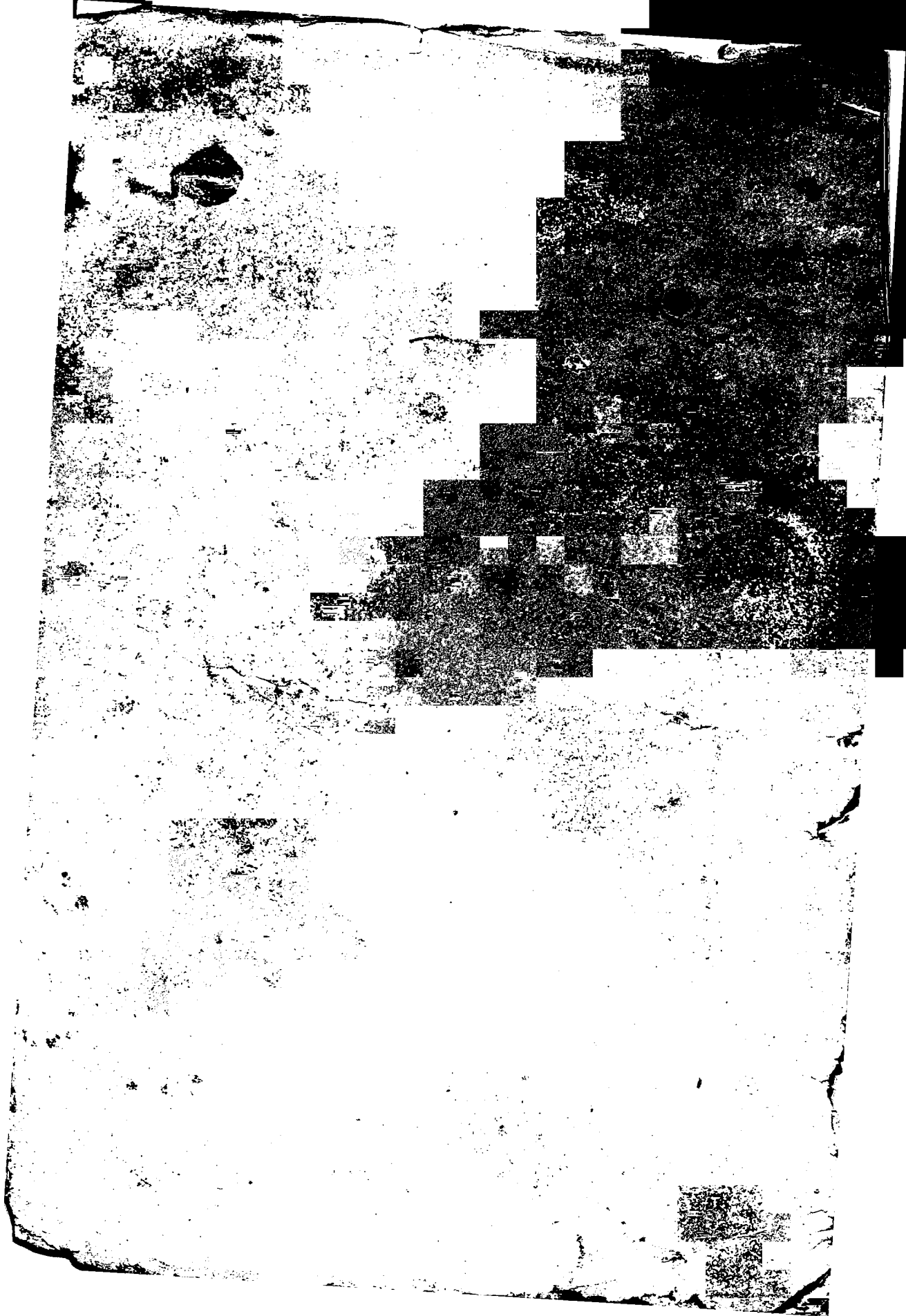


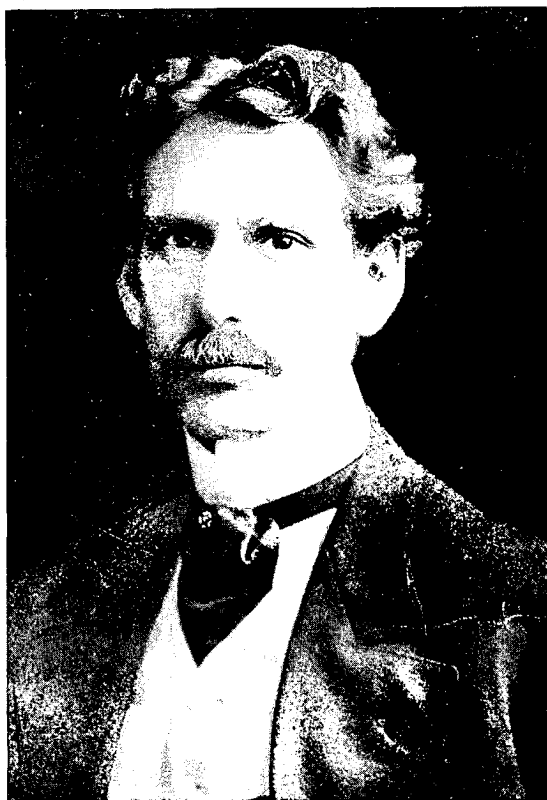


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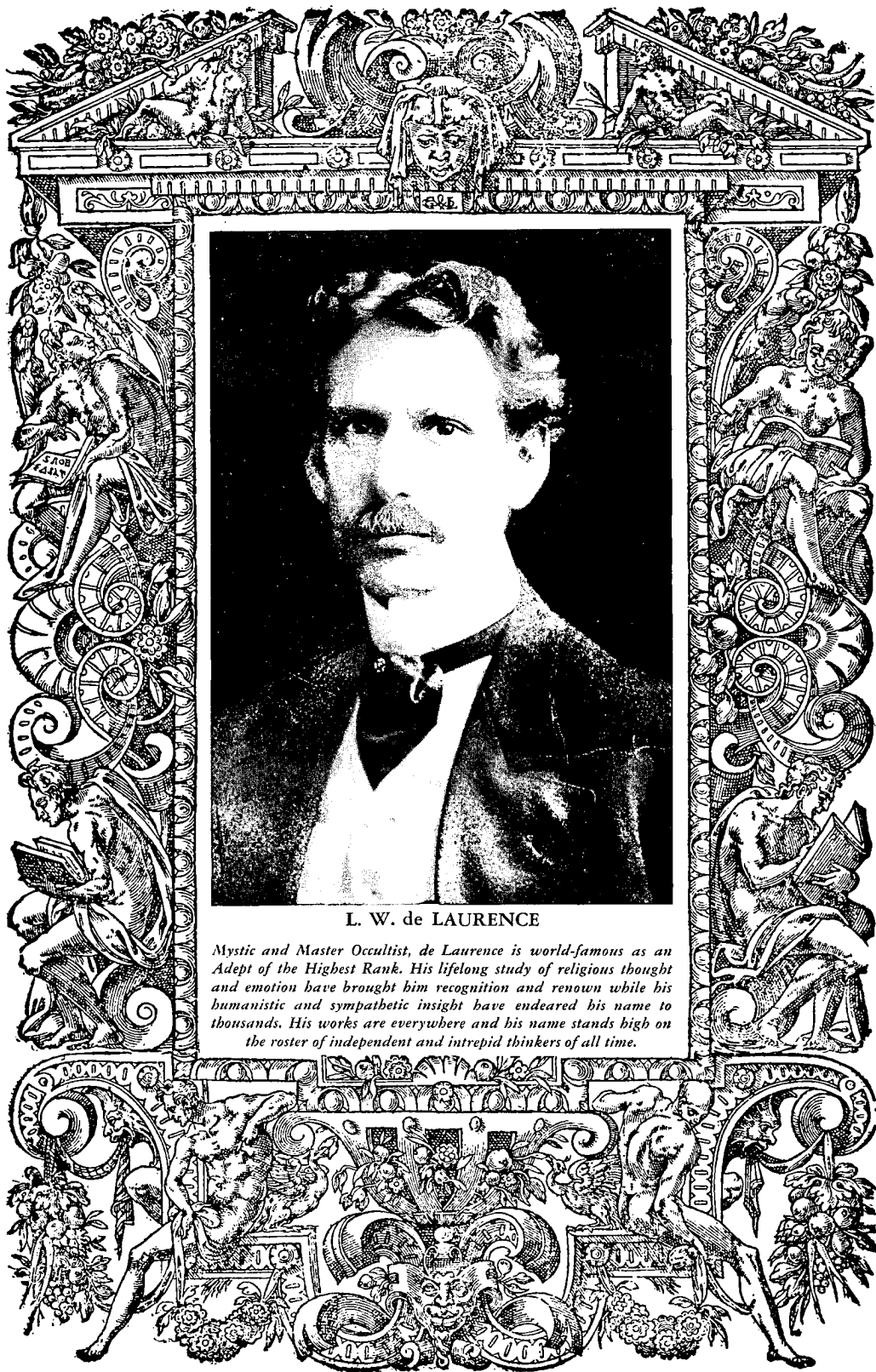
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Вдруг . . . среди тишины . . . с треском лопнула железная крышка гроба, и поднялся мертвец. Еще страшнее был он, чем в первый раз. Зубы его страшно ударялись ряд о ряд, в судорогах задергались его губы, и дико взвизгивая, понеслись заклинания. Вихрь поднялся по церкви, попадали на землю иконы, полетели сверху вниз разбитые стекла окошек. Двери сорвались с петель, и несметная сила чудовищ влетала в божью церковь. Страшный шум от крыл и от царапанья когтей наполнил всю церковь. Все летало и носилось, ища повсюду философа.

NIKOLAI GOGOL: *Viy*

Of a sudden . . . in the midst of the silence . . . the iron lid of the coffin burst open with a crash, and the corpse of the dead girl sat up. Even more frightful was she now than the first time. Frightfully her teeth rattled, convulsively her lips twitched, wildly she screamed incantations. A whirlwind swept through the church; the icons fell on their faces; the panes were smashed and hurled from the windows. The doors were torn from their hinges, and an innumerable horde of horrors came pouring into the holy church. The whole place was filled with a terrible sound of the swishing of wings and the scratching of claws. In a flock, they swooped and wheeled about, searching everywhere to find the philosopher.

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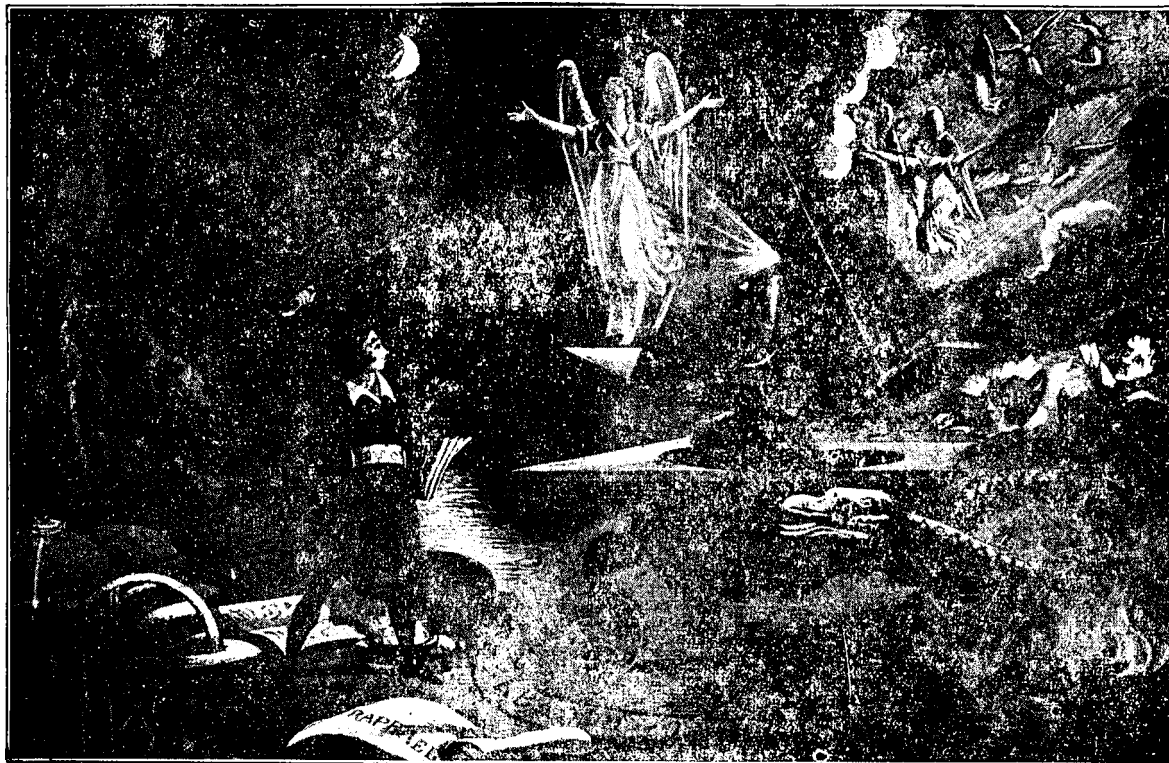
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 “Observe my words, and read them with thine eye (spiritual);
 “These Magic secrets in thy sacred breast reponed,
 “And in thy journey think of God alone;
 “The Author of all things, that cannot die;
 “Of whom I now shall speak——”

I tell thee here, Disciple, to observe my words, and read them with thine eye, that is, the eye of thine understanding; for, know, there are many that hear me speak, and, pretend to study my writings, that read not the meaning of my words.

Wherefore shouldst thou contemplate these mysteries, of which, the good books on the subject of Magic, listed in this Great Catalogue teach, with so much constancy of mind, if thou didst not perceive in these works some great good most desirable?—Listen, then, O, young man, or, young woman, and hear my words! Study my works; for they will show thee the dangerous precipice of vanity and head-long desire—The teachings, contained in my books will describe to thee the stubborn and fatal will of thy passions, even with tears of contrition, and heartfelt compassion for thy experience—I will lead thee, as it were, by the hand, through those labyrinths of vice, wherewith thou art daily surrounded; and, however prejudiced thou mightest be against the receiving of my doctrine, yet, be assured, these teachings have in their possession the Magical virtue and power of binding thee to the principles taught therein, and making thee happy, in spite of thyself.

Here is a great secret! thou shalt say—every man and woman wishes to be happy—which I grant; but my answer is—most people prevent their own happiness; they destroy it, by suffering themselves to be governed by the outward principle of the flesh, thinking the greatest good to be in the satisfying of their carnal appetites, or in the amassing together heaps of wealth, whereby they thrust down the meek and poor, raising up the standards of Pride, Envy, and Oppression. These things every day's experience confirms; nay, there are some so blind, that, in the possession of much wealth, they think there is nothing beyond it; insomuch, that they triumph in lust, oppression, revenge, and contumely. But how is it, thou wilt say, that, seeing man is a reasonable being, he can possibly give up his government so easily?—I say, when man suffers the unreasonable and bestial part to deprave him, then he immediately becomes a slave, (and the vilest of slavery is that which deprives man of his social virtues;) for then, although in the possession of great worldly things, such as houses, estates, and all other temporal gifts, yet he becomes an immediate instrument to the Evil Astral Spirits and the Powers of Darkness, seeing that those riches he inherits are merely given him in this life, to bestow upon others those necessities and comforts which he himself does not feel the want of, and by which he might, if not blinded by his passions and lusts, secure himself an eternal and incorruptible treasure. But he who possesses treasures without mercy, liberality, bounty, charity, &c., robs the Eternal Author of all good, of the honor due unto him, and, is working destruction to his own soul; his riches, instead of benefiting himself and others, eventually and finally terminate as a curse; while he lives here he is a scourge to society; and, after he leaves this, it is plain enough pointed out in my writings what will be his situation and condition.

Therefore, thou young man, or, young woman, that hast but a few years to live, study how to attain the stone I teach of; it will protract the beauty of thy youth, though thou shouldst live for centuries—it will ever supply thee with the means of comforting the afflicted; insomuch, that when thou hast attained this truly desirable and most perfect talisman, thy life become soft and pleasant; no cares, nor corroding pangs—no self-torment will ever invade thy mind; neither shalt thou want the means to be happy, in respect of the possession of the goods of this life but thou shalt have abundantly. But how and from what source, all this is to proceed—out of what thing or matter thou shalt attain thy wished-for end—the studying of Sacred Magic will sufficiently shew.

Thy Friend And Brother In Magic,

LW de Laurence

JESUS, THE NAZARENE REFORMER

BY L. W. DE LAURENCE.

"Give ye not that which is sacred to the dogs,
 Neither cast ye your pearls before swine;
 For the swine will tread them under their feet
 And the dogs will turn and rend you."

(Extract from *The Sermon on the Mount*.)



AFTER nineteen centuries of enforced eliminations from the canonical* books, of the Bible, of every sentence which might put the investigator on the true path, it has become very difficult to show, to the satisfaction of exact science, that the "Pagan" worshippers of Adonis, their neighbors, the Nazarenes, and the Pythagorean Essenes, the healing Therapeutes, the Ebionites, and other sects were all, with very slight differences, followers of the ancient *Theurgic Mysteries*. And yet by analogy and a close study of the hidden sense of their rites and customs, we can trace their kinship.

It was given to a contemporary of *Jesus* to become the means of pointing out to posterity, by his interpretation of the oldest literature of *Israel*, how deeply the kabalistic philosophy agreed in its esoterism with that of the profoundest Greek thinkers. This contemporary, and ardent disciple of *Plato* and *Aristotle*, was *Philo Judaeus*. While explaining the *Mosaic* books according to a purely kabalistic method, he is the famous Hebrew writer whom *Kingsley* calls the Father of New Platonism.

It is evident that *Philo Judaeus*' Therapeutes are a branch of the *Essenes*.†

Their name indicates it—*Asaya*, Physician. Hence, the contradictions, forgeries, and other desperate expedience to reconcile the prophecies of the Jewish canon with the Galilean nativity and godship.

Luke, who was a physician, is designated in the Syriac texts as *Asaia*, the *Essaian* or *Essene*. *Josephus* and *Philo Judaeus* have sufficiently described this sect to leave no doubt in my mind that *Jesus*, the *Nazarene Reformer*, after having received his education in their dwellings in the desert, and been duly initiated in the *Mysteries*, preferred the free and independent life of a wandering *Nazaria*, and so separated or inazarenized himself from them, thus becoming a traveling *Therapeute*, a *Nazaria*, a *healer*. Every *Therapeute*, before quitting his community, had to do the same. Both *Jesus* and *St. John* the Baptist preached the end of the age;‡ which proves their knowledge of the secret computation of the priests and kabalists, who with the chiefs of the *Essene* communities alone had the secret of the duration of the cycles. The latter were kabalists and theurgists; "they had their mystic books, and predicted future events."

Dunlap, whose personal researches seem to have been quite successful in that direction, traces the *Essenes*, *Nazarenes*, *Dositheans*, and some other sects as having all existed before Christ: "They rejected pleasures, despised riches, loved one another, and more than other sects, neglected wedlock, deeming the conquest of the passions to be virtuous."

These are all virtues preached by *Jesus*; and if we are to take the gospels as a standard of truth, *Christ* was a metempsychosist, "or re-incarnationist"—again like these same *Essenes*, whom we see were *Pythagoreans* in all their doctrines and habits. *Iamblichus* asserts that the Samian philosopher spent a certain time at *Carmel* with them.¶

In his discourses and sermons, *Jesus* always spoke in parables and used metaphors with his audience. This habit was again that of the *Essenians* and the *Nazarenes*; the Galileans who dwelt in cities and villages were never known to use such allegorical language. Indeed, some of his disciples being Galileans as well as himself, felt even surprised to find him using with the people such a form of expression. "Why speakest thou unto them in parables?"** they often inquired.

* Canonical books or Scriptures, those writings or books of the Bible accepted by the Church as genuine and inspired. The Roman Catholic Church receives as canonical some of the books styled *Apocryphal* by other Churches.

† *Es-sene, ê-sên, n.* One of an ascetic party or sect of the *Jews*, formed about the 2d century before the Christian era, and existing till the fall of *Jerusalem*. They practiced voluntary poverty, had community of goods, sought higher degrees of holiness, and were mostly celibates. *Josephus* ("Antiquities" xlii) speaks of the *Essenes* as a sect which had existed in the time of the Maccabees. *K. Kohler in Jew. Encyc.*, Vol. V, p. 228 (F. W. Co. 1903).

‡ The real meaning of the division into ages is esoteric and *Buddhistic*. So little did the uninitiated Christians understand it that they accepted the words of *Jesus* literally and firmly believed that he meant the end of the world. There had been many prophecies about the forthcoming age. *Virgil*, in the fourth *Eclogue*, mentions the *Metatron*—a new offspring, with whom the iron age shall end and a golden one arise.

¶ "Vit. Pythag." *Munk* derives the name of the *Iessaens* or *Essenes* from the Syriac *Asaya*—the healers, or physicians, thus showing their identity with the Egyptian Therapeutae. "Palestine," p. 515.

** Matthew xiii, 10.

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"Because, it is given unto you to know the Mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given," was the reply, which was that of an initiate. "Therefore, I speak unto them in parables; because, they seeing, see not, and hearing, they hear not, neither do they understand." Moreover, we find Jesus expressing his thoughts still clearer—and in sentences which are purely Pythagorean—when, during the Sermon on the Mount, he says:

"Give ye not that which is sacred to the dogs,
 Neither cast ye your pearls before swine;
 For the swine will tread them under their feet
 And the dogs will turn and rend you."

Professor A. Wilder, the editor of Taylor's *Eleusinian Mysteries*, observes "a like disposition on the part of Jesus and Paul to classify their doctrines as esoteric and exoteric, the Mysteries of the Kingdom of God 'for the apostles,' and 'parables' for the multitude. 'We speak wisdom,' says Paul, 'among them that are perfect' (or initiated)."

In the Eleusinian and other Mysteries the participants were always divided into two classes, the *neophytes* and the *perfect*. The former were sometimes admitted to the preliminary initiation: the dramatic performance of *Ceres*, or the soul, descending to Hades.* But it was given only to the "PERFECT" to enjoy and learn the Mysteries of the divine *Elysium*, the celestial abode of the blessed; this *Elysium* being unquestionably the same as the "Kingdom of Heaven." To contradict or reject the above, would be merely to shut one's eyes to the truth.

The narrative of the Apostle Paul, in his second Epistle to the Corinthians (xii. 3, 4), has struck several scholars, well versed in the descriptions of the mystical rites of the initiation given by some classics, as alluding most undoubtedly to the final *Epopteia*.

"I knew a certain man—whether in body or outside of body. I know not: God knoweth—who was rapt into Paradise, and heard things ineffable which it is not lawful for a man to repeat." These words have rarely, so far as I know, been regarded by commentators as an allusion to the beautiful visions of an "initiated" seer. But the phraseology is unequivocal. These things "which it is not lawful to repeat," are hinted at in the same words, and the reason for it assigned, is the same as that which we find repeatedly expressed by Plato, Proclus, Iamblichus, Herodotus, and other classics. "We speak wisdom only among them who are PERFECT," says Paul; the plain and undeniable translation of the sentence being: "We speak of the profound (or final) esoteric doctrines of the Mysteries (which were denominated wisdom) only among them who are initiated."† So in relation to the "man who was rapt into Paradise"—and who was evidently Paul himself;—the Christian word Paradise having replaced that of *Elysium*. To complete the proof, I might recall the words of Plato, which show that before an initiate could see the gods in their purest light, he had to become liberated from his material body; i. e., to separate his astral body from it. Apuleius also describes his initiation into the Mysteries in the same way:

"I approached the confines of death; and, having trodden on the threshold of Proserpina, returned, having been carried through all the elements. In the depths of midnight I saw the sun glittering with a splendid light, together with the infernal and supernal gods, and to these divinities approaching, I paid the tribute of devout adoration."

Thus, in common with Pythagoras and other hierophant reformers, Jesus divided his teachings into exoteric and esoteric. Following faithfully the Pythagoreo-Essenean ways, he never sat at a meal without saying "grace." "The priest prays before his meal," says Josephus describing the Essenes. Jesus also divided his followers into "*neophytes*," "*brethren*," and the "PERFECT," if we may judge from the difference he made between them. But his career at least as a public Rabbi, was of too short duration to allow him to establish a regular school of his own; and with the exception, perhaps, of John, it does not seem that he had initiated any other apostle. The Gnostic amulets and talismans are mostly the emblems of the apocalyptic allegories. The "seven vowels" are closely related to the "seven seals"; and the mystic title *Abraxas*, partakes as much of the composition of *Shem Hamphirosh*, "the holy word," or ineffable name, as the name called: The word of God, that, "no man knew but he himself," as John expresses it.

* This descent to Hades signified the inevitable fate of each soul to be united for a time with a terrestrial body. This union, or dark prospect for the soul to find itself imprisoned within the dark tenement of a body, was considered by all the ancient philosophers and is even by the modern Buddhists, as a punishment.

† "The profound or esoteric doctrines of the ancients were denominated wisdom, and afterward philosophy, and also the Gnosis, or knowledge. They related to the human soul, its divine parentage, its supposed degradation from its high estate by becoming connected with "generation" or the physical world, its onward progress and restoration to God by regeneration or . . . transmutations." *Ibid*, p. 2, footnote.

‡ Cyril of Jerusalem asserts it. See vi. 10.

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It would be difficult to escape from the well-adduced proofs that the *Apocalypse* is the production of an initiated kabalist, when this *Revelation* presents whole passages taken from the *Books of Enoch and Daniel*, which latter is in itself an abridged imitation of the former; and when, furthermore, we ascertain that the *Ophite Gnostics* who rejected the *Old Testament* entirely, as "emanating from an inferior being (Jehovah)," accepted the most ancient prophets, such as *Enoch*, and deduced the strongest support from this book for their religious tenets, the demonstration becomes evident. I will show further how closely related are all these doctrines. Besides, there is the history of *Domitian's* persecutions of magicians and philosophers, which affords as good a proof as any that *John* was generally considered a kabalist. As the apostle was included among the number, and moreover, conspicuous, the imperial edict banished him not only from *Rome*, but even from the continent. It was not the Christians whom—confounding them with the Jews, as some historians will have it—the emperor persecuted, but the astrologers and kabalists.

The accusations against *Jesus* of practising the *Magic of Egypt* were numerous, and at one time universal, in the towns where he was known. The Pharisees, as claimed in the *Bible*, had been the first to fling it in his face, although *Rabbi Wise* considers *Jesus* himself a Pharisee. The *Talmud* certainly points to *James* the Just as one of that sect.* But these partisans are known to have always stoned every prophet who denounced their evil ways, and it is not on this fact that I base my assertion. These accused him of sorcery, and of driving out devils by *Beelzebub*, their prince, with as much justice as later the Catholic clergy had to accuse of the same more than one innocent martyr. But *Justin Martyr* states on better authority that the men of his time who were not Jews asserted that the miracles of *Jesus* were performed by magical art—the very expression used by the skeptics of those days to designate the feats of thaumaturgy accomplished in the Pagan temples. "They even ventured to call him a magician and a deceiver of the people," complains the martyr. In the *Gospel of Nicodemus*, the Jews bring the same accusation before Pilate: "Did we not tell thee he was a magician?" *Celeus* speaks of the same charge, and as a Neo-platonist believes in it. The *Talmudic* literature is full of the most minute particulars, and their greatest accusation is that "*Jesus* could fly as easily in the air as others could walk." *St. Austin* asserted that it was generally believed that he had been initiated in *Egypt*, and that he wrote books concerning magic, which he delivered to *John*.

There was a work called *Magia Jesu Christi*, which was attributed to *Jesus*† himself. In the *Clementine Recognitions* the charge is brought against *Jesus* that he did not perform his miracles as a Jewish prophet but as a magician, i. e., an initiate of the "occult" temples.

It was usual then, as it is now, among the intolerant clergy of opposing religions, as as well as among the lower classes of society, and even among those patricians who, for various reasons, had been excluded from any participation in the *Occult Mysteries*, to accuse, sometimes, the highest *Hierophants* and *Adepts* of sorcery and black magic. So *Apuleius*, who had been initiated, was likewise accused of witchcraft, and of carrying about him the figure of a skeleton—a potent agent, as it is asserted, in the operations of the black art. But one of the best and most unquestionable proofs of my assertion may be found in the so-called *Museo Gregoriano*. On the *sarcophagus*, which is panelled with bas-reliefs representing the miracles of *Christ*,‡ may be seen the full figure of *Jesus*, who, in the resurrection of *Lazarus*, appears beardless "and equipped with a magic wand in the received guise of a necromancer (†) whilst the corpse of *Lazarus* is swathed in bandages exactly as an *Egyptian* mummy."

Had posterity been enabled to have several such representations executed during the first century when the figure, dress, and every-day habits of *Jesus*, the *Nazarene Reformer*, were still fresh in the memory of his contemporaries, perhaps the Christian world would be more *Christ-like*; the dozens of contradictory, groundless, and utterly meaningless speculations about the "*Son of God*" would have been impossible; and humanity would now have but one religion and one God. It is this absence of all proof, the lack of the least positive clew about him, whom Christianity has deified, that has caused the present state of perplexity. No pictures of *Christ* were possible until after the days of *Constantine*, when the Jewish element was nearly eliminated among the followers of the new religion. The Jews, apostles, and disciples, whom the *Zoroastrians* and the *Parsees* and inoculated with a holy horror of any form of images, would have considered it a sacrilegious blasphemy to represent in any way or shape, their master. The only authorized image of *Jesus*, even in the days of *Tertullian*, was an allegorical representation of the "*Good Shepherd*,"

* I believe that it was the *Sadducees* and not the *Pharisees* who crucified *Jesus*. They were *Zadokites*—partisans of the house of *Zadok*, or the sacerdotal family. In the "*Acts*" the apostles were said to be persecuted by the *Sadducees*, but never by the *Pharisees*. In fact, the latter never persecuted any one. They had the scribes, rabbis, and learned men in their numbers, and were not, like the *Sadducees*, jealous of their order.

† Cf. "*August de Consens, Evang.*," i. 9; *Fabric*; "*Cod. Ap. N. T.*," i., p. 305, ff.

‡ *King's "Gnostics,"* p. 145; the author places this *sarcophagus* among the earliest productions of that art which inundated later the world with mosaics and engravings, representing the events and personages of the "*New Testament*."

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which was no portrait, but the figure of a man with a jackal-head, like *Anubis*. On this gem, as seen in the collection of Gnostic amulets, the *Good Shepherd* bears upon his shoulders the lost lamb. He seems to have a human head upon his neck; but, as King correctly observes, "it only seems so to the uninitiated eye." On closer inspection, he becomes the double-headed *Anubis*, having one head human, the other a jackal's, whilst his girdle assumes the form of a serpent rearing aloft its crested head. "This figure," adds the author of the *Gnostics*, etc., "had two meanings—one obvious for the vulgar; the other mystical, and recognizable by the initiated alone. It was perhaps the signet of some chief teacher or apostle. This affords a fresh proof that the *Gnostics* and early *orthodox* (?) Christians were not so wide apart in their *secret doctrine*. King deduces from a quotation from *Epiphanius*, that even as late as 400 A. D. it was considered an atrocious sin to attempt to represent the bodily appearance of *Christ*. *Epiphanius* brings it as an idolatrous charge against the *Carpocratians* that "they kept painted portraits, and even gold and silver images, and in other materials, which they pretended to be portraits of *Jesus*, and made by *Pilate* after the likeness of *Christ*. . . . These they keep in secret, along with *Pythagoras*, *Plato* and *Aristotle*, and setting them all up together, they worship and offer sacrifices unto them after the *Gentiles' fashion*."

What would the pious *Epiphanius* say were he to resuscitate and step into *St. Peter's Cathedral at Rome*? *Ambrosius* seems also very desperate at the idea—that some persons fully credited that statement of *Lampridius* that *Alexander Severus* had in his private chapel an image of *Christ* among other great philosophers. "That the *Pagans* should have preserved the likeness of *Christ*," he exclaims, "but the disciples have neglected to do so, is a notion the mind shudders to entertain, much less to believe."

All this points undeniably to the fact, that except a handful of self-styled Christians who subsequently won the day, all the civilized portion of the *Pagans* who knew of *Jesus* honored him as a philosopher, and *Adept* whom they placed on the same level with *Pythagoras* and *Apollonius*. Whence such a veneration on their part for a man, were he simply, as represented by the *Synoptics*, a poor, unknown Jewish carpenter from *Nazareth*?

*As an incarnated God there is no single record of Jesus, on this earth, capable of withstanding the critical examination of science; as one of the greatest reformers, and inveterate enemy of every theological dogmatism, a persecutor of bigotry, a teacher of one of the most sublime codes of ethics, Jesus is one of the grandest and most clearly-defined figures on the panorama of human history. His age may, with every day, be receding farther and farther back into the gloomy and hazy mists of the past; and his theology—based on human fancy and supported by untenable dogmas—may, nay, must with every day lose more of its unmerited prestige; alone the grand figure of the philosopher and moral reformer instead of growing paler will become with every century more pronounced and more clearly defined. It will reign supreme and universal only on that day when the whole of humanity recognizes but one father—the UNKNOWN ONE above—and one brother—the whole of mankind below.**

In a pretended letter of *Lentulus*, a senator and a distinguished historian to the *Roman senate*, there is a description of the personal appearance of *Jesus*. The letter itself, written in horrid *Latin* is pronounced a bare-faced forgery; but I have found therein an expression which suggests many thoughts. Albeit a forgery it is evident that whosoever invented it has nevertheless tried to follow tradition as closely as possible. The hair of *Jesus* is represented in it as "wavy and curling . . . flowing down upon his shoulders," and as "having a parting in the middle of the head after the fashion of the *Nazarenes*." This last sentence shows: *First*. That there was such a tradition, based on the biblical description of *John the Baptist*, the *Nazaria*, and the custom of this sect. *Second*. Had *Lentulus* been the author of this letter, it is difficult to believe that *Paul* should never have heard of it; and had he known its contents, he would never have pronounced it a shame for men to wear their hair long,† thus shaming his Lord and Christ-God. *Third*. If *Jesus* did wear his hair long and parted in the middle of the forehead, after the fashion of the *Nazarenes* (as well as *John*, the only one of his apostles who followed it), then I have one good reason more to say that *Jesus* must have belonged to the sect of the *Nazarenes*, and been called *NASARIA* for this reason and not because he was an inhabitant of *Nazareth*; for they never wore their hair long. The *Nazarite*, who separated himself unto the Lord, allowed "no razor to come upon his head." "He shall be holy, and shall let the locks of the hair on his head grow," says *Numbers* (vi. 5). *Samson* was a *Nazarite*, i. e., vowed to the service of God, and in his hair was his strength. "No razor shall come upon his head; the child shall be a *Nazarite* unto God from the womb" (*Judges*, xiii., 5). But the final and most reasonable conclusion to be inferred from this is that *Jesus*, who was so opposed to all the orthodox Jewish practices, would

* Those who would know more of de Laurence's real opinion of *Jesus* should read his book

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† 1 Cor. x i. 14.

not have allowed his hair to grow had he not belonged to this sect, which in the days of John the Baptist had already become a heresy in the eyes of the Sanhedrim. The Talmud, speaking of the Nazaria, or the Nazarenes (who had abandoned the world like Hindu Yogis or Adepts) calls them a sect of physicians, of wandering exorcists; as also does Jervis. "They went about the country, living on alms and performing cures."* Epiphanius says that the Nazarenes come next in heresy to the Corinthians whether having existed "before them or after them, nevertheless synchronous," and then adds that "all Christians at that time were equally called Nazarenes!"†

In the very first remark made by Jesus about John the Baptist, we find him stating that he is "Elias, which was for to come." This assertion, if it is not a later interpolation for the sake of having a prophecy fulfilled, means again that Jesus was a kabalist; unless indeed we have to adopt the doctrine of the French spiritists and suspect him of believing in reincarnation. Except the kabalistic sects of the Essenes, the Nazarenes, the disciples of Simeon Ben Iochai, and Hillel. Neither the orthodox Jews, nor the Galileans, believed or knew anything about the doctrine of permutation. And the Sadducees rejected even that of the resurrection.

THE MYTHOLOGY OF EGYPT

Christian Doctrines That Have No Place In The New Testament

The study of error is often only a little less important than the study of truth. The history of the human mind in its progress from ignorance towards knowledge should tell us the mistakes into which it has sometimes wandered, as well as its steps in the right path. We turn, indeed, with more pleasure to review the sources from which the world has gained any of its valuable truths, in the hope of there finding some further knowledge which may be equally valuable; while for our errors, so long as we are unwilling to acknowledge them to be errors, we too often shut our eyes, and refuse to be shown their origin.

The Emperor Marcus Antoninus, in his philosophical work, mentions the several tutors and friends from whom he gained his good habits, and those views of life which he chiefly valued; but though we must suppose that he was aware of some failings in his character, he does not tell us to which of his companions he owed them. And so it is with the benefits of civilization, arts, and religion; and also with the evils of superstition. Modern Europe readily acknowledges how many benefits it received from Rome, from Greece, and from Judea, but has been willing to forget how much of its superstition came from Egypt.

When Christians shall at length acknowledge that many of those doctrines, which together now make up orthodoxy, or the religion of the majority, as distinguished from the simple religion which Jesus taught and practised; when they shall acknowledge that many of them are so many sad and lamentable errors; then, and not till then, will they seek to know their origin, and enquire from which of the several branches of Paganism they sprung. They will then see that most of the so-called Christian doctrines, that have no place in the New Testament, reached Europe from Egypt, through Alexandria.

All nations borrow from others—at least, from those who are before them in the race of civilization. They borrow from each of their neighbors in those branches of knowledge in which they think they can do so wisely, and what they have taken often shows itself in the language. This can be best explained by instances from our own language. Thus, when we speak about the army, our words show that the French were our instructors in military matters, and we talk of "aide-de-camp," "chevaux de frise," "captain," "lieutenant," "ensign," "cadet."

When we speak of the church we use Latin words, as "vestry," "rector," "curate," "incumbent," "ordination," "font," "creed," "doctrine."

Words more strictly religious are often Greek, as "baptism," "liturgy," "litany."

The Italians gave us our words belonging to bookkeeping and banking, as "debtor," "creditor," "cambist," "ditto," "bankrupt," "usance."

The Spanish have given us a few words relating to their social life, such as "alcove," "verandah," "duenna."

From the Arabs, through scientific treatises, we have taken "almanach," "alchemy," "chemistry," "algebra."

The Italians also have given us many words relating to art, such as "mezzotint," "fresco-painting," "chiaroscuro," "pianoforte," "violoncello," "opera."

These few instances are, perhaps, enough to justify us in thinking that when the

* See the "Israelite Indeed," vol. ii, p. 348; "Treatise Naeir."

† "Epiph. ed Petar," vol. i, p. 117.

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Greeks, Romans, and Jews have made use of *Coptic** words, it has arisen from their having borrowed these branches of knowledge from the Egyptians.

The aim of the following pages is not only to explain the *Mythology of Egypt*, but to show the extraordinary readiness with which its religious opinions were copied by the neighboring nations, particularly by the Greeks and Romans. In matters of religion, the more ignorant part of those two nations bowed in reverence to the greater earnestness and seriousness of the Egyptians, who were at the same time so remarkably rich in mythological invention. Pagan Greece received from Egypt all that part of its religion which related to a future state of rewards and punishments, and though Christian Greece was for a short time too intelligent to take the whole of the Egyptian mysticism and superstition, yet Christian Rome, from which my own opinions were chiefly learned, had no such hesitation, and was at all times a most willing pupil.

These facts may receive some explanation from two known laws of the human mind. *First*, among religious persons the fear of doing wrong makes them more afraid of falling into scepticism than into credulity; and those who believe more, whether they believe wisely or unwisely, are apt to think themselves on safer ground than those who believe less. In the case of a proposition in science, when the arguments for it and against it seem equal, the reasoner withholds his assent; but in the case of a religious dogma or article of faith, the mind in its weakness fancies it safer to accept it than to reject it. *The reasoning powers are in part overruled by the feelings.* In religious controversy, both parties, the believer, and the doubter, usually feel that the reproach of disbelief, which it is in the power of one to throw against the other, hits a much harder blow than the reproach of credulity and superstition, which is all that the other can fling back again. It is only among irreligious persons and scoffers that the feelings strengthen the other side, and that disbelief can shut the door against argument by an equally blind and unfair claim to superiority. Hence arises the power which superstitious and complicated systems of religion have of spreading themselves, and hence the weakness of good sense when setting up its simple truths against the encroachments of many-sided errors.

Secondly, earnestness and sincerity are the most powerful helps by which we enforce our opinions and convert our neighbors. And there was far more real conviction of the truth of their religion among the Egyptians than among their Greek and Roman neighbors. Hence the opinions of the more ignorant lived and spread, while the opinions held with hollowness and insincerity by the more enlightened died away.

The following are the principal doctrines which are most certainly known to be common to *Egyptian Mythology* and modern orthodoxy, as distinguished from the religion of *Jesus*. They include the *Trinity*, the two natures of *Christ*, and the atonement by vicarious sufferings.

First. That the creation and government of the world is not the work of one simple and undivided Being, but of one God, made up of several persons. This is the doctrine of *Plurality in Unity*.

Second. That happiness, or the favor of the Judge of the living and the dead, could scarcely be hoped for, either from his justice or his mercy, unless an atoning sacrifice had been paid to him on man's behalf, by a divine being; and that mankind, or some part of them, may hope to have their sins forgiven because of the merits and intercession of that being, and to be excused from punishment because he consented to be sacrificed for them. With the Egyptians there were four such chief mediators.

Third. That among the gods, or persons which compose the godhead, one, though a god, could yet suffer pain and be put to death.

Fourth. That a god, a man, or being half god and half man, once lived upon earth, who had been born of an earthly mother, but without an earthly father.

It may amuse, while it will help my argument, to mention also a few of the less important Egyptian opinions which are still common among learned men. Trifles sometimes declare their origin more certainly than opinions and habits of greater importance, which may be thought common to the human mind. Among the most interesting is the wedding ring. The Egyptian gold, before the introduction of coinage, had been usually kept in the form of a ring; and the Egyptian at his marriage placed one of these pieces of gold on his wife's finger in token of his entrusting her with all his property. The early Christians, says *Clemens*, saw no harm in following this custom; and in the marriage ceremony, of today, the man places the same plain ring of gold on his bride's finger when he says, "*With all my worldly goods I thee endow.*"

*-*Copt*, 1 kept; 2 *ēopt*, n. 1. One of that race of native Egyptians that is descended from ancient Egyptian stock. 2. One of those Christian Egyptians who since A. D. 451 have constituted a Monophysite church, the principal Christian sect in Egypt, of which the Ethiopic-Abyssinian Church is a branch.

Coptic Church or *Church of Alexandria*, the native church of Egypt, governed by a "Pope and Patriarch," who also has jurisdiction over the Abyssinian Church. Its doctrines are those of the Greek Church, except in the matter of its belief regarding the nature of Christ, which is Monophysitical. From being a large and powerful church, it has dwindled to one with but 15 bishops, much weakened by persecution and subjection to Moslem rule.

It was one of the duties of the priests of *Phila* to purchase of the River Nile a bountiful overflow by throwing a piece of gold into the stream once a year, and hence, probably the Venetians borrowed their custom of wedding the Adriatic by throwing a gold ring into the sea. At the same time the *Doge's* cap was copied from the crown of Lower Egypt.

The Christmas game of drawing lots for the title of King and Queen, is Egyptian. It was called by the Alexandrians, as *Julius Pollux* tells us, the game of *Basilinda*; and *Tacitus* mentions the quarrel between *Nero* and *Britannicus* when they were playing at this game in Rome.

The Egyptian day of eating sugared cakes had been our twentieth of January, but in the fourth century, says *Moses of Chorene*, it was changed to be kept fourteen days earlier; and the sugared cake of the Egyptians now marks the feast of *Epiphany*, or *Twelfth Night*.

When the Roman Catholic priest shaves the crown of his head, it is because the Egyptian priest had done the same before.

When the English clergyman, though he preaches his sermon in a silk or woollen robe, may read the liturgy in no dress but linen, it is because linen was the clothing of the Egyptians. Two thousand years before the bishop of Rome pretended to hold the keys of heaven and earth, there was an Egyptian priest with the high-sounding title of APPOINTED keeper of the two doors of heaven, in the city of Thebes.

Christian art also owes much to the Egyptian imagination. The Virgin Mary rising to heaven, standing upon a crescent moon, very closely resembles *Isis* as the dog star rising heliacally. The figure of the Almighty, with head and outstretched arms at the head of the picture, particularly in the early pictures, when the head hung downwards, is the same in design as that of *Horus* at the top of many a funeral pyre. The figure of a triangle to represent the Trinity was clearly borrowed from Pagan Egypt.

The supposed arts of astrology and witchcraft were more particularly Egyptian; the conjuror's word of *Abra-cadabra* is a corruption of the Greek word *Abra-sax*, which is itself a corruption of the Egyptian *hurt me not*, by which they hoped to warn off evil spirits; and fortune-tellers are even yet called Egyptians or Gypsies. When *Shakespeare* brings upon the stage the queen of the witches, who bears the name of *Hecate*, one of the well-known names of *Isis*.

These fanciful customs and foolish opinions and traditions of art help to show that although the old Egyptian race has ceased to be a nation for more than twelve hundred years, during which its history has been neglected, and its very existence often forgotten, yet the Egyptian mind still has a most important influence upon our modern civilization. Protestant Europe is even now struggling to throw off the graver errors of the *Nicene Creed* and the Atonement, which Rome received from Egypt fifteen centuries ago.

THE HISTORY OF RELIGIOUS ERROR

The history of religious error is the history of the mind wandering in its search after Truth. We meet among the gross idolatry of one nation, as in the purer religion of another nation, the same acknowledgment that man is not his own creator, and that he is dependent for his welfare upon the will of some being or beings more powerful than himself.

The cultivated man, when studying the wonders of the creation around him, traces them back through numerous secondary causes to one great *First Cause*, and thus arrives at the belief in *One Undivided God*; and feels more sure of the truth of his reasoning in proportion to the simplicity to which it leads him. On the other hand, an observing but unphilosophical man, in the childhood of the world when he had noted the various secondary causes which produce all the effects which meet his senses, would perhaps look no further; and he thus arrived at the belief in a variety of gods. But this is not always the case. Some nations seem, like the modern Turks, to have arrived at a belief in one God, as if from indolence of mind, from blind fatalism, from mere want of observation of the numerous causes which are working around them.

Thus many of the Arabic races in the neighborhood of Egypt, as well as the Israelites, traced the hand of one only God, or *Great First Cause*, in all they enjoyed and all they suffered. But the Egyptians, like the Greeks and Romans, seeing so many causes at work, and not perceiving that they might all be set in motion by *One First Cause*, thought that every blessing that they received, and every misfortune that befell them, was the work of a different god. They thus peopled the seen and the unseen world beyond with a variety of beings or powers. To these they returned thanks for the blessings that they enjoyed, or more often, as led by a melancholy and less grateful disposition, addressed entreaties that they would withhold their injuries and punishments. The sculptured monuments of the country teach us the figures and sometimes the characters of these imaginary beings, together with the cities and parts of the kingdom in which each was more particularly worshipped.

The Genesis Of The Hindu Adepts, Yoghees And Master Lamas Of Central And Northern India

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In speaking of the teachings of East Indian Occultism, Spiritual Communications, Soul Transition and Soul Reincarnation, one cannot be too profound in his statement that the Hindus have the true and Sacred Wisdom, and among a subtle race like the Hindus, which is immeasurably older in civilization and experience than either Americans or Europeans, Occult Forces and Spiritual Laws have been discovered thousands of years ago and preserved among the wisest of their representatives, who in consequence of this knowledge can perform feats which to the Western man's limited understanding are perfectly miraculous. The performances of the Hindu Adepts, which are a surprise and a revelation to the traveler from the West, have excited the wonder of all ages. The powers of these Spiritual Magicians, who dwell in the fastness of Northern India, have been subject to investigation ever since the Western man began to penetrate into that ancient land of the Orient. The Occult feats performed by the Adepts and Yoghees are not the result of trickery, legerdemain or sleight of hand. Trees twenty and thirty feet in height are made to grow and spring up in a moment from a seed. A rope or cord is thrown into the air without any means of support, and on this rope the Hindu climbs towards the clouds out of your sight. Hissing and wiggling snakes are developed with a Magical pass of the hand over a bucket of clear water, and rooms which were dark are suddenly brightly illuminated without any apparent source of light. Heavy bodies are suspended in the air without the slightest means of support. After being placed in the state of Death Trance, live men are buried many feet in the earth apparently lifeless, and after a lapse of days or weeks are exhumed and resurrected before the very eyes of the gaping multitude. Several persons are apparently fused into one single individual, and again this one person becomes several before your amazed and startled eyes. The Hindu Adepts are a class of men that eat little and want little; they spend their time in contemplation and deep meditation, scorning the Western civilization as ignorant, material and base.

The Western scientist has come to the conclusion that Mind and Body are only one form of matter. The Hindu Adept will tell you, that matter is not a form of mind. He will spurn all of the material possessions and pleasures, for which the Western man has spent all the energy of his life, as so much bauble and trash. The Spirit and Soul is everything to him: the physical body and their desires are nothing. It is to be very much doubted that there is one person in a thousand among those who use the word "Mahatma" that understands the true meaning of this term, although they use it very freely and flippantly without the slightest idea as to its true meaning. Many think it means a Hindu Fakree of some caste. A Mahatma of India is one who has purified his "Mahatma" or Spiritual Soul, so that his higher ego is able to act directly upon his material body. When this has been accomplished, he becomes a Mahatma, or great soul. One peculiar characteristic about the Mahatmas are their apparent weariness and impatience, whenever a series of questions are propounded. This will be easily confirmed, by those who go to India, for it will become apparent, that they dislike being interrupted in their meditation and development of Occult Powers. You will see comparatively little of them during your journey through India, and, indeed, find it very difficult to approach them upon these subjects as they have a decided prejudice against being interrogated or even taken notice of; but should it happen that they take a liking to you they will enter into a conversation for an hour or more. On these occasions they always squat on the ground and will invite you to do the same; and from their lips you will learn many strange things that will sink deep into your heart and what comes from their lips will impress your soul as being the truth. It is always better during these conversations to abstain from interrupting them with questions for this will not be relished. However, it will be soon learned that this is unnecessary, for with their marvelous, Spiritual Powers, and intuitive knowledge of what is passing in your mind, during this discussion, they will answer your questions before you ask them and will also explain difficult points in such a manner that the object will stand out "in relief" as it were, assuming all the beauty and reality of a stereoscopic view.

If one of these Mahatmas likes you he will allow you to feast your eyes on his collection of musty Kitaba (books) of Sanscrit, as the Hindu has a soul that believes in learning and is a great believer in Ancient Occult books of instruction. He will carry them about with him in all his travels, for he is never seeking information outside. He knows that which he seeks will be found and developed from the depth of his own being. In bringing you to where he keeps his books, he is very likely to take you through many empty rooms or chambers, and cause you to descend stairs in the darkness, but after he has lighted his candles he will display to your astonished eyes fifty or a hundred volumes, many of them being over five hundred years old. He will now blow out his candles, and you will find yourself surrounded with inky darkness. The Adept will then give a certain ceremony, and suddenly as if by fate or some unseen power a flood of light will surround you, and you will find yourself in a low chamber, apparently devoid of furniture, except an old chest, a chair or two and a couple of animal skins on the floor. This light can certainly not be produced by any artificial means; it will be bright as day, and of that unearthly refulgence, which on more than one occasion will have startled you in certain feats of the Yoghees and Adepts of Central India. Objects in this ghostly light cast no shadows; and it is clearly proved that this source cannot be an incandescent body like the sun, or any radiating light, and the best definition that can be given of this light is that it is an illuminous Astral Fluid, which is suddenly precipitated from a given space in which the object seems to be immersed. On many occasions this light will not extend beyond the threshold of the apartment and it will not merge by gradual transition into the darkness of the corridor but will be cut off by a sharp demarcation. The same will be the case of the windows, which are square holes in the wall, and there may be inky darkness and drizzling rain without. What will strike you most profoundly is the fact that the Adept will never notice your surprise or agitation which will manifest itself when you examine his literary treasures.

This Adept, whose hospitality you have been privileged to enjoy, you will find is not the only denizen of his secluded hermitage among the ruins and temples, for there will be domiciled five other recluses to whom the name of Adepts are applicable and two servants; as a household of this kind in India always consists of eight persons.

The Adepts as written above will be very seldom visible, for they spend most of their time in the seclusion of their rooms; each occupying a separate apartment in different wings of their exclusive Temple. Their headgear consists of large turbans and long brown caftans. Sometimes they will have errands to the neighboring hills and mountains and when this time comes these learned Hindus will go in each other's company and you will never be able to remember the time of ever having known them to exchange a single word of greeting, for they act and conduct themselves like deaf mutes, minus a sign language. The reason of this is, that they communicate with each other only in mental language. It will not be long, however, before you realize that, while apparently mute, these Masters carry on an active conversation with one another; for they have simply risen above the necessity of verbal speech. The development of Mental Telepathy and mind reading in India as a national characteristic is amazing; manifesting itself in the every day life of her people but reaching its climax in the attainments of the Adepts of Occultism in central and northern India.

You will be very fortunate indeed if you do not find one or more of their number who has no inclination whatever to associate with you, and he will act as if the stranger irritated or worried him, and he will not deign to take the slightest notice, of you, even ignoring your friendly greetings

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when you happen to meet him. At the end of a considerable length of time he may condescend to speak to you informing you among other things that he is a native of Rajputana (inferentially), a person of high degree, but, owing to his unsympathizing nature or his illdisguised contempt for white humanity there will be little satisfaction in your brief conversation with him. If you were to offer one of these men 100 rupees* to engage him in a conversation he would refuse the present on the ground that asakye is not in need of money and he will beg to be excused. There may also be among the number others who may seem somewhat less unsociable but even more taciturn; and they will successfully foil every attempt you may make to draw them out unless you should establish yourself on a friendly footing with them. There is to be found, however, among these recluses men who are kind and amiable and whose memory will ever be among the brightest reminiscences of your India career; although amiable and kind these men may not be quite as communicative as you might see fit to think but they will be invariably friendly, polite and almost deferential; their entire behavior contrasting favorably with the persistent moroseness of some of the older Adepts. The same may be said of the Mongolian Adept, who is of a soft Mongolian caste with dreamy eyes. He has but recently joined the brotherhood of India but seems to have become greatly attached to the Masters who have apparently taken him for their Disciple.

A fact that the Western student should fix well in his mind is that, to become a Chela (Disciple) in the real teachings of Eastern Magic and Spiritism in India, does not presuppose great learning or intellectual superiority on the part of the Initiate. The long years of probation, and the almost incredible hardships (such as fasting, sitting in one position for days, etc.) which are always inflicted upon the Neophyte before he is deemed worthy of Initiation or reception into the "Adepts' Brotherhood" are more intended to test his physical endurance and to observe his trustworthiness, than to give him knowledge of their Secrets or develop his Occult Powers. If the reader will kindly bear with me I will in brief inform him, how, while in Northern India, a sincere soul secured Initiation into this Mystic Brotherhood and its Occult Teachings and also relate a bit of his experience among these silent and unobtrusive men, whose wonderful feats have been the standing wonder of the world, antedating the building of the first pyramids (for the early Jesuit Fathers were startled by their Occult Miracles and being at a loss to account for them, very promptly attributed their power to the Devil; and this foolish explanation, I regret to state, is still persisted in by the unlearned, who assert that it is even a sin to witness their Occult and Spiritual feats, and who anathematize these Adepts in Art Magic as Agents of the Devil).

His first experience was many, many years ago, among the Hindu Adepts of Thrinagur or as it is by some termed Serunagor, which has its location in the beautiful vale of Kashmar, which is the capital of that ancient mountain Paradise of the mighty Himalayas. The city is one of ancient and remote antiquity, and has during the last twenty centuries been venerated by the Buddhist of Northern India, for in this old city the first Buddhist assemblage was held, in the sixth year of our present era. At this assemblage an entirely new document in Sanscrit of the Sacred Canon was indorsed. This canon was known as the "Eriketa" and was translated in Tibetan. These Sanscrit writings when translated and bound filled over one hundred and fifty volumes. When he was ready to leave Umballa town for Jalandhar in the valley of Punjab, a companion of his from whom he had from time to time received advice and assistance and to whom he is to this very day greatly indebted for his kindness, agreed to accompany him to Kashmar and introduce him to one of the Master Lamas from whom he desired to obtain certain instruction. They reached Serunagor in the middle of the rainy season after a long and tiresome journey through the jungle hills and mountains. The next day after their arrival his friend was taken to his mat by a serious fever which was superinduced as the result of a snake bite he had received a few days back in the mountains and had been extremely careless in giving proper treatment. He was now confronted with a new difficulty (for at that time he had had very little experience with the Adepts and less with the mountainous country of Northern India), that of finding the Master Lama, for his friend, who was by this time delirious from the fever, and after placing him in suitable hands he determined to go ahead by himself, deeply regretting his friend's illness and the fact that he had neglected to ask of him the exact location of the habitation of the Lama whom he supposed of course some of the native Hindus in that locality would know or at least be able to direct him, but on inquiry he was surprised to learn that nobody knew or had ever heard of the Lama. The English residents did not know the Lama, but the officer of the town directed him to a low Caste Fakree whose name was Zhenboa, but he was not the Lama he was seeking; he inquired of all the Bazaars and of all the Shopkeepers but this proved futile, and he gave up in despair and concluded to wait for his friend's recovery, so he returned to his friend's sick room, and being quite tired and fatigued he went to sleep on a goatskin beside his cot. How long he slept he was not certain, having no time only the Sun to go by, but he was awakened some time after midnight, by something that startled him out of a sound sleep and made every nerve in his body feel as if they were paralyzed, for he was held as if by some invisible power stronger than steel. I say steel, because if a man is bound by steel bands he can at least move his muscles, which he was unable to do excepting those of his eyes. He opened his eyes and in letters that had a weird and unearthly hue about them was written these words: "Travel north five miles then seek advice from the shepherds." The message which he since learned was transmitted to him by Astral and Occult Powers, disappeared as suddenly as it had come and he felt the terrible influence and power which had awakened him withdraw when he was startled the second time by the outlines of a face which had manifested itself to him, although the room was perfectly dark. The eyes were those of a genuine Hindu, dark, piercing and steady. They gave him a look that went to the bottom of his soul and then the face disappeared. He obtained very little sleep the balance of that night, as he had at that time had no experience in these mysterious revelations and Occult Projection of the Astral Body consequently sleep and he were strangers the balance of that night. He arose early next morning, and burned a good fumigation at the feet of his sick companion and started over the mountains in a northerly direction. Why he went he could not explain, even to himself, as the country was strange and rough and it is not considered safe, to journey through these parts of India alone, owing to a certain low class of natives or thugs who waylay a traveler and throw a cloth or bag over his head, then murder him by cutting his throat and bury his body after robbing it of any valuables they may find thereon. He thought of all this, but some invisible power kept urging him on and whenever he was inclined to hesitate or turn back his mind would revert back to the words, "Travel north five miles, seek advice from the shepherds" and he kept on his way. When after traveling about three hours, without seeing any sign of the shepherds, and being tired, he sat down and rested undecided just what to do. He felt that he would not dare go against the presentiment and warning that had been given him during the night but he must confess he would rather have been back in Benares than in those mountains alone. However, he determined for the satisfaction of his own mind to start again, when a voice startled him by saying directly in his ear, "Go Northeast." He turned quickly around, vexed at being spoken to in this way, expecting to see somebody, but to his dismay he was entirely alone, everything being quiet and still around him. He now began to think that he too was becoming a victim of the mountain fever, which often suddenly attacks a man in the Oriental countries, but his own good sense told him better for, every organ and function in his body was perfectly healthy and normal. But to be brief, he started in the direction the voice had bid him go and after traveling about—what he judged to be two and a half miles he found himself among the local sheep raisers that inhabit the mountains and valleys

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*NOTE.—The rupee in India is the monetary unit. In accounts it is divided in 16 annas, each of 12 pice, and in Bombay sometimes into four quarters of 100 reis. The government rupee, the only one now minted, contains 165 troy grains of silver. Its nominal value is 2 shillings English, or 48 cents American money, though its intrinsic value varies. Accounts are generally in rupees, of about 40 cents intrinsic value, or in English coin. The currency consists of British and Spanish coins, rupees, copper fanams, and cowries, or little shells, used by the natives.

Northwest of Senguna. A Mohammedan sheep raiser who knew the Lama readily consented to conduct him to his abode so he engaged the Mohammedan as a guide and at Sunset he found himself in the presence of the Great Adept and Lama, tired and weary, after his long journey, and you may imagine his surprise when he saw that the Lama's eyes and face were identical with those which had looked at him after he was awakened from his sleep and told to go north and seek advice from the shepherd.

There were the same black piercing eyes that seemed to be able to read every thought in his soul. There was the same stern face, a face, judging from its appearance, that had had the smile stripped from it as the winter blasts strip the leaves from the trees, for although he remained in this master's society for many years, he never saw a smile change its stern settings. The habitation of this grand Adept was justly in keeping with the stern reality of his face and eyes. It consisted partially of the sides of an ancient Papado, being of Buddhist type, there being many of these old structures still standing in Northern India and Thibet. This ancient Buddhist Papado has been turned into a Lamastery, after being almost wrecked by the Mongols, but without doubt it had been used for other purposes during the many centuries. This old Monastery stood in the midst of the lonely mountains which the hand of nature had not slighted but had rendered it more beautiful than any place he has ever seen, either in the United States or Europe, by covering the surrounding country with a mantle of beautiful verdure, this nature seemed to have done in a sense of pity to cover up the dreary memorials of the past centuries. His Master was by no means the only inhabitant of this Monastery with its fascinating vale and ancient ruins. There were five other Lamas besides two Hindu menials, one of which performed the duties of gardner and sheep raiser, the other acted as housekeeper and cook. This strange Monastery presented a most uninviting appearance, but to the true Disciple of Magic and East Indian Occultism it is like the workshop of the faithful mechanic, or the room of a country school house to the untutored soul seeking education. The Lama had evidently been faithfully watching for him, for as they approached the weird Temple a tall thin man stepped from behind a long row of carved pillars and piously descending the Ancient marble steps, extended his hand to him as a genuine token of welcome. This, as he had suspected, was his master; the Lama he had traveled over a hundred miles of mountainous country to partake of his hospitality and receive the wealth of Occult Knowledge which the Lama could give him and under whose tutelage he has augmented his knowledge of East Indian Occultism until today he would not exchange the Lama's teachings and the knowledge of Spiritualism which he gave him for the crown of a King or the wealth of a nation. This great Master was of a tall slender physique while his features were more emaciated than any person he has ever beheld; yet the Lama's face was not one that would impress you as being repulsive, in fact, one would be inclined to call it pleasant were it not for a certain solemn set expression about the forehead and lips, a sure indication of sternness and uncompromising individuality. This priest's dress was selected along certain aesthetic lines. He wore a turban of red and purple Turkish cloth, a dark purple caftan hung loosely from his shoulders while his slippers were made of goat skin. His appearance would strike one on the whole as being rather singular and even odd in this beautiful spot of Mystic India, which is a strange and weird country where one meets at every turn the unexpected and unusual, and the traveler from the Western country finds it most difficult not to realize that he is indulging in a dream. "So you are the Munshi that has journeyed all the way from Benares (the Holy City of India)," he said addressing him in Tamie, this being the only tongue which he was able to speak at that time with any degree of fluency. "You do not talk like a Sutra Karan (man from the West)," said the Adept, as he walked to a great Mango tree and sat down on the ground beneath its branches in true Hindu fashion, with legs crossed, and invited him to do the same, which he did. "I see that you have already been advised of my coming," he said to the Lama. "I have received no verbal message of any kind for over fifty years," answered the Lama, seemingly offended at his assertion. "Then how did you learn of my arrival; and who told you that I came here with the intention of becoming a Chela (Disciple) of Oriental Occultism," he replied, very much astonished, but still positive that some one had informed the Lama. "I knew months ago you were coming," replied the Lama, "and nobody told me of it. I saw you asleep beside your sick friend, and besides, I also saw you cross the river Sutley, and can describe some of your trials on the way through the mountains and after I do so you can judge for yourself whether any person has told me anything concerning your intentions or journey here." And to his utter astonishment and amazement the Lama described day by day his condition of mind and intentions for over a year back. The Lama also gave him a complete description of his journey step by step; the places where he had stopped, and even described the revelation as it appeared to him when he was awakened while asleep at the bedside of his sick companion. Of this he had not mentioned a single word to anyone. The Lama even challenged him to ask questions concerning his past life or future intentions and when he did so the Lama unhesitatingly answered them with such precision and accuracy that it amazed and bewildered him. He no longer wondered why the common people of India and the travelers from Europe and the United States had such profound respect for these great Masters of Occultism and Spiritism, and why the Western student feels so inclined towards their teachings as to study them; for there is indeed great merit in such an undertaking; for the true Adept and Master Lama of India turns nobody from his door who is sincere and will be a good true Chela (Disciple) of their wonderful teachings. "I have a place here where you can remain free," the Lama said. "It is near my own room. The less you bring of your material belongings into the Monastery the better, for there is no greater foolishness than that of having a lot of things around you that are useless, as they only serve to attract your attention from the development of Occult and Spiritual Powers."

The Lama now led the way up the stone steps through a dimly lighted corridor to a spacious court beyond the center of the engraved pillars between which was suspended a blanket; curtains and blankets serve as doors in these Monasteries, as they keep out sun and are impervious to rain. After passing through the door his Master led him along the passage way to a room on the right of it. The floor of stone and mortar was covered with a matting of coir; the furniture consisted of a chest of Spanish cedar, handsomely carved and stained a dead black, a chair and a sleeping couch. This consisted of a camel skin fastened to wooden bars so as to leave a low place between them. There was also a pair of clean red blankets but no pillow of any description. When he remarked of this deficiency the Lama quickly informed him that he who must have a pillow to rest his head on has no chance of raising above the level of the materialist and that he must do without one; for it is of great importance that during sleep your head should be on a level with the rest of your body and that you always sleep on your back for only in that position can the soul and brain be brought to develop that which it is deficient in; namely, an Occult Perception of the Astral and Spiritual forces. It is thus that he stood in the room which for a number of years was destined to serve as his bed-room and apartment for solitary meditation and study. In this room of stone it was his humble privilege to witness and experience some of the strangest and most weird Occult and Spiritual phenomena that will ever come within the experience or under the observation of any student or investigator of East Indian Occultism or Spirit Magic. But he has no regrets.

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ORIENTAL SPIRITISM AND EAST INDIAN MAGIC.

"All things are possible for him who applies himself," providing, of course, that the power desired be in conformity with man's Occult and Spiritual Powers and the working forces of the Spiritual Universe or Astral World, which are in unity with him, and he with them, then all things will be directed to the ends of his obtaining Wisdom, Astral and Occult Power.

This Occult Power and Astral Energy utilized by the Hindoo Adepts is not, in the true sense of the word, the working of a miracle, but it is the working and bringing into operation a Hidden and Subtle Astral Energy or Force, which is Invoked by the Adepts in Art Magic, in a most positive and unequivocal way. East Indian Occultism is but the science or knowledge of the Secret and Hidden laws of man's Spirit and Astral Forces. The terms Secret and Hidden are used by the writer as meaning that the laws and rules necessary to bring these forces into operation are hidden from the Materialist; that is to say, he cannot see them with his physical eyes. The knowledge and laws of these hidden forces are given to all who seek sincerely and apply themselves faithfully to attain them and become identified therewith, for this higher Esoteric knowledge and Spirit Power is "East Indian Occultism, pure and simple."

Oriental Spiritism and East Indian Magic are venerable with age, having their origin in antiquity and the far East, especially in Central and Northern India, where it has been handed down from prehistoric times through generations, and generations. It is now being popularized, epitomized and vigorously promulgated in Europe, as it seems that the time has now come, when the Western World and Europe have ceased to follow the teachings of every so-called Professor and Institute of Science, who can only afford to send a few cheap books which are worse than no knowledge to the student. While the writer has no prejudices for these partial and incomplete so-called teachings, he knows, from personal experience, that the student and true soul are hungering for a more perfect and specific course of study for the promulgation of the true East Indian Occultism, that is so well understood and taught by the true Adept. For, "when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away with."

The true student and Disciple, however, must have a substantial basis of instruction in his understanding of Occult and Astral laws before he can develop the proper power to exercise these Hidden Forces which know neither limitation nor failure and, which clothes its possessor with a strange and invincible Occult power. I have labored long and hard by precept and example to impress the true knowledge and the fundamental principles of East Indian Occultism on the minds of my Disciples and plant that basis in the souls of true Chelas, who have in turn faithfully transmitted the substance of that which they have received from me to the faithful soul who applies to them for it. It has always been my aim and sole object in life to give an analytical epitome of Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism and to teach my Chelas (Disciples) the fundamental principles of Occultism and Spiritism as it is now taught and practiced in India, and to teach my students that these powers lie hidden in their soul and are highly susceptible to cultivation if they only obtain the proper knowledge of applying themselves to their laws. My instructions and books are today looked upon as standard and authentic, for they have been published and sold not in a spirit or desire for gain, but in a spirit which "speaks and it is done, which commands and it stands fast."

Many wise heads in the Western countries have attempted to create the baseless impression that this Occult and Spirit Power was exceptional in human experience and, necessarily as such, was supernatural and miraculous. It never occurred to them that these strange Occult and Astral powers were the possible legitimate working of an Occult law and Power which could be practically studied, mastered and applied by all mankind who would seek and desire them. Nevertheless, an unbiased and careful consideration of the direct and true teaching of the Adepts will convince the most hesitating and conservative mind that the Adepts and Masters of these Occult, Astral and Spirit Powers in India, regard the possession and exercise of these Hidden Powers as being possible for every sincere soul who desires them, for they are without any doubt whatsoever, the orderly and legitimate result of certain Occult and Spiritual attainments, possible to all, and which it is their special work to give to all who sincerely desire them.

These teachings of Magic and Occultism have hitherto been so exclusively studied from the standpoint of the supernatural that the attention of the whole Western world has been diverted from a rational and practical study of those Occult and Astral Powers exercised by the Hindus. The Hindu Adepts, however, are very profound in their statements that these teachings are equally important to all of mankind who wish to rise to a higher Mental and Spiritual Plane.

The true teachings of these wonderful men embrace every phase of a legitimate Occult Power, Knowledge, Soul-sight and Astral Forces ever claimed or sought for by any Magi or Hierophant of the world and their teachings are for and may be experienced and studied by the humblest. It will be well to state further, for the benefit of those who desire to become a Disciple in Indian Occultism, that the source of these Occult and Astral Powers, which in India are recognized and specifically emphasized as free to all, is ascribed to the direct endowment of the human soul and from which every human soul derives its intelligence, life and power, and to which, therefore, all alike, the humblest as well as the most exalted, have equal right and access.

ART OF SPIRIT INVOCATION.

Among these great Masters there is an atmosphere of unsociableness and a weird isolation at their Temples and Lamaseries which will painfully affect the Western man during the early part of his sojourn and to which he can never quite reconcile himself, unless he makes up his mind to become a Chela (Disciple) of these quiet, unobtrusive men, with their fine eyes, which reflect the Wisdom of many thousands of years.

For one who spends years among these Masters, and who perfectly understands the Art of Spirit Invocation as well as reading the innermost thoughts of your soul, and who by enchantment can hold a certain weird fascination over the Spirits of the Astral Plane so as to make them obey their very wish, and who can send their own Astral Body away in space, will realize that a great deal in life as it is lived in the West is an illusion. These Adepts and Lamas have discovered the key that unlocks the Astral Forces within their soul. Their habits, nay, the entire mode of life, of these men who have discovered the frivolities and illusions of their Western brother, and have chosen voluntary exile amid a forgotten past, is such as to foster a spirit and atmosphere of exclusion and Asceticism for they have raised the veil that hides the mysteries of time and space.

They know that they have a mission to perform and teach to the worthy Chela (Disciple). The meals of these men usually consist of boiled rice and fish curry, and is not served at regular intervals in a dining room, but must be applied for individually in the kitchen. The meal is then eaten by the Adepts in silence in the privacy of their own apartments. In India will be found thousands of Individuals of the type who belong to the lower Caste, or class of common Faikree, for comparatively few of these Faikrees have risen or will ever rise, to a degree of Occult and Spirit Power equal to that possessed by these Adepts who live in absolute seclusion. Like the hermits of the Middle Ages these men live in austere seclusion, either in the solitude of India's great forests or in the mountain country, always selecting some locality as remote as possible from the contingency of disturbance.

Their place of abode, sometimes only a primitive bamboo hut, is often very cunningly and neatly constructed, by their own hands, in imitation of nature, to insure concealment or attract as little attention as possible, so that even the expert hunter will often pass by these silent retreats without in the least suspecting their presence. These masters, from time to time, will leave their

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hidden retreats in the hills or their mountain caverns and suddenly appear in the larger cities of India, where at once they are surrounded by an interested crowd of spectators, and it is useless to say that the common people of India have the most profound respect for the Adepts and Master Lamas. A miracle of some kind is performed in broad daylight (and witnessed perhaps by five thousand people), then a sermon on the future life of the human soul of the most impressive character is delivered. These masters scornfully refuse money, or any kind of remuneration. These Adepts, properly named Philosophers, are men who have risen above all needs and who seldom if ever make use of their Astral and Occult Powers for the furtherance of any tangible object. These men are engaged in a process of development which will bring them to a higher degree of Occult and Spiritual Powers. They live in the strictest seclusion and never go out to perform feats for money. They have been pronounced selfish by shallow reasoners, who are apt to inquire why the Adepts and Lamas, instead of seeking refuge in seclusion and solitude, do not go about performing their strange Occult feats for money and proclaim their Occult attainments from the housetops. This latter occupation does not form a part of these great Philosopher's plans; in other words, their only desire is to teach the true sincere soul who will abandon Materialism and become their Chela (Disciple). They are not preparing to become a teacher of the curious multitude or unscrupulous; for if they were to do this they could not be what they are, nor reach the lofty height to which they aspire. The reader may be naturally inclined to ask, Why don't some of them go to Europe or the United States, and by exhibiting their Occult Powers, make fortunes. The Adepts have no desire for a fortune. It would be just as foolish to ask why the Prophets or the Apostles of Christ, that are spoken of in the Old Testament, did not turn their peculiar Occult and Spiritual gifts into a moneymaking business. These Masters are beyond the desire for money (something that is very difficult for an American to realize). They know that it is only a brief span of earthly existence that separate mankind from his Spiritual Life, and their contempt for material gain and wealth is only equaled by their pity for those who are incessantly engaged in its pursuit.

These gifted Masters have a mission to perform for mankind in their own peculiar way. Their wonderful Occult and Spiritual Powers (which are as boundless as they are marvelous) are their credentials, and they are like the prophets of old they work Occult wonders and miracles in order to attract and arrest the attention of those who they desire to deliver their solemn sermon of advice, which never fails to impress the listener differently from anything he has ever heard from mortal tongue. These miracles are equal to those recorded in the New Testament, as worked by Christ, for, except the raising of the dead, not one of them is half so wonderful as the Occult feats performed by the average Yoghee and Adept of India, and those of you who, believe the age of miracles is past should by all means travel in India, Thibet, Burma, Siam, Benares (the holy city of India), and Ceylon. People talk of the riddle of the Sphinx on the River. There is a Sphinx far more mysterious in India, and it presents features of a thousand more riddles. It will be seen that these Seers and Adepts only use their Occult Powers and work their miracles to impress the people to raise themselves to a higher degree of Spiritual and Mental development. The miracles were the credentials of the Prophets and it is to be doubted very much whether Christ Himself could have produced much of an impression upon the Jews of Palestine if He had not worked his miracles. This the gospel explicitly tells you, for you usually find the record of the performance of a miracle by Christ followed by the words, "And he (or they) believed in Him." Thus, it appears that the miracles of Christ and his apostles, were only intended to demonstrate their Divine Character and to open the eyes of the multitude.

"ESOTERIC BROTHERHOOD OF ADEPTS."

The Chela, or Disciple, of Hindu Magic who desires to become an Adept or High Caste Yoghee, after a lifetime of contemplation and study is admitted into a higher circle of Esoteric Brotherhood, whose seat is in the Monasteries and Temples in the mountain recesses of Northern Hindustan. The Masters of this Brotherhood are quiet, suave and secretive and attach a deep religious significance to the manifestation of their Occult and Astral Powers, and there is certainly nothing improbable in the statement that they are initiated into a knowledge of Spiritism and Occult Secrets, which have been preserved and handed down for centuries, from generation to generation. These Adepts, during an Invocation or Conjunction of Astral Spirits are squatted down in the Hindu fashion, with their legs crossed on a mat of cocoanut fibre, placed upon the stone floor of their Monasteries. This position and the burning of Temple Incense is at once interpreted by the Spirits of the Astral Plane as a sign that they are about to receive a deep and solemn Invocation for their appearance for the performance of some duty or to give some knowledge. These Masters and Adepts are always squatted down in a semi-circle, which forms an impressive and beautiful sight. This circle of silent, dark-eyed Orientals is one of sincerity and deep repose, such as is seldom found, even among the Christians of the West.

OCCULT MYSTERY BEHIND CURTAIN OF MATERIALISM.

The Western Student has long desired the proper advice for pursuing these studies and the writer knows his great anxiety to learn the truth, and there are many thousands thirsty for this Occult knowledge who have journeyed over the rough paths of life in the hope of obtaining a spark of that Occult Wisdom which they have hitherto sought for in vain, and there are in the United States and Europe many who would willingly travel a dozen times around the world if by so doing they could secure but a momentary glimpse behind the curtain of Materialism, which hides the solution of all the mysteries by which mankind is surrounded on the Earth Plane. These sincere searchers after Occult knowledge have derived little satisfaction from the teachings of the Scientists and Professors of the West. However, failure only excites the fundamental desire in a true soul for any certain knowledge. That there is a curtain that hides these revelations cannot be denied, as every Scientist and Scholar will admit, but there are many of them that will never be able to raise it until they leave off their study of Materialism and study and develop the Occult power within them.

There are some who make a mistake in thinking that many mysteries are concealed behind this great curtain, for it conceals one only, but to the Western man and Student, whether he observes this Occult mystery during his Earth life or in his Spirit Life, it will be a terrible one to behold. Man during his Earthly Existence can only explain an object in terms which refer to similar objects, and the Spirit World behind this curtain is so utterly unlike the world revealed to man by his physical senses that he could not understand these mysteries unless he became a Chela (Disciple) of them for even the Master could not assist him unless he was sincere. The habits of these great Adepts, and the entire mode of life of these men who have discarded the frivolities and illusions of their kind and have chosen this voluntary exile amidst the ruins of a forgotten past is such as to foster a spirit of exclusiveness and asceticism. However, there is a strange fascination in solitude, for man, being a singular admixture of the bestial and Divine, and, when in the society of others, delights in being gay and trivial and in developing the foolish and ignoble side of his nature, but, when surrounded by solitude and his own thoughts, he becomes a different being, for he is left to his own meditations. The silence of the desert or the unbroken quietness of some secluded nook, or the silence of the Temple, awaken and develop Occult Powers and feelings within him, which his outward and daily life can never engender, for it is then, and only then, that man will voluntarily descend into the abysmal depths of his own consciousness. The very first lesson of the Western Disciple or Neophyte under the great Eastern Adepts of India, and the miracles he will witness at the hands of these Masters, is sufficient to illustrate the method of the Master with his Disciple, and the Character also of his Occult Power; for the life depicted at the Lamaseries of Northern India and the character of these men who form a silent and austere Brotherhood of Adepts, will

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give him a good insight into the nature of the Indian Recluse life and the influence it has upon the character of those who have adopted it, and he will never regret the instructions and knowledge that will be given him to develop his interior concentration and for the attainment of illumination of his inner or Clairvoyant Vision. These Masters of Occultism have sprung from a wonderful race of people, who, for over fifty centuries have subordinated matter to mind, and who have succeeded in reducing their physical wants to a minimum. They are of Soul and Mind and the Western man is of body and stomach. The Hindu's knowledge of the mysterious forces of mind and Astral Life is far in advance of that in the possession of the Western man, for they have spent centuries in introspective meditation and have acquired a mastery of Clairvoyance, Telepathy and Spiritism such as the Western mind can neither understand or appreciate, for even their knowledge of Hypnotism is far ahead of anything of which he can ever conceive.

OCCULT VISION.

The marvelous manner in which messages can be communicated or the great rapidity of that which news of an important character travels through India is a case in point; thus for instance, the details of any event that occurs in Mainaud will be discussed in the bazaars and shops of Calcutta many hours before news and particulars are received by telegraph, to the utter astonishment and disgust of the telegraph company. This, in spite of the fact that the company has the advantage of sending despatches through the valley of the Kabul River and through the Khyber pass to Peshawur. These telegrams sometimes come to Calcutta as cypher messages and it would be nonsensical to say that this news has traveled from mouth to mouth, or from village to village, as there are many intervening mountain ranges and great deserts, villages and hamlets in India that are many miles apart and extensive ranges where scarcely any habitation is to be met with. Besides, the Native Hindus are not much given to travel and there is positively no means of communication by means of letters or messages of any sort that could be sent with such speed. The news of the disaster that befell the Spanish Navy at the Philippines when Dewey destroyed their boats, took many hours and days to reach Washington and to be communicated to the cities and towns throughout the United States. In India this news would have been known all over the land in less than one hour, and not merely in the sense of a vague presentiment or impression that something had happened to the Spanish Navy, but in the shape of a distinct, clear Occult vision, which, although not seen or understood by the low caste natives of India, would be beheld by hundreds and thousands who are developed clairvoyantly, and they would not be slow to communicate this to their fellow being.

THE DEMON OF PERVERSITY.

The Western student at times thinks to become a Chela (Disciple) or to be Initiated into East Indian Occultism, is to pass through the "valley of roses," and that he will ultimately reach the object of his desire and become quickly initiated into the various degrees of Esoteric Wisdom, but the student should understand that every investigator was once where he now is, and well remembers the impatience and madness of despair which more than once overwhelmed him as he realized the stupendousness of the task before him; how his heart almost failed him, how more than once he was on the point of giving up the battle. Wealth, ease, sensuality, appetite and a thousand and one delusive pleasures which hold the bhalla (materialist) in bonds. He had abandoned and had almost completely subdued and mastered these evil propensities (the curse of a thousand years of animality, materialism and sensuality) with which the Western race is afflicted. Yet such is the demon of perversity all powerful through the inherited blindness and viciousness of a benighted and bespotted past, it required all the fierce determination of which he was capable to persist in the upward path to Eternal Truth and Wisdom. "Through darkness to light, through sorrow, through evil, through the turbulent tides and waves of destiny and will, through all the forms of fate, ambition and revenge"—let this be every student's motto in the course of ascent. The greater the trial and obstacles, the greater the triumph, and although meditation and seclusion are to be recommended under all circumstances, if the Disciple of Magic is of the right calibre, he will succeed. If it is possible for him to do so, let him study "**The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic, And East Indian Occultism**," listed elsewhere in this catalogue.

The path to Occultism lies everywhere and nowhere. Occult and Astral Powers and Eternal Truth man must seek for and develop, even to the depths of his own soul. There is no royal road to success in Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism. You must climb the side of every mountain to stand upon its summit.

VAUNTED CIVILIZATION.

The Hindus are a race which are immeasurably older in mental culture and larger in mental calibre than the Western people. The Western so-called civilization is but of a yesterday, and you are merely engaged in the Eternal process of multiplying your wants. You have abnormally developed and stimulated the accumulative instinct so that you have actually come to look upon life as a mere opportunity of accumulating wealth in the shape of so-called Material possessions. What otherwise can be the meaning of your saying that time is money, which would greatly amuse us if it would not have the gloomy and saddening thought which underlies it. I repeat again that what you call your glorious and modern civilization is, and has been, nothing but a process of multiplying your wants (that which are necessities now were luxuries thirty years ago), and the more you will have to labor and toil in order to supply and gratify them; You will also have to devote an ever-increasing part of your life to the procuring of the means wherewith to gratify your artificial wants; you are, indeed, slaves of your wants and desires, for each new want implies a new sorrow, namely, the sorrow experienced in the deprivation of the means to gratify it. A hundred wants mean a hundred sorrows; a hundred disappointments, a hundred pains. Now, I will ask you, has the standard of happiness been raised even to the extent of one-half inch by your much vaunted civilization? I say no; on the contrary, you suffer more than your forefathers did in any given period, because they lived in a simple and more frugal manner and their wants were fewer. They had more time to rest and think.

The multiplicity of your wants has brought about a feverish activity, and in your so-called "struggle for existence" you have actually come to look upon your fellow man in the light of an enemy. You try to overcome him by stealth and by every modification of craft; you try to oust him from business and drive him to the wall. This is what you complacently call the survival of the fittest, a kind of password which you have invented in order to appease your not over-delicate conscience. Survival of the fittest, forsooth! Who is it that survives in your present struggle for existence? Is it the most humane, the most sensitive, the most generous, the most altruistic? No, it is the most merciless, the most selfish, the most unscrupulous; the very type whose extinction would be desirable in the interest of the race.

The Hindu Adepts, on the other hand, after having risen to a certain height of material culture, have paused and reflected, and have begun to reduce their wants to a minimum. They live on rice, and most of them are satisfied with one meal a day. A teacupful of boiled rice, with a little salt, is all that they need in the line of food; and as for shelter, why a few bamboo sticks thatched with palm leaves, will more than suffice. All their immediate wants, if translated into time, would mean less than twenty minutes' work per day; they can devote all the rest of their time to mental and spiritual culture, to thinking—not to book study, but to the solution of the World's Occult Mystery. They have done a good deal of thinking, as you are prepared to admit; they have developed during these last fifty centuries, mind faculties which are a source of constant surprise to you; in fact, while you have been working for the stomach, they have been working for the soul and mind. You Westerners, in fact, are all stomach, and we are all soul, mind and brain.

How To Gain True Spiritual Power

By de Laurence

Every investigator of Occultism and Spiritualism will find it well to *do as Solomon did*, that is, desire Wisdom and Spiritual Knowledge above all other things; even wealth and power. If a man has dominion over the Spiritual and Occult Powers of Nature, and is able to overcome his enemies, assist his friends, ward off failure, disease, Evil Spirits, and baneful influences, he will *bring comfort* to his soul and be secure at all times.

The one who has Spiritual Knowledge, and who is instructed and helped by Good Spirits, will have much assistance given to him in the shape of *Divine Revelation*.

It is a wise man, who, like Solomon, makes a sincere attempt to understand and interpret the Occult, that is, Hidden Laws of Nature; for if one does not make an honest attempt to seek and *search out* the truth and obtain Divine Wisdom, he is only a self-assumed inspired interpreter.

Every one should consider the authenticity of the teachings of Jesus and the Great Lesson taught by a study of His life from Bethlehem To The Cross. There are not many today like King Solomon, the "*wise man*." They are seeking material things instead of trying to obtain Spiritual Knowledge and Divine Wisdom.

There is much to learn regarding the different forms of *Adjuration* and *Conjuration* as well as the *Weird Ceremonies* and *Practices* carried out in the different parts of the world, especially the Orient and Egypt. Much of this knowledge has been handed down from generation to generation, by the Adepts of the middle ages. The one who wished to Invoke Spirits entered a Circle at Midnight. What the Exorcist most desired was to dislodge and drive away Evil Spirits. To Adjure Evil Spirits. When the Exorcist drove away the Evil Spirits, the poor soul which had been *tormented* by them, was comforted in the name of the Savior, and consigned to the care of the Good Spirits.

One White And One Yellow Candle

Certain days were set aside as most favorable for the practice of Exorcism of Evil Spirits. If the Evil Spirits were difficult to drive away *Temple Incense* in powdered form, was burned. One *White* and One *Yellow* Candle was also burned between the hours of midnight and one A. M., for driving away the Evil Spirits and Invoking the good ones.

To this I will also add that no genuine Spiritualist has ever denied that he had learned much from "*Spirits*," whether, being a Medium, they acted independently of him, or he had been Initiated into the Science of Occultism by a Master.

From the above it will be observed that he who despises Occultism, and makes no endeavor to gain True Spiritual Knowledge will be miserable; his hope in vain; his labors unfruitful and his works unprofitable. As to true Spiritual Knowledge and Divine Wisdom, it is true that Solomon possessed the *Power* of Spirit Invocation.

When the Queen of *Sheba* arrived at Jerusalem, *Bennayahu*, the son of *Yehoyadah*, conducted her to the palace of Solomon.

Solomon prepared to receive his visitor in an apartment laid and lined with glass, and the Queen at first was so deceived by the appearance that she imagined the King to be sitting in water. And when the Queen had tested Solomon's Occult and Spirit Powers, she said:

"I believed not what I heard about Spiritual Powers but now I have come, and my eyes have seen it all; behold, the half has not been told to me. Happy are the servants who stand before thee continually to listen to thy words of wisdom. How I envy them."

King Solomon had great powers of Prophecy.

There are many who do not understand how the Human Soul has within itself the Power to *See and Know Things* of the *Past, Present* and *Future*. They will seek by laborious effort to develop Mediumship and Clairvoyant Power. The *wise man* recognizes that this power lies within and is manifested only through the law of *faith and realization*. The *infinite* is not known through the reason . . . but by a faculty superior to reason, by entering upon a state in which the individual, *ceases* to be his finite self, in which state things concerning the *Past, Present* and *Future* are communicated to him. All of this, and a great deal more is taught in my "*Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic, And East Indian Occultism*," which has had a steady sale for 30 years.

Many can see the *Present* and the *Future*. This is what may be termed *Spiritual Photography*. The soul is the Camera in which *facts and events, future, past, and present*, are alike fixed; and the mind becomes conscious of them. Beyond our every-day world of limits, all is as one day or state, the *Past* and *Future* comprised in the present.

The Inevitable

Mediumship may be either *1st*, self developed; *2nd*, by extraneous influences; or *3rd*, may remain latent throughout life. The reader must bear in mind the definition of the term, for, unless this is clearly understood, confusion will be inevitable. Mediumship of

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this kind may be either *active* or *passive*, *repellent* or *receptive*, *positive* or *negative*. Mediumship is measured by the quality of the *aura* with which the individual is surrounded. This may be dense, cloudy, and attract only Low Spirits, or it may be pure, crystal-like. All depends upon the moral character of the medium.

Not only is it not possible for Evil Spirits to exist in their pure *aura*, but they cannot even remain in that of *obsessed* persons, if the Master exercises his will, or even approaches them. This is *Mastership*, not Mediumship. Such persons are *Temples* in which dwell Good Spirits. If the Temple is defiled by the admission of an evil passion, thought or desire, the mediator falls into the sphere of sorcery. The door is opened; the Pure Spirits retire and the Evil Ones rush in. This is still mediatorship, evil as it is; the *sorcerer*, like the Pure Magician, forms his own *aura* and subjects to his will congenial inferior spirits.

But Mediumship, as now understood and manifested, is a different thing. Circumstances, independent of his own volition, may, either at birth of subsequently, modify a person's *aura*, so that strange manifestations, physical or mental, *diabolical*, or *angelic*, may take place. Such Mediumship, as well as the above mentioned Mediatorship, has existed on earth since the first appearance here of living man. The former is the yielding of weak, mortal flesh to the *control* and *suggestions* of Evil Spirits. It is literally *obsession* and *Possession*; and Mediums, who pride themselves on being the faithful slaves of their "guides," and who repudiate with indignation the idea of "controlling" the manifestations, could not very well *deny* the fact without inconsistency. This Mediumship is typified in the story of *Eve* succumbing to the reasonings of the *Serpent*; of *Pandora* peeping in the forbidden *Casket* and letting loose on the world, Sorrow and Evil, and by *Mary Magdalene*, who from having been *Obsessed* by "*Seven Devils*" was finally redeemed by the triumphant struggle of her immortal spirit, touched by the presence of a *Holy Mediator*.

This Mediumship, whether beneficent or maleficent, is always passive. Happy are the pure in heart, who *repel* unconsciously, by that very cleanness of their inner nature, the Dark Spirits of Evil. For verily they have no other weapons of defense but that inborn goodness and purity. Mediumship, as practiced by many, is a more undesirable gift than the robe of *Nessus*.

The Obeah Woman Of Endor

The tree is known by its fruit. Side by side with Mediums and Clairvoyants march the Adepts and Masters of Spiritualism and Occultism. The Ancient Witches and those who practice *Witchcraft*, by having a Familiar Evil Spirit, usually make of their gifts a trade; and the *Obeah* Woman of *Endor*, though she may have *killed* her calf for Saul, accepted money from other clients.

Sorcerers and *Witches* of America, Europe, Asia, India, and Africa, all *exercise* their Evil Powers for money. Not so with Buddha, who *refused* his father's throne.

"The Master Jesus, the World's Greatest Mystic, had no *where* to lay his head." The chosen Apostles *provided* "neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in their purses." When the Apostles were offered money to impart their Spiritual powers, Peter indignantly *spurned* the offer, saying:

"Thy money *perish* with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be *purchased* with money."

These men were Great Occult Masters, guided merely by their own soul, and availing themselves of the *help* of Spirits *only* so far as these remain in the right path.

Mystic Occult Password

Great Occult Masters and Adepts, when asked to attend public Spirit Circles always proudly answer: "*It is for them (the spirits) to come to me.*"

I have asserted, and proved in my own case, that our soul *can* attain communion with the Highest Spiritual Intelligences.

I *always drive away* from my Invoking Ceremonies, when burning *Incense*, every inferior Spirit, or Bad Spirit, which I teach my Disciples to recognize.

I *always teach* my students to *attain* a Divine Occult Power.

I have always taught that there is a "*Mystic Occult Password*" that will carry a Medium from one Order of Spirits to another, Higher and Higher, till he arrived at the *Absolute Divine*.

I have always *spurned* Sorcerers and common Soothsayers. One *must* live a peculiar abstemious mode of life, one that will produce an acuteness of the senses and mental faculties, so that the greatest and most remarkable things can take place.

Jesus declared man the *lord* of the Sabbath, and at His *command* Evil Spirits fled from their temporary abodes; a power which is shared by every *Great Initiate of Occult Orders*. Many of the Brotherhood of the Essenes of *Judea* and *Mount Carmel* also had this power.

It is undeniable that there must have been some good reasons why the Ancients persecuted Mediums who Invoked Evil Spirits. Otherwise why, at the time of *Moses*, and *David*, and *Samuel*, should they have encouraged *Prophecy* and *Divination*, *Astrology* and *Soothsaying*, and maintained Occult Schools in which these Natural Spiritual Gifts were developed. Even at the time of *Christ*, witches and those who Divined by the Spirit of *Ob* were driven to the tombs and waste places without the city walls.

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MATERIALIZATIONS IN THE SACRED RECORDS

By de Laurence A Mystic

As for Materializations, they are many and various in the Sacred Records. But, were they effected under the same conditions as at modern seances? Darkness, it appears, was not required in those days of Patriarchs and Magic Powers. The three angels who appeared to Abraham drank in the full blaze of the sun, for "*he sat in the tent-door in the heat of the day*," says the book of *Genesis*. The spirits of Elias and Moses appeared equally in daytime, as it is not probable that Christ and the Apostles would be climbing a high mountain during the night. *Jesus* is represented as having appeared to *Mary Magdalene* in the garden in the early morning; to the Apostles, at three distinct times, and generally by day; once "when the morning was come." (*John XXI. 4.*) Even when the ass of *Balaam* saw the "materialized" angel, it was in the full light of noon.

We find in the life of *Christ*—and in the *Old Testament*, too—"an uninterrupted record of Spiritualistic Manifestations," but nothing mediumistic, of a physical character though, if we except the visit of *Saul to Sedecia, the Obeah woman of En-Dor*. This is a distinction of vital importance.

True, the promise of the *Master Jesus* was clearly stated:

"Aye, and greater works than these shall ye do"—works of Mediatorship. According to Joel, the time would come when there would be an outpouring of the divine spirit: "Your sons and your daughters," says he, "shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions."

The time has come and they do all these things now; Spiritualism has its Seers and Martyrs, its Prophets and Healers. Like *Moses*, and *David*, and *Jehoram*, there are mediums who have direct writings from genuine planetary and human spirits; and the best of it brings the mediums no pecuniary recompense.

There are a few, a very few, orators on the spiritualistic platform who speak by inspiration, and if they know what is said at all they are in the condition described by *Daniel*:

"And I retained no strength. Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I in a deep sleep."

And there are mediums, these whom I have spoken of, for whom the prophecy in *Samuel* might have been written:

"The spirit of the Lord will come upon thee, thou shalt prophesy with them, and shalt be turned into another man."

Mystical Allegories Behind The Veil

There are some who still hold the Key to Ancient Doctrines. There are others who really believe in Spiritualism and Occult Philosophy. It was the old Venerable Adepts that knew the real Secrets of Occultism and Art Magic as symbolically summarized by *Moses* at the beginning of *Genesis*.

What Secret do these men bear with them to their tomb? Why are they wondered at without being understood? Why are they condemned unheard? Why are they Initiates of those terrific secret sciences of which the Church and society are afraid? Why are they acquainted with things of which others know nothing? Why do they conceal what all men desire to know? Why are they invested with a terrible Occult Power? The Occult Sciences! Magic! These words will reveal all and give food for further thought!

