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The question is so often asked, "Why do false prophets flourish, in bally-hoo on the radio, etc. drawing thousands into their nets, and ending in trouble with the Federal Government for one cause or another?" There is but one reason and it is simple: An oppressed million cannot be so except they allow the oppressor to function. The personal greed, the lure of "demonstrated" wealth, "immortality", etc. (without much effort) draws the thousands to these charlatans. The Truth has never been popular: Buddha had five followers, Jesus twelve, Mohammed one!

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EDITORIAL:

We are going to quit hanging up mistletoe; it doesn't work any more. Even our fellow Editor of the occult journal, SESAMUMS, on a visit from New York, passed us up!

In the matter of New Year's Resolutions, we shall subscribe to the doctrine that "do nothing and all things shall be done," and make none whatever. **Man IS**, anyway.

It has been our sad honor to be called to officiate at the passing of a good friend, - intelligent, loyal and good beyond most of humankind, - Bella, a police dog. If such a procedure seems revolutionary, let us remember those ancient days of splendor and high culture in which animal life was held so sacred as to be an important phase of Temple worship. And let us look ahead to that time when we shall indeed know that God is everywhere, in all creatures

The Occultist considers LIFE, and does not give undue importance to any of its various phases, including that of death. Occultists give little attention to the physical body in death, looking upon it somewhat as a worn-out garment. Grief has no part in the loss of an old "overcoat." Occultism has a very definite, if simple transition ceremony however, recognizing that Life does not entirely leave the body for some three days and that injuries such as embalming and post-mortems are keenly felt by the passing entity, disturbing the process of recapitulation which goes on at this time. Its students therefore, are held on ice (for health regulations) and then cremated to quickly free the disembodied entity from its earth connections. Such a service may be secured in Chicago at the Haggard Funeral Homes, 214 S. Western, and 124 Madison Street, Oak Park, for \$50.00 for refrigeration and \$30.00 for cremation. (not adv.)

To those who co-operated in sending stamps instead of a greeting card, we sincerely thank you, and would have you know that through your efforts we were able to send many hundreds of free magazines to shut-ins, people of limited means, etc. To those who have been affronted by our ideas on this subject, we must confess that we do not care one whit how much your nose is out of joint or how long your lip hangs,-- we are endeavoring to use every unit of energy, every atom of knowledge, every penny to the end that people will be enlightened spiritually so that they will not be unbalanced by the terrific times ahead. We will not be a party to the karma of those who are not doing their utmost to bring Truth to this chaotic world; when the Terrible Testing Time comes, no one will look us in the face and weepingly ask, "Why did you not give us this Truth and prepare us for these times?"

Truth teachers everywhere note a growing indifference on the part of spiritual students to make an effort to help others to attain knowledge. That the people are everywhere ready is shown in the report of a Librarian in a city in Montana. A student had subscribed to the magazine for the Library in her town, and before the Librarian could get the magazine unwrapped some reader was at the desk asking for it, seeing it on the desk. One subscriber sends out from 50 to 200 sample copies to lists of his friends every month. Do you pass on your copy? What ARE you doing to bring the light to others? The grave responsibility of having Truth is to use it for the enlightenment of others.

We thank those few who sent offerings to our Building Fund also. We shall put into this Fund all three-year subscriptions sent us by February 22. On another page we have offered a yearly Prediction for all sending us a three-subscription. If only a part of our readers, say 1,000 of them, would all subscribe so AT ONE TIME, we would have a working fund which would end all our troubles. Of course, if you already have subscribed, the further subscription will continue right on from what is already due you. Incidentally, we have been receiving more three-year subscriptions than one-year ones, indicating that those who like us really like us,-- wouldn't you say?

DAUGHTER OF WOMAN

MARIE HARLOWE

For ages history has considered the Son of Man, the Superman, as the highest human development seemingly forgetful that women as the mothers of the supermen, must have some high level of development to be able to pass on that to the supermen sons. Man has had to recognize early that while woman was the Servant, she was also the Mother.

