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N Fortune -Telling by Cards, as in most games in which they are employed, the Ace ranks highest in value; then comes the King, followed by the Queen, Knave, Ten, Nine, Eight and Seven, these being generally the only cards used.

The order and comparative value of the different suits is as follows: First on the list stand Clubs, as they mostly portend happiness, and no matter how numerous or how accompanied are rarely or never of bad augury. Next come Hearts, which usually signify joy, liberality or good temper; Diamonds, on the contrary, denote delay, quarrels and annoyance; and Spades—the worst suit of all—grief, sickness and loss of money.

This is, of course, speaking generally, as in many cases the position of cards entirely changes their signification, their individual and relative meanings being often widely different. Thus, for example, the King of

Hearts, the Nine of Hearts and the Nine of Clubs, respectively, signify a liberal man, joy, and success in love; but change their position by placing the King between the two Nines and you would read that a man, then rich and happy, would be ere long consigned to a prison!

SIGNIFICATION OF THE CARDS

The individual meanings attached to the thirty-two cards employed are as follows:

THE EIGHT CLUBS

Ace of Clubs. Money, joy, or good news; if reversed, the joy will be of brief duration.

King of Clubs. A frank, liberal man, fond of serving his friends; if reversed, he will meet with a disappointment.

Queen of Clubs. A devoted friend and amiable woman; if reversed, anxious and worried.

Knave of Clubs. A clever and enterprising young man; if reversed, a heartless flirt and flatterer.

Ten of Clubs. Fortune, success, or grandeur; if reversed, want of success in some small matter.

Nine of Clubs. Unexpected gain, or a legacy; if reversed, some trifling present.

Eight of Clubs. A dark person's affections, which, if returned, will be the cause of great prosperity; if reversed, those of a fool, and attendant unhappiness if reciprocated.

Seven of Clubs. A small sum of money, or an unexpectedly recovered debt; if reversed, a yet smaller amount.

THE EIGHT HEARTS

Ace of Hearts. A love-letter, or some pleasant news; reversed, a friend's visit.

King of Hearts. A fair, liberal man; reversed, will meet with a disappointment.

Queen of Hearts. A mild, amiable woman; if reversed, has been crossed in love.

Knave of Hearts. A gay young bachelor who dreams only of pleasure; reversed, a discontented military man.

Ten of Hearts. Happiness, triumph; if reversed, some slight anxiety.

Nine of Hearts. Joy, satisfaction, success; if reversed, a passing chagrin.

Eight of Hearts. A fair person's affections; reversed, indifference on his or her part.

Seven of Hearts. Pleasant thoughts, tranquillity; reversed, ennui and weariness.

THE EIGHT DIAMONDS

Ace of Diamonds. A letter soon to be received; if reversed, containing bad news.

King of Diamonds. A fair man, generally in the army, but both cunning and dangerous; if reversed, a threatened danger, caused by machinations on his part.

Queen of Diamonds. An ill-bred, scandal-loving woman; if reversed, she is to be greatly feared.

Knave of Diamonds. A tale-bearing servant or an unfaithful friend; if reversed, will be the cause of mischief.

Ten of Diamonds. Journey, or change of residence; if reversed, it will not prove fortunate.

Nine of Diamonds. Annoyances, delays; if reversed, either a family- or a love-quarrel.

Eight of Diamonds. Love-making; if reversed, unsuccessful.

Seven of Diamonds. Satire, mockery; reversed, a foolish scandal.

THE EIGHT SPADES

Ace of Spades. Pleasure; reversed, grief or bad news.

King of Spades. Envious man, an enemy, or a dishonest lawyer, who is to be feared; reversed, impotent malice.

Queen of Spades. A widow; reversed, a dangerous, malicious woman.

Knave of Spades. A dark, ill-bred young man; reversed, he is plotting some mischief.

Ten of Spades. Tears, a prison; reversed, brief affliction.

Nine of Spades. Tidings of a death; reversed, it will be some near relative.

Eight of Spades. Approaching illness; reversed, a marriage broken off, or offer refused.

Seven of Spades. Slight annoyances; reversed, a foolish intrigue.

In order to know if a card be reversed, it is better to have a small pencil-mark on each of such cards as the court-cards and most of the Diamond suit for the purpose of determining the top from the bottom. This will be unnecessary if the cards are of American manufacture, as a decidedly greater margin is left at the bottom than at the top.

The court-cards of Hearts and Diamonds usually represent persons of fair complexion, Clubs and Spades the opposite.

SIGNIFICATION OF DIFFERENT CARDS OF THE SAME DENOMINATION

Four Aces. Coming together, or following each other, announce danger, failure in business, and sometimes imprisonment. If one or more of them be reversed the danger will be lessened, but that is all.

Three Aces. Coming in the same manner, good tidings; if reversed, folly.

Two Aces. A plot; if reversed, will not succeed.

Four Kings. Rewards, dignities, honor; reversed, they will be less, but sooner received.

Three Kings. A consultation on important business, the result of which will be highly satisfactory; if reversed, success will be doubtful.

Two Kings. A partnership in business; if reversed, a dissolution of the same. Sometimes this only denotes friendly projects.

Four Queens. Company, society; one or more reversed denotes that the entertainment will not go off well.

Three Queens. Friendly calls; reversed, chattering and scandal, or deceit.

Two Queens. A meeting between friends; reversed, poverty, troubles, in which one will involve the other.

Four Knaves. A noisy party, mostly young people; reversed, a drinking-bout.

Three Knaves. False friends; reversed, a quarrel with some low person.

Two Knaves. Evil intentions; reversed, danger.

Four Tens. Great success in projected enterprise; reversed, the success will not be so brilliant, but still it will be sure.

Three Tens. Improper conduct; reversed, failure.

Two Tens. Change of trade or profession; reversed, denotes that the prospect is only a distant one.

Four Nines. A great surprise; reversed, a public dinner.

Three Nines. Joy, fortune, health; reversed, wealth lost by imprudence.

Two Nines. A little gain; reversed, trifling losses at cards.

Four Eights. A short journey; reversed, the return of a friend or relative.

Three Eights. Thoughts of marriage; reversed, folly, flirtation.

Two Eights. A brief love-dream; reversed, small pleasures and trifling pains.

Four Sevens. Intrigues among servants or low people, threats, snares and disputes; reversed, that their malice will be impotent to harm, and that the punishment will fall on themselves.

Three Sevens. Sickness, premature old age; reversed, slight and brief indisposition.

Two Sevens. Levity; reversed, regret.

Any picture-card between two others of equal value—as two Tens, two Aces, etc.—denotes that the person represented by that card runs the risk of a prison.

It requires no great effort to commit these significations to memory, but it must be remembered that they are but what the alphabet is to the printed book. A little attention and practice, however, will soon enable the learner to form these mystic letters into words, and words into phrases—in other language: to assemble these cards together and read the events, past and to come, their pictured faces portend to reveal.

There are several ways of doing this, but we give them all, one after another, so as to afford our readers an ample choice of methods of prying into futurity.

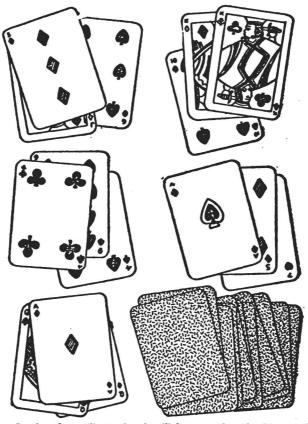
I. DEALING THE CARDS BY THREES

Take the pack of thirty-two selected cards, viz: the Ace, King, Queen, Knave, Ten, Nine, Eight and Seven of each suit, having before fixed upon the one you intend to represent yourself, supposing always you are making the essay on your own behalf; if not, it must represent the person for whom you are acting. In doing this it is necessary to remember that the card chosen should be according to the complexion of the chooser—King or Queen of Diamonds for a very fair person, or of hearts for one rather darker; Clubs for brunettes, and Spades only for those very dark indeed. The card chosen also loses its signification, and becomes simply the representative of a dark or fair man or woman, as the case may be.

This point having been settled, shuffle the cards, and either cut them or have them cut for you (according to whether you are acting for yourself or another person), taking care to use the *left* hand. That done, turn them



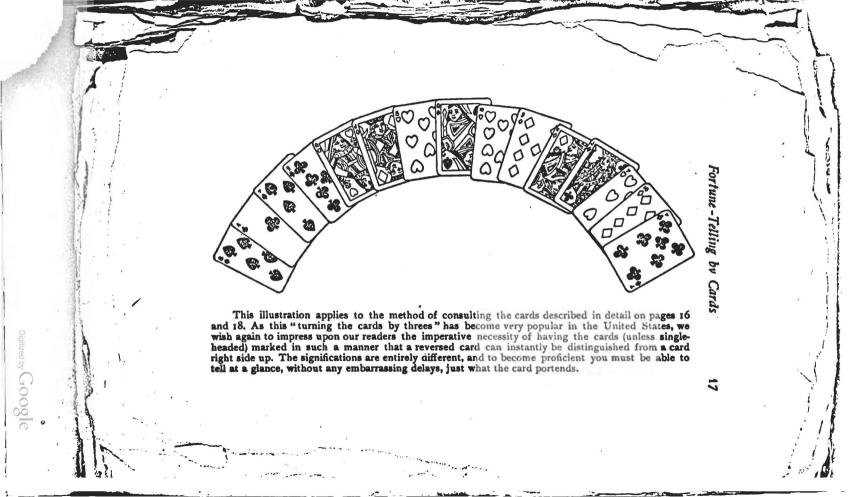




In the above illustration it will be seen that the Knave of Diamonds is to be withdrawn from the first set of three and placed in the first position on the left of a semicircle; then the Nine of Spades, followed by the Acc of Diamonds. From the fourth and fifth sets of three no card is taken, as there are not

up by threes, and every time you find in these triplets two of the same suit — such as two Hearts, two Clubs, etc.—withdraw the highest card and place it on the table before you. If the triplet should chance to be all of the same suit, the highest card is still to be the only one withdrawn; but should it consist of three of the same value, but different suits—such as three Kings. etc.—they are all to be appropriated. We will suppose that, after having turned up the cards three by three, you have been able to withdraw six, leaving twentysix: these you must shuffle, cut, and again turn up by threes, acting precisely as you did before, until you have obtained either thirteen, fifteen, or seventeen cards. Recollect that the number must always be uneven, and that the card representing the person for whom the essay is made must make one of it. Even if the requisite thirteen, fifteen, or seventeen have been obtained, and this one has not made its appearance, the operation must be recommenced. Let us suppose the person whose fortune is being read is a lady, represented by the Oueen of Hearts, and that fifteen cards have been obtained and laid out - in the form of a half-circle in the order they were drawn, viz: the Eight of Spades, Ace of Clubs, Seven of Spades, Nine of Clubs, Queen

two of one suit in either. In operating this system the cards will not be placed in several piles of three, as shown in accompanying sketch, but, after turning up three and selecting the eligible card, the remainder are to be discarded into one general pile, to be shuffled, cut, and gone through again, by threes, until sufficient cards have been extracted.



of Hearts, Knave of Diamonds, Eight of Hearts, Queen of Spades, Ten of Hearts, Nine of Diamonds, King of Diamonds, Knave of Clubs, Seven of Hearts, Ten of Diamonds, and Seven of Clubs. Having considered your cards, you will find among them one Ace, one King, two Queens, two Knaves, two Tens, two Nines, two Eights, and three Sevens. You are, therefore, able to announce:

"The two Queens before me signify the reunion of friends; the two Knaves, that there is mischief being made between them. These two Tens denote a change of profession, which, from one of them being between two Sevens, I see will not be effected without some difficulty, the cause of which, according to these three Sevens, will be illness. However, these two Nines promise some small gain, resulting, so say these two Eights, from a love affair."

You must now count seven cards, from left to right, beginning with the Queen of Hearts as one, who represents the lady you are acting for. The seventh card being the King of Diamonds, you may say:

"You often think of a fair man in uniform."

