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= *Robert Ingersoll*

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Editorial

Our universe holds steady and true! We have not changed our religious code of morals--we did not get this code from any crisis, but from the Ideal of Universal Peace and Brotherhood--we did not have one code on Saturday, December 6 and yet another on Sunday, December 7. With the Rev. John Haynes Holmes, we "cannot bless, sanction or support war".

As a Buddhist devoted to ahimsa, and as an occultist acquainted with the laws of God, we can not kill or condone killing without violating these laws of God. As an occultist, deeply appreciative of the ONENESS OF LIFE, we cannot take even a passive part in war, which is desecrating that Life; as an occultist, knowing the laws of karmic retribution of world hates to be adjusted, we perceive that war is necessary for those who yet have hate in their hearts, and for that reason, would hinder in no way the war effort. "He who lives by the sword dies by the sword."

Wars, in large measure, are instruments of karma to bring understanding and justice among those who have set its destructiveness in motion by their individual hates. Wars often derive from infantile spites and death wishes--it is surprising how many people in this war are still fighting the Kaiser!

Our task is not changed by the declaration of war. The occult knowledge which we bring is primarily for the end that it will reconcile man

to God, and man to man, and man to himself. We believe that the world can only be healed by that reconciliation. We believe that war is not the only task before our nation, but that there exists the equally important task of making peace, and we offer our every effort to that end.

The Occultist is interested in the invisible causes of all phenomena, and is less carried away with the political reasons given for wars. The Occultist does not believe a war comes upon a country merely because on a certain day one country's equipment attacks another. War, like all phases of life *en masse*, is built over a long period of karmic preparation. And wars are often the tools of the Lords of Karma, not only to bring retribution to hearts filled with hate for their brothers of other nations and races, but to bring about the action of the Creative Force on a mass scale.

Sex, to Occultists, is not individual, tho in its individual aspect they believe, with the Catholic Church, that it should be used only for procreation. The Occultist perceives Sex as the great Creative Force in the Universe, applying to nations as well as to individuals. Hence, certain nations have certain destinies in keeping with their "sex", and others in keeping with theirs. China is passive feminine; Japan the active masculine. India, "Mother India", is also feminine.

The Occultist sees life flowing in great channels of force, negative and positive, and can see more than a politico-economic truth in "America for Americans", and "Asia for Asiatics". We believe that the destinies of great streams of people lie in certain fields of expression; something of this has no doubt been understood by our law-makers who have excluded Orientals from citizenship. The Brahmin so believes this that he will not leave his birthplace, the place of his life's expression.

We urge upon our readers, many of whom do not share our pacifist views doubtless, to conquer all hysteria of war which too often changes orderly citizens into disorderly zealots. Let there be no more Japanese cherry trees chopped down, no more helpless Daschund dogs stoned; let all feelings of intolerance be reduced to a minimum. Reserve judgment while continuing to examine the basic moral issues. Do not confuse action for progress.

And above all, remember that the Democracy of the U.S. is founded upon Freedom, as embodied in *The Bill of Rights*, -- "Congress shall make no laws respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof....or abridging the freedom of speech...or of the press...or the right of the people peacefully to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances...the right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated..."

Oliver Wendell Holmes rendered a Supreme Court Decision (*Frohwerk vs U.S.-249*) thus: "We do not lose our right to condemn either measures or men because our country is at war."

Our ancestors came to the first colony to be founded in this country; we are of English-French extraction, but with Thomas Paine say, "The world is my country", and we pay all homage to this, our birthplace, which gives us this Freedom of expression and religious belief.

Once again the Master Printer of the Universe locks up the form of a New Year edition. As the twelve volumes come rolling off the press, may you read thereon of your dreams fulfilled, your hopes realized, your ambitions attained. May there be Peace Profound, "not as the world gives peace"--from the depths of your own Being.