Divine Wisdom

Let the judicious reader who makes a careful and earnest perusal of what is said here, understand that all of this is of the true and Sublime Divine Wisdom and Occult Philosophy that is manifest in the Material as well as the Spiritual World. For, let one first understand the Mysterious Influence of the Spiritual upon the Material World and also upon the mind and soul of mankind as well as to know how to dispose and fit himself so as to be capable of receiving the Divine Operations of the Spiritual World, whereby he may be enabled to operate many strange and wonderful things by a Natural Power. Such as to expel Disease; to preserve Health; to prolong Life; to renew Youth; to Fore-tell Future Events, etc., etc. All these things may seem strange and incredible, yet study the Spiritual Laws of the Heavenly World, and read well those books which treat upon the same and thou shalt see the possibility of these things confirmed both by thine own Wisdom and by example.

And now a final word to sum this entire introduction. If you be blind like *Samson* when you cast down the pillars of the Temple, its ruins will crush you. To command Nature we must be above Nature by resistance of her attractions. If your mind be perfectly free from all prejudice, superstition, and incredulity, you will command spirits. If you do not obey blind forces, they will obey you. If you be wise like *Solomon*, you will perform the works of *Solomon*; if you be Holy like *Christ*, you will accomplish the works of *Christ*. To direct the currents of the inconstant light, we must be established in the constant light. To command the elements, we must have overcome their hurricanes, their lightnings, their abysses, their tempests. In order to Dare we must Know; in order to Will, we must Dare; we must Will to possess Power and to become Wise we must be Silent.

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BETWEEN GOLDEN CANDLE STICKS

Seven Stars In His Hand

Symbol Of A Two-Edged Sword

By de Laurence A Mystic

Christ, the greatest of all the great said: "If the blind lead the blind, both fall into the pit." Today the spirit of Christ stands erect amidst falling institutions and collapsing empires. It is this divine spirit, the spirit of the only Son of God, which St. John represents in his Apocalypse, standing between Golden Candle Sticks, because He is the center of all lights; having Seven Stars in His hand, like the seed of a new heaven; and sending down His speech upon the earth under the symbol of a Two-edged Sword. When the wise in their discouragement sleep through the night of doubt, of sorrow and failure, the spirit of Christ is erect and vigilant. When nations, weary of the labor which emancipates them, lie down and dream over their chains, the spirit of Christ is erect and protesting. When the blind partisans of sterilized religions cast themselves in the dust of old temples, the spirit of Christ is erect and praying. When the strong become weak, when virtues are corrupted, when all things bend and sink down in search of shameful pasture, the spirit of Christ is erect, gazing up to heaven, and awaiting the hour of His Father.

Christ signifies priest and kind by excellence. The Christ initiator of modern times came to form new priests and new kings by science, and, above all, by charity. The ancient Magi were priests and kings, and the Savior's advent was proclaimed to them by a star. This star was the magical pentagram, having a sacred letter at each point. It is the symbol of the intelligence which rules by unity of force over the four elementary potencies; it is the pentagram of the Magi, the Blazing Star of the children of Hiram, the prototype of equilibrated light; to each of its points a ray of light ascends, and from each a ray goes forth; it represents the grand and supreme athanor of nature, which is the body of man. The magnetic influence issues in two beams from the head, from either hand, and from either foot. The positive ray is balanced by the negative. The head corresponds with the two feet, each hand with a hand and foot, each of the two feet with the head and one hand. This ruling sign of equilibrated light represents the spirit of order and harmony; it is the sign of the omnipotence of the magus, and hence, when broken or incorrectly drawn, it represents astral intoxication, abnormal and ill-regulated projections of the astral light, and, therefore, bewitchments, perversity, madness, and it is what the Magi term the signature of Lucifer. There is another signature which also symbolizes the Mysteries of Light, namely, the sign of Solomon, whose Talismans bear on one side the impression of his seal, and on the other side a certain Secret signature, which when translated, means the Hieroglyphic theory of the composition of magnets, and represents the circulatory law of the lightning.

Rebellious spirits are enchained by the exhibition of the blazing five-pointed star or the seal of Solomon, because each gives them proof of their folly and threatens them with a sovereign power capable of tormenting them by their recall to order. Nothing tortures the wicked so much as goodness. Nothing is more odious to madness than reason. But if an ignorant operator should make use of these signs without knowing them, he is a blind man who discourses of light to the blind. "*If the blind lead the blind,*" said the great and divine Hierophant, "*both fall into the pit.*"

And now a final word to sum this entire introduction. If you be blind like Samson when you cast down the pillars of the temple, its ruins will crush you. To command nature we must be above nature by resistance of her attractions. If your mind be perfectly free from all prejudice, superstition, and incredulity, you will command spirits. If you do not obey blind forces, they will obey you. If you be wise like Solomon, you will perform the works of Solomon; if you be holy like Christ, you will accomplish the works of Christ. To direct the currents of the inconstant light, we must be established in the constant light. To command the elements, we must have overcome their hurricanes, their lightnings, their abysses, their tempests. In order to Dare we must Know; in order to Will, we must Dare; we must Will to possess empire, and to reign we must be Silent.

Prepare Yourself For Divine Wisdom

Every intention which does not assert itself by deeds is a vain intention, and the speech which expresses it is idle speech. It is action which proves life and establishes will. Hence it is said in the Sacred and Symbolical books that men will be judged, not according to their thoughts and their ideas, but according to their works. We must act in order to be.

We have, therefore, to treat in this place of the grand and terrific question of magical works; we are concerned no longer with theories and abstractions; we approach realities, and we are about to place the rod of miracles in the hands of the adept, saying to him at the same time: "Be not satisfied with what we tell you; act for yourself." We have to deal here with works of relative omnipotence, with the means of seizing upon the greatest secrets of nature and compelling them into service of an enlightened and inflexible will.

Most known Magical Rituals are either mystifications or enigmas, and we are about to rend for the first time, after so many centuries, the veil of the **Occult Sanctuary**. To reveal the holiness of mysteries is to provide a remedy for their profanation. Such is the thought which sustains our courage and enables us to face all the perils of this enterprise, possibly the most intrepid which it has been permitted the human mind to conceive and carry out.

Magical operations are the exercise of a natural power, but one superior to the ordinary forces of nature. They are the result of a science and a practice which exalt human will beyond its normal limits. The supernatural is only the natural in an extraordinary grade, or it is the exalted natural; a miracle is a phenomenon which strikes the multitude because it is unexpected; the astonishing is that which astonishes; miracles are effects which sur-

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prise those who are ignorant of their causes, or assign them causes which are not in proportion to such effects. Miracles exist only for the ignorant, but, as there is scarcely any absolute science among men, the supernatural can still obtain, and does so indeed for the whole world. Let us set out by saying that we believe in all miracles because we are convinced and certain, even from our own experience, of their entire possibility. There are some which we do not explain, though we regard them as no less explicable. From the greater to the lesser, from the lesser to the greater, the consequences are identically related and the proportions progressively rigorous. But in order to work miracles we must be outside of the ordinary conditions of humanity; we must either be abstracted by wisdom or exalted by power, either superior to all passions or beyond them through ecstasy or frenzy. Such is the first and most indispensable preparation of the operator. Hence, by a providential or fatal law, the magician can only exercise omnipotence in inverse proportion to his material interest; the alchemist make so much the more gold as he is the more resigned to privations, and the more esteems that poverty which protects the secrets of the magnum opus. Only the adept whose heart is passionless will dispose of the love and hate of those whom he would make instruments of his science; the myth of *Genesis* is eternally true, and God permits the tree of science to be approached only by those men who are sufficiently strong and self-denying not to covet its fruits. Ye, therefore, who seek in science a means to satisfy your passions, pause in this fatal way; you will find nothing but dismal failure or death. This is the meaning of the vulgar tradition that the devil ends sooner or later by strangling sorcerers. The *Magnus* must hence be impassible, sober and chaste, disinterested, impenetrable, and inaccessible to any kind of prejudice or terror. He must be without bodily defects, and proof against all contradictions and all difficulties. The first and most important of magical operations is the attainment of this rare pre-eminence.

We have said that impassioned ecstasy may produce the same results as absolute superiority, and this is true as to the issue, but ont as to the direction of magical operations. Passion forcibly projects the astral light and impresses unforeseen movements on the universal agent, but it cannot check with the facility that it impels, and its destiny then resembles Hippolytus dragged by his own horses, or Phalaris himself victimized by the instrument of torture which he had invented for others. Human volition realized by action is like a cannon-ball, and recedes before no obstacle. It either passes through it or is buried in it, but if it advances with patience and perseverance, it is never lost; it is like the wave which returns incessantly and wears away iron in the end.

Man can be modified by habit, which becomes, according to the proverb, his second nature. By means of persevering and graduated athletics, the power and activity of the body can be developed to an astonishing extent. It is the same with the powers of the soul. Would you reign over yourselves and others? Learn how to will. How can one learn to will? This is the first Arcanum of Magical Initiation, and it was to make it understood fundamentally that the ancient depositaries of priestly art surrounded the approaches of the sanctuary with so many terrors and illusions. They did not believe in a will until it had produced its proofs, and they were right. Power is justified by victories. Indolence and forgetfulness are enemies of will, and for this reason all religions have multiplied their observances and made their worship minute and difficult. The more we restrain ourselves for an idea, the greater is the strength we acquire within the scope of that idea. Are not mothers more partial to the children who have caused them most suffering and cost them most anxieties? So does the power of religions reside exclusively in the inflexible will of those who practice them. So long as there is one faithful person to believe in the holy sacrifice of the Mass, there will be a priest to celebrate it for him; and so long as there is a priest who daily recites his breviary, there will be a pope in the world. Observances, apparently most insignificant and most foreign in themselves to the proposed end, lead, notwithstanding, to that end by education and exercise of will. If a peasant rose up every morning at two or three o'clock, and went daily a long distance from home to gather a sprig of the same herb before the rising of the sun, he would be able to perform a great number of prodigies by merely carrying this herb upon his person, for it would be the sign of his will, and would become by his will itself all that he required it to become in the interest of his desires. In order to do a thing we must believe in the possibility of our doing, and this faith must forthwith be translated into acts. When a child says: "I cannot," his mother answers: "Try." Faith does not even try; it begins with the certitude of completing, and it proceeds calmly, as if omnipotence were at its disposal and eternity before it. What seek you, therefore, from the science of the *Magi*? Dare to formulate your desire, then set to work at once, and do not cease acting after the same manner and for the same end; what you will shall come to pass, and for you and by you it has indeed already begun. Sixtus V. said while watching his flocks: "I desire to be pope." You are a beggar and you desire to make gold; set to work and never leave off. I promise you, in the name of science, all the treasures of Flamel and Raymond Lully. "What is the first thing to do?" *Believe in your power, then act.* "But how act?" Rise daily at the same hour, and that early; bathe before daybreak and in all seasons; never wear dirty clothes, rather wash them yourself if needful; accustom yourself to voluntary privations, that you may be better able to bear those which come without seeking; then silence every desire which is foreign to the fulfillment of the great work.

"What! By bathing daily, I shall make gold?" You will work in order to make it. "It is a mockery!" No, it is an arcanum. "How can I make use of an arcanum which I fail to understand? *Believe and act; you will understand later.*"

One day a person said to me: "I would that I could be a fervent Catholic, but I am a Voltairean. What would I not give to have faith!" I replied: "Say, 'I would' no longer; say 'I will,' and I promise you that you will believe. You tell me you are a Voltairean, and of all the various presentations of faith that of the Jesuits is most repugnant to you, but at the same time seems the most powerful and desirable. Perform the exercise of St. Ignatius again and again, without allowing yourself to be discouraged, and you will attain the faith of a Jesuit. The result is infallible, and should you then have the simplicity to ascribe it to a miracle, you deceive yourself now in thinking that you are a Voltairean."

An idle man will never become an Occultist or a Spirit Magician. Magic is an exercise of all hours and all moments. The operator of great works must be absolute master of himself: he must know how to conquer the allurements of pleasure, appetite, and sleep, he must be insensible to success and to indignity. His life must be that of a will directed by one thought, and served by entire nature which, he will have made subject to mind in his own organs, and by sympathy in all the universal forces which are their correspondents. All faculties and all senses should share in the work; nothing in the priest of *Hermes* has the right to remain idle; intelligence must be formulated by signs and summed by characters or panteles; will must be determined by words, and must fulfill words by deeds; the magical idea must be rendered into light for the eyes, harmony for the ears and Oriental incense for the sense of smell. The operator in a word, must realize in his soul life what he wishes to realize in the world without him; he must become a magnet to attract the desired thing; and when he shall be sufficiently magnetic, he must be convinced that the thing will come of itself, and without thinking of it.

AN ANCIENT AND VENERABLE SCHOOL

By de Laurence

In the Far East is to be found an Ancient and Venerable School, which is older than the Pyramids. It was in this Venerable Brotherhood that Jesus, The Master received His education and preparation for His life's work. History shows that Jesus, when still a young man, suddenly and mysteriously disappeared, and for eighteen long years He remained in absolute seclusion and obscurity only to reappear as a Master of Occultism. His Spiritual development and Personal Mastership startled the Multitudes, the Scribes, and the Pharisees. Jesus was a Master. He faced a sordid, narrow-minded, and materialistic world of blind adherents to conventional ideas. It was a Pharisaical world that Jesus, the Jewish Devotee from Bethlehem to Palestine, gazed upon with His God-like, keen, Spiritual eyes. He had to reckon with an Ancient sect, who paid excessive regard to tradition and to external Ceremonies more than to the True Spiritual power, which lies within the human soul. Jesus, outside of a few true followers, was surrounded by a lot of formalists or hypocrites. To these people the gospel of Christ was an unusual occurrence; an inexplicable fact. To them Jesus was a Marvel; a Prodigy. He made every effort to promote the happiness or social and Spiritual elevation of mankind. He desired and made a great effort, in fact, He gave up His life to mitigate social Evils. **His love for mankind has no parallel in the History of the world.**

Few men have ever been able to translate the allegory of the Man Jesus. His wonderful parables still remain an obscure teaching as far as some of our smartest and learned of today are concerned.

A formal simile were the teachings of Christ. His expressions were a form of comparison. He likens one to another by use of express terms which have never been penetrated only by an Initiate of the same Secret Order to which Jesus himself belonged. Jesus became an Initiate of the Venerable Order of Wise Men. The Wise Men came from the East to Jerusalem. That is, they came from the Oriente; the Far East, which holds the records of a Great School of the Venerable Masters: The Venerable Brotherhood to which Jesus belonged.

If our University men of today, and our religious teachers are as smart as they claim to be, WHY DO THEY NOT TRANSLATE AND EXPLAIN THE ALLEGORICAL TEACHINGS OF THIS GREAT INITIATE? They do not, and can not, because they do not understand the hidden rudiments or principles of the Secret and Sacred Order to which the Master Jesus belonged. Jesus went to a school which was Venerable with Age before the Pyramids. Jesus was the only man that ever taught a TRUE SPIRITUAL PHILOSOPHY. His superior knowledge had been given to Him by the Great Masters of an Ancient Spiritual School, which taught the Natural Laws of Life and Nature. The Initiates of this Great Parent School are taught how to reach the exalted goal of True Spiritual Development and Personal Mastership, so that they can transmute their principles into a living personal consciousness and soul power until they can—of their own free will and accord—experience and demonstrate the Continuity of Life in another world, different from this; because it is Spiritual.

No doubt, the above will startle many who read here. However, enough has been stated to show the significant link in the chain of facts which bound the Master Jesus to an Ancient Occult School in the Far East, of which He was a member. Those who are concerned to quibble or equivocate need only refer to any true history of the Life of Jesus.

Many are guilty of shuffling or evasion of the point or question.

Of course, those who care can continue to try and suppress facts regarding the Initiation, Teachings, Life and Death of Jesus, who, without any doubt, whatsoever, was, and is, and ever will be the world's greatest moral Teacher.

His Doctrine is that Spiritual exaltation is attained by self-abnegation, and withdrawing the soul from outward activities and fixing it upon impassive religious contemplation of an Universal and Immanent God inherent within the souls of all men. A universal God which is manifested in all things; within the soul of all living beings; manifested in the bud of the rose; personified in the eye and soul of all animated beings. Jesus said, "Seek Ye the Kingdom of God within you." He said: "**I am the Son of God.**" This was an allegorical expression, meaning that all men are the Sons of an universal indwelling God. In other words, God is manifested in the souls of all men, and all things. Even in the fish in the sea, and the animals that rove the forest the same as branches are part of a great tree. The God of Jesus was not a personal God. He did not believe in a man-made God. The Venerable School of "Wise Men," of which He was an Initiate, were not so foolish. They were wise. Wise enough to cloak their knowledge in allegory. Everything that Christ said had an inner meaning. He spoke in parables. His parables, as stated above, have never been translated. To interpret. To unfold and explain the meaning of the expressions of this Great Initiate. To illustrate. To translate orally the secret doctrine of Jesus one must be designed or fitted to interpret His great and constructive knowledge of life as it is lived, in accordance with the immutable laws of Nature. To cite, to read, or preach the sayings of Christ is of no benefit to anyone. The unlearned preacher is wearisome and reminds one of an expression from Shakespeare:

"Tedious as a twice-told tale
Vexing the ears of a drowsy man."
"Duller than a great thaw.
Dry as a remainder biscuit after a voyage."

No public speaker has ever been able to do Jesus justice, that is, explain the inner and the allegorical meaning of His grand expressions. The average minister's best can be compared with Christ's common, but Christ's best rises above the minister's best, like a sheen-domed temple above the beggar's hut. Christ gave to a cold, unsympathetic, critical world a beautiful Spiritual Esoteric Doctrine, which during His time, and life, and even today, is taught and known only by an inner circle of disciples. The gospel of Christ can only be utilized in a personal way by those who become enlightened, as esoteric knowledge very likely, will, for a long time, be confined to a select circle.

Christ preached His gospel; but in the gospel of Christ there is a deadly parallel. It has an inner meaning which few understand. In all of His expressions there is but a hint, a prophesy, of the destiny of mankind. Were the expressions of Christ properly translated and lived up to they would revolutionize the world.

Some people imagine they are preachers; but their efforts only increases the wonder, and adds a useless burden to credulity.

Jesus left the wondrous children of His soul on the broken doorstep of materialism.

Jesus Christ was the greatest moral Teacher of our world. He has left to us the richest legacy of all the dead—the Spiritual treasures of the rarest soul that ever lived and loved his fellowmen.

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It would not be possible to estimate what we owe Jesus. Take from our world what He gave, and Life, to the thoughtful man, would become an unmeaning waste.

No person, minister, king, queen, or emperor can ever honor Christ, but Christ has honored all men.

Ignorant people are apt to overrate the value of men who occupy an office.

You will remember that Christ was very personal in his address. Is there anything more intense than these words. "Let them alone; they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall into the ditch." (Matt. 15:14.)

Is there an intellectual man in the world who will not agree with the above?

Christ knew the tides and currents of universal life. He knew, as every man will know some time in his life, that Nature cares neither for smiles nor tears, for Life nor Death, and that the Sun shines as gladly on coffins as on cradles.

In many of the expressions of Christ there is a kind of scorn—a hidden meaning that could not in His day and time have safely been expressed. And that is the reason why many of His sublime declarations were clothed in allegory.

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Follow My Lessons With Precision

By de Laurence

Obviously, however, in order to reach his determination, the student, as taught in this Grand Book, must arm himself with intrepidity and prudence, and this is the first counsel of his Spirit guides to the sanctum Regnum of Goetia.

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In Mysticism and Magic, as in everything else, be it Magical Ceremonies, Invocations, or Bewitchments, the Spiritual intention of the Operation must first be determined. The next step is the acquisition of the mental attitude requisite and appropriate for work of this kind. It is not hard to picture the average student in the traditional state of the would be Master of Occultism and Magic. Many have failed, and many shall continue to fail; because they do not pay strict attention to the instructions given. Too many men today are poor, envious, ambitious, fearful, avaricious, and grasping, but still have no particular capacity for developing their Spiritual and Occult powers, and all of this avails them nothing.

Others unable to earn money seek after hidden treasures, and haunt those places, up and down, and through the country fields which are believed to contain hidden treasures. Let it be understood that the earth will not yield up her buried treasures, for the Gnomes and the Earth-Spirits, the Alastors and the Spirits of the Solitudes, always stand guard over the money, the secrets of dead misers, and the treasures which have been buried, especially when the human ghost or spiritual body of the miser has ceased to remain in the neighborhood where the treasure has been buried. To compel the Earth-Spirits, who are the guardians of buried treasures, to disclose the very spot where a treasure may be buried, one must understand certain Secret Things which are taught only in those books which deal with Black Magic and Pacts.

Many students of Occultism and Spiritualism are very anxious to obtain the Key, or to get some hint of the Modus Operandi of Mysticism. Some have only an inference from a hypothetical premise. Their information is so small that they are not able to arrive at the truthfulness of the subject.

A suggestion right here might be helpful. Converge the center of your consciousness inwardly. Interior focalization of your mind is helpful. Adjust your mind inwardly with a hope and a belief that you will obtain distinct vision of things of the Spiritual World. Get in the habit of focusing your attention on the Spiritual World instead of the Material World. Concentrate not on the material things around you; forget them, for the more you become unconscious of the Material World the more you become conscious of the Spiritual World. Learn to develop your Inner or Spiritual sight. Every man has two sights, that is, an outward or Material Sight and an inward or Spiritual Sight.

Spiritual Rhythm And Harmony

By de Laurence

Do you fully appreciate the Spiritual Rhythm and Harmony of today—the magnificent symphony of Ancient Occultism? Have you learned to listen with your eyes as well as your ears—with your brain as well as your sense? True enough, this demands concentration to a degree, but you must learn to do so if you hope to be attuned to this gigantic expression of introspection.

Its tone motif is progress, played in the perfect harmony of Spiritual co-operation. Its tempo—rapid but rhythmical—is the perfect co-ordination of Man's Soul Powers and the Occult Forces of Nature.

Never has a maestro conceived a more brilliant tonal poem, with such colossal conception, than Occultism offers its devotees. Are you prepared to play your part as well as listen? Just to be content to listen and look on is not nearly enough if you wish to be shoulder to shoulder with your fellow Spirit Friends in the symphony of success.

You must learn to play your part perfectly. The false notes of doubt are discordant. They have no part in the perfect ensemble. The discordant notes, which bespeak lack of preparation and misunderstanding of what you are to accomplish, will not be tolerated. A full realization of the end in view, the ideal which the maestro has symbolized, is necessary if you are to interpret Nature's Hidden Forces correctly.

Ambition must be coupled with intelligent understanding; you must serve well and faithfully if you hope to play an active part in the symphony of Occultism and Spiritualism.

Turn your own eyes inward—take full stock of yourself, your ability and ideals. Listen carefully to those who have failed and benefit by their mistakes. Mistakes and false notes can be forgiven and are not fatal unless you make the unforgivable mistake of making them again. Learn by your experiences—so that the false notes will not occur too often.

In your own way you also have a part to play. You too, have made your mistakes—but you should profit by them. If you do this you will play a better, a larger, and a more perfect part in the symphony of Human progress. Why not benefit by your experiences? As a teacher of Occultism and Magic I shall always endeavor to point out with the utmost sincerity how a student's work can be bettered and made more in tune with the Venerable Masters of Ancient Occultism so that they can be your partners toward the ideal of a perfect Spiritual harmony, of a more beautiful rendition of the Occult symphony in the rhythm of Esoteric teaching.

The Modus Operandi Of Mysticism

Introspection is the last word in the first paragraph of this article, and I feel that more should be told regarding this state or condition of mind. Not many know mental introspection and that is the reason why very few are capable of inward or self-conscious perception of feeling. In the Orient, and the Far East, the neophyte is taught to cultivate and develop a true state of introspection. He must practice introspection or self-examination. This act of observing and analyzing one's own thoughts and feelings, or the contents of their inward consciousness is helpful and interesting; because it is a real psychological study of one's self. Introspection which starts with a purpose of finding out one's own absurdities is always helpful.

To study the phenomena of one's mental life, by bringing about a state of introspection is always helpful especially if one wishes to make a psychical investigation into any matter.

Looking within, that is, practicing introspection, is also a great help to those who desire to develop their Spiritual or Clairvoyant sight. As stated, not many, outside of the Orient, have made a deep study of introspection, and many a dull boy or girl is supposed to be stupid when they are simply introspective.

Introversion is the act of turning or directing one's mind inward. The deeper phases of introspection are necessary if one wishes to advance in Mysticism. Introspective methods and practices, that is, turning the mind inwardly, is taught in the Orient only to those capable of introversion.

Keen intuition is quick preception of truth without conscious attention to reasoning, and might be termed instinctive knowledge. Woman's intuition is superior to man's.

Envisagement

Those who wish to develop their Mental or Occult powers should understand that interior introspection of the mind and intuition, gives an immediate knowledge, or envisagement, of an object, truth, or principle, whether of a psychical, physical, rational, artistic, or ethical nature; a conception derived by analogy from the act and result of clear and concentrated Mental or Spiritual vision.

In scholastic philosophy intuition was employed—notably by St. Anselm—to distinguish the knowledge of finite things from a knowledge of God which comes, not by speculation or through the senses, but by a rational and immediate or "face-to-face" presentation. Knowledge by intuition is distinguished from discursive knowledge, or knowledge about, since it comes by mere inspection of the data; as, with Locke, the simpler propositions of mathematics, and with J. S. Mill, the truths which form the original premises of all argument. With Kant, an intuition was either empirical, or an object of sense considered as immediately known; or else pure, as consisting of the priori representation of space and time. Fichte, Schelling, and others have employed the term to denote the immediate knowledge of the Absolute as opposed to a merely negative conception. In somewhat similar way, Mysticism claims to have an intuition of God. Recently, intuition is more commonly applied to such truths as appear, when we look into them, or intuit their nature, to carry their evidence in themselves and not to depend on other truths for their claim to acceptance.

THE PRETENDER OF YOUNG AMERICA.

By L. W. DE LAURENCE.

All genuine *Spiritualistic Phenomena* are caused by disembodied human souls. There is, however, a certain kind of physical phenomena that is produced by occult forces of nature, such as happen through a few mediums, and are consciously employed by the *Adepts of India and Egypt*.

The extent to which "*objective change*," that is, the moving of certain objects by these occult forces, of nature, deserve a careful and serious investigation by science; especially now that a number of respected authorities have testified that in many cases the hypothesis of fraud does not hold. No doubt, there are of course in *India* professed "conjurers" who can perform cleverer tricks than all the *American* and *English* "John Kings" together. *Robert Houdin* unquestionably could, but this did not prevent his laughing outright in the face of the academicians, when they desired him to assert in the London newspapers, that he could make a table move, or rap answers to questions without *contact of hands*, unless the table was a prepared one. The fact alone, that a now notorious *London* juggler refused to accept a challenge for £1,000 (\$5,000.00) offered him by *Mr. Algernon Joy*, to produce such spiritual manifestations as are usually obtained through spirit mediums, unless he was left *unbound and free* from the hands of a committee, negatives his *expose* of the occult phenomena. Clever as he may be, I defy and challenge him to reproduce, under the *same conditions*, the "*phenomena*" exhibited even by a common *Hindu* neophyte. For instance, the spot to be chosen by the investigators at the moment of the performance, and the neophyte to know nothing of the choice; the experiment to be made in broad daylight, without the least preparations for it; without any confederate but a boy absolutely naked, and the *Hindu* to be in a condition of semi-nudity. After that, I should select out of a variety of three kind of occult phenomena that were recently exhibited to some gentlemen belonging to the suite of the *Prince of Wales*:

First. To transform a rupee—firmly clasped in the hand of a sceptic—into a living *cobra*, the bite of which would prove fatal, as an examination of its fangs would show.

Second. To cause a seed chosen at random by the spectators, and planted in the first semblance of a flower-pot, furnished by the same sceptic, to grow, mature, and bear fruit in less than a quarter of an hour.

Third. To stretch himself on three swords, stuck perpendicularly in the ground at their hilts, the sharp points upward; after that, to have removed first one of the swords, then the other, and, after an interval of a few seconds, the last one, the *Hindu* remaining, finally, lying on nothing—in the air, miraculously suspended at about one yard from the ground. When any prestidigitator, to begin with *Houdin* and end with the last cheap trickster and magician, which performs on the American stage, who has secured gratuitous advertisement by attacking *Spiritualism* and *Occultism*, does the same, then—but only then—will I train myself to believe that mankind has been evolved out of the hind-toe of *Mr. Huxley's Eocene Orohippus*.

I assert again, in full confidence, that there does not exist a professional conjurer, who does tricks and stage illusions, either of the North, South or West, who can compete with anything approaching success, with these untutored, naked neophytes of the *East*. These disciples, of the *real occult forces* of nature, require no Egyptian Hall for their performances, nor any preparation or rehearsals; but are ever ready, at a moment's notice, to evoke to their help the hidden "*occult powers*," of nature, which, for *European* and *American* prestidigitators, such as *Herrmann*, *Robert Houdin*, *W. J. Hiller*, as well as for such sensational surface writers as *H. R. Evans*, author of "*Hours With the Ghosts*," and pseudo scientists, are a closed book. Verily, as *Elihu* puts it, "*great men are not always wise; neither do the aged understand judgment*."* To repeat the remark of the English divine, *Dr. Henry More*, I may well say: . . . "indeed, if there were any modesty left in mankind, the histories of the Bible might abundantly assure men of the existence of angels and spirits." The same eminent man adds, "I look upon it as a special piece of Providence that . . . fresh examples of spiritualistic phenomena may awaken our benumbed and lethargic minds into an assurance that there are other intelligent beings besides those that are clothed in heavy earth or clay . . . for this evidence, showing that there are spirits, will necessarily open a door to the belief that there are good and bad ones, and lastly, that there is a spirit life beyond the grave." The instance above given carries a moral with it, not only to scientists, but theologians. Men who have made their marks in the pulpit and in professors' chairs, are continually showing the lay public that they really know so little of psychology, as to take up with any plausible schemer who comes their way, and so make themselves ridiculous in the eyes of the thoughtful student. Public opinion upon this subject has been manufactured by jugglers and self-styled savants, unworthy of respectful consideration.

The development of psychology has been retarded far more by the ridicule of this

* Job.

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class of cheap pretenders, than by the inherent difficulties of its study. The empty laugh of the scientific nursling or of the fools of fashion, has done more to keep man ignorant of his imperial soul powers, than the obscurities, the obstacles, and the dangers that cluster about the subjects. This is especially the case with spiritualistic phenomena and occultism. That their investigation has been so largely confined to incapables, is due to the fact that men of science, who might and would have studied them, have been frightened off by the boasted exposures, the paltry jokes, and the impertinent clamor of those who are not worthy to tie their shoes. There are moral cowards even in the pulpit and university chairs. The inherent vitality of modern spiritualism is proven in its survival of the neglect of the scientific body, and of the obstreperous boasting of its pretended expositors. If we begin with the contemptuous sneers of the patriarchs of science, such as Faraday and Brewster, and end with the professional (?) *exposes* of the successful mimicker of the phenomena, H. R. Evans, author of the so-called "Hours With the Ghosts," you will not find them furnishing one single, well-established argument against the occurrence of spiritual manifestations.

But the most inveterate, uncompromising enemies of *Spiritualism* and true *Occultism* are a class very fortunately composed of but few members, who, nevertheless, declaim the louder and assert their views with a clamorousness worthy of a better cause. These are the *pretenders* to science of young America—a mongrel class of pseudo-philosophers, mentioned at the opening of this chapter, with sometimes no better right to be regarded as scholars than the possession of an electrical machine, or the delivery of a peurile lecture on insanity and mediomania can give. Such men are—if you believe them—profound thinkers and physiologists; there is none of your metaphysical nonsense about them; they are Positivists—the mental sucklings of Auguste Comte, whose bosoms swell at the thought of plucking deluded humanity from the dark abyss of superstition, and rebuilding the cosmos on improved principles. Irascible psychophobists, no more cutting insult can be offered them than to suggest that they may be endowed with immortal spirits. To hear them, one would fancy that there can be no other souls in men and women than "scientific" or "unscientific souls"; whatever that kind of soul may be.

Some thirty or forty years ago, in *France*, Auguste Comte—a pupil of the *Ecole Polytechnique*, who had remained for years at that establishment as a *repetiteur* of Transcendent Analysis and Rationalistic Mechanics—awoke one fine morning with the very irrational idea of becoming a prophet. In *America*, prophets can be met with at every street-corner; in *Europe*, they are as rare as black swans. But *France* is the land of novelties. Auguste Comte became a prophet: and so infectious is fashion, sometimes, that even in sober *England* he was considered, for a certain time, the *Newton* of the nineteenth century.

The epidemic extended, and, for the time being, it spread like wildfire over *Germany*, *England*, and *America*. It found dupes in *France*, but the excitement did not last long with these. The prophet needed money: the converts were unwilling to furnish it. The fever of admiration for a religion without immortality cooled off as quickly as it had come on; of all the enthusiastic apostles of the prophet, there remained but one worthy any attention. It was the famous philologist *Littre*, a member of the *French Institute*, and a *would-be* member of the *Imperial Academy of Sciences*, but whom the archbishop of Orleans maliciously prevented from becoming one of the "*Immortals*."*

The philosopher-mathematician—the high-priest of the "religion of the future"—taught his doctrine as do all his brother-prophets of our modern days. He deified "woman," and furnished her with an altar; but the goddess had to pay for its use. The rationalists had laughed at the mental aberration of *Fourier*; they had laughed at the *St. Simonists*; and their scorn for Spiritualism knew no bounds. The same rationalists and materialists were caught, like so many empty-headed sparrows, by the bird-lime of the new prophet's rhetoric. A longing for some kind of divinity, a craving for the "unknown," is a feeling congenital in man; hence the worst atheists seem not to be exempt from it. Deceived by the outward brilliancy of this *ignis fatuus*, the disciples followed it until they found themselves floundering in a bottomless morass.

Covering themselves with the mask of a pretended erudition, the Positivists of *England* and *America* organized themselves into clubs and committees with the design of uprooting Spiritualism, while pretending to impartially investigate it.

Too timid to openly challenge the churches of the Christian doctrine, they endeavor to sap that upon which all religion is based—man's faith in the God, within his own soul, and his own immortality. Their policy is to ridicule that which affords an unusual basis for such a faith—phenomenal Spiritualism. Attacking it at its weakest side, they make the most of its lack of an inductive method, and of the exaggerations that are to be found in the transcendental doctrines of its propagandists. Taking advantage of its unpopularity, and displaying a courage as furious and out of place as that of the errant knight of *La Mancha*, they claim recognition as philanthropists and benefactors who would crush out a monstrous superstition.

* Vapereau: "Biographie Contemporaine," art. *Littre*; and *Des Mousseaux*: "Les Hauts Phenomenes de la Magie," ch. 6.

Let us see in what degree Comte's boasted religion of the future is superior to *Spiritualism*, and how much less likely its advocates are to need the refuge of those lunatic asylums which they officiously recommend for the mediums whom they have been so solicitous about. Before beginning, let me call attention to the fact that three-fourths of the disgraceful features exhibited in modern Spiritualism are directly traceable to the materialistic adventurers pretending to be spiritualists. Comte has fulsomely depicted the "artificially-fecundated" woman of the future. She is but an elder sister to the *Cyprian* ideal of the free lovers. The immunity against the future offered by the teachings of his moon-struck converts, has inoculated some pseudo-spiritualists to such an extent as to lead them to form communistic associations. None, however, have proved long-lived. Their leading feature being generally a materialistic animalism, gilded over with a thin leaf of base-metal philosophy and tricked out with a combination of hard Greek names, the communities could not prove anything else than failures.

Plato, in the fifth book of the *Republic*, suggests a method for improving the human race by the elimination of the unhealthy or deformed individuals, and by coupling the better specimens of both sexes. It was not to be expected that the "genius of our century," or even were he a prophet, would squeeze out of his brain anything entirely new.

Comte was a mathematician. Cleverly combining several old utopias, he colored the whole, and, improving on *Plato's* idea, materialized it, and presented the world with the greatest monstrosity that ever emanated from a human mind.

I beg the reader to keep in view, that I do not attack Comte as a philosopher, but as a professed reformer. In the irremediable darkness of his political, philosophical and religious views, we often meet with isolated observations and remarks in which profound logic and judiciousness of thought rival the brilliancy of their interpretation. But then, these dazzle you like flashes of lightning on a gloomy night, to leave you, the next moment more in the dark than ever. If condensed and repunctuated, his several works might produce, on the whole, a volume of very original aphorisms, giving a very clear and really clever definition of most of our social evils: but it would be vain to seek, either through the tedious circumlocution of the six volumes of his *Course de Philosophie Positive*, or in that parody on priesthood, in the form of a dialogue—*The Catechism of the Religion of Positivism*—any idea suggestive of even provisional remedies for such evils.

PARACELSUS THE GREAT

BY L. W. DE LAURENCE.

One of the truest things ever said by a man of science is the remark made by Professor Cooke in his *New Chemistry*:—"The history of Science shows that the age must be prepared before scientific truths can take root and grow. The barren premonitions of science have been barren because these seeds of truth fell upon unfruitful soil; and, as soon as the fulness of the time has come, the seed has taken root and the fruit has ripened . . . every student is surprised to find how very little is the share of new truth which even the greatest genius has added to the previous stock."

The revolution through which chemistry has recently passed, is well calculated to concentrate the attention of chemists upon this fact; and it would not be strange, if, in less time than it has required to effect it, the claims of great alchemists, such as *Paracelsus*, would be examined with impartiality, and studied from a rational point of view. To bridge over the narrow gulf which now separates the *new* chemistry from *old* alchemy, is little, if any harder than what they have done in going from dualism to the law of *Avogadro*.

As *Ampere* served to introduce *Avogadro* to our contemporary chemists, so the writer* will perhaps one day be found to have paved the way for the just appreciation of *Paracelsus*. It was more than fifty years before molecules were accepted as units of chemical calculations; it may require less than half that time to cause the superlative merits of the *Swiss* mystic† to be acknowledged. The warning paragraph about healing mediums, which will be found elsewhere, has been written by one who had read his works. The reader should understand that the magnet is that spirit of life in man which the infected seeks, as both unite themselves with *chaos* from without. And thus the healthy are infected by the unhealthy through magnetic attraction.

The primal causes of the diseases afflicting mankind; the secret relations between physiology and psychology, vainly tortured by men of modern science for some clew to base their speculations upon; the specifics and remedies for every ailment of the human body—all are described and accounted for in *Paracelsus'* voluminous work, now published in Two Volumes, and listed in our catalog at a very low price. *Electro-magnetism*, the so-called discovery of Professor Oersted, had been used by *Paracelsus* three centuries before. This may be demonstrated by examining critically his mode of curing disease.

* de Laurence.

† Paracelsus.

SELLERS OF OCCULT

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AND SPIRITUAL BOOKS

Upon his achievements in chemistry there is no need to enlarge, for it is admitted by fair and unprejudiced writers that he was one of the greatest chemists of his time.*

Brierre de Boismont terms *Paracelsus* a "genius" and agrees with *Deleuze* that he created a new epoch in the history of occult medicine. The secret of his successful and, as they were called, magic cures lies in his sovereign contempt for the so-called learned "authorities" of his age. "*Seeking for truth*," says *Paracelsus*, "I considered with myself that if there were no teachers of medicine in this world, how would I set to learn the art? No otherwise than in the great open book of nature, written with the finger of Divine Wisdom. . . . I am accused and denounced for not having entered in at the right door of art. But which is the right one? *Galen*, *Avicenna*, *Mesue*, *Rhasis*, or honest nature. I believe, the last. Through this door I entered, and the light of nature, and no apothecary's lamp directed me on my way."

This utter scorn for established laws and scientific formulas, this aspiration of mortal clay to commingle with the spirit of nature, and look to it alone for health, and help, and the light of truth, was the cause of the inveterate hatred shown by the contemporary pigmies to the fire-philosopher and alchemist. No wonder that he was accused of charlatanry. Of this charge, *Hemmann* boldly and fearlessly exonerates him, and proves that the foul accusation proceeded from "*Oporinus*, who lived with him some time in order to learn his occult secrets, but his object was defeated; hence, the evil reports." He was founder of the *School of Animal Magnetism* and the discoverer of the occult properties of the magnet. He was branded by his age as a *sorcerer*, because the cures he made were marvellous. Three centuries later, *Baron Du Potet* was also accused of *sorcery* and *monolatry* by the Church of Rome, and of charlatanry by the academicians of Europe. As the fire-philosophers say, it is not the chemist who will condescend to look upon the "*living fire*" otherwise than his colleagues do. "Thou hast forgotten what thy fathers taught thee about it—or rather, thou hast never known . . . it is too loud for thee!"

A work upon *magico-spiritual* philosophy and *occult science* would be incomplete without a particular notice of the history of *animal magnetism*, as it stands since *Paracelsus* staggered with it the schoolmen of the latter half of the sixteenth century.

We will observe briefly its appearance in *Paris* when imported from *Germany* by *Anton Mesmer*. Let us peruse with care and caution the old papers now mouldering in the Academy of Sciences of that capital, for there shall we find that, after having rejected in its turn every discovery that was ever made since *Galileo*, the *Immortals* capped the climax by turning their backs upon magnetism and mesmerism. They voluntarily shut the doors before themselves, the doors which led to those greatest occult mysteries of nature, which lie hid in the dark regions of the psychical as well as the physical world. The great universal solvent, the *Alkahest*, was within their reach—they passed it by; and now, after nearly a hundred years have elapsed, we read the following confession:

"Still it is true, that beyond the limits of direct observation, our science (chemistry) is not infallible, and our theories and systems, although they may all contain a kernel of truth, undergo frequent changes, and are often revolutionized."†

To assert so dogmatically that *mesmerism*, *hypnotism* and *animal magnetism* are but hallucinations, implies that it can be proved. But where are these proofs, which alone ought to have authority in science? Thousands of times the chance was given to the academicians to assure themselves of the truth; but, they have invariably declined. Vainly do hypnotic operators and healer invoke the testimony of the deaf, the lame, the diseased, the dying, who were cured or restored to life by simple manipulations and the apostolic "laying on of hands." "Coincidence" is the usual reply, when the fact is too evident to be absolutely denied; "will-o'-the-wisp," "exaggeration," "quackery," are favorite expressions, with our but too materialistic doctors and numerous doubting Thomases. Many call the writer the greatest living healer; be this true or not true, I have performed more instantaneous cures than many a famous physician of New York City has had patients in all his life. A disciple of mine, now a great *Mystic*, has had a like success in *France*. Again, must we consider the accumulated testimony of the last forty years upon this subject to be all illusion, confederacy with clever charlatans, and lunacy? Even to breathe such a stupendous fallacy would be equivalent to a self-accusation of lunacy.

Notwithstanding the recent sentence of *Leymarie*, the scoffs of the sceptics, and of a vast majority of physicians and scientists, the unpopularity of the subject, and, above all, the indefatigable persecutions of the *Roman Catholic* clergy, fighting in mesmerism woman's traditional enemy, so evident and unconquerable is the truth of its phenomena that even the *French* magistrate was forced tacitly, though very reluctantly, to admit the same. The famous *clairvoyante*, *Madame Roger*, was charged with obtaining money under false pretences, in company with her mesmerist, *Dr. Fortin*. When she was arraigned before the *Tribunal Correctionnel* of the *Seine* her witness was *Baron Du Potet*, the grand master of mesmerism in *France* for the last fifty years; her advocate, (lawyer)

* Hemmann: "Medico-Surgical Essays," Berl., 1778.

† Prof. J. P. Cooke: "New Chemistry."

the no less famous *Jules Favre*. Truth for once triumphed—the accusation was abandoned. Was it the extraordinary eloquence of the orator, or bare facts incontrovertible and unimpeachable that won the day? But *Leymarie*, the editor of the *Revue Spirite*, had also facts in his favor; and, moreover, the evidence of over a hundred respectable witnesses, among whom were the first names of *Europe*. To this there is but one answer—the magistrates *dared not question the facts of mesmerism*. Spirit-photography, spirit-rapping, writing, moving, talking, and even spirit-materializations can be simulated; there is hardly a physical phenomenon now in *Europe* and *America* but could be imitated—with apparatus—by a clever juggler. The wonders of mesmerism and subjective phenomena alone defy tricksters, scepticism, stern science, and dishonest mediums; *the cataleptic state it is impossible to feign*. Spiritualists who are anxious to have their truths proclaimed and forced on science, *cultivate* the mesmeric phenomena by learning hypnotism. Place on the stage of the *Egyptian Hall* in *London*, or the stage of the *Auditorium* in *Chicago*, a subject plunged into a deep hypnotic sleep. Let the operator send the subject's freed spirit to all the places the public may suggest; give tests for *clairvoyance* and *clairaudience*; stick pins into any part of the body which the hypnotist may have made his passes over; thrust needles through the skin below the subject's eyelids; burn the flesh and lacerate it with a sharp instrument. "Do not fear!" exclaim *Regazzoni and Du Potet, Teste and Pierrard, Puysegur and Dolgorouky*—"a hypnotized or entranced subject is *never hurt!*"* And when all this is performed, invite any popular so-called wizard of the day who thirsts for puffery, and is, or pretends to be, clever at mimicking hypnotic and spiritualistic phenomena, to submit *his* body to the same test!†

The famous speech of *Jules Favre*, made before the French magistrate, in his defense of *Madame Roger*, is reported to have lasted an hour and a half, and to have tided the judges and the public spellbound by its eloquence. Those who have heard *Jules Favre* believe it most readily; only the statement embodied in the last sentence of his argument was unfortunately premature and erroneous at the same time. "We are in the presence of a phenomenon which *science admits* without attempting to explain. *The public may smile at it*, but our more illustrious physicians regard it with gravity. Justice can no longer ignore what *science has acknowledged!*"

Were this sweeping declaration based upon fact and had mesmerism been impartially investigated by many instead of a few true men of science, more desirous of questioning nature than mere expediency, the public would never smile. The public is a docile and pious child, and readily worships the so-called men of science in proportion to the noise they make; and then turns round with a timid look of adulation to see whether nurse, old Mrs. Public Opinion, is satisfied.

Lactantius, the old Christian father, is said to have remarked that no sceptic in his days would have dared to maintain before an *Adept* that the soul did not survive the body, but died together with it; "for he would refute them on the spot by calling up the souls of the dead, rendering them visible to the human eyes, and making them foretell future events."‡ So with the magistrate and bench in *Madame Rogers'* case. *Baron Du Potet* was there and they were afraid to see him mesmerize the somnambulist, and so force them not only to believe in the phenomenon, but to *acknowledge it*—which is far worse.

And now the doctrine of *Paracelsus*. His incomprehensible, though lively style must be read like the biblio-rolls of *Ezekiel*, "*within and without*." The peril of propounding heterodox theories was great in those days; the Church was powerful, and sorcerers were burnt by the dozen. For this reason, we find *Paracelsus, Agrippa, and Eugenius Philalethes* as notable for their pious declarations as they were famous for their achievements in *alchemy* and *art magic*. The full views of *Paracelsus* on the occult properties of the magnet are explained most fully in his famous writings now published in two *Volumes* by *Messrs. de Laurence, Scott & Co.*, and sold for less than half the price asked by *English booksellers*. He also describes, in these two *Volumes*, a very powerful and wonderful tincture, a medicine extracted from the magnet and called *Magisterium Magnetis*. "Every peasant sees," states *Paracelsus*, "*that a magnet will attract iron*, but a wise man must inquire for himself. . . . I have discovered that the magnet, besides this invisible power, that of attracting iron, possesses another and concealed power."

* Hypnotism Used by de Laurence to Cause Anaesthesia.—The patient while under the surgeon's knife sang, smoked, laughed, and told funny stories—several tattoo initials were removed from his right hand—grafted with skin taken from the man's leg.—From *The Pittsburg Leader*, Sept. 29, 1900.

† In the "*Bulletin de l'Academie de Medicine*," Paris, 1837, Vol. 1, p. 343 et seq., may be found the report of *Dr. Oudet*, who, to ascertain the state of insensibility, of a lady in a magnetic sleep, pricked her with pins, introducing a long pin in the flesh up to its head, and held one of her fingers for some seconds in the flame of a candle. A cancer was extracted from the right breast of a *Madame Plaintrain*. The operation lasted twelve minutes; during the whole time the patient talked very quietly with her mesmerizer, and never felt the slightest sensation ("*Bul. de l'Acad. de Med.*," Tom. ii., p. 370).

‡ "Prophecy, Ancient and Modern," by A. Wilder. "*Phrenological Journal*."

JESUS THE MASTER

Accused Of Magic By The Jews.

By *L. W. de Laurence.*

At the beginning of the *Gospel* according to *St. John* there is one sentence which is never uttered by the Catholic Church except in the bending of the knees; that sentence is: "*The Word was made flesh.*" The plenary revelation of Christianity is comprised therein. So also elsewhere the Evangelist furnishes the criterion of orthodoxy, which is the confession of Jesus Christ manifested in flesh—that is to say, in visible and human reality.

After emblazoning in his visions the pentacles and hieroglyphs of esoteric science; after exhibiting wheels revolving within wheels; after picturing living eyes turning to all the spheres; after deploying the beating wings of the four mysterious living creatures—Ezekiel, the most profound Kabalist of the ancient prophets, beholds nothing but a plain strewn with dry bones. At his word they are covered with flesh, and so is form restored to them. A pitiful beauty invests these remnants of death, but that beauty is cold and lifeless. Of such were the doctrines and mythologies of the elder world, when a breath of love descended upon them from heaven. Then the dead shapes rose up; the wraiths of philosophy gave place to men of true wisdom; the Word was incarnate and alive; it was no longer the day of abstractions but one of reality. That faith which is proved by works replaced the hypotheses which ended in nothing but fables. Magic was transformed into sanctity, wonders became miracles, the common people—excluded by ancient initiation—were called to the royalty and priesthood of virtue. Realization is thus of the essence of Christian religion, and its doctrine gives a body even to the most obvious allegories. The house of the young man who had great possessions is still shown in Jerusalem, and it might be in no sense impossible for careful research to discover a lamp which, by a similar tradition, once belonged to one of the foolish virgins. Such ingenuous credulities are fundamentally not very dangerous; indeed they prove only the living and realizing power of the Christian faith. The Jews accused that faith of having materialized belief and idealised earthly things. In the Doctrine And Ritual Of Transcendental Magic, by Eliphas Levi, there is recited the scandalous parable of the *Sepher Toldos Jeshu*, which was invented to support the accusation. It is related in the *Talmud* that *Jesus ben Sabta*, or the son of the divorced woman, having studied profane mysteries in Egypt, set up a false stone in Israel and led the people into idolatry. *It was acknowledged, notwithstanding that the Jewish priesthood did wrong when it cursed him with both hands*, and it is in this connection that we find in the *Talmud* one beautiful precept which is destined hereafter to unite *Occultism*: and Truth: "*Never curse with both hands, so that one of them may always be free to forgive and to bless.*" As a fact, the priesthood was guilty of injustice towards that peace-bringing Master who counseled his disciples to obey the constituted hierarchy. "*They are in the seat of Moses,*" and the Savior said: "*Do therefore that which they tell you but not as they do themselves.*" On another occasion he commanded ten lepers to show their persons to the priests, and they were cured on the road: what touching abnegation in the Divine Worker of miracles, who thus ascribed to His most deadly enemies the very honor of His miracles. For the rest, were those who accused Christ of setting up a spurious corner-stone acquainted themselves with the true one? Had not the Jews in the days of the Pharisees lost the science of that which is at once the corner-stone, the cubic stone, the philosophical stone—in a word, the fundamental stone of the *Kabalistic Temple*, square at the base and triangular above like the pyramids? By impeaching *Jesus* as an innovator did they not proclaim that they had themselves forgotten antiquity? Was not that light which *Abraham* saw and rejoiced extinguished for the unfaithful children of *Moses*, and was it not recovered by *Jesus*, the Master, who made it shine with a new splendor? To be quite certain on the subject, the *Gospel* and *Apocalypse* of *St. John* must be compared with the mysterious doctrines of the *Sepher Yetzirah* and *Zohar*. It will then be realized that Christianity, so far from being a heresy in Israel, was the true orthodox tradition of Jewry, while it was the *Scribes* and *Pharisees* who were sectarians. Furthermore, Christian orthodoxy is proved by the consent of the world at large and by the suspension of the sovereign priesthood, together with the perpetual sacrifice, in Israel—the two indisputable marks of a true religion. Judaism without a temple, without a High Priest, and without a sacrifice survives only as a dissident persuasion; certain persons are still *Jews*, but the *Temple* and *Altar* are *Christian*. There is a beautiful allegorical exposition in the *Apocryphal Gospels* of this criterion of certitude in respect of Christianity: its evidence is that of realization. Some children were amusing themselves by fashioning birds of clay, and among them was the child *Jesus*. Each little artist praised his own work, and only *Jesus* said nothing; but when he had moulded His birds, He clapped His hands, telling them to fly, and they flew.

So did *Ancient Occultism* show its superiority over modern orthodoxy; the latter will die, but Occultism will live forever. Considered as the fully realized and vital expression of the *Kabalah*—this is to say, of primitive tradition—Christianity is still unknown, and hence that *Kabalistic* and prophetic book called the *Apocalypse* yet remains to be explained, being incomprehensible without the *Kabalistic Keys*. The traditional interpretation was long preserved by the *Johannites*, or disciples of *St. John*; but the *Gnostics* intervened—to the total confusion and loss of everything, as will be made clear at a later period.

We read in the *Acts of the Apostles* that *St. Paul* at *Ephesus* collected all the books which treated of things curious and burnt them in public. The reference is no doubt to the old *Goetic* texts, or works of necromancy. The loss is regrettable assuredly, since even from the memorials of error there may shine some rays of truth, while information may consequently be derived which will prove precious to science. It is a matter of general knowledge that at the advent of *Christ Jesus* the *Oracles* were silenced everywhere, and a voice went wailing over the sea, crying: "*Great Pan is dead.*" A pagan writer, who takes exception to the report, declares on his own part that the *Oracles* did not cease, but in a little while no one was found to consult them. The rectification is valuable, for such an attempted justification is more conclusive than the pretended calumny. Much the same thing should be said concerning the works of wonder, which fell into contempt in the presence of real miracles. As a fact, if the *Occult* forces of Nature are obedient to true moral superiority, miracles become supernatural like the virtues which produce them. This theory detracts nothing from the power of *Magic*, while the fact that the *Astral Light* is obedient to the spiritual superior Light of the soul signifies in reality for us that the old serpent of allegory places its vanquished head beneath the foot of the true *Disciple of Occultism*.

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Dear Master:

THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM, reached me on Monday, in perfect order. I wish you to know that I am thankful and have great confidence in it, and that I believe it is going to help me wonderfully in my studies. I also wish to tell you of my experience on Monday evening when I held this handsome book close to my breast while sending an earnest prayer to my Creator and, you, my Master. I was then sitting in my kitchen, and saw three high spirits all in white. They covered me, all over my body, with a beautiful blue light which gradually changed into a violet color. I felt myself being raised up and then felt great warmth and power, which seemed to come from out of this wonderful book. I have felt its power and shall never part with it as long as I live. Again thanking you, my Master, for this wonderful *Volume* and the inspiration it has already given me, I will close hoping that the Peace of God may be with you forevermore.

From Your Sincere Disciple.

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EVIL SPIRITS

THEIR AGENCY AND POWERS

The Serpent Of The Book Of Genesis

By *L. W. de Laurence*

NOTE. The wonderful article, printed below, is by DE LAURENCE who is better known today all over the world than any living man, owing to his great achievements in *Occultism* and *Magic* which need not be enlarged upon here. It is admitted by all fair and unprejudiced writers that he is one of the greatest *Adepts* and *Masters* of Occult Laws of his time. The foremost students of Occultism unite in calling him the one "authority" of this age upon these subjects. This great Master has learned his art no otherwise than from the "*Open Book Of Nature*," written with the finger of Divine Wisdom. A study of this article will give the reader much that is new regarding *Evil Spirits*. THE PUBLISHERS.



THE Snake, which plays such a prominent part in the history of the ancients, was degraded by the absurd interpretation of the Serpent of the "Book Of Genesis" into a synonym of Satan, the *Prince of Darkness*, whereas it is the most concrete image of *cosmic symbols*. It is the emblem of the healing art and of the immortality of man. It encircles the images of most of the sanitary or hygienic gods. *The cup of health*, in the *Egyptian Mysteries*, was entwined by *Serpents*. As evil can only arise from an extreme in good, the *Serpent*, under some other aspects, became typical of matter; which, the more it recedes from its primal spiritual source, the more it becomes subject to evil. In the oldest *Egyptian* cosmogonic allegories, the mundane *Snake*, when typifying matter, is represented as contained within a circle; he lies straight across its equator, thus indicating that the universe of *Astral Light*, out of which the physical world evolved, while bounding the latter, is itself bound by the *Supreme First Cause*. When the *Serpent* represents eternity and immortality, it encircles the world, biting its tail, and thus offering no solution of continuity. It then becomes the *Astral Light*. The *Disciples* of the *Masters*, who belong to *The Eastern Order Of Sacred Mysteries*, teach that the *Astral Light* is the concentrated primordial element.

Such is the origin of the *Serpent*, metamorphosed in Christian Ages into Satan. It is the *Od*, the *Ob* and the *Aour* of *Moses* and the *Kabalists*. When in its passive state, when it acts on those who are unwittingly drawn into its current by *Evil Spirits*, the *Astral Light* is the *Ob* or *Python*. *MOSES* was determined to exterminate all those who, sensitive to its influence, allowed themselves to fall under the easy control of vicious *Evil Spirits* which move in the *Astral* waves like fish in the water; beings who surround every one, and they are the "*dwellers on the threshold*." It becomes the *Od*, as soon as it is vivified by the conscious efflux of an immortal soul; for then the *Astral* currents are acting under the guidance of either an *Adept*, a Pure Spirit, or an able Master, who is pure himself and knows how to direct the blind forces.

The *Evil Spirits* which move in the *Astral Light* are the elemental spirits of the *Hindu Kabalist*, and are what the Christian Clergy denounce as "*devils*," the enemies of mankind. The *Adept*, who can control the *Astral* currents, is possessed of divine prophecy, and has wonderful power over *Evil Spirits* who are mischievous and deceitful, though some of them are harmless, but so weak as to have the greatest difficulty in communicating with mortals whose company they seek incessantly.

It follows from what has been advanced, especially from the statements of the *Scriptures*, that while there are different degrees of intellectual capacity amongst *Evil Spirits*, yet the powers of all of them, and especially of their prince, and of the highest orders, must be fearfully great; I say *fearfully*, because they employ them only to do mischief. I can by no means adopt the theory, that if we suppose the abilities of *Evil Spirits* to have been originally a little superior to those of a highly gifted man and take

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into the account the way in which they must have been increased by exercise and experience, and the knowledge they have acquired, my estimate may probably be nearly correct. If the premises which have been laid down are valid, the lowest order of them must have originally possessed capacities and powers superior to the greatest of men; while, perhaps, the united intellect of hundreds of mortals would not equal that of the superior ranks, especially of their leader. They without doubt possess a degree of vigor of intellect, of power of acquiring knowledge, of operating on matter, and rendering it subservient to their purposes, of communicating their ideas to one another, and of influencing the minds of men, and therefore acting the part of tempters, of which the average person has little conception; and the actions which are ascribed to them in Scripture, and the hints which it contains respecting their influence on men, as well as the views which are given of the powers and actions of good spirits, confirm this statement. And also, we must take into the account their invisibility to human vision, their immortality, their exhaustless vigor and power of action (for exhaustless it may be deemed when compared to man's), their long and varied experience, gained on earth and in Spirit Life. Then we shall see that they possess vast advantages over men and women in their spiritual warfare; they must, therefore, prove most dangerous enemies.

That these fallen spirits have intercourse with this world, that it a part of their permitted range, that, as they first tempted man to rebel against good, so they are still, as far as they have opportunity, enticing him to wickedness of every kind, and that they have actually succeeded in urging him to the commission of the greatest crimes, are facts plainly stated in many parts of the *Scriptures*, and as evidently implied in others. Their ringleader is called "the evil one of this world," doubtless because he is the great opponent of the good of man, and even his rival for the service and worship of truth; "*the spirit that worketh in the children of disobedience*," "*the devil that deceiveth the nations*," and "*the prince of the powers of the air*," &c. It may be inferred then from the various representations in the Bible that *Evil Spirits* are to a great degree, the author of the different systems of heathenish superstition and idolatry, with all their egregious falsehoods, shocking caricatures of the truth, abominable impurity, appalling cruelties, and insolent impieties. How characteristic are these of such beings as *Evil Spirits*. Lamentably fallen and depraved as men are, yet considering the natural affections which still work in their breasts, the restraints under which they are laid, the means that has been used to reclaim them, the enactments and inflictions of human laws, we can scarcely, at times, refrain from exclaiming: Surely it must require such an influence as is attributed to *Evil Spirits*, to render men so atrociously, so insanely, so gratuitously and systematically wicked, and wantonly impious as they are! Surely the depravity of human nature can hardly account for all of men's horrid deeds! Evil influences make the human heart deceitful above all things and desperately wicked so that out of it proceed evil thoughts, murders, &c., in their most repulsive forms. Men and women, when under the influence of *Evil Spirits*, become cruel and depraved, and it is thus that their souls become productive of wickedness and evil in all its forms.

Evil Spirits, are looked upon by those who are uneducated in *Magic* and *East Indian Occultism*, as being immortal beings and irresponsible. These spirits are deceitful by nature and are wicked through intelligent malice. They pass themselves off for some great person who has died and passed into spirit life. Some of them pretend to be gods, some appear as *Jesus*, in fact, there is no lie too filthy or deceitful to pass out of their mouth. A lying and deceitful man or woman is bad indeed, but a lying spirit is beyond the conception of mortal man, and it takes an *Adept* in *Magic* and *Occultism* to discover the secret of their cunning and dark ways. This knowledge is priceless to the student of *Occultism* and *Magic*, and the followers of the Masters who belong to "The Eastern Order of Sacred Mysteries," have much to learn of their Occult labors and great achievements in *Astral* anthropology. These great men's zeal and their spiritual explorations are invaluable. However, those who study my books will obtain much of their rare knowledge.

The existence of such beings as invisible *Evil Spirits* is readily admitted by all those who have investigated the subject, and a study of the nature of these vicious beings, who move and live in the *Astral* waves, will explain many of the phenomena which has hitherto been mysterious and inexplicable. *Astral* currents and waves act on men and women, which penetrates and saturates them through and through, either directed by the powerful will of a visible or an unseen spirit which can achieve the same result. Once that this silent operation is performed, the astral or sidereal phantom of the subject quits its paralyzed, earthly casket, and, after having roamed in the boundless space, alights at the threshold of the mysterious "*bourne*." For it, the gates of the portal which marks the entrance to the "*silent land*," are now but partially ajar; they will fly wide open before the soul of the entranced somnambulist only on that day when, united with its higher immortal essence, it will have quitted forever its mortal frame. Until then, the seer or seeress can look into Spirit Life but through a chink; it depends on the acuteness of the *Clairvoyant's Spiritual Sight* to see more or less through it.

The Eastern Order Of Sacred Mysteries.

That which especially distinguishes the "Brotherhood" of "*The Eastern Order of Sacred Mysteries*," is their marvelous knowledge of the resources of the Astral currents and the depredations of Evil Spirits. They have gone deep into ancient wisdom, and work not by modern science, but through that rare knowledge gained by all those who travel the path and become an Initiated Adept and Mystic.

Every person who investigates real *Occultism*, is surprised to find how very little of this ancient wisdom is known by men of today. One of the truest things that I, as a member of "*The Eastern Order of Sacred Mysteries*," have ever written is what has been stated here regarding vicious Evil Spirits which move and operate in the Astral Light and direct disturbing congested Astral currents upon those whom they wish to torment or annoy or bring under the easy control of their Evil Will. These Evil influences are said to possess an *electric hammer* and to be able to wreck the nervous system of any person whom they care to act upon.

Those great men, who belong to "*The Eastern Order of Sacred Mysteries*," scorn the established laws and scientific formulas of today. They aspire to operate and control the Occult laws of Nature, and to look to them alone for health—help and the light of truth. These Masters have demonstrated that in man lies a hidden "*Occult Force*." This Magical power of man, which thus can operate externally, lies, as it were, hidden in the inner man. This Magical wisdom and strength thus sleeps, but, by a mere suggestion is roused into activity, and becomes more living, the more the outer man of flesh and material ideas are repressed. It is thus the soul is brought back to that magical natural strength which like a startled sleep had left it. It is not the spirits of heaven and of hell, which the church teaches so much about, which are masters over physical Nature, but the soul and spirit of man which are concealed in him as the fire is concealed in the flint.

Astral influences only go forth through the help of the spirit; but this spirit is diffused through the whole universe and is in full accord with the human spirits. The seeker who would acquire supernatural and Occult powers, must possess the "key" which unlocks the entrance to these things; for therein lies a secret power concealed, and from thence come the miraculous powers of *Magic*. Much has been written of Spiritualism and the childish phenomena produced by American and European Spiritualists whose work is as children's compared to the Adepts who produce magnetic phenomena, even without the knowledge of the magnetized. The Adept can control a person, may put them completely into a trance, take them out of it without their knowledge, and at the same time be out of their sight, at a certain distance even though separated by closed doors or stone walls. The external senses of the one thus put into a trance, seems to have been completely suspended, and a duplicate set of senses to have been brought into action. Such are some of the Occult powers taught in the *Temples of India* to those who belong to "*The Eastern Order of Sacred Mysteries*," and are found worthy of being admitted to the "Brotherhood."

To the power of an Adept, the most positive person will have to submit. To the sight of an Adept, the past must yield up its most secret records for his scrutiny; for, the past and the future is a book which is ever closed to those "*who see and do not perceive with the Spiritual Eye*," on the other hand it is ever opened for one who wills to see it opened. In this book is kept an un mutilated record of all that was, that is, or ever will be. The minutest acts of our lives are imprinted on it, and even our thoughts rest photographed on its eternal Astral Tablets. It is the Book which we see opened by the spirit in the *Revelation* "*which is the Book of life, and out of which the dead are judged according to their works*." It is, in short, the MEMORY of Nature written in the ASTRAL LIGHT.

The impression of thoughts, characters, men, and other visions appear in the Astral waves. In this the things without figure are figured. Thus, ancient as well as modern wisdom, vaticination and science, agree in corroborating the claims of the *Hindu Kabalists*. It is on the indestructible Tablets of the *Astral Light* that is stamped the impression of every thought we think, and every act we perform; and that future events—effects of long-forgotten causes—are already delineated as a vivid picture for the eye of the Adept and prophet to follow. *Memory*—the despair of the materialists, the enigma of the psychologist, and sphinx of science—is to the Initiate of "*The Eastern Order Of Sacred Mysteries*," merely a name to express that power which man unconsciously exerts, and shares with many of the inferior animals—to look with inner sight into the Astral Light, and there behold the images of past sensations and incidents. Instead of searching the cerebral ganglia for micrographs of the living and the dead, of scenes that men visited, of incidents which men have borne a part, the Adept goes to the vast repository where the records of every man's life as well as every pulsation of the visible *cosmos* are stored up in the *Astral Light* for all Eternity.

That flash of memory which is traditionally supposed to show a drowning man every long-forgotten scene of his mortal life—as the landscape is revealed to the traveller by

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intermittent flashes of lightning—is simply the sudden glimpse which the struggling soul gets into the silent galleries where his history is depicted in imperishable colors.

The well-known fact—one corroborated by the personal experience of nine persons out of ten—that we often recognize as familiar to us, scenes, and landscapes, and conversations, which we see or hear for the first time, and sometimes in countries never visited before, is a result of the same causes. Nature shuts the door after everything that passes, and pushes life onward in more perfected forms. The *Chrysalis* becomes a butterfly; the latter never can become again a grub. In the stillness of the night-hours, when our bodily senses are fast locked in the fetters of sleep, and our earthly body rests, the Astral form becomes free. It then *oozes* out of its material body, and confabulates with the outward world, and travels round the visible as well as the invisible worlds. In sleep the Astral body, (soul) is in freer motion; then it soars out of the body and holds converse with the spirits of the Astral Plane. Dreams, forebodings, prescience, prognostications and presentiments are impressions left by our Astral spirit on our brain, which receives them more or less distinctly according to the proportion of the blood with which it is supplied during the hours of sleep. The more the body is exhausted, the freer is the spiritual man, and the more vivid the impressions of our soul's memory. In heavy and robust sleep, dreamless and uninterrupted, upon awakening to outward consciousness, men may sometimes remember nothing. But the impressions of scenes and landscapes which the Astral body saw in its peregrinations are still there, though lying latent under the pressure of matter. They may be awakened at any moment, and then, during such flashes of man's inner memory, there is an instantaneous interchange of energies between the visible and the invisible world or between the earth plane and spirit life. Between the "micrographs" of the cerebral ganglia and the photo-scenographic galleries of the Astral Light, a current is established. And a man who knows that he had never visited in body, nor seen the landscape and person that he recognizes, may well assert that still he has seen and knows them, for the acquaintance was formed while travelling in "spirit."

The deeper the "trance," the less signs of life the body shows, the clearer become the spiritual perceptions, and the more powerful are the soul's visions. The soul, disburdened of the body senses, shows activity of power in a far greater degree of intensity than it can in a strong, healthy body. *The organs of sight, smell, taste, touch, and hearing are proved to become far acuter in a hypnotized subject deprived of the possibility of exercising them bodily, than while he uses them in his normal state.*

Such facts alone, once proved, ought to stand as invincible demonstrations of the continuity of individual life, at least for a certain period after the body has been left by us, either by reason of its being worn out or by accident, but though during this brief sojourn on earth, our soul may be assimilated to a light hidden under a bushel, it still shines more or less bright and attracts to itself the influence of kindred Astral Spirits; and when the thought of good or evil import is begotten in our brain, it draws to it *impulses* of like nature as irresistibly as the magnet attracts the needle. This attraction is also proportionate to the intensity with which the thought-impulse makes itself felt in the ether; and so it will be understood how one man may impress himself upon his own epoch so forcibly that the influence may be carried—through the ever-interchanging currents of energy between the two worlds, the visible and the invisible—from one succeeding age to another, until it affects a large portion of mankind. How much the ordinary man or woman of today have allowed themselves to think in this direction, it would be difficult to say; but that they have not learned all that there is to learn may be inferred from the fact that there exists so much sickness, disease, misery, premature death, obsession and insanity.

You may regard what has been written here as you please, but there can be no doubt that the properties of the Astral waves are of a much higher order in the arena of Nature than those of the material world although even the men of science still find the latter far beyond their comprehension, except in numerous but minute and often isolated particulars. It would not become me to write further on this subject here. It is sufficient for my purpose to say here that these facts are based upon what the *Astral Light* certainly has done, and that it is capable of vastly more than any one has yet ventured to say. However, I shall have more to say upon this subject in the future, and let the one whose eye reads here, remember that—not a leaf waves, not an insect crawls, not a ripple moves, but each motion is recorded by a thousand faithful scribes in infallible and indelible *Astral Scripture*. Nature has all of the past and future faithfully photographed in the *Astral Light*. To those who develop the inner or spiritual sight, there will be opened the most hidden recesses of the domain of Nature which will yield up its secrets; and the events of the most remote epochs rival in vividness of impression the flitting circumstances of yesterday. The images of the events are imbedded in all-permeating, universal, and ever-retaining medium, which the Adepts call the "*Soul Of The World*" otherwise known as the *Astral World* or—*Ether*, or *Astral Plane*.

The Initiated Adept

SILENCE IS WISDOM'S SENTINEL

By L. W. de Laurence

The following remarkable article, from the pen of DE LAURENCE, is the most interesting one of its kind that has ever been published in the United States, as it undoubtedly shows the great difference that exists between Adeptship as found in India and Mediumship as it exists in Europe and America. Western humanity generally looks only to the outer and to the effects, seldom to the causes.

A study of this chapter will give the western student of Occultism some idea as to the reason why Spiritualism and Mediumship in America and Europe are not a great success. The average medium of these countries does not follow the footsteps and teachings of the old Adepts and Masters, with the result that their work is usually crude and unsatisfactory.

It would argue small discernment upon my part were I to suppose that I had been followed thus far through the deeper branches of *Occultism* and *Magic* by any but true, sincere *Disciples* or *Mystics* of some sort. Were it otherwise, I should certainly advise such to spare themselves the trouble of reading this *Chapter*; for, although nothing is said that is not strictly true, they would not fail to regard the least wonderful of the narratives as absolutely false, however substantiated.

To comprehend the principles of natural law involved in the several phenomena, hereinafter described, the reader must keep in mind the fundamental propositions of the *Oriental* philosophy which I have successively elucidated for the last twenty-five years in my teachings. I will recapitulate very briefly:

First.—There is no miracle. *Everything that happens is the result of law-eternal, immutable, ever active.* Apparent miracle is but the operation of forces antagonistic to what Dr. W. B. Carpenter, F. R. S.—a man of great learning but little knowledge—calls “the well-ascertained laws of nature.” Like many of his class, Dr. Carpenter ignores the fact that there may be laws once “*known*,” now unknown to science.

Second.—Nature is *triune*: there is a visible, objective nature; an invisible, indwelling, energizing nature, the exact model of the other and its vital principle; and, above these two, spirit, source of all forces, alone eternal, and indestructible. The lower two constantly change; the higher third does not.

Third.—Man is also *triune*: he has his objective, physical body; his vitalizing *astral* body (or soul), the real man; and these two are brooded over and illuminated by the third—the sovereign, the immortal spirit. When the real man succeeds in merging himself with the latter, he becomes an immortal entity.

Fourth.—*Magic*, as a science, is the knowledge of these principles, and of the way by which the *omniscience* and *omnipotence* of the spirit and its control over nature's forces may be acquired by the individual while still in the body. *Magic, as an art, is the application of this knowledge in practice.*

Fifth.—*Arcane knowledge misapplied, is sorcery; beneficently used, is true Magic or wisdom.*

Sixth.—*Mediumship* is the opposite of *Adeptship*; the medium is the passive instrument of foreign influences, the *Adept* actively controls himself and all inferior potencies.

Seventh.—All things that ever were, that are, or that will be, have their record upon the *astral light*, or *tablet of the unseen universe*; the initiated *Adept*, by using the vision of his own spirit, can know all that has been known or can be known.

Eighth.—Races of men differ in spiritual gifts as in color, stature, or any other external quality; among some people *seership* naturally prevails, among others *mediumship*. Some are addicted to sorcery and transmit its secret rules of practice from generation to generation, with a range of psychical phenomena, more or less wide, as the result.

Ninth.—One phase of magical skill is the voluntary and conscious withdrawal of the inner man (astral form) from the outer man (physical body). In the cases of some mediums withdrawal occurs, but it is unconscious and involuntary. With the latter the body is more or less cataleptic at such times; but with the *Adept* the absence of the astral form would not be noticed, for the physical senses are alert, and the individual appears only as though in a state of abstraction.

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THE WANDERING ASTRAL FORM

To the movements of the wandering astral form neither time nor space offers obstacles. The *thaumaturgist*, thoroughly skilled in occult science, can cause himself (that is, his physical body) to *seem* to disappear, or to apparently take on any shape that he may choose. He may make his astral form visible, or he may give it protean appearances. In both cases these results will be achieved by *Magical Occult Powers* possessed by the Adept.

But, while the astral form can go anywhere, penetrate any obstacle, and be seen at any distance from the physical body, the latter is dependent upon ordinary methods of transportation.

It may be levitated * under prescribed magnetic conditions, such as are taught in "*India's Hood Unveiled*," but not pass from one locality to another except in the usual way. Hence I discredit all stories of the aerial flight of mediums in the body, for such would be a miracle; and miracle I repudiate. Inert matter may be, in certain cases and under certain conditions, disintegrated, passed through walls, and recombined, but living animal organisms cannot.

I believe, and *East Indian Occultism* teaches, that the abandonment of the living body by the soul frequently occurs, and that we encounter every day, in every condition of life, such living corpses. Various causes, among them overpowering fright, grief, despair, a violent attack of sickness, or excessive sensuality may bring this about. The vacant carcass may be entered and inhabited by the astral form of an *Adept* sorcerer, or an elementary (an earth-bound disembodied human soul), or, very rarely, an elemental. Of course, an *Adept* of white magic has the same power, but unless some very exceptional and great object is to be accomplished, he will never consent to pollute himself by occupying the body of an impure person. In insanity, the patient's astral being is either semi-paralyzed, bewildered, and subject to the influence of every passing spirit of any sort, or it has departed forever, and the body is taken possession of by some vampirish entity near its own disintegration, and clinging desperately to earth, whose sensual pleasures it may enjoy for a brief season longer by this expedient.

Tenth.—The corner-stone of *Magic* is an intimate practical knowledge of *Hypnotism* and *Occult Forces*, their qualities, correlations, and potencies. Especially necessary is a familiarity with their effects in and upon the animal kingdom and the *Astral* body of man. There are occult properties in many other minerals, equally as strange as that in the *lodestone*, which all practitioners of *Magic* must know, and of which so-called exact science is wholly ignorant. Plants also have like mystical properties in a most wonderful degree, and the secrets of the herbs, of dreams and enchantments are only lost of European science, and needless to say, too, are unknown to it, except in a few marked instances, such as *opium* and *hashish*. Yet, the physical effects of even these noted *herbs* upon the human system are regarded as evidences of a temporary mental disorder. The *Occult* secrets of the old *Adepts* are still preserved, and those who are aware of the nature of *Soma*, know the properties of other plants as well.

To sum up all in a few words, *Magic* is *spiritual wisdom*; *nature*, the material ally, *pupil* and *servant* of the *Adept*. One common vital principle pervades all things, and this is *controllable* by the perfected human will. The *Hindu Adept* can stimulate the movements of the natural forces in plants and animals in a *preternatural* degree. Such experiments are not obstructions of nature, but quickenings; the conditions of intenser vital action are given.

The *Adept*,† who has studied *Hindu Magic* and *East Indian Occultism*, can control the sensations and alter conditions of the physical and astral bodies of other persons not *Adepts*; he can also govern and employ, as he chooses, the spirits of the elements. He can control the immortal spirit of any human being, living or dead, for all such spirits are alike subject to a high grade *Adept's* domination.

**Hindu Levitation*.—Means raising a body in the air without material means; being accomplished only by *Occult Forces*. *Hindu Levitation* is taught in that famous book "*India's Hood Unveiled*," de Laurence obtained the original manuscripts, from which this book was printed, from *Madras, India*. This book has had a large sale and letters received from those who have bought it state that they have been able to learn how to raise the human body of another by unseen forces.—(*The Publishers*.)

† Through the veil of all the *Hieratic* and *Mystic* allegories of the ancient dogmas, under the seal of all the sacred writings, in the ruins of *Nineveh* or *Thebes*, on the worn stones of the ancient temples, and on the blackened face of the sphinx of *Assyria* or *Egypt*, in the monstrous or marvelous pictures which the sacred pages of the *Hindu Vedas* translate for the believers of India, in the strange emblems of our old books of *Alchemy*, in the ceremonies of reception practiced by all the mysterious *Eastern Orders* of the *Adepts*, we find traces of a doctrine everywhere the same, and everywhere carefully concealed from the curious. *Oriental Occultism* ever has been the nurse or godmother of all religions, the secret lever of all the intellectual forces, the "key" of all divine obscurities, and the Absolute Invisible Power, in the ages when it was exclusively reserved for the education of the old *Hindu Sages* and *Masters*.

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There are two kinds of *seership*—that of the soul and that of the spirit. The *seership* of the ancient *Pythoness*, or of the modern mesmerized subject, vary but in the artificial modes adopted to induce the state of *clairvoyance*. But, as the visions of both depend upon the greater or less acuteness of the senses of the *astral* body, they differ very widely from the perfect, omniscient spiritual state; for, at best, the subject can get but glimpses of truth, through the veil which physical nature interposes. The *astral principle*, or mind, called by the Hindu *Adept fav-atma*, is the sentient soul, inseparable from the physical brain, which it holds in subjection, and by which it is in its turn equally trammelled. This is the *ego*, the intellectual life-principle of man, his conscious entity. While it is yet *within* the material body, the clearness and correctness of its spiritual visions depend on its more or less intimate relation with its higher Principle. When this relation is such as to allow the most ethereal portions of the soul-essence to act independently of its grosser particles and of the brain, it can unerringly comprehend what it sees; then only is it the pure, rational, *supersentient* soul. That state is known in *India* as the *Samadhi*; it is the highest condition of spirituality possible to man on earth. Fakirs try to obtain such a condition by holding their breath for hours together during their religious exercise and call this practice *dam-sadhna*. The *Hindu* terms *Pranayama*, *Pratyahara*, and *Dharana*, all relate to different psychological states, and show how much more the *Sanscrit*, and even the modern *Hindu* language are adapted to the clear elucidation of the phenomena that are encountered by those who study this branch of psychological science, than the tongues of modern peoples, whose experiences have not yet necessitated the invention of such descriptive terms.

When the body is in the state of *dharana*—a total catalepsy of the physical frame—the soul of the *clairvoyant* may liberate itself, and perceive things subjectively. And yet, as the sentient principle of the brain is alive and active, these pictures of the past, present, and future will be tintured with the terrestrial perceptions of the objective world; the physical memory and fancy will be in the way of clear vision. But the *Seer-Adept* knows how to suspend the mechanical action of the brain. His visions will be as clear as truth itself, uncolored and undistorted, whereas, the Western *clairvoyant*, unable to control the vibrations of the *astral* waves, will perceive but more or less broken images through the medium of the brain. The *Hindu Adept* can never take flickering shadows for realities, for his memory being as completely subjected to his will as the rest of the body, he receives impressions directly from his spirit. *Between his subjective and objective selves there are no obstructive mediums.* This is the real spiritual *Seership*, in which, according to the *Adept*, soul is raised above all inferior good, when we reach "*that which is supreme, which is simple, pure and unchangeable, without form, color or human qualities: the God—our Nous.*"

This is the state which such *Seers* as *Plotinus* and *Apollonius* termed the "*Union with the Deity*"; which the ancient *Hindu Masters* called *I'svara*, and the modern call "*Samadhi*"; but this state is as far above modern *clairvoyance* as the stars above glow-worms. *Plotinus*, as is well known, was a *clairvoyant-seer* during his whole and daily life; and yet, he had been united to his God but six times during the sixty-six years of his existence, as he himself confessed to *Porphyry*.

The only power which is directly opposed to *clairvoyance* and true mediumship, or looking into the future, is memory. Memory is an impediment to our *Astral* conceptions; and hence, when we are agitated by the inspiring influence of soul sight, if memory of worldly things intervenes, the enthusiastic energy ceases; for enthusiasm and the ecstasy are contrary to each other. Should it be asked whether the soul is able to energize without the memory, I reply, that its perception of universals proves that it is able. It has perceptions, therefore, independent of the memory; at the same time, however, the memory attends it in its energies, just as a storm pursues him who sails on the sea.

A medium, moreover, needs either a foreign intelligence—whether it be spirit or living mesmerizer—to overpower his physical and mental parts, or some factitious means to induce trance. An *Adept*, and even a *Chela* (disciple) requires but a few minutes of "*self-contemplation.*" The brazen columns of *King Solomon's Temple*; the golden bells and pomegranates of *Aaron*; the *Jupiter Capitolinus* of *Augustus*, hung around with harmonious bells; and the brazen bowls of the *Mysteries* when the *Kora* were called, were all intended for such artificial helps. So were the brazen bowls of *Solomon* hung 'round with a double row of 200 pomegranates, which served as clappers within the hollow columns. The priestesses of *Northern Germany*, under the guidance of *hierophants*, could never prophesy but amidst the roar of the tumultuous waters. Regarding fixedly the eddies formed on the rapid course of the river, they readily induced the trance state.* So we

*Today students and Disciples of the *Occult* obtain material and construct a *Hindu Magic Mirror* which they use to induce the *clairvoyant* or trance state. Again, many use the *Crystal* for this very same purpose.

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read of *Joseph, Jacob's* son, who sought for divine inspiration with his silver drinking-cup, which must have had a very bright bottom to it. The priestesses of *Dodona* placed themselves under the ancient oak of *Zeus* (the Pelasgian, not the Olympian god), and listened intently to the rustling of the sacred leaves, while others concentrated their attention on the soft murmur of the cold spring gushing from underneath its roots. But the *Hindu Adept* has no need of any such extraneous aids—the simple exertion of his wonderful *Occult-power* is sufficient.

The *Atharva-Veda* teaches that the exercise of such power is the highest form of Soul-power and its instantaneous response. To desire is to realize in proportion to the intensity of the aspiration; and that, in its turn, is measured by inward purity.

Some of these nobler *Vedantic* precepts on the soul and man's mystic powers are as follows:—The *Sankhya* inculcates that the soul (i.e., astral body) has the following powers: shrinking into a minute bulk to which everything is pervious; enlarging to a gigantic body; assuming levity (rising along a sunbeam to the solar orb); possessing an unlimited reach of organs, as touching the moon with the tip of a finger; irresistible will (for instance, sinking into the earth as easily as in water); dominion over all things, animate or inanimate; faculty of changing the course of nature; ability to accomplish every desire. I will here give their various appellations:

The powers are called: 1, *Anima*; 2, *Mahima*; 3, *Laghima*; 4, *Garima*; 5, *Prapti*; 6, *Prakamya*; 7, *Vashita*; 8, *Ishita*, or divine power. The fifth, predicting future events, understanding unknown languages, curing diseases, divining unexpressed thoughts, understanding the language of the heart. The sixth is the power of converting old age into youth. The seventh is the power of mesmerizing human beings and beasts, and making them obedient; it is the power of restraining passions and emotions. The eighth power is the spiritual state, and presupposes the absence of the above seven powers, as in this state the *Yogi* is full of God.

No writings, revealed or sacred, were allowed to be so authoritative and final as the teaching of the soul. Some of the *Rishis* appear to have laid the greatest stress on this supersensuous source of knowledge.

From the remotest antiquity mankind as a whole has always been convinced of the existence of a personal spiritual entity within the personal physical man. This inner entity was more or less divine, according to its proximity to the crown—*Chrestos*. The closer the union the more serene man's destiny, the less dangerous the external conditions. This belief is neither bigotry nor superstition, only an ever-present, instinctive feeling of the proximity of another spiritual and invisible world, which, though it be subjective to the senses of the outward man, is perfectly objective to the inner *ego*. Furthermore, men believed that there are external and internal conditions which affect the determination of our will upon our actions. They rejected fatalism, for fatalism implies a blind course of some still blinder power. *But they believed in destiny, which from birth to death every man is weaving thread by thread around himself, as a spider does his cobweb; and this destiny is guided either by that presence, termed by some the guardian angel, or our more intimate astral inner man, who is but too often the evil genius of the man of flesh.* Both these lead on the outward man, but one of them must prevail; and from the very beginning of the invisible affray the stern and implacable law of compensation steps in and takes its course, following faithfully the fluctuations. When the last strand is woven, and man is seemingly enwrapped in the net-work of his own doing, then he finds himself completely under the empire of this self-made destiny. It then either fixes him like the inert shell against the immovable rock, or like a feather carries him away in a whirlwind raised by his own actions.

The greatest philosophers of antiquity found it neither unreasonable nor strange that—*souls should come to souls*, and impart to them conceptions of future things, occasionally by letters, or by a mere touch, or by a glance reveal to them past events or announce future ones. Moreover, the old *Master Adepts* all held that unembodied spirits or souls could descend on earth and become guardians of mortal men. We should not seek to deprive those souls, which are still in the body, of that power by which the former know future events and are able to announce them. It is not probable that the soul gains a new power of prophecy after separation from the body, and which before it did not possess. We may rather conclude that it possessed all these powers during its union with the body, although in a lesser perfection—*For as the sun does not shine only when it passes from among the clouds, but has always been radiant and has only appeared dim and obscured by vapors, the soul does not only receive the power of looking into futurity, when it passes from the body as from a cloud, but has possessed it always, though dimmed by connection with the earthly.*

THE SPIRIT HAND

A familiar example of one phase of the power of the soul or astral body to manifest itself, is the phenomenon of the so-called spirit-hand. In the presence of certain mediums these seemingly detached members will gradually develop from a *luminous nebula*, pick up a pencil, write messages, and then dissolve before the eyes of the witnesses. Many such cases are recorded by perfectly competent and trustworthy persons. These phenomena are real, and require serious consideration. But false "phantom-hands" have sometimes been taken for the genuine. At *Dresden* I once saw a hand and arm, made for the purpose of deception, with an ingenious arrangement of springs that would cause the machine to imitate to perfection the movements of the natural member, while exteriorly it would require close inspection to detect its artificial character. In using this, the dishonest medium slips his natural arm out of his sleeve, and replaces it with the mechanical substitute; both hands may then be made to seem resting upon the table, while in fact one is touching the sitters, showing itself, knocking the furniture, and making other phenomena.

The mediums for real manifestations are least able, as a rule, to comprehend or explain them. Among those who have written most intelligently upon the subject of these luminous hands, may be reckoned *Dr. Francis Gerry Fairfield*, author of "*Ten Years Among The Mediums*." A medium himself, he is yet a strong opponent of the spiritualistic theory. Discussing the subject of the "*phantom-hand*," he testifies that "this the writer has personally witnessed, under conditions of test provided by himself, in his own room, in full daylight, with the medium seated upon a sofa six to eight feet from the table, hovering upon which the apparition (the hand) appeared. The application of the poles of a horseshoe magnet to the hand caused it to waver perceptibly, and threw the medium into violent convulsions—pretty positive evidence that the force concerned in the phenomenon was generated in his own nervous system.

Dr. Fairfield's deduction that the fluttering "*phantom-hand*" is an emanation from the medium is logical, and it is correct. The test of the horseshoe magnet proves in a scientific way what every *Hindu Kabalist* would affirm upon the authority of experience, no less than philosophy. The "*force concerned in the phenomena*" is the will of the medium, exercised unconsciously to the outer man, which for the time is semi-paralyzed and cataleptic; the "*phantom-hand*" is an extrusion of the man's inner or astral member. This is that real self whose limbs the surgeon cannot amputate; they remain behind after the outer casing is cut off, and (all theories of exposed or compressed nerve *termini* to the contrary, notwithstanding) have all the sensations the physical parts formerly experienced. This is that spiritual (astral) body which "*is raised in incorruption*." It is useless to argue that these are spirit-hands; for, admitting even that at every seance human spirits of many kinds are attracted to the medium, and that they do guide and produce some manifestations, yet to make hands or faces objective they are compelled to use either the astral limbs of the medium or the materials furnished them by the elementals, or yet the combined *aural* emanations of all persons present. Pure spirits will not and cannot show themselves objectively; those that do are not pure spirits, but elementary and impure. *Woe to the medium who falls a prey to such.*

The same principle involved in the unconscious extrusion of a phantom limb by the catalytic medium applies to the projection of his entire "*double*" or astral body. This may be withdrawn by the will of the medium's own inner self, without his retaining in his physical brain any recollection of such an intent—that is one phase of man's dual capacity. It may also be effected by elementary and elemental spirits, to whom he may stand in the relation of mesmeric subject. *Dr. Fairfield* is right in one position taken in his book, viz.: mediums are usually diseased, and in many if not most cases the children or near connections of mediums. But he is wholly wrong in attributing all psychical phenomena to morbid physiological conditions. The *Adepts of Eastern Magic* are uniformly in perfect mental and bodily health, and in fact the voluntary and independent production of phenomena is impossible to any others. I have known many, and never a sick man among them. The *Adept* retains perfect consciousness; shows no change of bodily temperature, or other sign of morbidity; requires no "conditions," but will do his feats anywhere and everywhere; and instead of being passive and in subjection to a foreign influence, *rules the forces with iron will*. But I have elsewhere shown that the medium and the *Hindu Adept* are as opposed as the poles. I will only add here that the body, soul, and spirit of the *Adept* are all conscious and working in harmony, and the body of the American or European medium is an inert clod, and even their soul may be away in a dream while its habitation is occupied by another.

The power to control the *Occult* forces of Nature, and produce spirit materialization, is universally communicated to all *Initiates*, *Disciples* and *Neophytes* of *Eastern Orders*

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of sacred mysteries. These mysteries also constitute the foundation of all those ancient religions out of which Christianity was evolved. Various eminent sages, notably *Christna*, *Pythagoras*, *Plato*, *Apollonius*, *Buddha*, *Guatama*, the messenger of the *Mystics*, and *Jesus*, the Judean Prince, were members of this *Sacred Order of the Adepts*. *Jesus*, the illustrious teacher of the Jews, was at all times conscious and working in perfect harmony with spiritual forces, for his astral form was seen by his *Disciples* many days after his death.

An *Adept of India* can not only project and make visible a hand, a foot, or any other portion of his body, but the whole of it. I have seen one do this, in full day, while his hands and feet were being held by a sceptical American doctor whom he wished to surprise.* Little by little the whole astral body oozed out like a vapory cloud, until before us stood two forms, of which the second was an exact duplicate of the first, only slightly more shadowy.

The medium need not exercise any will-power. It suffices that she or he shall know what is expected by the investigators. The medium's "spiritual" entity, when not obsessed by other spirits, will act outside the will or consciousness of the physical being, as surely as it acts when within the body during a fit of somnambulism. Its perceptions, external and internal, will be acuter and far more developed, precisely as they are in the sleep-walker. And this is why "*the materialized form sometimes knows more than the medium*," for the intellectual perception of the astral entity is proportionally as much higher than the corporeal intelligence of the medium in its normal state as the spirit entity is finer than itself. Generally the medium will be found cold, the pulse will have visibly changed, and a state of nervous prostration succeeds the phenomena, *bunglingly, and without discrimination attributed to disembodied spirits*; whereas, but one-third of them may be produced by the latter, another third by elementals, and the rest by the astral double of the medium himself.

But while it is my firm belief that most of the physical manifestations, i.e., those which neither need nor show intelligence nor great discrimination, are produced mechanically by the *scin-lecca* (double) of the medium, as a person in sound sleep will when apparently awake do things of which he will retain no remembrance, the purely subjective phenomena are but in a very small proportion of cases due to the action of the personal astral body. They are mostly, and according to the moral, intellectual, and physical purity of the medium, the work of either the elementary, or sometimes very human spirits. Elementals have naught to do with subjective manifestations. In rare cases it is the divine spirit of the medium himself that guides and produces them.

As *Babu Peary Chand Mittra* says, in a letter to the President of the *National Association of Spiritualists*, Mr. Alexander Calder, "a spirit is an essence or power, and has no form. . . . The very idea of form implies '*materialism*.' The spirits (astral souls, we should say) . . . can assume forms for a time, but form is not their permanent state. The more material is our soul, the more material is our conception of spirits."

Epimenides, the *Orphikos*, was renowned for his "sacred and marvellous nature," and for the faculty his soul possessed of quitting its body "*as long and as often as it pleased*." The ancient philosophers who have testified to this ability may be reckoned by dozens. *Apollonius* left his body at a moment's notice, but it must be remembered *Apollonius* was an *Adept*—a "magician." Had he been simply a medium, he could not have performed such feats at will. *Empedocles of Agrigentum*, the *Pythagorean* thaumaturgist, required no conditions to arrest a waterspout which had broken over the city. *Neither did he need any to recall a woman to life, as he did*. *Apollonius* used no darkened room in which to perform his æthrobatic feats. Vanishing suddenly in the air before the eyes of *Domitian* and a whole crowd of witnesses (many thousands), he appeared an hour after in the grotto of *Puteoli*. But investigation would have shown that his physical body having become invisible by the concentration of *akasa* about it, he could walk off unperceived to some secure retreat in the neighbourhood, and an hour after his astral form appear at *Puteoli* to his friends, and seem to be the man himself.

No more did *Simon Magus* wait to be entranced to fly off in the air before the apostles and crowds of witnesses. It requires conjuration and ceremonies, circle-making and the burning of *Temple Incense* to develop true *Adept-ship* and the production of genuine

*The *Boulogne* (France) correspondent of an English journal says that he knows of a gentleman who has had an arm amputated at the shoulder, "who is certain that he has a spiritual arm, which he sees, and actually feels with his other hand. He can touch anything, and even pull up things with the spiritual or phantom arm and hand." The party knows nothing of spiritualism. I give this as I get it, without verification, but it merely corroborates what I have seen in the case of an *Eastern Adept*. This eminent Master and practical *Kabalist*, can at will project his astral arm, and with the hand take up, move, and carry objects even at a considerable distance from where he may be sitting or standing. I have often seen him thus minister to the wants of a favorite *Disciple*.

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spiritual phenomena. The human spirit is so great a thing that no man can express it; as God (*Nature*) is eternal and unchangeable, so also is the mind of man. If we rightly understood its powers, nothing would be impossible to us on earth. The imagination is strengthened and developed through faith in our will. *Faith must confirm the imagination, for faith establishes the will.*

In order to bridge the valleys of ignorance, the mind must not stop at the material, but must penetrate to the Spirit, the Cause, and for this two kinds of knowledge, the lower and the higher, must be recognized.