Typical of the contempt for women in the ideal of the Superman have been the statements of the early Christian fathers. St. Augustine questioned "why was woman created at all?" St. Jerome was sure that "woman is the root of all evil." St. Gregory declared "Fierce is the dragon and cunning the asp, but woman has the malice of both." Tertullian said of woman, "Thou art the devil's gate, the betrayer of the tree, the first deserter of the divine law."

The legends of Samson and Delilah, of Circe and Sirius, indicate that man has long since begun to recognize, and fear, the power of the creature whom he has so long despised. The tremendous power and its destructive character directed to the masculine life has been sensed by modern man, particularly in the increasing awakened interest of women in occult or secret knowledge.

All forms in life are but the outer expressions of inner activities. The universe itself is but a reflection of interior states of evolutionary activity. Therefore, in the present feminist trend man may see, mirrored in its reflection of a certain cosmical state, what is yet to come. Certainly the world is today in a process of feminization. Wives and mothers are increasingly assuming authority as they mother men; men are becoming increasingly more feminine, offering no resistance to the change of female polarity and the consequent refusal to "obey" men.

This is particularly noticeable in the social and religious phases of life. The militancy of woman suffrage bids fair to disfranchise men. More and more competent men lose interest in politics, voluntarily, automatically

disfranchising themselves. More and more a matriarchial form of government appears imminent. While the function of woman is creative-of motherhood, women are discovering themselves eminently fitted for government, for they see that motherhood can be national and universal as well as individual. (A man's world is radical, a woman's conservative).

In the religious field an increasing phenomena of feminism is manifested. Great numbers of women the world over are firmly convinced that they have or will bear the coming Christ. Such is this widespread phenomena that it can only indicate a cosmical condition of the preparation of a colossal thought-form, necessary for the manifestation of a needed world Avatar. In ancient symbology the wheel once typified the yearnings of many to dance (vibrate) with Him, so that God arranged the wheel that all might be united with Him, though each with a separate consciousness. Thus, perhaps, do many women bear the Christ Child.

The age-old conception of the Mother of God has been recognized, in more occult times of understanding, as not so much a personal mother of a god, but as the universal mother Principle.

The feminine principle in Life is the instinctual, stable element, while the masculine is the variable, the accidental. Thus the feminine principle produces a submission to circumstances, a conservative, constant factor, but because every force possesses within itself a self-creative action, the inaction of the feminine principle does not detract from its creative power.

In the ancient Mysteries the masculine principle of life was symbolized by the ear, the feminine by the mouth, a symbology wholly misunderstood in the Middle Ages when a controversy waged as to whether or not the Virgin Mary did not conceive through the ear because the Holy Ghost spoke to her!

Tertullian believed that souls are generated from souls--he believed that evil-doers were generated by Saturn or the devil--approaching to an occult understanding of creation--that the feminine formative principle is inherent in all things, that the mental body gives birth to thought forms thus making every creature a god and a mother of gods.

Increasingly women are polarizing their psychic natures with the cosmos, and are learning that in a certain true alchemy, women, the Superwoman, can be the mother of souls as well as of bodies.

Sexual differentiation is not confined to the physical plane, and the creative organs are not limited to the physical plane, but work on all planes in differentiating Substance into Forms. The increasing tendency of women to restrict physical motherhood indicates that they are beginning to see themselves as vortices of force generating new type forms as well as physical forms. Verily, the Children of the Desolate Woman (Virgin) are numerous.

Astrology reveals the basic pattern or Plan of the Universe and now gives the clue to the pattern of the new religion which is already forming.

During the Virgo cycle from 13,216 to 11,059 B.C. Isis, the Great Mother was venerated, followed by the Leo cycle of masculinity which began the change of things. In the next Cancer cycle beginning in 8,903 B.C. motherhood was degraded to its physical level. In the Gemini cycle from 6,746 to 4,589 B.C. minds were purely material and males were supreme, giving rise to the idea of the soul-less state of women. The Taurus cycle from 4,589 to 2,433 B.C. further reduced women to the state of being the tool of gratification for men. The Aries cycle from 2,433 to 276 B.C. reached the highest level of masculine development and male dominance of will, with a natural parallel of feminine development at the lowest ever known in history.

