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## VOLUME IV

This volume is in itself a great work containing about 350 pages.

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Part one contains eight chapters of intensely interesting informatoin regarding the faces of the signs and the effect on character indicated by the planets when posited in the twelve houses and signs. These chapters must be read to be appreciated and to give the reader an idea of their interest and value we quote the following passage from chapter one:

"The first face of Aries is martial, giving fearless, courageous ambition, one able to lead and command others; quick and ingenious and generally a very impressive speaker."

" \* \* \* 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 friendship through letters, writings, journeys and also through the father and elderly persons and those above him in the social scale of life.

The native is apt to be brought to public notice through these sources and he possesses much ambition, love of fame and high position. He also possesses power to manage and control others, not through authority, but diplomacy. \* \* \* "

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# The Individual Keynote.

EDITORIAL

It is the consecrated purpose of this journal to assist those of its readers who desire to live broader, happier and more influential lives, by the use of advanced scientific methods, which are practical and effective when sincerely and fairly tested. The following seeks to call attention to old truths variously presented, trusting that some may catch the vibrant notes of joyous living.

The higher sense, inherent in every human soul, responds to such varied tones in nature's grand theme, that the failure of religious teachings to have more effectually brought peace, good will, prosperity and universal happiness to reign on earth has been due to striking the keynotes of human consciousness, always in the minor chords, such as those of retribution, atonement, self-sacrifice and the portents of eternal doom. While their purpose has seemed to be to uplift, the results show that the vibrations of fear of superstition or dread of vengeance and self-destruction, have not been effectual to the desired end and that what advancement has been made has come in spite of their influences rather than aided by them.

The great purpose of the visible universe is joyful perfection, from the glistening dewdrop to the great shining sea; from the grain of sand to towering mountain peaks; from the tiny seedling to mighty forests, beauteous flowers and luscious fruits; from the feeble infant to masterful man who rules earth, sea and air, and it is vital that the attention should be turned to the joyousness of existence; to the grand hosannas of achievement, and to a recognition of the truth that but for the dewdrop no shining seas would surge between continents, that the seedling conforms to the

laws of being and majestic forests are reared.

The babe obeys the divine urge within its soul, and Emersons, Gladstones, Clays, Websters, Humboldts and Edisons stand forth as master minds, statesmen, orators and scientists. The greatest possible benefit to every human being would be to realize that there exists within him the embryo of a master; that this marvelous power is inherent in him, to use and then to learn how to use it.

The wisdom of the ages has been fathered by experience, but as the twentieth century horticulturist rears flowers and fruits of supernal beauty and flavor, the result of experience, so may human growth today vield excellence of fiber and fruitage, avoiding much error and sorrow, for now we see, before we were blind.

The musician has learned from the technique of his art to draw his bow to produce desired tones and effects; he need not labor with discordant notes to do this.

In life's grand anthem some natures respond only to the strain of so-called practicality and, alas, they do strain every nerve to resist the cello tones of soul aspiration, calling them from their monotonous drum beats. Others are moved by intonations of peaceful repose or the vibrant clang of martial conquest.

Nevertheless, every instrument is needed to complete the Great Composer's plan; to those who are beating the drum of practicality, do so with a correct time and movement that is both glad and buoyant, not calling "taps" for all aspiring intonations! The cellist to blend his soulful tones in unison with the harp of peace and the bugle call to action.



Each individual life has its note of power and sweetness, which sometime, somewhere adds beauty and force to the whole composition. Shall not thoughtful minds pause and strike in harmonious accord the keynote of universal life, which is Love?

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### *Organized Christianity Has Lost Its Hold On the Masses.*

We note below some pertinent remarks by Rev. Frank Oliver Hall, D. D., of the Church of the Divine Paternity, New York City, in his convention sermon to the Universalists at the Church of Our Father, city of Detroit, on a recent date:

"Every clergyman and thoughtful layman must be impressed with the fact that a large majority of the people have somehow drifted away from the church and have little or no interest in its welfare or perpetuity. There is no violent antagonism to the church. We nowhere hear of mass meetings to denounce the church.

"Men are intensely interested in a great many things: in politics, in science, in social problems, in sports, most of all in that most exciting of all sports to a man, the game of making money. Women are as intensely interested in various things, in art, literature, in bridge whist, and most of all in that most exciting of all sports to a woman, the game of achieving social success. But on the whole men and women are not interested in religion. I speak, of course, of majorities. A saving remnant is still vitally interested in the church and serves her interest in every possible way. Otherwise we must close the doors and suspend business. But what I say holds for the larger part of our people.

"Our time is characterized by a 'passion for reality.' Men have the idea that religion belongs to the realm of the unreal and the unverifiable, that the church is dealing with uncertainties and unrealities.

"Whether this opinion is just or not, it is certainly widely prevalent. And if the church is to regain the respect and loyalty of men it must be shown to deal with real things in a real way and to play an important function in human life.

*Should Organize Forces.*

"When you undertake to enlist the inter-

est of the average man in religion and the church he will probably tell you that, in his opinion, it makes no difference what a man believes about religion. We know better, of course. A man's religious belief will determine the man's character. But the average man has identified religion with opinions concerning such questions as I have indicated. So far he is right in his statement that it makes not the slightest difference what man believes.

"It is because the church has dealt with such questions until it has become identified in the public mind with their discussions and promulgation that men have come to feel that religion is detached from life.

"The churches have long tried to agree on some common theological creed and have failed most disastrously. They are no nearer agreement today than they ever were. But the attempt has never been made to organize the forces of religion and the churches for the accomplishment of the purpose which Jesus declared to be his mission. The gospel for an age of indifference calls for reorganizing and reuniting the forces of Christendom and pushing on toward immediate achievement.

"I believe that such reorganization is at hand. The denominational fences are falling in all directions. The denominational names have lost their significance. The old-time creeds have lost their power. We are going to wipe them all out soon. We are going to abolish all the old denominational designations soon. And we are going to get those men and women who believe in the noble dream of Jesus of the kingdom of God on earth into line to work together for the building of the kingdom."

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### *A Decade of Progress.*

BY EUGENE CHRISTIAN.

Five years ago, the person who proclaimed that foods could be made remedial or curative, or that they were a potent factor in the cause of disease, was branded as a "crank" and faddist. In defense of this theory at that time, I wrote the following lines:

"If I mistake not, this decade will stand out in history as one of the most important since the world began. Its greatest achieve-

ment will be that it has put into motion a current of thought on the subject of human food, that will do more for the human race in one generation than all the learning of the musty centuries that have gone into the past."