We find a foreshadowing of some such ideas held by the Greek philosophers, as in the question of Pythagoras, "*What is that through which when it is known the knower thereof knows everything else?*"

Some of the Greeks said, we must first ascend to the general, from which descent to the particular is easy. Such, however, is directly opposite to the modern method, which delights in going into comparisons and particulars based on some theory formed from a material standpoint. *Humanity in general looks only to the outer and to effects, seldom to the causes.*

True knowledge proceeds from an endeavor to attain to the *Universal Soul* of all. By a true effort to reach that, a knowledge of the particular parts may be gained. This may not be easy, especially amid the conventionalities of life, but it is worth trying for. The endeavor produces an action on the mind, and actions are motives let loose, and when they are noble and unselfish, man looks up, and, like one awakened from long sleep, he finds that *Nature's* infinitude fills all space, and is far more apparent to his intelligence than atmosphere or sunlight. In this glorious awakening he realizes the meaning of the words handed down from the wisdom of the *Egyptians* through the long ages: "*Our eyes are holden, that we cannot see the things that stare us in the face, until the hour arrives when the mind is ripened; then we behold them.*"

The highest knowledge attainable is gained through silence and purity of thought. *Silence is wisdom's sentinel.* Purity of thought cleanses the mirror of the Soul, but the windows of many men's Souls are far too dirty to admit Spiritual Wisdom. All men should make their meditations their chosen companions, for refined thoughts are the best fruits of a refined and cultivated mind, and he whose tastes lead him to admire nature and beauty in all things is half prepared for Spirit life.

Forms come into existence according to one universal law. One kind of salt produces always the same kind of *crystal*; a note struck upon a musical instrument calls forth a corresponding note on a similar instrument. The higher we arise on the Spiritual plane, the more perfectly the attunement of Spirit force will unite with our own; and as the mirror of our monitor is polished we reflect the Truth of Ideas, therefore according to thoughts of man does he exalt or debase the clothing about pure Ideas.

Is death more to be feared because it is an enigma the mysteries of which our dull minds cannot fathom and our poor fancy cannot comprehend?

Spirit and the growth of the Soul being always opposite to human ways, man is apt to feel that the dawn of the Soul's new life, which we call death, is a sad and mournful thing, like starting out alone on an obscure earthly pilgrimage. Not so, but rather like the budding and bursting into bloom of flowers in spring, which at harvest time will have ripened into perfect fruit. Death is but the beginning of life, a joyous reunion of perfect life.

In tracing the Evolution of man, we regard him as an expression of the *Infinite One*. All things and forms of life below man are likewise expressions of the *Infinite One*, but we do not believe that man was all these lower forms before he became man. These are different orders of creation, related to but distinctly separated from one another. They are inter-related, all dependent on the same source, but they can never blend together nor become confused and mixed.

Above man as a distinct order come Spirits, the inhabitants of the numberless states that surround the earth, and to attain to the highest of which may take thousands of years. The modes of existence and methods of thought of these states are as unthinkable to man as is his plane of life to the animal. But the Spiritual state is not the last; celestial states beyond comprehension exist removed from earth influences, the abodes of the redeemed. Spirits are messengers who act as emissaries from higher to lower states, themselves the while learning of that which is above them, that in time they may assume the celestial degree.

The animal is in a Soul-state and is guided by unerring instinct. Man exercises will-choice, and this is in a state of transition to a higher Soul-plane. Spirits assume that Soul-plane and are guided by intuition, the correlate of the instinct of the animal. The Angel is a transitional order like man, and by volition attains what we would call knowledge to prepare for the celestial state, which is that of the Perfect Man—Will and Soul being One.— L. W. DE LAURENCE

ANCIENT EGYPT

THE CRADLE OF SCIENCE AND OF WISDOM

The Immutable Law Of Equilibrium

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It is in EGYPT that Magic attains the grade of completion as an universal science and is formulated as a perfect doctrine. As a summary of all the dogmas which obtained in the ancient world, nothing surpasses and indeed nothing equals those few paragraphs graven on precious stone by Hermes and denominated the Emerald Tablet. Unity of being and unity in the harmony of things, according to the ascending and descending scales; progressive and proportional evolution of the Word; immutable law of equilibrium and graduated progress of universal analogies; correspondence between the idea and its expression providing a measure of likeness between Creator and created; essential mathematics of the infinite, proved by the dimensions of a single angle in the finite: all this is expressed by the one proposition: "*that which is above is like that which is below, and that which is below is like that which is above*, for the fulfilment of the wonders of the one thing." Hereunto are added the revelation and illuminating description of the creative agent, the pantomorphic fire, the great medium of occult force—in a word, the *Astral Light*.

"The sun is its father and the moon its mother; the wind has borne it in the belly thereof." It follows that this light has emanated from the sun and has received form and rhythmical movement from the influences of the moon, while the atmosphere is its receptacle and prison. "The earth is its nurse"—that is to say, it is equilibrated and set in motion by the central heat of the earth. "It is the universal principle, the TELESMA of the world."

Hermes goes on to set forth in what manner this light, which is also a force, can be applied as a lever, as an universal dissolvent and as a formative and coagulative agent; how also this light must be extracted from the bodies in which it lies latent in order to imitate all the artifices of Nature by the aid of its diverse manifestations, as fire, motion, splendor, radiant gas, scalding water or, finally, igneous earth. The Emerald Tablet contains all Magic in a single page.¹ The other works attributed to Hermes, such as the *Divine Pymander*, *Asclepius*, *Minerva of the World*, &c., are generally regarded by critics as productions of the School of Alexandria; but they contain, notwithstanding, the Hermetic traditions which were preserved in theurgic sanctuaries. For those who possess the "*Keys of Symbolism*" the doctrines of Hermes can never be lost; amidst all their ruin, the monuments of Egypt are as so many scattered leaves which can be collected and the book of those doctrines thus reconstructed entirely. In that vast book the capital letters are temples and the sentences are cities punctuated with obelisks and by the *Sphinx*.

The physical division of Egypt was itself a magical synthesis, and the names of its provinces corresponded to the ciphers of sacred numbers. The realm of Sesostris was divided into three parts; of these, Upper Egypt, or the Thebaid, was a type of the celestial world and the land of ecstasy; Lower Egypt was the symbol of earth; while Middle or Central Egypt was the land of science and of high initiation. Each of these parts was subdivided into ten provinces, called Nomes, and was placed under the particular protection of a god. There were therefore thirty gods, and they were grouped by threes, giving symbolical expression in this matter to all possible conceptions of the *Triad* within the decad, or otherwise to the threefold material, philosophical and religious significance of absolute ideas attached primitively to numbers. We have thus the triple unity or the first *Triad*, the triple binary² formed by the first *Triad* and its reflection, being the "*Star of Solomon*";

¹ The legend concerning the Emerald tablet is that it was found by Alexander the Great in the tomb of Hermes, which was hidden by the priests of Egypt in the depths of the Great Pyramid of Gizeh. It was supposed to have been written by Hermes on a large plate of emerald by means of a pointed diamond. I believe that there is no Greek version extant, and it is referred by Louis Figuier to the seventh century of the Christian era, or thereabouts. See *L'Alchimie et les Alchimistes*, p. 42.

² The text says: *le triple benaire ou le mirage du triangle*, but it is obvious that the reflected triad cannot be termed binary. The expression is confused, but the meaning is that the first triangle equals unity, or the number 1; the second triad corresponds to the duad, or number 2; the third triad to the number 3, and so onward.

the triple *Triad* or the complete idea under each of its three forms; the triple quaternary, being the cyclic number of astral revolutions, and so onward. The geography of Egypt under Sesostrius is therefore a pantacle or symbolical summary of the entire magical dogma originating with Zoroaster and rediscovered or formulated more precisely by Hermes.

In this manner did the land of Egypt become as a great volume, and the instructions contained therein were multiplied by translation into pictures, sculptures, architecture, through the length and breadth of the towns and in all temples. The very desert had its eternal teachings, and its word of stone was set squarely on the foundations of the *pyramids*. The *pyramids* themselves stood like boundaries of human intelligence, in the presence of which the colossal *Sphinx* meditated age after age, sinking by insensible degrees into the desert sand. Even at this day its head, defaced by the work of time, still emerges from its sepulchre, as if waiting expectantly the signal for its complete *entombment* at the coming of a human voice revealing to a new world the problem of the *pyramids*.

Egypt from the writer's standpoint is "*the cradle of science and of wisdom*," for it clothed with images the antique dogma of the first Zoroaster more exactly and more purely, if not more richly, than those of India. The Sacerdotal Art and the Royal Art made *Adepts by Initiation* in Egypt, and such *Initiation* was not restricted within the egotistic limits of caste. We know that a Jewish bondsman himself attained not only *Initiation* but the rank of minister in chief, perhaps even of *Grand Hierophant*, for he espoused the daughter of an Egyptian priest, and there is evidence that the priesthood in that country tolerated no misalliance. *Joseph* realized in Egypt the dream of communism; he established the priesthood and the state as sole proprietors and thus sole arbiters of labor and wealth. In this way he abolished distress and turned the whole of Egypt into a patriarchal family. It is a matter of common knowledge that his elevation was due to skill in the interpretation of dreams, a science which even devout Christians now refuse to credit, though they recognize that the Bible, which narrates the wonderful *divinations of Joseph*, is the work of the Holy Spirit. The science of *Joseph* was none other than a comprehension of the natural analogies which subsist between ideas and images, or between the Word and its symbols. He knew that—the soul when immersed by sleep in the Astral Light, perceives the reflection of its most secret thoughts and even of its presentiments; he knew further that the art of translating the hieroglyphics of sleep is the key of universal lucidity, seeing that all intelligent beings have revelations in dreams.

The basis of absolute hieroglyphical science was an alphabet in which deities were represented by letters, letters represented ideas, ideas were convertible into numbers, and numbers were perfect signs. This hieroglyphical alphabet was the great secret which *Moses* enshrined in his *Kabalah*; its Egyptian origin is commemorated in the *Sepher Yetzirah*, in which it is referred to *Abraham*. Now this alphabet is the famous "*Book Of Thoth*," and it was divined by *Court de Gebelin* that it has been preserved to our own day in the form of *Tarrot* cards. It passed later on into the hands of *Etteilla*, who interpreted it in the wrong sense, for even a study extending over thirty years could not atone for his want of common sense or supply deficiencies in his education. The record exists still among the drift and waste of Egyptian monuments; and its most curious, most complete key is found in the great work on Egypt by *Athanasius Kircher*. It is the copy of an *Isiac* tablet which belonged to the celebrated Cardinal *Bembo*. The tablet in question is of copper with figures in enamel, and it has been unfortunately lost. The copy supplied by *Kircher* is, however, exact.⁴ The learned *Jesu* it divined that it contained the "*hieroglyphic key*" of sacred alphabets, though he was unable to develop the explanation. It is divided into three equal compartments; above are the twelve houses of heaven and below are the corresponding distributions of labor throughout the year, while in the middle place are twenty-one sacred signs answering to the letters of the alphabet. In the midst of all is a seated figure of the *pantomorphic Iynx*, emblem of universal being and corresponding as such to the Hebrew *Yod*, or to that unique letter from which all other letters were formed. The *Iynx* is encircled by the *Ophite Triad*, answering to the Three Mother Letters of the Egyptian and Hebrew alphabets.⁵ On the right are the *ibimorphic* and *serapian* triads; on the left are those of *Nephtys* and *Hecate*, representing active and passive, fixed and volatile, fructifying fire and generating water. Each pair of

⁴The reference is to *Athanasius Kircher's* *Œdipus Ægyptiacus*, 3 vols. in folio, bound usually in four, published at Rome, 1652-1654. The *Mensa Isiaca*, being the *Bembine Tablet*, so called because its discovery is connected with the name of Cardinal *Bembo*, is in the third volume—a folding plate beautifully produced. The original is exceedingly late and is roughly termed a forgery. In 1669 the Tablet was reproduced on a larger scale by means of a number of folding plates in the *Mensa Isiaca* of *Laurentius Pignorius*. Both works are exceedingly rare. I suppose that these are the only records of the Tablet now extant, with the exception of a large copy in my possession made from the above sources.

⁵It may be mentioned that the Hebrew alphabet was divided into (a) Three Mother Letters, namely, *Aleph*, *Mem* and *Shin*; (b) Seven Double Letters, being *Beth*, *Gimel*, *Dalet*, *Kaph*, *Pe*, *Resh*, *Tau*; and (c) Twelve Simple Letters, or *He*, *Vau*, *Zain*, *Heth*, *Teth*, *Yod*, *Lamed*, *Nun*, *Samech*, *Ayin*, *Tsade*, *Quoph*.

triads in conjunction with the centre produces a septenary, and a septenary is contained in the centre. Three septenaries furnish the absolute number of the three worlds, as well as the complete number of primitive letters, to which a complementary sign is added, like zero to the nine numerals. The ten numbers and the twenty-two letters are termed in *Kabalism* the *Thirty-Two Paths Of Wisdom*, and their philosophical description is the subject of that venerated primæval book known as the *Sepher Yetzirah*, the text of which will be found in the collection of Pistorius and elsewhere.⁷ The alphabet of *Thoth* is the original of our TAROT only in an indirect manner, seeing that the latter is of Jewish origin in the extant copies and that its pictures are not older than the reign of Charles VII. The cards of Jacquemin Gringonneur are the first TAROTS of which we have any knowledge, but they reproduce symbols belonging to the highest antiquity. The game in its modern form was an experiment on the part of astrologers to restore the king, who has been mentioned, to reason. The oracles of the Tarot give answers⁸ as exact as mathematics and measured as the harmonies of Nature. Such answers result from the varied combinations of the different signs. But it requires a considerable exercise of reason to make use of an instrument belonging to reason and to science; the poor king, in his childish condition, saw only the playthings of an infant in the artist's pictures and he turned the mysterious Kabalistic alphabet⁹ into a game of cards.

We are told by Moses that the Israelites carried away the sacred vessels of the Egyptians when they came out of the land of bondage. The account is allegorical, for the great prophet would scarcely have encouraged his people in an act of theft; the sacred vessels in question were the mysteries of Egyptian knowledge, *acquired by Moses himself at the court of Pharaoh*. I am by no means suggesting that the miracles of this man of God are referable to Magic; but we know on the authority of the Bible that Jannes and Mambres, who were the magicians of Pharaoh and consequently grand hierophants of Egypt, began by performing, in virtue of their art, wonders which were similar to those of Moses. They transformed wands into serpents and serpents again into wands, which might be explicable by prestige or fascination; they changed water into blood; they produced a swarm of frogs in a moment; but they could not cause flies to appear, or other parasitic insects, for reasons which I have explained already, as also the manner in which they were forced to confess themselves vanquished.

Moses triumphed and led the Israelites out of the land of bondage. It was at this period that true science became lost to Egypt, for the priests, abusing the implicit confidence of the people, allowed that knowledge to degenerate into brutalizing idolatry.

Such is the rock of peril for esoteric science; the truth must be veiled, yet not hidden from the people; symbolism must not be disgraced by a lapse into absurdity; the sacred veil of Isis must be preserved in its beauty and dignity. It was over this that the Egyptian priesthood failed; the vulgar and the foolish understood the hieroglyphic forms of Isis and Hermanubis as real things, so that Osiris was understood to be an ox, while the wise Hermes was a dog. The transformed Osiris masqueraded in the fantastic guise of the bull of Apis, nor did the priests hinder the people from adoring flesh intended for their kitchens. It was time to save the holy traditions; Moses established a new nation and forbade all worship of images; but the people unfortunately had dwelt long among idolaters, and memories of the bull of Apis remained with them in the desert. We know the history of that Golden Calf to which the children of Israel have been always a little addicted. Moses, however, did not wish the sacred hieroglyphics to pass out of memory, and he sanctified them by their consecration to the purified worship of the true God. We shall see how all objects which entered into the cultus of Jehovah were symbolic in character and recalled the venerable signs of primæval revelation. But we must first finish with the Gentiles and follow through pagan civilization the story of materialized hieroglyphics and of ancient rites degenerated, more of which will be given later on.

⁷ The *Sepher Yetzirah* was first made known to Latin reading Europe by William Postel. Publication took place at Bale in 1547. It is said to have been reissued at Amsterdam in 1646. The collection of Pistorius, entitled *Artis Cabalisticæ Scriptores*, belongs to 1587. Later and modern editions of the *Book of Formation* are fairly numerous. It was translated into French, together with the Arabic commentary of R. Sadilya Gaon, by Mayor Lambert, in 1891.

⁸ As stated above, the oracles of the Tarot give answers as exact as mathematics and measured as the harmonies of Nature. These famous fortune telling cards, "The Tarot," show the Occult signification of each and give the correct information whenever a particular answer is desired. The Tarot pack consists of seventy-eight cards—namely, four suits of fourteen cards each, and twenty-two symbolic numbered trumps. These remarkable cards are beautifully printed in red, black, blue and oriental yellow. They are to be obtained only through de Laurence and will be found listed under Order No. shown elsewhere on these pages.

⁹ In face of existing evidence, the description of the Tarot Trumps Major as a Kabalistic alphabet has as much and as little to support it as the claim that they constitute an Egyptian Book of Thoth. It has been reported to me, however, that there is an unknown Jewish Tarot, and it may interest students of the subject to know that before long I hope to be able to give some account at first hand concerning it. There is little reason to suppose that it will prove (a) ancient or (b) Kabalistic; but as one never knows what is at one's threshold, I put the fact on record for whatever it may be worth in the future. Meanwhile, it is quite idle to say that our popular fortune-telling cards are anywhere near as good as the Tarots.

Scriptural Promises Of A Future Life--"Life Everlasting"

In both the *Old* and the *New Testament* there are continual references to a future life—the "life eternal," and a "life everlasting." The distinguished scientist, Sir Oliver Lodge, asserts that what the Bible has so abundantly promised it is reasonable for science to hope to prove to be true.

If God communicated with man, as frequently narrated in the *Old Testament*, and if Christ was in communication with His Father during His life time, and in communication with those who were nearest Him on earth after His death—why should science hesitate to attempt to discover the means of communication between the living and the dead?

It has been noted that there are fewer references to *Eternal Life* in the *Old Testament* than in the *New Testament*, and the suggestion is made that the Jews took it for granted, and did not deem it necessary to dwell upon this subject. That there was a prevailing belief in the survival of men after death is plainly shown by such incidents as *Saul* and the *Witch of Endor*. Other suggestions are found in the book of *Job* and in *Psalms*, as well as in the prophetic writings.

But the most frequent explicit statements as to the Future Life are to be found in the *New Testament*. In fact, the death of *Jesus* is marked by a supreme belief in the resurrection not only of Himself, but of the two thieves with whom He was crucified. For *Jesus* said to one of the thieves: "Verily, I say unto thee, to-day shalt thou be with me in Paradise."—*Luke xxiii. : 43.*

Jesus is recorded as having preached the resurrection of the body, notably in the twenty-second chapter of *Matthew*: "But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying, I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living."—(31, 32.)



A FAMILY MEETING IN SPIRIT LIFE.

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The twentieth chapter of *St. John* contains the doctrine of the *Resurrection*, for in it is the record of *Jesus* speaking to *Mary* at the tomb, saying: "*Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father.*" After she had told the disciples, *Jesus* "stood in their midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you." (verse 19.) It is further recorded that *Jesus* showed Himself to the disciples again at the *Sea of Tiberias*, and after that the apostles preached the *Resurrection*, of which they had been witnesses, as may be read in *Acts*, iv.: 2. They taught the people, and preached through *Jesus* the resurrection from the dead.

Among the striking *Scriptural* promises of an existence beyond the grave are the following:

"There in the Resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven?"—*Mark*, xii.: 23.

"And this life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and *Jesus Christ* whom thou hast sent."—*John*, xvii.: 3.

"And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life."—*1 John*, ii.: 25.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."—*John*, v.: 24.

"As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore."—*Psalms*, cxxxiii.: 3.

"Who will render to every man according to his deeds:

"To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life."—*Romans*, ii.: 6, 7.

"For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us."—*1 John*, i.: 2.

"Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord *Jesus Christ* unto eternal life."—*Jude*, 21.

"Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first *Jesus Christ* might shew forth all long suffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting."—*1 Timothy*, i.: 16.

"Labor not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed."—*John*, vi.: 27.

"Then *Jesus* said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.

"Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day."—*John*, vi.: 53.

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."—*John*, x.: 27, 28.

"He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God."—*Rev.*, ii.: 7.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."—*John*, iii.: 16.

THE FUTURE LIFE

The most profound problem of human life, and the most pitiful and pathetic cry of the human soul throughout all ages, has been the problem and cry, "*If a man die shall he live again?*"

Let those who wish to know more of the future life and spiritual world, which lie beyond the dark and troubled waters of earth life read and study "*THE BOOK OF DEATH AND SOUL TRANSITION*," by DE LAURENCE, listed under ORDER NO. on another page. This book tells you plainly and simply about the spiritual life beyond the grave. It has been on sale over ten years

TEACHINGS OF THE ANCIENTS

"Who can study carefully the ancient religious and cosmogonic myths without perceiving that the striking similitude of conceptions, in their exoteric form and esoteric spirit, is the result of no mere coincidence, but manifests a concurrent design? They show that already in those ages, which are shut out from our sight by the impenetrable mist of traditions, human religious thought developed in uniform sympathy in every portion of the globe. Christians call this adoration of nature in her most concealed verities—Pantheism."

"But if the latter, which worships and reveals to us God in space in His only possible objective form,—that of visible nature—perpetually reminds humanity of Him who created it and a religion of theological dogmatism only serves to conceal Him the more from our sight, which is the better adapted to the needs of man-kind?"
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Let the investigator compare the boasted modern science with the *teachings of the ancients*; this improved modern theology of the church with the "*secret doctrines*" of the ancient universal religion.

Perhaps he may thus discover a neutral ground whence he can reach and profit by both. Would it be strict justice to condemn to critical lapidation the greatest of modern authors, such as *de Laurence*, for entirely rejecting the authority of both these combatants—*Science and Theology*?

Is not the sincere student and honest investigator bound rather to take as the true aphorism of this century, the declaration of *Horace Greeley*?

"I accept unreservedly the views of no man, living or dead."

Such, at all events, will be the motto of the real investigator, and this principle will be his constant guide throughout his search for universal truth and power.

Such truths as are taught by *de Laurence* are bound to rise amid the tottering ruins of self-styled revealed religions and materialistic philosophies.

And so, while the clergy, following their interpretations of the *Bible*, and science its self-made *codex* of possibilities in nature, refuse spiritualistic teachings a fair hearing, real science and true religion are silent, and gravely wait further developments.

Every Nation has had its *Occult Mysteries* and *hierophants*. Even the *Jews* had their *Peter—Tanian* or *Rabbin*, like *Hillel*, *Akiba*, and other famous *Kabalists*, who alone could impart the terrible knowledge contained in the *Merkaba*. In *India*, there was in ancient times one, and now there are several *hierophants* scattered about the country, attached to the principal *pagodas*, who are known as the *Brahm-atruas*.

In *Thibet* the chief *hierophant* is the *Dalai*, or *Taley-Lama* of *Lha-ssa*.

Among *Christian* nations, the Catholics alone have preserved this ancient custom, in the person of their *Pope*, albeit they have sadly disfigured its majesty and the dignity of the sacred office.

Very few of today know the meaning of the term *Kabalist*. The very name is taken from *Kabala* and means—an unwritten or oral tradition.

The *Kabalist* is a student of "*secret science*," one who interprets the hidden meaning of the *Scriptures* with the help of the symbolical *Kabala*, and explains the real one by these means.

The *Tanaim* were the first *Kabalists* among the *Jews*; they appeared at *Jerusalem* about the beginning of the third century before the *Christian* era.

The Books of *Ezekiel*, *Daniel*, *Enoch*, and the *Revelation of St. John* are purely *Kabalistical*. This secret doctrine is identical with that of the *Chaldeans*, and includes, at the same time, much of the *Persian* wisdom, or "*Magic*."

de LAURENCE'S SECRET FORMULAE

de Laurence, in this *Volume*, which treats most fully of *Natural Magic*, enumerates a whole *Catalogue* of secret *formulae* for producing extraordinary effects by employing the *Occult* powers of nature so that, even those spirits who remain invisible can communicate with mortals through their awakened inner senses, as in *clairvoyance*, *clair-audience* and *trance*. Men possessed of this knowledge and exercising such powers patiently toil for something better than the vain glory of a passing fame. Seeking it not they become immortal, as do all who labor for the good of the race, forgetful of mean self. Illuminated with the light of eternal truth, these rich-poor masters, of Nature's *Occult* forces, fix their attention upon the things that lie beyond the common ken, recognizing nothing inscrutable but the FIRST CAUSE, and finding no question unsolvable. To dare to know, to will, and REMAIN SILENT, is, their constant rule; to be beneficent, unselfish and unpretending is, with them, a spontaneous impulse. Disdaining the rewards of

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petty traffic, spurning wealth, luxury, pomp, and worldly power, they aspire to knowledge as the most satisfying of all acquisitions. These great Masters of, "*the occult*," esteem poverty, hunger, toil, and the evil report of men, as none too great a price to pay for its achievement. They, who might have become possessed of great wealth, suffered themselves to go without luxury, rather than debase their souls and allow the profane cupidity of those who tempted them to triumph over their sacred vows by using their wonderful occult powers for the sole purpose of making money.

The lives of the *Great Paracelsus*, *Cornelius Agrippa*, *Philalethes*, and *de Laurence*, who has labored twenty years to teach these sacred mysteries to the faithful disciples, are too well known to repeat the old sad story.

de Laurence teaches that—"in the inner recesses of the mind is divine prophecy hidden and confined, a divine impulse, which when developed is called *inner* or *astral sight*."

UNTRAINED MEDIUMSHIP.

"The human soul cannot reflect or realize both earth and spirit life at the same time; the one vanishes as the other comes into view."

The centuries may mark time, the pendulum of science may swing back and forth, mysteries may be revealed, records may come and pass, but the world *will never know another de Laurence*.

What other has ever taught his *disciple* the faculty of freeing the *astral form* from the bonds of matter? No man can perceive, touch and converse with pure spirit through any of his bodily senses. Only spirit alone can talk to and see spirit; and even man's *astral* body is many times too gross, too much tainted yet with earthly affairs to trust entirely to its perceptions and intuitions.

de Laurence's works teach how dangerous may often become *untrained mediumship*, and how thoroughly it was understood and provided against by the ancient sages, is perfectly exemplified in his wonderful writings.

The doctrines taught by this great *Master Adept*, which has had the attention and respect of the leading *Occult* students of the world for over twenty-five years, are only gained by the *disciple* through a regular discipline of gradual initiations and development of psychical powers.

Under his hand the *Chela*, (disciple) develops his mystical nature, becomes pure and immaculate, being liberated from his *surrounding vestment*, which we denominate body, and to which the undeveloped are bound.

The body of man—his coat of skin—is an inert mass of matter, *per se*; it is but the *sentient* living body within the man that is considered as the man's body proper, and it is that which, together with the fontal soul or purely *astral* body, directly connected with the immortal spirit, constitutes the *trinity* of man.

Whether in the "*inner temple*," or through the study of *Occultism* and *Magic*, carried on privately by a regular life of spiritual labor in their own home, *de Laurence's disciples* all obtain practical proof of such divine possibilities that there is no doubt of their being initiated in those *Occult Mysteries*, which it is lawful to call the most blessed of all *mysteries*, and thereby freed from the molestations of evils here, and, which otherwise await them in a future period of time.

Likewise, in consequence of this divine *Occult Initiation*, the student, of THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM, becomes a *spectator* of entire, simple immovable and blessed visions, *resident* in a pure *astral* light.

To the candidate, who is faithful and sincere in his study, is revealed the *mysteries* of ancient *India*. These *mysteries* are in the hands of the *Adepts* of superior degrees, and must remain a mystery to the materialistic individual.

Subjective, or spiritual communication with those spirits (souls) who have preceded us to the silent life beyond the earth, is, by *de Laurence*, divided into *three categories*. Under the spiritual training laid down in his *Volume* the *disciple* or *neophyte* begins to feel the presence of spirits around him.

Were he not under the guidance of a superior *Adept*, like *de Laurence*, he would be *controlled* by invisibles, and utterly at their mercy, for among these subjective influences the seeker, who is not under the immediate guidance of a *Master*, is unable to discern the good from the bad. Happy is the *disciple* who is sure of the purity of his spiritual atmosphere.

To this subjective state of consciousness, which is the first degree, is, after a time, added that of *clairaudience*.

This is the second stage or *degree* of development.

The *disciple*—when not naturally made so by psychological training—now audibly hears, but still unable to discern; and is incapable of verifying his impressions, and one who is not properly developed by being trained under a *Master Adept* is often deluded with semblances of voices and speech of annoying spirits.

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This shows that the seeker and student should receive instruction *only from a superior Adept and Master*, as this assures a powerful shield against the intrusion of annoying influences into the consecrated atmosphere of the *disciple or neophyte*.

The *third degree* of development is that in which the *disciple* both feels, hears, and sees; and when he can produce *materializations* at will on the mirror of the *astral light*. All this, of course, depends both upon the student and the manner in which he has been trained and developed.

The student of *Spiritualism* and *Magic* will never control the spiritual life principle, the *omnipotent* agent of every phenomenon, in the same degree as an *Adept* of the third and highest *initiation*, unless he becomes a *disciple* of these great *Masters* whose phenomena, which can be produced at will, do not generally run the market-places in *America* and *Europe* for the satisfaction of open-mouthed investigators.

Of all the duties, the principal one is to acquire the knowledge of the *Supreme Soul* (the spirit); it is the first of all sciences, *for it alone confers on man immortality*.

The man who seeks and finds the *Supreme Soul* (God), in his own soul, *as well as that of all creatures*, and who is equally just to all, whether man or animal, obtains the happiest of all fates, that to be finally *absorbed* in the bosom of immortality.

The *Occultism* and *Magic*, taught by *de Laurence*, is unlike that taught by the hair-brained Professors and surface writers of today.

MYSTIC ODORS AND MUSIC.

The phenomena of the mystic odors and music, exhibited by spirits, have been often observed by those attending circles. We are informed by many who have operated some of *de Laurence's* secret formulae, given in *THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM*, that they have heard strains of the most ravishing music, coming from no visible instrument, and inhaled a succession of delightful odors produced, as they believe, by spirit agency.

One correspondent tells us that so powerful was one of these familiar odors—that of sandal-wood—that the house became impregnated with it for days after.

The medium in this case was a member of a private family, and the experiments were all made within the domestic circle. Another disciple describes what he calls a "*musical rap*."

The potencies that are now capable of producing these phenomena must have existed and been fully efficacious in the days of *Paracelsus*.

As to materialized spirits, it suffices to say that they are evoked now in spiritualistic circles, and guaranteed by scientists, and their evocation by all true seekers is thus made more probable than ever. It should not be believed that all the spirits that communicate at circles are of the classes called "Elementals," and "Elementary" by some writers who would have you believe them a new-born authority on these matters.

Many spirits—especially among those who control the medium subjectively to speak, write, and otherwise act in various ways—are human, disembodied spirits. Whether the majority of such spirits are good or bad, largely depends on the private morality of the medium, much on the circle present, and a great deal on the intensity and object of their purpose.

If this object is merely to gratify curiosity and to pass the time, it is useless to expect anything authentic or serious.

But in any case, human spirits can *never* materialize themselves in *propria persona*. These can never appear to the investigator clothed with warm, solid flesh, sweating hands and faces, and grossly material bodies.

The most they can do is to project their *ethereal* reflections on the atmospheric waves of the *astral light*, and if the touch of their hands and clothing can become, upon rare occasions, objective to the senses of a living mortal, it will be felt as a passing breeze, gently sweeping over the touched spot, not as a human hand or material body.

If this is not true, if all the so-called "materialized" forms emerging in *darkened* rooms: from still *darker* cabinets, are spirits of men who once lived upon this earth, why such difference between them and the spirits that appear unexpectedly—*ex abrupto*—without either cabinet or medium?

Who ever heard of the spirits, unrestful "souls," hovering about the spots where they were murdered, or coming back for some other mysterious reason of their own, with "warm hands" feeling *like living flesh*, and but that they are known to be dead and buried, not distinguished from living mortals?

Nerer until the beginning of the era of the dark room, and the dark cabinet "materializations" have we seen spirits appear with warm hands shaking musical instruments and tambourines.

Genuine spirit materializations are always perceived developing out of a *cloud* or *column of luminous vapor*, and makes itself visible of its own free will—in short, an *umbra*—it is, and should be, visible but impalpable; or if palpable at all, communicating to

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the feeling of touch the sensation of a mass of water suddenly clasped in the hands, or of condensed or cold steam. It should be *luminous* and *vapory*. This *luminous vapor* seen by many is the real personal *umbra* of some spirit, persecuted and earth-bound, either by its own remorse and crimes or those of another person or spirit. The mysteries of after-death are deep and many, and the ones best fitted to explain them are Adepts and Masters of Occultism.

SPIRIT VOICES.

The voices—if such sound can be termed a voice at all—of a disembodied spirit once heard can hardly be forgotten. That of a pure spirit is like the tremulous murmur of an *Eolian* harp echoed from a distance; the voice of a suffering, hence impure, if not utterly bad spirit, may be assimilated to a human voice issuing from an empty barrel.

This statement is based upon the practical experience of numberless generations of *Adepts* and *Theurgists*. The testimony of antiquity is positive on this point.

The voices of spirits are not articulated, as they have no physical vocal organs. The spirit voice consists of a series of sounds which conveys the impression of a column of compressed air ascending from beneath upward, and spreading around the living interlocutor. The many eye-witnesses who testified in the case of *Elizabeth Eslinger*,* namely the deputy-governor of the prison of *Weinsberg*, *Mayer*, *Eckhart*, *Theurer*, and *Knorr* (sworn evidence), *Duttenhofer*, and *Kapff*, the mathematician, testified that they saw the apparition, or spirit, like a pillar of clouds. For the space of eleven weeks, *Doctor Kerner* and his sons, several *Lutheran Ministers*, the advocate *Fraas*, the engraver *Duttenhofer*, two physicians, *Siefer* and *Sicherer*, the judge *Heyd*, and the *Baron Von Hugel*, with many others, followed this manifestation daily.

During the time it lasted, the prisoner *Elizabeth* prayed with a loud voice uninterruptedly; therefore, as the "spirit" was talking at the same time, it could be no ventriloquism; and that voice, they say, had nothing human in it; no one could imitate its sounds.

HOW TO ATTRACT DEPARTED LOVED ONES

One of the most powerful attractions of departed loved ones is their strong affection for those whom they have left on earth. It draws them irresistibly, by degrees, into the current of *Astral Light* vibrating between the person sympathetic to them and the *Universal Soul*. Another very important condition is harmony, and the magnetic purity of the medium and the persons present.

If the spiritualists of America and Europe are anxious to keep strictly dogmatic in their notions of the "spirit world," they must not set scientists to investigate their phenomena in the true experimental spirit. The attempt would most surely result in a partial re-discovery of the *Magic* of old—that of *Moses* and *Paracelsus*.

Under the deceptive beauty of some of their apparitions, they might find some day the *Sylphs* and fair *Undines* of the *Rosicrucians* playing in the currents of *psychic* and *odic* force.

THE SPIRIT OF ANIMALS

The spirits of dogs, cats, and various other animals have been repeatedly seen, and the world-wide testimony is as trust-worthy upon this point as that with respect to human spirits. We have either to admit that animals have surviving spirits and souls as well as ourselves, or hold with *Porphyr* that there are in the invisible world, a particular kind of tricky and malicious demons, intermediary beings between living men and dis-embodied "entities," that delight in appearing under every imaginable shape, beginning with the human form, and ending with those of multifarious animals.

Before venturing to decide the question whether the spectral animal forms so frequently seen and attested are the returning spirits of dead beasts, we must carefully consider their reported behavior. Do these spectres act according to the habits and display the same instincts as the animals during life? Do the spectral beasts of prey lie in wait for victims, and timid animals flee before the presence of man; or do the latter show mal-evolence and disposition to annoy, quite foreign to their natures? Many victims of these obsessions—notably, the afflicted persons of *Salem* and other historical witchcrafts—testify to having seen dogs, cats, pigs, and other animals, entering their rooms, biting them, trampling upon their sleeping bodies, and talking to them: often inciting them to suicide and other crimes. In the well-attested case of *Elizabeth Eslinger*, mentioned by *Dr. Kerner*, the spirit of the ancient priest of *Wimmenthal* was accompanied by a large black dog, which he called his father, and which dog in the presence of numerous witnesses jumped on all the beds of the prisoners. At another time the priest appeared with a lamb, and sometimes with two lambs. Most of those accused at *Salem* were charged by the seeresses with consulting and plotting mischief with yellow birds, which would sit on their shoulder or on the beams overhead.

* "Apparitions," translated by C. Crowe, pp. 388, 391, 399.



SACRED MAGIC.

BY de LAURENCE.

Occult Treasures, Occult Powers and Instructions in Sacred Magic have been buried and concealed under the centuries of the eternal past, far from the reach of the dizzy and unsteady hand of the Materialist, who has been wandering in the blind blank faith of Materialism; who is neither able to grasp the Seal of Eastern Magic or the great power that lives within his own self. This wisdom and, certain Teachings, are laid before him in the many rare books listed in this Catalogue. These teachings are more valuable to mankind than gold or precious stones and are given with a free hand, including all such advice and admonition as are necessary for the Disciple and Student to safely enter the great Sacred Temple of Magic. The veil which has closed for centuries the door which leads to these things is now drawn aside and, if the student is sincere and wise he will profit by Occult Teachings which may themselves seem strange and weird as he advances in the mysteries and Rites of Hindu Magic. A new world and existence will be open to him and the more he learns of "The Hidden Mysteries" the more he will realize and learn to know himself. The teachings of Art Magic and East Indian Occultism are different from the teachings of Physiology and Materialism. Materialistic teachings make a man impotent and a thing that is driven and tossed as a wave of the sea by the storm. Materialism will have man think that he is an animal. The knowledge of Eastern Wisdom proves to him that he is a power within himself and, that the invisible powers and forces are the stronger and predominate and that when he develops this power he will become invested with a force that will enable him to control his destiny and protect himself and family as they should be protected by a true father and Master. Materialism teaches man that Life is not Eternal and that he is to live but a few short years and then be condemned to Eternal Fire. Hindu Spiritism shows him that he is a part of the great Universe and that he has always existed and shall always continue to exist.

ART MAGIC.

Art Magic teaches him the true nature of his soul and that his earthly existence is merely an experience in his Eternal Life and career. The Occult Powers of the soul which are potentially contained in every man, but understood and developed by few, are in a sense strange and unknown to the Materialistic Scientists of the Western countries and who appoints himself the guardian and officer of modern civilization. The learning of these guardians, who are pleased to call themselves Western Scientists, is far from the teachings of true Wisdom. Their intellect seeking the small materialistic powers around them cannot perceive the Occult and Astral Powers above them, nor realize their existence. Yet, Ancient Wisdom is as old as the mountains of India and has been known and taught by all prophets and, by every great philosopher that has ever lived and inhabited the earth. The fundamental and cardinal principle as found in ancient Hindu Sanscrit, and in the Scriptures of the Holy Book form the principle and essence of the power that Christ taught and revealed unto his Disciples.



In ancient times they were revealed unto those who were found worthy of being initiated into the Temples of Ancient and Mystic India. The disclosure of Sacred Magic in these times as in the present to the vulgar was forbidden. These teachings are not to be confounded with Diabolical Art; for the Arts that are taught by the Western impostor are like the flickering light of the candle in the face of the Holy Sun. True Magic is only possessed by those who have developed Spirit Power. This has been verified by every true and practical Occult Student who has power of intellect and firmness, so as to enable him to learn and understand these great mysteries which are hidden and concealed from the unworthy. The above teachings do not merely point out to him the theories of true knowledge but render him wise and strong in Occult forces. The true student who studies these teachings and Magical Rites by nature becomes a part of this light that serves to illuminate and drive out the worms from the deep dark caverns of the Materialist's mind and soul. What the Hindu Adept and Master teaches has been verified and amplified by all of the immortal minds of the past and the Western student has names to look up to which are famous and which are engraved upon the monumental steps of the stairway of the past. As written above, this Art in the past as in the future, will, when once unfolded, teach the secrets to those who will become purified and faithful in their souls and, as man's Occult Powers become illuminated, the darkness around him (Materialism) will disappear and in its place will come the true light of Wisdom and knowledge; for once man's soul has been invested with Occult Powers it becomes free in its action and movements and he is no longer bound by the cruel bands and cords of Materialism for the soul then becomes powerful and can and will instruct itself while at the same time it will be assisted, guided and instructed by Astral Spirits. When this grand state of Occult Powers becomes developed it becomes its guide. The soul is then no longer subject to the conditions of time, or materialistic laws. Its existence is eternal and, for a soul to desire a thing is already to possess it. Man's ability to advance in these powers will be in proportion to his desires and true faith. Faith will raise the curtain and will let Spiritual light penetrate into his soul that it may be able to see and realize things around him in the Spirit world, the same as if they were Material and External objects. Man's soul, once it has developed Spirit Power, becomes one with the spirit. Man is then able to communicate and converse mentally with mankind and with the spirits of the Astral Plane the same as if they were living in the physical body. Man is also able to perform great and mysterious things, for there is a certain kind of Art Magic which has its existence in the Astral World as taught in "**The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism.**"

These forces and powers are placed within and not without the soul of man and he has within himself the power of entering in communication with these forces by the law and principle of realization. However, it is a fact that these Invisible Forces (Evil Spirits) can control a man and break him down with perfect ease, unless he understands Magical Teachings and how to overcome and dispel their power. He is then able to dominate instead of being dominated and he can control them so that they will obey him and understand certain signs.

A man who is not properly developed should understand and always bear in mind that in trying to demonstrate and work these things for himself, that he is working with a powerful and unseen force and unless he has the true teachings his efforts will be a curse unto him and he would far better be dead than to try these things for the gratification of his own personal curiosity. Again he will understand that this great power comes from out of his soul, and that the curse which hangs around the neck of the Western man is a deficiency of knowledge of himself, because when a man does not know himself he does



not know and understand the things of the Occult and Invisible world; for how could he, when he himself is a part of this world and if he has no knowledge of himself how could he understand the Spirit World. Man must develop the Spirit Power that lies within himself; it is then, and only then, that he begins to get the knowledge and realization of the power and forces of the Invisible world.

SPIRITUAL POWER.

Each man is the essence of Spiritual Power and he should know that he possesses Spiritual Power as well as Physical force; that he possesses one kind of knowledge as well as another and if he does not find these powers by not applying himself he must not think that he does not possess them, for he has not proved himself capable or deserving of their being developed within him. Every man should bear strictly in mind that the growth or capacity of his soul lies in the extent to which it develops truth and power and not by basing every conclusion upon External teachings, for as stated in these writings, Materialistic things are an illusion. The works contained in this Catalogue teach the student all about Spirits, Dreams and other secret things. They also give valuable knowledge for the one who believes or has some sort of a belief in a future continuation of the soul. The other person, the writer cares nothing about, as it is not his idea to convert any man against his will, for he is as welcome to his belief and thought as he is to the air he breathes as far as he is concerned, because they harm no one but himself and the true student of Occultism and the true soul who desires to become a recipient of Divine Light and Sacred teachings pays no attention to the remarks or dictates of the Materialist because the same are oracle and dogmatic. If such books as "The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism,"—"The Sacred Book of Death, Hindu Spiritism, Soul Transition and Soul Reincarnation"—"Magic, White and Black"—"The Immanence of God, Know Thyself"—"The Mysteries of Magic;" etc., etc., with their mighty teachings of wisdom make no impression upon their mind it is only because they fail to recognize the true light when it shines in their eyes, for True Wisdom and absolute truth can only come to any man by clear and positive knowledge of them for he cannot receive and accept these things through Materialistic theories or arguments.

FAMILIAR SPIRITS.

Though it should be an easy matter for you to employ Familiar Spirits to annoy your neighbor, seek to abstain therefrom, unless it were to repress the insolence of such as might attempt aught against you personally. Never keep the Familiar Spirits around you for curiosity, and should you wish to give one over unto any person, see that such person be distinguished and meritorious, for they love not to serve those of base and common condition. But should such person unto whom you give them have made some express Pact (with Spirits) in such case Familiar Spirits will fly in haste to serve him.

Signed,

L. W. de Laurence



THE TRUE TALISMAN OF HUMAN HAPPINESS.

A personal letter from de Laurence to a friend of his, a faithful disciple in Constellatory Art, Talismanic and Hindu Magic.

MY DEAR CHELA (DISCIPLE),—

KNOWING thee to be a curious searcher after those sciences which are out of the common track of study (I mean the Art of foretelling events, magic, talismans, etc.),

I am moved spiritually to give thee my thoughts upon them, and by these ideas here written, to open to thine eye (spiritual) as much information as it seems necessary for thee to know, by which thou mayest be led by the hand into the delectable field of nature; and to give thee such documents as my Diploma and Secret Instruction from "*The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism*" as, guided by the supreme wisdom of the Highest, thou mayest refresh thy soul with a delicious draught of knowledge; so that after recreating thy spirit with the use of those good gifts which may please my spirit friends to bestow on thee, thou mayest be wrapped up into the contemplation of the immense wisdom of that great munificent Being who created thee.

To enable thee the better to comprehend this Magical Volume, I have drawn out the various figures, of which mention is made in this work, that thou mayest see the very exact method of working; likewise the images of seals, spirits, and various other rare, and curious instruments, which are necessary for thee to know and see with the eye; therefore in the construction of them thou canst not be liable to error.

Now, thou art a man in whose soul the image of Divinity is sealed for eternity, think first what is thy desire in the searching after these mysteries! Is it wealth, honor, fame, power, might, aggrandizement, and the like? Perhaps thy heart says, All! all these I would gladly crave!

If so, this is my answer,—seek first to know thyself thoroughly, cleanse thy heart from all wicked, vain, and rapacious desires.

Thinkest thou, oh man! to attain power to *gratify thy lusts, to enrich thy coffers, to build houses*, to raise thyself to the pinnacle of human admiration; if these are thy hopes and desires, thou hast reason to lament thy being born: all such desires are immediately from the spirits of evil, I mean those beings whose engines (i. e. myriads of evil spirits) are continually in the

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act of placing sensual delights and luxuries before the depraved minds and hearts of men, and whose chief business and property it is to counteract the benevolent actions and inspirations of those blessed spirits who are the instruments of Love and Truth.

Seek to know Thyself and love thy neighbor, use no deceit, swear not, neither lie; let all thy actions be sincere. Here, O man! is the *grand seal* of all earthly wisdom, the true talisman of human happiness. When thou shalt accomplish this, behold nothing will be impossible unto thee as far as True Magic permits; then with all speed apply thy mind and heart to attain knowledge and wisdom; with all humility apply thyself to the secret wisdom set down in "*The Great Book Of Magic, Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism.*"

To know thyself is to know the possibilities of thy soul, for it is a spiritual gift that enables a man to know himself. This gift but very few possess, as may be daily seen. How many are there tossed about to and fro' upon the perilous sea of contending passions, and who are more light than feathers! how many in this great city who place their chiefest *good* in debauchery and lechery!

See their *actions, manners and dispositions*; these poor, unfortunate, miserable wretches, such is their fatal magical infatuation and ignorance, that they think those mad who might even attempt to reason with them on the vanity and misery of their situation.

To make myself more intelligible, these are what the world calls men of fashion, a phrase insignificant enough when we consider that the universal fashion of this time is vice, and that so glaring, that it needs no great intellect to discover what is daily open to the view of the observer.

But to you, my friend, I have addressed these lines; therefore let it not be supposed that I am reprehending my friend for vices which I cannot suppose him attached to: for I know thou art a young man designed for the receiving of instruction, in much higher and more glorious contemplations than those sons of earth are capable of, therefore I have presented thee with this translation which thou didst desire me to give thee.

It is necessary for me to inform thee, that whatever thy desires are in the pursuit of this *Art*, which I call *Magic*, so wilt thy connection and answer be.

If in the pursuit of revenge, it is but proper thou shouldst know that thou wilt, in any of these experiments here laid down, draw to thyself a revengeful demon, or an infernal furious spirit, serving in the principle of the wrath of spirits of evil; if worldly riches and aggrandizement, then shalt thou have an *earthiel* or

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fiery spirit, which will delude thee with the riches of the central world; if fame, or the blaze of glory, then the *spirit of pride* will be allotted to thee, who will gratify thy inordinate desire of vain glory; for all these offices are there spirits allotted and will be eager to mix with thy spirit: it will attract thee to his own nature, and serve thee all thy purposes according to the extent of thy desires, and as thy desires are and from what principle they proceed, so shalt thou be answered: but if thou desirest to know nothing but for the honor and glory of truth, possibilities from the Divine, and the help of thy neighbor, and, in great humility, fill thy heart with the love of thy neighbor, thou shalt then have a pure spirit which will grant thy desires.

Therefore, seek for that which is good; avoid all evil either in thought, word, or action; invoking powerful spirits to fill thee with wisdom, and then thou shalt reap an abundant harvest.

But beware of flattery, self-love and covetousness, so wilt thou thrive; and be diligent in thy occupation, so shalt thy body be fed. Idleness is offensive to the Deity, industry shall sweeten thy brown bread, and the fruits of it shall warm thine heart, and inspire thy soul with gratitude to those forces that bless thee with *enough*; seek for no more, for it will damn thee; pray for enough to feed and clothe thy body, but ask no more, lest thou pine away in heart-rending poverty, and spend the remainder of thy days in contumely and beggary.

THE TWO MAGICAL WAYS.

For know a thing most necessary for thee to know, that if by thy study, by thy art, or any other thing, thou couldst *command a million of spirits*, it should not be lawful for thee to wish to gain riches suddenly, for the Wisdom Eternal has put forth the fiat; and it has been said by Him who never spoke in vain, and who cannot lie, *that man shall get bread by the sweat of his brow*; therefore let us not have in view the enriching of ourselves in worldly goods, by supernatural means, or by a greedy desiring of what we ought to look upon with eyes of contempt, draw a curse down upon us.

Rather let us cheerfully rely on, and follow in every deed, spirit and truth, these words of the apostle, "*Seek ye first the kingdom of God within thee, and all these things shall be added unto you;*" fear not for success in Occult and Magical works surely comes to those who are faithful.

There are two ways Magically set before thee; choose which thou wilt, thou shalt be sure of thy reward.

Farewell, remember my counsel, and be happy. From thy friend and Brother in Magic,

Benares, India.

L.W. de Laurence

THE WITCH OF ENDOR

Invoking The Spiritual Body Of Saul

By *L. W. de Laurence*

That man is surrounded with invisible beings and that he can communicate with those who have passed beyond the grave is a belief almost as old as human civilization.

It survives strongly in our present civilized communities, and, although science has striven at times to kill it with ridicule, recent scientific discoveries have tended to justify faith in occult phenomena rather than to discourage it.

The Bible gives considerable justification for the belief that it is possible to communicate with the souls of the dead. It tells us that the *Witch of Endor* called up the spirit of *Samuel* at the request of *Saul*. We may reason that the witch was an impostor, but the *Bible does not say so*. It is probable that this dramatic passage in the *Bible* has done more than anything else to preserve the popular belief in spirits, and the possibilities of communicating with the dead among modern people and especially among Americans.

We must remember that the *Bible* condemned *Saul* for seeking to call up the spirit of *Samuel* and that disaster came from his daring experiment. Thus an evil reputation has come to be associated with attempts to communicate with the dead, and with all those dealings generally known under the name of "Magic."

The earliest scientists were Adepts and had dealings with disembodied spirits and departed beings. The *Babylonian* and *Egyptian* priests were the most distinguished of these practitioners, and yet they undoubtedly made considerable progress in natural science. These early *Oriental* priests were above all astronomers and they always mixed the *Occult* with their studies of astronomy.

The *Arabs* were the pioneers of mathematics, the most exact of the sciences, and yet they were profound believers in *Occultism*. Evidently the pursuit of science from the earliest times led a man toward a belief in the *occult* and *invisible* world.

Throughout the middle ages the belief in *magic*, the presence of *invisible spirits* all about us, and the possibility of communicating with the dead, persisted. It was strongest where civilization was most highly developed. Church and State sought to stamp it out, but without success, perhaps because many of those in authority were the strongest believers in the *Occult*.

•The brother of King Louis XIV., of France, officially known as "the most Christian King," and many members of the court, were discovered to be holding secret orgies with the spirits of the dead. The King's relatives and some of the highest personages in the aristocracy of France were saved by their rank, but those of lesser position were tortured and executed for their sins. Famous magicians like Johannes Trismegistus lorded it over whole communities. Sects like the *Rosicrucians*, practising mysterious rites in secret, included the most wealthy and important members of society.

Some magicians practised the "*greater magic*," sometimes called "*black magic*," that pretended to accomplish very grave and often evil results, while others practised only "*the lesser or white magic*," that was comparatively trivial in its aims.

Modern science, which is said to have begun with *Francis Bacon*, made from the first the most serious inroads into the claims of the magicians, astrologers and all other dealers in the *Occult*. The phenomena of the magicians would not bear investigation by laboratory methods in the cold light of day. They were dependent on abnormally sensitive states of feeling, produced by mysterious surroundings, such as the vault of a graveyard at midnight or a darkened room in which *Temple Incense* was burned or a red light burning over a bowl of sacrificial blood. They were a matter of faith, mood and abnormal perceptions.

The educated classes began to grow sceptical concerning *Occultism* and commerce with the spirits. Only the faithful Disciple and persons of an unusually credulous disposition clung to them. It must be said that the latter were always numerous even in the highest classes. *Queen Marie Antoinette* at the end of the eighteenth century fell under the control of an *Adept*; and today the *Czar of Russia* is said to be greatly influenced by a monk who professes to foresee the future. By the middle of the nineteenth century modern science had apparently crushed *ancient magic* and all that went with it. Science had then reached a state that was most hostile to anything *magical or occult or spiritistic*.

But since then an enormous change has taken place. Science has found that there are methods of communication other than those of our known senses. *Invisible forces* can

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reproduce the human voice. Messages fly through the air round the world. In fact, everything that the most fantastic magicians pretended to do, has been accomplished by the most matter-of-fact scientists.

The result has been a considerable revival in modern society of a literal acceptance of the "*old magic*," together with an open-minded attitude on the part of serious scientists toward occult and psychic phenomena. Professors of the *ancient magic* are going on with their *rituals* in *Chicago*, *New York* and other world cities, with all the mysterious accompaniments of other days, surrounded by a throng of devout *initiates*. There are even educated persons who believe that an "*elementa*" or a disembodied spirit may be reincarnated with the help of fresh, warm blood.

It was the discovery of electricity that first started the modern mind on its reversion to the old beliefs. Here is a force that is *invisible*, *intangible*, *imponderable*, and yet is capable of exerting the most tremendous powers of taking life and destroying every work of human hands. Here is a power that accomplishes practically everything that had been claimed by the old magic.

The more the powers of electricity were revealed the more did it appear like a mighty magician that could accomplish any miracle and send its commands to any part of the universe. Its various applications strengthened this idea, and to-day it is a commonplace idea with everybody that we are destined to see endless new uses of electricity.

The telephone was only one of many new inventions that were suggestive of *ancient magic* and yet were free from fraud. It is well known that the priests of the *Egyptian temples* and other wonder-workers created the most awe-inspiring effects on their followers by producing a human voice where no person appeared to be. This, of course, is just what the telephone does, and it has been suggested that some of the ancients may have known the principle of this invention.

Then came the invention of wireless telegraphy, due largely to the researches of *Sir Oliver Lodge*, who has since become the strongest scientific believer in psychic phenomena. By this use of electricity vibrations are caused to flow completely round the world, carrying messages without hindrance over mountains, deserts and all natural obstructions. This was, of course, as great a marvel as any that the *ancient magicians* ever pretended to achieve.

Scientific wonders began to come so fast that it would be impossible to catalogue them. The X-rays, which enable one to see through a solid object, accomplished exactly the same kind of miracle that is described in "*The Arabian Nights*." This discovery was largely due to *Sir William Crookes* who most significantly has become like *Sir Oliver Lodge*, one of the scientific believers in the possibility of communicating with the dead.

All these discoveries—the electric current, the telephone, the X-rays, wireless telegraphy, all the mysterious, intangible vibrations that are now known to pervade the universe, have a very obvious relation to the problem of communicating with the dead or with "*the unseen spirits of the air*."

Is it not reasonable to argue that the human spirit, which appears to be a form of electricity, will continue to exist apart from its gross material body?

Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone and perhaps the most distinguished of American scientists, has recently stated most interestingly some of the possibilities that arise from the newly-discovered etheric vibrations.

"Many recent scientific discoveries, in my opinion," he said, "*point to a day, not far distant perhaps, when men will read one another's thoughts, when thoughts will be conveyed directly from brain to brain without intervention of speech, writing or any of the present known methods of communication.*"

"I can imagine, as I have already told the electrical engineers, men with coils of wire about their heads communicating thought to one another by induction.

"It is a speculation, of course. I cannot fill in all the details at present. If I could, I should not be simply chatting about it, but would be helping to manufacture apparatus. A hundred reasons point to the end I have in mind, but there is a large gap to be bridged over before the end is reached.

"*It is not unreasonable to look forward to a time when we shall see without eyes, hear without ears, and talk without tongues.*"

"Speculation of this character has a legitimate value to science. It may help the individual worker to achieve his object, and it stimulates interest and enthusiasm in others. No man ever made a great scientific discovery without imagining the end to be achieved before he had worked out the preliminary details.

"Briefly, the hypothesis that mind can communicate directly with mind rests on the theory that thought or vital force is a form of electrical disturbance, that it can be taken up by induction and transmitted to a distance either through a wire or simply through the all-pervading ether, as in the case of wireless telegraph waves.

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"There are many analogies that suggest that thought is of the nature of an electrical disturbance. A nerve which is of the same substance as the brain is an excellent conductor of the electric current. When we first passed an electric current through the nerves of a dead man we were shocked and amazed to see him sit up and move. The electrified nerves produced contraction of the muscles very much as in life.

"The nerves appear to act upon the muscles very much as the electric current acts upon an electro-magnet. The current magnetizes a bar of iron placed at right angles to it and the nerves produce, through the intangible current of vital force that flows through them, contraction of the muscular fibres that are arranged at right angles to them.

"It would be possible to cite many reasons why thought and vital force may be regarded as of the same nature as electricity. The electric current is held to be a wave motion of the ether, the hypothetical substance that fills all space and pervades all substances. We believe that there must be ether, because without it the electric current could not pass through a vacuum or sunlight through space. It is reasonable to believe that only a wave motion of a similar character can produce the phenomena of thought and vital force. We may assume that the brain cells act as a battery and that the current produced flows along the nerves.

"But does it end there, Does it not pass out of the body in waves which flow round the world unperceived by our senses, just as the wireless waves passed unperceived before Hertz and others discovered their existence?

"This, then, is my thought, that every man is sending out from his mind vibrations of enormous rapidity and infinitesimal wave-length that pass completely round the earth and would reveal his thoughts, if there were some way of perceiving them or recording them.

"It is remarkable that nearly all our recent steps in science have had to do with discoveries of new vibrations. Suppose you have the power to make an iron rod vibrate with any desired frequency in a dark room. At first, when vibrating slowly, its movement will be indicated by only one sense, that of touch. As soon as the vibrations increase, a low sound will emanate from it and it will appeal to two senses.

"At about 32,000 vibrations to the second the sound will be loud and shrill, but at 40,000 vibrations it will be silent and its movement will not be perceived by touch. Its movements will be perceived by no ordinary human sense.

"From this point up to about 1,500,000 vibrations per second we have no sense that can appreciate any effect of the intervening vibrations. After that stage is reached its movement is indicated first by the sense of temperature and then, when the rod becomes red hot, by the sense of sight. At 3,000,000 it sheds violet light. Above that it passes into the ultra-violet rays and other invisible radiations, some of which can be perceived by instruments and employed by us.

"Now, it has occurred to me that there must be a great deal to be learned about the effect of those vibrations in the great gap where the ordinary human senses are unable to hear, see or feel the movement."

While men engaged in natural and applied sciences have made so many discoveries that border on the miraculous, philosophers and psychologists have begun to form new conceptions of the human mind and spirit.

What was once known as spiritualism has become psychical research. Scholars and scientists of the highest position believe either in the possibility of communicating with the dead, or at least that the phenomena of the subject should be investigated. *Dr. James H. Hyslop* gave up his position as a professor of philosophy in Columbia University to devote his life to this work. *William James*, the most famous of American psychologists, was inclined toward the end of his life to believe in the possibility of communicating with the departed.

In fact, the whole world is showing deep interest in what would once have been called magic or miraculous.

The Bible's Repeated Assertions Of Satan And His Occult Forces Of Evil

That there were *spirits of evil* recognized in *Scripture* is plainly evidenced, even from the earliest chapters in the *Bible*. When evil first makes its entry into the world, temptation is personified only in the serpent.

There is no other mention of this personality until the book of *Job*, where we read of Satan or the "Adversary." *Israel* in its exile into *Babylon* had learned something of the *Persian* myths of *Ormuzd* and *Ahriman*, the conflicting forces for good and evil.

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But scholars claim that *Satan in Job* is little like *Ahriman*, for he plays too subordinate a part. It is not until the *New Testament* that the power and influence of *Satan* are brought into bold relief. He is shown first as the "*Tempter*" of *Jesus* on the mount, and then appears all through the *Gospels*, *Epistles* and the *Apocalypse*.

There are comparatively few details in *Scripture* as to what the theologians call his "*nature*" and "*original state*." In *Ephesians* ii., 2, he is called "*the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience*." In *Matthew* xii., 24-26, he is spoken of as "*prince of the devils*," which may be cast out by *Jesus*, and in *Matthew* xxv., 41, as having angels subject to him.

He is believed to exercise his power over mankind either directly or through his instruments, *evil spirits* or *demons*. It is as a leader of a host of bad angels, "*fallen from grace*," for whom an everlasting fire is prepared" (*Matt.* xxv., 41), that he most frequently assaults the righteous. These fallen angels or evil spirits are directly identified with the "*devils*" or "*demons*" who had power to possess or control the souls of men (*Matt.* xii., 24-26).

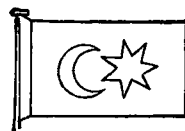
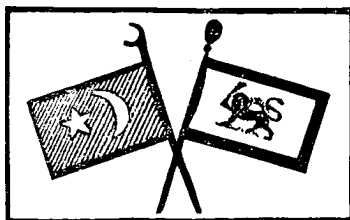
Satan is also called "*prince of this world*" in *John* xii., 31, and even "*god of this world*" in *2 Cor.* iv., 4.

It may be said in summing up the *Biblical* idea of *Satan* that: *The ultimate and fundamental truth of angelology and demonology has not been and never can be destroyed by the march of modern science.*

The assumption that other superhuman as well as subordinate agencies are at work, and that some of these are embodiments of *evil influence*, adds no fundamental difficulty to those which already exist. . . . Now it is a matter of historic notoriety that some personalities have lived in this world that might be called incarnations of evil influence.



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EVIL SPIRITS AN ENCUMBRANCE

By de Laurence

But not the appearance of super-mundane or sub-mundane spirits are caused by apparitions or Astral bodies of suicides or victims of accidents, nor by the Astral corpses and the Evestra of the dead; but there are other invisible Spirits that may haunt the houses of mortals, and may become occasionally visible if the conditions necessary for such a purpose exist.

One of these classes is made up of the being called "phantasmata." These spirits are "nocturnal spirits," having reasoning capacities similar to those of man. They seek to attach themselves to men especially to such as have little power of self-control, and over whom they may gain power.

There are a great many kinds of such spirits, good as well as evil ones, and they love to be near man. In this they are comparable to dogs, who are also fond of the company of men. But man can profit nothing from their company. They are evil spirits, and are only an encumbrance to him.

A true and effective power against all evil spirits is believed, as stated above, to be Coral, backed up by a firm will.

Again, if we love all the source of all good with all our heart, mind and desire, we may be sure never to fall into the power of evil; but priestly ceremony—the sprinkling of water, and the singing of incantations—are the inventions of clerical vanity, and they therefore take their origin from the source of all evil.

CEREMONIES WERE INSTITUTED ORIGINALLY TO GIVE AN EXTERNAL FORM TO AN INTERNAL ACT; BUT WHERE THE INTERNAL POWER TO PERFORM SUCH ACTS DOES NOT EXIST A CEREMONY WILL BE OF NO AVAIL EXCEPT TO ATTRACT SUCH SPIRITS AS MAY LOVE TO MOCK AT ONE'S FOOLISHNESS.

NOTE—Medieval Occult Literature and that of Modern Spiritualism contain many examples of Obsession by Evil Spirits, some having appeared visibly and tangibly; others, though unseen, were felt.

Such cases are at the present day much more numerous than is commonly believed, but they can only "materialize" if the necessary conditions are given. They are therefore only felt during a state of sickness, when a person is weak; but after the recovery of the patient they disappear, because they cannot draw the elements necessary for materialization out of a healthy strong constitution.

NOTE—They cannot, however, become visible unless they can draw some of the Astral essence from person or persons in whose presence they desire to appear; in other words, persons must be mediumists to produce such manifestations of form.

THEY ARE PARASITES DRAWING VITALITY OUT OF THE PERSONS TO WHOM THEY ARE ATTRACTED, AND THEY MAY EXHAUST THE VITALITY OF THE LATTER VERY SOON IF SUCH PERSONS ARE NOT VERY STRONG.

EVIL SPIRITS AFTER GETTING CONTROL OVER MEDIUMS, OR OTHERS, ARE OFTEN INCLINED TO INSTIGATE SUCH MEDIUMISTIC PERSONS TO THE COMMISSION OF CRIMES AND IMMORALITIES; NEITHER CAN THEY (EVIL SPIRITS) AVOID DOING SO, BECAUSE BY LOSING THEIR PHYSICAL BODIES WHILE BEING EVIL IN THEIR SOUL THEY HAVE ALSO LOST THE NECESSARY AMOUNT OF ENERGY AND WILL POWER TO EXERCISE SELF-CONTROL AND TO EMPLOY THEIR REASONING FACULTIES FOR GOOD. THEY OFTEN HAUNT THE PLACES WHERE THEY USED TO SPEND THEIR TIME DURING LIFE.

NOTE—Books might be filled with reliable accounts of haunted houses, and instances in which such evil spirits have been seen are exceedingly numerous. Some people that may not be able to see them may feel them instinctively or even physically, like a cold wind or like a current of electricity passing through the body, thus attempting to find relief from their burning thirst after the gratification of their desires. Wherever their thoughts attract them, they will go. If they have committed some crime, they may be bound by repentance to that place where it was perpetrated. If they have a treasure buried, care for their money may hold them there. Hatred or desire for revenge may tie them to their enemies.

NOTE—CHINAMEN AND HINDOOS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO KILL THEMSELVES FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVENGE, SO THAT THEIR SOULS MAY CLING TO THEIR ENEMIES AND TROUBLE THEIR MINDS OR DRIVE THEM TO SUICIDE. IT IS ALSO WELL PROVEN THAT WARS ARE OFTEN FOLLOWED BY NUMEROUS SUICIDES OCCURRING IN THE VICTORIOUS ARMY.

LOVE MAY TURN THEM INTO VAMPIRES, AND CONNECT THEM WITH THE OBJECT OF THEIR PASSION, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE SOME ELEMENTS IN THE LATTER WHICH WILL ATTRACT THEM, BECAUSE THE ASTRAL BODY OF AN EVIL PERSON CANNOT INFLUENCE THE MIND OF A PURE PERSON, NEITHER DURING LIFE NOR AFTER DEATH, UNLESS THEY ARE MUTUALLY CONNECTED BY SOME SIMILARITY IN THEIR MENTAL ORGANIZATION.

NOTE—Such a case of vampirism is personally known to the writer.

A young man killed himself on account of his passion for a married lady. The latter loved him, but did not encourage his advances on account of her matrimonial obligations.

After his death his Astral form became attracted to her, and as she was of a mediumistic temperament he found the necessary conditions to become partly materialized. It required a long continued effort until she finally became rid of his spirit.

NOTE—If our practitioners of medicine were better acquainted with Occult Facts, many "mysterious" cases that come under their observation might become clear to them, and they would soon obtain a deeper insight into some cases of Obsession, Mania, Hysteria, Hallucination, etc.

NOTE—The writer will here give a very good description of some of the modern spirit-Materialization.

The "Airy Appendix" (Astral Form) usually comes out of the left side of the medium, in the region of the spleen. Mediums need not necessarily be depraved persons, but there must be some fault in their organization, else the combination of their principles would be too strong to part with some of their Astral substance.

Materializing mediums may be very good people, but solitary lives and vicious habits may lead to the development of such mediumship which may prove very injurious in the end.

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INSANITY AND OBSESSION

By de Laurence

EVIL SPIRITS INFLUENCE MEN ACCORDING TO THEIR QUALITIES; THEY WATCH THEM, INCREASE AND DEEPEN THEIR FAULTS, FIND EXCUSES FOR THEIR MISTAKES, CAUSE THEM TO WISH FOR THE SUCCESS OF EVIL ACTIONS, AND GRADUALLY ABSORB THEIR VITALITY. THEY FORTIFY AND SUPPORT THE IMAGINATION IN THE OPERATIONS OF SORCERY; THEY SOMETIMES UTTER FALSE PROPHECIES AND GIVE OUT MISLEADING ORACLES.

Evil Spirits are the lowest creatures in the scale of human beings and they delight in bringing on nervous disorders, insanity, ill-luck, and misfortune as well as breaking down the human will of men, women, and children. For they are the real devils of the invisible universe and only make themselves visible to frighten and injure people. In fact, they are the world's greatest criminals, and their connection and relation to crime, vice, and sensuality is a record of horror and misery.

Under certain circumstances, Human Astral Entities or Evil Spirits may become visible or manifest their presence in some manner.

Evil Spirits may appear in bodily shape, or remain invisible and produce sounds and noises—such as knocks, laughing, groaning, sighing, and walking. All this may be done by them for the purpose of calling the attention of the living, so that they may torment, trouble, or obtain an opportunity to enter into communication with them.

If a man has a strong and evil imagination and wishes to injure another, such Evil Spirits are always ready to lend a helping hand for the accomplishment of his purpose.

Evil Spirits may render their victims insane, that is those whom they obsess, if the latter are too weak to resist their influence. A healthy and pure person cannot be obsessed by them, because such Spirits can only act upon men if the latter make room for them in their minds.

A HEALTHY MIND IS A CASTLE THAT CANNOT BE INVADDED WITHOUT THE WILL OF A MASTER; BUT IF THEY ARE ALLOWED TO ENTER, THEY EXCITE THE PASSIONS OF MEN AND WOMEN; THEY CREATE CRAVINGS IN THEM; THEY PRODUCE BAD THOUGHTS, WHICH ACT INJURIOUSLY UPON THE BRAIN; THEY SHARPEN THE ANIMAL INTELLECT AND SUFFOCATE THE MORAL SENSE.

Evil Spirits obsess only those human beings in whom the animal nature is preponderating. Minds that are illuminated by the Spirit of Truth cannot be possessed. Only those who are habitually guided by their own lower impulses may become subject to their influences. Exorcisms and Ceremonies by so-called healers and mediums are useless in such cases. The wearing of Corals, released by a Master Adept, or abstinence from all thoughts that may stimulate the imagination or excite the brain are the only true remedies.

But if such Spirits are invisible under moral conditions to a human being, they may be well enough perceived by a human elementary consciously existing on their plane, and what is still more, depraved human characters may after death take themselves the forms of animals and monsters to which they were brought to resemble by their evil thoughts.

Form is nothing but an appearance representing a character and the character shapes the form. If the character of a person is thoroughly evil, it will cause the Astral form to assume a hideous form. Therefore the souls of the depraved may appear in animal shapes.

NOTE.—This is confirmed by the writer in his "Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic, and East Indian Occultism."

The animal soul of the departed takes the form and shape of that animal whose character predominated in his constitution.

Pure spirit has no form. It is formless like the sunshine. But as the sunshine causes the elements of matter to grow into plants, likewise the soul substances may be formed into beings having shapes, through the action of the spiritual rays.

There are Good Spirits and Spirits of Evil. There are the Spirits of the Four Elements, and there are many thousand different kinds. There is a never-ending chain of births and transformations taking place in the world, of causes (spirits) as in the world of effects (forms).

The lives of some such entities extend over enormous periods of time; others have only a short individual existence.

This is the reason that so many things that have been told by Spirits have been proved lies and illusions, and some Spirits lie a great deal more than others. But it may happen that perhaps out of a dozen predictions made by such Spirits, one accidentally comes out true, and ignorant people will in such cases pay no attention to the fact that the eleven predictions were false, but they will be ready to believe everything that such Spirits may say.

Such spirits often teach those persons who deal with them to perform certain Ceremonies, to speak certain words and names in which there is no meaning, and they do all such things for their own amusement, and to have some sport at the expense of credulous persons. They are seldom what they pretend to be; they accept names and one will use the name of another, or they may assume the mask and the ways of acting of another.

If a person has such a Spirit, belonging to a better class, he may make a good Medium or Clairvoyant; but one who has a lying Spirit will hear nothing but lies; and on the whole, **all these Spirits surpass each other in deception and lies.**

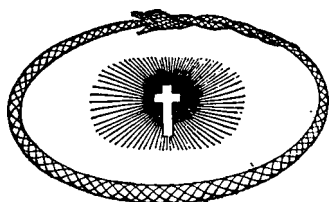
NOTE.—Those who have some experience in modern Spiritualism will recognize the truth of this statement. Spiritualists should not act upon the advices of Spirits, if such advices are against their own reason, and Scientists should not rely on the opinion of others if such opinions are against their own common sense.

Man is an instrument through which all the three worlds, the Spiritual, the Astral and the Elementary world are acting. In him are beings from all these worlds, reasonable and unreasonable, intelligent and unintelligent creatures.

A man without any self-knowledge and self-control is made to act according to the will of these creatures; but the true philosopher acts according to the will of the Supreme, the Creator, in him, as is taught by de Laurence in The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism.

WHAT AM I WHENCE CAME I WHITHER AM I GOING

A WORD FROM de LAURENCE



The impression, which it is most earnestly desired to make upon the reader, is the paramount importance of Self-Knowledge, Know Thyself, and the duty of each individual to seek and develop soul power. The most important questions to every individual are: *What am I? Whence came I? Whither am I going?*

The Divine dwells in man, manifesting itself in various forms, from the crimson cheek of virtuous indignation to the blinding force of universal truth dawning on the mind. That which is Divine in man is alone the Power to recognize that which is Divine apart from him.

The Mind Of Man Is Ever Restless Prone To Err, Small In Its Infinity For Right

No Human soul is born into this "Vale of Tears" (World) a Master of Spirit Art and for this reason all are obliged to learn, and he who applieth himself thereunto, and studieth, learneth; and a man can have no more shameful and evil title than that of being ignorant of his great Occult, and Spiritual Powers.

In the darkness and gloom of Despair and Death the true Disciple of Spiritism sees a Star, for his listening soul hears The Inner Voice Of Revelation, and his keen Clairvoyant Sight penetrates Death which is the Greatest Mystery Known to Man. To him the cold face of the Dead smile, and Roses Bloom in the Dark Valley of Death; for he knows that, even so, man being dead he liveth again and speaketh unto him from spirit life. *The most profound problem of human life, and the most pitiful and pathetic cry of the human soul throughout all ages, has been the problem and cry, If a man die shall he live again?*

THE OTHER SHORE OF LIFE

There are some, whose spiritual sight is clear, and to whom the other shore of life is visible. They are able to penetrate the darkness of physical obscurity and behold, with the inner or spiritual sight, the spiritual world beyond the dark and troubled waters of earth life. *These are the True Masters.*

THE MORN OF LAUGHTER AND THE NIGHT OF TEARS

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The leader is assailed because he is a leader, and the effort to equal him is merely added proof of that leadership. Failing to equal or to excel, the follower seeks to depreciate and to destroy—but only confirms once more the superiority of that which he strives to supplant.

There is nothing new in this. It is as old as the world and as old as the human passions—envy, fear, greed, ambition, and the desire to surpass.

And it all avails nothing.

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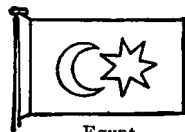
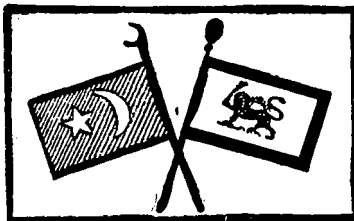
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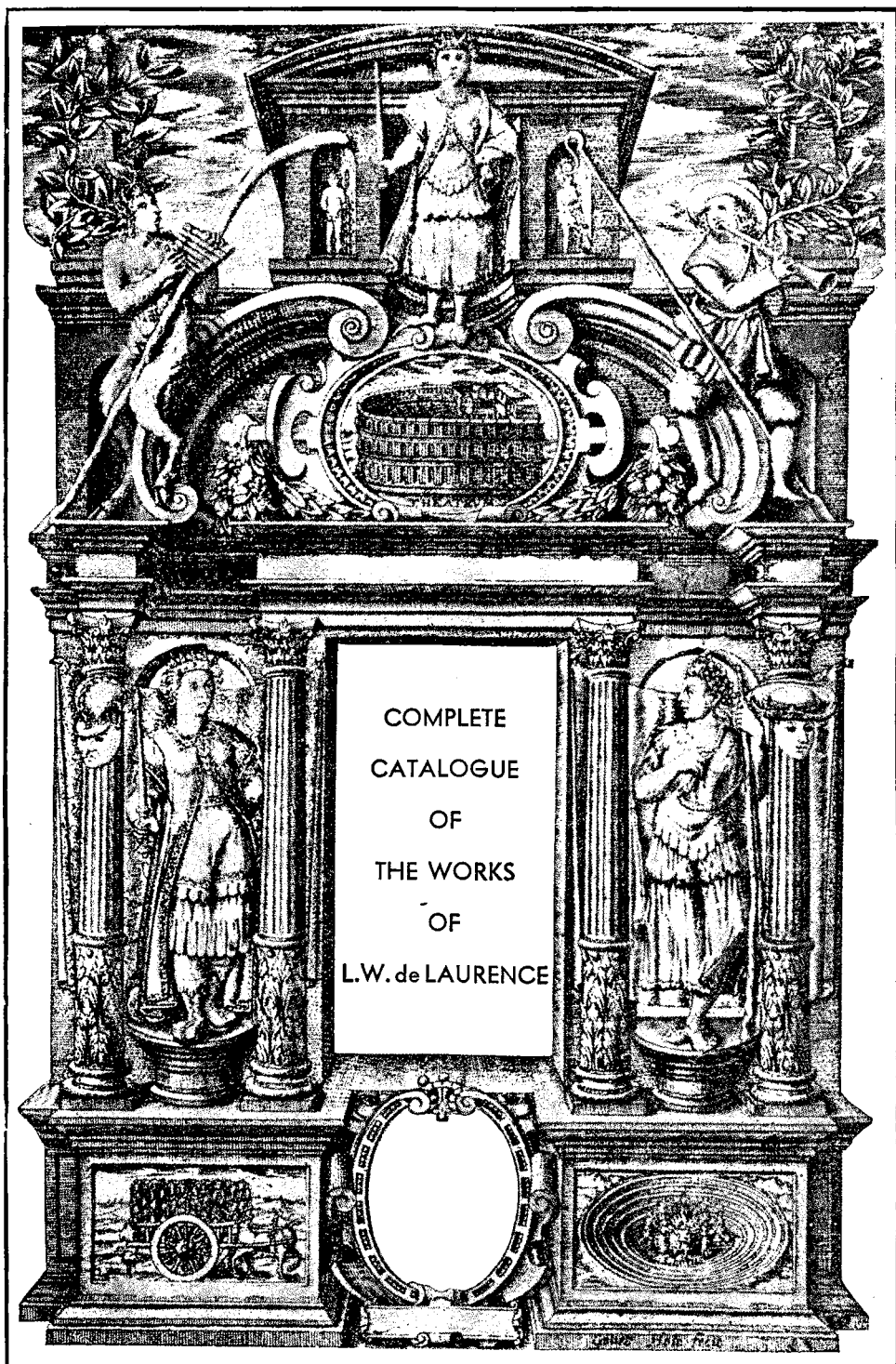
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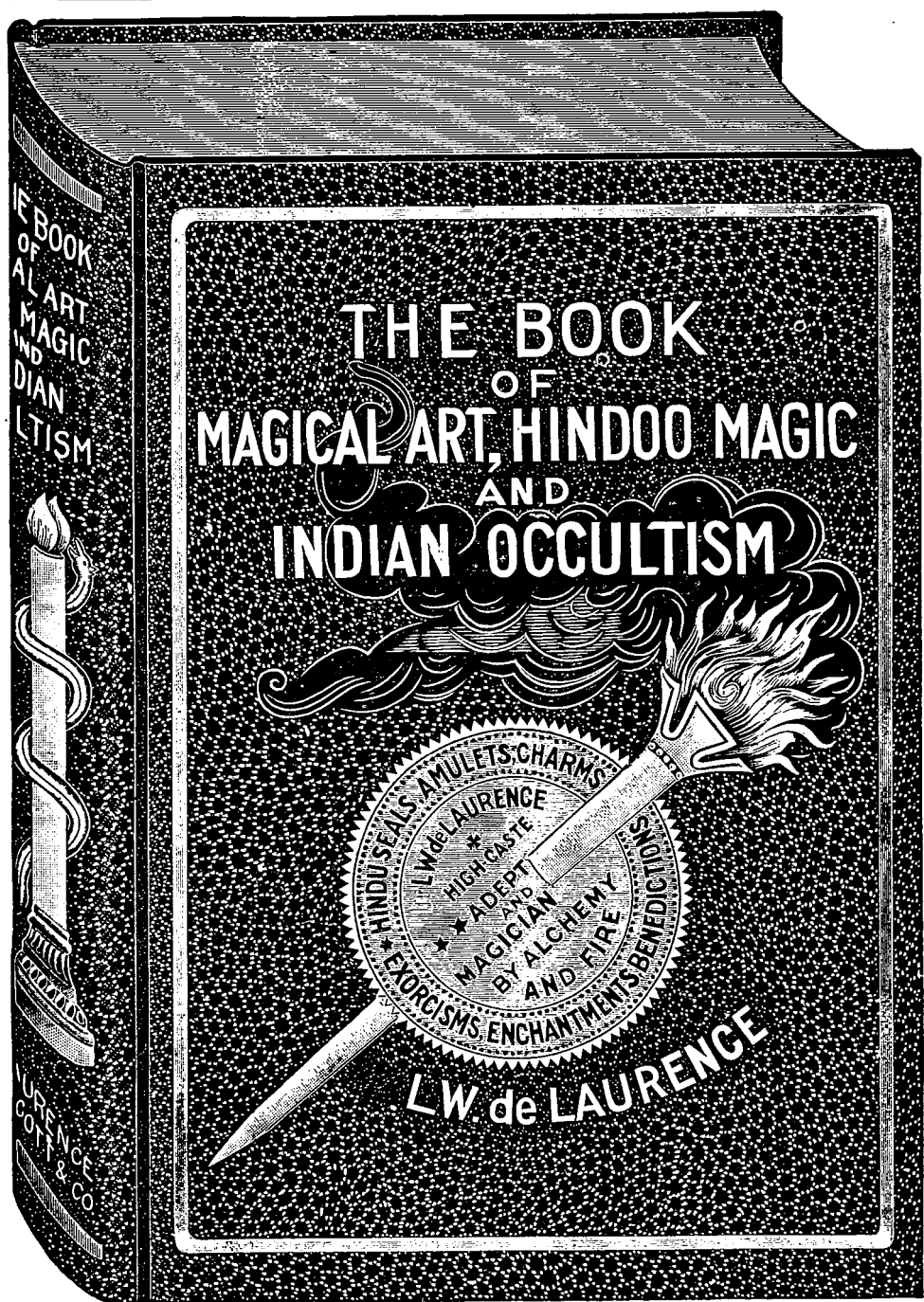
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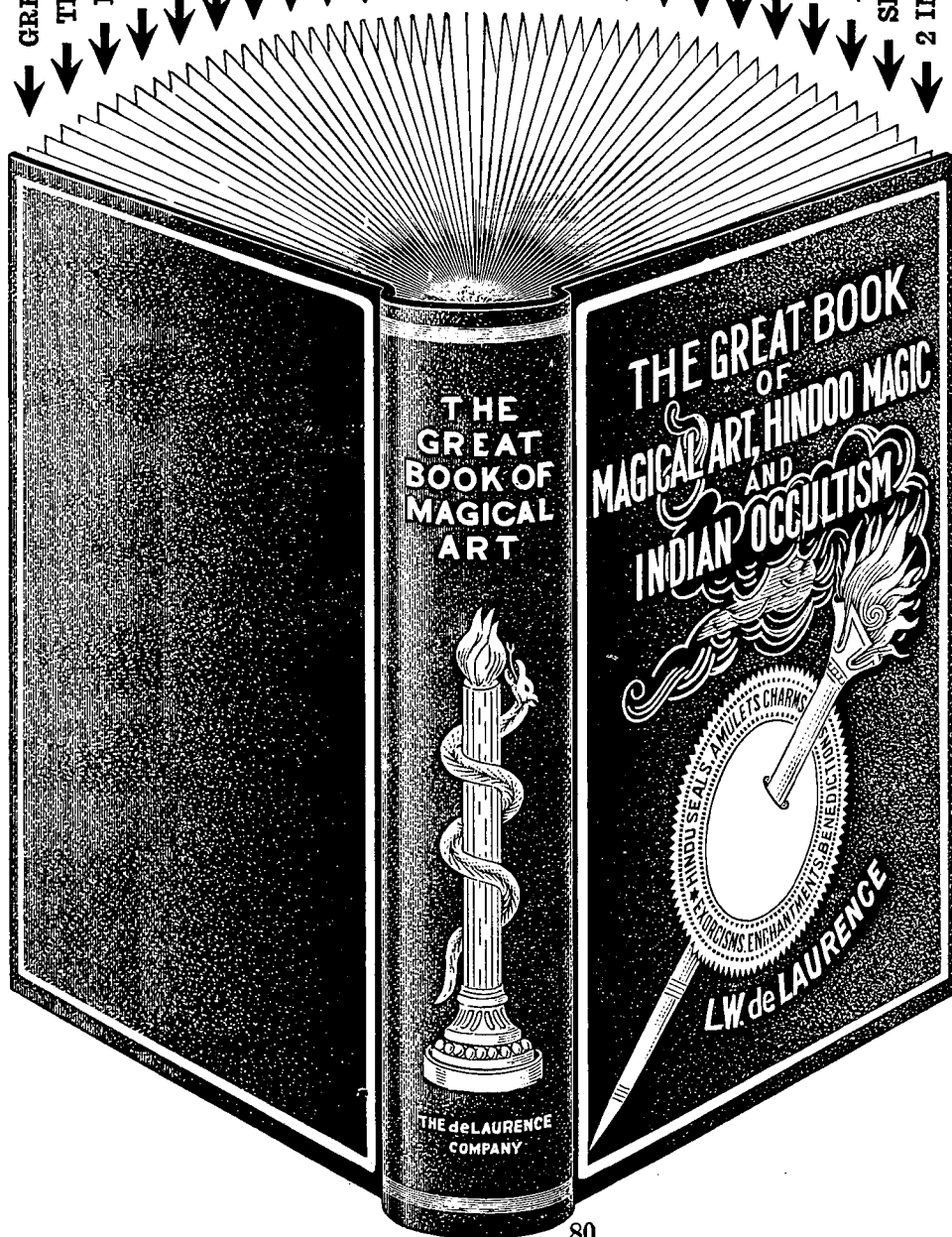
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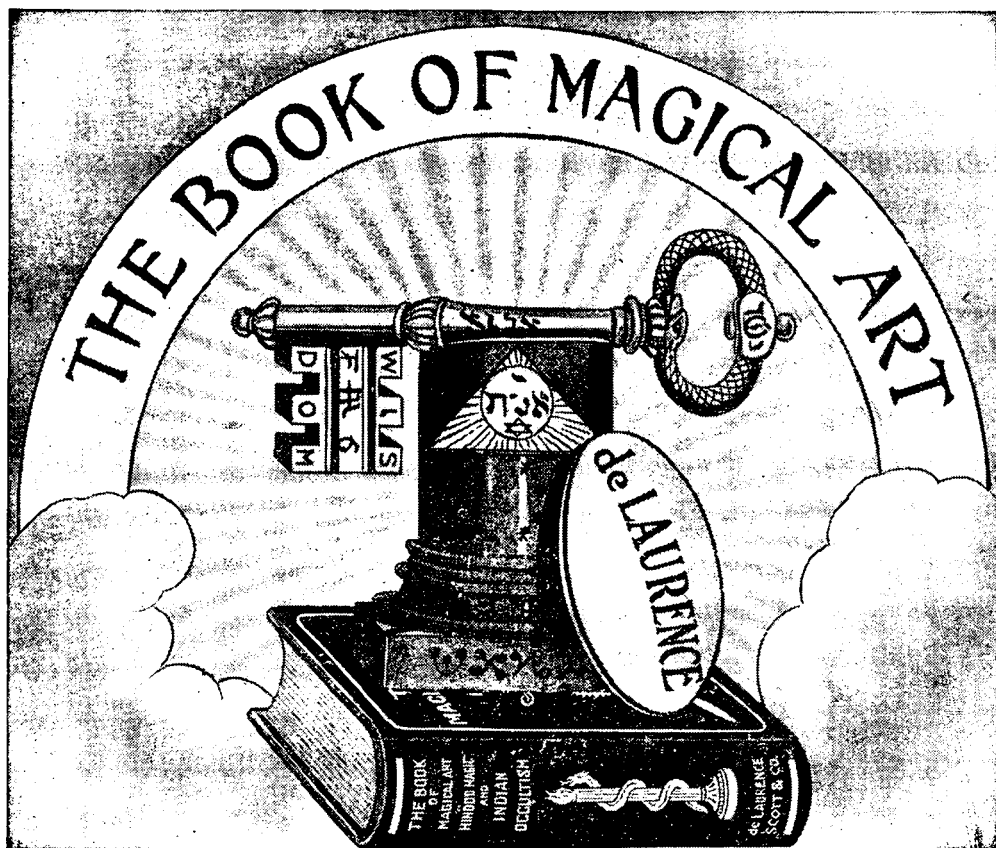
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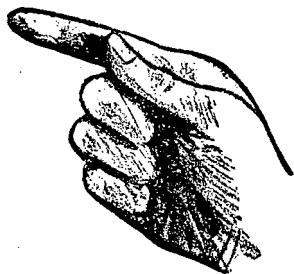
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INVOKING SOULS OF THE DEAD

Strange Experience Of A Favorite Student

From the earliest times men have endeavored to get in touch with the Spirits of the Unseen World. From the earliest times Masters of Occultism have formulated *Ceremonial Rites* to call to their aid *Spirit Powers*—sometimes for good and often for evil. One of the best known modern *Mystics*, who is at present in *India*, is a Frenchman, who, having been a life-long Disciple of de Laurence's, went to India to be admitted to those *Eastern Orders Of Sacred Mysteries*, to which de Laurence himself belongs. For a long time this Frenchman studied under his Master in the United States; but from time to time he would disappear, only to appear again in *Egypt* or *India* on some *secret mission* for de Laurence. To him a long journey, under the direction of de Laurence, is an achievement, a satisfying thing in itself, like the hidden knowledge which he has so faithfully searched for. He explored *Egypt* without guides of any kind. Later he spent four years in *Northern India* at a certain *Occult Temple* under the guidance of de Laurence. His success, after he returned to the United States, in curing serious diseases and cases of Obsession, was phenomenal. The most important part of this Mystic's Occult education, given him by de Laurence, was the instructions for the *Exorcising of Evil Obsessing Spirits*,* (see foot note below) and to prevent them from returning. It is well known that de Laurence's knowledge is based on his own practical experience as an Adept and an Exorcist, covering a period of more than Forty years. de Laurence, and this favorite student of his, during their travels throughout the world have cast out *Evil Spirits* and relieved many cases of Obsession.

As a silent *Chela*, this Frenchman says, he has sat for days within his Temple, never moving leg nor arm, so that he might have revealed to him the Occult Powers of the Universe and have his Inner Spiritual Vision opened so he could read in The Astral Light at will. He devoted much time, he says, to the art of Materializing the Spirit Forms of those whom he wished to communicate with in the Spiritual World. This is accomplished, so he states, by the aid of *de Laurence's Master's Incense*, for Invocations and of *Rituals* taken from "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM." *By de Laurence.*

Speaking of Occultism and the Power of Unseen Forces, this learned student of de Laurence's recently said that his knowledge of the Occult has amazed both himself and his friends beyond expression. Indeed, he says: "I Evoke a Spirit by a Special Ceremonial Rite. I work for a given result and do not, like Spiritualists, wait for some wandering spirit to turn up, or become a slave of any spirit which happens to come around claiming to be my Guide."

In "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM" the student is taught how to make his Magic Circle, and once within his Circle the student is Master. The spirits Must Obey.

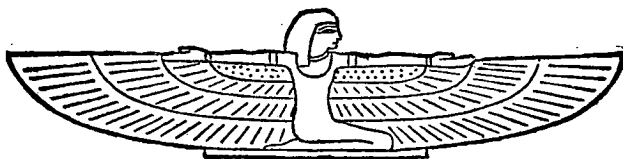
"It was in New York that two of us, myself and another of de Laurence's Disciples of high rank, decided to Evoke a particular Spirit. We performed no blood sacrifice. It is not necessary to shed blood if you use de Laurence's Master's Incense, for the Spirit you want should Materialize while it is burning.

"Around the Altar we had traced a large Circle, ample in size to hold us both. And then, following the Occult Rites, as taught by de Laurence, we consecrated the Altar and the Circle itself. So long as we remained inside the Circle, no Spirit could harm us. Being thus secured, we Conjured the Spirit we desired to have come to us.

"As the smoke arose from the Incense in the Burner we lifted up our voices and Invoked the Spirit. And then, as we felt Occult Powers within us grow, we commanded that the Spirit come forth.

"All at once from out of the smoke of the burning Incense there slowly arose a Spiritual Form which answered any question we asked and Prophesied certain things which have since come to pass."

*An abundance of evidence is produced to show that EVIL OBSESSING Spirits seem to take the same delight in torturing a child till it dies, or in annoying a pure girl till she becomes insane, or in tormenting a man till he murders his sweetheart and kills himself, as the good spirits do in shedding their benign influence and protecting care over those whom they regard as worthy of their assistance. And it may surprise many persons to learn that their most bitter enemy may return as an OBSESSING SPIRIT after death, and cause more trouble and distress than he ever did during life.



THE HINDU BOOKS OF INITIATION



HE mysteries taught in *THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART*, *HINDU MAGIC* AND *EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM* are as old as the world, and one well versed in the *esoteric mythologies* of various *Oriental* nations can trace them back to the days of the anti-*Vedic* period of *India*.

Every approach to the *Occult Mysteries*, of all *Oriental* nations, has been guarded with the same jealous care; as all initiates, of any degree, *dared not* divulge the secrets entrusted to them. This was the case in the *Eleusinian* and *Bacchic Mysteries*, among the *Chaldean Magic*, and the *Egyptians* hierophants; while with the *Hindus*, from which they were all derived, the same rules have prevailed from time immemorial

until de Laurence received the exclusive right to train sincere *Occult* students.

In the *Hindu* books of initiation we find that any initiate of the *first degree* (the lowest) who betrays the secrets of his initiation, to members of other *castes*, for whom the science is a closed book, must have "*his tongue cut out*," and suffer other humiliations.

"No one who is not bound to his *Master* and teacher by friendship and communion with the unseen world, can be initiated into the *Occult Mysteries* of the *Adepts*," says the *Hindu* books of initiation.

SPIRITUAL PHENOMENA AND MEDIUMSHIP.

It is permissible to assume that one country, owing to its less propitious climate, and the magnetism of the average population being too positive to call forth independent spiritual phenomena, may not experience these things and therefore be full of skepticism.

On the other hand, neither Protestant *Germany*, nor *England*, nor yet in *America*, since the days of the *Reformation*, has the clergy had access to any of the *Vatican* secret libraries. Hence they are all but poor hands at the *Magic* miracles of the *Master Jesus*.

The *United States* is overflowing with sensitives, and mediums; the reason for it is partially attributable to climatic influence and especially to the physiological condition of the population. Since the days of the *Salem* witchcraft, 200 years ago, when the comparatively few settlers had pure and unadulterated blood in their veins, nothing much had been heard of "*spirits*" or "*mediums*" until 1840. The phenomena then first appeared among the *ascetic* and exalted *Shakers*, whose religious aspirations, peculiar mode of life, moral purity, and physical chastity all led to the production of independent phenomena of a psychological as well as physical nature. Hundreds of thousands, and even millions of men from various climates and of different constitutions and habits, have, since 1692, invaded *North America*, and by intermarrying have substantially changed the physical type of the inhabitants. Of what country in the world do the women's constitutions bear comparison with the delicate, nervous, and sensitive constitutions of the feminine portion of the population of the *United States*? We were struck on our arrival in the country with the semi-transparent delicacy of skin of the natives of both sexes. Compare a hard-working *Irish* factory girl or boy, with one from a genuine American family. Look at their hands.

