and Virgo $12^{\circ} 12'$ rising. The ruler of the Ascendant is Mercury, which represents Germany in this instance. It is in the 6th House in conjunction with Uranus in semisquare to Jupiter on the cusp of the 8th and in square to the Moon in the 9th House. The Part of Fortune is in Scorpio 10 in trine to the Sun, which is setting in the ruling sign of Portugal, here most appropriately on the cusp of the 7th. Its ruler, Jupiter, is in the sign Aries on the cusp of the 8th (2nd from the 7th), and there is reason therefore to believe that Portugal will be financed by Great Britain, and the fortunes of war lie decidedly to the advantage of Portugal. Important dates in this connection are

June 21—22, when Mars transits the Ascendant of this horoscope, and November 4th, when Mars transits the opposition of the Midheaven. These dates are adverse to Portugal, but the net result shown by Jupiter is favourable to the Republic, especially as the Part of Fortune is in square to Germany's significator and in trine to the Sun in the ruling sign of Portugal. At present Mars dominates the sign Pisces in the world horoscope, and its influence extends until March, 1917. The very vulnerable Port of Lisbon will doubtless be swept by fire in the course of the next twelve months. But Lisbon is not Portugal, nor is Portugal the field of Armageddon.

Stray Notes.

Out of a total of 36 raids by German aircraft on these coasts, no less than 29 have been made during the dark half of the Moon—that is to say, during the last and first quarters. This works out at 80 per cent. in favour of the theory of dark nights for Zepps. Mr. W. Fenwick, of Hull, has pointed out with considerable evidence that the lunations and transits referred to the last Ingress coincide in indicating air raids very clearly. The subject is worth study.

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The Deutsche Bank of Berlin has declared a dividend of 12 per cent., that for the past year having been 10 per cent. only. This doubtless is intended to show that business as usual is going on in the commercial world of Germany. The balance sheet will be published at a more convenient time. Dividends will be paid in War Loan Bonds.

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Louis Napoleon, Emperor of the French, sought a war in 1870 to gratify a personal ambition. The result was so disastrous that he was dethroned by his own people and sent into exile. A quarter of a century later we find the King of Prussia waging war against the Allies from similar motives. What will Germany say to the Kaiser when he eventually returns to Berlin a broken and defeated monarch?

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Hudson Maxim suggests in the *New York Times* that as the English always take two years to find out that they are beaten, the present war will probably last for three or five years longer, probably the latter. He omits to say what Englishmen do during the two years they are discovering their position. So far as history serves us, we find they usually employ the interval in thrashing the enemy. Mr. Maxim does not tell us how long it takes a German to know he is beaten. Well, so long as he is beaten, it does not matter to us how long he takes to find it out. To the best of my belief he will discover the disagreeable fact just fifteen months from now, and he will take about a century to recover from the shock.

The eclipse of April, 1912, fell on the place of the Sun in the horoscope for the German Empire; that of March, 1914, fell on the place of Mars in that horoscope. These events were followed by the Balkan War, the culture used to foment the World War, and by the Great War itself. The eclipse of February 3rd, 1916, fell in opposition to the ascendant of the German horoscope. It was followed by Verdun. The finale seems to be indicated by the conjunction of Mars and Saturn on October 1st, 1917, for it falls exactly on the ascendant, and is transited by Saturn again in the spring of 1918, when the treaty will be signed. At the present time Mars

is passing over the ascendant of the horoscope, and this accounts for the terrible holocaust which Germany has been piling up at the foot of Dead Man's Hill.

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Notes on Heliocentric Astrology, Ingresses, Great Conjunctions, etc., have been held over so that space may be given to articles in process of completion. When these are out of press, I hope to be able to give some working hints to students on points which appear to be little understood and seldom employed by astrological authors.

T W I N S .

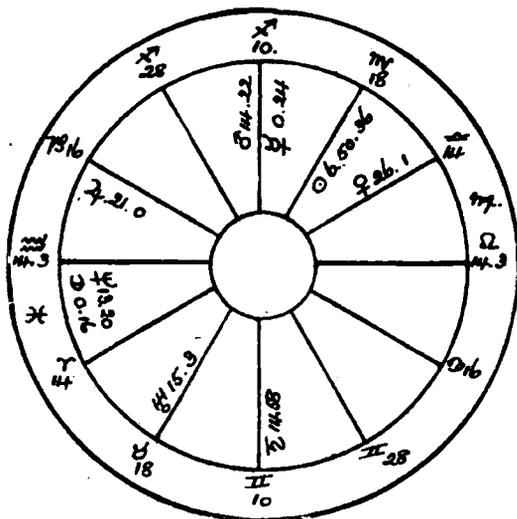
By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER VII.

WHY DID ONE CHILD DIE?

In the February issue of this Journal I gave the epochal calculations of a case of twin children, the first of whom lived only one minute after birth and the latter to maturity, and promised to refer to the case in a later chapter, my object being to examine the horoscope and epochs in order to see what was the cause of the early demise of the first child.

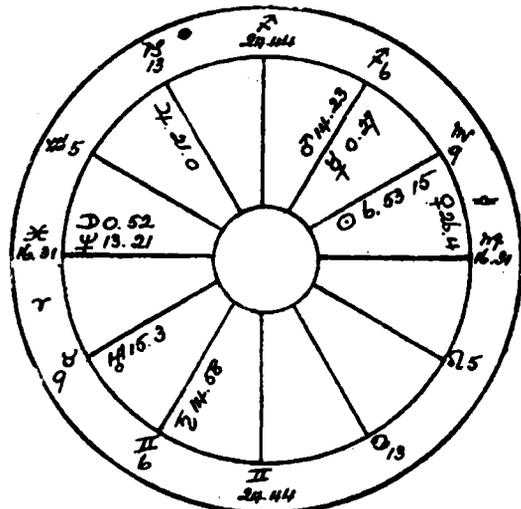
The horoscope appended below is that of the first child—



It shows the sign Aquarius rising, with the Moon (hyleg) in the ascendant, separating from trine Venus, applying to trine Sun, and nearly in exact square Mercury, and parallel to Uranus. There is nothing in the horoscope to indicate an early death. Saturn and Mars angular and in

opposition do not afflict the hyleg, and the mere fact that the Moon is in square to Mercury, ruler of the fourth, is no indication that the child would only just survive birth. In short, the horoscope is utterly inadequate to prove the fact denoted.

The horoscope of the second child now follows— Here we have the middle of Pisces rising, conjoined with Neptune, square Mars and Saturn. Some might say that the ascendant is hyleg, but the Moon has 5° 13' S. Lat., and is actually 1° 37' below the horizon, its meridian distance exceeding its S.A. by that arc. The same aspects



are still in force, though the Moon has separated from the square of Mercury, but is nearer to the parallel of ♃; that does not account for the child living to maturity.

The solution to this anomaly will be found in the epochal maps and the chart of descent.

THE POINT OF KARMA.

V.—The Dragon.

By EDITH F. A. U. PAINTON.

NO consideration of the karmic threads of human destiny can be considered at all complete until due attention has been paid to the position and influence of The Dragon in the Wheel of Life.

"And there was war in heaven," says St. John, the Revelator; "Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon fought, and his angels,

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

And the great dragon was cast out . . . he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed." (Revelations xii. 7-17.)

The purely materialistic astrologer, for, strange to say, there are those who profess to be of this type, is wont to laugh and scoff at any and every possible influence accredited to these Nodes; but if even he will lay aside all mental bias and prejudice, and watch for a little while with open mind the transits of the various planets as they are continually forming and passing from aspects with these points in his own nativity, or in that of his friends, he will be forced to admit that the invariable results are due to something more than the mere coincidence he would fain have us believe.

I have been too careful a student of these sensitive points, and too close an observer of every apparently trifling aspect and subtle influence, not to *know* with absolute certainty that we cannot disregard these manifestations without deliberately blinding our eyes to the glare of a startling and convincing truth.

When the Moon in her serpentine orbit crosses the path of the force-generating, life-giving Sun, she causes a break in the current of power, and for the moment, at least, creates a condition of change. In the ascending arc she reflects and glorifies; on the descending, she obscures and nullifies the solar influence for power and progression. Thus the Great Dragon of the Zodiac, continually shifting his position, yet ever, in conformity with his location, marvellously potent for good or evil, indicates karma, and creates the opportunity for the working out of that karma, with every lifting of his head, every shifting of his tail.

In ancient Greece, the two Nodes of the Moon

were symbolized by the two serpents which Hercules killed on the very day of his birth, thus overcoming the conditions with which destiny threatened to overwhelm him. To each of us, on the day of our birth, this opportunity is likewise given, sometimes in one form, sometimes in another. Wherever it appears, or under whatever aspect it manifests, it represents a karmic debt to be paid—a karmic evil to be slain or overcome.

Many of the students of to-day regard the influence of this Dragon as a myth, pure and simple, or a creation of the fertile fancy of ancient astrologers to account for some peculiar planetary influences not at that time fully understood; but if these same students will carefully study the transits of the planets during the critical periods of their own lives, and the aspects formed at these crises with the neglected and despised Nodes, they will be convinced to their own complete satisfaction that the scholars of the olden time were wiser in their computations and calculations than we learned ones of to-day sometimes give them credit for being. To be sure, there is much about these influences that we cannot altogether explain; but is the same not true of all planetary aspect or influence? Dare even the wisest of us claim to know the "why" or "how" of any manifestation in a horoscopal figure?

In every chart I have studied for corroboration of this theory, I find that at the critical times in the life—indeed, every important crisis—the Dragon has been found in strong aspect to a planet, or to some angle of the natal map. A conjunction is sure to mark some important change—the conjunction with the Dragon's Head of course, being an opposition to the Dragon's Tail, and *vice versa*. If these Nodes were, as so many contend, mere imaginary points, and only worth considering in Horary work, if at all, why do these aspects invariably manifest in the critical hours of life's experience—why do they introduce the karmic developments, and reveal so clearly the strength or weakness of every sensitive and vital point? Before we discard them, and refuse to probe their mystery, or attempt to, let us study them thoroughly, and learn for a certainty that they have no lesson to teach us, no burden to lift from us, no debt to compel our paying, and no power to impel us to climb. A few of the indications I have found in my study might, as will be claimed, be mere coincidences, and due entirely to accidental causes; but their constant re-iteration, and unvarying manifestation, proves them to my mind, at least—to be an operation of infinite law.

(To be continued.)

Lessons in Primary Directing.
By E. H. BAILEY.

THE
Prophecies of Nostradamus.
Translated by SEPHARIAL.

CHAPTER XIII.

DIRECTIONS OF THE SUN.

ALL direct directions of the Sun under the method outlined by Simmonite are computed by subtracting the obl. asc. or desc. of the Sun under its own pole from the oblique ascension or descension, under the pole of the Sun, of the place of the aspect.

The factors required are the longitude of the aspect; its R.A. and declination; and its ascensional difference under the pole of the Sun.

Example.—☉ * ♂ zod. dir. (see pages 52 and 53). Longitude of aspect, ♃ 0 1. R.A. 270 1. Dec., 23° 27'.

The ascensional diff. under the pole of the Sun is computed by adding the log. tangent of declination of aspect to log. tangent of Sun's pole, and the result is the log. sine of asc. diff. In this case it is—

Log. tan. 23 27	...	...	0.63726
Log. tan. ☉ pole (page 114)	...	...	0.58458
= Log. sine A. D. 9 36	...	...	0.22184

The oblique descension of the aspect is now required, as the Sun is in the western half of the horoscope. By Rule 4 (last chapter)—

R.A. of aspect	...	...	270	1
Asc. Diff.	...	...	9	36
			260	25
-- ☉ Obl. Desc.	...	...	237	10
= ☉ * ♂	...	...	23	15

The Sun directed to the parallel of Jupiter by direct motion is given as a further example. The aspect falls in ♃ 21 36. R.A. 293 31. Dec. 21 43. Asc. diff. under pole of Sun 8 48.

R.A. of aspect	...	...	293	31
A.D. under ☉ pole	...	...	8	48
			284	43
O.A. of ☉ under own pole	...	...	237	10
= ☉ par. ♃ z.d.	...	...	47	33

Simmonite does not deal with converse directions formed by the Sun moving to aspects of the planets. He introduces a method of directing planets under their poles to the bodies or aspects of the Sun, but that is not the same thing.

Proper converse directions can be performed by the same process which has been described, and I propose to give an illustration of this in the next chapter.

But here is a warning which Nostradamus gives to the Pontiff at that time:

"Take care, O Roman Pontiff, that thou dost not come near to the city which is watered by two rivers, for there the blood of both thyself and thine will come near to being spilt when the rose is in the bloom."

The original phrase, "quand fleurira la rose," may have reference to the Liturgical Rose, which falls on the third Sunday before Easter and the fourth Sunday in Lent, and at which the Golden Rose is blessed. Lyons, which is at the junction of the Rhone and Saône, appears to be the place indicated, and Pope Clement V. was crowned there in the year 1305. Nostradamus dwells very strongly on this religious persecution in his Epistle to the King, and says that "then will take place such a persecution of the Churches as never before was, and in those times and countries the Infernal Power will wage war against the Church of Christ with all the power of the Adversaries of the Law, which will be the Second Antichrist. . . . He will persecute the Church and its true Vicar by means of the power of temporal Kings who through their ignorance will be seduced by the power of the tongue, cutting more deeply than any sword in the hands of a maniac, and all religious orders will be grievously afflicted so that the blood of true ecclesiastics will flow on all sides and more will be spilled of the innocent clergy than a man would spill of wine, for both in the streets and in the churches it will flow like rivulets, and the Holy of Holies will be destroyed by Paganism, and the Old and New Testaments destroyed and burned."

And whether we take this literally or not it is evident that Nostradamus would convey to us the apprehension of a time and of events more horrible than even the Revolution of France at the end of the eighteenth century.

But Nostradamus sees a "time when the Church will be reconstructed and established anew, and sacred places will be restored to their former condition and the clergy to their pristine estate, and there will be an universal peace among men; and the Church will be delivered from all tribulation, albeit the Azostains (firebrands, or Philistines) would mingle the poison of their seduction with the honey, and this will be towards the seventh millenary, when the sanctuary of Jesus Christ will be trodden under foot by the infidels from the North, the world being then approaching a great conflagration."

(To be continued.)

Through pressure on our space 'War Horoscopes' has been held over until next month.

THE CREDENTIALS OF REINCARNATION.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

(Continued from page 122.)

Neither Materialism nor Theism can explain Life, although they claim to explain everything, and at best explain nothing. A scientific truth—aye, the veriest truth—is at best only an explanation; the reality of anything can never be known. True, the philosopher, scientist, and sage tabulate and classify facts, observations, and phenomena; but the comprehension of the matter tabulated and classified can never in reality be determined. Thus it is seen that the knowledge and wisdom of man is an immense series of explanations; the only knowledge being that of his own being. And when man, to prove his own existence, postulates that he thinks, in the operation he makes an assumption of consciousness; for that factor can be denied in all apart from the ego, and even is not philosophically demonstrable to the ego itself.

How, from any other standpoint than reincarnation, can the inconsistencies of life be accounted for? The most violent and brutal types of man pass through life without pain or any other violation, whilst the just and the good tread one immense avenue of torture and denial. The one makes no effort, and everything moves easy and well in the path of life, no matter what is done; the other strives and struggles ever to rise above the direct circumstances, and never receives an opportunity. Destiny is inevitable, and has two ways to its fulfilment—a short way and a long one. One soul may fight against fate and advance the perfection of its soul; another may go with every facile circumstance and delay its evolution. All souls ultimately will attain the one end: some battling hard for the goal, and surely and steadily progressing; and others flowing and ebbing and whirling like a straw in the fierce spate of life. And always with the spirit is the desire for rest and peace: an indefinable yearning for a state that the soul has never experienced, but knows that it exists. It is not annihilation, this state. Rest and annihilation are not compatible, and the soul shrinks at the thought of annihilation. Rest, peace: both imply consciousness: for the soul cannot rest and have peace if it be not aware of the state, and remember the period of travail, woe and pain. Souls are made clean by memory of their transgression, as they drink deep draughts of the dark waters of bitter reflection. Is not this yearning the dim reminiscence of the many past incarnations that have been come through, deeply imprinted by the long ages of dark pain? If not, what is the

origin and meaning of these longings? Shakespeare says—

“If there be nothing new, but that which is,
Hath been before, how are our brains beguiled?”

In strange places the soul feels familiar with the scene, yet has no remembrance of the surroundings or sojourning there. In meeting certain people for the first time the soul is repelled, and can never be drawn to like them; in the meeting of others the soul is immediately attracted to friendship, and becomes quite familiar as if acquainted for years. Nothing explains this but that it is old enemies and friends of former lives. The preference for one person more than another fails in the explanation of Theism; Materialism has no explanation. The sun and gentle breeze and the brilliant day is loved by one; the tempest and the rain and the gloomy day are loved by another. To one the wind moans and sighs sweet melodies of a ghostly world indescribable, and to another it is nought but the sound of the outer cosmos; while the poet bedecks the universe with the beauty of his soul, and makes a boundless array of beatitudes from the fierce building and destroying forces of the vast and unfathomable depths of God. Why comes one soul with the brain of one who shall read the secrets of nature and the distant sentinels of the night, and another encased in a clay-painted body at the end of the shaft of a stone hatchet? Apart from the theory of rebirth, where and what is the explanation? Who can explain the desires and yearnings of the soul that are voiceless to the outer world, those longings and hunger of the human spirit that are only known in the language of the sublime silence of immortal being? Souls on fire, famishing so that their flame may be seen: long for a something they cannot give expression to—yearning for rest that is past human comprehension. Useless it is to enumerate the complexities and problems of human life, which only becomes intelligible under the doctrine of reincarnation.

(To be continued.)

THE WAND OF HERMES.

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2. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars.) D in δ , $\circ \odot$, $\square \text{H}$, $\square \delta$. A changeable year, success in business, new work and undertakings, popularity and gain, but danger of accidents and reversals. A child born will be steady, reliable, successful in business, but liable to accidents and serious reversals.

3. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury.) D in δ , $\ast \Psi$, $\circ \delta$. Reversals are shown, indisposition, but some beneficial changes. A child born will be erratic, selfish, clever and intelligent, but will have many serious trials to meet in life.

4. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter.) D in Π , $\delta \circ \text{H}$. A dangerous year, accidents and losses, many little annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, and should act discreetly in all things.

5. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus.) D in Π , ΔH , $\ast \mathcal{U}$, δ . A successful year, financial gains, changes, new work, activity, and progress. A child born will be popular, generous, active and enterprising, and be very successful in a career.

6. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn.) D in sc , $\circ \text{?}$. A variable year, social gains, engagement or marriage, danger of accident or bereavement, many little annoyances. A child born will be rash and hasty, but kind and affectionate, not very successful in life.

7. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol.) D in sc , $\ast \odot$, $\circ \text{?}$, $\square \mathcal{U}$. A changeable year, indisposition or bereavement, financial troubles, some success in business, and changes. A child born will be selfish, somewhat extravagant, but clever and intelligent, and will do well in the employ of others.

8. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna.) D in sc , $\circ \text{H}$. An unpleasant year, indisposition or bereavement, deception and losses. A child born will be selfish and indifferent, deceptive and impressionable, and not successful in life.

9. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars.) D in δ , $\ast \delta$. An unsettled year, some benefits in business, changes, but personal dangers and reversals. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, but rash and hasty, and not very successful in life.

10. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury.) D in δ , $\square \odot$, $\circ \text{H}$, $\Delta \mathcal{U}$, $\delta \delta$. An evil year, heavy losses and reversals, danger of accidents and law, some social gains. A child born will be erratic, rash, impetuous, often involved in serious disputes, but will have some good friends to aid him.

11. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter.) D in H , $\ast \text{?}$. A brighter year, some social and financial gains, little annoyances. A child born will be affectionate, generous, somewhat extravagant, but fairly fortunate.

12. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus.) D in H , $\Delta \odot$, $\ast \text{?}$, $\square \delta$. A variable year, worry and annoyances, success in business, danger of reversals. A child born will be steady and reliable, successful in employ, but erratic, and have a hatred of control.

13. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn.) D in H , $\ast \Psi$. A year of changes, with much unsettlement. A child born will be impressionable, but erratic and not very successful.

14. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol.) D in sc , $\square \text{?}$, δ , $\Delta \delta$. An unsettled year, disappointments, indisposition or bereavement, benefits in employ and financial gain. A child born will be clever, intelligent, but selfish and careless, should be discreet in dealings with the other sex, and do best in the employ of others.

15. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna.) D in sc , $\square \Psi$, ΔH , $\circ \mathcal{U}$, $\ast \delta$. An evil year, danger of accidents and bereavement, losses and litigation, some journeys, but much deception. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, extravagant, but active and energetic, will have much deception to contend against, and will not be very fortunate in life.

16. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury.) D in m , $\Delta \text{?}$, ? . A good year for business, with promotion, but some deception. A child born will be popular, steady, reliable, somewhat impressionable and fairly fortunate in a career.

17. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury.) D in m , $\circ \odot$, $\square \text{H}$, ? , — $\Delta \Psi$. A disastrous year, indisposition, bereavement, losses, reversals, danger of accidents and loss of employment, and many worries. Some little changes. A child born will be very unfortunate, be selfish, erratic, hasty and wayward, often involved in difficulties.

18. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter.) D in ? . A year of many worries and annoyances. A child born will be conceited, extravagant and unreliable.

19. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus.) D in ? , $\ast \text{H}$, $\Delta \mathcal{U}$, δ , — $\circ \delta$. Important changes are shown, new work and undertakings, but danger of scandal, deception and intrigue. A child born will be active, energetic, enterprising and generous, will suffer much annoyance from others, and be subject to intrigue and deception.

20. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn.) D in ? , $\circ \mathcal{U}$, $\circ \text{?}$. An evil year, danger of indisposition, bereavement, loss of work, grief and dis-

appointment. A child born will be careless, unreliable, proud and selfish, will have some good abilities, but will not gain much success.

21. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♃, △ ☉, ♀ ♀, ☐ ♃. An unsettled year, indisposition, financial troubles, deception, some gain in employ, and favourable changes. A child born will be selfish, discontented, deceptive and unreliable, will do well to remain in employ, but will never be successful.

22. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, △ ♀. A year of much unsettlement and annoyance. A child born will be erratic, wayward and unsettled.

23. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♀, ☐ ☉. A variable year, important changes and successes, but danger of reverses, accidents and disputes. A child born will be clever, intelligent, generous, but rash, hasty and erratic, will often be involved in trouble, and be generally unfortunate.

24. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♀, ☐ ☉. Some financial gains shown, but indisposition and trouble in employment. A child born will be generous and popular, but proud and domineering, fairly successful in employ.

25. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♀, △ ♀, ♀ ♀, ☐ ♀. A variable year, benefits from elders, some disappointments, annoyances and worries. A child born will be steady, reliable, affectionate, but reserved, have a hatred of control, and be fairly fortunate in life.

26. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♀, ♀ ♀, △ ♀. Travel and changes are shown, popularity and benefits in employ. A child born will be popular, impressionable, and generally successful in the employ of others.

27. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ☐ ♀. A changeable year, indisposition, grief and disappointments, travel and changes, some danger of accidents. A child born will be rash, hasty, cold and selfish, intellectual and original, but have many troubles to face in life.

28. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♀, ☐ ♀, ♀ ♀, △ ♀. A fairly successful year, financial gains, changes and travel, some duplicity and annoyances. A child born will be active, energetic, generous, somewhat erratic and impressionable, and fairly fortunate in a career.

29. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A favourable anniversary, benefits from elders, courtship or marriage, popularity. A child born will be steady and reliable, kind and affectionate, and will gain much in the employ of others.

30. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♀, ☐ ♀. A good year for business men, students and intellectual people, some reverses and annoyances. A child born will be clever, intelligent, somewhat erratic, but will be successful in a business career.

31. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ☐ ♀. A variable year, danger of accidents and disputes, courtship or social gains, changes. A child born will be rash and hasty, but kind and affectionate, successful in business.

Astrology in the Nursery.

If Baby is Born with the sign Scorpio rising.

LITTLE children born with the sign Scorpio rising are of a very determined and decided nature, fond of their own way, possess very strong likes and dislikes, are hard to convince, and tend to be unruly and quarrelsome. They have a very destructive nature, and parents require to be very strict in training them, and should never give way to them or let them have their own way. They have an uncertain temper, are very petulant, sulky, and once they take a dislike to any person their hate is of long duration. They are full of curiosity, always eager to know the why and wherefore of things, and have a peculiar faculty of finding out things for themselves. They tend to be argumentative and self-opinionated, possess dignity and pride, but tend to be resentful and jealous if they do not get (to them) sufficient notice taken of them. They are very energetic and active, brave and courageous, but are apt to become quarrelsome and spiteful if they are in any way thwarted or restrained.

Intellectually they are active and shrewd, but very positive in their opinions, very difficult to convince, and often obstinate. There is a tendency as they grow older to argue with and differ from others, just for the sake of argument, and because they do not like their opinions questioned. They have some manual dexterity, are capable of deep understanding, and take up the study of any subject with great enthusiasm. They are very ingenious, possess much fertility of resource, and are endowed with cleverness, keenness, and perceptive ability.