The earth is just completing a Piscean age or cycle in which the principle of true motherhood, true creative power, has been awakened; the next cycle of Aquarius, the Water-bearer--water being the feminine principle, will further expand that which is now developing in the feminization of Religion.

*Out of the pregnant silence of my
own heart, cometh all good things.*

THE GOLDEN CHERSONESE

Juanita de Arana

A thousand years before the Hegira, in an age of jewel-studded, silken gorgeousness, Iran claimed a sage female saint, called in the third book of the *Zend Avesta*, Yasna.

Since the days of Zoroaster none before her had owned the proud gift of reading the Akasha. Rarer still, she held the Golden Chersonese*, that mirage book of eternity wherein is written the end of every nation. The emperor, Darius III, learning of her unseemly wisdom, summoned Yasna to conference:

"Akasha reader," he confided, "in these days of conquest and aggression, Iran has need of your divine counsel. Already you know how for the last twelve months this egomaniac called Alexander of Macedonia has ruthlessly unfailingly advanced upon our soil, bringing one city after another under his iron rule. More often than not the inhabitants of the town do not even try to resist him, but with roses and wine, fatalistically accept him.

"I am resolved our city shall not be the next. In three days I set out to meet him in battle at Issus. And it is for you, diviner of sacred wisdom, to advise me how best to defeat this usurper. Tell me, what says your Golden Chersonese?"

"Ah sire, I grieve to speak the words- "Yasna paused effectively, then continued, "much as I wish it otherwise, the Golden Chersonese tells the end of Iranian independence at Alexander's hand. Its culture has become fossilized. It must die-even as men must die when thought crystallizes. An agent of destiny in the person of Alexander comes now to close Iran's protracted cycle. Such must be the fate of all nations that become too patriotic-too nationalistic"

**It is said in Spain that the true reason Columbus did not receive the recognition he deserved during his life was that he did not bring Queen Isabella the Golden Chersonese, at that time said to be in the Far East, on his return, as he had promised.*

"Enough! It shall not be! By all the gods, it shall not be! I'll write a new chersonese, a new destiny scroll. I'll write it in Iranian, the tongue that is half flowers and half poetry. I'll begin eternity over again." His grandiose mood expanded. "Iran and the world shall begin where I began. A new calendar shall come to be. My birthday shall be its initial day..."

"I would it might be so, sire, though it can never be. The Golden Chersonese is written in the Akasha itself, by the one and only God, Ahura Mazda. No author of earth can rewrite it."

"Then I'll have it destroyed!" stormed the emperor. "Give it to me, blasphemer, or I shall have it stolen. Ah, that you were but a dancing girl that I might have you killed."

"I cannot give it to you, sire. It is not a physical thing. Only one mortal in every age may read its message. To all others it is invisible."

"Witch! And since in this unhappy age you are that mortal, you shall remain throughout this war's duration at my side. You shall go to Issus in my cortege. I'll not have you here to bruit your demoralizing prophecies about the city."

Along with a million others, Yasna traveled inside a jewel-hung palanquin in the multifarious procession of Darius to Issus. That procession comprised one of the largest armies earth had ever seen. The smallest battalion in it outnumbered the population of Alexander's native Macedonia. For Darius had conscripted men from every unconquered province of hither Asia, besides engaging two columns of European mercenaries. The tide rolled westward like some prehistoric, Atlantean monster. At last, Issus on the Mediterranean, opposite Cyprus, was reached.

Here, Darius cast his magnificent camp, replete in Oriental magnificence, including his celebrated harem, famed throughout Asia for its splendor, his renowned crystal bath, golden censers, bizarre essences, and all else of luxury that decadent civilizations accumulate.

"And now," bombastically stated he, when the grandiloquent display was finished, "let the Macedonian attack when he will, Darius is ready."