THE PHYSICAL BASIS OF THE SOUL

Marie Harlowe

When the time comes then comes also that wherefore the time has come. - Paracelsus

There is a biology and evolution of the Soul. The ego is a product of evolution, and as the physical is evolved, so also does the mind and soul evolve. The soul has an anatomy and a physiology as its functions are revealed in the unitary, monistic understanding of life in modern science; as we come to recognize a newer and less materialistic conception of the whole universe upon which science bases its theories of Energy, we can see that the Over-Soul is more than a poetic phrase, but is a fact existing on a scientific foundation.

We are now on the verge of a scientific understanding of the soul, but mind and soul need to be newly defined in their true description by modern scientific thought. The mind and soul are not independent, abstract realities, but are composed in certain aspects, of the Universal Substance, Ether and Energy. We are indeed "of such stuff as dreams are made of". "And it doth not yet appear" what powers of mind and soul will yet be discovered.

The soul is a permanent element in man. The soul does not become a channel for the expression of higher power; it is itself that power. The soul is a divine, self-motivated essence, "a branch broken off", which is altered in outer form by its grosser body expression. The soul is to man what Polaris is to the earth. As the biological elements are combined and organized so also are the psychological elements organized into a polarity we call the soul. Lotze said, "The soul neither rises from the body nor from nothing, but goes forth from the substance of the

infinite with the same substantiality which pertains to all the nature that has sprung from the same infinite source."

The soul is not created at conception, but is a culmination of the psychic forces which have been evolved from the primitive substance. In fact, the soul is a product and phenomena of the senses as they are focalized or centralized into what is termed consciousness. The soul is not a separate and distinct entity but it is an organized unit of certain senses or co-operative forces. Haeckel points out that the soul, or energy of the mind, operated in the early forms of life as the faculty of sensation and movement.

All nature is unitary and its laws are coterminous. The laws of the universe apply alike to soul and body for what use would either soul or body be to each other if both were not raised by their interacting evolution? Soul and matter are but different phases and vibratory rates of the Substance and Energy, else they could not interact each other. Form & animating spirit are one, as the soul is connected to the body thru its nerve centers. The body is an instrument of perception and sensation, thru which the soul registers its perception of sensation. The higher the animal organism ascends the more complex its nervous system,--the more complex is the soul's development and action.

The soul is immaculate as it exists in the region of undifferentiated form, as its elements are merged by certain manipulations in a transfer of the conscious function from body sense to above-body-sense. The basis of the teaching of the ancient Mysteries was that man may train his consciousness to abide in higher soul realms of unlimited, timeless and spaceless energy.

The Abbe G. Lemaitre, famous Belgian astronomer, saw creation as beginning with one vast cell of the atomic weight of the entire universe, saw time and

space not beginning until after this original atom had divided. Krishna insists upon Arunja fighting and killing off his friends and relatives in an allegory of man's conquest of the attachment of the things of time and sense. Kant contended that time and space existed within a *priori* form of sensibility, and Gunyon showed how they are acquired by experience.

Modern science declares time to be relative and static. Time as a continuation, producing an alteration of space, does not exist except as an arbitrary conception. Time and space do not exist beyond human reason, for "on a world of curved surfaces there can be no parallels in space, and in a world of ceaseless change there can be no parallels in Time." Whitehead said, "You cannot have first space and then things put into it, any more than you can have first a grin and then a Cheshire cat to fit on to it."

The boundless regions of space are fields of energy and are not characterless voids. Space is a conception of the mind which enables man to distinguish objects in an external perception. The idea of space is an illusion of the *finite* consciousness, suited by its nature to see nothing outside itself.

Time is to the mind what space is to matter. Time is an illusion of the senses which exists only in limited perception of the mind. Time has no real existence outside of the relative perception or consciousness of things--the greater the consciousness of things, the greater the sense illusion of time.

History is valuable only as it is converted into true timelessness; and there is something timeless in every historical event. In a world without changes in things there is no time. Bergson distinguishes between time and real duration, seeing real time as a flux distinguished from spatialized clock time.