Physically, these little ones are generally very strong, with much vitality and recuperative power, but they are liable to affections of the throat, heart, urinary system and kidneys. There is also a danger of infectious complaints, and they should never be allowed to play near drains, and any throat affection should have immediate attention. Little boys born with this sign rising would benefit considerably if they were circumcised immediately after birth.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
ASTROLOGY.

DEAR SIR,—I was much interested in Sepharial's remarks in your last issue relating to the probable concurrence of evil in the horoscopes of victims of wholesale disaster. The question arises, might not one be impelled to sail in a certain boat or gravitate to a doomed locality—as by earthquake or inundation—purely because of a mutual sympathy in the respective horoscopes of the individual and that of the fated vessel or locality?

This might be more plainly illustrated in cases of epidemic. As we know, diseases may be classed as of two general types: sporadic, such as are confined to single or scattered instances; and pandemic, or such as are incident to a multitude. The first is primarily induced through stellar contrarieties affecting the individual nativity, the latter is characterised by a more comprehensive law. The one involves a question of personal liability, but connected with the other is the fact of scores being drawn into the vortex regardless of horoscopes that are seemingly immune from such attacks.

To the superficial thinker along these lines this would seem wholly at variance with the fundamental precept that in the natal scheme must needs be found a presage of every ultimatum to which the ego is entitled. Nor is this conjecture opposed to the rules of art, except in its failure to give due importance to universals as distinguished from particulars. As wrote Ptolemy (*Tetrabiblos*, Bk. 1, ch. 3.) :—

“It is further to be remarked that man is subject, not only to events applicable to his own private and individual nature, but also to others arising from general causes . . . since a greater and more powerful agency must of course always absorb and overcome one that is more minute and weaker. In great changes, therefore, where a stronger cause predominates, more general affections are put in operation; but affections which attach to one individual solely are excited when his own natural constitution, peculiar to himself, may be overcome by some opposing impulse of the ambient, however small or faint. And in this point of view it is manifest that all events whatsoever, whether general or particular, of which the primary cause is strong and irresistible, and against which no other contrary agency has sufficient power to interpose, must of necessity be wholly fulfilled.”

To paraphrase, in every horoscope there exists for the time being an affinity for the locality to which the said native gravitates. Should that locality, consistent with natural law, become the point of manifestation for the joint action of cosmic and telluric forces—the one of necessity co-ordinating with the other—then every inhabitant as an integral factor in the body politic of such locality is subject to its affections, and the susceptibility is to be inferred from the natural sympathy which constitutes any individual a part

of that particular whole. The storm that sweeps everything before it wreaks celestial vengeance upon a community of interests, nor may the poor wayfarer who bides in its path claim the right of exemption; the boat that carries down with it thrice a hundred souls enacts a law of fulfilment, and the passengers are sacrificed because of the fated sympathy which enrolled their names on the cabin list; while the victims to the malignity of endemic disease but help make up a sum in the problem of a general destiny.

Naturally, this problem may be viewed from many different angles, but the foregoing seems to me a most plausible one.

Very sincerely,

JOHN HAZELRIGG.

New York,
January 19th, 1916.

BOOK REVIEW.

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The War.

The air raids at the end of April took place as predicted. Our prediction of unpopular taxation has also been verified, as well as several others. The lunation of May 31st brings Mars into the sign Virgo, and elevated above all the planets in the ninth house. This denotes the opening of military movements against Turkey and grave troubles for that country. Heavy fighting is shown in Belgium and the Western theatre of the war, and there are also indications of an attack on our coasts. The conjunction of Saturn and Venus in the eighth house presignifies many deaths among females, and a lady of high position will pass to the great beyond. Many deaths from drowning are shown. These two planets are culminating in the United States, a very unfavourable influence for the President and his wife, for Venus is ruler of the eighth house. Mercury on the ascendant of London in trine with Uranus will benefit the trade of the metropolis, and some notable invention, or scientific work, will come to

light. A noted actor, or theatre manager, will be in danger of drowning.

Mars transits the progressed ascendant of the Kaiser during the last week of May, denoting ill-health and personal danger, as well as a serious defeat.

During the month of June Venus and Saturn will be closely conjoined, being within five degrees of each other the entire month. It will be interesting to students of astrometeorology to note how far this conjunction will affect the weather. An excessively wet month is not unlikely.

Astrological Cant.

There seems to be a good deal of claptrap and cant in the air concerning our science, all of which is of very bad taste and quite unnecessary. One of the latest effusions is that we must either make the science a life work or let it go altogether. Another is that "the fault lies in the hypocrisy of men who claim to be teachers of astrology whilst they are otherwise engaged in some other line of work which distracts their attention from the main subject." All such senseless chatter as this will do no good to the cause of our science. Many of us are better fitted to follow two different lines of work, and are using our natal gifts to the best advantage in so doing. The real hypocrisy lies in the

nauseating conceit of certain self-important individuals who think that because *they* are in a position to give their whole time to astrology, others who have not the means at their disposal or the desire to devote their whole time should be debarred from giving of their best for the cause of the science. The welfare and progress of our science does *not* depend on the work of one or two who can give their whole time to it, but to the united endeavours of all of us, whether students or teachers, whole or part time workers. It would show a little more of that true Uranian feeling, which is so often bragged about but rarely acted upon, if those whole time teachers and exponents gave a little more encouragement to, and a better appreciation of the work of their part time confrères, many of whom are at least their equals in knowledge and experience, instead of carping at their endeavours in such an unkind spirit.

The Kaiser's Horoscope.

Mr. T. J. Edge has called attention to the different birth times accredited to the Kaiser. In Raphael's Almanac for 1889 the time is stated to be 7.30 a.m. Powley's Astrologer gave it as 3.45 p.m., the recorded time is 3 p.m., rectified to 2.54. Can any light be thrown on this point?

Unscientific Birthday Information.

For November 21st, 1915, we predicted by UNscientific astrology, among other things, "Danger of accidents." The following has been received from a correspondent: "May I express my appreciation of the Birthday Influences so recently criticised as not being scientific? My birthday, November 21st, gave me 'Danger of accidents.' On February 23rd I broke my ribs. I may say this was my first real accident all my life, so it is especially marked." After this, well, perhaps we shall see the colour of those window shutters yet.

THE WAND OF HERMES.

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DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	18 ♀ 11	Travel, change, write letters, seek work.
2	0 ☾ 7	Travel, push business, and avoid wrangling.
3	11 ♀ 57	A doubtful day. Safeguard health p.m., avoid accidents.
4	23 ♀ 43	Sunday. Keep quiet. Study and reflect.
5	5 ♀ 31	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
6	17 ♀ 22	Attend to business a.m. Evil rest of day.
7	29 ♀ 22	Good for business a.m. Avoid accidents p.m.
8	11 ♀ 36	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
9	24 ♀ 8	Attend to ordinary duties only. Uncertain influences prevail.
10	7 ♀ 4	Travel, change, push business, write letters.
11	20 ♀ 26	Sunday. Study and reflect. Visit friends p.m.
12	4 ♀ 17	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
13	18 ♀ 35	Act discreetly a.m. Visit friends and amusements p.m.
14	3 ♀ 18	Avoid opposite sex. Guard against accidents p.m.
15	18 ♀ 18	Conflicting influences prevail. Do nothing important.
16	3 ♀ 27	A doubtful day. Travel and visit friends p.m.
17	18 ♀ 35	Avoid females. Act discreetly in all things.
18	3 ♀ 33	Sunday. Study, write letters, take walks, p.m.
19	18 ♀ 14	An evil day. Avoid disputes and wrangling.
20	2 ♀ 34	Act discreetly a.m. Push business, start new work p.m.
21	16 ♀ 30	Avoid deception a.m. Visit friends and elders p.m.
22	0 ♀ 3	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
23	13 ♀ 13	A good day for business, travel and changes, before noon.
24	26 ♀ 5	An evil day. Act discreetly in all all things.
25	8 ♀ 39	Sunday. Study, write letters, travel, take walks.
26	21 ♀ 0	Act carefully a.m. Good for business p.m.
27	3 ♀ 10	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
28	15 ♀ 11	Avoid disputes, law and wrangling. Travel evening.
29	27 ♀ 5	A generally good day for business. Ask favours.
30	8 ♀ 54	Court, marry, and visit friends.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE.

By SEPHARIAL.

Sic Itur ad Astra.

THERE will be a great many who will lament the sudden death of Mr. George Wilde, who passed away on the 20th April from the effects of a chill following upon diabetes. Mr. Wilde had but recently changed his abode, and from this cause and from sickness, his work had fallen much into arrears at the time of his fatal illness. It was in this connection that I last heard from him. Knowing that he was *hors de combat*, he had wired to me asking if I could take up his task and carry it on. My absence on war work prevented an immediate reply, and before I could meet him he had laid this and all other worldly cares aside. That it was a great care, and possibly a source of detriment to him in his illness, I am assured from the fact that he always gave his clients the most scrupulous attention and generally was well abreast of his work. Latterly, too, he had been engaged in the publication of his latest work, and on the debatable points of that work I was in correspondence with him just before his death. His contention was that Placidus, Regiomotanus and others had published horoscopes which were based entirely on the Sun's Right Ascension, and that they knew nothing of the "Mean Time" standard invented by Bessel. To this I had replied briefly that they calculated by the Sun because that was the only chronometer they had to go by, and that all births were timed by the dial. But I felt that it would not be fair to press the matter in discussion while he was so fully engaged in removing his home to London. He knew, at all events, that nothing but the most friendly feeling dominated our relations, and that this and other discussions were conducted solely in the interests of the truth as we respectively saw it. He was a man much devoted to truth-seeking and to the getting of knowledge in every form. From a quite humble beginning in connection with one of the northern railways he had pushed his way upwards to a conspicuous position, and the fact that he had espoused an unpopular cause, or at least an uncommon one, shows that he had the courage of his convictions. The late Dr. Richard Garnett thought a great deal of his efforts and did much to further them. He was closely associated with me in the publication of *Coming Events*, to which he was a fairly constant contributor. He was responsible for several well-known guides and text-books to the subject of scientific prediction, and his latest contribution to our literature was in many ways a striking one, albeit controversial at almost all

points. Born under the sign Sagittarius, with Mars rising in Capricorn, he had plenty of ambition and a great store of energy, and was of those who eventually find their way to the stars. He was also, in common with other Sagittarians, very fond of out-door sports, and took an active part in their advancement.

His departure from this temporary field of activities will cause many to look back upon his work with renewed interest, and his biography, published in the B.J.A. among other characters selected by Mr. Sherburne as one of our notable living astrologers, will be read again with interest by his many admirers.

The Berlin Riots.

We have definite confirmation of the fact that violent demonstrations took place in Berlin in the second week in March, and despite the care with which the German press was censored, it is now known to everybody that these demonstrations were Pacificist in principle and bellicose in fact. The civil authorities had to call upon military aid to quell the disturbance. This confirms our observation that the Prussian horoscope has the 12th degree of Leo rising, with the Sun in Aries 26, for at that time Mars was nearly stationary in the 11th degree of Leo. It will also be remembered that the great European solar eclipse which took place in 1912 fell on the place of the Sun in Aries. The horoscope must not, however, be confounded with that of the German Empire. The latter stands for the whole of the Germanic people, while the Prussian horoscope is that of the Hohenzollern dynasty, founded in 1701 by Frederick William I. It is from this latter horoscope that we are able to say without any doubt whatsoever that the autumn of next year will see the end of this most autocratic and imperious house.

The Irish Rebellion.

Affairs in Ireland took a sudden and dramatic turn when the Sun entered Taurus in close quadrature to the planet Neptune, and the planet Mercury, also in Taurus, was successively in square and parallel to Mars, square to Uranus, and semi-square to Saturn. It will therefore be seen how clearly the indications pointed to trouble in Ireland, and it is to the credit of the Editor of the B.J.A. that he did not allow these signals to escape him. A very close prediction both as to the time and nature of the events of the latter part of April will be found in his

notes in the last issue of this journal. In the indictment of Sir Roger Casement for high treason it will be seen that the included date of treasonable action is the 21st April, 1916. Viewed from the purely kabalistic symbolism of the horoscope for 1916, the course of events was quite what might have been expected, for the seditious influence of Mercury conjunction Mars was in force during the whole period of the Sun's transit through Taurus, the ruling sign of Ireland. They belong to a series of indications under the rule of the planet Mars, which series will reach maximum about the year 1926, during the Great Devastation which coincides with the conjunction of Mars and Saturn in the sign Aquarius. After this, the world will be so sickened of this demonic frightfulness that it will accede to a Universal Peace.

History repeats itself, and with minor change of circumstance we find this Rebellion in Ireland to be repetitive of that which in the troublous times of the Commonwealth took place in that "most distressful country." All of it was the direct outcome of that smug, self-complacent, and supine Government known as the Rump Parliament, whose policy of "Wait and See" finds its reflex in modern methods. There are two historical periods which students would do well to watch. One is that of the planetary cycle of 252 years, and the other that of the planets Mars and Saturn in the various signs of the heavens, which measures to about 265 years.

America in the War.

I think the odds are very strongly in favour of America coming into the War in June, because at that time the Sun passes through Gemini and joins Saturn and Mars in the world's horoscope. But also I see that Mars then transits the Ascendant of the horoscope of the United States and is at its maximum of strength and also near its apogee about the 5th of the month. How far Jupiter's transit of the Sun's place in the last degrees of Aries during that month will assist the Prussian forces is not clearly defined to my mind, but it may be expected that a last forward movement will carry the German lines to some points of considerable advantage. If America should come in, or itself be engaged with Mexican problems at this time, the result cannot be to our immediate satisfaction, since our munitions and equipment, now largely supplied by the States, and also our food supplies, would be affected.

The Neutral Position.

But while the war continues, it is obvious that neutral nations who can supply the demands of belligerents must be reaping a rich harvest, limited only by their respective freight capacities. Holland and Spain have so far kept out of

the war, as predicted by Nostradamus, and Holland, at all events, is doing a brisk trade with both hands. It is difficult, however, to see what advantage can ultimately accrue to any Power not actively engaged in this fight for human liberty. At present Holland is under a lunar conjunction with Jupiter.

Daylight Saving.

A special note of warning is given to astrological students in regard to the introduction of the Daylight Saving Bill, which came into operation on Sunday, May 21st, when 2 a.m. became 3 a.m. All children born between that moment of time and October 21st, during the current year, will be timed an hour in advance of the Sun, and it will therefore be necessary to subtract an hour from the time of birth before making the astronomical calculation for the local Right Ascension of the Meridian. The economic advantages of the Bill are not likely to prove nearly so great as anticipated. Human nature is prone to holiday-making, and with an extra hour at their disposal in the evening, the tendency will be to waste it rather than employ it, especially by those who for the first time in their lives are getting "something for nothing," as many regular wage-earners do who are in receipt of the separation allowance. The fiction of economy of lighting will not bear inspection, for at whatsoever time we begin to work in the morning after day-break, it is certain that we do not light up until the evening twilight is entirely spent. If we could regulate the sun by our clocks, we could effect some good, but since we can only regulate our clocks by the sun, I think it had been better to leave the clocks alone and get up an hour earlier to our work. It really should have been a Daylight Using Bill. Even those who argue that the clock or "mean time" is artificial have to use it for light saving.

Watch Holland.

I have a vague idea, for my history is not as bright as it has been, that Holland was engaged in a great war about 265 years ago. I want to point out in this connection that during the month of May, 1916, Saturn will be in transit over the place of its last conjunction with Mars in the sign Cancer, which rules Holland. This transit occurs on May 27th. It has hitherto been considered that the effects last until the next conjunction in the successive sign of the zodiac, which is roughly a period of two years. But it may be that these effects are held in latency for a considerable period, and, unless excited by transit of the major planets, they may remain inoperative. I still hold to that idea, and assume that every transit of Cancer 15 or its opposition will bring the influence of the recent conjunction into play until the next conjunction of Saturn and Mars in the

sign Leo, which occurs in the autumn of 1917, comes to alter the nature and locale of the planetary influence. Already we have seen that Saturn has caused heavy damage by floods, amounting to many millions sterling, throughout parts of Holland. Sir George Wharton, writing in the mid-seventeenth century, drew attention to the fact that floods might be anticipated in Holland from this conjunction, and its repetition in these days has been attended by a repetition of the same effects. Therefore I say, watch Holland, for there are unexpected possibilities in this transit of Saturn which cannot occur again for a period of thirty years. Also, watch the Kaiser!

War Rates.

Everything that one has to buy in these days of stress and imperative economy costs us more. It is the inevitable result of our unpreparedness. When times were good the nation did not economise, nor was it encouraged to do so. Now that times are bad, our reserve funds are all too low. That stern master of economics, Necessity, is out to teach us a lesson or two. It will be well if we learn of him. And although foodstuffs and many of the necessaries of daily life are very dear and still rising in price, and more than ever likely to continue rising, yet there are many and great opportunities open to the small capitalist, owing largely to the depletion of our male population, the surrendering of businesses, depreciation of property, and other causes.

These are times of opportunity which will not last longer than the war. To offset this we have the greater earning capacity of the residue of our population, which gives them a buying power greater than they have ever enjoyed. Setting off one thing against another—the net result, of course, turning absolutely on the issue of the war—it will be seen that this is the time, when markets are low and property cheap, to employ our higher wages to the utmost of their capacity. To meet the requirements of those who are seeking specialised advice on business and other matters, I have decided to offer a dead-level war scale to my clients. Anyone sending a fee of 5s., 1 dollar, or Rs. 5 can secure my services and advice on any matter in which a scientific foreknowledge of the trend of events is of advantage—and there are few matters which do not depend upon the unknown factor of futurity. A map of the heavens will accompany every communication, and this will be serviceable for all future enquiries of whatsoever nature.

The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

ASTROLOGY teaches that planetary influence is environment, and determines the initiative of character; and the unfolding of character to the best is destiny. Each stellar configuration falls into position for the ingress and egress of each separate and individual soul. In the doctrine of the "Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception" it is thus: "The law of consequence also works in harmony with the stars, so that a man is born at the time when the position of the bodies in the solar system will give the conditions necessary to his experience and advancement in the school of life." And further: "The stars show accurately the time in a man's life when the debt which the Lords of Destiny have selected for payment is due, and to evade it is beyond the power of man."* Here is the idea of Plato borne out—that of "God geometrises," not a thing in this universe of aimless and lawless operation, but a mighty and infinitely mathematical mechanism—a great theatre of cause and effect, birth and decay, change and permanency, and under all, colossal and incomprehensible, the ever-abiding and awing, dim Eternal.

And so in this contemplation of the theory of rebirth, inasmuch that it explains life and its problems, it becomes a worthy adoption of the soul as a satisfactory and rational explanation. But only can the truth be realised by judging and analysing it before the high tribunal of the ego; all other means will never bring truth to the soul.

(To be continued.)

* "Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception," p. 161.

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CHAPTER XIV.

CONVERSE ZODIACAL DIRECTIONS.

AS stated in the last chapter, Simmonite does not deal with the ordinary converse directions under the pole of the Sun or Moon, but directs planets to the bodies or aspects of the luminaries.

I therefore append rules showing how these directions may be properly computed.

1. Find the longitude, R.A., Declination, Mer. dist., and S.A. of the place of the aspect.

2. Multiply the M.D. by 90° , and divide by S.A.

3. Find the difference between the result of rule 2 and the Mer. dist. This gives the asc. diff. under the pole of aspect.

4. Add log. sine of asc. diff. under pole of aspect to the log. cotang. of declination of the place of aspect. This gives the log. tangent of pole of aspect.

I will take as an example $\odot * \text{♁} \text{zod. con.}$

Long. of aspect	...	...	24	45 \triangle
R.A.	„	...	202	55
M.D.	„	...	60	53
Dec.	„	...	9	35S.
S.A.	„	...	77	51

By Rule 2.— $60 \ 53 \times 90^\circ = 77^\circ \ 51' = 70^\circ \ 23'$.

By Rule 3.— $70^\circ \ 23' - \text{M.D. } 60^\circ \ 53' = 9^\circ \ 30'$.

By Rule 4.—

Log. sine $9^\circ \ 30'$	...	...	9.21761
Log. cot. $9^\circ \ 35'$	...	...	10.77253
= Log. tan. $44^\circ \ 21'$	...	...	9.99014

The pole of the aspect is therefore $44^\circ \ 21'$.

The oblique ascension or descension of the place of the aspect is found as shown in Chapter XII. on page 114.

The aspect being in the western half of the map, and the declination being south, its oblique descension is $202 \ 55 - 9 \ 30 = 193^\circ \ 25'$.

The direction is computed by finding the obl. desc. of the Sun under the pole of the aspect.

Log. tan. pole of aspect	...	...	9.99014
Log. tan. declin. of Sun	...	...	9.59762
Log. sine asc. diff. $22 \ 46$	...	...	9.58776

Oblique descension of Sun under pole of aspect
= \odot R.A. $245^\circ \ 55' - 22^\circ \ 46' = 223^\circ \ 09'$

Oblique descension of Sun under pole of aspect
— oblique descension of aspect $193 \ 25 = 29 \ 44$.

There is a slight difference between these arcs and those obtained by the semi-arc method. The cause is well known, but it is too technical to deal with here.

With this I leave the explanation of the rules of primary directing. In the next three issues of the Journal I propose to give some practical examples from horoscopes.

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If Baby is Born with the sign Sagittarius rising.

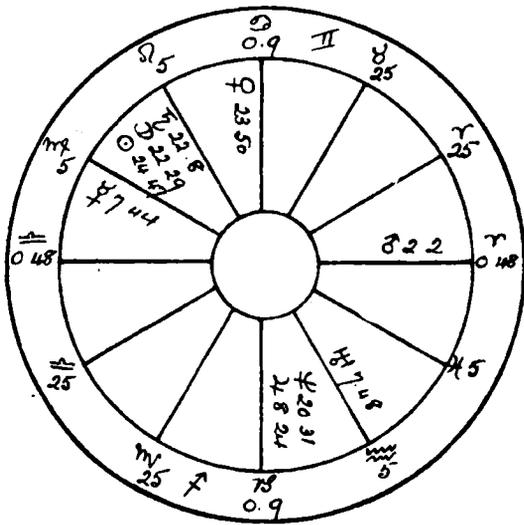
LITTLE children born with the sign Sagittarius rising are very bright and happy little folks, enthusiastic, hopeful, always looking on the bright side of things, fond of play and games, vivacious, inclined to be mischievous, but always loyal, generous and faithful. They dislike restraint, become fretful when in uncongenial surroundings, are very independent and self-reliant, but tend to become irritable and peevish unless allowed a considerable amount of liberty. They have a very keen sense of justice, are exceedingly sympathetic, and any harshness, either to themselves or to others, will affect them very considerably. These little folk require a good deal of understanding, for they possess very complex natures, and are at times very daring and pushful, while at other times very sensitive and reticent. They are particularly fond of outdoor exercise, playing at ball, and in fact any kind of youthful sport which gives exercise to the limbs, and it is one of the best recreations for them. They are not really quarrelsome, being of a peaceful disposition, but if once their temper is aroused they will show considerable daring. Parents should inculcate in these little ones a love of obedience, and teach them not to be rebellious, thoughtless and reckless, for these are faults of the Sagittarian nature which require early repression.

Intellectually they are quick, fond of learning and study, attracted to science and religion, clever in conversation, have ability for the study of more than one subject at a time, but are wanting in continuity and concentration. They love reading, and books on sport and travel will while away many an hour with them. They possess clever minds, are versatile and ingenious, and win much approval by their quickness and intelligence.

Physically they are strong, with wiry bodies, much vitality and recuperative power, but they are apt to weaken their strength by over-exertion, and by attempting to do too much. The lungs and nervous system are the weakest parts, and parents should see that their blood is kept pure, as impurities of the blood are likely to lead to complications. They are liable to accidents, cuts, blows and falls, probably more than those born under any other sign.

War Horoscopes.
VI.—THE EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA.

THE Emperor of Austria was born, according to the Editor of Zadkiel's Almanac, on August 18th, 1830, at 8.23 a.m., at Vienna. The time rectified by the prenatal epoch is 8h. 19m. 12s. a.m. (G.M.T. 7h. 13m. 40s. a.m.), and the horoscope is appended below.



The rectification is slightly different to that given by me some years ago, but the recent developments of the epochal theory and the law of sex have brought to light new factors of an important character, and the new rectification is the result of these developments.

At the outbreak of the war the Sun was directed to the sesquiquadrate of Mars, and by converse direction was in sextile to Mars, agreeing with the recent successes of the Austrian Army in the Russian and Balkan areas. The ascendant was directed to the square of the Sun R. and the meridian to the square of Jupiter conversely.

At the present time the Sun is nearing the squares of Saturn R. and Moon R., and Saturn has progressed to the exact parallel of the radical Moon. These influences point to grave disasters, and his end must be near. By converse direction, Mars is nearly in opposition to the radical Sun, and the meridian to the conjunction of Mars. These are corroborative indications of the approach of the dismemberment of his empire and his own departure from the world.