Half of the decade has passed. Let us weigh this prophecy on the scale of what has since occurred.

Within the last five years the people of the nation have demanded that adulterating and poisoning foods shall cease, and Congress has passed the Pure Food Law and created a commission for its enforcement. True it is, that the law merely insists that things be what they are labeled—pure whisky and pure bologna are still bologna and whisky, and still unfit for human food, but the Pure Food Law has shown that the people can be awakened to a recognition of the fact that food as the constructive material of human life needs some consideration. The Pure Food Law is the first step in the right direction. It is the crystallization of the thought that the nation's greatest asset is in the health of the people, and that pure food is the greatest factor in health.

The last five years have witnessed a great popular uprising against patent medicines. People who now indulge in their use are pitied and looked upon as we look upon those who still believe in witchcraft, rabbits' feet or the horticultural influence of the phases of the moon.

Five years ago vegetarianism was considered only from its religious, moral or sentimental aspects, and the average college professor would have flinched from being called a vegetarian as he would from being called an anarchist. Today vegetarianism, or more properly, the question of the effects of flesh food, is being scientifically studied in many of the best colleges and universities in the land, with the result that flesh foods are now admitted by most up-to-date scientists to be not only unnecessary, but actually detrimental.

A few years ago prohibition was looked upon as a proper thing for the employment of a few idle women and once-a-week preachers, but was considered unworthy of the support of the business interests of the country or the public press. The prohibition territory of the United States was then

confined to two or three "crank" states and a few scattered rural counties. Today the map is reversed, and "wet" territory is in the minority—a great prohibition movement has swept over the country—not because a few women and preachers have approved it, but because the American people are learning that intoxicating liquors are detrimental to health and prosperity. The same general wave of reform that passed the Pure Food Law is passing prohibition laws.

Until a few years ago consumption was treated with drugs, and the patient zealously guarded from exposure; today he is sent into the open air and instructed to sleep in tents in winter and under the canopy of blue in summer. All drugs are eliminated, and exposure to outdoor air, moderate exercise and pure food is the universal remedy—the remedy that cures. Nearly every state in the Union now has a society for the study and prevention of tuberculosis; and these societies are not controlled by the medical profession, but are philanthropic organizations working to place this information within the grasp of everyone who will learn.

Athletics and outdoor life are becoming more popular each year, and in our more progressive cities the physical welfare of children is receiving much attention from municipal governments.

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### *Human Magnetism.*

M. HODGSON.

*"What is more or less than a touch."*

When my friend first offered to magnetize me I felt a little irreverent and very skeptical. To have my hands held in silence, with no emotional need on either side, made me smile with amusement. She held my hands, and then, with her left hand supporting my head, placed her right in turn over the nerve centers in the regions of the brain and heart. For a few days I felt that such means of nervous cure were probably highly imaginative, both in conception and issue, and then I began to realize that the "proper dispositions"—to use a theological term—were wanting. I had lain with my eyes wide open and my brain busy; I must shut my eyes, empty myself of interests, and become, if possible, "as clay in the hands of the potter."

I made the necessary effort, and it was astonishing how soon my nerves relaxed their tension with my hands firmly held by my friend. By the time "magnetism" was over, I was always quiescent, and often pleasantly sleepy, though naturally extremely excitable; and at present a victim of neurasthenia. But all this is merely introductory.

My experiences set me thinking of the deep symbolic and actual meaning attached to contact with the hand, and coming down to us through the ages.

As I lay one day with my friend's left hand under my head and her right over my heart, the beautiful words from the "Canticle of Canticles" came to my mind—

"His left hand is under my head and his right hand doth embrace me."

Satisfying and vitalizing this contact of the lover and beloved, and reproduced with a strange exactness in the work of magnetizing.

When I have been mentally disturbed or suffering from overmuch fatigue, with my nerves pulsating like a regiment of clocks, I have tried to attain the same calm and relaxed condition alone, lying as loosely as possible, shutting my eyes, and recalling within myself all my senses and powers. I have not succeeded; possibly by long, careful, and patient, practice much might be accomplished, but the easy and gracious way is that of companionship, strong and sympathetic, together with actual contact through that exquisitely sensitive guardian and director of power—the hand.

The use of the hand in blessing is very ancient, and priests are consecrated by the imposition of hands. If, as science seems about to declare indefinitely, all matter is simply a marvelous adjustment of electrical forces, who shall judge the power in all directions of the human hand, directed by the human soul immediately and beneficently?

But to pass within the lovely human experiences accessible to all; between friends the sense of communion is great if they sit or stand near each other, but if their hands are joined there is an increase of nearness wholly incalculable, and in grief we are comforted thereby as we could never be by mere bodily presence.

These are thoughts that float for me around the theory of magnetism, and they bring me back again to those wonderful words of Whitman with which I began, words pregnant with meaning and rich with truth:

"What is more or less than a touch?"

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### *The Salvation of the World.*

BY MILTON BAKER.

Whatever may befall man (man as herein used embraces all mankind—the human race—regardless of sex), his salvation lies in the knowledge of the indestructibility of his soul.

The world of matter is but plastic clay in the grasp of his spirit. He can mould it, he can shape it, according to his inner vision. Should the outer expression—the materialization of his house of dreams—fall, he is still aware that it is only the expression that has crumbled. The power behind it—the Soul of Man—is still alive, whole, unconquered and unconquerable, burning with zeal once more to begin the splendid joy of material expression. This knowledge, when grasped by the race, will give life the zest of a game. Whatever disaster may come will be known to be the transient sport of an outer world. Man will be unmoved by it. He will live in the inner calm at the heart of all things, which is untouched by the agitation of a petty material universe. Amid all trials this shall be the hope of the weak, the knowledge of the strong, the support of man.

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### *Lessons in Constructive Science.*

Never talk about your sicknesses, or mention your "symptoms." If you had a sleepless night, what earthly good can you do by telling about it? How will the world be made better or more joyous by knowing that you heard the clock strike every time, until four in the morning?—You can only throw a damper on the spirits of others by giving them detailed information as to how many times you turned over or sat up in bed; how your back ached or your feet cramped until you almost "hollered" and

so on. It does not make you any better to advertise your miseries, and it does make other people worse. One of the first things to be done in starting to live constructively is to give up the habit of seeking for sympathy.

