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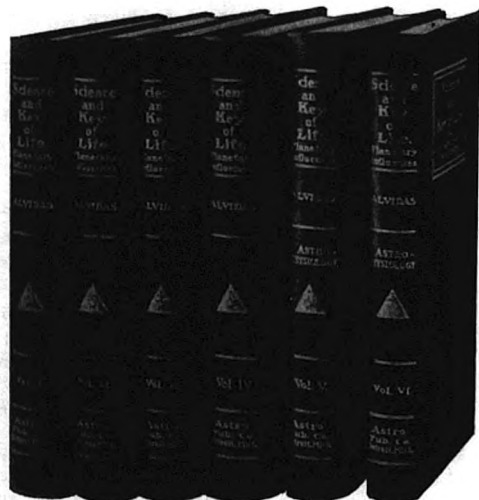
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"The first face of Aries is martial, giving fearless, courageous ambition, one able to lead and command others; quick and ingenious and generally a very impressive speaker."

" * * * 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. * * *"

Part two contains chapters on Hindu Astrology and others relating to the periods, sub-periods and inter-periods of the planets and concerning the judgments of planetary periods.

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So may the physician evolve from the practice of an art which is at present

reduced to a mere practice of chance—to a truly scientific system based upon clear first principles which will invariably point to the cause of each malady, to its progression of increase and diminution, to its remedy if there be one, and how to avoid its redevelopment and to maintain good health.

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Mr. Henry Clay Hodges, the compiler of this great work, has voiced the inquiries of ages of thoughtful humanity in the Great Question on the back cover page of this journal.

A FEW SELECTIONS.

For ages the destiny of the world, aye, the universe, has been mapped out in the sky, but there have been few of mankind pure enough to interpret the handwriting of the supreme ruler. We may only realize, through pain and sorrow, that we alone are the builders of our own future and the rulers of our own destiny.

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Astrology, that is, the external and creative forces, operating as zodiacal and planetary influences, is the origin of every art and science known to men, or that ever will be known. The electric and magnetic vibrations in the atmosphere, the continuous and gradual change from day to night, the ebb and flow of the tides, the seasons of the year and alterations of temperature, times of famine and plenty, epidemics of sickness and crime, the birth and death of the physical of all organized beings, the vibrations of color and sound, the different stages of life and destiny in members of the same family, important changes and discoveries in the progressive sciences,—all are due, directly or indirectly, to the never-ending and varying ethereal vibratory forces or astro-magnetism which pervades the universe, operating according to its prevailing density and quality upon every atomic part of the earth and all that exists upon it.

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Truth is immutable. Science based in Nature is destined to live as long as eternal ages roll. Astrology is a science whose foundations are based upon natural philosophy. At this mistress of science, skeptics may rail, but they cannot rail the seal from off the bond.

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Womanhood is advancing toward the throne of her divine kingdom, where she will stand side by side and heart to heart with a more divine manhood.

Principles of a higher order are beginning to operate; and a more rational conception of freedom is changing the face of society.

Equality before the law has become the watch word of all civilized countries.

Great thoughts and great emotions have a place in human history which no historian has ever given them.

Events are rapidly forming themselves in accordance with the new age that is dawning.

The Law Of Selection

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

A Marvelous Occult Law.

Right in line with the consecrated purpose of this journal to be of practical assistance to its readers, it may prove helpful to call attention to the marvelous movements of the Law of Selection.

From the atomic world, on through every known phase of existence, the power of selection or choice is manifested.

Due to this law the flower selects its hue and fragrance, the clouds speed across the sky with bird-like flight or pose in stately columns on the horizon waiting to reflect the glory of the setting sun.

This law, as does also each law of nature, has its being in a majestic principle, lying back of its multitudinous variety of expression. Far beyond the comprehension of the finite mind are many of these phases, but there are some which it is all important to consider and note carefully, as an aid to the attainment of the desires.

We have learned through ages of experience that a law acts both for and against—so that it is proved that "it is a poor law that does not work both ways." Hence the conscious choice may belong to those alwise principles which formulate the law (making the impulse or act of choosing possible), and it may move in a direct course toward its achievement, or through ignorance, inattention, or willful opposition, meet its opposing influence again and again until the lesson is learned and the goal is reached.

To illustrate, a young man started out in life having selected honesty as his policy. He said that it appealed to his reason and aspirations, and that he believed "Honesty to be the best policy."

Like the pure mountain stream his purpose rippled clearly over its bright shallow course to join the deeper currents of human activity. True to his principle he declined

opportunities to obtain wealth and influence by methods that seemed to savor of oppression or unfairness, and yet, deep in his consciousness he questioned the wisdom of his refusal. This grew to a lurking fear that he had been a fool to let such opportunities pass by him, and became an undercurrent of remorse at his folly which constantly preyed upon his efforts and permeated the aura of his enterprise.

Other opportunities came, more flagrant than the others, but despite the secret thought that he was a fool, he had nevertheless spent half his life denouncing the proposed methods and consistency forbade him to retreat.

Now this man's choice was related to the great principle of rightness, but his success was meagre. His friends called him a failure, and he had remained on a plane below his possibilities.

Why? Because he lacked the "one thing needful," not in a religious sense but according to this occult law, the man's purpose was not fully allied to the principle back of the cause that would have produced the desired effect, attainment through pure desire. Had it been, no undercurrent of doubt would have adulterated his efforts. He would have loved his honest calling, welcomed its limitations because bounded by an eternal verity which was destined to conquer, and thus attract to himself the full co-operation of the law.

However, choice of the right cannot fail. Its flickering flame is never quenched. The time came when the man rejoiced that his voluntary selection placed him within the beneficent ruling of a law mightier than his doubts and fears and had held him from greater tribulation and error.

An infinitesimal piece of radium soon affects a substance wrapped about it.

That thoughts are more powerful than radium, both in constructive or disintegrating qualities we no longer question.

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Talk Happiness. The world is sad enough Without your woe. No path is wholly rough.

Look for the places that are smooth and clear,

And speak of them to rest the weary ear Of earth; so hurt by one continuous strain Of mortal discontent and grief and pain.

Talk Faith. The world is better off without Your uttered ignorance and morbid doubt. If you have faith in God, or man, or self, Say so; if not, push back upon the shelf Of silence all your thoughts till faith shall come.

No one will grieve because your lips are dumb.

Talk Health. The dreary never-ending tale

Of mortal maladies is worn and stale; You cannot charm or interest or please By harping on that minor chord, disease. Say you are well, or all is well with you, And God shall hear your words and make them true.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

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The Face of the World.

An Ancient Allegory.

From an Ancient Ms. in the French National Library.

Written in verse by John T. Bays.

I passed through a populous city,
The townsmen were thronging about;
I asked when the city was founded,
But no one had ever found out.
Their fathers before them were ignorant
Of when the great city was built;
But knew it had stood there for ages,
And thought it was never to wilt.

Five centuries later I traveled
Along by the very same way;
I saw not a sign of the city
That prospered so much in its day.
I asked of a very old rustic:
"When was it the city went down?"
He said that he knew of no city,
For ages they'd tended the ground.

And fifty long decades thereafter

I came and I found but a sea;
And I asked of a very old fisher,

As he looked with amazement at me:
"When was it, my good, ancient fisher,
That this was all changed to a sea?"
And he said: "Could this be a question
That is meant for a mortal like me?"

In a half a mileneum later

I came and I found there a town.
'Twas greater by far than the other,
Its record no one could trace down.
The townsmen all said that their fathers
Were as ignorant on the subject as they;
Its rise had been, lost in the ages,
No one could remember the day.

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THE AMERICAN WOMAN'S LEAGUE.

The first National Convention of the American Woman's League is to be held June 9th, 10th and 11th, at University City, St. Louis, Mo., at which time will meet the largest convention of women ever held in the world, and doubtless of the greatest importance to them, for it is "raising the standard of culture, education, independence and wider opportunity for womanhood in America." Its influence is also permeating other countries, for it already has members in Hawaii, India, France, Germany and England.