The prenatal epoch of the Emperor took place on October 24th, 1829, at 11h. 16m. 37s. p.m. G.M.T. The Sun is now directed to the conjunc-

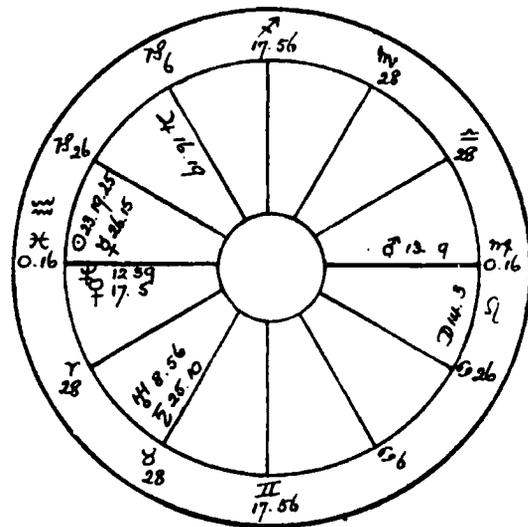
tion of Neptune, and the last conjunction of Mars and Saturn fell in opposition to his progressed Sun. Mercury is also near a square of Sun R. By converse direction the Sun is in exact conjunction with Saturn P. These directions are of the worst description, and foreshadow the end very soon.

I may remark that I have some doubt as to the authenticity of this horoscope. I was informed some twelve years ago that the horoscope was merely a speculative one, there being no official notification of the birth time. Personally, I doubt as to whether Libra is the ascendant. I should have more regard to a Capricorn ascendant, there being a striking likeness between the Emperor and the late Duke of Cambridge, who was born under that sign.

TWINS.
By E. H. BAILEY.

CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

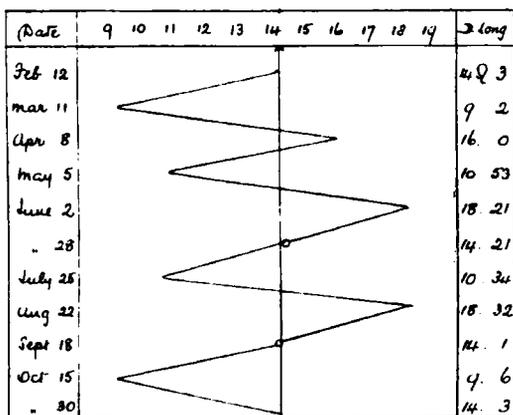
THE next step is an examination of the prenatal epoch and chart of descent of the first child, and the map below is that of the epoch which took place on February 12th, 1854, at 7h. 34m. 12s. a.m.



The first degree of Pisces rises, with the Sun and Mercury just above the ascendant in square to Saturn. The Moon is in the Sixth House in square to Uranus. Judged horoscopically, the Sun is hyleg, as it is only 3° 52' above the eastern horizon, and its affliction by Mercury and Saturn from fixed signs was the astrological cause of the

asphyxiation at birth. The child was born 8m. 18 days from the epoch, and this turned into time and added to the time of epoch gives February 14th at 0.46 a.m., at which time the Moon was in Leo 23° 1', nearly in opposition to the Sun. A figure for this time gives the ascendant of the epoch on the 4th cusp, and the ascendant of the figure in square to Moon R and opposition ♃ at birth. Mercury at birth is in square to the epochal ascendant.

The chart of descent, which is appended below, is a very normal one, the librations of the Moon over the line of central impulse varying from 4° 29' to 5° 1', but there are two occasions on which the line continues instead of returning, one at the fifth month and the other at the eighth, a peculiarity which is always observable in irregular epochs.



The following facts are to be noticed in this chart. On March 11th, May 5th, June 28th, August 22nd and September 18th Uranus is in square to the Moon, while on September 18th Mars is also in square to the Moon. All these influences, which are formed from fixed signs, are further indications of the asphyxiation, and it is clearly shown that without reference to the epoch and the chart of descent the death could not have been foreseen, as the horoscope is totally inadequate in this respect.

The epoch of the child that lived is quite different to the one given above. The Sun is not hyleg, but the Moon is in the ascendant, in sextile Jupiter, exact conjunction Venus, and opposition to Mars.

In the next issue I shall deal with the other case of twins mentioned in the February issue.

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THE Prophecies of Nostradamus. Translated by SEPHARIAL

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This points apparently to the despoiling of ecclesiastical power by the propagation of a seductive rationalism from the North, which, seizing on the minds of the people, will tend to irreligious practices at a time when the world will be involved in a great "conflagration." Elsewhere Nostradamus tells us that Turkey will be driven out of Europe, and that the Papal power will be upheld by one of Celtic blood who will come in great power and ally himself with two others for the succour of the Church.

"The Celtic Prince will enter Rome with the Pope and a host of exiles and banished people, and will reduce all those who upon either side of the Alps have been in league to establish a republic" such as that of France. And Nostradamus goes further and says that "the persecution of the Church will have its beginning from an alliance between the Kings of the North and the Orientals," from which we may understand that which is effected by the alliance of Germany and Turkey. And he says that this will spread over eleven years or little less, and that after the Northern King has been despoiled so that he is stripped of everything, then for three years there will be a Union in Italy which will persecute the Churchmen very grievously.

Now the spoliation of the Church took place from the Act of Separation of 2nd January, 1907, and thence eleven years brings us to the year 1918, and three years to 1921, which is to be the beginning of the Great Persecution. For according to the celestial signs there will be a great revolution in Italy towards the beginning of 1918, and then three years of ecclesiastical trouble, which will cease with the coming of the Pope Angelicus.

II.—THE RESTORATION OF THE FRENCH MONARCHY.

In several of the prophecies extant there are indications which point to a certain "rameau de Lys" or "rejeton de Lys," which Daniel calls "the Branch from the Root," who is to overcome the Tyrant (Antichrist) and ally himself with the Papal power for the establishing of the Great Peace.

Going closer to the interpretation of this prophecy, we find in the Epistle to King Henry II. that Nostradamus has fixed the interval between the second and third revolutions at seventy-three years and seven months, during which there are to be great mutations and changes of kingdoms and tribulation to the new Babylon (French Republic), and which, beginning in the spring, will terminate in the month of October. Accordingly,

we find that the Revolution of 1848, the "miserable daughter, great with the abomination of the first holocaust (1793)," began in the spring, and after a lapse of seventy-three years and seven months, which reaches to October, 1921, there would be another and a greater revolution. Whether this is coincident with the beginning and end of the persecution is not quite clear, but, when speaking of the anarchist conspirators, he says that their triumph would last only seventy-three years; and hence we may conclude that in October, 1921, there will be a change, when chaos will give place to order. Then will arise the Offshoot of the Lily, which is spoken of in all the current prophecies. Nostradamus says:—

"Then will come forth from a family which has been for a long time sterile (politically), proceeding from the fiftieth degree of latitude, he who shall renovate the Christian Church, and he will make a Great Peace and union and concord between all those who have been separated and impaired by the various political parties, and then will be thrown to the most profound Inferno he who is the promoter and founder of military power; and the kingdom of the Rabble, which thought itself wise in giving itself over to the furies of the revolution, will be reunited as a kingdom under its ancient lineage of kings."

(To be continued.)

STUDIES IN BRIEF.

George Wilde.

THE subject of this study was born on the 16th April, 1860, at 11.30 p.m., in Leeds. The horoscope shows the 15th degree of the sign Sagittarius rising, Jupiter being in the sign Cancer. This shows an apprehensive mind, a generous disposition, and a fortunate career. The Moon was in Pisces, in square to the conjoined planets Venus and Uranus in Gemini; Mars and Jupiter were in opposition, which gave a speculative but unfortunate tendency to financial affairs, but both planets threw good aspects to the Moon. What strikes me as of great significance, however, is that the Moon and Jupiter are in mutual disposition, and I have ever found that this acts exactly as if they were in conjunction. The sextile of Uranus to Mercury, the latter planet in Aries, indicated his astrological faculty. He was in no sense of the word an occultist nor greatly immersed in anything of the sort outside of astrology, but this he pursued with undaunted courage, persistency, and acumen. His character showed versatility and executive faculty, with considerable attack and ambition. His efforts to popularise astrology were not unsuccessful.

Reference to his death at the age of 56 years shows that the large eclipse of the Sun in Aries 27° (April, 1912) fell exactly on the place of the

Sun at his birth in the lower angle of the horoscope. This was a sign of the end which I do not think he can have failed to notice. The Mid-heaven at the time of death was directed to the 15th of Sagittarius, which was his ascendant at birth. The Ascendant was directed to Aquarius 21, and 56 days after birth the planet Saturn was in Leo 21, in direct opposition to the Ascendant. The Ascendant at birth was hyleg, for neither the Sun nor Moon were in aphetic places. Saturn at birth held the 8th House, and its coming to the opposition of the Ascendant at this age was in every way significant of the sudden end to which he came. The primary cause of death was diabetes. The secondary cause appears to have been pneumonia, due to a chill taken while travelling. An albuminous deposit clogged the heart, producing coma, and in this unconscious state he passed away. The indications therefore were the eclipse of the Sun on the Sun R., and Saturn in the radical 8th coming to the opposition of the Ascendant by direction. The transit of Mars over the same point at the end of April and the last Full Moon in opposition to his Sun R. appear as secondary indications. The horoscope is not rectified.

Sir Roger Casement.

Students of astrology will be curious to know what indications attended the birth of the notorious character whose misdirected energies have brought him into such unhappy circumstances. From official sources we learn that he was born on September 1st, 1864, and consequently he is now close upon fifty-two years of age. Without the time of his birth it would be useless to attempt any very close analysis of the astral conditions under which Sir Roger came into the contagion of this world, with which he appears to be so much out of gear, but it is interesting to note that the Sun and Moon were conjoined in the sign Virgo in quadrature to the planet Mars in the sign Gemini. Mercury was in direct opposition to Neptune, which, from an astrological point of view, sufficiently account for his mental tendencies. In addition to these indications, we find no less than five planets in flexed signs, which disposes to a career of opportunism and drift, while his character shows versatility, prolixity and finesse.

It would be inadmissible at the present time, when the case is still under judgment, to advert to the current indications and their possible significance, but it will be observed that fifty-two days after birth the indications are far more temperately disposed than one might have expected from the nature of the case, and although one cannot fully estimate the amount of suffering and loss which has been sustained by innocent victims of the rebellion, yet one is justified by all human considerations to hope that the new day which dawns upon this horoscope in the year 1923 will entirely confirm our trust in the Arch-arbiter of human destiny.

BIRTHDAY INFLUENCES DURING JUNE.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) \mathcal{D} in Π , Δ \mathbb{H} , \odot \mathcal{Q} . A successful year for business, changes and travel, some little annoyances. A child born will be clever, intelligent, original and intuitive, and very successful in a business career.

2. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \star \mathcal{U} , \star \mathcal{S} . An active and enterprising year, with new work, gains and success, some minor troubles. A child born will be active, energetic, generous and popular, will be fairly successful in life.

3. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \odot \mathcal{H} . An unsettled year, bereavement or indisposition, courtship and social gain. A child born will be kind, affectionate, but will have many trials in life.

4. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \square \mathcal{U} , \odot \mathcal{A} . An evil year, indisposition, bereavement, losses and grave troubles, some social benefits, and gain through friends. A child born will be cold, selfish, egotistical, sceptical, will have good friends, but will be very unsuccessful in life.

5. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{Q} , \odot Ψ . A doubtful year, many annoyances, some gain in employ, but danger of deception. A child born will be clever, intelligent, impressionable and romantic, somewhat deceptive, but not very fortunate.

6. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{Q} , \star \odot , \mathcal{Q} , - ρ \mathbb{H} . A successful year for business, with changes, but danger of reversals and losses. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, and active, will be very erratic and wayward, and may lose many opportunities by abrupt actions.

7. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{Q} , Δ \mathcal{U} , \odot \mathcal{S} . A variable year, danger of accidents, disputes and law, some financial gain and success in affairs. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, but generous and popular, will often be involved in serious troubles, and not very successful.

8. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \square \odot , \mathcal{Q} , \star \mathcal{H} . A bad year for business, with losses, annoyances, wrangling, and loss of employment, some gain through elders. A child born will be hasty, have a hatred of control, be proud and domineering, will look after his own interests, but will not be very successful.

9. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \star \mathcal{Q} . Social gains, courtship and pleasure are shown. A child born will be kind, affectionate, and generally fortunate in life.

10. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \star Ψ , Δ \mathcal{Q} . A very successful year, changes, journeys, development of affairs, new work and

advancement. A child born will be clever, original, popular, generous, and will rise in life.

11. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , Δ \odot , \mathbb{H} , - \square \mathcal{H} , \mathcal{A} . A variable year, courtship or marriage, disappointments, benefits in employ, indisposition and many little annoyances. A child born will be kind, popular, original, but hasty, indifferent, careless, should always remain in employ, and may then be fairly successful.

12. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \square Ψ , ρ \mathcal{U} , \star \mathcal{S} . An uncertain year, financial losses, reverses, deception, some changes and activity in business. A child born will be clever and active, but extravagant, deceptive, erratic, and not very successful.

13. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \square \mathbb{H} , Δ \mathcal{H} , \mathcal{Q} . Courtship or marriage, popularity and social gain, danger of indisposition or reverses. A child born will be kind, affectionate, popular, steady, but will have many heavy difficulties in life to face.

14. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{A} , Δ Ψ , \square \mathcal{S} . Danger of accidents and disputes is shown, with many annoyances. A child born will be rash, hasty, impressionable, careless, and very unfortunate in life.

15. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{A} , ρ \odot , \mathcal{Q} , \star \mathbb{H} . Serious business troubles and loss of employment are shown, danger of evil report, some changes, but many annoyances. A child born will be proud, high-handed, have a hatred of control, be somewhat extravagant, have good talents, but will not be successful.

16. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , Δ \mathcal{U} , \mathcal{S} . An active and successful year for business, with changes and new work, but some disappointments. A child born will be generous, active, energetic, successful in a career, but liable to many disappointments.

17. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , ρ \mathcal{H} , \mathcal{Q} . An evil year, indisposition, bereavement, grief, disappointments, troubles in employ and many worries. A child born will be selfish, despondent, careless, very weak willed, and unsuccessful in a career.

18. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , ρ Ψ , \square \mathcal{U} , Δ \mathcal{Q} . A good year for business affairs, with changes, but financial losses and deception. A child born will be clever, intelligent, but extravagant and conceited, will do best in the employ of others.

19. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , \mathcal{S} \mathbb{H} . An evil year, danger of accidents, reversals, law and disputes. A child born will be rash and unruly, argumentative, erratic and wayward, and very unfortunate in life.

20. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♃, △ ☉, * ♃. A successful year, advancement, financial gains, popularity, some little disappointments, but danger of accidents. A child born will be rashly inclined, but kind, generous, popular, will rise in life and be very successful.

21. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♃, △ ♃, ☿ ♂, △ ♀, □ ♀. A variable year, many worries, indisposition, annoyances, danger of accidents, but social gains and advancement. A child born will be rash, hasty, have a hatred of control, be sarcastic and argumentative, but kind and affectionate, will have many ups and downs in life.

22. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♃, □ ☉, △ ♀. Bereavement is threatened and some deep disappointments, changes and troubles in employ. A child born will be cold and selfish, proud, very impressionable, and not very fortunate.

23. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♃, * ♃, ♀, — □ ♃, ♀. Changes and success in business, advancement, but indisposition and heavy sorrows. A child born will be clever, popular, original and inventive, will have sorrow in home life and affections, but be fairly fortunate.

24. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♃, □ ♀, ♂ ♃. An uncertain year, deception, danger of accidents, some gains and successes. A child born will be rash, hasty, conceited, deceptive, but will do best in the employ of others.

25. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♂, * ☉, △ ♂. A successful year, gain in business or employment, changes, journeys and new work. A child born will be clever, intelligent, active, popular, and should rise in life.

26. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♂, □ ♃, * ♃, ♀. An unsettled year, indisposition, reversals, sudden changes, but some success in employment. A child born will be erratic, wayward, abrupt, selfish, but will gain in the employ of others.

27. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♀, * ♀. An unsettled year, many little annoyances, some pleasure, but financial troubles. A child born will be extravagant, fond of pleasure, impressionable, but not very successful in life.

28. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♀, △ ♃, □ ♂, ♂ ♀. Much trouble and disputations shown, danger of accidents, some changes in employ and benefits from elders. A child born will be clever, but rash, hasty, argumentative and quarrelsome, will do best in the employ of others.

29. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♀, * ♃. A fairly successful year, social and financial gains, some little annoyances. A child born will be generous, popular, affectionate and fairly successful.

30. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♁, ♂ ☉, ♀. Courtship or marriage, social gains and popularity, a good birthday for artists and musicians. A child born will be kind, affectionate, musical, with poetical or literary tastes, and generally successful.

Astronomical Phenomena

JUNE, 1916.

Moon's Phases.

First Quarter	... 8th	... 11h. 59m. after.
Full Moon	... 15th	... 9h. 42m. after.
Last Quarter	... 22nd	... 1h. 16m. after.
New Moon	... 30th	... 10h. 43m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Gemini, enters Cancer on 21st at 6.25 p.m.
- ♃. MERCURY is an evening star in Gemini, conjunction Sun on 6th, then a morning star rest of month.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Cancer all the month, ♂ ♃ on 22nd.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Virgo all the month.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Aries, enters Taurus on 26th.
- ♄. SATURN is in Cancer all the month.
- ♅. URANUS is retrograde in Aquarius all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo all the month.
- ☾. The following table shows the MOON'S sign position at noon on each day of the month :

Aries	22, 23, 24	|	Libra	10, 11
Taurus	25, 26	|	Scorpio	12, 13
Gemini	1, 27, 28, 29	|	Sagittarius	14, 15
Cancer	2, 3, 4, 30	|	Capricorn	16, 17
Leo	5, 6, 7	|	Aquarius	18, 19
Virgo	8, 9	|	Pisces	20, 21

Weather Forecast.

June will probably be wet. It opens fine, changing 3rd to rain, windy 6th, mild for several days with rain, change 15th to fine with heat 20th, unsettled during remainder of month.

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BOOK REVIEWS.

AN EPOCH MAKING WORK.

THE PRENATAL EPOCH. By E. H. Bailey, F.A.S.
London: W. Foulsham & Co., 5, Pilgrim
Street, E.C. Price 10/6.

I have reason to be grateful that my days have been extended to see the completion of this work, which by a happy combination of circumstances I am called upon to review. I had always believed that it would fall to my lot to write a full statement of the Prenatal Epoch and the Law of Sex, and to array the evidences upon which these concepts were founded. Fortunately I have been to a considerable extent relieved of that task by the appearance of Mr. Bailey's labours, and I have not the slightest hesitation in saying that a more consistent, thorough, and painstaking piece of work has not been contributed to astrologic literature for very many years.

Coming to the work itself, we find it divided primarily into eight sections, which treat respectively of (1) The Scientific Basis and Laws of the Epoch, (2) The Epoch as a Factor in Rectification, (3) Astro-physiological Problems, (4) The Epoch and Multiple Pregnancy, (5) The Epoch in Relation to Prenatal Affections, (6) The Epoch as a Factor in Directing, (7) The Epoch and Infant Mortality, and (8) An Appendix of Mathematical Rules and a Table of Ascendants.

It will be seen at once that any thorough treatment of any one of these subjects must involve not only a close familiarity with all the facts connected with the alleged action of the Moon in human generation, but also an astronomical proficiency adequate to grapple with the problems involved. Let it be said at once that Mr. Bailey has done every section of his work with the most conscientious thoroughness. That he has also succeeded in making himself perfectly clear and intelligible, even when dealing with the most involved of the many problems with which this subject is invested, is immensely to his credit as an author, for the perception of great truths does not connote the ability to define and express them. Mr. Bailey has stated the case for the Prenatal Epoch and has left nothing unsaid that need be said. What he has said is conspicuously convincing and altogether luminous.

To take only one or two sections in a short review of this sort, one cannot fail to be persuaded by the coherency and abundance of evidence submitted in connection with the Prenatal Epoch as a factor in Rectification. The rules are given, and if they are followed we get, not "a play upon the Moon's motion," but a logical and scientific application of psycho-physical laws to astronomical facts, and—most important of

all—a horoscope which answers directly to all subsequent events. Another section deals with the causes of antenatal deformity, and here again we have some most conclusive evidence submitted which cannot by any means be set aside or accounted for in any other way than by admitting the Epoch to be as actively related to intra-uterine life as the horoscope of birth is to the exteriorised entity. Mr. Bailey shows us figures and epochs which are derived from standard methods of procedure and which not only answer the question as to the cause of malformations, but also that of premature death and infantile inanition, and he boldly challenges the student to produce indications from the horoscope of birth to account for these things. In effect, he has opened up another and a more luminous page of astral science than has hitherto been seen by modern astrologers, and because it has a direct bearing upon some of the most important and far-reaching questions of sociology and eugenics, it will not fail to attract the notice of all impartial and progressive scientific thinkers. A more cogent argument for the truth of astrological principles has never been presented, and I have not the slightest hesitancy in associating myself fully and completely with the work which Mr. Bailey has contributed to this recondite and profound subject.

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CARD FORTUNE TELLING. By C. Thorpe. 6d. net.
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A Great Prediction.

In Francis Moore's Almanac for 1916, the following prediction was made for the month of May: "The exact trine of Jupiter to Mars, ruler of the sixth, points to a big naval engagement, and although heavy losses are shown, a brilliant victory is presignified for the British Navy. In the May Observatory, I repeated this prediction. It was originally made fourteen months ago.

Tragic Death of Lord Kitchener.

As I write my notes, there comes the staggering news of the tragic death of Earl Kitchener. This great man was born on June 24th, 1850. As the time of his birth is not known, it is difficult to speak definitely of the directions which conduced to this terrible event, but it is noteworthy to observe that by prenatal or converse direction the sun was in exact conjunction with the radical Uranus, and the moon close to, if not in exact square with both the sun and Uranus. I have more than once called pointed attention to the converse directions, and once

again definite and distinct proof is given of their power and validity. By postnatal motion, Mars was just past the square of the radical sun, and if the birth time was late in the afternoon would be in exact square with the radical moon. The sun had also reached the parallel and opposition of Neptune, a pointed influence of disaster on the sea.

Admiral Hood.

Admiral Hood, who lost his life in the great naval victory was born on October 2nd, 1870. At the time of his death, the moon had reached the conjunction of the progressed Mars, and again we find the power of converse directions, for Mars was in Cancer in direct opposition to the radical moon.

The War.

The position of Mercury in the seventh house in square to Mars at the summer solstice is by no means reassuring, for it seems to indicate some grave dispute with another power—let us hope it is not America—but as the sun is in the seventh in sextile to Jupiter, it will be settled amicably. A great titled lady will pass to the great Beyond. Serious troubles are now shown for Turkey, and heavy fighting in the Eastern theatre of war.

The new moon of June 30th brings Mercury to the midheaven in exact square to Mars ris-

ing. This looks like some rioting, and unruly behaviour. As Mercury is on the ascendant of London, some newspaper offices will be in danger. Jupiter ruler of the seventh square to Neptune shows some treachery on the part of some power. Irish affairs will still cause grave concern. Fires are threatened in London and the West of England. Trouble is likely in Wales, for Mercury will be exactly culminating there.

Saturn will shortly transit the ascendant of the Kaiser, bringing defeats and heavy losses. Saturn culminating at Petrograd conjoined with Venus is evil for Russian Royalty.

Astronomical Phenomena

JULY, 1916

Moon's Phases.

First Quarter	...	8th	...	11h. 55m. morn.
Full Moon	...	15th	...	4h. 40m. morn.
Last Quarter	...	21st	...	11h. 33m. after.
New Moon	...	30th	...	2h. 15m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Cancer, enters Leo on 23rd at 5.21 a.m.
- ♊. MERCURY is a morning star in Gemini, enters Cancer on 10th and Leo on 26th, conjunction Venus on 14th, Saturn 21st and Sun on 28th.
- ♀. VENUS is retrograde in Cancer till 25th, then direct; conjunction Sun on 3rd.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Virgo, enters Libra 23rd.
- ♃. JUPITER is in Taurus all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is in Cancer, conjunction Sun on 12th.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- D. The following table shows the MOON'S sign position at noon on each day of the month :

Aries	20, 21	Libra	7, 8, 9
Taurus	22, 23	Scorpio	10, 11
Gemini	24, 25, 26	Sagittarius	12, 13
Cancer	1, 27, 28, 29	Capricorn	14, 15
Leo	2, 3, 4, 30, 31	Aquarius	16, 17
Virgo	5, 6	Pisces	18, 19

Weather Forecast.

The weather at commencement of month will be fine and warm, change 7th, rain 10th to 13th with cold spell, thunder 17th, then fine and warm for some days, last week changeable, with heat 27th and storms 28th.

Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure

JULY, 1916.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	20 ☾ 42	A doubtful day. Safeguard health, and avoid accidents.
2	2 ♀ 29	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and reflect.
3	14 ♀ 18	Court, marry, visit friends. Do not travel or remove.
4	26 ♀ 13	Push business, ask favours, attend to important matters.
5	8 ♀ 17	Court, marry, ask favours, avoid disputes and travelling.
6	20 ♀ 34	Act discreetly in all things, avoid disputes and wrangling.
7	3 ♀ 7	A doubtful day. Do nothing important.
8	16 ♀ 0	Another doubtful day. Act with care in all things.
9	29 ♀ 17	<i>Sunday.</i> Study, visit friends evening.
10	13 ♀ 0	A good day for business, safeguard health, avoid strangers.
11	27 ♀ 10	Visit friends evening. Attend to business generally.
12	11 ♀ 44	An evil day. Safeguard health. Do nothing important.
13	26 ♀ 39	Act with great care in all things. Attend to important matters, p.m.
14	11 ♀ 47	A doubtful day. Do nothing important. Attend to letters evening.
15	26 ♀ 59	An evil day. Avoid pleasure, travel, and act discreetly in all things.
16	12 ♀ 6	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for quiet contemplation.
17	26 ♀ 59	Push business, ask favours, avoid wrangling.
18	11 ♀ 32	Attend to correspondence. Avoid travelling and disputes.
19	25 ♀ 39	An evil day. Avoid accidents, travel and quarrels.
20	9 ♀ 20	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
21	22 ♀ 35	An evil day. Act with discretion in all things.
22	5 ♀ 26	Court, marry, push business, visit friends.
23	17 ♀ 57	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for study and contemplation.
24	0 ♀ 12	A good day for business. Push affairs, travel and change.
25	12 ♀ 15	A doubtful and uncertain day. Guard against deception.
26	24 ♀ 9	Another uncertain day. Do nothing important.
27	5 ♀ 57	Conflicting influences prevail. Act discreetly in all things.
28	17 ♀ 44	Attend to business a.m. Safeguard health p.m.
29	29 ♀ 32	An uncertain day. Act discreetly and do nothing important.
30	11 ♀ 23	<i>Sunday.</i> Study, read, visit friends.
31	23 ♀ 20	A variable day. Attend to ordinary duties only.

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Khartoum and Broome.

IN these two names we have the key to the two aspects of that great soul who passed from this world of strife and this all too lovely earth under such tragic circumstances on the night of Monday, June 5th. Not even his intimate friends appear to have penetrated altogether to the heart of this solitary and self-reliant figure. Behind his striking personality there was a soul the measure of which was not easily taken, for without doubt we have but average standards which do not apply to the man of destiny who is made for the hour and to whom the hour is appointed. Yet Khartoum in some degree contributed to the fuller realisation of those qualities and attributes which will be for ever associated with the name of Kitchener, and Broome in like manner is the localised impress of that furtive human soul which lurked within and impelled the machinery of his masterly brain. Khartoum and Broome stand to us henceforth for the soldier and the man a glorious sun shining in midmost summer heaven, the same sun setting in the quiet haven of the west. It touches the hills with a new-found glory, turns the autumn leaf to burnished gold, and sudden sinks, an orb of liquid fire, drowned in a sea of blood. The soul of Kitchener has passed away, and only his mortal vestiges remain:

Fanned by the wind and cradled by the sea,
Drifting to some uncharted destiny,

To some unknown, secure and lasting sleep
In the great deep.

The Star-brand of Eminence.

Whenever we apply the rules and canons of astrology to remarkable individuals, we are satisfied that they are founded upon correct principles, that they hold good in the main and serve to indicate the potential to which a man is born. We do not say that all attain to the fulness of realisation, that they employ their potential to its full capacity. It is not a part of our creed that the planets make the man, or that stellar positions and planetary configurations impel a man to genius. But we affirm that there is no case of particular genius which is not accompanied by configurations which render the expression of that genius a possibility. To state a parallel, we may say that etheric vibration is a fact in nature which only recently has been understood and employed. In some the powers of the soul are latent, not understood or cognised. In others they are potent and active, fully apprehended and employed. If we think the matter out to its legitimate conclusion, we shall find that

there are dozens of births taking place simultaneously in any large populous area, and consequently there are many born under similar and even identical stellar conditions. Why, then, do we get one genius out of the bunch? The obvious fact is that the conditions under which we are born do not make the man. It is the man who employs those conditions in varying degree according to the measure of his individual soul and the degree of evolution to which he has attained. The physical body is that part of our environment which presses us most closely. In it converge two great streams of heredity, and upon it play not only all the elements, but all those finer forces which emanate from the stellar universe, which is our greater environment. Some souls outrealise themselves and make their mark in the world. Others, affrighted by the material forces with which they have to contend, fail even to use the opportunities that are given them, and become ineffectual units. It is not, after all, what we take from life that is of benefit to the race, but what we impart to it. Greatness gives of its own in full measure, mediocrity bargains with circumstance. Only the weak and servile snatch at small advantage for its own sake. But how do we propose to distinguish between them horoscopically, seeing that they are born in sporads? I am insistent on the fact of inherent faculty. How are we to accommodate our scientific methods to this fact? There are two ways. One is by reference to the specific nature of degrees called "critical" or epoch-making, which, whenever in evidence, show a strong potential. The other is by reference to the prenatal epoch, which is to the horoscope of birth what the soul of man is to his body. If you want to know the man, consult the prenatal epoch. If you want to know aught of his environment, look to the horoscope of birth.

The Aquarian Age.

A correspondent writes that so far no astrological journal has taken note of the fact that the war is cyclic, "the Sun having entered another sign." I am afraid the schoolmaster is abroad. The sun enters another sign every successive month of the year. What my correspondent doubtless refers to is the transit of the Equinoxes, which by precession pass through one sign in the course of about 2,160 years. So far as this phenomenon is concerned, a great deal of discussion has taken place in this journal and in contemporaries, while a critical study of the question has been made in the pages of "Cosmic Symbolism." It is quite an open question as to

whether the equinox has yet reached the sign Aquarius. Starting from the epoch at which the two zodiacs exactly coincided—that is to say, the constellatory zodiac and the fixed zodiac, which starts from the vernal equinox—the first problem is as to the date of that epoch, which readers will know is a matter in dispute, though known within narrow limits. The date certainly fell in the fifth century. The next problem is as to the amount of precession. From ancient observations compared with modern ones, it appears to be 50.1" per year. But it will depend entirely on the cause of this phenomenon as to whether we are to regard this estimate as constant, as an average, or as applicable only to a particular period. If our Sun moves in an orbit, as appears probable, the precession will be variable, and will be more or less than the average at different parts of the orbit. The Platonic estimate was 50", and this amounts to 1 sign in 2,160 years, and a complete revolution in 25,920 years, which is Plato's "Great Year." At all events, it appears clear that the equinox has not yet entered Aquarius. Nor can there be reason for regarding the present social and political state of the world as in any sense Uranian. We enter the great democratic age in the year 1045, the preliminary Irenicon being attained about the year 1031. That is as far as my studies lead me in this matter at present.

Astrology and the War.

Whatever the supercilious critic may say regarding the credentials of astrology, there can be no doubt whatsoever that, as a scientific means of "intelligent anticipation," it beats mere politics as flat as a pancake. Nobody but astrologers had any prescience in the year 1913 of the impending World War. Our politicians were cooing like turtle doves at the very time they were being warned of "an impossible contingency." They were for reducing our Army and Navy estimates at the very time they should have been increasing them, and since the war began a policy of meander and muddle has characterised every stage of our slow progress—munitions, men and money, all badly handled. Perhaps the worst of all the great mistakes of the past has been the neglect of our aerial service. We spend money like water over our forces by land and sea, while we allow the enemy to outvie us in the air. It was the Zeppelin eye of the German Navy that gave it warning of our Grand Fleet's approach and enabled the enemy to turn tail in time to escape an overwhelming defeat. A few of our M.P.'s, like Mr. Pemberton Billing, are aware of the paramount importance of an effective Air Service, and small recognition do they get from our semi-somnolent Ministers. It is by no means improbable that this war will eventually turn upon air supremacy. There are two means of dealing with the German Navy—to offer them a target they cannot refuse, or to make a target

of them. If the enemy can reach us in these Isles by means of their Zeppelins, we should be able by similar means to reach them in the Kiel Canal. But our lawyer-politicians knew more about the probability of a European war than Lord Roberts of Candahar, and more about the means of conducting it, when all too suddenly it broke out, than Lord Kitchener of Khartoum. Surely it is time the paper-hangers gave the plumbers a chance!

Is the Kaiser Insane?

No student of astrology would credit the Kaiser with great intellectual powers—many would question the stability of his mind. That Mercury is a weak and insignificant planet at his birth is certain, and the affliction of the Moon by Uranus is a further indication of an erratic temperament. He has never been taken *au grand sérieux* by educated Europe, but has always provided the courts with amusement and sometimes with grave cause for anxiety. We find in him something of the mountebank and poseur, a showman who buries his hand in the lapels of his coat and affirms that he has had the honour to appear "before all the crowned heads of Europe" as the Supreme War-Lord. In this capacity he advertised himself to his marines from the deck of his flagship after the retreat into Wilhelmshaven and Kiel on May 31st. Now, in token of his supremacy and the humanising effect of German culture, he has issued a decree that the populations of conquered countries are not to be dependent on their conquerors for sustenance. In a word, having devastated Belgium and Serbia, having plundered the homes and laid waste the lands of these peoples, having outraged their old men and women, and consumed all their wine and provisions, they are to be cast off and left to starvation unless France or Italy or other of the Allies will give them hospice. "The conqueror knows no mercy," declared the Kaiser as the representative head of German culture. His great adviser, the Iron Chancellor, declared that nothing should remain to the conquered but eyes to weep with! Well, if the Kaiser really thinks he beat the British Navy in the North Sea, how is it that at this date there is no stretch of ocean that can be truly called the German Ocean? A few more victories of this sort will assure the Germans that the Prussian monarch is either an expert hot-air manufacturer or an irresponsible and dangerous lunatic. Not from mere spleen has he been called the Mad Dog of Europe. And while we are discussing megalomania, it may be noted that Saturn—the Kaiser's harbinger of victory (of the North Sea kind)—will be in transit over his ascendant during the present month. From this time onwards until September, 1919, it will continuously affect his health and fortunes adversely. It will be attended by a steadily growing depression and lack of con-

confidence, and will bring privations and disasters in full measure upon himself and upon his people. It is followed by an eclipse of the Sun on July 30th, which falls on the place of Saturn in his horoscope, and in opposition to the Sun. "Who-soever exalteth himself shall be abased"—the destiny of all megalomaniacs. The supreme War Lord will look ruin in the face and will be stalked by famine and plague. This is the hour appointed for the beginning of the end.

Notes and Notices.

Arrangements have been made for the continuation of Mr. George Wilde's work and practice, and I understand that public notices will be issued in due course. I am given to understand that Mr. Wilde's successor is thoroughly intimate with his practice, and recently filled the post of calculator to the deceased astrologer. Mr. Wilde's works are on sale with the publishers of the "B.J.A.," and I think many of my readers may like to have them in their libraries. Ruskin said that a house without pictures is a home without windows. It is equally true that a home without a library is a house without doors. It is through books that we have access to the society of greater minds than our own and exit to the larger world beyond.

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My uniform war rates for horoscopes appear to have met with general approval, judging by the response that has been made. It is found convenient to obtain a short, explicit and carefully considered judgment on current indi-

cations, replies to special questions, etc., at a small cost, and with practically no waiting, in place of the general judgment under a variety of heads, many of which are only of casual interest. There are questions and problems of a pressing nature incident to all stages of life, and these deserve special consideration as they arise. My readers should avail themselves of these opportunities.

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Old Moore's Almanac, 1916, was fully justified in the specific prediction that war would continue, and it is of interest to note that the hieroglyphics since January have been almost wholly of battle by land and sea. In May month there are some singular predictions about great naval disasters, and a victorious sea fight is figured with the Union Jack flying high above the battle smoke. I hear that the 1917 almanac is on its way to the public already!



LITTLE children born with the sign Capricorn rising are usually of a peevish, fretful nature, despondent and discontented with surroundings and toys. Considerable care and attention is necessary in the upbringing of these little ones, and they should on no account be allowed to play alone or be left unattended, as isolation and lack of companionship is detrimental to their development. They are quiet and reserved, but when with little playmates like to take the lead and order and direct their games and amusements. They do not make friends easily, but are faithful in their attachments. Everything of a cheerful and buoyant character should surround them, and parents will be well advised to adopt a brightening attitude, and do all in their power to widen their sympathies, than adopt measures of restraint or correction.

Mentally these little ones are quiet and persistent, diplomatic and cautious, and with proper training can be made useful and practical workers, for they possess considerable executive ability, capacity for deep thinking, and a methodical and orderly mind. They will be slow in learning, have a good memory, and with good education could become proficient in either tongue or pen.

Physically, these little olive branches are not very strong, and are very susceptible to cold and chill; hence parents should be careful to see that they are well clothed, have nourishing and sustaining diet. Their chests and bowels are the weakest parts, and any cold in these parts, if allowed to neglect, will produce very serious disorders. They are also liable to cutaneous disorders, and their skin being sensitive all tight-fitting undergarments should not be used.

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Addendum.—By most appropriate coincidence of signals, we find Neptune in transit over the Sun's place in His Majesty's horoscope for the year 1916, Neptune carrying an 11th House significance from the sign Υ Aries, a clear index of hidden dangers both at home and abroad. Only the greatest alertness and circumspection will avail against a recurrence of similar evils.

A Violent Death.

In confirmation of my repeated statement that events *not radically indicated* may afterwards be indicated by direction, transit, etc., I am here presenting a case of a singularly sudden and violent death, and I should like students to calculate the horoscope and ascribe adequate reasons for predicting such a danger. The child was born on October 17th, 1906, at 7.30 p.m., Worcester. On March 11th, 1916, she was caught in some machinery on a farm and cut through at the top of head, breast and abdomen. It will be observed that the Ascendant is hyleg and has the square aspect of Mars from the agricultural sign ♋ , the Sun and Moon being afflicted by 135° aspect of Saturn. But these are not exceptional positions, and could be found repeated in many horoscopes. Age at death, 9 years 4 months 24 days. Arc = $9^\circ 24'$ or 37m. 36s.



CHAPTER XV.

SOME ILLUSTRATIONS.

THE horoscope of the Kaiser offers some very useful illustrations of primary directing. Those between Neptune and the Moon are taken as examples. Neptune is in the 10th House, $4^\circ 11'$ distant from the M.C., and the Moon is in the 5th House, $63^\circ 20'$ from the lower meridian. The Moon forms the opposition with Neptune conversely in *mundo* and *zodiaco* by its motion towards the lower meridian. Neptune receives the opposition of the Moon zod. dir. by the motion of the Moon's opposition to the place of Neptune. The following are the formulæ for these directions:—

$\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ m. con. As S.A. $\Psi 84^\circ 53'$ is to M.D. $4^\circ 11'$, so is S.A. $\text{D } 126^\circ 32'$ to x ($6^\circ 14'$). Moon does not reach meridian to form aspect, therefore $6^\circ 14'$ is subtracted from its M.D. $63^\circ 20'$, giving $57^\circ 6'$ as the arc of direction.

$\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ z. con. The direction falls in $22^\circ 57' \text{♋}$. R.A. $173^\circ 31'$. M.D. $3^\circ 42'$. S.A. $86^\circ 21'$. This gives—As S.A. aspect is to M.D., so is S.A. D

to x , which is $5^\circ 25'$. This again subtracted from $63^\circ 20'$ gives $57^\circ 55'$ as the arc of direction.

$\Psi \text{ } \text{♁ } \text{D}$ z. d. The place of the aspect is $26^\circ 48' 8''$. R.A. $54^\circ 30'$. M.D. $64^\circ 41'$. S.A. $117^\circ 24'$. This gives $84^\circ 53' : 4^\circ 11' :: 117^\circ 24' : x$, or $5^\circ 47'$. This subtracted from $64^\circ 41'$, the M.D. of the aspect, yields $58^\circ 54'$.

The Sun by direct motion is now forming the conjunction of Neptune in *mundo* and *zodiaco*. These will form two useful examples. The position of Neptune has already been noted; the Sun is on the cusp of the 8th House with M.D. $40^\circ 14'$, S.A. $64^\circ 9'$. The two are on opposite sides of the meridian. The directions are formed by Neptune descending to the place of the Sun.

$\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ m. dir. As S.A. $\text{D } 64^\circ 9'$ is to M.D. $\text{D } 40^\circ 14'$, so is S.A. $\Psi 84^\circ 53'$ to x , which is $53^\circ 14'$. As the planets are on opposite sides of the meridian, this amount is added to Ψ M.D. $4^\circ 11'$, making $57^\circ 25'$ as the arc of direction.

$\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ zod. dir. The aspect falls in $22^\circ 57' \text{♋}$, and the elements are the same as given in $\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ zod. con. The formula will read—As $64^\circ 9' : 40^\circ 14' :: 86^\circ 21' : x$, or $54^\circ 9'$. The M.D. of aspect being $3^\circ 42'$, the two amounts together equal $57^\circ 51'$.

This combination of Neptunian influences at the present time is remarkable. They run as follows:—

- $\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ m. con., $57^\circ 6'$, March, 1916.
- $\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ m. d., $57^\circ 25'$, June, 1916.
- $\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ z. d., $57^\circ 51'$, December, 1916.
- $\text{D } \text{♁ } \Psi$ z. con. $57^\circ 55'$, December, 1916.
- $\Psi \text{ } \text{♁ } \text{D}$ z. d., $58^\circ 54'$, December, 1917.

Is this an indication of a Socialistic revolution in Germany?

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2. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . An unsettled year, changes, losses, deceit, social gains, but annoyances. A child born will be clever, kind, impressionable, extravagant, but not very successful.
3. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . Courtship or marriage shown, but many unfavourable changes. A child born will be erratic and abrupt, but kind, affectionate and fairly successful.
4. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . An active and successful year for business, financial gains, changes and promotion. A child born will be clever, active, popular, and should rise in life.
5. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . A good year for social affairs, courtship or marriage, some danger of disputes or accident. A child born will be rash and hasty, but kind, affectionate, popular and fairly successful.
6. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . An unsettled year, disputes, accidents, losses and annoyances, some benefits in employ. A child born will be rash, hasty, argumentative, will gain in the employ of others, but should learn self-control.
7. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . A variable year, disappointments, danger of disputes, some changes and benefits. A child born will be hasty, careless, erratic and impressionable, and not lucky in a career.
8. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . An evil year, losses in employ, indisposition or bereavement, some changes. A child born will be proud, high handed, original, lack self-assertion, and be generally unfortunate in life.
9. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . A year of losses and deceit, unfavourable changes, some benefits in employ. A child born will be clever, kind, but erratic, wayward, deceitful and extravagant.
10. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . An important year, success in business, changes, social gains, popularity, danger of indisposition and sudden changes, but a fair amount of success. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, reliable, kind and affectionate, but will have many heavy troubles to face; should be fairly successful in a career.
11. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . An active year, changes, new work, popularity and a fair amount of success. A child born will be active, energetic, impressionable, but will have many heavy troubles to face.
12. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . A disastrous year, losses, indisposition, bereavement, and heavy trouble. A child born will be of good judgment, original, but despondent, weak willed and very unfortunate in life.
13. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . Another evil year, danger of indisposition, bereavement, and disputes. Some benefits from friends. A child born will be rash, hasty, diffident, generous and kind, but very unfortunate.
14. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . Grief and disappointment are shown, many serious annoyances, changes. A child born will be careless, untidy, unruly, and though having good gifts will never profit by them.
15. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . A very evil year, losses, indisposition, bereavement, and heavy trouble. A child born will be active, but erratic, extravagant, and have a hard struggle through life.
16. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . Sudden changes, reversals and annoyances shown, some social gains. A child born will be rash, erratic, unruly, affectionate, but unfortunate.
17. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . Financial gains, success, changes, some little worries. A child born will be kind, affectionate, popular, and moderately successful.
18. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . Changes, social gains, pleasure, danger of accidents and worries. A child born will be clever, kind, affectionate, artistic, but rash and hasty; should be fairly successful.
19. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . Promotion, benefits in business, danger of accidents and disputes. A child born will be reliable, popular, very rash and impetuous, but fairly successful.
20. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . A quiet year, some disappointments and worries. A child born will be careless and untidy, but will not have an eventful life.
21. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus.) D in ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ , ♁ . Success and changes, much worry and annoyance, indisposition, reverses and trouble in employment. A child born will be erratic, unruly, weak-willed, but original, popular and kind, will have many serious troubles to face in life.

22. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♄, ☽ ♃, ♃ ♃, * ♃. Courtship or marriage shown, financial gain and popularity, but danger of deception. A child born will be kind, affectionate, artistic, popular, but impressionable and deceitful.

23. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♄, ☽ ♃, * ♃. An active year, changes and new work, but danger of disputes, and slight reversals. A child born will be active, energetic, steady and clever, but will have many difficulties to face, which should be overcome.

24. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♀, * ☽, ♃ ♃, - - Δ ♃. A splendid year for business, new work, popularity, changes and great activity. A child born will be clever, active, energetic, popular and romantic, will be successful and rise in life.

25. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♀, ☽ ♃, ♃ ♃. Deception and intrigue are shown, with many annoyances. A child born will be ubiquitous, impressionable, and unreliable, not successful in life.

26. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♀, Δ ♃. Some changes shown, but many annoyances and deception. A child born will be original, impressionable, not very reliable, nor fortunate in life.

27. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♃, * ♃, ☽ ♃, ♃ ♃. Activity, danger of accidents, deceit, and heavy losses, some social gains and popularity. A child born will be clever, kind and affectionate, but rash, hasty, erratic and not very fortunate in life.

28. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♃, ♃ ♃. Business gains, but danger of indisposition, bereavement, and many annoyances. A child born will be sceptical, clever, prodigal, lose much by bad judgment, and be generally unfortunate.

29. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♃, ♃ ♃, ☽ ♃, * ♃. A year of worries, annoyances, losses and trouble, some changes and new work. A child born will be active, but extravagant, impressionable and unreliable, and not successful in a career.

30. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♃, ♃ ♃, ♃ ♃. A good year for business, social affairs, courtship or marriage, some unfavourable changes. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, and moderately successful.

31. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♃, ♃ ♃. Reversals and sudden changes, many annoyances, some financial benefits. A child born will be erratic, wayward, unsettled in disposition, but will have good friends and will gain thereby.

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The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

Truth on authority gives no satisfaction; no conduct, life or *regime* will give the spirit truth, unless it is realised fully in the process of thought; woe, delusion and regret await those who heed not this. In the Gospel of the "*Noumena Pneuma*" of St. James of Desdhu it is written: "Woe unto them who seek truth in an unlawful manner. For truth is a precious thing and pure; truth is of God, and like Him, eternal and ever-abiding. If one taketh truth, and saith, 'Behold, this is truth, for they who sit in high places have decreed it so,' woe shall be unto that man, for his portion shall be lost in life. And they who sit in splendour and talk of truth and of its beauty, and seek not truth, their end shall be in delusion, darkness and death. And they who take upon themselves customs and conduct so that they may attain unto the knowledge of God, for them also awaiteth desolation and woe. For no soul gains truth unless it be for it: inasmuch as no creature beareth a burden beyond its strength. Unto each it is given to receive truth, inasmuch as they are given to receive. But they who in their foolishness and vanity would partake of the secret of God by observance and custom shall go down unto the death unspeakable. And to them who in their vanity vaunteth a knowledge and meaning of the fathomless work of God, unto them shall be woe. And to them who in their shallowness and folly laugh at woe and death and pain in the life of their brethren, saying, 'This is the purpose of God, and it is well,' they shall go out into the night of forgetfulness. In the same manner, they who shall speak in meaningless speech, and of things that they are without knowledge of, sounding as the wind, stable as evening water, beguiling the souls of the simple, and they that are without knowledge, unto them shall be meted out woe. And whosoever shall sit in comfort and where want is not known, and shall talk of the pain and labour of the poor, and shall not seek the poor or go amongst them to minister unto them in their desolation, darkness and woe, they shall be accursed and become an abomination in the sight of the Lord. For these are they who play with truth, unto whom truth is as a bauble, like a plaything unto a child. They speak of truth and know it not; they claim truth as their possession, but in their wantonness and folly they deceive themselves, even as the drunkard deceiveth his soul with the false joy of strong drink. Hear what Saint David of the Holy Heart saith: 'He who would seek truth, let him come to the knowledge that he knoweth nothing, and he will have truth given unto him: and when he hath received truth, let him praise God, rejoicing that God is

all, and there is nothing but God; and that nothing can be known.' And so in these comfortable words of Saint David is given unto all the secret who would seek truth; but otherwise, who shall seek it in a vain and confident manner, their portion shall be pain, remorse and woe."

THE
Prophecies of Nostradamus.
Translated by **SEPHARIAL**

AS to the identity of this great renovator, Nostradamus says: "As to him who shall be born of a branch long since sterile and who shall deliver the people of the universal Church, he will be the chief and governor *jeté du milieu et mis au lieu de l'air*, despite the plotting of conspirators with the second Thrasybulus, which will be directed against him, and which will have been for a long time contemplated."

Here the words "*jeté du milieu*" may indicate that he was formerly rejected by the people, and "*mis au lieu de l'air*" now greatly lifted up. The second Thrasybulus gains its meaning from the fact that the son of Lycus was a famous Athenian democrat who overthrew the Oligarchy in B.C. 411. But the following quatrain also throws some light on the subject:

"He who shall receive such great ovations on his entry from Belgium will afterwards show much severity against the warlike elite (the military party)."

We know therefore that the coming Prince, the offshoot of the Lily, will come from Belgium, according to Nostradamus, and that it is he who will reunite the people, thrust back the enemies of France, and offer the protection of his strong arm to the exiled Pontiff. In the following quatrain it appears that the protection given to the Church of Rome will be in some measure a debt of gratitude, which suggests that it will be due to the influence of the Church that his cause will be recognised and his accession confirmed.