The sympathy habit, once formed, is hard to break. The desire to tell our troubles and receive commiseration grows almost irresistible if we indulge it; and yet the practice produces only evil results. To tell of a "bad" symptom conveys a suggestion to the subconscious mind which tends to fix the symptom more firmly upon us, and make it permanent; and it also tends to produce the same symptom in those who listen to us. And there can be no reason for telling our troubles except that we desire to be pitied; and no one who desires pity is in a constructive frame of mind.—*Wallace D. Wattles in December Nautilus.*

Bessie, a little girl six years of age, was told by her mother that she must be good, for God was watching her all the time. Bessie did not seem to relish the idea of being watched so closely. One day Bessie's mother gave her a nickel and bade her go to the bakery for a loaf of bread. The kitten that Bessie was playing with followed after her, whereupon she grabbed it up and tossed it back over the gate saying, "You stay there; it is bad enough to have God tagging around after me all the time. I don't want two things to be watching me."  
—*Dr. Carey.*

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# Department of Psychic Research

## "A Man From the Fourth Dimension."

BY DR. GEO. W. CAREY,  
*Professor of Biochemistry.*

If the statements herein recorded cannot be reconciled with advanced chemical and electrical research the reader is justified in rejecting them, as a record of actual phenomena, and consider the narrative the vagaries of hallucination. But if, on the contrary, it is shown that the results of electricity, molecular motion, chemistry and biology are quite within the scope of the basis necessary to establish the truth of this narrative, then it is clearly the duty of the reader to seriously consider the words of the "Man from the fourth dimension."

During the years 1891, 1892, 1893 and 1894, the writer resided at Spokane, Wash., engaged in the teaching and practice of biochemistry. I was at that time a member of the editorial staff of the Homeopathic News, a medical journal published at St. Louis, and had been, for several months, writing articles on the biochemic pathology of disease.

During the month of September, 1893, I received a letter from the publishers of the News, asking if I could furnish a table of the proportion of each of the inorganic salts (minerals) contained in a healthy human body.

I thought at the time that it was strange that the publishers did not seek the information from the professors of physiology and anatomy in some medical college, but ascertained later that they had applied to several colleges and failed to obtain the data required.

I immediately instituted search in the library of medical text books, dictionaries and books on physiology, etc., but failed to find a satisfactory answer to the question at issue.

I was in a quandry and much troubled. I felt that it would humiliate me if I could not obtain data from some authority that would enable me to answer the question

propounded in a satisfactory manner. I very much desired to keep myself secure, in the faith of the staff, in regard to my knowledge of the chemistry of life and my pride received a severe shock in view of the possibility that I could not "make good." I called on several physicians but none were able to answer the question.

I received the letter from the publishers Monday and had spent all the time I could spare during the week. Sunday came and I was quite miserable and discouraged. I went to my office in the Tull Block, Riverside avenue, about 10 a. m., locked the door and sat down at my desk with the intention of writing to the publishers that I was unable to give them the information they desired. While thinking how to word my letter a feeling of buoyancy and hope suddenly swept through my brain and all desire to write instantly departed.

I turned about in my chair and looked out toward the pine-covered hills, and then occurred the strangest phenomena ever witnessed by mortal man. Midway between my desk and the window there appeared, first the eye of a man, then one side of his face, then the entire face and head, which seemed to move toward me; then the entire body came into full view, exactly as if it had emerged slowly from behind a screen or curtain.

I cannot even attempt to describe my astonishment when this man appeared before me. He was dressed in dark gray clothes and held a soft brown hat in his hand. He appeared to be about 45 years of age. His beard was a grayish brown and close trimmed. His eyes were dark brown and very beautiful. After looking intently at me for a minute my visitor advanced a few steps and sat down in a chair about five feet distant from my desk and thus addressed me: "I have come at your request and am at your service."

I answered, "I am not aware of ever having met you before, and I am quite sure I have not requested your presence."

He replied, "You have been in search of

certain information during the past week; I am able to answer your question. No person can conceive of a question that cannot be answered. No one ever desires knowledge that they cannot obtain some time, somewhere, somehow. I came to offer my services to you."

"Come from where," I asked.

"From the fourth dimension," he replied.

"Where and what is the fourth dimension," I asked.

He smiled and spoke as follows: "The fourth dimension is simply a rate of motion, as are all other dimensions. I am now polarized at a rate of molecular activity that enables me to increase or decrease my rate at will. As you see me now, I am functioning in the three dimensional rate, the same as your body is polarized, and when I increase my molecular motion one dimension I will disappear from your vision. You are a three dimensional being, therefore you cannot fully understand what the fourth means. Man is not complete man while in three dimensional concept. Three sides of a square leaves a gap or lack of dimension that forms a square. A triangle is an abortion, or incomplete expression. All three-dimensions beings are mortal, that is, they must pass into the square before they realize immortality.

"You marvel how I got into the space that you think is a room walled in with sides, roof and floor, but a two-dimensional being would marvel as greatly at the suggestion that there was any dimension other than length and breadth. If an object be placed directly on a level, directly in front of or at right angles with a two-dimensional being, it can recognize it; but if the object be placed above or below the plane the being cannot possibly comprehend, or in any manner sense the object.

"In addition to length and breadth, you cognize *depth*, or up and down; therefore you can see ahead, at right angles or up and down, and you say that is all there is of space, just as the two-dimensional sees only two.

This room is not inclosed as you think it is. I will give you the correct proportion of the different minerals that form the base of blood, and remember that flesh and bone is simply precipitated blood."

My strange visitor then asked for paper and pencil and hastily wrote down the formulæ of inorganic salts upon which the organic structure of man's body is built. Laying the paper and pencil on the desk the fourth dimensional man continued as follows:

"Your body, and the bodies of all three-dimensional beings, are composed of chemical formulas that cause a rate of motion of brain and nerve cells that causes the concept of three dimensions, or as Herbert Spencer wrote, 'The correspondences of environments.' You have probably heard of the co-efficiency of refraction, which is a rate of activity caused by a certain combination of mineral dynamos in the blood that renders tissue absolutely transparent. The alchemists talked and wrote of this mineral combination and nothing else. The cell-salts in the human body are the 'Philosopher's Stone.' Your text-books differ in regard to the combination or proportion of these salts in the blood, for the blood of a living person varies in combination at different hours of the day because of work, rest or excitement, after or before meals, condition of digestion, etc. The formulæ I wrote on the slip of paper gives the proportion contained in the ashes of a perfectly healthy body after cremation.

