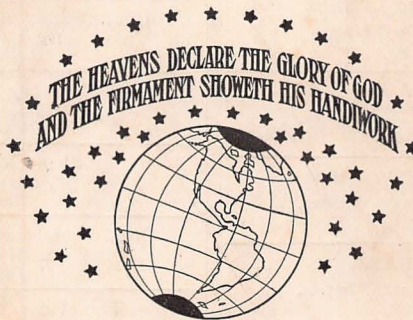


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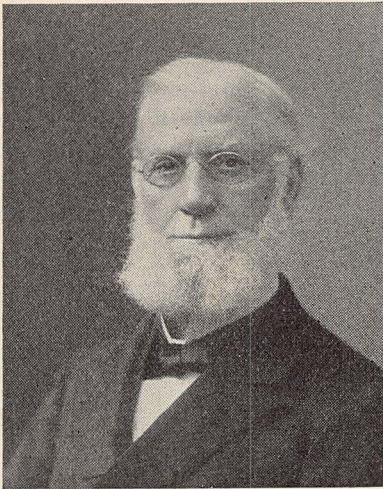
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lowing passage from chapter one:

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" \* \* \* The third face of Aries is a face of change and lively fancy. There is a love of fame and activity unrestful, makes many changes in life."

From chapter two:

"When Saturn is posited in the first house the native is diplomatic, though very suspicious and distrustful. He is liable to be gloomy and retiring at times, and while he has many acquaintances he has few intimate friends. His friends are apt to be distant from his home; he makes their friendships through letters, writings, journeys and also through the father and elderly persons and those above him in the social scale of life.

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**H. C. H.**



## A FEW OPINIONS OF THE PRESS UPON THIS GREAT WORK SCIENCE AND KEY OF LIFE

Mr. H. C. Hodges, of this city, who writes under the pseudonym "Alvidas," is the author and compiler of "Science and Key of Life," a study in astro-physiology founded upon his firm faith in planetary influences as affecting for good or ill, for health or disease, the human organism. Mr. Hodges argues that man may not only read his destiny in the stars, but that their phases and relations to those arbitrary symbols called the signs of the Zodiac determine temperament and govern health. Like Hippocrates, he appears to believe that the physician cannot safely administer medicine if he is unacquainted with the fundamentals of astrology, though he does not advise the repudiation of medical art, admitting that some errors may obtain even in astral science. Thus he would have the physician cast the patient's horoscope when called in, and armed with the knowledge of "the planet, the sign and the house" governing at the time, diagnose the duration of the disease, the beneficial or malevolent influences being exerted upon it, the crisis which will occur, and the time of recovery. Thus if Mars occupies the sign Aries in the twelfth house the patient is pretty sick and likely to have a hard time of it, and should take tonics.—Review of Vol V., The Detroit Free Press.



Henry Clay Hodges, of Detroit, Mich., has been for years making scientific study of electric and magnetic influences as caused by planetary movements and the great laws of attraction and gravitation as operating through interstellar space. The effects of different polarizations of the sun and the moon produce great effects on human life. The art of navigation is closely connected, Mr. Hodges believes, with these influences and currents in aerial space. In a new work, called "Science and Key of Life," Mr. Hodges discusses these great laws from both the astronomical and the magnetic side. Electric and magnetic phenomena are shown to be related to sidereal changes. The book is one of remarkable scope and power, on both the scientific and the psychic phases of life and progress.—Lillian Whiting in New Orleans Times-Democrat.



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According to Henry Clay Hodges, of Detroit, the influence of the stars is superior to all but the free will of mankind, and an astral chart will enable its owner to unfold the power within himself and combat all hostile influences. To his mind it is every one's duty to have his horoscope cast, for the reason that one's character is absolutely governed by astral influences, and crises throughout his career are almost certain to occur when the stars that governed his birth come in certain hostile or favorable juxtaposition. "Science and Key of Life" is the title of Mr. Hodges' book. It represents the study of a long life and is illustrated with numerous horoscopes of famous men, which demonstrate to the satisfaction of the author that the dominant influences of the heavens had more to do with brilliant successes or disgraceful failures than the efforts of the men themselves.—Chicago Record-Herald.

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# Freedom of Thought a Source of Strength.

## EDITORIAL

Back in the early history of New England it was the custom of the people at certain public gatherings to close the day's proceedings with a test of strength and agility between two of their number, who were noted for their strength and skill in *wrestling*.

The object was to see which of the two should wear the honors as victor during the next year.

Well, on one of these occasions, it was decided that the two oldest men present should test their strength by a wrestling match.

The combined ages of the two parties chosen for the contest was 150 years, age of the eldest being 80 and the younger 70.

After due preparation the two boys grappled, and a long tussel resulted in the older boy throwing the younger one upon his back.

Immediately all the people assembled, clapped their hands and cheered, whereupon the boy of 70 sprang to his feet and turned to the audience and exclaimed, "Well, he ought to throw me, he is the oldest!"

The truth is, strength and health are not measured by years if the laws of life are properly understood and practiced.

It has been my privilege for many years to be intimately acquainted with a man who has passed the three score and ten landmark in the journey of life, and I am confident in declaring that there is no person, within the range of my observation, who is in sounder physical condition than the person referred to.

It may be asked what has been the mode of living which has resulted in producing this exceptionally sound body, free from aches and pains, with the ability to sleep and to eat with discretion.

I am informed that one of the most potent factors, contributing to this condition, is the fact that in his early years he was able to free his mind from the dogmas of religious superstition.

Early in life he became an apostle of the advanced ideas, in the main as now called New Thought.

This freedom from the thralldom of a belief in original sin and a revengeful God imbued his mind with hope and courage, which attributes have reflected through the physical and resulted in his present condition of health and strength.

The mental battles fought in those early days against the doctrines taught by the Rev. Jonathan Edwards of New England and his type were filled with apprehension as to what the consequences would be to his welfare, not only in this life but the life to come, if he continued to doubt the religious faith of his early teachers.

However, these doctrines were so repellant to his sense of justice and contrary to his conception of the attributes of an all-wise Creator (capable of bringing into manifestation this universe), he made up his mind to take his chances and weigh each thought by the scales of common sense, which resulted in making him a disciple of liberty of thought in the vast field of Universal Truth.

To any and all close observers of the signs of the times it must be clear that we are in a new cycle in the development of the human race. These signs can be observed in the hustle and rustle of human energy.

The old giving place to the new and in no phase of the development of human life are these conditions more apparent than in the search for better health of both body and mind.

Drugs, as remedial agents, are being discarded as a relic of the past and the disciples of this evolutionary wave are acting upon the suggestion given by the Nazarene to "go out and preach the gospel and heal the sick."

Of course they will encounter obliquy and derision from the fossil apostles of a bygone age, but still as each disciple is equipped with a sword of truth, the battle is sure to be won.

For instance, there is a method of healing as old as man, namely, curing disease by the laying on of hands.

It was practiced by the ancient Chaldeans and Egyptians, later by Jesus and his apostles, and still we find the majority of the churches joining with the medical profession in claiming that it is not scientific; we also find that under the laws now existing Peter, James, John and Jesus would be convicted of misdemeanor, for practicing this old and scientific method of curing disease of both mind and body.

The fear of an angry God, and judgment to come, as taught, by theologians, has hung like a pall over Christian nations and has imbued the majority of minds with fear and sorrow, which diminishes the energies of the nervous system, lessens the force of circulation, impedes the secretions and finally produces organic disease.

*Fear* paralyzes the muscular powers of the body, weakens and diminishes the action of the heart, thus lowering the power of nature, baffles the skill of the physician, and often causes death.

*Joy*, on the other hand, acts as a powerful stimulant and tonic on the whole animal frame and in summing up this matter my advice is for each person to imbue the mind with hope and confidence, resting on the great truth that we are all in the hands of a kind Providence, whose watchful care is ever round about us to give aid.

\* \* \*

### *Learn to Forget.*

Every night as the sun goes down let all the disagreeable happenings of the day slip out of your mind and sink into oblivion. Blot them out, annihilate them, and permit no resurrection. Go to sleep with the thought of pleasant things in your mind, and begin the next day as though it was

the *first* day of all your life, the *last* day, the *only* day.

If anything disagreeable intrudes, at nightfall blot it out. Then if another day is given you make it better than the one before, remembering only the things that are lovely and lovable.

To forget—that is what we need. Just to forget. All the petty annoyances, all the vexing irritations, all the mean words, all the rankling acts, the deep wrongs, the bitter disappointments—just let them go; don't hang on to them.

Learn to forget. Make a study of it. Practice it. Become an expert at forgetting.

M. L. GATES, M. D.

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### *The Way to Visit Mars.*

BY MABEL GIFFORD SHINE.

You have no need to go to the world in order to see it, the world will come to you. If you wish to visit Mars or any other world you need not go to it, Mars will come to you.

We used to think when we wished to visit California that we must go there bodily, but now we let California come to us. If we wish to communicate with anybody in California we are not obliged even to send a letter, we need not even telegraph, we can talk to anyone we please; we let California come to us. And there has been invented an instrument that enables us to visit California by sight in a similar way. Now we have removed the wires that were thought necessary to make connections between our locality and that which we wished to communicate with, and we find it is not only possible to speak and hear without the wires but that it is a much better way.

Do you see how it is? We do not need to go anywhere, but simply extend our senses, our hearing, our sight, and every sense in the same way. We can hear and speak with friends in California by extending our sense of hearing, and we can see our California friend and be seen by him by extending the sense of sight. Do you see how it is? There is no need to go anywhere either in this world or any other; we are everywhere present, and all we need is to turn our attention to the place we wish



to visit. You have noticed that a person may be within hearing of music or other sounds and not hear it, and you know you may be looking directly at an object or scene and see nothing of it. Why is this?

### **We Inhale Sweet Odors.**

And how is it? We are inhaling sweet odors, we do not know it; we are touching many objects many times a day and are unconscious of them; the orator does not know his hand is bleeding from the pounding he gave it on the edge of the reading stand, the soldier does not know he is wounded. Likewise the bed-ridden sufferer does not know he is helpless when he hears the cry of fire, and springs to his feet and rushes from the room.

This is the Why of it—The mind makes the consciousness of existence, and there is the greatest consciousness where the mind is most strongly attentive. The music is vibrating but you do not hear it, the grand sunset is before your eyes but you do not see it, the winding ribbon road, the flower-starred fields, the pleasant woods are all before you but for you they do not exist; every night the sky is studded with countless stars, you cannot tell whether any stars are visible when you are out or not; friends pass by you, you do not see them; they call,

### **The Trees Are Talking.**

you do not hear. The trees are talking in songs of wondrous melody, songs of which we never catch the words; birds are singing everywhere, songs of wisdom and revelation, but we do not hear what they are telling us, the little brook at our feet tells us the meaning of the mysteries we seek to explore, but it speaks to us in a language we do not know, the waving grasses whisper to us and we do not listen, the nodding floweret, smiles and breathes and murmurs loving messages, but we do not catch them.

And this is the How of it: We sense according to our vibrations; a certain rate of vibrations of a certain kind enables us to hear the same rate and kind. We grow into this world by gathering the vibrations of this world until we have enough to sense here. If we have not gathered enough of the vibrations of sound to hear this world's sounds, we are deaf to them; if we have not gathered enough of the vibrations of

light to see the light vibrations here, we are blind to the physical world. And so it is with all the senses. When a blind person receives his sight it is because the light vibrations are increased until they are equal to the physical light vibrations of the external world in which he is. So it is when a deaf person receives his hearing. Street

### **Street Fakirs.**

fakirs will with their medicines enable a person to hear. It appears like a miracle and he takes in the ready money as fast as he can. What he has done is to raise the rate of sound vibrations in the man's ears artificially, and he hears until the effects of the medicine cease. The fakir cures rheumatism in the same way, by increasing the rate of vibrations in the circulatory system until they are normal, but he has done it artificially and the cure lasts only while the effect of the medicine works.

