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NATIVITY OF QUEEN VICTORIA, THE EMPEROR OF THE FRENCH, AND OTHER CROWNED HEADS OF EUROPE.

REMARKS UPON AND PREDICTIONS DRAWN FROM THE

GREAT CONJUNCTION OF SATURN AND HERSCHEL,

IN THE BULING SIGN OF

RUSSIA AND TURKEY,

FROM WHICH THE DOWNFALL OF TURKEY IS PREDICTED.

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PREFACE.

For ages shall the Sun perform its appointed revolution through the fields of space, centuries shall roll away—thrones shall mingle with the dust, and yet shall this little work remain and flourish as a lasting and never-dying momento of the sublime truths of astral lore. For, lo ! at the time I commence to write, the lord of the ascendant has reached the culminating point of heaven, in sextile to Mercury, in conjunction with Venus, and receiving the glorious rays of the light of *time*. Yes ! the sublime truths of heaven shall again become manifest, and then may man hope to be permitted to approach the footstool of his maker.

And when that time shall come, when the mind of man shall be lifted up to a contemplation of the beautiful and unerring laws of nature, when he shall read for himself in heaven's own book, the equality of man, and see himself reflected as in a mirror, as the noblest work of God, possessed of faculties to rule himself, and free from the despotic sway of tyrants. When the pride, the ambition, and love of power of one man shall no longer be able to plunge nations into war; then, and not till then may we hope for that universal brotherhood which can alone ensure the happiness of mankind.

But ere that time can come, the viol of wrath must be poured out—the poisoned cup must be drank to the dregs—the bitterness of the sting must be more keenly felt, the miseries of *war*, pestilence, and famine, the fatal effects of one man's ambition, in order that the voice of heaven may be fulfilled.—"For ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye have chosen, and the Lord will not hear you in that day."—1 Samuel, chap. viii. verse 18.

But behind that dark cloud a glorious ray of light is beaming—it already illumines the horizon, but the revolution of the heavenly bodies must succeed revolution a hundred times ere we can hope to feel its glorious effulgence.

N.B. It was the intention of the author to have laid his remarks upon the Great Conjunction before the public in 1852, circumstances, however, transpired which for a time rendered it impossible, but he has been induced by the extraordinary events on the Asiatic frontiers, to resume his pen, and confident in the truths of the science which he professes, to send his labours forth to the world, (though well knowing the treatment it will receive at the hands of sceptics,) in the hope that it may be the means of leading enquiring minds to investigate the principles of a science, which the authors feels confident only requires examination to ensure conviction, and to render it one of the most popular of the day.

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In order that nothing may be misunderstood, I here give a Map of the Heavens, with the various explanations of each house, as understood by Astrologers:



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N bringing my remarks to bear on the coming events of Europe, and believing both from reason and experience, that all sublunary affairs are subject to one great and universal cause — *i. e.* planetary influence, I have laid before my readers the map of one of the most remarkable configurations of the celestial bodies, viz., the conjunction of Saturn and Herschel in the third degree of the sign Taurus, the first *decanate* or face of the earthy Trigon. The last conjunction of "these bodies took place in the sign Libra in November, 1805, and there must be forty-five revolutions of.

the solar orb ere such an event can again take place. Astrologers universally agree, and experience proves that the most extraordinary changes in mundane affairs ever follow upon the heels of the conjunctions of the superior orbs, this is very perceptible in the events that followed the great conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the earthy Trigon in 1842; namely, the war in Affghanistan, China, and other parts of the globe, which are most subject to its influence. Scarce a month passes without some remarkable prediction being fulfilled, which was then set forth by the illimitable genius of Zadkiel, who wrote on this subject. The most important figure in this configuration is the conjunction taking place in Taurus, the second sign of the zodiac, or that portion of the great circle of the sphere which is found to rule over the destinies of Russia, Great Poland, Holland, Persia, Asia Minor, the Archipelago, Ireland, Mantua, Leipsic, Parma, Nantz, Franconia, Lorraine, Sens, Bythynia, and Cyprus. The extraordinary events which are now taking place on the shores of the Black Sea, but too plainly evince the unlimited power of the phenomenon, already is the whole of Asia Minor in a blaze, and the frontiers of Russia bathed with human gore. The remarkable prediction set forth in my almanac, for the year 1852, page 42, is now being fulfilled, viz. :-- " It will be the means of opening a new era to many places under the dominion of this sign-as these malific orbs continue their progress through space, those parts of the world will be fearfully affected. Pestilence, famine, and war will follow in their track, it will be the means of uniting the various tribes that inhabit the Russian frontiers, in which empire great and mighty changes will take place, and even on the soil of Germany its effects will be fearfully visible."

How far this prediction has been verified, I leave my readers to judge, already has pestilence and war been glutted with the blood of human victims; but the effects of this great conjunction is yet scarcely felt, Turkey, that glory of the crescent, must fall, the land of mosques must sink into oblivion, the cross must supersede the crescent, and the religion of Mahomet become extinct. I do not hesitate to say that Russia will become master of Turkey, and that the Russian flag will wave from the towers of Constantinople; but ere this can ensue the East will be drenched with the blood of western Europe, the soil of Germany will spread the contagion, and even France will offer the blood of her children as a sacrifice to the god of war.

OF THE FIRST HOUSE OF THE FIGURE.