Man does not think his real time--he lives in it as he transcends the intellect which measures the illusion. Philosophy works out a timeless element, en-

abling man by its teachings to live in an ultimate eternal reality which transcends the limitations of life as it is now known. Philosophy reveals time as the illusion of succeeding states of consciousness moving thru Eternal Duration, as they pass through the region of ideals, called the Future, to the region of memories called the Past.

Man has been accused of selfish egotism in his desire for and belief in a timeless and therefore continuous existence. It is true that man is more egotistic than the animal who holds no hope of immortality, but without this self-consciousness of the ego man would not be man, but animal. Immortality may as well be that condition in incipency, and sensed by man as much as it is merely an echo of man's wish. Science gives immortality to the atoms in space; it will not long deny it to the bodies (souls) of earth.

That life is an indestructible principle in nature was recognized by the ancient Egyptians in their use of the symbol of the bull as a most prolific source of life. The physical body itself does not die at once, but something of vital energy persists in it long after life has ceased to manifest in it. For that matter, while life is manifesting in its physical form, a comparatively large portion of the organic system is devitalized.

Science reveals that according to the law of the conservation of energy, no force is ever lost, never annihilated, but is transferred or transmuted into other forms of expression. The Energy which is Mind and Soul resolves itself, by this law, into other forms at death, but is not destroyed.

Death itself, or change of energy into other forms, is not a natural necessity. Man dies, changes form, because he does not understand the physical, eternal basis of his spiritual nature. Man dies, changes form, because of ignorance of his protoplasmic foundation. When a Master is risen, it is not

necessarily out of His physical form, into an immortal spiritual existence, but is His recognition that a soul can only become in that life of inner universality which releases invisible nutriment to the body, what it already is.

Bergson believes that "motion is more than a mere series of positions thru which a moving body passes." Our consciousness is a point called the Present, moving from the past to the future. The Present is a mathematical line dividing Eternal Duration. If our eyes see only a part of the eternal verity, it is merely because we are concentrating upon one point only. Life is not a point in existence, however, but is a whole line both past and future which we can, with training, see simultaneously. A seer is not one who sees, but one who sees further. The past moves in the direction of right angles to what is called time, thus the past is always a part of the present and future, and changes as the present changes. In the line of Eternal Duration, post-mortem progressions continue in the horoscope of an individual in his eternal life progression, after death.

The consciousness of men of great accomplishment always contains something of their future, for they are already consciously a part of it. The subconscious is always roaming in the Future. Thru Psychometry we can see how the past, present and future co-mingle and overlap in the co-existence of the three tenses. Ouspensky said in the *Tertium Organum*, "The past and the future equally exist in all their possibilities and equally exist simultaneously with the present."

When we live in this consciousness, cultivating modes of insight or the retrospective vision which Bergson holds the natural function of the intellect, we can detach ourselves from present limitations and illusions and living in eternity, see that we are never separated from those we have in the past contacted and loved. Kant showed us that things do not

exist independently in time and space, but that we create our own time sense as we perceive it, that we come, paradoxically, to the old and the new self of us every day.

Modern science does not teach a purely static absolute, but it shows us our power of arrestation which is fundamentally coequal with the power of the flux of the absolute. Virchow declares that all diseases are in the cell, and that we may see what is ahead in development. All men can be their own prophets, and if they cannot at first see the ultimate goal of their divine soul, they can begin now to see certain definite, immanent tendencies toward the perfect, eternal life.



IMAGE OF GOD

Gertha Joel

Out of chaos the world began;
Out of dust came primal man,
Signature of the Infinite Plan,
Image of God
Born of sod.

Chosen of God creations's flower
Stumbling through his brief, dark hour
Man is ignorant of his power,
Blinded by dust
Of Self-distrust.

Over the living things of the sea,
The air, the earth is thy sovereignty.
Over thyself take mastery,
Oh man! Be wise.
Wake. Arise!