A feature of the convention will be a series of handsome booths, beautifully decorated, devoted to the "Class A" publications; each booth being in charge of young ladies in costume. Stellar Ray readers who attend the convention should not fail to visit THE STELLAR RAY BOOTH.

"Fifty million dollars is the sum which the recent 'Laymen's Conference' appropriated for the purpose of extending the work of foreign missions. And in the meantime, millions of little children are employed from early dawn until late at night in cotton mills and coal mines; no provision is made by the government for indigent workers; underpaid and half starving women of all ages are obliged to strike in order to receive even sufficient wages to keep body and soul together.

"But fifty million dollars can be raised almost any old time to force this kind of 'civilization' upon a race which has forgotten more than we have yet learned—isn't it strange?"—*A. J. McIver-Tyndall.*

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Forest Products Laboratory Ready for Work.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—An event of importance to the wood-using industries of the country and to engineers is the completion of the Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wis. June 4 has been set as the date for the formal opening. The laboratory has been established to aid, through experiments and demonstrations, the lessening of waste in the manufacture and use of wood. It is a co-operative undertaking between the United States Department of Agriculture and the University of Wisconsin. The state has erected for the purpose a new building at the university and will furnish also the light, heat and power. The Department of Agriculture has supplied the equipment and apparatus and will maintain the force of thirty-five or forty persons required to carry on the work. Through this arrangement, the United States has secured perhaps the largest and best equipped wood testing laboratory in the world.

A number of vacancies in engineering positions in connection with the work will be filled in May and June. Among these are positions of engineer in wood preservation, engineer in timber testing, and chemical engineering. These positions will be given to men with a basis of thorough engineering training, or two or three years' experience in practical work.

The laboratory will be prepared to make tests on the strength and other properties

of wood, to investigate the processes of treating timber to prevent destruction by decay and other causes, to study the saving of wood refuse by distillation processes, to examine the fiber of various woods for paper and other purposes, and to determine the influence of the microscopic structure of wood on its characteristics and properties. Facilities are at hand, in fact, for almost any kind of test on wood that practical conditions may require.

Lumber manufacturing and wood-using industries are keenly interested in the work on account of its practical bearing on reducing waste of wood—to them a subject of vital concern. Already they have proposed many experiments and supplied much testing material, which is awaiting attention.

Many prominent men of the lumbering and wood-using industries have signified their intention to attend on the day of the opening. Several organizations expect to hold directors' meetings or conferences at that time to consider, among other matters, plans for making wide practical use of the laboratory. A short, appropriate general program will be arranged, and there will be a systematic inspection of the laboratory, with demonstration work in progress at the time. The entire exercises will occupy but one day, and visitors will be able to return to Chicago the same evening.

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Helen Keller Knew the Tunes.

An impressive bit of testimony as to the permanence of the impressions of childhood and their influence upon the child's later development is afforded by an experience in the life of Miss Helen Keller, who, as is well known, was left by illness deaf, dumb and blind when less than 2 years old.

Among the many accomplishments she has acquired not the least astonishing is her power for appreciating music, which she "hears" by placing her hand lightly on the instrument and receiving its vibrations.

It occurred to Dr. Louis Waldstein, an authority on the "subconscious," that quite possible her appreciation of music was connected with subconscious memories of music she had heard before her illness. To test this theory he obtained from her mother copies of two songs which had been

sung to Miss Keller as an infant in Alabama, but which she had not heard since.

These he played in Miss Keller's presence, with a remarkable effect. She became greatly excited, clapped her hands, laughed and communicated:

"Father carrying baby up and down, swinging her on his knee! Black Crow! Black Crow!"

It was evident to all present that she had been drawn back in memory to the surroundings of her infancy. But no one knew what she meant by the words "black crow" until her mother explained that that was the title of a third song which her

father used to sing to her. She had not heard it since her nineteenth month, when she lost all sense of hearing, but now, many years afterward, and although dependent solely on the sense of touch, she was able not merely to remember it, but even to recall its name.—*American Magazine*.

Life.

Life is the rich fuel of experience
Blending with passion of desire,
Within the heart's urn to maintain
The soul's eternal fire.

—VERNE DEWITT ROWELL.

Contributions

"The Man from the Fourth Dimension of Space."

BY DR. GEORGE W. CAREY.

To the Editor of Stellar Ray:

I have read the very interesting article from U. A. L. in April STELLAR RAY. It is quite an able criticism of the fourth dimensional man, but I have no means of knowing what answer the man from the hidden place would give to U. A. L. I do not figure in the philosophy of the strange visitor and he may defend his statements or remain silent, as he pleases.

I simply related that which occurred and my critics would better settle with the principal in the affair and not with the reporter.

U. A. L. grows funny over "cell salts or salt cellars." When the Boston undertakers cremate the "mortal coil" of U. A. L. they will find from 7 to 9 pounds of mineral ashes, the salts of lime, soda, potash, iron, magnesia, silica, etc. These minerals are called cell salts. You can't be fresh with physiology.

Statement.

The phenomenon occurred just as I re-

lated it in February STELLAR RAY. Maybe that was an illusion.

It may be that clairvoyance, or clairaudience, or the telephone or wireless telegraphy are all illusions. Maybe the microscope and telescope are liars, the teller a myth, moving pictures a nightmare and aviation and levitation wholly impossible. For be it known to all two-thirds men that had any of these things been foretold in visions before they were demonstrated possibilities some critic would have knocked the theory into smithereens.

I am invited to send the fourth dimension man east if he bothers me any more. But it is the man in the east who seems to be bothered. I do not know when the "aquarius age" commenced or will commence, neither does U. A. L. know a little bit about it—except what he has read in books, last year's birds' nests.

I will only add that scientists everywhere are now in agreement that all the visible creation is the result of motion, and that our ability to see depends upon the rate of motion of our brain cells.

U. A. L. says that he does not wish to be anything but a *three* dimension man.

"As a man thinketh, so is he."

San Diego, Calif.

"To live enshrined in hearts we leave behind means more than most men think."

A Four-Fourths Creator vs. A Two-Thirds Man.

H. S. LEVALLEY,

Editor Kankakee, Ill., Daily Telepsychist,
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If U. A. L., of April "Stellar Ray" will "come west" we will try and show him that more than Trinity of Extension of Matter is involved. In fact, rapid activity of three dimensions carries it into the Fourth. A drop of water vaporized by heat disappears "behind an invisible screen."

Materialization is the bringing of gaseous fourth dimensional radio activity to ordinary sense perception.

Illumination is raising of sense perception to meet the same law working on a higher plane.

We commonly sense "the spirit" (matter of less retarded motion) due to fact of change of "form idea." A cue ball on a billiard table shot against a ball will lie beside it and push a farther one away, if in alignment. It is in this manner that ghosts seem to go through solids; as telepathic currents pierce all bodies.

Vibrations on the sun do not send "ions" from its substance to the earth, movement there changes and modifies form here; radio active physics deals with propulsion and movement of *mass*, the spirit with vibratory radio activity; the *Heaven within*.

"The inexplicable is a favorite alias of the unexplained, the assumption that what we cannot understand cannot be understood comes easy to us, for the simple reason that the wish plays father to the thought, and 'saves the face' of our vanity."

By means of senses intellectually, we form idea of three dimensions of matter, why not the "Fourth" in similar manner? The "Three" is but assignment of limited extension of mass influence. If it makes hyper space in a certain sense co-ordinate with it, if it extends its influence beyond its visible form why not a fourth? The eye alone does not determine dimension, motes in the air become visible; acted on by ray of sunshine, an "X-Ray in man" acts in like

manner. Dimension is but extension, limited or universal, of mass influence.

