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July 11th, 1934 marked the quiet transition of our beloved Sri Dayanada, S.C., Dean of the Mystic Brotherhood University, F.R.C.; 32, 90,95;; Legatee of the Great White Lodge.

From a life which was consecrated to the development of his varied and exceptional Powers and the wise, understanding Leadership of those under his supervision, he has proceeded to the well-merited honors of a Higher Initiation. All those who have had the privilege of associating with him will ever cherish the memory of one who has enriched and enobled to an immeasurable extent the Lives of all with whom he came in contact.

Sri Cariot, M.B., of the Corde Fraters, a close associate of Sri Dayananda for many years, and also a collaborator with him in the administration of the Brotherhood work, has been appointed by the Sovereign Council to the Chair of Dean. He shall add to the students already in his personal classes, those who heretofore, have been working with Sri Dayananda, and assures all students that the same standards of fraternity and warm friendship will prevail as have existed between them and their former Instructor.



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THE MYSTIC MESSENGER IS AN AUTHORIZED CHANNEL FOR THE MESSAGES OF THE WHITE BROTHERS OF THE LODGE INVISIBLE AND CONTAINS CHATS BY THE BRETHREN AND THE NEWS OF THE BROTHERHOOD AS ITS PENDANT IN THE WESTERN WORLD

## THE MESSAGE-VISUALIZATION



Seemingly there is no subject of as wide interest as that of money, its Power, the possibilities of its being acquired, its rumored virtues and vices. Some would have us believe it is the American God, others term it a Divine Gift, still others would suggest that it is the Root of all Evil; but in whatever guise it may be presented, it is a compelling topic of personal concern and also of general conversation.

Evidently a subject as important as this should not escape attention of the Occultist. As a medium of exchange we know money is a useful tool of commerce in the interchange of commodities, indeed one characteristic step in the development of civilization is the evolving of a suitable monetary system. Patently the Evil does not lie in the System, but rather in the misuse of a System which is fundamentally sound and advantageous. When money leaves the office of convenience in barter and becomes an agency of illegitimate enterprise, of financial dissipation, of anxious personal hoarding, or assumes the character of an essential component of happiness, then its useful purposes have been transcended, and it becomes a force of Negative Evil.

Does then, Money and Finance have a part in Occult development? Certainly, for the attainment of anchoretship is not the purpose of

Occultism. The developed Esotericist because of his wide and varied practical knowledge is capable of undertaking domestic, community and national responsibilities, and must assume such duties as may devolve upon him. Such activity requires certain financial resources but at no time is the accumulation of money to become sole object and aim of his endeavors. It is to be used as a tool, and as such is an efficient asset to progress, but when it transgresses the subtle barrier governing its utility and becomes, either because of its disproportionate abundance a back-breaking burden, or because of its lack, a source of pinched anxiety, it has according to its sufficiency or insufficiency, reached the stage of Evil.

When those who may belong to the first class are ready to admit their affliction, the remedy is obvious, thru understanding philanthropic work they can dispense with the weighty top-heavy surplus. But those who claim membership in the second class have a different problem to face, and so let us investigate the Occult Way of relieving this distress.

There have been many methods devised by which one may materialize Money, and perhaps all these methods are good, each meeting the needs of a certain type of mind. Many of these suggestions have been conveyed thru the Lessons as well as thru the personal letters, but occasionally, the student re-

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ports that he seems to be unable to concentrate upon this thought. Conditions have conspired to bring tension and emotional strain, and the attention wavers over a multitude of ideas, most of them pessimistic and apprehensive of harm.

If you have been one of these, and have been harassed by material concerns, why not try this suggestion, and prove to yourself the value of its psychological help; it is called The Play Plan of Demonstrating. Do not misunderstand, it is not intended to make sport of critical issues, but it lifts the conquest of money to a higher mental plane; it is a potent method for it relaxes and relieves the Mind by replacing confusion with Harmony. It means that in order to achieve success from methods of visualization, there must be a certain freedom from tension, a pleasurable anticipation, and a definite sense of ease and security. The attainment of this Mental approach is essential, and it is a state of mind which every seeker can acquire.