The next seventh card (counting the King of Diamonds as one) proving to be the Ace of Clubs, you must add:

"You will receive from him some very joyful tidings; he, besides, intends making you a present."

Counting the Ace of Clubs as one, and proceeding to the next seventh card—the Queen of Spades—you resume:

"A widow is attempting to injure you on this very account; and [the seventh card, counting the Queen as one, being the Ten of Diamonds] the annoyance she gives you will oblige you either to take a journey or change your residence; but [the Ten of Diamonds being imprisoned between two Sevens] your journey or removal will meet with some obstacle."

On proceeding to count as before, calling the Ten of Diamonds one, you will find the seventh card proves to be the Queen of Hearts herself, the person for whom you are acting, and may safely conclude by saying:

"But this you will overcome of yourself, without needing anyone's aid or assistance."

Now take the two cards at either extremity of the half-circle, which are, respectively, the Eight of Spades and Seven of Clubs, unite them, and continue:

"A sickness, which will lead to your receiving a small sum of money."

Repeat the same manœuver, which brings together the Ace of Clubs and the Ten of Diamonds:

"Good news, which will make you decide on taking a journey, destined to prove a very happy one, and which will occasion you to receive a sum of money."

The next cards united, being the Seven of Spades and the Seven of Hearts, you say:

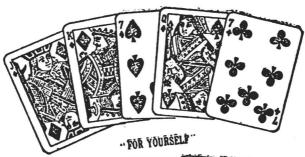
"Tranquillity and peace of mind, followed by slight anxiety, but quickly succeeded by love and happiness."

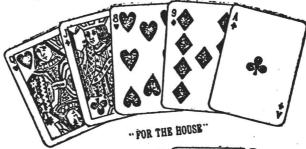
Then come the Nine of Clubs and the Knave of Clubs, foretelling:

"You will certainly receive money through the exertions of a clever, dark young man . . . [Queen of Hearts and King of Diamonds] which comes from the fair man in uniform; this rencontre announces some great happiness in store for you, and complete fulfillment of your wishes . . . [Knave of Diamonds and Nine of Diamonds] although this happy result will be delayed for a time, through some fair young man, not famed for his delicacy. However, these [Eight of Hearts and Ten of Hearts] show love, joy, and triumph. The Queen of Spades, who remains alone, is the widow who is endeavoring to injure you, and who finds herself abandoned by all her friends!"

Now gather up the cards you have been using, shuffle and cut them with the left hand, and proceed to make them into three packs by dealing one to the left, one in the middle, and one to the right, a fourth being laid aside to form "a surprise." Then continue to deal the cards to each of the three packs in turn, until their number is exhausted, when it will be found that the left-hand and middle packs contain each five cards, while the one on the right hand consists of only four.

Now ask the person consulting you to select one of the three packs. We will suppose this to be the middle one, and that the cards comprising it are the Knave of Diamonds, the King of Diamonds, the Seven of Spades, the Queen of Spades, and the Seven of Clubs. These, by recollecting our previous instructions regarding the individual and relative signification of the cards, are easily interpreted as follows:







[The Knave of Diamonds] "A fair young man, possessed of no delicacy of feeling, who seeks to injure [the King of Diamonds] a fair man, in uniform, and [Seven of Spades] will succeed in causing him some annoyance at the [the Queen of Spades] instigation of a spiteful woman; but [Seven of Clubs] by means of a small sum of money matters will be finally and easily arranged."

Next take up the left-hand pack, which is for "the house"—the former pack having been for the lady herself. Supposing it to consist of the Queen of Hearts, the Knave of Clubs, the Eight of Hearts, the Nine of Diamonds, and the Ace of Clubs, they would read thus:

"The lady whose fortune is being told [Queen of Hearts] is, or soon will be, in a house where she will meet with [Knave of Clubs] a dark young man, who will entreat her assistance to forward his interests [Eight of Hearts] with a fair girl, he having met with [Nine of Diamonds] delays and disappointments; but a letter will arrive [Ace of Clubs] announcing the possession of money, which will remove all difficulties."

The third pack is "for those who did not expect it," and will be composed of four cards—let us say the Ten of Hearts, Nine of Clubs, Eight of Spades and Ten of Diamonds, signifying:

[The Ten of Hearts] "An unexpected piece of good fortune and great happiness, caused by [Nine of Clubs] an unlooked-for legacy, which joy may, perhaps, be followed [Eight of Spades] by a slight sickness, the result [Ten of Diamonds] of a fatiguing journey."

There now remains on the table only the card in-

tended for the "surprise." This, however, must be left untouched, the other cards gathered up, shuffled, cut, and again laid out in three packs, not forgetting at the first deal to add a card to the "surprise." After the different packs have been duly examined and explained, as before described, they must again be gathered up, shuffled, etc.—indeed, the whole operation repeated—after which the three cards forming the "surprise" are examined. Supposing them to be the Seven of Hearts, the Knave of Clubs, and the Queen of Spades, they are to be thus interpreted:

[Seven of Hearts] "Pleasant thoughts and friendly intentions of [Knave of Clubs] a dark young man relative to [Queen of Spades] a malicious dark woman, a widow, who will cause him much unhappiness."

II. DEALING THE CARDS BY SEVENS

After having shuffled the pack of thirty-two selected cards — which, as we before stated, consists of the Ace, King, Queen, Knave, Ten, Nine, Eight and Seven of each suit — either cut them yourself, or, if acting for another person, let that person cut them, taking care to use the left hand. Then count seven cards, beginning with the one lying on top of the pack. The first six are useless, so put them aside, and retain only the seventh, which is to be placed face upward on the table before you. Repeat this operation three times, then shuffle and cut the cards you have thrown to one side, together with those remaining in your hand, and deal them out

in sevens, as before until you have thus obtained twelve cards. It is, however, indispensable that the one representing the person whose fortune is being told should be among the number; therefore, the whole operation must be recommenced in case it does not make its appearance. The twelve cards being now spread out before you in the order in which they have come to hand, you may begin to explain them as described in the manner of dealing the cards in threes, always bearing in mind both their individual and relative signification. Thus, first count the cards by sevens, beginning with the one representing the person for whom you are acting, going from right to left. Then take the two cards at either extremity of the line, or half-circle, and unite them, afterward forming the three heaps or packs and the "surprise" as we have before described. Indeed, the only difference between the two methods is the manner in which the cards are obtained.

III. DEALING THE CARDS BY FIFTEENS

After having well shuffled and cut the cards, or, as we have before said, had them cut, deal them out in two packs, containing sixteen cards in each. Desire the person consulting you to choose one of them; lay aside the first card, to form the "surprise"; turn up the other fifteen, and range them in a half-circle before you, going from left to right, placing them in the order in which they come to hand, and taking care to remark

whether the one representing the person for whom you are acting be among them. If not, the cards must all be gathered up, shuffled, cut, and dealt as before, and this must be repeated until the missing card makes its appearance in the pack chosen by the person it represents. Now proceed to explain them - first, by interpreting the meaning of any pairs, triplets, or quartettes among them; then by counting them in sevens, going from right to left, and beginning with the card representing the person consulting you; and, lastly, by taking the cards at either extremity of the line and pairing them. This being done, gather up the fifteen cards, shuffle, cut, and deal them so as to form three packs of five cards each. From each of these three packs withdraw the topmost card, placing them on the one laid aside to form the "surprise," thus forming four packs of four cards each.

Desire the person for whom you are acting to choose one of these packs "for herself," or "himself," as the case may be. Turn it up, and spread out the four cards it contains from left to right, explaining their individual and relative signification. Next proceed in like manner with the pack on the left, which will be "for the house"; then the third one, "for those who do not expect it"; and lastly, "the surprise."

In order to render our meaning perfectly clear, we will give another example: Let us suppose that the pack chosen by the person consulting you is composed of the Knave of Hearts, the Ace of Diamonds, the

Queen of Clubs, and the Eight of Spades reversed. By the aid of the list of meanings we have given, it will be easy to interpret them as follows:

"The Knave of Hearts is a gay young bachelor... [Ace of Diamonds] who has written, or will very soon write, a letter... [Queen of Clubs] to a dark woman... [Eight of Spades reversed] to make proposals to her, which will not be accepted."

On looking back to the list of significations, it will be found to run thus:

Knave of Hearts. A gay young bachelor, who thinks only of pleasure.

Ace of Diamonds. A letter soon to be received.

Queen of Clubs. An affectionate woman, but quick-tempered and touchy.

Eight of Spades. If reversed, a marriage broken off, or offer refused.

It will thus be seen that each card forms, as it were, a phrase, from an assembling of which nothing but a little practice is required to form complete sentences. Of this we will give a further example, by interpreting the signification of the three other packs—"for the house," "for those who do not expect it," and "the surprise." The first of these, "for the house," we will suppose to consist of the Queen of Hearts, the Knave of Spades reversed, the Ace of Clubs, and the Nine of Diamonds, which read thus:

"The Queen of Hearts is a fair woman, mild and amiable in disposition, who [Knave of Spades reversed] will be deceived by a dark, ill-bred young man, but [the Ace of Clubs] she will receive some good news, which will console her, although [Nine of Diamonds] it is probable that the news may be delayed."

The pack "for those who do not expect it," consisting of the Queen of Diamonds, the King of Spades, the Ace of Hearts reversed, and the Seven of Spades, would signify:

"The Queen of Diamonds is a mischief-making woman who is in league with [King of Spades] a dishonest lawyer; they will [Ace of Hearts reversed] hold a consultation together, but [Seven of Spades] the harm they will do will soon be repaired."

Last comes the "surprise," formed by, we will suppose, the Knave of Clubs, the Ten of Diamonds, the Queen of Spades, and the Nine of Spades, of which the interpretation is:

"The Knave of Clubs is a clever, enterprising young man, about to [Ten of Diamonds] undertake a journey for the purpose [Queen of Spades] of visiting a widow, but [Nine of Spades] one or both of their lives will be endangered."

IV. THE TWENTY-ONE CARDS

After having shuffled the thirty-two cards, and cut, or had them cut, with the left hand, withdraw from the pack the first eleven, and lay them on one side. The remainder — twenty-one in all—are to be again shuf-

fled and cut. That done, lay the topmost card on one side, to form the "surprise," and range the remaining twenty before you in the order in which they come to hand. Then look whether the card representing the person consulting you be amongst them; if not, one must be withdrawn from the eleven useless ones, and placed at the right extremity of the row, where it represents the missing card, no matter what it may really be. We will, however, suppose that the person wishing to make the essay is an officer in the army, and, consequently, represented by the King of Diamonds, and that the twenty cards ranged before you are the Queen of Diamonds, the King of Clubs, the Ten of Hearts, the Ace of Spades, the Queen of Hearts reversed, the Seven of Spades, the Knave of Diamonds, the Ten of Clubs, the King of Spades, the Eight of Diamonds, the King of Hearts, the Nine of Clubs, the Knave of Spades reversed, the Seven of Hearts, the Ten of Spades, the King of Diamonds, the Ace of Diamonds, the Seven of Clubs, the Nine of Hearts, and the Ace of Clubs.

You will proceed to examine the cards as they lay, and, perceiving that all the four Kings are there, you can predict that great rewards await the person consulting you, and that he will gain great dignity and honor. The two queens, one of them reversed, announce the reunion of two sorrowful friends; the three aces fore-tell good news; the two knaves, one of them reversed, danger; the three tens, unbroken conduct.

You must now begin to explain the cards, commencing with the first on the left hand, viz: the Queen of Diamonds.

"The Queen of Diamonds is a mischief-making, under-bred woman, endeavoring to win the affections of (King of Clubs) a worthy and estimable man, over whose scruples (Ten of Hearts) she will triumph. The affair will (Ace of Spades) make some noise and (Queen of Hearts reversed) greatly distress a charming, fair woman, who loves him, but (Seven of Spades) her grief will not be of long duration. An unfaithful servant (Knave of Diamonds) will (Ten of Clubs) make away with a considerable sum of money, and will be (King of Spades) brought to trial, but (Eight of Diamonds) saved from punishment through a woman's agency. A fair man of liberal disposition (King of Hearts) will (Nine of Clubs) receive a large sum of money, which will (Knave of Spades reversed) expose him to the malice of a dark youth of coarse manners. Pleasant thoughts (Seven of Hearts), followed by (Ten of Spades) great chagrin, await (King of Diamonds) a man in uniform, who is the person consulting me; but he will (Ace of Diamonds) speedily receive a letter containing (Seven of Clubs) a small sum of money, which will (Nine of Hearts) restore his good spirits, which will be (Ace of Clubs) further augmented by some good news."