The first important object in the figure is the conjunction of the two superior planets in Taurus, in the fourth house of heaven, the house that symbolically represents the landed interest of the country, also the soil, its rulers and governors. The British people, are however, more particularly represented by the first house, and its lord, which is Jupiter, who is here located in the eleventh, which governs over the exchequer of the country, but behold ! Jupiter is retrograde, and thereby applying to the opposition of Saturn. The inference which may be drawn therefrom is truly fearful, expences will be increased to an alarming extent, and from the trine of Jupiter and Mars, this latter planet being in the seventh, I have no doubt, to carry on a destructive war. The retrogade position of Jupiter in opposition to Saturn from the fourth leads me to judge that resort will be had to foreign loans. and that even some of the British colonies may be ceded to foreign powers to raise gold; certain it is that within a few years we shall be on the eve of a national bankruptcy, and as Venus, who is ruler of the fifth house, is in conjunction with the two malifics, resource may be had to the disgusting system of state lotteries, speculations of every kind will be carried to a fearful extent. A tremendous rate of interest will be offered for money, the banks will be drained, and every effort will be made by the government to keep up the national credit; this will be felt particularly about June and July, 1855. But the whole of my remarks stand over a period of centuries, yet a fearful blow will be felt by England when Saturn opposes the place of this Mutation in 1865.

OF THE SECOND HOUSE.

This house bears particular influence over the wealth or ready money of the common people, and, according to LILLY, in an eclipse or great conjunction their wealth or poverty. In the figure before us we find the moon in the second house in partile square to both of the malific orbs, and approaching a square of Venus who rules the tenth. She also disposes of Mars, who is located in the house of war and battle, another testimony that the nation will be impoverished through the casualities of *war*; the planet Saturn in the figure rules this house, and being in the fourth denotes that some heavy tax will be placed (and justly) upon the great land-

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holder. Let the people of Liverpool look well to their shipping interest, and be prepared against the eventualities of invasion; I would recommend the fortifying of all weak points on the British coast, particularly in that neighbourhood. Although I am confident that no enemy will ever set an hostile foot on the soil of England during the reign of her present majesty; yet in the succeeding reign an enemy will arise, and the nation's wealth will alone purchase the blessings of peace.





I have placed the above figure in my remarks upon the second house, as it is there we find the two infortunes in the lunation, to those of my readers who are acquainted with the rudiments of astrology, the above figure will be found particularly interesting. It is from this that we must draw our judgment, for according as we find the positions at this lunation agree with the radix, so the more or less powerful, will be the effects produced : from this also are we to judge of the fulfilment of the events predicted, and the time of their fulfilment. I shall, however, reserve my judgment in this particular until we come to treat of the nativity of her present majesty, Queen Victoria, as it is from her nativity that the leading events of this country must be judged. The chief feature in the figure before us is the position of the two infortunes, Saturn and Herschel, in the second house, (of wealth.) denoting much poverty to the great mass of the people, this is more particularly denoted by the former planet ruling the first house, significator of the people, and placed in the fourth at the conjunction, the planet Mars is here located in the sixth in Cancer, the sign of his debility, denoting but too surely the misery which awaits the great bulk of the people from epidemic disease; Mars has six degrees of the zodiac to pass ere he squares Saturn, this influences in about six years and four months from this lunation, and then a fearful epidemic will be imparted from the east of Europe, sweeping away thousands in its path. Fortunately, the beauteous orb Jupiter, both here and in the mutation, is located in the highest heaven, and elevated above each and all of the erratic orbs.

OF THE THIRD HOUSE.

This house has particular signification of neighbouring nations, who are in amity with this country; the internal communications of the people, as travelling, post-office regulations, &c. In the figure before us this house is governed by Jupiter, and is occupied by the Sun and Mercury, from which I judge that great changes will take place in these departments; the ocean penny postage will become law, and prove remunerative to the government. Great improvements will take place in railroad travelling, yet the exchequer will make great demands upon the funds of the various companies. From the position of Mercury I am inclined to judge that secret diplomacy will be more tolerated than ever, and Jupiter being lord of this house, and retrograde in the eleventh, denotes that British gold will often be paid to foreign courts, to obtain peace. The allies of great Britain will be powerful but vacillating, and I am of opinion that England has more to fear from the present system of secret diplomacy than from the expences of a war The only friend and true ally that England has ever armament. possessed has been her own wooden walls, and so long as a British fleet can rule the sea and protect our commerce, the sons of Britain have nought to fear.

OF THE FOURTH HOUSE.

We now arrive at the most important feature of this great Mutation, here we find Herschel and Saturn in a close conjunction with Venus, who rules the fifth and tenth houses, and applies by direct motion to the opposition of Jupiter. This points to great changes in the present system of crown property; a heavy tax will be placed upon land, the difficulties of the landholders increase, but let us hope that it will be for the benefit of the great mass of the people. Long, too long, has been the struggle between the labour of the poor man and the luxury of the oppressor. A great change will take place in Ireland, the power of the tyrant landlord will be abolished, a new people unswayed by popish doctrines will arise, a different mode of government will ensue, and the wants of the poor be remedied; but it must be remembered that these remarks extend over a long series of years. Many will be the struggles between the poor man and his ruler, but time, that great mover of all things, will eventually place mankind on a more equal footing. Yes! the time will come when the production from the poor man's labour will be more valued than the lordly title or the blazing heraldry, the last remnants of a despotic sway and barbarous age. But it is in Russia that the influence of this conjunction will be most severely felt. The whole of this extensive empire is under the dominion of the sign Taurus ; also the Black Sea, part of Turkey, the Crimea, Poland, Sclavonia, and the whole of Lesser Asia, in this part of the world the most unlooked for changes will ensue. I am of opinion that the chief of the border tribes will become regenerated, and form one powerful and distinct nation, Turkey will either fall, or exist only at the will of other powers, and that only for a time; but from her ashes will arise a power as mighty, if not as free, as any other in Europe -for lo ! Venus who rules the tenth house of honour, of dignity, and power, is exalted, and separating from the baneful effects of this conjunction. India also will assume a new phase, a mighty change will be effected, and I do not hesitate to say that in a few years INDIA WILL CEASE TO BE A PORTION OF THE BRITISH DOMINIONS, a great change will be effected during the present year, 1854, but no portion of the British dominions will be lost while QUEEN VICTORIA SITS ON THE THRONE OF GREAT BRITAIN, but beyond that a cloud hangs over our native land, may heaven, in its goodness, avert the fatal blow.