THE RETURN OF THE TRUE LIGHT FROM THE WEST

Max Freedom Long

VII.

Of the many revolutionary ideas and additions to modern Psychology presented by *Huna*, the science of the Perfected Psychology known to the builders of the Great Pyramid, none compare with the ideas grouped around the knowledge of the superconscious entity of man, the *Aumakua*: "Our Older Parents", the I-God, the Higher Self.

The low magic which has been presented is logical and easily within the scope of the conscious mind. Modern psychologists are well on the way toward eventual completion of its exploration, having taken a few important steps.

The high magic, that involving the co-operation of the superconscious entity, represents an accomplishment of discovery far beyond laboratory methods, and one almost incredible to conscious minds. It is the ant learning to understand the man. But it was so successfully accomplished that, even though the ant did not entirely understand the man, he could work with him, enjoy his guidance, and get his help in matters beyond the power of the ant to accomplish for himself.

PRESENTATION UNIT NO.8.

In the study of the high entity and its high *mana* voltage, we saw in the *Huna* teaching that the *aumakua* or superconscious entity was characterized by three things:

(1) It used a form of mentation superior to that of either conscious or subconscious entity. It could see and sense the nature of things thru and thru, also see the past and future in so far as "crystallized", -that is, in so far as intelligence of the

superior levels had determined the race or individual or planetary futures.

(2) It could use its high voltage of *mana* (*mana loa* "strongest *mana*") to change material substances, be they flesh or wood or stone, heat, cold or light. (This we can understand in terms of "atom smashing" electricity, even if we must use our imagination to grasp the superior form of the superconscious).

(3) It builds, "grows" or assembles in some mysterious way the *aka* or shadow bodies which later become filled with substance to be "future events."

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Occult students will remember that in India the lofty religious concepts included a very ancient doctrine, KARMA. Thru various interpretations of this doctrine it has become the aim of religious practices to "See God", that is, to rise to identify oneself with the superconscious, Higher Self

All other aims of religious practices are discounted. To heal or otherwise aid men becomes sinful under the doctrine which asks an eye be paid for an eye in suffering to pay off karmic debts.

Christianity, arising in the lands of the *kahunas* of still earlier days, offers forgiveness of sin and healing, guidance and blessings for correct living of the life of not HURTING others--"Do unto others ...". Buddhism also taught the same way of life but was not entirely free of the restrictions of karma. Buddhism taught escape into the level of the superconscious instead of healing and normal enjoyment of life thru the easy stages of upward evolution which is the lot of most of us.

The *kahunas* were ruthlessly logical in their concepts. They saw in all animal life and in the life of the conscious entity plane (to a lesser extent in the latter) the working out of the laws of cause and effect. But these laws were not immutable. They were part of the scheme or pattern ruled over

by the higher entities overlooking lower life. These same entities could change the workings of the laws. An appeal made to them with the proper technique, caused them to change the normal course of weather conditions, for example. The superconscious of the man could likewise be appealed to and changes made for the man in health conditions, in his future, in his social conditions.

Our modern scientists have investigated fire walking and found that tender human feet can be pressed into glowing coals, without injury. It can offer no explanation. Miraculous healing at sacred shrines have been studied for fifty years and verified, as the student well knows.

In psychic phenomena, more than elsewhere, the work of the superconscious has been observed; apports, materialization, levitation, transportation, vision of the past or future, the production of light, heat and cold, of winds, etc.

We have had the *Huna* explanation of all these things in terms of the ten basic elements of the science. We know they can and do occur. We know why and how. The only problem which remains is to see how the superconscious is to be contacted and persuaded to perform its miracles for us.

This is a problem which has been worked out in this investigation theoretically and tentatively. It will not be known how correct are the findings on this point until we are able to form a group or groups and undertake experimental work to test both theory and practice.

Some things seem quite certain however. These are the preliminary steps necessary to the calling in of superconscious aid in high magic.

(1) The three entities of the man must be brought to work freely and easily with one another. This demands the removal of all complex obstacles in the "path" as described for the low magic of mental healing.