Now turn up the "surprise," which we will suppose proves to be the Ace of Hearts—"a card that predicts

great happiness, caused by a love-letter, but which, making up the four Aces, shows that this sudden joy will be followed by great misfortune."

Now gather up the cards, shuffle, cut, and form them into three packs, at the first deal laying one aside to form a "surprise." By the time they are all dealt out it will be found that the first two packets are composed each of seven cards, while the third contains only six. Desire the person consulting you to select one of these, take it up, and spread out the cards, from left to right, explaining them as before described.

Gather up the cards again, shuffle, cut, form into three packs (dealing one card to the "surprise"), and proceed as before. Repeat the whole operation once more; then take up the three cards forming the "surprise," and give their interpretation.

I may remark that no matter how the cards are dealt, whether by threes, sevens, fifteens, or twenty-ones, when those lower than the Knave predominate, it fore-tells success; if Clubs are the most numerous, they predict gain, considerable fortune, etc.; if picture-cards, dignity and honor; Hearts, gladness, good news; Spades, death or sickness.

These significations are necessarily very vague, and must, of course, be governed by the positions of the cards,

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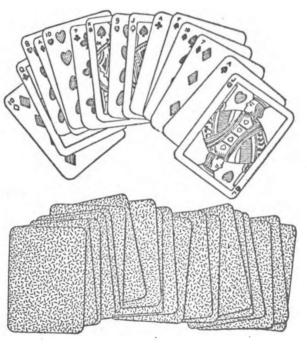
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Care must, however, be taken that the card representing the person making the essay is among them; if not, the whole operation must be recommenced until the desired result is obtained. We will suppose it to be some dark lady represented by the Queen of Clubs, who is anxious to make the attempt for herself, and that the cards are laid out as shown in the accompanying diagram, in the following order, from left to right: Ten of Diamonds, Queen of Clubs, Eight of Hearts, Ace of Diamonds, Ten of Hearts, Seven of Clubs, King of Spades, Nine of Hearts, Knave of Spades, Ace

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of Clubs, Seven of Spades, Ten of Spades, Seven of Diamonds, Ace of Spades, and Knave of Hearts.



On examining them you will find that there are three Aces, announcing good news; but, as they are at some distance from each other, it may be some time before the tidings arrives.

The three Tens denote that the conduct of the person

consulting the cards has not always been strictly correct. The two Knaves are enemies, and the three Sevens predict an illness caused by them.

You must now begin to count five cards, beginning with the Oueen of Clubs, which represents the person consulting you. The fifth card, being the Seven of Clubs, signifies that this money will be accompanied by some very joyful tidings. Next comes the Ace of Clubs, signifying great pleasure; next the Ace of Spades, promising complete success to any projects undertaken by the person consulting the cards; then the Eight of Hearts, followed at the proper interval by the King of Spades, showing that the good news will excite the malice of a dishonest lawyer. But the Seven of Spades coming next announces that the annoyance he can cause will be of short duration, and that a gay, fair young man (the Knave of Hearts) will soon console her for what she has suffered. The Ace of Diamonds tells that she will soon receive a letter from this fair young man announcing (Nine of Hearts) a great success; but this will be followed (Ten of Spades) by some slight chagrin, caused by (Ten of Diamonds) a journey, but it will (Ten of Hearts) soon pass, although (Knave of Spades) a bad, dark young man will endeavor to (Seven of Diamonds) turn her into ridicule. The Queen of Clubs, being representative of herself, shows that it is toward ber that the dark young man's malice will be directed.

Now take the cards at either extremity of the line,

and pair them together. The first two being the Knave of Hearts and the Ten of Diamonds, you will say:

"A gay young bachelor is preparing to take a journey, which will (Ace of Spades and Queen of Clubs) bring him to the presence of the lady consulting the cards, and cause her great joy." Seven of Diamonds and Eight of Hearts—scandal talked about a fair young girl. Ten of Spades and Ace of Diamonds—tears shed upon receipt of a letter. Seven of Spades and Ten of Hearts—great joy, mingled with slight sorrow. Seven of Clubs and Ace of Clubs—a letter promising money. Knave of Spades and King of Spades—the winning of a lawsuit. The Nine of Hearts, being the last card, promises complete success.

Now gather up the cards, shuffle, cut, and deal them out in five packs—one for the lady herself, one for the house, one for "those who do not expect it," one for "those who do expect it," and one for the "surprise," in the first deal laying aside one card for "consolation." The rest are then equally distributed among the other five packs, the first four of which will contain three cards each, while the last will consist of but two.

We will suppose the first packet, for the lady herself, is composed of the Ace of Diamonds, the Seven of Clubs, and the Ten of Hearts. The interpretation would run thus:

"A letter will shortly be received announcing the arrival of a small sum of money, and containing some joyful tidings."

The second pack, "for the house," containing the King of Spades, the Nine of Hearts, and the Knave of Spades:

"The person consulting the cards will receive a visit from a lawyer, which will greatly delight a dark, illdisposed young man."

The third pack, "for those who do not expect it," composed of the Ace of Spades, the Knave of Hearts, and the Ace of Clubs, would read:

"Pleasure in store for a gay young bachelor, by means of money; but (Knave of Hearts between two Aces) it is evident that he runs a risk of being imprisoned; and, from the two cards signifying respectively 'pleasure' and 'money,' that it will be for having run into debt."

The fourth pack, "for those who do expect it," containing the Eight of Hearts, the Queen of Clubs, and the Ten of Diamonds:

"The love affair of a fair young girl will oblige the person consulting the cards to take a journey."

The fifth pack, "for the surprise," consists of the Seven of Spades and the Ten of Spades, meaning:

"Slight trouble caused by some person's imprisonment, which will turn out (the card of 'consolation,' Seven of Diamonds) to have been a mere report."

PRESENT. PAST @ FUTURE

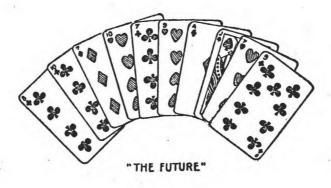
The person wishing to have a fortune told in this manner (we will suppose her to be a fair, young person represented by the Eight of Hearts) must well shuffle, and cut with the left hand, the pack of thirty-two cards, after which she must lay aside the topmost and the undermost cards, to form the "surprise." There will now remain thirty cards, which must be dealt out in three parcels—one to the left, one in the middle, and one to the right.

The left-hand pack represents the Past, the middle the Present, and the one on the right hand the Future. She must commence with the "Past," which we will suppose is composed of these ten cards: The King of Clubs, the Ace of Spades, the Knave of Diamonds, the Nine of Diamonds, the Ace of Hearts, the Knave of Hearts, the Queen of Hearts, the King of Spades, the Knave of Clubs, and the King of Hearts.

She would remark that picture-cards predominating was a favorable sign; also, that the presence of three kings proved that powerful persons were interesting themselves in her affairs. The three Knaves, however, warn her to beware of false friends, and the Nine of Diamonds predicts some great annoyance, overcome by some good and amiable person, represented by the Queen of Hearts. The two Aces also give notice of a plot. Taking the cards in the order they lay, the explanation would run thus:



The "Present, Past and Future" method of consulting the cards has become very popular in America, especially among those who have neither the time nor the inclination to study the more intricate forms of fortune telling by cards. This method in detail is given in the text accompanying.



"A frank, open-hearted man (King of Clubs), fond of (Ace of Spades) gaiety and pleasure, is disliked by (Knave of Diamonds) an unfaithful friend who (Nine of Diamonds) seeks to injure him. A love-letter (Ace of Hearts) from (Knave of Hearts) a gay young bachelor to (Queen of Hearts) a fair, amiable woman causes (King of Spades) a lawyer to endeavor to injure (Knave of Clubs) a clever, enterprising young man, who is saved from him by (King of Hearts) a good and powerful man. Nevertheless, as the Knave of Clubs is placed between two similar cards, he has run great risk of being imprisoned through the machinations of his enemy."

The second parcel, the "Present," containing the Ten of Diamonds, the Nine of Spades, the Eight of Spades, the Queen of Diamonds, the Queen of Clubs, the Eight of Hearts, the Seven of Spades, the Ten of Spades, the Queen of Spades, and the Eight of Diamonds, signifies:

"A (Ten of Diamonds) voyage or journey, at that moment taking place, caused by (Nine of Spades) the death or dangerous illness of someone, whose state will (Eight of Spades) occasion great grief to (Queen of Diamonds) a fair woman. An (Queen of Clubs) affectionate woman seeks to console (Eight of Hearts) a fair young girl, who is the person making this essay, who has (Seven of Spades) secret griefs, causing her (Ten of Spades) many tears. These are occasioned (Queen of Spades) by the conduct of either a dark

woman or a widow, who is (Eight of Diamonds) her rival."

The third packet of cards, the "Future," we will suppose to consist of the Eight of Clubs, the Ten of Clubs, the Seven of Diamonds, the Ten of Hearts, the Seven of Clubs, the Nine of Hearts, the Ace of Diamonds, the Knave of Spades, the Seven of Hearts, the Nine of Clubs, which would read thus:

"In the first place, the large number of small cards foretells success in enterprises, although the presence of three Sevens predicts an illness. A dark young girl (the Eight of Clubs) is (Ten of Clubs) about to inherit a large fortune, but (Seven of Diamonds) her satirical disposition will destroy (Ten of Hearts) all her happiness. A little money (Seven of Clubs) and (Nine of Hearts) much joy will (Ace of Diamonds) be announced to the person making the essay by a letter, and (Knave of Spades) a wild young man will be (Seven of Hearts) overjoyed at receiving (Nine of Clubs) some unexpected tidings.

"The cards of surprise—viz: the King of Diamonds and the Ace of Clubs—predict that a letter will be received from some military man, and that it will contain money."

TO KNOW IF YOU WILL GET YOUR WISH

Shuffle the cards well, and cut or have them cut with the *left* hand, then deal out thirteen cards. If among these is to be found one or more Aces, lay them aside. Shuffle and cut the remaining ones, and again deal thirteen; withdraw the Aces as before, and again shuffle, cut, and deal. If in these three deals all the Aces make their appearance, you will get your wish. If all the Aces come at the first deal, the response is in the highest degree favorable.

THE ENGLISH METHOD OF CONSULTING THE CARDS

Having described the French and Italian methods of consulting the cards, I will proceed to notice the manner in which the art of fortune-telling is generally practised in this country. Hitherto, only thirty-two cards have been made use of, but now the whole pack is employed. The significations also slightly differ; therefore I shall first give a complete list of them, and then pass on to describe how the cards are to be arranged so as to disclose their mystic meanings.

THE THIRTEEN CLUBS

Ace of Clubs. Wealth, happiness, and peace of mind.

King of Clubs. A dark man, upright, faithful, and affectionate in disposition.

Queen of Clubs. A dark woman, gentle and pleasing.

Knave of Clubs. A sincere, but hasty, friend; also a dark man's thoughts.

Ten of Clubs. Unexpected riches, and loss of a dear friend.

Nine of Clubs. Disobedience to friends' wishes.

Eight of Clubs. A covetous man; also warns against speculations.

Seven of Clubs. Promises good fortune and happiness, but bids a person beware of the opposite sex.

Six of Clubs. Predicts a lucrative business.

Five of Clubs. A prudent marriage.

Four of Clubs. Cautions against inconstancy or change of object for the sake of money.

Three of Clubs. Shows that a person will be more than once married.

Two of Clubs. A disappointment.