How does the medicine increase the vibrations? The fakir's mind increases the vibrations of the subject's mind and of the eager crowd around; the atmosphere is throbbing with these vibrations. The fakir connects the vibrations with his medicine. The mesmerist does the same thing either with or without material objects or means; so does the hypnotist and the suggestionist and the New Thought practitioners of all kinds. This is the Faith Cure and every cure. It is the extension of the senses to the normal and above the normal.

We could sense everywhere and everything all at once just as well as gradually if our minds were equal to it. But our minds are not equal to it; we cannot endure more than a certain amount of revelation at a time; the awesomeness and immensity of it paralyzes our finite minds. We must grow to everything we ever sense. Also the confusion of too much prevents the sensing of it. We learn the music a bar at a time, slowly and painstakingly, and until we have become accustomed to that set of vibrations; they have been impressed upon the mind until we are at home with them, then we can go on. By and by we can take two bars at a time and the day comes if we persevere when we can play a whole piece of music at sight.

### **First Speak, Then Write.**

This is the reason we first speak to a dis-

tant friend by traveling to him bodily, and then write to him, and after that telegraph over wires, and then without wires, and then speak to him over wires with our voice and then speak to him with our voice, without the wires. We can speak to a friend anywhere without any wires or machinery of any kind as soon as we can accept the fact. Just as soon as the thought is conceived of speaking by sound waves the method begins to appear; as soon as the thought is conceived of speaking by sound waves without wires we find the way to do it. As soon as we begin to think anything is possible we begin to see how we can do it. This is the way inventions are materialized. When a human being is created the soul creates the mind vibrations and the mind vibrations create the body. That is, the soul vibrations set the same vibrations going in the mind plane, and the vibrations of the mind plane set the same vibrations going in the physical plane. Rates of vibrations create quality, and arrangement of qualities make the forms of things. The sense forms of soul are reflected in the mind and through the mind in the body and through the body in the external world. This is the origin of everything of man's creation.

### A Stupendous Thought.

Now we can see man's capability; we can develop his rate and quality of vibrations as we will and in any direction we will. He can sense in California or Australia just as well as in the place of his bodily habitation. All that is necessary is the ability to entertain the stupendous thought. And he can extend his sense consciousness to Mars just as easily as to California, just as soon as he is able to endure the, to him, overpowering thought of it. That is what is going on now; man has reached the point where he is able to entertain the thought of the possibility of communicating with Mars; he is concentrating his mind on the matter, that is, he is giving his attention to it, and the more he does this the more his sense vibrations increase and he will see more and more plainly how it can be done. To-day there are two kinds of people working for distant communication, just as there are two kinds working to heal people by two methods, one class by material means

and the other by means of mind alone. The mind is doing it all in both cases, only in one case the mind seeks to materialize by means of material objects and the other seeks to materialize through thought forms only. Now the one class will seek to reach Mars by signs, telegraph, air ships, etc., the other kind will seek sense extension. At first the latter class will imagine that the mind must travel just as the body travels; they have already grown to that; the next step is the seeing that the mind does not need to go anywhere, but simply to grow stronger so that it will be able to see, hear and sense in every way more of the world and the universe. Exactly as the blind man has his sense of sight strengthened until he can see what is around him. He does not have to go anywhere to see his surroundings. The stronger his sight is the farther he can see until his vision is normal; that is, equal to the universal human vision. In the same way we can go on strengthening our sight and extending our line of vision indefinitely. When we

### To go to Mars, Hades or Heaven.

think we must travel weary miles in order to see a certain place or person then we must travel, for we do not cultivate our sight beyond that thought. To go to Mars, Hades or Heaven the conditions are the same; we can see all these places by giving our thought to them, that is extending our sight sense until they are visible, or by traveling in our minds until we are able to think we have reached them.

The materialist can see that Heaven and Hell are here and now, to a certain degree, and that they might be developed more perfectly; what he does not see is that Soul, universal and individual, gathers material about it as a garment to make itself visible in any plane and to act in that plane with the inhabitants of that plane, and that dropping its garment affects it only to enable it to act more freely in a finer body within the outer and to live visibly in the higher and finer plane. When the Materialist sees that existence is consciousness he will understand how it is and that consciousness can be developed in any direction independent of body in any plane.

Who will reach Mars first, the Materialist who is going to fly there bodily, the



Soul Traveler who is going to go on the wings of the Mind, or the man who keeps his body and mind himself body and soul at home and seeks by sense extension to see as far as he wishes in the universe about him?

When we arrive at this realization we shall be able to understand how it is that a personal God could be everywhere present. When finite man wakes up to the knowledge that he himself is everywhere present he can understand how the Infinite can be person and still everywhere present. They can also understand that there is neither time nor space; that what we call time and space are only appearances to man's limited consciousness and disappear as he develops. He sees both being annihilated constantly these days and the great fact is breaking in on his mind that *everything is here and now.*

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Charles W. Eliot, former president of Harvard University, presages the advent of a new religion, and declares that it will not be creed-bound.

Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard, in an address before the Harvard summer school of theology, on July 22, prophesied the advent of a new religion.

"It will not be bound by dogma or creed," he said. "Its workings will be simple but its field of action limitless. Its discipline will be the training in the co-operative good will. It will attack all forms of evil. There will be no supernatural element; it will place no reliance on anything but the laws of nature. Prevention will be the watchword and a skilled surgeon one of its members.

"The new religion," he continued, "will not be based on authority; the future generation is to be led, not driven. In the new religion there will be no personification of natural objects; there will be no deification of remarkable human beings.

"God will be so imminent that no intermediary will be needed. Its priests will strive to improve social and industrial conditions. The new religion will not attempt to reconcile people to present ills by the promise of future compensations."

Wisdom is not the prerogative of any society or organization, but of the soul. Open the soul consciousness by purity, chastity and knowledge of the laws of life, and self flows out, that true self may flow in, for above all else we should know these laws of soul culture, of mind generation, and of planetary life."—*Science and Key of Life, Vol. I, Page 107.*

### Life.

BY VERNE DEWITT ROWELL.

I asked the arab twilight breeze,  
That wafted from far-distant seas,  
"What is that mystery that men call Life,  
That strange, dear harmony of love and strife?"

The fragrant breath of tender parting day  
Went murmuring a-down a pleasant way,  
Yet loitered in a musing, sylvan lair,  
As if it fain would seek an answer there.

And then was sweetly wafted back to me,  
"Oh, Life is love's celestial deity,  
That parts us from the rude and silent sod,  
For Life, great Life, is Love and Love is God."

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### Great Antediluvian Find.

*Remarkable Skeletons Dug Up in California.*

Los Angeles, July 28.—The Academies of Science have asked the city council for an appropriation to be used in developing a remarkable deposit of bones of antediluvian animals in the asphalt beds near Holly Wood. There have been exhumed so far complete skeletons of a giant sloth, an animal almost as big as a street car; several sabre-toothed tigers, a prehistoric lion of the African type, but larger; a giant camel, three species of prehistoric wolves, a horse that seems to have been larger than any that exists today, giant eagles and condors, a large number of miscellaneous rodents, a small prehistoric cat, the skull of a bird larger than an ostrich and portions of skeletons of elephants. The greatest find was the skull of an extinct species of buffalo or prehistoric ox. So far as known, there is not another like it in the world. The types of animals shown by these discoveries seem to have been common here several thousand years ago.

# New Thought Department

Containing subject matter embodying the teachings of the so-called new Thought religion.

The first article is by Charles Brodie Patterson, an eminent pioneer in this field. His books have been translated into the foreign languages, and many editions have been sold, reaching all civilized nations. Our readers will be interested in his words of truth and encouragement, as well as those of others who follow him.

## *The Psychic Man.*

BY CHARLES BRODIE PATTERSON.

In a very true sense creation is not finished, for each one of us have a part to play in the great creation drama. We are co-laborers with God, and God's work is always of a creative, sustaining, or redemptive nature. All life will yet be transformed from the lower to the higher planes of being, but this can not be done, except as the inner life responds freely to the great encompassing life of love; there can be no compulsion in perfect love. The desert is most assuredly to blossom as the rose—the great mental and moral planes of our being, which seem so barren as yet—but this blossoming will be the result of the unfolding of the seed of love within.

The transforming process is going on all the time, though we may not always see it. But if, in our examination of world progress, we take long enough periods of time we cannot doubt this fact. In spite of much that is deplorable in the outer life of affairs, the world today is far better, much more advanced toward brotherhood, than it was a thousand years ago.

I said that our lives were as broken and limited as our breath; and in a deeper sense those of us realize, this could not be otherwise. The one is the expression of the other; their scope, their limitation, are in almost exact correspondence.

The majority of people think they know all that is necessary in regard to the subject of breath. Physicians agree that there is need of good breathing capacity, but, be-

yond the injunction to breath deeply, perhaps they have very little to say about the matter. Properly used there is no surer or swifter aid to the development of psychic powers than this same matter of breathing. It is largely through their method of breathing that the psychics of the east acquire their wonderful power. The system used and taught by them, however, does not, as a rule, tend to poise and serenity of mind when applied to the average temperament of the occidental world. The eastern being the more meditative type, and the western mind being more gifted in regard to concentration, the method that stimulates and benefits the one often has quite the opposite effect upon the other.

One can injure the body by breathing incorrectly, and many of the methods taught by physical instructors bring results to some that are far from desirable. It is no sign because one person can get good results from breathing in a certain way that such a method will prove beneficial to another. This is because we differ so greatly in temperament, and what would benefit one would perhaps actually injure another.

### Highly Developed Psychic.

The rate of vibration varies greatly on the different planes. That of the highly developed psychic would mean physical death to the man on the purely natural plane.

It is possible to alter the vibrations of the whole body through control of the breath. The true order through which the highest vibration can be obtained is,



first, spiritual activity, then mental, and the expression of these again on the physical plane through breath and outward actions.

But one may ask: What difference does it make whether you have much vibration or not? It makes just this difference: that if you have the power to change it at will you have practically absolute control over your health and strength.

Through perfect vibration there comes a perfect control of the circulation, and through the ability to send the blood with renewed force to any particular part of the body, or to keep it an even circulation throughout, the nourishment which carries it to the physical being is furnished as needed. The more we look into these things the more we see the perfect correspondence between the soul, mind and body. The body can not be renewed in any vital sense unless the mind is renewed day by day, and this mental renewal is again dependent on the soul refreshment that comes through meditation.

We should aim, then, at establishing the true vibration, that which originates from within, and so become the masters of our health and strength. Anything that tends to make you intense in mind tense in body is to be avoided; for tension interferes with the highest realization of power. The very effort that some put into their breathing prevents them from deriving much benefit from it. We should aim at concentration, but avoid anything like contraction, for that wearies the brain, making the thoughts cloudy and obscure.

We should bring our thought to bear upon our exercises, but always in a light, elastic, free way; and we should put energy into whatever we do, but not an undue or unnecessary amount of it. Whenever you put more force than is necessary into your work it is wasted, and the mental and physical consciousness is depleted.

### Nine-Tenths Uselessly Expended.

We expend uselessly something like nine-tenths of our energy every day that we live. If we will take this matter of waste into consideration, and set ourselves to avoiding the useless expenditure of force, the benefit occurring to us will be rapid, even wonderful.

True vibration begins at the center and works out to the very circumference of all things.

If the impulse comes from the love-life hidden within us, then will the highest vibration emanate in all directions without a break, as perfect circles radiate from the activity caused at the center when a stone is thrown into the water. Whereas if the spiritual impulse of faith, hope and love are wanting, all the vibration you can get will be on the surface of things; and as your thoughts are constantly changing, there will result a constant change in vibration. But there should be a steady vibration going out from the center of things perfecting both mind and body, and bringing about a state of harmony and power.

