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The Art of Guessing

As Practiced by Doctors, Healers, Clairvoyants and Other Assumed Professionals.—The Medical Profession in the Lime Light.

BY LUZERN ASHMORE, M. D.

I like the Aquarian New Age. It seems to be founded on principle and not on policy. Somebody about the office is certainly an intellectual prize fighter, and he has but little regard for the preconceived opinions of friend or foe. The article on "Was Jesus of Nazareth a Man or a God," by Levi, in the October number struck every note in the entire octave, covered the whole ground and ought to be committed to memory by every orthodox preacher and layman in the land; and "The Great Crime of the Clergy," by an Ex-Army Chaplain, that appeared in the November number is a revolutionary document of marvelous strength. Why don't you put that paper in tract form and send it everywhere? Nearly everybody would be helped by it.

I have a lot of things to say about "professionals," and they seem to come before me in groups that have been labeled **guessers**; and the first group consists of physicians, healers and clairvoyants.

The Guessers Club is composed of strange bedfellows—doctors, healers and clairvoyants. Each calls the others **fakes**; especially is this true of the drug doctors, and the drugless doctors, and yet both are prominent characters in the Guessers Club, and in this fact lies the hidden mystery of the celebrated black pot that sneered at the black kettle because it was black.

In this paper the class of guessers recognized by law as "physicians and surgeons" will be affectionately considered.

In modern surgery we find traces of an accurate science; but surgical diagnosticians belong, with very few exceptions, to the celebrated Guessers Club. Not many of them can differentiate between a case of appendicitis and one of peritonitis, or a cystic tumor from a cancerous growth. The size of the patient's pocket book is apt to determine many things with these guessers. A rich patient nearly always has "appendicitis" or a "cancerous

growth" and a surgical operation is an absolute necessity; the operation is performed and the undertaker covers up the job. Sick people should beware of surgical guessers.

There is no "science in medicine." Not one physician in a hundred can tell how any drug will act in any given case. Doctors are proverbially ignorant of the histo-chemistry of the human body. They have books that say: Give calomel, arsenic, cactus, quinine, etc., when certain conditions obtain; but no text book gives detailed instruction regarding the chemical condition of different patients, and none that even hints at the reason why drugs are not uniform in their action. That which seems to help in one case will kill in another case that seems to be exactly similar.

Some years ago John Mason Good, M. D., F. R. S., said: "The effects of medicine upon the human system are, in the highest degree, uncertain, except, indeed, that they have destroyed more lives than war, famine and pestilence combined."

Following along the same line of thought Sir John Forbes, M. D., F. R. S., once physician to Queen Victoria, said: "Some patients get well with the aid of medicine; some without it and still more in spite of it." Prof. Alonzo Clark, late of the New York College of Physicians and Surgeons, said: "Every dose of medicine diminishes the patient's vitality." Prof. Parker, late of the New York Medical College, once said: "The drugs that are administered for scarlet fever kill more patients than the disease does."

Glorious guessers are these medical doctors! but they have such a strong pull on the legislators of the land that they have laws enacted that shield them in their ignorance, and they cannot be arrested, convicted and executed when they murder innocent men, women and children by administering poison to them. "Where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise."

A Corner.—These professional guessers of the medicine schools are so determined to corner all guessing rights regarding the so-called "healing art," that they go forth to fight to the death every system of cure that doesn't tally exactly with their preconceived opinions that have been abstracted from the guesses of a lot of M. D's who have gone before, who in turn got their theories from more ancient members of the Guessers Club. Through the influence of these diabolical guessers laws have been enacted in most states prohibiting all persons who differ from them in their theory and practice of guessing from practicing the "healing art?"

What is the trouble? Is there no virtue in the Balm of Gilead? Have so-called medicines no power to change conditions in the human body? The greatest masters of all times have declared that the use of everything on earth is lawful and helpful to men; it is only the misuse that leads to harm and disastrous consequences.

Udraka, the greatest physician in all India who lived about 2000 years ago and was the teacher of Jesus of Nazareth, once said to his pupil:

"The body is a harpsichord, and when its strings are too relaxed,

or are too tense, the instrument is out of tune, the man is sick.

"Now everything in nature has been made to meet the wants of man; so everything is found in medical arcanae.

"And when the harpsichord of man is out of tune the vast expanse of nature may be searched for remedy; there is a cure for every ailment of the flesh.

"Of course the will of man is remedy supreme; and by the vigorous use of will man may make tense a chord that is relaxed, or may relax one that is too tense, and thus may heal himself.

"When man has reached the place where he has faith in God, in nature and himself, he knows the Word of power; his word is balm for every wound, is cure for all the ills of life.

"The healer is the man who can inspire faith. The tongue may speak to human ears, but souls are reached by souls that speak to souls.

"He is the forceful man whose soul is large, and who can enter into souls, inspiring hope in those who have no hope, and faith in those who have no faith in God, in nature, nor in man.

"There is no universal balm for those who tread the common walks of life.

"A thousand things produce inharmony and make men sick; a thousand things may tune the harpsichord, and make men well.

"That which is medicine for one is poison for another one; so one is healed by what would kill another one.

"An herb may heal the one; a drink of water may restore an-

other one; a mountain breeze may bring to life one seeming past all help;

"A coal of fire, or bit of earth, may cure another one; and one may wash in certain streams or pools, and be made whole.

"The virtue from the hand or breath may heal a thousand more; but love is queen. Thought, reinforced by love, is God's great sovereign balm."—Aquarian Gospel 23:9-21.

The trouble is not with the remedies; it is found in the absolute ignorance of the medical profession, and the only thing for the poor doctor to do is to guess and shoot, and in nine cases out of ten the remedy shot goes wide of the mark.

Now good people, how many self-called doctors do you know among Allopaths, Homeopaths, Eclectopaths, or any other path, who understands the chemistry of the human body and the chemical constituents of the drugs they administer, and can tell what will be the consequence when the two chemicals unite in the stomach of a sick man?

In coming in close contact with doctors of all schools for 40 years, and making a critical study of them I am forced to confess that I do not know of a single one, and I do believe with all my heart that our legislators would be serving mankind in a most acceptable manner if they would make the administration of poisons, or other radically acting drugs, a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment, banishment or execution, the same as is meted out to other murderers, until the administrators of these so-called "remedies," have proven themselves compe-

tent, have become experts in the science of Histo-Chemistry. The guesser may help somebody by the administration of a drug; not because of his knowledge, but because of sheer luck; but he is liable to murder nine other patients in the same space of time.

Of course there is now no tribunal competent to pass upon the qualifications of would-be physi-

cians, and since, as the celebrated physicians whose opinions we have quoted in this paper assert: **Drugs kill more people than disease**, it is certainly best to eliminate from the practice of healing the administration of drugs in every form.

In my next paper the guessing abilities of drugless healers will be reviewed.

Pure Spiritual Love

BY J. M. PEEBLES, M. D.

"And Jesus said, Behold, men recognize their mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers here in the flesh, but when the veil is rent and men walk in the realm of souls,

"The tender lines of love that bind the groups of fleshly kin in families, will fade away;

"Not that the love for any one will be the less; but man will see in all the motherhood, the fatherhood, the sisterhood, the brotherhood of man."—Aquarian Gospel; 106.

The above from the Aquarian Gospel which the Hierophant Levi brought to earth from the Akashic records in the heavens, is as morally beautiful and broadening as it is practically inspiring and uplifting.

Pure love is not merely a white lily undulating upon tremulous waters; not a harp, murmuring sweet music; not the cooing of turtle doves; but a divine soul-emotion, an active principle, the central magnet of our conscious existence. God is Love, said the ancient apostle. And just in the ratio of the soul unfoldment, love

deepens, becoming more subjective, philosophical, idealistic and universal.