OF THE FIFTH HOUSE.

This house influences the rising generation, the pleasures or amusements of the people at large, also the speculative portion of the community. In the figure before us Venus rules this house, and is woefully afflicted by the conjunction of Saturn and Herschel, denoting too plainly how sadly the national drama has been neglected. Yet, as Venus is separating from this conjunction, I foresee a more prosperous time for literary amusements generally, although the square of the Moon from the second house denotes a want of money on the part of the public as well as the theatrical proprietor. Great sickness and mortality is denoted to the rising generation. Suicides will be very frequent, and pestilence and the sword will do fearful work ; but this will be chiefly felt in those parts of the world which are under the dominion of the sign Taurus.

OF THE SIXTH HOUSE.

This house represents the armed naval power of the kingdom, also the health of the community in general, and the state, or, established religion. In the figure before us the sign Gemini occupies the cusp of this house; Mercury is the lord thereof, and here we find him under the Sun's beams and in Pisces, the house of his debility. What may we imply therefrom---the answer is simple, already has the mandate gone forth-in the vaulted heavens is it written that the Protestant church shall not long be supported by the State, yet I see many struggles ere this can take place. many will be the demands upon the energies of the people to support this unholy system, and from the trine of Mercury and Jupiter, money will not be wanting to perpetuate its ascendancy. Mercury being lord of this house points to great improvements in our naval mode of warfare, and being in the house of journeys their speed will be much accelerated by the more general application of steam; immense sums of money will be voted from the exchequer to improve and support our navy; but I see signs of much mal-administration in the admiralty, favour and not worth will ensure success; this is plainly denoted by the lord of the sixth being combust, and in the house of his debility; yet years shall pass away, and still shall the union jack float as lord of the sea. Many shall be the efforts on the part of foreign foes to degrade its colours, but it will never sink by the hand of an enemy. but by mal-administration and deceptive policy.

This house also rules over the health of the people at large, and from the position of Mercury, I judge that the chief diseases which will afflict the people of this country for the remainder of the present century will be of a cold and consumptive nature ; this will be more particularly the case in 1855, and three succeeding years. The conjunction taking place in Taurus, a sign of a pestilential nature points but too plainly to a return of the cholera or some other epidemic disease, which will spread westward from the confines of the black sea; this is likely to afflict us when Saturn transits the place of Mars in 1857, at which time some virulent disease (I think the small pox,) will commit fearful ravages amoug the rising generation—particularly in Scotland and the north of England.

OF THE SEVENTH HOUSE.

This is the house of war and battle, and denotes the public enemies of the nation, it also shows the dignity of the government in a defensive way. This is one of the most important features in this great conjunction, as it illustrates, and that plainly, the future maritime position of Great Britain in the scale of nations-we here find the planet Mars located in the sign of his detrement in trine to Jupiter, the Sun, and Mercury, this latter planet ruling the house of his position. From the excellent position of Mars in a watery sign, and in trine to the Benefics, I am inclined to think that neither money or effort will be wanting to increase the naval and defensive power of Great Britain, her foes will be many, and the power that she will have to contend against great, yet for a time shall Britons rule the sea; but, mark ! a few short years, and a blow will be struck that will paralyse, if not annihilate, the naval power of Great Britain. Whether it will arise from foreign power, or mistaken policy at home, I leave time to disclose, one thing is certain, that eight years will not pass without a gem falling from England's crown, and that gem consists in the naval powers of this kingdom. We have already said that the public enemies are denoted by this house, and here we find the planet Mars strongly posited in a watery sign, and out of all his dignities, that the public foes of Great Britain will be numerous is evident from the many aspects to this house, and both Mars and the lord thereof being in double-bodied signs. Many will be the conflicts that we shall have to wage, but I think more by sea than land, as both planets are in watery signs; yet some attempt will be made to land troops on the coast of Scotland, but they will meet with a bloody and fearful reception, for, behold ! Mars has only seven degrees of the zodiac to pass ere he touches the cusp of the house of death. The foe in that day will be overthrown, for I repeat, it is impossi-

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ble for the soil of England to be trodden by the foot of an hostile foe while Queen Victoria sits on the throne of these realms.

This house also shows the dignity of the government in a defensive way. Although the god of war is there located, yet he is out of all his dignities; hence, I judge, that in a few years the peace party will gain the ascendancy in the House of Commons, and much as a universal peace is to be desired, yet the power of Great Britain will fall, and her name sink in the scale of nations by this (I fear,) deceptive policy. Yes ! the policy of peace is not in unison with the general spirit of the age in which we live, so long as we have tyrants upon the thrones of Europe, so long shall we have war; never until the equality of man is acknowledged, and the great universe is become one commonwealth can we hope for a lasting and universal peace, then, when there are no thrones to be won by war, no crown to repay the victor for his bloody work, then, and not till then, can we hope for that millenium of peace which must ensure the welfare and happiness of mankind. I would say that while arming for the present struggle, the people of England should not forget to demand at the hands of the government those necessary measures of political reform, which, while they stand prepared to face a foreign foe, will ensure the happiness, the welfare, and comfort of home.