"The newly born Celtic stream will flow into an Empire filled with discords. The young prince, by the aid of an ecclesiastical dignitary, will carry off the crown and sceptre and establish peace."

"Then the people of France will be received into the monasteries, and there will appear a Cardinal of France who will be deceived by the Roman Location. Then will weakness come upon the Eagle and the Cock will grow strong." The Eagle is Germany and the Cock is France.

Reviewing these prophecies in the light of astral science, it would appear that after the stripping of the Germanic power in 1917-18, there will happen a great revolution in Italy and a dislocation of Papal authority in Rome to a place

in France, probably Lyons, and after three years, by aid of the Three Allies, it will be restored to Rome, and France will resume its royal line; while Turkey shall be driven out of Europe by the power of the King of the North in or about the year 1921. From certain astronomical positions given by Nostradamus, I find his epoch to commence under the Moon's influence in October, 1549, and I have therefore made my allocation of the prophecies as from the beginning of the year 1550, Jupiter being in Aries, Saturn in Sagittarius, the Sun in Capricorn, Mars in Leo, and the Moon in Cancer, so that the year 1910 marks the change of the signs for the next great periodic revolution of the planets.

British Institute of Mental Science.

COUNCIL MEETING held at Blackpool, April 22nd, 1916, Mrs. Costa in the chair. Mr. A. E. Piper was appointed Local Secretary for Bristol. Applications withdrawn: 202, 207, 213, 224 and 225. Examinations passed: Mrs. Emma Baker, Preliminary Palmistry; Mrs. E. B. Lancaster, Preliminary Magnetic Healing; Mr. Harry Dewhurst, Preliminary Psychometry; Mr. A. Ellis, Intermediate Temperament; Mr. J. J. Harvey, Intermediate Palmistry. Exemption: Mr. A. Morris, Preliminary Temperament. New members: Mrs. Lancaster, Mr. Kimber, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Baker, Mr. Dewhurst. New Associate: Mr. J. J. Harvey.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, held in London on May 6th, 1916, Mr. Postel in the chair. The accounts and Secretary's report were approved and adopted. Four members of the Council were re-elected. Mr. F. Ellis, owing to military duties, was unable to accept office, and Miss Antoni was elected to fill the vacancy. Madam Ida Ellis also reluctantly had been compelled to relinquish the duties, and Mrs. Bointon was given a seat on the Council in her place. Messrs. Tassell and Croft were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year. Votes of thanks concluded the meeting.

A COUNCIL MEETING followed the Annual General Meeting. Mr. Postel and Mrs. Tassell were unanimously re-elected President and Vice-President respectively, and all the Committees re-elected. A draft copy of the year book was examined and approved, and ordered to be issued. Mr. A. Ellis, after twenty-five years' services as Secretary to the Institute, tendered his resignation; this he has been compelled to do through failing health. It was with deep regret that the resignation was accepted, Mr. Ellis kindly consenting to act for a time at least as Consulting Secretary. Mr. F. Wood, A.C.I.S., was unanimously appointed General Secretary to the Institute. Mrs. N. C. Moore, of Australia, was granted exemption Preliminary Temperament examination, and Mr. Bratley was reinstated.

THE POINT OF KARMA

V.—The Dragon.

By EDITH F. A. U. PAINTON.

Feeling that some student may be interested in more definite delineations of the results of my research, I am glad to append a few notes which may help somebody else in studying these effects in the directions playing year by year and month by month upon his own nativity:—

When the Moon gathers and reflects the solar light upon earth, at her ascending Node, this borrowed light is similar in many respects to the direct ray of the Sun, and wherever the Head of the Dragon falls in the signs or houses of the map, its effect upon the affairs with which it is connected will be like that of the Sun in Aries, its point of exaltation. It advances and accelerates personal matters in as great a degree as does Jupiter, the Greater Fortune of the mundane figure, and lubricates the machinery of manifestation wherever it is placed, increasing the strength of the benefic planets with which it may be aspected, and rendering less malignant the influence of the malefic planets brought under its forceful sway. But always in opposition to this is the deadly Tail, switching the life out of every good influence within its orb of aspect, and, as it would seem, working directly against the force of the Head, in its subtle determination to nullify its power and undo whatever the better part may succeed in doing for the native's weal. Thus is the lower nature ever warring against the higher, the Tail seeking to defy and defeat the plan of the Head. Its influence corresponds to that of Saturn, and when in conjunction with a planet, it exerts an influence of suppression and obstruction similar in effect to the chill blasts of winter under the saturnine spell of the Great Tester of the Soul.

Lilly expresses this very powerfully in the words: "I ever found the Head of the Dragon equivalent to either of the fortunes, and when joined with the evil planets, to lessen their malevolent signification; when joined with the good, to increase the good promised by them. The Tail of the Dragon I always, in my practice, found when he was joined by the evil planets, their malice, or the evil intended thereby, was doubled and trebled, or extremely augmented; and when he chanced to be in conjunction with any of the fortunes, who were significators in the nativity, or otherwise prominent, their good was thwarted, and their power lashed out of them, as it were, by the Dragon's fury."

Coulson Turnbull, a student of to-day, writes: "The Dragon's Head is the most sensitive spiritual point in the horoscope, and shows by location and aspect the line of the native's greatest development. The Dragon's Tail shows the point of the greatest limitation in the character—that which is

most spiritually lacking. It is strong for darkness and evil. When aspected by the Sun, its darkness is turned to a lighter hue."

Hermes Trismegistus is quoted as saying: "The Dragon, mystically, is the 'self-willed' spirit which is externally derived into nature by 'the fall into generation.'" In view of the fact that the Moon is the zodiacal centre of procreative power, it is significant that the glyph used to symbolize the Dragon's Head should be an almost perfect reproduction of the phallic design used as an emblem of the male trinity, pointing upward; while that of the Tail represents the same force directed downward.

The North, or Ascending Node—the Dragon's Head—is benevolent—a masculine, fiery force, determined that the native shall rise above the horoscope, assert his own divinity, and create his own destiny.

The South, or Descending Node, is malevolent—a feminine, watery force—determined that the native shall sink even below the level of his own nativity, and forget his humanity in the talons of destructive and consuming Karma. Thus is there ever "war in heaven" till the dragon is crushed beneath the heel of the aspiring soul.

Let us consider briefly its mundane manifestations in the natal or progressed figure. In the First and Seventh Houses, it plays a varying but potent part. When the Head is in the First House, it inclines to honour and favour, adding much to the attractiveness of the personality, and the power of the individual; but the Tail, in opposition in Seventh, will bring oppression to bear to counteract every favour; enemies and competitors to antagonize the personality; and such crosses and contentions with a partner, either business or matrimonial, as will tax to the utmost the power of the native to overcome. Saturn is exalted in the Seventh House, and in the testing-time is a reaper of every available sheaf. On the other hand, the Head in Seventh lessens the number of enemies, and gives success in all unions and partnerships opposed by the tribulations of the Tail in First, with its losses, scandals, and lack of personal magnetism, inclining the native to a short, profitless life.

In the Second and Eighth Houses it manipulates the proposition of gain in a most tantalizing manner. If the Head is in Second, it operates to bestow affluence, and remove all care and anxiety, increasing the possessions, and drawing to the native much wealth of legacy and gift, while the Tail in Eighth whips the gains aside through deception, and may lead to a sudden or violent death. If the Dragon's position is reversed, the

Head in Eighth, and the Tail in Second, the native's health will be promoted, and a long life assured, with gifts and legacies inherited from deceased kindred, but the Tail will bring loss and damage to the estate, and much adverse fortune in finances, leading to fears, sorrows and manifold worries over matters of money and possession. The Head will give in both cases, but the Tail will whip the life from every gain.

In the Third and Ninth Houses, the mental condition, and the travels of the native are under its serpentine sway. When the Head is in Third, and the Tail in Ninth, gain through brethren, journeys, writings and publishing is assured, while the mind is quickened and educational matters are zealously followed, though the Tail sweeps away much of the faculty of faith, portends miserable voyages of unfortunate conclusions, and inclines to curious dreams with unreliable premonitions. When the Dragon has reversed his position, his Head in Ninth increases the faith and application to religious and spiritual matters, and is favourable to voyages, and residences in foreign parts, adding reliability to the dreams and visions, and increasing the prophetic intuition, while the Tail in Third contributes sufficient mental anxiety and trouble with brethren to keep matters interesting throughout the whole period of adjustment.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Some American Prophecies.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF
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SIR,—In view of the egregious failure of our statesmen or politicians to either foresee or guard against the present condition of affairs, I recall some American predictions. I wonder if any of your American readers could furnish us with any further particulars than my memory does of these? They were said to be given forth by a certain German hermit, and appeared in a German almanac in the fifties probably an American publication, where that nationality has always been very considerable, and in view of the fact that most of them pertain to the Western hemisphere.

New York, he said, would be destroyed by an earthquake. The whole Atlantic Coast of America would sink or become submerged. Galveston would be destroyed by a tidal wave, and Florida separated from the mainland, likewise that projection known as Lower California on the Pacific coast, the island of Cuba split in two, etc. He made no direct reference to any coming war or wars, but said the United States would ultimately divide into five separate divisions. Of these, I can remember only four of their capitals: Boston, Cincinnati, San Francisco, New Orleans. Three U.S. Presidents would be assassinated. Germany would have three Emperors in one year. England will become a Republic, and Ireland separated

from it. I distinctly remember reading these in more than one paper in the U.S. twenty-five years ago—surely not of a very palatable nature to Americans. However, since then we have witnessed the earthquake at Kingston, Jamaica, also the total destruction of St. Pierre, Martinique, with all of its 37,000 inhabitants, eclipsing the historic Pompeii, where many escaped. The partial destruction of San Francisco, Galveston (twice) in these disasters thousands perished; the exact number will never be known or declared. The last reference I remember reading regarding the above was by the late Dr. Joseph Rodes Buchanan in '03. He agreed with him regarding the submergence of the Atlantic coast, of everything below fifty feet of tidal water, but did not consider the destruction of New York will be total. The Doctor himself had already taken on the mantle of a prophet of evil some years previously in a rather lengthy article entitled "The Coming Cataclysm in America and Europe," which may be found in vol. 2, the July, '90, number of "The Arena," a Boston monthly. In this his prediction regarding the deaths of three leading individuals were incorrect, but partially so regarding civil and political disturbances. He claimed to have predicted correctly the oncoming of that troubled period which eventuated in the Civil War in America. It is worth noting, however, that he predicted correctly, or very nearly so, the date of the outbreak of the present war, though tinged by his mental bias.

Europe, too, has its great calamity but secondary (!) in importance to America. The beginning of the tragedy will approach with the beginning of the century, and the war develops in about fifteen years. Two years of sanguinary revolution will be her volcanic outburst from the pent-up fires that are smoldering now in human bosoms (and in the fiery seas that supply Vesuvius), for Europe has not the statesmanship that could meet its crisis, neither has America." Nor will this be all. The grand climax will be reached in a terrific earthquake convulsion affecting all those countries bordering on the Mediterranean and the Levant, inflicting immense damage to its leading cities. Some few years following this he published a rather original little work on the subject of "Periodicity" (copyrighted 1897) in human and national affairs. On page 41 he says: "March 21st to May 12th is uniformly an unlucky time for the United States, most frequently by corrupt and absurd congressional legislation." And on page 45 he says: "It seems that our third President after McKinley will be in as perilous position as Lincoln." And on the same page: "Our next cycle reaches from 1874 to 1923, and its Friday (unfortunate) period comes from 1909 to 1916."

Yours, etc.

F. R. JOHNSTON.

London.

A correspondent asks how we reconcile the words: "Mars ruling the Sixth in trine to Jupiter presages a brilliant naval victory for England," on page 125, having regard to the great naval battle on May 31st. The 6th House in this case denotes the naval service, and Mars, its ruler, being trine to Jupiter, shows its success.

Correspondence on other subjects is unavoidably held over.

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THE EDITOR'S OBSERVATORY.

Monthly Forecast.

The new Moon of July 30th is an annular eclipse of the Sun, visible in southern latitudes, the line of central eclipse running through Australia, where the chief effects will be felt. Falling in the first decan of Leo, it is said to cause the death of some famous prince and scarcity of corn. The latter will be felt in Australia chiefly. It is evil for the King, falling on Mars in the fifth house, and for the Prince of Wales, as it falls in opposition to his ascendant. In the Kaiser's horoscope it is particularly evil, falling on Saturn in the second house, opposition Sun R, and square Mars P., bringing serious financial difficulties, heavy defeats and disasters.

In this country it will cause financial complications, fraud on the revenue, grave troubles in Parliament, political dissensions, resignations of Ministers, and generally produce financial and religious troubles. Matters affecting Ireland will reach a climax, for although Jupiter is in Taurus, ruling Ireland, it is heavily afflicted, and much secret crime and sedition is shown in that country. The luminaries having a sextile of Mars, ruling the

eleventh, denotes a progressive action in regard to the war, a greater push on the part of the British forces, and brilliant victories.

Saturn is rising at Berlin, where privation and scarcity of the necessaries of life will be felt. Mars in the nadir in the Balkans and on the Eastern theatre of war denotes heavy fighting and grave troubles to Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey. Mars is on the meridian of the summer solstice, denoting a serious difficulty for the British Government.

The King of Italy will suffer, for the eclipse falls on his ascendant. Both the President of France and General Joffre are affected, and both are in danger of personal injury.

The effects of this eclipse are very potent, especially from the middle of September to the end of the year, again in January and March of 1917, and finally and more strongly in July, August and September of 1917, when Mars, Saturn and Neptune transit the place of the eclipse.

Heliocentric Astrology.

In the May issue of *Modern Astrology*, Mr. H. S. Green deals with the question of orbits, and puts forward the suggestion that the position of every planet should be measured in terms of its own orbit, and that its longitude should be computed from its own ascending node. The suggestion is a unique one, and has received some considerable attention from myself during the last four years. The sug-

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gestion really amounts to this. Suppose a planet were in orbital longitude 280° , and that its ascending node were 200° , its distance therefrom would be 80° , equal to Gemini 20° , and its position should be taken as in that degree. I hope in the near future to deal with this question.

The Kaiser's Epoch.

The Editor of *Modern Astrology*, in the July issue of that journal, publishes what he states is the epoch of Kaiser Wilhelm II. I much regret to say that the same is altogether wrong, as the sex denoted by the figure in question is female. The epoch of the Kaiser is not regular, and is also one that does not follow the usual rules. It is an epoch of the Fourth Order, Irregular, of the 3rd variation, and follows the formula, 11 L. minus (x plus 14). It is a long period birth, and the actual period is 17 days less than the *eleventh* revolution of the Moon prior to birth. The epoch given was originally computed by Mr. H. S. Green in the year 1902, but it was at a time when the complete rules of the epoch for the determination of sex had not been fully discovered, so that no blame can be attached to Mr. Green. It is only during the last two years that the question of sex has been determined, and it is due to the combined investigations of Sepharial and myself. The results have been embodied in my work on *The Prenatal Epoch*, a copy of which should be in the hands of all students. The epoch of the Kaiser falls on April 19th, 1858, at 8h. 43m. 25s. p.m. G.M.T., or 9h. 37m. 1s. p.m. Berlin local time. The ascendant is Scorpio $25^\circ 48'$ negative, and the Moon is in a male area. A figure for this time gives directions for the chief events in life in a most remarkable manner.

Birthday Influences Again.

Once more testimony comes endorsing the Birthday Influences given in these pages, and flatly contradicting the rash statements made in a contemporary. A correspondent writes as follows: "I feel I would like to add my testimony to the truth of the Birthday Influences in the 'B.J.A.,' as one who has been convinced against her will. I have always looked upon that page as a fairy tale, but since September, 1915, I have thought otherwise. On the 17th of that month, my birthday, the prediction was a bad one for the year ('A very evil year, indisposition, bereave-

ment, and heavy financial losses'). Strange to relate, the first intimation of the evil arrived on that very day, each week increasing in magnitude. The unexpected has happened, evil which not only I, but the whole of my friends and acquaintances believed to be absolutely impossible, and it is not yet all over." Yet we are told that in giving Birthday Influences we are either ignorant of scientific astrology, or else we are wilfully deceiving the public!

A Correction.

"B.J.A.," February, 1916, page 89, second column, third paragraph. For October 30th, 1877, read September 15th, 1877.

Astronomical Phenomena
AUGUST, 1916.

Moon's Phases.

First Quarter	...	6th	...	9h. 6m. after.
Full Moon	...	13th	...	9h. 0m. noon.
Last Quarter	...	20th	...	9h. 53m. after.
New Moon	...	28th	...	5h. 25m. after.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Leo, enters Virgo on 23rd at 9h. 9m. p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Leo, enters Virgo 10th and Libra 20th.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Libra.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Taurus.
- ♄. SATURN is in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is in Aquarius, south about midnight.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- ☾. The following table shows the MOON'S sign position at noon on each day of the month:

Aries	.....	16, 17	Libra	.....	3, 4, 5, 31
Taurus	.....	18, 19, 20	Scorpio	.....	6, 7
Gemini	.....	21, 22	Sagittarius	.....	8, 9
Cancer	.....	23, 24, 25	Capricorn	.....	10, 11
Leo	.....	26, 27	Aquarius	.....	12, 13
Virgo	.....	2, 28, 29, 30	Pisces	.....	14, 15

Weather Forecast.

The month opens with fine hot weather, with thunder in places, stormy 6th, then heat, with heavy storms 8th to 10th, change 13th, with lower temperature to 18th, then fine for a few days, change 22nd, warm with cloudy intervals, great heat with storms end of month.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE.

By SEPHARIAL.

In Saturn's Grip.

EXACTLY as anticipated from the transit of Saturn over the Ascendant of the Kaiser's radical horoscope, there has developed in Germany a state of privation and siege which may well cause the despotic ruler of that condemned country the most serious misgivings. At Metz, at Leipzig, and elsewhere the populace has rioted on account of the shortage of food, and even the soldiery, dragooned and brought to heel as they are accustomed to be, showed their sympathy with the people by stoning the police who attempted to deal with the crowd. The Geneva papers rightly regard this action on the part of the soldiery as a most sinister indication. The British blockade is proving effective. Germany is in a state of siege, hard pressed on all sides by the Allies, and invested in a very complete sense by land and sea. As Nostradamus predicted 360 years ago, the enemy is being driven into the Styr, and many are seeking to cross it and surrender themselves because of hunger. Prussia has forgotten Paris of 1870, but Paris has not forgotten Prussia. The siege of Paris, where men ate dogs for lack of food, will not serve to lessen the siege of Germany, where men will be driven to inhuman devices to keep alive this most unholy war. The infernal destruction of sacred things and helpless peoples which is embodied in the present incarnation of the Prussian autocrat is only to be successfully met and overcome by the —

“ . . . Wisdom and endurance,

Which are the seals of that most firm assurance
That bars the pit over Destruction's strength.”
For without doubt the Allies have a firm assurance not only of the righteousness of their cause, but of their ability to carry out their purpose to a successful conclusion. From now onwards to the autumn of 1919 Saturn will assail the fortunes and health of the Kaiser. Acute stages are shown in August and September, 1917, during the whole spring of 1918, and again in September, 1919.

Kabalism Runs Riot.

In the *News of the World* there recently appeared a kabalism which was intended to show that, as “figures cannot lie,” the end of the war was bound to come about on July 10th, 1916. Alas for the shattered hopes of many millions of patient optimists! The 10th of July has since come and gone, and will again come and go in all probability, and the end of the war is not in sight. But who really expected it? Consider for a moment what Germany has to lose by its defeat

in this war, and it will be obvious to any sane person that an essentially militant people cannot think of a surrender until this siege is carried into the heart of their country. The Kaiser will say: If you do not endure—if you riot—if you obstruct our operations, I can do nothing else but surrender! And, of course, the dramatic scene of the Allies marching along the Unter den Linden, and all the rest of it, exactly as the Great Showman himself would put it. Why! it will buck up the Army for another year at least. But not indefinitely. In course of time we get to be on speaking terms with the most terrifying ghost that ever walked. We make friends with the possible, we accept the obvious, we entertain the inevitable. Oh, be sure of it, we shall have a good welcome. The chances are we shall be hailed by the Germans as Heaven-sent deliverers from the oppressive heel of Prussia. Naturally, when they have all fed and sorted themselves out, there will be reactions. Mais donc, que voulez-vous? You cannot pummel a fellow for three years without he feels the bruises. It would be so un-German not to curse a little!

But here is the kabala I set out to write about —

Francis Joseph	Born	Wilhelm II.
1830		1859
1848	Began to reign	1888
68	Years reigned	28
86	Present age	57
—		—
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Half this, since they are going shares in the great adventure, gives us 1916, which, of course, is the year of the defeat. Then $19 = 10$ and $16 = 7$, so that we get July 10th. Well, of course, the Central Powers *are* beaten, but what troubles the world is that it may take a long time for them to recognise and admit the fact. That surely is the case with the Devil himself. This war against war is going to be the downfall of every ambitious Lucifer that ever is likely to get earthly representation. Where it is a question of Christ or Kaiser you don't have to do a lot of hard thinking. Believe it or not as you like, but the fact will remain that “gentleness, virtue, wisdom and endurance” will conquer the world and the devil in the long last. This war is only a black eye to go on with.

The Aftermath.

While on the subject of Kabalism, it may be well to consider the possibility of a recrudescence of this world war by reason of an incomplete victory in the present issue. There is undoubtedly

the danger that Germany may confess herself beaten or may be driven to capitulate by the urgency of popular feeling at a point in the struggle where she is left with sufficient internal resources to make a more or less rapid recovery of her powers. On the other hand, the conditions of peace may be such as to enable her speedily to reinforce her finances and industries, and thus at a comparatively early date to make reprisals which a complacent and war-weary world would be ill-prepared for. Given a free hand, our soldiers will see to it that the enemy has all it has been asking for and more, and that our victory, when it comes to a climax, will be as complete as human effort can possibly make it. The recommendations of the Paris Convention, if rigidly adhered to, will so far cripple German export trade that the financial strength of the Allies will be able to regulate the ambitions of the enemy so as to preclude any hope of a successful *revanche*. But also—and this is by no means a remote possibility—we may reckon without our host, the supine and smug politician, not to mention the intriguing diplomat. Either or both could negative the whole purpose and effect of the war we are now pursuing at such vast cost to civilisation. Moreover, there are those who affirm that this is not *the* Armageddon, but only the prelude of that universal catastrophe. In this connection a correspondent has sent me a progressive kabalism of some interest, and of which other examples have been published from time to time in these pages. He writes: In one of your war pamphlets you mention 1927 as the date of the second war under the German Crown Prince. Have you noticed that this fits into the well-known kabala associated with the father of the present Kaiser?—thus:

1840	Accession of Wilhelm I.
22	(Sum of figures 1, 8, 4, 9.)
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1871	Becomes Emperor.
17	
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1888	Three Emperors.
25	
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1913	The crisis of the Balkan War.
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1927	Great Devastation

Further than reminding my readers that the Great Peace is not due to come over Europe until the year 1931, I have nothing to add to this observation.

The Devastation.

This aftermath of the Great War is clearly indicated in (a) the World Horoscope, (b) the Great Mutation Horoscope of 1842, and (c) the horoscope for the conjunction of Saturn and

Jupiter, 1901. In the former (which is rather to be regarded as kabalistic than astrological, although it is based on astrological precepts) the Period of the Sun, the symbol of worldly power and dominion, comes near to its climax, and the Cycle of Mars, operating from the Tenth House, comes to its climax about the year 1926-7. In the Mutation Horoscope of 1842, Saturn and Jupiter come to the meridian, and in the Conjunction Horoscope, 1901, the Sun comes to a conjunction with Mars, and the Ascendant to the opposition of Jupiter and Saturn, and in this horoscope Saturn is with Jupiter in the Eighth House and rules the Eighth, being in the sign Capricorn so that from all sources we can but look for a devastation of enormous magnitude. For not only does the conjunction fall in the House of Death but in direct opposition to the Moon in the sign Cancer in the Second House, so that destruction of property by revolutions, as well as great wars, famines and plagues, will certainly have place in these northern latitudes and principally in Europe, but also in India and China. And if further we examine the transits of the planet Saturn we shall find that it came to the Ascendant of this horoscope in the summer of 1914, and will be on the Descendant of the same in 1928, the climax being in 1930, when Mars joins Saturn right on the place of Mars in this horoscope, the direction of which planet to the opposition of the Ascendant exactly synchronised with the outbreak of the Great War which is still in progress.

Nearing the End.