Emerson, determined to maintain the wholeness of nature, yet recognizing no one person as absolutely necessary to his moral happiness, wrote thus of early primary loves:

"I know how delicious is this cup of love, I existing for you and you existing for me; but it is comparable to a child clinging to his toy; an attempt to eternize the fireside and keep the picture alphabet through which our first lessons were prettily conveyed. Once up and abroad, we pity those who can forego the magnificence of nature for candlelight and cards. In the procession of love from childhood, from within, outward, it enlarges its circles like light proceeding from a mighty orb."

Love is not passion and bears no more relation to lust than does heaven to hell. Its natural home is in the top brain and not the cerebellum. Highly unfolded souls, aflame with Platonian love,

require no introduction. The recognition is intuitive and immediate. Meeting a noble soul that knows our soul, we indulge the pleasing truth—a truth to us, that we knew this loved one in a pre-existent state and delicious were those delicate experiences in the sweet realm of immortal blessedness. Too ethereal were the workings of that inner consciousness, then, to be now projected into the external memory of earth's sordid masses, clothed with the selfish cares of this material life.

" 'Tis somewhere told in ancient story

That those who loved once bloomed
as flowers

On the same stem, amid the glory

Of Eden's green and fragrant bow-
ers;

And that, though parted oft by fate,

Yet when the glow of life is ended,
Each soul again shall find its mate,

And in one bloom again be
blended."

This is a beautiful expression of the philosophy of pre-existence; but this must not be confounded with the ancient Hindu speculation of thousands of rebirths from the spirit world, back into fleshly tabernacles, thus violating the immutable law of evolution. Ceylonese Buddhists informed us that Gautama Buddha was reincarnated 74,000 times before he attained Nirvana. This century, aglow with progress, requires demonstration rather than speculation.

Beautiful in effect is the medicine of love to the morally diseased. It works by an infinitude of methods, but always to redemptive ends. When fires, faggots, clanking chains and gloomy penitentiaries had all failed to reform, "The still small voice"—the tender

voice of love—touched the heart strings, opened a new fountain and redeemed the erring. This principle of love, wielded by William Penn, tamed the Indian soul and toned it to throb in kindness. Wielded by the benignant Howard, it made dingy prisons in Europe, into schools of reform. Breathed by the great-hearted Oberlin, it transformed many by-corners of pollution in the old world into blooming gardens. Whispered by the womanly Elizabeth Fry, it filled those dungeoned in houses of refuge and asylums of outcasts, with higher thoughts and purer ideals. These principles of love are as sure to produce high, elevating influences as are shivering lightnings to do their mission work.

"By this," said Jesus, "shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one for the other." Divine love—moral power—is the only power ever employed by God or the holy angels in the divine order of subjugation. It is the deepest and mightiest principle in the universe; it is the silvery sea over which mortals sail to the heavens of their highest ideal. Oh, it is sweet, it is life evermore to breathe the ambrosia of love.

"For love is the theme that the seraph choirs

Are now hymning through the
stars,

And we catch the strain from their
golden lyres

When our souls let down their
bars."

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We can never get peace out of the world; we must bring it from within and give it to the world.

It is not enough to talk peace, but we must live peace. We then throw out such forceful radiations that we influence others; and to live peace we must be at peace with our bodies, at peace with our minds or souls and at peace with God.

Only such an one can bring peace and good will into the world, because we cannot give, or make, or cause to be, that which we are not conscious of ourselves; and it will only be as good and perfect as we are conscious of goodness and perfection.

When Jesus calmed the storm on the Sea of Galilee his own great peacefulness enfolded his disciples and caused them to be at peace with their surroundings.

If we have this indwelling "I am at peace" we, like him, can surround our friends and loved ones with our own peacefulness that restores confidence in self and helps them to a conscious state of peacefulness.

When we are peace we leave our peace with all things that receive us, and so we are constantly

spreading the radiations throughout the world.

A thousand persons consciously living this peace in a community accomplish much toward developing harmonious surroundings and thousands of such communities throughout the country would do much to bring about a desire to abolish all discord and war.

We need not to shout peace from the housetops, but simply live it quietly in our lives and we shall inspire and promote universal peace, joy and good-will and constantly grow more and more into the realization of God's peace that "passeth all understanding."
—Walter W. Raymond in Unity.

"But right is king; and when the smoke is cleared away the nations will learn to war no more; the Prince of Peace will come to reign.

"Behold the signs of what I say are in the sky; but men can see them not."

Aquarian Gospel 113:15, 16.

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CHAPTER III.

1 In Elam just beyond the Heddikel, was native land of Banipal, and thither with his parents and his wife and child he went.

2. He found his childhood home; he bought it from the shepherds who had kept it all these years, and here his parents lived in peace again.

3 Now, when Melchizedec was three years old a master prophet from the Arian lands, in vision of the night beheld a dove, a pure white dove float down from heaven, and in its beak it bore a sprig of evergreen, and on its wings appeared in golden letters, Hope and Peace.

4 The prophet said, In peace we find the only hope of men.

5 And then the dove flew westward with the speed of light; the prophet followed in his ship of soul.

6 The dove descended at the home of Banipal and hovered o'er Melchizedec; and Rachel saw the dove, and she exclaimed,

7 O Banipal, behold! the gods have sent their benediction unto us! the dove of hope and peace and blessedness abides upon Melchizedec.

8 And Banipal and Rachel kept these secrets locked within their hearts.

9 In course of time the Arian prophet came to Elam land and found the child, Melchizedec. He said,

10 Most blessed Banipal and Rachel, servants of the Gods, because you have been found in holiness and worthy to be parents of the Prince of Peace.

11 Behold, for wars and hate, contentions and revenge have poisoned all the streams of life. The passions, the ungodly passions of the human race, have caused the spirit of good will, of happiness and love to turn away, and earth is fast becoming land of diabolos, and naught can save it from destruction but the balm of peace.

12 But, lo, Melchizedec has come; and he will show to men the true philosophy of life; will demonstrate the fact that self—the lower self—will lead to death, and that the only hope for man is peace; and he will lead the world to peace.

13 And then the prophet laid his hand upon Melchizedec and said, The blessings of the Holy Ones abide on you for aye. The benediction of the Blessed Ones will rest upon you in this age.

14 In you the Christ will manifest, and man will see and know and be.

15 And then the prophet went his way and Rachel said, What does it mean? What manner of a salutation does the prophet bring?

16 And then with Banipal she sat in silent thought a long, long time.

17 In seven days a band of holy priests came to the home of Banipal and said,

18 Lo, we have heard the bells of holiness ring out, and we have seen the glory of the Lord of hosts come down upon this home; and we have heard the message that Melchizedec has come to reign.

19 The headstone of the temple of the Peace of God has been removed; it has been trampled in the dust by self and lust; but lo, Melchizedec will bring again the headstone of the temple of the Peace of God, and put it in its place.

20 Rejoice, O earth, the royal king has come.

21 And then the holy priests remained in silence seven hours; and then they prayed a consecration prayer, and on the head of him, Melchizedec, they poured the holy oil and said,

22 It is the masters will. This child is set apart to be the servant of this age; and he will teach this age that servants rule, that kings and tyrants must obey.

23 And when the priests had thus declared they went their way.

CHAPTER IV.

1 Beside the Euphrates there lived a people called Chaldees.

2 Among these people were a holy man and wife whose names were Terah and Cyrene; and there was born to them a son, ordained to be a chief of men.

3 A messenger of God had so declared, and so they called the infant Abram, father of a race.

4 It came to pass that Terah heard the thrilling story of Melchizedec and while the boy was but a child he and Cyrene took

him and journeyed to the east to see the Prince of Peace.

5 They found the home of Banipal and there was great rejoicing when the sons of promise met. And Abram and Melchizedec became devoted friends.

6 When Terah and Cyrene and Abram would go again unto their home Melchizedec desired to go; so Banipal and Rachel and Melchizedec went with them to Chaldee.