"The mineral salts of magnesium sodium, lime, potassium, etc., are set free from food by the process of digestion and are then taken up by mucus membrane absorbents and carried into the blood vessels. The air is spirit substance and when breathed into the 'alchemical vase' the body—it unites with the minerals and forms the elixir of life, known as blood. The organic portion of food, the fats, albumen, etc., are burned up to furnish motive power to run the human engine. The oil found in flesh is not the oil taken as food, for that oil, or fat, goes through a chemical change in the stomach and intestinal tract and the oil is transmuted into energy or force. The oil in flesh is the product of certain air elements uniting with the molecules of potassium sulphate in the arteries.

"When the molecules of organic matter and the inorganic salts unite and form *tissue molecules* and are polarized with the flat side outward, dense or opaque tissue is formed, as seen in three-dimensional beings.

When the molecules are balanced so that the edges or corners point outward they form facets that reflect the effect of motion called light, in a manner that causes tissue substance to be transparent.

"All third-dimensional beings will pass into the fourth dimension during the 2200 years of the Aquarius, or Air Age, that commenced in the year 1900.

"Spirits, or so-called disincarnated souls, always have bodies and do not have to materialize when they appear to those on your plane; they simply change the rate of motion of their molecules. This truth accounts for all spiritual manifestation. It also accounts for multiple personality, for personal consciousness is the result of activity of brain cells. There are many cells in the average brain that lie dormant and unused for years, and when called into action by planetary aspects they sometimes completely change the character of the individual.

"The few who can at all sense the fourth dimension motion are the sensitives whose brain centers are easily polarized by the thought vibrations of those in the fourth realm. No new phenomena is presented to the clairvoyant, but that which is real, always, is made visible for a moment. When the cells of brain in three-dimension beings begin to change to the fourth motion the real man's form commences to appear, and if the energy of the man of the fourth be sufficient the whole form will appear. When this thought energy or motion lessens the so-called spiritual form apparently begins to disappear. The law of parallax causes the eye to see the two rails of a car track run together at less than a mile from the eye, or clouds to touch earth at a distance of fifty miles.

"Thus three-dimensional beings are only two-thirds men. About the year 1945 the influence of Aquarius, the 'Sign of the Son Man in the heavens,' will be sufficient to complete man by bringing into action his latent brain cells. Then will the Real appear and you will know that 'The Kingdom of Heaven' was always at hand."

Here my visitor ceased to speak and seemed to slowly slide behind an invisible screen and disappeared from my vision. Four years later I attended the analysis of

the ashes of a cremated body a teamster killed by an accident while in robust health—and found that the proportion of cell-salts tallied exactly with the table given me by the Fourth Dimensional Man.

*Pasadena, Calif., December, 1909.*

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### *Spirit Communion.*

"The Angels of the Lord do camp  
Round those who love His name.  
His Angels, ministering spirits are;  
'Tis evermore the same.  
When good Elijah hiding was  
And drinking from the brook,  
The ravens came, and gave him food  
And o'er him care they took.  
Did God the little 'Angels send  
To feed Elijah to the end?  
Until the brook went dry,  
That Elijah might not die?  
And as Elijah lay asleep  
Beneath the spreading tree,  
The Angel then to him did say,  
Arise and eat for me.  
And there a little cake was baked,  
A cruse with waters filled;  
The second time he came to him  
As God our Father willed.  
And on the strength of angel food,  
Full forty days did walk:  
And when he came unto the cave  
The Lord to him did talk.  
To Zacharias it was told  
Elizabeth should bear a child,  
Forerunner of our Lord,  
Should be his son and heir.  
And as the Priest no more could talk  
For lack of faith, he dumb must walk.  
'Twere better yet if some, today,  
Were served the very selfsame way.  
Unto the Virgin pure and good,  
Also the Angel came:  
And told her of the coming One,  
And gave the Savior's name.  
And then the shepherds, watching  
O'er their flocks and herds by night,  
Heard heavenly music drawing near,  
And saw the heavenly light;  
And heard the Angels chant the hymn  
As only Angels can;  
Of joy on earth, of peace, good will  
To every living man.  
And when the child was duly born,

And Herod would him slay,  
 To Joseph then an Angel came  
 Before the break of day.  
 The Child must go that very night,  
 Toward Egypt's sheltering land:  
 Were they not guided o'er the way  
 By Holy Spirit Band?  
 And when at last the Youth was grown,  
 And evils tempt Him sore,  
 Did not the Holy Angel Band  
 Minister to Him once more?  
 Did not Elijah on the mount  
 And Moses with Him talk?  
 And did not He, the crucified,  
 To Emmaus with them walk?  
 And did not Jesus come to Paul  
 When noonday's sun was bright,  
 And say, 'Why persecutest me?'

In heaven's effulgent light.  
 Why then need *we*, for thing so sure,  
 Such persecutions still endure?  
 (For claiming holy right),  
 To listen to *our* Angel friends,  
 On whom such happiness depends.  
 We know it is as Jesus said,  
 If one should rise from out the dead  
 That some will not believe.  
 But truth *we* must receive,  
 Nor Holy Spirit grieve.  
 Let others say whate'er they may,  
*We* still will follow Christ's own way,  
 And visit with our dead:  
 Not dead to life, but dead to sense,  
 The Holy Spirit's recompense.

—ELLEN A. FOWLER.

Englewood, Colorado.

## Stellar Science Department

### *Esoteric Astrology.*

BY HENRY CLAY HODGES.

Esoteric astrology pertains to the hidden, the subjective side of this divine science, having to do more with the individual soul growth of the Ego. It has to do with Infinity, and when the individuality has outgrown the physical environments, and passed beyond the desire condition, he comes under the rays of Esoteric Astrology, though from the first these rays are striving to manifest their influence upon the individual; the force of them depending upon the soul growth of the individual, and his or her receptivity to their uplifting rays; each expression tending to bring about a more perfect blending of the soul with these esoteric rays.

The Sun and Moon represent the individuality and the personality. The Sun, the individuality and rules by day, the Moon the personality and rules by night; while Mercury is the medium between the two, the transmitter; therefore a careful study of the positions of these planets together with Urania and Neptune, is important when considering the esoteric.

All in all, we may consider the Zodiacal signs and planets as an expression of the man; for instance the twelve signs may be likened to the aura, the luminous light that surrounds the man; while the Sign Ascending, can be considered as representing the physical expression, and the Moon represents the etheric body, the body drawn from the ether upon which the physical body is built.