(2) With the patient "cleansed" (*kala*) and made normal and guiltless and so, worthy, either that patient himself or the trained healer (*kahuna* in other days) must make contact with the superconscious of patient or self or both (on this level all superconscious entities work in full co-operation--a way of work which we below must learn eventually).

(a) Contact is established through the *aka* threads which always connect the lower entities with the superconscious. The telepathic mechanism of sending a thought-form over the thread may be used, or a "finger" of the subconscious low *aka* material may be thrust upward following the thread to contact the superconscious and ask its approach and aid. As the subconscious is the tool of contact, the conscious mind can only order the contact made and hold the "will" over the subconscious to get the result. The subconscious must be trained, needless to say, to obey such orders.

(3) Once contact is established through the *aka* thread and the superconscious contacts us in its *aka* at the above-head level, two things are needed.

(a) A well prepared thought-form of the thing or condition or change desired. (b) A supply of low *mana* to be taken and used by the superconscious to make the necessary changes in *akas* and-or substance to fulfill the "prayer" of the thought-form.

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The *kahunas* worked with their patients carefully in making the thought-forms of the prayer to be transmitted to the superconscious. They discussed all angles of the problem, making sure that just certain things and no others were desirable. When the prayer was at last ready, when contact was made with the superconscious entity, it was repeated aloud three times, word for word. Not infrequently contact was made with the superconscious and oral questions were simply asked concerning the state of the "path". "Is it unblocked?" Also, "Is

the thing wanted possible in the light of what is planned for the life experience of the patient?" The answers came through the subconscious entity of the *kahuna*--we would say "psychically".

In seances where the superconscious is at work in materialization and the like, there is always a medium and a circle of sitters to furnish needed *mana* for production of phenomena. (Loss of weight and decrease of vital force are found in medium and sitters after seances where such phenomena were produced). The superconscious entities involved have been those attached to the guides. Often simple requests to the guides were sufficient to get desired phenomena. But the living must provide the *mana* and needed substance for ectoplasm.

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THE UNCERTAIN factors in the processes above described lie in the use of proper ritual perhaps, or in items not yet apparent in the long investigation. These factors may be found when experimental work eventually begins, who can say?

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This completes the brief outline of *Huna*. Volumes could be written enlarging the presentation and showing the studies, and the materials upon which they have been based. But no important point has been over-looked, even if a single phrase has sometimes been all that has covered it. Unfortunately the shining spiritual side of the ancient science has had to be neglected, but the reader can supply most of that for himself.

THE TRUE LIGHT has RETURNED, and from the West. "The Judgment of the Nations" is now underway. Again the "many" are being called. Undoubtedly the "few" will be chosen to carry again the True Light before the world of men to guide and enlighten. Again the harvest is ready and there is a call for reapers.

ASTROLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Of Persons Born in CAPRICORN, the Goat
(December 22 to January 20 of any year)

Marie Harlowe

Ruling Planet, Saturn; Governs, Knees; Day, Saturday; Color, Gray; Metal, Lead; Element, Earth; Location: Secluded, quiet places, preferably hillsides.

Capricorn, the 10th sign of the Zodiac (cardinal, earth), is symbolized by the Goat. In this sign is the winter solstice. It governs the knees which are important to man's locomotive system, and typifies his advance or progression. The Goat scrambles from one rock to another, ever climbing upward. Capricorn thus indicates natives with lofty idealism, but governed as the sign is by cold, calculating old Saturn, its natives are very practical.

These natives are highly moral and have a great regard for duty. Above all people they are "cool, calm and collected". They are very proud and self-reliant. They have great patience and perseverance, and through natural industriousness, endure and conquer many hardships and adverse circumstances. These natives are ambitious, thrifty and very cautious. They are honest, conscientious and faithful. They are slow to anger and just as slow to forgive. They have but few friends of whom they are usually jealous. They are immune to flattery. Natives of Capricorn are neat and orderly and have good taste in dress and surroundings. They are fond of travel and do as much of it as possible. They can take big responsibilities; they are very quick to take advantage of people and situations. These people seem cold and undemonstrative when in reality they are lonely and self-conscious. Their life problem is usually one of money matters.