The Macedonian attacked that night, far off the left

wing. Darius had been expecting a more direct attack. Amid confusion and changing of battalion positions, he hastened about, attempting to place all the best trained legions in foremost line of battle.

Yasna, who in remembered incarnations, had been the victor of many a battle, knew that in Darius vast and miscellaneous numbers lay his weakness, while in Alexander's regulated phalanges of fewer men, scientifically positioned, lay victory.

All night the fighting raged. By dawn word was spread thruout the camp that the emperor Darius had fled, leaving all, even his harem, behind him. Outside, the roads were blocked for leagues in all directions by terrified refugees. The battle of Issus was ended. Its spoils belonged to Alexander of Macedonia.

A cryer entered, announcing, "The remaining company of the Camp of Darius III, including all soothsayers, attendants and harem slaves, together with all movable possessions, is now the property of Alexander. At duskfall the conqueror will arrive to hold celebration. Let no attempt at escape be made. All is under guard!"

The harem women, hearing this proclamation, shuddered, prayed, and wept. Yasna, who had stood poised and unperturbed during the announcement, turned now upon them.

"Let us retire. Alexander sleeps this day. We'll do the same. At evening we'll arise and be beautified for his reception." Because she was of highest rank now that the emperor and satraps had fled, Yasna took command.

The camp was a pageant that night, a Sybarite of heaven of scintillating lights, sensuous music and swaying dancers. Yasna, draped in fuchsine colored veils sewn with thread of silver, reclined upon the imperial divan, fanned by slaves with feathers of the pheasant's wing. At her feet musicians played kitars (later called guitars), those instruments which in after years Arab girls in Spain listened to in the gardens of the Alcazar. They were singing of an Iranian princess with purple hair and a pearl and silver body, when Alexander entered.

All bowed their faces to the floor excepting Yasna, who rose to welcome him:

"Greetings, Alexander." The cadence of her voice fell

as pearly love music upon the Macedonian's ear.

"Greetings, O one of violet eyes," he returned, "yet, tell me in truth your name and court position."

"I am Yasna, Akasha reader to Darius III."

"A soothsayer," he decided, "You must have prophesied Iran's victory at Issus."

"I did not! The Akasha, in which is written the Golden Chersonese, does not lie. I'm an Akasha reader, not a soothsayer."

Truth bore its own impress in the tones of Yasna's voice. Intrigued, Alexander inquired, "And what might the Akasha be?"

"The Akasha is a language of ever-living pictures that move upon an astral screen. All eternity, past, present, and future is written there, in infinitesimal detail. In that book of the Akasha known as the Golden Chersonese, the ordained fate of every nation is told. In it I read Iran's defeat and your triumph, Alexander."

"Beautiful lady made of ivory and roses," the Macedonian, young, beautiful, breathing poetry from his very eyes, continued, "Pilgrim star lost from Peristan, I would know more, - does your golden book name further victory for me?"

"It names you the *Man of Destiny*, a karmic agent, who'll win victory after victory that the ways of nations may be changed. After Iran you shall take Tyre, Egypt, Babylon, then more and yet more."

"And you, heart of a thousand roses, shall accompany me to read upon each battle's eve the Akashan portents for the morrow's undertaking. Always where I go you shall go."

"But now, let the black poppies' opium be brought with water pipes to smoke. Let the poets sing and the dancers mime."

Alexander smoked, and supped from the vessels in which the evening before satraps had dined with Darius III, the "ruler of the world". Through a mist of twining incense vapors, he viewed the spangled dancers who danced the lascivious dances of lost peoples, and he spoke the historic words, "How unappealing these Persian women are."

"He calls us Persians, the strutting little usurper," spoke one among them in Yasna's hearing. Yasna knew she referred to Alexander's lack of height. Like most karmic

agents, before and since, Alexander was surprisingly short of stature.