OF THE EIGHTH HOUSE.

This house represents the Privy Council, the monarch's friends, the secrets of government, and the fate of the people in life and death. The Sun in this figure is lord of the eighth house, as the second degree of the sign Leo occupies the cusp, and as he is in conjunction with Mercury in the third, I foresee that much chicanery and fraud will take place in the diplomatic circle, contrary to the general wishes of the people. The mantle of death will fall around thousands of our fellow beings, for the furious Mars is only seven degrees from the cusp of this house, and this great conjunction falls in exact square to the same place; hence, whenever this sign becomes afflicted by aspects or positions of the malifies, or any eclipse shall happen therein, then will this influence become manifest, and future generations will feel most bitterly the effects of Saturn and Herschel squaring Mars on the cusp of the house of death.

This house also denotes the wealth of public enemies, and from

the woeful affliction of its ruling degree, I foresee that peace will often be obtained through the poverty of neighbouring states, yet many will be the struggles on the soil of France and Italy, for that liberty which have been too often crushed beneath the iron heel of tyranny and despotism.

OF THE NINTH HOUSE.

This rules over the ecclesiastical power of the nation, the law courts, and the commercial power of the empire. Mercury rules this house, and being in the third under the Sun's beams, will seriously affect our financial and commercial system, great changes will take place in the courts of law, the ecclesiastical courts will be abolished; the abuses of chancery annihilated, and a complete revision ensue in our courts of law, for both the Sun and Mercury beholds this house by an opposition, and Mercury is in the house of mutations and change.

OF THE TENTH HOUSE.

This house signifies the highest person in the land-viz., the king, queen, or ruler, also the government or executive power. Venus here rules this house, and therefore influences the present reigning dynasty; she is here strongly posited angular in the house of her greatest dignity, but in a close conjunction with both of the infortunes, Saturn and Uranus, this is anything but favourable to the powers that be, a great change will be effected in a few years among the aristocracy, the alteration which I foresee in the present system of land tenure will compel many to set aside their lordly notions and apply themselves to the more worthy pursuits of commerce. I also forsee a great change in the ruling dynasty of England, but this I leave time to develope; so long as our present sovereign exists the sceptre of Albion will never lose its brilliancy. But in the far off future I see a mighty republic in the great southern ocean; Australia will assume a government of her own election, free from the shackles of British misrule and kingly oppression. In the east I see also a gem falling from the British crown, yes ! INDIA that source of British wealth will be severed from our empire, yet many will be the struggles for power ere this can take place; the growing power of the north will penetrate even to the banks of the Ganges. Again, and again, will British and Russian blood mingle on the wide spread fields and broad

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river of Hindostan. The eagle of the north will spread its wings over the whole of Persia. Affghanistan will open its wild passes to the bold Scythian, it will be impossible for the sons of Britain to stand against them; and, thus will the power of the British in India cease, and the oppression of the children of the soil by British misrule, be banished from the face of the earth.

However isolated Russia may be in the coming struggle, I do not hesitate to say that she will become a great and mighty nation. However despotic her government, she will yet become free; under her wing the arts and sciences will flourish, and the name of Russia will live when other nations of Europe have fallen into oblivion, or remembered only in the page of history. In the time to come, (improbable though it now appears,) though centuries may roll away, ere it be accomplished, yet, I believe, that eventually the Russians will not only become masters of western Europe, but also of a great portion of Asia; for this conjunction in the ruling sign of Russia will influence for a period of MOBE THAN SEVEN HUNDRED YEARS !

OF THE ELEVENTH HOUSE.

This signifies the exchequer of the country, the national bank, and partly the house of commons, particularly in financial matters. In this house we find Jupiter, who rules the ascendant retrograde, and applying to the opposition of Saturn. My opinion is, however, already set forth in my judgment on the first and its ruler, and therefore need not be repeated.

OF THE TWELFTH HOUSE.

This house governs over the prisons, workhouses, and criminal affairs generally; it also represents the private or secret enemies of the nations, and is generally speaking the house of trouble, sorrow, and affliction. Jupiter also rules this house, and being retrograde in the eleventh, in opposition to Saturn and Herschel, and in square to the Moon from the sign Aquarius, (which sign partly rules Russia,) we may justly aver that it is from this quarter that our chief enemies will arise; yet as this conjunction falls in square to the place of the great eclipse of July, 1851. I foresee great changes in France, nor do I think that France as an

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ally can be relied on. I do not doubt the good will of Louis Napoleon toward this country, but the position of the planet Saturn in the house of honour of his nativity, renders it impossible for him to long hold the position which a fortunate, but transitory position of the planet Jupiter over the meridian of his nativity, placed within his grasp.



Ecliptic Opposition, 4H. 3M. 4s.

TOTAL ECLIPSE of either luminary (if visible) is always an important phenomena, but in the present case its importance is greatly enhanced by the peculiar fact, that in our latitude the MOON WILL DESCEND BELOW THE HORIZON TOTALLY ECLIPSED. At the present moment when the minds of all are turned upon the

one great question of peace or war, when not only Europe is shaken, but the brand of strife has penetrated to the broad fields of Asia; has thrown its bloody arm over the plains of China, and is likely to embrace in the broad question of independence the free and enlightened sons of America. At such a moment then, I say, the important phenomena of a lunar eclipse, falling below the horizon in total obscurity, becomes doubly significant, and when judged by the rules of mundane astrology, will be found to presage with the finger of truth the events which form the sequel to the already important drama now enacting in Europe. Before proceeding to a judgment upon this important phenomena, it will be necessary that my readers should be made perfectly acquainted with the true theory of Eclipses. To those who are acquainted with the outlines of astronomy the succeeding remarks are unnecessary, but to those who are unacquainted with its principles, they will be found useful to illustrate the figure before us.