The planets, Saturn and Mercury, represent the mind body, while Venus and Mars represent the desire body; Jupiter may be best understood as the casual body, or the medium through which the individuality finds expression; while the various gradations of matter, or the various conditions by which the Ego finds expression, are indicated by the divisions of the signs into groups of water, earth, air and fire. The watery signs pertain more to the astral substance; the earthy to the physical; the airy, the mental, and the fiery, to the pure etheric.

Thus various individuals are placed in various environments, and through this variance in position and quality, assist each other by contact to evolve to higher and purer types of expression; for if all were



manifesting under one group, they would not readily contact the qualities indicated in the other groups; and this is controlled by a wise and Divine Infinity.

In December STELLAR RAY we gave the influence upon the individual of the sign rising at the moment of birth, following we give the sign the sun was in at birth, denoting the individuality in contradistinction to the personality.

The Zodiacal signs are divided into three equal parts of ten degrees each, which are called decanates.

Aries is the first sign, and the first ten degrees of this sign are assigned to the natural ruler of Aries, which is Mars.

The nature or individuality of one born in the first decanate of the sign Aries, or between the 21st and 31st of March, is symbolical of the Mars and Aries influence, denotes one who hews the pathway for his fellowman, a pioneer, a soldier, or warrior.

The second ten degrees of Aries, between March 31st and April 10th, belong to the Sun, indicating a nature too proud and ambitious for his own ends. The third decanate, between April 10th and 20th, is ruled by Jupiter. This signifies a learned man, one possessing the wisdom to teach others but, also, he is more apt to use his knowledge for a selfish purpose.

#### *Taurus.*

The first decanate of Taurus (from April 21st to May 1st) is ruled by Venus, the ruler of Taurus. This denotes one fond of ease and amusement, not ambitious, desiring fine raiment and ornaments. The second decanate of Taurus (from 1st to 10th of May), is ruled by Mercury. This gives more force to the mind and turns the attention to Taurus pursuits in tilling the soil and bringing forth the fruits of the earth. The third decanate of Taurus (between May 10th and 20th) is ruled by Saturn. This denotes one associated with mines, things of a hidden, occult nature.

#### *Gemini.*

The first decanate of Gemini (20th and 30th of May) is ruled by Mercury. This denotes one fond of study and learning, quick in thought and action. The second decanate of Gemini (from June 1st to 10th) is ruled by Venus, and denotes one fond of the arts, music and science. The third de-

canate of Gemini (from June 10th to 20th) is ruled by Urania, denotes one associated with science and learning in the occult and mystical.

#### *Cancer.*

The first ten degrees of Cancer (from June 21st to July 1st) are ruled by the Moon, and denotes one of a domestic nature, fond of home and family, and finds pleasure in looking to the comforts of them. The second decanate of Cancer (1st to 10th of July) is ruled by Mars. This denotes one who will have many varied experiences in life, and who will not find the enjoyment they crave in their home. This shows one very wise in understanding. The third decanate of Cancer (10th to 21st of July) is ruled by Jupiter. This denotes a traveler, a missionary seeking to plant the seed of truth, but finds his mission a difficult one, and beset with many obstacles, but truth will finally conquer.

#### *Leo.*

The first decanate of Leo (21st to 31st of July) is governed by its natural ruler, the Sun. This is symbolical of one in power and authority, one in high position, though ruling more by his will and courage than through any mental capacity. The second decanate of Leo (Aug. 1st to 10th) is ruled by Jupiter, and denotes a dignitary of the church, one in power and authority, dignified but possessing judgment and diplomacy. The third decanate of Leo (Aug. 10th to 20th) is ruled by Mars. This denotes one who will have an eventful career and will occupy various positions in life, though a natural commander; he will ever strive to be at the fore.

#### *Virgo.*

The first decanate of ten degrees of Virgo (Aug. 21st to 31st) is ruled by the natural ruler of Virgo, Mercury. This disposes a kind nature, a lover of flowers and a student of nature, one capable of great perceptions into the natural science of life. The second decanate of Virgo (Sept. 1st to 10th) is ruled by Saturn. This shows one disposed to study and learning, critical and possessing great faculties of discrimination, not rapid in his work, but very accurate. The third decanate of Virgo (Sept. 10th to 20th) is ruled by Venus. This denotes one fond of pleasure, but a lack of confidence in their

own abilities, and as a consequence is destined to be under the authority of others. Virgo is the sixth sign. Lack of space prohibits mention of the other six zodiacal signs at this time.

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### *Were You Born in the Sign Capricorn?*

BY H. C. HODGES.

If you were born between December 20 and January 21 the sun was in the zodiacal sign Capricorn.

Natives of this sign will recognize some of the following characteristics as their own, although they will be modified by the sign rising and the position of other planets.

The mentality has great reserve power, has a wide field of action and is disposed to take care of its own interests, and when acting as an agent is always capable, exact and quick. This is essentially the sign of commerce and Capricorn people are often very able at mathematics, accounting and recording. The nature responds to Pisces, and hence can use the arts to great practical purpose. It is ambitious, strong and proud, although it possesses the blessing of humility and is able to stoop to conquer.

As a rule they are well thought of by those who know them, and they possess a keen pity which is apt to cause them annoyance. The polarizations of the moon vary the characteristics. For example, if at the time of birth of a Capricorn person the moon was in Aries it gives a managing power that is absolutely necessary to large enterprises.

If the moon was in Taurus the mentality will often incline to engineering, railroad-ing, naval and marine construction; to the commercial arts and sciences; enough imaginative force is given for practical business life; tenderness enough to make home enjoyable and vigor enough to urge completion of financial and mechanical plans.

The feminine Capricorn nature trends toward the other response, Aquarius, and glories in the home and its management, in minimizing the waste of energy, while on the other hand it makes every effort count. It is seldom unhappy in marriage.

The natives of Capricorn are as a whole

quiet, thoughtful, good reasoners, practical and economical; act with dignity and self-esteem; are ambitious, persevering, never entirely discouraged, although often disappointed.

They usually meet some heavy obstacles to their progress, but through patient, persistent and concentrated effort they often triumph over circumstances.

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### *Stellar Forecast for February.*

BY BENJAMIN WILLIAMS,

*Vice President of the Astrological Society of the United States.*

The month following the lunation on February 9th will be favorable to the United States as a whole. Jupiter placed in the first, shows prosperity among the laboring class; Neptune in the tenth, lord of the seventh, denotes anxiety over our foreign policy, though it matters not what may occur we are sure of efficient service from our ambassadors, as shown by Venus in the sixth.