According to "J.B.," "Peace will be sudden"—when it comes! Unfortunately, the Prophet of the People does not inform us when that may be, nor specifically what reasons there are for such a forecast. The only event which could decide Germany to conclude a peace with the Allies would be that it had by popular consent elected to throw off once and for all the Prussian yoke under which it has sweated and toiled for forty years under a veritable mountain of taxation for no other purpose than "The Day," which the Iron Chancellor invented at Potsdam, and which has held the imagination of an entire generation of Teutons. What chances are there of such a reaction? Already there are peace movements in Germany and Socialist protests galore, and there have been strikes and revolts among the people and the soldiery. But the people were brought to heel. The soldiers were transferred to another place—possibly nearer the firing line. Your average German has imbibed the idea of a military regime from his infancy. An officer clicks his heels and calls them to attention. Then it is "Right about turn—Quick march!" and your German soldier born and bred obeys. Let us make no mistake. This dream of a world-empire is of Prussian origin, but also

it is of German adoption. The Germans are conspirators in this plot against the world's peace, and as such they must bear the blame and the penalty. Let them rid themselves by all means in their power of this Prussian incubus, but let them not imagine that thereby they are for ever exculpated from the consequences of their folly. They must be arraigned and judged as subjects of the Kaiser, and at the bar of the nations to which the Kaiser will soon be called. They have made a god of the Kaiser—whom never yet have they crowned their Emperor—and they have made a Colossus of Hindenburg, and other exponents of their policy of Frightfulness they have exalted to the skies. Their hour of retribution is at hand. The war has taken the lines I originally defined as most probable—namely, 1914-15 a period of offensive action on the part of Germany, 1915-16 a year of defence, and now comes the concluding phase, 1916-17, a year of defeat. Already they are beginning to feel the Allies' offensive movement. Their gods of clay are crumbling into dust and soon will be trodden under foot in the sanctuary. I see the beginning of the end from this transit of Saturn over the Ascendant of the Kaiser's horoscope, as long since predicted. I see it carried further by the eclipse of the Moon which takes place in January next in direct opposition to the Kaiser's Ascendant. Let him beware of the multitude. His only refuge is the mercy of a magnanimous enemy. But he will conduct a rearguard fight right up to the autumn of 1917, and then will capitulate. Five or six months will be absorbed in discussion of the terms of peace, and the nations will be rid of their long nightmare with the spring of 1918, which is the year of peace in the present cycle.

Astrological Practice.

The idea is commonly received that astrological practice begins and ends with the erection of horoscopes and prediction of events therefrom. This is in a sense true, but only providing we do not limit our horoscopes to the birth of individuals and the political crises of nations. It would be of enormous interest to know, for instance, what relation the eclipse of the Sun, which took place on February 3rd last in the Tenth House of the horoscope for Ottawa, had to do with the incendiary fire which took place the following day and which destroyed the Parliament Buildings. Astrology might profitably tackle this problem and others of general interest without in the least exhausting its powers or trespassing beyond its legitimate bounds. The weather, again, is vexatious, and we ought to find reasons—surely conspicuous enough to everybody who owns an ephemeris—for these vagaries of the climate. Still there are other problems to be solved, and amongst the most popular of these is the question of what are called "chance" results. In my "Silver Key," which was com-

plied in the year 1907-8, I endeavoured to show that these chance events could be reduced to the terms of a mathematical law. I therein showed that the luni-solar distances which control the action of the tides and the Moon's horizontal distance at any locality could be made the basis of a regular system of observation and prediction applicable to a variety of subjects, but in this instance applied to racing as perhaps the most evasive of all sublunary problems. Later I circulated privately several sets of observations in the form of systems, which, approaching the same problem from a variety of points, satisfactorily answered to the facts as we knew them. Obviously one could only deal with facts from past events, and these checked by current happenings afforded a series of pointers which led to a mathematical demonstration of a coherent system. The labour entailed in the process of erecting and considering many hundreds of horoscopes and deducing thence a single factor which answered to the majority of events can best be understood and appreciated by those who have attempted the task. If a man gets the results of some years of collated work for a ten pound note he has got labour and faculty at his disposal very cheaply. I want to impress this fact on my various readers, because from time to time there are new considerations always occurring to an attentive mind which tend to modify, enlarge and improve one's first findings. It is thus that all scientific work is transacted. A series of observations, a theory which includes all the known facts, and a working hypothesis which eventuates in a method of procedure. Now I want collaboration and assistance. Therefore to any student who has made a series of observations of this sort and can substantiate them by reference to past events I am prepared to make the following offer, providing the ground has not already been covered by the independent labours of another or others. I will consider any such statements of fact or theories deduced therefrom, and will, if found reliable, undertake to secure publication on a basis which will prove of financial advantage primarily to the person himself. I have myself attained a certain degree of success, as is generously accorded by all who have availed themselves of my labours, but although anything in the 'fifties or 'sixties is of immense value as a demonstration of astrological fact, and certainly profitable to follow, yet there is the likelihood that others may have greater claim to recognition along these lines than I, and therefore I am not only willing but anxious to recognise any such compeer and to secure for him the full benefit of his studies, knowing well what great patience and application have to be brought to bear on the subject in order to secure adequate results. Moreover, there is other work to be done which cannot be long delayed, and I am therefore anxious to secure a competent and reliable understudy. In the meantime I would

call the attention of readers to new and exceptional opportunities of getting all available information to hand which I am offering in my usual notices.

The Signal Box.

The month of August this year shows deliberations concerning Ireland, the affairs of the Nationalist Party commanding great prominence. Polish affairs will also become acute at this time. Turkey suffers from privations and an acute state of financial stress. France makes further great headway in its offensive campaign, and, aided by the Allies, will now advance rapidly on the Western Front. Austria is moved to formulate terms of peace. Russia suffers a check on the Eastern Front during the second week, and the Prussian offensive will be carried out with great severity. The indications otherwise are not striking. The stationary position of Jupiter in Taurus should prove beneficial to the interests of Ireland, whose brave sons will now distinguish themselves and win signal honours.

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TWINS.

By **E. H. BAILEY.**

IN the March "Observatory" I reported an interesting case of twins, particulars of which were sent to me by Dr. A. Z. Stevenson, the President of the American Astrological Society. The data and particulars of birth are as follows:

Boy.		Boy.	
Feb. 28th, 1915.		March 3rd, 1915.	
h.	m. s.	h.	m. s.
1	30 0	2	30 0
	p.m.		p.m.
7	30 0	8	30 0
	p.m.		p.m.
1	17 16	2	17 16
	p.m.		p.m.
10°	14' 35"	3°	15' 00"
	Ascendant		Ascendant
26°	50' 00"	9°	45' 00"
	Moor:		Moor:

In the first case the Ascendant is female and the Moon male, below and increasing. In the second case the condition is reversed; the Ascendant is male, the Moon female, below and decreasing. I have no information as to the period of pregnancy, but examination of the case yields the following interesting points. The first case is a nine months' pregnancy, three days over the normal. The second case is a long period, but approximating to the normal term, as the count is made from the Moon round to the Ascendant by the order of the signs, and the epoch actually falls two days later than the first case.

The index date in the first case is May 31st, and although the Ascendant is female, the count is made thereto. The epoch falls on May 28th at 4h. 55m. 44s. p.m. G.M.T., giving an Ascendant of 18° 23' 35". The epoch shows a male area rising with the Moon in a female area, but a male quadrant. The time of birth is found to be 1h. 25m. 49s. p.m. standard time, or 1h. 13m. 5s. local time, 4m. 11s. earlier than recorded.

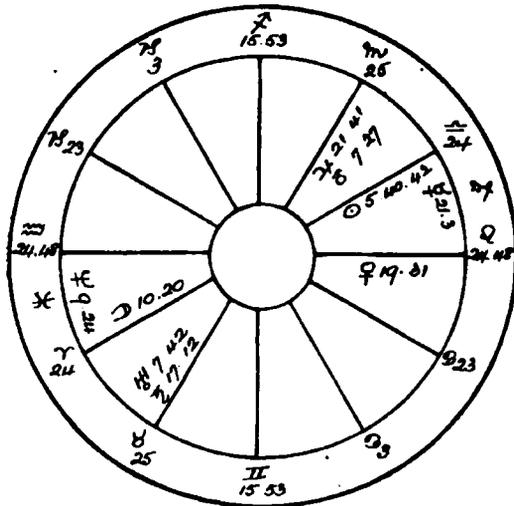
In the second case an irregularity occurs. The Moon is below and decreasing, and as the Ascendant is male, the count is made right round from the Moon to the Ascendant, a distance of 204½°, equal to 22½ days, and in a normal case would bring the epoch to June 26th, 1914. The case, however, takes its genesis from the 11th lunar return (May 7th), and the epoch falls on May 20th at 8h. 30m. 56s. p.m., giving an Ascendant of 3° 27' 00". The Moon's birthplace, however, rises. The time of birth is found to be 2h. 30m. 56s. p.m. standard time, 56s. later than that recorded.

From the particulars of the epochs obtained I am disposed to regard these twins as conovate, and produced most probably from two separate acts of generation. They might have been produced from one act, but the point is a difficult one to judge.

War Horoscopes.
VII.—VISCOUNT FRENCH.

I AM indebted to our contemporary, *Modern Astrology*, for the information that Viscount French, who until recently was Commander-in-Chief of the British Forces in Belgium and France, was born at 4.30 p.m. on September 28th, 1852, near Walmer, Kent. The map appended is the horoscope of this great General, corrected by the rules in my new work, "The Pre-Natal Epoch," to 4h. 31m. 41s. p.m.

At the present time the Sun is close to the trine of the radical Moon, and the Moon will be in trine to both in the early spring of 1917. Jupiter



is in sextile to the radical Sun, reaching the exact aspect in 1918. During the past year the Sun has been in square to Neptune, and undoubtedly this direction was severely overtaxing his strength, and led to his withdrawal from the front. It looks as though intrigue was at work in this respect. Some personal danger is shown during the fall of this year, for the Moon is in square with both Mars and Uranus in November and December. Mars is also close to the sextile of the radical Ascendant.

The prenatal epoch took place at 11.38 p.m. of January 9th, 1852, Libra 10.20 rising, the Moon being in the Eleventh House in trine with Saturn and Uranus, and the Sun in the Fourth in sextile to Jupiter in the Second.

The direction of Sun trine Jupiter measures to his creation as a Viscount, and the Sun is now in trine to Mars, forming the exact direction in 1917. The Sun is also conjoined with Mercury, and the latter is also in trine with Mars. The Midheaven is now close to sextile Jupiter, trine Sun, by direct motion.

By converse direction the Sun is in trine with Mars and sextile Venus.

From these directions I judge that Viscount French will take an active part in the closing scenes of the war, and will win both distinction and honours.

Lessons in Primary Directing.

By E. H. BAILEY

THE horoscope of King George V. affords some interesting illustrations for students' examination, and a few at random are given.

☉ □ ½ z.d. The aspect falls in 24° 3' ♀. R.A. 115° 56'. M.D. 24° 33'. S.A. 60° 36'. The formula will then read—As S.A. ☉ 58° 57' : M.D. ☉ 20° 25' :: S.A. aspect 60° 36' : x. The result is 20° 50', and as the Sun and the aspect are on opposite sides of the meridian, this amount is added to the aspect M.D., making 45° 32', which is very close to the time of the death of his father.

♃ Δ ☉ z.d. is another excellent illustration. It is formed by 12° 26' ♀, the trine of the Sun moving round to the place of Jupiter. The M.D. of the aspect is 43° 31', and the S.A. 67° 13'. The formula obtained is this—As S.A. ♃ 57° 51' : M.D. 6° 5' :: S.A. aspect 67° 13' : x. The result is 7° 4', and as the aspect and Jupiter are on opposite sides of the meridian, this amount is added to the aspect's M.D., making 50° 35' as the arc of direction.

☉ * ♃ z.d. The calculations of this direction are as follows: R.A. of aspect 123° 17'. M.D. 31° 52'. S.A. 62° 50'. The formula will be—As S.A. ☉ 58° 57' : M.D. 20° 25' :: S.A. of aspect 62° 50' : x. This is 21° 46', and as the Sun and aspect are on opposite sides of the meridian this amount is added to the aspect's M.D., making 53° 38' as the arc of direction.

☉ Δ ♃ m.d. is a good illustration of a mundane direction. The Sun is 0° 46' above the Third Cusp, and Jupiter must descend to that distance in proportion to its S.A. past the Seventh. As Jupiter passes below the horizon, its S.N.A. must be used. This is 122° 9'. The formula is therefore—As S.A. ☉ : 0° 46' ☉ from 3rd :: S.N.A. ♃ : x. This equals 1° 35', which is Jupiter's distance past the Seventh. Its distance from seventh, S.A. - M.D. (57° 51' - 6° 5'), is 51° 46', and this added to 1° 35' gives 53° 21', which measures to 1918, the year of the signing of peace.

In the next issue I have a few hints to make for the benefit of students.

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The Credentials of Reincarnation.

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

Thus it is seen that all truth must be realised in thought, each soul for itself; as otherwise it is of no avail. This advice applied to the doctrine of re-incarnation will bring it home to each individual soul in the transcendent splendour of God. The attainment of truth by each soul is the duty of each soul; and the attainment must be accomplished by each soul. Each soul views truth in a different manner, and infinite are the ways in which truth comes to each soul: it is as nothing in one way, and all in another.

The attainment of truth depends on the attainment of consciousness: great truths demand great consciousness, and inasfar as the soul is conscious, inasfar shall it attain truth. Even as the disciples who asked Jesus if they would sit on the right hand of God with Him; and the reply was, "Can you drink out of the same cup with Me?"—the cup symbolising consciousness. It is useless to adopt discipline in diet, observance or anything in order to attain truth: if the truth be for a soul, the soul shall attain it. How pitiable it is to behold people wasting their life looking for truth that is not for them, affecting a knowledge of things beyond their ken, aping conditions of soul that only belong to the saints of God, deluding themselves in the wantonness and folly of their soul: how farcical, how contemptible, how sickening! And so to bring home the truth of rebirth it has to be thought about, has to be contemplated sternly and long; and assuredly it will become a reality to the immortal spirit.

And in thus thinking earnestly and desiring for truth in reality, the great consummation shall be brought about that drives all darkness out from the soul: and at the same time, as souls come to the fulness of their strength, so in the same manner shall come to pass the great merging of East and West. The activity of the West is slowly being absorbed in the sweet, wise peace of the East; the *Rajasas* are blending with the *Sattvas*, coming together to emerge out into the *Tamas*—founding a humanity possessing the superwill of God. Thus God from all time has come from this infinite state, from the protist to man, making manifest His being in the finite focalisation of His infinite self—known as the human soul—and again going out in consciousness to participate itself in His omniscient

nature. Browning, in his "Paracelsus," partly voices this idea:—

" Thus he dwells in all,
From life's minute beginnings up at last
To man—the consummation of this scheme
Of being, the completion of this sphere
Of life: whose attributes had here and there
Been scattered o'er the visible world before,
Asking to be combined—dim fragments meant
To be united in some wondrous whole—
Imperfect qualities throughout creation,
Suggesting some one creature yet to make—
Some point where all those scattered rays
 should meet,
Convergent in the faculties of man."

And as it is true that opposites ever meet so in the same manner shall come about the Kingdom of God: humanity coming from God through the infinite spiral of evolutionary descent, to again return to God in the spiral of evolutionary ascent. First comes the evolution of matter and the involution of spirit, so that the human soul may come to its inheritance of consciousness: then involution of matter and the evolution of spirit—man going forth as an hierarch of heaven and the Absolute. And this is brought to be through the long chain of re-incarnation, so that the soul may ripen in experience and come to perfect knowledge.

To-day the world is drenched in blood, and legions contend in a vast field of steel and hellish flame. The cries and groans of the dying and wounded ascend to heaven in their agony: all sacrificed to the caprice of men, whose souls are in darkness—groping for dominion and the power of the world. But the angels and archangels of God overlook all, and assuredly the powers of hell shall be overcome and for ever annihilated; and the sun of righteousness shall rise over the field of carnage, rapine and blood, adorning with its golden light the first fruits of the Kingdom of Heaven. So let all souls pray and strive for truth earnestly and well, that they may bring about this dominion of peace to abide for ever in the place where death and pain, selfishness and greed, and all the traits of hell formerly predominated. "Out of darkness cometh light," speaks the Scripture: and so out of the night of worldly thought shall come forth the radiant and transcendent light of God. The dawn is at hand. The face of Him Who bringeth peace shall look upon humanity soon, and the light of His countenance shall shine with joy upon the world, His presence adorning with celestial benediction the new heaven and the new earth.

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STUDIES IN BRIEF.

GENERAL JOFFRE was born at Rivesaltes, in the Eastern Pyrenees, at 8 a.m., on January 12th, 1852. This gives Scorpio 23 on the Midheaven and Capricorn 28° 25' rising. The official time being given for the nearest quarter-hour, there may be some small difference found upon correction. But I think it will be admitted that this is not conspicuously the horoscope of the Grand Marshal. It is rather that of the strategist and commander. The Sun rises in the sign Capricorn, with Venus intercepted in the humane sign Aquarius in the Ascendant. Mars is angular in the sign Leo, intercepted in the Seventh. Jupiter has declined from the meridian in Scorpio. The Sun is trine to the Moon, and the Moon in trine to the Ascendant. The remarkable feature is that of Mercury in the Twelfth House, sextile to Neptune in Pisces. This shows the strategic ability. But with five planets cadent and only three in cardinal signs, there are not those signs of eminence and distinction which we are accustomed to look for in such cases. There are, however, no less than five planets in critical degrees, which affords opportunity for the expression of inherent faculty. The epoch shows no less than six planets in cardinal signs, a group being in Aries, in opposition to Jupiter in Libra, and in square to the Moon in Cancer. As this group includes both Saturn and Uranus, as well as Mercury and the Sun, we cannot regard the potential as in any sense fortunate, even though remarkable. At the present time (July) Saturn is in transit over the opposition of the radical Sun, and later will be in opposition to the Ascendant of the radical horoscope, the points of danger being September, 1916, January and June, 1917. At these times the famous General will be incapacitated and will suffer losses and misfortunes, especially while in transit, on short journeys, or in contact with the British lines. The Sun is now directed to the opposition of the Moon, and the planet Mars is coming to the opposition of the radical Ascendant. But Jupiter has now reached the Midheaven of the horoscope, and the Ascendant is directed to the zenith, while the Sun is only just leaving the trine of Mars and Jupiter in the progress. There are evidences of coming troubles, but the indications are yet sufficiently benefic to uphold the prestige of the High Command. They are, however, decreascent, and changes may be anticipated at the French Headquarters.

GENERAL PETAIN was born at Cauchy-a-la-Tour, on April 24th, 1856, time unknown. The Sun holds the 5th degree of Taurus, and it is

here that the planet Jupiter will be stationary during the month of August. We may be confident that whatever section of the French effective is under the command of General Petain at this time will carry the position with grand *éclat*. But, according to my estimate of this horoscope, it is verging towards a sinister climax, which occurs two years hence. In the radical horoscope Mars is conspicuously weak in the sign Libra and in direct opposition to Venus, while the Moon is opposed by Saturn.

PRESIDENT BRIAND (Aristide) was born at Nantes on March 28th, 1862, at 10.30 a.m. The horoscope is given below:--

♄ 27	♃ 12	♁ 8	♅ 6	♃ 24
♄ 12° 58'		♁ 7° 30' 1° 34'	♅ 1° 8 7' 9° 8 51'	♃ 25° 19'
♃ 7°		♁ 15° 40'		♃ 7 21
			♄ 20° 6' 17° 53'	
♄ 24	♁ 6	♃ 8	♅ 12	♃ 27

Here is a horoscope which portrays a startling destiny. With the Moon ruler of the horoscope in the Midheaven in square aspect to Uranus and opposition to Saturn and Jupiter, Mons. Briand has been raised by the people to the highest position that the Constitution affords to any man, and by the same power he will eventually be deposed—*jeté en bas*. Observe the Moon in square to Uranus, the Sun conjoined with Neptune, Mars on the cusp of the Eighth House, Saturn in the lower angle. He will inherit property, and will, because his ruler is so elevated, be accorded the highest honours. He will be the idol of the people, and then will suffer the effects of a violent reaction. At present Taurus 2 is on the Midheaven and Leo 17 rising, Uranus being in transit through Aquarius in opposition to the Ascendant. This will alienate some of his supporters in the Ministry, and there will be changes in consequence. But with Jupiter now in transit over the Midheaven for the present year, his fortunes will be enhanced, and this notably in July and August, 1916, and again in March, 1917, when Jupiter returns to the same longitude. Nevertheless, there are indications of serious perplexities and a very anxious period at the present stage, Mercury being conjunct Uranus and square to Saturn. Then follows a period of great uplifting, and at the end of seven years a sudden climax and "a long good-bye to all his greatness." Nations are governed by principles and actuated by feelings. Those who aspire to rule them must first learn to interpret.

THE POINT OF KARMA.

V.—The Dragon.

By EDITH F. A. U. PAINTON.

In the Fourth and Tenth Houses, we have the affairs of the father and mother under the sway of destiny's finger, the Head in fourth auguring good fortune to the mother, with a peaceful and happy early life for the native, and a likewise happy ending; while the Tail in Tenth portends just as evil a fate to the father, and losses of position, honour and public favour to the native in the following of any chosen profession. When the Dragon is reversed, his Head in Tenth shifts the good fortune to the father, and promises the native honours, high position, and great favour of the public in all his professional undertakings, while the Tail in Fourth robs the mother of her peace and joy, and places turmoil in both the early home, and the end of life for the native who may find his whole career shaken into confusion, when malignant aspects are formed with this destructive force.

In the Fifth and Eleventh Houses, the children and friends are under the influence of this potent power, and play their part in determining the karmic debts of the individual. The Head in Fifth frees the native from many troubles, and renders him happy, and given to pleasurable pursuits, with happy, fortunate children and much joy in all their pursuits; but the Tail in Eleventh insists upon undesirable friendships, loss of opportunities, and death to his dearest hopes and wishes. On the other hand, the Head in Eleventh brings him meritorious friendships, and their assistance in the realization of his hopes and wishes, though the Tail in Fifth robs him of the hope of children, or destroys them if they come to him, and allows him no joy with them during their lives. He also comes to grief through over-indulgence in harmful pleasures.

In the Sixth and Twelfth, the health and happiness come up for adjustment, the Head in Sixth promising a strong, healthy body, while the Tail in Twelfth leads to much harassing by secret enemies, and liability to imprisonment, inclining to self-undoing. The Head in Twelfth is very significant of gains by secret enterprises, and success in occult pursuits, though the Tail in Sixth robs the native of all health and makes the struggle with physical disabilities long and hard, hampering every activity by the frailty of the body through which the soul manifests.

These are but a few of the natal indications, and it is the planetary aspects, transits and directions that determine the crises of the native's experience, and mark the karmic debts, and the method of their paying. But every one must be settled, even unto "the uttermost farthing." It is these directions that bring up the continual

struggle for and against progressing, and the battles to be waged until lost or won, all along the upward climb. Watch these manifestations and see for yourself what a vital part they play in the development of human destiny. As we meet and conquer all, one by one, we must reach that goal of attainment where we can claim the promise:—

"He that overcometh shall inherit all things. . . . And there shall be no more curse." (*Revelations*, xxi. 7, xxii. 3.)

Astrology in the Nursery.

If Baby is Born with the sign Aquarius rising.

LITTLE children born with the sign Aquarius rising are of a quiet and reserved nature, very thoughtful, exceedingly affectionate, and much attached to either of the parents. They are inclined to solitude and like to play by themselves, and will wile away hours in this manner. They are very patient, cheerful, ingenious, but have rather strong tempers, and are apt to sulk if they cannot have their own way. They are easily amenable to persuasion, and parents will find that kind treatment will do more for them than strict or harsh methods. They are very determined, persistent, and persevering in their little ways, and have the makings of good, progressive and humane men and women.

Mentally they are quick, with good abilities, and possess tastes in many directions, art, science, mechanics and building. They have good memories, are capable of receiving a progressive and evolving education, not merely being content with the ordinary curriculum of elementary school teaching. They possess abilities out of the ordinary, are humane and progressive in thought, and their natural gifts are capable of being developed in many directions.

Physically they are strong, with well developed bodies, a great fund of mental energy, more so than physical. The eyes, lungs, and kidneys are weak organs, and care is necessary in early life to prevent too much study and over-straining of the eyes. The nervous system requires careful attention, and many complaints are likely to arise from disturbed mental conditions than from physical causes. They should never be allowed to overstudy, and should take plenty of open-air exercise.

BIRTHDAY INFLUENCES DURING AUGUST

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♃, △ ♃, * ♄. Social and financial gains, activity. A child born will be kind, affectionate, popular, and generally successful.

2. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♃, * ♃. A good year for business, with promotion, but danger of accidents. A child born will be clever, intelligent, reliable, but hasty, fairly successful.

3. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♃, * ♃, □ ♃. A variable year, good for social matters, courtship or marriage, but danger of disputes, accidents, annoyances and grief. A child born will be kind, affectionate, but careless and hasty, erratic and wayward, and will have many ups and downs in life.

4. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♃, * ☉, △ ♃, □ ♃. An active year, with changes, journeys, business gains, but danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be rash and hasty, but popular, generous, original, and should be generally successful.

5. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♃, □ ♃, * ♃. A fair year for business, but much worry, disappointment and ill-health. A child born will be clever, original, but erratic and wayward, will have good opportunities, but will not make much headway.

6. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♃, □ ☉, ♃, ♄, △ ♃. Social gains, pleasure, but losses, deception and indisposition are shown. A child born will be deceptive, extravagant, proud, but kind and affectionate, will meet with many difficulties in life.

7. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♃, □ ♃, △ ♃, □ ♃. Gain in business, but sudden changes, annoyances and worry. A child born will be erratic, have a hatred of control, be somewhat hasty, and will succeed best in the employ of others.

8. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♃, △ ♃, * ♄. Sudden and adverse changes, much activity, and journeys. A child born will be active, energetic, impressionable, but will have many troubles to face in life.

9. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♃, △ ☉, * ♃. An active year for business, with changes and journeys, many little worries. A child born will be erratic, original, popular, but will not make much headway in life.

10. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♃, △ ♃, □ ♃, ♄ ♃, △ ♃. Many serious reverses shown, grief and disappointment, disputes and accidents, some help from friends. A child born

will be rash, hasty, prodigal, though clever and generous, will have heavy difficulties to face, and will not be successful in life.

11. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♃, ♄ ♃. Fairly good for business, but danger of indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be of good judgment and abilities, but diffident, lack initiative, and will find many difficulties in the path of life.

12. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♃, ♄ ♃, □ ♃, △ ♃. An active year, changes, social gains, but financial losses and deception. A child born will be extravagant, deceptive, active, kind, but unsuccessful.

13. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♃, ♄ ☉, ♄ ♃. Losses, reversals, trouble in employ, benefits from friends. A child born will be proud, erratic, clever, of good judgment, but not very successful.

14. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♃, * ♃, △ ♃, ♄ ♃. Disputes, danger of accidents, and law, financial and social gains. A child born will be quarrelsome, argumentative, rash and hasty, very generous and kind, but not very successful in life.

15. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♃, △ ♃. Gains in business, promotion, but many little annoyances. A child born will be steady and reliable, and generally successful in employ.

16. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♃, △ ♃. Changes, journeys, social gains, but danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be rash, artistic, clever, impressionable, and fairly lucky.

17. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♃, * ♃, ♄ ♃, □ ♃. Grief, losses, disputes and law, changes, benefits in employ. A child born will be rash, hasty, prodigal, but kind, generous, and should succeed best in the employ of others.

18. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♃, △ ☉, ♄ ♃, □ ♃, ♃. Indisposition, deception, and reverses, benefits in employ, social gains and popularity. A child born will be popular, generous, kind and affectionate, will have many heavy troubles to face, but should be generally fortunate.

19. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♃, □ ♃, * ♃, △ ♃. Social gains, changes, and business, benefits, indisposition and reverses. A child born will be kind, affectionate, clever, somewhat erratic, and will have much to contend against in life.

20. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♃, □ ☉, * ♃. Important changes, success in business,

indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be clever, inventive, steady and reliable, rather proud, and will have the best success in the employ of others.

21. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♀, * ♃. A successful year, many benefits, changes, minor worries. A child born will be kind, generous, impressionable. and will be very successful in a career.

22. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♀, △ ♃, △ ♂, □ ♀. Changes, journeys, activity, but some annoyances and trouble in business. A child born will be inventive, active, original, have a hatred of control, but be generally successful in life.

23. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ☿, * ☉, * ♃. Popularity, business gains, improvement in affairs and success. A child born will be popular, kind, generous, and successful in a career.

24. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ☿, □ ♂, ♂ ♀. Good for marriage, social gains and pleasure, some danger of accidents. A child born will be kind, affectionate, but rash and somewhat prodigal, should be discreet in dealings with others.

25. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) ☽ in ♄, ♂ ♃, * ♀. A good year for business, but danger of indisposition or bereavement. A child born will be clever, generous, but lack initiative, and be very selfish.

26. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) ☽ in ♄, ♂ ♃, □ ♃. Treachery and deception are shown, losses, reverses, some gain from friends. A child born will be extravagant, deceptive, wayward, though kind, but rather unfortunate in life.

27. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) ☽ in ♄, ♂ ♃, * ♂. An active year, business gains, sudden changes. A child born will be active, energetic, generous, but erratic, fairly successful.

28. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) ☽ in ♀, ♂ ☉, △ ♃. Popularity and success in affairs, danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be rash, hasty, but kind, generous, popular, and respected.

29. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) ☽ in ♀, ☉ △ ♃, par ♀. A successful year, benefits in business, but danger of accident or bereavement. A child born will be rash, hasty, generous, kind and clever, will have difficulties to face, but should be fortunate.

30. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) ☽ in ♀, * ♃, ♂ ♀. Social gains, success in business, changes and benefits. A child born will be clever, intelligent, artistic and affectionate, fairly lucky.

31. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) ☽ in ♄, * ♃. Changes, some business benefits, but danger of accidents and law. A child born will be impressionable, rash, hasty, but popular, should be fairly successful in employ.

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AUGUST, 1916.

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	5 ♀ 24	Visit friends, push business, attend to important matters.
2	17 37	A good day for business, avoid disputes and deception.
3	0 ♄ 3	Court, marry, visit friends, avoid wrangling.
4	12 43	Push business, travel and change.
5	25 39	A doubtful day. Safeguard health and act carefully.
6	8 ♃ 55	Sunday. A quiet day. Safeguard health.
7	22 31	Contradictory influences prevail. Act discreetly.
8	6 ♃ 29	A doubtful day. Act with care till eve. Travel evening.
9	20 48	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
10	5 ♃ 26	An evil day. Act with discretion. Do nothing important.
11	20 19	An evil day. Safeguard health. Do nothing important.
12	5 ☿ 21	An uncertain day. Act carefully. Attend to ordinary duties only.
13	20 22	Sunday. Study and reflect.
14	5 ♃ 15	Push business, avoid wrangling. Visit friends evening.
15	19 51	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
16	4 ♃ 5	A fair day for business. Avoid disputes and accidents.
17	17 53	Push business, ask favours, avoid wrangling.
18	1 8 14	Uncertain a.m. Visit friends and attend to important matters p.m.
19	14 9	Contradictory influences prevail. Act carefully.
20	26 41	Sunday. Study, read and contemplate.
21	8 ♀ 55	A good day for business and new undertakings.
22	20 55	A variable day. Do nothing important.
23	2 ♄ 47	A fair day for business; attend to important matters p.m.
24	14 34	A good day for pleasure, courtship, but avoid accidents.
25	26 21	Contradictory influences prevail. Do nothing important.
26	8 ♄ 12	An uncertain day. Act discreetly in all things.
27	20 10	Sunday. Travel; visit friends. p.m.
28	2 ♃ 17	A doubtful a.m. Push business p.m.
29	14 35	A variable day. Attend to correspondence, but avoid disputes.
30	27 4	Push business, travel; visit friends p.m.
31	9 ♄ 46	A generally good day for business. Avoid disputes and accidents.

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THE EDITOR'S OBSERVATORY.

Monthly Outlook.

The new Moon of August 28th takes place in the early evening, the luminaries being in the Seventh in trine with Jupiter. This might be taken as showing a decided move in the direction of peace, but with Saturn and Venus conjoined on the cusp of the Seventh, Neptune in that house, and the lunation falling on the place of Mars and square to Mercury at the summer solstice, the prospects of peace are remote—in fact, it looks much like a dispute with another power, as previously predicted in the July issue. A settlement of the Irish dispute seems likely, although the square of Jupiter and Neptune still points to much sedition in that country. The death of a noted military man is foreshadowed, and heavy mortality generally. The prospects of another naval victory are shown, for the Moon ruler of the Sixth is in trine with Jupiter. Political affairs are still under a cloud. Reform will be busy in the land. Aviation will make great progress, but many accidents and fatalities are shown therein.

Towards the end of September Mars will

transit the square of the last eclipse of the Sun, an influence of very evil augury for the Kaiser, bringing further defeats and losses. The financial and economic condition of Germany will be deplorable.

An Appreciation.

I have a great dislike of self-advertisement, but I cannot refrain from publishing the following extract from a letter recently received. "As one intensely interested in the science of Astrology, and a sincere admirer of the Editor of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY, I feel I can write to you as a friend. I have often longed to write to you to try and express my appreciation of and admiration for your splendid work and most interesting JOURNAL." The writer of this warm-hearted praise was even anxious to travel some few hundred miles for the purpose of a private talk, and I can only express my warmest thanks for the sincere expression of appreciation of my work.

A Warning.

I desire to warn my readers against certain circularising astrologers, who are trying to impose on the credulity of the public by posing as adepts of the science, and offering so-called life readings, which are merely sets of ready made sheets applicable to all and everyone. One person claims to be an exponent of the

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Hindu Rasi Chakra method, and states that he has edited many of the Astrological magazines which have been published, a statement which is an impudent falsehood. I recently had a request from a lady of title, asking for directions and sending me a reading which had been done by one of these "professors." On asking for her birth-time, she informed me that it was quite unknown, and yet she had received directions from a man posing as an astrologer. What with ready made directions, Moon tables, and other superstitious trash; it seems that Astrology is falling on evil days.

E. H. BAILEY.

Astronomical Phenomena

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Moon's Phases.

First Quarter	...	5th	...	4h. 26m. morn.
Full Moon	...	11th	...	8h. 31m. after.
Last Quarter	...	19th	...	5h. 35m. morn.
New Moon	...	27th	...	7h. 34m. morn.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Virgo, enters Libra on 23rd at 9.15 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Libra all the month, retrograde on 23rd.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Cancer, enters Leo on 8th, ♂ ♃ on 5th, and ♃ on 13th.
- ♂. MARS is an evening star in Libra, enters Scorpio on 8th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Taurus
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Cancer.
- ♅. URANUS is well placed for observation in Aquarius. q
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Leo.
- ♁. The following table shows the MOON'S sign position at noon on each day of the month.

Aries	..... 13, 14	Libra	..... 1, 27, 28
Taurus	..... 15, 16	Scorpio	... 2, 3, 29, 30
Gemini	..... 17, 18, 19	Sagittarius	..... 4, 5
Cancer	..... 20, 21	Capricorn	..... 6, 7, 8
Leo	..... 22, 23, 24	Aquarius	..... 9, 10
Virgo	..... 25, 26	Pisces	..... 11, 12

Weather Forecast.

The month opens fine, with fall in temperature about 4th, thunder 5th, warmer 6th, unsettled for some days, with warmer weather about 12th to 17th, thunder probable 15th, low temperature and rain 21st, unsettled for some days, fair with dull intervals end of month.

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DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	22 ♋ 41	A very evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
2	5 ♍ 50	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
3	19 ♌ 12	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends evening, and write letters.
4	2 ♃ 48	A good day for business. Avoid disputes.
5	16 ♋ 39	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
6	0 ♃ 45	Push business, seek work. Avoid accidents.
7	15 ♌ 5	A good day for business. Ask favours, seek work.
8	29 ♋ 36	A very evil day. Act discreetly in all things.
9	14 ♋ 16	Attend to business a.m. Act discreetly rest of day.
10	28 ♌ 58	<i>Sunday.</i> Study, travel, write letters.
11	13 ♋ 36	An evil day for all things. Act with circumspection.
12	28 ♌ 2	Ask favours, seek work; visit friends p.m.
13	12 ♃ 11	Good for business and changes till evening.
14	25 ♌ 59	An evil day. Act discreetly. Visit friends at night.
15	9 ♃ 20	A very evil day. Do nothing important and act with discretion.
16	22 ♌ 17	Push business, ask favours, seek work.
17	4 ♃ 52	<i>Sunday.</i> Study and contemplate. Visit friends.
18	17 ♌ 7	A good day for business, travel and changes.
19	29 ♌ 8	An uncertain day till even. Then attend to important matters.
20	10 ♋ 59	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
21	22 ♌ 46	Conflicting influences prevail. Do nothing important.
22	4 ♋ 35	A very evil day. Act with discretion in all things.
23	16 ♌ 30	Another evil day. Act circumspectly. Attend to letters night.
24	28 ♌ 35	<i>Sunday.</i> Study, reflect, and visit friends.
25	10 ♋ 53	A day for changes, journeys. Avoid opposite sex.
26	23 ♌ 26	A fair day for business affairs generally.
27	6 ♋ 14	Travel, change, visit friends, amusements. Good day for a holiday.
28	19 ♌ 18	Travel, change, court, marry, visit friends. Ask favours.
29	2 ♍ 35	An evil day for all things. Do nothing important.
30	16 ♌ 5	A very evil day. Act with extreme circumspection.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE.

By SEPHARIAL.

Heliocentric Astrology.

QUITE the most original idea in connection with heliocentric astrology has been evolved by Mr. H. S. Green, whose ponderings have hitherto been productive of many such innovations and sound analogical reasonings. He has suggested that, if we are to study the question of heliocentric astrology at all, it should be along lines which bring it into accord with terrestrial conditions, and that there should be an analogy between one longitude and another throughout. Thus, if we take the position of the Sun from the vernal equinox, we are really taking it from its ascending node, and that all the other bodies should be taken from their ascending nodes according to their respective longitudes in their own orbits. Thus all the nodes of the planets are at once referred to the same standard as that from which we compute the Sun's position in the horoscope—namely, its orbital longitude from the node. This is equivalent to making the first point of Aries coincide with the ascending node of each of the planets, and although there is nothing, either from the heliocentric or geocentric points of view, which can be said to coincide with this order of things, yet we have the warrant of analogy, which is perfectly sound and fundamental to all our conceptions of cosmic symbolism. It is even possible to extend this observation and to suggest that the radical geocentric positions of the planets impart their influences or significations to these new positions. The task of computing these positions, however, is somewhat cumbersome for the ordinary student, who must be equipped with a set of astronomical tables. The mean longitudes in the orbit would have to be corrected by the equation to centre due to the anomaly, which again has to be calculated, and lastly the position of the node has to be found and taken from the longitude in the orbit. You then have the position of the nodal distance, and this has to be referred to the vernal equinox. Any student who wishes to examine this theory in terms of his own horoscope can have the positions calculated for a reasonable fee.

Prenatal Epoch.

I have been informed that certain astrologers are teaching an astrology in which the theorem of the prenatal epoch forms an important part, but that, instead of teaching the correct system, which involves a variation due to sex influence in at least half the cases submitted, a cut and dried measure from the date of birth is taken,

and this is held to be the epoch. No reference is made to the dominant law of sex, nor is any directional test made to establish the validity of the epoch thus found, but without further argument the student is required to correct the birth time to suit this epoch. Such teaching is very reprehensible, because there is other and better information available on this subject which such would-be teachers could easily utilise if they would take the trouble to assimilate it. Those who would apply the theory of the prenatal epoch to the facts of life would do well to study carefully the rules and variations so clearly defined and illustrated by Mr. E. H. Bailey in his work, "The Prenatal Epoch." To ignore the paramount factor of sex in this enquiry is to shut one's eyes to the most conspicuous fact in nature, and nothing but a catch-penny astrologer would descend to such a practice. I hope I make myself perfectly plain. I have an inborn contempt for shoddy in every department of life. Thoroughness is only attained by dint of patience and hard work, rapid assimilation of facts, and an intuitive perception of their bearing on the problem in hand. Wilson, who in his Dictionary clearly demonstrates that he does not apprehend the first principle of the epoch, is a poor quotation. Worsdale is better, because more intelligent and less of a copyist, but even he does not apprehend the essential fact of variation. The old authors cite the *Trutine* as if it were a mathematical formula of invariable accuracy and subject to no exceptions. I have yet to know the law which does not admit of exceptions. In the case of the blind leading the blind, I think we have a safe prediction.

Kaiser Lehmann.

While on the subject of the epoch, I would call attention once more to the well-directed criticism of our Editor on the subject of the Kaiser's horoscope. I wonder how many people know that it is an open secret in Germany that the Kaiser is a makeshift, and that but for a certain little interchange of compliments which occurred at his birth, the great Bismarck acting on that occasion as Master of the Ceremonies, the direct male heir to the fated throne of the Hohenzollerns would be found in the person of Prince Heinrich. The whole story is frankly told in *Ideas* by the living victim of this colossal piece of dynastic bluff, but everybody has heard of the Archives of the Iron Chancellor, which are said to be deposited in the Bank of England, some day to be opened according to the expressed will of

the great statesman. Also, everybody who has taken the atmosphere of Germany has heard the folderol-lay which goes like this:—

“Lehmann, Lame man,
The two are still the same man;
That mighty Prince we've found out since
Is only Willie Lehmann!”

Anent this canard, or whatever name you wish to give to it, it is of remarkable interest to observe that its publication for the first time in detail coincides with the transit of Saturn over the degree of the zodiac rising at the official time of the Kaiser's birth. And simultaneously we have a great Socialist manifesto launched against the Government of which he is the head, together with the most convincing defeats all along the Eastern and Western fronts of the field of battle. Time is getting in his scythe to some effect: The hour of retribution is coming fast upon the Prussian autocrat and his godless progeny. Additional to the indications of this reaping of the tares, we observe that the large lunar eclipse of July 15th fell in direct opposition to the Ascendant of the Kaiser's horoscope, and in opposition therefore to Saturn in the heavens. This is followed by a partial solar eclipse on July 30th, which fell in opposition to the place of the Sun at his birth and on the place of Saturn at that unfortunate event.

Elsewhere I have given the birth horoscope of the great Hun, and those who cannot see the Kaiser as we know him, and the beginning and end of him, must surely be blind to all celestial

pointers! To be sure, it was all in line with the policy and methods of the Father of Lies that a plenary incarnation should be given a sphere of influence from which he could work his satanic will and write his name in blood all over the earth in the days of the great Armageddon. What if the thing could only be worked by a fraud upon the public, was not the whole thing consistent with the character of the man, and in keeping with the scheme of the Great Delusion? But you cannot fool inspiration, and to those who had given ear to the prophets the Kaiser wanted very little finding. He was the true incarnation of the Apocalyptic “Beast,” whose number was 666, the Antares of the star-world, the “Seventh Head,” having two horns—“and he goeth into perdition.” Retribution is following in the wake of his retreat. Already he knows himself for a beaten man, an autocrat overthrown, whose vast ambitions have crumbled into dust. For “the wheel of the law follows close on the act, as the wheel on the heel of the ox.”

Halting Prophecy.

One cannot but be struck by the reticent tone of most of the publications devoted to the prediction of events in these days. I recall the fact that one of the London almanacs embroiled us surely enough in the year 1914, but stated that Germany would come to our assistance. The editor of that almanac ought to be interned on suspicion! The war having progressed a whole year, the vaticinations concerning it were lame and halting for the most part, and gave the general impression that the conflict would have been over before their publication. This showed a lack of perspective and a false sense of values. Quite apart from astral indications, one might reasonably have argued that with an available force of eight millions of men, the biggest gold reserve in the world, and an elaborated system of economics, Germany would not be reduced inside of three years; and for this reason alone the Allies would carry on. There can be no victory until Germany admits defeat. Even the famous Mme. de Thèbes tacitly admits to have lost touch with the signs of the times. Enough was said in view of last year's almanac to show that she confidently anticipated the triumph of France in the summer of last year. Regarding this year (1916) she says: “I define this year as an escutcheon a year black and red on a ground of flaming gold. The mists are dispersed. The clouds of dawn have given way to the clear skies of the morning. But between us and the victorious sun there are obstacles, trials, and sacrifices. The beneficent warmth of the creative star spreads continually over France. Here is the end of the great international strife, but it is not the end of our efforts and our labours.” It

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is said that the influence of Mars will involve the world generally in war for five years. But our planet will not recover its wonted calm while the influence of Mars affects it, and this extends to a decade of years from now. Of Germany she says: "You lords of the earth, to-morrow you will be slaves! German corrupters, thieves, incendiaries, assassins, traitors, you are plunged in mutual self-destruction, in an abyss of misery. You will shed as many tears as you have caused to fall, and yield as much blood as you have caused to be shed. You are, moreover, exiled from the world. You will not dare to speak of Germans, and the name of a Prussian will be an offence. The days of the sanguinary Hohenzollern are numbered, and 'if he does not die by his own hand he should be killed by a German or suffer a long time in madness.' Let somebody more inspired than myself decide." From one end to the other of that which was an empire there is misery and division, strife and suffering, revolt and slaughter. So far Mme. de Thèbes, whose vaticinations are of the clairvoyante kind, proceeding from a partial kabalism. One sees plainly enough that the Kaiser must be exiled if he does not voluntarily take to flight. In such case he should go to his own, and follow his purse-bearer to America. For the ruler of his *démarche* is Jupiter, and this planet is in Π in the 12th House (exile). Already the Moon (symbol of the people) is within orbs of the opposition of the Midheaven, carrying with it the threat of a general insurrection. The import of the lunar eclipse in Cancer (January, 1917) is to the same effect. But the peace of 1918 is not the final peace of Europe. The influence of Mars is increscent to 1926-7, and Venus does not assume its reign over Europe until 1931. The Uranian age comes in much later, but its dawn may be noted by the portents of the Moon and Jupiter in Aquarius about the year 1945. This will be largely in the nature of a social reconstruction along approved democratic lines, but the political readjustment will not be defined until after the congress of 1988-1990.

In Retrospect.

The very considerable advance made by the Allies during the latter part of July and the early part of August was quite in line with our anticipations. On both fronts much ground has been gained, many thousands of prisoners captured, and rich booty in munitions and stores have fallen to our hands. Italy, aided by the pressure on Austria exerted by Russia on the Eastern front, has made good the opportunity and captured the important strategic centre of Gorizia. On all sides the hoop of steel is closing upon the common enemy. This coincides with the transit of the planet Saturn over the Kaiser's ascendant. The Prussian military autocracy

has now its back against the wall. Unless, as is not improbable, the voice of the civil population of Germany becomes too urgent to be ignored, Prussia will fight to a finish. It has everything to lose and nothing to gain by a precipitate conclusion of peace.

The heat wave we have experienced is in accord with the indications from which it was clearly predicted. On July 23rd the Sun formed the sextile aspect with the positive and heat producing planet Mars, and then passed to the square aspect of another positive planet, Jupiter. The opposition of Uranus served only to obscure the skies with heat-mists, which were very pronounced on August 10th, the heat being great despite the overhead murk which obscured the sun. We may expect more heat towards the end of August, when Jupiter becomes stationary and trines the Sun. September 3rd and 4th appear to be charged with heavy storms, and also the 15th. The summer seems to break badly on the equinox. The opposition of Mars and Jupiter in quadrature to Venus and Neptune about the middle of the month should be productive of earthquakes and unusual electric phenomena.

The Signal Box.

During September the conjunction of Venus with Neptune in quadrature to Mars and Jupiter indicates some seditious plots and espionage in France. Intrigues among women are threatened, and insidious evils and treacheries are unfortunately much in evidence. The condition of Turkey is undoubtedly desperate. The Turks are driven to their last resources, and now see all too clearly how thoroughly the Prussians have hoodwinked and betrayed them. If the Porte should wisely capitulate it will save Russia a great deal of painful but necessary work in the years that are coming. The Sultan's advisers played badly. They were sure of Great Britain's friendship, but they believed that the Kaiser would realise his ambitions in France. They wished to be on the winning side, for sooner or later they had always Russia to face. Their ill-starred destiny confused their counsels. Those who sow the hurricane will reap the whirlwind. Its devastating blast will be felt by Turkey this month. Portugal appears to be in the line of attack during September, and some assaults upon Lisbon are by no means unlikely. Belgium now becomes the centre of a very violent demonstration by the enemy. A strong and desperate attempt to break through by the north will engage the highest powers of our troops.

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STUDIES IN BRIEF.

By SEPHARIAL

I AM here reproducing the prenatal epoch of the Great Usurper, now known as Kaiser Wilhelm II., King of Prussia and Hegemon of the German Empire. The figure differs in regard to the date from that given by Mr. E. H. Bailey. The epoch is a minus one, being less than the norm of 10 lunar revolutions, the Moon at birth being decreasing and below the horizon. This would carry us back to April 29th, 1858, and the first possible epoch thereafter would fall on May 4th, but as the Moon is then within orbs of a female degree, we have to continue round to the ascendant, when the Moon is found in a male degree, and this brings us to May 17th, the equation being $(10L - x) - 13$ days. Then, with Taurus 26.47 rising on the horizon of Berlin, and the Moon's radical place setting, we find the time to be 8 minutes past 4 in the morning at Berlin, or 3.14 a.m. G.M.T.

	* 25°	≈ 17°	∩ 25°	∩ 8°	/ 20°
☾	☽ 24° 27'				
♃	♃ 18° 19'				
♄	♄ 25° 54'				
♅	♅ 26° 47'				♁ 26° 47' III
♆	♆ 27° 59'				♁ 24° 29' ♂
♇	♇ 29° 8'				R.
			♁ 19° 23' ♀		
			♁ 23° 58' ♀		
					♁
	♁ 15° 8' 38'				
	♁ 20°	♁ 8°	♁ 25	♁ 17'	♁ 25°

May 17th, 1858 at 4.8 a.m. Berlin - G.M.T. 3.14 a.m.

Looking at this figure, we find Jupiter and Uranus close to the ascendant, and the Sun applying to the conjunction with them. This points to the great inheritance to which he succeeded by dint of the effective influence of sextile Neptune on the cusp of the House of Secrets.

It is well known that the Kaiser hated his reputed mother, and likewise that she loathed him. His treatment of her became a common scandal. This is shown by the conjunction of the Moon with Saturn. Now observe that when the Moon came to the horizon followed by Saturn, which happened at 56 years of age, the whole truth came into the hands of enterprising journalists by the discovery of the real child of Empress Frederick, who gave birth to her on the same day as that on which the maimed son of Carl Lehmann, the valet, was born. Then began the greatest piece of political jugglery that was ever enacted, and which, if we mistake not, will occupy the minds of historians for many

years to come. Male succession being imperative to the interests of the crown, the valet's child was substituted for the undesirable princess, who in turn was given over to the valet's wife. The Crown Princess contrived to play godmother to her own offspring even when her pseudo-parents were sent away to a well-stocked farm in the south. Frau Lehmann, while party to the fraud, was consoled with a pension and the thought that she was the guardian of one who some day would be rescued from her oblivion and take her rightful place upon a throne. But both they and the Kaiser counted without Bismarck, who, while relegating the princess to a convent in the belief that he was thus serving the best interests of the King, was most effectually thrown overboard by the Kaiser when it was believed that all the parties to this greatly unroyal plot had been silenced. Bismarck knew. Bismarck has confided his story to safe custody, with instructions as to its disposition at a stated time. We have yet to see how far and in what essentials it will agree with the revelations of Mina Lehmann, now an exile in this country, the only person who claims to have actually slapped the Kaiser's face!