THE THIRTEEN DIAMONDS

Ace of Diamonds. A letter; from whom, and about what, is seen by the neighboring cards.

King or Diamonds. A fair man, hot-tempered, obstinate and revengeful.

Queen of Diamonds. A fair woman, fond of company, and a coquette.

Knave of Diamonds. A near relation, who considers only his own interests; also a fair person's thoughts.

Ten of Diamonds. Money.

Nine of Diamonds. Shows that a person is fond of roving.

Eight of Diamonds. A marriage late in life.

Seven of Diamonds. Satire, evil speaking.

Six of Diamonds. Early marriage and widow-hood.

Five of Diamonds. Trouble arising from unfaithful friends; also a betrayed secret.

Four of Diamonds. Foretells loss of money.

Three of Diamonds. Quarrels, lawsuits, and domestic disagreements.

Two of Diamonds. An engagement against the wishes of friends.

THE THIRTEEN HEARTS

Ace of Hearts. The house. If attended by Spades, it foretells quarreling; if Hearts, affection and friend-

ship; by Diamonds, money and distant friends; and Clubs, feasting and merry-making.

King of Hearts. A fair man, of good-natured disposition, but hasty and rash.

Queen of Hearts. A fair woman, faithful, prudent and affectionate.

Knave of Hearts. The dearest friend of the consulting party; also a fair person's thoughts.

Ten of Hearts. Is prophetic of happiness and many children; is corrective of the bad tidings of cards next to it, and confirms good ones.

Nine of Hearts. Wealth and high esteem; also the wish-card.

Eight of Hearts. Pleasure, company.

Seven of Hearts. A fickle and false friend, against whom be on your guard.

Six of Hearts. A generous, credulous person.

Five of Hearts. Troubles caused by unfounded jealousy.

Four of Hearts. A person not easily won.

Three of Hearts. Sorrow, caused by a person's own imprudence.

Two of Hearts. Great success, but equal care and attention needed to secure it.

THE THIRTEEN SPADES

Ace of Spades. Great misfortune, spite.

King of Spades. A dark, ambitious man.

Queen of Spades. A malicious, dark woman; generally a widow.

Knave of Spades. An indolent, envious person; a dark man's thoughts.

Ten of Spades. Grief, imprisonment.

Nine of Spades. A card of very bad import, fore-telling sickness and misfortune.

Eight of Spades. Warns a person to be cautious in his undertaking.

Seven of Spades. Loss of a friend, attended with much trouble.

Six of Spades. Wealth through industry.

Five of Spades. Shows that a bad temper requires correcting.

Four of Spades. Sickness.

Three of Spades. A journey.

Two of Spades. A removal.

Having given the signification of the various cards, we will now proceed to describe how they are to be employed.

After having well shuffled the cards, cut them three

times, and lay them out in rows of nine cards each. Select any King or Queen you please to represent yourself, and wherever you find that card placed, count nine cards every way, reckoning it as one, and every ninth card will prove the prophetic one. Before, however, beginning to count, study well the disposition of the cards according to their individual and relative signification. If a married woman consult the cards, she must make her husband the King of the same suit of which she is Queen; but if a single woman, she may make any favorite male friend King of whatever suit she pleases. As the Knaves of various suits represent the thoughts of the persons represented by the picturecards of a corresponding color, they should also be counted from.

Fortune-Telling by Tarot Cards

The announcement that "So-and-So will deal the Tarot cards" does not convey much meaning, for few people know what Tarot cards are. Yet they are really the very oldest known cards and are supposed to have been used by the ancient Egyptians.

The word Tarot means "The Royal Path of Life." The pack contains seventy-eight cards; the different suits are: Cups, or Hearts.
Swords, or Spades.
Deniers, or Clubs.
Wands or Sceptres, or Diamonds.

There are twenty-two key-cards corresponding to the letters of the Hebrew alphabet, and representing state or condition in telling fortunes.

No. 1, the Bateleur, or Juggler. Symbolizes to win. No. 2, the High-Priestess. Represents science, wisdom, or knowledge.

No. 3, the Empress. The symbol of action or initiative.

No. 4, the Emperor. Represents realization or development.

No. 5, the Hierophant, or Pope. Is the symbol of mercy and beneficence.

No. 6, the Lovers. Signify wise disposition and trials surmounted.

No. 7, the Chariot. Represents triumph, victory over obstacles.

No. 8, Themis, or Justice. Symbolizes equilibrium and justice.

No. 9, the Hermit. Denotes prudence.

No. 10, the Wheel of Fortune. Represents fortune, good or bad.

No. 11, Fortitude. Symbolizes power or might.

No. 12, the Hanged Man—a man suspended head downward by one leg. Means devotion, self-sacrifice.

No. 13, Death. Signifies transformation or change.

No. 14, Temperance. Typifies combination.

No. 15, the Devil. Is the image of fate or fatality.

No. 16, the Lightning-Struck Tower, called also Maison Dieu. Shows ruin, disruption.

No. 17, the Star. The emblem of hope.

No. 18, the Moon. Symbolizes twilight, deception, and error.

No. 19, the Sun. Signifies earthly happiness.

No. 20, the Last Judgment. Means renewal, determination of a matter.

No. 21, the Universe. Signifies completion and reward.

No. O, the Foolish Man. Signifies expiating or wavering.

There are four Aces, as in our playing-cards, and four court-cards: the King, the Queen, the Chevalier (always a young person of either sex), and the Knave. It is best, when buying, to get a "single-headed" pack; otherwise it is necessary to mark the cards, as the reversed position has a different meaning. The absolutely correct way to tell fortunes by the Tarot is to have three packs. One tells your own fortune; one your children's; and one your life after death. The first pack should contain no keys; the second should be complete; the third, containing only key-cards, should be wrapped carefully in a piece of fine silk and put away in a cedarwood box, only to be consulted with mystic rites and extreme ceremony.

But the best way is the simplest, and the significance of the plain cards is the same as the minor cards in other methods.

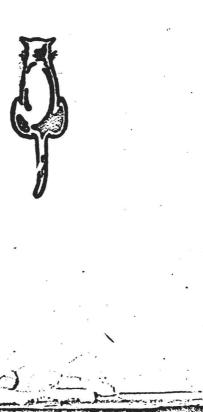
Miss Florence Marryat has rightly said that "successful card-telling is an innate faculty. It implies, probably, a considerable clairvoyant power, besides that of great perception." Even the greatest skeptic must admit the wonderful coincidences—one might say extraordinary and inexplicable coincidences—in so-called fortune-telling.

The person who is consulting the cards must shuffle the pack well, and cut three times with the left hand. The fortune-teller takes the middle pack and deals the cards out in a semicircle, combining the first and last cards all through and deciphering the prediction therefrom. Another way is to withdraw the King or Queen chosen for the enquirer's signification from the pack, then shuffle and cut as before. Place the Significator on the table, face upward, leaving plenty of room for the selected cards on the left-hand side of it. Now go carefully through the pack, recommencing if necessary, until you have drawn twenty-one cards by taking each seventh card. Arrange these twenty-one cards in three rows of seven each, from right to left, on the left-hand side of the Significator. Read the meaning of each row from right to left, combining the first and twenty-first, the second and twentieth, the third and nineteenth, and so on.

When the enquirer wishes for an answer on a definite

subject such as money matters, love, a possible death, or future prospects, etc., an interesting way of consulting the Tarot is as follows:

Withdraw the Keys and shuffle them; then let the enquirer choose four cards at random; these are placed in the form of a square on the table. Then take whichever suit corresponds to the matter at issue, shuffle well, and let the person interested withdraw the three cards which are placed inside the square in the form of a triangle, and according to the combination—so is the answer.





Fortune-telling by means of the Magic Crystal is far more difficult than by other methods, so much depends on the Seer; and we are told that "the same symbol will have different meanings with different seers, owing to difference of individual temperament." No definite rule can be laid down as to interpretation, but it is advisable that the seer or seeress should be his or her own interpreter.

The Crystal is a clear piece of quartz or beryl, sometimes egg-shaped, sometimes round. The observer should sit back to the light, holding the crystal in the palm of the hand; or it can be placed on a table with a stand under it, and a back screen of black velvet or dark stuff. Side-lights and reflections are undesirable. It is absolutely necessary to preserve perfect silence while consulting the crystal; and success depends largely on the personality of the seer, who need not be by

any means an educated person. Indeed, it is a strange vet admitted fact that the best fortune-tellers are not highly educated persons, but are frequently to be found among the poorer — one might almost say nomadic class. Shrewdness is a valuable quality; quickness of perception another. It seems as if fortune-telling is a natural talent, like other gifts of the mind. When the crystal begins to work, it becomes milky; then cloudy, but in colors; eventually black, which in its turn clears away, showing plainly the picture, scene or vision; and when this point has arrived, the seer must exercise great self-control, as excitement of joy or fear will interrupt the continuance of the vision and the condition of mind necessary to the process of development. Self-possession and confidence in one's own soul-faculties are of primary importance, and the purer the intention and motive of the seer, the more lucid will be the visions accorded. Not more than two persons should be present at the sittings, and these should be in sympathy with each other and the seer. They should be at arm's length away and silence should be uniformly observed. If any questions are asked, it must be in an undertone, and the greatest care should be taken not to startle the seer or interrupt his mental attitude. At first the sittings should not be more than fifteen minutes' duration; but they should take place regularly and always at the sameplace and hour.

It does not follow that a complete picture is seen each time the crystal is consulted; and much patience is

needed. If the vision appears in the foreground and, as it were, at the feet of the seer, then it relates to the present or the immediate past. The middle distance shows the near past or future, and the background denotes the more distant past or future. The interpretation of the symbols is difficult, and much must be left to the intuition of the seer.

A Foot signifies a journey.

A Mouth denotes speech, revelation.

An Ear, news, information; if ugly and distorted, scandal or abuse.

The Sun, shining brightly, denotes prosperity and honor.

The Moon, when crescent, denotes success, increase and improvement. When gibbous, it denotes sickness, decadence, losses and trouble.

The Sun eclipsed shows the death or ruin of a man; the Moon, similarly afflicted, denotes equal danger to a woman. These are natural interpretations.

A Pair of Scales denotes Divine Justice in the spiritual sense, judgment in the intellectual sense, and obligation in the material sense. If the scale were equally balanced, the augury would be good. But if weighed down on one side it shows a corrupt judgment, a wrong conclusion, an unbalanced mind, failure in one's obligations, and injustice. And if a sword should lie across the scales or be seen overhead, then a speedy judgment will be meted out.

A Ship is a symbol of intercourse, of trading, of voyaging. If in full sail it shows that the communication with the spiritual world is increasing, that news from far-off lands will come to hand, that trade will increase, that a voyage will be taken. If there is writing on the sails it will point to other possibilities. If the symbol of death is written there, it shows speedy translation to a far-off country, in which the subject will die. That far-off country may be the spiritual world itself, in which case the death would be a natural one. If the ship's sails are drooping, then it denotes a falling away of spiritual influx, of intelligence, and of trade. Expected news will not come.

Black Bread denotes a famine, and if it be spotted with yellow blotches it shows a plague.

A Leaf of Shamrock signifies unity; but if the center of the leaves is split with a black line it indicates that Ireland will be separated by an autonomous government from the United Kingdom.

In a similar manner, all symbols arising in crystal may be interpreted by reference to their known qualities and uses, as well as the associations existing between them and other things, persons and places in the mind of the seer.





Or, NAPOLEON BUONAPARTE'S BOOK OF FATE

The book, of which the following is a translation, was obtained from Buonaparte's Cabinet of Curiosities at Leipsic, during the confusion which reigned there after the defeat of the French army. It was held by him as a sacred treasure, and it is said to have been a stimulus to most of his speculations, he being used to consult it on every occasion. The translator has several times consulted it for his own amusement, and, however incredible it may appear, he found its answers to correspond with truth, as they afterwards came to pass. The other matters, besides obtaining a knowledge of any understanding or an answer to a question you propose, are really curious and useful; and such, it is presumed, are not to be found in any work in the English language, the whole forming a Cabinet of Curiosities and varuable secrets which have been approved of by persons of respectable literary character.