Nature is involution of idea with evolution of form. "Man is identity in difference of matter and mind as finite person. God is identity in difference of nature and spirit as infinite all-person," and *we know Him not* of three dimensions.

Editor STELLAR RAY:

While reading in December (1909) STELLAR RAY the article, "Thoughts Are Things," by Benjamin Williams, the thought came that it may not be out of place for me to send statement of some of my personal experiences that may be helpful to some one. There is yet much to be learned about mind and its possibilities.

There are as many view-points as there are individualized minds.

Shall we not help each other to gain this much-needed knowledge?

Here is an experience (one out of many) that may throw a little light on the subject, "Thoughts Are Things:" My husband, some lady friends and I were going to a lecture. Being Sunday, if we got our mail, Mr. M must go to the postoffice for it. He went on ahead of us with the understanding we would meet at the entrance to the hall. Waiting there for him I looked out (along the side of the street we were on) saw him and told the others of his coming.

Again I looked—he was not in sight. I decided he had stopped in a doorway for a moment with someone. After a little time I looked out again. He was there at about the same spot where I had seen him before. He suddenly disappeared as before. I saw him the *third* time in about the same position as before and he disappeared in the same way. This all happened in a very short space of time. After his third disappearance—looking across the street toward the postoffice (on an avenue) I saw Mr. M— just leaving the avenue for the street. Instead of going on the crossing until he reached our side of the street, he "cut off the corner" and went angling through to where we were—midway the block. When he reached us

I asked: "What were you thinking of when crossing the avenue?" He said, "I was thinking I would go on the crossing to the other side of the street but decided to come this other way." To have been where I had seen him he must have kept to the crossing, as he had thought to do. When I told him how I had seen him three times, he said, "I did change my mind two or three times." Did I see only the thought,—a shadow of the *man*,—or is he and the thought *one*? If it was thought sent out by the *man*, then thought has form and is clothed,—when the individual sends it out—and has his appearance.

At one time I saw a person in this way, coming toward our home with hat and cloak on, when in fact she was indoors without hat or cloak on. On inquiry she answered, "I was just crazy to go to your house, but had to stay at home and iron."

Whether or not the individual and thought are one, or the person sends out the thought formed and clothed "in his own image," in either case, anyone having "spiritual discernment" (and receptive at the moment), may see us as we are, and feel and know our desire and intention.

This article is already long else I might tell of another experience where good resulted with another person, which seemed to be brought about by my visit to her when I was "absent from the body"—(physical body).

Good (God) is "no respecter of persons." Whatever of power—force or *will*, for manifesting is with one person (I believe) is surely in store for any other who cares to conform to the laws of spiritual unfoldment; that is, *I*—spirit—can (*when I learn how*) do whatever others can.

Who can conceive of the amount of *good* (or *ill*) we may be able to do when we fully realize that thoughts, as Mr. Williams says, "are potent to produce results upon distant bodies."

(Mrs.) O. S. M.

Everything is unfoldment, but one can unfold worry, darkness and misery in his being as well as Joy, Peace, Harmony. If we unfold the one we cannot unfold the other. He who worries about his "spir-

itual unfoldment," stops it right there and then, for Peace of mind, not mental worry, unfolds the spirit. If he neglects his surroundings, he does not unfold spiritually, for the skill of the spirit-sculptor is known by the perfection of his external work, and that will bring unfoldment.—*Lucy A. Rose Mallory, Portland, Ore.*

Dirt, disorder and a quarrelsome disposition as inevitably lead to disease and poverty, as cleanliness, order and kindness lead to health, happiness and prosperity.—*World's Advance Thought, Portland, Ore.*

Young at Ninety-one.

The advocates of the "too old at forty" principle have not had things all their own way lately. In fact, old age has developed an unexpected capacity for self-defense, and that not by words—on which youth is too apt to rely—but by deeds.

We have the case of Sir John Bigham, now in his seventieth year, who is showing his colleagues in the law courts that the only way to reduce arrears is by working on them. Lord Halsbury, again, does marvelous things at 83; while, to crown all, Lord Wemyss yesterday celebrated his ninety-first birthday, after sixty-eight years of more or less strenuous parliamentary life, by taking a walk on Hampstead Heath.

The three instances we have quoted are all of hard-working men, whose energy, although great, has been concentrated. They have not dissipated their time in a multitude of interests, nor have their energies been expended in violent exercise, whether physical or mental. Probably they all feel as young today as many "under forties."

As a matter of fact, of course, a mere counting of years is no guide at all to a man's real age. What he will be like at, say, seventy, depends entirely upon how he has spent his life until then. The best signposts on the road are moderation—not only in drink, but in all things—a healthy mind and a settled interest in life. Armed with these and a good constitution, there are few who might not be as young at ninety-one as is Lord Wemyss.—*From an English Exchange.*

"The more worthy any soul is, the larger is its compassion."

Personalities.

BY EARLE WILLIAM GAGE,
Jamestown, N. Y.

Keep clear of personalities in general conversation. Talk of things, objects, thoughts. The smallest minds occupy themselves with personalities.

Do not needlessly report ill of others. There are times when we are compelled to say, "I do not think Brown is a true and honest man." But when there is no need to express an opinion, let poor Brown

swagger away. Others will take his measure, no doubt, and save you the trouble of analyzing him and instructing them.

As far as possible dwell on the good side of human beings. There are family boards where a constant process of depreciating, assigning motives, and cutting up character goes forward. They are not pleasant places.

One who is mentally healthy does not wish to dine at a dissecting table. There is evil enough in man, God knows! But it is not the mission of every man and woman to detail and report it all. Keep the atmosphere as pure as possible, and fragrant with gentleness and charity.

Stellar Science Department

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Were You Born in the Zodiacal Sign, Cancer, the Crab?

HENRY CLAY HODGES.

If you were born between June 21st and July 21st. The sun was in the sign cancer. This position is good for property inheritance from the parents, also through some occupation connected with water or liquids.

It inclines the nature to home; he is attached to the home and family life and the mother, also prospers with house and land property. It favors birth of children, but in an afflicted horoscope they will be sickly or not prosperous.

People born under this sign represent the magnetic forces of the Zodiac and are natural mediums and seers. That which is commonly called intuition in others is apt to become inspiration in these natures.

They have well regulated minds and when they talk they have something to say that is worth while.

The females are the best of wives and mothers, are usually good housekeepers while not going to the extreme which

causes their family and friends to suffer for their exactitude.

They are especially magnetic and always have friends. They also have good business tact. As children their keen imagination often gets them into trouble, by being punished for not speaking the truth. Wise parents should train this faculty in children born in this sign.

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Cancer: The Chemistry of the Crab.

JUNE 21 TO JULY 22.

Cancer is the Mother Sign of the Zodiac. . . The mother's breast is the Soul's first home after taking on flesh and "rending the Veil of Isis."

The tenacity of those born between dates June 21 and July 22 in holding on to a home or dwelling place is well illustrated by the Crab's grip, and also by the fact that it carries its house along wherever it goes in order that it may be sure of a dwelling.

The Angels (Angles) of the twelve Zodiacal Signs materialize their vitalities in the human microcosm. Through the operation of chemistry, energy creating, the intelli-

gent molecules of Divine Substance make the "Word flesh."

The corner stone in the chemistry of the crab is the inorganic salt fluoride of lime, known in pharmacy language as Calcareo Flurica. It is a combination of fluorine and lime.

When this cell salt is deficient in the blood, physical and mental disease (not-atease) is the result. Elastic fiber is formed by the union of the fluoride of lime with albuminoids, whether in the rubber tree or the human body. All relaxed conditions of tissue (varicose veins and kindred ailments) are due to a lack of sufficient amount of elastic fiber to "rubber" the tissue and hold it in place.

When elastic fiber is deficient in tissue of membrane between the upper and lower brain poles—cerebrum and cerebellum—there results a "sagging apart" of the positive and negative poles of the dynamo that runs the machinery of man.