One works as hard as the other; they are of equal age, and both seemingly healthy; and still, while the hands of the one, after an hour's soaping, will show a skin little softer than that of a young alligator, those of the other, notwithstanding constant use, will allow you to observe the circulation of the blood under the thin and delicate epidermis. No wonder, then, that while America is the conservatory of sensitives the majority of its clergy unable to produce divine or any other miracles, stoutly deny the possibility of any phenomena except those produced by tricks and juggling. And no wonder also that the *Catholic* priesthood, who are practically aware of the existence of *Magic* and *spiritual phenomena*, and believe in them while dreading their consequences, try to attribute the whole to the agency of the Devil.

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SPIRITUAL MANIFESTATIONS.

As for materializations, they are many and various in the sacred records of the Bible. But, were they affected under the same conditions as at modern *seances*? Darkness, it appears, was not required in those days of *patriarchs* and *Magic* powers. The three angels who appeared to *Abraham* drank in the full blaze of the sun, for "*he sat in the tent-door in the heat of the day*," says the book of *Genesis*. The spirits of *Elias* and *Moses* appeared equally in daytime, as it is not probable that *Christ* and the *Apostles* would be climbing a high mountain during the night. *Jesus* is represented as having appeared to *Mary Magdalene* in the garden in the early morning; to the *Apostles*, at three distinct times, and generally by day; once "*when the morning was come*" (*John*, xx., 4). Even when the ass of *Balaam* saw the "*materialized*" angel, it was in the full light of noon.

All are fully prepared to agree with *de Laurence*, that they find in the life of *Christ*—and we may add in the *Old Testament*, too—"an uninterrupted record of spiritualistic manifestations," but nothing mediumistic, of a physical character though, if we except the visit of *Saul* to *Sedecla*, the *Obeah* woman of *En-Dor*. This is a distinction of vital importance.

True, the promise of the *Master* was clearly stated; "*Aye, and greater works than these shall ye do*"—works of mediatorship. According to *Joel*, the time would come when there would be an outpouring of the divine spirit: "*Your sons and your daughters*," says he, "*shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions*." The time has come and they do all these things now; *Spiritualism* has its *seers* and *martyrs*, its prophets and healers. Like *Moses*, and *David*, and *Jehoram*, there are mediums who have direct writings from genuine planetary and human spirits; and the best of it brings the mediums no pecuniary recompense.

There are a few, a very few, orators on the spiritualistic platform who speak by inspiration, and if they know what is said at all they are in the condition described by *Daniel*; "*And I retained no strength. Yet heard I the voice of his words: And when I heard the voice of his words, then was I in a deep sleep*." (*Daniel*, x., 8.)

And there are mediums, those whom we have spoken of, for whom the prophecy in *Samuel* might have been written: "*The spirit of the Lord will come upon thee, thou shalt prophesy with them, and shall be turned into another man*." (*Samuel*, x., 6.)

"But where, in the long line of *Bible* wonders, do we read of flying guitars, and tinkling tambourines, and jangling bells being offered in pitch-dark rooms as evidences of immortality? These foolish things are only found among the impostures and spurious mediums of United States and England.

When *Christ* was accused of casting out devils by the power of *Beelzebub*, he denied it, and sharply retorted by asking, "*By whom do your sons of disciples cast them out?*" Again, spiritualists affirm that *Jesus* was a medium, that he was controlled by one or many spirits; but when the charge was made to him direct he said that he was nothing of the kind. "*Say we not well, that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil?*" *daimonion*, and *Obeah*, or familiar spirit in the Hebrew text. *Jesus* answered, "*I have not a devil*." (*Gospel according to John VII. 20*.)

Many writers attempt a parallel between the aerial flights of *Philip* and *Ezekiel* and of *Mrs. Guppy* and other modern mediums. They are ignorant or oblivious of the fact that while *levitation* occurred as an effect in both classes of cases, the producing causes were totally dissimilar. *Levitation*, raising a human body in the air without material means or support, may be produced consciously or unconsciously to the subject as taught in that wonderful book, "*INDIA'S HOOD UNVEILED*,"

The *Adept* determines beforehand that he will be *levitated*, for how long a time, and to what height; he regulates the *Occult* forces accordingly. The disciple of *Hindu Occultism* produces the same effect and except when in the ecstatic state, keeps control over his movements. So do the priests of *Siam*, when, in the sacred *pagoda*, he mounts fifty feet in the air with taper in hand, and flits from idol to idol, lighting up the niches, self-supported, and stepping as confidently as though he were upon solid ground. *This, persons have seen and testified to*. The officers of the *Russian* squadron, which recently circumnavigated the globe, and was stationed for a long time in *Japanese* waters, relate the fact that, besides many other marvels, they saw priests walk in mid-air from tree-top to tree-top, without the slightest support. They also saw the pole and tape-climbing feats, described by *Colonel Olcott* in his *People from the Other World*, and which have been so much called in question by certain spiritualists and mediums whose zeal is greater than their learning. The quotations from *Col. Yule*, *de Laurence*, and other eminent writers seem to place the matter beyond doubt that these effects are produced.

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TO THE FAITHFUL AND DISCREET DISCIPLE OF WISDOM.

BY de LAURENCE.

In "The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism," which I have written chiefly for the information of those who are guileless and indefatigable in their enquiries into Spiritism and Indian Occultism, I have, at vast labor and expense, both of time and charges, collected whatsoever can be deemed valuable and rare, in regard to the subject of Hindu and Natural Magic, Indian Occultism—the Cabala—Celestial and Ceremonial Magic—Alchemy—and Spiritism; and have divided it into **TWO BOOKS**, sub-divided into parts: to which I have added a biographical account of those great men who were famous and renowned for their knowledge; showing upon whose authority this Science of Occultism and Magic is founded, and upon what principles. To which I have annexed a great variety of notes, wherein I have impartially examined the probability of the existence of Magic, both of the good and bad species, in the earliest, as well as in the latter, ages of the world. I have exhibited a vast number of rare experiments in the course of this Treatise, many of which, delivered in the beginning, are founded upon the simple application of actives to passives; the others are of a higher Astral Influence.

In my history of the lives of Hindu Adepts, Philosophers, Alchemists, etc., I have omitted nothing that can be called interesting or satisfactory. I have taken my historical characters from those Adepts, Great Masters and Philosophers, most deserving of credit; I have given an outline of the various reports tradition gives of them; to which are annexed notes, drawn from the most probable appearance of truth, impartially describing their characters and actions; leaning neither to the side of those who doubt everything, nor to them whose credulity takes in every report to be circumstantially true.

At this time, Hindu Magic, Indian Occultism and Spiritism are more investigated than for a century past, during which space they have been almost totally neglected; but men becoming more enlightened, they begin to consider the extraordinary effects that were wrought by ancient philosophers, in ages that were called dark. Many, therefore, have thought that time, nature, causes, and effects, being the same, with the additional improvements of mechanical and liberal arts, we may, with their knowledge of Nature, surpass them in the producing of wonderful effects; for which cause many men are naturally impelled, without education or other advantage, to dive into the contemplation of Spiritism, Hindu Magic and Indian Occultism; but the study thereof being at first difficult, they have recourse to lay out a great deal of money in collecting various books; to remedy this inconvenience and expense, I have at an enormous cost published *The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism*, presuming that my labors therein will meet with the general approbation of either the student or disciple: for whose use and instruction it is now published.

But to return to the subject of this Book; I have, in the First Part, fully explained what Natural Magic is; and have shown that, by the application of actives to passives, many wonderful occult effects are produced that are merely natural, and done by manual operations. I have procured every thing that was valuable and scarce respecting this department of my work, which I have introduced under the title of Natural Magic; and a variety of my own experiments likewise. In the possession of this work, the



laborious and diligent student will find a complete and delectable companion; so that he who has been searching for years, for this author and the other, will in this Volume find the marrow of them all.

But I would advise, that thee do not depend too much upon thy own wisdom in the understanding of these mysteries; for all earthly wisdom is foolishness in the esteem of the true Adept—I mean all the wisdom of man, which he pretends to draw from any other source than the spiritual alone.

SECOND PART OF THE FIRST BOOK.

In the study of this Volume you come next to the Second Part of the First Book, treating of the Art called the Constellatory Practice, or Talismanic Magic; in which I fully demonstrate the power and efficiency of Talismans and Charms, so much talked of, and so little understood by most men: I therefore explain, in the clearest and most intelligible manner, how Talismans, Charms and Amulets may be made for the execution of various purposes, and by what means, and from what source they become vivified, and are visible instruments of great and wonderful effects. I likewise show the proper and convenient times; under what constellations and aspects of the planets Talismans, Amulets and Charms are to be formed, and the times when they are most powerful to act; and, in the next place, I have taught that our own spirit is the vehicle of celestial attraction, transferring celestial and spiritual virtue into Seals, Images, Amulets, Rings, Papers, Glasses, &c. Also, I have not forgot to give the most clear and rational illustration of sympathy and antipathy—attraction and repulsion. I have likewise proved how cures are performed by virtue of sympathetic powers and medicines—by seals, rings, and amulets, even at unlimited distances, which I have been witness of and am daily confirmed in the true and certain belief of. I know how to communicate with any person, and to give him intimation of my purpose, at a hundred or a thousand miles distance; but then a preparation is necessary, and the parties should have their appointed seasons and hours for that purpose; likewise, both should be of the same firm constancy of mind, and a disciple or brother in art. There is also given methods whereby a man may receive true and certain intimation of future things (by dreams), of whatsoever his mind has before meditated upon, himself being properly disposed. Likewise, there is recited the various methods used by the Hindu Adepts and Yoghees for the invocation of astral spirits, by circles, crystals, &c.; their forms of exorcism, incantations, orations, bonds, conjurations; and have given a general display of the instruments of their Art; to all of which I have subjoined notes, endeavoring to point out the difference of these Arts, so as to free the name of Magic from any scandalous imputation; seeing it is a word originally significative not of any evil, but of every good and laudable science, such as a man might profit by, and become both wise and happy; and the practice so far from being offensive to woman or man, that the very root or ground of all Magic takes its rise from the Holy Scriptures, viz.—“The fear of God is the beginning of all wisdom;”—and charity is the end: which fear of God is the beginning of Magic; for Magic is wisdom, and on this account the wise men were called Magi. The Magicians were the first Christians; for, by their high and excellent knowledge they knew that that Saviour which was promised, was now born man—that Christ was our Redeemer, Advocate, and Mediator; they were the first to acknowledge his glory and majesty; therefore let no one be offended at the venerable and sacred title of Magician—a title which every wise man merits while he pursues that path which Christ himself trod, viz., humility, charity, mercy, fasting, praying, &c.; for the true Magician is the truest Christian, and nearest disciple of Jesus the Adept, who set the example we ought to follow; for he says—“If

ye have faith, &c.;" and "This comes not by fasting and prayer, &c.;" and "Ye shall tread upon scorpions, &c.;" and again "Be wise as serpents, and harmless as doves."—Such instructions as these are frequently named, and given in many places of the sayings of Christ. Likewise, all his disciples confess the power of working miracles through faith in the name of Jesus Christ, and that all wisdom is to be attained through him; for he says, "I am the light of the world!"

OF OCCULT BINDING.

In "The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism" I have taught everything concerning the great virtues, and wonderful efficacy, of Natural Things; it remains now that this very same Volume also fully teaches a wonderful Power and Faculty of Fascination; or, more properly, a Magical and Occult Binding of men into love or hatred, sickness or health;—also the binding of thieves, that they cannot steal in any place; or to bind them that they cannot remove, from whence they may be detected;—the binding of merchants that they cannot buy nor sell; the binding of an army, that they cannot pass over any bounds; the binding of ships so that no wind, though ever so strong, shall be able to carry them out of that harbor!—the binding of a mill, that it cannot, by any means whatsoever, be turned to work;—the binding of a cistern, or fountain, that the water cannot be drawn up out of them;—the binding of the ground, so that nothing will bring forth fruit, or flourish in it; also, that nothing can be built upon it;—the binding of fire, that, though it be ever so strong, it shall burn no combustible thing that is put to it;—also, the binding of lightnings and tempests, that they shall do no hurt;—the binding of dogs that they cannot bark;—also, the binding of birds and wild beasts, that they shall not be able to run or fly away; and things familiar to these, which are hardly creditable, yet known by experience. Nor how it is that these kind of bindings are made and brought to pass, we must know. They are thus done: by sorceries, collyries, unguents, potions, binding to and hanging up of talismans, by charms, incantations, strong imaginations, affections, passion, images, characters, enchantments, imprecations, lights, and by sounds, numbers, words, names, invocations, swearings, conjurations, consecrations, and the like. All of which, and a great deal more, is contained in This Great Book.

Sorceries. The force of Sorceries are so very, very powerful; indeed, they are able to confound, subvert, consume, and change all inferior things; likewise there are sorceries by which we can suspend the faculties of men and beasts.

However, should you be interested in these and many other strange things, and, likewise wish to possess the true knowledge of their workings, you cannot obtain them otherwise than by studying The Great Book of Magic Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism.

THE POWER OF NUMBERS.

I have thought it advisable, likewise, to investigate the power of numbers, their sympathy with certain Astral powers; and, seeing the whole universe was created by number, weight, and measure, there is no small efficacy in numbers. Because nothing more clearly represents the Divine Essence to human understanding than numbers; seeing that in all the Divine holy names there is still a conformity of numbers, so that the conclusion of this Second Part Of The First Book forms a complete system of Mathematical Magic; in which I have collected a vast number of secret Seals from the famous Hindu Masters, and likewise from my Brother Adepts, noting them particularly, I have found them correspondent with true science on experiment.

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THE SECOND BOOK.

The Second Book, contained in The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism, forms a complete treatise on the mysteries of the Cabala and Ceremonial Magic; by the study of which, a man (who can separate himself from material objects, by the mortification of the sensual appetite—abstinence from drunkenness, gluttony, and other bestial passions, and who lives pure and temperate, free from those actions which degenerate a man to a brute) may become a recipient of Divine light and knowledge; by which he may foresee things to come, whether to private families, or kingdoms, or states, empires, battles, victories, &c.; and likewise be capable of doing much good to his fellow-creatures: such as the healing of all disorders, and assisting with the comforts of life the unfortunate and distressed.

I have spoken largely of prophetic dreams and visions in my Cabalistic Magic, and have given the tables of the Cabals, fully set down for the information of the wise; some few most secret and terrible things being reserved for my personal pupils only, not to be taught by publication, nor by letters, but only by word of mouth to those who come and see me in person.

The wonders of Animal Magic I have fully displayed under the title of Magnetism, so as to show by what means, instruments, and effects, you must apply actives to passives, to the producing of rare and uncommon effects; whether by actions, amulets, allegations and suspensions—or rings, papers, unctions, suffumigations, sorceries, allurements, enchantments, images, lights, sounds, or the like.

This Book gives a complete Magical Biography, which has been the result of much labor in acquiring. Therefore, those who wish to benefit in these Magical studies, must shake off the drowsiness of worldly vanity, all idle levity, sloth, intemperance, and lust; so that they may be quite clean, pure, and free from every distraction and perturbation of mind, and worthily use the knowledge obtained from this Volume of learning and their own labors.

Therefore, my good friend, whosoever thou art, that desirest to accomplish these things, be but persuaded first to apply thyself to the **Eternal Wisdom** taught in my work that it may grant thee understanding, then seeking knowledge with diligence, and thou shalt never repent thy having taken so laudable a resolution, but thou shalt enjoy a secret power, happiness and serenity, of mind, which the world can never rob thee of.

Wishing thee every success imaginable in thy studies and experiments, hoping that thou wilt use the benefits that thou mayest receive to the honor of our Creator and my Brother Adepts both in Spirit and Earth Life who have so ably assisted me in placing this Great Work before thee my friend and, for the benefit of thy neighbour, in which exercise thou shalt ever experience the satisfaction of doing thy duty. Should you ever be so fortunate as to obtain a copy of The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism, remember my instructions—to be silent; talk only with those worthy of thy communications—do not give pearls to swine; be friendly to all, but not familiar with all; for many are, as you well know—wolves in sheep's clothing.

(Signed)

L.W. de Laurence

Yoghee and High-Caste Adept.

THE GENUINE SYSTEM.

BY de LAURENCE.

The Genuine System and Method of Hindu Magic, Spirit Invocation and Occultism, both Ancient and Oriental, advocated and taught, in these books listed in this Catalogue which treat on these subjects is the Hindu manner of Teaching, which of course, makes it ancient and unique. In OCCULTISM and Art Magic, that is to say, the Science, Power and Knowledge of the Secret control of the Spiritual Forces of the Astral World, there have always been two different schools, the one Great in Good, the other strong in Evil, as referred to in *The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism*. The former depends on the Knowledge and Invocation of Good Spirits; the latter on the peculiar method of Invocation of Evil Spirits. The former is termed Sacred or True Magic as opposed to the latter, or Black Art. The Invocation of Good and Friendly Spirits is the system taught by the true Adept, as also are the Ceremonies of Pact with Evil Spirits for their submission. However, the system of Hindu Teachings, taught in those books, of which I am the Author is based on the following laws and conception: (1) That the Good Spirits, Angelic Forces and Rulers of the Astral World are far superior in power to the Evil Forces which are the fallen Spirits of Darkness. (2) That these latter as a means of their redemption must be reincarnated again. (This idea is to be found also in True Occultism or as it is frequently and perhaps more correctly written, Zabino.) (3) As a consequence of this doctrine, all ordinary material effects and phenomena are produced by the labor of the Lower Spirits under the command usually of the Good. (4) That consequently whenever the Evil Spirits can escape from the control of the Good, there is no evil that they will not work by way of vengeance. (5) That therefore, sooner than obey man, they will try to make him their servant, by inducing him to conclude Pacts and Agreements with them. (6) That to further this project they will use every means that offers to obsess and control him. (7) That in order to become an Adept, therefore, and dominate them, the greatest possible firmness of will, purity of soul and intent, and power of self-control is necessary. (8) That this is only to be attained by self-abnegation on every plane. (9) That man therefore is the middle nature and natural controller between the Good and the Evil Spirits and that, therefore, to each man is attached naturally both a Guardian Angel and a Malevolent Spirit, and also certain Spirits that may become Familiar, so that with him it rests to give the victory unto which he will. (10) That, therefore, in order to control and make service of the Lower and Evil, the knowledge of the Higher and Good is requisite (i. e., in the language of the Theosophy of the present day, the knowledge of the Higher Self).

From this it results that the teachings propounded by Paracelsus, Franz Hartman, Levi, Agrippa and by myself are by purity and self-denial to obtain the knowledge of and conversation with one's Guardian Angel, so that thereby and thereafter, one may obtain the power of suppressing the Evil Spirits whenever they desire to do any one an injury.

This, then, is the system of Hindu Spiritism as taught by the Hindu Adept and Old Master to the Disciple and elaborated down to the smallest points.

A Good Spirit, if attracted into an assembly of good persons would endeavor to excite their ideas toward good, while an Evil Spirit attracted among evil-minded persons would incite them mentally to crime. Among how many criminals is not their only excuse that "they thought they kept hearing something telling them to commit the crime." Yet these suggestions would not always arise from Elementals alone, but frequently from the depraved Astral remnants of deceased evil persons, or Earth-bound Spirits.

Evil Spirits, on the other hand, are far more powerful than Elementals, for their action for Evil is parallel to that of the Good Spirits for Good; and their malignancy is far more terrible than that of the Evil Elementals, for not being, like them, subjected to the limits of certain currents, their sphere of operation extends over a far greater area; while the Evil they commit is never irrational or mechanical, but worked with full consciousness and intent.

The necessity of the invocation of the Divine and Angelic Forces or Good Spirits to control the Evil Spirits is invariably insisted upon in the operation of Invocations described and taught in all my published works. So that it is not so much, as I have said before,

FAITH.

this circumstance, as the mode of its development by our study and preparation, which is not unusual; while again the thorough and complete classification of the Spirits with their officers, and of the effects to be produced by their services, is not to be found elsewhere.

Of all hindrances to Magical action, the very greatest and most fatal is unbelief, for it checks and stops the action of the Will. Even in the commonest natural operations we see this. No child could learn to walk, no student could assimilate the formulas of any science, were doubt and the impracticability and impossibility of so doing, the first thing in his mind. Therefore it is that all Adepts and Great Teachers of Religion and of Magic have invariably insisted on the necessity of faith.

The writer could never understand, what many think an imperative necessity, for them to study and interest themselves in the many different methods and teachings of Occultism, for every student should select some good Adept's Teachings, which he must first decide for himself to be good, then follow them closely and earnestly, showing a marked tolerance for other teachings differing from the ones he has selected.

Further, I must say that it has been my experience to find that it is rather the abuse through ignorance of their meaning, which causes some hasty one to decry the worthlessness of certain teachings, than their intelligent and properly regulated use, for if the Disciple be pure in mind, and have developed the clairvoyant faculty which is latent in every human being, and which is based on the utilization of the thought-vision, he will succeed. This soul sight, spoken of in the Scriptures as the "Inner or Spiritual Sight," is exercised almost unconsciously by every one in thinking of either a place, person or a thing, which they know well; immediately, coincident with the thought, the image springs before the mental sight; and it is but the conscious and voluntary development of this which is the basis of what is commonly called clairvoyance. Among the Highlanders of Scotland, this faculty, as is well known, is of common manifestation; and by the English is usually spoken of as "Second Sight."

TALISMANS, PENTACLES AND SYMBOLS.

Let it be known by all men that Talismans, Amulets, Charms, Pentacles and Symbols are valuable as an equilibrated and fitting basis for the reception of Magical force; but unless the Operator can really attract that force to them, they are nothing but so many dead, and to him worthless, diagrams. But used by the Initiate or Adept who fully comprehends their meaning, they become to him a powerful protection and aid, seconding and focussing the working of his Will, as well as the Power of the Spirits he has invoked.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I desire it to be known and understood that there are many who will fail to understand why the system and methods of Hindu Invocation have been found to be fitting and suitable in the works on Art Magic and Occultism listed in this Great Catalogue. Regarding this, let all mankind know that this has been customary in all ages of man. However, he who does not care to take up the exercises need not do so, let him study these famous books in their forepart and, he will be more than recompensed for his time and trouble.

Further "The Book of Death and Hindu Spiritism," as well as, The Mystic Test Book of Hindu Occult Chambers; and, The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism as well as any and all other books on this subject listed herein has been written and published at great labor and an enormous expense solely as a help to the genuine Occult student and those faithful souls who desire Knowledge and Wisdom; and that for the opinion of the ordinary literary critic who neither understands nor believes in Spiritism, Occultism or Art Magic, I care nothing.

Signed,

L. W. de Laurence

De LAURENCE'S NOTICE TO THE DISCIPLE.

That there is a certain kind of Magical Energy, based on the existence of a spiritual world, placed without, not within you, and into communication with which you can enter by the use of certain Magical Arts and practices, has long ago by the High-Grade Adepts of India been demonstrated as a fact.

That these Occult forces can get hold of a person and break him down, as easily as the fearful hurricane sweeps all before it, attacking his soul in a thousand places at the same time, without his being able to perceive the invisible foe, or being able to protect himself, is also proven.

But that these influences, both good and evil, may be dominated, so that they will obey the thoughts, answer to the voice and understand the meaning of traced signs, is what many cannot realize, and what their reason rejects; yet, this also is capable of being demonstrated and proven.

The Student and Disciple should always bear in mind that in trying to demonstrate these things for himself, he is working with unseen and powerful agents, which, if he is not equally powerful—pure and high minded, loving his fellow men, and seeking to benefit mankind, rather than seeking or desiring powers and benefits for himself, he had much better be dead than to try any of these things for the gratification of his personal nature; for in seeking to harm another—curses like chickens come home to roost, with a much greater force than the original impulse.

Thus again you should look within rather than without, as the exercise of True Art Magic does not require any ceremonies or conjurations, or the making of circles and signs; it only requires a strong faith, gained through a knowledge of nature's laws, which can accomplish anything, if it acts through a human mind which is in harmony with these laws, without which nothing useful can be done. True Magic also consists in true faith, but true faith rests in spiritual knowledge, and without that kind of knowledge there can be no faith: this is only obtained by developing one's own inner and most lofty nature.

The conjuration of the evil spirits of the astral plane Sorcery and Witchcraft means practically a full realization of "Faust and the Demon."

On the pages of "The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism," there are many strange things set forth which many may think are almost too strange to believe, yet because one is ignorant of their existence, it does not follow that they are not real, as the sad records of Sorcery and Witchcraft, of Voodooism and Black Magic abundantly testify.

Man does not know himself, therefore he does not understand the things of the inner world. Each man has the essence of the Divine within himself; he possesses one kind of knowledge as much as another, and he who does not find that which is in him, cannot truly say he does not possess it, only he was not capable of successfully seeking for it.

Therefore, in seeking, always bear in mind—true growth rests in the capacity of the human soul and the human will to comprehend spiritual and occult truths and not by basing its conclusions upon external appearances caused by the illusion of the senses, or of selfish purposes.

In launching the Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism once again, before the western student of Spiritism, Occultism and Hindoo Magic I merely seek to meet the growing demand for authentic instruction of a Magical character.

Feeling assured that the student will find enough therein to ponder over and perhaps awaken some responsive chord in his nature, which will lead him to seek for the Divine within himself rather than trying to awaken external evil forces which will prove themselves the stronger. All this is plainly set forth in this volume, yet an additional warning seems to be essential. Any further information concerning the above will be found by the sincere student in The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism, fully described elsewhere in this catalogue.

L.W. de Laurence

Blessed Are Those Who Suffer

By de Laurence

Evil exists; it is impossible to doubt it; those who understand Black or White Magic can work good or evil.

There are some who, understanding *Evil*, or *Black Magic*, work evil knowingly and willingly. The spirit of *Evil* which animates these beings (those who operate witchcraft and sorcery) and prompts them to do ill, is bewraged, turned aside from the right road and thrown across the path of good as an obstacle.

Those spirits who perform evil are bad in their soul.

"THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM," of which I am the author, teaches all these things and a great many more; it is a revelation to students who have been used to studying books written by surface writers, this being a standard and official work of about 600 pages, bound in Leather and stamped in Gold.

It teaches the student the true definition of evil. Showing that evil is the absence of *rectitude* in being, and that *moral evil is falsehood in action; as the lie is a crime of Speech. It teaches that injustice is of lying spirits, and every lie from a spirit is an injustice.*

When that which spirits utter is just, there is no falsity. When that which spirits do is equitable and true in mode, there is no sin. Injustice is the death of moral being, as lying is the *poison of intelligence. The false and lying spirit is therefore a spirit of death. Those who harken to him become his dupes and are by him poisoned.*

The chief attraction of *Occultism* and *Hypnotism*, for many curious persons, is that they see therein an exceptional and sure means for the satisfaction of their passions and wants.

Many men wish to attain these secrets that they be loved by women.

Nothing of the sort; a day will come, stupid man, when it will be too much to be loved by one of them, for sensual desire is a *dual orgie*, the intoxication of which causes disgust to supervent quickly, after which anger and separation follow.

There was once an old idiot who would have liked to have become a Master of Occultism in order to upset the world. But if you were an Adept, my friend, you would not be an imbecile, and before the tribunal of your conscience you would find no *extenuating* circumstances if you became a master of this work in order to use this power for an evil purpose.

The *Epicurean*, on his part, demands the recipes of Occultism that he may enjoy forever and suffer nothing at all. In this case the science itself intervenes and says, as religion also says: "*Blessed are those who suffer.*" But that is the reason why the *Epicurean* has lost faith in religion. "*Blessed are those who mourn,*" but the *Epicurean* scoffs at the promise. Hear now what is said by experiences and by reason.

Sufferings test and awaken generous sentiments; pleasures promote and fortify base instincts.

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Sufferings arm against pleasure; enjoyment begets weakness in suffering. Pleasure squanders; pain ingarner. Pleasure is man's rock of peril; the pain of motherhood is woman's triumph.

Pleasure fertilizes and conceives but pain brings forth.

Woe to him who cannot and will not suffer; he shall be overwhelmed by pain. Nature drives unmercifully those who will not walk; we are cast into life as into an open sea; we must swim or drown. Such are the Occult or hidden laws of Nature. And now reconsider whether one can become a Disciple of Occultism in order to enjoy everything and suffer nothing.

Yet the world will ask: In such case, what profits the Disciple? What would the prophet Balaam have replied to his she-ass had the patient brute asked him what profits intelligence? (See Numbers 22nd Chapter. Verses 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33.) What would Hercules have answered to a pigmy if he had inquired what profits strength? I do not compare worldly people to pigmies and still less to Balaam's Ass—it would be wanting in politeness and good taste. I say, therefore, with all possible graciousness, to such brilliant and amiable people, that for them Occultism and Spiritism are absolutely useless, it being understood further that they will never take it seriously.

MY GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM is a *Master Work*, and is addressed to souls that toil and think. They will find an explanation therein of whatsoever has remained obscure in *Doctrine and Ritual*.

On the pattern of the *Great Masters*, this work follows the rational order of *Sacred Numbers* in plan and division. It is for which reason this *Volume* is arranged in two *Books*, that is, Book One and Book Two all in one Large Grand Volume.

Be it remembered by all who read here that:—*Woe to the child who believes himself wiser than his parents; to the man who acknowledges no Master; to the dreamer who thinks and prays by himself.*

Life, as shown in "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM," is an universal communion and in such communion does the true *Disciple of Magic and Occultism* find immortality.

He who ignores these things *isolates himself*; is given over to death thereby, and an eternity of *isolation* would be *eternal death*.

Here is a book that is a leader, its a "master work" having had a steady sale for almost thirty long years.

The true *disciple of Magic and Occultism* knows from the bottom of his heart, like the sages of *Israel*, and the faithful believers of *Islam*:—*There is No God but God. For the initiates of true Occultism, this signifies:—There is but one Being and this is Being.*

On the other hand, I say to pretended students and curious investigators: why seek to deny that which you cannot understand?

Does this dreadful form of personified evil only prompt you to smile?

Hear you not the ceaseless sobbing of surging humanity which writhes and weeps in the crushing folds of the monster evil?

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Have you never heard the atrocious laugh of the evil spirit who is persecuting the just man?

Have you never experienced in yourself the opening of those infernal deeps which the genius of perversity furrows in every soul? *Moral evil exists*—such is the unhappy truth; it reigns in certain spirits; it incarnates in certain men; but the most wicked of these are earth bound spirits of evil. More than this, I do not ask you to admit, and it will be difficult for you to grant me less.

Art Magic and Occultism was the exclusive heritage of *Israel* and inviolable secret of its priests.

The secret doctrines taught in "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM" are the *Mysteries* of *Eleusis* and of *Thebes*. The *Gentiles* preserved some of its symbols but in a debased form, and the *Mystic Key* was lost amidst the apparatus of an ever-increasing superstition.

Jerusalem, murderer of its *prophets* and prostituted over and over again to the false *Assyrian* and *Babylonian* gods, ended by losing in turn the *Sacred Word*, when a *Saviour*, declared to the *Magi* by the holy *Star* of Initiation, came to rend the threadbare veil of the old *Temple*, to endow the souls of earnest *disciples* with a new network of legends and *Occult Symbols*—ever *concealing* from the profane, and always preserving for the *disciple* that truth which is the same forever.

Let the beginner know that:—"Nothing which is *Hidden* is lost, but at the same time nothing that is found is absolutely new. Again, that the seal of eternity is affixed in the souls of all men.

That profanation has befallen the doctrine of *Occultism*, *Spirtism* and *Magic* I have no intention to deny; repeated, and handed down from age to age, the misuse itself has been a great and terrible lesson for those who made secret things unwisely known.

The grand truth of *Occultism* and *Magic* demand only to be found, when the simplest will be able to comprehend it and to prove it also at need.

At the same time the truth of real *Occultism* will never become vulgar. Those that doubt this must understand that "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM," although almost thirty years have passed since the publication of its first edition, has never been offered only to the sincere student.

Again, it is the only book of its kind in all the world, and as its sale has been limited the Secret Instruction contained therein will never become common.

The average so-called student always goes for a cheap new book put on sale by some "money-grafting" advertising mountebank.

Those who insist upon buying books of this kind are doomed to disappointment.

It is vain to hope to advance or invoke help when your cart is stuck in the mud of ignorance and false teaching; unless you take pick and shovel, like the *Waggoner* in the fable, *Divine Wisdom* will not draw you out of the rut.

Help yourself, and God (the power within your own soul) will help you.

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You learn more on one page of "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM" than all the ministers and surface writers could tell you in their multitude of guesses.

I have been referred to by many as "*The Moses of the Hindus*" because I plainly give all the *Doctrines of the Magi*, so that the student can become the possessor of those secrets which will give him complete mastery over the *occult powers* of Nature.

My book shows that by conformity with the rules of the *Eternal Occult Power* that man may unite himself to the creative energy and become creator and preserver in his turn. Nature has not limited narrowly the number of rounds on the *Occult Ladder* of Astral Light.

Here is a *master work* that teaches that:—*Whatsoever Nature has constituted inferior to man is thereby to him made subject:—It is for the disciple of Occultism to extend his domain and occult powers in virtue of continual ascent, length and even perpetuity of life, the field of air and its storms, the earth and its metallic veins, light and its wondrous illusions, darkness and the dreams thereof, disease, death, and the spirits of the astral plans.*

All these do therefore *obey the occult powers of the Adept, the Disciple's word, and the Magic Wand of the Master of Spirit Art.*

The Adept in Magical Art and Alchemy becomes king of the elements, transmuter of metals, interpreter of visions, controller of *oracles*, master of life in fine, according to the mathematical order of Nature and conformably to the will of the *Supreme Intelligence (God)*. The student who will *study loyally* and thereby attain knowledge will never regret the trouble nor the investment he has made in this wonderful Volume.

I have made no attempt to conceal Truth or Occult Secrets under the veil of Parables or Hieroglyphical Signs as do some writers on these subjects.

The time has come when everything should be told and made plain to the student, and this book tells everything. It is my intention in publishing this *Revised Edition* to *unveil* that ever-hidden secret science which, as I have indicated, has always been hidden behind the shadows of *ancient mysteries*.

Transcental Magic means that Divine art or *exercise of Spiritual and Occult Powers* by which the awakened Magical Forces in man control the *invisible* living elements in the soul substance of the universe; but above all, those in his own soul, which are the ones nearest to him.

If you desire to master any forces whatever, it is, above all, necessary to know what they are and how they originate, and as we have no better means to study the qualities of any internal forces than by observing those which are active within ourselves, the perception of the processes going on within our own psychic organism will be the means to accomplish your object.

Therefore, let it be known that *Transcendental Magic* is the exercise of *Spiritual Power* to be obtained only by a knowledge of these forces, and this power cannot be acquired in any other way; nor is it possible to teach anyone how to exercise a power which he does not possess, because he has not developed it. The *Master* and teacher can *only indicate* the way in which the *Occult and Magical* powers, latent in every human constitution, may be developed.

The constitutions of all men are fundamentally the same, and in each human being are contained *Occult* powers germinally or in a latent condition; but they cannot be said to exist before they become active and manifest themselves, first interiorly, and afterwards in an outward direction.

It was not my object in composing "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM" to write merely a *code of ethics*, and thereby increase the already existing pile of moral precepts, but to assist the *disciple* in the study of *Occultism*.

This *Volume* was also published to give an impulse to the study of a science which may be called the "*anatomy and physiology of the soul*," which investigates the elements of which the organism of the soul is composed, and the source from which man's *Occult and Magical and Spiritual* powers as well as his desires and emotions spring.—*de Laurence*.

The Ancient Magi

Jacob's Ladder Of Astral Light

BY L. W. DE LAURENCE

Magic is the science of the *Ancient Magi*; and all sincere students of the Occult revere those Mystic Kings who came from the East, led by a star, to adore Jesus the Master in his cradle: The *Ancient Magi* are elevated by tradition to the rank of Kings, because magical initiation constitutes a true royalty; because also the great art of the *Magi* is characterized by all Adepts as "ART MAGIC." The star which conducted the pilgrims is the same Burning Star which is met with in all Initiations into Eastern Orders.

The Three Headed Snake Ring was the Talisman Ring of the Ancient Magi, and was held by them to be the mystic personification of strength, being commonly known as "THE RING OF STRENGTH." The *Ancient Magi* taught that it is only by conformity with the rules of eternal power that man may unite himself to the creative energy and become creator and preserver in turn. God (Nature) has not limited narrowly the number of rounds on Jacob's ladder of Astral Light. Whatsoever Nature has constituted inferior to man is thereby to him made subject: it is for man to extend his domain in Virtue of continual ascent. Length and even perpetuity of life, the field of air and its storms, the earth and its metallic veins, light and its wondrous illusions, darkness and the dreams thereof, death and its spirits—all these do therefore obey the Royal Sceptre of the *Magi*, the shepherd's staff of *Jacob*, and the terrible *Magic Wand of Moses*. The Adept becomes King of the elements, transmuter of metals, interpreter of visions, controller of oracles, master of life, in fine, according to the mathematical order of Nature and conformably to the will of the Supreme Intelligence. Thus is Magic and Occultism in all their glory taught in my work, namely, "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM," which is now almost one-fifth of a century in print. But you may ask, is there any one in these days who will dare to give credence to such words as those written here? The answer is—those who will study loyally and attain knowledge frankly. I make no attempt to conceal truth under Veil of parables or hieroglyphical signs; the time has come when everything should be told to the sincere student of the Occult, and I have told everything, as you will find if you ever study "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM." It is my life work, my intention, in short, to unveil that ever secret science which, as I have shown in the above mentioned book, is hidden behind the shadows of Ancient Mysteries. I come to drag from the darkness of ignorance the blackened skeleton of materialism and to sap the fundamental dogmas of ill-instructed Christians of their ethics. Some will question the utility of combating materialism in which, as they imagine, every one believes. It is, therefore, important to enunciate my object clearly and establish my principles solidly.

I, DE LAURENCE, author of "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM," do therefore say, to all who read here, whether they be Christians or otherwise, that I have a soul like yourselves. My faith, however, is that of a soul which is strongly and deeply convinced that God and Nature are One, and that God is within, and not without the soul of man.

If such be the case, you may ask, how comes it that so exalted a science as Occult science is still unrecognized? How is it possible to assume that so bright a sun is hidden in a sky so dark? This Transcendental Science has been known always, but only to wise men of great intelligence, who have understood the necessity of silence and patience. Should a skillful surgeon open at midnight the eyes of a man born blind, it would still be impossible to make him realize the nature or existence of daylight till morning came. Occult Science has its nights and its mornings, because the life which it communicates to the world of mind is characterized by the regular modes of motion and progressive phases. It is the same with truths as it is with radiations of light. Nothing which is hidden is lost, but at the same time nothing that is found is absolutely new. The seal of eternity is affixed by Nature to that Truth which is the reflection of its glory.

The Transcendental Science, the absolute science, is assuredly Magic, though the affirmation may seem utterly paradoxical to those who never questioned the infallibility of Voltaire—that marvelous smatterer who thought he knew so much because he never

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missed an opportunity for laughter instead of learning. Magic was the science of *Abraham* and *Orpheus*, of *Confucius* and *Zoroaster*, and it was *Magical Doctrines* which were graven on Tables of Stone by *Enoch* and by *Trismegistus*. *Moses* purified and revealed them—this being the sense of the word reveal. The new disguise which he gave them was that of the *Holy Kabalah*—that exclusive heritage of *Israel* and inviolable secret of its priests.

The mysteries of *Eleusis* and of *Thebes* preserved among the Gentiles some of its symbols, but in a debased form, and the "MYSTIC KEY" was lost amidst the apparatus of an ever-increasing superstition. *Jerusalem*, murderer of its prophets and prostituted over and over again to false Assyrian and Babylonian gods, ended by losing in its turn the *Sacred Word*, when a Saviour, declared to the *Magi* by the *Holy Star of Initiation*, came to rend the threadbare Veil of the old Temple, to endow the Church with a new network of legends and symbols—ever concealing from the profane and always preserving for the wise intellect that truth which is the same for ever. That profanation has befallen Occultism and Magic I have no intention to deny; repeated from age to age and handed down from generation to generation, its grand truths have become befogged by materialism and superstition. However, those who wish the truth will find it fully enunciated in "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM." Let it be known, and it is written here, as a sign to all men, that this *Great Work* was only published for the sincere investigator and true student. No book of its kind has ever been published since the beginning of the world, and it is no untruth to state that no other book equal to it will ever be written and handed to mankind. In consequence of this, I frankly and honestly state that it never was the intention of the *Great Masters* that this book be owned or even sought after only by the real student and honest, truth-seeking soul.

On another page you will find a description of the famous TALISMAN RING OF INDIA. The very same being a THREE HEADED SNAKE RING, constructed exclusively of *Virgin Gold* and *Precious Stones*. This *Talisman Ring* was never made for the novice, nor for the one who does not care to follow the footsteps of the old Adepts, and learn the great hidden secret of the *Magi*. Those who, with unbounded faith, wear this handsome Ring as a *Talisman* of the *Magi* and a true Symbol of their sincerity will be fully rewarded. The price placed on this ring is, without doubt, the lowest at which it could be sold.

The Power To Cast Out Evil Spirits

By L. W. de Laurence

Sorcery is intimately connected with *Witchcraft*. The difference between them is, that in *Witchcraft* all those who practice it sell themselves to vicious *Evil Spirits*, and make a "Pact" with them by entering into an agreement with them in consequence of some advantages which the spirits undertake to secure to the one who practices *Witchcraft* and *Black Magic*. The *Sorcerer* obtains power over *Evil Spirits* in general, so that he can command them to appear at his pleasure, and execute his orders. He acquires this influence by his skill in *Charms* and *Invocations*, and by his acquaintance with the deeper phases of *Occultism* and with the laws of the material and spiritual worlds.

Jesus gave his *Disciples* the power to cast out *Evil Spirits*, as well as to heal all manner of diseases, which must of course have included epilepsy and insanity. He appealed to the ejection of demons as one great proof of his *Messiahship*; nay, as the grand proof that the kingdom of heaven was come nigh to the Jews. He viewed the casting out of *Evil Spirits* as one of the greatest of his works, and allowed to his *Disciples*, that next to their names being written in heaven, it was a cause for joy that the "*spirits were subject to them*." In short, whether we consider the actions and language of those Spirits themselves, or of those who were under their influence, or of even the *Master Jesus* and his apostles, we are led to the conclusion that they were real cases of *obsession*; and that invisible malignant spirits had brought the *demoniacs* under their influence, and exerted over them a mysterious, but real and fatal control.

The principal means by which *Evil Spirits* exert their power, and carry on their intercourse with this world, are to be found in the many forms of *Witchcraft*, *Sorcery*, *Divination*, *Necromancy*, and *Enchantment*, as well as false *Oracles*, *Obsessions*, and temptations of various kinds. In some of these, such as *Witchcraft*, *Black Art* and *Sorcery*, evil earth bound spirits, or invisible beings, for instance, the souls of criminals and suicides who once inhabited this earth are concerned, and the efficacy of some of the forms of *Sorcery* and *Black Magic* are the direct result of inevitable fate, or pre-established connection of laws, put in requisition by the Evil Charms and Spells of those who practice *Witchcraft*.

The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism

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Here is a book that Changes the Lives of Men and Women. A work that contains "ALL SECRET THINGS." It was originally published over 25 years ago. The present Edition has been revised and enlarged: TWO HUNDRED PAGES HAVING BEEN ADDED. It has been purchased by the greatest living Occult students, and this is proof of the value of this Volume to a class of students whose watch word under any and all circumstances must be efficiency in Occult Studies.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.—As soon as you learn these Secret Instructions contained in this Great Book and have developed Clairvoyancy—many may desire you to teach these Hindu secrets to them. In case you instruct or develop anyone de Laurence does here caution and admonish you in this Beginning to Be Secret, and neither teach nor manifest to anyone thy work, or Place, or time, nor thy desire, or will, except it be to a Master or Partner or Companion, who should likewise be Faithful, Discreet, Silent, and dignified by Nature and Education. Neither shouldst thou you Expose or Reveal them to unworthy or unscrupulous persons; but reveal them only to Faithful, Discreet, and Chosen Friends, as thy associating with a prating companion, whose misbelief, doubting, questioning, and, lastly, unworthiness, hinders and disturbs the effect and result of every Magical Operation, for the Master Lamas and powerful Spirits of the Astral Plane desire that ye seek not the companionship of him who is unworthy of thy trust.

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The Greatest Tribute Ever Given An Author

Read on another page, the remarkable Sworn Testimonial from Dr. A. George Baker. It is the greatest tribute ever given an author.

DR. A. GEORGE BAKER, it will be noted, is a regular practitioner of medicine in the City of Philadelphia, Pa.; Member of the State and County Medical Society, and president of the Cooper Literary Institute. This Physician's testimonial was sworn to and subscribed before a Notary Public.

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In fact, this book knows no distinction of creed or caste, and its students are limited, indeed, by but one condition—the desire to learn, and the ability to read the English language.

To show the diversity of homes into which this handsome Volume finds its way, one need only to point to the single contrast between the Hindu Disciple of Occultism in the Temples of old India, and the Disciple of Occultism in America.

Each are devoted to the same Master, and in the soul of each gladly burns the flame of true faith and belief in de Laurence and his books.

de Laurence has students all over the world. No other living man is looked upon as a single authority in as many countries of the world as is this great author. The need for his teachings is universal because the need for knowledge is universal.

No other Occult work is so comprehensive that it could successfully claim to answer the requirements of the Hindu, the European and the American Occult student.

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The Grand Truths of Occultism demand only to be found, when the simplest will be able to comprehend them.

THERE IS NO GOD BUT GOD

de Laurence is the greatest authority today on the subjects of Occultism and Spiritualism, and, as he says with touching pathos: THERE IS NO GOD BUT GOD. THERE IS BUT ONE BEING AND THIS IS BEING.

"THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM," is the most elaborate Compendium of the Esoteric and Occult Systems of old India and the Far East. Although Twenty Five Years have elapsed since this Volume was first published in the United States, the great minds of the world are still occupied with its serious teachings.

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How fitted this Volume is by virtue of its many-sided usefulness to elicit the enthusiastic approval of a poor working man.

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"THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM" fills me with delight of new power. It is a pleasure to know that you at last really own such a wonderful volume.

THIS LETTER IS SELF-EXPLANATORY

de Laurence, Dear Master:

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 18th, 1916.

"THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM" has been received. I am thankful and know it is going to help me wonderfully. I also wish to tell you of my experience on Monday evening when I held this handsome book close to my breast while sending an earnest prayer to my Creator and you, my Master.

"I was then sitting in my room, and saw THREE HIGH SPIRITS ALL IN WHITE. They covered me all over with a beautiful BLUE LIGHT which gradually changed into a violet color. I felt like something was raising me up and then I felt a great warmth and SPIRITUAL GOD LIKE POWER WHICH SEEMED TO COME FROM OUT OF THIS WONDERFUL BOOK. I HAVE NOW FELT ITS POWER AND SHALL NEVER PART WITH IT AS LONG AS I LIVE.

"Again, thanking you, Master de Laurence, for this wonderful Volume and the inspiration it has already given me, I will close hoping that the Peace of God may be with you forevermore." From Your Sincere Student.

NOTE.—For obvious reasons the name of the writer is not published. The letter itself, however, which was mailed at St. Louis, Mo., on the 18th of August, 1916, and addressed to de Laurence, is on file in our office.—The Publishers.

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[The Sphinx.]

**SWORN TESTIMONIALS
REGARDING
THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC
AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM.**

The following Testimonials, which have been Subscribed and Sworn to before Notary Publics, are published for the benefit of the many who desire to know for certain whether "The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism," by L. W. de Laurence, is an Official, Authentic and Standard work and that it really contains a complete course of specific instructions and methods for the development of Clairvoyancy, Mediumship and Adeptship, also a full knowledge of Ceremonial and Hindu Magic, Witchcraft, Demonology, Sorcery, Astral Influences and Indian Occultism, and to convince those who are in doubt that this work is just as represented, and that the knowledge and true Key of Occultism contained therein is a revelation, and worth thousands of dollars to the sincere student who desires to develop his Psychic, Occult, Healing, Clairvoyant or Hypnotic Powers by the System and Secret Methods known only to the Hindu Adepts and Masters of Occultism in India.

(Signed)

THE PUBLISHERS.

SWORN TESTIMONY REGARDING THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM

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S-T-A-T-E OF N-E-W Y-O-R-K, } SS.
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L. W. de LAURENCE,

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

I RECEIVED YOUR "BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND INDIAN OCCULTISM," AND AFTER A CAREFUL EXAMINATION, I CAN TRUTHFULLY SAY IT IS THE MOST CLEAR AND COMPREHENSIVE WORK ON THESE SUBJECTS THAT I HAVE EVER SEEN.

IT IS TRULY A WORK OF ART; BEING A VERY HANDSOME, EXPENSIVE AND BEAUTIFULLY ILLUSTRATED VOLUME.

ITS TEACHINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF OCCULT, CLAIRVOYANT, CLAIRAUDIENT AND MEDIUMISTIC POWERS ARE CLEAR, AND COMPLETE; AND REPRESENT LONG YEARS OF HARD STUDY AND CAREFUL RESEARCH AMONG THE HINDU ADEPTS OF INDIA.

NO ONE CAN GIVE THIS MYSTIC AND MAGICAL VOLUME A CAREFUL PERUSAL WITHOUT BECOMING SATISFIED THAT IN GIVING THIS SECRET KNOWLEDGE TO THE WORLD YOU WERE ACTUATED BY THE EARNEST DESIRE TO BENEFIT MANKIND. I HEARTILY RECOMMEND IT TO ALL TO DEVELOP THEIR HIGHER SPIRITUAL OCCULT AND SOUL POWERS. YOU MAKE NO CLAIMS THAT THE WORK DOES NOT FULLY SUBSTANTIATE; AS I HAVE FOUND IT EXACTLY AS REPRESENTED.

Sincerely and fraternally

Herbert L. Whitney
Secretary of

N.Y. State Association of Spiritualists

ON THIS 12TH DAY OF AUG., 1904, BEFORE ME PERSONALLY CAME HERBERT L. WHITNEY TO ME KNOWN, AND KNOWN TO ME TO BE THE INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED AND WHO EXECUTED THE FOREGOING PAPER AND DULY AND SEVERALLY ACKNOWLEDGED TO ME THAT HE EXECUTED THE SAME.

SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 12TH DAY OF AUG., 1904.

Gutman
Commissioner of Health
City of New York

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The Great Book Of Magical Art Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism

Most Remarkable Document Ever Published

Below is THE MOST REMARKABLE DOCUMENT EVER PUBLISHED.
It was Sworn and Subscribed to by Dr. A. George Baker, Regular Practitioner
of Medicine in the City of Philadelphia, Pa.

Dr. A. George Baker

404 SUSQUEHANNA AVE., PHILADELPHIA, PA.

JULY 1ST, 1904.

S-T-A-T-E OF P-E-N-N-S-Y-L-V-A-N-I-A
C-O-U-N-T-Y OF
P-H-I-L-A-D-E-L-P-H-I-A. } SS.

PHILADELPHIA, PA..

I, HEREBY, WISH TO CERTIFY THAT I HAVE PURCHASED A COPY OF L. W. de LAURENCE'S BOOK, ENTITLED "MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND INDIAN OCCULTISM," AND HAVE GIVEN IT A THOROUGH PERUSAL. de LAURENCE HAS TREATED HIS SUBJECTS WITH CLEARNESS AND PRECISION. BEING MYSELF AN ORIENTAL SCHOLAR, AND ABLE TO READ LATIN, GREEK, HEBREW ARABIC, SANSKRIT AND CHINESE, NOT TO MENTION FRENCH, SPANISH, ITALIAN, KAZZL, GERMAN AND POLISH, AND HAVING SPENT SEVERAL YEARS, MYSELF, IN DIFFERENT EASTERN COUNTRIES WHERE I HAVE WITNESSED SOME OF THE WONDERFUL THINGS DESCRIBED BY de LAURENCE, AND ALSO HAVING READ AND STUDIED QUITE A NUMBER OF WORKS BY RELIABLE AUTHORS ON THE VARIOUS SUBJECTS ONLY FOUND IN ORIENTAL LITERATURE AND LIBRARIES, IT, THEREFORE, GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO BE ABLE TO TESTIFY AS TO THE CORRECTNESS OF ALL OF de LAURENCE'S TRUE AND CLEAR PRESENTATION OF THE DIFFERENT SUBJECTS OF WHICH HE TREATS.

de LAURENCE HAS MADE NO FALSE REPRESENTATIONS. THERE IS NO OTHER BOOK IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE WHICH TREATS ON ALL THE SUBJECTS REFERRED TO. THE PRICE IS NOTHING, COMPARED WITH THE BENEFIT OBTAINED.

THE VARIOUS CHEAP COURSES WITH WHICH THE COUNTRY IS FLOODED ARE AS MERE SHADOWS ALONGSIDE OF THE REAL SUBSTANCE, WHEN COMPARED TO THIS UNIQUE WORK, WHICH IS A MASTERPIECE OF ITS SPECIAL KIND. I FEEL THAT I AM WELL REPAID FOR THE OUTLAY AND TIME DEVOTED TO THE STUDY OF ITS CONTENTS, AND WOULD NOT LIKE TO BE WITHOUT IT FOR ANY PRICE.

AS A MERE LITERARY CURIOSITY, IT HAS NO PEER, AND AS TO THE LESSONS TAUGHT THEREIN, IT IS BEYOND ALL PERADVENTURE A BOOK WELL ADAPTED TO SATISFY OUR WESTERN SPIRIT OF INQUIRY, AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THE STUDY OF THE HIGHER AND DEEPER THINGS, KNOWN AS OCCULT, OF WHICH OUR WESTERN PEOPLE KNOW SO LITTLE, WILL BE AMPLY REPAID FOR THEIR TIME AND TROUBLE AND MONEY EXPENDED IN THE PURCHASE OF THIS WORK.

A Geo Baker M.D.

REGULAR PRACTITIONER OF MEDICINE IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, PA. MEMBER OF THE STATE AND COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY, AND PHYSICIAN IN CHIEF OF THE CHINESE MEDICAL DISPENSARY, AT 929 RACE STREET, IN THE DISTRICT KNOWN AS "CHINATOWN," AND PRESIDENT OF THE COOPER LITERARY INSTITUTE, SIXTH AND DIAMOND STREETS, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS FIRST DAY OF JULY, 1904. (COMMISSION EXPIRES FEBRUARY, 1905.)

Edward J. [Signature]

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STATE OF MINNESOTA, }
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This is to certify that I am the owner of a complete Treatise on Hindu Magic and Indian Occultism, by L. W. de Laurence, a High Caste Yoghi and Adept, and after examination and study of the same, I find it very much superior to any other book covering this course on the market.

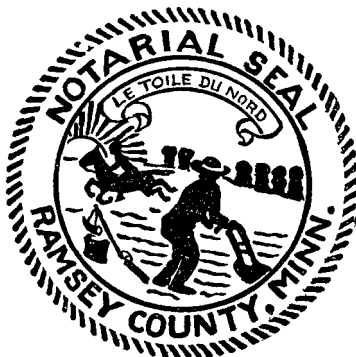
I have a number of other books on this subject, but none of them compare with "The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism," the handsome volume now being offered for sale to the public by L. W. de Laurence.

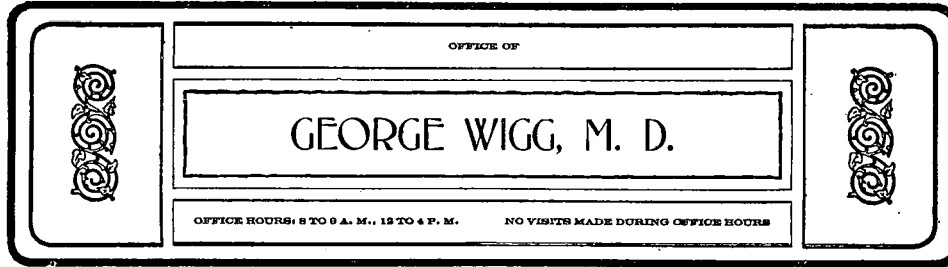
A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "W. T. Kirke". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 9th day of March, 1903.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "E. W. Zimmerman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.
Notary

Notary Public,
Ramsey County,
State of Minnesota.





STATE OF OREGON, }
 County of Multnomah. } ss.

Portland, Oregon, March 11th, 1903.

I, George Wigg, M. D., first being duly sworn, deposes and says:

This certifies that I am the fortunate possessor of de Laurence's Work, "**The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism.**" I have carefully read the same and find it to be all that de Laurence claims for it. I have read several other works treating on the same subjects, but find this work far superior to them all. No student of Occultism ought to attempt to pass through the portals of the Temple of Occult truths until he has mastered this wonderful book. The instructions therein given are so plain that any ordinary mind can soon master the science.

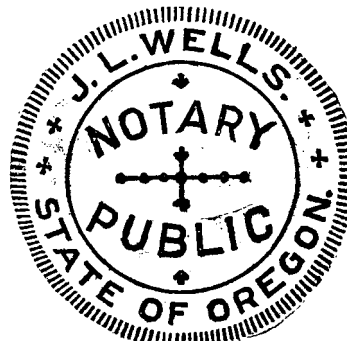
The sincere student who becomes a student of de Laurence can easily develop a degree of Occult Power, Clairvoyancy and Mediumship that will be a surprise and revelation to him, as it fully explains and teaches the Esoteric Philosophy of India, and removes all obstacles from the path of him who would seek to attain Occult Power, the Clairvoyant or Introspection State.

And further affiant saith not.

George Wigg, M. D.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
 this 11th day of March, A. D. 1903.

J. L. WELLS,
 Notary Public.





"DR. MEHRTENS WOULD NOT TAKE \$1,000 FOR IT."

STATE OF WISCONSIN, }
County of Fond du Lac. } ss.

Ripon, Wis., March 18th, 1903.

I, Dr. F. M. Mehrtens, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

This is to testify that I have purchased "**The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**" from L. W. de Laurence, of Chicago, Ill. I will say that the work is more than it is represented to be and worth fifty times the price asked for it, and I would advise any person who can do so to order a copy of this Massive Work on Occultism and Hindu Magic, and become a student of de Laurence's, as the knowledge contained in it is a revelation. I would not take \$1,000 for the knowledge obtained from it of the methods used by the Hindoos to develop Clairvoyancy, Mediumship, Hypnotic and Occult Powers.

The work also teaches the Invocation of the Spirits of the Astral Plane, White and Black Magic, as well as the Secrets of the Inner Circle of Hindu Adepts.

The Occult Secrets revealed in this large volume by de Laurence are those which are known only to the ancient Sages and to the Hindu Adepts and Rosicrucians of the Middle Ages, and are invaluable.

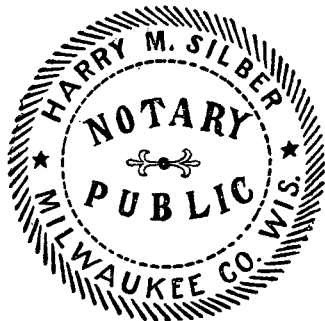
And further affiant saith not.

Dr. Fred L. Mehrtens

Box 804, Ripon, Wis.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 18th day of March, A. D. 1903.

HARRY M. SILVER,
Notary Public.





BETTER THAN SEVEN OTHER COURSES.

STATE OF INDIANA, }
County of Elkhart. } ss.

Wakarusa, Ind., Jan. 24th, 1903.

I, Prof. G. B. Stewart, first being duly sworn, deposes and says:

This is to certify that I am the happy possessor of a complete treatise on Hindu Magic and Indian Occultism, by L. W. de Laurence, a High Caste Yoghi and Adept, for which I paid \$12.00, and after a careful examination and study of said work I not only find it to be all that de Laurence claims it to be, but I find it to be far superior to any other course on the market. I have seven other courses, including a course from the New York Institute, Rochester, N. Y., and American College of Sciences, Philadelphia, Pa., and they dwindle into insignificance when compared to this handsome volume now offered to the world by L. W. de Laurence on Clairvoyancy, Mediumship, Occultism, Hindu Magic and Hypnotism, which fully explains the secret Hindu methods.

Any person who studies this work will readily see that de Laurence is one of those High Grade Adepts who has become as perfect in the lines of Occult Wisdom as any of the great Hindu Adepts. His power to teach this secret knowledge is perfectly marvelous, and the student can understand them with an ease and readiness that is a constant source of admiration and wonder to him.

Owing to the clearness and precision of the instructions in this volume, a little practice every day will enable the student to develop a deep degree of Occult Power, and the correctness of the information will be an everlasting surprise to the Neophyte, as de Laurence is a true Adept, who has attained the highest pinnacles of Esoteric Wisdom, and those who follow this great Adept's teachings will scorn to make use of or follow any one of the endless variety of external and childish methods taught by the so-called Institutes and Occulists.

And further deponent saith not.



Prof. G. B. Stewart

Eminent Psychist and Healer,
Lock Box 288, Wakarusa, Ind.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 24th day of January, A. D. 1903.

SAM'L C. HARRINGTON,
Notary Public.



OTHERS PALE INTO INSIGNIFICANCE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Wayne. } ss.

Detroit, Mich., March 9, 1903.

I, Prof. T. J. Zielinski, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

I, the undersigned, do hereby make affidavit to the following statement to assure any one whom it may concern that de Laurence's wonderful book on Hindu Magic and Indian Occultism surpasses any course that I have ever been able to obtain.

As it has been my life's ambition to become a Clairvoyant and Healer, I have spent a vast amount on works pertaining to the science of Occultism and not until I had received and studied "**The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**" did I consider myself in possession of the true key of the marvelous Occult Powers and Secrets of the Hindu Adepts. And no person can help taking a deep interest in these Occult Treatises, especially in the instructions for developing for the trance state.

This great Eastern Adept illustrates and teaches his students the secret knowledge of those who belong to the Silent Austere Brotherhood, and his Volume is a complete course of instructions which contains the methods used by the **Eastern Magis**, and the essentials of their teachings.

I have had a course from Weltmer's School, Nevada, Mo.; The American College of Magnetic Healing, and L. A. Harraden, Jackson, Mich., and they all pale into insignificance when compared to this Master Work.

And further affiant saith not.

Prof. T. J. Zielinski

582 Wesson Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 9th day of March, A. D. 1903.

ANTHONY GROSFIELD,
Notary Public,
Wayne Co., Mich.





INSTRUCTIONS A REVELATION.

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
State of Illinois, City of Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., March 27th, 1903.

I, Mrs. M. B. Woodward, first being duly sworn, deposes and says:

After closely studying de Laurence's latest work, "**The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**," I feel it my duty, both to de Laurence and the many who desire true knowledge of the Occult, to state that of the many writers on these subjects, such as Agrippa, Magnus, and a number of others, none of their writings are to be compared with the latest work from his pen. It is a large work, embracing the most advanced Occult teachings, and the simplest rules for the development of Spiritual and Occult power.

The development of **Clairvoyance and Mediumship** as it is taught and practiced in India is a revelation to those who have tried to discover the true Occult power, and they will thank the author for furnishing them with such a grand text book on **Hindu Magic and Occultism**. This volume, besides being handsomely bound in **Black Seal Leather**, is replete with knowledge of the Occult, taking up in the many chapters its different aspects, such as **Spiritism, Adeptship, Witchcraft, Ceremonial Magic, Astral Entities, Necromancy, Obsession, Exorcism, Invocations and Conjururation of Spirits of the Astral Plane, Etc., Etc.**

The Glossary, giving to the student definitions of all **OCCULT TERMS** used, which is appended, shows the author to be a master of the subject, and any person who desires to develop **Occult Power, Clairvoyancy or Mediumship**, and obtain accurate and secret knowledge of the inner circle of the Adepts of India, should procure a copy of this work, as it is plainly shown that de Laurence is the only person who has even been granted the right to put these secrets into English, and the student is given knowledge obtained by one who has spent years among the Adepts of India, who are the greatest wonder workers in Occultism the world has ever known.

And further this deponent saith not.



Mrs M. B. Woodward

34 E. 12th St., Chicago, Ill.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 27th day of March, A. D. 1903.

SIMON W. KING.



LIKE THE "WRITING ON THE WALL."

STATE OF NEBRASKA, {
County of Harlan. ss.

Republican City, Neb., March 21st, 1903.

I, Frank Peasley, first being duly sworn, deposes and says:

The enormous value and importance of the **Occult Secrets** and knowledge of **Spiritism, Demonology, Witchcraft, Sorcery and Magical Powers** as contained in **The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**, which the Author bequeaths as a **Legacy** to the sincere student and investigator in **Spiritism, Hypnotism and Occultism**, is always underrated and generally doubted, notwithstanding that like the writing on the wall at Belshazzar's Feast, their manifestations in the **Occult, Spiritual, Mental and Moral Arena** are like the **Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin**, to a foolish and undiscerning world, who would do well to learn the system of true Magical Instructions and practice taught in this work, and discover that **Light of Initiated Wisdom and Occult Secrets** for which their soul has cried aloud within them for many years.

The intelligent person who studies this course cannot help showing a marked intolerance for the crude systems which are taught by modern so-called and would-be Occultists and those who profess to teach a true system of Occultism and Magic.

And further affiant saith not.

Frank Peasley

Republican City, Neb.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 21st day of March, A. D. 1903.

GRANT GIFFORD,
Notary Public.





THIS BOOK WORTH THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, {
County of Cook. ss.

Chicago, Ill., March 18th, 1903.

I, W. R. Fielding, first being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That after having purchased and studied "**The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism,**" by de Laurence, I will here state that it is the most wonderful work on the Occult that has ever been put in print, and should be in the hands of all who are interested in Occult Science, as the instructions for the development of Clairvoyancy, Mediumship, Occult and Psychic Powers are so specific and plain that they cannot but be understood, and any person who has an opportunity to purchase this famous work should do so by all means, as a study of its contents will readily convince you that de Laurence is not an imposter but an Adept, who has knowledge of Occult and Unseen Forces of Nature, that are not known outside of the Orient.

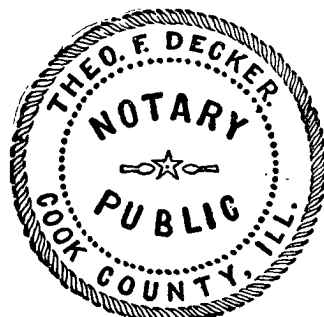
Having taken many courses and studied books of all descriptions which profess to teach the Occult, and found them worthless, I feel that I am competent to judge.

Those who compare this famous work with others that profess to reveal these secrets, will readily realize the truthfulness of this statement, as the chapters on Witchcraft, Magic and Sorcery, Mediumship and Clairvoyancy are worth thousands of dollars to the student and investigator of "The Occult."

And further affiant saith not.

W. R. Fielding

Master Steam Fitter,
762 Haddon Ave., Chicago, Ill.



Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 18th day of March, A. D. 1903.

THEO. F. DECKER,
Notary Public.



TESTIMONY FROM A STUDENT OF OCCULTISM FOR EIGHTEEN YEARS.

STATE OF INDIANA, }
County of Elkhart. } ss.

Elkhart, Ind., March 14th, 1903.

I, Newton P. Hackman, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

This is to testify that I am the fortunate possessor of a Complete Treatise on Hindu Magic and Indian Occultism, by L. W. de Laurence, a High Caste Yoghi and Adept, and after a careful examination and study of said work, will say that the work is better than it is represented to be, and the price of only \$12.00 is too reasonable to be taken into consideration for such a scientific work as is **"The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism,"** from L. W. de Laurence, of Chicago, Ill., who has proven himself to be a Master Mind on all the subjects contained in the massive work on Occultism. The work also teaches the Invocation of the Spirits of the Astral Plane, White and Black Magic, Clairvoyancy, Mediumship, Evil Spirits and Astral Entities. It teaches a development of Occult Powers, Mind, Soul and Body such as has never been taught in the western world, and for the first time gives to our western people Occult Secrets and knowledge that were revealed only to the initiated in the Inner Temple where the ancient mysteries were taught and known only to the Egyptian Magi, Sages and to the Hindu Adepts, and whose disclosure to the vulgar was forbidden. Being a student in the study of Christian, Mental and Occult Science for the past 18 years, I can truthfully say it is the only work of its kind which reveals the key to the Missing Link of Spiritual and Material Existence.

And further affiant saith not.

Newton P. Hackman.

Scientist and Healer,
718 Garfield Ave., Elkhart, Ind

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public for the said County and State, comes Newton P. Hackman, who has been a resident of said county the past twenty-five years, and affirms the acknowledgment of the above recommendation. Subscribed and affirmed before me this 14th day of March, A. D. 1903.

CYRUS LEILER,
Notary Public.





NOT BLACK MAGIC, OR PACT AND DEVIL WORSHIP.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, }
County of Douglas. } ss.

Omaha, Neb., March 20th, 1903.

I, Gus Ekstrom, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am the possessor of a complete treatise on **Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**, written and published by de Laurence, a High Caste Yoghi, an Adept, for which I paid \$12.00. I have given the work a very careful examination, and I find it to be all that de Laurence claims it to be, and even better. I have examined other courses treating on the same subject matter, but this is far superior to any I have ever examined, and the instructions given in this volume for developing Occult Powers and producing extraordinary Magical effects are founded on the system of the Secret Knowledge of the Hindoos, and the mode of production is not Black Magic or Pact and Devil Worship, against which this initiated Master (the Author) in Magic and Occultism so constantly inveighs, but instead is a system of Magical Workings (whose Modus Operandi differs so strongly from that employed and taught by the Occultists, Mesmerists, Mediums and Hypnotists of today, who practice all kinds of impositions on their students) that they fill one with contempt for any other system or methods for developing or operating Magical effects than those here laid down for the earnest student.

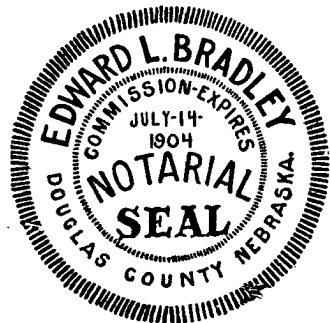
And further affiant saith not.

Gus Ekstrom

With the U. P. R. Co., Omaha, Neb.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn
to before me this 20th day of March,
A. D. 1903.

EDWARD L. BRADLEY,
Notary Public.





WORTH THEIR WEIGHT IN PURE GOLD.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, }
County of Crawford. } ss.

Townville, Pa., March 14th, 1903.

I, L. J. Everett, first being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Any advanced student, or any one who is at all conversant with the subject, could not help knowing the enormous value of a system which is used by the Adepts and Masters of the "Occult" in India, and now set forth in "**The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**" for the development of Spiritual and Occult Powers.

Neither could an advanced Adept, such as de Laurence certainly is, remain ignorant of the value this knowledge would be if revealed to the western investigator of Occultism; therefore, when he was granted the right to place this secret knowledge in the hands of those who are sincere in their intentions to learn how to develop their Occult Powers, he, at great expense and labor, published this work, and those who are fortunate enough to get this volume of secret knowledge which this Adept, who is the Initiated and Wonder-Working Medium between the Great Concealed Adepts of India and the western world, is the author, will realize that rarely, if ever, they will again be given the opportunity of obtaining this true system of Magical instructions in Hindu Magic and Oriental Occultism which are worth their weight in pure gold.

And further affiant saith not.

L J Everett

Townville, Pa.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 14th day of March, A. D. 1903.

ELIJAH J. FLINT,
Notary Public, Justice of the Peace.





MR. N. J. MAXWELL SPENT ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE DOLLARS FOR INFERIOR COURSES.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, }
County of Douglas. } ss.

Omaha, Neb., March 17th, 1903.

I, N. J. Maxwell, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

The Occult instructions in "**The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**" are found to be carried out even to minute detail, so that the Author's system of Magical Art is thoroughly reliable, because correct in all its attributions, and this being so, there is no possible chance for the student to fail to understand his Mystic Teachings or their inner Occult Meaning, and attain possession of the system of Sacred and Secret Magic of the Hindus.

The Author of this work has also dispelled the belief that this secret knowledge was only really obtainable by those who were willing to quit their home and their country and undergo dangers and hardships in its quest.

It is entirely beyond the scope of this testimony for me to give here any lengthy dissertation on the merits and worth of

de Laurence's volume on Indian Occultism. I will, therefore, only state briefly and concisely that the principal differences between this wonderful book and other courses which claim to teach the true system of Secret Magic, is that de Laurence's "**Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and Occultism**" is an official, authentic and standard work, founded on the Secret knowledge of the Hindu Adepts, while the best that can be said of the others is that they are badly misrepresented, inferior and insignificant when compared to this volume of Occult instructions.

Having spent One Hundred and Thirty-Three Dollars and Fifty Cents for the following inferior courses, I cannot help having great appreciation for this master work: Weltman's (Personal Course), \$100.00; Sage's N. Y. Institute of Science, \$10.00; Standhope's, Nevada, Mo., \$3.50; Prof. Leonidas, Chicago, \$10.00; Zenoni, from The International Temple of Science, Chicago, \$5.00; The Psychic Research Co., Chicago, \$5.00.

And further affiant saith not.

N. J. Maxwell

419 South 19th St., Omaha, Neb.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 17th day of March, A. D. 1903.

STOCKTON HETH,
Notary Public.





A SCIENTIFIC BASIS OF INSTRUCTION.

STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, } ss.
County of Middlesex.

Somerville, Mass., March 21st, 1903.

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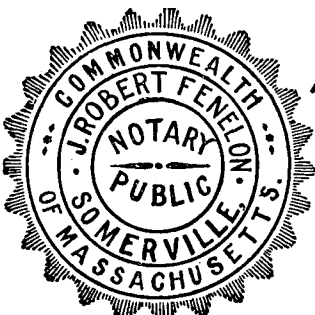
Being an earnest investigator of all Occult, Spirit and Hypnotic phenomena and for a number of years having read the different Occult magazines, I desire to say for the benefit of others, who, like myself, have long desired an official and authentic work on Occultism, Hindu Magic, Astral Influence, Clairvoyancy, Witchcraft, Demonology and Sorcery, that de Laurence's "**Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**" is the most intensely interesting and instructive work that has ever been published on these subjects which the incompetent have made such failures of.

Visionary and impractical aspects of the subject, as well as all unnecessary incumbrances are eliminated, and at last a scientific basis of instruction is found. The author's style, like his thought, is clear, penetrative, brilliant and impressive, which gives the student and reader a high regard for him and his Occult teachings.

de Laurence certainly ranks with the foremost writers and Adepts of the Orient, and this volume of almost six hundred pages is one of rare value, and well worth the price asked for it.

From de Laurence's handsome volume the student can learn the Key and every Phase of the Hindu Mystics, Occult Secrets for the development of Clairvoyancy, Mediumship and Hypnotic Power. Having taken a course from the New York Institute of Science and the American College of Science, and several others, I am in a position to speak intelligently on the subject.

And further affiant saith not.



Samuel W. Millner

22 Aldersey St., Somerville, Mass.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 21st day of March, A. D. 1903.

J. ROBERT FENELON,
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OF INESTIMABLE VALUE.

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County of Jasper. } ss.

Colfax, Iowa, March 24th, 1903.

I, S. W. McMullen, first being duly sworn, deposes and says:

To the sincere student of Occultism, "**The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism**," by de Laurence, a High Grade Adept, cannot fail to be of unlimited value, whether as an instructor or an aid to his discrimination between true and false systems of Magic; or as presenting an assemblage of directions for the production of Magical and Occult effects, which the author makes so plain that the student cannot fail to have success in developing his **Occult, Psychic and Clairvoyant powers**.

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The above, together with the observation and advice of this Initiated Master, makes this volume of inestimable value to any person who desires to develop their Occult Powers.

And further affiant saith not.

S. W. McMullen

Box 50, Colfax, Iowa.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 24th day of March, A. D. 1903.

J. H. HAHN,
Notary Public.





A MASTER WORK.

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County of Berkshire. } ss.

Pittsfield, Mass., March 14, 1903.

I, Orlando Warriner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

"The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism," by L. W. de Laurence, is just what its name signifies, and Hypnotism, Occultism, Mediumship and Clairvoyancy, as it is taught and practiced by the Pretenders, Superficial Investigator, Professors and Colleges of Science, is simply child's play, a fraud and an imposition, when compared with the methods used by the Hindoo Adepts, and which are taught in this Volume of Occultism by L. W. de Laurence. No person need hesitate in buying a copy of this work, as it is just as represented, and I can frankly state to those who are interested that L. W. de Laurence's book is the FIRST COURSE that has ever given me any enlightenment or true knowledge on the science of Hypnotism, Occultism, Witchcraft, Clairvoyancy, Mediumship, Evil Spirits, Adeptship and Hindu Magic. I have taken a course from the New York Institute of Science, Rochester, N. Y.; also from the American College of Sciences, of Philadelphia, Pa., and of the Columbian Academy of Sciences, of New York City, and have read several other courses of instruction on the Occult Sciences, but find them all badly misrepresented, and not to be compared with "The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism," which is a Master Work.

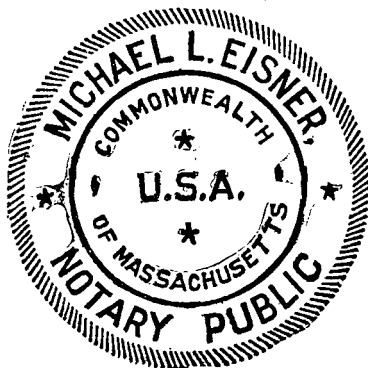
Any one who desires to possess the True Occult and Psychometric key to Mediumship, Clairvoyancy, Adeptship, Spiritism, Hypnotism and Occultism, will find it in this work.

And further affiant saith not.

Orlando Warriner
Pittsfield, Mass.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
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MICHAEL L. EISNER,
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The Hindu's belief, in TALISMANS, as being a charm against Evil is full of moral wisdom, and is referred to in the Hindu Vedas, which compose the OCCULT SECRET BOOKS OF THE ORIENT. For centuries the Hindu has burned **Temple Incense** to TALISMANS, thus showing reverence and belief in these powerful instruments of protection.

Talismans are said to be efficacious, for those who reverence them, as a noted Charm and Talisman which will change ENEMIES TO FRIENDS, and will disperse all PAIN, EVIL AND SORROW.

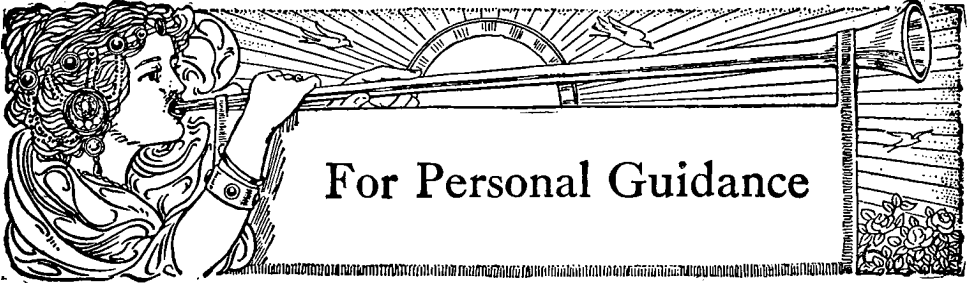
If your enemies have despoiled you of credit and caused you to be mistreated, and thereby reduce your earnings, or perhaps, deprive you of your position and install another in your place they will be put to failure and shame, so it is said, if you own these SACRED MAGICAL ART TALISMANS. As these SACRED MAGICAL ART TALISMANS are only to be given to those who order a copy of "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM" they positively will not be sold for money. See our ASTOUNDING OFFER of SEVEN TALISMANS AND A GENUINE TALISMAN CASE on another page.

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TALISMAN FOR ENEMIES

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MAGIC BELL FOR INVOKING SPIRITS

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FOR PROSPERITY AND SUCCESS

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FOR PROTECTION AND PERSONAL GUIDANCE

They Shall Guide And Protect Thee With Their Diversified Virtues

"Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church;
and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it."—Matthew 16:18.

The words, which compose this famous text, will be found written within the great dome of *St. Peter's* church in *Rome*. *Peter* was a "rock" and upon this rock Christ founded his church; and "the gates of Hell did not prevail against it." *The Seven Sacred Magical Art Talismans*, are, to those who believe in their singular efficacy, wonderful Amulets that are invincible, and evil influences and secret enemies *shall not prevail against them* any more than did the gates of Hell prevail against the rock upon which Christ built his church.

Sacred Magical Art Talisman No. 18306

THE SACRED ELEPHANT

Talisman Against Evil Spirits

The Sacred Elephant Of India. It is written in Ancient Manuscripts that The Spirit of ORIENS, KING OF THE EAST, is one of the Four Potent Rulers of the **Spiritual World**, that he rideth upon a SACRED ELEPHANT. His power over Evil Spirits, according to the Ancients, is great, and he can answer truly to all demands for help from those **Obsessed or Tormented by Evil Spirits**.

THE SACRED ELEPHANT TALISMAN is carried in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, by many as a True Talisman of great Spiritual Efficacy against Evil Spirits. Those who have this Talisman trust, and are not afraid, for Oriens, King Of The East, is, they believe, their Strength, Power, and Salvation against evil influences. This SACRED ELEPHANT TALISMAN is produced most accurately on Genuine Parchment in Gold with **Oriens** the potent ruler, who rideth upon an Elephant.

Sacred Magical Art Talisman No. 18307

A TALISMAN OF PROPHECY

This Talisman is much sought after by many that they may be enabled, through the **Divine Occult Powers** of their own soul, to foretell that which shall afterward come to pass. For he, who possesses this Talisman, so it's claimed, shalt be in **League with the Good Spirits** of the **Astral Plane**, who will assist him to obtain clearness of Clairvoyant Vision, and wonderful Powers of **Prophecies**.

The Spirits of **Egal, King of the North**, is, so states "THE BOOK OF ANCIENT MYSTERIES" high and mighty. He appeareth in the form of a man riding upon a swift footed horse, with a Regal Helmet on his head, upon which rests an Eagle. This **Talisman for Prophecies**, has proven of great use to Mediums and those who wish to gain knowledge of **future events**.

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NOTE: The 7 Magical Art Talismans are described on this and the next Two Pages.

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Sacred Magical Art Talisman No. 18308

TALISMAN FOR DISEASE AND ILL HEALTH

This Talisman, so states a certain **GUIDE TO ANCIENT MYSTERIES**, has proved to be very good; so much so, that when it is worn, no disease can advance. Believed to be efficacious where the state is one of a morbid gloomy nature. Let the party who is afflicted of a disease which he would have cured, keep with him this Talisman both **during the Day and the Night**. Directly after obtaining this **HEALING TALISMAN** write your name on the back thereof in Red Ink, and below your name write the following words, also in Red Ink.

So steadfast and strong is my faith and belief in the extraordinary power, of this Sacred Talisman, against disease, which I now keep about my person, may it therefore be the means of Healing my lamentable sickness.

Remember, O! man, that the wearer of this **SACRED TALISMAN** must have a steadfast, firm and **Confident Faith** in the **Divine power of God**, and also in the Healing Powers of his own Soul if he would overcome disease. By making use of this Talisman the most miraculous cures are said to have been performed. As there is nothing therein which is in any way derogatory to the Power of the Supreme Being, there certainly can be no harm in trying it.

If it be required to perform a cure upon one at a distance, without the afflicted party's knowledge, obtain this **SACRED HEALING TALISMAN**, and then write the following words, also in Red Ink. **By my steadfast faith and belief in the singular efficacy and extraordinary power of this Sacred Talisman I Destroy and Rebuke this Disease now troubling the one whose name I have written above.** Many claim to have Healed Divers Diseases this way; the disease wearing, by little and little, away. Therefore keep it Secret from the one whom you desire to relieve of their lamentable sickness.—Ancient MS.

Sacred Magical Art Talisman No. 18309

TALISMAN FOR ENEMIES

"He that carrieth this Talisman in a Leather Talisman Case shall be protected from enemies."—Ancient MS.

"Rebuke the company of Spearmen; scatter thou the people that delight in war."—Psalm LXVIII, 20.

This Talisman, is said to be **very powerful**, for those who may be in trouble of any kind. It is reproduced on **Virgin Parchment in Gold Ink**.

The power attributed to this Talisman is one that makes it **dangerous** for any person to attempt to injure the one who carries it. In view of this, **should they attempt it**, this Talisman will render their efforts and dangerous work **abortive**, so it is believed. They will be forced against their will to **quit you**, and you need **fear no harm**, if this **TALISMAN** is carried in a **Genuine Leather Talisman Case**. Those who have this Talisman trust, and fear not; **Amapmon**, is, they believe, their strength and power over enemies—Ancient MS.

This Talisman is a rare piece of workmanship of the Ancient Magi; which in the language of the Adepts signifies: "**A Great Protector**." Such, be it known to all who read here with an interested eye, is **Sacred Talisman Number 18309**. Great money has been offered for this Talisman but it will never be sold for money and can positively only be obtained as shown here.

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Sacred Magical Art Talisman No. 18310

THE MAGIC BELL FOR INVOKING SPIRITS

This Magic Talisman for Invoking Spirits must first be formed on Virgin Parchment in Gold Ink and be kept in a Leather Talisman Case if the wearer wouldst invoke "**Good Spirits.**" Let this **MAGIC BELL TALISMAN** be carried during thy presence in any Circle of Spiritualists if thee wishes to have Spirits appear before thee, and have thy wishes performed. But if thee carry this **BELL TALISMAN** in a Leather Talisman Case keep it a Secret from others who may be present in the Circle else it becomes useless.—**Ancient MS.**

Beaumont, in his "Treaties of Spirits," mentions this strange **Magic Bell Talisman** and relates a history of a certain **Monk** who made use of it. Let it be known by him who reads here that This **Sacred Talisman** cannot be bought for money, for the reasons set out elsewhere. These **SACRED MAGICAL ART TALISMANS** are not the foolish invention of modern men. These Talismans are as Ancient as the **Occult Lamp** found burning in an old Marble Sepulchre.

Sacred Magical Art Talisman No. 18311

THE FORTUNE OF WEALTH

A Talisman For Prosperity And Success

The object in the construction of this Talisman, **FOR PROSPERITY AND SUCCESS**, is to have one go through life with ease, and keep the wearer from Bad Luck. To lead a respectable life of comfort so that almost every undertaking will eventually produce **Good Fortune**, and they will experience good even from the appearance of evil; while, on the contrary, those who attempt to deprive the wearer of Wealth and Honor shall know Sorrow and Trouble, "**even as the sparks fly upwards.**"

This Talisman is Engraved with **Mystic Characters**, and those who carry it will be able to use good judgment upon all questions relating to **Wealth or Poverty, Prosperity or Adversity, Loss or Gain** in any undertaking that may be propounded. Also concerning Goods or Money employed in Speculation. In Suits of Law or Equity carry this Talisman and Friends and Enemies may be shown you in a Dream.

As one's success in life, and the gaining of money, depends upon their overcoming tribulations this Talisman is said to resolve all question of Sorrows, Afflictions, Trouble, Anxiety, Distress, Imprisonment, Persecution, Malice, Secret Enemies, Suicide, Treason, Conspiracy Assassination and everything appertaining to the Misfortune and afflictions of mankind and All Matters relating to Land, Houses, Estates, or Treasures hidden in the Ground; All matters relating to Legacies, Wills, or who shall inherit the Estate of a deceased relative.—**Ancient MS.**

Sacred Magical Art Talisman No. 18315

A TALISMAN FOR LOVE

This Talisman is said to be wonderfully Efficacious in procuring Success in Love and affairs of the heart.

It is related in an **Ancient Manuscript**: "That the nature of this Talisman is to assist in procuring the Love of Women, to cause Men to Marry their Acknowledged Sweethearts, to Pacify Strife and Contentions between those who Love one another, to appease Anger and Quarrels.

It is sought after by many who believe it helps to cause Marriage, to Procure Love, and to obtain favor from the opposite sex. Again, many wear it to help them resolve all questions in Love affairs and Marriage, and to be shown in a dream the person that the querist will marry. Lastly, it is said, that this Talisman helps to clear the judgment for those who fail to be prudent in all things pertaining to Marriage, Jealousy, Separations, and Endless Disappointments.

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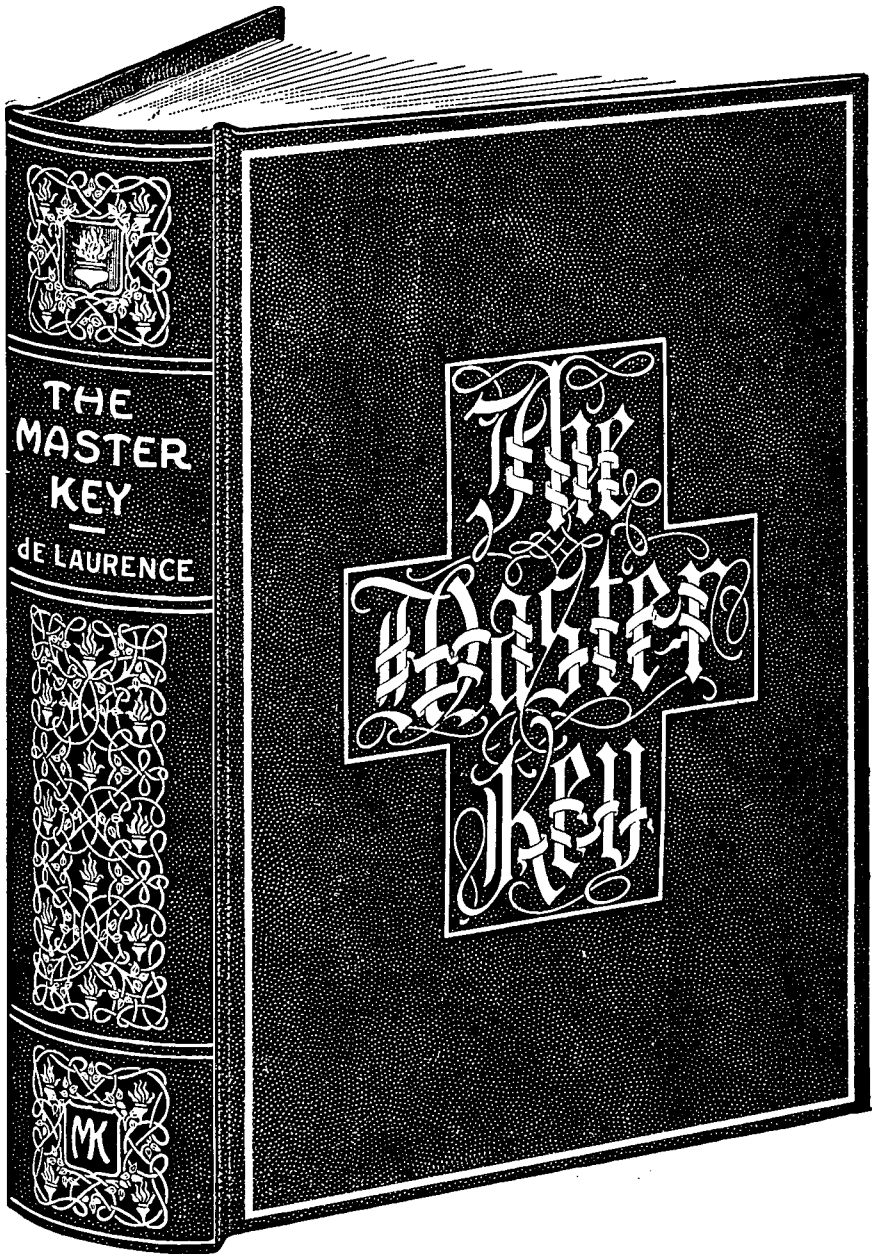


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Harry Gilmore, a young real estate dealer, had just finished supper with his wife, pushed his chair back from the table preparatory to lighting his pipe, and pondering over his ill luck and failure to make money. The weather outside was stinging cold, the storm raged and swirled the sleet and snow with its frenzied whirlwinds. Although the intense cold driven by the strong wind penetrated every opening, Gilmore and his wife were comfortable—that is to say, comfortable physically.



The time had come in Harry Gilmore's life when mental comfort was a thing of the past. Within his brain a tempest raged until its depths were stirred and slashed with the motley thoughts of failure and poverty. Before his mind passed the buried treasures, hopes and sunken wrecks of all the past years, until they were cast before his mind's eye upon the shores of the present.

Before the relentless hand of failure had grasped Gilmore, he had been looked upon and described as the perfect man in business. He earned honestly what he got—envied no man's happiness—glad of other men's success—content with his life, wife, and business. Tonight, as he nervously smoked his pipe, his mind acted like a snapper-up of important affairs, and unconsidered trifles; fighting out the circumstances of the life to come. He, after failing to turn a real estate deal, owing to his not being quite as good a business man as he ought, felt tonight like the base Indian who threw away a pearl richer than all his tribe. Thought-entangled, hesitating in a world that seemed to him to be a strange mingling of poverty and conscious inability to get on in life, Harry Gilmore, like thousands of other men who have been an abject failure when brought to the point where brains count and "efficiency" spells success, was reaping the sore and bitter harvest of successful failure. Failure and hard times seemed to echo in his brain like the useless babble of a stream that hurries by a ruined mill.

"The Marvelous Story Of The Master Key" Is Continued On Next Page.

THE MARVELOUS STORY OF THE MASTER KEY

Gilmore knew his weak points and he had endeavored many times to overcome them, but had never been able to do so. None knew better than he that—Talent and Mind Power today outranked the wonders of the Olympian Gods. He knew also that Will Power and Personal Ability are measured and mathematical—dominated by Prudence and the Power of Trained Thought. Experience had taught him that—only those who can concentrate their Mind Power can overwhelm the mental and physical beggars of the world with uncounted gold, and unnumbered gems of success. He also knew that—weakness of the will never produces a perfect climate for the soul of a going man or woman.

The storm and wind outside conveyed nothing to Gilmore except an abstract thankfulness that he and his wife were where it could not reach them. While he sat there wishing that he could obtain that "Mystic Something" which—makes the poor rich and the common royal, the bell rang, the door opened, closed, and admitted—Anderson.

Anderson, whose occupation was that of a drug and prescription clerk, had been an undeniable and dismal failure. He was a prescription clerk of more than ordinary ability. He had, however, been a failure as far as making and saving money was concerned, having fallen into the channel traveled by those-who-do-not-succeed, and had gotten into debt. Gilmore looked up as Anderson entered and was surprised at the great change in his appearance. In fact, as he remarked to his wife afterwards, he hardly knew him. The last time Anderson had been in Gilmore's office his clothes were shabby and threadbare, and his general appearance showed that he was insolvent and out of employment. Tonight, however, there was something new and unusual in his appearance. As he brushed the snow and sleet from his new overcoat and hat, he smiled and said: "Hello, Gilmore, don't you know me when I am all 'lit up' in new clothes?" Gilmore confessed that he was surprised at his appearance. Anderson surprised his friend further by pulling a silver case from his pocket and passing him a high-grade Havana cigar. Involuntarily he took it and beckoned Anderson to sit down.

Gilmore lit the cigar. At the same time he watched Anderson in stupid amazement, wondering where he had obtained the money to buy expensive Havana cigars while he himself hadn't sufficient cash to pay his rent and gas bill. Gilmore also noticed the great change in his friend's manner. He seemed full of confidence, and possessed of a Power Of Will and Mind, that was perfectly wonderful. Gilmore, no longer able to conceal his increasing surprise and curiosity, said to his friend, "has some rich relative died and left you a fortune?"

"No," replied Anderson calmly, looking Gilmore steadily in the eye; "but I have discovered 'The Master Key.' I have at last in my possession The Secret Talisman Of Success. This is my mascot."

"Gilmore," said Anderson, at length, pausing while he flicked the ashes from his half burned cigar, "I see that I have surprised you. It is not strange, for lately I have been a surprise to myself and everybody else. I not only look, but feel like a different man, and the change has taken place within the last few weeks. You know that I have come into your office 'broke' many a time, and you pretended to be very busy so I would not have a chance to ask you for a small loan. I know why you did it. It was not because you were afraid to let me have a little money; for you know I am honest, but because you did not yourself have the money to do it. Have another cigar, and here is a fifty-dollar loan for you until you get on your feet again; this is my treat, you know, for you and your wife have always treated me square."

Almost speechless with surprise, Gilmore thanked him for the loan, as he needed money very badly at that particular time of the year; the real estate market being dull.

After this Anderson was silent a moment as he looked into Gilmore's eyes, smiling at the astonishment which he, Gilmore, in vain strove to hide. "Did you ever know a prescription or drug clerk who possesses more knowledge of the business than I?" he asked Gilmore presently. "No. Do you believe that there is anything in the line of my profession that I could not accomplish if I applied myself to it? No. You have been in the real estate business for—how many—five or six years. Do you ever remember when I had a good overcoat, clothes and money in my pocket until tonight? Do I surprise you? You have seen for yourself. Next week my new business career begins. Within two months I shall have all my debts paid and enough money to open up a small bank account. Why? Because I have discovered 'The Master Key.' It's now my Mascot. Within it I found the Secret Of Success. Yes," continued Anderson, when Gilmore did not reply, "my future is assured, and I know that I shall make a fortune. I have been reading a strange and wonderful book, and, since reading it, I feel that my fortune is made and that I shall now be able to overcome everything that has heretofore held me back. It will make your fortune, too. You should be sure and read it; for you have no idea what it will do

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for you. Nothing will seem impossible after you know what it teaches. Its author makes everything as plain as A, B, C. The very moment you grasp its true meaning, success is yours. A short time ago I was in the very darkness of poverty, and my circumstances, although I had tried hard to get a good steady position, were more pathetic than the last scene in 'Lear.' No intelligent, honest, industrious man or woman has ever felt poverty and failure above their head without being overcome with a feeling of despair deeper than tears. Tonight I wouldn't exchange places with Carnegie, Rockefeller or any other millionaire. This may sound irrational and foolish, but it's true. The millionaire has lost his vitality, and spent his enthusiasm; mine is all at hand."