Now look at the setting planet Mars, in direct opposition to the rising planets. Here is the symbol of the power of his enemies. Observe, too, the Moon in the nadir of the heavens in conjunction with Saturn. Surely that is a miserable end to all his greatness!

Now when we come to directional effects, we find that at the present momentous time in the history of this arch-imposter, Saturn is on the ascendant of the horoscope, the direction being complete in 1917, while a year later Neptune comes to the Midheaven. This spells defeat, loss of property (Saturn on the radical nadir), ill-health, the blackness of despair and complete undoing. It signifies a speedy exile, for Neptune holds the radical 12th Cusp. But with the following good directions of the Midheaven to Jupiter and Uranus there will be diplomatic reasons for sparing him the worst that might have happened and is without doubt his due. To this same effect also the good aspects of the rising planets and the setting Mars undoubtedly tend.

In regard to epochs generally, it should be observed that they represent the potential of the individual or incarnating entity, as distinguished from the birth which affords the horoscope of limitations. With this in mind we must not look for the, out-realising of the whole potential in every case. It is sometimes obscured and

rendered ineffectual by the limitations imposed by heredity. In the present instance we have Saturn ruler of the 10th in the sign of its obscurity, while the Moon, ruler of the 4th, is cadent and afflicted. With the Sun opposed to Mars and the Moon conjoined with Saturn, we should not here expect any but a malevolent expression.

The Kaiser's Horoscope.

Here is the horoscope of the Kaiser as defined by the method suggested by Mr. H. S. Green.

The general scheme is based on the idea that if we take the Sun's longitude as from its node, we ought to take the places of the other planets as from their respective nodes and refer them to the equinox so as to bring them into line with the Sun. This has been done in the present instance, with the following interesting result:—

27th January, 1859, 3h. p.m. Berlin.

♁ 13°	♂ 27°	♃ 19°	♄ 24°	♅ 5°
♁ 7° 57'	♂ 19° 8'	♃ 11° 48'	♄ 9° 55'	♅ 7° 12'
♁ 19° 54'	♂ 16° 35'			♅ 19° 54' 1/2
			♃ 24° 12'	♄ 14° 4'
				♅ 26° 4'
♁ 5°	♂ 24°	♃ 19°	♄ 27°	♅ 13°

Heliocentric ab æquinox.

I confess that I do not see much of the Prussian autocrat in Venus rising in the sign Cancer, but there is considerable significance in the position of the Moon, ruler of the horoscope, cadent in the 6th House, and in quartile aspect to Uranus and Mercury, and semiquartile to Neptune, with Jupiter, the dispositor of the Moon, in conjunction with Mars. Here are all the elements of a pronounced mental disorder. It is significant also that Uranus holds the mid-heaven, for it is above all things certain that the Kaiser was the man destined to bring about the disruption of the German Empire. It is also significant that the direction of the Sun to the opposition of the ascendant coincides with the direction of Saturn to the midheaven, the Sun being in the sign ruling Russia and Saturn being in that ruling Great Britain. The formation of this double direction falls out at the very time that the elaboration of the Kulturkampf was in process, and it was speedily followed by the remarkable fact of three kings occupying the Prussian throne within one year. At the opening of the war we have the direction of Neptune to the opposition of the Midheaven, which, of course, means domestic chaos and political undoing. If Neptune here may be held to signify a pseudo-succession, then its opposition will bring

it to an end. The various factors in this figure seem to point to the 17th degree of Cancer as the correct ascendant, the time being 2.45 p.m. locally. This, curiously enough, coincides with the transit of Saturn over the ascendant and the transit of Mars over the opposition of the Mid-heaven at the commencement of the "big push" of the Allies on the Western front.

Astrology in the Nursery.
If Baby is Born with the sign Pisces rising.

LITTLE children born with the sign Pisces rising are quiet, demure little things, easy to manage, very affectionate, but apt to be restless and fretful at times. As they grow older a tendency to indolence or inertia will show itself, and this should be quietly checked, as it will prevent their development. They are methodical, dreamy, romantic and impressionable, and look more to others for help and guidance than to look after themselves, lacking initiative and self-assertion. They are very fond of companions, like beautiful surroundings, and nothing is more harmful to their development than inharmony and uncongenial conditions. They are extremely sensitive, their feelings are easily wounded, and they never forget any little affronts or threats.

Mentally they are receptive and inclined to be mediumistic, having a peculiar way of getting to know things. They are quiet and diplomatic mentally, quick in learning, but apt to be indolent and superficial, attempting too many things at a time. This is a fault which parents should watch, but they should never let them confine their mental energies to one subject only, but let them have a fair variety, for these little ones have considerable versatility, and are better when engaged in two or three subjects at a time.

Physically they are not very strong, and there is a danger of blood troubles, affections of the lungs and digestive system. The lungs should have very careful attention in early days. Cleanliness is very particular, for these little ones are apt to be neglectful and lazy in this respect, and early training in cleanliness is one of importance. They should be given pure, simple diet, without too much liquid, and should be early taught the value of temperance.

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1. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) D in ♌ , Δ ♁ , \square ♃ , \circ ♄ , \square ♅ . Changes, journeys, danger of grief, indisposition, accidents and bereavement. A child born will be rash, hasty, careless, generous, original, will have much to contend with in life.

2. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) D in ♍ , \star ♁ , \square ♁ , \circ ♃ . Financial losses, deception, un-settlement, some social gains and business success. A child born will be extravagant; deceptive, affectionate, kind, but will do best in the employ of others.

3. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) D in ♍ , \square ♁ , Δ ♄ . Losses, reversals, danger of accidents and disputes, some benefits from friends. A child born will be rash, hasty, erratic, often involved in serious troubles, but have good friends to help him.

4. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) D in ♆ , Δ ♁ , ♃ , \star ♄ . Business successes, changes, some indisposition. A child born will be clever, steady, reliable, and fairly successful.

5. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) D in ♆ , \square ♁ , \star ♁ . Grief and disappointment, changes, reverses, and many annoyances. A child born will be proud, extravagant, selfish, and not very fortunate in life.

6. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) D in ♅ , Δ ♃ , \star ♄ . An active year, changes, new work, financial gain, some slight annoyances. A child born will be hasty, but active, energetic, generous, and popular.

7. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) D in ♅ , Δ ♁ , \square ♄ . A good year for business, with activity, changes, danger of wrangling and evil reports. A child born will be clever, intelligent, popular, have a hatred of control, and will do best in the employ of others.

8. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) D in ♅ , \circ ♁ , ♃ , ♄ , ♅ , ♆ , ♇ , ♈ , ♉ , ♊ , ♋ , ♌ , ♍ , ♎ , ♏ , ♐ , ♑ , ♒ , ♓ . Indisposition, bereavement, grief, danger of accidents, losses and deception. A very evil anniversary. A child born will be rash, hasty, extravagant, deceptive, often involved in serious troubles, and most unfortunate in life.

9. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) D in ♎ , \circ ♁ , Δ ♄ . Reverses, losses, disputes and annoyances, some benefits in business. A child born will be erratic, extravagant, prodigal, clever and intelligent, but will make little headway in life.

10. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) D in ♎ , \star ♃ , Δ ♄ . A good year for business, with activity, changes, new work and financial gain, but danger of disputes and law. A child will be active, energetic, clever and generous, should steer clear of law, or will suffer heavily.

11. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) D in ♏ , \circ ♁ . Troubles in employ, indisposition, many annoyances and worries. A child born will be proud, high-handed, deceptive and extravagant, and not at all fortunate in a career.

12. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) D in ♏ , Δ ♁ , ♃ , ♄ . Success in business, popularity, social gains and beneficial changes, some little annoyances. A child born will be steady, reliable, popular, kind, musical and impressionable, will have many little troubles to contend against, but should be fairly fortunate.

13. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) D in ♏ , \star ♁ , \circ ♄ . Changes, business benefits, gains, but many annoyances. A child born will be clever, original, popular, have a hatred of control, but will do well in business.

14. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) D in ♏ , \square ♃ . Indisposition or bereavement, danger of disputes, deception, and many worries. A child born will be rash, hasty, impetuous, often involved in serious troubles, but will have good friends to help him.

15. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) D in ♏ , \square ♁ , ♃ , ♄ , ♅ , ♆ , ♇ . Deception, treachery, danger of accidents, bereavement, indisposition, or bereavement and many grave trials. A child born will be deceptive, rash, hasty, extravagant, careless, erratic, and will never make any headway in life.

16. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) D in ♏ , Δ ♁ , \square ♁ , \star ♃ . Business success, new responsibilities, but danger of reverses. A child born will be steady, trustworthy, popular, but erratic and abrupt, should be successful in employ.

17. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) D in ♐ , \star ♁ , \circ . Changes, social gains please, little annoyances. A child born will be impressionable, romantic, affectionate and fairly successful.

18. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) D in ♐ , Δ ♁ , ♃ . Changes, journeys, business gains, new work, many little annoyances. A child born will be original, clever, intelligent, somewhat extravagant and hasty, but generally successful in business.

19. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) D in ♐ , \square ♁ , \star ♃ . Indisposition, business losses, some financial gains. A child born will be proud and high-handed, erratic, but kind and generous, will succeed best in employ.

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20. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) \mathcal{D} in \mathfrak{z} , Δ \mathcal{J} . An active year, changes and new work, danger of fraud. A child born will be active, energetic, proud and conceited, not popular or very successful.

21. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) \mathcal{D} in \mathfrak{z} , * \odot , \mathcal{C} \mathcal{H} , \square \mathcal{J} . Some success in business, promotion, but indisposition or bereavement, many annoyances and worries. A child born will be steady, trustworthy, but erratic, wayward, diffident, and have many trials to contend against.

22. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) \mathcal{D} in Ω , \mathcal{C} Ψ , \square \mathcal{V} , \square \mathcal{J} . Financial losses, danger of fraud and deception, disputes and law. A child born will be deceptive, extravagant, rash and impetuous, and very unlucky in life.

23. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) \mathcal{D} in Ω , \mathcal{C} \mathcal{H} , \mathcal{C} \mathcal{J} , * \mathcal{J} . Disappointments, danger of accidents, losses, sudden changes, some success in employ. A child born will be kind, affectionate, but hasty and prodigal, will have good mental gifts, but be unlucky in a career.

24. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol.) \mathcal{D} in Ω , Δ \mathcal{V} . Sudden changes, benefits in business, financial gains. A child born will be erratic, clever, generous, of good judgment, and will succeed best in the employ of others.

25. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , * \mathcal{J} . Activity, changes, many little annoyances, trouble to females. A child born will be active, energetic, somewhat erratic, and should be very discreet in dealings with the other sex.

26. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars.) \mathcal{D} in \mathcal{M} , * \mathcal{H} . A good year for business, with changes and benefits, some danger of disputes and accidents. A child born will be kind, popular, clever, steady and fairly successful.

27. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury.) \mathcal{D} in \mathfrak{z} , \mathcal{C} \odot , * Ψ . Changes, gain in business, benefits socially and financially, good for marriage or engagement. A child born will be kind, affectionate, popular, impressionable, and very lucky in life.

28. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter.) \mathcal{D} in \mathfrak{z} , Δ \mathcal{H} , * \mathcal{J} , \mathcal{C} \mathcal{J} . Changes, success in business, journeys, social and financial gains. A child born will be clever, intelligent, kind, generous and popular, will rise in life and be very successful.

29. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus.) \mathcal{D} in \mathfrak{m} , \square Ψ , \mathcal{H} , — \mathcal{C} \mathcal{V} . Indisposition, bereavement, losses, danger of disputes, accidents and deception. A child born will be rash, hasty, extravagant, deceptive and erratic, and very unfortunate in life.

30. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn.) \mathcal{D} in \mathfrak{m} , \square \mathcal{H} , \mathcal{C} \mathcal{J} , \square \mathcal{J} . Indisposition, bereavement, danger of accidents, and many grave trials. A child born will be rash, hasty, erratic, proud and high-handed, will often be involved in serious troubles and be very unfortunate.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY.

WHICH IS RIGHT?

Sir,—I have been a student of astrology for some little time, and have been very much set back by the various differences which are to be found in some of the books. One of the most perplexing points is the varying values of the orbs of the planets when acting together and singly. Raphael gives these orbs in his "Key to Astrology," and they are variously given by Ptolemy and some modern writers, such as Sepharial, Leo and others. The rule for combined orbs is to add the orbs together and divide by two. But when we come to single orbs of influence and apply them to the cusps of houses we find that the orb for the single planet is greater than that usually accredited to it. Thus Raphael says a planet has to be one-third of a house from the cusp before it ceases to act upon the affairs of that house. Sepharial gives a regular distance of 5 degrees from the cusp (outside of the house in question). Which is right? Disconcerting as this irregularity must be to students, what are we to say to Mr. Wilde's latest method of erecting a horoscope, which alters the whole thing from start to finish, affecting not only the radical positions of the planets, but also the directions which are made from the revised midheaven, ascendant, etc.? Surely astrologers cannot have been working for centuries in such a benighted state of ignorance as is suggested by the author of this new method? I should be glad of any light you can throw on the subject.

Yours faithfully,

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[It must, of course, appear to the student that many statements made in the books are deductive and not wholly based on experience. In regard to the "orbs" of the planets, we think that this may be regulated by the apparent bulk of the various bodies, in which case we should place the Sun slightly in excess of the Moon, then Venus, Jupiter, Mars, Saturn, Mercury, Uranus, and Neptune. But if we take the actual masses of the several bodies we should obviously place the Moon last in the category, which would by no means accord with our experience of her great influence. It is obvious from the definition of hylegiacal places given by Ptolemy that he allows 5 degrees for cuspal influence only, and this is the general experience. As to the new method of erecting the horoscope, it has been everywhere shown in review that Mr. Wilde has discovered a mare's nest, and has failed to dis-

tinguish between the mean and true Sun and their relations to sidereal time. Had he consulted the Nautical Almanac (abridged edition), he would have seen this note at the foot of each month's solar ephemeris, where the right ascension of the mean Sun is given, together with the "equation" of time to be added or subtracted: "The R.A. of the meridian (local sidereal time) is found by adding the right ascension of the *mean Sun* to the local *mean time*." From this it is quite plain that "local sidereal time" is the same as the R.A. of the mean Sun, and that this is the same as the R.A. of the true Sun corrected by the equation of time due to the difference between the apparent Sun and the clock. Of course, all conclusions arising out of a false horoscope must of themselves be false.—ED.]

RE-INCARNATION.

A correspondent has sent us a letter on this subject, which, owing to its length, could not be admitted as written. The following is, however, the salient part of it:—

Dear Sir,—I notice in recent numbers of the "B.J.A." that Mr. Harvey has endeavoured to establish an argument in favour of re-incarnation. I wish to say this in regard to it. Mr. Harvey contends that, unless we admit this theory of the soul, the divergence of character and fortune are attributable to the Creator as an injustice to mankind. I would ask where individuals got these characteristics and tendencies from. Mr. Harvey would have us believe they were acquired in former existences. But he disregards the Scripture authority. In the case of the man born blind it was due neither to heredity nor to sin in a former life, "but that the works of God might be made manifest." Is this a case of injustice? The Potter has power over the clay. There is no question of right with God; He is the Ruler of the universe, and if it is His will that we are afflicted in innumerable ways it is quite all right. The Redeemer lives, and in due course will redeem us out of this house of bondage. If God's ways are "inscrutable," as Mr. Harvey says, why try to make them plain by an appeal to re-incarnation? I say that nowhere in the Bible is anything said to uphold such a belief. When Lazarus was raised from the dead he had been deceased for some days. According to Mr. Harvey, he should have passed into another body as the son or daughter of some Redskin or Chinese parents. I believe that Lazarus was dead. Jesus came along and spoke the words, "Lazarus come forth." And he arose and stood before Him. When Jesus died there was none who could speak those words, but it being the will of God that He should again come into the body, the resurrection of Jesus was accomplished.—Yours truly,

HUGH BROWNE.

[We are afraid that our correspondent has slender knowledge of the Scripture and of the Hebrew doctrines on which it is founded, otherwise he would not say that there is nothing in Scripture to warrant a belief in re-incarnation. Christ is spoken of as one "whose goings forth have been from of old." He definitely identified John the Baptist with Elijah. Of those who attained spiritual freedom it is said, "Neither shall they go out nor come in any more." It is important to observe, in the case of the man born blind, that Christ did not repudiate the belief that the blindness may have been due to sins committed in a former life; He merely said that the man had not so sinned. We would advise Mr. Browne to read Waite's "Secret Doctrine in Israel" and "Re-incarnation" by J. D. Walker. We did not observe that Mr. Harvey argued for immediate re-incarnation. The law of cyclic rebirth does not involve that suggestion. The subject is not part of our programme, but it is difficult to avoid it in connection with a study of certain astrological facts.—EDITOR.]

THE AQUARIAN AGE.

Your reply to my inquiry, given in the July number of the "B.J.A.," has somewhat surprised me in several ways. First, in thinking me as ignorant as a schoolboy in not knowing that the Sun progresses through each of the twelve signs of the zodiac during the year, or *appears* to do so. I certainly referred to the *real* place of the Sun, as according to my friend and teacher, an Hermetic, the Sun is already in Aquarius.* Months ago I received a letter from her, saying: "The Sun is but a few minutes in Aquarius, and see already what has happened." And in the magazine of the American Rosae Crucis it gives 1897 as the end of a five thousand year cycle of the iron age, and 1900 as the end of the Messianic age—*i.e.*, the Pisces period of twenty-one hundred and fifty-five years.

At present the conflicting vibrations result in iconoclastic conditions, for as "new wine cannot be put in old bottles," neither can the new age be built on the old foundations. And Uranus having moved into Aquarius makes for more

* Which "Sun" is in fact the vernal equinox. A very little study of the Nautical Almanac will show that Al Genib is now 2° East of the Equinox, and that the latter is now in the constellation of Pisces, the first star of which (Gamma Piscium) is about 2° to the East of the line Markat-Fomalhaut, whose R.A.s respectively are 23h. 1m. and 22h. 53m. The difference between Gamma Piscium and the Equinox is now 50m. of R.A., and this is equal to about 12½ degrees, which will require another 900 years for the Equinox to pass out of the constellation Pisces altogether, and 450 years before the Equinox coincides with the first star in the left foot of Aquarius.—SEPHARIAL.

apparent destruction—*apparently*, but in the end *reform*. Feudalism and the *one man autocracy* must go down, as outgrown for present conditions of progress. And this, I read continually, is what the Allies are fighting—autocratic militarism or Prussianism. This is why I am so confident of the Allies' success. If astrology means anything, it goes deeper than technicalities—it is the law of spirit symbolised, and cannot be read entirely from a material view-point.

My future ideal of astrology will be when man gets sufficiently developed to allow his intuition a chance, and looks for proof finally from the mathematical side.

I have found that technicalities are true only in a general way, that individuals require to be specialised, and for a man to read properly a chart of a highly developed person he himself needs a similar development, and here is where the difficulty lies. Mathematics are a cold, hard proposition at best, and a good astrologer should be able to read within the lines as well as to give equations. As a rule, this spiritual side of astronomy, the soul, is entirely construed from the material significance; no wonder complaints abound on every hand by the ignorant.

This science is the most obtruse of any, because all of the others come within its range, and I want to see it grow in the appreciation of the coming generations, and placed on the dignified basis, where it belongs, as *the science* of all sciences.

Yours for truth,

M. B. W.

P.S.—Perhaps I should add a few words in order to give a better understanding of what I have tried to express in a general way in regard to the conditions that are trying to make a foothold in this twentieth century. The hierarchy of the planets on starry heavens is bringing *truth* to the world (Sun in Aquarius, and Uranus now therein). The world unconsciously is fighting it—it is satisfied to have things as they are. There is the disturbance in the astral plane. War between the forces of good and evil—truth and its opposite. The Kaiser is obsessed by his own egotism and his selfish desires. He can't win in spite of his intellectuality, *which shows something else*; but the material and mental is lacking—namely, the soul. The material growth of Germany has gone on at a rapid rate, and has left the soul behind, and this, the unknown quantity that unified the mental and material into a perfect working body, *non est*. The developed or poorly developed soul is so in the minority that those in this country with a better understanding have felt the advisability of not forcing a controversy among the masses. It has been bad enough here in America already with the dissenting opinions of every nationality. The only criticism that can be justly made of us is that when Belgian atrocities were committed our

Executive should have made a public *protest*, but the fact is (I can see now) was that we were too dumbfounded to say anything, and later on was not the time—the crucial time had gone by. The only thing possible for the U.S. was to keep out of the war, and be a help to the Allies in another way. Our Government of the last two administrations has been very like your Liberal one in England (liberal only in that which concerns themselves). All nations have these trying times. But, again, it is supposed to be the people's rule, even if a poor imitation of it. If we had gone to war to help the Allies, our help would have been impossible in other directions. You must remember we, as a nation, are not unified—it is a conglomeration of peoples. But until this war started these social differences were not so prominent. From my view-point, all of the men have been asleep. They have sat around enjoying what the world could give them, indifferent to the future. All the nations have their karma, so all will suffer—ours, too, in a measure (less only on account of age), and this great war is Nature's house-cleaning, and the world needs it badly.

M. B. W.

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A FEW hints to students in primary directing will conclude this present series of articles. I have endeavoured herein to present these lessons in as simple a manner as possible, freed from the "great shadowless monster of calculation," as some inexperienced amateurs have put it. The whole of the processes involved in computing primary directions are quite simple, and merely require the close study of the various rules, simple addition and subtraction, and the golden rule of three. All the tables that are required are given in various works, and once the rules are understood the exaggerated difficulties that certain writers descant upon are wholly imaginary and non-existent.

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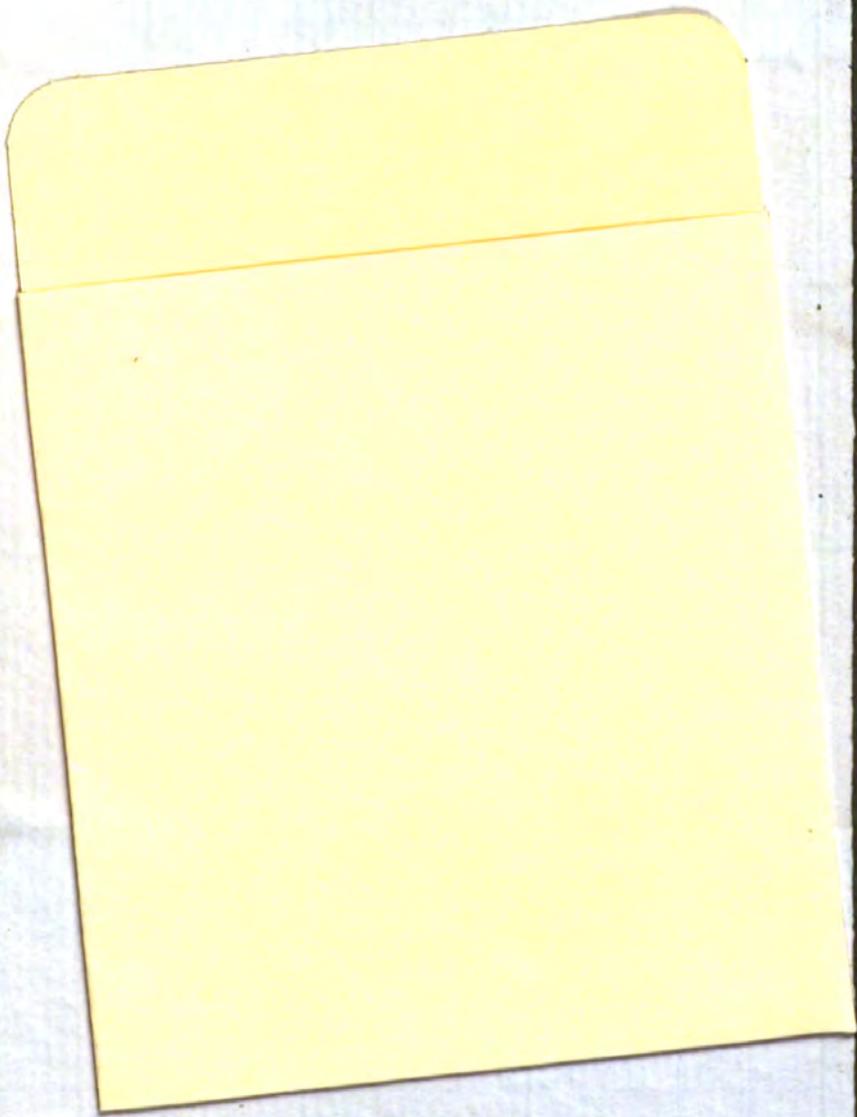
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