Places of amusement will thrive; the markets will be strong, with some sudden fluctuations in the cereals, while lands and mines will prove the best investments. Travel will be dangerous and the death rate high owing both to accidents and prevalent disease. This month will be so noticeable, also, for the number of births that even the strenuous "Teddy" will have no fault to find with Mother Stork.

The weather following the lunation will be mild for the season, especially along the Atlantic seaboard. There will be a severe storm in the Southwest, an excess of rain in the South, and strong winds in the North.

Theodore Roosevelt's directions for 1910 are very favorable during the first part of the year, particularly so for writing and dealing with the people. His vitality will be strong and no doubt he will accomplish much that he has heretofore lacked the time to do. In the fall the indications point that he will be attacked by powerful corporate bodies, who will secretly do all in their power to undermine his reputation for integrity. This will cause him anxiety and unless he takes good care of his health he

will suffer indisposition at the end of the year.

THE DAYS FOR FEBRUARY.

- 1st. An unfavorable day, the mind being irritable and prone to strife.
- 2nd. Good for psychic matters and philosophy in the afternoon.
- 3rd. A good day for signing contracts, writing letters and collecting accounts.
- 4th. A good day for buying or selling commodities and dealing in religious affairs, though slightly unfavorable for speculation.
- 5th. A favorable day for dealing with elderly people, purchasing property, and studying history.
- 6th. A day slightly unfavorable for all things.
- 7th. An evil day for psychic matters and for dealing with aged persons.
- 8th. A quiet day.
- 9th. A very good day for asking favors, buying or selling property, and for commencing a new enterprise.
- 10th. Slightly unfavorable.
- 11th. A good day for building, dealing in livestock or hardware and for consulting psychics.
- 12th. A favorable day for social matters, dealing with women, writing letters and consulting publishers.

- 13th. An unfavorable day in general.
- 14th. Good for promotion and asking favors. Evil for writing letters and travel.
- 15th. A restless and unsettled day.
- 16th. Favorable in morning for travel and original undertakings, but evil in afternoon.
- 17th. A good day for buying and selling, or soliciting patronage, particularly so in the afternoon.
- 18th. Slightly favorable in general.
- 19th. A quiet day.
- 20th. A good day for Sunday affairs.
- 21st. An evil day for writing, dealing with publishers or signing contracts.
- 22nd. Good for asking favors in morning. Controversy should be avoided in afternoon.
- 23rd. Slightly unfavorable in general.
- 24th. Pronouncedly an unfortunate day.
- 25th. A fortunate day for inventions, travel, livestock, building and social gatherings.
- 26th. A quiet day.
- 27th. Very good in the morning for asking favors and Sunday affairs. The afternoon is unfavorable.
- 28th. A good day for social matters, but slightly unfavorable for dealing with elderly persons and travel.

## Query Department.

By BENJAMIN WILLIAMS.

Dear Sir:—Noticing the offer of THE STELLAR RAY to answer questions, I accept the opportunity to submit the following

Is there any astrological reason why humanity should expect the coming of a great Messiah within the next fifty or sixty years?

Sincerely yours,  
S. SANTOS.

### *The Messiah.*

Initiates in Esoteric Astrology know that there is a Luni-Solar cycle of about six hundred years, a period dependent on no theory, but based on the bedrock foundation of mathematics and astronomy. This cycle is the absolute measure of mental develop-

ment, and its commencement gives birth to a new influx of social and religious ideas. The astro conditions near the beginning of these cycles are such that it is possible for great teachers to be born into the world, one of whom usually overshadowing his contemporaries in wisdom and spirituality is termed the Messiah. A glance over the past will readily satisfy the student that these rhythmical cyclic pulsations are verities beyond dispute. Gautama Buddha gave his teachings to the world about six hundred years before Christ, and the Christian, Mohammedan and Lutherian eras followed in regular succession. The present epoch was ushered into existence in the year 1881,

and no doubt the Avatar was there, willing to give his teachings to all having the spiritual ability to comprehend them. The comet of 1882 blazed forth the glory of his efforts, bringing a spiritual influx to the new Aquarian reign to lighten the burdens of the aspirants to Truth.

History and Nature repeat themselves. The Jews were looking for a temporal king clothed in robes of regal splendor, and they spurned the lowly carpenter's son who was sent to them with the teachings they then most needed—Faith, Hope and Charity. Amid the mental storms then raging the peaceful Nazarine was overlooked beyond the fact that his poor, harmless body was nailed to the cross. Yet his spirit lived, and through years of persecution a small and faithful band of loyal souls preserved his thoughts. It was at least one hundred and fifty years after the night in the garden of Gethsemane that the world began to realize that a Master had been slain, and not until the time of Constantine did his teachings receive serious attention. The Teacher had come and gone, and though his words were clothed with lies by an unscrupulous priesthood, the principles he taught, the Sermon on the Mount, still lives and prospers.

Like the Jews, both Christians and Mystics have been awaiting a sign from heaven and the coming of a new Messiah. They are expecting a Spiritual King who will announce his approach with a loud voice, amid tinkling cymbals and detonating brass.

The sign came, and with it, we may be sure, came the Master; persecuted as such great souls always are by the inversive elements who dread the force of the great truths that are so fearlessly taught. The sign came at the beginning of the Luni-Solar cycle in 1881; the great comet of 1882, fiery messenger of God, bearing the tidings of a new era to an expectant world, flashed a moment, and was gone: and as of yore, it was only the simple seer that recognized the sign heralding the Avatar, only the astrologer who saw and followed the Star in the East.

The needs of the time are Life, Light and Love, and though the Master has come and gone, unrecognized by the world, unknown but to the few, or perhaps unknown to all,

we may rest assured that the spiritual seeds have been sown, are now taking root beneath the black soil of confusion; that later, warmed by the sunshine of spiritual aspiration, they will grow in profusion, and that at the time of greatest need the luxurious fruitage will be spread before a famished world.

And I say unto you, "There shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect," for Neptune, the mystical planet of high ideals, when afflicted as it now is, becomes the planet of self-deception. Were it not for wounding the hearts of devout followers I would take the birth-chart of the half score or more leaders, who in the last fifty years have loudly announced themselves to the world as the promised Messiah, and show the important part the mystic planets Neptune and Uranus played in each and every horoscope. An afflicted Neptune or Uranus is the motive power behind them all, furnishing invention, psychic power, acute mentality and unfortunately an unbalanced egotism and a disregard for truth.

