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VOLUME IV

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It is compiled in four parts.

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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. * * * "

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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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The science of life, the study of the working of the divine mind in nature, of the evolving life within the changing forms, is the torch which is to throw light on the many problems of life and the invisible worlds, in search of the explanation of the visible; thus to render materialism impossible, by completing the half-truths upon which it rests, to disperse superstition by illuminating dimly seen facts of nature.

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We may ask, then, what is the object of life? Few see aught but sixty or seventy years of struggle, and at the end have a little experience, generally bitter, if it has come too late to be of service. We have learned that it is better to do unto others as we would they should do unto us; that humility, love and the spirit of brotherhood are the only qualities which exist without change, throughout our years, and ere we can apply it, we have to leave. If we could only begin life with that knowledge how differently we would have faced the position.

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Editorial Department

The Aura of the Human Form.

HENRY CLAY HODGES.

Every human being is surrounded by a force, a vibration, peculiar to that individual alone, that is a luminous mist, called the aura.

Those individuals who have developed the power of clairvoyant sight are able to perceive these finer vibrations, and are thus able to describe them in the form of colors as they appear to them. These vibrations ever harmonize with the quality of the thought, character and individuality of the person, the colors becoming more refined and clear as the soul unfolds.

We find by investigation that every object of life and form possesses an aura or atmosphere peculiar to itself, all things in the vegetable, mineral and animal kingdom, though naturally less complex in quality than with the human soul.

Now the life principle that is being poured out from the planets, and more particularly the Sun, is specialized through the organism of the individual, and the spleen is considered to be the material organ through which the life force is manifested, thus the stronger and more robust the constitution of the individual the more of this life principle will be received. There are those who can give off an enormous quantity of this life force through magnetic contact with another who is receptive to such forces, and such individuals are constantly giving out forces to those about them whether they are conscious of it or not. On the other hand, the individual who is not able to specialize a sufficient amount of these life-giving forces for their own needs will unconsciously, perhaps, absorb and draw from those about them that are in sufficient harmony and receptivity for them to draw from, and in this way live to a great degree upon the life forces of others with whom they are thrown in contact, and then, too, as the form advances in age this force does not specialize and radiate through

the organism, and thus we find the physical form becomes withered and bent through a lack of this life principle; hence we find that an elderly person is quite apt to draw from a younger one through whose organization these forces radiate more freely, though there are exceptions to this rule, as much will depend upon the positive or negative nature of the individual, and many have no doubt felt drawn out, as it were, after coming in contact with certain individuals.

Then again, on the other hand, there are instances where these forces are exchanged with benefit to all concerned. The conditions spoken of are often witnessed in a seance room where a number are gathered together, and unless the guides of the circle understand this law some will retire from the seance room quite exhausted and still others are not affected.

Now the first misty-like outline that may be discerned by one sufficiently clairvoyant to perceive it, is termed the health aura, and is generally visible as a mass of faintly luminous bluish grey mist, often tinged with orange or gold. Frequently this aura is colorless and seems to be formed of innumerable lines in a perfect spiral shape surrounding the physical form and radiating evenly on all sides, that is, where good health prevails; but in ill health the lines are irregular and imperfect, and then the health aura is weak and the spleen cannot specialize sufficient life force.

We may by investigation find that the causes of this disturbance in the health aura, and which has a direct influence upon the harmonious vibrations of the human organism, are many. One of the most common is a tendency to think and act along one groove. The energies are confined to one special channel and the nerve forces that are played upon become exhausted and then comes affliction, and the cause is often misnamed overwork. Then an extreme depression of spirits will cause ill health and retard the natural inflow of the life prin-

ciple from without to the form physical. Worry and melancholy are great factors in disturbing the natural flow of these vibrations and are often the cause of ill health, for this is where the mind and thought has power to affect the conditions of health, and by keeping the thoughts pure and the mind free from worry and dire forebodings, the health will take care of itself. The point in view is not to obstruct the way for the harmonious inflow and outflow of these life-giving forces.

Often a sudden shock will throw the current out of its natural channel or a wound or injury will have the same effect for the time being, but once the mind can become passive, and gain control, the nerve forces begin to regain their natural condition and the obstructions to the inflow of the life principle are removed and all is in tune once more. It is at such times that this inflow of force is obstructed, that the contact of another individual who is overflowing with this vital life force will set right the imperfect operations that are the cause of sickness and affliction to the physical.—*Copyrighted.—Science and Key of Life.*

Further articles upon this interesting subject will appear in succeeding issues of this journal.

The Mission of Prophecy.

One can readily comprehend that much of the superstition of the ages may be traced to its parenthood in false prophecy or the wrong interpretation of the true. Prophecy has ever been garbed in mystery and, to the human consciousness, has depicted doom and destruction so far in excess of reality that today only the unenlightened are moved by its doleful knell.

Prophecy to fulfil a mission to humanity must establish its teachings through predictions based on accurate mathematical calculations, and be presented in clear, concise language devoid of all hyperbole and figures of rhetoric which tend to ambiguity.

The power of prophecy is as natural as the genius of an Edison or a Marconi. Subtle, far reaching and incomprehensible to many, except in the results attained, as are the movements of the researches of such genius, so does the true prophet ascertain the action of electric and magnetic vibra-

tions upon the physical and mental mechanism of mankind. The electrician warns of danger in cross currents or of contact, unless properly fortified against injury. The genius of prophecy deals out wisdom in like manner; information that if heeded shall protect, nourish and inspire to the best results in each life.

True prophecy must ever imbue the mind with courage, determination and joyful anticipation. It must reveal the ultimate goal of attainment and ever hold its beauty and richness before the mind, thus inspiring highest endeavor, counting tribulations to be just what they are, incidents on the highway to greatness.

True prophecy must be based upon immutable law, as revealed in nature all where, to which the thoughtful mind ever turns for light upon the problems it seeks to solve. Its field is as broad as the universe; fortelling the appearance of the comet is an example.

That through the cold of winter is nourished the never failing bloom of summer; that the restful or turbulent darkness of night but augments the glories of the daylight which never fails to appear, are phenomena so familiar that one needs to be reminded of their eternal fulfilment to realize that all of life's movements are recorded where they may be deciphered by human intelligence; and when it becomes so purified that it can reflect them as they are, not in distorted forms of evil, then shall prophecy shed the light of its sublime cheer over the lives of nations and individuals.

Maryatelle Barclay Nicol, the youngest member of the Swastika Success club and the American Woman's League, was born at 6:10 p. m., August 3rd. The sun was in the sign Leo and the sun's influence in this sign endows the native with ambitions, aspirations, and capability to fill positions of responsibility. Gives a dignified personality, a generous, magnanimous, affectionate and sympathetic nature. It is favorable for the professions, instructors, and contributes to the manifestations of genius if the positions of other planets support it. The native is thoughtful and inclined to go to the bottom of whatever interests the mind.

Leo people always desire to rule and unless the conditions of serving are promi-

nent in the natal figure they invariably hold more or less responsible positions and being endowed with ample capabilities to fill them, it is difficult for them to act as subordinates.

From a chart showing the positions of all the planets at the time of a child's birth, a competent stellar scientist will be able to read the health indications, physical characteristics, also the mental and spiritual tendencies and adaptations. The progression of the planets will reveal the times that special care of the health may be required. Their influence upon all phases of the life; the favorable and unfavorable times for changes, together with the indications in every department of life's activities.

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What Is Faith?

Faith is to individual and corporate achievement what electricity is to an engine or to a great city, or the whole world.

With its inspiring current vitalizing the varied electrical mechanisms, distance seems to be annihilated, darkness is flooded with radiant light and many objects made swift and easy of attainment.

Should a friend living at a distance write that he was starting that day to visit you, "would reach you as soon as possible," and arriving after several days of waiting, you remark, "I expected you long ago; how did you come?" And if he should reply, "I walked all the way; I have no use for steam or electricity," you would think you had reason to question his sanity.

"According to your faith shall it be done unto you" is a statement based upon just as rational a principal as that "According to whether you walk or ride, so shall your destination be reached."

Over a thousand years ago Paul told his contemporaries that "Faith was the substance of things hoped for; the evidence of things not seen." And while his words have been translated into all languages and handed down through the ages, still it has been left to this day and generation to waken to a realization of what he meant.