So we come at last to see that the matter of breath is a far more interior one than at first appeared. It is nothing more nor less than the breath of the Spirit that we must inhale, and when we have learned to receive the Holy Spirit ("the whole breath"), the complete life of love, we will give it forth again in perfect vibration throughout our whole being and activity. Starting thus from the center of life, all else will be perfect in its way. Each circle radiating from the center that has received the stone, so to speak, is perfect, no matter how far from the center it may travel. It is an unbroken, a complete vibration. Let us accept the fact that the mind (and therefore the body) can not be renewed by simply looking on the phenomenal side of life, but must be inspired by the spirit of life. It is not enough to merely breathe in a certain way, though that is the beginning. We must feel rightly if all else is to become right.

Only as the psychic learns to vibrate in harmony with the great Spirit can heaven be realized. Heaven awaits the complete harmonizing of all energy, and if one soul is out of tune with Infinite Love the resulting discord just insomuch postpones the consummation of God's holy purpose. Verily, "If thine eye be single"—if your eyes are filled with the light of love—"thy whole body shall be full of light." The right feeling begets the right-thinking, and

this in turn will shape itself in body, word and deed.

### The Real Center of Human Breath.

The real center for human breath, for all inspiration and aspiration, is the diaphragm. By the simple exercise of holding the hand on the diaphragm the mind may more easily become centered, and one will begin to breathe from that point. This, with correct bodily position, will eventually bring every cell-chamber of the lungs into use.

If we consider the question of breathing from a medical point of view, we regard the oxygen, which enters into the blood through the lungs as the chief purifying agent. But as we study life we are forced to the conclusion that there is something much more vital than oxygen in the air, which we inhale; there is in all things—in air, as well as minerals, plants, and animals—the spirit which alone truly vitalizes and sustains. Furthermore from experiments conducted through a great many years, I am thoroughly convinced that the time is coming when we will know how to get a large portion of the nourishment needed for our bodies directly from the atmosphere. New light will be thrown upon that saying of Jesus: "I have meat to eat that ye know not of." It may be objected that there is not enough in the air to nourish the body, but the point is that there is something—a soul, if you please—that abides in the elements, in all things, and is, after all, the true vitality of the body. Science is rapidly being forced to the conclusion that in every atom there is a living principle, a vital energy; and it is this life essence, not the outward forms it assumes, wherein lies the sustaining power.

It may be asked: "Why, then, are organs of digestion given to us if we are to derive our nourishment in other ways? But do we not know what wonderful changes in organism occur throughout all planes of activity, and that certain organs endure only while the need for them exists?"

### The Manner of the Breath the Important Thing.

Many have considered that the inhalation of the breath was the important thing,

but, on the contrary, the manner of exhalation is far more important. If you form a vacuum the air must flow in, but if you atmosphere in the body, the pure air is limited in its work, because of the impure residuum left in the body. The outgoing breath corresponds to our desires—to the highest aspirations; the incoming breath is the response to the desires. When we make exhale only one-half, or one-third, of the demand there is the supply, and the supply will always be in proportion to the demand. A real effort, then, should center itself in true desire. Yet man has been centering his thought faithlessly on the other side, refusing to believe that the heavenly Father is even more willing to give us good things than we are to ask Him. Superficial desires will result in superficial breathing, while growth, as regards one's ideals and activities, will result in true diaphragmatic breathing. By rightly controlled breath the circulation changes at once, cold hands and feet are almost instantly relieved, and the whole body is evenly and thoroughly nourished.

There are persons whose hands are always dry and hot, and others whose hands will be found cold and clammy. Now these different conditions reveal different states of vibration; where there is heat and dryness, the vibration is too rapid; where the hands are cold there is low rate of vibration, indicating a loss of vitality. Health depends upon the establishment of perfect vibration; it should neither be very rapid nor very slow. It is just as easy to be strong and well as the reverse, but we must earnestly desire wholeness, or holiness, if we would have it.

It is beginning to be understood that vibration underlies everything in the universe, and that we must thoroughly understand this subject if we are to act intelligently.

Perfect vibration can only be established through conscious relation to the invisible world, from whence we receive the power that makes us whole, mentally, morally, and physically; and then only as we use the power thus given do we continue to receive it.

—From *"The Measure of a Man."* See *Stellar Ray Books and Periodicals.*



## *"Liberal" Taint in Presbyterian and Baptist Churches.*

Rocks which threaten to split the Presbyterian Church:

*Authenticity of the divine miracles.*

*Birth of man in complete innocence.*

*Resurrection of the body.*

*The immaculate conception.*

*Authority of the church councils in government.*

The growing war in the Baptist church, with its inception at Chicago, over the alleged trend of a large division of the clergy away from orthodox Christianity and toward Unitarianism, under the leadership of Dr. G. B. Foster and others, may have a counterpart inside the Presbyterian church. A similar wave of bitter protest has started among the Presbyterian leaders in this city, based upon almost identical grounds, and is now threatening to spread with growing bitterness throughout the church in America. Some well known churchmen see in the related outbursts in two separate sects an indication of a general upheaval within the orthodox Protestant denominations a war to the finish between the so-called "liberal" and "conservative" elements, which is likely to result in a general shifting of religious lines and possibly in the birth of one or two new church organizations.

As the Baptist element in the divinity faculty of the University of Chicago is the very center of the Baptist feud, so the New York college, which fits most of the local candidates for the Presbyterian ministry, is the center of the Presbyterian war. The latter crisis was precipitated by the examination in the New York presbytery of three young men, graduates from the school in question, for ordination. Their answers to some of the questions asked by the examiners revealed what the orthodox Presbyterian leaders declare to be a remarkable fall from the church teachings

and tenets—a condition for which some of the college instructors are blamed.

The three applicants in question, Archibald Black, George J. Fitch and John E. Steen, were finally passed by the presbytery, after a hot debate, by a vote of 59 to 37. There are about 180 votes in the presbytery, and the remaining preachers, it is explained, declined to vote at all. The matter will come to the final test, however, when the applicants come up for ordination.

Rev. Dr. Walter Buchanan, pastor of the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian church, is the Johnston Myers of the contest, leading the bitter fight against the acceptance of the three candidates. He bases his opposition upon the statement that the young men are "more Unitarian than Presbyterians," and have no business in a Presbyterian pulpit."

The fight against the growth of the "liberal" trend in the Presbyterian church is declared by some of Dr. Buchanan's supporters to be ready to spread throughout the denomination. "We have kept this matter to our selves in our own secret conclaves too long already," say these clergymen, "and now we must fight the whole question out to a finish in the open or kill the church. Too many Unitarians and 'liberal Christians' are being placed in the pulpits of the Presbyterian and Baptist churches. They must be put out, and the teachers who sow the seeds of disharmony must be discredited in our divinity schools."

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## *Mind Is Our Support.*

*Opulence Is the Law of Life.*

BY RONALDS ROMEYEN.

Just so surely as that the mind has a good or ill effect upon the physical body, just as surely does your recognition of the supremacy of mind effect your financial efforts, for, mind does not only affect your prosperity, but mind is your prosperity. Mind, or the substance of mind, is your supply, the substance of all things. This supply never fails, if we know how to use and put into daily practice the laws of mind.

The laws of the kingdom of heaven



(harmony) are the true laws and the only ones that govern us in reality. It is because of ignorance that men feel themselves under the limitations and control of evil influences and laws.

Universal statements of truth are often too abstract to be grasped by the mind that is struggling for freedom from poverty, ill-health and the countless errors that beset mankind. Therefore we need to be specific in dealing with the errors that the student meets daily, in his journey out of ignorance.

It is no part of the Christ Life (True Life) to be poor any more than it is to sin or be sick.

Jesus was not poor, nor did he lack for any good thing. He had command of the whole world. Could not he who increased the leaven and fishes have increased money likewise? Could not he who could bring forth money from a fish's mouth to pay his taxes (Matt. 17:27) bring it forth from any place? He who could make the fisherman's trade a great success by making such droughts of fish that they could hardly land them (Luke 5 and John 21), was he a financial failure? Not so. Let no man deceive himself into thinking poverty a Christian virtue.

Why misunderstand Jesus' saying, "The Son of Man hath not where to lay his head? Were not the disciples' homes open to him? Do we not read of his head lying upon a pillow in one of their ships (Mark 4:38)? How could this saying be true of a man with whom "Women and many others ministered of their substance" (Luke 8:3), who could command the room and tables of rich men: "Zaccheus, make haste and come down, for today I must abide at thy house, and he made haste and came down and received them joyfully" (Luke 19:56). Was he not continually invited to feasts and to partake of hospitality at almost every place he went, and his disciples with him?

Jesus knew that the Father would provide all things needed. Said he to his disciples: "When I sent you without purse and scrip and shoes, lacked ye anything? And they said, nothing" (Luke 22:25).

Far from expecting his disciples to be

poor, he promised them: "There is no man that hath left house or brethren, or sister, or mother or wife or children, or lands for my sake and the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundred-fold, *now in this time*, houses and brethren and sisters and mothers and children and lands with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life" (Mark 10:29-30).

"But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God, for it is he that giveth thee the power to get wealth" (Deut. 8:18).

"If ye be willing and obedient ye shall eat of the good of the land" (Is. 1:19).

"Yea, the Almighty shall be thy defense and thou shalt have plenty of silver" (Job 22:25).

"Take no thought (anxiety or worry burdens the flow of divine substance) for the morrow, for the morrow shall take thought of the things of itself." (Matt 6:34).

Knowledge of spiritual law gives also knowledge of its shadow, called natural law. Mind decides the character of all natural laws by ruling the thoughts that form them. Material appearances are formed, reformed, made to appear or disappear by dealing with their causes, just as men govern the pictures cast upon a magic lantern screen by their handling of the lights and slides, or as we cast a shadow upon the wall or a reflection in the mirror by our management of the objects we wish to be reflected.

Man must have dominion over the earth as it is commanded, and this dominion is manifest as he proves his power over all false thinking. By ruling the elements within himself he governs those without.

You may be what you will—but *will* rightly, *will* strongly, and be not afraid, ye children of the Most High, to give voice to the *words* that you desire to see manifested in your life. Remember that the words you speak, once spoken, are beyond recall, for weal or for woe, for they are things of *Life*. "For my words are spirit and they are Life \* \* \* and the *Word* is God."

Great centers of Intelligence are not dependent upon others for their peace of mind.—*Evelyn Davis*.

The temple is the soul; the lights in the temple are the thoughts. The radiation from these lights is the carrying of the Christ message into all the world.—*Evalyn Davis.*

**"Theopneusty," or "Truth Lived,  
Supplying Life's Needs."**

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Among the most familiar phenomena of nature, is that of the sun's power to extend invisible arms and lift into the earth's atmosphere portions of the elemental combination known as water. Indeed, heat, or other unknown forces flowing from our solar center are the only primary motives of which chemistry has knowledge, whatever mechanical devices the genius of mankind has succeeded in marshaling for the better advancement of inventive purposes.

We see water evaporated through this active principle, held in solution in atmospheric spheres, formed into cloud conditions, and, from electric or some chemical change, condensed into rain drops and falling again to the earth. When clear water is thus caught up and resolved into visible rain, we are not surprised to see clear water descend again from the clouds. Suppose, now, that the sun had exercised its lifting powers upon black water, would not black instead of clear water fall in showers of rain? True, the sun possesses a purifying or filtering might; but we are employing the figure for a lesson, and assuming that the sun can lift and allow to descend, only such colored fluids as it falls upon; that the condensing forces can condense only such as the sun-heat holds in solution.