Through all the next day and the next, the conqueror explored the spacious apartments of Darius' camp, delighting in its splendid furnishings, jewelled vases, golden boxes, and most of all, in its older Hellenic treasure, taken by Xerxes from Athens long before. And all this time, between him and Yasna love grew like a magic flower that waxes night and day, and one might see it grow.

"One of violet eyes, he explained, "it is my prerogative as a heritor to divine lineage, to take in marriage one from each country of my conquest. Would it please you, Yasna, to be the one from Persia?"

"Ah, Alexander, I would it might be so. Yet it shall not be. I fear destiny has decreed otherwise--I fear--"

"It shall be! Have I not decreed it shall be? There is no decree other than mine. I am king of the world!"

But Yasna, who read the Akasha knew this would never be, knew that Alexander was fated to live not for personal happiness, but to fulfill the karma of nations.

At last the day came when the triumphant army began its journey toward the Iranian capital and the Darian palace. In a high pavillion of embroidered silk Yasna rode beside Alexander at the head of the procession. Alexander was entranced as one whose life had pushed open a secret door, revealing a happiness as boundless as it was unknown. The world had been recreated for him and it brimmed with forgotten, unguessed delights. Seeing his joy, Yasna, sad because knowledge is sad, fingered the rubies of her rosary and silently read the invisible Chersonese.

At the gates of the capital happy throngs hailed the conqueror as deliverer. Turbaned heads of every hue touched the ground in homage. Children in garb of Peris strew the streets with blossoms, as in that Iranian festival named "The Scattering of Roses", till every street of the city was as aromatic as if a caravan of musk from Naishapur had passed that way.

When the pavillion had passed inside the palace grounds, Alexander exclaimed, "As a symbolical act of conquest, I must burn some part of the palace, for such is Grecian custom. But I shall not harm the palace itself. After all,

it is my own." So saying he flung a flaming torch onto the roof of an adjoining building. A thousand other torches, flung by the soldiery, followed his.

"The Library," gasped Yasna, unshed tears filling her eyes, as she thought of the thousands of years of lore, the hermetic lore, sophia of Sophias! Yet, deep within her, she knew that this was well. The world never lost anything so long as it still needed it. The egos now taking incarnation in Iran were too young to partake of Divine Wisdom. Esoteric truths in the hands of the insufficiently evolved brought injury rather than benefit to mankind. When the race again was ready, the hermetic truths would be given again to man.

"Behold, all present!" proclaimed Alexander inside the palace portals, "I am king of the world, and she beside me, whom I take from your country, is my Queen. Let it be known that henceforward, Iran shall be called Persia, and its capital Persepolis."

At the far end of the room, between two porphyry pillars that upheld the ceiling of gold, Darius having returned from Issus, stood motionless. Without advancing a step, he extended an accusing arm in Yasna's direction. "Traitor, he vociferated, "You have done this thing." And turning to the bearded archers that lined the parallel walls on his either side, "Kill that woman!"

Before Alexander could voice counter-command, a shower of loyal arrows had lain the form of Yasna lifeless upon the floor.

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Effects	Effects	Effects
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Childlike	Youthful	Mature
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THE TRANSMUTATIONS OF CONSCIOUSNESS

A. A. Voya

Continued from December

The Simple-over-Self Conscious Group of humankind is, as we have pointed out, very large. The distinguishing mark of the individuals who comprise this category is that they are **FEAR DOMINATED**. They fear the future and are victims of circumstances. Matter is a very real, precious thing. The owners or controllers of things and the possessors of Power are both feared and respected. They never question a powerful and jealous God, a God who will punish them if they transgress his Laws. They are law-abiding and "good" not so much for a reward in some "heaven" as to avoid punishment in some horrible "hell".

They unquestionably accept the *mores*. It never occurs to them that they could be other than they are.

If they can be said to possess a logic it is the logic of uniqueness. They are not historically minded. Everything that happens is a unique event. They do not look backward to find causes and still less forward to anticipate effects. They live very much in the Present colored by memories, pleasurable or painful, of the Past.