To make his meaning clear he gave many illustrations from history, such as "By faith

Noah prepared the ark and escaped the flood. Enoch was translated, and Abraham dwelt in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, waiting the fulfilling of the promise." Today we may add: Were it not for the great principle of faith in nature's possibilities, manifested in Edison and Marconi, the world would not now possess its marvelous electric appliances, telephones and wireless telegraphy. Faith was the substance from which they builded; it was the evidence to them of things still unseen.

Human intelligence now catches a glimpse of the invisible but invincible forces which are the motive power of achievement, far superior to brawn and muscle, for without them mere physical attainments are puerile.

Those who in their undertakings do not relate themselves intelligently to the inspiring spiritual current of faith may be likened to the man who trudges weary miles believing wholly in his physical force, refusing the aid of the unseen electric currents waiting to bear him swiftly and easily on his journey.

Those who open their minds to the truth that subtle invisible forces of nature pervade all material forms and seek to comprehend and utilize them, having faith in the all-wise creative genius back of the existence of the universe, will find their burdens being lifted, their lives illumined by a light more glorious than that on sea or land, and their consciousness thrilled at times with the joy of existence.

Faith does not move mountains but it turns on the force that moves them.—L. E. JOHNDRO.

"No earnest student of astrology could believe in Divine favoritism; it is no respecter of persons. It regards one personality precisely as another, and notes the very smallest act in its complete account book, and when the time arrives for settlement, either today or tomorrow, here and now, or in the next expression of life, pays each debt, and with exact and scrupulous fidelity as each birth figure proves. This law realized and its workings partly discerned, it acquits Providence, calms all resentment and discontent, and indicates jus-

tice. Thus it is for each one to feel all his endeavors to lead a nobler life stimulated by this knowledge and wisdom.

"The science of life, the study of the working of the Divine mind in nature, of the evolving life within the changing forms, is the torch which is to throw light on the many problems of life, and the invisible worlds in search of the explanation of the visible; thus to render materialism impossible, by completing the half-truths upon which it rests, to disperse superstition by illuminating dimly seen facts of nature."—*Science and Key of Life.*

The Star of the American Woman's League.

Within the pages of this journal will be found a horoscopal reading of Mr. E. G. Lewis, the founder of the American Woman's League, and University City, the home of its great educational institutions.

This nativity is the work of one of the ablest stellar scientists of the day, from data given through the courtesy of the mother of Mr. Lewis at her son's request.

The article shows briefly and clearly the planetary configurations which are the subtle cause of his remarkable career, also the progression of the planets and their influence as indicated regarding the maturing of his broad plans.

That the Star of the American Woman's League is far from its zenith, is a scientific fact which will be recognized as such as time brings enlightenment. That its founder is working along the lines of his adaptations is also indicated by the position of the planets.

This reading is based on a science as old as man; a science which is the foundation of all the sciences and it cannot fail to interest and encourage every member of the American Woman's League who reads it.

Each issue of Stellar Ray contains a brief outline of the Sun's influence in the sign governing the month of publication and those interested to read them will recognize some of these characteristics as their own or belonging to friends who were born under that influence. It must be remembered, however, that the moon's position, the sign rising at time of birth, also the positions of the other planets in the natal chart, modify, vary and perhaps counteract the sun's influence to a greater or less degree.

As we have said before, the art of living will ever be crude until the stellar configurations at the moment of birth are considered and followed as are the currents of the sea by the navigator, and the strata of the earth's formation by those who seek for its hidden treasures.

Contributions

The Magic Castle, Volos.

By MABEL GIFFORD SHINE, Route 1, Richmond, Va.

The most wonderful castle in existence is Castle Volos. Besides being the most wonderful it is the most important. Beside being the most important castle in the world, it is the safest. It can be made absolutely impregnable. Note, it *can* be made absolutely impregnable. Volos, the Keeper of the Castle, has the power to make it secure from every foe. But I am not going to undertake to say that Volos always does his duty to the best of his ability; sometimes he gets careless. And again, he is sometimes

deceived. And sometimes he gets sick. But worst of all, he sometimes gets wrong instructions. He receives his instructions from the owner of the Castle, and the owner gets his information from many sources.

It is the most wonderful Castle in the world because the more inhabitants it has the more it will hold. It is the most important because the world could not go on without it.

Being of such importance, the proprietor desires to take the best of care of it. Not only for his own immense family composed of his parents, grand-parents, great-grand-parents, and great-great-grand-parents, his own children, adopted children, relatives

and friends, but for the sake of all the inhabitants of the earth, he desires to give wise instructions to Volos. That is why he seeks the wise men. Some of these wise men have very little wisdom, and some of them have a good deal. They travel all over the world, and they write many books.

There had been a long era of peace, and it was seldom a foe appeared to trouble Volos Castle, but one memorable day a quiet-looking stranger knocked at the donjon gate. He had crossed the moat unnoticed, the drawbridge being seldom disturbed.

Volos looked out of the little window in the donjon, and seeing the modest, inoffensive little man at the gate, he politely inquired his errand. "I have news," answered the little man.

"What kind of news?" asked Volos, cautiously.

"News of the greatest importance to every inmate of the Castle. News that has to do with the welfare and happiness of every man, woman and child within the gates, yes, and with the whole world."

Volos vanished to confer with the Owner of the Castle, who instructed him to admit the Stranger speedily. "It will do no harm to listen to him," said the Owner, "even if he turns out to be a deluded crank. The most precious messages sent to the world have come by the way of Cranks."

So the Stranger was admitted and presently found himself facing a sea of faces. "Do you know," he began, "that you are harboring many foes in your great family?"

The Master sprang up and looked about. Nobody looked guilty, and nobody attempted to steal away before he should be denounced. The Master looked inquiringly at the Stranger. Then he called his aids and marshaling them around him said to the newcomer, "Now point out one of them."

"There is one," said the Stranger, indicating a repulsive-looking creature.

"Why, that's Disease," exclaimed the Master in amazement; "we are obliged to have him; there is no way of getting rid of him. Moreover, we are taught that he is sent for the good of our souls."

"He comes because you call him, and for no other reason," replied the Stranger. "That is the news I have come to tell."

There was some hissing and scoffing, and several left the hall, but the Master called

for order; he was curious to hear all the news. "Point out another one," he said.

The Stranger pointed to a man with a dull red face, who appeared very nervous and was constantly looking about him. "Superstition," gasped the Master; "why, we couldn't get along without him; he tells us all the signs and warns us of what is coming; and he—"

"He is a dangerous foe," said the Stranger; "he misleads you—that is the news I have come to tell."

"Convince us and we will put him out," said the Master.

"What you want to do is not to put out these foes, but to transform them with knowledge," said the stranger, and then pointing, "There is the worst foe of all, for he attacks Volos and does him great injury, and you can never be safe so long as he dwells among you in his present guise."

The Master looked long and earnestly at the tall black figure with the solemn countenance and fiery eyes. "Obsession," he said, "like Disease, is beyond our power; he comes and goes as he wills, and we cannot tell when he is coming or going. Neither bolts nor bars shut him out."

"The reason of that is that they are not real; they are only beliefs," said the stranger. "That is the news I have come to tell."

"Put him out!" cried several voices in great wrath. The Master considered. "No," he said, "I am going to hear all the visitor has to say, and think it over; it will do no harm and I may get some valuable information."

When it was quiet the Stranger continued: "Obsession tells you that he can take possession of your thoughts when he chooses, and you cannot help yourself. He believes it, and you believe it. He paralyzes Volos, and walks in whenever he chooses. Now I will tell you how to prevent him from reaching Volos. If you can prevent him from reaching Volos he can never again get into the Castle. And if you put out Superstition and listen to Knowledge, Belief will be transformed."

"Nobody can cross the Drawbridge except he is called. You think they come of their own accord or are sent by someone, but first they get a signal to come. Somebody in your Castle sends the signal. Examine Belief and Desire and you will see that they

and their followers are in league with Obsession. They are in league with other foes as well."

There was such an uproar at these words that Obsession and Belief and their company had to be removed and confined while the Stranger was at the Castle. When it was quiet once more the Stranger went on with his instructions. "I am sure," he said, "that you wish to be Master in your own Castle. In order to do that you will have to look out for Belief and Desire and direct them instead of letting them direct you.