***Personal Aura-Sphere.***

The earth's atmosphere is only a "water-sphere;" also that water is the great earth-solvent for salts and sweets and the various crystalline substances of which we have knowledge. Now, the atmosphere of the earth stands related to the solid planet just as the aura-sphere of the person is related to the personality. All life is one vast sys-

tem of chemistry. Thought is the supreme generator of elements, and through them effects flow to us and become manifest results, just as rain forms and falls through electric or other chemical action. Here we come upon the most tremendous, the most solemn, sublime and awful truth which faces human understanding. These forces, can only condense and materialize such substances as are generated and incorporated into the aura-sphere of our bodily selves, substances which we have created by the character of our thought; good for good or evil for evil, just as black or clear rain must fall where black or clear water has been evaporated by the sun.

Realizing that this life is but one day in the long, the eternal journey we are making, perforce, and that ascent to certain heights enables a wider vision than is possible upon lower lands, we are forced to the conviction, however unwelcome; that when heavy burdens are laid upon us and sore trials lie across our way, only that which we ourselves have engendered by our thought—or action which is thought's offspring—somewhere along the way in the far, far past, perhaps, is falling—black-rain-like—into an existence we have prepared it for; and that we are merely getting our own; or, as Jesus said, reaping what we have sown. The man who goes blind has somewhere, sometime, refused to see the deep need of wife or child or friend or foe; and so refusing, has engendered in his aura-sphere a specific substance, and the materializing forces can only operate upon that which he has engendered. The law, we repeat, operates unerringly either for weal or for woe. The niggardly, stingy, avaricious man will find precipitated into his affairs the very spirit with which he has impregnated the aura-sphere of his own personality. Surely he can have no right to expect that the alchemy of being shall precipitate gold into manifestation when he has only hoarded the baser metals. Such results would disintegrate the universe, for they would herald an overthrow of all governing law. He who hesitates not to pass unholy judgment upon his human brothers and sisters must, with equal certainty, be judged after the manner he has judged others. Aye, more; the currents of bitterness he has started

will have followed their courses, attracting to themselves all kindred thought encountered; and, returning as they must to their progenitor, be increased multifold; and the unhappy author of the wrack must reap whatever he has sown.

### *A Blind Man Guided.*

Suppose a blind man is being guided by one who sees and is in every way able to lead his charge in the way of either good or ill; the while, the blind man is unaware of being led at all, but imagines himself walking unaided and unled. How easy for the one doing the leading and possessed of sight, to guide the blind one into smooth paths and along byways of peace and good, or into thorny retreats and where ill-fortune and unhappy conditions exist.

In a sense we are all blind. Generally speaking, we perceive but little of the spirit side of life yet in that side or sphere are strong, invisible ones who guide and direct our affairs; often, while we flatter ourselves we are going about and managing matters according to our own good pleasure.

Out of the invisible—invisible as water held in solution atmospherically—arise events and form certain good or bad conditions; and we wonder at our good fortune or bewail the opposite. Ah! we had generated the quality ourselves and the presiding genius of our merits manipulated the forces which could do naught save just what they did. No more mystery prevails relative to this deduction than that black or clear rain should descend after either colored fluid had been lifted into the region of rainfall. If apology is demanded for repetition of this figure, its importance may furnish one; otherwise pass over the need.

In no realm of truth does this law apply more forcibly than in the race-belief of mortality; or the necessity for losing the body as a whole in what men call death. When death-beliefs are held from birth, bequeathed as heritage and instilled as a truth by parents, Sunday school teachers and preachers, enforced by literary argument and in every possible manner, substantially incorporated into the individuality, how, in reason's dear name, we ask, how can life-conditions materialize and clothe the spirit with aught else than a dying corpor-

eality? Merely the dregs of existence; the dim, dark quality of death-thought has been engendered by the mind and must impregnate the aura-sphere; then how can death of the body and all it means to the individual fail to materialize? "I wish I could accept that doctrine," said a gentleman to me recently, "but I can't. Guess it's too deep for me." Well, so long as he "don't" and "can't," he will never demonstrate other than a dying selfhood. As to the question being too deep, I hold that we have a right by virtue of our heavenly Fatherhood to come boldly into the presence of our Creator and demand to know the inner truth of our own being. How else can we be expected by that Creator to live in harmony with His laws?

### *Triumphant Belief in Life.*

Show us a human personification of triumphant belief in Life; one who has discerned the utter fallacy, the entire nothingness of belief in the shadow-nothing that men call death, and we will show one who is demonstrating in bodily expression by the surmounting of every difficulty, the actual precipitation of thought-substance his belief has generated. We will present for inspection a human personality marked by all the fineness of bodily texture known to characterize renewed youth; or the plain realization of promises made to the race by holy men, who in past ages were inspired of God. (Isaiah 40-31 and Psalm 53-5). If these servants of the Most High Sovereign God did not give the race falsehoods for illustration, then we have the best of grounds for our claim. Vitality, elasticity and strength, in fact as well as in appearance, characterize a condition of matured youth, and belief can and will lead to their expression.

### *Belief in Death.*

Belief in death frames a crumbling earth beneath our feet. It throws ever deepening and lengthening shadows athwart our pathway. It induces thick clouds of fear and dread to lower darkly about our heads. It extinguishes light and dispels peace; and fills our life-journey with weariness and distress and gloom.

Belief in LIFE fixes a strong foundation



for our footsteps. It sheds a gleaming radiance over all our lighted way. In sweetest strains, the music of the spheres is heard by the traveler. The shadows roll backward, the skies unfold, and from purple, star-crowned heights beyond the shores of time, white-winged spirits from heaven—the innermost—bearing the golden chalice of peace, descend and bear us away from heartache and care into realms scarce of the earth even though we tread its solid ground. Belief, the generating of true life-thought, fills our perceptions with all describable and indescribable good. Through the powers flowing from this mighty formative agency, a complete fullness fills our cup to overflowing. Our basket and store is increased. A radiant, magnetic energy pervades our entire selfhood. Joy gleams with incandescent brightness wherever our footsteps lead. Strength is dispensed wherever needed, and in the dispensing we grow stronger. A light not perceived by the outer senses enfolds us, and dangers otherwise unseen are avoided. A crown of blessing rests upon our brow, and into our while life is instilled a peace that passeth understanding; while with glad voice we are constrained to sing:

"Glory be to God on High. Oh, the wondrous story!

I was dead but now I live. Glory, Glory, Glory!"

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### *Tinklings of a Telepsychic's Bell.*

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Editor THE STELLAR RAY.

Generally considered the result of physical movement is spiritual progress.

All manifestation is retarded motion of which the spirit is the finer and higher rate of vibration, its slower and lower rate being termed matter.

These statements are drawn from the scientific conception of the atom or molecule.

They being formed from the primary etheric nomad's polygonal as to shape, with a vacuous center, each atom having a spot of greatest density and an area of expanded buoyancy called its dillitent manifestation.

We speak of this dillitency as allowing

of the greater expression of the semi-constant density of all particles of matter.

From these parts man draws, or forms his idea of soul's persistency with love and light as its goal.

Both the genius and the fool is due to matters of symmetry, one is soon forgotten, links into oblivion; the other crucified, obtains post-mortem deification.

In the telepsychic and telepathic, we see the crux of the sixth race development. In this new age, aquarian, which has succeeded the piscean, we find that it is not sacrifice that is demanded, but "prevention" and a life of willing service. The highest self-interest promoting or inducing mutual helpfulness, co-ordinated dependence of interests.

From the writer's thirty years' work along telepathic lines, he has demonstrated and proven that animals transmit information a la telepathy, and that the souls of sleeping persons commune with each other, in fact express desires that are acted on.

Great are Thy works, oh Lord of Hosts.

H. S. LE VALLEY.

Editor the *Kankakee Telepsychist*.

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### *A Prayer for Strength.*

BY MILTON BAKER.

I pray not that my daily task be lighter,  
I pray not that my burdens be made less;  
Nor wish to see the Sun of Joy shine  
brighter,  
Nor want the world my nobler deeds to  
bless.

I pray for daily strength my task to conquer,  
And bear my burdens with a manly zeal;  
I do not want a joy, whose fire is stronger;  
Nor seek to vulgar glory to appeal.

Man is not an evolvment, viz.: a product of evolution, but an eternal verity that forever *manifests* infinite wisdom on earth plane of consciousness.

The different stages of man's intellectual or spiritual states, called progression and retrogression, are due to planetary and zodiacal positions, changes and operations.

—Dr. Carey.

# Stellar Science Department

## *A Scientific Basis for All Religion.*

### EDITORIAL

Many races have come and gone, different civilizations have arisen and decayed; various religions have manifested and disappeared, or in the course of time been changed, but the signs of the Zodiac and their symbology remain unchanged; they are the same today as when the first teachers gave forth to the world the wisdom, which was to form a great part of the knowledge for the evolving of the human race.

Although the Zodiac and planetary symbols have existed always, the great Zoroastrian religion was based entirely upon the esoteric part of astrology, in which the seven great principles of good and so-called evil were worshipped, not the planets themselves, but the influences back of them.

Then there flourished a religion, which has never been equaled, so far as the devotional element was concerned. It was a religion that dominated its adherents' whole life, not to be taken up and laid aside at will.

No matter how engrossed with worldly matters these people were, they always found time for the worship of those great spiritual influences. There were temples dedicated to the seven planets, in which festivals were held.

There was also one great temple dedicated to the sun, and no grander sight could be seen than the vast multitude, at sunrise, engaged in the worship, not of the outward image of the great Solar God, but of the infinite Spirit back of it.

They realized that the sun with its dazzling light and genial warmth was but the outward manifestation of an infinite power for good.

They followed closely the tables of planetary hours for worship, or whatever was

to be done, these tables indicating when the influences were conducive to meditation and concentration.

This religion was carried into all departments of life; the schools for the education of their children were conducted upon the same principle, and a different training was given to a child born under the influence of Saturn, than to one born under the influence of Mars.

The schools were divided into classes, corresponding to the different stellar influences under which the pupils were manifesting.

### **A Chart Cast at Birth.**

At the birth of a child an astrologer (a priest of their religion) was called, and the figure was cast so that they were able to tell from the time of birth the predominating influences, and thus determine the course of training best calculated to draw out its latent characteristics, and they found that by gathering the same type of children together they could make more rapid progress than when indiscriminately mixed.

A child of Venus was never taught in a Saturn class, but all were educated as the disposition and temperament rendered necessary.

Our educational institutions would profit greatly by following their method in the education of our youth, by placing them under instruction according to the influences dominating each pupil at the time of birth.

The present system, as now practiced, is ineffectual in bringing out the individual talents but tends to cast all minds in one mould.

One great error as we would now express it, was made though it was only natural in the conditions which then existed, and that was in keeping the knowledge and wisdom among the few, and in time the priests or teachers became cor-

rupt and used their knowledge to impose upon the people and work out selfish motives, changing affairs to suit themselves. The result we already know, the effect upon this divine science, to say nothing of its effect upon the human race.

The Chaldean religion, similar to the Zoroastrian, appealed to the devotional element in man and woman, and they were a most peaceful and contented people.

### **Sickness or Ill Health Was Rare.**

Those who were suffering from physical ailments were brought to the temples to be healed, though sickness and ill health were rare occurrences, because the people lived very close to the laws of God. With the coming down of the darkness of materialism, the knowledge and wisdom of those days have been lost to humanity and during the past few centuries men have not really known to what God to turn for aid.

Those who will look back into the history of religions of the world, will see that the one that succeeded in producing harmony and purity among its adherents, had its place in the evolution of the human race, although it was builded wholly on the science of the influences of the planets, which the majority criticise and condemn today through ignorance.

Why has the religious and scientific world failed to determine the origin and destiny of human life? We answer it is, because the truths contained in this science of the stars have been practically lost.