Capricornians are independent and high-minded, seldom seeking advice of others. The combination of their fixity of purpose and their executive ability makes for general success. They are natural thinkers, zealous and diligent in seeking knowledge. They have excellent memories and are good storytellers and witty conversationalists. The Capricorn mind is philosophic and scientific, and is greatly concerned with details. A conservative, disciplined mind often becomes too severe and materialistic, and should be balanced by occult or metaphysical studies. Capricorn natives are not original thinkers, but they are practical idealists.

Physically the Capricorn native is easily recognized by his distinct type. Saturn's influence is towards a long-lived individual who appears old and awkward in youth and younger than his years in age. Capricorn women frequently outlive their husbands and often their children as well. Natives of this sign are of the strongest and most enduring vitality, and if they are careful of their diet are usually in good health.

In physical appearance Capricornians are wiry, slight and below the average height. The forehead is wide, the chin narrow and the neck is long and scraggly. The hair and complexion is usually dark, the face long and thin. The eyes are usually dark and expressive, and glasses are frequently worn.

Capricornians are great worriers and many of their physical ailments are caused by over-work and worry. Liver, stomach and head are their weak points, and they should eat plenty of heating, stimulating foods. They should avoid cosmetics.

People born in the 1st decanate of Capricorn in the 1st 10 days of the sign, or last 10 days of December, are excellent managers and shoulder responsibility well. They are efficient organizers, but often inclined to be hesitating and indecisive.

Persons born in the 2nd or Taurus decanate of Cap

ricorn, in the 1st 10 days of January, are able to adapt themselves to any environment. They are very determined, sometimes obstinate.

Those born in the 3rd or Virgo decanate, or the last 10 days of the sign, have greater imaginative power than other Capricornians. They are retiring and shy and often lack ambition.

In occupational matters, Capricornians succeed best in work which requires careful, cautious methods. Capricornians are not original or creative; they are the typical business people. They are good at detail work, are excellent financial managers, particularly of hotels and institutions. They excel as bookkeepers, statisticians, scientists and mathematicians. They are efficient, and are successful with all that pertains to lands and buildings. Capricornians are thorough teachers and fine writers. They do well in law and are successful in drama and oratory. Quite a number are musically inclined. Capricornians are almost universally interested in politics and are strong for party interest, and are excellent politicians.

Very often recognition in work comes after a long delay and many Capricornians experience financial difficulties as they go through the late twenties and early thirties, after which they do much better financially.

Capricorn women are even better managers than Capricorn men. They are often successful as housekeepers, managers of hotels and institutions, etc. The women of this make excellent nurses.

Capricorn natives are more mental than physical in their choice of a mate, although such a type as the mental Aries native is too dynamic and impulsive for this native. They are not demonstrative. They are easily hurt and disillusioned in love affairs, and when hurt they do not fight back but go into a painful heart-broken solitude. Capricornians have few friends and are seldom

happy in married life unless they have absolutely the right mate. They are generally slow to marry. They are attracted to the natives of Taurus (April 20-May 20), and Virgo (August 22-September 21), and Scorpio (October 23-November 22). They are best mated with natives of Cancer (June 21-July 22), Sagittarius (November 22-December 22), or Aquarius (January 20-Feb 19). Pisces (February 10-March 21) is also a fairly favorable union. Business partnerships with Cancer (June 21-July 22) are excellent. A business partnership with Sagittarius native (November 22-December 22) is also good.

In making a horoscope for any person, it is necessary to point out the fact that every sign has a positive and negative aspect, and to point out the negative elements so that they can be studiously avoided. Every fault and shortcoming can be eliminated in the cultivation of true, positive aspects. "The stars impel but they do not compel", and every situation and circumstance in life may be mastered and transmuted into a worthy factor of life.