"Belief has been sending out messages to the effect that Obsession could come to the Castle when he pleased, and do as he pleased. In order to get rid of him and keep rid of him, transform him into Mental Freedom by instructing Belief to change his messages, instead of the one he has been sending, to say, 'Obsession has no power over the Master or this Castle except that which the Master gives him by his belief in him; therefore I say to him, You are free to think and choose and will as you please so long as you believe such things as you think and choose and will.' When anyone in the Castle or outside the Castle talks about Hypnotism, Suggestion, Malicious Magnetism, etc., recall this message I have given you and require Belief to repeat it.

"Every thought and emotion in existence has an influence of its own kind, but none of these can control any human being except to the extent that he believes they can.

"And no thought can come to your Castle except over the current that you supply. The drawbridge is just what you make it. If you find that any undesirable knockers have applied at the Castle gate, remember that you live in a magic Castle, and transform them into desirable citizens. And look about and see who they are that are already in, who called these undesirables, and transform them.

"Do the same with Desire; if you desire to control and compel others, you send out the strongest kind of a message to Obsession to get in his work on yourself. Watch out for Desire, and see that you desire for others only such things as you wish for yourself. If you desire Health, instruct Belief to think and study health instead of disease; do this especially whenever Disease appears, and he will soon be transformed

from a spirit of evil to an angel of light. If you wish for success, do the same; think of that which you wish, not of its opposite, for the opposite sets up a current that carries the message for the opposite, and assists him over the drawbridge. Belief hastens down to welcome him, and Volos supposes it is all right and unbolts the gate and lets him in."

"Then you do not believe in a Divine Providence who sends sickness and misfortunes and sorrows to chasten our souls?" cried Belief, who had popped his head out of the chamber in which he was confined.

The Master waved him to keep silence. The stranger smiled and answered, "No, I do not believe that Divine Providence sends any of those things; but the incomprehensible and stupendously wonderful thing Divine Providence does do is to turn all these things we bring upon ourselves to our good account. We are bound to get our growth, but the manner of it depends on ourselves. The Creator provides all kinds of delightful ways for us to get our growth, but we may change these conditions and make them as unpleasant as we will; we may do it ignorantly or deliberately, knowing what we are doing. We may follow our heredity, our natural inclinations, or if we are not satisfied with these we may change them as we will, as we believe is most desirable.

"You see now how important it is for Belief to be rightly instructed. And that you may secure the best instruction yourself, meditate often upon Truth, then you will receive in place of Belief, Revelation and Conviction, and with these you may care for your Castle wisely and be able to keep out all foes."

One by one the audience had stolen out, unnoticed by the Master, and now he leaned his chin in his hand and gave himself to deep meditation. The Stranger, too, silently stole away and left the Master alone in the hall.

Steam gives forth many different sounds through differently formed whistles, and the "Breath of Life" breathed into differently formed and polarized bodies produces multiple species of animal life.

—Dr. Carey.

An Irishman entered a Protestant church by mistake. Discovering that he was not in a Catholic church he started for the door. The usher saw the point and said to Pat: "Won't you stay through the services? You know Jesus went freely among his enemies." Pat replied: "Yes, Oi know he did, and they didn't do a 'ting to him."—George W. Carey.

The Road to the Moon—An Alchemical Story.

BY DR. GEORGE W. CAREY.

(Continued)

I caught the car and returned to my hotel. I must confess that my experience during the four hours from six to ten P. M. had nearly upset my nerves. I went out to a coffee house and called for a "pot of coffee with a stick in it," and returned to my room at eleven p. m. determined to read that manuscript if I had to remain awake until morning. I hastily untied the strings about the oil cloth and unrolled twenty sheets of writing paper completely filled with illustrations and writings.

The first picture represented the south pole region of earth as a vast circular matrix, the size of moon, 2000 miles in diameter and in the center a mighty mountain reaching into the heavens fifty or sixty miles, the mountain grew dimmer and more transparent until it seemed to melt into air. This mountain was labeled, "The umbilical cord from mother earth to child moon."

The following is a verbatim copy of the strange manuscript:

"On the shore of the Weddle Sea, South Pole, womb of earth, Latitude 73 degrees 20 minutes, south, Longitude 146 degrees east, I, Nathan Boswell, record the following facts:

"At the age of twenty I became engaged to be married to a girl of seventeen, whose parents resided in Virginia. Her name was Endolia Fairchilds. Endolia's father was a cotton merchant, and during the summer of 1884 he visited New Orleans on business in company with his wife and Endolia.

Yellow fever broke out while the Fairchilds were in the city and Endolia was stricken with the dread scourge and three days thereafter died. It was about two o'clock A. M., August twenty-eighth, that

Endolia's spirit left its body. I was at that time a clerk in a wholesale grocery store in Baltimore. At twelve o'clock that night I finished writing a letter to Endolia in which I expressed great anxiety for her health for I had grave misgivings about the trip from the time she informed me that she contemplated taking the journey with her parents. As I was sealing the letter I felt that it would be useless to mail it. There was a letter drop in the hall, and I retired, leaving the letter on my writing table. About four A. M. I was awakened by a voice calling my name, "Nat" (My name is Nathan).

"The voice repeated the name several times and I realized that it was Endolia calling to me. I answered, 'Where are you and what do you want?' The answer came:

"I have passed from earth life and shall not see you again until you join me at South Pole on your journey to Moon. Go to the South pole and you will make a great discovery. I will guide you to the wonderful region—the womb of Earth and you will then be shown the road to Moon. You will be instructed in the process of transmuting matter from third dimensional motion to the fourth dimensional rate, and during the time required you will be able to visit Moon. You will then return and find one who will publish the facts about the great discovery that will revolutionize the science of the world, after which you will transmute your physical body into a spiritual body and join me."

"And now after a wonderful journey I am here near the umbilical cord of Moon. Endolia's spirit is with me and guides and directs me on my way to Moon."

(Two paragraphs omitted here for good reason.)

The manuscript continued as follows:

"Let no one ever dare to penetrate this Holy of Holies until he fully realizes the sacredness of Motherhood.

"I stand in the presence of the Divine Creative Mother Principle and write that which earth's inhabitants must finally know but which they will reject and scoff at until the great cataclysm occurs, about the year of 1945, that will break the umbilical cord and set moon free.

"I am admitted to this sacred region during the year 1881. I was fitted for the or-

deal by the teachings of Endolia, who can appear in material garb and disappear at will. She has attained and understands the law of the coefficient of refraction. Those who care to study this alchemical phase of esoteric philosophy will find much help in "Scientific Romances," by C. H. Hinton, B. A. My teacher instructed me in the mysteries of the birth of planets. All planets are born of the sexual union of sun and earth." (Here I omit several sentences on account of postal laws although the world ought to know what they disclose.) "Vibrations of the highly vitalized and spiritualized essence of sun's rays upon the inner surface of the vast matrix that constitutes the unknown region about the so-called South pole impregnates the mother substance concentrated there and the fetus of a planet is generated.

"In this realm of God's Creative com-

pounds the sweetest perfumes fill the air, a holy calm prevails and the unregenerated senses taste ambrosia and hear the deep, subtle heavenly tones of music likened to nothing except the fingers of the Divine Mother touching the keys of energy. For 26,000 years the baby planet is nourished in the womb of Earth and then comes that cataclysmic shock that throws the new world 240,000 miles into space and also tips the Earth at a different angle. The umbilical cord holds until earth again becomes impregnated with solar energy; then the cord breaks and Earth rights itself and remains until the travail of another birth. Between the dates 1940 and 1945 Moon will break away from mother Earth and take its place as the planet that will govern the constellation or zodiacal signaries.

(Concluded in Nov.)

The Master.

BY CAROLYN A. MARSH, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The home of one was on the Marmion Way,
in Nazareth,
And daily taught were the lessons of Elihu
and Salome;
The Vedic hymns were sung and also hymns
Aresta,
But more than all were read the words of
Solomon David.

By one the books of prophecy
For seven years were read,
And then for thirty years or more
Fond memory served instead.

Grandparents, too, were there
In feast to honor him;
And many guests and friends
Brought frankincense and myrrh.

And one stood up who told a dream,
A dream of sea and beach;
How waves upon the shore were high,
Storms raging on the deep.

A wand was in his hand,
He touched the sea and sand;
And every grain of sand became
Beauty and song and living things.

One touched the waters at his feet,
And they were changed to trees;

While flowers and singing birds
Praised God with power and might.
A voice was heard ten thousand times,
There is no death, but change.

Great Anna loved this one
And knew the dream one dreamed;
For life rolls high,
The storms are great, and
Multitudes they sleep
Like sands upon the beach.