7 And Terah was a man of wealth; he had vast flocks and herds, and Abram and Melchizedec were shepherd boys.

8 A master of the science of the stars lived in Chaldee, and Abram and Melchizedec were pupils in his school.

9 The master taught them many things. He said, The God of earth lives in the sun, and this is why we call the sun the Sheddi-ash, the Fire bountiful.

10 The rays of sun are rays of life, and in these rays are all the substances we find in man, in animal, in plant, in earth.

11 If man could full appropriate the substances that come down from the sun he need not drink the waters of the earth, nor eat the fruits, the herbs and other products of the soil.

12 But man is not yet master of the rays of sun and so the Spirit of the sun has made the earth a magazine, a mixing pot, where substances are full prepared.

13 And then the various kinds of food and drinks are made to separate and man can choose that which he thinks he needs.

14 Our masters speak of seven needs of man. The first is life itself, and this the Sheddi-ash holds safe in hand.

15 The other needs must be supplied; but man has not sufficient strength to take supplies directly from the Fount—the Sun; and so the Spirit of the Sun has made six reservoirs in heaven where the great strength of Sun is modified, so that the sons of men; yea, and the worlds of animals and plant, can live and yet receive their daily food from heaven.

16 The elements of growth, of rest and vision are among the first great needs of man, and Spirit Bountiful has made the Moon to light the earth by night; to hold within herself the elements of growth, of vision and of rest; and this most wondrous star is placed near to the earth.

17 We call the Moon **Them-ash**, the star of miracle; for men can never comprehend the magic power that lies within her rays—

18 She rules the waters of the sea, the rains, the dews, the growth of everything.

19 Yea, more; Them-ash holds in her rays the lullaby for men; she soothes them when the work of day is done; she closes up their eyes, and strokes them with her loving hand that they may sleep.

20 And more; she opens up their eyes of soul that they may see the scenes of worlds beyond the range of fleshly sight.

21 The next great need of man and animal and plant is something that will make the tissues and the cells bestir themselves, to act; and so the Spirit of the Sun cast forth a star to be the source of true activity.

22 This star is near the Sun we call it **Rabo-ash**,¹ which means the active star.

¹ Mercury.

23 It feeds the intellect of men so they can seize the thoughts of God and make them serve the purposes of man in flesh.

24 This star moves rapidly through heaven, and seems to take the potencies of many spirits of the stars and throw them to the earth that men may know and think and act.

25 This Rabo-ash is patron of the business world, the world of thought, of all activities.

26 The heart-life attribute of God, of generation and of love, is need of every man; its value men cannot compute.

27 The Spirit of the Sun has placed in heaven a star of wondrous beauty and of power and men have called it **Shishan-ash**.²

28 It is the star of cheer, of love, and holds within its rays the food and inspiration for all genial thought; and is the queen of all emotions of the human heart; of heart of animal, of bird, of insect and of plant.

29 The activities of Rabo-ash must need have strength, have energy and force.

30 The Spirit of the Sun has made a star of flame where all of energy is stored, and well prepared for every need of man.

31 This star is **Shelish-ash**,³ the great commander of a legion of the spirits of the heavens.

32 Men call this star "The god of war," because it feeds the fires of war in heaven and earth.

33 And all the iron reservoirs of earth are fed directly from this magazine of force; and Shelish-ash is iron king.

34 And man must be a worshiper; must hold in reverence the

² Venus.

³ Mars.

universal Om, and all the spirits of the Om; they who create, uphold, distintegrate, transmute.

35 This quality the Spirit of the Sun has given to a mighty star.

36 This star is **Chemash-ash**,⁴ and angels call this spirit, priest—the priest of heaven and earth, because he is the inspiration of the holy life of man—of his religious life.

37 He is the Priest of all anointings. He is the Jove and he bestows the jovial spirit upon men.

38 And then the need of some strong one to rule the harvests of the earth; to gather everything that naught be lost; to sift the useless from the good; to save the wheat and throw the chaff into the fires of **Shelish-ash** to be consumed.

39 The Spirit of the Sun has made a star with many moons and men have called it **Shebo-ash**,⁵ because it rules the end of life, the end of everything; completes the growth of things and gathers in the grain.

40 On earth naught could be finished but for **Shebo-ash**.

41 Now seven centers must be fed in body of this flesh, for there are seven kinds of tissues in the man, and these require seven kinds of food, for that which feeds the brain will not feed blood, and that which feeds the blood will not feed bone.

42 And there are seven kinds of food that earth prepares. The Sun sends forth the elements to make the staple food of life, and from the six star reservoirs that we have named, the elements that

go to make the other kinds of food are all derived.

43 And when man understands the earth, and what it holds in store for him; learns how to differentiate and take the kind of food his tissues need, then he will be quite easily supplied.

44 But when he tries to feed the brain with food for blood, or feed the nerves with food for bone, he is soon surfeited; the tissues clog or wither up, and cannot do their work, and man lies down and dies.

45 And then the master taught his pupils how to draw a chart of heaven to coincide with chart of man, that man might know just how to know his needs and how to be most easily supplied.

46 He taught them how to read the chart that they might know the probabilities of life, and know the work that they were born to do.

Yea, more; he taught them how to know the future; know its incidents and know the hour when death would come.

48 He taught them more than this, for he declared that in the chart was written down the history of life to come; and so he taught them how to read the probabilities of life beyond the grave.

When a thought, clear cut and incisive, has been garnered from the infinite storehouse, you think that you will treasure it up for future use. But in a few hours or days it has passed away. It is a pity to lose such thoughts, and in order to fasten them we should write them down, even though we have to rise from bed to do so, for they are priceless.

⁴ Jupiter.

⁵ Saturn.

Popular Astrology III

Essential Testimonies on Which to Base an Astrological Life Reading in the Light of Persian Thought. The Devils, Angels and Doubles of Scorpio.

BY AVALONE PARSEE.

In beginning this paper on Popular Astrology in the light of Persian thought, and before making our concluding study of Scorpio people, it seems well to indicate the prime essentials in judging a nativity. These are:

1. A knowledge of the sign in which the person is said to be born; the sign in which the sun seems to abide at the time of birth. This sign indicates the individual characteristics and the general fortunes of the native.

2. A knowledge of the character of the planet that rules the sign of birth, and the specific influences of that planet in the sign in which it is posited.

3. A knowledge of the rising sign; the one that is on the eastern horizon at the moment of birth. The character of the rising sign determines many things, especially the personality of the native, including personal appearance, habits, health and the probabilities of the successes or failures of the native, and the physical conditions at the close of life.

4. A knowledge of the character of the planet that rules the rising sign, and the specific influences of that planet in the sign in which it is posited at the time of birth.

5. A knowledge of the planet or planets in the rising sign at the moment of birth, especially the one nearest to the degree of the sign rising.

6. A knowledge of the position of the moon and the sign in which it is posited at the time of birth.

With these six testimonies well outlined a skilled Persian astrologer can write a chart of life for anyone sufficiently accurate for all practical purposes. Specific rules for obtaining these testimonies will be given in following papers. In our present studies we are considering only the influences of the birth sign.

Scorpio people are now in the lime light. Three classes of these people are readily recognized. These have been called devils, angels and doubles. They comprise the most diabolical people, the most spiritual people and the two-charactered people—the people of whom it may be said:

“When they are good they’re very good;

When they are bad they’re horrid.”

One never knows where to find doubles, for they are apt to be loud-mouthed religionists, while in their secret walks in life they are veritable devils. With one hand they seem to touch the very heart of God while with the other they “steal the coppers from the dead man’s eyes.” They sing “Jesus, lover of my soul,” while they are leading innocent creatures into the haunts of vice.

The ordinary physical or exoteric testimonies of the sign indicate that all Scorpio people have

gone to the bad; and these were the testimonies that were presented in our last paper.