METHOD OF WORKING THE QUESTIONS

Make marks in the following manner, either more or less, in the four lines:

This done, you will begin to reckon the number of marks in each line from left to right, and if the number be odd you must mark down one dot; and if even, two dots. When the number of marks in any of the lines exceeds nine, the surplus only must be taken notice of.

The number of marks in first line of the foregoing is odd *

66	46	second	44	44	even **
66	44	third	44	44	odd *
66	44	fourth	46	64	even **

To obtain the answer to your question, you must refer to the table called the "Oraculum," on the following page, at the top of which you will find a column of dots similar to those you have produced. Guide your eye down the same column, until you come to the letter ranging with the figure of the question you are trying; refer to the page having the same letter at the top and, even with the dots corresponding with yours, is the answer to your question.

The following are unlucky days, on which none of the questions should be worked nor any adventure undertaken: January 1, 2, 5, 6, 11, 12, 20; February 11, 17, 18; March 14, 16; April 10, 17, 18; May 7, 8; June 17; July 17, 21; August 20, 21; September 10, 18; October 6; November 6, 10; December 6, 11, 15.

N.B.—It is not right to try a question twice on the same day.

PATHE ORACULUM PA QUESTIONS Shall I obtain my wish? Shall I have success in my undertakings?... Shall I gain, or lose, my cause? Shall I have to live in foreign parts? ____ Will the stranger return from abroad? ... 6 Shall I recover my property stolen? Will my friend be true in his dealings?... 8 Shall I have to travel? Does the person love and regard me?____ 10 Will the marriage be prosperous? ... II What sort of a wife or husband shall I have? L M N 12 Will she have a son or a daughter? -----13 Will the patient recover from his illness?_. NO 14 Will the prisoner be released? 15 Shall I be lucky, or unlucky, this day? ____ 16 What does my dream signify?____

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	What you wish for, you will shortly obtain.	# # ## ##	You had better decline this love; for it is neither constant nor true.
**	Signifies trouble and sor- row.	* * *	Decline your travels; for they will not be to your advantage.
* * *	Be very cautious what you do this day, lest trouble befall you.	** **	There is a true and sincere friendship between you both.
**	The prisoner <i>dies</i> , and is regretted by his friends.	**	You will not recover the stolen property.
** **	Life will be spared this time, to prepare for death.	# ## ##	The stranger will, with joy, soon return.
44 44 4 88	A very handsome daugh- ter, but a painful one.	* * * *	You will not remove from where you are at present.
**	You will have a virtuous and religious woman or man, for your wife or husband.	**	The Lord will support you in a good cause.
\$18 84 8	If you marry this person, you will have enemies where you little expect.	** ** **	to God that He may

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* * * *	The luck that is ordained for you will be coveted by others.	***	By this marriage you will have great luck and prosperity.
** *	Whatever your desires are, for the present de- cline them.	* * * *	This love comes from an upright and sincere heart.
* * * *	Signifies a favor or kind- ness from some person.	**	God will surely travel with you and bless you.
**	There are enemies who would defraud and render you unhappy.	***	Beware of friends who are false and deceitful.
** ** **	With great difficulty he will obtain pardon or release again.	* **	You will recover your property unexpectedly.
** **	The patient should be prepared to leave this world.	* * * *	Love prevents his return home at present.
** * * *	She will have a son who will be learned and wise.	* **	Your stay is not here; be, therefore, prepared for a.change.
### ### #	A rich partner is ordained for you.	\$18 \$18 \$18	You will have no gain; therefore be wise and careful.

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* * * *	With the blessing of God you will have great gain.	****	The person has not a great fortune, but is in middling circumstances.
* * * *	Very unlucky in deed; pray to God for His assistance.	* * * *	Decline this marriage or else you may be sorry.
* **	If your desires are not extravagant they will be granted.	* * * *	Decline a courtship which may be your de- struction.
**	Signifies peace and plenty between friends.	* 2 2 2	Your travels are in vain: you had better stay at home.
** ** **	Be well prepared this day or you may meet with trouble.	* **	You may depend on a true and sincere friendship.
## ## ##	The prisoner will find it difficult to obtain his pardon or release.	* * * *	You must not expect to regain that which you have lost.
**	The patient will yet en- joy health and prosper- ity.	* **	Sickness prevents the traveler from seeing you.
44 44 + +	She will have a daughter and will require attention.	## ## ##	It will be your fate to stay where you now are.

Fortune-Telling by the Oraculum

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* * * *	You will obtain a great fortune in another country.	* * **	She will have a dutiful and handsome son.
** * **	By venturing freely you will certainly gain doubly.	* * *	The person will be low in circumstances, but honest hearted.
* ** *	God will change your misfortune into success and happiness.	**	A marriage which will add to your welfare and prosperity.
** * *	Alter your intentions, or else you may meet poverty and distress.	* **	You love a person who does not speak well of you.
## ## ##	Signifies that you have many impediments in the accomplishment of your pursuits.	***	Your travels will be pros- perous if guided by prudence.
** * *	Whatever may be your inclinations this day, abandon them.	* * *	He means not what he says, for his heart is false.
**	The prisoner will get free again this time.	* **	With some trouble and expense you may gain your property.
10 10 10 10 10	The patient's illness will be lingering and doubt- ful.	8-8 8-8 8-8 8-8	You must not expect to see the stranger again.

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	The stranger will not return so soon as you expect.	* * * *	The patient will soon re- cover; there is no dan- ger.
\$4 \$ \$4 0	Remain among your friends and you will do well.	* * *	She will have a daughter who will be honored and respected.
* * *	You will hereafter gain what you seek.	** * ** **	Your partner will be fond of liquor and will de- base himself thereby.
** * *	You have no luck: pray to God and strive honestly.	* ** **	This marriage will bring you to poverty; be, therefore, discreet.
** ** **	You will obtain your wishes by means of a friend.	* * * *	Their love is false to you and true to others.
\$18 \$2 \$ \$2	Signifies that you have enemies who will en- deavor to ruin and make you unhappy.	* * * *	Decline your travels for the present, for they will be dangerous.
** * *	Beware: an enemy is en- deavoring to bring you to strife and misfor- tune.	* * * *	This person is serious and true, and deserves to be respected.
82 82 8 8	The prisoner's sorrow and anxiety are great, and his release uncertain.	## ## ##	You will not recover the property you have lost.

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* * * *	By persevering you will recover your property.	* *	The prisoner will be re- stored to liberty and freedom.
** * ** *	It is out of the stranger's power to return.	* * * *	The patient's recovery is doubtful.
***	You will gain, and be successful in foreign parts.	**	She will have a very fine boy.
** * *	A great fortune is or- dained for you; wait patiently.	* ** **	A worthy person and a fine fortune.
** ** **	There is great hindrance to your success at present.	* # # *	Your intentions would destroy your rest and peace.
** **	Your wishes are in vain at present.		This love is true and constant; forsake it not.
\$0\$ # # #	Signifies there is danger and sorrow before you.	* * * *	Proceed on your travels or journey, and you will not have cause to repent it.
**	This day is unlucky; therefore alter your in- tention.	## ## ##	If you trust this friend you may have cause for sorrow.

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* * * *	This friend exceeds all others in every respect.	* * **	Ill-luck awaits you; it will be difficult for you to escape it.
** * **	You must bear your loss with fortitude.	***	The prisoner will be re- leased by death only.
* * *	The stranger will return unexpectedly.	**	By the blessing of God, the patient will recover.
** * *	Remain at home among your friends and you will escape misfortune.	* ** **	A daughter, but of a very weakly constitution.
** ** **	You will meet no gain in your pursuits.	* ** **	You will get an honest, young and handsome partner.
## ## # ##	Heaven will bestow its blessings on you.	* * # *	Decline this marriage, else it may be to your sorrow.
** * *	No.		Avoid this love.
**	Signifies that you will shortly be out of the power of your enemies.	** * * *	Prepare for a short jour- ney; you will be recalled by an unexpected event.

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* * * *	Commence your travels, and they will go on as you could wish.	* * * *	Signifies that this day your fortune will change for the better.
** *	Your pretended friend hates you secretly.	* * * *	Cheer up your spirits; your luck is at hand.
* * * *	Your hopes to recover your property are vain.	***	After long imprisonment he will be released.
** * *	A certain affair prevents the stranger's return immediately.	**	The patient will be re- lieved from sickness.
\$4 \$2 \$4 \$	Your fortune you will find in abundance abroad.	* **	She will have a healthy son.
## ## ##	Decline the pursuit and you will do well.	* * *	You will be married to your equal in a short time.
**	Your expectations are vain; you will not suc- ceed.	* **	If you wish to be, happy do not marry this person.
** ** *	You will obtain what you wish for.	** ** **	This love is from the heart, and will continue until death.

* * * *	The love is great, but will cause great jeal-ousy.	* * **	You will succeed as you desire.
\$18 \$ \$18 \$	It will be in vain for you to travel.	* * *	Signifies the misfortune which threatens will be prevented.
* * *	Your friend will be as sincere as you could wish him to be.	** * ** **	Beware of your enemics, who seek to do you harm.
* *	You will recover the stolen property through a cunning person.	***	After a short time your anxiety for the prisoner will cease.
## ## ## #	The traveler will soon return with joy.	**	God will give the patient health and strength again.
\$\$ \$4 \$	You will not be prosper- ous or fortunate in for- eign parts.	* * *	She will have a very fine daughter.
* * * *	Place your trust in God, who is the disposer of happiness.	* * *	You will marry a person with whom you will have little comfort.
**	Your fortune will shortly be changed into mis- fortune.	**	The marriage will not answer your expectations.

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* * *	After much misfortune you will be comfortable and happy.	* **	You will succeed in your undertaking.
**	A sincere love from an upright heart.	* * * *	Change your intentions and you will do well.
* **	You will be prosperous in your journey.	**	Signifies that there are rogues at hand.
**	Do not rely on the friend- ship of this person.	**	Be reconciled: your cir- cumstances will shortly mend.
** ** **	The property is lost for- ever, but the thief will be punished.	***	The prisoner will be re- leased.
** **	The traveler will be absent some considerable time.	* * **	The patient will depart this life.
** *	You will meet luck and happiness in a foreign country.	* **	She will have a son.
** *	You will not have any success for the present.	** ** **	It will be difficult for you to get a partner.

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* * * *	You will get a very hand- some person for your partner.	* * **	Your gain will be trivial.
** **	Various misfortunes will attend this marriage.	* * *	You will meet with sor- row and trouble.
* * * *	This love is whimsical and changeable.	** **	You will succeed according to your wishes.
**	You will be unlucky in your travels.	* ** **	Signifies that you will get money.
**	This person's love is just and true; you may rely on it.	* ** **	In spite of enemies you will do well.
** ** *	You will lose, but the thief will suffer most.	* * * *	The prisoner will pass many days in confine- ment.
** * *	The stranger will soon return with plenty.	* **	The patient will recover.
** *	If you remain at home you will have success.	** **	She will have a daughter.

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* * * *	She will have a son who will gain wealth and honor.	* * *	You will succeed as you desire in foreign parts.		
**	She will get a partner with great undertak- ings and much money.	* * * *	Expect no gain; it will be in vain.		
* * *	The marriage will be prosperous.	** * *	You will have more luck than you expect.		
**	She, or he, wishes to be yours this moment.	* **	Whatever your desires are, you will speedily obtain them.		
\$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0	Your journey will prove to your advantage.	* ** *	Signifies you will be asked to a wedding.		
**	Place no great trust in that person.	* * * *	You will have no occasion to complain of ill-luck.		
** * *	You will find your property at a certain time.	**	Some one will pity and release the prisoner.		

The traveler's return is rendered doubtful by his conduct.

The patient's recovery is unlikely.