An unfailling sign or symptom of this deficiency is a groundless fear of financial ruin.

While those born in any of the twelve signs may some time be deficient in Cal. Fluo., due to Mars. or Mercury (or both) in Cancer at birth, Cancer people are more liable to symptoms indicating a lack of this elastic fiber builder than are those born in other signs.

Why should we search Latin and Greek lexicons to find a name for the result of a deficiency in some of the mineral constituents of blood. If we find a briar in our flesh we say so in the plainest speech; we do not say "I have got the *briatitis*, or *splintralgia*."

When we know that a deficiency in the cell-salts of the blood cause the symptoms that medical ignorance has dignified and personified with names that nobody knows the meaning of, we will know how to scientifically heal by the unalterable law of the chemistry life. When we learn the cause of disease, then, and not before, will we prevent disease.

Not through quarantine, nor disinfectants, nor "Boards of Health" will man reach the long sought plane of health, not through affirmations of health, nor denials of disease will bodily regeneration be wrought, not by dieting or fasting or "Fletcherizing" or suggesting will the elixir of life, and the

philosopher's stone be found.

The "mercury of the sages" and the "Hidden manna" are not constituents of health foods.

Victims of salt baths and massage are bald before their time, and the alcohol, steam and Turkish bath fiends die young.

"Sic transit gloria mundi."

When man's body is made chemically perfect the operation of mind will perfectly express.

Gems belonging to the sign of the breast are black onyx and emerald. Astral colors, green and russet brown.

Cancer is represented by Zebulun, the tenth son of Jacob, and means *dwelling place or habitation*.

Matthew is the Cancer disciple.

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The Outlook For June 1910

BY FREDERICK WHITE

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The New Moon for June occurs on the 7th of June at 7:16 a. m. and the Full of the Moon on the 22d of June, 2:11 p. m., Chicago standard time, or one hour earlier Washington time.

At the time of the new Moon the Sun is 16° in the sign Gemini, in Parallel aspect to Mars, the aspect being as strong as a conjunction, the Moon being in parallel aspect to Uranus, with Mars strongly aspected to Uranus. The Moon has strong significance because it refers to the People generally and is the ruling planet of the month on account of Cancer ascending at the time of the New Moon, and Mars is strong by being in the ascendant.

I consider the outlook unsettled and a little uncertain, the aspect of Mars indicates more or less contention and dissatisfaction among the masses, a period when there is quite liable to be much inharmony, probably some Jingo talk between foreign nations, and those that are friendly with the United States and some nation that is not so much so, such as may effect us eventually if anything serious came from it.

Business will be changeable, quite active off and on as the Sun represents the Busi-

ness and Finances of the country and the aspect of the Moon to Uranus and Sun will make building, railroad improvement, etc., quite active. The politicians and those in power will be in it for very sharp criticism, more so than usual, on account of Mars being ruler of the 10th and in opposition to Uranus.

There will be unusual weather in various parts of the country, and unusual disasters, probably in connection with coal mines and railroads as Uranus refers to such. The cereal markets should have considerable activity; they may be very weak the first half of the month, and turn stronger to quite an extent the last part. Stocks should get a fair set back while the aspect of Uranus and Mars is operating. The Summer quarter starts the 22d of June with the Moon entering the sign Capricorn in trine aspect to Saturn, and Sun sextile to Saturn, with Jupiter in a strong aspect, a very favorable indication for quite good prices for cereals, easy and good activity on the whole for business for the coming three months.

The Days of June, 1910.

June 1st—Moon 17° in Pisces, trine with Mars 10 a. m., favorable, buy, change.

June 2nd—Moon 1° in Aries, opposite Jupiter at noon, active, changeable, but good.

June 3rd—Moon 16° in Aries, square to Mars 2 p. m., active, deceiving, be careful.

June 4th—Moon conj. Saturn at 10 a. m., bad, avoid risks and unnecessary changes.

June 5th, Sunday—Moon 15° in Taurus, sextile to Neptune 11 a. m., good, push affairs as far as conscience will allow.

June 6th—Moon 0° in Gemini, trine with Jupiter 2 p. m., active, good, push business.

June 7th—Moon 15° in Gemini, conj. with Sun at 7 a. m., be careful and avoid risks.

June 8th—Moon 21° in Gemini, no aspects. Good, but quiet.

June 9th—Moon 14° in Cancer, conj. with Neptune at noon, active but deceiving; use caution, sell.

June 10th—Moon 28° in Cancer, trine to Saturn 2 p. m. is quiet, but generally good.

June 11th—Moon 12° in Leo, sextile to Sun at 8 p. m. is generally favorable, push affairs, ask favors, etc.; buy.

June 12th, Sunday—Moon 25° in Leo, square to Mercury at 3 p. m., is uncertain.

June 13th—Moon 8° in Virgo, trine with Venus at 2 p. m., is very good; ask favors, push all affairs.

June 14th—Moon 20° in Virgo, square with Sun 7 a. m., first quarter, is annoying, changeable, be a little careful about starting important business.

June 15th—Moon 3° in Libra, conj. with Jupiter at 10 a. m. is very good, buy, ask favors, make changes.

June 16th—Moon 14° in Libra, square with Neptune at noon, be careful, sell but avoid risks.

June 17th—Moon 26° in Libra, opposite Saturn 4 p. m., is evil, be careful, sell.

June 18th—Moon 8° in Scorpio, no aspects, is quiet but generally good.

June 19th—Moon 20° in Scorpio, sextile to Uranus 2 p. m. is very good for all Sunday affairs.

June 20th—Moon 2° in Sagittarius, sextile to Jupiter at noon, very good, buy, ask favors and push affairs.

June 21st—Moon 14° in Sagittarius, no aspects, generally good but quiet.

June 22nd—Moon 26° in Sagittarius, applying to good aspect of Saturn, generally good but may be quiet.

June 23rd—Moon 9° in Capricorn, applying to an opposition of Neptune, is changeable and uncertain.

June 24th—Moon 21° in Capricorn, conj. with Uranus at noon, active, uncertain, be quite careful, avoid contention.

June 25th—Moon 4° in Aquarius, trine to Jupiter at 9 a. m., is generally good, ask favors and push affairs.

June 26th—Moon 17° in Aquarius. Sunday. No aspects, is good for all Sunday affairs.

June 27th—Moon 1° in Pisces, trine to Sun at 4 p. m., is good, buy, ask favors, etc.

June 28th—Moon 14° in Pisces, trine to Neptune at 2 p. m., is very good generally; buy, ask favors and push all affairs.

June 29th—Moon 27° in Pisces, applying to square of Sun, generally uncertain.

June 30th—Moon 12° in Aries, square to Neptune at 7 p. m., is deceiving and uncertain, be cautious.

Note.—The Moon's longitude as given,

is for Greenwich Mean Noon or for Chicago at 6 a. m.

Everyone Should Study Astrology.

In the common schools, the student is instructed in the branches that will be the most useful in fitting him or her for making a living. Those who are ambitious for a higher education are sent to the High school, and here they are instructed in various branches, often in such lines as they may never use, they take these studies in order to develop the mind, or to learn to concentrate, to become familiar with history, and by applying their knowledge, possibly becoming able to make better calculations for the future. If one will take up the study of Astrology; they will at once become familiar with Mythology, and have a desire to know more about the past history, religions, etc., of the world. In Astrology, one has to use judgment which no one can teach as they do in the common schools, they soon get into the habit of thinking more deeply, studying out what certain combinations will produce, they hunt up the Horoscope of some one who has had like conditions, eventually the mind becomes broader, the intuition more accurate, they become more charatable, consequently are more popular, and make friends easier, contentment takes the place of worry and discontent. You may visit an Astrologer or send him a considerable sum of money for work done, but you will not be as satisfied or get as much information as you would by looking up the combinations for yourself, and what you absolutely know is worth a thousand fold more to you than to some one else. Accidents or quarrels that would effect you for years may be averted if you know what causes such and when they are liable to occur. Comparing your own horoscope with one that you would marry may save a life of misery, or may show you how to overcome inharmony at present. To learn how to cast a Horoscope and to judge the effects of aspects is not difficult, one who can learn to read music can learn to read the aspects between planets, a good machinist makes an excellent Astrologer, a good dress maker can tell more in a minute about the future and tell it correct than the well educated Doctor or Minister can tell about it in a

million years, if familiar with astrology.