Human perception is unable to realize what it would mean to the world to have intelligent attention directed to a consideration of the eternal verities of existence, mapped out for countless ages in celestial symbols, which should be understood by all.

### **To Cease Buffeting Fate.**

It is unable to realize what it shall mean when mankind will have ceased buffeting so-called fate and be able to move in harmony with the great forces that surround him, ever ready to bear him where he wills to go, as the ocean swimmer rides forward on the crest of the wave that would otherwise overwhelm him, and to his knowledge of the law is his power due.

The prejudice existing concerning stellar science is based largely upon the idea that

it teaches fatalism. This is a mistaken conception; everything in nature is fated but man, who has the will-power, if he will but use it, to control his fate. It should be remembered that the stars incline but do not compel.

The law is perfect, it is only through the misuse of force and action that man suffers, and knowledge gives the power of conformity with the law.

It was from the Zoroastrian religion that the Nazarene founded his concepts of the great truths which he expounded.

Esoteric astrology teaches the great principles of the creation and evolution of all existence, and when general attention is given to this science and its solution of life's problems then shall humanity move in harmony with its varied adaptations, and life become richer and grander than the imagination is now able to predict.

It is a grand truth that we may become wise men and women and rule our stars.

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### *Were You Born in the Sign Leo or Virgo?*

Those who were born between the 22nd of July and the 22nd of August would have the sun in the sign Leo, and would recognize some of the following characteristics as their own to a greater or less degree, depending upon the time in the month at which they were born, also the influence of the sign rising and of all planets in the chart.

The sun in Leo, or the fifth house, brings out more clearly the qualities of the sun. The native is ambitious and aspiring, is capable of filling positions of responsibility; also fond of exercising authority; has a dignified bearing, still is generous, magnanimous, affectionate and sympathetic. This position favors all who rule over or direct and employ others; also school masters and instructors, the native being generally found in some more or less responsible position. Whatever his sphere in life, it is difficult for him to act in subordinate capacities unless he has others under him, or the indications of serving are prominent in his natal figure.

This should be kept in mind as an es-



sential part that goes to make up the primary qualities of the native, but the whole map must be considered and the influences combined as a whole.

The sun in Leo inclines to special kindheartedness and sociability, also susceptibility to affairs of the heart. It also contributes to the manifestation of genius if other positions support it. The native is a deep thinker and prefers to go to the bottom of any subject in which he may be interested.

### *In Virgo?*

If you were born between the 23rd of August and the 22nd of September you were born when the sun was in the sign Virgo, and its natives are essentially practical. They are described as particularly critical and they number among them many of the best literary and art critics of the ages, and their criticisms are worth while, for not only do they point out wherein the fault lies but they also advise a remedy for the error. They are extremely cleanly in their habits, often bordering on fastidiousness in dress. They are kind in disposition, are noted for their honesty, truth and justice, having the nature of the judge. They possess an ideal love for home and children.

The sun in Virgo, or the sixth house, is favorable for the acquisition of money through literary, medical or scientific work, book reading or secretarial work.

The disposition is rather serious or subdued and may be at times melancholy, lacking hope, not sufficiently self-assertive.

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### *From Birth to Goal.*

BY ALLEN ROSENKRANS.

We will not deny, with sad dismay,  
Our beginning far and low,  
Clear seen in the vista of the day  
Of the Eon's ebb and flow.

For 'tis not a tale of sin and shame,  
The story true of our birth,  
When pulsed the fierce primeval flame  
That nursed the nascent earth.

And the spark that struck there was divine,  
And kind and wise and great,  
The Purpose high whose crescent shrine  
Illumes to the Final Fate.

For man that the lowly birth did know,  
Soars onward and upward still,  
And our brave, strong race at the last  
shall go  
To the God's immortal thrill.

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### *Divine Science of the Stars.*

The Stellar Ray endorses the following article from the August Adept, by C. A. Grimmer.

It is full time that those teaching and practicing Stellar Science should eliminate the bugbear of inexorable fate. Each person is fated until he becomes free. To the brave and not the weak victory is sure. Evil comes from the abuse of knowledge or from ignorance of the law. The law governing this universe is order, justice and harmony. Mr. Grimmer says:

Astrology is the only mathematical science that recognizes the Deity and opposes the material tendency of retrogressive thought. The knowledge of astrology enabled John Kepler to discover the three great laws of astronomy, without which astronomy would have no standing in the scientific world. The first is that the planets move in ellipses, with the sun in one of the foci. The second that the radius-vector sweeps over equal eras in equal times. The third, that the square of the periodical time is proportional to the cube of the same distance. This great man published that he had had an unfailing experience of the influences of the planets by the conjunction and aspects which had instructed and compelled his unwilling belief.

Since Kepler's time no person has been able to logically disprove planetary influence. The law of vibration by which stellar influence affects our earth and all life thereon has always been the keystone to the astrological arch. The law of vibration, however, has only been accepted by the scientific world in recent years. Today the universities and colleges teach as a modern discovery the primal astrological law of vibration, known to the ancient Chaldean astrologers.

Astrology teaches that the vibration of the sun, moon and planets exert a great influence on the ether, atmosphere, sea, earth

animal life and the nervous organism of man. From the position of the planets at one's birth the astrologer is enabled to forecast the good and evil periods of life. This pre-knowledge enables us to guard against great adversity, and gives us the time when to push our affairs to partial or complete success, according to the strength of the individual horoscope.

Astrology does not teach the doctrine of inevitable fate; for man may adjust matters to his advantage, provided he possesses a knowledge of astrology as applied to his time of birth.

The chief merit of astrology is that it teaches how with ordinary intelligence we can master the science of life; how to produce offspring free from physical and mental diseases, to make a pure and noble race. Every Eugenic Society imparts the information needed to bring into being an ideal race. This will eradicate the criminal, the immoral, the insane, and relieve society of the burden of maintaining asylums and penal institutions.

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### *"The Aquarian Reason."*

BY L. E. JOHNDRO,

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The following paragraphs consist of extracts from an answer to criticisms of the Science of Astrology, by L. E. Johndro, who is unquestionably one of the most able mathematicians of the day in his field of activity:

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Astrology in its early stages was necessarily merely symbolism, for it was founded on observation of the heavenly bodies alone and without any knowledge of physical laws, dynamics, or Newtonian principles.

The law of crystal angles appears to have been known, and must have been known, to the early chemists, but beyond this the astrological doctrine of Ptolemy gives no hint of any other than purely observational origin.

When more became known of celestial dynamics and Newton demonstrated the law of gravitation to be universal, there was found a great need of restricting symbolism within the bounds of these laws and elim-

inating all "apparent truths" which would not conserve to them.

With Copernicus, Bode, and Kepler came the death blow to Ptolemy's observational theories, and much of the symbolic foundation of Astrology was found to be an inverted image of laws and facts, that is to say, they were found to be pure mysticism. But observation of the heavenly bodies did not cease with the disillusionment of Ptolemy; on the contrary, they were continued with greater zeal and made to explain themselves in the light of these new-found laws.

This gave rise to Astronomy as it was then and has since been developed.

Astrology then began to decline by continuing to drift on in a state of symbolism more or less after the example of Ptolemy, and without a single effort—at least on record—to readjust itself to the postulations of these laws.

The prevailing religious and superstitious atmosphere of the times and the lack of secular education, together with the love of mystery and supernatural phenomena prevalent in the Orient, easily led Astrology from symbolism further into mysticism, rather than directed it into scientific channels such as give rise to Astronomy.

Our critics may inquire why the above conditions retarded Astrology more than Astronomy. The answer is simple. Astronomy was dealing with what at that time was considered "dead" matter, while laws governing living organisms, which, at that time, no one thought of, or dared to think of, apart from religious sentiment; nay, not even the astrologers themselves.

At this late day of secular education and the knowledge that all matter is living matter, and that all matter obeys its laws within the molecule, the atom and the corpuscle, regardless of how it presents itself to our material senses, such a divergence of Astronomy and Astrology would be inexcusable, but once severed, the task of correcting established traditions and eliminating egotistic notions is ever a slow and discouraging one.

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Accepting the fact that the "signs" are of but symbolic value, they still facilitate in representing the true angles between the

planets referred to the center of the earth that is, they show planets' gravitational angles in the plane of the earth orbit or motion, and these angles are the real problem of influence—an influence that even decides the orbit and rate of motion and rotation of the earth, subject of course to the consideration of mass.

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There are angles between the planets which produce no well-defined mundane issues and there are others, known as "aspects" in Astrology, which produce definite and unalterable results; not only in connection with atmospheric conditions, earth magnetism, etc., but upon states of consciousness, intelligence, and the circumstances of all "living organisms."

Those definite angles best known in Astrology are the same ones best known to the mineralogist and chemist, though no claim is made of completed research in this direction by either the astrologer or the chemist.

The twelve "mundane houses" used in Astrology rest upon the same principle, but only their cusps are considered in scientific astrology.

Astrology determines these angles by trigonometric formulas that are a part of any text-book on Astronomy.

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It sounds a little odd when the astrologer says the zenith determines one's business, but when we stop to consider that the zenith angle is the plum-line or gravity angle, and that "business" is but another term for what one applies, coheres, or gravitates to, the mystery and mysticism are not so apparent, and we have a "coincidence" between the revelations of chemistry and the observational evidence of thousands of horoscopes that is worthy a little research for truth's sake.

Why the cusps of the other "mundane houses" rule certain and only certain things in the individual life is not yet scientifically clear, but neither is it clear to the chemist why one substance crystallizes at different angles than another, yet it does, and not even a fool doubts the results of the chemist's tests in this direction—tests that, for that matter, are as purely observational as those employed by the astrologer.

Why the different planets have different influences even in the same angles is not at all clear in science, except that observation has practically eliminated the possibility of mere coincidence, but if the revelations of the solar and planetary spectrums continue at their present rate, Astrophysics will, ere long, batter down the mystery; and as the properties of light become better known, and its relation to electro-chemistry, electro-biology, metabolism, and psychology meets scientific analysis, the already dimly recognized will have become the understood in all its whys and wherefores.

The results of X Ray and Violet Ray experimentalism is the very borderland of astrological evidence.

This brings us to a consideration of one of our critic's parting "jokes" where he says: "They even tell you particular colors and stones that are adapted for those born under certain signs."

It would seem possible that this critic is not familiar with the results of experiments that have been and are being made in regard to the "effects of colors" on the mind and temperament of children and even mature individuals—omitting the more extensive researches as to their actions on the lower animals and cellular organisms in every form.

He may not know that two specially equipped colleges are being erected in this country for this special purpose alone.

Does he not know that while science puts no value on colors (except the symbolic value of common parlance) it is constantly giving more and more attention to those modes of matter and corpuscular vibrations which they evidence, and which are fast revolutionizing our biologic, pathologic, and psychologic conceptions or theories?

Or does he deny all the evidence of the Astrophysicist, and can he not get beyond the symbolism of colors to the mighty law for which they stand and silently plead? If not, he is in as sad a plight as the mystical astrologers who harp of colors as realities rather than as a bit of Nature's writing on the wall—her shadowgraph to poor blind Man—pleading for their understanding of her laws.

As for "birthstones," only a mystic



claims any magic of them, but they are true tributes to the law of crystals and as fitting a symbol of Astrology as the clasped hands are of friendship. If fools have imagined more of them that is no fault of Astrology but evidence of the danger of symbolism upon an untrained mind.

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Let our critic investigate, and dig up a real argument against Astrology, not astrologers, if he can, and he will at least not need to have recourse to quoting the very utterances of the class he condemns.

Let him not hold the weakness of any of his fellowmen up as scientific argument, let him hold up the facts of science and let us abide by them.