The wand was Truth;
It touched the heads of men.
While in and through the shadows
Came Life and Light serene.
Turmoils ceased and the very mind
Became a song of peace.

The wand of Truth
Can change the driest bones in every living
thing,
And bring the loveliest flowers
From stagnant, earthly things;
'Twill change discordant notes
To sweetest songs birds sing.

The seven milestone now is past,
A feast is spread before
The one of Truth and many more;
While in the home on Marmion Way,
Sat Jesus, Master of the door.
All men he showed the open way
Of Truth and Life, eternal day.

Stellar Science Department

Horoscopal Reading of E. G. Lewis.

By L. E. JOHNDRO, Rochester, N. Y.

E. G. Lewis, founder of the American Woman's League and of University City, was born March 4, 1869, in Connecticut; hour given as "11 a. m. to 2 p. m.," rectifies to about 1:05 p. m.

Mr. Lewis is a Pisces-Cancer type, sympathetic, patriotic, an emancipator (the sign Cancer) of the "underdog" (the sign Pisces), loyal to party or organization rather than typically cosmopolitan; a "shepherd" of communistic ideals, a man with a "mission" and essentially the family man who rears the social pillars upon the foundations of the home.

Uranus rising in Cancer and trine to the Sun denotes determination, and the tireless worker; also "political" leadership in the family ranks, in the domestic or feminine trinity—a man's work in a woman's field.

The Sun evil to Saturn shows limiting obstacles of a fatalistic order—purely circumstantial, a burden of responsibility that weighs heavily at times, singleness of purpose in spite of obstacles, one who delights in a certain amount of martyrdom and at times is inclined to indulge in an exaggerated sense of duty as though the world needed an artificial prop to assist gravitation.

This aspect denotes a certain degree of humility, and with Saturn in the 6th, denotes the "servant in the house" of some dominant aim that makes him its fatal tool from which he need expect no "holiday." Mr. Lewis is the "Uncle Tom" of the American Woman's League as truly as E. H. Harriman was the "Uncle Tom" of American railroads. They feel strongly the lash of conscience if they attempt to slight their one lifelong task.

The Sun trine to Uranus gives executive leadership to work out the problems of this fate appointed work. Saturn trine to Mars shows constructiveness. Uranus (the legal and governmental planet) falling back into the 12th house (persecution, trouble, enemies, etc.) and evil to Neptune and Jupiter shows opposition to both his ideals (Neptune)

and his finance. *This causes litigation and indicated the government persecution he has already passed through.* But even this increases publicity as Jupiter and Neptune were on the zenith.

Jupiter and Neptune in good aspect to Mars and Saturn is highly fortunate for publishing and realty interests and favorable for the League, as it is ruled mostly by Neptune. These aspects, together with Sun trine to Uranus, *indicate success in spite of persecution*; ultimate accumulations through farsighted investments, in spite of sudden financial disasters of wide scope in their day.

Uranus evil to Jupiter is not as strong for banking interests and his greater fortune must come through realty—from Jupiter trine to Saturn, also from unique Neptune movements (the League, for instance) as Neptune was in conjunction with Jupiter. But law, banking, government and all that comes under Uranus, incline to retard both finance and the League on account of the mutual afflictions of Neptune and Jupiter by Uranus. His is truly a case of "united (Saturn) we stand, divided (Uranus) we fall."

Mercury with Venus shows an artistic and poetic temperament, keen appreciation of the beautiful in art. An excellent indication of the ultimate standard of the League's institutions. Mercury in good aspect to Saturn and Jupiter shows *shrewd financial and business judgment*, a most excellent grasp of *realty values*, and the *ability to weigh all enterprises far into the future*, as Neptune in good aspect to Mercury denote foresight and the "long-winded" enterprises that far outrun one generation's efforts, and which correctly anticipates the future's needs.

Mr. Lewis is a man who will stake his last dollar on the "raw" (Neptune), go through a sea of development (Uranus) obstacles and finish (Saturn) with a thing of beauty and permanent profit. His resources (Neptune) will be unlimited, the progression of his plans ever strenuous and developments (Uranus) ever fraught with litigation and temporary losses, yet the gross issue—the Omega—*ever showing a perma-*

ment gain toward the realization of his fundamental ideals, though held back, below the results his resources warrant, by the "ill will" of Uranus' position.

The "directions" in this chart show Sun coming to Jupiter in 1912, pointing to success and prominence and a gain in good fortune, though harassed at times by an evil transit of Uranus for law, etc., during 1910-11-12. The 12th house (persecution) has passed the union of Uranus (government), so its *worst effect has passed* and he will never have another period so adverse in persecution. The 12th is now about square on Jupiter, and the Ascendant is forming good directions to Neptune, Saturn and Jupiter, during 1910-11-12, and this will do much to correct the past persecution and recover the loss then involved.

The 5th house (investments) forms good directions to Neptune, Saturn and Jupiter and Mars during 1913-14-15, and will begin to show strong effect in 1912 under a Jupiter transit. This is very fortunate for profits or dividends on capital invested in enterprises previously, especially through the wise use of capital during 1910-11-12. Especially good for University City realty and the publishing enterprise. The possibilities of the League institutes are good. They are still far from their zenith and will progress more rapidly from about 1913, and especially from about 1917 to 1922.

While at birth the intellectual faculties showed up stronger than the artistic, yet for a few years back and for many years in the future the "directions" show a tendency of the artistic to precede the intellectual in this chart. The fine arts should "run ahead" of the sciences in the League institutions by about five years, decreasing till they equalize at about 1919-20.

The transit of Jupiter is bad through August, 1910, for litigation, but very much better through September. His next threatening period for loss or persecution, "enemies," etc., will be August, 1915 to August, 1916, of which September, 1915 and April and May, 1916 are the most important, yet 1916 will bring great publicity and ultimate gain. The afflictions in *no way approach* the malignancy of those past influences. From October, 1922 to near close 1923 is another period of financial uncertainty, but on the whole, the tide "rolls upward" for

him and covers the rocks that in the past were bared.

The year 1911 is not so strong as 1912, partly due to the general depression in national prosperity which will run its course through 1911. The spring and early autumn of 1911 will be his best months in 1911. The year 1912 is particularly important as bearing on investments, profits of previously established enterprises, etc. The last five months of 1911 show worry and illness in the home. About 1917-18 show one of the most radical changes of the whole life.

Were You Born in the Sign Libra?

If you were born between Sept. 23d and Oct. 22d, the sun was in the sign Libra.

The native of this sign is popular and generally liked; is sociable, affectionate and romantic; easily makes friends, especially with the opposite sex; has some taste and ability for science and the fine arts. The sun in this sign tends to bring on early marriage or engagement, and there may be trouble connected with either or both events, more especially in the female horoscope.

The native of Libra can be independent if necessary, but is seldom or never overbearing or proud; is kind, sympathetic and likes to awaken brotherly feelings in others and often gives away to others for the sake of peace. The link of affection between the native and his brothers and sisters is strengthened; it is favorable for joining societies, associations, companies, partnerships, and inclines to travel, especially short journeys by land.

There is a tendency toward worshipfulness of the law, great stability of character, not swayed by others' opinions. Under this sign are born many soldiers, commanders and commercial organizers.

While the sun is in one sign the moon passes through all of them, and varies the sun's influence, as may be noted by the following:

The sun in Libra and the moon in Aries gives strong will, self control, psychological power.

Moon in Taurus, quiet, harmonious, persistent, careful; moon in Gemini, restless, high aspirations, good language, mathema-

ticians; moon in Cancer, anxiety for family and home; moon in Leo, natives are governed more by intuition and feeling, need a good education in the practical life; moon in Virgo, intense, active, critical, quite peculiar in nature; moon in Libra gives balance and harmony to the eccentricities of Libra, intellectual and successful in business; moon in Scorpio, ambitious with love of approbation, combative with self control; moon in Sagittarius, natural speculators, in danger of profligate habits through love of excitement, quick to learn; moon in Capricorn gives good business ability, clear ideas and more generally sympathetic; moon in Aquarius makes good teachers, college professors with large approbateness, conventional, power to read character at sight, adapted to public service; moon in Pisces, restless, industrious given to the acquisition of knowledge, though do not always put it to practical use; periods of despondency, fine linguists. These children should be instructed to appreciate life and its opportunities for happiness.—*Copyrighted.*

Libra—The Loins.

Sept. 23—Oct. 23.