The Saturnian influence on negative Capricornians manifests as depths of despondence and pessimism with no apparent cause, and self-pity and self-centeredness. The negative Capricornian is deeply introverted, and worries over trifles. They hold very stubbornly to their own ideas and will not submit to any form of dictation. In fact, they cannot endure correction or interference with their plans. These natives are usually very exacting and critical of others. They do not know how to play and be happy themselves and cannot understand how others can waste time in play. They are easily prejudiced and do not forgive readily. In fact, if they forgive they never forget.

A tendency to haughty arrogance makes these people despots and tyrants at times, notwithstanding the fact that they lack in self-esteem. They

should cultivate seeing the better side of people and things. At times the thrift and frugality of these negative natives becomes stinginess. Spending is spasmodic with these natives, alternating between stinginess and generous spending.

Negative Capricorn natives are apt to go to extremes, and in their intensity they often overwork. They have a combative side to their natures, although they are not natural fighters, and they generally exhibit a natural timidity.

There is a coldness and hardness to the negative Capricorn nature which develops into a lack of sympathy and sometimes outright cruelty. As parents the negative natives of this sign are very stern and consider their children lazy.

A limited, materialistic type of thought is sometimes crystallized in the negative Capricorn which inhibits the normal expression of the Capricorn qualities.

The chief factors to be overcome by Capricorn natives is to learn to care less about the opinions of others, to eliminate impatience, and to conquer an inordinate ambition.

(Aquarius Characteristics Next Month)



AN ODE TO A TREE STUMP

Ralph Stillman Emerson

Oh, thou shattered, weathered bole,
Could I again but make thee whole,
I'd raise thy proud mast to the sky
From whence the woodsman took thy sigh.

I'd heal thy wounds with balsam sweet;
I'd mend thy broken arms, complete
With leafy garments for thy limbs.
And then I'd sing thy praise with hymns.

TWENTIETH CENTURY MAGIC

James L. McGarvey

In the latter century nearly all of the teachings handed down from the past have been laughed out of existence by the modern discoveries of science. Yet science itself is now reverberating this trend and is definitely proving that the ancient knowledge not only was based on fact but in many cases actually precedes science of today.

Of all the ancient lore the magician's wand has probably borne more of the brunt of public ridicule than any other tradition that has come thru the centuries, yet it can now be vindicated by the recent discoveries of today. The electric coil used in nearly all electrical apparatus is a blood brother to the despised wand. The coil is composed of a number of turns of copper wire round an iron rod and its principal purpose is to generate current or voltage. Other coils have as their core paper or some other material. By creating a magnetic field the coil steps-up either the current or the voltage.

The magician's wand is essentially a super-sensitive coil. It is in most cases made up of a rod of hazel or lemon wood with a thin iron rod thru the center. Around the outside are two or more copper bands. This is the basic construction of a coil. The physical body is known to be electrically charged and the wand in the hands of one who knew its uses might easily serve to step-up the mental voltages travelling from the mind through the fingers and the wand into the ether.

Another much abused science of the past is the crystal-gazing teaching. In this case also present day discoveries are coming to its rescue. The quartz crystal atoms are so arranged that they act something like a dynamo giving light rays a circular twist or

whirl as they pass through it. One theory is that because of its peculiar formation the crystal is potentially alive, while another is that light shining thru a crystal on certain gasses such as methane and others, with the assistance of the dynamo action of the crystal, supplied the needed push to start life as we know it. The crystal is also used to generate radio waves because of its tendency to vibrate when in contact with an electrical current, and I see no reason to believe that waves would not have a similar effect on it.

The ancients must have indeed had a close contact with the higher planes in order to have such an intimate knowledge of nature that is just now being explored by our present day science. The fact that the principles of our present day electric coil were known thousands of years ago is amazing, yet so many more of their teachings, such as the mental cure of disease and the unlimited power of will are being proved, that a study of the culture of the past may easily be a glimpse into the future.