"You astonish and amaze me," said Gilmore, looking sharply at his friend, the drug clerk, and wondering whether he could believe his own eyes and ears. "Won't you loan me the book? I should like to read it."

"Certainly I want you to read it, as it contains something that all the world should know. It is really remarkable that its author kept it from being printed until now; for every intelligent man and woman would appreciate a work like 'The Master Key.' Only a short time ago I really was in want. I was starving, slowly starving, while seeking a position. I hadn't any friends because I was 'broke.' I hadn't any credit, I owed for my room rent, and had no place to go for a meal. I had actually reached the depths of despair and was seriously thinking of committing suicide. I had gone to three or four prescription drug stores and submitted my references, but they were handed back and I was told they had no place for me. Luck seemed to be against me everywhere I turned; through my very blood and brain there crept the shadow and chill of wrecked hopes, and unspoken desires. My soul seemed to feel the pangs of every hell; for I had suffered that which sways the mind of every ambitious man—failure. This is the highest possible truth. Whenever poverty and failure master the human heart, as it did mine, before I read this remarkable book, it drives out all hope and ambition. One cold day while traveling the streets for a position I found a Prospectus telling of this book, that sold for \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00, and \$6.00. I was impressed to send for the book, but could not, as I had scarcely money enough for my next meal. That night I dreamed of this marvelous book. In my dreams I thought it one of the most extravagant things in literature, and that it contained a 'Magic Secret' so marvelously told that it almost seemed probable. The next day I sold my Large Medical Dictionary for \$5.00, and sent \$2.50 to the publishers for 'The Master Key.' I realized that this was my last chance—I was desperate, and every desperate man will take a chance. The book came and I read it. You can scarcely realize the transformation. Why, say, Gilmore, everything seemed to change at once—and there you are." "But what does the book contain, Anderson," asked Gilmore.

"Wait; let me tell you what happened. I applied for a position in one of the large Fifth Avenue drug stores where they do a great prescription business. I was accepted at once, and put to work at a salary twice as large as I had ever received. Today I got a raise."

"Can this book do for others what it has accomplished for you? For example, do you believe it would help me?" Gilmore asked.

"Help you? Why shouldn't it? Your position financially is not as desperate as mine was. Listen, Gilmore, and I will tell you what is in this marvelous book that Railroad Presidents, Bankers, Ministers, Clerks, and even Farmers are raving over, although, really, you should read it yourself. However, I will tell it to you the best I can. It is like this: You see,—"

Gilmore's wife interrupted Anderson at this moment. She informed him that the prescription department of the store, where he was employed wanted him on the 'phone, as he was needed to put up a doctor's prescription for a very particular and wealthy patient. With a word of apology Anderson left the room and went to the 'phone, which was in the hall. Three minutes later, after bidding Gilmore and his wife a hasty good-night, the drug clerk slipped on his fur-lined overcoat, rushed out into the storm, called a taxi-cab, and disappeared in the direction of Fifth Avenue. Never before, within the recollection of Gilmore or his wife, had George Anderson ever been called out of their house by telephone. This, of itself, was substantial evidence and proof of a great change in his life.

One day Gilmore was sitting in his downtown real estate office waiting for a chance client when he walked Davidson, a former employee of his, but now a partner in a real estate firm in Brooklyn. This occurred about a month after Gilmore's memorable interview with Anderson, which by that time had almost passed out of his mind.

"Hello, Gilmore, old boy, how's the world treating you? Still selling lots of real estate?" Davidson asked as he seated himself near the radiator. "Oh, yes," Gilmore replied, bitterly, with prospects of being closed up by the sheriff. "But by the accounts of the newspapers things must be coming your way. Can't you put me next, or tell me how you do it?" "Our business is good," replied Davidson, "and things have been coming my way, for a fact. It's certainly very remarkable, is, about all I can tell you. You know George Anderson, the drug and prescription clerk, don't you? Well, it's all due to him."

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"I was down almost to my last dollar, had sickness at home—thinking of going into bankruptcy—looking for you, in fact, with the hope that you would lend me enough on my note to help pay the rent and doctor's bill, when I ran across George Anderson. He gave me a book to read, and really, Gilmore, it is the most remarkable book I ever read; it has made a new man out of me. Within ten days I was on my feet, and I've hardly missed a sale since."

Davidson's words, uttered calmly, and with the air of one who had told the truth, recalled to Gilmore's mind the talk he and his wife had with Anderson that cold, stormy night when he was called to the 'phone, nearly a month before. "It must be a remarkable book," Gilmore said, incredulously. "Anderson mentioned it to me once while at my house. I have never seen him since. Do you know where he is now?"

"He is chief prescription clerk in a swell drug store down on Fifth Avenue, at a hundred dollars a week; I just saw him yesterday," replied Davidson. "It is a fact that everyone who has read that book has done well. There are Martin and Lewis—parties whom I know—you have never met them. One's an insurance agent; the other a grocery clerk. Anderson told them where to order a copy of the book. They sent for it, and they have obtained the same results from 'The Master Key' that I have; and they are not the only ones either. I would like to see a copy of this book put in every home, every office, every church, every school and university in the world. It ought to be printed in all languages and sent broadcast throughout the world. It should have even a greater sale and circulation than the Bible. It really does bring about a Magical change in anyone who reads it. There would be no better way to spend Carnegie's millions than to put this book into everybody's hands. It's bound to help you, and it's as plain and true as an A, B, C book. It's a most marvelous volume that teaches, and proves what it teaches. By the way, I have an engagement to go to lunch with Mr. Warren, the broker. You will excuse me, I know, and I'll just step in again in a day or so." Davidson shook hands, nodded his head, smiled and was gone.

To tell the truth, Gilmore was chagrined. Again, he did not have money enough to meet his bills. Going to a small restaurant, where he had often "stood off" the purveyor of noonday lunches, Gilmore told him that he was hungry, had no money today, but would like a meal. The restaurant man was on the point of leaving when Gilmore entered and accosted him. He hesitated, looked at Gilmore, and said, with extreme cordiality, "Mr. Gilmore, I will introduce you to Mr. Browning, the new proprietor. The facts are, that he had just bought me out. Allow me to introduce you to Mr. Browning, who will serve you and extend credit just the same as I have, and I've told him you were good for any meal you ordered. By the way, isn't Anderson, the drug clerk, a good friend of yours?" Gilmore nodded his head. He couldn't have spoken a word if he had tried. "Let me tell you," continued the ex-purveyor of business men's lunch, "Mr. Anderson came in here late one night about a month ago, and told me the most marvelous things I had ever heard; stating that he had learned them out of a certain book. I've just sold out here and am going to open up a fine place on Sixth Avenue—near Twenty-fifth Street. It's only one block from Fifth Avenue. Stop in and see me some time."

In a moment he was out of the restaurant, and the door had closed behind him before Gilmore had time to stop him; so he ate his lunch in silence, and resolved he would learn what the book contained before he went to bed that night. In fact, Gilmore had begun to regard this book with superstition. It had helped so many of his friends, surely it would be capable of helping him out of his bad circumstances. The conviction that this wonderful book contained information that would help him, possessed him to such an extent, that he began to regard it as something magical. Returning to his office, he looked up Anderson's address at the big Drug Store on Fifth Avenue. That evening on his way home from his office he stopped at the place where Anderson was employed as chief prescription clerk, and found him leaning over the cigar case, surrounded by a group of friends. Anderson shook hands with Gilmore, handed him an imported Havana cigar, and asked him to join them in a smoke. Gilmore saw at once that there was no chance for Anderson to tell him what the book contained. There were half a dozen leaning over the cigar case, and he was the farthest away from Anderson, who had by this time taken his place behind the cigar case again. Gilmore kept his eye upon him, however, and bided his time, determined that when his friends departed he would approach him. A silence, suggestive of respectful awe, had fallen upon the party after Gilmore had been introduced by Anderson. Anderson's friends all seemed to be thinking intensely, and their entire attention appeared centered upon him. The reason was apparent. Anderson had been telling them about that remarkable book, "The Master Key," and Gilmore had entered the place just too late to hear it. On Gilmore's left stood a broker's clerk; on his right was a lawyer; while behind him, stood a newspaper man—a reporter on one of the big New York dailies. Facing him, at the end of the cigar case, stood a doctor with whom he had some acquaintance. The others were clerks and men of wealth.

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"It's too bad, Mr. Gilmore," remarked the doctor; "you should have come a little sooner. Mr. Anderson had been telling us about a book; it is quite wonderful, it really is. Say, Mr. Anderson, won't you tell what you learned in that book again, for the benefit of Mr. Gilmore?"

"Why, yes, certainly. I believe that Gilmore has, somehow, failed to hear just what is in 'The Master Key,' although as a matter of fact I think he was the first one to whom I mentioned it at all. It was at your home, Gilmore. Don't you remember what a stormy night it was? Didn't your wife call me to the telephone, or something like that? To be sure, I remember now; interrupted by a 'phone call from the store here just at the time when I was beginning to tell you what was in that book. After that I told what I had learned to several people, who were not getting on any too well, and it did for them what it has done for me. It seems almost incredible that the contents of a book could have such a great effect upon the success of so many men who are engaged in such widely different lines of business, but that is just what it has done. It is a sort of a never-fail-you book that can be warranted to help every one. There was Johnson, for instance. He was with a large automobile concern and was eased 'down' and out. He had literally lost his grip, and was on the verge of giving up. He happened in here just at the time he was feeling very downhearted, but before he went something was said about 'The Master Key,' and I let him have it to read. It had the same effect upon him that it had on me, and has had upon everybody who has read it, as far as I know. It's the most wonderful book ever written—the results that follow its careful reading are so startling that they seem like Magic. The man or woman, who is a failure in life, turns suddenly into the road that leads to success. The merchant who has been losing money starts to accumulate a fortune. The clerk sees his salary raised without asking or expecting it. The public official gains friends and votes—the minister sees his congregation increase—the storekeeper sees his business growing larger by leaps and bounds—the salesman gets more orders and earns an advancement—the banker more depositors—in every walk of life, the reader of this book wins the goal of his desires simply because in it he will find the 'Master Key' that leads to success. Don't you see what it has done for me and others," continued Anderson, "and how far reaching are its wonderful, magical effects? It imparts knowledge that gives one that Marvelous Influence which guides men and women to the top of the ladder in their chosen line of work. It never fails to bring results. All who have seen or heard of it are just like Gilmore; they seem possessed of an almost uncontrollable desire to own and read a copy of 'The Master Key.' I think you will all agree with me that it is not the book itself that performs such wonderful things for those who are familiar with it; it is what the author tells you in cold black print. It somehow produces a Magical or Psychological effect upon one's affairs that is indescribable. It gives to one the Mental and Financial Elixir so essential to success. Personally, I cannot give any scientific explanation of the influence exerted upon the reader of this book by the author, although I have felt it."

From then on Anderson's friends entered upon a general discussion of what this book had done for those who had read it. Now and then slight references were made to the author himself, and they were just enough to tantalize Gilmore—the only one there who Anderson had not told what the book contained. At length, Gilmore threw away his cigar, and stepping around behind the show case, seized Anderson by the shoulder and succeeded in pulling him away from the party.

"Say, Anderson, if you have any consideration or pity for an old and trusted friend who is fast being driven to the wall owing to the need of money you will tell me what this book contains. Fate seems determined that I shall never know it. You will please tell me now, tonight, before I go home, won't you?" Anderson, startled by Gilmore's intense earnestness, said: "All right, the gentlemen will excuse me for a few minutes, I am sure. Sit down here, Gilmore, and you shall hear it. As I told you before, the stormy night I was at your house, I found the Prospectus describing this original and wonderful publication, and sold my large Medical Dictionary and sent for the book. After receiving it by mail, I began casually to study it, and in a short time I became interested. Before I went to bed that night I had read through several chapters, and it affected me strangely—as if I had at last come in contact with the knowledge that makes one successful. It seemed to exert a vitalizing influence over me as if it was possessed of a strong human personality; it seemed to possess a personal element that struck into my very soul. After I had studied it, and began to understand its meaning I thought it all over. Next morning I realized that I was a changed man, and not the despondent individual that everybody 'turned down' when I applied for a position."

Anderson was interrupted at this point by one of New York's leading doctors, who had come in and insisted upon him personally putting up a very particular prescription. "I am sorry," said Anderson, "that we were disturbed again. However, Gilmore, I know how anxious you are, and as I shall be busy for the balance of the evening I will loan you the book for a few days, as I have it here in my prescription case."

Gilmore thanked him, extended his hand and lost no time in getting home with the book where he could at last learn that "magical-something" which makes Successful, Masterful men and women. See Next Page.

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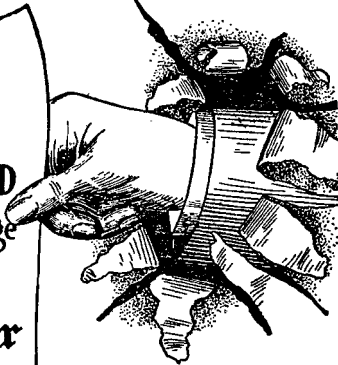
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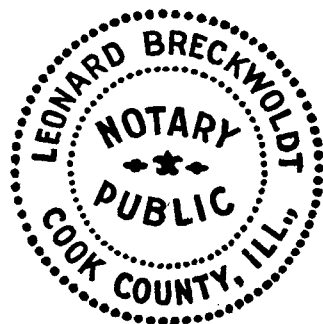
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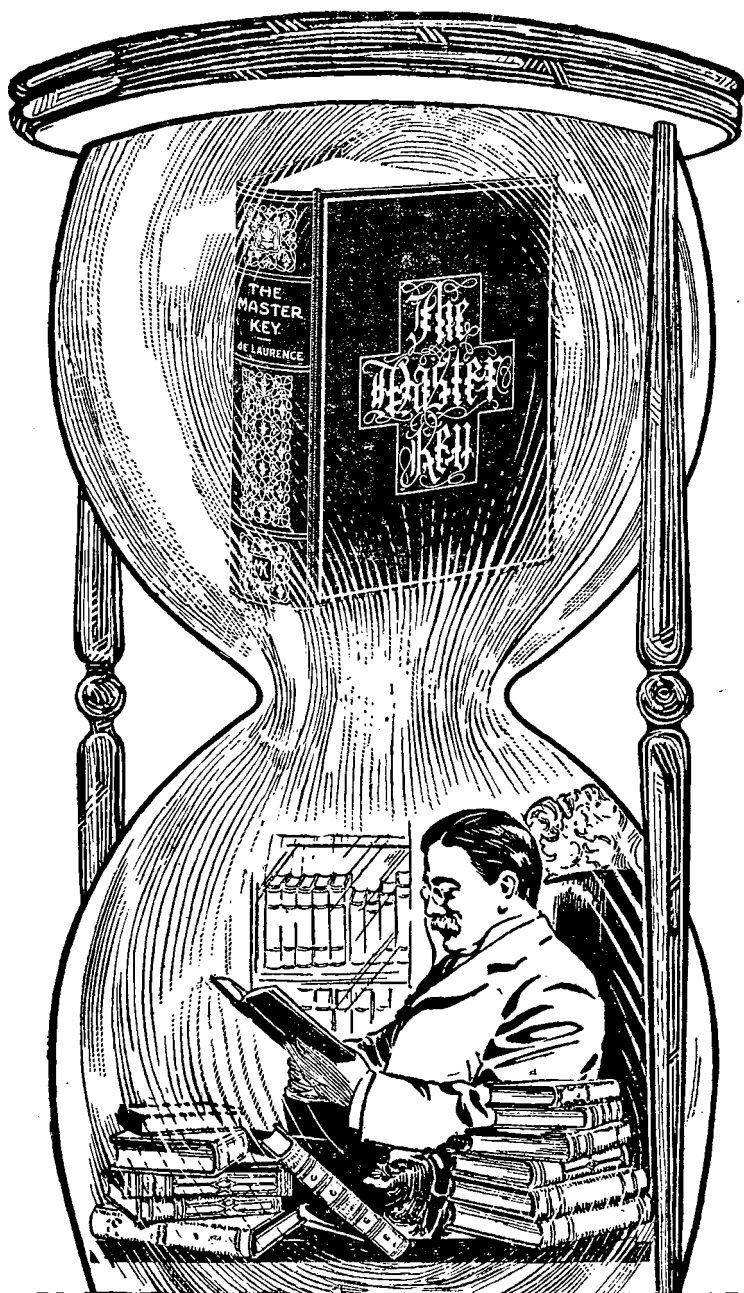


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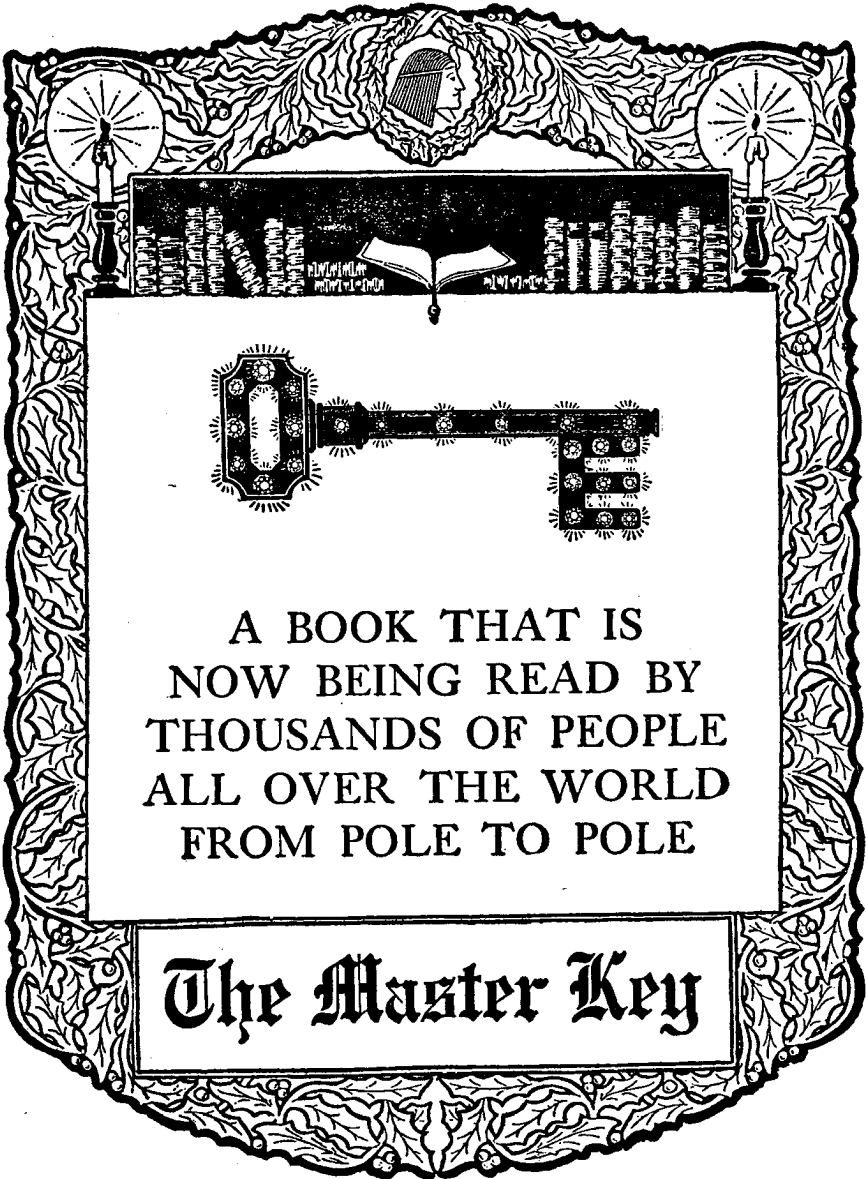
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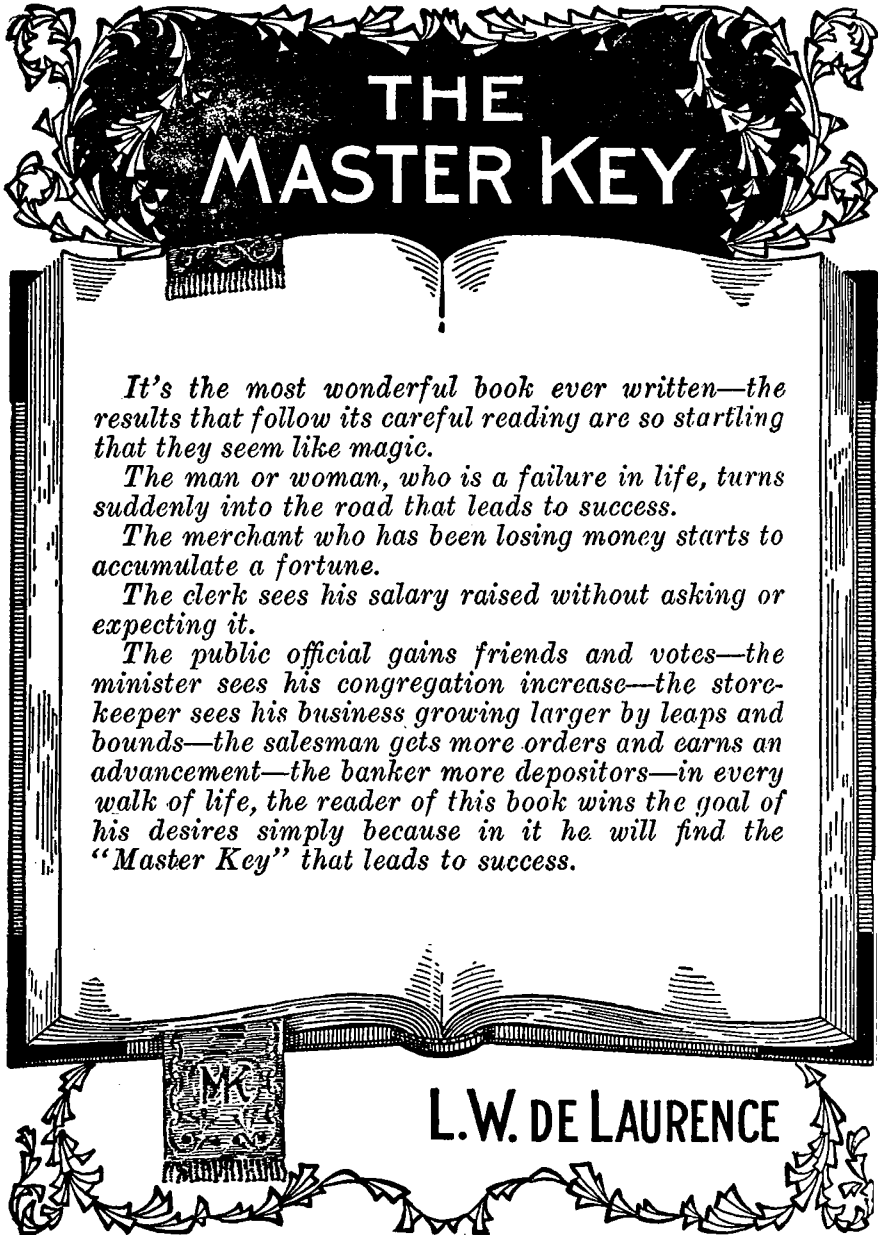


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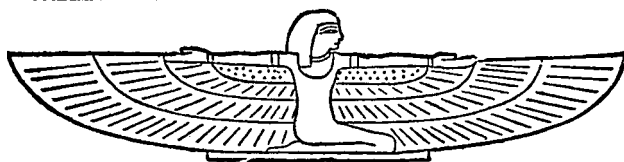
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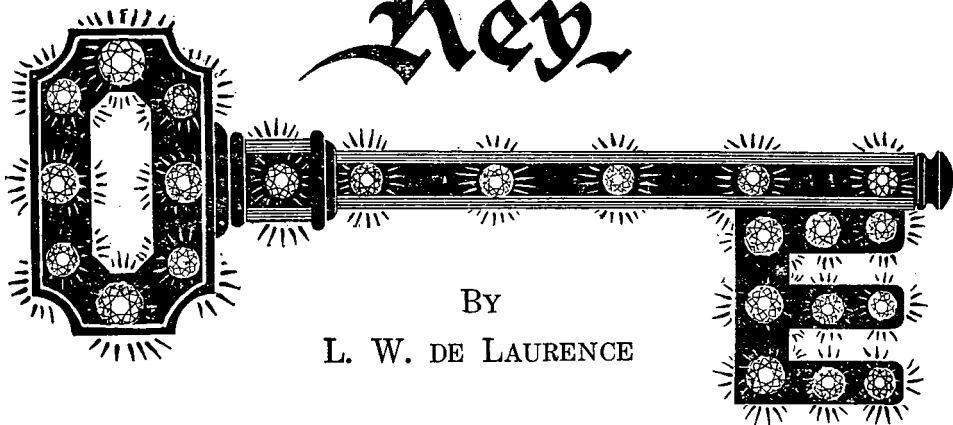


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Read What Business People Think Of "The Master Key." To enable you to gain some idea as to the merits of this book we have pleasure in putting before you the following. We do not, on principle, give names and addresses here, but the Reports are open for bona fide inspection at our office. We feel sure that this testimony will appeal to you coming, as it does, from representatives of all classes of the community. The testimonials printed here are the unsolicited words of men and women who have paid for the privilege of owning the greatest volume ever published on the subjects mentioned herein. All we ask, is that you give these testimonials a careful reading. If you give a railroad president, a banker, or some well-known college professor a book like "The Master Key," with the sole object of his sending you a testimonial he will tactfully say something good about it. Under these circumstances his commendation will be tinged with a sense of obligation owing to your having forced the book upon him. On the other hand, if he has willingly bought and paid for the book with his hard earned money, any testimonial he is disposed to give may be accepted as an honest, unbiased opinion.

From Those Who Have Read The Master Key

Insurance Solicitor. "The Master Key' is splendidly conceived for the purpose in view and is most helpful. If regrets were not contrary to its author's principles, one would regret greatly not having had this wonderful book long ago."

School Teacher. "The Lessons and Exercises in 'The Master Key' are all so valuable that I shall never cease from practicing them. I am introducing them into my daily work and study with decidedly encouraging results; am saving time and also improving the quality of the work."

Doctor (M.D.). "A cursory perusal has convinced me of the genuineness and worth of the book. I have nothing but praise for 'The Master Key'; it is what the world needs. It should form a part of the curriculum of every educational institution."

Clerk. "I have finished the handsome Volume. It gives the mind the power of gripping the points of any matter arising in one's work or pursuits."

Patent Attorney. "I have read, read, and re-read the Volume, for I consider it a most valuable help. The Chapters are of a most practical character, in fact the Volume as a whole is intensely interesting and instructive."

Criminal Lawyer. "Prior to taking up this Volume I had plodded through quite a number of books on Concentration without much practical result. The value of the information contained in 'The Master Key' can only be appreciated by one, who, like myself, has endeavored to gain his ideas on the subject from outside sources."

Department Manager (Large Mail Order House). "It is an excellent treatise on the subject. To my mind the information contained in it is golden; if I had had the book in my possession some time ago, it would have saved me much systematic study."

President (Detective Agency). "I wish to acknowledge the receipt of 'The Master Key,' for which please accept my thanks. I have made a careful study of Parts One, Two, Three, and Four, and have put several of the principles into operation, and I consider it to be an excellent text-book, being clear, concise, and to the point."

Librarian. "It shows erudition, special study of the subject, and much research. de Laurence shows everything clearly, while others lead one in a wordy maze round and round the point."

Druggist. "My object in buying 'The Master Key' was to furnish my sons, who are attending college, with the best work on Personal Efficiency, Mental Discipline, and Self Culture obtainable, and it has been a great help to them. They are now able to accomplish wonderful work in their studies, as it helps their memory and develops their power of Concentration."

Director (Board of Education). "Possibly it may interest you to know that, in an opinion, which I wrote last month, on the question of education, I made a long quotation from de Laurence's work, giving full credit for the same to his wonderful Volume. I make daily use of 'The Master Key' and find it invaluable."

Ranchman (Texas). "I have had occasion to become thoroughly informed on the subjects treated in this work, and for the information of the farmer and ranchman I desire to say that it is worth the price asked."

Jewelry Salesman. "As an old pupil of the First Edition of 'The Master Key,' I wish to write you once more to assure you that I am still following the Exercises and still making for all-around improvement in my daily work. I really believe I shall make this book a life long hobby and am enclosing \$6.00 herewith for a copy of the Last Edition in Full Flexible Leather with Gold Stamping."

Railroad President. "In comprehensiveness of detail, in scientific accuracy and in clearness of instruction it excels any other work of its nature with which I am familiar. As a technical product, the Third Edition is a really great achievement. I do not think I could have given a more practicable indorsement of this book than I did when, after receiving my copy, I gave an order for One Hundred Copies to be distributed among our employees."

Bank Cashier. "Now that my studies are about at an end, I think it would be wrong of me if I did not express my heartfelt thanks for all the benefit I have received from 'The Master Key,' and as opportunity occurs I shall never fail to give you the recommendation you deserve, which is, 'Not to be beaten for honest dealing.'"

From A Member Of The Chicago Bar. "Both as a scholarly performance and a technical product, the new Edition seems to me to be a really great achievement. Both of my sons, for whom I bought a copy of the First Edition, feel the same fascination for the new Edition as I do."

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The Master Key



It Fits You For Leadership.

Principles That Never Fail. This book teaches you to Control Human Thoughts and Human Events. It fits you for leadership in almost any walk in life. It gives you Influence in your profession, Power in your Business. It develops your ability to think; to think face to face with other men. The Knowledge it contains gives you readiness, decision and dignity of bearing. It has neither Predecessor nor Competitor; it is the sole occupant of a new field, for it represents the first successful attempt to bring within the compass of a single Volume instructions which teach the principles that never fail to bring success.

Prosperity For Firm And Employee. General Managers of successful concerns, Railroad Presidents, Bankers, heads of big Department Stores, Mail Order Houses, and Merchants have bought this book in one hundred and five hundred lots to pass out to their employees, office staff, and sales force. This has resulted in Increased Mental Efficiency and greater material for prosperity for the firm, as well as its employees.

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A Book Of Enthralling Interest Now In The Fourth Edition

THE MASTER KEY

**You Cannot Compare It With Any Other Book.
Shows A New Way Which Thousands Have Followed To Success.**

The Control Of Human Thought. "The Master Key" is both a man and a woman trainer—a high-class scientific work, which gives Concentrated Mental Power to every brain cell and tissue of your body, and its teachings are a Powerful Force which invigorates in a way different from anything you have ever known. There will be Fifty Editions of this book published and sold; it is one of the greatest books ever written, and the best intellectual work published on the subject. This book teaches you to control Human Thoughts and Human Events. It fits you for Leadership in almost any walk in life. It gives you Influence in your Profession, Power in your Business. It develops your ability to think; to think face to face with other men. The knowledge it contains gives you Readiness, Decision and Dignity of Bearing; Confidence, Success and Mental Poise. It deepens your power over others, brings you into possession of the fundamentals by which you can accomplish this, and makes you a more active participant in business and social life. Its teachings enable the oppressed man or woman to relieve their rigorous conditions; it awakens them to higher aims, and thereby aids in furthering their interests. Learn what this book teaches and you can advance ahead of those in your community.

Become A Leader. Why is a certain Secret Knowledge necessary before you can develop your Mental Power or obtain control over yourself and others? Because, when you have learned these laws you therefore become a leader. You then have such a grasp of the essential fundamentals that you can exert a direct influence. No man or woman has ever been successful that has not erected an altar to that kind of knowledge which gets results. The principles taught in this work always have been factors that lead to success. To stir the convictions of others you must know how to go about it. To make others think and do as you wish, you must be able to do those things that are necessary to accomplish it. The world today demands Efficiency. This can only be gained by your receiving a certain kind of training. For this reason you must develop the deepest and strongest energies of your being.

Exalted Mission Of Your Power. This book shows you how to develop Self Confidence, and an Inward Courage which frees you from fear, self-consciousness and failure. It gives you a Deeper Faith in yourself, arouses your Courage and widens your Mental and Physical Forces. These things will cause you to feel and know the Greatness of your Power, its exalted mission and future possibilities. The history of all great men and women is one long story of success and personal progress. Men who have become great, and overcome every struggle in life have done so by being able to put into active operation certain laws and principles! They then become all the more powerful. The histories of successful men are living witnesses of this truth. The witness of these things is ever present, face to face.

Magic Secret Marvelously Told. This book develops Individual Efficiency, and those who are Efficient are the ones who are the leaders in Business, Professions and Trades. Personal ability and a vitalizing influence give one the Power and Force to go ahead of those who do not develop these things. This remarkable book gives you the ability to master poverty and failure; this is the successful person's dominant trait. Learn the Magic Secret so marvelously told in "The Master Key," and you can rise above your present surroundings; you can be a Master only when you have obtained that which makes you Stronger, Bolder, Bigger and Better. You are then able to increase your Financial Elixir. All this and a great deal more is taught in "The Master Key." Study the Lessons and carry out the exercises in this Great Volume, and thereby make your mind a "Master Mind," a powerful Concentrated force. "The Master Key" contains Lessons and Exercises which teach you how to develop and Concentrate Money Making Vitalizing Forces, Principles and Laws. Study the stimulating Lessons and Exercises contained in it, and in a short time you will be a winner. "The Master Key" gives to those who study it Efficiency, Intellectual Supremacy, Power and Influence. To know how to develop these powers is invaluable; this is the great asset, and secret of the success of all the world's greatest men and women. Think what it may do for you. Read the testimonials and you will then understand that this is a good book, one that will help you win out in any walk of life. The Marvelous Principles taught in it are factors that will live forever in the life of every successful man and woman; for they have their compensation in the depth of every one's life, and are revealed on the instant.

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The Way They Teach Law At Harvard.

A Systematic And Consecutive Study. "The Master Key," in addition to being the very best reference work on Personal Efficiency, is essentially a book to study and to study Systematically and Consecutively. The Lessons enable the student to concentrate his study along any desired line. We know what a stumbling block this has been to the average person, and how difficult the idea of learning these things from a book is going to look to most people. "The Master Key," however, makes it easy. By its method you do not have to take a correspondence course, or master any of the text-books on business. You learn from "The Master Key," the same way they teach law at Harvard. They do not oblige the beginner to master weighty text-books on law. They require him to study cases only. If it is a law of Contracts they wish to teach, they give out all the important cases where contracts were involved. By studying these individual cases the student learns all there is to know about Contracts, and learns it in an easier and more interesting way than is ever possible by the text-book or correspondence method. So anyone can learn how to possess that "Indescribable Something" that "gets results," not from advertising correspondence schools or weighty intricate text-books, but from the simple understandable lessons contained in "The Master Key."

Lincoln's Wonderful Common Sense

System Easy And Practical. The Master Key System is the easy and practical way for those who really want to succeed. They used to say in terms of depreciation that Abraham Lincoln was only a "case lawyer." In this his critics were right, for Lincoln had no deep or broad knowledge of the law. But he won most of his cases. When Lincoln got a difficult case he probably knew very little about the actual ruling of the law involved. But he had good judgment—wonderful common sense.* He read up all the law that applied to that case and went into court and won against lawyers who were graduates of the schools and far more learned in the law than he was.

Fables, Slang And Other Printed Effusions. There are Two Lessons in our Lincoln Illustration for those who are earnest in their desire to succeed. One of them is that those factors which raise the mediocre individual to a distinct level of Success and Mental Domination should be no more mysterious to you than law was to Lincoln. All the fine spun theories, the so-called memory systems and the correspondence schools must get back in actual practice to hard common sense and truth. Your judgment on these matters, and those qualities which supply that "Magical Something" which gives one Will Power and Mental Efficiency, after you have studied "The Master Key," is more likely to be sound than the \$100-a-week man just out of college, or the one who has paid a large sum of money for a Correspondence Course. The alleged clever idea, the pretty pictures that do not illustrate the product, the Fables in Slang and other printed effusions revamped from Walt Mason and George Horace Lorimer, and the patented, jack-in-the-box advertising novelty, create no desire to study, and convince very few that the so-called memory systems or weighty text-books on how to succeed, are better than any others. We make this point here because too many men and women either regard success as something beyond their understanding, or take the first principles from someone who gets up advertising "stunts" to sell a Correspondence Course under some such a heading as: "The Young Man Entering Business," "An Iron Will," "Do It To A Finish," "Every Man A King," etc., etc. Many of these bright ideas are clever, but they are usually not a good investment. There is very little that is really clever or scintillating in any successful system, and nothing at all that shouldn't be clear and understandable to every one interested.



Abraham Lincoln

Learn As Lincoln Did. The other Lesson, in the Lincoln Illustration, is the light it throws on the best way for you to learn how to become a Purposeful, Efficient man or woman. Learn it as Lincoln did. To do this you won't have to pay out a large sum of money. We realize how impracticable it would be for the average person to pay \$200.00 or \$500.00 for a business course. This is entirely out of the question, and isn't at all necessary. As the third and final principle you must work on as a fundamental basis in developing that rare brand of ability, which becomes a life long asset to those who possess it, is the importance of getting the knowledge that never fails to bring results. You can rest assured that "The Master Key" will put you straight, as its author has laid down a Perfect System which leads to success and you will have no trouble. You will, at least, be headed in the right direction, and you will begin to acquire that knowledge which makes one successful. You will soon find failure turning to Success under the Vitalizing Influence of this wonderful book. The book, itself, really and truly deserves the commendation given it. It is a Great Work and should be commended for the marvelous, well-thought-out system which it contains. It is a book which has been greatly needed, and in the hands of an earnest man or woman, in any walk in life, will show results in a marked manner.

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*Common sense is sense that is not common.

THE MASTER KEY

Has Had A Phenomenal Sale For Sixteen Years

Is Now On The Threshold Of Its Greatest Achievement

Has Behind It The Good Will Of Thousands Whom It Has Helped

Preliminary Announcement. The Fourth Edition is the same as the First Edition which, as stated, on the preceding page, of "The Master Key," was sold for \$6.00 a copy. It has been printed from the same plates, every word exactly the same. This is a preliminary announcement. Unless you send your order now or forward a payment, you may not be able to get it at the present low price, and the opportunity will not come again. If you cannot send the full amount at once you can send \$1.00, or even 50c and a copy will be held until you can send the balance, when the book will be sent. We have given here merely an announcement of the fact that the book is now ready for sale in Three bindings, at the prices mentioned on another page.

Several Hundred Copies Sold In One Order. A dealer who supplies one of New York's large business colleges with books, placed an order for 400 copies of the Green Silk Cloth and Gold Edition at \$2.50 each. A firm who supplies many of the business colleges in California bought 200 copies of The Library Edition, Bound in Red Leather Edition for \$3.50. We will sell you one copy, in any of the Fine handsome bindings, for the same price that dealers, merchants, and railroad presidents pay when they buy several hundred copies in one order, as the price is the same to everyone whether they buy one copy, or 500 copies. We consider it our duty to tell all earnest men and women about this book. It is handsomely bound and well printed. The Edition, which we now offer you is exactly the same as the First and Second Editions. The book trust has no financial interest whatever in this book, no share in any profits in the sale of this Volume. We are extremely anxious that thousands instead of hundreds should be acquainted with it and learn of the results others have obtained by studying it. A great many have asked the advice of successful business men as to what books they should study. Many have advised them to get this book at the price. We now offer you the opportunity to get it at a much lower price than the First Editions were sold for. Those to whom even \$1.00 is a considerable investment are advised to get this book at the price made here. You will distinctly understand that the object in urging the purchase of this book is not so much the making of profit, but the spreading of knowledge. The book is very serious, very instructive. It is one that must be read and studied slowly, and one that will not be read and cast aside. It contains instructions which will aid in the making of a greater material prosperity, for it most surely will exert a life long influence on the one who studies it. It gives to those who study it carefully, knowledge of certain powers and their development, without which one cannot consider themselves educated or able to hold their own in this busy age.

One Hundred Thousand Copies. Get this book and study it slowly. From time to time it will be discussed in every College and Commercial gathering in the world. It is now in the library of hundreds of successful men and women. No less than One Hundred Thousand, and probably a great many more, copies will be sold, as it has been translated into many foreign languages. It has also had a very wonderful sale abroad. Its great author has given his life to studying how to develop and obtain that Marvelous, Magical Something, which makes successful men and women. And then he spent years in writing this book. It is said of him, truly, that his name became known to every great business man and railway official in the world after this book appeared. His book will remain as a monument that will live until the end of time. And to that monument, to this excellent book that educates men and women, we now attract your attention and advise you to get it and study it.

The Mystic Ladder

The Magic Sun. Unrest, Pain and Deep Sorrow are the shadows which follow all men and women who are not educated in the Natural Forces of their own soul. This book shows its readers the Mystic Ladder which reaches from Failure to Power, from Error to Truth, from Darkness to Light. Every successful business man and woman has climbed it; every earnest seeker after success must sooner or later come to it; and every weary pilgrim that turns his back upon failure and poverty, and sets his face resolutely towards the Magic Sun of True Success, must plant his feet firmly upon its golden rounds.

The Annihilation Of Failure And Doubt

Mental And Financial Elixir. The chief contributing factors, which develop aggressive business alertness, are, ambition for the annihilation of failure, and the development of that characteristic promptness and decisiveness which is so conspicuous in all our great business men. The man who has successfully annihilated failure and doubt is bound to be of incalculable value to any large business concern and will command a very large salary owing to his patience, his resource, his poise, his soundness of judgment, and his possession of the qualities of high command in emergencies. Whatever the circumstances may be, Courage, Self-control, Mental Discipline and Tenacity of purpose are the real dominant elements of success. The heads of all Big Business Houses and Railroads attribute the value and well disciplined cohesion of their high salaried employees to the fact that from the start they have been taught Discipline and Mental Efficiency. Besides the important reasons already given here for Specialization, Efficiency, and Mental Domination, there is still another interesting and attractive reason why one should devote their spare time to some particular kind of training so as to develop that Mental and Financial Elixir which is essential to success.

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An Indispensable Book Which Ambitious, Earnest, Efficient Men And Women Will Not Allow To Be Discontinued

Fit For A Banker Or A Railroad President. "The Master Key," is most admirable in arrangement, attractively prepared, well printed and very finely bound. Those who obtain a copy are to be congratulated as it is a work fit for the book case of a banker or the office table of a railroad president. Here is a work that business men should have fathered years ago; but it seems that we never get very far in such matters unless the effort is induced by pressure from the direction in which it is most needed. A remarkable book if you want a book that will interest you far more than the ordinary sensational books written by surface writers, buy it. Its personal and literary qualities give it an added interest.

Convicts Of Failure And Poverty

Nothing Academic About This Book. The convicts of failure and poverty will find it a "companionable friend" which will lead them to success by a new and important road. Many well known men and women have written their appreciation of it. Much that now mystifies men in regard to the inequality of wealth is explained in it. All these ideas are dealt with logically and lucidly in "The Master Key." The chapters are suggestive and interesting have nothing academic in their way of putting points of truth, but discourse simply and suggestively, in a cultured way, and with tolerant, engaging freedom. The book instantly gains the reader's confidence as it gives the impression of truth. Many eminent men and women have commended this work to the public as a document of human interest. A fitting tribute is conveyed to it in the letters received daily from people all over the world. Study this book quietly, in the seclusion of your own room, then carry out its Magical Instructions, and you will feel like you have been transported to the Wave-washed Shores Of Success, where you can look out over the Eternal Sea Of Material Prosperity. Here is a book that will become known to most every educated man and woman in the world. In this book the Business Man, the Clerk, and the Mechanic has a "Master Key" that unlocks the Door Of Success.

It Is Cheaper To Pay The Cost Of Success Than It Is To Stand The Loss Of Failure

Reorganize Yourself. Many times it becomes necessary for the one who has been a failure to reorganize himself, because it is he that has brought about his own failure in life. Learn to conserve your energy, your time, and concentrate your individual personal ability in such a way that it brings marked results. Other men have profited—other men are making the most of their time and talents because they are filling positions which demand Personal Efficiency. The object of this book is to tell you how to become an efficient man or woman. Personal Efficiency goes hand in hand with success. You cannot succeed unless you know how to apply your mental and physical forces constructively in building up your success. Unless you have formed those Habits which enable you to Apply your Powers for Success you are bound to be a failure. This book shows you how to form Habits Of Efficiency, and should be in the hands of young men and women especially. It will help them to start right.

Truth Believed And Applied Delivers The Mind From Many Mental Ills

The Message. This great book teaches the art of body renewal through the development of an understanding mind. "Truth believed and applied delivers the mind from many mental ills," is the message this Volume has carried to the thousands who have studied it. If you would know the Power of Thought to Strengthen your own body, make a study of this book. You are, no doubt, aware of the immense success of other men and women who have, by study, developed Personal Efficiency. Again, you must know of the satisfaction displayed by those who receive big salaries; for they become greater, and more successful every year. It has always been a surprise to successful business men how many applicants for high-grade positions, which pay large salaries, underestimate—or fail to estimate at all—the value of possessing themselves of those mental qualifications which are essential to business success. Go seeking a desirable position today, and you will soon find that all progressive business concerns demand men possessed of—confidence—"mental ginger"—and an Aggressive, Dominating Personality. You may greatly desire the position yourself—but—that won't do you any good unless you are there with your particular line of Personal Efficiency, and can show them what you can do. It is cheaper to pay the cost of success, than it is to stand the loss of failure. It certainly will not cost much to send for a copy of this wonderful book and thereby begin fitting yourself for bigger and better things in life. Investigate this matter; you know what Marshall Field, the merchant prince of Chicago, said about the man who turns down an opportunity without first investigating it.

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The Famous Golden Rule Book

Exerts A Positive Influence For Making Money.

Sale Largest During Hard Times. Already man after man and woman after woman have seen triumph of this wonderful and far-reaching Volume. A book so Dependably Efficient as "The Master Key" leads its owner to form desirable habits of promptness and precision. Such a book exerts a Positive Influence for making money on the part of the one who studies it. It is a constant help, for it develops the reader into an Honest, Skillful, Efficient man or woman. You may say you have no money to spend for books, and that times are hard; they are, and always will be for the one who never learns how to succeed. This book was created to help people who find it hard to get along and has its largest sale during hard times. A man doesn't wear an overcoat in the summer. He only wears it during cold weather; for it helps protect his body from the cold. People don't buy this book when they are prosperous, and have plenty of money; they buy it during hard times, when money is scarce. It makes them successful; it helps them when times are hard, and that's when they need a book of this kind.

Most Highly Endorsed. This wonderful book costs you but little,—it's now sold at a trifle over the cost of making and advertising—and the spare time that you throw away during the evening hours will be well spent in studying it. "The Master Key" is worth more to you than a Bank Note.

Across the face of every Bank Note appears the words:

"THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF.....Will Pay To The Bearer On Demand."

That's the promise of the bank, but The United States of America, which is printed in big letters on every Bank Note, stands back of the bank. The banker has the endorsement of the United States Government on his note. We have the endorsement of business men and women back of "The Master Key." Plenty of written statements which are an absolute literal and unconditional endorsement of this noted book. So many testimonials that we could not afford to pay for publishing them, and they keep coming from all over the world. The United States Government stands back of every National Bank, and our guarantee and the endorsement of shrewd business men and women, stands back of "The Master Key."

The First Book Of Its Kind Ever Published In America A Universal Key To The Latent Powers Of The Human Mind

Analytical Power. "The Master Key" is the first book of its kind ever published in America, and it became at once the marvel of all who read it. The final evidence of merit in a book must be the results obtained by its readers. People in all walks of life study this,—the Eleventh Edition,—it teaches something which can be summed up in two words—Efficiency, Influence. The Secret Of Achievement is taught, and you are shown how to develop Analytical Power; from it you learn The First Principle for success in contact with others. This book backs up every statement and claim made by us regarding its great value; for it is a wonderful teacher. It is one of the greatest books ever published. The testimonials regarding it are inadequate as to its real merits. It is a universal Key to the Latent Powers and Talents of the Human Mind. The system laid down by the author reveals the secret of how great men have trained themselves to become Efficient; for "Efficiency" Spells Success, no matter what line of business you are in. All authorities testify that our great business men are not born with greater ability to make money than others. They develop Power and Efficiency by training themselves while others do not. They learn how to use their gifts and ability.

Commercial And Social Slaves. The average man or woman could develop that "marvelous something" and become a wonderful power; but the trouble is that they allow their powers to lie dormant, and simply carry out other people's wills, or drift along in poor circumstances. They degenerate into beings little more than commercial and social slaves—unhappy discontented, envious failures, hoping blindly that "some time"—without effort or training—they will attain what they desire in life. Here is an opportunity to save yourself from drifting along with the world's multitude of failures. This work, if you follow the rules laid down in it, will re-awaken your confidence and stimulate your ambition; it has made decisive men and women out of many who have heretofore been failures.

That Magical Something Which Carries One To Success

Study And Serious Meditations. Remember this great Volume is a "Scholarship" which provides and supplies, the one who studies it, with that "Magical Something" which carries one onward to success. It is a book that brings "success" to young and old alike as it helps them to break away from traditions which have only multiplied their failures and wants. A work which actually and really exerts a vitalizing influence over men and women, who have been kept, owing to their having been failures, from carrying out their purpose in life; for it shows them how to carry forward their life's ambition into consummation. If you would obtain full growth of character and round out your possibilities, you must cultivate the habit of getting away by yourself for study and serious meditation. Get away from those around you whenever you have the opportunity. Keep yourself to yourself as much as possible; if only for a short time every day. Full individual effort, Special Mental Development, and Personal Efficiency all demand space, separation from each other. These all demand solitude, just as the student requires self-examination and that self-reliance which solitude gives.

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Strong Animals Do Not Run In Herds. The Stupid Sheep And The Mighty Panther.

The State Of Semi-Solitude. Great trees always grow and develop their strength best when they stand all alone in the open fields. When a tree stands alone its branches and roots spread wide; for it has a better chance to grow than the cramped tree in the thick forest. The strongest animals do not run in herds. The stupid sheep thinks only as a fraction of its flock, and is incapable of strong personal independent action. The Strong Lion or the Mighty Panther, who lives in a state of semi-solitude, is the most admired of all animals. The man or woman who grows up with the crowd, sheep like, thinking and acting with the crowd or herd of failures around them, seldom amounts to anything. In short they become as common as sheep tracks.

"Snub-nose" Company. Do you want to become Efficient and Succeed? If you do, study and grow by yourself. Keep yourself to yourself by separating yourself from the crowd. Grow by yourself, study, work, develop by yourself, with good books, good thoughts and your own nature for friends and silent helpers. Then, if you desire the crowd to see how efficient and strong you are, come back to it and you will be its leader. A constant desire for indiscriminate company and companions is a sure sign of mental weakness. People herded together do not grow efficiency; for they get too much of one another's "snub-nose" company. The young man who leans over the pool table or hangs around the corner cigar store with other vacant minds, never develops into a genius or a—"success." Think how these, and similar lounging places, dwarf the brains and souls of young men. No chance there for individual separate development.

Character Comes From The Farm And A Real Lincoln From The Back Woods

Away From The Crowd. Thousands of young men have grown up to become sad nonentities because they failed to grow talent. Talent, Efficiency, and Genius are developed when you are away from the crowd; failures thrive best in the crowded rush of the world. Many young men wonder why so much ability and strength of character comes from the farm, and why a Lincoln comes from the back woods, while they, flourishing in a great city, can barely keep their position as a common clerk or bookkeeper. The young man on the farm is forced to be by himself much of the time, whether he likes it or not. If he has anything in him, solitude brings it out.

The Stupid Sheep. Don't grow up like a stupid sheep. Don't devote your hours to the company and conversation of those who know as little or less, than you do. Remember that you are an intelligent individual, and that it is clearly your own fault if you fail to obtain your share of the universal prosperity which surrounds you. Don't be a sheep. Get away from the crowd where you can act and think by yourself. Give yourself plenty of room to grow, and grow by yourself, alone in the field of study and progress just as the finest tree grows off by itself in the open field. Go out in the park or the woods, and walk about and think and study. Go to your room and read, study and write down what you want to remember. Be more with yourself and less with others. Talk more to yourself and less to others. Avoid cheap books and literature; avoid excessive newspaper and magazine reading.

Milton, Beethoven, And Bacon Loneliness Made These Great Men, Get A Little Of It Yourself

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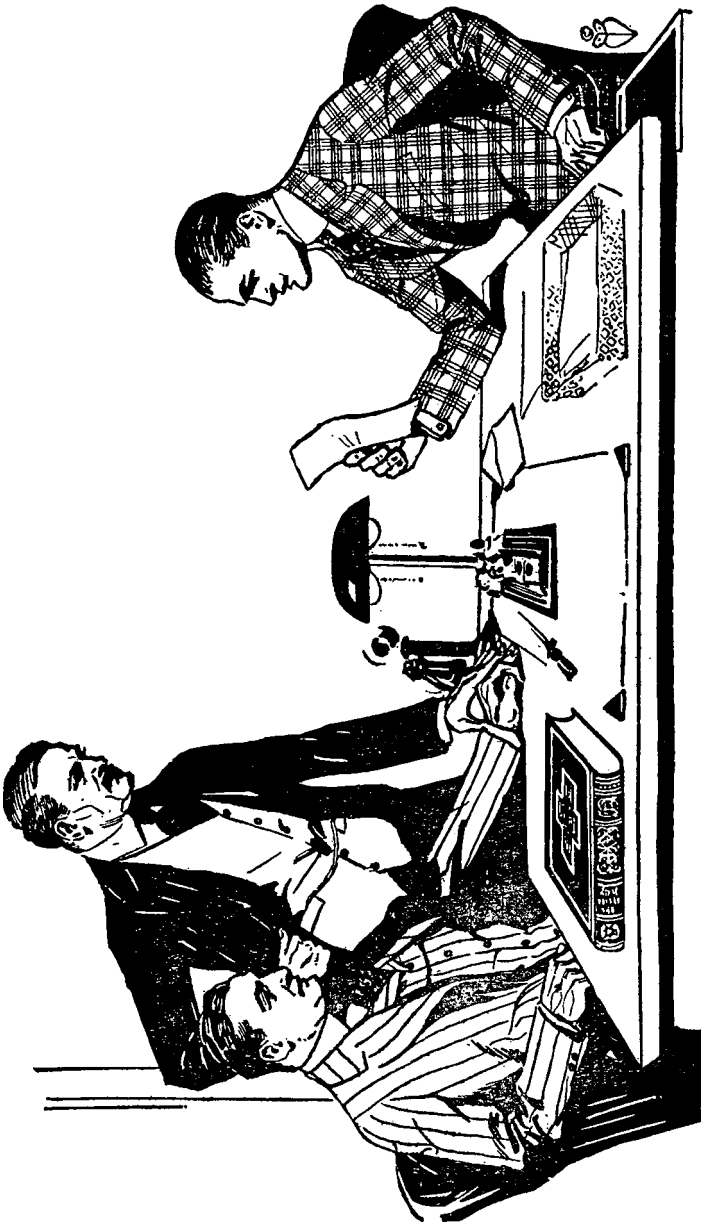
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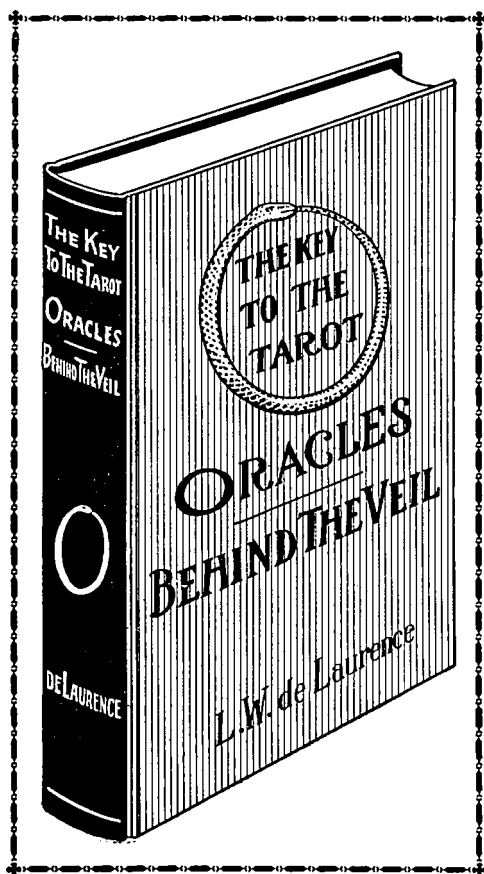
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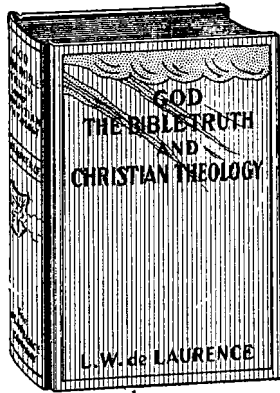
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de Laurence's works on the subject prove that the history of Spiritism recedes from view back into the ages of Antiquity, and that Spirit Communication constitutes one long unbroken chain stretching from the most ancient to the most modern times. This great writer also shows that there has been no time in any age when it has ever ceased to exist and that the many changes effected by different religions, altered opinions, and the rise and fall of Governments and Dynasties have never succeeded in driving out of the soul of man the inherent desire to communicate with the inhabitants of the Spirit World, and have no more succeeded in obliterating Spirit Manifestations and Communications from the Book of Human Destiny, than the overshadowing gloom of midnight drives away the fragrance and beauty of the buds and flowers it so effectually conceals.

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There are also many Teachers, Instructors, and Spiritualists who do not know de Laurence intimately, consequently their personal relations to him may not be quite cordial, because he has taken away large numbers of their students. However, their appreciation of his character and his work is almost unbounded, for they realize and know that from the point of another Teacher, Master and Author he looms up as a great figure in the field of Spiritualism and East Indian Occultism.—The India Call, 1906.



Artist's Conception of
de Laurence Wearing A Turban

Mystic Adept Of India And Egypt

de Laurence is, without any doubt, the greatest Master, and Adept living today. His teachings are accepted all over the world. This great man's books are acknowledged as standard and official text books in all the Occult Temples of Egypt and India. If de Laurence is not a great Adept and teacher, why have his books been translated into the French, German, Spanish, Chinese, Swedish and Arabic? Every book written by this famous Adept is a "Master Work" and is quickly bought up by advanced Occult students in all parts of the world. His latest book, "The Master Key," is now in the Thirty-First Edition.

When you read an article written by him you realize that he is without a rival. After reading a chapter written by de Laurence the student and investigator at once concludes that all others are ages behind him. Western spiritualists are just beginning to awaken to the fact that they have their horse hitched to the wrong end of their band wagon. Ten years ago they thought they were already so wise that they did not need advice from a great Master like de Laurence.

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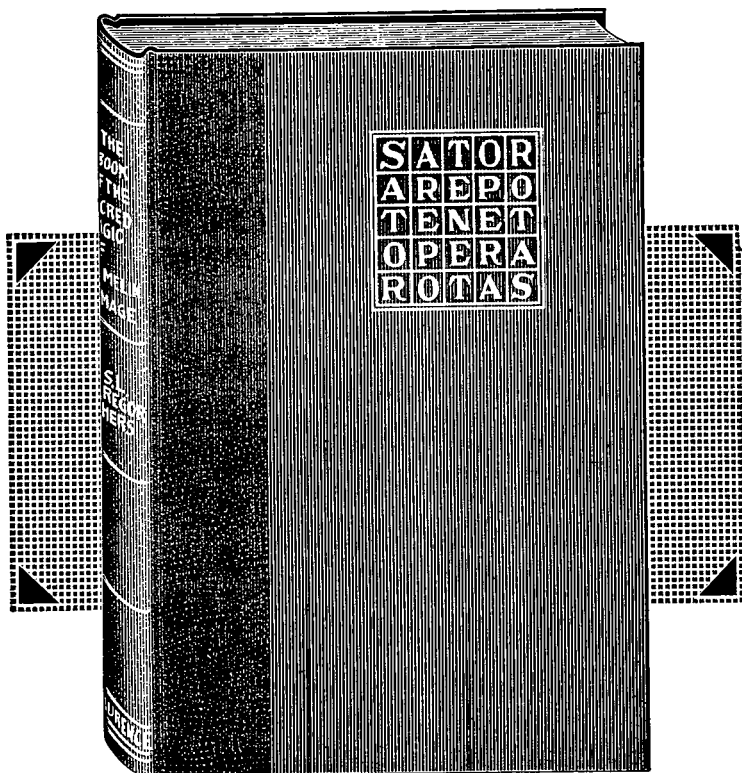
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Magic of the Fifteenth Century

Abraham the Jew, who discovered the Light of Initiated Wisdom, and who is the author of "THE SACRED MAGIC OF ABRA-MELIN THE MAGE" described herein, was born 571 years ago, and was the contemporary of both Nicolas Flamel and Pernelle, and also of the mystical Christian Rosenkreutz, the founder of the celebrated Rosicrucian Order or Fraternity in Europe.

Keys Of the Great Work Found In The Hieroglyphical Book of Abraham The Jew

The author of this rare old manuscript was a descendant of that Abraham the Jew who wrote the celebrated Alchemical Work of twenty-one pages on bark or papyrus, which came into the hands of Nicolas Flamel. We take this occasion to relate that Nicolas Flamel belongs to Alchemy exclusively, and he enters into our consideration only because of the Hieroglyphical Book of Abraham the Jew, in which were found the absolute Keys of the Great Work, and by whose study Flamel is said eventually to have attained the possession of the "Stone Of the Wise."

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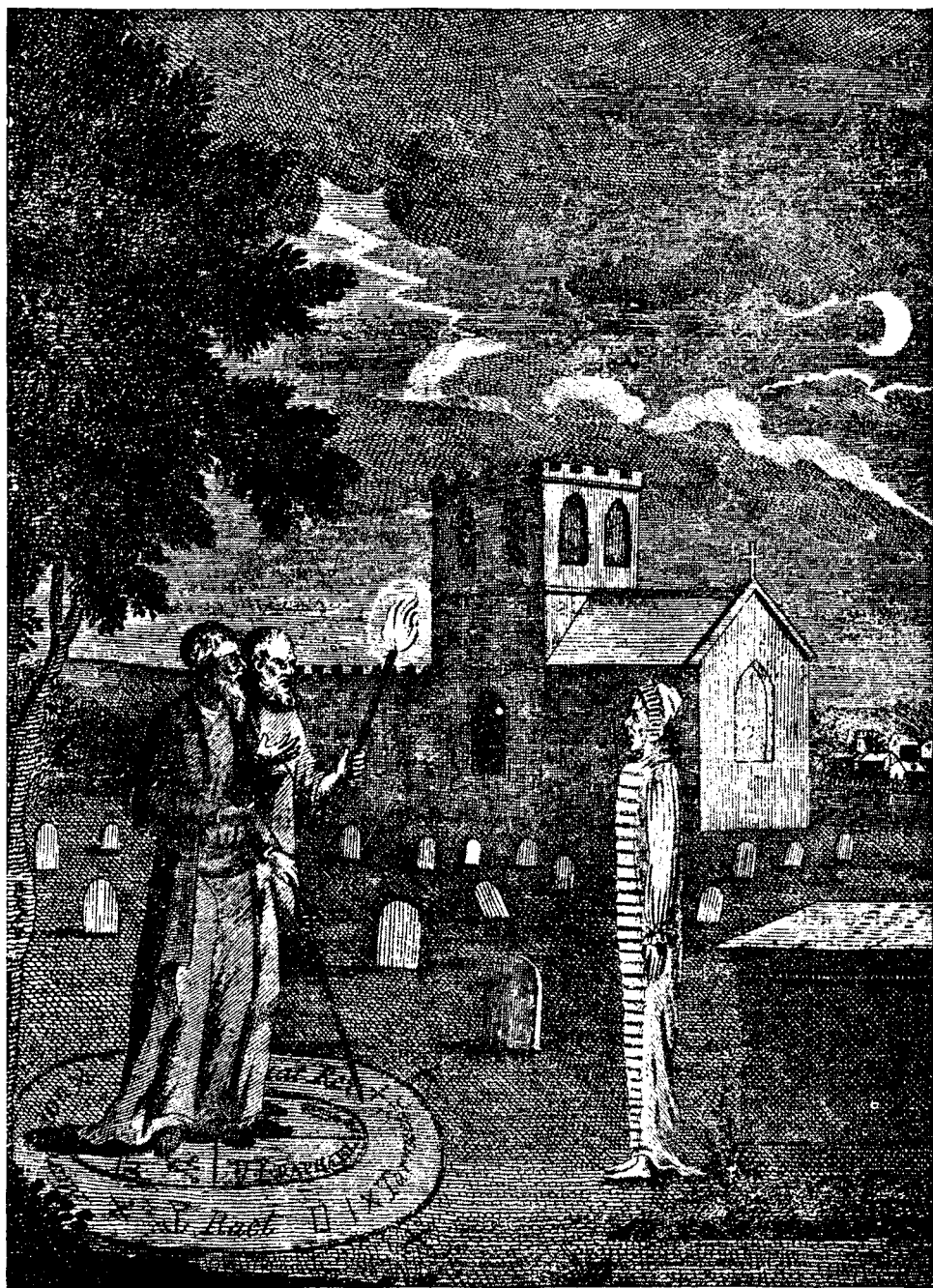
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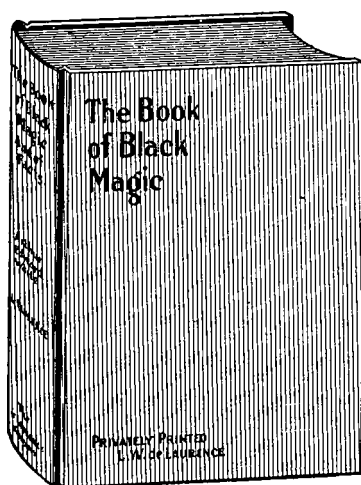
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Patriarchs, Assumption of Moses, Apocalypse of Baruch, Apocalypse of Abraham, 4th Book of Ezra. Of the following only
fragments are extant: Book of Noah, Book of Eldad and Modad, Book of the Secrets of Enoch, Apocalypse of Zephaniah,
Apocalypse of Elijah.

New Testament—The Shepherd of Hermes, Sibylline Oracles, Oracles of Hystaspes, 5th and 6th Books of Ezra. The
Apocalypse of Paul, Thomas, and Stephen. The Apocalypse of Esdras, Paul, John, Peter, Shadrach, Daniel, and The Virgin.

*Ezekiel. Prophetic book of the Old Testament.

*NOTE. THE GREATER KEY OF SOLOMON, which has now been translated and published in English, is bound in
full Leather and Stamped with Gold. THE GREATER KEY OF SOLOMON, has also been translated and published in
table. THE LESSER KEY OF SOLOMON, has also been translated and published in English and bound in Cloth.

Once men cease to understand the things taught in this Book, they are at a standstill as far as the real knowledge of Black Magic is concerned. This Book gives you the **Word** so that once you understand its secrets you can enter into the domain of **enigma** and **mystery**.

Many people have, in the past, ignored the Teachings of Black Magic and of Pacts, and they have perished. **KNOWLEDGE IS POWER. LEARN AND BE WISE. UNDERSTAND AND BE POWERFUL.**

Ceremonial Magic Of The Middle Ages. This work deals in an exhaustive manner with all of the Magic Rituals extant today. It shows that there is a Magic which is behind Magic, and that great Occult teachers as well as the Occult Sanctuaries possess their Secrets and Mysteries. Contains an analytical and critical account of all Great Magical Rituals known. Part Two forms a complete Grimoire Of Black Magic. Explains Mysteries by the light from the Lamp of the Sanctuaries. Deals with Phantom Vampires, Spells and the Mysteries of Black Science.

The Wonder-World Of Mysticism, Magic And Sorcery. To understand Black and Ceremonial Magic, is to quickly pass over the royal road into the depth and understanding of all Mystery; for therein lies the Wonder-World of Mysticism, Magic, and Sorcery. Therein the visible melts into the unseen, the Invisible is manifested openly, motion from place to place is accomplished without traversing the intervening distance, matter passes through matter. To understand the deep Mysteries of Magic, is to know that in two straight lines may enclose a space; space has a fourth dimension, and further possibilities beyond it; without metaphor and without evasion, the circle is mathematically squared.

There Life Is Prolonged, Youth Renewed, Physical Immortality Secured. There Earth becomes Gold and Gold Earth. There Words and Wishes possess Creative Power, desire realizes its object. There, also the dead live, and the Hierarchies of Extra-mundane intelligence are within easy communication, and become Ministers or Tormentors, Guides or Destroyers, of man. There the Law of Continuity is suspended by the interference of the Higher Law of Fantasia.

No man should ignore either the Teachings of Occultism nor the Mysteries of Magic, either Black or White. Indeed, it is as important for one to understand White and Black Magic as it is to be learned in the Mysteries of Obsession, Black Magic and Witchcraft.

It should be remembered that the wise man is not allured by the Allegories of Polytheism. The unlearned are very unfortunate indeed. It should be remembered, and **never forgotten**, that Christ, the Mysterious Founder of Christianity, True Spiritism and Occultism, which is now venerable with age, was saluted in his cradle by the **Three Magi**—that is to say, that the Three Wise Men came from the East, and not from Jerusalem. They were the Ambassadors of the Three parts of the known World, as well as Analogical Worlds of Occult Philosophy. It was in the School of Alexandria, with its magnificent Symbols and its gracious Images, that one was illuminated and became an Initiate of the **Rituals Of Black Magic And Of Pacts**, as well as the Ceremonies and Rites of White Magic.

Many, today, are sufficiently wrong-headed, and so ignorant of matters of this kind, that they may not be surprised if misfortune, evil and ill-luck crosses their path. Life to a man of this kind is like a troubled wilderness trying to rest after a storm; but there is no rest; for unseen **Influences** and **Evil Spirits** are heard to whisper strange **Oracles** as they pass.

Salt is a **Symbol** of Wisdom and Immortality. Many talk without knowledge; for few there are, who have ever been Initiated into the **Secret Mysteries** taught in this really wonderful book.

To know the sanctuary of Antique Initiation is to partake of the fruits of the tree of Occult Knowledge. To discover the absolute Doctrine. To know how to operate both Good and Evil. To learn how to protect yourself against Evil Spirits, Obsession, Witchcraft, Voodooism, and Voudou. The latter being of African origin.

The Ancients carried their secrets with them to their Tomb; for they were the **real** Initiates of the Secret Science of which many, even today, are afraid of. They were acquainted with things of which others knew nothing. This Book teaches that **hidden something** which all men desire to know. Once you own this Fine Book and study it, you will become invested with a dread and an unknown power. This Book reveals all.

There existed in the past, and there exists in the present, a potent and real Magic, and all that legends have said of it is true. There is, indeed, a formidable secret, the revelation of which has once already transformed the world, as testified in Egyptian religious tradition. Symbolically summarized by **Moses** at the beginning of **Genesis**. **Moses** depicts it under a figure of a tree which is in the center of the Terrestrial Paradise, is in proximity to the tree of life and has a radical connection therewith; at the foot of this tree is the source of the four mysterious rivers; it is guarded by the sword of fire and by the four figures of the **Biblical Sphinx**, the **Cherubim** of **Ezekiel**. . . Here I must pause, and I fear already that I have said too much. Yes, there is one sole, universal, and imperishable dogma, strong as the supreme reason; simple, like all that is great; intelligible, like all that is universally and absolutely true; and this dogma has been the parent of all others.

Know both White and Black Magic. Learn their Rituals. This counsel should be impressed on everyone who wishes to approach this wonderful science.

Reason, Truth And Justice

The man who believes in his own opinions and is afraid to part with them; who is skeptical of new truths, should **never** own a copy of this rare book. If any man be held by anything in the world more than by reason, truth, and justice; if he will be uncertain and vacillating, either in good or evil; if logic alarms him, or the naked truth makes him shrink; if he is hurt when accepted errors are assailed; let him pay no attention to this marvelous book. He should not read it; let it cease to exist for him; but at the same time he must not cry it down as dangerous. The **secrets** within it will be easily understood by the few. A book of this kind will not be held back by those who understand it.

Shew light to the birds of the night-time and you hide their light; it is the light which blinds them, and for them is more dark than the darkness. The author of this book, which has always been privately printed and sold by **de Laurence**, speaks clearly and makes known everything, with the firm conviction that the serious student, or those who deserve to know these things will read **all** and understand **all**.

Man may become king of the hidden forces of Nature by subduing and controlling them; otherwise he will be their victim and will suffer much by the instinctive and evil

¹Polytheism. Doctrine or belief that there are more gods than one.

forces of the Astral Plane. Life is a field of battle where liberty struggles with inertia by the opposition of active force. This is a Material age, and the one whose eye reads here must realize that the Ancients really possessed Secret Occult Powers that were, to say the least, marvelous and really wonderful, and it is only by studying books of this kind that one can learn of these secret and powerful forces.

There are many who are unable to define Magic, either Black or White. Magic is the traditional science of the secrets of Nature, which has been handed down to us through by-gone ages. In ancient times it was taught only from mouth to ear. If ever written, it was expressed allegorically. By means of the secret science of Magic, either White or Black, the Adepts become invested with a power, so that they could operate superhumanly—that is, after a manner which transcends the normal possibility of men. Thereby many celebrated hierophants, such as Mercurius Trismegistus, Osiris, Orpheus, Apolonius of Tyana, and others whom it might be dangerous or unwise to name, came after their death to be adored and invoked as gods.

To the Magi and the Adept, **Knowledge is Power**. Only too well do they know that there are four indispensable conditions. Those who are interested and wish to know may read the following.

An intelligence illuminated by study, an intrepidity which nothing can check, an indomitable will which nothing can break, and a discretion which nothing can corrupt, and nothing pervert. **TO KNOW, TO DARE, TO WILL, TO KEEP SILENCE**—these are the **FOUR LAWS** of the Adept. They are inscribed upon the four Symbolical forms of the Sphinx.

Only The Learned Can Seek Initiation

You, therefore, who seek initiation, are you learned as Faust? Are you insensible as Job? No, is it not so? But you may become equal to both if you will. Have you overcome the vortices of vague thoughts? Are you without indecision or capriciousness? Do you consent to pleasure only when you will, and do you wish for it only when you should? **No, is it not so?** Not invariably at least, but it may become so if you choose. The sphinx has not only a man's head, it has a woman's breasts; do you know how to resist feminine charms? **No, is it not so?** And you laughed outright in replying, vaunting your moral weakness for the glorification of your physical and vital force. Be it so; I allow you to render this homage to the ass of Stern or Apuleius. The ass has its merit, I agree; it was consecrated to Priapus as was the goat to the god of Mendes. But take it for what it is worth, and decide whether ass or man shall be master. He alone can possess truly the pleasure of love who has conquered the love of pleasure. To be able and to forbear is to be twice able. Woman enchains you by your desires; master your desires and you will enchain her. The greatest injury that can be inflicted on a man is to call him a coward. Now, what is a cowardly person? One who neglects his moral dignity in order to obey blindly the instincts of nature. As a fact, in the presence of danger it is natural to be afraid and seek flight: why, then, is it shameful? Because honor has erected it into a law that we must prefer our duty to our inclinations or fears. What is honor from this point of view? It is universal presentence of immortality and appreciation of the means which can lead to it. The last trophy which man can win from death is to triumph over the appetite for life, not by despair, but by a more exalted hope, which is contained in faith; for all that is noble and honest, by the undivided consent of the world. To learn self-conquest is therefore to learn life, and the austere disciplines of stoicism were no vain parade of freedom. To yield to the forces of nature is to follow the stream of collective life, and to be the slave of secondary causes. To resist and subdue nature is to make one's self a personal and imperishable life; it is to break free from the vicissitudes of life and death. Every man who is prepared to die rather than renounce truth and justice is most truly living, for immortality abides in his soul. To find or to form such men was the end of all ancient initiations. Pythagoras disciplined his pupils by silence and all kinds of self-denial; candidates in Egypt were tried by the four elements; and we know the self-inflicted austerities of the adepts in India for attaining the kingdom of free will and divine independence. All macerations of asceticism are borrowed from the initiations of Ancient Mysteries.

In the Hieroglyphic work of Hermes the Tarot, called also the Book of Thoth, the duad is represented either by the horns of Isis, having her head veiled and an open book partially concealed under her mantle, or otherwise by a sovereign lady, Juno, the Greek goddess, having one hand uplifted towards heaven and the other pointed to earth, as if formulating by this gesture the one and twofold dogma which is the foundation of Magic, and begins the marvellous symbols of the Emerald Table of Hermes.

In the Apocalypse of St. John there is a reference to two witnesses or martyrs on whom prophetic tradition confers the names of Elias and Enoch—Elias, man of faith, enthusiasm, miracle; Enoch one with him who is called Hermes by the Egyptians, honored by the Phoenicians as Cadmus, author of the Sacred Alphabet, and the Universal Key to the Initiations of the Logos, father of the Kabbalah, he who, according to the Sacred Allegories did not die like other men, but was transported to heaven, to return at the end of time. Much the same statement is made of St. John himself, who recovered and explained in his Apocalypse the Symbolism of the word of Enoch. This resurrection of St. John and Enoch, expected at the close of the ages of ignorance, will be the restitution of their doctrine by the comprehension of the Kabbalistic Keys which unlock the Temple of Unity Universal Philosophy, too long occult, and reserved solely for the elect, who perish at the hands of the world.

¹Hierophant. Expositor of the mysteries in ancient Greece.

²Apolonius. Apolonius of Tyana, a Pythagorean philosopher, 1st century.

³Faust. German physician, alchemist, astrologer, and reputed magician of the 16th century.

⁴Sterne. Laurence Sterne. (11-24 1713—3-18 1768). An English clergyman and humorist.

⁵Apuleius. A Roman satirist, philosopher, and traveler of the 2nd century B. C.; author of "The Golden Ass," "Apologia," etc.

⁶Priapus. Gr. & Rom. Myth. Son of Dionysos and Aphrodite.

⁷Austerities. A system of self-restraint or discipline; austerities of ascetic acts or practices.

⁸Pythagoras. Greek philosopher of the 6th century B. C.

⁹Maceration. Mortification of the flesh.

¹⁰Hermes. Gr. Myth. The god of secrets and of Occult philosophy. (2) Relating to Hermes Trismegistus, reputed author of the Hermetic Books.

¹¹Thoth. Egypt. Myth. The god of wisdom; identified with Hermes.

¹²Cadmus. Founder of Thebes.

¹³Kabbalah. A system of theosophy, originating in a mystical interpretation of the Scriptures among Jewish rabbis and certain Christian sects of the Middle Ages. Upon the assumption that every letter, number and even accent of Scripture has an occult meaning, it developed a semi-panteistic doctrine of emanation of the universe, of the supremacy of man's spirit over the invisible powers of evil as well as over his own desires, and a claim to penetrate all mysteries and foretell the future.

The term Kabbalah designates the esoteric doctrines of Judaism . . . Although it claims to be a product of the tannaitic period . . . modern investigation has proved that it is purely a product of the Middle Ages. August Wunsche New S.-H. Belg. Encyc. vol. II. p. 326. (F. & W. '08). W. W. Story Blue Beard's Cabinet st. 18.

Our Thoughts Reflected In The Astral Light

A thought realizes itself in becoming speech; it realizes itself also by signs, sounds, and representations of signs; this is the first degree of realization. Then it is imprinted on the astral light by means of the signs of writing or speech; it influences other minds by reflection upon them; it is refracted by crossing the "diaphane of other men; it assumes new forms and proportions; it is then translated into acts and modifies the world; this is the last degree of realization.

The Astral light, depicted in Ancient Symbols by the Serpent devouring his tail, represents alternately Malice and Prudence, Time and Eternity, Tempter and Redeemer; for this light, being the vehicle of life, is an auxiliary alike of good and evil, and may be taken for the fiery form of Satan as for the body of the Holy Ghost. It is the instrument of warfare in angelic battles, and indifferently feeds the flames of hell and the lightnings of St. Michael. It may be compared to a horse having a nature analogous to the chameleon, and ever reflecting the armour of his rider. The Astral Light is the realization or form of the intellectual light, as the latter is the realization or form of the divine light.

Jesus, the great initiator of Christianity divining that the Astral Light was overcharged with the impure reflections of Roman debauchery, sought to separate his Disciples from the ambient sphere of reflections, and to make them attentive only to the interior light, so that, through the medium of a common faith and enthusiasm, they might communicate together by new magnetic chains, which he termed grace, and thus overcome the dissolute currents, to which he gave the names of the devil and Satan, signifying their putrefaction. To oppose current to current is to renew the power of fluidic life. The revealers have, therefore, scarcely done more than divine by the accuracy of their calculations, the appropriate moment for moral reactions. The law of realization produces what we call magnetic breathing; places and objects become impregnated therewith, and this communicates to them an influence in conformity with our dominant desires, with those, above all, which are confirmed and realized by acts. As a fact, the universal agent, or latent Astral Light, ever seeks equilibrium; it fills the void and absorbs the plentitude, which makes vice contagious, like certain physical maladies, and works powerfully in the proselytism of virtue. Hence it is that cohabitation with anti-pathetic beings is a torment; hence it is that relics, whether of saints, or of great criminals, produce the extraordinary results of sudden conversion and perversion; hence it is that sexual love is often awakened by a breath or a touch, and this, not only by means of the contact of the person himself, but of objects which he has unconsciously touched or magnetized.

There is an outbreathing and inbreathing of the soul, exactly like that of the body. It breathes in with felicity that which it believes, and it breathes forth ideas which result from its inner sensations. Diseased souls have an evil breath, and vitiate their moral atmosphere—that is, they combine impure reflections with the Astral Light which permeates them, and establish unwholesome currents therein. We are often invaded, to our astonishment, in society by evil thoughts which would have seemed impossible, and we are not aware that they are due to some morbid proximity. This secret is of high importance, for it leads to the opening of consciences, one of the most incontestible and terrible powers of Magical Art. Magnetic respiration produces about the soul a radiation of which it is the centre, and surrounds it with the reflection of its works, creating for it a Heaven or a hell. There are no isolated acts, and it is impossible that there should be secret acts; whatsoever we truly will—that is, everything which we confirm by our acts—remains registered in the Astral Light, where our reflections are preserved. These reflections continually influence our thought by the meditation of the diaphane, and it is in this sense that we become and remain the children of our works.

The Astral Light, transformed at the moment of conception into human light, is the soul's first envelope, and, in combination with extremely subtle fluids, it forms the Ethereal body or Sidereal Phantom, of which Paracelsus discourses in his philosophy of intuition—*philosophia sagax*. This Sidereal body, setting itself free at death, attracts, and for a long time preserves, through the sympathy of things homogeneous, the reflections of the past life; if drawn along a special current by a will which is powerfully sympathetic, it manifests naturally, for there is nothing more natural than prodigies. It is thus apparitions are produced. This fluidic body, subject, like the mass of the Astral Light, to two contrary movements, attracting on the left and repelling on the right, or reciprocally, between the two sexes, begets various impulses within us and contributes to solitudes of conscience; it is frequently influenced by reflections of other minds, and thus are produced, on the one hand, temptations, and, on the other, profound and unexpected graces. This is also the explanation of the traditional doctrine of two angels who strengthen and tempt us. The two forces of the Astral Light may be represented by a balance wherein are weighed our good intentions for the triumph of justice and emancipation of our liberty.

The Astral Body is not always of the same sex as the terrestrial, that is, the proportions of the two forces, varying from right to left, frequently seem to gain say the visible organization, producing the seeming vagaries of human passions, and explaining, without in any sense morally justifying the amorous peculiarities of ¹²Anacreon or ¹³Sappho. A skillful magnetizer should take all these subtle distinctions into account.

There are two kinds of realizations, the true and the fantastic. The first is the exclusive secret of Magicians, the other belongs to Enchanters and Sorcerers. Mythologies are fantastic realizations of religious dogma; superstitions are the sorcery of mistaken piety; but even mythologies and superstitions are more efficacious with human will than a purely speculative philosophy apart from any practice. Hence St. Paul opposes the conquests of the folly of the Cross to the inertness of human wisdom. Religion realizes the philosophy of adapting it to the weaknesses of the vulgar; such is for Kabbalists; the secret reason and Occult explanation of the doctrines of Incarnation and Redemption.

Thoughts untranslated into speech are thoughts lost for humanity; words unconfirmed by acts are idle words, and the idle word is not far removed from falsehood. Thought formulated by speech and confirmed by acts constitutes a good work or a crime. Hence, whether in vice or virtue, there is no speech for which we are not responsible; above all, there are no indifferent acts. Curses and blessings invariably produce their consequences, and every action, whatsoever its nature, whether inspired by love or hate, has effects analogous to its motive, its extent, and its direction. When a statesman whose images had been mutilated, raising his hand to his face, exclaims, "I do not feel that I am injured," he is mistaken in his valuation and thereby detracts from the merit

¹²Diaphane. Transparent investing membrane of a cell or sac.

¹³Anacreon. A Greek lyric poet. (537-478 B. C.)

¹⁴Sappho. A Greek lyric poetess of Lesbos who lived in the 7th century B. C.; she was known as the Tenth Muse.

of his clemency. What man of honor could behold undisturbed an insult offered to his portrait? And did such insults, inflicted, even unknown to ourselves, react on us by a fatal influence, were the effects of bewitchment actual, as indeed an Adept cannot doubt, how much more imprudent and ill-advised would seem this utterance of the good statesman.

Terrible Visitation Of Nadab

There are persons whom we can never offend with impunity, and if the injury we have done them is mortal, we forthwith begin to die. There are those whom we never meet in vain, whose mere glance alters the direction of our life. The 20 basilisk who slays by a look is no fable; it is a magical Allegory. Generally speaking, it is bad for health to have enemies, and we can never brave with impunity the reprobation of anyone. Before opposing ourselves to a given Astral force or current, we must be well assured that we possess the contrary force, or are with the stream of the contrary current; otherwise, we shall be crushed or struck down, and many sudden deaths have no other cause than this. The terrible visitations of 21Nadab and 22Abiu, of 23O. S. A., of 24Ananias and Sapphira, were occasioned by electric currents of outraged convictions; the sufferings of the 25Ursulines of London, of the nuns of Louviers, and of the convulsionaries of 26Jansenism, were identical in principle, and are explicated by the same occult natural laws. Had not Urban Grandier been immolated, one of two things would have occurred—either the possessed nuns would have died in frightful convulsions, or the phenomena of diabolical frenzy would have so gained in strength and in influence, epidemically that Grandier, notwithstanding his knowledge and his reason, would himself have become hallucinated and to such a degree that he would have slandered himself, like the unhappy Gaufride, or would otherwise have perished suddenly, with all the appalling characteristics of poisoning or of divine vengeance. In the eighteenth century the unfortunate poet 27Gilbert fell a victim to his audacity in braving the current of opinion and actual philosophical fanaticism which characterized his epoch. Guilty of philosophical treason, he died raving mad, possessed by the most incredible terrors, as if God himself had punished him for defending his cause out of season. As a fact, he perished by reason of a law of nature of which he could know nothing; he set himself against an electric current, and was struck down as by lightning. Had Marat not been assassinated by 28Charlotte Corday, he would have been destroyed infallibly by a reaction of public opinion. It was the execration of the honest which afflicted him with leprosy, and he would have had to succumb thereto. The reprobation excited by the massacre of St. Bartholomew was the sole cause of the atrocious disease and death of Charles IX, while, had not Henry IV been sustained by an immense popularity, which he owed to the projecting power or sympathetic force of his astral life, he would scarcely have outlived his conversion, but would have perished under the contempt of Protestants, combined with the suspicion and ill-will of Catholics. Unpopularity may be a proof of integrity and courage, but never of policy or prudence; the wounds inflicted by opinion are mortal for statesmen. We may recall the premature and violent end of many illustrious persons whom it would be inexpedient to mention here. Disgrace in public opinion may often be great injustices, but none the less they are invariably occasions of ill-success, and frequently of a death-sentence. In return, acts of injustice done to one individual can and should, if they rest unrepaired, cause the loss of an entire nation or of a whole society; this is what is called the cry of blood, for at the bottom of every injustice there is the germ of homicide. By reason of these terrible laws of solidarity, Christianity recommends so strongly the forgiveness of injuries and reconciliation. He who dies unforgiving casts himself dagger-armed into eternity, and condemns himself to the horrors of an eternal murder. The efficacy of paternal or maternal blessings or curses is an invincible popular tradition and belief. As a fact, the closer the bonds which unite two persons, the more terrible are the consequences of hatred between them. The brand of 29Althaea burning the blood of 30Meleager is the Mythological Symbol of this terrible power. Let parents be ever on their guard, for no one can kindle hell in his own blood, and devote his own issue to misfortune, without being himself burnt and made wretched. To pardon is never a crime, but to curse is always a danger and an evil action.

The Circle For Invocation And Conjuration "The Black Pullet" And "The Gold Finding Hen"

This very unusual and extremely valuable Book, which contains a True and Systematic account of Magical Practices, will certainly be more than welcome to the student of Occultism and Spiritualism, as well as Magic, both Black and White, for it contains exhaustive, and thorough information, that, if followed accurately, will prove of wonderful efficacy for those who wish to operate these things. The tradition of this Book is accepted without question by all learned students of Spirit Magic.

Many ask why this treatise is entitled "The Book Of Black Magic And Of Pacts." The answer is that it deals with the Rituals of Spirit invocation, as well as the Kabbalistic Doctrines. It is published privately by de Laurence exclusively for those who wish to become learned expositors of Ceremonial Magic. It shows the difference between White and Black Magic. Explains the Talismans of the Sage of the Pyramids. Explains the Seven Mysterious 31Orisons.

From time to time, we have had hundreds of requests for a book entitled "The Black Pullet," as well as "The Gold Finding Hen." "The Book Of Black Magic And Of Pacts"

20Basilisk. Creature of the African desert, whose breath and look were fatal.

21Nadab. Bib. Ex. vi, 23.

22Abiu. Bib. Douai.

23O. S. A. Order of St. Augustine.

24Ananias. Bib. The husband of Sapphira, who, on being rebuked by Peter for lying, fell dead. Acts v. 1-6. 2. (Colloq.) Any Har. 3. A disciple in Damascus who was sent by a vision to restore Paul's sight. Acts ix, 10-18. 4. The High Priest in Jerusalem before whom Paul was brought for trial. Acts xxiii, 2-5.

25Ursuline. R. C. Ch. An Ursuline nun.

26Jansenism. Ch. Hist. The system of teaching from writings of Augustine.

27Gilbert. English dramatist of the 18th century.

28Corday. Charlotte Corday. A French revolutionist; assassinated Marat; guillotined.

29Althaea. Myth. Mother of Meleager

30Meleager. Gr. Myth. One of the Argonauts, leader in the Calydonian boar-hunt and a famous javelin-thrower. He was a son of Eneus, king of Calydon, and Althaea, daughter of Thestius. At his birth, the Fates appeared and informed his mother that her son should live only so long as a piece of wood which was then burning upon the hearth should remain unconsumed. Althaea snatched the wood from the fire, extinguished and carefully concealed it. When Meleager, through his love for Atalanta, quarreled with and slew his uncles, the sons of Thestius, Althaea in revenge threw the wood into the flames and thus caused her son's death.

31Orison. A prayer. Shakespeare Hamlet, act iii, sc. 1.

contains everything known and written regarding "The Black Pullet" and "The Gold Finding Hen."

In fact, it is a work of general instructions concerning the Rituals and Instruments required for use. Exposes matters which have long been a Mystery, such as The Spirits of the Brazen Vessel, otherwise called The False Monarchy of Demons. Tells you how to operate the Rite of the Powerful Spirit 32Lucifer, as well as the mysteries of Infernal Evocation according to the Grand Grimoire.

A Mysterious book which deals with Mystery. Tells you the offices of Evil Spirits; Infernal Spirits in their manifestations. The Rod and Staff of the Art. The Pen and Ink of the Art. Virgin Wax or Virgin Earth. The silken cloth. The victims of Black Art. The time and place of Spirit Operations.

Tells how to operate works of hatred and destruction. How to create a Ceremony for the Opposite Sex. Gives information concerning Invisibility. Concerning the Vision of Spirits in the air. Mirror of Solomon for all kinds of Divinations. Concerning the Three Rings of Solomon, Son of David. Concerning the Conjunction for a Spirit Guardian of Hidden Treasures. Composing the Circle for Invocation and Conjunction.

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Words cannot express, and no explanation could ever do justice to this really strange and rare book. It deals with Necromantic Pursuits, Funeral Monuments, and all that is associated with Conjunctions.

PLATE TWO tells you how Astrological Symbols and the Zodiacal Signs are concerned with Invocations, the Infernal Sigils of the Evil Planetary Spirits according to the "Red Dragon." Indeed, as stated, the full page illustrations in this Book are very instructive.

PLATE THREE deals with the Mystic Figures of the "Enchiridion.

We will now tell about "The Black Pullet," the "Druid of Menapienne," and "Red Magic, or the Cream of the Occult Sciences." "The Black Pullet" now forms a part of this book.

"The Black Pullet" disappeared from print. However, it reappeared during different periods in the past ages with slight, if any, alterations. This Book, "The Black Pullet," appeared once under the title of "Treasure of the Old Man of the Pyramids." It later appeared under the title of the "Black Screech Owl." This amazing book, "The Black Pullet," which is now contained in this book, "The Book of Black Magic And Of Facts," was reprinted at Paris. "The Black Pullet," or the "Hen With The Golden Eggs," comprises the Science of Magic Talismans and Rings, the Art of Necromancy and of the Kabalah, for the Conjunction of Astral and Infernal Spirits, of the Sylphs and Gnomes. By it you will acquire the Secret Sciences for the Discovery of Treasures, for obtaining power to command all beings, and to unmask all Sciences and Bewitchments. The whole following the Doctrines of Socrates, Pythagoras, Zoroaster, Son of the Grand Aromasis, and other philosophers whose works in manuscript escaped the burning of the Library of Ptolemy. Translated from the Language of the Magi and that of the Hieroglyphs by the Doctors Mizzaboula-Jabamia, Danhuzerus, Nehmahmiah, Judahim, and Eliaeb. Rendered into French by A. J. S. D. R. L. G. F." The place of publication is Egypt.

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³²Lucifer. Prince of darkness. Isa. xiv, 12.

³³Enchiridion. Manual of devotion.

³⁴Olympic. Or pertaining to Mt. Olympus in Thessaly.

The circle of Olympic dieties is a reflection of the earthly life with its limitations of old age, disease, and death removed

Harris Hegel's Logic, p. 9. (S. C. G.)

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³⁵Taciturnity. The quality of being taciturn; disinclination to talk.

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The plate is reproduced from the second edition of Ebenezer Sibley's "Illustration of the Occult Sciences." The companion of Kelley within the circle is presumably Paul Waring, who, according to Weaver ("Funereal Monuments," 1631, pp. 45, 46), was associated with him in all his conjurations. The scene is intended to represent the churchyard of Walton Ledale, "in the county of Lancaster." The information of Sibley is derived from Weaver, whose authority is said to have been Waring. On this point and the general question of Kelley's necromantic pursuits, see "The Alchemical Writings of Edward Kelley," Biographical Preface, pp xxvii-xxx.

PLATE II—The Angels of the Seven Planets, their Sigils, the Signs and Houses of the Planets, the names of the Seven Heavens, according to the "Magical Elements" of Peter de Abano, with the names of the Olympic Spirits of the Planets according to "Arbatel of Magic," and these Infernal Sigils of the Evil Planetary Spirits according to the "Red Dragon."

The name of Michael, the Angel of the Lord's Day, appears over his Sigil, together with the Astrological Symbol of Sol, the Zodiacal Sign of Leo, which is the House of the Sun, and the name of the Fourth Heaven, Machen. The name of Gabriel, the Angel of Monday, appears over his Sigil, together with the Astrological Symbol of Luna, the Zodiacal sign of Cancer, which is the House of the Moon, and the name of the First Heaven, Shamain. The name of Samael, the Angel of Tuesday, appears over his Sigil, together with the Astrological Symbol of Mars, the Zodiacal Signs of Aries, and Scorpio which are the Houses of the Planet, and the name of the Fifth Heaven, Machon. The name of Raphael, the Angel of Wednesday, appears over his Sigil, together with the Astrological Symbol of Mercury, the Zodiacal Signs of Gemini and Virgo, which are the Houses of the Planet, and the name of the Second Heaven, Raquie. The name of Sachiel, the Angel of Thursday, appears over his Sigil, together with the Astrological Symbol of Jupiter, the Zodiacal Signs of Sagittarius and Pisces, which are the Houses of the Planet, and the name of the Sixth Heaven, Zebul. The name of Anael, the angel of Friday, appears over his Sigil, together with the Astrological Symbol of Venus, the Zodiacal Signs of Taurus and Libra, which are the Houses of the Planet, and the name of the Third Heaven, Sagun. The name of Cassiel the Angel of Saturday, appears over his Sigil, together with the Astrological Symbol of Saturn, and the Zodiacal Signs of Capricornus and Aquarius, which are the Houses of the Planet.

PLATE III—Mystic Figures of the Enchiridion.

Figure I, the mystic symbol of the Tau, converted into a monogram which has been supposed to signify the word Taro of Tora. Figure II, the triple Tau. Figure III, an arbitrary figure supposed to represent the fortieth part of the stature of Jesus Christ. Figure IV, the Labarum of Constantine, with the usual inscription, "In this sign thou shalt conquer," and the emblems of the Passion of Christ. Figure V, a double door, connected by a bar and inscribed with the first seven letters of the Latin alphabet. Figure VI, a composite symbol of unknown meaning. The second circle contains twenty-two letters, which recall the Keys of the Taro. Figure VII represents the dimensions of the wound produced by the lance of the Centurion in the side of Jesus Christ. Figure VIII, a two-edged sword, for which various simple meanings may be conjectured. Its inscription has been adopted by alchemists.