Their restricted thinking is best characterized as **Receptual**, depending as it does on hereditary neuron patterns. They possess an inherent memory and attention. The associations of sensations are by contiguity. Reproductive imagination is manifested. Their emotions are simple and there is no modification of emotional response. Their actions are best described as **Reflex, Instinctive, Impulsive, Automatic, etc.**

The majority Group, the Simple-versus-Self Conscious, are composed of individuals who are torn between **FEAR** and **LONGING**. They look forward to the future but it cannot be said that they do so without some fear. They are alternately the victims of circumstances and the victors over their environment. Matter has lost some of its reality and attraction. Mind assumes an ever

more significant role. They vacillate between desire for material possessions and intellectual attainments. The possessors of material power alternately induce fear and anger. But at the same time they respect the possessors of mental dignities. They sense that they live in a world where RIGHT CONTESTS MIGHT. They are swayed by the advocates "might" and then by the proclaimers of "right". In their own person they feel the war waged between the urges of the body and the intelligent purposes framed by the mind.

Their religion posits a loving God. But they view him as a sollicitious father who for the best interests of his child must occasionally use the rod. They are "good" not so much to avoid "hell" - concerning which they have doubts - but to be worthy of entering "heaven" and enjoying "eternal bliss." They abide by those laws that meet with the approval of their peers and their "conscience."

They do not slavishly accept the *mores*. They, rather, use the *mores* to further their own ends. While they may privately question the justification or wisdom of specific folkways, customs and traditions, they usually do not let their notions become public. In any case they do not openly flout the *mores*.

The logic they employ, and they pride themselves on it, is a logic of antithesis. They tend to view truth or reality as a matter of polar opposites. If something is not "good" then perforce it is "bad". If it is not "in", then it is "out". If not "here", then "there", etc. They can be said to be incipiently historically minded. They examine the past to find causes and are prone to look ahead to see effects. They cannot be said to exist wholly in the Present; rather, they are alternately in the Past and then in the Present. Their thought is a blend of memories and anticipations on a background of present conditions.

Their thinking is no longer receptual but Conceptual. They are firm believers in the significance of words, amounting to word-fetishism. They add to their hereditary neuron patterns acquired neuron patterns. They possess not only inherent memory and attention but acquired memory and attention as well. Association of sensations by contiguity is supplemented by association by similarity. Their imagination becomes creative. Their emotional response

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THE PRICE

Aleister Crowley

Frater Perdurabo specifically swore that He would renounce His personal possessions to the last penny; also that He would allow no human affection to hinder Him. These terms were accepted; He was granted infinitely more than He had imagined possible to any incarnated Man. On the other hand, the price offered by Him was exacted as strictly as if it had been stipulated by Shylock. Every treasure that He had on earth was taken away, and that usually, in so brutal or cruel a manner as to make the loss itself the least part of the pang. Every human affection that He had in His heart--and that heart aches for Love as few hearts can ever conceive--was torn that His endurance is beyond belief. Inexplicable are the atrocities which accompanied every step in His initiation! Death dragged away his children with slow savagery; the women He loved drank themselves into delirium and dementia before His eyes, or repaid His passionate devotion with toad-cold treachery at the moment when long years of loyalty had tempted Him to trust them. His friend, that bore the bag, stole that which was put therein, and betrayed his Master as thoroughly as he was able. At the first distant rumour that the Pharisees were out, his disciples "all forsook Him and fled." His mother nailed Him with her own hands to the cross, and reviled Him as nine years he hung thereon.

But neither by the natural use of His abilities, tho they have made Him famous thru the whole world, nor by the utmost might of His Magick, is He able to acquire material wealth beyond the minimum necessary to keep Him alive and at work. It is in vain that He protests that not He but the Work is in need of money; He is barred by the strict Letter of His Oath to give all that He hath for His magician Attainment.

Yet more awful is the doom that He hath invoked upon Himself in renouncing His right as a man to enjoy the Love of those whom he loves with passion so selfless, so

pure and so intense in return for the power so to love Mankind that He be chosen to utter the Word of the Aeon for their sake, His reward universal abhorrence, bodily torment, mental despair, and moral paralysis.