Mars is the ruler of Scorpio, and Mars is the Solar plexus, the abdominal brain of the grand man of the heavens, and controls the solar plexus of every man, especially those born under Scorpio. In his exoteric aspects Mars is the planet of blood and is forever waving the sword, and revels in lusts, deceits, butcheries and all sorts of infamy. In his esoteric aspects he is the patron of every progression of every spiritual advancement, and in the study of Scorpio people we must ever keep in mind the dual character of this Lord of energy, and the same things may be said of the sign Scorpio.

The esoteric influences that radiate from Scorpio and control all the natures of this sign whose brain substance can respond to high spiritual vibrations are more powerful than those that radiate from the exoteric side, and control the evil-minded natures, and for this reason the higher classes of Scorpio people are wonderful personalities. They scarcely seem akin to the lower classes of the sign. They possess all the sexual strength of the lower class, but by the power of an indomitable will, this almost boundless vitality is transmuted into divine force. They possess all the natural magnetism of Scorpio, which is elevated into the Gift of Healing, and they have but to speak the word and disease departs like dew from off the flower in the light of morning sun.

Scorpio people are naturally intuitive, and make excellent clairvoyants, the lower classes being

ordinarily mediumistic tricksters, while the higher classes are ordained spiritual seers.

From the class which we have called **Scorpio doubles** spring the most successful criminal lawyers who must be experts in the science of subterfuge and deceit. Being absolutely conscienceless, they make use of the baser elements of judge and jury in their efforts to smother virtue and win their case, no matter what the facts may be.

Employments. Scorpio people of all classes are apt to become social successes. They are dignified and appear to be superior beings, which usually wins for them recognition wherever they go. They dearly love the good things of this life, are fond of gaiety, athletic sports and dress, and there are few natives of this sign who do not love to travel.

Scorpio people make good superintendents, or overseers. They do not like hard manual work, but they can direct workmen in such a way as to get the maximum of results from the minimum of labor. They seem to have an innate knowledge of drugs and chemicals, and so make expert chemists, dyers and pharmacists. They make good physicians and excellent surgeons, and those not greatly unfolded delight in the butcher's trade.

A modern astrologer (Alan Leo) concludes an excellent paper on Scorpio people thus: "We might sum up those people born in the sign of Scorpio as very determined, reserved, tenacious and secretive. They are firm and somewhat proud, and are capable of unmistakable traits of character that cause them to be very

much liked or very much disliked. Their somewhat suspicious natures cause them to be distrustful, but amidst all their evil traits of character they have that grit and backbone which enables them to make higher attainments than those born in other signs. The wisdom of the serpent lies concealed in this sign, and the natives may become so discreet, wise and prudent as to possess a genius that is extraordinary. It has been said, 'The greater the animal the greater the man,' and it may be that in the animal passions are hidden the germs of the spiritual force which when sent upwards may achieve great and mighty things. That which seems **latent will and desire** in Taurus becomes, in this sign, expressed energy. The Scorpio man's desires are potent and charged with the power to attain the object of his desires; but when the desires are subservient to the will there are none more powerful or determined."

Companions.—Unless there be quite antagonistic planetary aspects, Scorpio people should select their companions, both business and connubial, from among persons born between February 20 and March 20 or between April 20 and May 20.

Cusp People.—Those born between October 18 and 26 are known as Libra-Scorpio cusp people and are, usually, remarkable characters. They are apt to be inventors and originators of a high order. Success seems to favor them in all their undertakings.

Sensual Venus is the queen of Libra and fiery Mars is the Lord of Scorpio, and the influence of both these planets is poured out

freely upon these cusp people, so that they are liable to be excessively sensuous and need to guard their passions continually. They are apt to be insanely jealous, and on the lower planes they do not hesitate to use deception lavishly.

These cusp people dress well, and their appearance and doings are eminently "correct." It is, however, no uncommon thing for them to get into a "tight place," but their ingenuity and tactfulness enable them to get out with seeming credit.

A spiritually minded Libra-Scorpio cusp native is a power among the forces at work in the uplift of humanity.

We every day meet with questions that we cannot solve to our satisfaction. We turn them over and over again in our minds without reaching a solution and we are often discouraged. Do we realize that there is no promise that the intellect can give us the divine answer? The promise is that when the Holy Breath comes to dwell in us she will show us all things. So if some things seem hard to understand let us, after carefully considering them, lay them aside in memory, assured that when the Holy Breath comes that our spiritual vision will be opened and the answer will flash into our mind with an uplift of light and a glory of vision that will bring joy and peace to our soul.

"Faith is the substance of things hoped for," while worry is the substance of things dreaded,—which nine times out of ten never happens."—Selected.

Our Law of Life

BY MRS. L. DOW BALLIETT.

Each life that we see individually manifesting upon the plane of sense holds within its system its own law of life and is proclaiming in thought, word and action its own life work. That work it came to live in, to work in, to bring to the perfection of action. This is its mission during this pause in life's journey.

Our body is not our own, but is a part of nature's plan. It may seem to be a very small, and apparently an unimportant part, but it belongs with the whole, and any transgression against it will have to be atoned for. To sin against oneself is to sin against the race, and against all manifestations in heaven and earth.

The universe is a unit and we are part of the whole. To sin against one's self and the race is to remove our life's action from its own plane of existence and enter the environment of another; thus robbing one's self of that which it came to meet and conquer. Thus, to sin against oneself and to sin against the race is to live another's life instead of our own; the life our higher self chose for us.

When we saw with the sure eye of spirit; when we saw amidst the diversity of ways that which eventually led to the one perfect whole; to this end we chose the place in life that we are now filling, even though to the eye of intellect it may seem filled with failure. When we live at our highest the failures are not

failures, but rather masked successes. They are in some way helping to fulfil our own law of life; to aid in its perfection.

We know there are no mistakes in God's law and his children do not come here in a hap-hazard way. The time when each birth is made; the month, the day, the year, is as carefully planned as the making of a world. There is no great, no small in God's world. The intellect of man coined these words, and our coming in certain vibrations to do certain specific work is an assured fact. The vibration of our birth numbers shows the quality of force that dominates our actions; our body being attuned to that quality of force, and is our instrument, our friend throughout this span of life. Unless we adjust our life force to the cosmic force it is obliged to lie dormant in an inactive body.

The time of our coming to earth; the month, the day and year added together shows the substance we come to deal with. The sum of these substances found by digit of month, day and year, shows the force we use in fashioning the things of the sense world. As the colleges teach, nature works through Force and Substance. These two when set in action create a third part,—consciousness. The digit of the month, day and year shows the force we are using. The name shows the level of consciousness or comprehension of this force. If the name

shows a high rate of consciousness, the life work is broader than when the birth force is high, and the level of consciousness is limited.

Abraham Lincoln was born February 12, 1809. February vibrates 2; digit of day 3; digit of year 9; total 14. This number 14 is not a digit, so we add it, 1 and 4 is 5. 5 is the key note of Abraham Lincoln's work. By

the book "Balliett's Success Through Vibration of Numbers" we find the name Abraham vibrates 8 and means resurrection, freedom. Lincoln vibrates 7, meaning the earth, its fullness and shadows. The force or character of his nature as revealed by his name shows him to be a 6. This means a cosmic mother of the race of limited humanity. This shows the law of life.

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CHARACTER INDICATED BY THE HAND—III

BY J. L. MERRITT.

Having, as I think, pointed out the logical and philosophical basis of the system, I shall now direct the attention of the reader to other and more practical phases of the subject:

The classification of hands and their conformations; and shall endeavor to show the important bearing these subjects sustain to the scientific delineation of human character.

There are seven classes of hands: The Square, the Spatulated, the Philosophic, the Conic, the Psychic, the Elementary and the Mixed.

The square hand is larger than the medium size; the body of the hand follows the general outlines of a square figure; the palm large and firm; the thumb large and strongly rooted; the fingers slightly undulating and square at the ends. This type denotes a person of industry, order, punctuality and energy; he reveres time and worries when others do not come up to his high standard of value concerning it. These people sel-

dom attain to the heights of genius, but entertain great respect for good sense, and they invariably oppose practice to theory. They must comprehend a matter before giving assent, are liable to rest with superficial gleaning, and insist upon the real to the exclusion of the ideal. They are frequently meddlesome, and they are persistent in offering advice unasked.