For a few years past Neptune and Uranus have been in opposition. At the present time these malific positions are compounded by the squares of both Saturn and Jupiter, these latter also being in opposition. These aspects, peculiarly malific, herald the approach of a host of fake religions. There is little doubt but that there will be those born under these conditions who will endeavor in later years to foist upon an over-credulous people, greater religious frauds than are already written upon the scrolls of time.

Look neither to the East nor West; you will look in vain for an outward symbol: for the cycle of the embodied Messiah has passed, but the truths he taught remain with us.

What is there in a name, What in a physical form? So long as you worship names and forms, so long will you be chained to fate. The Christ lies within; you may attract the Holy One only by the devout aspirations of a noble heart. Enter the sanctuary of your own soul; purify it with the waters of love; burn the incense of unselfish desire; pray that the light of

Truth may illumine your mind, and you may be sure that when found worthy, the Master will find you and make his presence known.

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### Thoughts.

BY MRS. R. D. JOINER.

*Suggested by reading Mr. Williams' very interesting and instructive paper in December Stellar Ray.*

If thoughts are motors having force

On ether waves to move through space,  
Unbounded in their onward course,

Swifter than sunbeams in their race,  
And we attract by our own thought

Companion thoughts by nature true  
To correspond with ours are caught,

To strengthen and support them, too.  
Our attitude decides what class

We from the "wireless" shall take,  
And which reject as on they pass

With lightning speed, our choice we  
make.

The spoken thought, what power may wield  
(How strange it seems 'tis only breath)

To call an army to the field,  
Where many meet a soldier's death,

Or help a wanderer to return  
To the forsaken narrow way,

Or cheer a weary pilgrim on  
Through dark and gloom to brighter day.

Their influence unlimited,  
Extending on from day to day,

Through untold ages, and perhaps  
To realms beyond—we may not say.

*Glasco, Kan.*

Editor Stellar Ray, Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir:—I cannot duly express my gratitude to you for the experiences I have gained from the perusal of your most valuable paper, THE STELLAR RAY. It has prolonged my life and is helping it to success to an imaginable degree. If I had the voice of an angel I would trumpet far and wide, to the ends of the whole world, the inestimable worth of your paper. THE STELLAR RAY! THE STELLAR RAY! May it exist as long as time lasts and may manifold blessings of the Almighty God crown the efforts of its faithful editor! By this boat I remit in advance, \$4.00 toward my lifelong subscription. Ever yours devotedly, J. H., *Gold East Colony, West Africa.*

A man may figure the distance from earth to Araturus or Alcyone, predict the return of a comet to a day; analyze Star dust, photograph canals on Mars, navigate the air and talk across the seas without wires, while he knows no more about his own organism, the process of digesting and assimilating food, or how and why blood circulates, or hair grows, than a politician knows about the science of government.—*Dr. Carey.*

### Pisces The Fishes.

BY DR. GEO. W. CAREY.

### Represented by the Feet.

*February 19 to March 20.*

The phosphate of iron may be produced by mixing sodium phosphate with sulphate of iron in certain proportions. The precipitated salt is filtered, washed, dried and rubbed to a powder. In order to render the molecules of iron fine enough to be taken up by the absorbents of mucous membranes and carried into the blood, this preparation must be triturated with sugar of milk to 6th X.

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Iron molecules in blood, by that miracle of chemical affinity (another term for God in action—or Wisdom operating) attract their "soul mate," Miss Oxygen, and together they course through the river of life distributing the blessings of vigor and health.

Health depends upon a proper balance of iron in the blood. When for any reason this salt becomes deficient, the circulation is increased in motion in order that a sufficient quantity of oxygen may be carried to all parts of the body to sustain life with the diminished amount of iron. Six workmen must move much faster if they do the work of ten.

The increased motion of blood causes a greater degree of heat (conservation of energy) and for some reason has been named fever. Fever is derived from the Latin *fevre*, meaning "to boil out." The writer is too simple-minded to see any relevancy between heat caused by rapid motion of blood in its effort to do its work with a

lot of its iron workers on a strike and "boil out."

The only definition of fever in all the space between Hippocrates and Mrs. Eddy is given by Biochemistry.

Heat, in so-called fever, is caused by the increased action of blood, and the distress and quick breathing by deficiency in oxygen. A molecular disturbance in iron soon breaks the continuity of other salts, for an injury to one is the concern of all in the cell co-operation commonwealth in the kingdom of Heaven within. May that kingdom soon come among men, in order that we may have a sane civilization.

When a deficiency in iron occurs, Mother Nature (chemical affinity) draws blood away from the surface of the body in order to keep vibrations called life in vital organs—heart, lungs, brains, etc. When the iron soldiers are called in from the outposts the pores are closed and the waste matter that has found an exit through those seven million little gateways is turned upon the inner organs and membranes and the exudations of water, oil, albumen and acids irritate and inflame tissue. Why this "chemicalization of God's creative compounds" should be called "colds" passeth human understanding. How would "hots" do? *Ferrum phosphate* gives toughness and strength to the walls of the veins and arteries and minute blood vessels called capillaries. Hemorrhages are caused by deficiency in iron, but Kali phos (Aries) and Nat. Mur. (Aquarius) are also frequently deficient in hemorrhages (see Carey's "Biochemic System of Medicine").

The feet sustain the body and iron sustains the blood. Pisces people contain much magnetism, especially in their hands, and make good magnetic healers, corresponding with the magnetic properties of iron.

Jesus is derived from the Greek word meaning fish (Ichthus). His disciples were fishermen. A fish was the secret sign of the early Christians who knew the occult meaning of Jesus, who healed by "laying on of hands."

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In Bible alchemy, Pisces is represented

by Naphtali, the sixth son of Jacob, and means "Wrestlings of God." In the symbol of the New Testament Pisces corresponds with the disciple Philip.

The mineral salts are found in all vegetables, grains, fruits, nuts, milk, etc. There is but ONE way to restore health, viz., supply the chemical deficiency.

"And the tree of life (circulatory system) stands in the midst of the human body (Garden of Eden) and bears twelve manner of fruits (twelve mineral salts), and its leaves (effects) are for the healing of the nations."

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# Department of Psychical Sciences and Unfoldment

By REV. J. C. F. GRUMBINE,

Fellow of the Society of Science, Letters and Arts of London, England.