In a general sense the word Eclipse means to hide, to obscure, and in astronomy is meant to darken either the Sun or This can only occur to the Sun at the conjunction or New Moon. Moon, and is occasioned by the passing of the Moon's body between us and the Earth; this kind of Eclipse, even if total, is never of long duration owing to the body of the Moon being so much smaller than that of the Sun; on the other hand, an Eclipse of the Moon can only happen at the opposition or Full Moon, and is occasioned by the Earth passing between the Sun and Moon, and it is the Earth's shadow that we see winding its way over the body of this luminary; thus, whenever the Moon becomes eclipsed on the meridian, it must be at midnight, or if such should occur at noon, she will be on the meridian of the antipodes-New Zealand for It must be remembered however, that both Sun and instance. Moon are always on the meridian of some part of the world. They are also rising and setting always in some latitude, consequently an Eclipse must be on the meridian of some place, and if we could draw a vertical line from the degree of the zodiac in which the obscuration took place, we should find that it would strike this Earth in the same parallel of latitude to the equator as the luminary's declination. Although, according to the opinion of astrologers, an Eclipse happening in any house of heaven will produce events peculiar to that house, (if visible), yet it is only where the shadow meets the Earth in a direct line that its effects become really prominent, hence the importance of the present figure, for the Moon will set totally eclipsed, and of course forming an horizontal

line with our zenith. At the time of this Eclipse, the 25th degree of the cardinal sign, Aries ascends, consequently it is governed by Mars who is rising in conjunction with the Sun, and in close opposition to the moon. If anything were required to convince me more fully that Europe will be plunged into war, the remarkable position in this figure would produce that effect. That a destructive war will be carried on with vigour in this country I am confident, and that Russia will be the common enemy I am equally certain from the fact of Mars rising in Taurus, THE RULING SIGN OF RUSSIA AND LESSER ASIA. The Moon eclipsed in Scorpio, a watery sign, and in the house of the public enemies of the nation, denotes that for a time the foes of Great Britain will not prevail, the wooden walls of Old England will commit fearful havoc among them, and victory will crown the efforts of the children of the west.

But while I predict success to the British arms, I foresee much trouble at home—a want of money will be much felt—large sums will be voted from the public purse to defray existing expenses fresh taxes will be imposed, and resource will be had to new loans to meet the deficiency. I foresee much misery in London and the west of England. America also suffers ; a spirit of dissatisfaction arises ; riots will occur in New York, which place will be fearfully affected by fire ; the slave question will be mooted, and many attempts made to abolish this most disgusting traffic ; but I fear it is too nearly allied to the selfish interests of the moneyocracy to be easily swept away, unless in a similar manner to the British emancipation bill, which, while it injured a few, has proved itself a boon to the world at large, and was an act worthy of the country from which it emanated.

The sign Gemini also rules over Egypt, Lombardy, Sardinia, and Brabant. These parts of the world, will, therefore, suffer in a proportionate degree; the last days of Egypt are now come; and though her pyramids may exist as a momento of by-gone greatness, yet her soil will be trod by the foot of the ruthless invader, and her name become amalgamated with the various tribes whose regeneration I have already predicted. This eclipse denotes great troubles to the people of Liverpool; some extraordinary calamity will affect the shipping interests, and should any attempt be made to destroy British property by fire-ships, or other secret means, I believe Liverpool will be the place to which such means would be directed. The Mersey will overflow its banks to an extent unknown for ages past, and will destroy an immense amount of property. The whole country will experience fearful inundations, and the banks of the Thames will not be free from the destroying enemy. The effects of this eclipse will last for several years, owing to the length of time that the Moon is totally obscured, viz., 1H. 36M. 14s., and the time from the first to the last contact with the penumbra is 5h. 46m. 24s., so that the effects will be felt for several years, but more particularly when any lunations shall occur near the degree of the zodiac in which it takes place. Although Mars rules this eclipse, (the Moon being in Scorpio and Aries ascending,) yet as Venus governs the seventh house in which this eclipse is situated, she may be said to dispose of the whole, and here we find her in exact conjunction with Saturn in the house of the death of public enemies. Truly this denotes the death of thousands; the British mode of warfare will commit fearful havoc among the ranks of the enemy; but while I see the British flag waving with victory abroad, I see misery and starvation doing its fearful work at home; the increase of taxation will breed great discontent among the working classes, money will be scarce, provisions dear, and starvation and crime will stalk throughout the land. The position of Saturn in Gemini is very unfavourable for monetary matters; the public confidence will be shaken, particularly in London and New York. Many large firms will stop payment, and as Saturn progresses through space we shall have a repetition of those events which took place in 1825. To those of my readers who are unacquainted with the extraordinary panic which then took place, the following remarks taken from "Toone's Chronology," page 610, will be found interesting : --

"Dec. 8. A great panic was created in the money market by the failure of the house of Wentworth and Co., the most extensive bankers in Yorkshire, and of several other country banks.

"Dec. 10. In consequence of the announcement of the failure of four country banks, an unusual demand for supply of cash was made upon the London bankers, and the greatest consternation in the money market was the consequence. Consols fell as low as 81[‡].

"Dec. 12. The banking house of Pole and Co. stopped payment; they were connected with forty-seven country banks, and increased the dismay in the city.

"Dec. 13. A further alarm was created by the failure of the banking house of Williams and Co.; the Bank refused to discount at less than £5 per cent. and Consols declined to 79.