We endorse the suggestions made by Fredrick White in the above and trust he will favor the Stellar Ray readers with more of his practical ideas concerning the importance of a knowledge concerning this science.—H. C. HODGES.

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Comments on the Wheeler-Wolter Murder Case.

BY L. E. JOHNDRO.

At least the American readers of the "Stellar Ray" have heard and read of the shocking murder of Ruth Wheeler in New York, on March 24th, supposedly at about 10 a. m.

If the student of psychology (at the very root of which lies the science of astrology) would learn, he must study and investigate not only the palatable phases of human life, but also follow closely in the steps of the late and much lamented Lombroso and his even more logistic pupil and disciple, Max Nordan, and delve not alone into virtue but into crime whose sordid tragedies anon bow the head of humanity in shame at its still evident proximity to the primitive in development, to the purely elemental in nature, and to the imperfection of its ethics, which, like a storm of much thunder and little rain, quiets the obnoxious dust only to pass over and leave the soil parched and barren—penetrates the cloak but not the man.

It is the attitude of the strictly normal mind to shun in thought and task all that directly savors of criminal association, and, while this must, in itself, tend to place the spread of crime at a minimum, this attitude has, at the same time, placed a narrow boudry about man's knowledge of criminal psychology.

So it is that the normal moral attitude, while limiting the *growth* of crime, fails in its attempt to intelligently cope with *existing* crime.

It is a strange paradox in nature that in crime, as oft in virtue, that conscious experience which makes it possible, fortunately in the first case and unfortunately in the last instance, becomes its headsmen.

But to keep close to the subject matter, there must be a sufficient number of astro students among "Ray" readers to warrent

the presentation therein of some little data bearing on this particular crime and permitting their individual investigation of the case.

Through the courtesy of a New York friend the writer obtained the partial birth data of the victim and the accused. Let us hope it is more authentic than that of Hocton Cook, who many authorities assert (though absolute verification has proven as illusive as that bearing on the polar exploration of both parties) was born in 1865, just a year later than given in a recent article in the "Ray."

Ruth Wheeler was born Octo 16th, 1894; Albert Wolter on Dec. 27th, 1891. Neither places nor hours were given. Erecting a crude chart for the first date, we find the following fatal afflictions: The sun was 23° Libra, in conjunction with Saturn 27° 30', and both opposite Mars in 29° Aries. At the present age the student will find both progressed Venus and Saturn close in opposition to the native Mars. The principal exciting transits were Uranus 24° 40' Capricorn and Saturn 23° 17' Aries, both evil to the above combination. Note that the victim was first strangled (Saturn and Sun in Airy Libra) and then burned (Mars and Saturn's transit, in fiery Aries.)

A little analogy hints that about 22° Aquarius was rising at birth, for the Gemini stenographers are seldom the product of schools, but, unlike Aquarius, just "pick things up" as they hold down a job at the same time. This would make the hour about 2:45 P. M., and would place Sun and Saturn in the 8th (house of death) and throw Uranus' exciting transit from the cusp of the 12th (murder.)

You will also find this gives Mars in the 2nd (the house of negotiations, business engagements, terms, contracts, etc., etc.), and places the transit of Venus on the ascendant, in union with Venus progressed in the chart of the accused, and afflicted, as will be later given.

This hour also gives the progressed 12th evil to Uranus in the accused, the progressed moon and zenith in conjunction and aspecting the fatal native combine (showing a case of wide public interest and publicity), and the ascendant advanced to the time of Uranus, etc. Neptune would be opposite the zenith at birth, a strong indi-

cation of allurements through fake positions.

Erecting a chart of the accused, we find Sun and Mercury evil to Saturn and sextile to Uranus and Mars in Scorpio. At this age, we find the Sun progressed to 24° Capricorn, sextile to Mars 23½° Scorpio, the latter being over the native Moon. That is, both lights are configuring Mars at this age, which is identical with the planetary directions in the chart of Charles Tucker, electrocuted (protesting innocence) in 1906 for the somewhat similar though less revolting murder of Miss Mabel Page, in 1904, in Massachusetts, and whose trial excited so much comment.*

We also find in the Wolter chart that Venus is advanced to the square of the native moon and progressed Mars in Scorpio, Venus being 22½° Aquarius (compare with our estimated ascendant in the victim's chart). Notice also that the progressed Sun in the accused's chart, while sextile to his Mars and Moon, was square (evil) to Saturn, Sun and Mars, in the victim's chart, and held the place of the Uranus transit and the 12th of the victim's chart; also that a certain birth hour would bring the progressed Moon also in like affliction.

These are remarkable horoscopes and cross aspects. It is the jury's duty to decide this man's guilt or innocence, but it is patent how strong will be the net cast about the accused tending to associate him with the crime. No one with such a cross with the victim's chart could well hope to escape suspicion and conviction, even if innocent, while even a faint clue existed upon which the prosecution might build a circumstantial case. The writer's friend who supplied the data second hand, though a prominent New York broker, has for years found time to study astrology and apply it to his speculative and business gain. He was called in by some friends who had secured the data already given, and, without revealing to him whose nativities they were,

*The writer, in 1905, secured data on the above principal in that case, and, without attempting to judge of his guilt or innocence, judged he would be convicted, but was five days wrong as to the day of electrocution; the primary arcs being the ascendant conjunction to Mars progressed in 2° 42' Leo, and Sun over radical Moon and, sextile to Mars radix, the latter being in Cancer in the ascendant.

he was asked what he thought would happen if those two whose dates were given him should ever meet.

He declared after a cursory inspection of the charts that he thought the girl dead or about to die, and that if living and they met at this age the man would unquestionably murder her, that death would probably be due to strangulation, but that fire would in some way be associated with her death.

He was not a little astonished to learn he was judging the principals in the Wheeler-Wolter case, and not a little alarmed (so the writer was informed) at the position in which he found himself in thus voicing a judgment on what he supposed to be a hypothetical inquiry on the part of his student friends.

This can be verified by several persons attendant, but it is natural that under the circumstances he should desire to remain unknown, since his wizard ability played a grim joke in this instance.

The writer sometimes wonders if twelve astrologers, armed with not only the available evidence but the data of the principal, would not constitute a sounder jury than twelve of our average citizens, honest and sincere though they be, who are compelled often to discount perjury as best they can, allow themselves to be swayed by legal technicalities that distort justice, and sell their impartial jurisdiction for the sympathies of a blatant public or to the eloquence of our legal pillars who are more often possessed of personality than judgment, and dominated by the spirit of personal ambition rather than by the spirit of justice.

L. E. JOHNDRO,
April 7th, 1910.

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Halley and His Comet.

We are in receipt of the following letter from Ex-Admiral W. W. Moore, of the British Navy concerning the Halley Comet, which will no doubt be of interest to our readers.

8, Western Parade,
Southsea, 2, May 1910.

My Dear Mr. Hodges:

I send you a cutting from "Daily Telegraph" which I think will interest you.

H. H. Turner is one of our foremost astronomers and will probably be Astronomer Royal in a few months.

Yours sincerely,

W. W. MOORE.

London, Feb. 19, 1910.—Professor H. H. Turner, Savilian Professor of Astronomy in the University of Oxford, was the lecturer at the weekly meeting of the Royal Institute last night, the subject being "Halley's Comet."