After all, there is no lack in the basic elements which make up our universe, we are familiar with the Scientific assertion as to the impossibility of destroying matter...its physical forms may change but the sum total of material remains constant. For all purposes the same substance surrounds us now which was present at the beginning of earth-plane time, it has gone thru various stages of materialization, and will change again in the future, but it is present always. Plenty abounds, there is an Abundance to meet all needs, and when the need is strong enough, Desire will demand satisfaction, and the Supply will be manifest. You will note that a strong desire is the first prerequisite, not a desire dissipated over many half-formed ideas, half-spoken inclin-

ations and dreamy impractical aspirations, but a Desire formulated of logical thinking and along channels suited to the capacity of the individual.

For instance, it would be foolhardy for one in destitute circumstances to begin to plan ways of spending the Million Dollars he expects to materialize thru an Affirmation, but it is sensible and reasonable for him to seek a means of gradually increasing his earning capacity stage by stage until the attainment of an income sufficient to supply the necessities of Life has become an actuality.

He must analyze his abilities and his talents in an impersonal manner, laying aside false pride and thought of social position (for this too is a part of Esoteric development) and seek within himself those faculties which are most likely to produce returns in the modern business world and in which he is most adept. Thus by a process of elimination, he may arrive at the kind of work he is best suited to do; it may be salesmanship, it may be writing, it may be the cultivation of a hobby of long standing, or any one of the thousands of possibilities open to the modern worker. No one can discover this idea for him, he must arrive at it himself.

The decision once having been made, then lay uncertainly aside and focus the entire force of the personality, the intelligence, the judgment, and the weight of past experience upon that channel knowing that it will open a Way thru which Supply may flow to satisfy the need in question.

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OLD JOE SAYS

Other than the many fine things men may say of the wisdom of those on the path, no finer compliment can be paid an occult student, than to have it said of him by those intimate enough to express an opinion, "He is human."

On the other hand, what greater affront can Occult Science receive than to have it said of one on the path by those who are intimately acquainted with him. "He gets more fool notions every day?"

Prior to taking up the study of Occult Science and Mysticism, I was brought into contact with several who had studied with so called schools of Mysticism and the opinion I had of them, was that they were mentally unbalanced.

If Occultism means anything to me, it means living a normal life. Free from hallucinations and day dreaming one minute and wallowing in the slough of doubt and despondency the next. A kind of middle of the road attitude, I like to have it referred to. Where I am not buoyed up by sudden flights of imagination to soar in the clouds of ecstasy today and cast into the pit of gloom, doubt and delusion tomorrow.

While in company with some folks the other day, they were wondering why members of the same family were and could be, so different in disposition. One member of the family may be thoroughly good while another may be just the opposite, or apparently so. Well, I said, there is only one sane, logical conclusion to such a question. The One has profited by his experiences in a former incarnation, while the other, like the chap who went to college to have a good time, failed and lost. The old story again of the Hare and the

Tortoise. The one who persistently and patiently plugged along is well on the Path, while his brother who may have a keener intellect, loafed and wasted his time, indulging in frivolities and spending his energies in non profitable living.

The mention of reincarnation, brought a suspicious look to my hostess face. "Joe!" She exclaimed, "You haven't adopted some of that Yogi stuff?" Far be it from such, I replied, I have been a student of Occult Science and Mysticism for some years, and that which I have gained from study and verified by experiment, I have accepted, but not until I have proof satisfactory to my inquiring mind do I accept anything.

They had known others who were students of Mysticism and were not backward in the least about expressing their opinions about them. Referring to them as "Odd sticks, peculiar ducks and nuts."

I tried to change the subject, but they were not willing that I should talk about anything else. So I answered their questions as best I could, being permitted to take my leave after a three hour discussion by promising that I would stop to see them on my return trip four weeks hence.

There is no reason why the study of Occult Science and Mysticism should make one odd or peculiar, for our advancement depends on our ability to keep a "Middle of the road attitude."

Mysticism might be termed the star of Hope appearing in the East, to which are attracted all those in search of Light. While Occultism may be compared to the pilot or navigator who after experimentation and investigation, determines the proper course to pursue.