The Spatulate derives its name from its resemblance to the instrument by that name. This form of hand indicates force, activity, energy, courage and execution. Its owner may be found among mechanics, artisans, surgeons and instrumental musicians. In experience, I find these people quick to comprehend profound ideas.

The Philosophic hand is indicative of the individual who is most misunderstood and actually maligned. In conventional parlance, he is the crank, the extremist, the reasoner, who, "devoid of reason, reasons Reason out of all semblance to Reason." Here I enter

my protest against this unjust verdict and bid defiance to its instigators. This individual meets the crosses of life in a truly philosophic and undisturbed manner; is slow to anger; is beyond the petty annoyances of personality so common to most of us; he is independent, fearless, persistent and indomitable; yet while being all this, to his erring brother he is lenient, kind and considerate—qualities not in evidence in the dispositions, and words obsolete in the vocabulary of some of his critics. This man doubts until convinced, when faith and affirmation are quickly substituted for honest negation. He recognizes life as due to Law, and placidly meets death with regard for law. The greatest weakness of this hand is good excuse for wrong action, and the greatest strength, integrity and Love of Truth. In description the Philosophic hand is, a palm strong and flexible; the fingers long, crooked, joints knotty, well-developed.

The Conic hand has a smooth, elastic palm; fingers long, free from knots and conic in shape.

There are three classes of the Conic type: Medium in size, small thumb, flexible palm—index of form; heavy, short hand, large thumb—recognition of complementary colors; the large hand with large thumb—denoting the sensual and capacity for detail. These people are refined, sensitive, versatile, imaginative and extravagant; their gestures are graceful and expressive of the ideas they communicate; they will work enthusiastically at anything which accords with their artistic tastes.

In this practical age, the **Psychic hand**, the most beautiful and rare, is the most useless. It is small, slender, delicate; the fingers are long, round, symmetrical and pointed. This hand denotes love of excitement, change, novelty, fickleness and inconstancy. In hands of the most pronounced of this type, a nature is indicated, showing love of the tranquil, the poetic and the idealistic; one who lives in the clouds far removed from contact with the material, the common-place and the vulgar. If, as some schools teach, there is upon the Astral Plane a state where souls live out their dreamy ideals, then this type is certainly the mundane representative of that condition.

The **Elementary** form of hand shows a palm broad, thick and heavy; the fingers short, straggling and gnarly; the thumb short, small, but club-like under the nail. This type belongs to people on the sensual plane. They are deficient in moral equipment; therefore are not, and should not be held so fully responsible for evil acts as people of other types.

These Elementary people are guided almost wholly by instincts little advanced beyond those of vicious animals. There are many modifications of this hand, but the main features herein described predominate.

The **Mixed** hand is one in form partaking of the nature of any two or more of the six radical types. When badly mixed, it indicates the little villain "great in villainy;" he is a prevaricator, a boaster, a poltroon and a thief. In trade or profession, he is versatile to the extent that he excels in nothing but cunning. The best

that can be said of this type is, that they are so excessively tolerant of other's views that it militates as a weakness. This description befits only the most pronounced form of this type. There are many people with the mixed hand to whom these remarks cannot be applied.

Soft Palms speak of the dreamer, the poet, the idealist; if very soft, they tell of intemperance, inconstancy, idleness, hypocrisy and deceit; firm palms denote energy, determination, will and purpose.

Short hands, if broad, show love of detail; narrow hands indicate acquisitiveness and an intellect narrow and selfish.

Open hands tell of frankness and honesty; closed hands bespeak the liar, the deceiver. When a man whom you suspect of deception, talks to you, do not watch his face, watch his hands; the more intense the lie, the more intense is the compression. His face may beam with honesty (?) placidity (?) and truth (?), but his finger nails will duly record the impress of duplicity in his palms!

Beware of him who makes a solemn promise while holding his hands behind his back; his promise is made to be heard, not to be performed.

Carefully watch the gestures of the orator; if he uses the tensely clinched fist to hammer the truth into you, (it may or may not be true), it denotes two things worthy of observation: he has little or no faith in his frenzied, passionate appeal, or he is conscious of the weakness of his argument.

Very smooth hands denote religious zeal, inspiration, and belief in dogma. Such people are easily

influenced even against their own intuitive perceptions; they are fickle, but exacting from others in matters of affection.

The upper half of the hand refers to the intellectual, the lower, the physical.

If the Field of Mars (the center of the palm) lies low, it indicates success in the line of thought occupying the attention of the owner.

AQUARIAN RALLYINGSONG

WORDS BY LEVI.

It is coming, coming, coming!

In the glory of the sun;
All the eastern hills are gleaming;
For the morning light is streaming;
Earth is radiant, heaven is beaming;
For the New Age has begun.

CHORUS

Ring the bells; unfurl the flag!
The banner of the man to be;
The banner of the old, the new,
The Red, the Yellow and the Blue;
The royal ensign of the true—
Float, banner, float from sea to sea!

It is coming, coming, coming!
Send the tidings through the land!

All the Orient is singing
The glad songs the Seers are bringing;

The bells of all the West are ringing,
For the kingdom is at hand.

It is coming, coming, coming!
Age of Spirit, of the free;
And the flower blooms are whiter,
And the star of hope is brighter,
And the hearts of men are lighter;
Sing loud the song of Jubilee.

It is coming, coming, coming!
Age of Brotherhood and Right;
And the joyous proclamation
Of the great emancipation
Is proclaimed in every nation;
Justice reigns and right is might.

It is coming, coming, coming!
The Aquarian Age has come.
And the Mount of Life is clearer;
And our Brotherhood is dearer;
Men are coming nearer, nearer,
To the New Jerusalem.

Physical Well Being - Soul Development

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HEALTH THOUGHTS

In the Aquarian Gospel we read, "Man is king; he may direct his thoughts, his love, his life, and gain the prize of everlasting life." Chapter 149:19.

By properly directed thought, man may not only gain life everlasting in the spiritual sense, but he may gain health and happiness while on the physical plane. Thought is a powerful creative force, and like all universal forces of nature, is neither good nor bad, but is capable of being either good or bad according to the trend of it.

Let us bring ourselves to a full and complete realization of the great truth expressed in that old proverb, "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he." This being true, let us direct our thoughts along the lines conducive to health and happiness. Let the thought dwell lovingly on the things which may bring a pleasant smile either to ourselves or our neighbor, for, "as we give, so God will give to us."

Thought, like the boomerang, will return, sometimes with greater force than that with which it is sent out. What kind of thoughts should we send out? Health, happiness and prosperity, "Peace on earth, good-will to men," and these are the thoughts that will return.

"God is life, that life surrounds me;

In that life I safely dwell;

'Tis above, beneath, within me.

That life is mine, and all is well."

When we direct our thought toward ourselves let it be in the now, for the ever present; and the God within will bring us daily to our own. The past is beyond recall; so let the dead past bury its dead. The future is not yet; today, the living present, only is ours. Our supply comes each day for our daily needs. Truth, Love and Life are ours.

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lines will often produce cures that have baffled the most eminent doctors of the present time. After this comes the most potent of all the healer's power; the unseen forces that come to the healer that has mastered the situation and become an initiate into the great White Lodge, which exists and works for the uplift and benefit of all humanity. A healer thus equipped can stand forth amongst his fellows a workman that needs not to be ashamed, and, as he works, will gather more and more force until he can command and it will be done.

—REV. L. H. WORTHINGTON.
Sawtelle, Cal.

"A great man is always willing to be little."

"Health is the natural birth-right of every individual, but its enjoyment depends upon compliance with definite principles of harmony and wholeness, which cannot be transgressed, even accidentally, without corresponding results of discord ensuing; hence, Knowledge of Law is the Key to Health—to upright tendencies—to pure ethics."