SNOW FALLS IN THE CITY SQUARE

Helen G. Hale

Snow falls soft and white, a closing curtain.
Dusk changes from grey to dark, the day is dying.
Shapes once known seem strange--distorted--
Where have they gone, all these familiar landmarks?

Then through the falling snow, lights shine
To mark the well-known street and friendly windows,
Beacons to show the way and guide our
Homeward journey.
Is this as death will come, a closing curtain,
With the light of God beyond
To show the way and mark
Our onward journey?

PLANETARY INFLUENCES IN HEALING

(Continued from December)

Marie Harlowe

A planet's influence is felt in whatever Zodiacal sign it is in, for planets and signs or houses combine in revealing planetary influence in the health and well-being of the individual. First to be considered is the action of the planet itself, and second, the house or sign in which it is placed. The Sun sign (where the Sun was at birth) generally indicates the type of the individual as the Sun always indicates the vital strength of a person. The Sun rules the vital etheric energy in man thru a correspondence of force in the spleen, the storehouse of energy, and the heart. The Sun rules the back pituitary gland, and to a certain degree the thyroid gland. The Sun also rules the right eye of a male and the left eye of a female. It rules especially the general health of males. The position of the the Sun indicates the length of life of an individual. If the Sun is found in the first, fourth or seventh houses the individual has great resistance to disease. If the Sun is found in weaker houses it naturally indicates poor health and a short life. The Sun position is considered weaker when it is below the horizon at birth.

The Sun in Aries, the sign of the Zodiac which governs the head, inclines the individual to headaches, brain fevers, amnesia and eye troubles.

The Sun in Taurus, the Zodiacal sign governing the throat, gives a tendency to diphtheria and throat troubles.

The Sun in Gemini, which rules the arms and chest, inclines to pleurisy and lung troubles.

The Sun in Cancer, the sign which rules the stom-

ach, indicates a tendency to stomach and gastric troubles, -also dropsy and anaemia.

The Sun in Leo, the sign which governs the heart chiefly, inclines to spinal and back troubles as well as heart and eye troubles.

The Sun in Virgo, the Zodiacal sign governing the intestines, strongly influences the individual to abdominal and assimilative troubles, including peritonitis and typhoid fever.

The Sun in Libra, the sign of the kidneys, gives a tendency to kidney and skin troubles.

The Sun in Scorpio, the sign which governs the sex function, inclines the individual to genito-urinary and rectal troubles, and in women to ovarian and menstrual troubles.

The Sun in the sign of Sagittarius, governing hips and thighs, gives a tendency to sciatica and paralysis of the legs.

The Sun in Capricorn which governs the legs and knees, inclines the individual to rheumatism.

The Sun in Aquarius, the Zodiacal sign which rules the legs below the knees, indicates a tendency to varicose veins, dropsy and poor circulation generally.

The Sun in Pisces, the sign governing the feet, indicates a liability to feet troubles, also gangrene and lung troubles which start from cold, damp feet.

(Continued Next Month)



Masters of Peace, we beseech you. Set aside the glamor of personal achievement, unite one with the other, speak with one voice...the word...to the *enemies* of Peace...Endow each child with your "coat of arms" that all who come after you may be Children of the House of *Peace*.

- Effa Danelson - *The Occult Digest*, June, 1936

EDUCATION

A. A. Voyz

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At times Man's education seems to lay stress upon what he knows about himself. At other times upon what he knows about his world.

To unduly stress either is to work an injury--the one to his physical well-being, the other to his spiritual state.

We have just passed through a period wherein Education emphasized the material side of life...with consequent material results...but unfortunately with a rising rate of insanity and evident disorder in human relationships...a warping of the spiritual nature of man.

Again the question is, "For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away?"--Luke 9:25.

The Education of the future will be forced, as a reaction, to lay more stress upon the powers that are possessed by, or resident within, man himself.



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