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****	The patient will recover, but his days are short.	* * 2 *	The stranger will return, but not quickly.
** * *	She will have a daughter.	* * * *	When abroad, keep from evil women or they will do you harm.
* * * *	You will marry into a very respectable family.	80 8 8 80 80	You will soon gain what you little expect.
**	By this marriage you will gain nothing.	* * * *	You will have great success.
** **	Await the time, and you will find the love great.	* **	Rejoice ever at that which is ordained for you.
** * *	Venture not from home.	* * * *	Signifies that sorrow will depart and joy return.
**	This person is a sincere friend.	* * * *	Your luck is in blossom; it will soon be at hand.
** * *	You will never recover the theft.	**	Death may end the imprisonment.

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* * * *	The prisoner will be re- leased with joy.	* **	You will soon recover what is stolen.	
** * * *	The patient's recovery is doubtful.	* * *	The stranger will not re-	
* ** *	She will have a son who will live to a great age.	** **	A foreign woman will greatly enhance your fortune.	
** * *	You will get a virtuous partner.	* ** **	You will be cheated out of your gain.	
**	Delay not this marriage; you will meet much happiness.	**	Your misfortunes will vanish and you will be happy.	
**	None loves you better in this world.	* * * *	Your hope is in vain: fortune shuns you at present.	
** * *	You may proceed with confidence.	* ** *	That you will soon hear ag reeable news.	
** *	Not a friend, but a secret enemy.	** ** **	There are misfortunes lurking about you.	

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* * * *	This day brings you an increase of happiness.	* * **	This friend is more valuable than gold.		
**	The prisoner will escape from his enemies.	* * *	You will never receive your goods.		
* * * *	The patient will recover and live long.	***	He is dangerously ill, and cannot yet return.		
**	She will have two daugh- ters.	* ** **	Depend upon your own industry, and remain at home.		
\$4 \$4 \$4 \$	A rich young person will be your partner.	* **	Be joyful, for future prosperity is ordained for you.		
\$1 \$1 \$ \$	Hasten your marriage; it will bring you much happiness.	* * * *	Depend not too much on your good luck.		
** * *	The person loves you sincerely.	* ** *	What you wish will be granted to you.		
**	You will not prosper from home.	\$18 \$18 \$18 \$18	I hat you should be very		

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* * * *	Signifies much joy and happiness between friends.	* * **	You may proceed on your journey without fear.
**	This day is not very lucky, but rather the reverse.	* * *	Trust him not; he is in- constant and deceitful.
**	He will yet come to honor, although he now suffers.	**	In a very singular man- ner you will recover your property.
***	Recovery is doubtful; therefore be prepared for the worst.	**	The stranger will return very soon.
**	She will have a son who will prove froward.	**	You will dwell abroad in comfort and happiness.
**	A rich partner, but a bad temper.	* * **	If you deal fairly you will surely prosper.
**	By wedding this person you ensure your happi- ness.	**	You will yet live in splen- dor and plenty.
**	The person has great love for you, but wishes to conceal it.	**	Make yourself contented with your present con- dition.

Fortune-Telling with Dice

As answers to the innumerable questions which might be asked of the dice cannot be given in these pages, we annex a table of thirty-two questions, all of which are more or less interesting, especially to the young of either sex.

We will suppose a young lady, desiring to consult the dice, selects a question she wishes answered, takes two dice and places them in the box. She shakes them three times, and, uttering the question aloud, throws them upon the table. She notes the number of spots upon each dice, and consults the corresponding answer under that throw in the table of answers.

If, for example, she has chosen question No. 5, "Does he think of me?" and has thrown, we will say:

a five and six, she will find, on page 94, the

answer numbered 5, which says: "O, yes, but with great bitterness." The process can be easily understood from this example.

TABLE OF QUESTIONS

- 5 Does he think of me?
- 6 Will anyone soon pay his addresses to me?
- 7 What must I do to please him?
- 8 Shall I answer?
- 9 Shall I grant what is asked of me?
- 10 How many admirers shall I have?
- 11 How many husbands shall I have?
- 12 What sort of a man will my husband be?
- 13 What does he think of me?
- 14 May I trust him?
- 15 Does he love me?
- 16 Does he think that I love him?
- 17 Will my heart remain free much longer?
- 18 Shall I soon get married?
- 19 Shall I experience many adventures?
- 20 Shall I be rich?
- 21 Will my secret be discovered?
- 22 Am I thought pretty?
- 23 Am I thought witty, discreet, interesting?
- 24 Will he ever become my husband?
- 25 Shall I do it?
- 26 Shall I see him soon again?
- 27 Shall I soon receive a letter?
- 28 Which of the two shall I choose?
- 29 Shall I soon receive a present?
- 30 Shall I soon take a journey?
- 31 Will my condition shortly be changed?

- 32 Will my wish be fulfilled?
- 33 What is he doing at present?
- 34 What will my husband be?
- 35 Will it prove a blessing to me?
- 36 Shall I soon receive the wished-for tidings?

TABLES OF ANSWERS





- 5 He thinks as much of you as you think of him. 6 To morrow morning, about eleven o'clock.
- 7 Whatever you do, do it gracefully, and especially always make a very low curtsey to him.
- 8 Yes, but word the reply discreetly.
- 9 O, no; you must not.
- 10 A dozen at least. Sweet little angel, who would not adore you?
- 12 Young, slender, and fair-complexioned.
- 13 That you are a dear little creature.
- 14 No, you may not, for another such scoundrel does not exist.
 - He cannot help himself.
 - 16 You have let him see it plainly enough.
 - You know very well that it has not been free this long while.
 - 18 In a week.
 - 19 Your life will be peaceful as a quiet lake.
 - 20 You will always have all you need.
 - 21 It would be a good thing if it were discovered.
 - 22 All except your nose, which is too short.
 - 23 Discreet, indeed, but not witty; interesting only at times.

 - 24 O, no! 25 Why not?
- 25 Why not r 26 To-morrow.
- 27 Not as soon as you would wish.

28 The one who has the longest nose.

29 Very soon, and it will be a kiss.

30 Yes, a very long one.

31 Yes, to your joy and happiness.

33 He is busy at his toilet, and at this moment is curling his hair.

34 A rich young gentleman.

Yes; it will lead to the purest happiness.

36 Sooner than you expect.





5 He does not in the least.
6 Unfortunately for you, much too soon.

7 Wear always a high-necked dress. Never appear with a bare neck, still less bare arms - that he hates.

8 It is hazardous.

9 Yes, without the slightest fear.

10 As many admirers as you will have husbands.

II Two - one squints.

12 Fat and round as a ball. He is exceedingly fond of sweet things, and is of a patient disposition.

13 That your glance has pierced his heart.

14 Have you not had proofs enough that he has the best heart in the world?

15 He is yours, heart and soul.

16 O, no; he does not.

17 When you walk out to-morrow, note the first young gentleman you meet who bows to you -he is the one with whom you will fall in love.

18 In two years.

19 Your life will dash onward like a foaming torrent.

20 As rich as you are at present.
21 No, but it is advisable that you disclose it soon as possible.

22 When you are pleasant and friendly; but when under the influence of temper you look hateful.

23 Neither very discreet nor very witty, but to one person, at least, very interesting.

24 If you will have him.

25 As you please; it will do no harm.
26 Before the autumn wind blows again over the meadow.

27 Yes; but not the one wished for.28 He who most resembles a porcupine.

Yes; a bouquet.

30 You will soon behold cities which you never expected to visit.

31 When you shall wish it changed.

32 If it is really your wish.

33 He is examining his mustache to see how much it has grown during the night.

An engineer.

No; that is impossible.

35 Not so very soon.





5 Always. In sleep and in dreams your beloved image hovers

Are you not always surrounded with admirers?

Treat him always with frankness, but never coquettishly.

It were better not.

9 You might, but do it prudently.

10 Five; a lame man, a blind man, a deaf man, a dumb man, and a hunchback.

11 One, and a horribly jealous one, who will ever watch you.

12 Loving and tender; thirty kisses he will daily claim from you.

13 That, in fact, you are really hard hearted.

- 14 At all events, you need not mistrust him so very much.
- Does not his pale countenance betray his deep sorrow?

16 He hopes so, yet he often has doubts.

To-morrow afternoon Cupid's arrow will pierce your bosom.

18 In six weeks.

19 Many thrilling adventures.

20 Quite ready.

21 It will, unless you are every moment upon your guard.

22 Very pretty.

23 You are thought to be a good creature.

25 If it will give you pleasure.

26 No, you are separated forever.

There is one now on the way.

28 He who always gazes upon you with so shrewd an expression.
29 Yes, but it will come from a very different person from the

one you think. 30 A short, sentimental one.

31 Yes, but you will be no better off for it.

32 If you do everything in your power to promote it.

33 He is standing before the mirror, and thinks: "After all, my face is well enough, and my figure not bad."

A clergyman. It will bring you both joy and sorrow.

35 It will 36 Never.





- 5 Are not your eyes a pair of stars, which he who has once beheld can never forget?
- 6 Yes, my dear young lady; but be prudent it is a sad rogue who will next pay attention to you.

 7 Show a little more kindness toward human beings and a little
- less toward cats.
- 8 Do so frankly and without affectation.
- 9 It would be cruel to refuse.
- to One only, but one who will admire you more than all the rest.
- II One—a fat little mushroom of a fellow.
- 12 Very ugly, but in your eyes handsomer than all the world beside; he has lost half a finger.
- 13 That it would be dangerous to trust you.
- 14 O, yes, with your whole heart.
- 15 Do you not see how his cheek reddens when he looks at you? 16 Without a doubt.
- 17 At the next ball, while dancing a cotillion, your heart will be touched.
- 18 Never.
- 19 Too many by far, especially love adventures.
- 20 You will possess so much wealth it may become a burden.
- 21 It is discovered already.
- 22 Not beautiful, but very genteel.

- 23 You are thought to be a mischievous little vixen.
- 24 Yes; he and several others.
- Do what you cannot help doing.
- 26 Very soon.
- The one you would like to receive you will never receive.
- 28 The one with the heavy beard.
- Very soon a dear, sweet one.
- 30 Yes; the one you are looking forward to with such pleasure.
- 31 It will depend entirely upon yourself.
- 32 It will be, certainly.
- 33 He is drinking a glass of wine to the health of his dear one.
- 34 A lawyer.
- 35 It will bring you joy and happiness. 36 Perhaps not in a year yet.





- He would like to, but he dare not.
- 6 When you cease your coquetry.
- 7 The next time you meet him give him your hand and say: "How amiable are you, sir! how handsome! In truth, am exceedingly happy to be permitted to call you friend."
- 8 It would never do to be silent; give him a good reprimand.
- You cannot well do otherwise.
- 10 Two collegians, a tutor, and a captain in the army; perhaps, also, a fat old alderman.
- 11 One, and he will be the joy of your life.
- 12 Very tall, of a light brown complexion, wears spectacles, and is the essence of all that is noble, manly, and amiable.
- 13 That he can neither comprehend your behavior nor understand your words.
- 14 You may believe what he says, and not tattlers.
- 15 That you can find out when you next give him a glass; if, in taking it, he tries to touch your hand, he loves you.
- 16 He thinks so, and is much flattered by it.
- At this moment your heart is not free examine it.
- 18 In a year.
- Very many, especially with rogues and robbers.
- 20 Rich in love and noble virtues, but not in money.

- 21 You think it is a secret, but it never has been one.
- 22 You pass for it.
- 23 You are thought to be very capricious.
- 24 It is hardly possible.
- It will be of no use, neither will it do you any harm.
- 26 If you write for him to come and see you, otherwise not.
- Very soon, and O, what a tender one !
- 28 The one who first reaches out his hand to you.
- 29 Yes, a living one.
- 30 A journey? yes, but not the one your thoughts dwell upon.
- 31 Not so very soon.
- 32 Yes, but not as soon as you would like.
- 33 He is enjoying a refreshing slumber.
- A physician.
- So long only as you keep your heart pure and true, and without falsehood.
- 36 Yes, in a few hours.