The lecturer remarked that it was not easy to forecast with accuracy, but the indications were in favour of a moderately bright appearance only, in the latter part of May next. In predicting its return in 1758, or thereabout, Halley gave a sensational illustration of the consequences following from the newly-discovered law of gravitation which he had elicited from Newton. As the time drew near for the prophesied return there was intense excitement, astronomers, according to Voltaire, having never gone to bed in 1758 for fear of missing the comet, and the fulfilment of the prediction was hailed as a great triumph.

Professor Turner then glanced at a few leading events in the life of Halley, who was born in 1658. It was after his appointment in 1704 as Savilian Professor of Geometry at Oxford, that he made his famous discovery about the return of comets. George the First conferred the post of Astronomer-Royal upon Halley, who died in 1742, aged 86. As the result of incredible labor in calculating the orbits of as many comets as he could find records of, according to the principles and methods furnished by Newton, Halley published the elements of twenty-four comets. He had noticed that the planets Jupiter and Saturn disturbed each other (as they should according to the great law of gravitation). He argued that they might also disturb a comet and the effect would be much greater, for a not very large disturbance was capable of sending a comet away for ever—outside the sun's sphere of influence—hence a smaller disturbance could lengthen its journey appreciably. As a result of his calculations, Halley predicted that the comet which now bears his name would return in 1758 or thereabouts, and he trust-

ed posterity, when the comet reappeared, to credit an Englishman with the prediction. The comet did not return until 1759. But the delay, the causes of which Halley had so expressly recognized, really added fresh laurels to his success in prediction. The comet went round once again, and reappeared in 1835, and had now come back to us once more. It had been photographed, and seen in telescopes of moderate power. In May it was hoped it would be easily seen with the naked eye. Until recently the calculations of the circumstances of return had been chiefly made by foreign astronomers, but for the present return Messrs. Cowell and Crommelin, of the Royal Observatory at Greenwich, had outdistanced all competitors, and been awarded the prize of the *Astronomische Gesellschaft* for their most successful prediction. They used special methods for the work, such as had been devised shortly before by Mr. Cowell for dealing with the exceptional case of the tiny eighth satellite of Jupiter. After herculean computations, they obtained such accurate results that Dr. Max Wolf, of Heidelberg was enabled to pick up the tiny comet on one of his photographs on Sept. 13, 1909, close to the place predicted.

Difficulties of Prediction.

It might not be quite clear wherein lay the chief difficulty of the work, or the chief merit of the accuracy attained. Was not the orbit of the comet well known after so many revolutions had been observed? But it must be remembered that the whole journey took seventy-five years, and that there might be unknown disturbing causes. We should be fortunate if the time was predicted within a week. We must be prepared to find the apparent path of the comet, as seen by us, modified considerably by a delay in its orbit, even though that orbit might be accurately prescribed, and in searching for the comet we depended, of course, on the apparent path, and not the real. To see the kind of difference that might result, the lecturer compared the two ephemerides given by Messrs. Cowell and Crommelin, one in March, 1908, when they had made approximate calculations only, and the other now that they have made their laborious and accurate calculations, and corrected them finally by the latest news brought by the comet itself. The

change, said the professor, was for our advantage in the northern hemisphere, but the possibility that the comet might be visible during the total eclipse of the sun on May 8 in Tasmania had now disappeared. The comet would have set before the eclipse began. One peculiarity of the present return, to which Mr. Crommelin had drawn attention, was that the interval since the last appearance was the shortest on record by some two months. It was also noteworthy that this quick return was the paradoxical result of special delays by Jupiter. The orbits of the comet and of Jupiter crossed (approximately) at two points, and the time occupied by the planet in journeying from one to the other in its orbit was nearly equal to that occupied by the comet in its orbit; hence if both were near one crossing point together, they would also be near the other point together. Jupiter got behind the comet on both these occasions during the last round and pulled it back, the direct effect of which was, of course, delay; but an indirect effect overpowered this; the comet did not go so far afield when checked at the outset, and so came home quicker.

As regards the limit to which the comet attains (continued the professor), it journeys beyond the orbit of Neptune, some thirty times the distance of earth from sun, say 3,000 million miles. It does not go far beyond this orbit, but by the peculiarities of elliptic motion under gravity it spends half its time doing the small arc which lies beyond Neptune's orbit. This lingering in the part of the journey remote from the sun becomes more and more pronounced as the time or revolution increases. We know that there are comets which take thousands of years to return to the sun, instead of only seventy-five to eighty, like Halley's comet: the greater part of this time they spend at a great distance, traveling so slowly as to be almost stationary.

A Political Parallel.

The lecturer pointed out that Messrs. Cowell and Crommelin had not limited their work to the present return of the comet, but had carried its history back through the ages to 240 B.C. One of the returns of the comet was in 1066, the year of the Norman conquest of England. Another took place in 1531, and (said Professor

Turner), taking the cue from Halley's pride in an English achievement, it was to be noted that that was the year in which Henry VIII. was declared head of the English Church. The year of the comet of 1607 saw the foundation of Jamestown, with which the history of the United States, might be said to commence; that of 1758 saw the birth of Nelson, and 1759 the Battle of Quiberon Bay. Mr. Crommelin had called attention to the parallel between the General Elections in England in 1835 and 1910. The numbers of the parties at the previous elections and after the election in the comet year were curiously parallel:

	1835	1910
Liberals in previous.....	514	513
Liberals after election.....	385	397
Opposition in previous....	144	157
Opposition after election...	273	273

The comet of 66 was perhaps the sword mentioned by Josephus as hanging over Jerusalem for a whole year together, which he took to be a warning of its impending destruction.

The lecturer proceeded to ask: What of future returns? Can we expect reappearance of the comet to continue indefinitely? Our knowledge of the nature and history of comets, though it has advanced rapidly in the last few decades, is still scarcely sufficient to enable us to answer with con-

fidence; but the indications are that comets are continuously being disintegrated, and are ultimately broken up, perhaps into a swarm of meteors. The tail of a comet probably represents its losses at the moment. The losses are difficult to estimate quantitatively, but from recent photographs especially those of Professor E. E. Barnard, and those taken at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, it has been conclusively proved that matter is traveling outwards from the head of the comet, and some progress has been made with quantitative estimations.

Allaying Anxiety.

Professor Turner tried to allay the anxieties of those who dread our passage through the tail of Halley's comet on May 18. There was nothing to fear. Halley's comet is being gradually disintegrated. At each return the sun exacts a considerable fine, and since we know of no compensating replenishment of the patrimony, it must be dwindling, and will ultimately disappear. Other evidence tells us that there is a close connection between comets and meteors, and hence, in ages to come, the flashing of a few meteors across the sky may be all that remains to tell us of the comet, which was a terror to past ages. But that end is not yet. We may confidently expect many more returns of his comet to bear witness to Halley's fame.

Celestial Verities

By "ASH-PHE"

Griscot!

Of all the arts which have originated in ancient wisdom Astrology is now the most misunderstood. Its very name is associated in the mind with fanatics, wizards, magicians and all that modern materialism looks upon as superstitious folly.

However, we must not be too uncharitable toward the narrow bias and skepticism of the modern mind. It is the result of a violent reaction; for during more than two thousand years prior to this epoch, the sun's cyclic pathway led through the dark, watery

sign Pisces, the sign of sacerdotal and priestly power, and no man dared call his soul his own, or think other than at the dictation of an unscrupulous priesthood. At this period the Inquisition flourished, the wail of whose martyrs has scarce yet been silenced; following which an unenlightened and benighted clergy proclaimed the fiat, "Let there be darkness," and the soul hearing, wrapped about itself still closer the winding sheet of forgetfulness, sinking deeper to sleep in its charnel house of death.