He does not lead into the clouds of false expectation, neither does he permit us to run aground in the shallow waters of doubt. He keeps a safe, sane course, taking soundings every so often, to make sure he is not being led astray by imagination, mired in the slough of despondency, or deceived by false appearances.

We should be Mystics by inclination, Occultist by choice and Human for the sake of those who may be influenced by our wisdom and ability to make practical use of what we know.

Old Joe.

The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love. he will joy over thee with singing.

Zeph. 3:17.

### BOOK REVIEW

Summer days are vacation days, the mind automatically strains at the bonds holding it to familiar haunts, and one feels a decided call to far and distant places.

Despite this quite natural urge, many of us shall not go a-journeying this year, but need not lament over-much the duties confining us to home or office, for we always have recourse to the excellent books of travel which wait to transport us in fancy to the ends of the earth.

If the Occultist were to be given the liberty of selecting the one country which he desired to visit above all other, India, the Land of fascinating tradition would certainly receive the favor of the majority of would-be travellers. It seems to exude a magnetic force which compels attention so that even when viewing its treasures thru the eyes of another, we are  
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Because many of the Brotherhood students have requested the privilege of relating their experiences for the encouragement of those who may at times find the Pathway of Attainment a difficult one to follow, we have decided to open one page each month in the Mystic Messenger to voluntary contributions of this nature. It has been found that such an exchange of actual experiences has an immensely stimulating effect in Esoteric endeavor, for it furnishes a practical example of the use of Occult Law.

Thru the personal letters, the instructors receive hundreds of such accounts each month, but, naturally, do not always feel at liberty to describe personal experiences of this kind to other students even tho they might need the inspiration such an account would give. And so, in order to furnish those who wish to take advantage of it an opportunity of sharing their Occult adventures with their fellow-students we are organizing this new Department of the Messenger--"The Helping Hand."

You may submit the account of a recent experience, or relate one which has already been repeated to your personal instructor.

If you have been involved in a situation in which practical Occult training has given you the courage and the stamina to face the affair squarely and find a logical, satisfactory solution to it --or if you know of an instance where a deepening Spiritual consciousness has strengthened character and brought a vision of an abiding Faith in the Master -- or if you have passed thru a psychic contact of particularly illuminating or unusual nature, you may now, if you wish, relate these incidents for those who may need just such a

Helping Hand.

Only one article each month will be selected for publication in the Mystic Messenger, the one which we feel will be of greatest interest and assistance to the majority of readers -- do not be disappointed if your article is not chosen for publication, for this is not a competitive Contest. There is no monetary prize, but we want each contributor to join us in a spirit of true helpfulness, for the pleasure of sharing the sheer joy of assisting those who may be at grips with a situation similar to that which you have weathered safely.

Here are a few regulations which are to be read carefully before sending the story:

1. The narrative must describe a true happening in which the student has directly or indirectly participated.

2. Each article must be signed by the student contributing it, as the name will appear with the published story.

3. Articles must be no longer than can conveniently be contained on one page of the Mystic Messenger.

4. The Brotherhood reserves the privilege of retaining those articles which are not published, unless the student requests that the material be returned and encloses sufficient postage to defray return mailing costs.

5. The decision of the M. B. U. Faculty as to the most helpful article submitted each month will be final.

6. Write on one side of the paper only.

7. Address articles to The Helping Hand, c/o M. B. U., P. O.

Box 425, Tampa, Florida.

The articles submitted will not be judged on the basis of literary merit, as it is the influence created by an authentic experience which has within it the power to transmit inspiration to others rather than the method of relating such experiences. All registered students of the M. B. U. are eligible to join in this special work of The Helping Hand.

For the anticipated cooperation of the entire student body we extend our sincere blessings. You may send in your account at your earliest convenience.

THE OLD MAN AND DEATH



An old laborer, bent double with age and toil, was gathering sticks in a forest. At last he grew so tired and hopeless that he threw down the bundle of sticks and cried out: "I cannot bear this life any longer. Ah, I wish Death would only come and take me!"