Yet He, who hath power over Death, with a breath to call back health, with a touch to beckon life, He must watch His own child waste away month by month, aware that his Art may not anywise avail, who hath sold the signet ring of his personal profit to buy him a plain gold band for the felon finger of his bride, that wern widow, the World!

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LOST TIME

Nesta Crane

Father Time took a stroll one day
And drifted from his bloody prey.
He talked to himself as he trudged along,
Wondering and pondering on life's sweet song.

"I am the reaper of Life," he said. "But
After I'm through what becomes of the dead?
Time waits for no man, at least so 'tis said,
But time becomes lost after man is dead."

Now with these thoughts he was sorely perplexed,
His limbs were weary, his soul was vexed.
His scythe was heavy, he slowed his pace.
And lo! for once, Time stared Death in the face.

Now just at this point, Life came along,
Happy and gay with a joyous song.
He surveyed Father Time and Death at a glance,
"With me, said he, "you haven't a chance.

"Your efforts have failed to kill off the race,
So pick up your scythe and leave with grace,
For Life is eternal, and you have no place.
You are lost, old man Time, in infinite space."

MOTHER SHIPTON'S PROPHECIES

(Mother Shipton was born in 1486)

Carriages without horses shall go,
And accidents will fill the world with woe;
Primrose Hill in London shall be,
And in its Center a Bishop's See;
Around the world thoughts shall fly
In the twinkling of an eye;
Waters shall great wonders do.
How strange! yet shall be true,
The world upside down shall be,
And gold found at the root of trees;
Through hills man shall ride,
And no horse or ass by his side;
Under water men shall walk,
Shall ride, shall sleep, shall talk;
In the air men shall be seen,
In white, in black and in green.

A great man shall come and go!
Iron in water shall float
As easy as a wooden beat,
And gold shall be found
In a land that's not now known.
Fire and water shall more wonders do,
England shall at last admit a Jew;
The Jew that was held in scorn
Shall of a Christian be born.
A house of glass shall come to pass
In England, but alas!
War will follow with the work
In the land of Pagan and Turk,
And State and State in fierce strife
Will seek each other's life.
And when the North shall divide the South,
An Eagle shall build in the Lion's mouth.
Taxes for blood and for war
Shall come to every door.

Three times shall lovely France
Be led to play a bloody dance,
Before her people shall be free,
Three Tyrant Rulers shall she see--
Three Rulers in succession see,
Each sprung from different dynasty;
Then shall the worser fight be done,
England and France shall be as one;
The British Olive next shall twine
In marriage with the German Vine.
Men shall walk over rivers and under rivers.
All England's sons that plough the land
Shall be seen book in hand;
Learning shall so ebb and flow,
The poor shall most in wisdom know.
Water shall flow where corn doth grow.
Corn shall grow where waters doth flow;
Houses shall appear in the vales below,
And covered by hail and snow.
The world then to an end shall come
Eighteen hundred and eighty-one (1981 ?).

THE YEAR 1941

Marie Harlowe

Shall I try to sing my song,
When failure is imminent?
Because failure is finite,
and to venture at all Infinite,
Dare I? Dare I?
And while I yet hesitate
The song begins to sing itself.
I listen to its queer notes,
and strangely, I cannot tell
whether it be a glad call
to arouse a sleeping world
from its languorous apathy,
Or a lullaby, to still
its deep urge forevermore,
Or a quaint and solemn dirge
for one who has died in sleep.

From the Chapter Known as
THE LAMENTATION OF GOD - AQUARIUS

From *The Equinox*, 1910

O woe unto me, my God, woe unto me; for all my praise is as a song of a bird that is ensnared in the network of the winds, and cast down in the drowning depths of night. Yet in the faltering notes of my music do I mark the melody of the universal truth.