By DR. GEO. W. CAREY,
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This alkaline cell salt is made from bone ash or by neutralizing orthophosphoric acid with carbonate of sodium.

Libra is a Latin word, meaning scales or balance. Sodium, or natrum, phosphate holds the balance between acids and normal fluids of the human body.

Acid is organic and can be chemically split into two or more elements, thus destroying the formula that makes the chemical rate of motion called acid.

A certain amount of acid is necessary, and always present in the blood, nerve, stomach and liver fluids. The apparent excess of acid is nearly always due to a deficiency in the alkaline, Libra, salt.

Acid, in alchemical lore, is represented as Satan (saturn), while sodium phosphate symbols Christ (Venus). An absence of the Christ principle gives license to Satan to run riot in the Holy Temple. The advent of Christ drives the evil out with a whip of thongs. Reference to temple in the figurative language of Bible and New Testament always symbols the human organ-

ism. "Know ye not that your bodies are the Temple of the living God?"

Solomon's temple is an allegory of the physical body of man and woman. Soul-of man's temple—the house, church, Beth or temple made without sound of "saw or hammer."

Hate, envy, criticism, jealousy, competition, selfishness, war, suicide and murder are largely caused by acid conditions of the blood producing changes by chemical poison and irritation of brain cells the keys upon which Soul plays "Divine Harmonies" or plays "fantastic tricks before high heaven," according to the arrangement of chemical molecules in the wondrous laboratory of the soul.

Without a proper balance of the Venus salt, the agent of peace and love, man is fit for "treason, stratagem and spoils."

The people of the world never needed the alkaline or Libra salt more than they do at the present time, while wars and rumors of wars strut upon the Stage of Life.

Sun enters Libra Sept. 23d and remains until Oct. 23d.

Governing planet, Venus.

Gems, diamond and opal.

Astral colors are black, crimson and light blue.

Libra is an air sign.

In Bible Alchemy, Libra represents Reuben, the first son of Jacob. Reuben means Vision of the Sun.

In the symbolism of the New Testament, Libra corresponds with the disciple Peter.

Peter is derived from Petra, a stone or mineral.

On thee, Peter (mineral), will I build my church, viz., both, house, body or temple.

The National Astrological Society.

An Established Universal Religion of Truth.

By REV. WALTER H. LEWIS, D. A. ("ZARIEL"),
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Since the recession of the equinox into Aquarius, the influences which govern the thinkers of the world all tend to Uranian ideas, as Aquarius is ruled by Uranus, and mental and magnetic healing, hypnotism, clairvoyance, clairaudience, telepathy, occultism, spiritism and astral science are

coming to the front with phenomenal rapidity. The whole world of thought is changing, and medicine, law and religion are all conforming to the predominating force which controls the influences. Aerial travel is also a peculiar part of Aquarian and Uranian influences, and new laws must be enacted to secure public equity and prevent great evils and unjust actions, and while commerce has been controlled during the Pisces era, and fire, earth and water cornered and dispensed by the few monopolists, the air heretofore has been free, and this fourth dimension of space which contains and controls the other three dimensions is now about to disclose its secrets to the chosen few who have the requisite gifts of understanding and translating the very mysteries of creation.

The National Astrological Society is gathering together into one legalized, authorized and competent body, all such persons who prove by passing the required examinations, and by their deportment and actions, that they possess the requisite gifts to reveal the very secrets of creation to their lessor informed brethren; and as dogmatic theology is now decaying and the Pisces forms of worship are being abandoned and unsupported by the thinking masses, it becomes all the more important and necessary that the new religion, in harmony with the infallible Aquarian influences now governing the universe for a period of over two thousand years, must have an intelligent organization under incorporated authority to guarantee to the public that it is reliable and trustworthy. Knowledge is power, but this knowledge must be in authoritative, proven places, for beneficial results. No other religion, not in harmony with the Aquarian influences can survive.

This society has been incorporated, and power vested in it to confer degrees, and ordain ministers in the true religion, and the growth has not only been remarkably rapid, but the very first persons to join and establish branch churches have been the recognized leaders and scholars of the world in occult science, of which science astrology is the key. A systematic organization, with legal incorporation, efficient by-laws and board of directors, a national college and mother church, and thriving branch

churches, all accomplished inside of ten months, is many times more remarkable than the growth of Christian Science, which we have been informed was from 1866 to 1875 before the first society was formed in Boston.

A religion without prophecy, as well as healing, is a mere farce and a needless show to a thinking person, who wants truth alone. The idea of perpetuating an allegory and mythological representation of a man deified into God, and controlled and exhibited by a set of men ordained and supported financially for this particular purpose, all other forms but those manipulated by this particular sect being spurious and condemned, has been given up by the thinking masses. Proof is wanting and blind faith and belief, especially when supported by hard earned money, have ceased to awe the people and superstitiously hold them in their fear of hell or future punishment, at the will of a set of men as human as they are themselves. People are no longer contributory to the support of the old church forms. They have outgrown them, and it is on account of the Aquarian influences which rule the universe for the present cycle,

This same influence also controls a new religion which is based on Astrology, and prophetic science, so long condemned by the Pisces churches, is the basis of the new religion. There must be some law or authority controlling the new religion, however, so that the public may recognize and know where to depend upon true prophecy. Hence it becomes important for all persons desiring to join such a society, either as an ordinary member, to keep posted on all matters relating to self knowledge and control, and the foreknowledge of things to come, so that advantage may be taken of good periods, or evil periods be avoided; or as a fellow member, or ordained minister, in order that such might be positively known to be competent to give truth and wisdom to seekers.

Prophecy has always been the most important factor in religion, and it is strange that the so-called Christian sects, both Catholic and Protestant, have failed to carry out their Master's injunction to "prophecy and heal the sick." Commercial greed, mythological invention and financial aggrandizement have killed and destroyed

the religions of the Christian era, and the restoration of prophecy will reunite all sects into a religion of truth and fact instead of belief.

All persons interested in such a movement are requested to send a self-addressed stamped envelope for information to Rev. Altan Z. Stevenson, D. A., Secretary National Astrological Society, 1629 Lexington Ave., New York City.

"Omnia Vincit Veritas."

The Board of Directors of the Church and College of the National Astrological Society of the United States.

(Incorporated 1909.)

This society was formed and incorporated for the express purpose of placing the Divine Science, Philosophy and Religion of Astrology, the Divine Language whereby the Infinitely Wise Creator reveals His will to humanity, in an intelligent and authorized manner before the public, to promote brotherly love among men, a higher regard for friendship, sympathy and truth, and to expose and prosecute all frauds of persons pretending to practice astrology or other occult science, who are not qualified, and to establish.

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diploma of Fellow of Astrology, and upon fulfilling all requirements may be ordained by the board of directors as a minister of the Church of Astrology.

FEES.

(Payable June 1st each year in advance.)

The annual fee for an Ordinary Member will be 50 cents.

The annual fee for a Fellow Member practicing astrology or other occult science professionally, will be \$3.00.

CHARTERS.

Any three or more persons may apply for a charter for a branch society (but one of them, at least, must be a Fellow Member, and an ordained minister), by paying a fee of \$25.00 and filing application setting forth the full names and residences of the applicants, the purpose or purposes of their branch, and the name by which it is to be known, and its domicile.

The society is growing with wonderful rapidity, and several branch churches are already organized.

Doctors, lawyers, clergymen of all denominations, and persons in all walks of life are interested in

THE RESTORATION OF PROPHECY TO RELIGION and in the explanation of the origin of all forms of religious worship.

Persons desiring to join as Ordinary or Fellow Members, or to obtain a charter, will send required fee, enclosing self-addressed stamped envelope to Rev. Altan Z. Stevenson, D. A., 1629 Lexington Ave., New York City, Secretary of the National Astrological Society of the United States.

The Outlook for October, 1910.

By FREDERICK WHITE, President National Astrological Society.

The new moon for October occurs on the 3d at 2:20 a. m. and the full of the moon on the 18th of October at 8:24 a. m., Chicago standard time. At the time of the new moon the sun is square with Uranus and Neptune; and separating from a conjunction of Mars. This is an uncertain aspect, indicating an unsettled condition of affairs generally. Business more or less uncertain, and some lacking of confidence, in financial circles, is an unfavorable period till after the full moon for starting important business, or for the average person to begin radical changes. The weather con-

ditions will be out of the common, probably quite unsettled weather, with unusual temperatures for this time of the year. Those of a nervous temperament will be effected to quite an extent, more than the usual number of suicides being recorded, many will be inclined to make sudden changes, an unusual amount of travel being indicated. As the aspects occur in the 3d house, it is an indication of more than the usual number of railroad catastrophes.