## Important Facts Regarding Spirit Communication.

A subject of most vital interest and which must not be slighted in supernormal unfoldment is that of the science of the subjective mind, or the part it plays in spirit communication. Few students, except the most profound, realize the correspondence between the spirit incarnate and our subjective minds. Most persons unacquainted with occult science and spirit manifestations imagine that all mediumistic and supernormal phenomena are extraneous, and touch our present forms of consciousness from outside us, rather than from within us. This is all the more easily thinkable and accepted, since phenomena themselves are appearances which lay outside the sense man, or they appear to originate outside of him. This is the greatest error into which the populace and the unenlightened student could possibly fall. Nothing grows or lives outside of itself. The soul's life, its expressions or unfoldments are from within, and not at all from outside itself. Even the material universe grows, and manifests from within and its forms which seem to manifest outside (the outside being only another form of the within), are not outside at all, in the strict use of the word.

Recent investigations of the ether by Sir Oliver Lodge show that matter is corporeal and gross product of the ether—a substance so fine, compact and dense, that matter could not stand up without it, and disappears whenever there is a shift in the vortices of the ether. Like the grub worm in the crystal that yields at length to the law of the transformation or transmutation

is a serpent on the physical. The very dust within and governing itself into the butterfly, the growth or metempsychosis is from within itself, and, as a natural symbol hints at the greater cosmic symbol in astro-religious or occult science, of the phoenix, which, as an eagle on the spiritual plane, is redolent with spirituality, as demonstrable in the lily or the rose, if we could but smell it from within, and not as wafted to us full of germs and corrupt material in the process of decay and death.

The subjective mind is within the objective, and yet is independent of it. In fact, the objective mind depends upon it. So subtle is this interdependence, that no thought can arise in the objective mind without first expressing itself as an inspiration in the subjective. And yet the subjective is not wholly supernormal, and not at all unnatural, but an integral, natural hemisphere of the mind itself. In spirit communications, where a spirit incarnate is endeavoring to reach some loved one on earth, and by the law of attraction is dispatching a message, as best it can to that one, the message must be made up of the thought substance of the objective and subjective mind of the receiver, and while there is direction and quality in the inspiration of the spirit who impels the message or transmits it, that will or inspiration is under the material law of spirit communications, and is dependent upon the reflective power or capacity of the medium through whom the message is transmitted. If the mind of the medium is clear, that is, if the mind of the medium is free of cross lines, vibrations or thoughts, as commonly flow in and out of our normal minds, especially when active or working, or in a

state of flux, as most minds are, one can readily see how little of the original message or inspiration by correspondence, will come through, and in fact how much of error or extraneous matter will mix with the pure message.

Again, it is a fruitful source of perplexity and doubt among the most advanced psychics, why certain facts or items of information can be given, while other items or facts of seemingly no greater value, apparently, cannot. This has been asked me again and again, and the only explanation which I have to offer and which seems to explain the difficulty is, that since one fact may be easy for the incarnate spirit to bring through, transmit or because spiritual or more amenable to the law of attraction which we do not as yet clearly understand, the other fact being more formal, distant and concrete, is not so easily transmitted by inspiration into the subjective mind, and through it into the objective mind of the medium. One instance will illustrate: A mother loses her child. She feels him come to her in spirit and, clair-audiently, she hears him reply to her question, "Where were you just now?" "I was with papa!" "Where is papa?" The little spirit replies he does not know, or rather

is unable to tell the mother. Now it knows as a matter of fact, but the mother has sent out a question with a doubt and wishes to make it a test of his actual presence or identity, and the child finds the doubt or test so darkly walling up the mind as to produce mists, veils or conditions which makes an answer impossible at the time. Now when it is understood, that no spirit can possibly use the brain of another as it could its own, when on earth, and not possessing a brain as an organ in the spirit world, that is, an organic material brain, and, as its own subjective mind does not and cannot always respond or correspond with that of the earth instrument, the difficulty in translating a thought from its own mind by inspiration to that of the mother or medium, is at once apparent.

A little more understanding on this most occult but intricately interwoven subject, in which all the functions of the soul play a vital part, will help us to carry on communion and communication with our departed loved ones in a normal and sane way, and not compel us or them to act ex-cathedra, or ex-machina, in a world, in which the spiritual and the natural are important hemispheres of one divine world, and where the spirit is all in all.

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In a dark and dusty cellar,  
By the rubbish hid away,  
Was a vessel, rough and ugly,  
Made of common potter's clay;  
But for all its rough exterior,  
Still it held a treasure there,  
It was filled with precious gems,  
Priceless, sparkling, rich and rare.

Thus it laid for many years,  
Looked upon with scorn untold—  
Who would think that such a vessel  
Could a priceless treasure hold?  
No one knows the wondrous value  
That was held within the clay,  
And although they often passed it,  
Yet they ever turned away.

For to all 'twas coarse and common,  
Then, again, 'twas ugly, too,  
Only fit for some rough purpose,  
And for that 'twould hardly do.

Thus the vessel held its treasure  
Lo! till many years were past,  
But one day they looked within it,  
Then they knew its worth at last.

And the vessel high was lifted  
To a place of honor now,  
It was termed unique and striking,  
To its shrine they low did bow;  
For it held a priceless treasure,  
Clay was now transformed to gold,  
Ugliness to wondrous beauty,  
And its value was untold.

All around us there are vessels,  
Cast perhaps in common mold,  
That we deem are coarse and ugly,  
Yet within lies purest gold.  
Still we look not for the treasure  
As we pass them day by day,  
Living, breathing, human vessels—  
Can we term them common clay?

Can we scorn them or ignore them?  
Shall we not search deep within,

Till we see the hidden treasure  
 Shinning, though with luster dim?  
 Shall we not then help to raise them,  
 As the vessel was that day?  
 Shall we not aid to transmute them  
 Into gold from potter's clay?

For we all are as the vessel—  
 It's the treasure that we hold  
 Makes us shine with radiant brightness,  
 Turns us from the clay to gold;  
 None are common, all are priceless,

Each in their own beauty shine,  
 And we ever, as the vessel,  
 Hold a treasure that's divine.

Whether cast in mold of roughness,  
 Or in form of beauty rare,  
 Whether in a cottage dwelling  
 Or in palace grand and fair,  
 Deep within there lies the treasure,  
 If its beauty we'd behold,  
 Let us look beneath the surface,  
 Then we'll find the precious gold.

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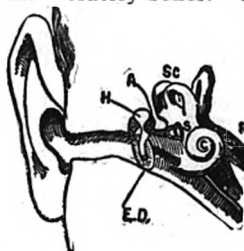
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