O woe unto me, my God, woe unto me; for all my labours are as weary oxen haggard and sore stricken with the goad ploughing black furrows across the white fields of light. Yet in the scrawing trail of their low toil do I descry the golden harvest of Thine effulgence.

O woe unto me, my God woe unto me; for all the aspirations of my heart ruin as in time of earthquake the bare hut of an hermit that he hath built for prayer. Yet from the lighting-struck tower of my reason do I enter Thy house that Thou didst build for me.

O woe unto me, my God, woe unto me, for all my life sinks as the western Sun that struggles in the strangling arms of Night, flecked over with the starry foam of her kisses. Yet in the very midnight of my soul do I hold as a scarab the signet of Thy name.

(Next Month - *The Bewilderment of God - Pisces*)

EFFA DANELSON SPEAKS

Reprinted from *The Occult Digest*, May, 1929

Crime, like the flu, is an epidemic. The germ of crime is not unlike the flue germ. Both are nurtured in the *cause*. The flu germ could not develop in a body that would not feed it. Crime could not flourish in a brain trained in an environment that furnished sufficient employment for the average active child mind. Proper training of the child mind and nourishment of the body alike would eliminate this most dreaded and feared brain disease of the human race.

Reprinted from METAPHYSICAL ASTROLOGY

by *John Hazelrig*

Field scientifically demonstrated the numerical value of the primary colors, yellow, red and blue, to be respectively three, five and eight. Whether or not Field was aware of the occult significance embodied in this ascription we cannot say, though true it is that the complement of these numbers is 16, or 1 plus 6 equals 7, the mystic number of the seven principles or intermediates in both man and the Macrocosm.

These numerical proportions are thus found to correspond with the astrological chart of the heavens, in that the 8th house is significant of death, or putrefaction, conformably to the axiom that: "out of corruption shall come incorruption;" the 3rd as ruling the mind, accords with the Divine Intelligence that, through the functions of the 5th house (offspring), effects the individualization of spirit through matter.

Thus in the spring of the year, when Nature's impulse is towards germination, the rays predominantly active are the actinic--Mercury, Jupiter, Saturn. This is because a negative condition is essential to the incipient stage of plant life, wherein decomposition, as the first step towards fructification, is coincident with the germinal. As the summer approaches, the actinic rays diminish while those of light, -Moon, Venus, Sun, relatively increase. Nature, ever a wise conservator, has husbanded her luminous principle during the embryotic period, that it might be utilized at this season in various essential transformations.

Continuing towards the red or positive polar ray (Mars) we trace the similitude in nature to the heat which prevails in the ripening season, through and for which the yielding and semi-fluidic qualities of the gestative and circulatory processes are combined and developed into the perfection of weight and solidity. The negative forces have thus become polarized by the positive, and equilibrium is the result.

PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

A. Hermia Bauer

This morning one of my patients told me the following experience:

"My father was a shipping man here in San Francisco. Every summer he went north-west to buy timber, taking a hired man along. When he was 50 he took my oldest brother. It was my father's last trip.

"They were half way to Ukiah when my father said suddenly, 'Something tells me to turn back.'

"My brother was astonished, because father never had turned back when going anywhere, and so he talked him out of his fears, saying, 'We have prepared for this trip and need to go on. There wouldn't be any sense in turning back now.'

"That same morning, as I came down stairs, I said to my mother, 'I'm going after father. He needs me. Something has happened to him.'

"'Nonsense,' replied my mother. 'You often have those queer notions.' She hadn't any use for presentiments. But I started out. I had to go. Father was calling me.

"I found him lying on the road with a broken back, and no one near but my brother who had followed the run-away horses and was returning, tired and helpless. The two of us managed to carry father to Ukiah, where he died a few weeks later.

"He and I had always been pals, and there is nothing more precious in my memory than the look of relief and joy in his face when he saw me coming along the road that day as an answer to the call of his heart."

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I first became clearly conscious of the value of my discoveries when they were met everywhere with resistance and anger; since that I have judged the value of my work according to the degree of opposition provoked.

- Freud

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