- He has altogether too much to do no time for love.
- 6 If you would treat a certain young gentleman with a little more regard he would take pleasure in so doing.
- Do not receive so much attention from others.
- 8 Answer him as such a letter deserves to be answered.
- 9 Ask your heart; if it says yes, you say yes likewise.
- 10 Your warmest admirers will always be boors.
- 11 One, a very stout fellow, and very unpoetical. 12 Very tall and of dark complexion; somewhat quarrelsome, of
- a jealous disposition, but always of the best intentions.

 13 That it would be very dangerous to see you often.

 14 Inquire what people say about him. True, there is falsehood, but something lies at the bottom of it.
 - With his whole heart and soul.
- 16 Since the last time he saw you he is sure of it.
- Who knows better than yourself that even now you love him?
- 18 In five months.
- 19 O, no; very few.
- 20 You will have money; but remember, money does not make one rich, but is often poison to the heart.

21 If you tell it to no mortal, no.

22 If you could throw a little more repose into your features while you are speaking, you would be thought so.

23 You are thought to be a genius in every respect, but for that very reason you are thought to have many faults.

24 Yes, he will.

25 O, by no means! what would people say?

26 At a time when you are the least expecting him.

27 Yes, and it will make you very happy. 28 The one who has the largest hand.

29 Not so very soon.

30 Yes, the journey you are now thinking of.

31 Not in the way you wish.

32 Yes, and sooner than you expect.

33 He is at fisticuffs with his landlord.

34 A scientific man.

Certainly, although at first you will not be sensible of it.

36 Within three days, or never.





Certainly, quite often; often, at least, as circumstances permit.

6 You will have wrinkles before that happens to you.

7 Do not be so dreadfully affected. Let him see by your manners that you have a heart, and are honest and sensible.

8 Answer just as your heart prompts you.

9 Be careful what you do; you might be laughed at. 10 Seven young officers, who will all blow out their brains on your account.

11 One - a dear, good and amiable young man.

12 Amiable and cheerful, of a romantic turn, somewhat poetical, good-hearted, though a little weak.

13 That you are the guiding star of his existence.

24 Look in his open, honest countenance and you will see.

15 With ordinary Christian philanthropy, nothing more.
16 If you cast such tender glances at him as you did the last time you met, he can hardly doubt it.

Now you love one, and presently you will love another.

18 Within four years.



19 Your life will be a rather wearisome one.

20 If you take great pains, and are very economical.

21 There is one person who knows it, but he will not repeat it.

22 Some think you handsome, but others not.

23 You are thought to be a mere fashionable puppet, heartless and soulless.

24 You know yourself that it is impossible.

25 Think what your dear old mother would say.

26 Yes, pretty soon.

27 Yes, but it will bring sad news. 28 The one who blushes oftenest.

29 You must be patient for a little while.

30 Not quite as soon as you would wish or hope.

31 Very soon, and in an essential particular.

32 It will be fulfilled, but not quite as you hope. 33 He is paying his addresses to an old woman.

34 A merchant.

35 If you take it as Fortune means it.

36 In a month, perhaps.





5 You know very well that he does.

6 Yes, but only to make fun of you.

7 Do not put so much sugar in your coffee, or he will think you extravagant.

8 Perhaps you had better, unless you wish to mortify him.

9 Do it, certainly, if you can do it without blushing.
10 Two young students, one dark-complexioned, one fair — one of whom will soon present you with a bouquet.

11 Five, and none of them good for anything.

- 12 A little fellow with a heavy beard, conceited and vain.
- 13 That you would be much more agreeable if not so affected.

14 It is well to be prudent.

15 O, yes, but you share his heart with others.

16 Not exactly, but he thinks he could easily win your heart.

17 For a year yet, but no longer.

18 In six years, no sooner, though you try ever so hard.

19 Many adventures, but none interesting.

20 You will have more than a competence; but if either you or your husband play at cards for money you will lose it all.

You will betray it yourself.

- 22 Some think you ugly, some pretty; one thinks you beautiful. 23 You are thought to be quick at repartee, but not really witty.
- 24 Yes, if you succeed in winning his heart within two weeks.

Do it; but there is one person it will displease.

You will have to wait awhile.

27 Yes, a very long one. 28 The modest little man.

Very soon, and one with which you will be much delighted.

30 Yes, and one that will cost you many tears.

- 31 Soon, and by an unexpected occurrence. 32 It will be, and more fully than you have reason to expect.
- 33 He is thinking up some witty speech to make next time he is in your company.

A broker.

It will cost you many tears, but in the end all will be well.

36 Very soon.





5 He is thinking of you now, very tenderly and seriously.

A number, and two or three at the same time.

- 7 Dress your hair neatly, do not wink so much, sit erect, and be polite to everybody.
- 8 Place a poppy under your pillow to-night, and you will dream what you ought to do.

 9 What will a certain person say to it?

10 A dried-up old bachelor, whom you cannot endure.

11 Two, a rickety old fellow and a wild young man.

12 A man of strong character, energetic and high-minded, with wit and humor.

13 That you have broken his heart.

14 No one deserves confidence more than he does.

He is a true friend to you, that is all.

16 He has never thought about it at all.
17 As to your heart, that will be free enough always.

Very soon.

19 Many, and many of them interesting ones.

20 If you keep from speculating.

21 If you keep it a secret yourself; you are liable to "blab."

22 If you did not wrinkle your nose when you laugh you would be thought pretty.

23 You are thought by some to be very peculiar; there is only one person who really understands you.

24 If you can love him truly. Yes, it will cause you much pleasure.

26 Not until you both have gray hairs.

27 Not so very soon, but then it will be a very tender one.

28 The most unpretending one.
29 At present no one thinks of giving you anything.

30 One which will give you much pleasure. 31 Soon, and in a way you could never have dreamed of.

32 Sooner than you expect.

33 He is sighing over the low state of his purse.

34 A farmer.

If you are always prudent, thoughtful, and cheerful.

36 You know when you have reason to expect it.





5 He does; but he will, at some future day, be sorry for it. 6 My dear young lady, congratulate yourself if they do not, for few are worth having.

7 Be not so sentimental, and do not talk so much about poetry and the tender feelings, but show a little practical sense.

8 What is spoken vanishes, what is written remains.

You may grant everything that he asks, for he will ask nothing unworthy of you.

10 Five and twenty — all nice, handsome young gentlemen.

11 Three very respectable gentlemen.
12 A horrible fellow, big as a barn-door, and in love with him self — because nobody else is.

13 He thinks that you would like to bring him to despair.

14 Consult your best female friend about it.

15 His heart has long been another's, and to her he will never be unfaithful.

16 No, but he thinks how pleasant it would be if you loved him.

- 17 Your heart is free at present, but will not be so long.
- 18 Not until you love a certain person more than at present.
- 19 Yes, and you will in vain sigh for repose.
- 20 As long as you can make good use of your money; if you cease to do this your wealth will vanish.
- 21 No, it will not.
- 22 If you dress your hair plainly, and wear a dark dress with rose-colored ribbons.
- 23 Discreet, but very vain and proud.
- 24 Certainly, if he is not already engaged.
- Of course; you would be a fool if you did not.
- 26 Not so very soon.
- 27 Yes, but the paper has been wet with many tears.28 The one with the big ears.
- 29 Someone would like to make you a present, but you will do well not to accept it.
- 30 An important and joyful occurrence will prevent it.
- 31 Not so very soon.
- 32 If you act prudently, yes; it depends upon your own conduct.
- 33 He is about to hasten to your presence.
- If you do not for an instant lose your presence of mind.
- 36 Not so very quickly.





- Dear creature, he adores you.
- 6 Yes, but it will not conduce to your happiness. Enjoy life; be pleasant and gay, as the birds in May.
- 8 Do so without hesitation.
- 9 Ask your mother for advice; in such cases she understands what is best.
- 10 Two; but one has only one eye, and the other has no nose.
- 11 Only one.
- 12 Young and handsome, with rosy cheeks. He loves you dearly, and will do anything to please you.
- 13 He thinks that you have been deceiving him, and cannot conceive for what purpose.
- 14 Ask someone older than yourself some female friend.

15 His heart was yours from the first moment you met.

16 He thinks, at least, that you would like to have him love you.

Within two years.

18 The next journey you take you will fall in love.

19 Some pleasant ones, and kind friends will protect you from unpleasant ones.

20 No, never.

21 Nobody thinks of inquiring about it.

22 Rather pretty, but without any expression of countenance. 23 You are thought the handsomest creature in the world.

24 He would if it were not for a certain false friend.

25 Certainly; you cannot do better. 26 He is now thinking about how to bring about an interview.

You will shortly receive a very foolish one.

28 The one with a large mouth.

29 A splendid present, and very shortly.

30 You will have an opportunity to take a journey, but you will not take advantage of it.

31 Yes, and in the way you are now thinking of. 32 It will be your own fault if it is not.

33 He is practicing a speech before the glass.34 A bookseller.

It will be a prelude to the fulfillment of your best wishes.

36 You will soon receive it, and shed tears of joy.





He thinks of you, but not as you would like to have him.

6 Twenty charming young officers will flock around you soon. Walk in the sun without your hat until you are tanned yel-

low as an orange.

8 Yes, but give him a good reprimand, for he deserves it. 9 Not wholly, but in part.

10 Fifty, at least; but they are all ugly as sin.

11 Twenty-five, if you take all that offer. 12 Crooked and lame, and as thin as a bean-pole.

13 He thinks: "I will tear her image from my heart, for she does not deserve my love."

14 Heartily and frankly.

- 15 He loves you, but he resists his passion with all his might, because he does not think he is beloved in return
- 16 Not that you love him, but that you are smitten with him.
- 17 It will be a long time before you give away your heart.
- 18 Within a year.
- 19 No.
- 20 Gold will rain down upon you.
- 21 You had better be upon your guard, for something of it has leaked out already.
- 22 Lay aside your affectation, do not laugh so loudly and shrilly -then you will be considered quite pretty.
- 23 You are thought good-natured enough, but vain and silly.
- 24 If you would flirt less he would gladly be your husband.
- 25 People will laugh at you, but let not that prevent you.
 26 It must be altered by accident, if at all, for he has sworn never to see you again.
- You will receive one very soon, but it will be mysterious.
- 28 The one who will soon say to you: "Yes, I swear it!"
- 29 One with which you will be much delighted.
- 30 A sad occurrence will prevent your expected journey.
- 31 Yes, but not in the way you expect.
- 32 Wicked people will prevent its fulfillment.
- 33 He is thinking to himself: "How dull and tiresome it is!"
- 34 A literary man
- 35 It will at first give you much pleasure, but afterward it will cost you a few tears.
- 36 You will soon receive it from one well, the right one!





- 5 At this moment your image rises to his view.
 6 A bulldog-looking following
- A bulldog-looking fellow.
- 7 Pay him a little more attention, and the next time you meet take a seat at his right side, but eat no cheese.
- 8 Answer what your heart dictates.
- No, let him pine.
- 10 Just a dozen, but all old fellows, who have long ago passed the springtime of life.
- 11 One possibly, but perhaps none.

12 A great favorite at balls and the darling of all the ladies.

13 He thinks: "Why does she always look so coldly upon me? Is it that she cannot endure me?"

14 Has he ever deceived you, that you should distrust him?

15 With pain and longing.
16 He thought so once, but he thinks so no longer.

17 In six weeks, by starlight, your heart will be softened.

18 In a year or two.

19 A reasonable quantity.

20 Labor to be rich in discretion and contentedness of mind.

21 It is half discovered already.

22 Stately and beautiful, like a young queen.

23 You are thought original in every respect. 24 No, you need not expect that.

25 If you do not, you are lost.

26 In a few weeks.

27 In eight days.

28 The one who shortly presents you with a flower.

29 A present which you will soon wish you had never accepted.

30 Soon, and in the company of a young gentleman.

31 In a very agreeable manner.

32 An unexpected accident will prevent its accomplishment.

33 He is fastening his wristbands.

34 A man of business.

35 If you are strong enough to repress all pride and vanity on its account, it will prove one.

36 Soon; and other unpleasant tidings will come with it.





More than you think of him.

6 No one worth the having - only a sentimental drover.

You must not eat so heartily.