"The Lord Mayor and several of the merchants of the city of London, had an interview with Lord Liverpool on the present alarming state of affairs.

"Dec. 14. Further failures were announced; the banking houses of Everett and Co., and Sikes, Snaith, and Co., suspended their payments; and on the following day Sir W. Stirling, Hodsoll, and Co. The Bank, to alleviate the distress occasioned by these failures, discounted bills to a large amount. "A meeting of the merchants and opulent tradesmen of the city of London was held at the Mansion-house, to consider of the present state of affairs in the city; when, after some discussion, it was agreed, that the present difficulties arose from panic and not from distress, and resolutions were entered into declaratory of these sentiments, and a determination to uphold the credit of the banking establishments of the metropolis.

"Dec. 15. A cabinet council was held at the Foreign office, on the present aspect of affairs; at the close of the conference the Ministers communicated the result to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England.

"Dec. 16. Six other country banks stopped, the demand for gold was so great that the Bank resolved to issue a large supply of one and two pound notes, to meet the present exigency.

"Dec. 17. The run upon the banking houses in London somewhat subsided, and confidence was partially restored."

"Dec. 31. Several other country banks failed, but the returning confidence in the stability of the London bankers, and the liberality of the Bank in discounting, restored the money market to its usual state, and no further failures having taken place of any consequence, the panic so suddenly raised entirely subsided before the close of the year."

It will be observed that Saturn was then in nineteen degrees of Gemini, having just passed over the ruling degree of London, and we find him there again in 1855, and again in 1856. That a similarity of events will take place I feel assured, but of a more distressing nature. We may also expect riots in the metropolis about this period, and the hand of the incendiary will do its evil work. Many railway accidents will take place, particularly to the west of England. Some accident will take place in connexion with the architecture of London Bridge, as at the moment of its foundation the ruling degree of London ascended in the horizon. There is also much trouble denoted to the ruling powers while Saturn remains in Gemini.

NATIVITY OF QUEEN VICTORIA.

"May years pass o'er thee like a breeze That sweeps along the spicy vale, That bows, but will not break the trees, And draws down perfume from each gale: And when the wintry winds draw in, Light—precious as thyself—be given, To cheer thee through this darker scene, And point thee to thy native heaven."





THE question that is now agitating Europe, that of peace or war, is cf a most momentous nature; I have therefore given my opinion upon the general fate of Europe in my remarks upon the great conjunction of Saturn and Uranus, but it must be borne in mind that those remarks apply only in a general way to coming events; but the effects which may be felt by any particular state or nation can only be judged by the nativity of the Sovereign or other ruling person. I have therefore placed before my readers the Nativity of Victoria, our present puissant and much respected Queen.

The first position that strikes the eye in this remarkable nativity is the conjunction of both luminaries in the sign Gemini, and within one degree of the ascending point of heaven, and in mundane sextile to the benevolent orb Jupiter! Well may the astrologers, twenty years since, have predicted a reign more mild and beneficent than it had ever been the lot of Englishmen to experience—a reign under which commerce would flourish, reform measures increase, and the happiness and welfare of her subjects be one of the leading features of her character.

The powerful position of the planet Jupiter in her house of honour denoted her reign to be as victorious as mild, under his influence, nought but success could attend the British arms.

Whatever struggles then we shall have to meet in a European war, we have the proud satisfaction of knowing, that so long as Queen Victoria sits upon the throne of these realms, so long will victory crown the efforts of our troops in every part of the inhabitable globe. But while we consider the fortunate positions in this nativity at the birth of the illustrious native, we must not forget that under the influence of evil directions and ingresses, events may occur to mar the general happiness and prosperity of this country. To bring this more fully to the reader's mind I shall here recount a few momentous periods in her Majesty's past life, and the planetary aspects which produced them, in order that we may the better judge of the future.

We have already stated that the powerful position of the planet Jupiter in the tenth house at birth denoted great honour, extensive fame, and unbounded wealth; and it was when this planet reached the mid-heaven in Mundo, the *arc* measuring to June, 1837, that her Majesty came to the throne, it is also remarkable that at this time the planet Jupiter was in 13 degrees of Leo, in exact parallel with the degree of his position at birth. This direction of Jupiter to the conjunction of the mid-heaven, says Wilson in his dictionary of astrology—"Gives great honour, profit, and preferment, favour of the great, and extensive patronage, and benefits every one according to his capacity or position in life." Now, although we do not argue that it was the strength of this position that raised her Majesty to the throne of these realms, since her Majesty had an undoubted title to the same, yet we aver

that it was the powerful position of this body coming by right direction to the mid-heaven of her Majesty's nativity, which denoted the exact time of her accession, and which was predicted by an eminent professor some years prior to the event. At the time that her Majesty made known to parliament her intention of espousing Prince Albert of Saxe Cobourg, the Sun came to the conjunction of Venus converse direction, arc 20 degrees 30 minutes, measuring to twenty years and two months. At the time of her Majesty's marriage the mid-heaven was directed to the quintile of the Sun in mundo, arc 21 degrees 2 minutes. "This," says Wilson, "produces marriage or children, and every degree of felicity." At twenty-one years and six months, Venus came to the conjunction of the ascendant followed by a sextile in the zodiac, arc twenty-two degrees and five minutes, at this time her Majesty was safely delivered of her first child, the princess royal. At twenty-two years one month the Sun came to the conjunction of Venus in the zodiac, arc twenty-two degrees and thirty minutes, which was followed almost immediately by the birth of the prince of Wales. At twenty-three years the Sun came to the quartile of Saturn in the zodiac, and the Moon to the opposition of Herschel direct, and the conjunction of Mars converse. Under the influence of this direction the war in Affghanistan broke out, and the British army was destroyed at Cabul through the treachery of the native chiefs. At twenty-three years and ten months, the Sun met the quintile of Mars, which was followed the same month by the birth of the princess Alice; at twenty-five years three months the birth of prince Alfred Ernest took place; the Sun had then arrived to the semi-square of Mars by direct motion. At twenty-seven years of age, the ascendant met the semi-square of Jupiter, en zodiaco, and the Sun the conjunction of Mars converse. Under these directions the Sikh war was carried on with vigour, ending in the total destruction of their artillery, at the battles of Forozeshah, Moodkee, Aliwal, &c., and the Sikhs suing for peace. The princess Helena was also born under the influence of this direction. At thirty-one years the Moon came to the sextile of Mercury, followed by the Moon to the quintile of Venus in the zodiac, arc 32 degrees 12 minutes, at this time the birth of prince Arthur took place. Her Majesty's last child was born under the Sun to the quintile of Venus, arc 34 degrees 43 minutes, and the Moon to the trine of Jupiter, direct motion, arc 34 degrees 56 minutes, measuring to April, 1853.