As he spoke, Death, a grisly skeleton, appeared and said to Him: "What wouldst thou, Mortal? I heard thee call me."

"Please, sir," replied the woodcutter, "Would you kindly help me to lift this faggot of sticks to my shoulder?"

AESOP'S FABLES

After all, are all of our desires for essentials, do we honestly want that for which we so often wish? In Affirmations as well as in Prayer let us endeavor to designate between necessary and superfluous desires, asking ourselves the simple question, Is that which I am asking for essential?



## AMBITION

Dr. Alan Emly

Have you ever tried to determine why we are happier when engaged in a creative occupation than when idle? Try it if you don't believe it.

There are five chief incentives for creative work:

1. LOVE. This is the greatest of all constructive forces, and is responsible for most of the wonderful things that have been brought to mankind. The finest single body of buildings in America is our schools, and schools are built for love.

2. BEAUTY. All Nature beautifies itself in the glory of evolving life. The rocks take on many colors, the flowers are a wilderness of blossoms, the trees put on a soft mantle of green, the birds are decked with fine plumage. Men wear collars and silk ties to add a touch of beauty to their ungainly necks. Women wear - well, something. Architecture plans for the beauty as well as Utility. The landscape gardener produces marvels of loveliness and charm.

3. ADVENTURE. This is the quest for the unknown, the lure of danger, the joy of pursuit. It is a hunt for something; a criminal; a lion, a microbe, a chemical formula, a new principle in mathematics. The spirit of adventure is strong within us.

4. CURIOSITY. Here is the basis of all knowledge. We build telescopes to search the sky. We explore lost cities, pyramids, books and the city dump. You are reading this because of curiosity.

5. ATTAINMENT. We strive to attain; to reach an objective for

its own sake. We desire an education, a certain possession, or to climb a mountain. Why? Oh, just for the sake of having the education or the possession, or of standing on top of the mountain!

These are the creative incentives. There are negative incentives, such as Fear and Greed, that destroy and do not create.

Each of us has some secret ambition, some worth-while object in life that dwells in our dreams, and perhaps never can be brought to realization.

Being in a confessional mood, I acknowledge such an ambition. It is a very wonderful ambition, so splendid and imposing and magnificent, that it cannot be contemplated except with veneration and awe.

Within the most sacred recesses of my consciousness is the hope that if I live long, study hard and lead a righteous life, God may permit me to operate a stream shovel.

Fancy the delight of sitting within the little machine-house, and manipulating greasy levers that can never be other than mysteries to the uninitiated! An excavation is before you, a line of trucks awaits your pleasure, and a straw-boss stands nearby waving his arms and delivering orders that you do not heed.

You operate certain levers in turn. A huge bucket drops into the excavation, bites its way into the ground, emerges, rises high into the air, swings about, and you loose an avalanche of earth which fills the truck and half covers the driver. And there is always the possibility of missing the truck and burying the straw-boss.

That is achievement, adventure, creative power! Such a one has skill and knowledge, and with skill and knowledge comes Faith. With Faith we can move mountains.

Of all my ambitions, this has been the most persistent, the most glorious, and, alas, the most unattainable. But, as Browning tells us:

"What I aspired to be  
And was not, comforts me;  
A brute I might have been,  
but would not sink in the scale."

#### INVOCATION TO ADONAI

By Frater S. S. H. F.

I invoke Thee to come forth O God of All-life, All-Wisdom, All-Power, All-Love, and All-Splendour, to protect me and bless me in this and in all my laudable undertakings.

I am one with Thee O Adonai, because Thou hast Thy being in me. Let Thy Light Shine effulgently within me, to guide me and make plain my Path this day.

O Most Adorable Being, illuminate Thou my will and make my Courage indomitable. Let all thoughts of fear be dissipated into nothingness. Let me overcome all negative conditions. Let me give complete expression to all Thy Divine attributes within me and attain to conscious union with Thee.

Thou hast given me dominion over the Spirits of Earth, Water, Air and Fire, and in Thy Holy Name, O, Most Powerful Adonai, I command their obedience now and always.

Through the Power of all Thy Mighty and Adorable Names I bind all Evil Spirits, that they do me no harm whatever.