8 There can be no danger in it, at any rate.

9 Would you rejoice one heart, and break two?

10 Two, a handsome clerk and a still handsomer young lawyer.

11 One, and you will find him one too many.

12 An old drunkard, and a gambler.

13 He thinks: "She has caused me so much suffering that I can never forgive her."

14 Trust him, but still keep your eyes open.
15 He thinks well of you, but he cannot love you very much.
16 No, but he thinks you wish him well.

Is your heart your own now?

17 Is your neart 18 In three years.

19 Mischievous persons will prepare many for you.

20 You will have gold-pieces by the bushel.

21 If you act discreetly it will not.

- 22 You roll your eyes about too much, and your ears are illshaped; but your hands and feet are beautiful.
- 23 You are thought a little foolish, yet prudent enough, and at times witty and interesting.
- 24 You do not wish him to be, and he does not wish to be.
- If you are prudent it can do no harm.

26 Next fall.

- 27 Not the one you wish that will be delayed a little.
- 28 The noble-looking one, who is so polite in his manner.
- 29 A present, over which you will shed tears of joy. 30 Very soon, and in pleasant company.

- 31 Yes, and exactly to your wishes.
 32 It will, and to your infinite happiness.
- 33 He is daubing his hair with pomatum.
- 34 A mechanic probably a ship builder.
- All that happens is a blessing, but often interpreted wrongly.
- 36 Do not be impatient they will not come so very quickly.





Do not expect that of him, for he never thinks.

- 6 The first person who meets you to-morrow morning will, from that hour, be your admirer.
- Fall out with him a little, but never let it be in earnest.

8 If you have discretion enough, answer.

- 9 Tell your brother the whole affair, and hear what he says.
- 10 One a stupid little fellow with yellow hair.
- II As many as you have had lovers.
- 12 Handsome and well-formed, in the prime of life.
- 13 That you are a pretty creature, but much too coquettish.
 14 Trust no one blindly in this world.

15 If he could hope to find a return, he would love you.

16 He thinks you are almost dying for love of him.

17 You have been twenty times in love already, and you will be so twenty times more.

18 In three or four years.

19 Storms and calms, as is the way in this world.

. 20 You will never suffer want if you are industrious.

21 No, but by keeping it secret you will bring upon yourself many disagreeable consequences.

22 Wear a more cheerful countenance, and you will be beautiful, but an ill-humored expression destroys the prettiest face.

23 Witty and amusing.

24 If he is not your husband it will be your own fault.

25 Do it, but without much noise.

26 At the next party you attend.
27 If you expect a letter from him, you need not hope for it very soon; he is angry, and will not forgive immediately.

28 The one with the pig's eyes.

29 Very soon, and from one you love.

30 Very shortly, and one which will have a decisive influence upon your whole life.

31 If you act prudently it will.

32 Yes, but to your misfortune.
33 He is writing a love-letter.

34 An alderman.

35 If it happens of itself, it will cause you much happiness.
36 It will come some day, but not soon.

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5 As one thinks of a little, insignificant creature.

6 A sailor will pay you attention.

7 Do what he asks of you the next time you meet.

8 For heaven's sake, no; it will turn out badly for you both.
9 It were better not, although it will do no great harm.

10 A rich young planter, and two students.

11 One whom you will have completely under your thumb.

12 A phlegmatic fellow, who will weary the life out of you.

13 That you are pretty and good, and that, if he could love anybody, it would be you.

- 14 He likes to flirt, but to you his intentions are honorable.
 15 You are his first and his last love.
- 16 He imagines it possible, because he wishes it.
- For two years yet; do not wish it otherwise.
- 18 In five years.
- 19 When you are traveling not at other times.

- 20 If you always save up your pennies.
 21 There is nothing hid but comes to light at last.
 22 You are thought a masterpiece of heaven's workmanship.
- 23 Somewhat thoughtless, but of a clear understanding.
- 24 He will be, and you will live happily together.
- There is no danger in it, and it may prove fortunate.
- 26 He will pay you a visit this very day.
- 27 Not before you have written one.
- 28 The one who shall first confess his love for you.
- 29 Yes, and from a person whom you cannot endure.
 30 If you wish to; you will have the opportunity.
- 31 No, not for a long time.
- 32 Yes, but it will break one's heart.
- 33 He is just overturning his inkstand on the table.
- 34 A wealthy country gentleman.
- This very day.





- You are in his thoughts by day, in his dreams by night.
- 6 Not in two years yet. Be gentle as a dove — he cannot bear to be contradicted.
- 8 That is now a matter of indifference; tears must flow whether you answer or not.
 - 9 If you do, it is to be feared you will regret it.
- 10 One, a young speculator, tall, slender, and handsome, with black hair and eyes - in short, a paragon.
- 11 One, a real domestic tyrant.
- 12 Dry as a herring, and very gluttonous.
 13 That you are still childish, and without discretion.
 14 You would mortify him deeply if you did not.
- 15 You cannot think to what extent.

16 He thinks that all the ladies are in love with him, and you, of course, among the rest.

17 You will fall in love, but it will cost you many tears.

18 In five or six years.

19 Many, especially when you attend balls.

20 Not very.

21 Not for a while.

22 That you have a sweet, angelic face.

23 Possibly so.

24 He would be, if an enemy did not stand between you.

- 25 It will cost you many tears if you do.
 26 If you visit him he is displeased, and will not visit you.
- Your correspondents are all occupied with other matters. 28 The one who stumbles when dancing with you at next ball.

29 Yes, but a somewhat insignificant one.

30 If you wish it, you will be able to take many journeys.

31 Not in any matter of importance.

32 Yes, but it will make you many enemies.
33 He is railing at his tailor, who will not trust him any more.

A military man.

No.

35 No. 36 To-morrow, probably; if not, next week.





As a person thinks of one with whom he is pleased.

6 They are all on their knees before you already.

7 The next time you meet him place a forget-me-not in his button-hole.

8 Reflect what that might lead to in the end.

- Do so, with a careless air, and no harm will come of it.
- 10 In the first place, a little inspector; in the second, a young merchant, the nicest of his kind.

II One short, one tall, and one of middle stature.

12 Hump-backed, and with a nose as long as your arm.

13 He has always thought you an angel, now he sees that you have a little of the devil in you.

14 Trust him as long as you can without mistrusting others.

15 Without you all would be darkness in his soul.

- 16 Yes, but he thinks that you love others besides him.
- 17 Very soon you will fall in love with a person that you now cannot endure.
- 18 In seven years.
- 19 Many, and when you least expect it.
- 20 For a short time your indiscretion will impoverish you.
- 21 No.
- 22 When you droop your head so gracefully, and cast your eyes to the ground, you are enchanting.
- 23 No one can venture to dispute that you are most charming.
- 24 Yes, but you will live rather uncomfortably with him.
- 25 Alas I it is quite different. 26 He has taken some offense, and will not come.
- Very soon, a dear, sweet letter.
- 28 The stoutest.
- 29 Not for some time.
- 30 A very, very long one.
- 31 When the time comes that you wish it.
- 32 Yes, but it will excite the envy of a certain person, and that will sadden your joy.
- 33 He is eating tea-cakes and sausages.
- 34 A naval officer.
- A blessing to you and a delight to your friends.
- 36 Not the wished for, but very different tidings.





- Not yet; he will, perhaps, when he has seen you oftener.
- There is one who is already paying attention to you.
- 7 If you were to do wonders to please him, he would still see
- something in you to find fault with.

 8 Reflect whether it would be proper.

 9 If it will give you pleasure, do so.
- 10 A young merchant, and two students.

- II One, a person whom you already know and love.

 12 A very funny fellow, full of all sorts of tricks.

 13 He thinks: "If I only knew what to do to win her favor!"
- 14 Prove him carefully first.
- 15 In secret, but he will not let anyone perceive it.

16 He thinks so; still he fears your inconstance.
17 Your heart is not your own at present, but it will soon be free again.

18 This very year.

19 Very soon, and an interesting one.
20 Yes, but if you are not prudent you will lose all.

21 Yes, soon.

22 In the evening, when you are queen of the ball, you are more beautiful than a fairy, for then you strive to shine; but at other times, when you wear your every-day face, you are quite ugly.

23 You are sometimes really silly, but people pardon that you, for understanding comes only with years.

24 No, he will never marry

Do it, if you take a real pleasure in it.

26 You have offended him; he will never see you again.

27 In a few days — the most interesting you ever received.

28 The one who titters the most.

29 Perhaps to-morrow, yet there may be some delay.
30 Just imagine it—a journey to Africa!
31 Somewhat, and agreeably.

32 That will depend upon your behavior.

33 He is sipping a glass of wine, and saying: "How fine!"

34 A surgeon.

It will, at least, cause you many happy hours.

36 If you do not take some pains, never.





5 O, yes, but with great bitterness.
6 The person who first presents you with a flower will soon pay his addresses to you.

Do what you will, it is labor lost; he is a fault-finder.

8 At least, wait for another letter before you answer.

9 If you do so, the person who now asks it of you will be the first to laugh at you.

10 A young, handsome, slender fellow called Robert, besides one of your cousins.

11 One, the person whom you now think of the least.

- 12 A real good-for-nothing, who will give you trouble enough, yet a dear fellow.
- 13 He thinks: "I do not know what it means, yet she has looked tenderly at me for some time past."
- 14 Too much confidence has deceived many a one.
 15 Truly and faithfully; you are the sole object of his wishes.
 To gain your hand, he is laboring in the sweat of his brow.
- 16 He is much too , ealous to be confident of it.
- 17 Someone will but too soon rob you of your heart and your repose.
- 18 When the roses bloom again.
- 19 Not at present, but in course of time.
- You could become so, if you were resolved upon it.
- 21 You have nothing to fear
- 22 Only in the presence of your lover can you be thought pretty, but then a heavenly angel looks out of your eyes, bathes you in sunshine, and you become an angel.
- 23 Your heart is pure, your mind clear, and your soul devout.
- 24 Of course who else should ever be?
- 25 Reflect first whether there is not one heart which you would deeply wound by doing it.
- 26 Very unexpectedly—next month.
- Early to-morrow morning.
- 28 The one with a snub nose.
- 29 Yes, very soon.
- 30 A delightful journey westward.
- 31 Not so soon as you expect, nor in the way that you expect. 32 If you wish it very much.
- 33 He is reading a letter.
- 34 A carpenter.
- It is extremely doubtful.
- 36 Very soon, but all your expectations will not be gratified.





- 5 He does not venture, but when he does his heart throbs to bursting
- 6 Yes, an old gentleman with a wooden leg will soon do so.
- 7 Let him see that you love him, and prove it to him by sending him a handsome pocket-book.

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8 Yes, and in a cheerful, jesting style.

- 9 It would be a step which would have important consequences. yet it will depend upon yourself whether they will be fortunate or unfortunate.
- zo All your cousins love you, and a person whom you cannot bear—his name begins with an F.
- 11 However many you may have, it would be better that you had none.
- 12 Handsome as an Adonis, and a genius; you are his beau ideal, as he is yours.
- 13 If she were not so sentimental she would please me.
- 14 Whom would you trust, if not him?
- 15 Just as much as you love him. 16 As often as he sees you he thinks to himself: "No, she does not love me; she cannot love me!"
- Do you not already love as tenderly as one can love?
- 18 When puss lays an egg.
- 19 You are so imprudent that it cannot be otherwise.
- 20 You will always have as much as you have at present.
- 21 Among your friends there is a Judas who will discover and betray it.
 22 You are like a flower—so beautiful, so sweet, so pure.
- 23 You are thought very artless; the rest time must develop.
- 24 Do not lose your hold upon him; in the end he must surrender.
 - If you can without blushing
- 26 When the spring comes again.
- 27 In a few weeks, the one longed for.
- 28 The one who first says: "We met by chance."
- 29 Some one is thinking about making you one, but it is not certain that anything will come of it.
- Yes, to Europe.
- Very soon
- 32 Not entirely.
- 33 He is kissing a trifling keepsake of yours.
- 34 An artist or a lieutenant.
- It will render you very happy. Very soon, and more agreeable than you expect.

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