Let Astrology step out of its professional garb, let it be investigated conservatively on known laws, and let it have the financial backing needed for proper research, and we shall see which shall go down for all time, Astrology or man's ridiculous egotism, and we shall see which is infinitely supreme, Natural Law or Man, their product.

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### *Spain's Princess.*

BY BENJAMIN WILLIAMS.

I have before me the horoscopal chart of the baby princess born to the Queen of Spain, June 22, at 6:20 a. m. All Spain is rejoicing and they may well rejoice, for this baby girl will grow to be a grand woman.

The figure of her birth indicates a beautiful woman, a little above middle height, light wavy hair, fair complexion, with blue eyes, sensitive, refined, intellectual, there she stands smiling. I see her as many will see her in the future when she has become famous, not alone because of her royal parentage but because of her beauty and culture.

Music will be her delight, art will fascinate her and she will be equally at home in the realm of literature or of diplomacy and statecraft. Her mind possesses the penetration and fiery energy of the warrior god Mars, while Saturn lends depth and stability. She need not study the art of love, for all the piquancy of Venus born of the ocean foam is her natural heritage. Many will rejoice at her smile, and many

will despair of attaining her love.

Her fortune is linked with that of poor crippled Spain. Although she will marry, reside and have many interests, financial and political in another country, yet her heart will remain in Spain. She will be apt to love a relative whose fortune has declined with that of his country, and be forced to marry a man of another nationality who has wealth and a high position, but whom she will not love. She will only let this mar her happiness to a degree; for Uranus is posited in her house of love, and shows that she will still love and be loved by others, thus brightening her life in her new home.

The dark blot upon her life is the condition of her native country. It is doomed. Perhaps even before she reaches maturity its final destiny will be sealed. Constantly will she strive to bring about a better condition of affairs. She will sacrifice her own happiness, spending her money and laboring incessantly for this unhappy people. Her brothers will oppose her line of action, and she may be misunderstood by her people.

Her husband will not sympathize with the cause she loves, and the press may oppose her efforts in behalf of her countrymen. She will lead an eventful life, traveling much and writing some. Her chart indicates wealth and prominence, especially in political circles, many friends and several children. These latter will be a delight and comfort to her in her old age, for to whatever eminence she rises, she will ultimately, by the weight of corrupt politics and the realization that her ambitions can never be fulfilled, retire to obscurity with her children as a solace to her disappointment.

Thus in a general way has been outlined the life of a babe born June 22d, 1909, who will become one of the brightest minds of Europe.

What a wonderful thing is the soul, linked by a thread of light to the stars. Is it any wonder that the ancient Egyptians and Chaldi spent ages in studying the heavens and the relation of the starry orbs of night to the human soul embodied and finding human destiny dependent on their wonderful movements in the firmament they

called this science "The Science of the Soul and Stars" or briefly, Astrology?

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### *The Wheel of Fate.*

BY DR. GEORGE W. CAREY,

Out from the voiceless realm of mystery profound—out from the nothingness of rest and inertia comes the Wheel of Fate.

Silently and swiftly it crushes a path through the debris of unorganized substance—a path for mortal feet. Sometimes the wheel rolls over beds of flint and only leaves a trace of its contact; and the pil-

grim must peer closely with hand shading his eyes in order that he may pursue his devious way.

The searchlight of suns and planets cast their rays along the Great Way predestined for the Wheel and forces that were before form, before substance, before nothingness or silence, push the Wheel on and on relentless as God.

Blessed is he who follows the Wheel patiently and uncomplaining—follow the path that seems to emerge from the dusk of nothingness and end in the darkness of the unknowable.

## Department of Psychic Research

### AWE INSPIRING EVENTS

BY EDGAR LUCIEN LARKIN.

Behold all these things. Nearly all that portion of the earth commonly called Christendom is involved. By this I mean all those nations wherein Christianity is the leading religion, whether established by law, or voluntarily adopted by the people.

Events are now occurring that are entirely beyond the power of man to control; and far and away above the ability of physical science to explain. The chemist, physicist, electrician, are mute; and of course the mathematician cannot get his gigantic powers into range.

Automatic writing is now spreading all over Christendom. This is where people suddenly seize writing materials and write, usually with the most incredible rapidity, on subjects of which they are totally ignorant. Thus a youth who knows nothing of any science will write page after page of abstruse things. Automatic poetry, exquisite sonnets, poems and even lyrics and epics are now being written in many parts of the world; and by people unable ordinarily to write a line of genuine poetry.

See this: Immense publishing houses as McMillan's or Harper's would be taxed to get out this mass in book form. Your next door neighbor may be an automatic writer,

entirely unknown to the world. They fear to announce that they are writers, or display their MSS. They are afraid of ridicule, and disdain. Ignorant persons are liable to hurl this epithet at them: "Oh, you are seeing things!"

Automatic poems, essays, treatises, monographs, stories and tales are being sent to me from many places. The great poems of the world's highest literature are exactly imitated by the same writer. The subjects written are varied in the extreme, but more than half are in relation to man's future career. Every automatic writing assumes that man is destined to still live after the body dies. Automatic drawings, paintings, engravings, etchings, crayon work, and the like, are coming with a rate unknown to the ages of the past. Combinations of colors are beyond the powers of artists. These paintings purport to be of scenes, plants, landscapes in future realms. They fill the mind with the most profound awe, and astonishment. A person looking upon these amazing paintings and not feeling the very depths of his soul rise to the surface in silent wonder is the abnormal one, not the painter.

Automatic music is now starting up in

many widely separated places. Pianos, guitars, violins and other instruments suddenly begin to emit harmonies, without visible players. These events occur in private homes; often when people are alone. Automatic players touch the piano keys with astounding rapidity. Thus I saw a woman playing with one finger only. Her left hand fell down by her side and was nowhere near the keyboard. She closed all the fingers of the right hand save one—the middle. This was held in a most peculiar position, vertically. Then my eyes could not follow the hand from end to end of the bank of keys. It does not seem possible for the human hand to move so rapidly. No expert pianist with both hands can strike more keys. And then the wierd music! No tuneful strains have ever been heard to compare with this simply marvelous music. And may never be heard again, as she has never been known to play the same strains and chords twice.

Lifting heavy weights by the mere touch of one finger, like the lifting of a grand piano to the ceiling is now a common event. Positive assertions, written in the most impressive language are coming up here, telling of the actual passing of solid matter directly through solids. Now these writers are completely hypnotized when they pass a stone through a plank, or the stone really passes. But if hypnotized and they did not have the stone in hand after issuing from the wood, then this hypnotizing is of itself a startling fact.

Apparitions, the appearance of human forms, in their old homes, in their usual rooms, when in the body, are now so numerous all over Christendom that in many cases the friends take these visits as mere ordinary events scarcely worthy of remark.

Little children now suddenly speak Hebrew, Greek, Latin and other ancient languages, or play grand operas. Taking matter out of the air and condensing it into visible tangible form has occurred.

The time has finally arrived when these stupendous facts cannot be ignored. The ablest men on earth can now investigate these illimitable wonders, without having "the finger of scorn" pointed at them. Or, if one should raise the scornful digit, he at once stamps himself as being most in-

tensely ignorant of strange things coming fast and coming faster.

*Lowe Observatory, Echo Mountain, Calif.,*  
June 22, 1909.

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### *Extraordinary and Supernormal Phenomena.*

BY J. C. F. GRUMBINE.

Sine I began my work of teaching, as far back as 1893, I have passed through some wonderful developments, qualiafying me for the expert work which it is my mission to give to students of the new psychology. Many are teaching how to enter the spirit world, how to communicate with our departed spirit friends, how to unfold both their supernormal powers and realize their Divinity, who have never had any experiences personally, or who have never entered into actual communication with the spirit world. I am in daily touch with the world that lies beyond the natural or material, and it is because this is so that I stand so fearlessly and strongly before the public, championing the cause of Spiritualism and urging all who are earnest and sincere, and who do not value money above spiritual and eternal things to unfold their supernormal powers.

Such is my nearness to the spirit world, that since the transition of my beloved wife I am in daily, momentarily touch with her and the teachers on the spirit side whose knowledge and power I respect and hold in sacred and unselfish trust. This knowledge and power, the fulfillment of love, is the most priceless treasure any mortal can possess. You cannot appreciate this until you know the value of it, by some deep loss, or some heart-rendering experience. Just to realize as I do the continuous presence of our excarnate loved ones, to feel them pressing near and actually touching you and answering your questions and for hours holding communion with them, is indeed a privilege worth enjoying. And when I say that any one can receive this evidence by doing what I did, and making the conditions, I state what is the truth, which all will some day demonstrate for themselves.

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"There is a spiritual alchemy by which

duty is transformed into devotion, labor lightened by love, life transformed into joyous realization."—The Vendetta.

The substance of the Universe is spirit—Harmonious, intelligent Activity, of which our bodies are the visible expression. Consequently disease and unrest have no foundation from which to manifest, save in-so far as, through ignorance of the law, we

fail to work along the line of Harmony.

Harmony is the established order, the never-changing law of the Universe; hence Intelligent Power is eternally present.

Every cell of my being is now absorbing the infinite revelations of the Universal Harmony. This Life exalting stream flowing through the avenues of my being, floods me with new life, thrilling every fibre into newness and perfection of activity.—*Evalyn Davis*.

## Department of Psychical Sciences and Unfoldment.

By J. C. F. GRUMBINE, B. D.,

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Now, it will be well to pause for a moment and explain what sort and kinds of supernormal phenomena a student is likely to sense or realize who conscientiously applies the simple rules here laid down for development. It may be that extraneous manifestations of exanimate spirits may creep in. It may be that some abnormal may be mixed with the supernormal forms of spirit manifestations. Be this as it may, in time and by careful comparisons, as well as close observations of normal with supernormal states of the mind, the kinds will not bewilder nor perplex, but will take their place in the sphere in which they belong. The student should not discountenance them, nor regard them as akin to the scriptural tares which grew up simultaneously with the wheat. They show other kinds of powers, and other spiritual helpers who spare no means to make the way clear to the earnest and sincere student.

What phenomena are most likely to appear are the simpler forms and not the complex. And yet because so many prefer, through ignorance, the forms of spirit manifestations, in which their efforts are reduced to a negation or at least to a minimum, the exanimate spirits do all they reasonably can to demonstrate the fact that beneath and because of their efforts the supernormal remains, to be expressed when

the proper time and conditions are arranged. You cannot force results, nor by impatience or desire produce one single spiritual phenomenon. Never forget this. The supernormal obeys a law as infallible and as inexorable as Divinity itself.

Some of the first and at the same time highest, most convincing and satisfactory phenomena are those which appeal to what I must here term the clairsentient power of feeling. Even clairvoyance and clairaudience may be classified under this head. In fact, there are only three supernormal or psychical powers, namely, clairsentience, clairvoyance and clairaudience, all of the other supernormal powers being rooted in and defined by them. The sense of smell and taste are chemical and are transmuted into clairsentience. By clairsentience, I mean, feeling the facts and the acts of exanimate spirits and of the spirit world, independently of obsessions or trance, that is, of unconsciousness, and, communicating and communing directly with the spirit world (as Swedenborg did), by our own powers as here set forth.