Is it to be wondered, then, that now, at

the commencement of this glorious Aquarian reign, the sun, emerging from the Stygian waters of soul annihilation, into the free open air of liberty, brings some confusion with it? We have so long been slaves to superstition, chained in the dark crypts of ignorance, that now our divine heritage—freedom—is offered us, we stumble up the dimly lighted stairway of materialism, and on opening the door the fresh, pure air of spiritual truth, and the bright sunshine of altruism and brotherly love come as a shock to our faculties, dwarfed and stunted as they have become by the fetid atmosphere of our prison-house.

Those who have climbed the stairway and stand in the open door leading to Truth, see spreading before them a world of spiritual possibilities, a new world, a world which despite of its wondrous beauty, contains many snares and pitfalls for the feet of the unwary traveler.

To traverse a strange country in safety both maps and guides are necessary, and as we ponder this problem as to ways and means, the sun sinks beneath the horizon and one by one the stars peep through the azure vault of heaven beckoning us to ask of them our questions, giving the assurance that they will be a light unto our feet. Let us bow our heads in reverence, voicing as did the sweet singer of old the sublime truth, "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handiwork; day unto day uttereth *speech* and night unto night showeth knowledge." In undimmed splendor they shine forth—some in groups, some in clusters, some alone—an accurate map placed where no man can alter, no vandal destroy, or desecrating hand pollute, "unchanged by Time's all-devastating flight," they are the unalterable guides upon whom absolute dependence may be placed, and he who attempts to traverse the road to spiritual realization without this guidance is in danger.

Though Astrology is not, as is commonly supposed, exclusively an occult science necessitating the development of some psychic power for its successful application, it, like many other sciences, has an esoteric side, and just as esoteric astrology is the one science leading to a thorough understanding of man's physical life, so is

esoteric, or spiritual astrology, when wisely interpreted, the one key that will unlock the door to man's spiritual possibilities. "It is above as it is below, and below as it is above," and whosoever sets his feet in the path of occultism without a knowledge of this law as exemplified by planetary influence, is like a mariner adrift without a compass—he may reach port in safety if fair winds prevail, but the possibilities are he will find himself stranded on some hidden shoal.

There is a science of magic, pure, white magic governed by strict and undeviable law, whose possibilities are boundless. I have no reference to the black and gray magic prevalent among various "isms" of today. I speak of a noble art whereby the worthy man or woman may realize their heart's desire and be a blessing to their fellow-men. Inextricably interwoven with the mental laws governing this art is the ebb and flow of stellar influx, making its highest and noblest application impossible without a knowledge of the stars.

There is a science of Alchemy garnered from the musty tomes of ancient and mediæval literature. Let moderns laugh at, scoff and ridicule the possibilities of transmutation; the facts remain that not only can base metals be changed to gold, but the universal ether itself contains the "All," and but awaits the master hand to crystalize it into gold and precious stones. The first step in the study of alchemy is to learn the properties of the planets and their corresponding minerals, their natural affinities and antipathies.

Let us turn to the Bible, sacred history, it is called, and the first thing that confronts us is an account of the creation, an account which interpreted literally has been scientifically disproved, but considered astrologically the six days of creation become so many polar days of immense duration, a time that is accurately known, and which also accounts for discoveries in geology and archeology.

Gaze into the midnight sky and you will see enacted the grand drama of the soul's fall from grace. Eve, the pure virgin of the heavens, is pictured there. The apples hanging in the Garden of Eden and the wily serpent tempting, as of yore. So also is seen the angel who guards the gates of

Paradise with his flaming sword. Cain has slain Abel in his heavenly home and the throne is still empty awaiting the resurrection morn, when Abel will once again come to his own and Cain's dread exile cease.

Our father Jacob, with thigh out of joint, still wrestles with the angel. He had a dream. He saw the cyclic ladder of the universe and angels ascending and descending on it. Every soul on this earth has descended this ladder of involution, reached the bottom rung and is now ascending to angelic perfection. Jacob is crippled, showing the disadvantage material environments impose upon us, yet he wrestles on, sure of victory, as is each earnest soul who diligently struggles for spiritual supremacy.

Not only are we enabled to unravel the intricacies of the Bible and the Kabbalah by means of our starry guides, but Mythology also is replete with truths when subject to their interpretation. We learn that Mercury, winged messenger of the gods, is in reality the planet ruling brain, speech, writing and travel. Aphrodite, born of the ocean foam, is our fair planet Venus, who rules our loves and pleasures. She is but the octave expression of the older and more sedate Neptune, who is pictured by the ancients as rising from the sea, trident in hand. The benign Jupiter, king of the ancient gods, and the fiery warrior Mars, are also found to have the precise influence in our lives that their characters suggest, as do also the erratic Uranus and the melancholy Saturn.

Have you stopped to consider that the eagle, the symbol of which our nation so proudly boasts, is ours by right of heritage, for the starry eagles are exactly on our meridian when Aries is over Greenwich? With this position the constellation Cygnus Canaan (the goose) is directly over Canada. Pan, the goat, is over Panama. The lion, with whose rampant figure we are familiar, and which England has usurped, is over China; while the great bear stalks majestically across the steppes of Russia, his rightful domain.

Nations rise, culminate, decline and fall with rhythmic-like precision. Is this merely a fortuitous circumstance, the result of chance? Certainly not. It is due to the ebb and flow of celestial influx, and the discerning student may trace with unerring accuracy the history of nations, of whose very existence material science has never dreamed, by means of his astrological knowledge.

The lesser methods of divination, too, such as card reading and crystal gazing, have their foundation in the stars. The crystal can not be properly consecrated without a knowledge of planetary law; and the Sacred Tarot, of which our pack is an abbreviation, is a compilation of astrological symbolism. So I would say to the aspirant for esoteric knowledge, Astrology is the key to the door of realization, and if your motive be the life motto of the writer, "Non sibi, sed omnibus," no good thing will be withheld from you.

Department of Psychological Sciences and Unfoldment

By J. C. F. GRUMBINE, 1890 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

(Questions Invited)

A short respite from the routine and class work in Boston brought me to Washington, D. C., so beautiful and resplendent in spring attire and never more heavenly, with all her imperfections and lack of spirituality than during the month of May. One

can see the buildings of the capital city at any time, but to see the city in her beauty, when nature adds what art and culture fail to embody in architecture and in relics, is to visit Washington in May. And by-all means go to the Zoo, Soldiers' Home, Ar-

lington, Mt. Vernon, Rock Creek Park and other suburban places of a most enthralling natural attraction. Here one finds rest and peace!

Unfortunately I struck the city during the equinoctial, the last two weeks of March and while I addressed audiences in Georgetown the rain acted as a deterrent on those who never seem to be able to worship God or incline toward truth under an umbrella or in the rain! However, my classes were well attended and in the Suffrage rooms on L. St., N. W., we spoke to increasingly appreciative and large audiences. We made a mistake in following the egotistic assumption that Georgetown would support a spiritual work and cause. That town is dead and ossified and even those who holler the loudest about truth and the value of spiritual communion have not the courage of their convictions, either to face an ordeal, or stand under and help bear the expense of spiritual meetings. Talkers there are a plenty in Washington, but true-workers—who are ready to pay the price of their heritage and the cost of having the truth brought to them so near and free, are few indeed! They love their roast beef too dearly to sacrifice it for the advancement of the cause of truth and human freedom.

Since speaking in Washington some two years ago what a change has come over all classes of workers in the so-called New Thought, Theosophy and Spiritualism. The total good is sacrificed for petty and personal success. Everywhere small cliques exist who split up the numbers, that would make one strong spiritual society, into circles, sects, centers, isms, cults, which feed the people mostly chaff, while the kernel of truth is lost in the chaos and confusion of tongues. Some of these circles should be called, "I am Holier Than Thou" centers where self seeking, not spirituality, prevails, and where the omnipresent hammer is brought into evidence as the outward sign of protest against everything that makes for Universal Religion or the good of the whole. "Knockers' clubs" are, I am sorry to say, on the increase in Washington and no amount of sugar can coat the disagreeable pill that is handed to any stranger who seeks for initiation or fellowship into the human family, without consulting these modern Pharisees and Saducees.