The cereal and stock markets will be unsettled and very changeable, the aspect of the sun generally causes depressions in prices, and I would expect radical moves in the stocks and cereals the first half of the month, with a tendency downward, although getting ready for a move in the other direction, this may come the last half of the month. The full moon occurs with the sun in conjunction with Jupiter, it being a more favorable aspect although Jupiter being in square to Uranus and Neptune indicates sudden changes generally, things looking good one day and bad the next, prices of commodities generally being uncertain, subject to sudden changes. Those who speculate will do well to keep within their limit and look for sudden changes in the markets both ways. The last half of the month is the best part for important business changes.

The sun enters Libra on September 23d, about midnight, and the first aspect of the sun will be to a conjunction of Mars in Libra, indicating that the coming six months after September 23d will not be quite as even and settled as usual, danger of much contention between nations and political parties, and is unfavorable to some extent for those who hold high office.

The Days for October, 1910.

October 1st—Moon is trine to Uranus at 2 p. m., is a good day, push affairs, ask favors, buy.

2d—Moon out of aspect, is favorable for Sunday affairs.

3d—Moon applying to bad aspects, is unfavorable for changes, asking favors, etc., wait till tomorrow.

4th—Moon slightly well aspects, generally good but quiet.

5th—Moon separating from a bad aspect of Saturn, is uncertain and dull.

6th—Moon sextile to Uranus at 2 p. m. is good, ask favors, push affairs, buy.

7th—Moon past aspects, is a quiet day and uncertain, be careful.

8th—Moon sextile to sun 2 p. m., is active and generally good, buy.

9th—Moon sextile to Jupiter at 8 a. m. is good, ask favors, push affairs.

10th—Moon trine to Saturn 6 a. m., is generally a good day.

11th—Moon square to sun (first quarter), is uncertain and changeable, not good for starting business or making changes.

12th—Moon square to Saturn 3 p. m. is annoying, dull and uncertain, unfavorable, be very careful.

13th—Moon trine to Mars at 8 a. m. is slightly good, a fair day.

14th—Moon separating from good aspects, favors a quiet but good day.

15th—Moon not forming important aspects is a quiet day.

16th—Moon parallel with Mars, be careful of all affairs, avoid discord.

17th—Moon applying to opposition of Mars, is deceiving, not good for taking chances or starting new affairs.

18th—Moon full; not sure and certain, be careful, avoid risks.

19th—No important aspects, but is an active day, but quite uncertain.

20th—Moon separating from good aspects, is quite good in the forenoon.

21st—Moon applying to good aspects, is generally good, push affairs.

22d—Moon trine to sun at 6 p. m. is good, ask favors, push affairs, buy.

23d—Moon out of aspect, but is good for Sunday affairs.

24th—Moon square to Jupiter, is uncertain, active and changeable, use care.

25th—Moon separating from bad aspects, is unsteady and changeable, wait a day or two.

26th—Moon applying to good aspects, is generally good, ask favors, push affairs.

27th—Moon sextile to sun 11 a. m., is quite favorable for business and general affairs.

28th—Moon is applying to good aspects, favorable for business and for all reasonable changes.

29th—Moon out of aspect, is quiet, but may be generally good.

30th—Moon not aspected, is favorable for all Sunday affairs.

31st—Moon square to Uranus and Neptune at 9 a. m. is changeable, uncertain and quite risky; be careful and avoid risks, avoid asking favors till late in the p. m.

FREDERICK WHITE,
Crystal Bay, Minn.

Old Moon Beliefs.

The health, growth and development of children and animals were years ago sup-

posed to be influenced by the moon. If the sign was right at the time of birth they would be well formed and intellectual, but if it was wrong there was no telling what sort of creatures they would become. Every worthless fellow, every dog, rooting hog, fence-jumping cow or kicking horse was believed to have been born under an unfavorable phase of the queen of night. Queer people or those who were of hateful disposition were children of the dark moon, with the sign below the heart.—*Milford Gazette*.

Miscellaneous

The Comfort of Death.

By JOSIAH OLDFIELD, D.C.L., M.A.,
M.R.C.S.

"So, when the angel of that Darker Drink
At last shall find you by the river brink
And offering his cup, invite your soul
Forth to your lips to quaff, you shall not
shrink." Omar Khayyan.

It is well sometimes that those who know something of it should take up their parable and talk about death.

The ordinary man or woman looks upon the subject as one which is surrounded by terrors and haloed by mourning, and they would fain never hear about it, if only they could avoid thereby the necessity of dying.

I am not now speaking, or wishing to speak, of the religious view of death, nor of the spiritual comfort of the after-death reality.

I am only concerned for the moment with the physical side of dying and with the sundering of the vital principle from the body of our manifestation.

So many people who have seen a friend in the last hours, or who have only heard of the tragedy of the passing, have the rooted conviction that death is a thing of great pain.

I remember so well that my own father's fear of death was a purely physical dread of the great pain which he anticipated he would have to pass through—and yet I believe that his death was as painless and comforting as the passing of a breath of air upon the cheek when the cool of eventide has come.

I have watched with deep interest the coming into this world, and the passing out of this world of hundreds of my fellows, and I have come to the conclusion that under natural conditions the lifting of the curtain for the mystic incoming of the new guest and the last closing of the door upon the parting friend are alike of supreme unimportance so far as physical pain is concerned.

Bacon puts it this way: "It is as natural to die as to be born, and to a little child the one is as painful as the other."

By this, I think he means, that it is "no more painful," and with this view of natural birth and death I wholly agree.

So little does the apparently painful process of being born affect us that it does not ever leave the faintest trace upon our memory.

The apparent painfulness of a natural death is equally illusory, and I believe that we shall awake in equal forgetfulness of the sensation of dying.

Again and yet many times again I have seen a great fear of dying in the earlier stages of the last illness, but it was only a transitory phase, and ere long the kindly comforting of nature brought peace to the mind and unconsciousness of pain long before the final passing had come.

Nature is wonderfully beneficent, and with no niggard hand does she pour out from her pharmacy stores hypnotics more potent than the drowsy poppy, more rapid than the speedy chloroform, and more lasting than the charms of magic or of drugs.

In forest and jungle, in the burning desert and on the lonely moor alike, the soothing voice of nature is heard in the hour of death singing her lullaby of rest and peace and sleep profound.

Some people in their sleep make strange and uncouth noises, and timid children put to bed in the same room for the first time are afraid.

But the fear is on the unaccustomed children and not upon the sleeper.

So, too, in death, some people play upon the discords of sound, and terrify those who look on, but here, too, the fear is to the bystander only. When one is waked from sleep he will tell you that he is all unconscious of the noises he has made.

When one returns from the valley of the shadow into which he has begun to enter, he, too, will tell you that when consciousness had departed he knew no more of those sounds which he made and which seemed to the onlookers to tell of pain.

Those of us who have seen hundreds of cases of that temporary death which comes from an anaesthetic, and who have asked the patient for his sensations quite shortly afterwards, get great comfort from knowing that no memory of pain if connected with those spasms of sound and motion which to the inexperienced would betoken suffering.

Many and many a time have I blessed the kindly balm of sleep which ether brings, so that the sharp hour of agony has been passed in blest unconsciousness and the awakening has only been to a sense of great gladness and ease and comfort again.

So, too, I believe that death comes in such cases as the great comforter, and that the sharp hour of passing is all unknown and that the awakening is to a sense of supreme "rest after weariness; comfort from pain."

I began by saying that I thought that "natural" death was painless. Do I then suggest that unnatural deaths are painful? Not at all. I believe that kindly nature gives her sponge of hyssop alike to the just and to the unjust, to the young and to the old, to those who fear pain and to those who court it.

I believe that under all conditions and in all its manifold forms the angel of death is

preceded by handmaid bearing a bowl of the mystic water Lethe which she sprinkles with generous freedom as she passes.

Death, then, is never seen and never known, and those who fear the pains and the grim visage of death do so without cause and without need, and in the day of their own trial will find their forebodings have all been vain.

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I have tried to show that in death itself there is no ground for fear or pain, but to the unnatural liver there is the long prelude to it.