"These teachings include every right principle of thought, speech and action; thus they include the true growth of the soul, the proper development of the mind, consciousness of the Spirit—the higher self—and thus heal the body and keep it whole; for this higher mind contains the real healing forces of the spiritual understanding, which heal, which instruct, which illuminate and which give man unusual powers of perception, high above the sense mentality.—Selected.

Dr. Abramowiski, an exponent of Nature Cure in Australia, says: "There are besides mechanical injuries but two sources of disease in the world, viz., poison or impurities taken into the system from without, and waste matter retained. In either case the result is obstruction. What is this mysterious thing disease? Simply the effort to remove obstructing material from the organic domain and to repair damages. Disease is a process of purification—a vital struggle to overcome obstruction and keep the channels of the circulation free. Should, then, this remedial effort be repressed with drugs, intensified with stimulants and tonics, subdued with narcotics, aggravated with alteratives, complicated and misdirected, changed, subverted and perverted with drugs and poisons generally?"

"He who would be free, himself must strike the blow."

"It is rarely that people are killed by hard work, but men and women die every day simply because they do not know how to work and how to rest. It is not the use of the muscles that wears out the body; it is the habit of impatience, unrest and anxiety. They do not realize that there is a science of rest, and that the laws governing the process are just as important, and must be obeyed just as rigorously, as those governing the various forms of action."

"Too much food on the one hand and improper preparation of it on the other play a large part in the causation of sickness and disease."—Selected.

SUNRISE OF THE SOUL

BY THE AUTHOR OF
"THE RAVEN'S LEAF."

Swift, o'er the mountain, leaps the
light of Phoebus' car!
When, in his circuit, we may catch
these gleams afar:
Radiating from the HEART
Of the Universal SELF,
Permeating every part,
Mossy craig, and granite shelf;
Throbbing, pulsing with the Life—
At the Center holds the spheres;
With transcendent Power, rife,
Sends the satellite of years.—
And swift, with the Morning, speed
the shadows hence,
As Earth, in rejoicing, proves anew
her continence.

Sweet—to behold them—as a Moon-
lit Starry band!
Just o'er the Borders of that Mystic,
shining Strand,
While the shadows lie so drear
Round the weary heart with
cares,
Growing faint with doubt, and fear,
Waiting for the Light—despairs;
For the Night-time of the soul
Is this earthly Day—we've
leased:
But, beyond the grassy knoll, ,
Morn is breaking in the East.
Awake from your slumbers! and to
the Mountain haste:
Watch ye for the Sunrise—and not
a moment waste!

Dawn, bright and rosy, I behold in
World above;
Blue skies, star-lighted, as I soar on
wings of LOVE.
Now, it floods the lofty Peak,
And a fleecy cloud of red—
Rises gently while we speak:
Dropping softly, floats ahead
Of the sunbeams' dancing waves;
Bathes the lap of Mother Earth
In its halo, which engraves
Neptune's trident on its birth.
The seal—and a symbol—combining
rose and blue:
O man, maid, and Nation—this vis-
ion is for you!

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AQUARIAN RADIOGRAPHS.

Of all others do not deceive
yourself.

In studying self look well to
the foundation.

Remember imaginary wrongs
are the hardest to fight.

Cultivate rare thoughts as you
do rare flowers. The time will be
well spent.

Too often the good qualities in
one are overlooked in magnifying
the supposed evil.

It is so much easier to tell
others what to do, than to do the
things ourselves.

Each must work out the prob-
lems of life for himself, as we
take different lessons.

Do not try to keep the devel-
oped mind encased in creedism or
anything else that retards full ex-
pansion or expression.

When you get into harmony
with your own soul, you will not
have much trouble with others.

Try to extend the Yule-tide
greetings throughout the year, and
see what a different world we will
have.

The first process in building is
to get together proper materials.
Remember your thoughts are the
material from which you build
character.

Do not magnify your troubles,
but start out and find some one
that has a heavier load to bear; in
helping them you will forget you
ever thought you had any.

Try to see only the good in
everything. Shut your eyes to
everything that is dark or depress-
ing for one year, and see how lit-
tle you will need to consult your
doctor.

—DR. DORA A. UNDERWOOD.
Los Angeles, Cal.

The New Age Critic

BY DR. CHARLES MILDENBERGER.

It seems peculiar that all of our critics are trying to remove the effect of the evil of one or another of our social abnormalities without going to the cause. In my estimation this is the unjust distribution of wealth, or the necessities of life; caused by the selfish and unbrotherly mode of production and distribution by which the producer receives less than his share of the produced wealth, while those who have taken little or no part in it receive the larger portion. The natural consequence of this is immense riches in the hands of the few and poverty and want among the many. This in turn produces the classes which are divided in their interests, so that each is the enemy of the other and is the cause of injustice among the whole race.

It is a natural hindrance to the establishment of the brotherhood of humanity; it causes jealousy, enmity and war between nations as well as dishonesty, corruption and crime, and produces much of the trouble in the marriage, as well as in other social relations.

"Ignorance is the cause of all evil" is a proverb whose import was taught by all great souls, among them Socrates, Plato and Jesus of Nazareth. Our good brothers and sisters who are in possession of wealth or power think that this ignorance means the want of education for the poorer class, and are quick to give them libraries instead of bread, while some others, who seem to

grasp the meaning a little better, try to lessen the effect of this unjust state of affairs by establishing many charities. The first is of but little help, because the overworked father and mother have no time for reading or study. The latter is a direct insult and rarely reaches those who are in real need as they generally have too much self-esteem to take alms of any kind. What we need is justice not charity.

This is a delicate subject which, I think, our critics do not wish to touch on for fear of hurting the feelings of the so-called better class; but this would be a false conception of the whole subject, as we do not attack, or even put the responsibility for this unjust state of affairs on any one in particular; but the New Age critic is morally compelled to point to the cause which prevents the unfoldment of the real destiny of man: Universal Brotherhood.

We cannot expect a brotherly feeling when there should be a full plate at the Father's table for each one of the children and some take those which rightfully belong to others, or when one has to shine the shoes of the other, who is in possession of everything that makes life comfortable, in order to have food and shelter, and is often in fear that he may lose even this degrading position because of the competition of his still more unfortunate brother. As long as this unjust social condition remains we cannot and will

not succeed in our efforts, no matter what palliatives we recommend.

You may call this socialism and turn away from the subject with disgust, my dear brother, but please do not forget that the Master did not hesitate to attack the unjust social conditions of his day or to speak of the hypocrisy of churchism and other social institutions. What was right two thousand years ago is right today, and we must do the same if we would be true followers of the Master, especially when we see the degrading conditions and the terrible suffering caused by this injustice.

While man-made law has made these conditions of special privilege legal they are never legal by God's law.

Just as sure as these unjust conditions cause poverty and poverty causes crime, so does it cause the pitiable conditions in our marital relations. No law intended to regulate the divorce question will succeed as long as the inequalities remain which compels the woman to marry the one who offers her marriage, whether she loves him or not, in order to have support. Our social conditions cause such great differences in the advantages of life between the two sexes that marriage is often degraded to a business proposition, and love has no word, and therefore inharmony and separation are every-day affairs, and will be as long as the real cause is not removed.

The real Aquarian cannot feel happy and contented as long as one single brother or sister is in want of the necessities of life; he cannot enjoy his meal when he

thinks of some poor child with only a stale crust of bread; he cannot enjoy any pleasure when he considers that thousands of poor fathers and mothers are hardly able to live like human beings; he cannot enjoy his knowledge when he realizes that thousands are ignorant of the better things of life because society compels them to stay ignorant.

Here is the point where the true Aquarian brother and sister find a field of action. Do not accept the foolish conception that there must be thousands of poverty stricken sufferers in order to have one wealthy ignoramus; do not accept the false teachings of the well-paid priests of wealth, that these institutions and these unjust conditions are made by God, — this is the worst lie ever invented to protect special privileges and destroy the inherited noble tendency of the brotherhood of man; do not accept the thought that these conditions cannot be changed.