However, such development, personal and selfish as it is, must follow all effort in the struggle for existence, until the teacher and pupil know the better or best way of success, which is unselfish devotion to truth, resignation from the Ananias club and forever to bury the hammer. Underneath opposition and differences, however radical, the sweet spirit of love should run, purging the personal wells of thought of all bitterness, jealousy and egotism, and so helping all to co-operate for one common good and end. No city needs the message of love and truth more than Washington, yet no city has enjoyed the hearing of it more than she.

The old societies that were once powerful are weak and tottering. The little waif called "Spiritualism," is still trying to find its natural father and mother, and still Christ is crucified in more torture and added anguish in the lives of the followers who allege to bear his name. Are we in the Aquarian Age? Is the millenium or the end of the world at hand? God save us from ourselves—not from our enemies or our friends. To the West and not the East we must now look for regeneration? Thank God for the West! The effete East is in a state of intellectual dry rot, spiritual death.

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Linger, O Gentle Time!

BY EARLE WILLIAM GAGE.

Linger, O gentle Time!

Linger, O radiant grace of bright today!

Let not the hours' chime

Call thee away,

But linger near me still with fond delay.

Linger, for thou art mine!

What dearer treasures can the future hold!

What sweeter flowers than thine

Can she unfold?

What secret tell my heart thou has not told?

Oh! linger in thy flight!

For shadows gather round, and should we part,

A dreary, starless night

May fill my heart.

Then pause and linger yet ere thou depart.

Department of Psychic Research

Following are given extracts from letters recently received from Mr. O. A. Jenks, a member of Real Estate Board of Brokers of New York City.

The high character of these automatic communications received under scientific test conditions by Mr. Jenks can only inspire confidence in the increasing belief that the gates are ajar between the visible and unvisible worlds. To the sincere seeker for truth, strains of harmony, beauty and wisdom float there from.—Editor.

My Dear Beloved Son:—

Sometimes we are inclined to think that thought is the very highest function of our being. Then we lay great stress on the intellectual side of thinking, and declare that reason is the one supreme fact.

But there is something more than reason in the life of man—something more than thought: there is something that produces thought and transcends it. Every thought contains a picture. We get an idea—a picture, that corresponds to something definite in the outer world.

So there is an element that brings the thinker in touch with the highest. The inner mind is passive. This inner presence makes for faith, happiness, and love—the qualities of soul that cannot be pictured by the mind, and that alone can fill the life of man.

These different elements give color and tone to every thought, and extend to all external things, which thus take on new coloring and new beauty. Because of the inner beauty of the thought we recognize beauty in the outer world, for only what one sees interiorly is visible in the external realm.

If we have gloom and distress in our minds we are related to the gloomy and distressful things in the outer world. If we have brightness and hope within us, then we see these blessings externalized.

The outer world is a picture of the inner world. If our thoughts are neither strong, happy nor wholesome, we cannot expect to express health and strength in the body. It is only by entertaining the best and strongest thoughts that the inner power of life is expressed.

God bless you, my son. I am your loving
FATHER.

The following letter was written on my business letter heads:

Nov. 7, 1909.

My Dear Beloved Husband:—

If thoughts are forces then we must select them with great care. The way a man thinks decides the way he lives.

It is as impossible for pure thoughts to produce an impure life as for vinegar to resemble honey to the taste. A thief can't enjoy religion any more than an honest man can enjoy burglary. In the long run a man will live as he thinks.

Give me the thoughts which you cherish most kindly and it is like giving me the minor and major premises of a proposition—the conclusion is logically inevitable.

Those thoughts are as certain to make or unmake you before your sun goes down as an effect is certain to follow a cause. Give me the power to sow what thoughts I please in your mind, and you put into my hands your destiny here and hereafter.

Examine yourself critically and you will discover that your moral attitude exactly accords with the kinds of thought you entertain. This is an appalling fact of psychological science, and the action of the law is as inexorable as the law of gravitation.

No man can think high and live low, or think low and live high.

Your loving wife,

PATTIE.

My Dear One:—

Founders of great enterprises and promoters of philanthropic causes do not lose their interest in this world's affairs because they have cast off their outer sheaths of personality, and as to the sentimental idea that because an earthly robe is laid away mental activity must have subsided—such a theory of spurious "rest" in the hereafter, instead of meeting the requirements of rational philosophy, can but embody a

maudlin sentiment against activity and help to teach the pernicious idea that a life of freedom from undesirable accompaniments is one of inaction.

Surely the pure, the noble, the heroic, and the industrious, who have objected to the thought of death only because they sometimes feared that it might mean a cessation of active enterprise, are now even more fully and congenially employed than when best occupied on earth, and their influence with us must ever constitute one of our greatest means for intellectual and moral progress.

Spiritual Science is capable of giving to the world proof of what the heart craves as well as food for the inquiring intellect. Never was there a more fervent desire or more insatiable demand for spiritual evidence than at present, and the supply is surely forthcoming if without prejudice and without excitement we will betake ourselves to the calm, uplifted region of soul consciousness and simply invite such realization of the world of unending life as may come to us unbidden.

A rational view of life's continuity and a clear statement of what awaits us in the Beyond are among the greatest and most truly answerable demands of the twentieth century. Best greetings.

ROBERT G. INGERSOLL.

My Dear One:—It only pays to live divinely, to live impersonally, to live to beauty. What matters it that we are dead to custom, dead to society, if only we are alive to beauty. This is the stream in which we bathe and forget our cares, and are renewed. Let us once so consecrate our lives, and thereafter we shall distil from the hours a little of the elixir of happiness; for such is beauty's gift to every rapt soul.

So does the Spirit contrive that here on this dear green earth we are beset with beauty. The very sod is packed with it, so that it must continually overflow, now in green fields and buttercups, now in golden rods and asters. It lies over the moonlit ocean and purples the distant hills. It skims with the martin and floats with the cloud—is showered upon us in October leaves and winter snows.

All the days of my life it knocks at my door. Let us not be unheeding, lest we

become withered and sere in the desert wind of the commonplace; lest we become infected with the pessimism of church and society parched and shriveled with the dullness of men's thinking, and so succumb at last to the prosaic.

Keep, then, the lamp burning at sacred Beauty's shrine, and may it be constant as the Greek fire; for, give me in my heart the life of Beauty and naught shall keep from me the World Beautiful. In view of this it is only the frivolous, or the melancholy and half insane, who can talk of "killing time."

A healthy mind does not know the meaning of ennui.

HARRIET BEECHER STOWE.

The realization that we can communicate with one another without physical means or contact, or mechanical instruments; and that distance is no longer a barrier to such communication because of our knowledge of the transmissibility of mental and psychic vibration; has brought about such a position of affairs that he would be a bold man indeed who would now deny the possibility of our also having telepathic communication with more highly evolved and discarnate intelligences—they who constitute that "cloud of witnesses" so often spoken of, but whose real presence near us, and desire to render us helpful ministrations and service is, I fear, but little believed in and enjoyed today.—*Health Record, London, Eng.*

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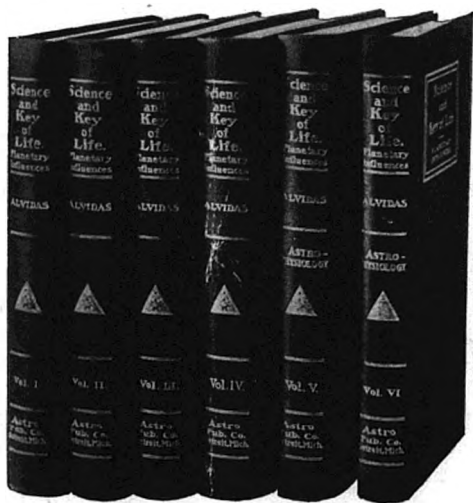
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