Now one of the first phenomena which appears will be a *cool breeze*. It is a sure sign of spirit presence. At all genuine seances of mediums the cool breezes are the best and supreme evidence of the genuineness of the phenomena which follow. I here



do not refer to a natural cool air, but to an electrical breeze, a form of electrical or etheric disturbance, set up as by a vortex by the will of incarnate spirits. This breeze any sensitive person can feel, under proper conditions. It will blow about the eyes and mouth and head and very often the hands, seemingly emanating from them, oozing out of them as though from within the substance of the flesh, as is the actual case. Watch for this manifestation, for it is often the harbinger of greater things about to take place. I feel these breezes all the time and I should be very lonely, if I did not. Another common and general manifestation is, sparks of light like electrical lights, only infinitely clearer and smaller, flash out of the air, appear often on the page of a book, if one is reading, like a little star. They twinkle for the moment and then fade away. Should the student go into the total darkness of a room, highly magnetized by himself, these lights become unmistakably brilliant, and often unfold to the vision into full formed etherializations. I see these constantly, and when I go into the dark, etherial forms appear with their luminous robes, the spir-

its glorified beyond any imagining or description. I have seen and now see whenever I am receptive, the etherial forms of the arisen ones who are co-workers with me in this great work. And no one can shake my knowledge in these supernormal phenomena. It is because I know that the supernormal world is within our reach that I am so ambitious to show the ignorant or agnostic the way out of darkness into the light. These lights often blend or melt into clouds or billows of clouds, which look like steam, and roll around one like clouds around a mountain peak. They are the nuclei of spirit forms, showing the presence of spirits and are ready to break or unfold like an egg when the conditions are ripe. Out of such clouds Saul, under the powers of the woman of Ender, saw the spirit Samuel, and out of these vapery mists worlds are created.

Let these few suggestions suffice to keep the student patient and alert, watching for more marvelous things to come, and realizing that he is but at the threshold of a world more glorious than he has ever dreamed.

### *The Normal Attitude Toward Death.*

The normal attitude of men toward death seems to be one of inattention or evasion. They do not trouble about it; they do not want to trouble about it, and they resent its being called to their notice. On this point the late Frederick Myers used to tell a story which I have always thought very illuminating. In conversation after dinner he was pressing on his host the unwelcome question what he thought would happen after death. After many evasions and much recalcitrancy the reluctant admission was extorted, "Of course, if you press me I believe that we shall all enter into eternal bliss, but I wish you wouldn't talk about such disagreeable subjects." This I believe is typical of the normal mood of most men. They don't want to be worried, and though probably, if the question were pressed, they would object to the idea of extinction, they can hardly be said to desire immortality. Even at the point of death, it would seem,

this attitude is often maintained.—*G. Lowes Dickinson, in Atlantic.*

### *Looking Out For Grandma.*

They are considerate youngsters in Nottingham, as most people know, says London Tit-Bits. A little boy whose grandmother had just died wrote the following letter, which he duly posted:

"Dear Angels—We have sent you grandma. Please give her a harp to play, as she is short winded and can't blow a trumpet."

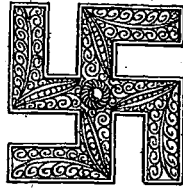
### *A Summer Nuptials.*

BY ALLEN ROSENKRANS.

When summer sun, so kind and strong,  
Smiles on his child, the Earth,  
My sweetheart, wooing with Love's song,  
Calls me from moil and mirth.  
And eager, glad, I haste to stand  
Before God's woodland shrine,  
Where spirit of the forestland  
I plight forever mine.

# The Swastika

## Success



# Success Club

## Seekers

August Affirmation: *I will cringe before none.*

September Affirmation: *It is my birth-right to have every blessing.*

Dear Success Seekers:—As August and September STELLAR RAYS are combined this time, we give you both affirmations to study and practice. What did you get out of July? "My Will is unyielding, my Command is law." Why should your will be unyielding? Because success does not come to those who have weak wills, who will yield to others. We must know our own minds, cultivate the habit of deciding quickly what is best and stick to it. If it turns out not the best, do not waste time in grieving over spilt milk, but take it as a lesson and do not fail to profit by it. You must not be stubborn and think no one knows as much as you do, for they have had lessons, too. Listen to the experience of others, then decide for yourself.

Why should your command be Law? For the best answer to this we will give life membership in the S. S. Club. For the second best, a copy of "Dollars Want Me." The best booklet for its size you ever read.

We promised to send a copy of this to a number of our members when we received them. They came from California and have just lately been received. All who asked for it will now please drop us a line and state how soon they will return the book or the price. We wish all our members to read it, therefore prefer to loan the copies, instead of selling them, but when people read it they seldom want to part with it and prefer to send the dime. Send 2-cent stamp for postage.

Life member 1119 wants to sell his gold mine in Mexico. Perhaps some member can help him by sending a buyer, and all will help with success thoughts.

About one hundred of our members are interested in some property in North Caro-

lina, and for some years the prospect of getting their money back seemed poor, but now it is better and we wish all the other members to join in the command that it be sold for its full value by October 1. Property adjoining it has just sold for a big price.

No. 1117 has undertaken a new business this summer. Send her success thoughts until October. No. 1110 wishes success in the millinery business. She says she collected more the day she joined the S. S. Club than in a month. She wants to join the American Woman's League, but lacks the courage to take the step or to ask for subscriptions. They are so easy to get if you will ask the right way. If you just learn how to ask, people will seldom refuse you.

We get many inquiries about the S. S. Club. It is for *Success Seekers only*. We do not wish to enroll any others as members. Members are expected to send out only thoughts for success, health and happiness for all the members, every day and hour, in fact to think only success and create such success vibrations as will reach and help all.

At first we had officers, but decided it was best to do away with all formality and let our union be entirely mental and spiritual. Many years ago the telegraph and telephone were unheard of. Now the wireless has ceased to be wonderful. Telepathy is just as reasonable and has been demonstrated a thousand times. With thousands of Success Seekers practicing it to help each other to success, we cannot help but receive the vibrations, if we open our mind to them. When we are united in thought with others who have faith in our ability, we are strengthened in our work. Only \$1 to help meet expenses pays for life membership.

We wish to double the subscription list of THE STELLAR RAY in September, and

will give life membership free to all who will send us two subscriptions for it before September 30, or \$4 in subscriptions to any other magazines.

One of our members has a very cheap and simple recipe for preserving eggs. Who would like to try it? Another knows how to relieve asthma and whooping cough. Medicine will not.

We want to hear from everybody who wishes a university education for self or children, free! Who wants to earn a life income by a little work now, with support and home in old age and many other benefits. We can help you. Do you want to own your home?

Swastika Success Club, Manassas, Va.

P. S.—Baby Swastika thanks all who have helped her and wants a few more subscribers for the Ladies' Home Journal and Saturday Evening Post. She hopes to win the diamond Swastika soon. They have asked for her picture to publish with those who have won the pin. Address care S. S. Club.

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### *How I Changed My Environments.*

EMMA BOND STOCKMAN.

I was dissatisfied with my surroundings and desired to change them. I had often read and been told that you could always bring about new environments by polishing and brightening everything your hand touched.

Mine dropped down then half unconsciously upon my waste basket. I gazed upon it. It looked disreputable, dusty, and was full to overflowing with many things.

"I'll commence right now with you," I exclaimed, as I pounced upon it.

I fairly flew down stairs with that basket.

I soaked it in hot suds. I scrubbed it inside and out with sulphonaphthol. I dried it. I painted it. I varnished it.

I pronounced it good.

When I commenced the maid in the kitchen looked anxious and said, "Why, what's the matter?"

I looked at her solemnly and replied, "I am going to change my environments."

"Your what?"

"My environments."

She still looked anxious until she saw what I meant.

From that moment my surroundings began to change. I brightened, and I polished.

It is needless to say that my surroundings changed slowly but surely. One thing brightened necessitated another, and so on, and on, as the Law manifested in some particular direction.

This is the true way to begin to *change your environments* if you are not satisfied with them.

Try it!

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### *"How I Awoke to Opulence."*

EMMA BOND STOCKMAN.

I was reading a lecture on Opulence, written by one of our foremost workers along New Thought lines. I was anxious to know *how* to become opulent. She said: The first step towards opulence is to "recognize opulence." I dropped the paper in despair. *How* am I to recognize what I have not got? I spoke aloud. Just then my eyes rested lovingly upon forty or fifty potted plants I have in the windows.

Huh! I said, rather sarcastically, I am certainly opulent in plants, as opulence means "All you need and some to spare."

One eye opened,—

I turned to my left. There stood a piano, a pianola, a guitar, two banjos, another piano upstairs, and piles of music.

Why, why, I stammered, I am opulent in music.

Both eyes came open, and I *awoke*—to the fact that I was opulent in friends, room, food, health, sunshine, air, and happiness in very many ways.

I have never *needed* a dollar since that I could not get. Just that attitude of being awake to the blessings I possessed attracted all the rest.

We *sleep*; have eyes, yet we see not; ears, yet we hear not.

Awake, take the first step towards opulence.

Appreciate the blessings you *do* possess, and you are *there*!

# Scioahspe

By EDGAR LUCIEN LARKIN

Book III Div. Three—Book of Jehovih, 8 Chapters 134 Verses—Introduction.

"WHEREIN IS REVEALED the three worlds, Corpor, Atmospherea, and Etherea. As in all other Bibles it is revealed that this world was created, so in this Bible it is revealed how the Creator created it. As other Bibles have proclaimed heavens for the spirits of the dead, behold, this Bible revealeth where these heavens are, and the manner and glory and work that the spirits of the dead enjoy, whereby the wisdom, power, love and glory of the Almighty are magnified for the understanding of man."

Thus create, creating, creation and a Creator are distinctly announced before the text of this book appears. The first and second chapters of the Book of Jehovih are given in full.

"1. ALL was. ALL is. ALL ever shall be. The ALL spake, and Motion was, and is, and ever shall be; and, being positive, was called He and Him. The ALL MOTION was His speech."

"2. He said, I AM! And He comprehended all things, the seen and the unseen. Nor is there aught in all the universe but what is part of Him."

"3. He said, I am the soul of all; and the all that is seen is of My person and My body."

"4. By virtue of My presence all things are. By virtue of My presence is life."

"By virtue of My presence are the living brought forth into life."

"I am the QUICKENER, the MOVER, the CREATOR, the DESTROYER. I am FIRST and LAST."

"5. Of two apparent entities am I, nevertheless I AM BUT ONE. These entities are the UNSEEN, which is POTENT, and the SEEN, which is of itself IMPOTENT, and called CORPOR."

"6. With these two entities, in likeness thereby of Myself, made I all the living;

for as the life is the potent part, so is the corporeal part the impotent part."

"7. Chief over all that live on the earth I made man; male and female made I them. And that man might distinguish Me I commanded him to give Me a name; by virtue of My presence commanded I him. And man named Me not after anything in heaven or on the earth. In obedience to My will named he Me after the sounds the wind uttereth, and he said, E-O-Ih! Which is now pronounced Jehovih, and is written thus: (A circle containing a leaf).

## CHAPTER II.

"1. JEHOVIH said: By virtue of My presence created I the seen and the unseen worlds. And I commanded man to name them; and the man named the seen worlds Corpor, and the unseen worlds Es, and the inhabitants of Corpor, man named corporeans. But the inhabitants of Es he called sometimes eseans and sometimes spirits and sometimes angels."

"2. Jehovih said: I created the earth, and fashioned it, and placed it in the firmament; and by My presence brought man forth a living being. A corporeal body gave I him that he might learn corporeal things; and death I made that he might rise in the firmament and inherit My ethereal worlds."

"3. To es I gave dominion over corpor; with es I filled all place in the firmament. But corpor I made into earths and moons and stars and suns; beyond number made I them, and I caused them to float in the places I allotted to them."

"4. Es I divided into two parts, and I commanded man to name them, and he named one etherea and the other atmospherea. These are the three kinds of worlds I created; but I gave different densities to atmospherean worlds, and different



densities to the etherean worlds."

"5. For the substance of My etherean worlds I created Etthe, the Most Rarefied. Out of etthe made I them. And I made etthe the most subtle of all created things, and gave to it power and place, not only by itself, but also power to penetrate and exist within all things, even in the midst of the corporeal worlds. And to thee gave I dominion over both atmosphaera and corpor."