Picture the ideal, desire it, think it, talk it, and the whole universe is bound to help to establish it because it is justice and consequently in accord with the will of the Absolute, as it means harmony.

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"God and all master men judge men by what they are and not by what they seem to be; not by their reputation and their fame."
—Aquarian Gospel 127:10.

"Who is powerful? He who can control his passions. Who is rich? He who is contented with that he has."—Selected.

Grand College Opening

Aquarian College of Teachers and Healers, Sunday at 8 p. m., January 15, Walker's Auditorium, Los Angeles.

This College, organized under the charter of the Aquarian Commonwealth, was formally opened to the public on Sunday evening, January 15, and the session was full of interest. The music was furnished by the De Chauvenet Conservatory of Music and others and the following selections were rendered:

Violin Quartette, Doyle Cox, Carl Prochnow, Loren Powell, Stanley Carnahan, with Gertrude Fieber at the piano. Selection, "Romance."

Vocal Selection—"When the Heart Is Young," Mrs. Carlotta Gotwaldt.

Vocal Selection—"The New Age," Mr. Robt. Sudall.

Violin Solo—"Cradle Song," Loren Powell.

Vocal Selection—"Oh, Fear Ye, Israel," Mme. de Chavenet.

Personal Magnetism as an Element of Success.

This was the theme discussed by Dr. Levi Dowling, who was the principal speaker. The following is the substance of the address:

Success.—This is the objective point of every effort in life. It is difficult to find two persons who desire the same results of effort. Success for one person is apt to differ widely from success for another person. The degree of advancement of an individual determines the goal of success in view. All the efforts of one may be given to attain financial success;

another concentrates all effort on social success, or political success, or literary success, and another without repudiating these things longs to attain unto Spiritual perfection.

No matter, however, what the goal of success may be, the **Elements of Success** are practically the same, and all education that is worthy of the name, embraces these elements in its courses of study.

Among the more prominent **Elements of Success** we may mention Thought, Personal Magnetism, Suggestion, Faith, Speech, Fearlessness, Love, Education, and Invisible Helpers.

In the December (1910) Aquarian New Age there was published a synopsis of a lecture which I gave at the opening of the eighth year of the Aquarian School of Occult Sciences on **Thought as an Element of Success**, and in this talk we assume that you have read or will read it, for it is the basis of all studies on this remarkable theme.

In this short talk we cannot, of course, consider in any way the eight remaining elements which have been enumerated, and we have chosen one to briefly study: **Personal Magnetism as an Element of Success.**

Force is one of the three primary attributes of the Infinite; there is but one Force. Per se, Force is neither moral nor intellectual; it has no Intelligence nor

Love; it is blind; it is deaf; it is dumb. It does not differentiate; it may destroy the saint in his devotions, while it saves the culprit. The same Force that lifts the child that has fallen into the pit to a place of safety, wields the knife of the assassin.

Force is an ether, and manifests itself in a thousand ways. These manifestations of force we call Power. These powers result from the vibration of the ethers of Force. For the purpose of this study we recognize two of these mighty powers, and we call them

Magnetism and Electricity. Scientists have demonstrated the fact that where the Fire-ethers, known as ethers of Force, attain a vibratory activity of about thirty billions per second we have a manifest energy that we call Electricity, and when they attain the incomprehensible vibratory rate of thirty trillions we have an energy that is known as Magnetism. This is earth magnetism, demonstrated in the lodestone, and the magnetic rock.

Human Magnetism differs from earth magnetism in this, that its rate of vibration is much higher. Although it has not been demonstrated, it is believed that the etheric vibration of Human Magnetism is not far from thirty quadrillions per second.

Generating Power. The same machine, if it be sensitive enough, will generate any form of power. Fire is the basic ether, and whatever will cause it to vibrate produces power. Scientists speak of "kinds of force," but they mean kinds of power, such as heat, light, magnetism, electricity, etc., but these are controvertible, one into

the other. Heat produces electricity and electricity produces heat, etc.

In this study we are especially interested in the generation of **Human Magnetism**; for this is the power par excellence in the realization of success.

Magnetism Manifest. Some people are everywhere recognized as powerful, even though they speak not a word. When they enter a room full of other people everybody turns to see them, and they are quickly the centers of attraction. Invisible influences are playing about them, and they seem to draw most persons to them. The name for this influence is **Personal Magnetism**, the much coveted element of success.

Generating Personal Magnetism. All human bodies are filled, from head to foot, with magnetic generating cells, and every person who knows how to make them active is a power. Every cell is a battery, and to understand the construction of these cells, we have but to study the ordinary cell of a magnetic battery. Two elements, a positive and a negative, carbon and zinc, are quite essential. These are called electrical opposites: carbon is negative and acid; zinc is positive and alkaline. But these metals might lie together for ages without perceptible results in the absence of a generating agent. But water (H_2O) acidulated is such an agent, and when applied causes a reaction and a marvelous force is generated.

In the human cells we have the positive and the negative element always present, and when the proper excitant, which we find in acid oxygen, so abundant in the

air we breathe, is brought in contact with the elements, a marvelous current of magnetic force is generated.

The Science of Breathing is too important to be passed over without notice. The indolent breather has no magnetic force, while the forceful breather is attractive, no matter what may be his personality.

Magnetic Breathing Exercise. Breathing without a fixed purpose may keep the springs of life moving, but to enhance a magnetic flow a specific object must be in mind. When one knows the meaning of magnetic power, the will may seize the atoms of thought, and formulate the idea that underlies these words which may be used as a slogan of success: "I will attain magnetic power." The accompanying thought must be that which was expressed in the affirmation formula of the lecture to which we have referred on "Thought as an Element of Success," which is: "I have within me the elements of success, and, by the help of God, I will succeed."

The thought in detail must be: In the cells of my body are the elements of magnetic power—the positive and the negative, and when I force the oxygen of the air into these cells my entire being will be rejuvenated, and I will be magnetic.

The suggestions here given may be worked into practical form by any person, and the exercise which includes deep, systematic breathing, should be practiced a dozen times a day, and the fresh, open air should be the theater of action. Every pupil should have a copy of "BIOPNEUMA," a

course of fourteen lessons on "True Science of the Great Breath," which was published some time ago, and gives elementary instruction in the science of breathing.

Retaining one's power is as important as obtaining it. One may become very magnetic by exercise and will force and lose all his power in a moment. A fit of anger is so vitiating that it brings the rate of etheric vibrations so low that the magnetic favorite of one hour may become the disgusting weakling of the next. Anger poisons the entire system and sets on fire the course of nature, and that fire is the fire of inferno. The candidate for magnetic power must arise to the mastery of self and learn, first of all, how to control his temper under all circumstances.

The Blues, the common everyday name for **despondency**, is a veritable poison to the Tree of Life. It reduces the magnetic power to the minimum, and induces a condition of weakness from which it is hard to rise. When the student finds a wave of depression sweeping over him, he must redouble his diligence; for depression will usually culminate in the Blues, and the hideous Slough of Despondency awaits him. At the first sign of this fearful malady let the student go out into the open air, and breathe deep, and practice the exercises that have been given, and he is quite sure to be saved.

Magnetic Leakage must be prevented. Men and women must know how to husband their resources. There are many ways in which force is uselessly expended, and the expenditure is

unconsciously made. All useless sounds and motions that one unconsciously makes cause a useless expenditure of magnetic power. Unconscious whistling or humming, or singing opens up the avenues for the escape of magnetic power. The tapping with the fingers upon some object, or the swinging of the feet in meaningless ways, produce magnetic leakages that are exceedingly harmful. I think, perhaps, that carelessness in articulation, laziness in speech is one of the most depleting of all the habits of men and women. Through the tongue and the lips magnetic power flows in streams, and if these avenues are not safely guarded much power is lost. Keep the lips closed and the tongue orifices closed by a moderate rigidity, especially when speaking. The indiscriminate kisser is extravagant in dispensing magnetism; and then the finger tips must be guarded. From them magnetic power sweeps most forcefully. The indiscriminate shaking of hands is exceedingly harmful, and we should keep the fingers slightly bent upon themselves, especially when in company.