PLATE IV—Mystic Figures of the Enchiridion.

Figure I, the reversed form of a well-known occult symbol. The Hebrew words signify Jehovah, Elohim, Agla, Elohim Tsabaoth. Figure II, the Labarum of Constantine, another form. Figure III, the inscription on this talisman is unintelligible. Figure IV, the occult symbol of the pentagram, reversed, and therefore the sign of the Demon, according to Eliphas Levi. Possibly misplaced by the ignorance of the printer, but it occurs in this manner in many books which do not apparently connect with Black Magic. Figure V, a talisman with the monogram of Michael. Figure VI, undescribed, but belonging to a prayer of St. Augustine addressed to the Holy Spirit to receive a revelation. Figure VII, the characters of this talisman would seem to be Hebrew, but are so corrupt that they are unintelligible. Figure VIII, a talisman with the monogram of Gabriel. Figure IX, the talisman and monogram of Michael.

PLATE V—The characters of Evil Spirits, from the so-called "Fourth Book" of Cornelius Agrippa, and described as follows in the original.

1. A right line; 2. a crooked line; 3. a reflexed line; 4. a simple figure; 5. penetrate; 6. broken; 7. a right letter; 8. a retrograde letter; 9. an inverted letter; 10. flame; 11. wind; 12. water; 13. a mass; 14. rain; 15. clay; 16. a flying creature; 17. a creeping thing; 18. a serpent; 19. an eye; 20. a hand; 21. a foot 22. a crown; 23. a crest; 24. horns; 25. a sceptre; 26. a sword; 27. a scourge.

PLATE VI—The Sabbatic Goat, from the "Ritual Of Transcendental Magic," by Eliphas Levi, who identifies it with the Baphomet of Mendes, and does not regard it as connected with Black Magic," but as "a pantheistic and magical figure of the absolute."

PLATE VII—The instruments of Black Magic, from the Grimoire entitled "True Black Magic."

Figure I, the knife with the white handle. Figure II, the knife with the black handle. Figure III, the arcgrave, or hook. Figure IV, the boline or sickle. Figure V, the styllet. Figure VI, the needle. Figure VII, the wand. Figure VIII, the lancet. Figure IX, the staff. Figure X, the sword of the master. Figures XI, XII, XIII, the swords of the assistants.

PLATE VIII—The Magical Circle used in Goetic Theurgy, according to the "Lesser Key Of Solomon The King," showing the position of the operator, the divine names and symbols to be inscribed within and about the double circle, and the situation of the lights.

The figure and place of the triangle into which the spirit is commanded will be found in the text, pp. 190-192. The Divine Names differ in some of the manuscripts.

PLATE IX—The Goetic Circle Of Black Evocations And Pacts, according to Eliphas Levi.

The circle is formed from the skin of the victim, fastened to the ground by four nails taken from the coffin of an executed criminal. The skull is that of a parricide; the horns those of a goat; the male bat opposite the skull must have been drowned in blood; and the black cat, whose head forms the fourth object on the circumference of the circle, must have been fed on human flesh. There is no authority for any of these stipulations. The small circles within the triangle show the place of the operator and his assistants.

PLATE X—The Apparatus of Ceremonial Crystallomancy according to White Magic, showing the crystal in a frame, which should be of polished ebony, ivory, or boxwood, the torch, and the engraven candlesticks of brass.

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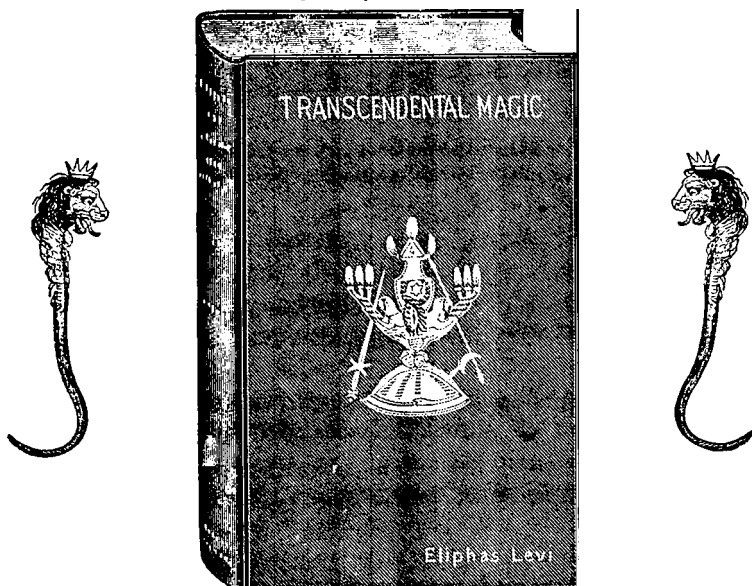
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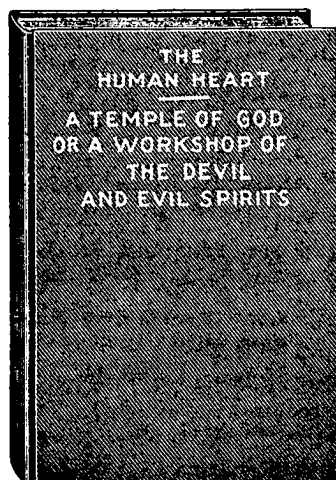
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ILLUSTRATION NUMBER ONE, is an actual representation of the condition of the heart of a man who is obsessed and controlled by evil spirits, and while subject to, and controlled by evil, earthbound spirits, he is incited to laziness, impurity, gluttony, drunkenness, envy, sensuality, anger, and murder.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER TWO, is an actual representation of the condition of the heart of a repentant sinner in whom evil spirits, and evil influences are being overcome, and begin to fall away. This wonderful illustration shows how one who has had evil influences around him becomes frightened, turns upon himself and looks deeply into his heart, feeling more happy that he is being freed from evil spirits, and that his heart and soul is no more annoyed by malignant spirits who manifest themselves in the form of abominable animals.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER THREE, is an actual representation of the condition of the heart of a man who has been freed from sin, evil spirits, and bad influences.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER FOUR, is an actual representation of the condition of the heart of a man who, regained through Christ, is reconciled, and his soul knows no more evil, having been entirely freed of the influence of evil spirits. He is happy because evil influences have been conquered and driven away.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER FIVE, is an actual representation of the condition of the heart of a man which has become a Temple of Righteousness, and a dwelling place of the Father, Son, and the Holy Ghost.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER SIX, is an actual representation of the condition of the heart of a man who has become susceptible, and is giving himself up to the influence of evil spirits, and is becoming lazy, despondent, imprudent, and easy to anger. In such a condition he is subject to animal-like influences which obsess and overcome him.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER SEVEN, is an actual representation of the condition of the heart of a man who, after his conversion, has again been overcome by evil earthbound animal-like spirits. When the heart and soul of a man become obsessed by an unclean spirit he seeks but knows no rest, because evil spirits are happy only when they make a man follow the path of the devil, and charm him to sin and the lust of the world.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER EIGHT, is an actual representation of the condition of the death of a man who has been lost to God, and has become a servant to sin because of the control and obsession of evil.

This wonderful illustration actually shows the sinner as he lies on his death-bed, with his body full of pain, and his spirit anxious and fearful, full of dismay and terror before Death—full of horror of the coming judgment. When death comes to a man of this kind, evil spirits show him his sins toward which he has been drawn, and the evil influence that attracted him. At death he fears them because evil spirits and bad influences mean eternal destruction and eternal damnation; for it should be remembered that what we sow we reap.

Particularly awful is the death of this type of a man who has had the opportunity to receive the grace and goodness of God, but who has allowed evil and unclean spirits to enter his soul.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER NINE, is an actual representation of the condition of the heart of a good Christian who persisted in the battle against sin and evil influences, and is now enjoying God's holiness for all time.

In this ninth picture or representation you actually see how the heart of a man is surrounded on all sides with enemies; Satan and sin always lurk about him, seeking to overcome him and obsess his heart with an unclean spirit. Shows how the good man is tempted; how evil spirits seek to frighten and influence him to evil. However, the spirit of Christ, and the glory of God is always battling with these enemies of holiness, and the heart of the good man, which has become a Temple of God, is armed against them—they are not able to conquer him, because angels and good spirits hover around him. The grace of God keeps his heart always alert for the battle, and keeps him firm against evil. No one gains a crown who does not fight for the right, and he who stands firm against evil becomes blessed. In the heart of such a man the star of hope shines clearly, for his faith is a living faith which always conquers evil spirits.

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ILLUSTRATION NUMBER TEN, is an actual representation of the death of a good and pious man. This picture actually shows him on his death-bed surrounded by the peace and the love of God. This marvelous picture shows the spirit leaving the physical body and passing to good spirits and angels who say: "Come unto me." This is positively one of the most remarkable death-bed pictures ever shown of one who has constantly lived and believed in the love and faith of God until the end. He lays himself down, when his last hour comes, happily and trustingly on his death-bed. He fears neither death or the judgment, because neither touch him, as Jesus has assured us when He said: "He that heareth my word, and believeth in Him that sent me, hath everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life." (John 5.24.)

In this representation, before your very eyes, lays the righteous one, peaceful in his knowledge that he has never allowed an unclean spirit to overcome or obsess him. He knows that his sins are forgiven and he is joyful because his heart is a Temple of God and the Holy Spirit. He folds his hands in fervent prayer to God. His soul is filled with the love of Christ in whom he has lived and died. Even in the face of the one who has become cold in death shines forth the inner freedom, the Godly trust, the holy anointing of the good clean spirit which lived in his heart. His heart and soul are directed toward heaven. Even his lips which have become speechless and cold in death, seem to say: "I am happy with Christ." The angel of God waits above his soul until his days are ended, in order to take it unto God's place.

So dies the righteous whose heart is a Temple of God and the Holy Spirit. A beautiful departure takes the pious from the battle and sorrow of sin and evil.

ILLUSTRATION NUMBER ELEVEN, is a marvelous representation showing that if one would be free from mischievous, unclean earthbound spirits, he must enter into life at the straight gate, and have his heart a Temple of God and the Holy Spirit. In this illustration there are shown two gates; the straight and narrow gate which leads to peace, faith, and happiness here and after death, and the wide gate; broad is its way, for it leads to destruction. Many there are who enter the wide gate which leads to sin, obsession, crime and wrongdoing. Let the one who reads here always remember that straight is the gate and narrow the way which leads one to a pure and peaceful life. As shown in this illustration, there are but few that enter the straight and narrow gate.

Much more might be written regarding these eleven full page illustrations which are actual pictures or representations of the heart of a man, which is a Temple of God and the Holy Spirit, as well as the heart of a man who has lived a sinful life and has become obsessed by evil, earthbound, malignant spirits.

Published For Those Interested In Good Spirits As Well As Those Poor Human Souls Tormented By Evil Spirits

Before going further into the subject of Evil Spirits, the reader should understand once and for all, that there is a certain kind of an Occult and Magical energy, based on the existence of a spiritual world, placed without and not within the human heart. This Occult, Magical energy manifests itself either as good or evil within the human heart, that is to say, that the human heart becomes either a Temple of God, or a Workshop of malignant evil spirits.

That one can enter into communication with spirits, both good and evil, by the use of certain Magical Arts, and Occult Practices, has been proven in all ages of the world. All of this today, as in ages long ago, has been demonstrated as a fact.

Sorcery, Black Magic, And Witchcraft are intimately connected with Evil Spirits. The difference between them is, that in witchcraft all those who practice it sell themselves to vicious evil spirits.

The principle means by which evil spirits enter the heart of man, exert their power, and carry on their intercourse with this world, are to be found in the many forms of evil obsession. Evil earthbound spirits are invisible beings. Evil spirits are many times disembodied souls of criminals and suicides. Souls of this kind, that have passed on to the spiritual world, may be sent into the heart of man by evil charms and spells by those who practice witchcraft.

That an evil spirit can enter the heart of man and break him down as easily as a fearful hurricane sweeps all before it, attacking his heart, soul and body in many places at the same time, without his being able to perceive the evil spirit, or being able to protect himself because he has not been properly instructed, has been proven for thousands of years. In fact, in all ages of the world the conjuration of evil spirits, sorcery and witchcraft means practically a full realization of demonology.

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On every page, and in every illustration of this wonderful book, these things are explained, shown, and set forth. All this may be too strange to believe, yet because the reader is ignorant of their existence, it does not follow that they are not true, as the sad, miserable, heart-rending records of obsession and witchcraft abundantly testify.

Christ said, "Know thyself." Men and women today do not know themselves, therefore, they do not understand the things of the inner or spiritual world. This is a material age. Most everybody believes in materialism and things of the material world. Everybody should possess the knowledge of both the good and bad things of the spiritual world as well. If one does not know these strange and wonderful things he cannot truly say they are not true. He who is capable of successfully seeking and knowing the work of both good and evil spirits is fortunate indeed; for true growth depends upon one's knowledge of the spiritual world as well as the material. It is not wise to base conclusions upon external appearances caused by the illusions of the outward senses.

Only Book Published That Helps One To Overcome Evil Conditions

Everyone who orders this, the strangest book ever published, will find plenty therein regarding external evil forces and spirits, and the terrible results once they enter and obsess the heart and human soul. All this, and a great deal more is explained and set forth in this marvelous book. It gives a warning which is important.

Evil Spirits, once they obsess a person, are far more powerful in their action for evil than is generally believed. Good spirits create good. Evil spirits, attracted by evil minded persons, incite them mentally to crime. Among many criminals their only excuse is that, they thought they kept hearing something tell them to commit crime. Bad suggestions are sometimes given to people by evil spirits, until they become obsessed and are really driven to commit crime. These suggestions and evil thoughts are from depraved astral bodies of obsessed persons who have passed to the spiritual world, and because of their criminal mind have become earthbound spirits, that obsess both men and women with full consciousness and intent to work injury and evil.

The real necessity of invoking good spirits to drive out and control evil spirits cannot be too strongly insisted upon. Disbelief in evil spirits is fatal; for it checks and stops the action of the human will from protecting one against evil. A child learns to walk because it is full of confidence and faith that it can do it. All great teachers of religion and occultism have invariably insisted upon the necessity of faith in God and the good spirits of the astral plane as a means of protection against evil spirits.

This strange book explains why it pays to be good and to earnestly follow instruction regarding good and evil spirits. If you are pure in mind and have developed the clairvoyant faculty which is latent in every human being, and which is based on the utilization of the good in the human heart, you will always be happy and lead a peaceful and successful life.

The knowledge set forth in this book teaches one how to become powerful and protect himself against evil spirits, and he who studies this book will be fully repaid for his time and trouble.

Further, this remarkable book, which was translated from the original French into the German in the year 1732, and later translated from the German into English, as well as the eleven full page illustrations, has been published at an enormous expense, solely as a help to those faithful souls who desire knowledge and wisdom regarding spirits both good and evil.

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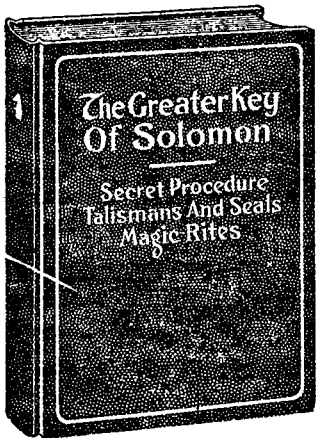
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King Solomon's Method Of Teaching

The Holy Temple. He built King Solomon's Temple in seven years and occupied fourteen years in erecting his Palace. He was the wise King alluded to in Proverbs 16:23, "The heart of the wise maketh his mouth intelligent, and upon his lips increaseth information." Meaning that if a man possessing brilliant diamonds and precious stones, keeps his jewels concealed, no one is aware of their value; but if he allows them to be seen, their worth becomes known. While the wisdom of Solomon was locked in his own breast it was of value to no one; but when he gave the world his Four Books, they increased the information of his people. So great was his reputation that any one in doubt concerning the meaning of a Biblical passage sought the king for an interpretation. Not only in sacred lore did he raise the standard of education. He had taught the sciences of Natural Philosophy, Physiology, Agriculture, Mathematics, Occultism, Astronomy, Chemistry, and Rhetoric. In Occultism And "Talismanic Magic" he was an Adept.

Solomon's Method Of Teaching. His method of teaching is illustrated by the following comparison: There was a basket without handles, filled with fine fruit, but the owner was unable to carry it until a wise man attached handles to the basket. So did Solomon remove difficulties from the path of the student. Rabbi Huna further illustrated this same thing. "There was once," he said, "a well of pure water; but so deep that the people were not able to reach the water, until a man of wisdom, taking a bucket, attached to it one rope after another until the whole was long enough to reach the water." So was it with Solomon's teachings. The Bible is a well of truth, but its teachings are too deep for the understanding of some. Solomon, however, introduced Parables and Proverbs suited to the comprehension of all, through which means a knowledge of the law became readily obtainable.

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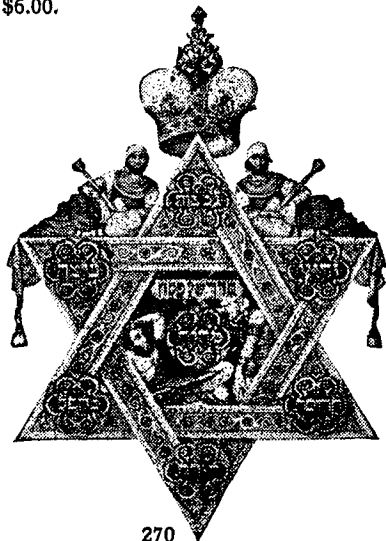
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1307 Sloane Manuscript is in Italian; its Title is "La Clavicola di Salomone Redotta et epilogata nella nostra materna lingua del dottissimo Gio Peccatrix." It is full of Black Magic. Another Italian version bears the title of "Zecorbenel."

1202 Lansdowne Manuscript is "The True Keys Of King Solomon," By Armadel. It is beautifully written, with painted Initial Letters, and the Pentacles are carefully drawn in Colored Inks.

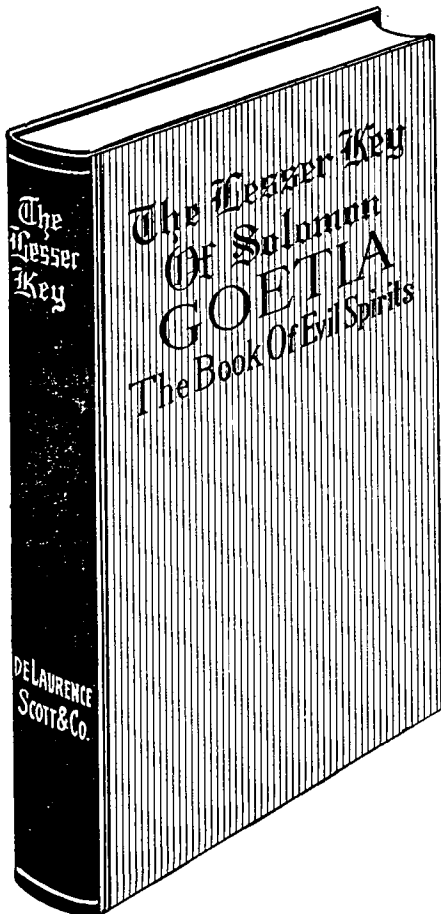
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The Burning Bush

"THE LESSER KEY OF SOLOMON," GOETIA, has been for years and years looked upon as a very rare Manuscript known as "THE BOOK OF EVIL SPIRITS," for therein Kabalistic Tradition is presented simply and plainly to the student. In fact, this book is often called "THE TREE OF KNOWLEDGE." This work deals with Magic, as well as the Art of Enchantment, and the diverse properties of Seals and Talismans. It gives instruction in all secrets of Sorcerers. SOLOMON was a master of the Kabalistic Art and was the greatest teacher of Invocation and Conjunction of both the good and evil spirits of the Astral Plane. The student who obtains this work will be brought back to the age when such rare works as the "KABALISTIC BOOK OF ENOCH" was written; for it is here that Kabalistic Tradition is presented, under the guise of legend to the following effect:

Adam had two sons—Cain, who signifies brute force, and Abel, the type of intelligence and mildness. Agreement was impossible between them; they perished at each other's hands; and their inheritance passed to a third son, named Seth. Here is the conflict of two opposing Occult Forces diverted to the advantage of a synthetic and united Spiritual force. "Now Seth, who was just, was permitted to approach as far as the entrance of the Earthly Paradise, without being threatened by the Kerub and his flaming sword." In other words Seth represented primeval initiation. "It came to pass in this manner that Seth beheld The Tree Of Knowledge and The Tree Of Life, incorporated together after such a manner that they formed but a single tree"—signifying the harmony of science and nature in the Transcendental Kabbalah. "And the spirit gave him three seeds containing the vital power of the said tree." The reference is here to the Kabalistic triad. When Adam died, Seth, in obedience to the directions of the spirit, placed the three seeds in the mouth of his father, as a token of eternal life. The saplings which sprang up from these, became the Burning Bush, in the midst of which a certain Spirit communicated to Moses his Eternal Name—signifying He Who is and is to come. Moses plucked a triple branch of the sacred bush and used it as his miraculous wand. Although separated from its root, the branch continued to live and blossom, and it was subsequently preserved in the Ark. It was the Rod of Aaron, not that of Moses, which, according to Heb. ix. 4, was placed in the Ark of the Covenant, together with the Tables Of The Law and the Pot of Manna. It is said, however, most clearly in I Kings, viii. 9, that "there was nothing in the Ark Save the Two Tables Of Stone, which Moses put there at Horeb." King David planted the branch on Mount Zion, and Solomon took wood from each section of the triple trunk to make the two pillars, Pachin and Boaz, which were placed at the entrance of the Temple. They were covered with bronze, and the third section was inserted at the threshold of the chief gate. IT WAS A "TALISMAN" WHICH HINDERED THINGS UNCLEAN FROM ENTERING WITHIN. But certain nefarious Levites removed, during the night, the Talisman, which was an obstacle to their unholy freedom and cast it, loaded with stones, at the bottom of the Temple reservoir. From this time forward a Spirit troubled the waters of the pool, imparting to them a miraculous value, so that men might be distracted from seeking the tree of Solomon in its depths. In the days of Jesus the pool was cleansed and the Jews, finding the beam of wood, which in their eyes seemed useless, carried the latter outside the town and threw it across the brook Cedron. It was over this bridge that Jesus, The Master, passed after his arrest at night in the Garden of Olives. His executioners cast him from it into the water; and then in their

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Goetia. The Book Of Evil Spirits

haste to prepare the instrument-in-chief of His passion, they took the beam with them, which was made of three kinds of wood, and formed the cross therewith.

Whatever the date to which the **Book of the Penitence of Adam** may be referable, it represents one form of a legend which was spread widely in the **Middle Ages**. The **Gospel of Nicodemus** seems to have instituted the first analogy between **The Tree Of Knowledge** and **The Tree Of The Cross**. "All ye who have died through the wood which this man"—Adam—"hath touched: All of you I will make alive again by the wood of the cross." The legend of the triple branch, under a strange transformation, reappears in that chronicle of the **Holy Graal** which has been ascribed to the authorship of **Walter Map**. There is no end to the stories which represent **Jesus** dying upon a tree which was a cutting from **The Tree Of Knowledge**. This is how **The Tree Of Knowledge** becomes **The Tree Of Life** in Christian legend.

This allegory embodies all the great traditions of the **Kabalah** and the secret Christian doctrine of **St. John**, which is now utterly unknown. It follows that **Seth, Moses, David, Solomon** and **Jesus** obtained from the same **Kabbalistic Tree** their royal sceptres and pontifical crooks. We can understand in this manner why the **Christ** was adored in His manger by the **MAGI**. Let us recur, however, to **The Book of Enoch**, as greater authority attaches to it than can be attributed to an unknown manuscript; the former is cited in the **New Testament** by the **Apostle St. Jude**. Tradition refers the invention of letter to **Enoch**, and it is to him that we must therefore trace back the teachings embodied in the **Sepher Yetzirah**, which is the elementary work of the **Kabalah**, its compiler—according to the **Rabbins**—being the patriarch **Abraham**, as the heir of the secrets of **Enoch** and as the father of initiation in **Israel**. **Enoch** would seem in this manner to be identical with the **Egyptian Hermes, Trismegistus**, while the famous "**Book Of Thoth**," written throughout in hieroglyphics and numbers, would be that **Occult Bible**, anterior to "**The Books Of Moses**" and full of mysteries, to which the initiated **WILLIAM POSTEL** alludes so frequently throughout his works, under the title of the **Genesis of Enoch**.

Talismans, Charms And Seals

In consequence of the rapid sale of books treating upon the subjects of **Magic, Black Art, and Witchcraft**, and the unprecedented demand for information and knowledge on these subjects, we have at last been forced to publish **THE LESSER KEY OF SOLOMON, GOETIA, THE BOOK OF EVIL SPIRITS**, as the very same is a most complete treatise on these mysterious subjects which clearly explains how to make your own **Talismans**, and the reason of the **Talisman's** potentiality from an **Occult** point of view. It clearly shows what is in a **Talisman** and how it is associated with the **Hidden Powers of Nature**. It proves the value of **Charms and Talismans**, and provides the easiest method of constructing them. It expounds in a simple manner the old system of the **Ancients**, also a philosophical demonstration of the true principles of **Magic** as it is used by **Sorcerers** and those who practice **Witchcraft and Black Art**. Indeed, throughout, it is a **Book of Ancient Mysteries**, for in it there are scores and scores of **Magical Talismans, Pentacles, Charms, Figures and Diagrams**, as well as other illustrations, experiments of invisibility and how they are performed. **Charms and Talismans** are shown for favor, success, love, hidden and buried treasures, and all similar things, used in the **Magical** operation of the **Art Of The Holy Pentacles**, and **Diagrams**; also much more interesting matter as constituting this wonderful book.

To the student, and the one who wishes to learn how a curse can be placed upon another, and, how **Conjurations and Ceremonies** are used to bring about certain mysterious things, this book is without value, and you should be sure and get a copy before the edition is exhausted, for the price asked is an insignificant one for a book of this kind. There are few books which fully explain **The Hidden Mysteries Of Talismans and Charms**, and this very same work will certainly be found quite a cyclopedia of **Magic** and its hidden meaning. The knowledge gained from this book will prove most useful and save many persons much time and trouble in trying to understand many mysterious things that are operated by people around them. The time has passed when people are to remain ignorant of **Magic** and **The Black Art**; for there are thousands in all parts of the world who know it and use it daily. In order to protect yourself and understand these things, it would seem a very foolish thing for you not to invest at least such a small amount as **Two Dollars** for a famous book of this kind, which tells you so much for such a small amount of money. By the aid of this book you may acquire knowledge and mysterious secrets which will explain a great deal of the phenomena which has puzzled you in the past. Knowledge of **The Mysteries of Magic** is needed from the cradle to the grave, and all eminent authorities are today acquiring it. For this reason, **GOETIA, THE BOOK OF EVIL SPIRITS**, is an indispensable work to every student, for it contains several full pages of certain **Secret Talismans**. "**THE LESSER KEY**" will help you unlock the mysteries of the universe, and you may be able to get from it the very **Talisman** or **Charm** you are seeking. In fact, it is "**The Book of Magic**," containing an analytical and critical account of **Magical Rituals, Black Magic, The Rites And Mysteries Of Goetia, Theurgy, Sorcery And Infernal Necromancy**.

Here is a book by which you will be able to determine the connection between **Ceremonial Magic** and the **Secret Tradition** in Christian times; showing the distinction between **White And Black Magic** as well. In fact, it is the **Alpha** and the **Omega of Talismanic Magic**, for it brings the student face to face with **Pentagrams, Magical Equilibrium**, as well as **The Fiery Sword Of Realization and Initiation**.

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THE LESSER KEY OF SOLOMON Goetia. The Book Of Evil Spirits

The Transcendental Knowledge And Ceremonial Magic, as a fact, is reserved for those who desire to become Masters, for Virgin Nature does not deliver the **Keys** of her secret chamber to those who seek them not with a sincere desire to learn. This is an age when men desire to become **Initiated** into the **Mysteries Of Nature**. Men are born into the world as slaves. This is to say, man is born in the bondage of his passion and ignorance, but he can reach emancipation through intelligence. Between those Masters who are free, and those who are as yet in the bondage of their passions and ignorance there is no equality possible. **The part of reason is to rule, and of instinct to obey.** On the other hand, if you will impose on the blind, the facts of leading the blind, both will end in the abyss of ignorance.

Society to-day is no abstract personality that can be rendered responsible separately for the ignorance of man; society is the association of men and women; it is defective by reason of their vices and sublime in respect of their virtues; but in itself, it is purely spiritual, like the unseen power which is bound up inseparably therewith. Is not true Spiritualism and real Occultism, as a fact, an association of the highest spiritual aspirations and the most generous endeavors. After this manner does the blasphemy of anti-social equality and of right in the teeth of duty give answer to the lie about castes privileged by Nature; **Occultism** alone has solved the problem by assigning supremacy to self-sacrifice and by proclaiming him as the greatest who offers up his life for his fellow-men and truth.

Once more we will speak aloud regarding **THE LESSER KEY OF SOLOMON, GOETIA, THE BOOK OF EVIL SPIRITS**, for it is one of the most marvelous depositaries of the tradition of the Ancients, who preserved in all of its purity, **Ceremonial And Talismanic Magic**. The glory of **Ancient Magic** is that it called all men to truth without distinction of castes, though not without distinction in respect of sincerity of soul.

"Cast not your pearls before swine," said the Divine JESUS, Founder of Christianity, "lest treading them under foot, they turn and rend you." **THE BOOK OF SOLOMON** comprises all the Kabbalistic Secrets concerning the Doctrine of the Master Jesus, and are books that in the past have been rare and hard to obtain. "Let him understand who has knowledge—let him who understands compute"—says ST. JOHN quietly after reciting an allegory or giving a **Mystic Seal**. ST. JOHN, the beloved Disciple and depository of all the **Occult Secrets of Jesus**, did not therefore write to be understood by the multitude. The book now being written of, herewith, and herein, summarizes and completes all the science of **ABRAHAM** and of **SOLOMON**, as it will prove by understanding the "**Keys**" of **The Transcendent Kabbalah**.

The Science Of Equilibrium is the "**Key**" of **Occult Science**. Men and women with uncontrolled and unbalanced mental and spiritual forces, perish in the void. So has passed from this world many anxious men and women as well as princes and giants. They have fallen like trees without roots, and their place is found no more. Through the conflict of unbalanced mental, spiritual and Occult forces, men and women will continue to become devastated and void and powerless, until they, by their own efforts, succeed in penetrating **The Mysteries Of Magic** sufficiently to control their unbalanced forces. All the aspirations of the Master Adepts are directed towards unity of form, towards the living synthesis of equilibrated Occult forces. The face of the Master, crowned with **Astral Light**, rose over the vast sea of unbalanced forces and was reflected as a vision in the light thereof. Let those who have allowed their eye to follow these lines with interest, penetrate further into the great **Mysteries of Nature** and the **Science of Talismanic Magic** and they will be rewarded according to their efforts. This printed matter has been sent unto you in the sublime faith and belief that once you have in your possession a copy of this marvelous book, that you will be benefited and helped beyond measure, for it has been sent in no other spirit.

As has been stated several times herein, the price is nothing compared to the book you will receive, for it was first necessary to obtain permission to enter the great library of the British Museum, at London, England, and put in many months of hard work in translating from **Ancient** and musty Manuscripts **THE LESSER KEY OF SOLOMON**, known as "**GOETIA**," **THE BOOK OF EVIL SPIRITS**. This has cost thousands of dollars and we are pleased that we can now announce that this book can be obtained at a mere trifle.

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TALISMANS THEIR EFFICIENCY AND HIDDEN POWERS

The modern student of **Occultism** and **Talismanic Magic** knows, without doubt, that **Charms** and **Talismans** do possess a wonderful Hidden Power, and exert an unseen influence over many things. To-day these self-same students are learning to construct and fashion their own **Talismans, Seals Of Spirits, Magical Squares and Pentacles**. For their construction, it is only necessary to study such famous books as "**THE GREATER KEY OF SOLOMON THE KING**," and "**RAPHAEL'S ANCIENT MANUSCRIPT OF TALISMANIC MAGIC**," commonly known as **THE BOOK OF RECONDITE WISDOM**.

Talismans and Pentacles are made and worn to-day upon the breast, suspended and enclosed in a **Leather Talisman Case**. No one should touch or see the **Talisman or Charm** after placement, except the person for whom it is designed, and only when it has wrought its effect should it be discarded. This method is adopted by natives of **India and Africa**. A number of **Talismans** may be worn at the same time.

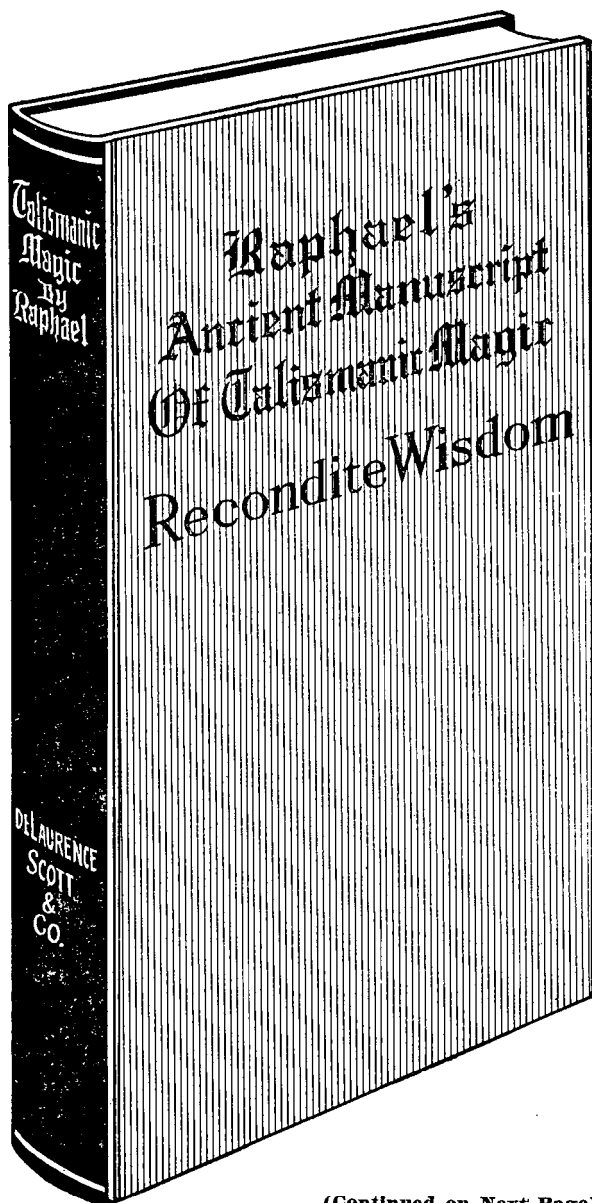
A good price is paid to-day in **Europe and throughout the Orient** for a **Talisman** made by one of the **Old Master Adepts of the Middle Ages**. However, those who obtain "**RAPHAEL'S ANCIENT MANUSCRIPT OF TALISMANIC MAGIC**" will be able to make an exact reproduction of the old world famous **Charms, Talismans, Magical Squares and Pentacles** both of the **Hindu and Jewish Kabbala**. In other words, all of the noted **Charms**, and famous **Talismans** in the world have been collected and reproduced in "**RAPHAEL'S ANCIENT MANUSCRIPT**" as well as "**THE GREATER KEY OF SOLOMON THE KING**."

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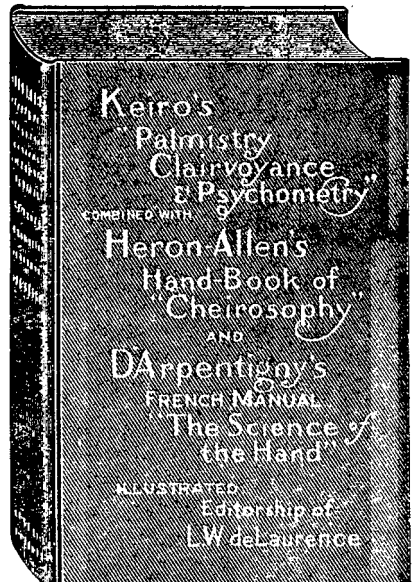
Let it be remembered, by all who read here that—

"It is the human hand that weaves and makes the garments which protect us from heat and cold in summer, and in winter. That it is the human hand of man which constructs the nets, traps and snares with which we subjugate the brute and animal creation. With the human hand do we not fashion and create all the implements of art, science and war, as well as the altars and shrines of worship; and, lastly, by means of the hand, the author bequeaths to posterity in writing the intellectual treasures of his own soul, and mind; and hence we who are living in this age are enabled to see before our eyes the immortal writings and teachings of such great souls and masters as Plato, Aristotle, Paracelsus, Eliphas Levi and all the venerable sages of antiquity.

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EVIL SPIRITS, EARTH BOUND.

(Illustration from the "BOOK OF MAGICAL ART" by De Laurence)

MOSES THE PROPHET MASTER OF EGYPTIAN MAGIC

Author Of The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses

THE TERRIBLE WAND OF MOSES

Royal Scepter Of Moses. Shepherd's Staff Of Jacob

Moses was indebted for his knowledge to the mother of the Egyptian princess, Thermuthis, who saved him from the waters of the River Nile in Egypt. The wife of Paraoh, Batria, was an *Initiate herself* of Egyptian Magic, and the old Jews who formed the Bible, owe to her the possession of their Prophet Moses who was "*learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and mighty in words and deeds.*" Joseph also acquired a great knowledge of Egyptian Magic and Spiritism from the high priests of Egypt.

Whatsoever Nature has constituted inferior to man is thereby to him made subject: it is for man to extend his domain as taught in THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES, in virtue of continual ascent—all things do therefore obey the Royal Scepter of those who understand Spirit Art, the shepherd's staff of Jacob and the terrible Wand Of Moses.

Moses, by his Spirit Art, purified and re-veiled these secret things—this being the sense of the word "Revealed." The new disguise which Moses gave them was that of the Holy Kabalah—that exclusive heritage of Israel and inviolable secret of the Priests Of Magic.

Pharaoh's Magicians accomplished at first the same miracles as Moses. The instrument which they used, and which is taught in "THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES," was therefore the same as that used by Moses himself.

The inspiration alone differed; when they confessed themselves conquered, they proclaimed that for them human powers had reached their limit and that there must be something superhuman in Moses who was a master of Egyptian Magic as well as a Clairvoyant who could read in the Astral Light.

The Magicians Of Moses, being wonderful men, had all of the Grand Hierophants of Egypt, and performed in virtue of their art wonders which were similar to those of Moses. They transformed Wands into Serpents and Serpents again into Wands; they changed Water into Blood; they produced a swarm of frogs in a moment.

Moses triumphed and led the Israelites out of the land of bondage. It was at this period that true science became lost to Egypt, for the priests, abusing the implicit confidence of the people, allowed the knowledge to degenerate into brutalizing idolatry.

Such is the rock of peril for Esoteric Science; The Truth Must Be Veiled, yet not hidden from the people; symbolism must not be disgraced by a lapse into absurdity; the Sacred Veil of Isis must be preserved in its beauty and dignity. It was over this that the Egyptian priesthood failed; the vulgar and the foolish understood the Hieroglyphic forms of Isis and Hermanubis as material instead of Spiritual Symbols.

Moses, however, did not wish the Sacred Hieroglyphics to pass out of memory, and he sanctified them by their consecration to the purified worship of the true student of Magic and Spirit Art, as shown and fully explained in his famous work, namely, THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES. (See next pages.)

The hidden forces of Nature can be made subject to the will of man. The Secrets of controlling these forces, however, are reserved for the true student. The Crook of the Priesthood shall become the Rod of Miracles; it was so in the time of Moses and of Hermes; it will be so again for the student of Spirit Art.

THE FAMOUS SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES, shown on next page, were first written by Moses in Egypt, that land of Magical Initiations, that land where it was all Occult Science, Hierarchic and Sacred Instruction.

NOTE. A full description together with Order Number and Price of "THE FAMOUS SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES" is given on page 184. Also be sure to read about the BIG FORTUNE HIDDEN IN THE MOUNTAIN.

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At least that is the belief entertained by Reuben Kiebach. He bases his firm convictions on revelations from the "SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOK OF MOSES" and on "The Prayer of Hope."

The only thing necessary to locate this vast fortune is the muttering of the proper INCANTATIONS from "THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES" named above according to Mr. Kiebach. A mere detail like that lies between him and opulence. He has already decided what he will do with the gold when he uncovers it. He will invest some in reliable securities and use the rest to endow his favorite charitable institution. Mr. Kiebach is deeply religious and does not wish to acquire this fabulous sum for sordid reasons.

Advertises for Partner. Recently Mr. Kiebach inserted an advertisement in a newspaper inquiring for a Magnetic Compass to assist him in unearthing the riches. Mr. Kiebach has always been regarded as a very generous man.

A reporter for the Reading Eagle called at the Kiebach home, which is almost half way up the slope of the Never Sink Mountain. Mr. Kiebach talked at length. Not a single doubt exists in his mind of the treasure buried on the hill, and not very far from his home at that.

The reporter, not wishing to convey the impression that he desired to commercialize any information he might glean, began: "Mr. Kiebach, I believe."

"That's my name," he responded.

"I understand that you want a Compass to assist you in digging up some money somewhere around here, and I thought I'd come up and find out about it. Is it true, and are you the man?"

Mr. Kiebach did not seem at all uneasy or suspicious of his visitor, but answered: "I put an add in the paper to that effect, if that's what you mean."

"I'd like to know about it. Would you mind telling me why you need a compass; why you believe there is buried treasure, where it is and what you intend to do with it after you find it?"

How He Became Interested. Mr. Kiebach, who is a medium sized, powerful chested, blue eyed man of about 40, without making it necessary for the reporter to propound any further questions, warmed immediately to his subject. His large blue eyes, flashing with fervor and with his long arms gesticulating, he began: "I first became interested in the location of buried treasure several years ago. I saw an advertisement in a paper. It was placed by a Chicago firm that published very limited editions of books explaining how hidden treasure can be revealed to a chosen few. I was one of the chosen. For a considerable sum of money I was able to secure these books. I studied them carefully. IN THESE BOOKS ARE THE KEY TO INSTRUCTIONS. Fortunately I know the instructions. Unfortunately I do not possess the compass that will show the exact spot where the money lies. Any man who owns such a compass will know about where to place it. Its ownership gives him that instinct."

Fortune in the Mountain. "I have always known, since reading the wonderful texts in "THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES" and in repeating the prayer of hope that somewhere on this mountain, and not far from my home, either, lies a fortune that if found will make the finder the richest man in Reading. I am not a lazy man, but I think it would be the height of folly to start excavating at random. You might labor until you fell dead in the pit, as Moses warns, without finding it."

Sneers Will Turn To Envy. "All this may sound very foolish to you. Newspapermen get around quite a little, see a lot and get hardened. No doubt you are secretly scoffing at me while I talk, but take it from me, your sneers will turn to envy when you come to me to find out just what the sum was. Do you know that there is one man in this town, traveling in the best society, regarded as one of our wealthiest citizens, and rightly. Do you know how he became rich and independent? He knew the instruction. He followed the instructions. Now he is rich. I will become rich the same way."

Who Found a Fortune? The reporter expressed ignorance of any man having acquired his fortune in that manner, and inquired as to who it was.

"That is something I can't tell you," replied Mr. Kiebach earnestly. "Circumstances beyond my control made it impossible for me to tell you. But it is a fact, and I could take you to him. He uncovered more than \$400,000 about 10 years ago along the bank of the Schuylkill River. No one ever found it out or even suspected the means of his sudden rise to affluence."

Most Valuable Treasure Ever Unearthed. Mr. Kiebach smiled vaguely and mysteriously. He said: "That rests wholly in the hands of fate and of Moses. Whether it is gold or money or jewels, it will be very valuable, more valuable than any treasure ever unearthed."

"HAVE YOU EVER TRIED OUT THOSE INCANTATIONS?" was the next question.

"I HAVE."

"WITH WHAT SUCCESS?" persisted the reporter.

"WITH STARTLING SUCCESS," RESPONDED THE MAN. "To test the secret instructions I tried them one day. There had been a big post office robbery in Schuylkill county. The papers were full of it. The place had been cleaned out of nearly \$5,000. I went up on the hill, even as Moses did when he brought down the ten commandments. I stayed there for several hours. I repeated the secret words and delivered the prayer of hope. I then went home and slept soundly. The next day I read in the papers that the robbers became penitent and secretly returned every cent and every stamp they had stolen. Isn't that proof conclusive?"

Mr. Kiebach was a Lutheran by virtue of his early training, but now is a believer in the truths as expounded in the "secret instructions" as contained in "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." Reproduced from "The Reading Eagle," Tuesday, July 14, 1914.

Note. "THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES," referred to in the newspaper article by Mr. Kiebach, is fully described on the next page.

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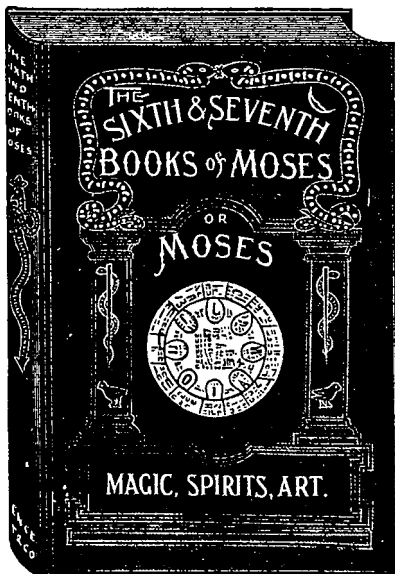
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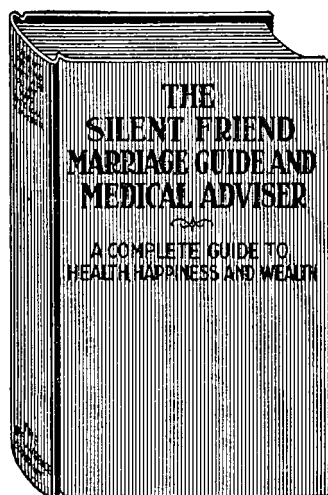
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The Healing Art.—Who, then, shall deny that the Vegetable and Botanic Kingdom is not the true source from which medicines shall be derived. When a man was formed, God particularly declared "vegetables to be food for man."—Gen. I. 29 and 30. And God said, "Behold I give you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed, to you it shall be meat"—When said, "go up into Gilead and take Balm." Good old John Wesley speaking of the Healing Art, says, in a very natural and simple manner "In the earliest ages of the world, the Philosophers of Nature, by various experiments discovered that certain Plants, Roots and Herbs, possessed Medicinal Properties; these were found sufficient to cure diseases." The wise men of nature were called Cabalists or Magicians, and sometimes Seers, as will be found in the Book of Genesis, and other parts of Holy Writ.

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The FIRST PART is devoted to subjects relating to Health, the best means of preserving it, the causes of Decay and Death. It also tells of the symptoms and the best means for treating nearly every disease and ailment the human body is afflicted with. This work carries some very valuable illustrations showing the ravages of disease upon the different organs of the body. It treats on Physical, and Sexual Ailments. That part of it which is devoted to General Diseases, is invaluable. The author claims to have devoted himself to the study of the Pharmacopoeias of France, Germany, England, and other European countries, with the sole aim of ascertaining their most effectual remedies as well as the best methods of treating diseases. He gives in this work, many New Remedies which are said to be more potent in their action in all diseases in which humanity is liable, than the mineral preparations which form a large part of modern medication. He also explains all about the use of the abundance of Herbs and Plants whose Leaves, Flowers, Roots and Seeds, have been tried and found beneficial in the treatment of disease. He states that in his practice he has not been confined to any particular class of disease; but that he is familiar with the treatment which is indicated in all kinds of chronic ailments to which the human body is liable, such as, Rheumatism, Gout, Dropsy, Heart Disease, Affections of the Chest, Nose, Throat and Air Passages, Derangement of the Liver, Chronic Indigestion, Diseases of the Kidneys and Bladder, Eruptions of the Skin, Nervous Prostration, Cancer and other Blood Diseases, disorders of the Head, general Restlessness, Nervousness, want of Sleep, etc. Any person who may be suffering from any of these, or other ailments, will find this book interesting and valuable.

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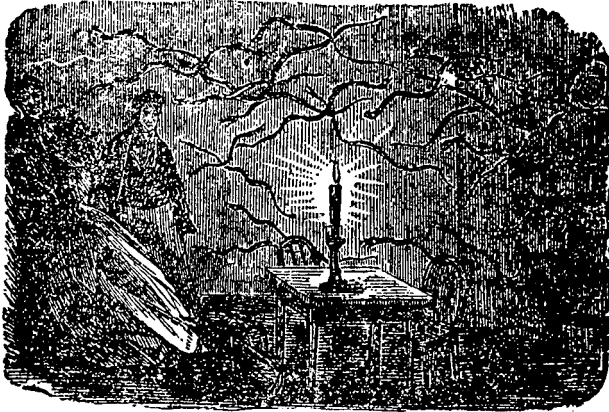
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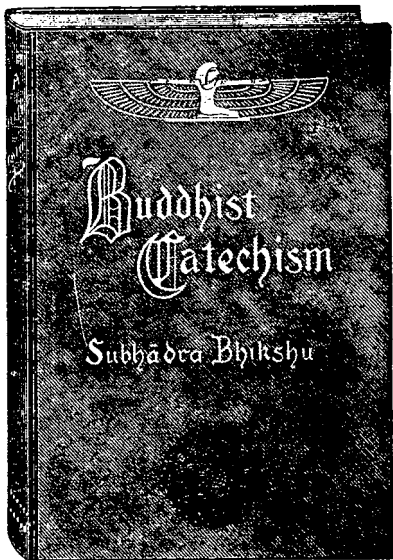
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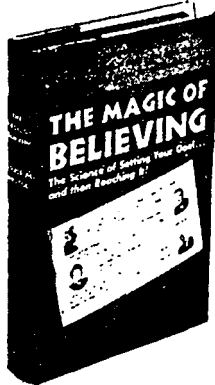
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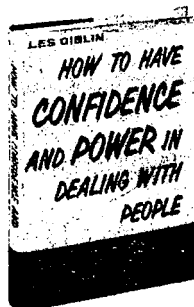
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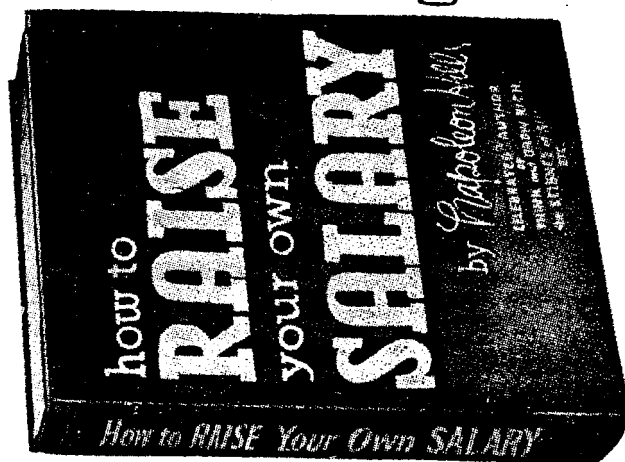
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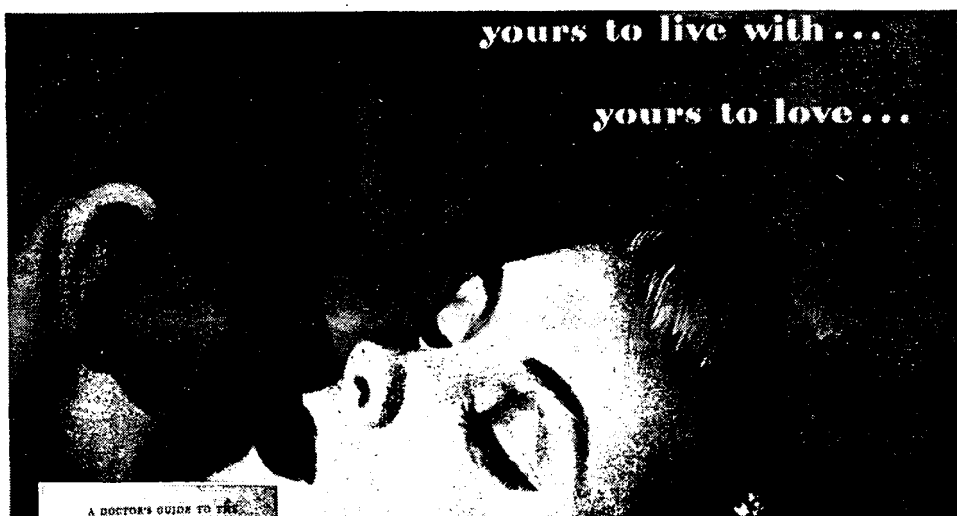
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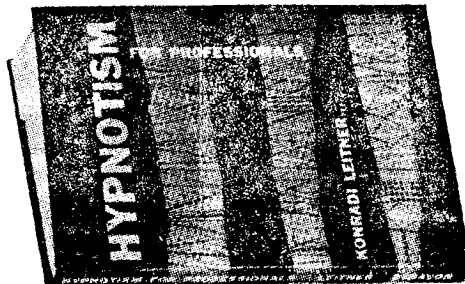
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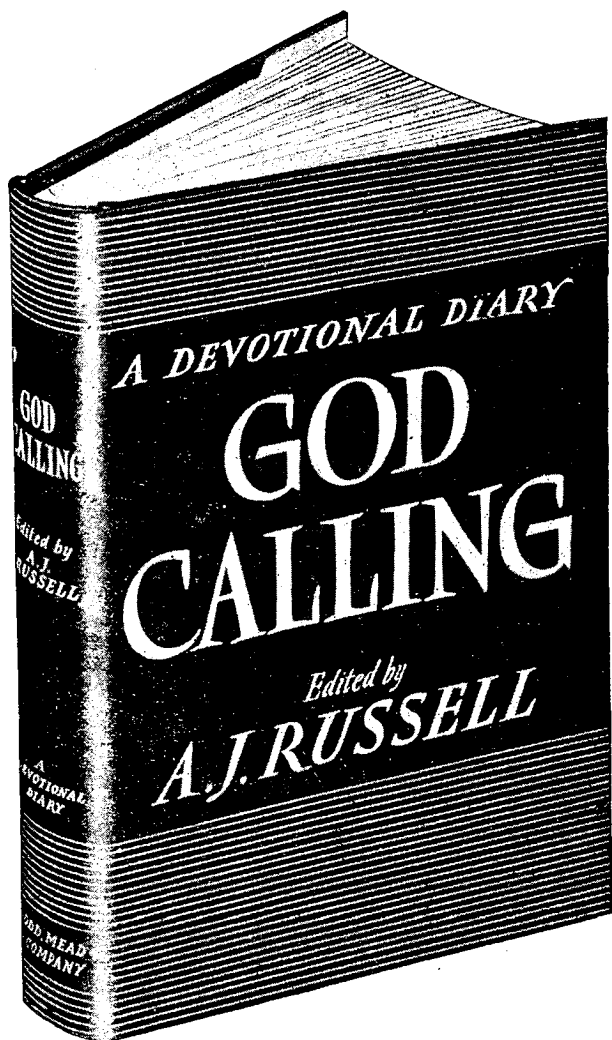
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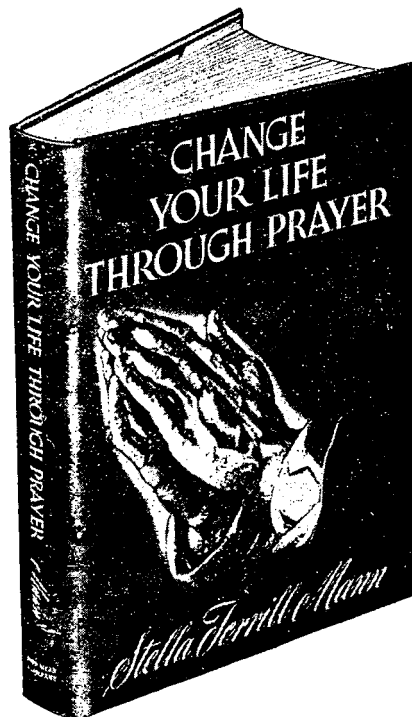
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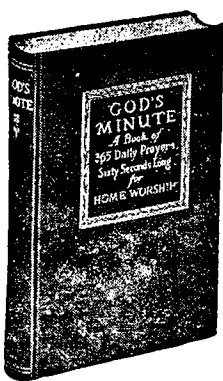
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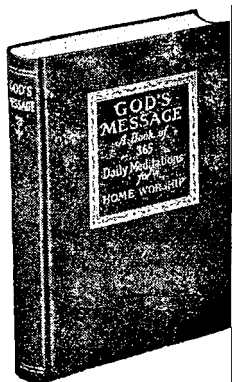
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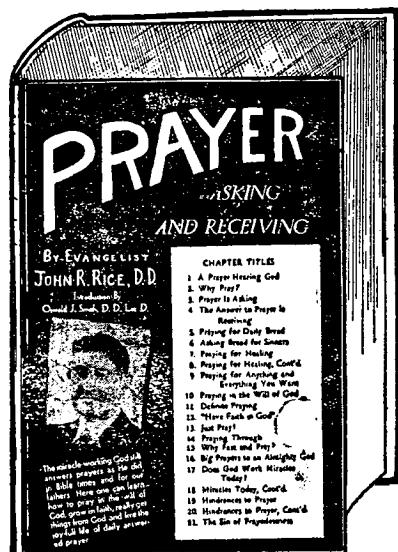
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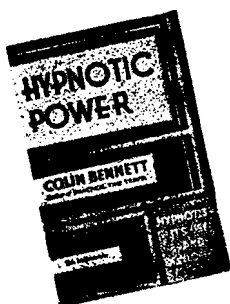
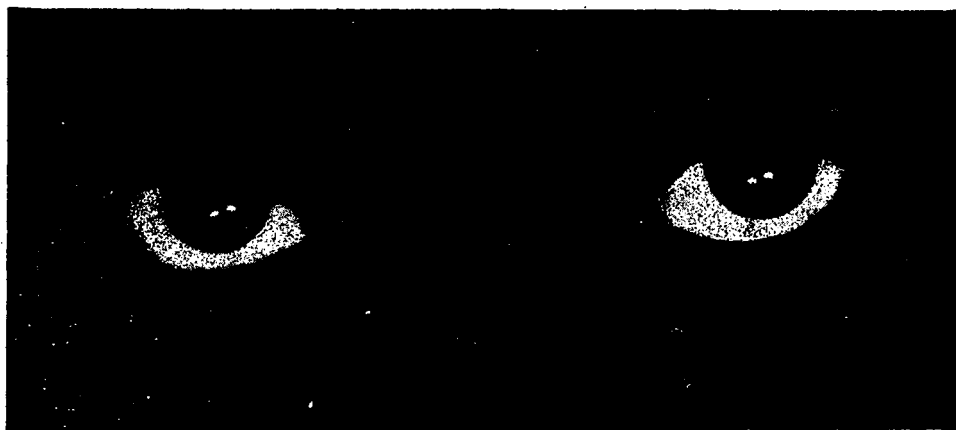


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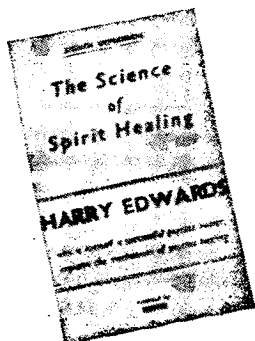
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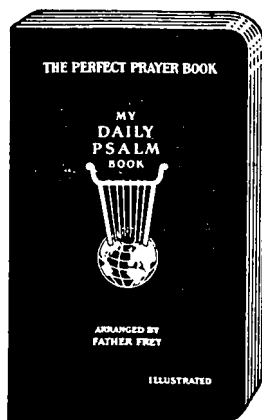
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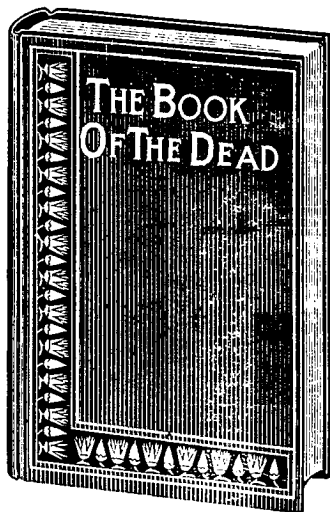
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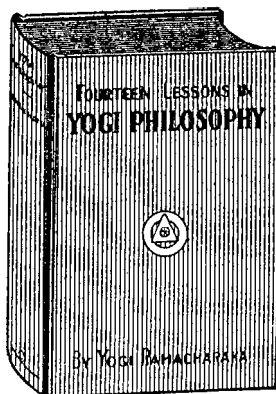
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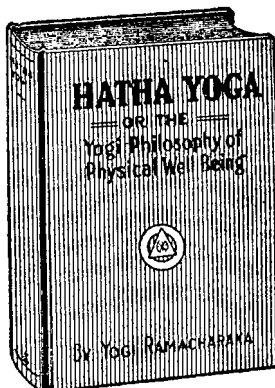
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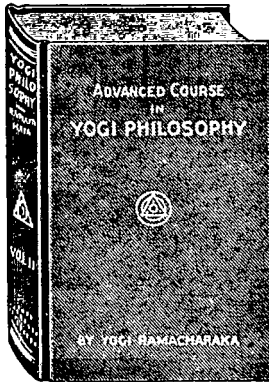
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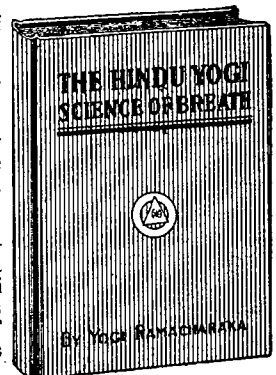
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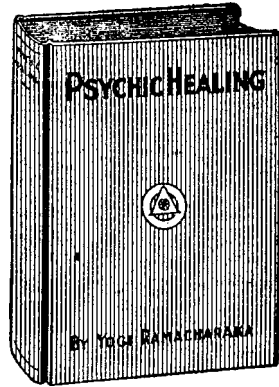
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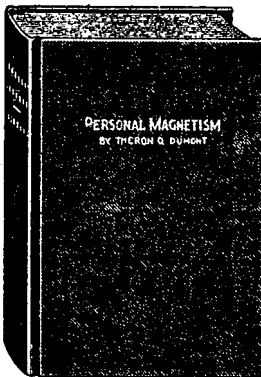
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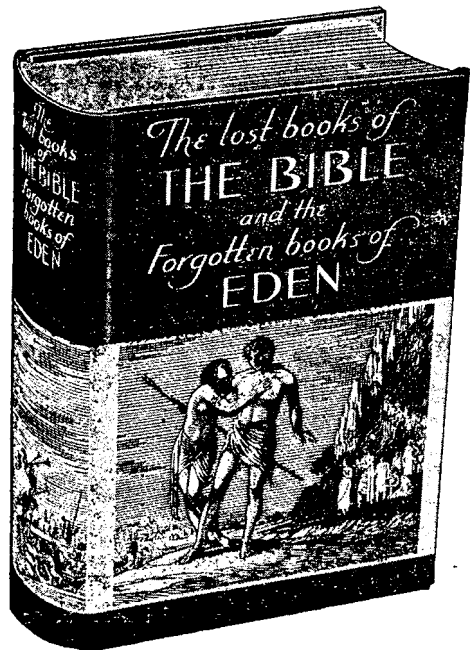
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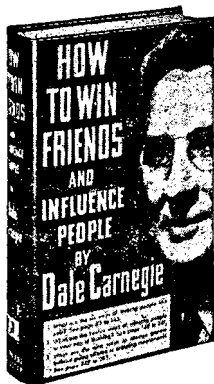
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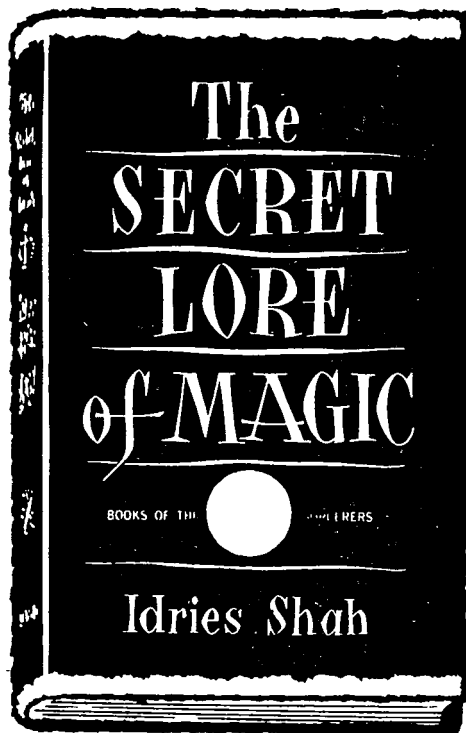
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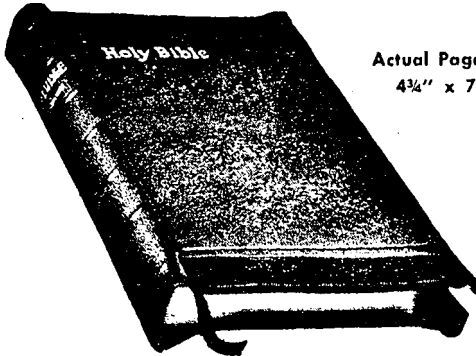
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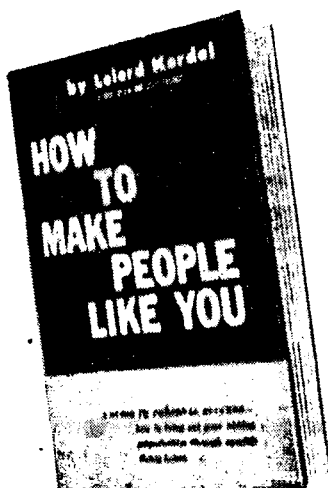
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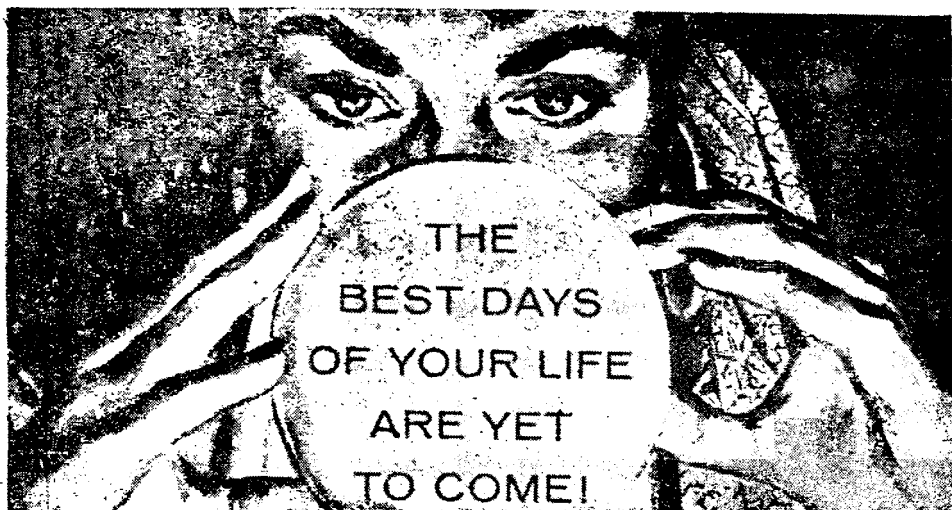
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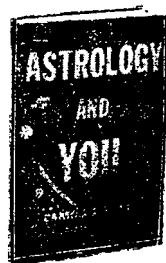
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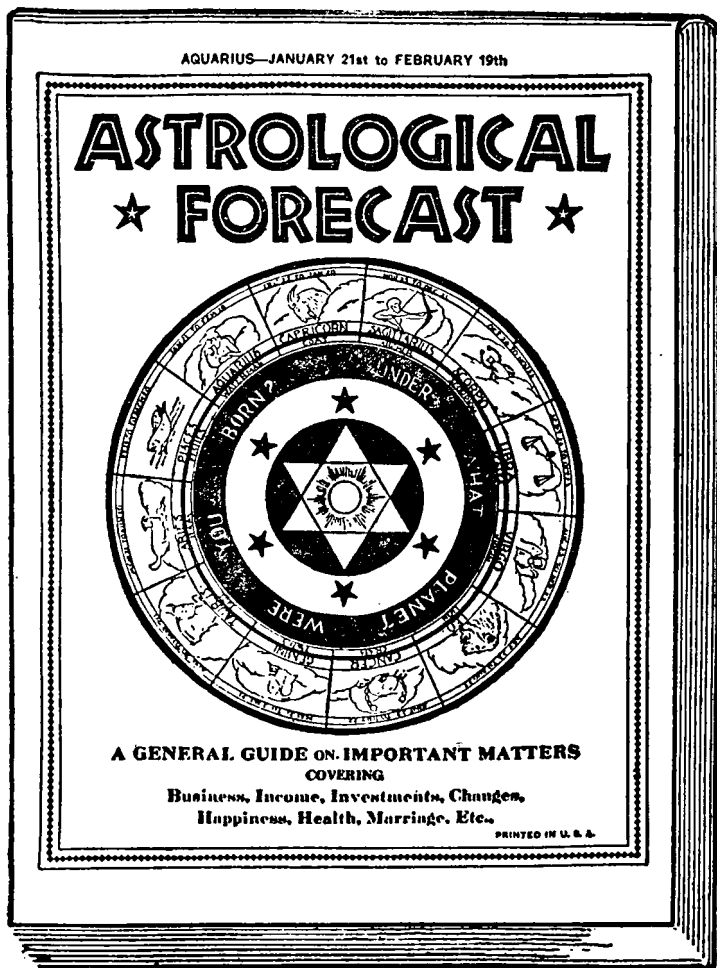
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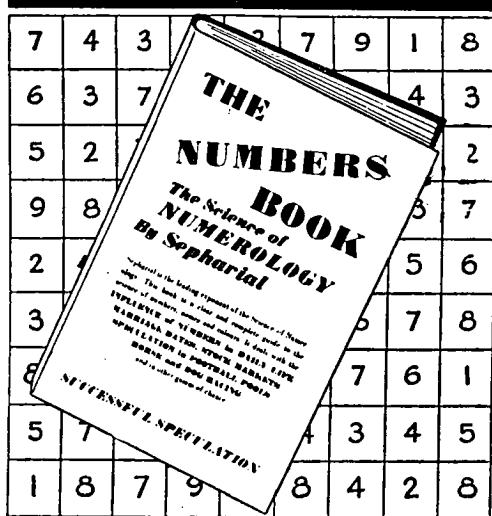
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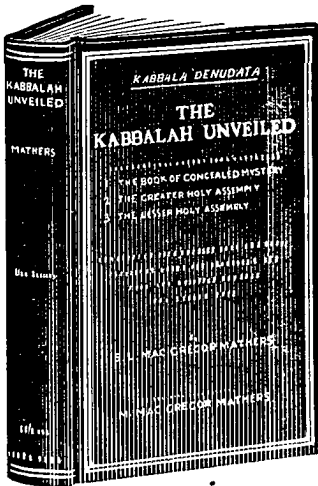
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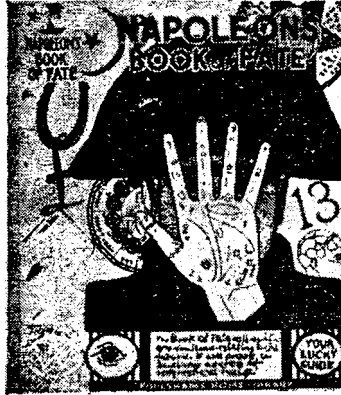
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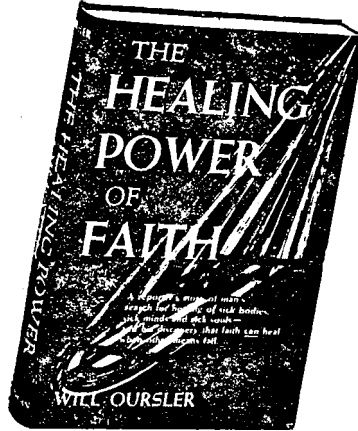
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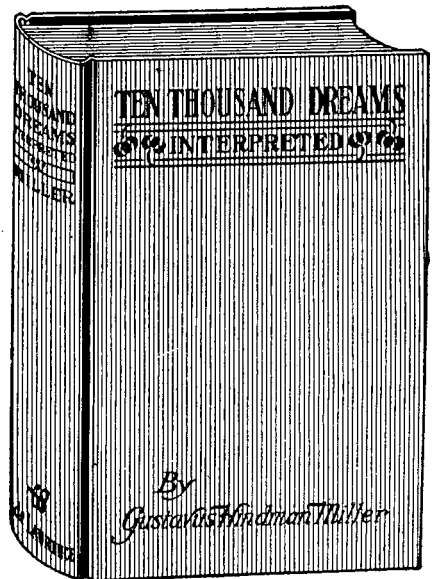
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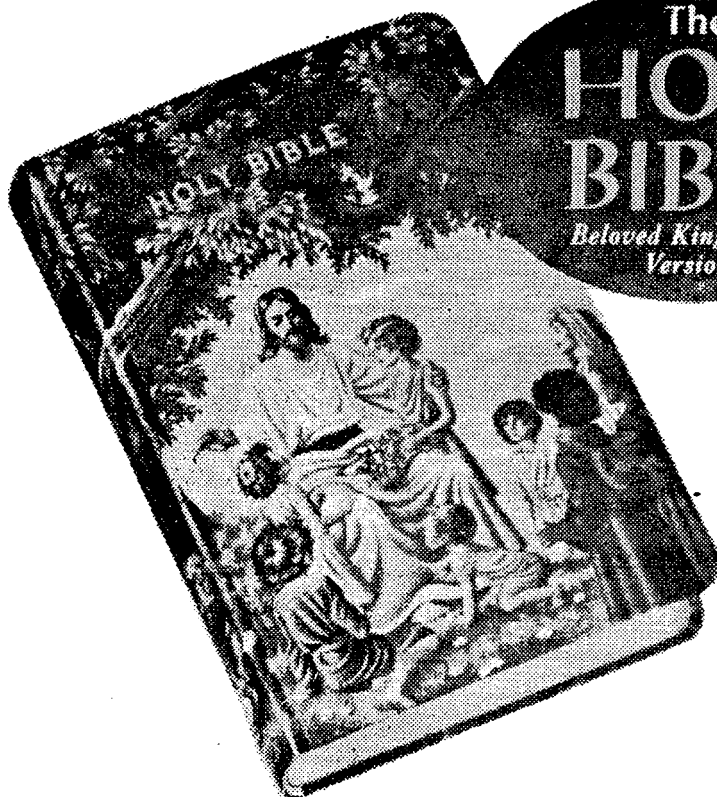
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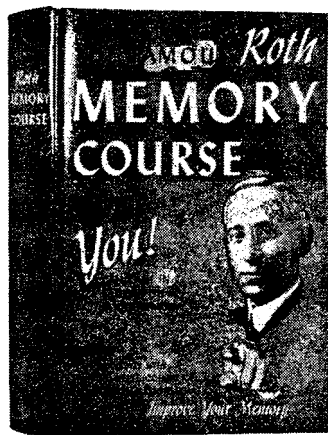
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Winchell's Science And Religion, Page 57 (H. 1877), Says: "Hicetas, who taught the axial revolutions of the earth, and Ecphantus, who taught the same, were . . . Pythagoreans, and there was a revival of Pythagoreanism in the century before Christ."

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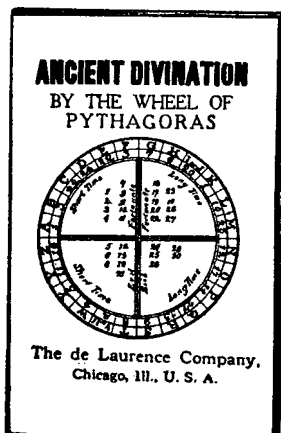
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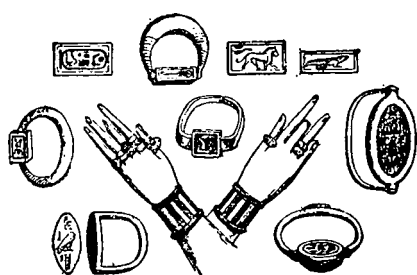
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Talismans And Amulets In The Bible

Phylacteries And Signet Rings Of Ancient Egypt



SIGNET RINGS OF ANCIENT EGYPT

Genesis 41 :42



EGYPTIAN AMULETS

Genesis 35 :4



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In the Old Testament called Frontle. Certain passages of the Pentateuch were inscribed on slips of parchment and inclosed in a leather case; were bound to the left arm, and sometimes to the forehead. The Pharisees made them conspicuous to attract attention to their piety. **Matt. 23:5, H. 116.**

A universal belief in the efficacy of Talismans and Amulets has prevailed among the people of every nation in all ages of the world. The Holy Bible tells of the **Seal Ring** and how it was used as a **Talisman**. **Genesis 41:42** mentions over twelve **Signet Rings** which were worn as **Talismans** in **Ancient Egypt**. An **Ancient Egyptian Necklace** was composed of fine gold inlaid with genuine **Red Coral**, while on this page are shown the **Egyptian Amulets** mentioned in **Genesis 35:4** and the **Phylactery** mentioned in the Old Testament which were made of **Virgin Parchment** and upon which were inscribed certain passages from the **Pentateuch**. The Pharisees wore these **Phylacteries** as a **Talisman** which they bound to their arms and foreheads.

In Ancient times, so relates the Bible, **Signet Rings, Phylacteries (Talismans) and Amulets** were in universal use, owing to the people's infallible belief and faith in their efficacy.

That this same belief prevails today, is evidenced by the fact that many have wonderful faith in what they believe the efficacy of a **Talisman** or **Amulet**; for they are worn secretly by more people than the ordinary person supposes. Tradition and Ancient History have caused many today to have great respect for a **Talisman**. The Old Testament **Phylacteries, Talismans, and Amulets**, as well as the **Signet Rings of Ancient Egypt**, shown above, are an exact reproduction of those which appear in the Bible. In fact, many of the Old Hebrew Manuscripts, when translated into English, contain a great deal regarding **Amulets** and **Talismans** as well as **Seals**. These things are also mentioned in the **Egyptian** and **Hindu Kabbalas**. According to **Old World Magic** a **Talisman** should be traced on **Parchment** and worn secretly under the clothing or about the body.

From The Standard Dictionary. The following from the **Standard Dictionary** confirms the above statement. **Phylactery.** 1. A charm or amulet worn on the person. **Specific.** (1) Among the Jews, a strip or strips of cowhide inscribed with passages of Scripture (Ex. xiii, 2-10, 11-17; Deut. vi, 4-9, 13-22) and enclosed in a black calfskin case, having thongs for binding it on the forehead or around the left arm in memory of the early history of the race and of the duty to observe the law, or sometimes to serve as an amulet. See **Tefillin**. (**Standard Dictionary**).

Belief In Talismans Against Disease Or Misfortune

Belief in Talismans is coeval in age with the world. Extensive research shows that this belief dates back to the early history of man. The tribes of Israel, the Chaldeans, The Grand Zoroastrian Nation, and the Hindoos; all believed in the **Talisman** as a harbinger of good fortune and proof against misfortune. This belief is found in both the Hebrew and Christian Bible. **Appolonius**, a philosopher of the 1st century, performed certain things by the use of **Talismans** and we find that **Justin Martyr**, the Roman Historian, and a Greek father of the church in the 3rd century, in speaking of **Appolonius** and his **Talismans** says: "How is it," asks **Justin Martyr**, in evident dismay, "How is it that the **Talismans** of **Appolonius** have power in certain members of creation for the prevent, as we see, the fury of the waves, and the violence of the winds, and the attacks of wild beasts; and whilst our Lord's miracles are preserved by tradition alone, those of **Appolonius** are most numerous, and actually manifested in present facts, so as to lead astray all beholders?" This perplexed martyr solves the problem by attributing very correctly his efficacy and potency of the charms used by **Appolonius** to his profound knowledge of the sympathies and antipathies (or repugnances) of nature. (**Justin Martyr: "Quaest."** xxiv.

History shows that the Ancients had great belief in **Talismans** against disease or misfortune, especially when the **Talisman** was reproduced on **Genuine Parchment** which was clean and unspotted. The wearer of a **Talisman**, however, so history tells us, must possess an infallible hope, and have constant faith in the **Talisman**, and have his mind lifted up to higher influences if results were expected.

*The **Phylacteries, Amulets, Signet Rings** and **Talismans** of the Bible show that these were in universal use, and that the Pharisees wore **Phylacteries** as a **Talisman** which they bound to their left arms and forehead:

NOTE. Read the remarkable Newspaper articles on the next page regarding the Popularity Of **Lucky Charms** and **Good Luck Talismans** during the World's Greatest War. Find out how **Charms, Amulets** and **Talismans** were worn by soldiers who, owing to their great faith and belief in them, claimed they made the wearer immune to enemy bullets.

Popularity Of Lucky Charms

DUE TO THE GREAT WAR

"Ki-Magi" Good Luck Talismans

Society's Latest Fad

The following is reproduced from the Progress Herald, London, of November, 1914. It refers to the use of Charms and Talismans during the Great War of that date, and is interesting because it tells of the Remarkable Escapes from Death by soldiers who carried Charms and Talismans.

"Belief in the powers of 'Lucky Charms,' 'Talismans' and other mysterious, intangible 'amulets' that come from the Far East seems to be rapidly increasing. In ancient times, to scoff or disbelieve in the powers of these Lucky Charms (which are supposed to have been blessed and prepared by the High Priests according to their ancient formula) would bring a chain of misfortune upon the doubter or scoffer. The Great War seems to have brought these 'Ki Magi' Talismans into greater popularity than ever before, probably on account of the remarkable escapes from death of many Indian soldiers who carry them. How far this fad has spread from the soldiers to the officers, and from officers to the nobility of Great Britain and other countries can only be realized when we learn that such names as Queen Alexandra, Lord Avebury, Lady Kinloch-Cook, etc., are mentioned as being the possessors of and believers in Good Luck Charms. One cannot help but believe that there must be some good in these Ki-Magi Charms, and to ridicule the idea may indicate lack of knowledge of the Occult. Practically every human being is superstitious in some respect or another. There are those who are superstitious about Fridays; others about the number '13,' and still others who carry a rabbit's foot, a four-leaf clover or a pocket coin for good luck. An amusing story is told about a well-to-do business man of New York who never believed in such 'trash,' as he called it. One day, however, in searching for some important papers in his pocket book, he accidentally dropped an old faded card, which upon closer examination proved to be the 'nine of hearts' from a pack of playing cards. It was amusing to note the blush on this stern business man's face when he had to admit with a smile that he had carried that card on his person for over 20 years, and attributed his good fortune to this, his talisman.

"The genuine 'Ki-Magi' Charms are very rare; practically all of those in existence being in the possession of an old curio-dealer . . . who for a number of years has been industriously collecting them from all parts of the globe."—From The Progress Herald, November, 1914.

Charms Next The Skin

The following is reproduced from the London Daily Mail of January 26th, 1915. It refers to the Charms and Talismans found upon Prisoners of War taken by the English.

"In a skeptical and materialistic age like the present, it is somewhat surprising to find reliance being placed on Charms. And yet not a few of our prisoners are in possession of so-called 'prayers' which are really written Charms against Death, Wounds, Disease, and every Imaginable Evil. One such document recently found on a prisoner being thus: A powerful prayer, whereby one is protected and guarded against Shot and Sword, against Visible and Invisible Foes as well as against all Manner of Evil. 'May God preserve me against all manner of Arms and Weapons, Shot and Cannon, long or short Swords, Knives or Daggers, or Carbines, Halberds, and anything that cuts, or points; against Thrusts, Rapiers, long and short Rifles, Guns, or such-like which have been forged since the birth of Christ; against all kinds of metal, be it iron or steel, brass or lead, ore or wood.'

"After further circumlocution the list goes on to include 'all kinds of evil reports, from a blow from behind, from Witchcraft and Well-stealing (poisoning?);' but, curiously enough, it omits the only mischance which actually befell the owner—that of being made a prisoner of war. The document is of inordinate length, and ends with some Cabalistic Letters and Numerals and with an obscure reference to a 'blessing upon the Archangel Gabriel.' Many of these Amulets or Charms are probably of very ancient origin and have been handed down among the German peasantry from generation to generation."—London Daily Mail, January 26th, 1915.

Do You Wear A Lucky Charm?

Remarkable Escape From Death Of An Indian Soldier In France

"The Mysteries of the East are once more occupying the minds of the European savants, and everyone is talking about the wonderful and unheard of good luck and magic escape from death of a Sikh soldier, who is now recuperating in one of the hospitals, from several trifling wounds. It appears that although he was in the very thick of the battle and bullets whizzed by him by the hundred, he was able to avoid them as if he possessed a charmed life. A correspondent who interviewed this soldier has, after a great deal of persuasion, discovered to his amazement that the only thing to which this Sikh attributes his escape, is not his skill or his ability, but to a small Amulet or lucky Talisman called the 'Ki-Magi,' which he had been wearing round his neck ever since he was a boy, as the harbinger of good fortune and a proof against the evil eye or ill omen. These 'Ki-Magi' Amulets are rather rare in this country.

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Book Of Ancient Talismans

men which ought to be planted in every human home, because where it is grown poisonous drugs have no power to harm, on which account they call it the flower, Amuletum.'

Belief in Talismans and Amulets is Coveal in age with the world, and Faith in Ancient Religious Symbols, Divine Names and Sacred Inscriptions has survived the ages. With the growing knowledge of finer forces opening up new Mental, Spiritual and Occult Powers to mankind and to which we are slowly coming into touch, many people are prepared to admit that there may be some active power in a thought made concrete in the form of a Talisman or Amulet which may be made for some specific purpose, or for particular wear, becoming to the wearer a continual reminder of its purpose and undoubtedly strengthening him in his aims and desires.

Symbols, frequently of a Religious Nature, have formed the basis of Talismans and Charms from earliest times, holding a very important place in the affairs of humanity, for Symbolism was a power before civilization was evolved, and by its recognition of a certain order in physical affairs it was undoubtedly a great factor in the establishment of human laws. In modern Religions this law is recognized by the use of each Symbol in accordance with the character of Ceremonial Worship, Color also playing a very important part in the service.

From remotest times, back even to the birth of humanity, Precious Stones and Talismans have been held in high estimation by all nations; the former, primarily because of their beauty, and the latter on account of their virtues, as transmitters of Good Luck and to avert misfortune. The association of Gems with Power, Civil and Religious, has ever been noticeable; and to the fascination of antiquity may be added the allurements of mystery. Moreover, of the many and varied signs of wealth and luxury, jewels have played a most important part in the lives of the great, not only on account of their beauty but because they contained in a small compass the equivalent to a large sum of money and in times of danger could easily be concealed and carried from place to place.

As Tokens or Symbols they conveyed joy and confidence to their owners, and were thought to give warning of Coming Events, Inspiring Courage and Faith in the fearful, and the romances and tragedies in which they have played a part, together with their marked influence on the lives of individuals and nations, intensifies our interest in them so that it is little wonder that Faith in the Mysterious Properties ascribed to them should have survived the growth of ages and still find so many believers in all countries. The Philosophers of thousands of years ago, understanding their suitability as a medium for the transmission of Astral Forces and Vibrations, invested them with much importance, attributing to them Spiritual as well as Material Powers, Special Characteristics and Medicinal and Curative qualities.

In all probability Gems had their origin in the very remote period of the Earth's history when it was still in a molten state subject to deluge and fire, before its solidification made it possible for vegetation to appear, and the translucent lustre of certain Gems is due to the action of the floods which preceded the fiery volcanic period. The coloring which forms their greatest fascination is due to various metallic oxides in combination with oxygen which in varying quantities gives Red, Blue, Yellow, or Green colorings, as shown by the Ruby, Sapphire, Emerald, Topaz and Amethyst. It is most difficult to determine with any certainty in what country Precious Stones were first worn as ornaments, but the consensus of opinion seems to point to India, as far as recognized history is concerned, as their birthplace, for every rare and beautiful production of Nature, Gems, Diamonds and Pearls are associated with the Orient and The Far East.

The earliest records of humanity do not, however, stop with known histories, for traces of man's love for Gems are found in the discoveries of travelers and the traditions of South America, evidence proving an inheritance from past civilizations of great antiquity. There is an innate attraction to the marvelous in mankind, the imagination leading us to endow the rare and precious with peculiar qualities, particularly when the source of its beauty and rarity is not readily perceptible. It is akin to the extraordinary Magnetic Influence which one person may exercise over another without any tangible evidence of super-physical powers, or the Mysterious Attraction which the Magnet exercises over Iron, and establishes the inference that other minerals may be similarly endowed with properties at present unrecognized by our ordinary physical senses.

Confusion and doubt have arisen as to the exact stones mentioned by the early writers, owing to their elastic methods of describing all Red Stones as Rubies, all Green Stones as Emeralds, and all Blue Stones as Sapphires; this confusion has not been lessened by reason of the complexity of the many languages of the East, to say nothing of the artistic liberties taken by modern poets and authors, (who, probably unaware of the necessity for Astronomical or Astrological knowledge as a basis for the Zodiacal placing of the stones,) have taken our Calendar as it stands for the Month stones with such embellishments as their fancy dictated.

The Precious Stones ascribed to the Twelve Months of the year, were those worn in the Breast-plate of the High Priest Aaron and it was believed that the Divine Revelations obtained by the shining or dullness of the stones in the Urim and Thummin, due to some virtue inherent in them, were indicative as to whether the Atonement had been accepted or not. These Twelve Stones, engraved with Twelve Anagrams of the name of God, had a Mystic Power over the Zodiac, harmonizing the Twelve Angels and Good Spirits who had affinity with the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

TALISMANS ON PARCHMENT

There are many who have tested the worth of Talismans, and their great appreciation and belief in Talismanic operations are on a par with the unlimited fondness of the ancients for these mysterious agents from the laboratory of nature, as they are said to be, by those writers of ancient manuscripts treating upon the subject of Talismanic Magic.

The extraordinary interest which has recently been taken in Talismans by men of science and genius has become very manifest. Flushed with their success, derived from wearing Talismans which they believe infallible, and, having procured results from their effects, many are today taking advantage of the opportunity offered here to secure Famous Talismans on Parchment

Any number of Talismans on Parchment Paper, can be carried in a Leather Talisman Case where they will remain clean, pure and unspotted. No one should be allowed to touch or see your Talismans. This method is adopted by the natives of India, Africa, all Oriental and many European countries. As to the invocation, the act of making a Talisman on Parchment Paper is an invocation. Faith does the rest. A number of Talismans may be worn at the same time.

Some time ago there was published a history of the famous Rothschild Talisman, which is an heirloom, and on the possession of which the fortune of the family is believed to depend. It is in the form of a small gold casket, about the size of a snuff-box, but the secret of its power lies hidden in words inscribed within. Napoleon was a great believer in Charms, and wore upon his body a Talisman given him by one of the Priests after the Nile Expedition. Talismans are largely in use on the Continent, by Arabs, Persians, and Hindoos, while in Africa, among native tribes, the Obeyah is much in repute. Captain Welby reports that in Abyssinia he discovered races of giants who inhabit the devil-possessed district of Walamo. He was a victim of the magical power of the Walamo, and "was quite unable to explain the cause of this mysterious business." These people use magical powers, and no Abyssinian can approach the tribe. In other countries we have instances of bewitching, and the magical power of the "evil eye." The maker of Talismans relies also upon the Magical Properties of Numbers and of Geometrical forms as is taught in "The Great Book of Magical Art. Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism," by de Laurence. To those are added words having power, and as by the Word the Universe was created, certain forces in Nature spring into activity. For it is not words that stir a man to anger, pity, or love, but the spirit that ensouls the words, so teaches de Laurence, the greatest Mystic alive today. The Kabbalist uses such seasons for his work as are in agreement with the purpose; and effects happen from configurations of the planets. Therefore, all that is done under good influences comes to good effect, whether by sigil, charm, or talisman; it is effected by faith of the operator, aided by will and imagination. Imagination is the creative power of the mind by which a mould is delivered to Nature for the reception of the vitalizing element of the will. For the imagination is receptive, while the will is projective. What in common operates as desire, the thought taking form and the desire giving life to it, in the mind of the magician is replaced by an ardent imagination and conscious will directed to the creation of definite ends. And to this extent all lovers, poets, artists are magicians equally, with makers of empires and reformers of the world. Only when art fixes form and voice to the powers which reside in Nature is their efficacy brought within the control of the human will, as powder and shot which have been wrested from the earth and fashioned to a purpose. de Laurence says: "The Power Of The Will and the intention of the soul is the main point in magic as in medicine. A man who wishes everybody well will produce good effects. One who grudges everybody all that is good, and who hates himself, may experience on his own person the effects of his poisonous thoughts."

THE BIRTH OF AN INFALLIBLE ETHIC.

Having been purified and brought out of chaos, dogma will give birth naturally to an infallible ethic, and the great order of Truth for future generations will be constituted on this basis.

Religious systems and creeds, which are, now in warfare, are dreams of the twilight; let them pass. The sun shines and the earth follows its course; distracted is he who doubts that the day is coming when hidden truths will appear.

Distracted also are those who say that Occultism is only a dead tree trunk, and that they must put the axe thereto.

The do not see that beneath its bark the living tree of hidden truth is renewed unceasingly.

Truth has no past and no future; it is eternal; it is not that which ends; it is man's foolish dreams only that have an end.

The weapons, which will destroy religious dogmas, foolish cults, and orthodox creeds are in the hands of Truth, as the knife of a pruner, and the dead branches—religious superstitions and dogmas—will alone be lopped from the tree of everlasting Truth and Wisdom.

It has been the sole purpose of de Laurence, who is the greatest writer and teacher of hidden truth now living, to demonstrate, that, at the beginning, the Symbols of religion were those also of hidden mysteries, and Occult forces, which are now in concealment.

May religion and universal Truth, reunited in the future, give help and show love to one another, like two brothers, for theirs has been one cradle.

The common people will become initiated in hidden truths by toil, and by faith in self (God), and Eternal Wisdom.

There will always be those that disbelieve these things, as there will be children always; but when those who have faith in self (God), endowed with wisdom, shall become a mother to the people, the path of personal, successive, gradual emancipation will be open to all, and he that is called will thereby be enabled through his own efforts to attain the rank of the elect. This is the mystery of the present age, which antique initiation concealed in its dark recesses. The hidden powers of Nature, which can be made subject to the will of man, are reserved for the elect to come.

The crook of the faithful student of hidden mysteries shall become the rod of miracles; it was so in the time of Moses and of Hermes; it will surely be so again.

The mighty sceptre of the Magnus will be that of the true follower of Eternal Truth; and that person will by right be first among men who shall have shown himself greatest of all in knowledge and in virtue. True Magic, at that time, will be no longer an Occult science except for the ignorant; it will be one that is incontestable for all.

Then, as de Laurence has so faithfully taught in his wonderful works, THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM, and THE MASTER KEY, his latest work, which teaches Scientific Concentration, shall Universal Revelation re-solder one to another all links of its golden chain; the human epic will close, and even the efforts of Titans will have served only to restore the altar of the true God.

THE SINGULAR PROPERTIES OF NATURAL MAGIC. ANCIENT VIEW OF CHARMS AND TALISMANS.

In the secret laboratory of nature, there are many singular compositions of unseen forces which have a surprising effect in themselves, without the least assistance from a materialistic agency; for in the compounding of forces of a similar nature there is a two-fold power and virtue; first, when these unseen forces are duly disposed into any material thing, such as a Charm or Talisman; and, second, when from certain mixtures and compositions of herbs and minerals.

All this proceeds from the Occult affinity of natural things amongst themselves, by the force and sympathy of which many astonishing effects are produced.

In THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM, by de Laurence, the student finds many surprising examples of the power invested in sympathy and antipathy, by means of Images, Talismans, and Amulets, compounded of nothing more than natural ingredients; and de Laurence very particularly describes, in his wonderful book, many infallible methods by which certain effects can be worked by the use of certain secret Charms and Talismans.

There are multiplied instances and histories, both at home and abroad, of those who know that natural things being fitted to the times and constellations, compounded of sympathetic ingredients will, and do, produce strange and apparently supernatural effects.

Since the Occult (hidden) causes are appropriate to the effect, a few of these we will mention further on.

However, as every Occult student knows, it is in the simple operation of nature that many wonderful things are wrought by the use of certain Talismans, which, upon a superficial view, appear impossible or supernatural. Indeed, many other strange and uncouth magical operations might be here described, and as the Hindus have the ability, as shown by de Laurence in THE GREAT BOOK ON MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM, of effecting such astonishing things by the medium of Images, Charms, Talismans and Amulets, so the Asiatic nations have the faculty of producing similar Occult effects by similar rites.