"6. In the ALL HIGHEST places created I the etherean worlds, and I fashioned them of all shapes and sizes, similar to my corporeal worlds. But I made the etherean worlds inhabitable both within and without, with entrances and exits, in arches and curves, thousands of miles high and wide, and overruled I them with PERFECT mechanism; and in colors and movable chasms and mountains in endless change and brilliancy. To them I gave motion, and orbits and courses of their own; independent made I them, and above all other worlds in potency and majesty."

"7. Neither created I one etherean world like another in size or density or in component parts, but every one differing from another, and with a glory matchless each in its way."

"8. Atmosphaeran worlds I also created in the firmament, and I gave them places and orbits and courses for themselves. But atmosphaeran worlds I created shapeless and void of fixed form, for they are in process of condemnation or dissolution, being intermediate in conditions betwixt my etherean and corporeal worlds. Of three degrees of density created I them, and I commanded man to name them, and one he called Aji, and one Jiay and one Nebulae."

"9. But all of them are composed of the same substances, being like the earth, but rarefied. Nor is there on the earth or in it one thing, even iron, or lead, or gold, or water, or oil, or stones, but the same things are in my atmosphaeran worlds. As I have given light to the earth, so have I given light to many of them; and all such have I commanded man to call comets. And even so he named them."

"10. And I also created atmosphaera around about my corporeal worlds; together made I them."

The reader will surely be impressed by the fact that in these two wonderful chapters, the Creator is represented as speaking to His creature—Mars. And the information given throughout Oahspi is of supreme importance to all human beings who hope for resurrection.

Verse 1, chapter 1. The universe includes the Creator and the created. It was a creative word that quickened space-deeps. The two words, spake and speech appear, and the bibles of mankind have much to do with the mysterious attribute—speech.

Lowe Observatory, Echo Mt., Calif., May 26, 1909.

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### *Friendship.*

*Written for The Stellar Ray.*

BY ESTELLA BUHLINGER.

In a garden grew a plant. The sun shed its warm beams upon it, the breezes played softly and gently around it, the showers and dew aided to nourish and strengthen it. Thus carefully nurtured it grew and blossomed into brilliant beauty and wonderful fragrance. But by and by the sun no longer kissed it, the breeze that played so softly around it turned to chilling blasts, the showers and dew withheld their moisture, and the plant, thus neglected, faded and died.

Friendship is a most beautiful plant in the garden of life, but to bloom in all of its beauty it requires cultivation, the warm sunshine of love, the refreshing breezes of cheerfulness, the showers of kindness, the gentle dew of sympathy must not be lacking. When thus cultivated then will it bloom in all its beauty and our lives will be enriched and blest by its fragrant blossoms. It is well to ever carefully cultivate and guard the heaven-born blossom of friendship which grows so freely for all in the garden of life.

McLain, Miss.

The Astro Publishing Co., Detroit, Mich.

Gentlemen:—Your current issue of THE STELLAR RAY is a delight, full of discrimination, truth and color. Please send more of Julia Seaton Sears and Salvarona, they are intensely pleasing. One must be a close student of Oahspe and "Pan" wisdom to

keep up with Sage Larkin. Your editorials are concise, clean cut and to the point, and God-like in their possibilities and probabilities. Breathe, breathe, breathe, is the key that unlocks the wisdom of the sages through rhythmical sympathy, perseveringly applied. I am glad Dr. Grumbine is with you. STELLAR RAY is gaining on itself, improving rapidly as time goes on. Salutations.

W. J. S.

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### *The Goal.*

*Written for The Stellar Ray.*

BY ESTELLA BUHLINGER.

Child of the living God, why be dismayed  
When tempests round you rage,  
Thou art a part of this great whole,  
A part of this great cause;  
From whence thou came thou shalt return  
Is one of God's great laws.

Child of the living God, why is thy faith so  
small?  
Dost thou not know,  
Canst thou not see  
This truth so grand, sublime?  
God reigns omnipotent, supreme,  
With him thou art divine.

Child of the living God, why doubt thy  
power,  
Omniscient, radiant, bright,  
Which dwells within thy soul,  
A burning central sun?  
It is thy God, a living flame—  
Thou and thy God are one!

Child of the living God, know thou this  
truth divine?  
Of all there is  
Thou art a part,  
God is a part of thee;  
He ever is, hast ever been,  
And so thou, too, shalt be.

Child of the living God, this is thy purpose,  
then—  
From whence thou came  
To there return,  
Through endless ages roll;  
Thou canst escape, thou must attain,  
Perfection is thy goal.

Forestry is attracting wide attention among the schools of the United States. Not only have many colleges and universities introduced courses and even professional schools of forestry, but elementary phases of the subject have been introduced into hundreds of the graded and high schools, and teachers give enthusiastic reports of the success which is attending the new study. Public school teachers say that they have found in it a subject interesting to children, and one which furnishes much attractive, tangible material to work upon, developing the child's observation, and being at once acceptable to the young mind, and most practical.

The public schools of Washington, D. C., and of parts of Iowa are in the vanguard of this movement. Every graded school in Washington and a large number of the rural schools of Pottawattamie county, Iowa, are now teaching the elements of forestry. In Iowa, the subject is being taught as a commercial course in connection with home geography and agriculture, while in the Washington schools it is used in the nature study courses. The four upper grades of the Washington schools are studying the forest and this year all are following practically the same outline; next year this outline will be confined to the fifth grade, while the other grades will follow an outline one step advanced, and so on until by the fourth year a four-year course will have been introduced. As a preparation for this work, forestry has been taught in the Normal School of the District of Columbia for several years past, and when the young student teachers take up the actual work of teaching they are already familiar with the details of elementary forest study. Prominent among the other normal schools of the country to take up work of this kind are those of Cleveland, Ohio, Rochester, N. Y., and Joliet, Ill.

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### *Vaguely Understood It.*

Sunday School Teacher—Clarence, do you know the meaning of the word "amen?"  
Little Clarence—Yes'm. It means "ring off."—*Chicago Tribune.*

"The people who look to the Blood of the Lamb for Salvation, go to the Pus of the Cow for Health."—*The Phillistine.*

# Books and Periodicals

## MISCELLANEOUS REVIEW

### *Queen Moo and the Egyptian Sphinx.*

BY AUGUSTUS LE PLONGEON, M. D.

Author of "*Sacred Mysteries Among the Mayas and the Quiches*," "*A Sketch of the Ancient Inhabitants of Peru and Their Civilization*," Etc.

In this great work the author offers no theories, but leaves his readers to draw their own inferences from the facts presented for their consideration; these facts consisting of analogies between the language of the Ancient Mayas, their religious conceptions, manners, customs, traditions, their architecture, and those of the ancient civilised nations of Asia, Africa and Europe, of which we have any knowledge.

These analogies show that distance was no greater obstacle to their intercourse than it is today to that of the inhabitants of the various countries.

The author states that the existence of the western continent was no more a mystery to the inhabitants of the countries bordering on the Mediterranean than to those on the shores of the Indian ocean.

This book is one of a series intended to give ancient America its proper place in the universal history of the world.

Historians when writing on the universal history of the race have never taken into consideration that of man in America, and the role that, in remote ages, American nations played on this world's stage, and the influence they exerted over the populations of Asia, Africa and Europe. Still as far as can be scanned in the long vista of the past centuries Dr. Le Plongeon states, "the Mayas seem to have had direct and intimate communications with them."

It is impossible to convey to the reader in a mere mention of this able, scientific work a just impression of its worth, nor its depth of interest to minds delving into the secrets of the past.

The author has dedicated this scholarly production to his wife, Alice D. Le Plongeon, his constant companion during his explorations of the ruined cities of the

Mayas, who, in order to obtain a glimpse of the history of their builders, exposed herself to many dangers, suffered many privations and hardships, and was ever his faithful and indefatigable collaborator at home. She is also a writer of prominence in England, and her own book, "*Queen Moo's Talisman*," may be purchased of the Theosophical Publishing Co., 244 Lenox avenue, New York City. Those interested in "*Queen Moo and the Egyptian Sphinx*" may correspond with Alice Le Plongeon, 117 Chetwynd Road, Dartmouth Park, London, N. W., relative to its purchase.

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### *The Measure of a Man.*

BY CHARLES BRADIE PATTERSON.

Published by Funk, Wagnals & Co., New York.

In this volume Mr. Patterson discusses first the "natural," the "rational," the "psychic" and the "spiritual" man.

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The one desire uppermost in the mind of the author is to carry a word of hope to those who feel their need of greater life and light.

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To the lover of the occult and to the disciple of esoteric Christianity these verses will be interesting and will require several

perusals to gather their full mystical meanings. They must be carefully studied and analyzed to be appreciated.

For sale by the Stellar Ray Book Dept. Price, \$1.00.

### *The New Way to Health.*

By Charles Brodie Patterson. Published by Roger Bros., New York. For sale by THE STELLAR RAY Book Dept. Price 25c.

### *The New Way to Happiness.*

By Charles Brodie Patterson. Published by Roger Bros., New York. For sale by THE STELLAR RAY Book Dept. Price 25c.

### *The New Way to Power.*

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The above publications are pamphlets consisting of 20 to 30 pages, printed on exquisite paper with clear type, and artistically bound in cover papers of white, green and brown respectively. They form a series by this able and well known New Thought writer upon the "New Way"—No. 1, to Health; No. 2, to Happiness; No. 3 to Power.

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BY ESTELLE BACHMAN.

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### *Life and Character of Thomas Paine.*

The Eminent Revolutionary Patriot and Apostle of Religious Liberty,  
by James A. Randall.

This publication is a paper on the life and character of Thomas Paine, prepared and read by the scribe, James A. Randall, before the Society of the Psychic Band of Research, Detroit, Mich. It is copyrighted and published by the society.

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The publication is in pamphlet form, consisting of 42 pages. The artistic cover page contains a lithograph of a bust of Thomas Paine by Sidney Morse, in Independence Hall, Philadelphia, and an inside page shows another portrait from a painting by Jarvis in 1803. The price of this superior booklet is 10c, postage 4c. STELLAR RAY Book Department.

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### *Books on Biochemistry.*

of the Human Organism to the Twelve Signs of the Zodiac," by Dr. George W. Carey, author of "The Biochemic System of Medicine."

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This book of only forty-four pages contains scientific truths not taught in any college nor found in any library.

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ment of the Divine Word, "Thou art Peter, on this Rock will I build my church," defines the literal fact that the human body is built on a rock or mineral foundation. Petra, from which we get Peter, means a stone.

Dr. Carey claims that it can be scientifically proven that the church of God means the human body, from Beth, Hebrew for house, or Bethel, viz., church.

"Know ye not that your bodies are the temple of God."

The Course of Instructions is certainly a wonderful book.

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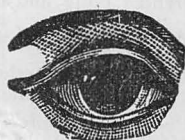
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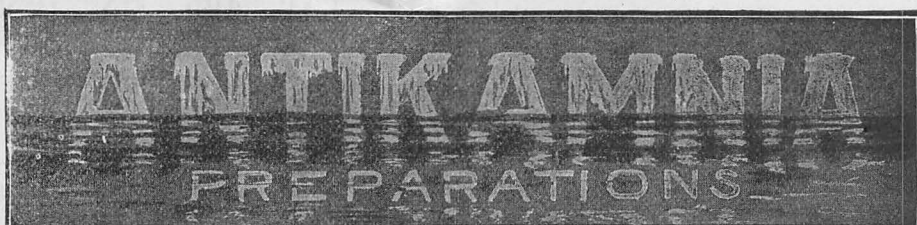
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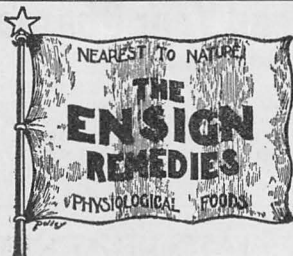
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