My readers cannot fail to notice the striking analogy between

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cause and effect here illustrated. I have given the operating *arc* in each particular case, in order that the *sceptic* may read and judge for himself, which he is enabled to do by referring to any elementary work upon the subject.

We have now arrived to the most important period of note to her Majesty, to the people at large, the present. We have now to note a period perhaps more important than any other in her Majesty's existence, because it is the first time that it has occurred since her Majesty ascended the throne. My remark applies to the ingress of the planet Saturn over the ascendant of her Majesty's nativity, the Sun and Moon. It will be observed that her Majestvis born under the second degree of the sign Gemini, with the Sun and Moon both located therein. During the months of August, September, and October, 1853, Saturn was stationary in one degree of Gemini, within one degree of both the Sun and Moon. The first difficulty respecting the holy places, and the Greek protectorate arose at this time; and at thirty-four years and four months the Moon arrived by converse motion to the conjunction of Saturn, arc 35 degrees 30 minutes, at this time her Majesty suffered extremely from the measles, a disease peculiar to the sign Gemini, in which this took place, upon reference to any work of note upon the science, it will be found that the husband in a female nativity is signified by the Sun ; the striking effects of this transit (Saturn over the Sun) is exemplified by the late attack upon the conduct of the Prince Consort. At the time I write, January, 1854, the ascendant is directed to the quintile of Venus in the zodiac. a favourable aspect for domestic happiness, but it is followed by much evil, fortunately there are no evil primary directions at work, with the exception of the Moon to the parallel of Herschell, in May, 1854. This usually produces unexpected events, and as Saturn towards the end of the month of April again enters Gemini and transits the place of the luminaries, I foresee a time of much trouble and anxiety. I sincerely trust her Majesty's health will not suffer; care will do much, but in a national point of view I foresee much perplexity. I look for an unexpected change in the ministerial department about May, and about this time I also expect to hear of a severe engagement, in which the British arms will take a I fear victory will not crown their efforts under such conpart. flicting influences. I must again say, that so long as Queen Victoria sits on the throne of England, so long will the lustre of the British arms never fade : yet war entered into under the unfortunate positions now in force, can only add to the misery of the people at large, and can only find a justification in the fact that it is to put down tyranny in its worst form, and to assist the weak against the overwhelming power of the strong.

The next influence of importance in her Majesty's Nativity is the mid-heaven to the sextile of the Moon in mundo, *arc* 36, 30, measuring to 35 years and 5 months, or November, 1854, about which time I look for an increase of the royal family. This influence will also bring about some great victory in the naval department; it denotes great changes and much public rejoicing.

Under this influence I think it probable that an effort will be made to establish peace; and although that event may take place, yet under the fell influence of Saturn in Gemini, the ruling sign of London, I fear such would only be of short duration. Towards the autumn of 1855, there is much treachery denoted on the part of the British allies. Treaties will be broken, and there is great danger of a disagreement with the French government. At thirtyseven years and ten months (March, 1857,) the Sun meets the conjunction of the body of Saturn, hence I judge that her Majesty's health will suffer to some considerable extent from cold moist disorders attended with inflammation, &c., there is also great danger denoted to a near male relative.

Under this influence I have no doubt England will be involved in war, and under the following direction, mid-heaven to the sextile of the Sun in mundo, arc 40 degrees and 4 minutes, measuring to May, 1858, some great and crowning victory will be obtained by the British arms, which will decide for a time the future fate of Europe. Under this influence her Majesty will again be blessed with the birth of a prince. From this time I see nothing, for some years, to mar the happiness of her Majesty's reign, for at 39 years and 4 months the Sun meets the trine of Saturn by direct motion; and at 40 years and one month the ascendant has the trine of Jupiter *in mundo*, arc 41, 17. Under this direction I believe a European peace will be established on a firm basis, to the benefit and well being of all classes of society in Europe.

NATIVITY OF LOUIS NAPOLEON, THE EMPEROR OF THE FRENCH.



IN giving the Nativity of this extraordinary man, I present the same figure as have already been before the public in Zadkiel's almanac for 1853, the writer having there proved beyond a doubt that the above is (within a few moments) the true time of birth, by the following extract from the *Moniteur* of the 21st of April, 1808 :---

"Paris, le 20 Avril.—Aujourdhui, mercredi 20 Avril, a une heure du matin, S. M. la reine de Hollande est heureusement accouchee d'un Prince."

[TRANSLATION.]

"Yesterday, April 20th, at One o'Clock, a.m., her Majesty the Queen of Holland, was safely delivered of a Prince."