To the fruitarian who lives wisely and who starts in time to destroy the power of an evil heredity, the natural powers abate by gradual flux, and, like the slow drying of the summer pond, the passing away of the treasure stores of vitality is almost imperceptible.

There is a restful prelude of slowly wasting forces, restful and painless, and it is to such a life as this that the very thought of death is like the longing for sleep when the happy day's work is done.

"Good-bye, sweet life," it seems to say, "very pleasant and very beautiful have you been to me. In the field of Ardath I have sat me down and I have eaten of the gifts of God, the kindly fruits of His earth. In the beautiful field of Ardath I have gathered the fair flowers of beauty. No pain have I caused, and no pain do I know, only I long to lay me down to sleep—to sleep the long sleep of peace."

And these are the beautiful eventides that Fruitarianism promises ere there comes the handmaid with the sprinkling showers and the sweet Comfort of Death.—*Herald of the Golden Age.*

A True Dream Story.

One evening, not long ago, I went into the garden for a twilight stroll, when I saw, lying on the path, a beautiful thrush. He was quite warm still, but I feared he was dead.

I carried him into the house, and my father, a lover of birds, tried to restore the little life, but in vain—the tiny head fell back motionless, the pretty pale-colored

breast with the dark spots would swell no more with song.

Gently I carried him back to the garden to the very spot where I had found him, and there, under a kindly-sheltering shrub I laid him. But before leaving him, I tenderly *kissed* the soft feather-covered little body for the sake of all the songs he *would* have sung this coming spring, and, yes, for the sake of our mutual Father.

That night as I lay in bed, I dreamt that a bird flew into the room. He came circling around, and the first time that he

passed me the tip of his wing just touched my cheek, and the second time that he flew past he paused in front of me, his wings fluttering to steady himself; and he came nearer and nearer till at last his little beak touched my lips, and I knew that a little bird was kissing me!

That is all, but who can say! Was it only a dream? Or was it the effort made by the newly freed soul of a bird to express its gratitude for a little human love—a kiss and just one tear?—*Honorius Matthews, in Herald of The Golden Age.*

The Pilgrim on the Journey

By J. C. F. GRUMBINE.

"The world is growing better
No matter what they say;
The light is shining brighter
In one effulgent ray;

And though the critics murmur
And point the other way—
Yet still the world grows better
And better every day."

In some such optimistic words the poet wove his inspiration in song. And how true it is, when man has the right focus of things. Herbert Spencer, the apostle of the unknowable, confessed in his ethics, a volume included in his synthetic philosophy that "evil tends constantly to disappear." And Whittier as well as Tennyson sang of the light breaking through doubts and creeds of fear and that not one soul will be cast as rubbish to the void when God has made the pile complete.

Now to the astrologer as well as the occultist karma is but another and technical name for evolution through cause and effect. One generation may regenerate while another degenerates, but thus the bad is sloughed off and the good is conserved. There is always more good and less evil in the moral assets of the world's civilization. The good is a superlative quality which buoys up, conserves and preserves the spiritual life of mankind. Shucks make poor pillows and mattresses as well as foundations, on which to build a higher and a better civilization. Still some people who are stupidly ignorant of the meaning of the life and who confuse economy with stinginess, seek material advancement by offering hu-

manity the worst in their material possessions as well as in themselves. No wonder they fail and become pessimists. The best is none too good since the good is always best, for all who earnestly do the world's work!

The greed for pleasure is an abnormal condition, and belongs to a stratum of the soul's life. The youth who seek only pleasure follow the promptings of red blood, but the inspiration of blue blood is a reaction from passion or desire. People seem money mad, and yet those who seek and have it are unfortunately unhappy.

Astrology proves that the craze for material possessions and sense pleasures may become an epidemic only among groups of souls, who need the experience. 'Tis never an end, good in itself, but a passing phenomenon of man's superficial life. Look into his nature, through the turbulent and riotous waters of his life, and any student of psychology can see how the soul is being cultured and trained for higher things. Because the good is qualitatively and not quantitatively the best, it usually is the last object or subject of attraction. No one is ready to love or be good, who has not placed evil and error forever under his feet.

The good triumphs in all; because it is best, not because it pleases or affords temporal amusement. Rag and garbage pickers find all good elements in waste, but it is the *good* they seek, not the *rotten* or *corruptible*. Old paper and soiled rags can be remade into more than shoddy wear.

Victor Hugo bewailed the waste of millions of dollars worth of offal through the sewers of Paris which if utilized could fertilize the world. Emerson said that "in the mud and scum of things, there always, always something sings."

In the large cities less and less an interest seems to be manifested in churches, but *conscience* is more alive than ever. People care less and less for official Christianity, but more and more for sterling and simple pure living. Denominational and official theosophy and spiritualism is on the decline, but more and more interest is manifested in a knowledge of immortality and a spiritual religion. Professionalism in religion as well as in sports is not the highest type of the lover of God or of man and man's achievements.

As du Maurier wrote in Peter Ibbetson, the bad is going slowly to the bottom where it belongs, where the mass of men begin their life and career upward, as the lily in the mire, but upwards and on top are clarified planes and spheres where lilies can rest and bloom and breathe on untainted and pure atmosphere.

Wealth does not stand for spirituality, nor poverty for materiality, for saints and sinners stand in low and high places, to do their work and live their life. But always remember, that out of chaos cosmos appears, as out of sinners angels are born, and so we sing "the world is growing better." It is so and always will be so.

Supernormal Development.

This is the age of aeroplanes flying in the air in an heavier than air machine is a fact. So is the greatest fact of all facts *spirit communication*. Our so-called dead are alive, and as Sir Oliver Lodge wrote in Harper's Monthly, "They are working like Trojans to make us hear and see them, and some of us can?"

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A Question for Mr. J. C. F. Grumbine.

Who was Hermes Mercuris Trismegistus, the thrice great?

We read in mythology that the Gods lived on Mount Olympus. A gate of clouds kept by the goddesses, called the Seasons, admitted celestials to earth and received them again. Was not *this* Hermes an adept or hierophant through whom messages were received very much as spiritualists do today?

Old testament stories are so like mythological stories that I think they are not wholly a myth.

MRS. M. L. PARKS,
Harvard, Neb.

Another Answer.

In a primary school examination, over which I once had the pleasure to preside, one of the questions was with regard to the five senses. One of the bright pupils handled the subject thus:

"The five senses are: Sneezing, sobbing, crying, yawning, coughing. By the sixth sense is meant an extra one which some folks have. This is snoring."—*From Woman's Home Companion for September.*

The following was written by Ruth Harkins, aged ten years, as an exercise in school, the subject "Whom I Would Like to Marry," having been given to the entire room by her teacher.

She is very fond of starwberry shortcake, detests stews, and that evening was going to the Grand Opera with her parents. Her uncle, A. B. W. Hodges, mining engineer, receives a salary of \$50,000 per year, which she figures out would be \$137.00 per day, hence what she says of good clothes.

St. Louis, Mo., April 26th, 1910.

"Whom I Would Like to Marry."

I would like a husband that likes straw-

berry shortcake, and then I would make it every night.

I wish he would take me to the Grand Opera whenever it is played in St. Louis.

I hope I will have an electric machine, and he will have a touring car.

If he likes stew I will not marry him. I would like him to earn \$137.00 a day, like my uncle. Then I will have lots of clothes.

I do not wish my husband to smoke.

RUTH HARKINS.

The Really Trulys of Heaven.

Eight-year-old William and his Uncle Will are great chums, and the latter takes delight in the quaint sayings of his namesake.

It rained on the day that William was to have gone to a wonderful picnic. The little lad stood at the window trying to keep back the tears. Uncle Will, coming by, and seeing the tears, slapped his nephew on the back and unexpectedly shouted: "Hello, Bill! What's your idea of heaven?"

The small boy looked up and solemnly answered: "Heaven's the place where the really-trulys are as nice as the just-supposin's."—*Alice Cameron in Woman's Home Companion for September.*

Mabel Gifford Shine.

This well-known New Thought writer and teacher has contributed to most of the magazines from time to time, and is the author of "Here's Health For You," and other books, and editor of Allshine Life Magazine. She was previously editor of The Boston Occult Review for a number of years. She contributed to Universal Truth, Chicago; Psychic Review and Mind until they were discontinued; Metaphysical Magazine, New York; Practical Ideals, Boston; Balance, Denver, Stellar Ray, Michigan; Aquarius, New York; Health, Health-Culture, Naturopath and Vegetarian magazines.