It is astonishing to human comprehension, what surprising effects they are capable of producing upon the person they intend to persecute, torment or punish, and for which reason we have spared giving the minutia here of forming these execrable images, lest the evil-minded and malicious should attempt thereby to work some spell, or abominable species of revenge upon their unsuspecting neighbor.

Many there are who have been eye witnesses of these singular proceedings which are little known in the world, and neither kings, rulers nor emperors can obtain them unless they study seriously books by such great writers as Paracelsus, de Laurence, Levi, Franz Hartmann and Agrippa.

Those students who have studied de Laurence's books, thereby learning the singular Occult properties of nature as well as those things which proceed from the Occult affinity of natural things amongst themselves, by the force and sympathy of which numerous strange effects are produced have had many surprising examples of the power invested in sympathy and antipathy, by means of Images, Talismans, Charms, and Amulets, compounded of nothing more than natural ingredients.

Many there are today who are able to remove disease, and to perform many surprising cures at a distance from the patient, even without ever seeing him; so, by a similar property in the sympathy and antipathy of nature, certain leaves, roots, or herbs being rubbed upon warts or excrescences, and buried under the ground, remove or cure the same, which experiments take effect according to their mediums, and their consumption or putrefaction in mother earth, of which the human source is principally compounded.

The art of Transplantation is also magical, and was formerly much practiced. However, as all these strange things are to be found most fully written on, by de Laurence in THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM, we shall say that there is much that can truthfully be related regarding Talismanic learning and Talismanic belief, the wonder of Charms, Amulets, potent Spells, and, curious Secrets in Occult Philosophy; just as there could be much written of the composition of The Magical Candle, The Magic Torch, The Magical Oil of Grapes, The Circle of the Theurgic Art, The Effect of Enchantment, Causes and Effects, The Ancient Theurgists, and their potent—Talisman Against Enemies, their—Terran Talisman For Love, their—Talisman for War and Battle, their—Ancient Danish Calendar, which was formerly used as a powerful Charm throughout England during the early part of the last century, having been inherited from the Danish Government in England. It was called by them "Rimstock," from "Rimur," which, in their language, signified "a calendar."

We shall next proceed to speak of "The Sleep of Plants," the "Urim Thummim," of the German Alchemists of the seventeenth century. The composition of the Electrum Magicum, the very same being in a rare Secret Manuscript, now in the hands of de Laurence, that has never been made public; neither has the use of this famous secret and hidden mystery.

As stated above, much could be written regarding potent Talismans and the singular Occult properties of Natural Magic, and, much could be said here of "The Magic Bell" for Invoking Spirits, and The Perpetual Lamp of the Ancients, but as yet these are hidden mysteries to be divulged only to the faithful.

Egypt and India are the cradles of Occult Mysteries and of Wisdom; for their masters teach more exactly and more purely than any other. Joseph realized in Egypt the dream of communion; he established the priesthood and the state as sole proprietors, and thus sole arbiters of labor and wealth.

It is common knowledge that his elevation was due to skill in the interpretation of dreams, a science which even devout Christians refuse to credit, though they recognize that the Bible, which narrates the wonderful Divinations of Joseph is the word of the Holy Spirit.

The science of Joseph was none other than a comprehension of the hidden mysteries of nature (God).

Joseph well knew that the soul, when immersed by sleep in the Astral Light, perceives the reflections of its most Secret Thoughts and even of its presentiments; he knew further that the art of translating the Hieroglyphics of sleep is the key of universal Soul-Sight, seeing that all intelligent beings have revelations in dreams.

This Hieroglyphical Alphabet was the great Secret which Moses enshrined in his Kabalah, as shown in the famous Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses, which is listed in this Catalogue.

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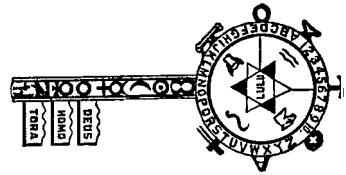
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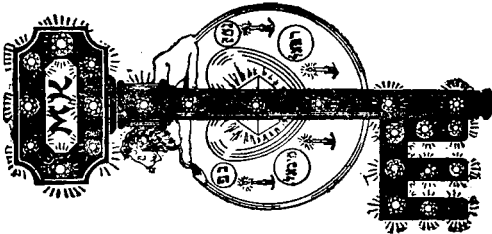
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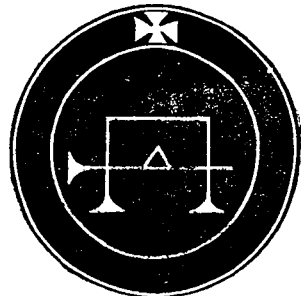


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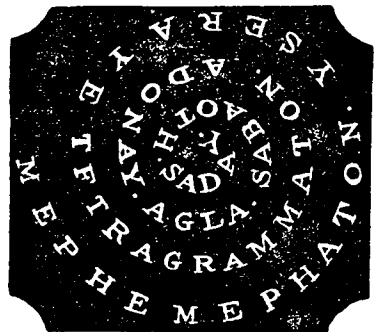
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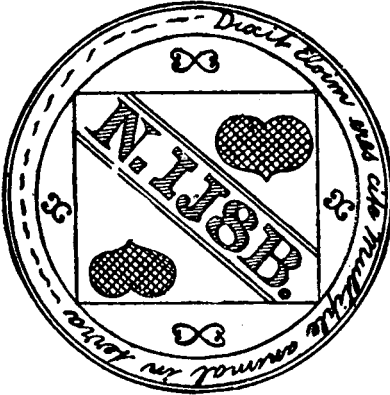
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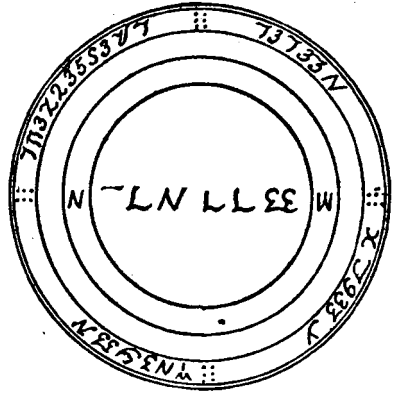
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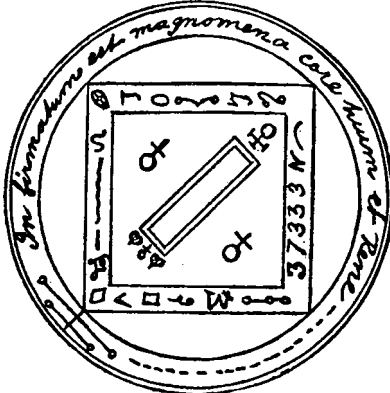
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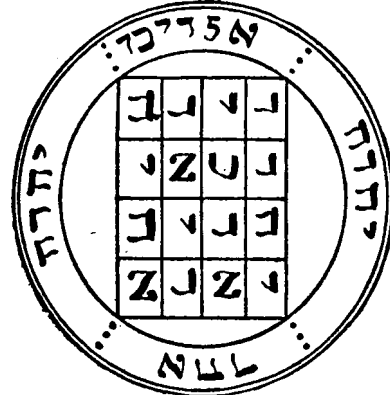
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TALISMAN No. 18326. Very Ancient Talisman, on Parchment, liked by those who wish for love for opposite sex.



TALISMAN No. 18329. The "El Shaddai" Talisman, on Parchment, favored by those who wish to obtain that which they desire.

The "El Shaddai" Talisman shown above, is reproduced from that wonderful book on Talismans, "The Greater Key Of Solomon," which was translated into Latin from the Hebrew Idiom. Solomon, the son of David, King of Israel, is said to have been a very wise man and knew "The Secret Of Secrets." This Talisman has found favor with many who wish success in life and to obtain that which they most desire.

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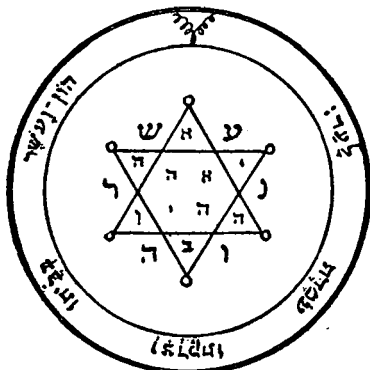
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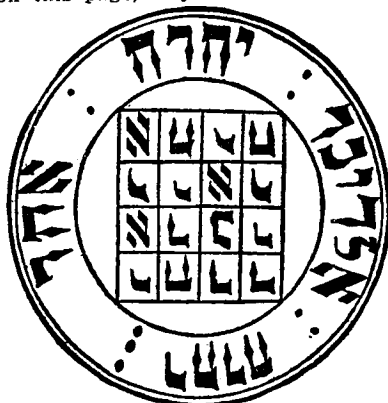
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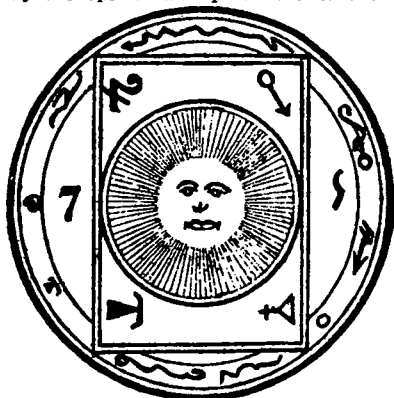
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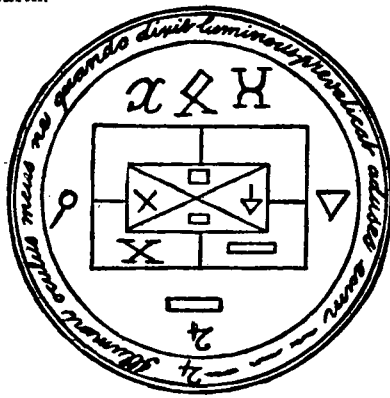
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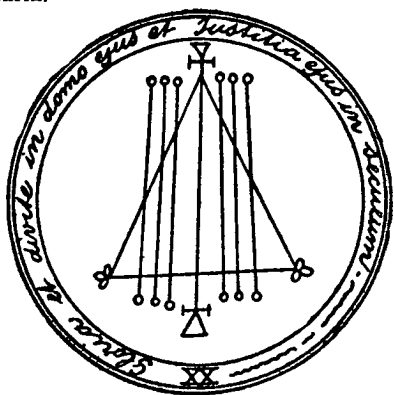
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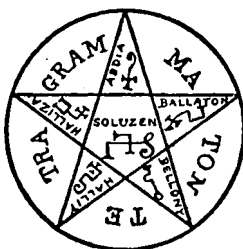


TALISMAN NO. 101. (Figure XX-1)

For Discoverers Of The Most Hidden Of Secrets

This Is Indeed a Most Ancient Seal or Talisman. The very same was taken from an old book venerable with age and a noted treatise on the Rites and Mysteries of Goetic Theurgy, as well as the Rituals of both White and Black Magic as practiced by the ancients of the old world.

A curious inscription reads as follows: "The reason why this venerable Talisman is much sought after, is the belief that the one who carries it concealed about his person will receive impressions regarding hidden secrets, and to be able to penetrate into mysteries and things unseen by the physical eye." There is an ancient belief that this curious Talisman, when placed under one's pillow at night, that their secret enemies and many things which are going to happen will be shown in a dream. In fact some call this the Dream or Vision Talisman. Be this as it may however the belief in this Talisman is wonderful.



TALISMAN NO. 102. (Figure XX-2)

The Fourteenth Table Of The Spirits Of Success

This is a reproduction of an Ancient Talisman taken from an Old Book of Spirit Arts which is now venerable with age. This same book was translated from Manuscripts written and used by an Ancient People.

A curious inscription reads as follows: "The Spirits of Venus, The Goddess of Love, Good Will, and Affection. It is believed makes one beloved and respected and honored in all affairs of the heart, and in all conditions where true love and affection exists. Much will be made known, regarding the one you love, secretly through dreams. Venus was believed to assist and be helpful as to prosperity and benevolence between loved ones. This Talisman reproduced in Gold Ink on Genuine Virgin Parchment, made from the skin of a lamb, and carried upon the person: so an Ancient Book States, will be fair to the wear."

The Spirits of Venus: the Goddess of Love, should ever guard the worthy of both sexes and contribute to happiness and congeniality between loved ones. Away with strife.

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TALISMAN NO. 103. (Figure XX-3)

Talisman. Love. Riches. Against Enemies.

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A rare inscription reads as follows: "Persons many times during their existence cannot fail to be in a condition of utter bewilderment to see that by means of a Pact or Covenant with either good or evil spirits one can discover the Grandest Secrets of nature which are hidden from the eyes of all men living in the physical body whose inner or spiritual sight is not developed.

It is, to the Clavicle of the great King Solomon, says the Grimoire, that we owe the discovery of the genuine method of making Pacts with Spirits, which he also made use of himself for the acquisition of his immense riches, for the pleasure of such innumerable women, and for the revelation of the most impenetrable arcana of Nature, whereby every species of good and evil may be accomplished. Having determined to make a Covenant or Pact, continues the "Grand Grimoire," you must learn all that is possible about the ancients who had an infallible belief in the efficacy of charms and Talismans.

This Talisman, No. 103 (Figure XX-3), whose history is lost in the Night of Time, has always been much sought after by people who have not considered the labor and study requisite to fathom the Mysteries of Magic: always believing that their study would not be expended in vain. Even some of those who did not believe in these things could not deny the possibility or even the fact that such learned and gifted men as King Solomon, Eliphis Levy, Edward Kelly, the famous Alchemist who, according to Weavers ("Funeral Monuments," 1631, pp. 45, 46), was associated in many Conjunctions with Paul Waring.

Referring again, without apology, to this famous Talisman No. 103 (Figure XX-3), which was known and respected in the age in which King Solomon and other famous men of great spiritual enlightenment lived, it may be added that: It is so stated, "that the old ancients whose Occult, Spiritual and Esoteric teachings have been handed down even unto the present day from generation to generation, had great faith and belief in this particular Talisman. Their belief was that this Talisman No. 103 (Figure XX-3) would make the one who wore it concealed

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about his person, fortunate, and it is said that they also had great belief in this Talisman for making anyone who had injured them very unfortunate. That is to say that it was believed that the one who wore it would be fortunate and that the person who did anything against the one who wore this Talisman would be unfortunate. There also prevailed the belief that Talisman No. 103 (Figure XX-3) could be used to stir up the flame of love in another whether it be male or female; also for success of petitions and the obtaining of a thing denied or taken, or possessed by another." Indeed much is written regarding this particular Talisman and this much more may be added: "That those ancients who believed in the old Cabala had a firm belief that Talismans would protect them against all mischief of evil spirits and men, especially if the very same were reproduced in gold ink on virgin parchment made from the skin of a dead born lamb." **Protection against failure in love affairs.**



TALISMAN NO. 104. (Figure XX-4)

Black and White Magic by the Ancients

This is indeed a most Ancient Seal or Talisman. The very same was taken from an old book venerable with age and a noted treatise on the Rites and Mysteries of Goetic Theurgy, as well as the Rituals of both White and Black Magic as practiced by the ancients of the old world.

A strange inscription reads as follows: "When that which Spirits utter is just, there is no felicity. When that which Spirits do is equitable and true in mode, there is no sin. Injustice is the death of moral being, as lying is the poison of intelligence. The false and lying Spirit is therefore the Spirit of Death. Those who harken to him become his dupes and are by him poisoned. Epicurus was a Greek Philosopher (50-125). His followers believed in the doctrine that pleasure is the chief good. Therefore, Epicureans on their part, demanded the formula of Magic and the recipes of Occultism so that they might enjoy forever and suffer nothing at all. In this case the science itself intervenes and says, as religion also says: "Blessed are those who suffer." But that is the reason why the Epicurean has lost faith in religion. "Blessed are those who mourn," but the Epicurean scoffs at the promise. The interested reader should now listen to what has been found to be true by experience and by reason."

Sufferings test and awaken generous sentiments; pleasures promote and fortify base instincts. Sufferings arm against pleasure; enjoyment begets weakness in suffering. Pleasure squanders; pain ingar-ners. Pleasure is man's rock of peril; the

pain of motherhood is woman's triumph. Pleasure fertilizes and conceives, but pain brings forth. Woe to him who cannot and will not suffer; he shall be overwhelmed by pain. Nature drives unmercifully those who will not walk; we are cast into life as into an open sea; we must swim or drown. Such are the laws of Nature as taught by Transcendant Magic.

And now, reader, you should consider carefully whether any one can exercise spiritual powers so that they can perform wonderful things and enjoy life without first devoting much time to patient study and silent meditation. The true disciple of Magic and Occultism knows from the bottom of his heart, like the Sages of Israel, and the faithful believers of Islam: There is No God but God. For the initiates of true Occultism, this signifies that, "There is but one Being and this is Being."

Why seek to deny that which you cannot understand? Does the dreadful form of personified evil only prompt you to smile? Have you not heard the ceaseless sobbing of the surging masses of humanity which writhes and weeps in the crushing folds of the monster evil?

Have you never heard the atrocious laugh of the evil spirit who is persecuting the just man?

Jerusalem, murderer of its prophets and prostituted over and over again to the false Assyrian and Babylonian gods, ended by losing in turn the Sacred Word, when a Savior, declared to the Magi by the holy Star of Initiation, came to rend the threadbare Vell of the old Temple, to endow the souls of earnest disciples with a new network of Legends and Occult Symbols—ever concealing from the profane, and always preserving for the Disciple that truth which is the same forever.

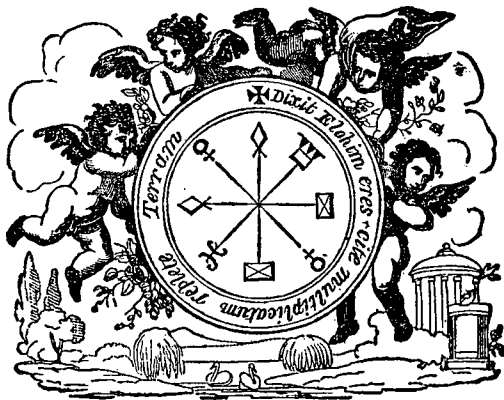
Let the beginner know that: "Nothing which is hidden is lost, but at the same time nothing that is found is absolutely new. Again, that the seal of eternity is affixed in the souls of all men. That profanation has befallen the doctrine of Occultism, Spiritism and Magic we have no intention to deny; repeated, and handed down from age to age, the misuse itself has been a great and terrible lesson for those who made secret things unwisely known.

Tradition and Ancient History

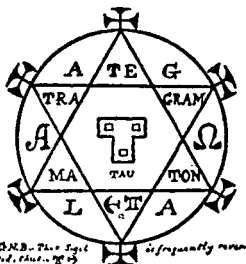
A universal belief in the efficacy of Talismans and Amulets has prevailed among the people of every nation in all ages of the world. The Holy Bible tells of the Seal Ring and how it was used as a Talisman. **Genesis 41:42** mentions over twelve Signet Rings which were worn as Talismans in Ancient Egypt. An Ancient Egyptian Necklace was composed of fine gold inlaid with genuine Red Coral. There are many Egyptian Amulets mentioned in **Genesis 35:4**. The Phylacteries mentioned in the Old Testament were made of Virgin Parchment upon which were inscribed certain passages from the Pentateuch. The Pharisees wore these Phylacteries as Talismans which they bound to their left arms and foreheads or concealed about their person. In Ancient times, so relates the Bible, Signet Rings, Phylacteries (Talismans) and Amulets were in universal use, owing to the people's infallible belief and faith in their efficacy. This same belief prevails today among the highest and the lowest of every people.

Tradition and Ancient History bring to these Sacred Talismans the Occult student's veneration and highest respect.

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**(TALISMAN NO. 105. (Figure XX-5))**

Magical Art Talisman. This Talisman, The Goddess of Love, on Parchment, is favored by those interested in affairs of the heart.

**TALISMAN NO. 106. (Figure XX-6)**

Seventh Table of the Spirits of Divine Wisdom

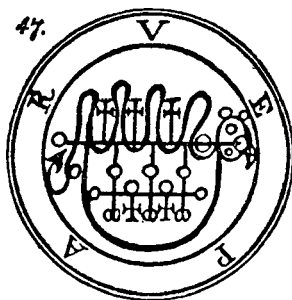
This is a reproduction of an Historical Talisman. It is believed that wherever human inquiry begins, human error will be introduced in greater or less proportion. Contradictions merit the charge of injustice or dishonesty. Those highly deserving of credit as to the main and the important facts of life are found by the immutable laws of nature to be the subjects of esteem and respect. This is the first and purest source of sacred erudition. Some live in the dark perplexities of heathen superstition. Some desire Spiritual Knowledge and Spiritual Treasures. These are of marvelous worth. Nature checks with terrible exactness. Man is confronted with the solemn truths of Scripture and the tremendous certainty of Divine Judgments.

The fulfillment of the Lord's prophecy respecting Jerusalem and of earlier prediction setting forth the lamentable events which would attend to final apostasy of Israel, was predicted by Josephus.

Now, those who wish to perform Divine Works and be favored by the kindness of providence, should study the actions and the character of Jesus Christ. Therefore, this Talisman has been reproduced in Gold Ink on Genuine Virgin Parchment, made from the skin of a lamb, and in view of the fact that it is an exact reproduction of an Historical Talisman, the one who carries it upon his person and desires to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, will be favored by a good Angel, which will keep him from error and sin so that he will become the subject of Divine Grace and Spiritual Enlightenment, and never merit the charge injustice or dishonesty.

This Historical Talisman can be worn by both sexes, and without doubt will contribute to their Spiritual Welfare and be the means of bringing Divine influence to those whom are near and dear to them.

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Between Friends and Foes.

TALISMAN NO. 107. (Figure XX-7)

This Ancient Talisman was taken from an Old Book. A curious Inscription referring to it reads as follows: "Uvall, The Forty-seventh Spirit is Great, Mighty, and Strong. He speaketh the Egyptian Tongue, but not perfectly. His office is to procure the Love of Woman, and to tell Things Past, Present, and to Come. He also procureth Friendship between Friends and Foes. He was of the Order of Protestates of Powers. He governeth 37 Legions of Spirits."

**TALISMAN NO. 108. (Figure XX-8)**

Bad Influences and Rebellious Spirits

This is indeed a most Ancient Seal or Talisman. The very same was taken from an old book venerable with age and a noted treatise on the Rites and Mysteries of Goetic Theurgy, as well as the Rituals of both White and Black Magic as practiced by the ancients of the old world.

A very curious and mysterious inscription reads as follows: "There are certain magic words as well as ancient Talismans which have come down to us through the ages of time. There are also potent words which, if rightfully spoken, are said to enable one to declare his desires aloud."

As stated above this Talisman is an exact reproduction of one which appeared in an old book venerable with age. Therefore, any Talisman reproduced from a treatise on the Rites and Mysteries of Talismanic Magic has been much sought after, for among the ancients the Talisman like this one was believed to keep one from harm, especially if worn or carried upon the person. There are others, so we read in this old book, that believed that this particular Talisman was able to protect its wearer against bad influences and rebellious spirits; to endow the possessor that every virtue and talent, as well as a desire to do good. This is the first time that this famous Talisman has ever been obtainable as far as we know.

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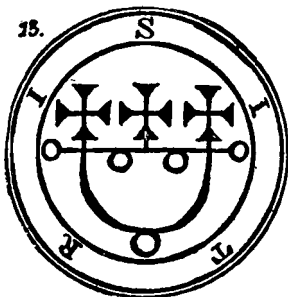
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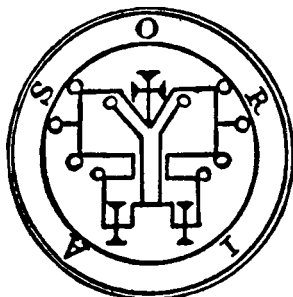
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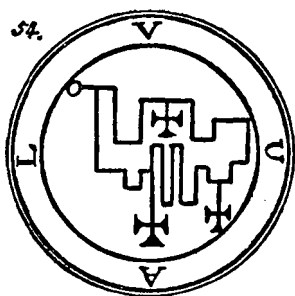
Knoweth Things Of Wars.

TALISMAN No. 18355. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Lesser Key Of Solomon." A curious Inscription referring to it reads as follows: "Eligos, The Fifteenth Spirit discovereth hidden things, and knoweth things to come; and of Wars, and how the Soldiers will or shall meet. His office is to cause Women to love Men, and to bring them together in love."



Rules Spirits In Africa.

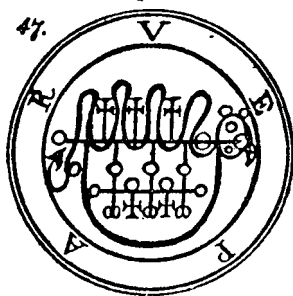
TALISMAN No. 18356. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Lesser Key Of Solomon." A curious Inscription referring to it reads as follows: "Kimaris, The Sixty-sixth Spirit is Mighty, Great, Strong, and Powerful. He ruleth over all Spirits in all parts of Africa. His office is to teach perfectly Grammar, Mathematics, Logic, and Rhetoric. This Talisman may be carried in the pocket at all times."



Great Trumpet Spirit.

TALISMAN No. 18357. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Lesser Key Of Solomon." A curious Inscription referring to it reads as follows: "Murmus is the Fifty-fourth Spirit. There do go before him his Ministers with great Trumpets sounding. He teaches Philosophy, and constrains Spirits to come before the one who carries this Talisman to answer questions. He was partly of the Order of Thrones, and partly of that of Angels. He ruleth 80 Legions of Spirits."

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Between Friends And Foes.

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SEAL No. 18333. Seal, (Figure 3.)

This Seal was taken from "The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses." A curious Inscription printed under it reads as follows: "The special Secret of this Seal is the following ex Thoro Biblis areanorum, Sacra Script. If a man carries this Seal with him, it will bring him great fortune and blessing; it is therefore called the truest and highest Seal of Fortune."



SEAL No. 18336. Seal, (Figure 6.)

This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious Inscription printed under it reads as follows: "The special Secret of this Seal is the following ex Thoro V. D. B. A. If this Seal is laid upon the sick in full, true faith, it will restore him. If, N. B., he has not lived in the full number of his days. Therefore, it is called the Seal of Power."



SEAL No. 18334. Seal, (Figure 4.)

This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books of Moses." A curious Inscription printed under it reads as follows: "The special secret of this Throne is also ex Thoro III. Biblis areanorum script. Carrying this Seal with you will cause you to be agreeable and much beloved, and defeat your enemies."



SEAL No. 18337. Seal, (Figure 7.)

This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books of Moses." A curious Inscription printed under it reads as follows: "This is the mystery or Seal of the Mighty Angels. The peculiar Arcanum of this Seal of the Mighty is the following: ex Thoro Vita Arcanorum sacra scriptura. If a man wears this Seal in bed, he will learn what he desires to know through dreams and visions."



SEAL No. 18335. Seal, (Figure 5.)

This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books of Moses." A curious inscription printed under it reads as follows: "The special Secret of this Seal is the following Thora IVta Biblis arcan. To carry this Seal upon the body will save a person from all misery and give the greatest fortune and long life." The statements made in this advertisement are not guaranteed. All we claim is that these Seals and Inscriptions are an exact reproduction of those contained in "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses."



SEAL No. 18338. Seal, (Figure 8.)

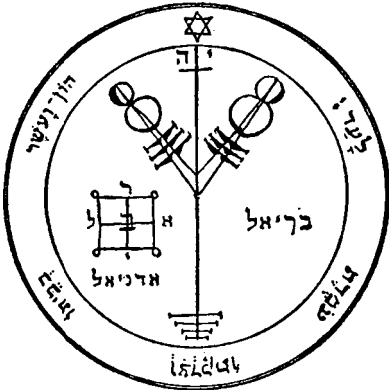
This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious Inscription printed under it reads as follows: "This Seal, when laid upon the treasure earth, or when placed within the works of a mine, will reveal all the precious contents of the mine."

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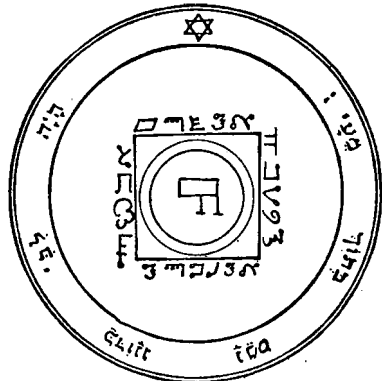
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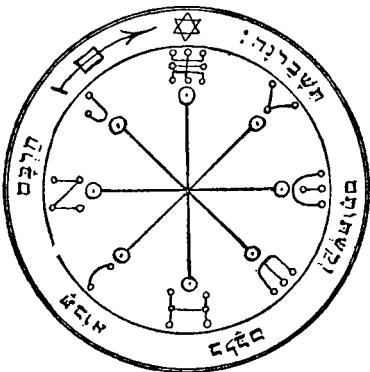
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TALISMAN No. 18343. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Greater Key Of Solomon." A curious Inscription referring to it reads as follows: "The Fourth Pentacle of Jupiter.—It serveth to acquire riches and honor, and to possess much wealth. Its Angel is Bariel." Editor's Note.—Above the Magical Sign is the Name IH, Iah. Below it are the Names of the Angels Adoniel and Bariel, the letters of the latter being arranged about a square of four compartments. Around is the Versicle from Psalm cxli. 3: "Wealth and Riches are in his house, and his righteousness endureth forever."



TALISMAN No. 18344. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Greater Key Of Solomon." A curious Inscription referring to it reads as follows: "The Fifth and Last Pentacle of Venus.—When it is only showed unto any person soever, it inciten and exciteth wonderfully unto love." Editor's Note.—Around the central Square are the Names Elohim, El Gebil, and two other names. The Characters are those of the "Passing of the River." The surrounding versicle is from Psalm xxii. 14: "My heart is like wax, it is melted in the midst of my bowels."



TALISMAN No. 18345. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Greater Key Of Solomon." A curious Inscription referring to it reads as follows: "The Sixth Pentacle of Mars.—It hath so great virtue that being armed therewith, if thou art attacked by any one, thou shalt neither be injured nor wounded when thou fightest with him, and his own weapons shall turn against him." Editor's Note.—Around the eight points of the radii of the Pentacle are the words "Elohim geber, Elohim hath covered (or protected)," written in the Secret Alphabet of Malachim, or the writing of the Angels. The versicle is from Psalm xxxvii. 15: "Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bow shall be broken."

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TALISMAN No. 18346. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Greater Key Of Solomon." A curious Inscription referring to it reads as follows: "The Fifth Pentacle of the Moon.—It serveth to have answers in sleep. Its Angel Iachadiel serveth unto destruction and loss, as well as unto the destruction of enemies. Thou mayest also call upon him by Abdon and Dale against all Phantoms of the night, and to summon the souls of the departed from Hades." Editor's Note.—The Divine Names IHVh and Elohim, a mystical character of the Moon, and the Names of the Angels Iachadiel and Azarel. The versicle is from Psalm lxviii. 1: "Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered; let them also who hate Him flee before Him."

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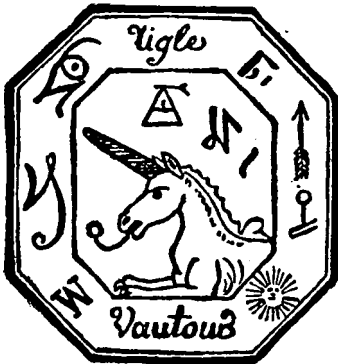
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Secret Enemies.

TALISMAN No. 18351. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Book Of Black Magic, And Of Pacts." A curious inscription under it reads: "Will make the most taciturn man unbosom himself. Enemies will confess their machinations. By pronouncing its Magic Words, Noctar and Raiban the most discreet man will be compelled to unveil his secret thoughts, and enemies of the possessor of this Famous Talisman will be overcome."



Games And Lottery.

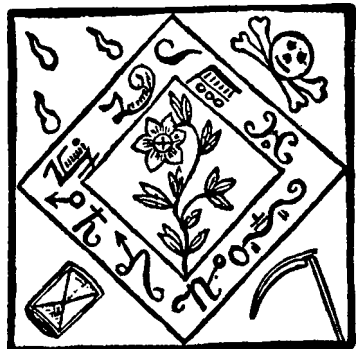
TALISMAN No. 18352. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Book Of Black Magic, And Of Pacts." A curious inscription printed under it reads as follows: "This noted Talisman gives Good Fortune in any Lottery. Its Magic Words are: Rokes for a winning number. Pilatus for an Ace. At cards its Magic Words should be repeated when shuffling for self or partner. Before beginning touch your pocket in which you carry this Talisman."



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Success In Study

TALISMAN No. 18353. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Book Of Black Magic, And Of Pacts." A curious inscription printed under it reads as follows: "Gives all talents and a profound knowledge of all arts so that its possessor will outshine their professors. Must be carried in the pocket. Its Magic Words which should be repeated before study or an examination are: Ritaa, Ambaa, Zama-
feth."



Gain A Lady's Favor.

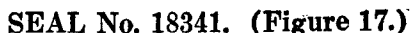
TALISMAN No. 18354. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Book Of Black Magic, And Of Pacts." A curious inscription printed under it reads as follows: "Gives the Love and Complaisance of the entire female sex. Its Invoking Words, which should be repeated before going into the presence of a lady whom you wish to impress, are: Nades, Suradis, Maniner." This Talisman should be carried in the pocket.

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This noted Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." The curious Inscription printed under it reads as follows: "The special Secret of this Seal, which is set down as The First Table Of The Spirits Of The Air is as follows: Jehovah Father, Deus Schadday. Deus Adonay Elohe I cite Thee through Jehovah. Eead I conjure thee through Adonay. To carry upon the person The First Table Of The Spirits Of The Air who are as quick to help as thought, will relieve the wearer from all necessity; for the good Spirits which ever guard the worthy man always contribute to his success in every undertaking."

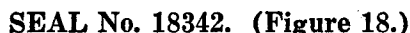


The Eighth Table Of The Spirits Of The Air. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious Inscription printed under it reads as follows:—"I.N.N., conjure Thee, Wrich by Dalia Jka, by Doluth, Auet, by Dilu Veal, by Anub Meho, by Igfa Ymij by Eloij that Ye appear before my so true Zebaoth, who was named by Moses, and all the rivers in Egypt were turned into blood. The Eighth Table of the Spirits of the Sun will help to attain places of Honor, Wealth, and they also give Gold and Treasure."

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The Ninth Table Of The Spirits Of Venus. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious inscription printed under it reads as follows: "Reta, Kijmah, Yamb, Yheloruvesopijhael, I call upon thee, Spirit Awel, through God Tetragrammaton, Uhal, by Pomamiach that you will obey my commands and fulfil my desires. The Ninth Table Of The Spirits makes one beloved in all respects and makes known Secrets through Dreams. Its spirits also assist liberally in all kinds of business."

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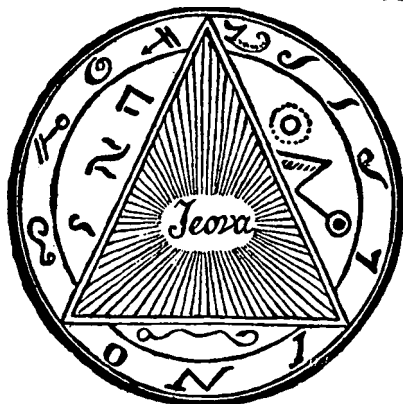
With Foreign Orders Amounting to £2 10s Or Over

**Famous Talismans On Parchment From
"THE BOOK OF BLACK MAGIC AND OF PACTS"**

How To Get One Of These Noted Talismans. As "The Book Of Black Magic And Of Pacts" is studied by Occult Students who are interested in the Talismans shown in it, we will send your choice of **EITHER ONE** of the Talismans shown below, that is TALISMAN No. 18347 or TALISMAN No. 18348 if you send us an order amounting to **\$10.00 or over.**

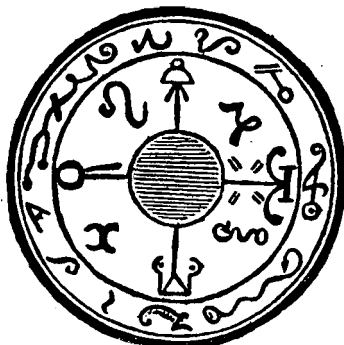
How To Get Both Of These Talismans. If you send an Order amounting to **\$15.00 or over** we will send you **BOTH** of the Talismans shown below, that is, No. 18347 and No. 18348.

Foreign. If You Send A Foreign Order Amounting To **£4 Or Over** We Will Send You **BOTH** Of The Talismans Shown Below, That Is, No. 18347 and No. 18348.



TALISMAN No. 18347. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Book Of Black Magic And Of Pacts." A curious inscription printed under it reads as follows: "Sets the possessor in any desired house without the preliminary of entering, and reads the thoughts of all persons; so that they can be helped or harmed at pleasure."

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TALISMAN No. 18348. This Ancient Talisman was taken from "The Book Of Black Magic And Of Pacts." A curious inscription printed under it reads as follows: "Gives the knowledge of all minerals and vegetables, with their virtues and properties; gives also the universal medicine, and the faculty of healing all sick persons."

WITH ORDERS FOR \$10.00 OR OVER

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Occult Seals On Genuine

Parchment In Gold Ink

How To Get These Two Occult Seals Students and others who believe in, and have faith in the efficacy of Occult Seals, Talismans and Lucky Charms; therefore, we will send below to anyone sending us an Order amounting to **\$10.00 or over, Foreign £2 10s or Over.**

We understand that there are many Occult



OCCULT SEAL No. 18349. An Ancient Occult Seal on Genuine Virgin Parchment; liked by many who wish to increase their Learning and Possess Education.

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OCCULT SEAL No. 18350. An Ancient Occult Seal on Genuine Virgin Parchment; liked by many who wish to increase the Retentive Powers of their Memory and to Pass Examinations.

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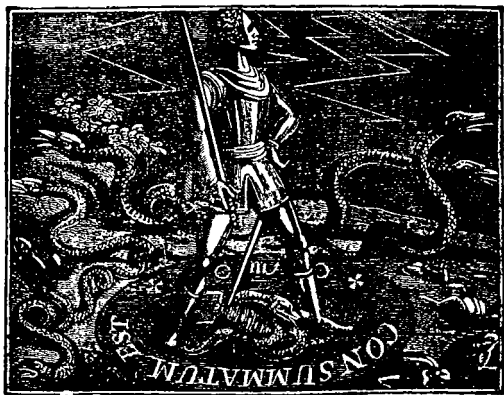
WITH ORDERS FOR \$10.00 OR OVER
With Foreign Orders Amounting To £2 10s Or Over
Famous Talismans On



TALISMAN No. 18306. Magical Art Talisman, on Parchment. This Sacred Elephant Talisman is liked by those who have enemies.



TALISMAN No. 18307. Magical Art Talisman. This Fleet Horse Talisman, on Parchment, is well liked by those interested in Phophecy.



TALISMAN No. 18308. Magical Art Talisman. This Armored Man And Snake Talisman, on Parchment, finds favor with those troubled with ill health.

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Parchment In Gold Ink



TALISMAN No. 18309. Magical Art Talisman. This Sword and Shield Talisman, on Parchment, is liked by those taking part in war and battle.



TALISMAN No. 18310. Magical Art Talisman. This Magic Bell Talisman, on Parchment, finds favor with those interested in Invoking Spirits.



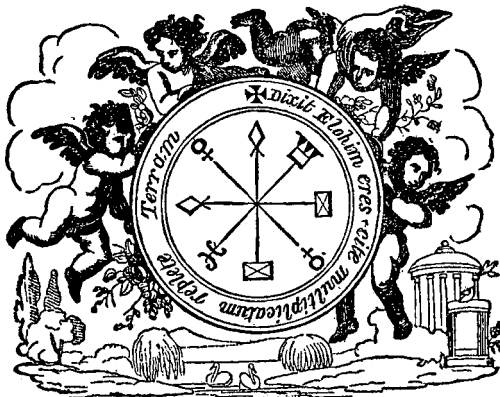
TALISMAN No. 18311. Magical Art Talisman. This Winged Horse Talisman, on Parchment, is liked by those who wish Prosperity and Success.

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With Foreign Orders Amounting To £2 10s Or Over
Famous Talismans On Parchment In Gold Ink

How To Get A Talisman Or Lucky Charm ANY ONE of the Ancient Talismans shown on this page, if you send an order, amounting to \$10.00 or over. Foreign £2 10s or over. We will send your choice of



TALISMAN No. 18312. This Ancient Talisman for War and Battle, on Parchment, is favored by those who go forth to fight and protect his country.



TALISMAN No. 18315. Magical Art Talisman. This Talisman, The Goddess of Love, on Parchment, is favored by those interested in affairs of the heart.



TALISMAN No. 18313. This Three Headed Talisman on Parchment, finds favor with those who have secret enemies.



TALISMAN No. 18316. This Talisman of Human Skulls, on Parchment, is liked by those interested in Invoking Spirits.



TALISMAN No. 18314. This Ancient Talisman, on Parchment, is liked by those wishing success in love adventures.

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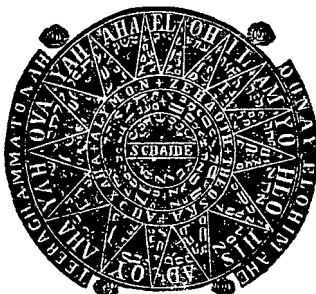
TALISMAN No. 18317. The Witch Talisman, on Parchment, is liked by those who are troubled by witchcraft or evil spirits.

WITH ORDERS FOR \$15.00 OR OVER
With Foreign Orders Amounting To £3 Or Over
Famous Seals On Parchment From
"THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES"

How To Get One Or More Of These Noted Seals. As "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses," which is known as Moses' Spirit Art, and is said to contain The Mystery Of All Mysteries as well as 125 Famous Seals and Talismans, is now being studied by Occult Students and those interested in the Famous Seals shown in it; we will send your choice of **ONE OR MORE** of these **FOUR SEALS**, reproduced on Genuine Parchment in Gold Ink, if you send an Order For A Certain Amount, as shown below.

How To Get ONE Of These Noted Seals. If you send an Order amounting to **\$15.00 OR OVER**, we will send you your choice of **ANY ONE** of the Seals shown on this page.

FOREIGN. If you send a Foreign Order amounting to **£3 OR OVER**, we will send you **FREE** your choice of **ANY ONE** of the Seals shown on this page.



SCHEM HAMFORAS

SEAL No. 18363. This famous Seal was taken from that section of "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses," which contains "The Arcan Bible Of Moses." A curious inscription reads as follows: "The SCHEM HAMFORAS will enable the person who carries it to be a partaker of Divine Influences; make one beloved in all respects. If a man wears this Seal in bed, he will learn what he desires to know through Dreams and Vision. The Spirits will also assist in all kinds of business. In addition to this, will give Power and Wisdom to rule over Evil Spirits and learn the Biblis Arcanum Arcanorum, which means, Mystery Of All Mysteries."

From The
Arcan
Bible Of
Moses



AZIELIS

SEAL No. 18364. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious inscription, referring to Azielis, reads as follows: "AZIELIS is a very prompt TREASURE SPIRIT of the earth and of the sea. He appears in the form of a wild ox, and any person carrying this Seal should not compromise with Evil Spirits; for all this power, and word of might, which Moses, Aaron and Solomon, used according to the revelation of God, are sufficient to compel the Spirits to reveal the Treasures of the earth and sea, and to give them to you without harm or deception."



ARIELIS

SEAL No. 18365. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious inscription, referring to Arielis, reads as follows: "ARIELIS is a serviceable Spirit, and appears in the form of a dog. He commands the lost treasures of the land and sea, which have been lost or secretly buried, and any person carrying this Seal should not compromise with Evil Spirits; for all this power, and word of might, which Moses, Aaron and Solomon, used according to the revelation of God, are sufficient to compel the Spirits to reveal the Treasures of the earth and sea, and to give them to you without harm or deception."

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MARBUELIS

SEAL No. 18366. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious inscription, referring to Marbuelis, reads as follows: "MARBUELIS appears in the form of an old lion. He delivers the treasures of the water and the land, whether buried secretly or hidden in caves, and assists in obtaining all Secret Knowledge and Honors. Any person carrying this Seal should not compromise with Evil Spirits; for all this power, and word of might, which Moses, Aaron and Solomon, used according to the revelation of God, are sufficient to compel the Spirits to reveal the Treasures of the earth and sea."

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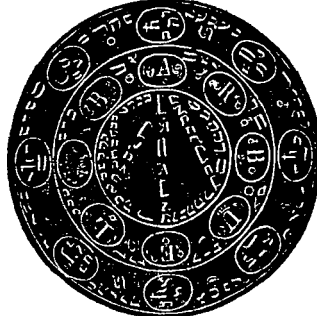
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MEPHISTOPHILIS

SEAL No. 18359. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious inscription, referring to Mephistophilis, reads as follows: "MEPHISTOPHILIS appears in the form of a youth. Is willing to help in skilled arts, and gives the Spiritus Servos, otherwise called 'familiars.' Brings treasures from the earth. * * * * * Any person carrying this Seal should not compromise with Evil Spirits; for all this power, and word of might, which Moses, Aaron and Solomon, used according to the revelation of God, are sufficient to compel the Spirits the reveal the Treasures."



BARBUEULIS

SEAL No. 18360. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious inscription, referring to Barbuelis, reads as follows: "BARBUEULIS is a Master of all Arts and all Secret Knowledge, a Great Master of all Treasures. He is very accommodating, and appears with alacrity in the form of a wild hog. Any person carrying this Seal should not compromise with Evil Spirits; for all this power, and word of might, which Moses, Aaron and Solomon, used according to the revelation of God, are sufficient to compel the Spirits to reveal the Treasures of the earth and sea."



AZIABELIS

SEAL No. 18361. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious inscription, referring to Aziabelis, reads as follows: "AZIABELIS is a Prince of the water and Mountain Spirits and their Treasures. He appears with a large Crown of Pearls. Any person carrying this Seal should not compromise with Evil Spirits; for all this power, and word of might, which Moses, Aaron and Solomon, used according to the revelation of God, are sufficient to compel the Spirits to reveal the Treasures of the earth and sea."

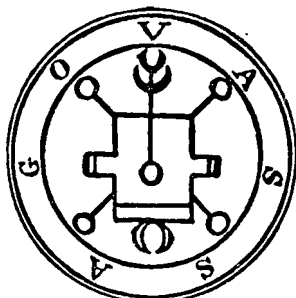
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ANTQUEULIS

SEAL No. 18362. This Seal was taken from "The Sixth And Seventh Books Of Moses." A curious inscription, referring to Antquelis, reads as follows: "ANTQUEULIS appears in the form of a serpent of Paradise. He confers great wealth and honors according to wish. Any person carrying this Seal should not compromise with Evil Spirits; for all this power, and word of might, which Moses, Aaron and Solomon, used according to the revelation of God, are sufficient to compel the Spirits to reveal the Treasures of the earth and sea."

Famous Talismans On Parchment From "THE LESSER KEY OF SOLOMON" WITH ORDERS FOR \$25.00 OR OVER

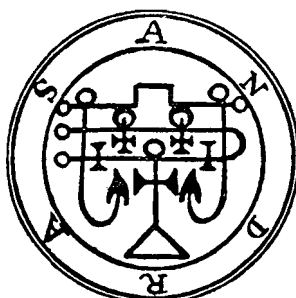


Things Hid Or Lost

TALISMAN NO. 18367. This Ancient Talisman was taken from The Lesser Key Of Solomon. A curious inscription referring to it reads as follows: "VASSAGO.—The Third Spirit. His office is to show by Dream or Vision things Past or to happen, to discover all things, money, Hid, Lost or Stolen."

This Talisman is much sought after and liked by many who are interested in prophecy or desires to know things of the Past as well as matters that are going to transpire in the Future. It is also much appreciated by those who wish to discover things that have been Hidden, Lost or Stolen.

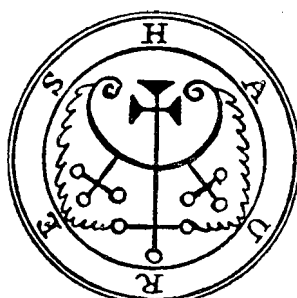
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Learning Or Love

TALISMAN NO. 18368. This Ancient Talisman was taken from The Lesser Key Of Solomon. A curious inscription referring to it reads as follows: "Seer-Dant.—The office of this powerful spirit is to help one in all matters of learning and to make them successful; to cause a renewal of love between the separated as well as to create love and affection in a member of the opposite sex."

This Talisman is well liked and much sought after by those who desire to increase learning, unite the separated whose love has cooled, or to create respect, interest, love and affection in the one whom they have learned to care for.



Talisman Of Solomon

TALISMAN NO. 18369. This Ancient Talisman was taken from The Lesser Key Of Solomon. A curious inscription referring to it reads as follows: "He by it gained the good offices, love and respect of all manner of persons with whom he come in contact, overcame his enemies and adversities, also caused the spirits to assist him."

This Talisman is requested by those who wish to be successful in love affairs or to gain respect and be able to influence others. It is also well liked by those who believe that it is possible to obtain information through a spirit in a dream or vision.

WITH ORDERS FOR \$15.00 OR OVER

Occult Sigils on

From The Ancient Hindu Cabala. These Occult Sigils of the Cabala, were believed, so it is said, by the Ancients to be a protection against all mischiefs of Evil Spirits and Men, if printed in Gold Ink on Parchment. They were also thought to be a protection against failure in love affairs.

How To Get These Two Occult Sigils

Students and others who believe in, and have faith in the efficacy of Occult Sigils, Talismans and Lucky Charms; therefore we will send the Two Occult Sigils shown below, to anyone sending us an Order amounting to \$15.00 or over.

Parchment in Gold Ink



OCCULT SIGIL NO. 18331. This Ancient Oriental Sigil is well liked by those who wish their love affairs and dealings with the opposite sex protected against Mischievous Persons, Evil Spirits, and Witchcraft.

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OCCULT SIGIL NO. 18332. This Ancient Heart and Wish-bone Sigil is much sought after, and well liked by those who believe in Sigils as a protection against failure in love affairs, and wish to be popular with the opposite sex.

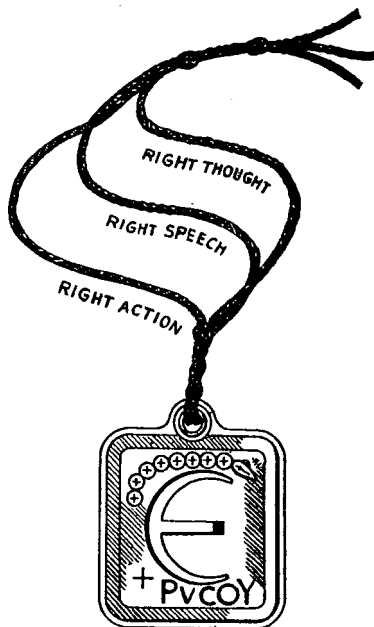
DeLAURENCE PRESENTS
THE CABLE-TOW PERIAPT

A Talisman of Safety, Love, Health and Success

Artfully impressed on Parchment
Fitted with the Three Knotted "Cables" of "Right Thought," "Right Speech," and
"Right Action."

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(ASK FOR PREMIUM No. 18330)



DeLaurence's **CABLE-TOW PERIAPT** (Talisman) showing the three knotted "cables" tied with blue twisted cord. The PERIAPT is not to be worn about the neck, but to be carried privately on the person.

Insignia Of The Nameless Secret Order Of The East. I Am That I Am

Cable-Tow Talisman Of Pythagoras, Plato, St. Paul, Appollonius. The Logos Or Word
Of The Sixth Principle Or True Spiritual Soul

On This Famous Cabel-Tow Amulet, and One Small Manuscript Now Held in a Certain Secret Monastery in the South of France, Are Based the Claims That St. Paul and Appollonius of Tyana Were One and the Same Personage.

The Amulet of the Early Christians and Knostics; the principal gem of the Greek Mysteries; the Delphic E, the sacred number 5, or the five ascending signs of the Cabalistic Zodiac; with the Cabel-Tow for those who truly enter the Temple, being born again into the Second Principle of Nature; the Unspeakable.

Things of which it was not lawful to utter; the Seleucidan Anchor; the glories around the sacred person of Man; the Enlightener of Hidden Truth; the Aeolian Melodies of life; the hidden Key to the doorway of the Three Worlds—i. e., Spirit, Elementary, and Elemental.

The Cabel-Tow Talisman. It is said that the Ancients believed that this Talisman would make one fortunate and to make anyone unfortunate who hath injured one. It was used by the Ancients to stir up love, whether it be friend, male or female; also for success of petitions, and obtaining of a thing denied or taken, or possessed by another.

How To Get The Famous Cabel-Tow Talisman We understand that there are many Occult Students and others who believe in, and have faith in the efficacy of Occult Seals, Talismans and Lucky Charms; therefore, we will send the Cabel-Tow Talisman shown above, to anyone sending us an Order amounting to \$25.00.

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CARRY YOUR

"TALISMANS"

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**Preserve Them Unsullied and
Undefined**

Order One To Carry Your Money In, Too.

Especially Manufactured For
THE de LAURENCE COMPANY
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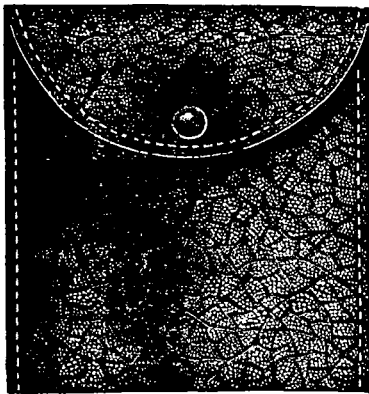
TALISMANS, AMULETS, CHARMS, MEDALS AND SCAPULARS

Genuine Leather

Unobtainable Elsewhere

Protect from Perspiration, Dampness and Wear

How Talismans Should Be Worn. The authorities on the use and efficacy of talismans, amulets and charms unanimously agree that these should be worn or carried on the person. After a short use, parchment particularly begins to disintegrate from dampness and perspiration, and any charm becomes soiled and worn. If they are carried in an unused pocket, however, protected by a leather case, they are naturally preserved indefinitely.



BLACK MONKEY GRAIN

This sturdy case is made of genuine sheepskin finished with a rich monkey grain in black. Has the turned-down button flap and is stoutly stitched. Reasonable in price and strong in construction this case will give years of unimpaired service to the owner.

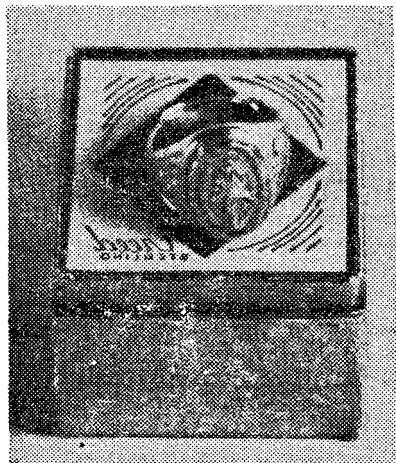
ORDER No. 802. \$1.00,

"GUARD" MEDAL FOR WOMEN



Women find strength, solace and encouragement in the Spirit of the "Blessed Virgin Mary". Why not carry her image about with you at all times and gather force from her immanence? DeLaurence's Sterling Silver Medal has a medallion of our Virgin Mother set into Mother-of-Pearl on an octagonal plate with a long curb link chain. The reverse is engraved with a spiritual "guard" mark, and you may have your name or that of your loved one engraved about the design with the words: "Blessed Virgin, please guard (your name) from all harm." This medal will prove a beloved gift for any woman or child. Please order by KEY No. 522 and be sure to write out plainly the name you want engraved on the back. Incidentally, the outer edge of the design is beautifully ornamented with marcasite. The price is \$9.19, including 10% Federal Excise Tax. Postage extra.

Sterling Silver "VIRGIN" RING



Show Your Devotion to the Virgin Queen of Heaven and Your Belief in Her Protective Power by Wearing This Beautiful Ring

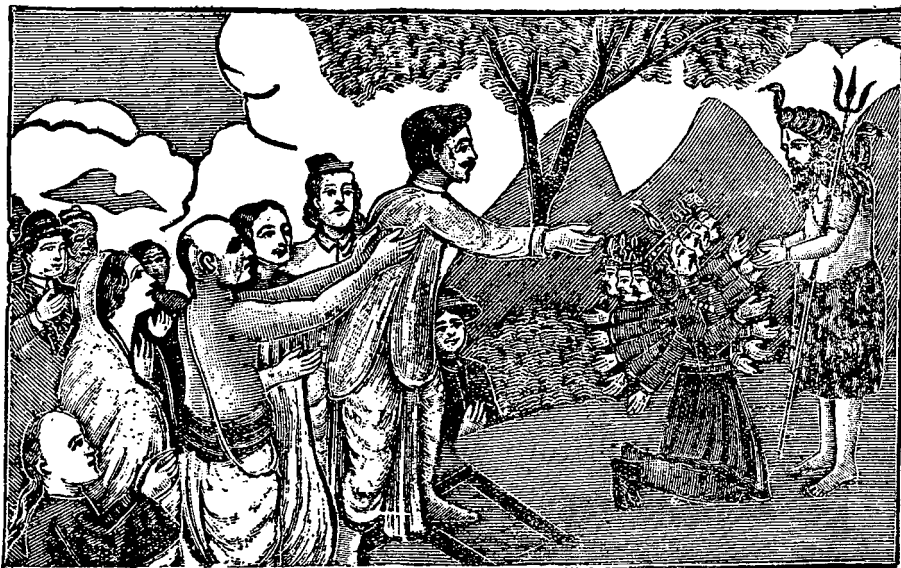
Miraculous Medal of the Holy Virgin Mary made into a beautiful finger ring of genuine sterling silver. The shank is adjustable so it will fit almost anyone. For men, women and children. There is no better way to demonstrate your realization of the Power of Mary than to wear this ring.

KEY NO. 536. Virgin Mary Miraculous Sterling Silver Medal Ring. Adjustable ring size - fits anyone. Price, including Federal Excise Tax, \$3.85, plus postage.

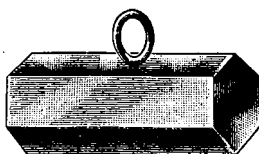
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World Renowned KAVACHA TALISMAN



*The Following Sanskrit "Sloka" from the "Holy Sastras"
Is Enclosed in the Six-Sided "Kavacha":*

*"Sarvagraha Prasamani Nishesa Bishanasini
Jayam Sarbatra Kurnte Dhamada, Sumatproda."*

In the Orient It Has Been Said of the "Kavacha" That:

**"It Is The Great Giver Of Wealth And Good Graces.
It Destroys All Dangers And Difficulties, Eradicates
All Sorts Of Poisons, And Bestows Victory At All Times"**

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WORLD RENOWNED KAVACHA TALISMAN

Review By The British Medical Journal, London, England, Highly Appreciated By Users As A Wonder Worker

The following is the full text of the Review of our world-wide "Talisman," published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, London, of the 19th of March, 1921:

We have received from an I. M. S. officer a delightful business circular issued in all seriousness by a native firm in Calcutta, advertising a "Talisman" which they manufacture. We quote from the circular: "By its use (by its use means simply wearing it round the neck, waist or arms) one will be free from all disease, all will be blessed with success in everything and in every act. It prevents untimely death and early decrepitude. A man is sure to get rich within the shortest possible time whether he is engaged in service, commerce, trade, arts, etc., if he prefers to wear one of the wonderful Talismans. It is sure to make him happy and blessed by surrounding him with a merry group of healthy children and beautiful and faithful wife." The testimonials printed are even more ingenious than this exordium. In every case the full name and address of the writer is given. One gentleman writes: "Allow me to tender my heart-felt thanks for the good that your Talisman has done to me. I passed this year under great difficulties the L.L.B. examination." Another: "After the use of your Talisman my uncle, Mr.

of Hospital has received Honours from the Government." An official: "On the very next day on wearing your Talisman my pay was increased by 100 Rs. The effects are wonderful." Another official: "I cannot find words to express the efficacy of your Talisman. My circumstances in pecuniary matters were really bad, and there has been marked improvement." Health is improved as well as the pocket. One gentleman in an official position writes: "I derived much benefit from your Talisman, which cured insanity of my wife, who was suffering from it for the last 15 years. Send another." Another official: "Your wonderful Talisman has completely cured my son from all disease. He looks now in colour like lotus flower and strength like Bheema."

Note. The review by The British Medical Journal, presented above, is reproduced from a circular printed in India. This circular is now on file in our office.

What Influential People Say About This Talisman

The Testimonials published herewith show that this Sacred Talisman, from the Holy Sastras, has been used in India, Africa and throughout the Orient by those who believe in its efficacy to help them ward off disease and also to recover from it. It is bought in India, so these Testimonials show, by people who wish to use it as a Talisman against dangers and difficulties. Again, we have on file in our office in printed form, almost Two Hundred letters of Testimony from influential people stating that this Talisman has helped in Examinations; that it is a good Talisman for Health, Wealth and Happiness; that it is well thought of by many Government Officials in India. Among the Testimonials published on the following pages, are some very sincere ones from Captains, Engineers, and Municipal Officers, Health Officers, and Doctors. There are also several Testimonials from Clergymen, Judges, Magistrates, and Munsiffs. The commendation of this Talisman presented in these letters of Testimony seems to be true. We do not guarantee it but believe it to be correct.

It must be a marvellous Talisman indeed, that it should receive Testimonials from hundreds of people in all walks of life.

Postal, Telegraph and Railway Officers have written their testimony and commendation.

Chiefs, Advocates, Barristers, and Vakils of High Courts, testify over their own signatures that they have found it useful: that it has helped them: that its effect was indeed magical.

Hundreds of others say they have derived benefit from the use of this Talisman.

A noted Official of a High Court, writes: "I got three Talismans from you last year and handed them to some relatives and strange to say that they reported RAPID PROGRESS IN BUSINESS."

A Gold and Silver Smith of Ceylon, India, writes: "Your Talisman did every success. The Doctor told us our boy would pass away soon. We remembered your Talisman and tied it on him. After four hours we found he was not suffering as before and he got quite better afterwards." This remarkable Testimonial came from Natal, South Africa.

A Government Official of Barhatta Mymensingh, India, writes: "I have been wearing your Kavacha Talisman for the last three years and I am glad to inform you that it has been giving me miraculous effect on my fortune."

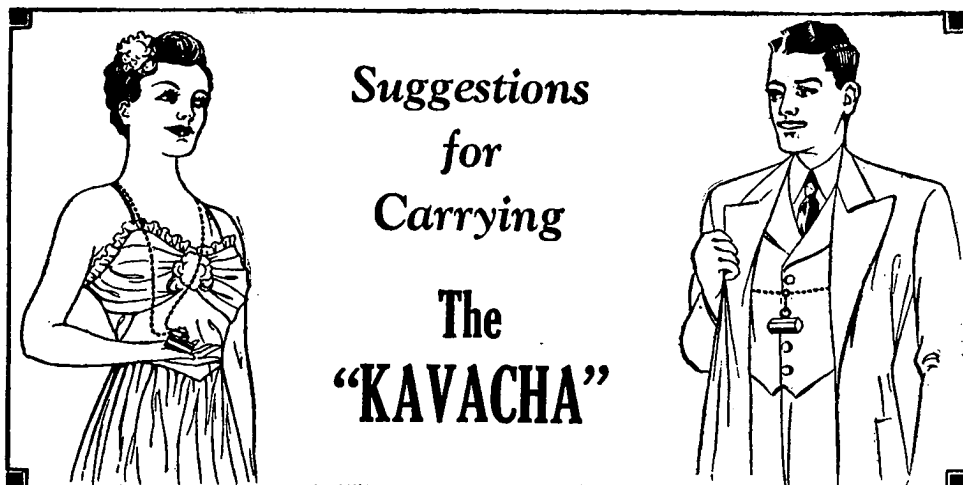
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World Renowned KAVACHA TALISMAN



HOW TO USE THE "KAVACHA"

The traditions concerning the use of the "Kavacha" pendant are quite simple. We understand that men, women, children and infants have worn it suspended from the neck by a gold or silver chain, a ribbon, or even a cord. It can be carried in the pocket or purse, of course, or on a watch or key chain. Wearers of the "Kavacha" usually retain the pendant on their person at all times. We have not heard that it "interferes" with other "talismans."

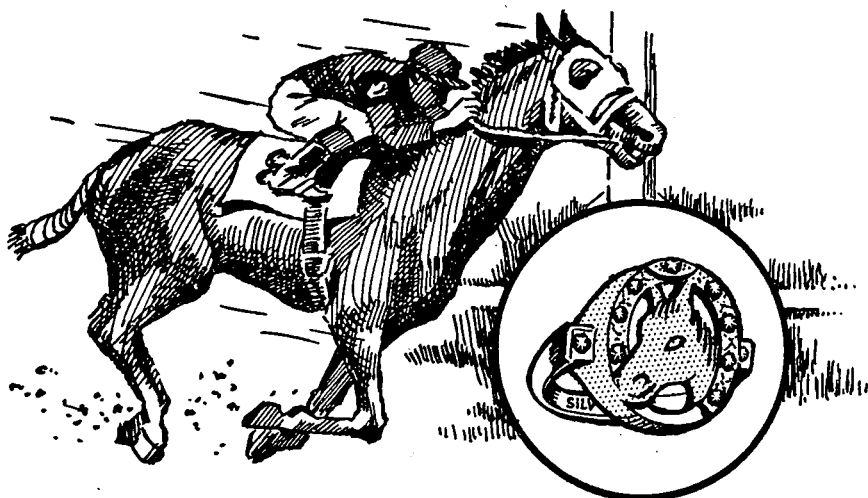
STOCK NO. 504. Gold-filled "Kavacha" pendant with prayer enclosed. Size: $\frac{5}{8}$ inches long by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in diameter. The pendant cannot be opened or closed in the conventional way, but is firmly soldered and smoothly finished. It is understood the following charge is made strictly for the manufacture and distribution of this pendant. A link for neckchain, ribbon or cord is soldered in a convenient position. We give no warranty, express or implied, as to the description, nature, function or purpose of this article. **\$2.50**, plus tax.

KEY NO. 504C. The "Kavacha" pendant *with a Neckchain*. The chain furnished with the "Kavacha" under this number is strong and beautiful. It is made of 12 kt. $\frac{1}{20}$ Yellow Gold Filled on Sterling and is 22" (56 cm.) long. The price for the "Kavacha" pendant and Neckchain is **\$5.00** plus tax.

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“WINNER’S” RING for the HORSEPLAYER!

Wear this ring when you go to the track to play the ponies. You'll get lots of attention when your friends see this sparkler on your finger. The horseshoe is set with shining marcasite and the horse's head nestles right up inside the “good luck” area of the shoe — all in lustrous sterling silver. How can you expect to win if you don't carry the very symbol of your wish with you? DeLaurence's “Winner's” ring is a winner with all who see it.

KEY NO. 528. DeLaurence's “Winner's” Ring. Prices: U.S.:
\$8.00 plus tax and postage. Imported from England.

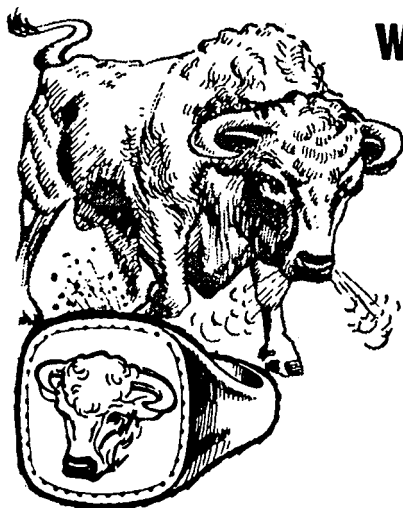


REAL HORSESHOES for LUCK

These shoes have been collected from race tracks and have actually been worn by race horses. They come to you clean and shiny and ready to put up over your door. The horseshoe is regarded as a bringer of good luck because of its similarity to a crescent, the symbol of Isis.

Care is usually taken to hang the shoe with the horns upwards — so the luck won't run out, it is said. Miners sometimes nail horseshoes in the workings and sailors nail them to their masts. “May the horseshoe never be pulled from your threshold” is a common good wish. These shoes are the latest model lightweight aluminium worn by race horses.

KEY NO. 800. DeLaurence's genuine horseshoe worn by a real race horse. Prices:
U.S.: \$2.00.



Wear a DeLAURENCE'S

BULL SIGNET

*A Ring for the MAN Who Will
Let Nothing Stand in His Way*

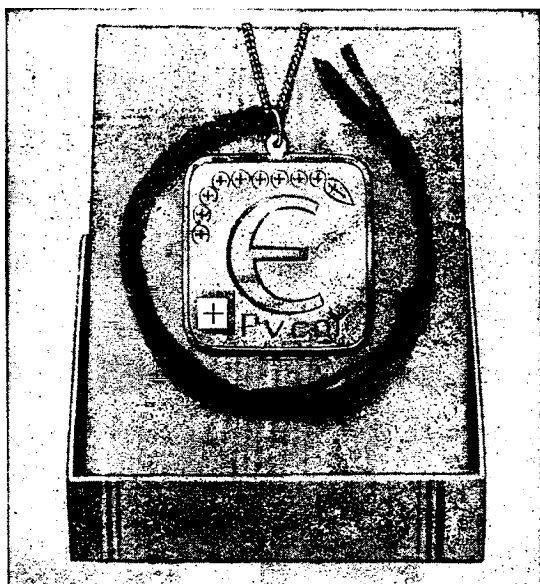
A Mighty Ring

The very embodiment of strength, power and dignity. The bull was the earthy symbol of Osiris in early Egypt—the father, the breeder, the giver of life. Again he is the sign of the powers of the life giving earth, and patient, and persevering with workers and doers everywhere.

DeLaurence's Bull Signet is an extraordinarily heavy and massive 9 karat yellow gold hallmarked signet. It is made in Europe for DeLaurence by real old world craftsmen, is hand engraved and hand finished.

Picture this tremendous ring on your own hand! Enjoy an aura of power and might about you day and night.

KEY NO. 527. DeLaurence's "Bull" Signet. Prices: U.S.: \$82.50 including tax.



THE FAMOUS CABLE-TOW PERIAPT

(Talisman of Safety, Love, Health, and Success)

EXECUTED BY HAND ENGRAVING ON
TEN KARAT SOLID GOLD

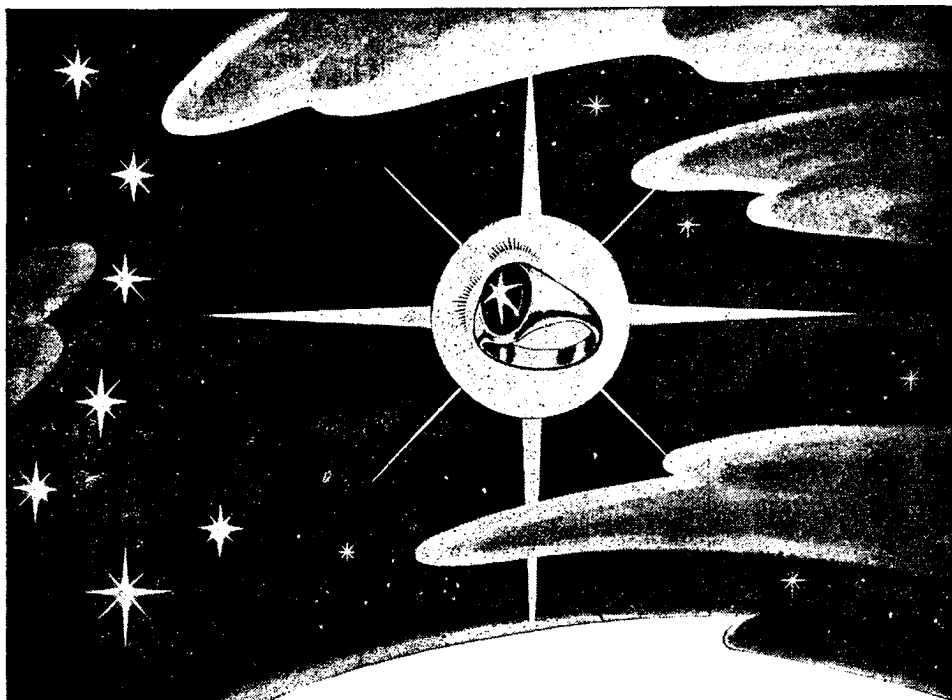
THE SOLDIER'S AMULET—DESIGNED FOR THE WARRIOR
TO WEAR OR CARRY—AND FOR MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY

This form of the famous **CABLE-TOW PERIAPT** (Talisman for Safety, Love, Health, and Success) is very desirable because of its imperishable character. The gold plate on which the PERIAPT is hand engraved will withstand heat, cold, rough handling, perspiration, and all forms of exposure much more satisfactorily than parchment and should easily last many generations. It is furnished with a solid gold neckchain in order that it may be worn suspended from the neck if desired, but the chain is easily removed if one wishes to carry the PERIAPT in a pocket, purse, or wallet.

FOR MEN AND WOMEN

THE CABLE-TOW PERIAPT, fully described on the preceding page, is thus suitable for men or women, who can wear or carry it as they choose in the firm assurance that they possess an amulet of the highest type. This PERIAPT is valuable jewelry and should be carefully kept and handled.

KEY No. 503. The Famous **CABLE-TOW PERIAPT** (Talisman for Safety, Love Health, and Success) beautifully and expertly hand engraved on genuine 10 karat solid gold, with the **THREE KNOTTED CABLES** tied with blue twisted cord and furnished with a solid gold 18" neckchain. Handsomely boxed. Price for gold plate, hand engraving, and neckchain.....\$50.00 plus tax and postage



"Love Stone" Ring

For Men and Women

Lovers' Amulet in Sterling Silver Mounting

Years of work in the laboratory have produced this amazing simulation of the star sapphire — powerful, legendary, lovers' talisman. This luminous blue stone glows with a perfect six-rayed star just as in the genuine gem costing hundreds and even thousands of dollars. As the stone is moved, or the light changes, a living star appears. It is not a stationary star, but a brilliant astral conformation that moves under a single direct ray of light.



LOVERS' STONE OF DESTINY

The three cross-bars which traverse this gem and form the asteria are believed to represent Faith, Hope, and Destiny and to be so potent a fetish that its influence persists even when it is no longer available. Sir Richard Francis Burton had a star sapphire which he referred to as his talisman. There is an enormous asteria in the Morgan-Tiffany Collection in the American Museum of Natural History called the "Star of India." It has had an amazing and adventurous history.

Lovers commonly think of their own "Stars of Destiny" in the desire that the heavenly bodies will further and ultimately realize their wishes for them. Nothing is more natural than that the lover should turn to every agent for help in his quest.

LOVERS' TALISMAN ON PARCHMENT PAPER WITH EVERY RING

With your "Love Stone" Ring you receive a "talisman", imprinted with gold ink on parchment paper, that is in great demand by lovers from every quarter. There are also instructions and suggestions for the wear and care of this beautiful gem.



ORDER YOUR "LOVE STONE" RING BY KEY NO. 507

DeLaurence's "Love Stone" Ring for men and women in sterling silver mounting. Parchment paper talisman, instructions and prayer included.

\$350

plus tax.

IMPORTANT NOTE! SEND YOUR FINGER SIZE WITH YOUR ORDER!

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DeLaurence's "GUARDIAN ANGEL" GOLD CRUCIFIX and CHAIN



191. MIRM. LIBER FESTIVALIS. (1507)



Death on the Cross had a new meaning after the crucifixion of Christ. Before his time it was a symbol of a slave's punishment and murderer's expiation of his crime. But Christ's sacrifice to save humanity made the Cross the symbol of the Savior -- the Lord God who would protect and shield us from Evil.

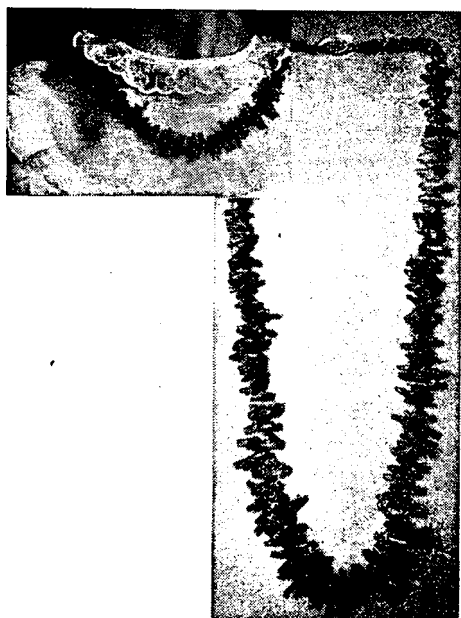
So universal was this view that the Emperor Constantine ordered the standards of his armies replaced by the new Christian Cross symbol. He ordered a cross of gold and gems constructed, such as he had seen in a vision, and "the towering eagles resigned the flags unto the Cross," and "the tree of cursing and shame," "sat upon the sceptres and was engraved and signed on the foreheads of kings." (Jer. Taylor, "Life

of Christ," iii, xv. 1.)

The Latin Cross on which our Lord suffered had a projection from the central stem on which the body rested to prevent the weight of the body tearing away the hands. This prolonged the agony so necessary to shrive us all. In this belief, we wear the crucifix: that Christ will throw his protecting cloak about us in our hour of need.

Our "Guardian Angel" crucifix is designed to be worn by both men and women. It is 1/20 12 karat gold filled as is the eighteen inch neckchain. The cross is 1-1/2" long and 3/4" wide. The corpus is 7/8" long. Boxed in a handsome blue, gold and white cushioned snap case, -- a beautiful piece of jewelry.

KEY NO. 501. DeLaurence's "Guardian Angel" Crucifix and Neckchain \$3.75



RED CORAL

Amulet of Women and Children

Sacred to Isis and Venus

**Protective Patroness of Women, Love,
Childbirth and Children**

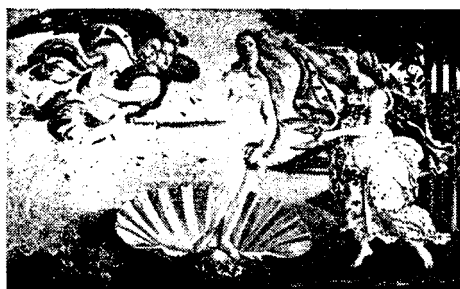
De Laurence's

"MERMAID'S BONES"

**Necklace is Fashioned of Genuine
Mediterranean Red Branch Coral**

Red coral, like the great goddesses of the ancient world, Venus and Isis, is said to be born of the fecundity and fertility of the sea. Like them it is associated with the need women and children have for protection from hosts of ailments and stronger powers and creatures. The teeming and prolific tropic ocean seems to have sent an amulet to womankind and her offspring.

For twenty centuries men have used coral. The Romans hung it about the necks of their children to protect them from the evil eye and to promote dentition. Later it was believed to ward off evil genii and nocturnal terrors, nightmares and bad dreams. Many thought it developed reason and prudence, inspired gaiety and reassured the soul. Women held it checked hemorrhage and gave strength.



The chaplets Moslems carry contain beads of coral and it is common in rosaries -- a lingering tradition of its power against all evil. Coral should be worn where its brilliant color can please the eye. DeLaurence's "MERMAID'S BONES" genuine Mediterranean red branch coral necklace cannot fail to attract admiration. This coral is bright red and brightly polished, pleasing to women and delightful to children.

KEY NO. 508

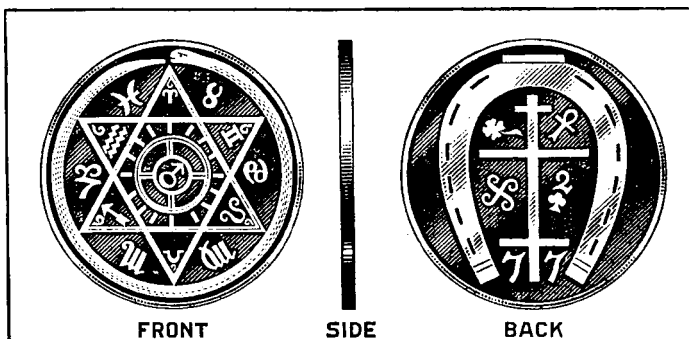
**De Laurence's "MERMAID'S BONES" Red Coral Neck-
lace. Strong clasp. Price:**

\$3.50

plus tax.

De Laurence's Own
"MASCOT"
Pocket Piece
 of alleged
"GOOD LUCK CHARMS"

Price
 Only
\$1.00



De Laurence's "MASCOT" Actual Size
Made of "Goldine" — Glitters Like Gold!

Now You Can Carry These With You Everywhere You Go!

Wheel Cross of War

Solomon's Seal

Twelve Signs of the Zodiac

Symbol of Sun-God, Ra.

"Lucky" Number Seven

Venus's Love-Number, Six

Serpent of Health

Sign of Mars, God of War

Crux Ansata

The Rounded Cross

Gamblers' Charm—Deuce of Clubs

"Lucky" Horseshoe

"Lucky" Four-Leaf Clover

**MANY BELIEVE THAT IF YOU CARRY THESE ALLEGED
 "GOOD LUCK CHARMS" ON YOUR PERSON
 GOOD LUCK MAY COME TO YOU!**

Turn to Pages 405, 406 and 407 of This Catalogue
 for a Full Description of These Alleged "Good Luck
 Charms" and Indications of How They May Affect

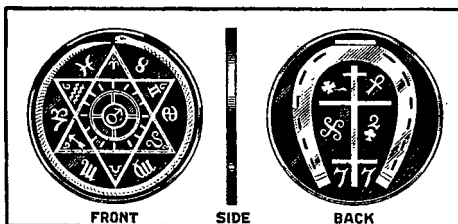
YOU!

RELIGIOUS and MYSTICAL
BOOKS

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PUBLISHERS AND
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**De Laurence's Own
"MASCOT" POCKET
PIECE
of alleged
"GOOD LUCK CHARMS"**



WHAT DE LAURENCE'S "MASCOT" IS

DE LAURENCE'S "MASCOT" is a pocket-piece embellished with some of the most important signs, symbols, and "talismans" known to the ancient and time honored arts and sciences of occultism, mysticism, and magic. You will find on it the Cabalistic SEAL OF SOLOMON, the intertwined triangles of the dual nature of man, the mysterious and ominous ROUNDED CROSS which probably came out of the East, and the primitive, very ancient, Egyptian CRUX ANSATA, the Ankh Cross of life and fertility.

EVERYONE will find on the "MASCOT" the "sign" under which he was born for it carries all the signs of the ZODIAC which suggest the vast accumulation of beliefs about their power and influence over the individual. Those who believe in LUCK are well furnished with so-called "TALISMANS": the number SEVEN of world-wide significance, the HORSESHOE, the FOUR-LEAVED CLOVER, the DEUCE OF CLUBS, etc. Those who participate in WAR, those who GAMBLE, those who LOVE, and those who have ENEMIES should read the following description of the "MASCOT" carefully.

HOW TO USE THE "MASCOT"

It is the universal custom to carry "lucky pieces" or "mascots" on the person in the pockets or in a special case of some durable material like leather and to keep them always nearby. The state of mind, ideas, convictions, and beliefs of the individual are also considered of the utmost importance by authorities in this field, some of whom recommend an optimistic attitude. Concentration without interruption on one's desires and wishes assist, it is alleged, the occult powers and forces that are favorably inclined to one's interests. No results or statements about the "MASCOT" are guaranteed, but facts from the history of the

occult arts and sciences are from accepted authorities.

In this connection, some "Masters" and "Adepts" urge the putting out of mind of all pessimistic, sad, unkind, and evil thoughts as contributing toward the achievement of success and happiness in all of the walks of life.

Faith too is of the highest importance. It is held that one cannot expect assistance from "influences" in which one does not believe, or of which one is skeptical; for "this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our FAITH."

HOW CAN YOU GET ALONG ANOTHER DAY WITHOUT A "MASCOT"?

ORDER YOURS TODAY!

ORDER NO. 711. De Laurence's "MASCOT" Pocket Piece

Price: \$1.00

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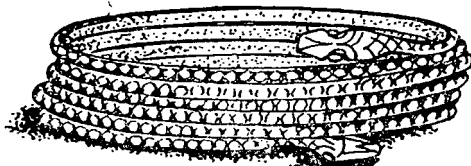
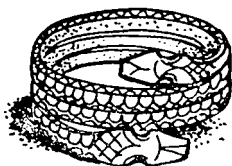
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SERPENT RINGS & BRACELETS



The snake is remarkable for its length of life and hence has come to signify longevity and wisdom. Thus in ancient Egypt it was worn as a crown by the Pharaohs as a tribute to his wisdom and worshipped as the god of the Setting Sun. As the symbol of Eternity a snake image was painted on the door of every tomb. Since the snake sluffs off his skin annually, the Egyptians took this to be a sign of immortality and deemed him worthy of reverence.

The Romans held a belief that images of snakes in the house would ward off illness, and the snake's head was a "fortunate" mascot.

A ring in itself has been considered a symbol of immortality from ancient times and the combination of the serpent and the ring to this very day means long life and health to very many. As a bracelet the snake is even more impressive, and DeLaurence offers both in a form available to everyone. The rings are suitable for wear by both men and women while the bracelets are a beautiful adornment for any woman. These ornaments are of light-weight metal electro-brightened and anodized to a brilliant non-tarnishing gold finish. Both rings and bracelets are adjustable, but finger sizes for the rings are available.

KEY NO. 546. Serpent Ring. (Please send finger size.) Prices: \$1.10.
Prices include taxes but postage is extra.

KEY NO. 547. Serpent Bracelet. Prices: \$1.65.
Prices include taxes but postage is extra.



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HAND ENGRAVED ESPECIALLY FOR YOU!

Explain to DeLaurence your private wishes and you will receive your Zodiac Bracelet with the gold disk engraved with DeLaurence's private symbols, or your own designs, your name or initials. Many like to preserve a child's birthdate, or a grandchild, relative or loved one's natal date. Anything you wish within reason will be engraved on the disk.

DeLaurence's Zodiac Bracelet includes a gold-filled charm with your birthsign hand painted on glass, a gold-filled lucky four leaf clover, and the gold-filled engraved disk.

KEY NO. 523. DeLaurence's Zodiac Bracelet.....Price: \$22.00

Prices include tax but not postage.

BE SURE to send your birthdate and private instructions with order.

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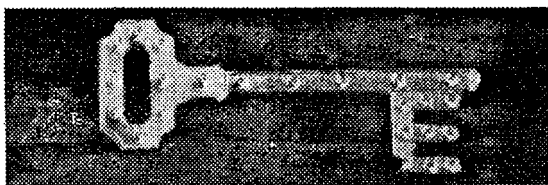
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De LAURENCE'S OWN Golden MASTER KEY

PENDANT • PIN • POCKET MASCOT
10 kt. Yellow Gold Filled • Made by Master Craftsmen

For
Men
or Women



Actual Size

Widely accepted symbol for ages past of the power of knowledge and the acquired skill and technique of the professional man in all fields of endeavor.

Image in the minds of men of the vast power associated with the unknown and unexplored forces of nature.

INTELLECTUAL PURSUITS

DeLaurence alone brings you the golden Master Key to wear or carry with you always. Those who face intellectual trials or problems love to carry the Master Key in the pocket where its reassuring conformation is said to give new confidence to the mind. Those who must speak to large gatherings or even to just one individual of importance, or on an important subject, often like the Master Key. Examinations and tests, competitions for jobs, political office – all require a mind completely confident.

MADE BY MASTER CRAFTSMEN

The "Master Key" is solid 10 kt. yellow gold filled – bright rich yellow gold. It is made by master craftsmen who have given it a fascinating and intriguing appearance. Two inches long (2") it is substantial and satisfying to the touch. Interpretive suggestions are given with every "Key".

KEY NO. 542. DeLaurence's "MASTER KEY", with gold filled chain to wear suspended from the neck. Price: \$14.30 including tax, plus postage.

KEY NO. 543. The "MASTER KEY" with a pin attached so it can be pinned to the clothing either prominently displayed or concealed. \$11.00 incl. tax, plus postage.

KEY NO. 544. The "MASTER KEY" with plain back to carry as mascot or pocket piece. \$11.00 incl. tax, plus postage.

"BONZO DREAM STONE"

Genuine Green JADE "Scarab"



*Carry Your "Bonzo Stone" With You
Follow Instructions. Prayers Suggested*

Jade is precious and sacred in the East. Buddhists have used it without reserve to create amulets and images of religious importance and for religious ritual. The forms given to these carved, valuable stones are varied beyond belief, but they are available in fairly conventional pattern in a wide range of values.

The "scarab" is a favorite Eastern talismanic art form, and DeLaurence imports these genuine green oriental jade "scarabs" directly from the far East. They are oval, flat on one side, and arrestingly carved and inscribed. They are 13/16" long, 5/8" wide and 1/4" thick. (20 x 15 x 6 mm.)

This form makes them convenient to carry in the palm, or in one's clothing or purse, in the manner of a "talisman." Their religious and historic significance makes them favorite "vehicles" or symbolic "representatives" for mys-

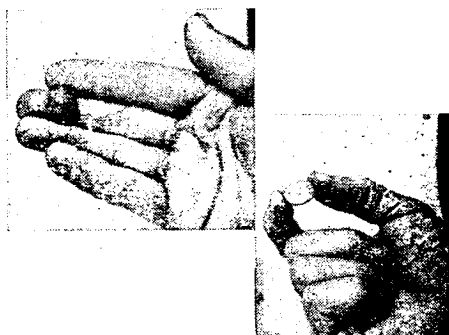
SCIENTISTS SAY:

**"Matter Is Being
Constantly Created**

**Perhaps Dreams Can
Become Real"**

tical observances. These rituals take many forms, of course, but the rudimentary elements of a primary form are outlined in the "instructions" which accompany each "Bonzo" stone. Suitable and appropriate prayers are furnished as suggestions for such observances as the individual cares to activate.

Your "Bonzo" stone comes to you immaculate in a white leatherette snap case in which it may be carried always unsullied.



KEY NO. 514. "Bonzo" stone with carrying case

\$2.00

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PRAY FOR WHAT YOU WANT -- THIS NEW WAY!



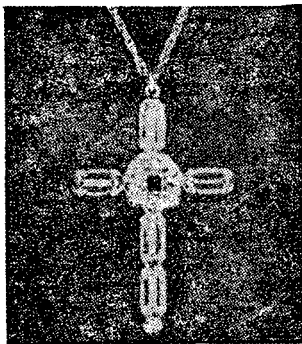
SEE the LORD'S PRAYER as You Pray



PRAY Twice a Day Without Fail



STRENGTHEN Your Courage in the Lord



HOLD THE "PRAYER CROSS" TO YOUR EYE AND SEE THE LORD'S PRAYER AS PLAIN AS DAY

PRAY FOR WHATEVER YOU WANT

If you've never prayed before, now's the time to start. And there's no better way to start than with a Prayer Cross. The accompanying instructions suggest HOW to pray for what you want. Follow the instructions

and start your prayers with a Prayer Cross before it's too late. That may be sooner than you think. Send for your Prayer Cross today.

STERLING SILVER CROSS MOUNTED WITH BAGUETTE STONES

The Prayer Cross is quality jewelry. The cross itself is genuine solid sterling silver and it is brilliantly mounted with diamond-cut and baguette rhinestones. It has sparkle and fire. You will be proud to wear it anywhere. It is 2-1/4 by 1-3/8

inches. (55 x 35 mm.) The chain is 18 inches long. (46 mm.). When you see your Prayer Cross in its beautifully brocaded, satin padded gift box, you will be very pleased indeed.

KEY NO. 537. PRAYER CROSS WITH INSTRUCTIONS. Price,

\$8.25, including 10% Federal Excise Tax. Postage extra.

PENTAGRAM PENDANTS FOR MEN AND WOMEN



KEY NO. 652. Pentagram Pendant in 10 kt. solid yellow gold. Disk is one inch (25 mm) in diameter. Hand engraved. With disk is included a 22 inch gold filled neckchain. **\$35.00**, plus tax.

KEY NO. 653. Pentagram Pendant in solid sterling silver. Disk is one inch (25 mm) in diameter. Hand engraved. With disk is included a 22 inch sterling silver neckchain. **\$25.00**, plus tax.

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ANCIENT TALISMAN RINGS

THE FAMOUS COVENTRY RING

Religious Talisman Of The Fifteenth Century

Worn By Those Who Believe In The Efficacy Of Sacred Names

JESUS RISING FROM THE TOMB

The Sigil Ananizapta Engraved In Latin

“HAVE MERCY ON US, O JUDGE”



THE FINEST RELIGIOUS TALISMAN RING EVER MADE.

The Famous Coventry Ring. A remarkable example of The Religious Talismans of The Fifteenth Century, is The Coventry Ring shown above. On the outside of this Noted Ring there is Engraved a scene representing Jesus rising from the Tomb with the Five Wounds arranged on either side and the following Inscriptions: “The Well Of Everlasting Life,” “The Well Of Pity,” “The Well Of Mercy,” “The Well Of Comfort,” “The Well Of Grace.”

Jesus Went His Way. The Five Wounds Symbolize the Five Senses through which we have the power of wounding Our Lord by yielding to the temptation of the Flesh and the Devil. The above, Engraved upon a Ring, were regarded as an efficacious Talisman against all misfortune and Evil Influences. Inside this Ring is Engraved the names of the Three Kings of Cologne, or the Magi—The Three Wise Kings—Caspar, Signifying the White One; Melchoir, King of Light, Baltasar, the Lord of Treasures; also in Latin the verse **Luke iv. 30, I. H. S.: “Autem transiens per medium illorum ibat”** (Jesus passing through the midst went His way.) This text was worn as a Charm against Evil, Danger, or Misfortune of any kind by sea and land, and especially against Black Magic and Evil Spirits. To commemorate his escape in the great naval battle off Sluys in the year 1340, Edward III had this very same verse Engraved upon his Gold Nobles. The Sigil ANANIZAPTA is also engraved in Latin inside of this Ring, and when translated means: “Have mercy on us, O Judge,” this Sigil was considered a powerful protection against Disease, Evil Influences and Misfortune. For further description of the Coventry Ring, see next page.

NOTE. The statements made in the advertisement, on the pages of this Catalogue, of Ancient Religious Talisman and Symbol Rings, while not guaranteed, have been obtained from sources which are believed to be reliable. All that we claim for these Talisman Rings is that they are 10 Karat Solid Gold with Ancient Religious Talismans and Symbols Hand Engraved upon their Crest or Monogram Plate. The subject dealt with is an interesting one and we believe that these Talismans and Symbols, which express the faiths and beliefs of by gone days in the efficacy of Religious Talismans, Symbols, Divine Inscriptions, and Sacred Names, will be greatly appreciated; because of the present vogue for Talismans, Symbols and Charms of all kinds, and the great popularity of anything Ancient, or something that comes out of the Far East.

These Symbols and Ancient Religious Talismans were reproduced by de Laurence from a reliable and well known treatise on the subject of Ancient Talismans, Amulets, Zodiacal Signs, and Gems. The authors of this noted treatise claim that it, “Being the result of many years of study and research, it is not easy in all cases to specify the original source of our information, which has been collected, not only from ancient and modern writings, but also from the personal experience and experiments noted at the time they occurred, long before this book was contemplated.” The authors also acknowledge their obligations to the Directors of the British Museum for the facilities given in obtaining information, and their permission to make drawings from the actual Amulets, Symbols, and Ancient Religious Talismans in their collection.

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THE COVENTRY RING

Famous Talisman Of The Fifteenth Century

Beautifully Engraved And Finely Finished



Famous Coventry Ring.

Worn By Both Men And Women. These noted Rings are well liked and are worn by both men and women who have great and unbounded faith in the Efficacy of Sacred Names and Religious Talismans, especially when engraved upon a Band Ring of Solid Gold. The Rings shown here are most artistically engraved and the finest made. The price asked is exceedingly small considering that they are Extra Heavy Solid Gold Rings. The feature of these rings is the wonderful manner in which they are engraved on both the inside and the outside. This special engraving has been done by a Master of the Engraver's Art, who is held to be one of the best in the world. The average Jeweler would charge from \$12.00 to \$15.00 alone for the amount of engraving done on one of these rings. In consideration of this, the price asked for them is very low. The above illustrations, although, of course much larger than the rings themselves, give but a vague idea of their great beauty, value and finish.

Coventry Ring in 10 Karat Solid Gold

ORDER No. 545. THE COVENTRY RING. Extra Heavy. Hand made of 10 Karat Yellow Gold. \$50.00 plus tax and postage.

General Life Reading

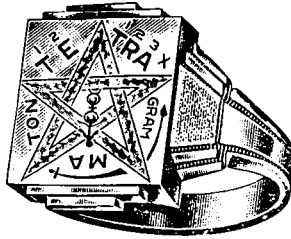
A General Astrological Life Reading

All you have to do is to send an order for one of the Ladies' or Gentlemen's Solid Gold Coventry Rings, shown above, give the Size of your Finger, the Date of Your Next Birthday and we will send the Reading with our Compliments. Be sure and send the Size of your Finger and Date of Your Next Birthday.



Religious Talismans And "Charmed Rings." It is of course, difficult and futile to speculate as to the extent of the influence that their belief in Amulets and Religious Talisman Rings exercised over the Ancient Egyptians; but in the light of The Higher Spiritual Forces it appears that the Religious Symbolism they represented; the conditions under which they were made; the Faith and Belief in their efficacy, and the "words of power", which in every case were a most essential part of their Mysterious Composition, make them exceedingly popular and by far the most interesting Talisman Rings ever made. With the Romans the wearing of a Ring in the form of a Serpent Coiled around the Finger signified an Invocation to the God of Health, Wealth and Love. "Charmed Rings," says a writer, who gained permission from the directors of The British Museum, to make drawings from the actual Ancient Talismans in their collection, "have also been much in favor with many nations, the Greeks being partial to 'Enchanted Rings'; which made according to the favorable position of the Planets at the time of one's birth."