This extraordinary personage was born under the cardinal sign Capricorn, with Saturn lord of the ascendant posited in the highest heaven or culminating point, in quartile to the Moon, who is in close sextile to the Sun and Mars, the two latter being in exact conjunction. These positions are remarkable, and when judged by the rules of science, will be found to agree in every particular with the character of a man who has unexpectedly astonished the whole world, and laid one of the mightiest empires of Europe at his feet. We have already said that the sign Capricorn ascended at the time of his birth ; "this," says Lilly, "produces a person of dry constitution, slender make, long thin visage, dark hair, long neck, and narrow chin and breast." Those who are acquainted with the French Emperor will observe how remarkably correct this rule is in the present instance, the qualities of the mind are governed by the ascendant, the Moon and Mercury. The sign Capricorn rising, makes him crafty, subtle, thrifty and mystical; the Moon in a fixed sign, and in square to Saturn, renders him plain, rigid, unbending, firm, obstinate, patient, laborious, contentious, malicious, and ambitious; but Mercury is in a tropical sign, and in conjunction with Venus, this contributes to render the mind sharp, inventive and persevering, a lover of music, poetry, dancing, female society, the fine arts, and mystic religious observances. The planet Saturn on the midheaven, and in a fixed sign, renders the mind very ambitious, cunning, and capable of great undertakings; the Sun has also the conjunction of Mars, this makes him bold, turbulent, rash, obstinate, unfeeling, inhuman, delighting in self-aggrandisement, selfish to a degree, yet hypocritical, dissembling, and deceitful.

The powerful position of Saturn in the zenith at his birth is potent in evil, his power can only last for a time, already has it made him acquainted with a dungeou, and though a temporary ray of benefic influence has placed him in the exalted position of a monarch, yet his reign will be short, his power will not be durable; but his name will descend to future generations with the curses of the present and future. Bold as the assertion may be at the present moment when we find him surrounded by all the pomp of imperial sway, yet do I assert that the day will come, (although it may be retarded by his crafty policy,) when Louis Napoleon will either again become an exile, or a prisoner in the hands of the people of France. It will be remembered that in the nativity of his uncle Napoleon, the same remarkable position (Saturn in the zenith,) urged him on to those extraordinary deeds which placed the first consulship within his grasp. The French people ever

won by deeds of daring, placed the empire at his feet, but the power of Saturn excited his ambition to an incontrollable extent; and led him on in its maddening whirl to the brink of the precipice which from the hour of his birth had been yawning at his feet.

LET LOUIS NAPOLEON BEWARE, the mantle of fate already hangs its sable folds around him, his reign is drawing to a close; the year 1854 will not pass without his feeling a sad reverse of fortune, although his downfall may be retarded by cunning and deceit yet but a few short years.

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HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT.

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Planets' places on his Birthday, August 26, 1819. Hour unknown.

Being unacquainted with the hour of his Royal Highness's birth my opinion upon this nativity is, of course, limited. The chief aspect is the extreme affliction to the planet Mercury, which accounts fully for the recent attack upon his probity. His Royal Highness will do well to confine himself to the duties of private life, in which from the sextile of the Sun and Moon he will be universally beloved and esteemed; but he will never gain honour or respect by any act of diplomacy or government—his nativity forbids it. As the consort of a constitutional Queen, beloved by her subjects, he will ever be respected; for his private virtues he will ever be admired; but to gain the universal esteem of the people of England he must keep within the limits of the constitution.

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NATIVITY OF THE EMPEROR OF RUSSIA.





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WITH considerable difficulty I have obtained what I have strong reasons for believing to be, the correct hour of birth of the above individual, who, supported by impudence, conceit, and self-will, (the sure companions of despotism,) has dared to place himself in defiance of the whole of Europe in a cause which is wholly unsupported by reason or justice. Was anything required to convince me that the Czar would persist in his unjust pretensions, the remarkable position of Mars retrogade in opposition to Saturn would produce that effect; an old author upon the science says, it is the aspect of cruelty and murder—the native is treacherous, proud, angry, base, ungrateful, a lurking assassin, and deeply wicked. Added to this the sign Taurus, under which this native is born, produces a person of a bold, vindictive, and unfeeling nature.

However evil a nativity may be, it is seldom that we find it without some redeeming qualities; but in the present instance these are very few. This sign usually produces a person of full stature, broad forehead, thick lips, and curly hair; but the complexion depends much upon the climate in which the native is born.

It will be observed that at the time the eastern question first assumed a serious aspect, Saturn was stationary in the native's ascendant in quartile aspect to the Moon, and when Prince Menschikoff presented the ultimatum, in May, 1853, Saturn was in 23 degrees of Taurus, within one degree of the ascending point; which, no doubt, influenced him to proceed still farther in his despotic course. Again, in February, 1854, when our army was despatched we find Saturn, re-crossing the degree of his ascendant. So much for the past—the future is more ominous.

The transit of Jupiter over the meridian of this nativity, certainly points to success for the Russian emperor ; and in August and September, 1854, I find him again stationary within a few degrees of the meridian ; but as there is still a doubt respecting the time being correct within an hour, I must refrain from hazarding a prediction where the date is uncertain. It must be remembered that every four minutes of time makes a difference of one degree of the ecliptic ; consequently if the birth took place thirty minutes later, there would be twenty-three degrees of Capricorn on the meridian instead of fifteen. But beyond this we find the planet Saturn returning to his place at birth in 1855 and 1856, opposing Mars in the house of death, this will be his evil time, he will be goaded on to some rash act, which will endanger his life. The hand of the assassin will do its work, and the greatest despot in the world will cease to exist.