In the Aquarian College of Teachers and Healers full instructions in the Pathway to Magnetic Power will be given.

Dr. James M. Peebles, President of the College, made a brief address, which sparkled with good sense and the true Aquarian enthusiasm.

Mrs. Ida May Williams read an excellent paper on "The Impelling Power."

Younger Pitts Rothwell, Registrar of the College, was at his desk

and entered the names of many students.

The College Work. A full course of instruction comprises two years' study, and when completed the graduates receive the degree A. Ph. D. — Doctor of Aquarian Philosophy. Students may, however, take up any study or studies they may desire.

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Changes are going to come with startling rapidity. When that central battery of the brain starts new convolutions in the ethers—when thoughts are let loose, something is going to happen, and very quickly. An attitude of will and faith is alone going to give renewal to the body. The body has got to be made strong first by right feeding, exercise, breathing, repose, bathing and proper thinking. Not too much of anything, just enough. Then there is something to work with. And when the body is recognized for what it is—a wondrous agency of infinite energy, new worlds are going to be fashioned, new kingdoms of life and action established.—Sel.

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The Aquarian Congress of North America is composed of twenty-seven members, and each member is set apart unto a specific work.

The Congress comprises four councils, as follows:

1. The Council of Spiritual Interpretation, consisting of three members.
2. The Council of Protection, composed of five members.
3. The Council of Education and Beneficence, consisting of seven members.
4. The Council Apostolica, composed of twelve members.

Levi, the Hierophant, Akashic transcriber, is not a member of the Congress but exercises a general oversight of the Great Work.

The members of the First Congress are selected by the Hierophant under the direction of the Supreme Council of Masters.

No person is qualified to act in any Council until personally ordained unto the work whereunto he has been called.

The Congress when completed will be composed of eleven women and sixteen men.

The following persons have been chosen and ordained as members of the Council Apostolica: James M. Peebles, A. M., M. D., Ph. D.; Thaddeus V. Jakimowicz, D. D., Ph. D.; Younger P. Rothwell, A. M.; Dora A. Underwood, Ida May Williams, Thomas Caunce, and Lawson H. Worthington, D. D.

The Ordination.

This took place on Sunday evening, November 27, at the home of the Hierophant, 503 South Figueroa St., Los Angeles. The preparatory charge was given by the Hierophant, who called to the altar the venerable **James M. Peebles** (who is now eighty-eight years of age, but seems about fifty), and in the name of the Sacred Tetragrammaton, ordained him to be **President of the Council Apostolica**.

Perhaps there has never been a more efficient teacher and lecturer on the higher phases of spiritual philosophy than Dr. Peebles. He has made five lecture tours around the world and has lectured in nearly every country on the face of the globe and has been well received by all religionists. The sight of his ordination to the first place in the Aquarian Apostolic College was one that can never be forgotten by those who were present.

Thaddeus V. Jakimowicz was then called to the altar and was ordained to the work of an Aquarian Apostle by the Hierophant and President Peebles. Dr. Jakimowicz is a linguistic scholar of ability and has been a Catholic priest for fifteen years.

Dora A. Underwood was then called to the altar and set apart to the work of an Aquarian Apostle. Mrs. Underwood has been in the practice of her profession (Osteopathic and Magnetic Heal-

ing) in Washington, D. C., for some time and only recently moved to Los Angeles.

Ida May Williams, of New York, a student and practitioner of the higher philosophy of life, was then set apart to the work of an Apostle.

Younger P. Rothwell was next ordained unto the Apostolic Ministry. Mr. Rothwell was formerly actively engaged in the work of the Baptist Church and was for some time a member of the faculty of William Jewell College of Liberty, Mo.

Thomas Caunce, an Aquarian seer of power, was next called and ordained an Aquarian Apostle. Formerly Mr. Caunce was a Presbyterian minister, but his great breadth of vision forced him into broader channels of thought.

Lawson H. Worthington, D. D., for many years a healer and teacher among progressive thinkers, was next set apart unto the Aquarian Apostolic Ministry. For some time Dr. Worthington was

a Methodist minister, but he became too independent in thought to be confined by any human creed and he naturally found his place among the Aquarians.

The other members of the Council Apostolica, living as they do at considerable distances from Los Angeles, could not be present, but their ordinations will take place at a later date.

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Dr. Nellie Beighle.

On Wednesday evening, January 4, Dr. Nellie Beighle, for some years engaged in the practice of healing and teaching in San Francisco, Cal., was called to be a member of the Aquarian Congress of North America, and at the home of the Hierophant in Los Angeles she was ordained unto her work. The ordination was remarkably impressive and was conducted by the Hierophant and Apostles Peebles, Underwood, Caunce and Rothwell. Dr. Beighle is now located in Berkeley, Cal.

SYMBOLISM

BY MRS. IDA MAY WILLIAMS.

I wish to express my appreciation of these talks on Symbolism, which have been given in our Wednesday night meetings by Levi. I am truly thankful to have these instructions from our teacher, a master soul who radiates so much of love and kindness to all. These lessons have opened up a new field to me and have been of great benefit. With this larger look into the invisible my conception of the Infinite seems wonderfully broadened. Well do

we know that in the light there are no secret things. "In God there are no mysteries." As we know God; as we know ourselves, all mysteries are cleared away and all hidden things are revealed.

The spirit side and the study of the soul and spirit bring us to see what are called the mystical or secret things; things that cannot be comprehended upon the physical or mental plane. To really understand as our conception broadens we must apply the principle in our

daily living—we must try to live the life. To the degree that we live the truth do we attain.

This study and all that it embodies, not only enables one to look far into the invisible, but also gives us a power to pierce through and understand human conditions and experiences.

Human life! The thought impresses itself on my mind that we find so clearly in the life of Jesus, the great master soul of the past age, from his birth to his death, the story of the pathway of every human life. His life had its heart-aches, its joys, its despair; was it not human experience?

Be not deceived; God is not mocked. We pay to the uttermost farthing the price of all our mistakes by human pain and anguish. Thousands, from their darkness and despair, are crying out in their human agony: Let this cup pass! Let this cup pass! not realizing that they, themselves, either in this present span of life, or in the past, have made the conditions that are trying the soul. Every experience, every joy, every despair is only the lesson needed in the pathway of life to bring the soul to an awakening; a realization of the meaning of life; what God is, what we are, and our oneness.

This gives to the human soul a glimpse of its own divine possibilities. When through wisdom and love we learn to sincerely consecrate our lives, the veil will be rent and with wide opened soul eyes we will see and know. Then will the Christ voice within us speak forth its message. Then will we take no thought of what we shall say or what we shall do, but will do the work that we were

sent to do. The Christ love consciousness will lead like a beautiful light, and the human life through purity and consecration, will then be glorified and conscious of its own risen self.

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If we could only get the idea of labor out of our minds we would develop much faster. Do not do anything with the thought that it is work. We are "Sons of God" and if we could be possessed with the idea that all work is a part of the service of the Lord it would seem so different.

It is recorded in the Aquarian Gospel 33:6 that Jesus said to the toilers of India one day: "Toil should not make a person sad; men should be happiest when they toil. When hope and love are back of toil then all of life is filled with joy and peace and this is heaven." Do you not know that such a heaven is for you?

To escape labor while man is in the earth plane consciousness makes him either a tramp or one of the idle rich; and the devil always finds something for idle hands to do.

The only escape then is through spirit, through Christ consciousness; those who are in Christ do not work nor labor, but through love they do the will of God.

All of the articles published in these columns, not otherwise marked, are written especially for this Magazine.

The continuation of Professor Larkin's article on the Aquarian Age has been interrupted by his illness.

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