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One member wished to know if it were possible to collect bad debts by thought power. It certainly is. We have demonstrated this a number of times, and lately have more evidence of the fact. A party owed us some money. He would not answer a letter about it. Someone persuaded us to put it in a lawyer's hands to collect. We did so and paid his fee, apparently sending good money after bad. This law-

yer got judgment, but found the party had nothing and he could not collect. Two years passed and it seemed a total loss. Yet we tried to hold to the thought that it would come. Lately a check for the full amount with interest was received.

Are you making the daily affirmations for health, happiness and success for all? If we make them with FAITH we will receive help. Just to utter meaningless words will bring us no success.

Unless you are receiving success you are not "en rapport" with the club. As soon as you place yourself in harmony with us, you receive the success vibrations, and then whatever you need comes to you. Not always what you WANT, for that is not always best for you, but what you need is waiting for you to call it forth for your use. Some of our members state that since they joined this club, they have never needed a dollar that it did not come to them in some way. Consider if this has not been the case with you, it is your own fault. Search within for the cause and correct it at once. You can have the same success.

It has always been our policy as a club not to advertise any stock selling schemes.

When we were ignorant of such things, we invested in a company promoted by mental science people, who promised large and quick returns. They thought they knew. We had faith in them. This taught us a lesson, never to invest more than we could spare and not feel the loss of. Lately we have an opportunity to invest in an oil company. If they strike oil, a small investment will make us rich. The prospects are good, yet it is a lottery in which if one wins, all win; and if one loses, all lose. When lotteries were allowed, nearly everyone who read of the great prizes to be won, sent them a dollar or more. There are few who can't afford to lose one dollar. If any of our readers want to invest a dollar or so in a chance to get back a hundred or more, they can send it to us and we will invest it for them. The company sells in ten-share lots for \$10. We can take all together and report to you when oil is found, which we hope will be in November. They are boring now, but it takes some time to go 2,000 feet. If gas is found, the stock will be worth still more.

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Sleeping Under the Open Sky.

MADAM DU BOIS, Mount Carmel, Conn.

This is the most restful, delightful, invigorating and inspiring—yes, inspiring—of any sleeping experience of the writer, as yet. We tried the method this summer, not because of ill health, necessity or vacation camping, but for pleasure and comfort during the heated term of July and August.

We took some sleeping paraphernalia to the balcony, unafraid of the elements, mosquitoes or of falling over the low railing to the lawn.

The hardness of a canvas cot, or a blanketed balcony floor, is more restful than a hair mattress; the feel of the night breezes on one's face is delightful; the deep breathing of night air is invigorating; and the view of the starry heavens is a most inspiring sight to meet one's final gaze before dropping off to sleep.

Those who sleep in stuffy bedrooms, on regular beds, no matter how well ventilated the rooms or how luxurious the beds, do not begin to realize the rest and invigorating effect of outdoor sleeping.

The objection has been made that beds left in the open are damp by bedtime; but we do not find it so as our beds are in the sun nearly all day, and are left open until late in the afternoon. While the bedding is still hot from the sun I have the beds made and the pillows covered by the blankets; then, no matter how late we may retire or how heavy the dew, the beds are dry and warm when we get into them. What do we do when it rains? Well, as it is an uncovered balcony and not planned for the purpose, we must pull the things into the house and endure our regular quarters until it clears; but at this writing there has been only one rainy night in many weeks.

We have tried camping in forests and beside lakes. While the tents were dry and airy, there was an odor about them from numerous things connected with the outfit; and there was always a shut-in feeling that needs no description. Even with these

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I think some one laughs and says: "This subject has whiskers on it!" Maybe it has; but there are still many people who sleep with one window raised to the height of a spool of thread, and another on a hair brush or a thimble; there are still others who ventilate their sleeping rooms by opening the doors leading into the living rooms. The odor of these bedrooms—in the country at that—is vile; the ailments of the occupants are many and quite unnecessary; and their dispositions are hard to get along with comfortably.

There are many converts to outdoor sleeping of some kind every summer of late years; but many of them give it up at the first breath of frost. Of course one's outfit must be very different. One must give up the hammock and canvas cot in cold weather or in any cold climate, because there must be more warmth underneath—the ground itself would be warmer! With a regular bed, blankets over the mattress, blankets in place of sheets, flannel night clothing instead of cambric, and some sort of a head-covering or night-cap (not for fear of a cold, but for comfort), together with a knowledge of deep breathing, the practice of which will quicken the circulation which is conducive to warmth, one may be perfectly comfortable.

Any balcony or piazza may be properly protected from storms by enclosure in glass in movable frames; by rolling sides made of slats like venetian blinds, or heavy canvas.

In clear weather these need not be in use unless it is too bitterly cold for comfort. Having a "will to do" one can adapt oneself to any climate or locality.

When it is impossible to leave a bedroom one may raise *as high as possible*, and lower *as low as possible*, opposite windows; also opening all other doors and windows practicable, and secure marvelous results. As we may "Go forth, under the open sky, and list to Nature's teachings," by day; so we may sleep under the open sky by night and develop glorious health from God's own tonic.

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looks, to those not in the secret, like a new art fabric.—*From Woman's Home Companion for September.*

FINE MENDING.

For darning a rent in fine white goods I use one strand of fine spool cotton, No. 80, untwisting the thread. This makes a more invisible darn than does the finest twisted thread. If carefully done it can not be seen.—*From Woman's Home Companion for September.*



You Must Eat to Live

Nothing will take the place of material food if you want to keep the material body in repair. The Creator gives the normal animal intelligence enough to feed itself and expects it to use it; otherwise the body will be destroyed. When you come to consider necessary foods, Roha, in Textbook of Hygiene, gives: (1) Water; (2) Salts; (3) Proteids; (4) Fats or Carbohydrates. Currier, in Practical Hygiene, gives: (1) Water; (2) Salts; (3) Albumins; (4) Fats and Oils; (5) Starch and Sugars. Dr. Henry Reed Hopkins, President of the Medical Society of New York, in an article on the Mineral Nutrients, says that Air is the most important food, Water the next in importance, and Salts the third, the three constituting Class One. The reason is plain: a person can live but a few seconds without air, a few hours without water, and a few days without the mineral nutrients. A person will die in less time when fed on food from which the salts have been largely extracted than when given no food at all.

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Saw Angel in the Room.

PHILADELPHIA, April 15.—A Wilmington, Del., dispatch to the Record says: "What they believe was a supernatural manifestation in the room of their daughter, Maude, who has been critically ill for several days, has profoundly affected Mr. and Mrs. Williams Robinson. The manifestation was a shadowy form directly over the head of the child. The parents of the girl have been unable to find a natural explanation for the appearance of the figure, which they watched for

some time during the early hours. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson were watching at the bedside when Mrs. Robinson stared, clutched her husband's arm and pointed to the wall. There the man and woman saw a life-size shadowy figure which they watched until daylight, when it disappeared. The room was lighted by a small oil lamp and the father investigated, expected to find some clothing or perhaps the furniture that would account for the shadowy form, but there was nothing to explain it. The sick child began to improve on Sunday and it now is believed she will recover.

"It was as plain as it could be," said Mrs. Robinson today. "The shadow was in the distinct form of an angel and there was no mistaking it, for there was nothing in the room that could cast such a shadow. We don't know how it can be explained. The shadow seemed to have Maude's form but the face of her dead mother.

"The hair was smoothed back and it had a white robe just as you see in pictures of angels. Shortly after the shadow disappeared Maude seemed to get better." Mrs. Robinson is the stepmother of the sick girl."

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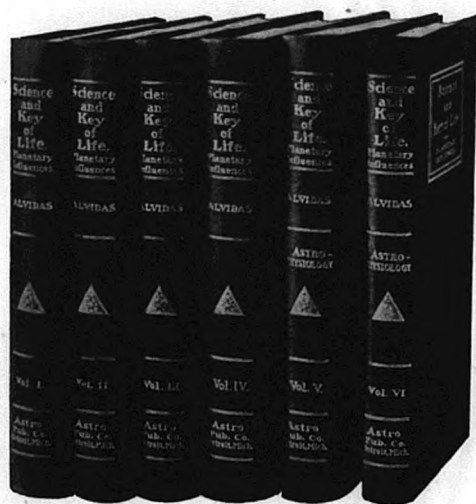
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