Satisfy, even this day O, All-Providing and Bountiful God all the desires of my heart and Soul and let success crown all my efforts.

I invoke Thee to come forth O, Lord of Light and Goodness, that I may abide forever in the Light of Thy Presence.

Hear my invocation O Adonai and let the Flame of Divine Love and Wisdom purify my Mind and my Will. Thou O Lord art the Health of my Soul, Mind and Body.

To Thee O Adonai, do I offer all my thoughts, words and actions as a channel for the manifestation of Thy Love to all beings.

To Thee O most Holy and Adorable Adonai, be all Praise and Glory throughout the Ages. To Thy Name be Power and Might without end. Amen and Amen.

Contributed by Dr. Sidney French.

#### BOOK REVIEW

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would certainly receive the favor of the majority of would-be travelers. It seems to exude a magnetic force which compels attention so that even when viewing its treasures thru the eyes of another, we are not entirely deprived of its charm. And so if you would like to journey to India this summer but must needs travel from the quiet luxury of your Morris chair, it is quite possible for you to select those tales which will best satisfy the needs of the moment. Thus you may have the pleasure of enjoying many of the benefits of foreign travelling, and will be spared all of the inconveniences. It is advisable to segregate the bulk of Eastern travel literature into three classes--

those books describing the countries from an impersonal view-point, those books which are actively opposed to Eastern Thought, and finally, those books which sympathize with Eastern Philosophy and problems.

To this first-named group Richard Halliburton is a gracious contributor. We might term him the "typical American" abroad; he zealously includes in his itinerary all that which the well-informed traveller should see, and hastens blithely from temple to mountain-peak, giving never a thought to the religious significance of the time-honored landmarks so graced by his impetuous interest. Superficially, in a sentimental way, he does sense something of the spiritual value of the more obvious and much-publicized vicinities, but, after all, Esotericism is not his forte, and so if the reader is desirous of experiencing a delightful and amusing evening, he will find Mr. Halliburton a ready help. Among his works are, *The Royal Road to Romance*, *The Magic Carpet*, *New Worlds to Conquer*, and *A Glorious Adventure*.

Proceeding further from purely entertaining material in our book-rambling, we come to the group which discovers a very ominous note in the social practices of the Far East. Characteristic of this type of approach is the widely-commented upon "*Mother India*" of Katherine Mayo. Here we have the account of a sensitive observer whose Orthodox views are radically and diametrically opposed by Oriental social customs which do not recognize the niceties of Occidental convention.

India is a country rich in violent extremes -- from the purest heights of upper spiritual reaches, it sinks to the lowest practices of human behavior, morally, spiritually, and socially. There is much to

be found there that is worthy of the attention of the best of our own race, let us be charitable in criticism even though Eastern methods are not always suitable for Western practice.

As a sort of antidote to the above group, we have the opposite extreme -- perhaps here too a warning may be in order....think carefully before accepting all that might be mentioned by those writers who may be over-enthusiastic of Eastern Philosophy. Many reviewers have been hardened in the school of skepticism and experience, but there are others who have been completely carried away by the Mysticism of the East, and cautious heed must be given their accounts. Certainly Spauldings' "*Life and Teaching of the Masters of the Far East*" has received popular acclaim, and also Dr. Alexander Cannon's "*Invisible Influence*", both of which have been widely reviewed, and so need no further comment here. The last-named is a rather recent book, and contains an introduction by Edwin C. Hill, and also many thought-provoking accounts of unusual experiences. To continue to lesser known books, it is to be hoped that the works of Francis Yeats-Brown who has had the distinction of receiving two English prizes for literature, will become more popular in this country, for he has prepared one of the best, most interesting, and one of the most acceptable narratives of the East which has been offered for general reading in many years. His works are biographical, being accounts of his life in India from the time of his being recruited there as a young sub-officer until his retirement from active military service after the World War. Mr. Yeats-Brown has the happy faculty of effortlessly holding the reader's attention and of entirely captivating him with the simplicity and frankness of his story. Two of his books have been released -- "*The Lives of a Bengal Lancer*" and "*Bloody Years*."

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