Five Pointed Star Talisman Rings



ANCIENT PENTAGRAM TALISMAN RING

Key No. 506. Ancient Pentagram Ring. Heavy 10 Kt. Solid Yellow Gold, handsomely designed and hand engraved. Price: \$40.00 plus tax and postage.

**All Mysteries Of Magic, All Symbols Of The Gnosis, All Figures Of Occultism,
All Kabbalistic Keys Of Prophecy Are Resumed In The Sign Of The Pentagram**

Star Of The Microcosm, Magic Wand And Sword



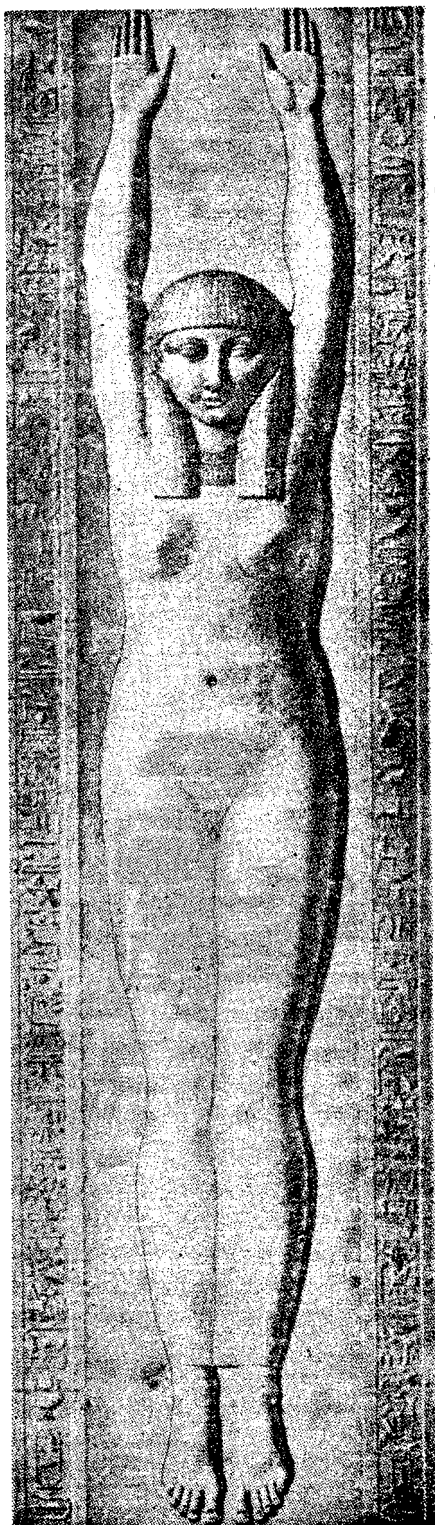
Ancient Pantagram Talisman

right hand, and feels himself to be armed with Intellectual Omnipotence, provided that he is truly a student worthy to be conducted by the Star to the Cradle of Divine Realization; provided he Knows, Dares, Wills, and can hold his peace; provided he understands the uses of the Pentacle, Cup, Magic Wand, and Sword; provided lastly, that the intrepid glances of his soul correspond to those "Two Eyes" which the upper ray of this Ancient Pentagram always presents to him open.

Rennet, Bishop Of Peterborough, Says: "When this Ancient Pentagram is delineated on the body of a man it points out the Five Places wherein the Savior was wounded, and, therefore, the devils are afraid of it. No evil spirit could pass where it was displayed, and for this reason it was always used in Magic Ceremonies to 'bind with,' as the Spirits of Darkness can have no power over anyone who wears this Talisman Engraved on a Solid Gold Ring."

Worshippers Deeply Read In Occult Lore. The Author, of a Noted Work on Ancient and Mediaeval Talismans, Says: "In the Middle Ages it was looked upon as a Symbol of Immense power, and was worn for health and safety, both in the Spiritual as well as in the Physical sense and the Magical Pentacle in the western window of the southern aisle of Westminster Abbey is one of the Emblems still existing to prove that the worshippers of old were deeply read in Occult Lore. It is the Seal of the Microcosm through which Man can Command the Powers and Beings of the Elements and restrain Evil Spirits.

Be sure and send the size of your finger.



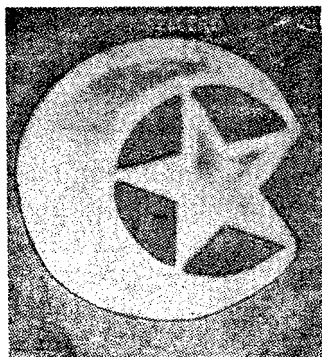
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ver STAR AND

CRESCENT PIN

of ISIS called the

"VIRGIN PIN"



LOVE - MOTHERHOOD - FORTUNE

Women for thousands of years have identified the "STAR-AND-CRESCENT" symbol with their most intimate - their highest emotional needs. They have worn this sign embroidered on their clothes, in jewelry on buckles and pins and even worked on their shoes. The pin appears to be the most convenient mode of wearing it and it is in this form that DeLaurence presents it.

ISIS AND HER PIN

Beliefs regarding the Star-and-Crescent have assumed extensive variety including the conviction it was a "guard" against witchcraft, the evil spirits of the Moon, against delusions, hysteria, or lunacy. Women have worn this pin that Isis might grant them happy love, comfortable motherhood and whatever women consider good luck which certainly include wealth and power.

MEN LIKE TO "PIN" WOMEN

Most curious is the male attitude that giving a woman this pin "binds" her somehow to him. And they call the Star-and-Crescent the "virgin" pin.

AN OLD PRAYER

Our researchers have uncovered a curious old "prayer" to Isis in an ancient classic, and you receive a copy of this with every pin, with suggestions for wearing it and caring for it. The pin is solid sterling silver and the pin is equipped with a safety catch so you cannot lose it. Being about one inch in diameter (25 cm.) it is large enough to attract admiring attention (it really is a beautiful piece of jewelry), or it can be carried out of sight.

KEY NO. 535. DeLAURENCE'S STAR-AND-CRESCENT "ISIS" PIN, with instructions.

American price: \$3.58, including Federal Excise tax of 10%. Postage extra.

Figure of Isis, Egyptian goddess of magic, found on ceiling of the Temple of Denderah, in Egypt.

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EGYPTIAN SIGNET AND SEAL TALISMAN RING

Hand Engraved Occult Symbol

OLD EGYPTIAN TALISMAN SIGNIFIES
SUCCESS, POWER, PEACE, PURITY, FAITH

This Handsome Talisman Ring is Furnished In
10 Karat Solid Gold for Ladies and Gentlemen

EGYPTIAN
SIGNET AND SEAL
SOLID GOLD TALISMAN

EXCLUSIVELY FOR OCCULT
STUDENTS WHO WISH AN
ENGRAVED TALISMAN RING



10 Kt. Solid
Gold Egyptian Signet
and Seal Talisman
Ring.

WISDOM AND DIVINE
UNDERSTANDING

SECRET KNOWLEDGE REGARDING SEALS AND TALISMANS

The-Old-World-Lore-Of-Symbolism. According to Tradition, and the Old-World-Lore-Of-Symbolism, the Signet And Seal Ring signifies Faith and Purity. Signet And Seal Rings have always been in great demand.

Most Historical Rings. The Bible in Genesis speaks of some Twelve Different Designs of Signet And Seal Rings, and as the old Egyptians wore them it may be assumed that they are the most Historical Rings in the world.

There always has been a most profound and universal belief in the efficacy of *Talisman Rings*. Indeed, this faith and belief has prevailed among the people of every nation in all ages of the world. The Bible, in *Genesis*, speaks of some twelve different designs of solid gold Signet And Seal Rings. These were worn as Talismans in Ancient Egypt. The Egyptians used them as a *Talisman* or *Amulet*, as all will find who read the history of the children of *Israel* during their sojourn into Egypt, for the Bible shows that the Signet And Seal Ring is a very historical Talisman. The famous Signet And Seal Rings shown on these pages are made from *Virgin Gold*, are Hand Engraved and can be worn by any lady or gentleman, being the most attractive Ring ever designed.

EGYPTIAN SIGNET AND SEAL TALISMAN RING

The Gift of Prophecy. Moses performed his wonders before King Pharaoh, and the stretching out of his hands by which he divided the waters of the Red Sea (*Exodus xiv. 16*).

This same Gift of Prophecy was given to others by Moses. Again, various condition of Clairvoyance are clearly described by Moses (*Numbers xii. 2-8*).

de Laurence Says: "Spiritual Clairvoyance is an expression of the Divine Word: a Light from the very purest source. It is the Spiritual Gift and Revelation of the Soul to the outward man."

Magi Of The Mystic City. There is assuredly an *Occult Virtue* attributed to a "*Solid Gold Signet And Seal Ring*."

Many strange legends and beliefs of the old-world have gathered about the *Solid Gold Signet And Seal Ring* with an *Occult Symbol* engraved thereon. As a Solid Gold Signet And Seal Ring resists all contamination, it is supposed to preserve its wearer against ill luck and evil influences. It also has the *Mystic* power, so it is said, of attracting the love and respect of others towards those who wear it. According to the old-world lore of *Symbolism* it is one of the rings worn by the *Magi* of the *Mystic City*.

Antiquity ascribes to it various high virtues, and many *Mystics* wear a Signet Ring. The reveries of *Mythologists* and later *Kabalism* claim it contributes its influence for the production of subtlety in soul and astral sight. As a *Symbol* it signifies faith, and purity; it is said to banish sadness and evil thoughts, and to soothe the troubled spirits; to insure respect for all those who wear it, and a way to the realization of their lawful wishes. It is claimed, by the different schools of *Symbolism*, that it drives away evil thoughts, promotes chastity, attracts the favor of the great, repels *sorceries* and *evil spirits*. What has been said here shows that it is believed that a Solid Gold Signet And Seal Ring has many virtues. Many claim that good fortune is obtained and favors secured from others by the wearing of one of these Rings especially when the *Occult Symbol* shown above has been engraved upon its *Monogram Plate*.

Order Number for Egyptian Signet and Seal Talisman Ring

ORDER No. 541. EGYPTIAN SIGNET AND SEAL TALISMAN RING of 10 Karat Yellow Gold, with Occult Symbol hand engraved on monogram plate. \$40.00 plus tax.

Be sure and send the size of your finger, and if it is over size 8 send \$2.00 EXTRA; because there is an Extra charge for having rings made over size 8. Also send 25 CENTS EXTRA so your package can go forward by Registered or Insured Mail.

The *Occult Symbol*, Hand Engraved on the Solid Gold Monogram Plate of these famous Signet and Seal Rings, was a very noted Talisman, the very same having been used by the Ancient Magi of Alexander Egypt. According to the Tradition of Moses this very same Seal or Talisman, was recommended by him to be used to compel Obedience and Respect on the part of those who wish Secret Knowledge and Honors.

Moses, the law giver of the Jews, received his Secret Knowledge regarding Seals and Talismans, from the Ancient Egyptians at Alexander Egypt, and it was no other but Moses that said: "If Spirits don't appear or if they hesitate in their obedience, burn incense, and when the smoke arises, show your Signet and Seal Ring. The procedure of Moses, for Citation, Invocation and Obedience of Spirits, that is, to compel them to obey you, as far as we know, has never been surpassed. This is in accordance with the word of Might, which Moses, Aaron and Solomon used according to the Revelations of God. Again, according to the "SIXTH AND SEVENTH BOOKS OF MOSES," and "THE GREATER KEY OF SOLOMON," they were able to compel the Spirits to reveal the Treasures of the Earth and also to quickly, bring your desires forward honestly so that you could appear before your fellowmen, without fear, for, nothing can harm you, much rather, all must serve you and yield obedience, and serve you according to your wishes. It was these Great men, such as Solomon, Moses, Aaron, Agrippa, Paracelsus, Levi, and de Laurence, that revealed all that is known regarding Seals and Talismans.

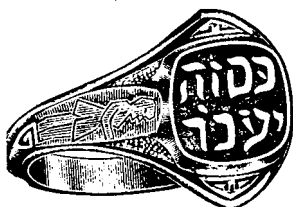
KING SOLOMON

Famous Optimistic Ring

Chaldiac Inscription On Its Crest Means

"THIS SHALL ALSO PASS"

OPTIMISM AND HAPPINESS



King Solomon Ring

wore such a Talisman Ring while he was concerned with his stupendous task; because it helped to encourage him and keep him bright and cheerful in the midst of his troubles and difficulties.

Egyptian In Design. This remarkable King Solomon Optimistic Ring is decidedly Egyptian in design. It is handsomely Enameled, bearing on its Crest a Chaldiac Inscription which means "THIS SHALL ALSO PASS." It derives its name from a story to the effect that the Architect of King Solomon's Temple wore a Ring with the same Inscription, as a daily reminder that even the most perplexing difficulties could not last for ever. The Handsome Antique finish of the Ring shown here, combined with its highly Artistic appearance make it one of the finest Optimistic or Talisman Rings ever produced.

Talisman, Optimistic And Good Luck Rings In Demand. With the present Vogue for Talismans and Charms of all kinds, and the great popularity of anything Ancient, or something that comes out of the Far East, this Ring is enjoying a most wonderful sale. Again, the interesting story connected with it, and the True Chaldiac Inscription in Solid Gold on its beautifully enameled Crest has made it extremely popular.

This Shall Also Pass. Rings of this kind, which Radiate Optimism, are well liked and much sought after by that class of deep thinkers who always welcome anything that helps to encourage them, and keep them hopeful and cheerful, midst their troubles, disappointments and difficulties. **Catch the Optimistic Spirit which this remarkable Ring conveys, and no matter what your troubles and difficulties are, may be, they will soon pass away.** The Chaldiac Inscription on the Crest of this Ring, translated means "THIS SHALL ALSO PASS," and was worn, so we are told, by the Architect who designed King Solomon's Temple; because it helped to encourage him, and make him successful in his work. It is not surprising, therefore, that a High Grade Solid Gold Ring with the same Inscription upon it should be much sought after today, and worn for the same reason that King Solomon's Architect wore it.

Worn By Ladies And Gentlemen. This Remarkable Ring, with an Ancient Chaldiac Inscription on its Crest, is well liked and greatly appreciated by both Men and Women, who like the Architect of King Solomon's Temple, greatly desire something which will be a Daily and Constant reminder to its wearer that no matter what their troubles and difficulties may be, they will soon pass away.

King Solomon Optimistic Ring Furnished In 10 Kt. Solid Gold And Sterling Silver

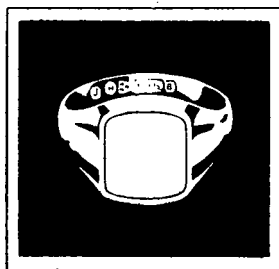
Furnished In Two Handsome Styles. The King Solomon Optimistic Ring is furnished in Two Handsome Styles for Ladies and Gentlemen, as follows: Style A, is a Medium Weight Handsomely Embossed, Sterling Silver Ring. Style B, is a Medium Weight, Handsomely Embossed 10 Karat Solid Gold Ring. **See Order Numbers Below.**

ORDER No. 511. King Solomon Optimistic Ring. Style A, Medium Weight for Lady or Gentleman, Sterling Silver. Price: \$25.00 plus tax and postage.

ORDER No. 512. King Solomon Optimistic Ring. Style B, Medium Weight for Lady or Gentleman, 10 Karat Solid Gold. Price: \$40.00 plus tax and postage.



DeLAURENCE'S



"SECRET PANEL" SIGNET RING

Keep Your Private Business To Yourself.

DeLaurence's "*SECRET PANEL*" signet allows you to have a ring engraved with DeLaurence's own private special symbols, yet appear to all eyes as just an initial signet ring. This is possible because the engraving plate of this ring can be rotated with the finger. On one side of the plate you have your own private, secret occult signs and symbols; on the other, your initials or any other design you wish.

The rotating plate fits snugly in the top of the ring, but turns with the smooth firmness of fine jewelry. It can be turned by exerting pressure with the nail on either side of the plate, when it will turn on it's vertical axis.

Here you have the solution to the problem of wearing a signet with occult significance without arousing the difficult to satisfy curiosity of others. You can have anything you wish engraved on either side of the plate, but if you will explain what you want, DeLaurence will furnish you the ring engraved on one side with the personal secret mystic symbols, and on the other with initials or any other design.

The "*SECRET PANEL*" signet itself is the best fine continental jewelry. It is fashioned of fine 14 karat yellow gold, hallmarked and beautifully polished. The engraving will be masterfully done. With your order, indicate the nature of your problem and what you want engraved on both sides of the secret panel. Be sure to send along your finger size.

KEY NO. 519. "*SECRET PANEL*" signet. Price, \$50.00 plus tax.

Imported from England

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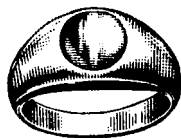


EYE"

RING

Powerful, alert, intelligent, a magnificent fighter – do not these words suggest, at least to some extent, the tremendous qualities of the tiger? So, too, does the tiger eye stone shockingly suggest the yellow, baleful orbs of that beautiful animal.

DeLaurence's genuine tiger eye ring is made exclusively and on individual order only. The stone is cut for DeLaurence in the attractive convex cabochon style, polished but not faceted. It is mounted in a heavy solid genuine 10 karat yellow gold "gypsy" ring that shows its quality and value at a glance. The "TIGER EYE" stone itself is 8 mm in diameter (about 5/8").



Remember, this ring is custom cast on your order. It is hand polished. The stone is hand cut for DeLaurence and the two are mated by a master artisan. This is quality jewelry. Don't forget that the tiger is said not to withdraw until he has gotten what he wants. Let that be a lesson to you.

KEY NO. 513. "TIGER EYE" Gypsy Ring. Made to order. Please send size of finger with order. Price: \$50.00 plus tax.

THE DIAMOND

NATURE'S GREATEST TALISMAN

OCCULT VIRTUE ATTRIBUTED TO DIAMONDS

There is assuredly an Occult Virtue attributed to the genuine Diamond. This precious stone, precious and valued as a *Talisman* for success in undertakings, has no equal among the jewels of the world.



It has a deeper virtue than the *Ruby*, and it is impossible to find in Nature a greater *Talisman* than the genuine *Diamond*.

It is impossible for some to understand the great personal value of a Diamond, and few there are who have touched only the fringe of its mysterious influence and power.

We have written here much that is of meaning from the annals of old-world lore, and the reader who has gifts of discernment knows that the truth regarding the Occult Virtue of Diamonds has never been put in writing.

Many know also in what sense the virtue attributed to Diamonds may sometimes not be literally understood, but often—and much more often—in a Mystic and interior way.

This precious Jewel would not be a symbol if its meaning were not also symbolic.

All deep and advanced students of the Occult and Kabalistic schools of the far East, who have practiced Magic, know how certain planetary influences have placed the Diamond, which is the gem par excellence,

under the presidency of Mars.

The Diamond is held to be the chief symbol of success and love in the world of Jewels. The Diamond also signifies innocence, constancy, fidelity, and, in the higher language of the virtues, it has been held, by many, to represent the absolute degrees of purity and strength, thereby becoming at once the world's greatest Luck Stone and Talisman for success. Its place among the precious stones mentioned in biblical record is sufficiently indicated by the fact that the High Priest Aaron wore a Diamond on his finger and divined thereby and therein. In plain words Bible records show that by the wearing of a Diamond Ring Aaron was able to see clairvoyantly and read in the Astral Light.

Contemporary French Occultism—which too often extends the circle of the secret sciences in the art of describing—has discovered that the Diamond is the Symbol and Talisman of the Magi, and the Sage; who has stripped off all passion and lives in the absolute of complete intellectuality. The Diamond, which is the par excellence, and gem of precious jewels without doubt confers success, peace and serenity upon the owner thereof.

When worn in a Solid Gold Ring upon the left hand, it protects one against enemies and evil influences, paralyzing their endeavors and bringing their snares to nothing, so it is said. It has, so it is believed, the same virtue in respect to failure in one's undertakings.

Because it renders those who wear it faithful to their engagements, there was a time when it adorned the wedding ring in Italian and Oriental marriage, while on account of its virtue in love, the Diamond was held to secure felicity and faithfulness of wedded pairs.

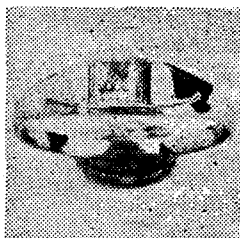
Its sudden intervention—perchance as a gift—was thought certain to heal conjugal ruptures, or quarrels between lovers, and husband and wife, and hence it was called the *Stone Of Reconciliation*. This in itself is testimony sufficient to constitute an inherent virtue for good in the Diamond—reconciliation by gifts having worked through this media from time immemorial. The long list of Occult virtues, hidden properties, influences, powers and graces of the Diamond might be continued indefinitely.

In the Psychic order of things, so it is claimed, the Diamond helps to the development of spirit and astral sight, dissolves enchantments, drives off evil spirits and were-wolves, as well as incubi and succubi, endows the understanding with lucidity, stills remorse—supposing that repentance has preceded—and in fine gives strength and courage.

In the medical order, it tends to help mental troubles and wards off the ravages of insomnia and nervousness. Many who are well learned in the lore of precious gems have affirmed that the Diamond gives eloquence and renown, and has the power to deliver the possessed from the ravages of obsession. That there are many virtues attributed to the Diamond is apparent, as it is said to possess higher virtues and to drive away evil thoughts, promote chastity, attract the favor of the great, repel sorceries and witchcraft, and to banish sadness of spirit.



DeLaurence's DIAMONDS



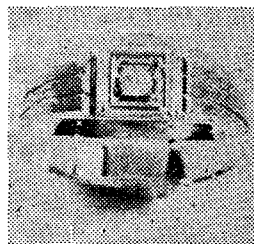
The NEW "MAGIC QUEEN" For Women

Showy, glittering, genuine diamond, in a stunning 10 karat genuine solid yellow gold mounting – this for \$27.50, including tax. You can be proud of this ring with its shining 3 point diamond. Everyone interested in the mystic arts seems to want a diamond. The new "Magic Queen" makes one available to every woman.

KEY NO. 525. The new "MAGIC QUEEN" Diamond Ring. Price: \$27.50 including tax, but plus postage. (Foreign prices, including packing for export and postage by first class registered mail: £12/10/0. In British Caribbean currency: \$52. About 13,000 francs.)

THE "MASTER" For Men

Burly and masculine describes the MASTER DIAMOND RING for men. The mounting is the latest he-man style in 10 karat solid yellow gold; the diamond, 10 points, good color, sparkling and showy.



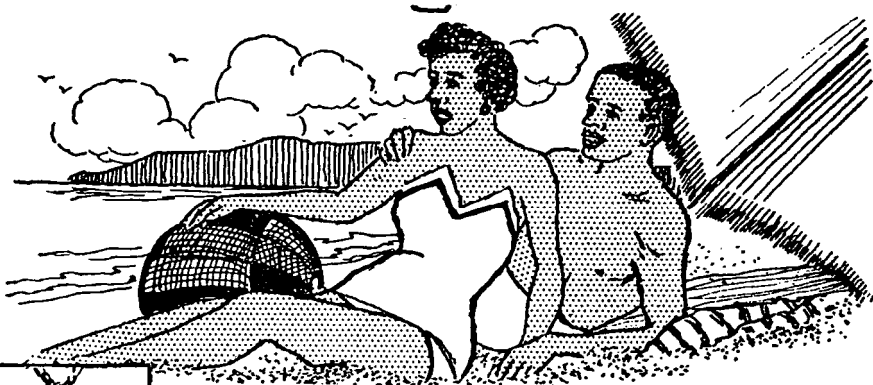
KEY NO. 538. The "MASTER" Diamond Ring. Price: \$55.00 including tax, plus postage. (Foreign prices, including packing for export and postage by first class registered mail: £25. In British Caribbean currency: \$102.00. About 25,000 francs.)



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"Love, Love, Love!"

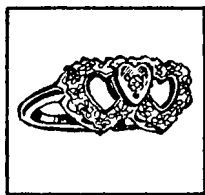
Proclaim your love to all the world with your **LOVERS' MEDALS**. Wear them proudly for everyone to see. Symbol of electric attraction and fiery love, DeLaurence's **LOVERS' MEDAL** proves you cherish the one and only person in the world for you. You could not find more beautiful jewellery than this satin-finished 12 karat yellow gold filled medal and gold filled chain.

KEY NO. 529. DeLaurence's **LOVERS' MEDAL**. Prices: U.S.: \$5.50.



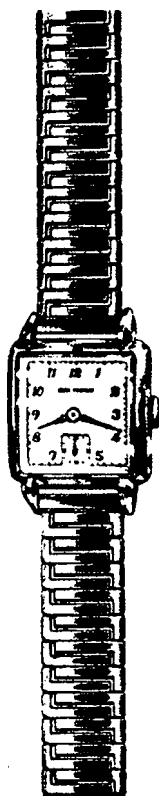
Give your marriage partner the protection of this beautiful sterling silver medal which carries the symbols of everlasting love. The Alpha and the Omega denote the beginning and end of life; the triangle signifies unity and the Holy Trinity while the dove is the emblem of love. The Crown of Life and the joined hands complete the design. Wonderful for birthdays and anniversaries for men and women. Sterling silver neckchain included.

KEY NO. 530. DeLaurence's **MARRIAGE MEDAL**. Prices: U.S.: \$6.60.



Is your heart full of love? Attract your beloved with a sparkling diamond and let it speak for you. It will tell her she is infinitely precious to you. Fashioned of solid 10 kt. yellow and white gold, the loving hearts are entwined about the brilliant diamond — as your hearts are entwined about your love.

KEY NO. 531. DeLaurence's **LOVER'S RING**. Prices: U.S.: \$16.50.



Do YOU Believe

DIVINE POWER CAN PROTECT?

Wear A

"LAMB OF JESUS GUARD WATCH"

Day and Night -- And Be Sure.

"GUARD" WATCHES for men and women - WEAR THEM DAY AND NIGHT, with the sacred symbols next to your skin! DeLaurence's "GUARD" wrist watches are elaborately engraved on the back plates with the sacred image of the LAMB OF JESUS WITH THE CROSS AND HALO, for so many hundreds of years the sign of our dear watchful, protecting Lord. How many troubled souls have drawn fatherly protection and reassurance from this symbol it is impossible to say, but it is comforting to think of the shielding power of the LAMB OF JESUS so intimately associated with one's person. The design is reassuring just to look at, and to most of us it comes rapidly to mean the loving kindness and protecting goodness of our Lord. The hand engraving faithfully follows the most ancient design developed in the early days of Christianity. This work is done by masters of the art and enhances the value of the watch immeasurably. A personal projection of the basic idea may be achieved by having us engrave the words "Dear Lord, please protect (your name, or any other) from all harm," around the design.

HAND ENGRAVED "LAMB OF JESUS"

Your wrist watch will be hand engraved, each watch on special order, with the sign of Jesus shown at the right. This includes the staff and halo. Around this design we will engrave the words: "Dear Lord, please protect (your name, or any other, here) from all harm." Suggestions for the care of the watch, and for prayer, come with it. Your wrist watch comes to you in a beautiful gift box, in which you can keep it if you do not wear it for any reason. Together watch and box make a magnificent present for any loved one.



GENTLEMEN'S "GUARD" WRIST WATCH

Bold, masculine design, high in quality. Full raised gold figure dial. 10½ ligne movement and 10K rolled yellow gold plate case. Stainless steel back. Handsome expansion wrist band.

KEY NO. 733. Gentleman's "GUARD" Wrist Watch. Price, including Federal Excise Tax: \$39.75, plus postage.

LADIES' "GUARD" WRIST WATCH

(Not Illustrated)

Attractive dress watch for a lady, latest chic design. In 10K yellow rolled gold plate, with stainless steel back.

KEY NO. 734. Lady's "GUARD" Wrist Watch. Prices the same as for the gentleman's watch.

BE SURE TO STATE NAME YOU WANT ENGRAVED ON BACK OF WATCH

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JUJU JADE RING

Set with Genuine Jade
and Diamonds FOR THE
WOMAN WHO'LL
TAKE A CHANCE



Jade has been the ageless symbol of venturesome and intrepid women since the time of Cleopatra, the princesses of the Persian gardens and the ancient palaces of China. Its clear green colour reflects the fathomless depths of womanhood — always mysterious to men. Beautiful women have worn jade as a good luck talisman for love, gambling or for whatever their fancy yearned.

Do you know what to-morrow will bring? Safeguard yourself in every way and don't be without this beautiful lucky talisman ring set with a genuine juju jade stone and flanked by real diamonds on either side. The mounting is the latest style 10 kt. yellow gold. This is a really beautiful ring for a lucky, lucky girl.

KEY NO. 532. DeLaurence's JUJU JADE RING. Prices: U.S.: \$38.50 including tax.

THREE HEADED TALISMAN SNAKE RING

Constructed Of Gold And Precious Stones

"He that weareth a Snake Ring about him, shall be helped in every need or necessity."—*Ancient MSS.*

THE GREAT WORD OF LIFE

Ordeal is the great word of life, and life itself is a SERPENT which brings forth and devours unceasingly. Men and women must escape from its folds; they must set their foot upon its head. DE LAURENCE, the Adept, has duplicated the *Serpent*, setting it against itself, and, in an external equilibrium, he converted the Serpent into a *Three Headed Snake Talisman Ring*.

SACRED RING OF THE MAGI

The Ring Of Strength



The extraordinary interest which has recently been taken in *The Sacred Ring of the Magi*, by advanced Occult Students, has become very manifest. Flushed with their success, derived from wearing *Talismans*, which they believe infallible, many are today taking advantage of the opportunity offered here to secure one of these *Three Headed Snake Rings*; for the very same is constructed of VIRGIN GOLD AND PRECIOUS STONES and is known as "*The Ring of Strength*." Indeed, there are many who have tested the worth of *Talismans*, and believe there is great *Occult Virtue* in a *Three Headed Snake Ring* when it is made of Gold and mounted with Precious Stones. Their appreciation and belief in *Talismanic Operations* are on a par with the unlimited faith of the ancients in these mysterious agents from the laboratory of nature, as they are said to be, by those writers of *Ancient Manuscripts* treating upon the subject of *Talismanic Magic*.

The writings of the ancients are filled with the various effects and descriptions of *Talismanic Snake Rings*, many of which were formed of the most costly materials; as of Gold, Diamonds, and other precious stones.

He who reads carefully what is written here, regarding this famous *Three Headed Snake Talisman Ring of India and Egypt*, will receive an accurate description of this most esteemed *Talisman*, which *Ancient Manuscripts* treat of, and also learn a Legend of the Marvellous Efficacy which Tradition relates regarding it.

OCCULT VIRTUE ATTRIBUTED TO A SNAKE RING

The Ancients, who were extremely fond of Divination, were wont to place great confidence and belief in the *Occult Virtue* of a "*Three Headed Snake Ring*"; but the very same must be constructed purely of Gold and Precious Stones of very great value. Those Ancients who believed in *Clairvoyance* and *Divination* well knew that results depended upon the unfettered agency of the human mind and will, or intent to know or foresee "*any difficult or hidden thing*."

The Sacred Ring of the Magi is said to inherit a Virtue from the Snake, after which it was designed and, on this account, is believed to act as a *Charm against* evil spirits and witchcraft. It is also said to be of marvelous efficacy for men to wear while seeking employment. The latter Virtue is also mentioned by many writers of the eighteenth century. Again, let this Sacred Ring be worn on the third finger of the left hand and no enemy or foe shall overcome the wearer, so it is said. This Ring being worn is said to protect the wearer against all invisible beings. Indeed, there are many who deem it infallible, for in an *Ancient Manuscript* it is written that—"He that weareth a Snake Ring about him, shall be helped in every need or necessity."

De Laurence's Exquisite Natural Gold Three Headed Talisman Snake Ring Mounted With Diamonds And Other Precious Stones



Symbol of "Power" and "Good Fortune"

The three-headed snake ring is a world-renowned symbol of the benign smile of Fortune. The idea of the projection of a "lucky" condition of life in the form of a snake has an ancient and honorable origin; a group of three snakes is a reflection of the esteem in which the powers of the numeral "3" are held.

Set With Your Birthstone

Since one's birthstone is accepted as having a close association with one's being fortunate in a wordly way, De Laurence combines the "fortunate" snake and the "fortunate" birthstone in one beautiful ring.

Flashing Jewelry

De Laurence's Snake Rings are specially made on order, of bright scintillating, hard 10 karat yellow gold. These rings shine and sparkle with myriad "lights." You will be proud to wear one. All birthstones are approximately one-eighth carat in size and are imitations called "doublets" or "synthetics" expertly cut and having dazzling "lights." We list the available "birthstones":

January Garnet
February Amethyst
March Bloodstone
April Crystal
May Emerald
June Pearl

July Ruby
August Sardonyx
September Sapphire
October Opal
November Topaz
December Turquoise

The Diamond is much liked by everyone and is acceptable as the birthstone for April, too, but because of its cost we have listed it separately.

This Talisman Ring, so the Ancients claim, was said to prove of Great and Surprising Efficacy in the way of acquiring Powerful Friends, and overcoming the Evils of life. "Wear it about thee, and fear no man; for thou will be Successful and as Invincible as Achilles." So sayeth a certain old manuscript of the Eleventh Century.

How to Order De Laurence's Snake Ring

NOTE. If you order this ring you will receive a Strictly High Grade Hand Made Ring. As this ring will be made to your order, be sure and send the exact size of your finger. To determine this take a piece of writing paper about one 16th of an inch wide and fit it around your finger. Be sure and pin the piece of writing paper to your order.

Be sure and send the size of your finger, and if it is over size 8 send \$2.00

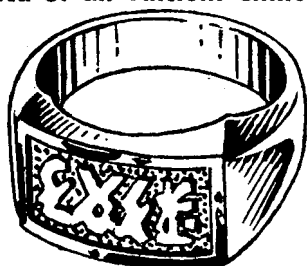
EXTRA; because there is an Extra charge for having rings made over size 8. Also send 25 CENTS EXTRA so your package can go forward by Registered or Insured Mail.

STOCK NO. 555. De Laurence's Snake Ring made specially on order of 10 karat natural gold and set with three "birthstones" as selected from the list given above. When you order, be sure to give your birthday because a general "Life Reading" is sent with every ring. Also indicate the "birthstones" with which you wish your ring set. Be sure to send your ring size and your order. Price: \$50.00 plus tax and postage.

STOCK NO. 556. Diamond-set Snake Ring. De Laurence's Snake Ring made specially on order of 10 Karat natural gold and set with three genuine diamonds approximately one-eighth karat in size each, of good color and cut. Price: \$250.00 plus Federal Excise Tax.

CHINESE GOOD LUCK RING

Faithful Replica of an Ancient Chinese Talisman



Chinese Good Luck Ring

Shown here is an exact reproduction of the Original Chinese Good Luck Ring. This curious Ring is said to be a relic of Asiatic Antiquity. It is around this Ring that Ancient Chinese Legend weaves the age-old history of unfailing Good Luck.



"FORTUNATE CHARM"

The characters engraved on this ring are Chinese ideograms signifying "Fortunate Charm". In this form the ring has world wide acceptance and is almost a classic example of the ring thought of, in itself, as somehow the representation, the agent, or the physical manifestation of the supernatural powers that, it is believed, control the fortunes of each one of us. Although nothing is known definitely about this design, it is probably of ancient origin, directly derivative of early Chinese mysticism.

FINE CRAFTSMANSHIP

De Laurence has the Chinese Good Luck Signet Ring made specially in Great Britain by expert craftsmen. You will admire the smooth look and high polish of this strange signet and you will be proud to wear it. The engraving is so well defined that it will attract attention and provoke conversation. DeLaurence makes this ring available to you in solid 9 karat yellow gold and in sterling silver. Please do not fail to send your finger size with your order.

KEY NO. 520. The "Chinese Good Luck Ring" in sterling silver.

Price: \$15.00 plus tax and postage.

KEY NO. 521. The "Chinese Good Luck Ring" in 9 karat solid yellow gold.

Price: \$25.00 plus tax and postage.

DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS
FOR THE MYSTIC

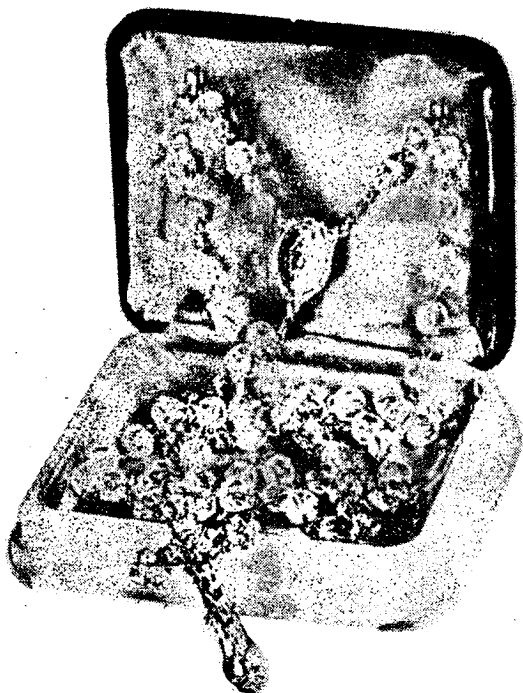
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RESEARCH EQUIPMENT
FOR THE PSYCHIC

OVERCOME YOUR TROUBLES!

PRAY TO OUR VIRGIN MOTHER FOR THE POWER OF GRACE

OTHERS HAVE: Peaceful Homes;
Happy Marriages; Love; Healthy
Children; Good Health; Prosperity!
WHY SHOULDN'T YOU?



PRAY TO THE VIRGIN MOTHER

The Rosary is an intimate form of devotion to the Holy Virgin Mother Mary. No one need know the nature of your prayers. They are divided into fifteen "decades" of Ave Marias, each of which is preceded with a Pater Noster and ended with a Gloria Patri. DeLaurence's shining "crystal" PRAYER ROSARY follows the ancient holy form of fifty beads, medallion, and crucifix.

ALL ROSARY PRAYERS INCLUDED

DeLaurence's Booklet of Rosary Instructions comes with every ROSARY PRAYER and tells you how to use it. You are given all the prayers there are to say. If you say your rosary faithfully you will feel sure the loving care of the Holy Virgin Mother Mary will go with you everywhere.

SAY YOUR "BEADS" DAILY

For regular worship one could wish for no more beautiful "beads" than DeLaurence's PRAYER ROSARY. It is a loop of chain-connected "crystal" beads united by a medallion of our Lord. The solid sterling silver crucifix is suspended from the medallion by five chain-connected beads. It is a beautiful instrument of devotion.

KEY NO. 518. DeLaurence's "Crystal" Rosary. Price: U.S.: \$7.50.
All prices plus post.

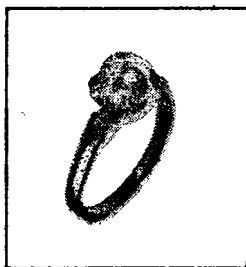
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DeLaurence's

"VENUS" PEARL Ring



**IMPORTANT to women -
especially those born under
the "WATERY SIGNS"**

Conceived in the cool green depths of the sea, the pearl is associated with Venus, goddess of love, beautiful daughter of the briny deep. The pearl is her gem and the precious ornament of all women.

Precious since time out of mind has been the pearl, emblem of majesty, gift imperial of the greatest potentates, and talisman of all people. Coming at first only from India and Persia, the pearl brought to the West a wealth of mystic associations and these have given it an aura of mystery it bears to this day. To the woman in love, longing for love, or the woman beloved, the pearl is the paramount talisman gem.

deLaurence's "VENUS" ring is set with a genuine cultured pearl, carefully selected for color and firmly mounted in chic ten karat yellow gold.

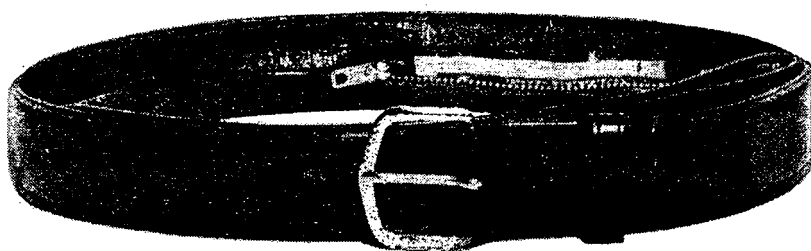
KEY NO. 539. deLaurence's "VENUS" Pearl Ring. Price: U.S.: \$22.00 including tax.
All prices plus post.

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FOR THE PSYCHIC

DeLaurence's



'MASTER'S' BELT with SECRET POCKET

Carry valuable things and money with you at all times without fear, safe from theft and prying eyes. DeLaurence's "MASTER'S" Secret Pocket Belt is fitted on the inside with two zippered pockets, each 7" (18 mm) long – large enough to carry a great deal of money, coins, jewelry, religious medals, charms, talismans, or any other small precious articles.

The "MASTER'S" Secret Pocket Belt is a beautiful piece of leather craftsmanship. It is made of first class black calfskin and has a silver colored buckle. The zippered pockets are cleverly set into the belt, but sewed very flat, so that no discomfort will result from wearing the belt. Suitable for wear by both men and women, the belt is 1¼" (3 cm) wide, and comes in sizes ranging from 30 to 40.

A secret pocket in a dress belt like this is a very rare thing indeed, and it is the least likely place that a robber would look for money or valuables.

Special Seal of the "Four Treasures"

DeLaurence will send you with your belt the special seal, obtainable in no other way, made especially for this belt: the seal of the FOUR TREASURES: Love, Money, Success, and Health. You will find the seal in one of the zippered pockets when you receive your belt. Keep it there, and may the FOUR TREASURES always be yours!

KEY NO. 833. DeLaurence's "MASTER'S" Secret Pocket Belt. Available in sizes 30, 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40. Please state size wanted. Price: U.S.: \$7.50. (plus taxes)
All prices plus post.



Use
DeLaurence's

ATTAR of ROSES

in a genuine
**EGYPTIAN
PERFUME
RING**

ATTAR OF ROSES

Mohammed, it is said, was so preoccupied with scent, that the enjoyment of perfume was one of his three great pleasures. Many centuries before his time, in fact as far back as the Fourth Dynasty, Egyptians are known to have used perfume in abundance. Perhaps the reason rose scent has been so popular is that it is widely held that thoughts of love are stimulated in affectionate and voluptuous persons by its full rich bouquet. deLAURENCE'S "Attar of Roses" is an exceptionally fine quality rose speciality — pungent and lasting.

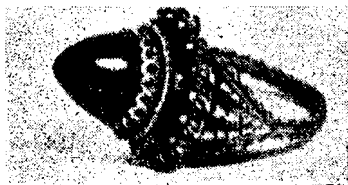


EGYPTIAN PERFUME RING

Modeled after the poison rings of the Renaissance, deLaurence's handsome Perfume Ring comes from Cairo in Egypt. It is made of dark 80% silver metal, mounted with a cabochon-cut red stone. The stone is set on the hinged cover of a small receptacle in which one may put a small bit of cotton saturated with perfume. Instructions accompany each ring.

KEY NO. 812. deLaurence's Rose Perfume Set, consisting of one dram bottle of Attar of Roses and an Egyptian Perfume Ring. Please send size of finger. Price: U.S.: \$7.15, including tax.

All prices plus post.



KEY NO. 813. deLaurence's Attar of Roses. One dram size bottle, without ring. Price: U.S.: \$2.75 including tax.

All prices plus post.

KEY NO. 548. deLaurence's Egyptian Perfume Ring, without perfume. Price: U.S.: \$4.95 including tax. All prices plus post. Please send size of finger with order.

ASTROLOGY

A General Astrological Life Reading WITH ORDERS FOR A ZODIAC TALISMAN RING

What Does The Future Hold For You? If you are interested, and would like to know what the future holds for you, according to the Sign of the Zodiac under which you were born; or if you are thinking of making any change in your Business Affairs; or if your Social or Married Life is not exactly as you would like it, we feel certain that you would be greatly benefited by receiving a General Astrological Life Readings which we send with every order for one of the Fine Solid Gold Zodiac Rings, shown on the next pages. It is a duty you owe yourself to obtain all the knowledge regarding yourself that is possible so that you can make the most of your opportunities. These Life Readings, which are sent WITH AN ORDER FOR A SOLID GOLD ZODIAC RING, gives you a wonderful lot of knowledge regarding yourself according to the Sign of the Zodiac under which you were born.

Confident Some Days, And Despondent Others. Astrology, so it is claimed by the professors of this science, gives enlightenment and Fore-warnings regarding the Good and Evil Periods in one's life and affairs. Did you ever wonder why you feel so energetic and confident on certain days and so despondent and discouraged on others? Astrology teaches you a great deal regarding this matter; for it is claimed that when the Planets, which rule the Sign of the Zodiac under which you were born, that is, your Birth Sign are in favorable aspects you feel full of confidence and possessed of unusual ability; but when their aspect is not favorable you feel discouraged. According to the Ancients whom history informs us were wise old Astrologers, and the Geocentric Ephemerides, that is, the Tables of the Planets compiled and issued by the famous Raphael of London, the Planets have a powerful effect upon the human body.

FORTUNATE AND UNFORTUNATE SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC



Fortunate Signs Of The Zodiac



Unfortunate Signs Of The Zodiac

The Fortunate Signs of the Zodiac are: Jupiter, Sun, Venus, Mercury, and the Moon. The Unfortunate Planets or Signs of the Zodiac are: Saturn and Mars.

With respect to the foregoing Traditions, it must be well remembered that to be born under a Fortunate Planet, and also under a Fortunate Sign, termed by the old Hindu Astrologers, "The Top Or Goodly Heights Of Fortune," Symbolical, as it is said, of "Riches, Money, Power, and divers Happiness, a life of pleasure, fortune and long in duration."

To be born under an Unfortunate Planet, and also under an Unfortunate Sign, is what they termed "the evil demon of life," denoting "a fate or fortune of poverty, alms-craving, wretchedness, woe, and but of few years."

Also to be born under a Fortunate Planet and an Unfortunate Sign, denotes as they say, "a full mean, or mixed fortune, now good, now ill, now buoyant upon Fate's most lucky pinions, now cast down and destitute of fellowship; fortune's foot-ball, and also her favorite as the Stars may decree in their course; of whom, know, O man! thou art the subject, not the ruler."

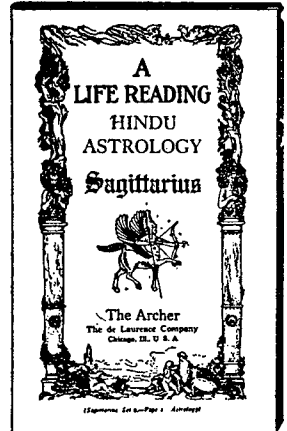
Understand the same of the rest. There is much of interest in these traditions, and one will perceive this by obtaining a Life Reading for himself or his friends. Both the Fortunate and the Unfortunate Signs of the Zodiac are shown engraved upon the Black Plates above.

"Bad Luck" And "Good Luck." When the Planets, as shown above, are favorable, it would be, as a matter of fact, much easier to secure a position or succeed in any undertaking, than when they were unfavorable; for it is then that everything seems to "go against you." This you call "bad luck," but if you had a better understanding of Astrology you would very soon conclude that there was no such a thing as "bad luck," and "good luck." You would then know that everything is based upon God's Laws, and that God's laws are immutable laws.

Consults Astrology. There are many people who believe so thoroughly in Astrology that they obtain a Life Reading or consult the Astrologer on all important matters such as Business, Travel, Marriage, Choosing a profession, entering a New Enterprise or assuming New Responsibilities of any kind. They believe that an Astrological Reading will fore-cast, and give them knowledge which is beyond the power of the ordinary mind to gain in any other way. For it is true that A General Life Reading gives accurate knowledge of your ability, talents and character. In consideration of this, A Reading will be of benefit before entering in a new line of business or making any important change.

Mistakes You Could Have Avoided. Lots of people fail no matter what line of human endeavor they enter, until they, by chance, sometimes enter into their true vocation when they meet with great success. A little knowledge and consideration on your part regarding anything that you are going to do, may be the means of saving you financial loss an unhappy future or an unhappy marriage. Astrology teaches, that if you act when the Planets are in an unfavorable aspect you will not be able to use your best judgment thus making mistakes which you realize later you could have avoided. Astrology enables you many times to take advantage of present and future opportunities. It enables you

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A LIFE READING With Every Order For A Birthday Ring

ASTROLOGY

Which One of These Signs Were You Born Under?

The Three Signs Of The Zodiac. There are Three Signs of the Zodiac to each of the Four Elements, viz.: The Positive or Head Sign, the Centre or Equatorial Sign, and the Negative Sign; just as there is a Positive or Repellent Pole, an Equatorial Centre, and a Negative or Attractive Pole to the earth. Thus—

POSITIVE POLE

Fire, Aries,
Earth, Taurus,
Air, Gemini,
Water, Cancer.

EQUATORIAL POLE

Fire, Leo,
Earth, Virgo,
Air, Libra,
Water, Scorpio.

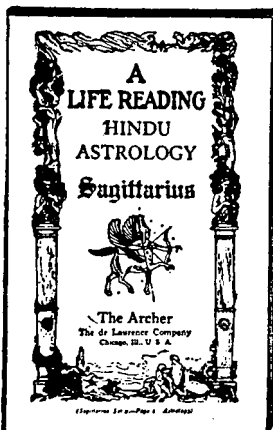
NEGATIVE POLE

Fire, Sagittarius,
Earth, Capricornus,
Air, Aquarius,
Water, Pisces.

The Positive Signs. The Positive Signs of the Four Elements follow each other, beginning with Fire and going through successively Earth, Air and Water. These Positive Poles, Aries, Taurus, Gemini and Cancer are Repellent, Aggressive, Assertive and Masterful and are apt to repel each other, and sometimes—not always—the Middle Signs, but strongly attract the Negative Poles. Then come the Equatorial or Middle Signs—Leo, Virgo, Libra and Scorpio, always in the order of the elements. These are Fortunate Signs in that they attract both poles equally and each other. Last are the Negative Signs,—Sagittarius, Capricornus, Aquarius and Pisces, beginning with Fire and ending with Water. These are the Attractive Poles—very much so to the Positive Poles and in a slightly lesser degree to the Middle Signs.

A person Born Between March 21st and April 20th Has a Fiery Temper. For instance a person born between March 21 and April 20 comes under the sign called Aries, named so because the group of stars resemble the outline of a ram, is born in the Head Sign of the Fire element, and partakes strongly of its fiery character.

Why You Are Attracted To Some People. In this way the Astrologer can account for the unreasoning antipathies, or as unaccountable attractions, which man feels for his fellow man. Just as fire and water are natural foes—so Fire People and Water People would find it hard to agree. Air and Fire are good friends—and Earth and Air, if Air does not soar too high for Earth to follow. Earth and Water sometimes make a paradise, sometimes a hell. Air stirs Water into great commotion, generally to the achievement of much higher aims. Like signs are almost invariably congenial except in cases where two head signs each strive to rule the other, such as two people born under Taurus—each insisting on advising the other. Some people—those who have studied Will Power and Self-Control, have so conquered their faults and tempers as to be lifted above this strife of elements, and so enabled to become equally attractive to all. But the ordinary mortal is still in elemental chaos—or in process of conquest only—and to such whether a person is naturally congenial or not means everything as far as peace and happiness are concerned. Again, many people do not know at all, or at best only faintly guess at their inner natures and constitutional faults; and to them a knowledge of their characteristic element, or elemental faults, by getting a LIFE READING would be of inestimable value. Forewarned is forearmed, and to know one's faults is to be well along in the battle of conquering them.

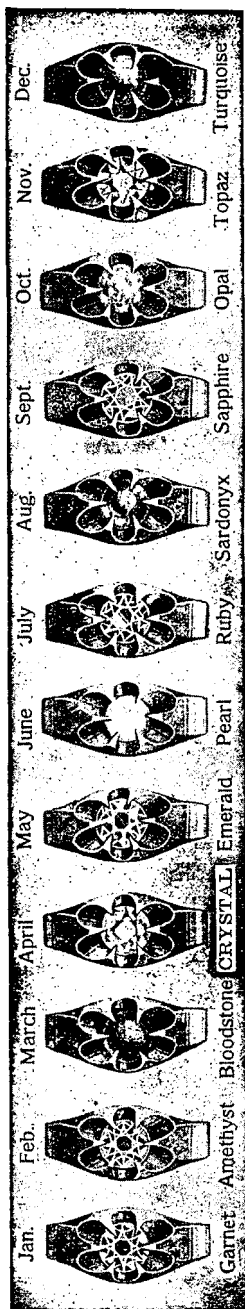


GENERAL LIFE READING It Is Now Sent

To Every Customer Who Sends An Order For A Solid Gold Birthday Ring.

How To Get A General Astrological Life Reading Free. We understand that there are a great many people who believe in Astrology and would like to obtain A General Astrological Life Reading, according to the Date of their Birth and the Sign of the Zodiac under which they were born; therefore, we will send A Life Reading to any one who sends us an order for one of the Solid Gold Talisman Rings shown on the following pages. Now, if you are interested, and wish A General Astrological Life Reading, send us an order for a Birthday Ring, GIVING THE SIZE OF YOUR FINGER AND THE DATE OF YOUR

NEXT BIRTHDAY, and you will receive the Reading with our compliments. Be sure, however, and send the size of your finger and the date of your next birthday. (See Next Page.)



Gentlemen's Belcher
Birthday Rings. Style A.

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S SOLID GOLD BIRTHDAY RINGS

**GENERAL LIFE READING
IS NOW SENT AS A**

**WITH EVERY ORDER
FOR LADIES' OR GENTS'
SOLID GOLD BIRTHDAY RING**

See Order Numbers Below

SOLID GOLD BIRTHDAY RINGS

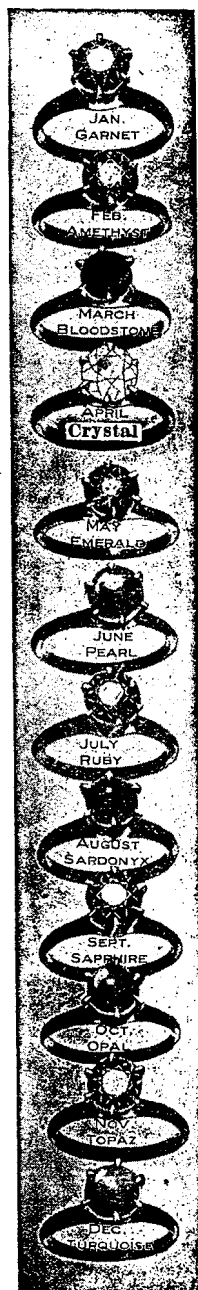
Finest Quality. These Ladies' and Gentlemen's Handsome 10 Kt. Solid Gold Birthday Rings are all set with fine Stones according to the Month of your Birth. The Opal, the Bloodstone, the Agate, the Sardonyx, and the Moonstone are Genuine. The Handsome Ruby, the Fine Emerald, the Perfect Cut Amethyst, the Blue Sapphire, the Oriental Yellow Topaz, and the Beautiful Garnet are all Imported Doublets of the finest quality, while the Pearl with its Beautiful Satin Sheen and Hue, as well as the Blue Turquoise are the finest of their kind ever sold. In fact these Gems are almost unequalled in beauty.

GENERAL LIFE READING

With Ring Orders

WHATS YOUR BIRTHSTONE?

Find Out What Your Birthstone Is. The month you are born in determines it. If Born In January its a Garnet; if February its an Amethyst; if March its a Bloodstone; if April its a Moonstone; if May its an Emerald; if June its a Pearl; if July its a Ruby; if August its a Sardonyx; if September its a Sapphire; if October its an Opal; if November its a Topaz; if December its a Turquoise. **WITH EVERY ORDER FOR A LADIES' OR A GENTLEMEN'S BIRTHDAY RING WE WILL SEND FREE A GENERAL ASTROLOGICAL LIFE READING. See Order Numbers Below.**



Ladies' Heavy Tiffany
Birthday Rings. Style F.

Gentlemen's Birthday Ring With Belcher Mounting, Style A.

ORDER No. 550. Style A. If you wish one of the Gentlemen's Solid Gold Belcher Birthday Rings, shown above at the left, under Style A, set with a Beautiful Large Stone to designate the Month in which you were born, send the date of your next Birthday and the size of your finger, and we will send you, **a General Astrological Life Reading.** \$50.00 plus tax and postage.

Ladies' Heavy Tiffany Mounting Birthday Ring, Style F.

ORDER No. 551. Style F. If you wish one of the Ladies' Solid Gold Heavy Tiffany Mounting Birthday Rings, like Style F, shown above, set with a Large Handsome Stone, to designate the Month in which you were born, send the date of your next Birthday and the size of your finger, and we will send you, **a General Astrological Life Reading.** \$40.00 plus tax and postage.

ZODIAC TALISMAN RINGS

The Signs Of The Zodiac
ENGRAVED BY A MASTER
On These Rings For Ladies And Gentlemen
10 KARAT GOLD
FINEST TALISMAN
RINGS IN THE WORLD
FIND OUT WHAT YOUR
Lucky Zodiac Talisman Ring Is
The Date Of Your Birth Determines It

People Born BETWEEN The Following Dates

MARCH 21 And APRIL 20, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....ARIES.
APRIL 19 And MAY 20, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....TAURUS.
MAY 19 And JUNE 21, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....GEMINI.
JUNE 20 And JULY 21, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....CANCER.
JULY 20 And AUGUST 22, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....LEO.
AUGUST 21 And SEPTEMBER 21, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....VIRGO.
SEPTEMBER 20 And OCTOBER 22, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....LIBRA.
OCTOBER 21 And NOVEMBER 21, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....SCORPIO.
NOVEMBER 20 And DECEMBER 20, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....SAGITTARIUS.
DECEMBER 19 And JANUARY 21, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....CAPRICORNUS.
JANUARY 20 And FEBRUARY 19, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....AQUARIUS.
FEBRUARY 18 And MARCH 22, Come Under The Sign Of The ZODIAC.....PISCES.

Do You Believe In Astrology If So Look For Your General Life Reading

Zodiac Talisman Rings Hand Engraved By A Master. On the next pages are listed some of the finest as well as the most exclusive Zodiac Talisman Rings ever made. On each of these Rings there is engraved the different Sign of the Zodiac. There are Twelve of these Handsome Solid Gold Zodiac Talisman Rings. One for each month in the year. Your Sign under the Zodiac is determined by the date of your birth. In other words, if you were born between, October the 21st and November the 21st, your SIGN OF THE ZODIAC IS SCORPIO. As there are Twelve different months in the year so there are Twelve different Signs, and by looking over the following pages you will easily find your Birthday Zodiac Sign. All you have to do is to know the date of your next Birthday, and, as stated above, this determines your Zodiac Talisman Ring. **For further particulars see next pages.**

If you wish a **PARTIAL GENERAL LIFE READING, OR A SHORT DELINEATION OF YOUR CHARACTER,** according to the date of your birth which determines the Sign of the Zodiac under which you were born, you may obtain it as follows: If you were born on July 27th turn to the Zodiac Talisman Ring known as LEO, and above this Ring you will find printed From July 20th to August 22nd. As you were born between these two dates **YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING WILL BE LEO,** and this Sign of the Zodiac, which is a Lion, you will find Hand Engraved on your Zodiac Talisman Ring. Opposite the Ring you will find printed a **PARTIAL GENERAL LIFE READING** according to the date of your birth, providing you were born as stated, between July the 20th and August the 22nd.

Names Of Noted People Born Under This Sign. You will also find below the Ring printed the names and date of the birth of many noted people, who were born under this Sign.

To Illustrate Further. We believe from the above that it will be easy for any person who knows the date of their next Birthday, to find their **PARTIAL GENERAL LIFE READING** on the next pages.

However, to make the matter more plain, we will give another illustration. If you were born on September 27th turn to the Zodiac Talisman Ring known as LIBRA, and above this Ring you will find printed From September 20th to October 22nd. As you were born between these two dates **YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING WILL BE LIBRA,** and this Sign of the Zodiac, which is a Scale, you will find Hand Engraved on your Zodiac Talisman Ring. Opposite the Ring you will find printed a **PARTIAL GENERAL LIFE READING** according to the date of your birth, providing you were born as stated, between September the 20th and October the 22nd.

Names Of Noted People Born Under This Sign. You will also find below the Ring printed the names and date of the birth of many noted people, who were born under this Sign.

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FINE HAND ENGRAVED ZODIAC TALISMAN RINGS

High Grade Birthday Rings. These fine Rings are sold at a very low price considering their High Quality, Workmanship, Finish, and Engraving. A jeweler would charge as much as \$5.00 to Hand Engrave a Birthday Ring. This, of course, does not include the cost for a Solid Gold Ring. You understand, of course, that we must first have these Rings made from Solid Gold and to have the Sign of the Zodiac Hand Engraved on them. It should be understood, however, that the Hand Engraving of these Signs of The Zodiac cannot be done by an ordinary jeweler, or engraver. He must be an expert. When this work is done by a high priced specialist, that is, a real MASTER OF THE ENGRAVER'S ART the cost is very high. These are absolute facts and you are to understand, if you send an order, that you get the full value of your money in a High Grade Solid Gold Hand Engraved Ring. Our Prices are much lower than a jeweler would charge for Rings of this kind, if he were able to furnish them; which, of course, he cannot unless you give him a special order and it is likely that he would charge you no less than \$20.00 for one of the Solid Gold Hand Engraved Rings.

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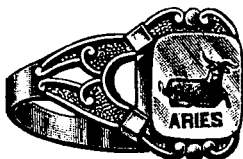
Astrological General Life Reading. With every order for one of the SOLID GOLD ZODIAC TALISMAN RINGS shown on the next pages, you receive A GENERAL ASTROLOGICAL LIFE READING. Just send your Ring Order, the Date of your Next Birthday, also the Size of your finger, and you will receive A GENERAL ASTROLOGICAL LIFE READING, showing the fortunate time in the year for you to undertake new enterprises, whom it might be best for you to marry, and other interesting and helpful information, besides several pages of instructive matter regarding Astrology and its relation to your affairs in life.

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES

March 21st And April 20th

YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS ARIES

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Aries Talisman Ring

ARIES. House Of The Ram. Aries is the Zodiacal House Of The Ram and rules the Head and Face. Brain workers are consequently typical of this Sign. Reason rules all persons born under Aries as it is the most Positive Sign of the Twelve Houses of the Zodiac. Persons born under its Influence must be Leaders, the brain being the most active part of their bodies. They have unbounded confidence in their own abilities when working out plans and difficulties are scorned, or even welcomed, for they are great thinkers; their brain is always busy; being the most active function of their body. Are lovers of Scientific Thought, Reason, Philosophy, and Educational Pursuits. They are independent characters, have their own ideas of right and wrong and are only to be controlled through reason. They love order, elegance and beauty; also music and dancing. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under ARIES. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

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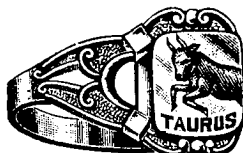
Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Frank Leslie, publisher, Born, March 29, 1921. De Wolf Hopper, actor, Born, March 30. Prince Bismarck, German general, Born, April 1, 1830. Thomas Jefferson, Ex. Pres. U. S., Born, April 2, 1743. Mary Pickford, actress, Born, April 5, 1893. Frank W. Woolworth, Pres. Woolworth Syndicate, Born, April 13, 1852. George M. N. Yost, inventor of typewriter, Born, April 15, 1831. J. Pierpont Morgan, financier, Born, April 17, 1837. Chas. M. Schwab, capitalist and promoter, Born, April 18, 1852.

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ORDER No. 560. ARIES. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or a gentleman \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES April 19th And May 20th YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS TAURUS

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Taurus Talisman Ring

TAURUS. House Of The Bull. Taurus is the Zodiacal House Of The Bull and typifies the Creative Forces of nature. The dominating characteristic of one born under it is their wonderful tenacity of purpose, which makes them staunch friends but determined enemies, and very unyielding and natural conquerors. They have strong mental and physical powers, are persistent students, are lovers of literary pursuits and inclined to be studious, determined, fearless, enthusiastic and unyielding in carrying out their ideas. Their temper is, under normal circumstances, not easily provoked but very tempestuous when aroused. They resent to the utmost any attempt to drive them against their inclinations. Their tenacity of purpose is accompanied by patience, so they accomplish their aims, although not always with due regard to cost. These people possess a great Power to Heal, and are helpful to those of a nervous temperament who lack the vitality which this type possesses in excess. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under TAURUS. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Nicholas II, Czar of Russia, Born, May 18, 1868. Sen. Chauncey M. Depew, R. R. Pres., Born, April 23, 1834. Gen. U. S. Grant, Ex. Pres. U. S., Born, April 27, 1822. Lieut. R. E. Peary, Arctic explorer, Born, May 6, 1856. Joseph G. Cannon, Ex. Speaker, House of Representatives, Born, May 7. Wm. H. Steward, Sec. under Lincoln, Born, May 16, 1801. Philip D. Armour, merchant and philanthropist, Born, May 16, 1872. Madame Nellie Melba, prima donna, Born, May 19, 1866.

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ORDER No. 561. TAURUS. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES May 19th And June 21st YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS GEMINI

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Gemini Talisman Ring

GEMINI. House Of The Twins. Gemini is the Zodiacal House Of The Twins and Rules the arms, shoulders and hands. Persons born under it are intellectual, and belong to the realm of Education, Art and Mechanics. They are loyal and faithful, helping their relations however undeserving. They possess keen judgment, quick wit, ability in artistic directions, and the faculty of acquiring knowledge without much apparent effort. Are likely to become great Lecturers and Speakers. These people should avoid all exciting scenes and will be greatly helped if they cultivate the habit of self-control. A person born under this Sign should make an effort to concentrate their mind and energies on one occupation with a determination to succeed. They are sociable but some times ill at ease in club or assembly life. It would

be to their advantage to associate with persons of calm, self-contained habits, as this will help them to manifest their inward powers. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under GEMINI. A Full General Life Reading covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

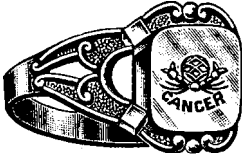
Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. King George V. of England, Born, June 3, 1865. Conan Doyle, author, Born, May 22, 1859. Richard Wagner, musical composer, Born, May 22, 1813. Queen Victoria, English Queen, Born, May 24, 1819. Ralph Waldo Emerson, poet and philosopher, Born, May 25, 1803. Jay Gould, railway builder and capitalist, Born, May 27, 1836. Walt Whitman, poet and philosopher, Born, May 31, 1819. William Rockefeller, Born, May 31, 1841. Jefferson Davis, Pres. of Southern Confederacy, Born, June 3, 1808. Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," Born, June 14, 1811. Jas. Montgomery Flagg, artist, Born, June 18.

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ORDER No. 562. GEMINI. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES June 20th And July 21st YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS CANCER

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Cancer Talisman Ring

CANCER. House Of The Crab. Cancer is the Zodiacal House Of The Crab, and those born under this Sign are keenly interested in the domestic side of life; are great lovers of home and family—they are industrial and economical to an extreme. Are very kind, loving and sympathetic. The family ties and duties of this type are more keenly felt than any other, and old friendships and associations are held sacred. They greatly appreciate old customs, curios books, and relics of the past; their faculty of imagination placing them pre-eminently above all other types in the realms of posey and fancy. They are keen observers of nature and all her changing moods, and in the solitude of woods, or by shady lane and stream they can best recover their balance when nervous or out of tune with a practical and unsympathetic world. This Sign has given us some of our greatest composers and writers of romance. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under CANCER. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

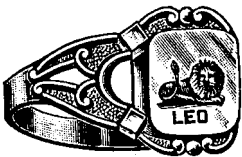
Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Colcnel Goethals, builder Panama Canal, Born, June 29, 1858. George M. Cohn, Comedian, Born July 4. John D. Rockefeller, founder of University of Chicago, Born, July 8, 1839. Harry Kellar, magician, Born, July 11. John Quincy Adams, Ex. Pres. U. S., Born, July 11, 1767. John Wanamaker, merchant, Born, July 11, 1837. George Eastman, inv. of the Kodak, Born, July 12, 1854.

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ORDER No. 563. CANCER. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES July 20th And August 22nd YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS LEO

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Leo Talisman Ring

LEO. House Of The Lion. Leo is the Zodiacal House Of The Lion, and fixity of aims and ideas is a marked characteristic of this type; for when they believe themselves right in their views or opinions on any subject they are immovable although never aggressive, deeming it not worth while to argue or explain unless their hearers are sympathetic and unreasonable. In religious matters they have unbounded zeal, they possess a clear brain, are liable to quick flashes of temper but hold no grudge, having the ability to win even their worst enemy into seeming friendliness. They are usually healthy but subject to affections of the heart. They can readily adapt themselves to almost any condition of life; are independent but philosophic thinkers and usually manifest superior power in whatever direction they turn their minds, reaching high attainments in mercantile and intellectual spheres of life. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under LEO. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an order for this Ring.

Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Raymond Poincare, Pres. of France, Born, August 20, 1860. David Belasco, playwright, Born, July 25, Nat Goodwin, actor Born, July 25. George Barr McCutcheon, journalist-cartoonist, Born, July 26, 1861. George Bernard Shaw playwright, Born, July 26. Henry Ford, manufacturer, Born July 30, 1863. Robt. G. Ingersoll, lawyer, orator, Born, August 11, 1833. Ethel Barrymore, actress, Born, August 16. Julia Marlowe, actress, Born, August 17. Marshall Field, merchant, Born, August 18. Orville Wright, aviator, Born, August 19.

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ORDER No. 564. LEO. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES

August 21st And September 21st
YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS VIRGO

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Virgo Talisman Ring

VIRGO. House Of The Virgin. Virgo is the Zodiacal House Of The Virgin, and one born under it has a marked individuality. They are ingenious and capable of great proficiency in whatever they undertake. Possessing a keen perception they have the faculty of at once grasping the salient points of any object or action, making them admirable mimics; but at the same time very sensitive to the opinions of others, and much disappointed if their efforts to please or entertain are unrecognized. They are natural students of laws of health, anatomy, chemistry, and physiology. Have great endurance, are lovers of music and harmonious combinations. Have wonderful rallying power and are hard to be kept down. They like to associate with those who are prosperous and in good positions. This makes them suited by temperament to succeed as Government Officials, Secretaries, Lawyers, Cashiers, Doctors, Authors, Philosophers, Actors, Chemists, Nurses, etc. They often do their best work when alone. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under VIRGO. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Daniel Frohman, theatrical manager, Born, August 22, 1851. Blanche Bates, actress, Born, August 25. Oliver Wendell Holmes, author, Born, August 29. James Gordon Bennett, founder New York Herald, Born, September 1. Chas. Dana Gibson, artist, Born, September 14. Wm. H. Taft, Ex. Pres. U. S., Born, September 15. James J. Hill, Pres. N. P. R., financier, Born, September 16.

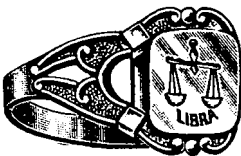
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ORDER No. 565. VIRGO. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES

September 20th And October 22nd
YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS LIBRA

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Libra Talisman Ring

LIBRA. House Of The Balance. Libra is the Zodiacal House Of The Balance and those born under this Sign are remarkable for their powers of comparison and keen foresight. Having extraordinary intuitive and perceptive qualities they are very susceptible to the thoughts of others; often unconsciously sensing their feelings and intentions before a word is spoken. They are very positive and decisive, in everything they do, and are great imitators and frequently become wonderful Actors, Speakers, and Writers. In mechanical matters, they are inventors and originators. Are naturally inclined to be religious, and are just and honest in their dealings with others. They are unusually affectionate and demonstrative. The temper of this type is as a rule even and they are usually lenient to the faults of others, but when aggravated they are cutting and sharp in speech, leaving nothing they feel unexpressed although never malicious. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under LIBRA. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Marcus A. Hanna, merchant, senator, philanthropist, Born, September 24, 1837. Jenny Lind, opera singer, Born, October 6, 1821. Edward Wm. Bok, editor Ladies' Home Journal, Born, October 9, 1863. Helena Modjeska, Polish actress, Born, October 12, 1844. Rev. Sam Jones, evangelist, Born, October 16, 1847. Emma Calve, opera singer, Born, October 20.

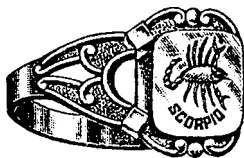
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ORDER No. 566. LIBRA. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES

October 21st And November 21st
YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS SCORPIO

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Scorpio Talisman Ring

SCORPIO. House Of The Scorpion. Scorpion is the Zodiacal House Of The Scorpion. The leading characteristics of one born under it are intensity of purpose, indomitable will, and unflinching determination, as shown by the thoroughness, and persistency with which they carry out their plans and desires. Weak natures are seldom, if ever, found amongst them, all possessing the same positive methodical mentality with unflagging and powerful energy, in whatever sphere they are found. Having naturally a strong Magnetic Personality and Dominant Will-power, they exercise a strange Psychological Influence over others, and, although most convincing and powerful speakers, can frequently make themselves felt and understood without a word being spoken. They are invaluable when in positions of authority which enables them to exercise this force; being persistent in seeing that those working under their directions shall carry out duties with precision. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under SCORPIO. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Theodore Roosevelt, Ex-Pres. U. S., Born, October 27, 1858. James W. Burns, America's Foremost detective, Born, October 28. Whitelaw Reid, diplomat, owner of New York Tribune, Born, October 30, 1872. Maude Adams, actress, Born, November 1, 1872. Ignace Jan Paderewski, musician, Born, November 6, 1860. John Drew, actor, Born, November 13, 1845. Sarah Bernhardt, French actress, Born, October 22, 1844.

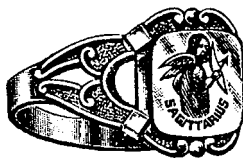
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ORDER No. 567. SCORPIO. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES

November 20th And December 20th
YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS SAGITTARIUS

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Sagittarius Talisman Ring

SAGITTARIUS. House Of The Archer. Sagittarius is the Zodiacal House Of The Archer and one born under the influence of this Sign is bold, fearless and combative, having a decisive way of expressing their opinion which can never be mistaken as it exactly fits the case. Behind their words is the Intuition which gives them the power of Inspiration. They are Progressive, Enterprising and Prophetic. Have quick tempers but this is overcome by their kind heart and their loving and sympathetic natures. With a clear knowledge and perception of what they wish to achieve, and their minds concentrated upon the goal which they are destined to reach, circumstances do not overcome them. They solve many problems in life and get through the worst troubles with the least difficulty of any type. Are physically strong and are lovers of Science, Hygiene, and Self Culture. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under SAGITTARIUS. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Richard Croker, boss of N. Y., Born, November 24, 1843. Andrew Carnegie, philanthropist, Born, November 25, 1837. Samuel L. Clemens, "Mark Twain" Born, November 30, 1835. Lillian Russell, actress, Born, December 4. General Custer, Born, December 5. John H. Patterson, Pres. National Cash Register Co., Born, December 13, 1844. Beethoven, composer, Born, December 17. Henry C. Frick, Born, December 19. James A. Garfield, Ex-Pres. U. S., Born, November 21, 1835. Hetty Green, richest woman in the world, Born, November 21, 1835.

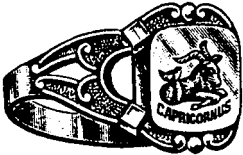
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ORDER No. 568. SAGITTARIUS. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES

December 19th And January 21st YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS CAPRICORNUS

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Capricornus Talisman Ring

CAPRICORNUS. House Of The Goat. Capricornus is the Zodiacal House Of The Goat and those born under it have remarkably strong constitutions, and live to a good old age. They have forceful tempers, but generally well under control, although lasting when roused, and bitterly resentful. They take life earnestly, and are much interested in the Spiritual and Occult side of nature; are deep thinkers and insatiable in their desire for knowledge; being assiduous students, quick to seize and take advantage of any opportunity for self improvement or advancement. They are indefatigable workers and capable of planning out several schemes and thoughts at the same time. While possessing great sagacity in money matters and almost certain to succeed financially, they do not attach any particular value to money other than its being a medium of doing good. Are great thinkers and philosophers making natural heads of corporations and large enterprises. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under CAPRICORNUS. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under Capricornus. Woodrow Wilson, Ex-Pres. U. S., Born, December 28. Oscar Strauss, merchant, Born, December 23. Sir Isaac Newton, astronomer, Born, December 25, 1642. Admiral Geo. Dewey, 3d Admiral U. S. Navy, Born, December 26, 1838. Wm. E. Gladstone, statesman, Born, December 29, 1809. Rudyard Kipling, author, Born, December 30, 1865. Henry M. Flager, capitalist, Born, January 2, 1830. Daniel Webster, Born, January 18, 1782. Gen. Robert E. Lee, Confederate Gen., Born, January 19, 1807. Edgar Allan Poe, poet, Born, January 19, 1809.

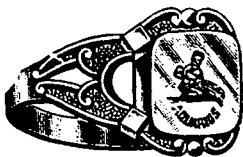
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ORDER No. 569. CAPRICORNUS. ZODIAC TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. Can be worn by either a lady or gentleman. \$25.00

IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES

January 20th And February 19th YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS AQUARIUS

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Aquarius Talisman Ring

AQUARIUS. House Of The Water Bearer. Aquarius is the Zodiacal House Of The Water Bearer, and any person born under this Sign will have remarkably Keen Intuition and be an excellent judge of people. Their reasoning power is wonderful, and as a result, they always make splendid Financiers and Merchants. They are faithful to their duties no matter in what sphere they are placed. Have great regard for their personal appearance and are thereby unduly influenced by the opinion of others. Being very fine conversationalists, these people have the faculty of explaining a subject so that it is easily understood. Their arguments are always convincing and this enables them to impress one as having great intelligence. They also are able to exert a strong magnetic influence over those with whom they come in contact but this wonderful power should never be used for a bad purpose. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under AQUARIUS. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Robert Burns, Scottish poet, Born, January 25, 1759. Mozart, composer, Born, January 27, 1756. Wm. McKinley, Ex-Pres. of U. S., Born, January 20, 1843. Emanuel Swedenborg, spiritual seer and writer, Born, January 29, 1688. Dwight L. Moody, Evangelist, Born, February 5, 1837. Hirom S. Maxim, inventor, Born, February 5, 1840. Sir Henry Irving, English actor, Born, February 6, 1838. George Ade, author and writer, Born, February 9, 1866. Thomas A. Edison, inventor, Born, February 11, 1847. Charles Darwin, evolutionist, author, scientist, Born, February 12, 1809. Cyrus H. McCormick, inventor harvesting machinery, Born, February 15, 1809. Charles Dickens, author, Born, February 15. Adelina Patti, singer, Born, February 10, 1843.

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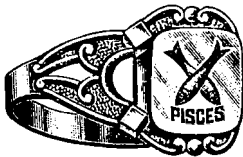
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IF YOU WERE BORN BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DATES

February 18th And March 22nd

YOUR ZODIAC TALISMAN RING IS PISCES

NAMES OF NOTED PERSONAGES BORN UNDER THIS SIGN



Pisces Talisman Ring

PISCES. House Of The Fishes. Pisces is the Zodiacal House Of The Fishes, and persons born under it are very Careful and Thoughtful. They have a great love of acquiring Scientific and Philosophical Knowledge. Are anxious about all money matters and make ample provisions for the future as they do not like to be dependent upon others. They are sincere, honest and upright in their dealings; always kind, affable and conservative. Subjects of this Sign, owing to their being very Magnetic have an attractive personality and if this is cultivated will be able to exercise Great Influence over others; being themselves more or less psychic. They make good nurses, and their very presence around the sick seems to help. As Magnetic Healers they are a great success; often relieving the sick by rubbing them; thereby transmitting the Healing and Magnetic Forces of their own body to that of the distressed one. This is only a Brief Reading of a person Born under PISCES. A Full General Life Reading, covering several pages, is SENT FREE with an Order for this Ring.

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Name And Date Of Birth Of Noted Personages Born Under This Sign. Voltaire, Born, February 20, 1694. Joseph Jefferson, actor, Born, February 20, 1829. Caruso, opera singer, Born, February 25. Victor Hugo, French author, Born, February 26, 1802. Wm. F. Cody, Buffalo Bill, Born, February 26, 1846. Geraldine Farrar, opera singer, Born, February 28. George M. Pullman, capitalist, Born, March 3, 1831. Alexander Graham Bell, telephone inventor, Born, March 3, 1847. Grover Cleveland, Ex-Pres. U. S., Born, March 18, 1837.

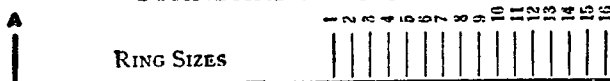
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SEVEN GOLDEN CANDLESTICKS

ONE AND SIX-SEVEN



Seven Crowns
 Seven Disciples
 Seven Churches
 Seven Candlesticks
 Seven Eyes Of God
 Seven Wicked Spirits
 Seven Petitions Of Christ
 Seven Degrees Of Wisdom
 Seven Horns And Seven Eyes
 Seven Spirits Before The Throne
 Seven Angels With Seven Trumpets

Seven Wonders Of The World
 Seven Gods Of Happiness And Luck.
 Seven Chief Virtues. Seven Gifts Of The Spirit.
 Seven Deadly Sins. Seven Days Battles. Seven Civil Wars.

Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the Seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea. (Rev. 1-11)

In Zachariah, Seven lamps, and Seven pipes to those Seven lamps; and Seven eyes running to and fro through the whole earth; and Seven eyes on one stone; and the fast of the Seventh day is turned into joy, and in Micah, Seven shepherds are raised up against the Assyrians. In the Gospel, we read of Seven blessings; and Seven virtues, to which Seven vices are opposed; Seven petitions of the Lord's Prayers; Seven words of Christ upon the cross; Seven words of the blessed Virgin Mary; Seven loaves distributed by the Lord; Seven baskets of fragments; Seven brothers having one wife; Seven disciples of the Lord who were fishers; Seven water pots of Cana of Galilee; Seven woes which the Lord threatens to hypocrites; Seven devils cast out of the unclean woman, and Seven wicked devils taken in after that which was cast out; also, Seven years Christ was fled into Egypt; and the Seventh hour the fever left the governor's son.

In the Canonical Epistles, James describes Seven Degrees of Wisdom; and Peter, Seven degrees of virtues. In the Acts, we reckon Seven deacons, and Seven disciples, chosen by the Apostles; in Revelations, there are many mysteries relating to this number; for there we read of Seven Candlesticks, Seven Stars, Seven Crowns, Seven Churches, Seven Spirits before the throne, Seven Rivers of Egypt, Seven Seals, Seven Marks, Seven Horns, Seven Eyes, Seven Spirits of God, Seven Angels with Seven Trumpets, Seven Horns of the dragon, Seven Heads of the dragon, which had Seven Diadems, also Seven Plagues, and Seven Vials which were given to every one of the Seven Angels, Seven Heads of the scarlet beast, Seven Mountains and Seven Kings sitting upon them, and Seven Thunders uttered their voices.

Moreover, the Number Seven hath much power; as in natural so in Sacred Ceremonial, and also in other things; therefore the Seven Days are related hither; also the Seven Planets, the Seven Stars called Pleiades, the Seven Ages of the world, the Seven Changes of man, the Seven Liberal Arts, and as many mechanics, and so many forbidden; Seven Colors, Seven Metals, Seven Holes in the head of a man, Seven Pairs of Nerves, Seven Mountains in the city of Rome, Seven Roman Kings, Seven Civil Wars, Seven Wise Men in the time of Jeremiah, Seven Wise Men of Greece; also Rome did burn Seven days by Nero; by Seven Kings were slain ten thousand martyrs; there were Seven Sleepers; and Seven principal churches of Rome.

NUMBER SEVENTY. A body of disciples whom Jesus sent forth to preach that the kingdom of God was at hand, and to heal the sick (Luke X).

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NOTE.—As shown above, the number Seven has occupied a wonderful position and has received great consideration in all ages of the world. On the next two pages is shown the Lucky Seven Ancient Talisman Ring

THE NUMBER SEVEN AND ITS SCALE

Of Various And Manifold Power. The Vehiculum Of Man's Life

THE NUMBER SEVEN is of various and manifold power; for it consists of One and Six, or of Two and Five, or of Three and Four; and it hath a unity, as it were the coupling together of Two Threes: whence if we consider the several parts thereof, and the joining together of them, without doubt we shall confess that it is, as well by the joining together of the parts thereof as by its fulness apart, most full of all majesty. It might be called the vehiculum of man's life, which it doth not receive from its parts so, as it perfects by its proper right of its whole—for it contains body and soul; for the body consists of four elements, and is endowed with four qualities: also the number Three respects the soul, by reason of its threefold power, viz. Rational, Irascible, and Concupiscent.

The Number Seven, therefore, because it consists of Three and Four, joins the soul to the body; and the virtue of this number relates to the generation of men, and it causes man to be received, formed, brought forth, nourished, live, and indeed altogether to subsist; for when the genital seed is received in the womb of the woman, if it remains there Seven Hours after the effusion of it, it is certain that it will abide there for good; then the first Seven Days it is coagulated, and is fit to receive the shape of a man; then it produces mature infants, which are called infants of the Seventh Month, i. e., because they are born the Seventh Month.

After the birth, the Seventh Hour tries whether it will live or no—for that which will bear the breath of the air after that hour, is conceived will live; after Seven Days, it casts off the relics of the navel; after twice Seven Days, its sight begins to move after the light; in the Third Seventh, it turns its eyes and whole face freely; after Seven Months, it breeds teeth; after the Second Seventh Month, it sits without fear of falling; after the Third Seventh Month, it begins to speak; after the Fourth Seventh Month, it stands strongly and walks; after the Fifth Seventh Month, it begins to refrain sucking its nurse; after Seven Years, its first teeth fall, and new are bred, fitter for harder meat, and its speech is perfected; after the Second Seventh Year, boys wax ripe, and then it is a beginning of generation at the Third Seventh Year, they grow to men in stature, and begin to be hairy, and become able and strong for generation; at the Fourth Seventh Year, they cease to grow taller; in the Fifth Seventh Year, they attain to the perfection of their strength; the Sixth Seventh Year, they keep their strength; the Seventh Seventh Year, they attain to their utmost discretion and wisdom, and the perfect age of men; but when they come to be Tenth Seventh Year, where the Number Seven is taken for a complete Number, then they come to the common term of life—the Prophet saying, our age is Seventy Years.

The utmost heights of a man's body is seven feet. There are, also seven degrees in the body, which complete the dimension of its altitude from the bottom to the top, viz. Marrow, Bone, Nerve, Vein, Artery, Flesh, and Skin. There are Seven, which are called Black Members: the Tongue, Heart, Lungs, Liver, Spleen, and the two Kidneys. There are, also, Seven principal parts, of the Body: the Head, Breast, Hands, Feet and the Privy Members. It is manifest, concerning breath and food, that, without drawing of the breath, the life doth not remain above Seven Minutes; and they that are starved with famine, live not above Seven Days. The veins, also, and arteries, as physicians say, are moved by the Seventh Number.

Judgments in diseases are made with greater manifestation upon the Seventh Day, which physicians call critical, i. e. judicial.

Of Seven portions God creates the soul;—the soul, also, receives the body by Seven Degrees. All difference of voices proceeds to the Seventh Degree, after which there is the same revolution. Again, there are Seven modulations of the voices: Ditonus, Semiditonus, Diatesseron, Diapente with a tone, Diapente with a Half Tone, and Diapason.

There are also, in Celestials, a most potent power of the Number Seven; for seeing there are Four Corners of the Heavens diametrically looking one towards the other, which indeed is accounted a most full and powerful aspect, and consists of the Number Seven; for it is made with the Seventh Sign, and makes a Cross, the most powerful figure of all, of which I shall speak in its due place—but this you must not be ignorant of, that the Number Seven hath a great communion with the cross.

By the same radiation and number the Solstice is distant from Winter, and the Winter Equinoctium from the Summer, all which are done by Seven Signs. There are also Seven Circles in the Heavens, according to the longitudes of the axle-tree. There are Seven Stars about the Arctic Pole, greater and lesser; the Seven Planets, according to those Seven Days, constituting a week. The Moon is the Seventh of the Planets, and next to us, observing this number more than the rest, this number dispensing the motion and light thereof; for in twenty-eight days, it runs round the compass of the whole Zodiac; which number of days, the Number Seven with its Seven Terms, viz. from One to Seven, doth make and fill up as much as the several numbers, by adding to the antecedents, and makes four times Seven Days, in which the Moon runs through and about all the longitude and latitude of the Zodiac, by measuring and measuring again: with the like Seven Days it dispense its light, by changing it; for the first Seven Days, unto the middle as it were of the divided world, it increases; the second Seven Days; it fills its whole orb with light; the third, by decreasing, is again contracted into a divided orb; but, after the fourth Seven Days, it is renewed with the last diminution of its light; and by the same Seven Days, it disposes the increase and decrease of the sea: for in the first Seven of the increase of the moon, it is by little and little lessened; in the second, by degrees increased; but the third is like the first, and the fourth does the same as the second. It is also applied to Saturn, which ascending from the lower, is the Seventh Planet, which betokens rest; to which the Seventh Day is ascribed, which signifies the Seven Thousandth, wherein, as St. John says, the dragon and satan being bound, men shall be quiet and lead a peaceable life.

THE SECOND BOOK OF THE KINGS

The leprous person that was to be cleansed, was sprinkled Seven Times with the blood of a sparrow; and Elisha the Prophet, as it is written in the Second Book of Kings, saith unto the leprous person—"Go, and wash thyself Seven Times in the River Jordan, and thy flesh shall be made whole, and thou shalt be cleansed. The Number Seven is a number of repentance and remission. And Christ, with Seven Petitions, finished his speech to our satisfaction.

It is called the Number Of Liberty, because the Seventh Year, the Hebrew servant did challenge liberty for himself.

7 Is A Lucky Number. See The Lucky 7 Talisman Rings On Next Pages

Also it is consecrated to the Holy Ghost, which the Prophet Isaiah describes to be sevenfold, according to his gift, viz. the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and strength, the spirit of knowledge and holiness, the spirit of fear of the Lord, which we read in Zachariah to be the Seven eyes of God

But in the days of the voice of the Seventh Angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets. (Rev. 10-7)

And the Seventh Angel sounded; and there were great voices in Heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. (Rev. 11-15)

And the Seven Angels came out of the Temple, having the Seven plagues, clothed in pure and white, linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles. (Rev. 15-6)

There are also Seven Angels, Spirits standing in the presence of God, as we read in Tobias, and in the Revelations Seven Lamps did burn before the throne of God, and Seven Golden Candlesticks, and in the middle thereof was one like unto the Son of Man, and he had in his right hand Seven Stars. Also, there were Seven Spirits before the throne of God, and Seven Angels stood before the throne, and there were given to them Seven Trumpets. And he saw a lamb having Seven Horns and Seven Eyes; and he saw the Book sealed with Seven Seals; and when the Seventh Seal was opened, there was made silence in Heaven.

And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks. (Rev. 1-12)

And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. (Rev. 1-13)

And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. (Rev. 1-16)

And when he had opened the Seventh Seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

And I saw the Seven Angels which stood before God; and to them were given Seven Trumpets. (Rev. 8. 1-2.)

And the Seven Angels which had the Seven Trumpets prepared themselves to sound. (Rev. 8-3)

Now, by all that has been said, it is apparent that the NUMBER SEVEN, amongst the other numbers, may be deservedly said to be most full of efficacy. Moreover, the NUMBER SEVEN hath great conformity with the Number Twelve; for as three and four make seven, so thrice four makes twelve, which are the numbers of the Celestial Planets and signs resulting from the same root; and by the number three partaking of the Divinity, and by the number four of the nature of inferior things.

There is in sacred writ a very great observance of this number before all others, and many, and very great are the mysteries thereof; many I have decreed to reckon up here, repeating them out of holy writ, by which it will easily appear that the NUMBER SEVEN doth signify a certain fulness of Sacred Mysteries; for we read, in Genesis, that the Seventh Day was the day of rest of the Lord; that Enoch, a pious holy man, was the Seventh from Adam; and that there was another Seventh man from Adam, a wicked man, by name Lamech, that had two wives; and that the sin of Cain should be abolished the Seventh Generation, as it is written—Cain shall be punished Sevenfold; and that he who shall slay Cain, shall be revenged Sevenfold; to which the master of the history collects that there were Seven sins of Cain.

Of all clean beasts Seven, and Seven were brought into the ark, as also of fowls; and after Seven days the Lord rained upon the earth; and upon the Seventh Day the fountains of the deep were broken up, and the waters covered the earth.

Abraham gave to Abimelech Seven ewe lambs; and Jacob served Seven years for Leah, and Seven more for Rachel; and Seven days the people of Israel bewailed the death of Jacob. Moreover, we read in the same place, of Seven kine; and Seven ears of corn; Seven years of plenty, and Seven years of scarcity.

In Exodus, the Sabbath of Sabbaths, the holy rest to the Lord, is commanded to be on the Seventh day; also, on the Seventh day Moses ceased to pray. On the Seventh day there shall be a solemnity of the Lord; the Seventh year the servant shall go out free; Seven days let the calf and the lamb be with its dam; the Seventh year, let the ground that hath been sown six years be at rest; the Seventh Day shall be a Holy Sabbath, and a rest; the Seventh day, because it is the Sabbath, shall be called Holy.

And he had in his hands a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth. (Rev. 10-2)

And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, Seven Thunders uttered their voices. (Rev. 10-3)

And when the Seven Thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the Seven Thunders uttered, and write them not. (Rev. 10-4)

In Leviticus, the Seventh Day also shall be more observed, and be more holy; and the first day of the Seventh Month shall be a Sabbath of memorial; Seven days shall the sacrifices be offered to the Lord; Seven days shall the holy days of the Lord be celebrated; Seven days in a year everlastingly in the generations. In the Seventh month you shall celebrate feasts, and shall dwell in tabernacles Seven days; Seven times he shall sprinkle himself before the Lord that hath dipped his fingers in blood; he that is cleansed from the leprosy, shall dip Seven times in the blood of a sparrow; Seven days shall he be washed with running water that is menstruous; Seven times he shall dip his finger in the blood of a bullock; Seven times I will smite you for your sins.

The mystery of the Seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand and the Seven golden candlesticks. The Seven stars are the angels of the Seven churches: and the Seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the Seven churches. (Rev. 1-20)

And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write: These things saith he that hath the Seven Spirits of God, and the Seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead. (Rev. 3-1)

In Deuteronomy, Seven people possessed the Land of Promise. There is also, a Seventh year of remission; and Seven Candles set up on the south side of the Candlesticks.

We read in Numbers that the sons of Israel offered up Seven ewe lambs without spots; and that Seven days they did eat unleavened bread; and that sin was expiated with Seven lambs and a goat; and that the Seventh day was celebrated, and Holy, and the first day of the Seventh month was observed and kept holy; and the Seventh month of the Feast of Tabernacles; and Seven calves were offered on the Seventh day.

Balaam erected Seven Altars; for Seven Days Mary, the sister of Aaron, sent forth lepers out of the camp; for Seven days he that touched a dead carcass was unclean.

In Joshua, Seven priests carried the Ark of the Covenant before the host; and Seven days they went around the cities; and Seven Trumpets were carried by the Seven priests; and on the Seventh day, the Seven priests sounded the Trumpets.

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Ancient Talisman Rings

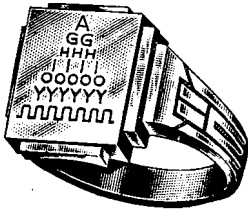
LUCKY SEVEN TALISMAN RINGS. Engraved upon the Monogram Plate of these Rings are the Seven Greek Vowels, which Symbolize the Seven Planets. This Lucky Seven Symbol the Ancients believed when Engraved on a Ring, would keep them Hopeful and Optimistic regarding their future success in all Enterprises; protect them from Temptations and make them Lucky; ever reminding its wearer of the Seven Planes.

These Lucky Seven Rings find favor with, and are well liked by those who are interested in High Grade Sporting Events such as, Swimming, Skating, Boxing, Fencing, Rowing, Running, Baseball, Football, and other Athletic or outdoor amusements.

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Amalgamation Of Beliefs. The Etruscans, Greeks, and Romans were all familiar with and great believers in the Virtue of Talismans and Amulets. A belief based not only on the Symbols of their own Faith, but largely influenced by the beliefs of the surrounding nations; that of the Egyptians being particularly noticeable. Amongst the earliest and most popular Talismans were Solid Gold and Silver Rings with Inscriptions Engraved upon their Crest or Monogram Plate. These were used as Talismans and Seals. In the course of the amalgamation of beliefs, many had great faith in the virtue and efficacy of Talismans and Seals, and a much worn Talisman at that time was The Lucky Seven Ring which is a Symbol of the Seven Planets. This very same Lucky Seven Symbol is Hand Engraved on all of the Rings shown here.

Solid Gold And Gold Filled, Hand Engraved



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Key No. 500. Lucky Seven Ring. 10 Kt. Solid Yellow Gold, handsomely designed and hand engraved. Price: \$40.00 plus tax and postage.

THE SEVENTH SEAL

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This famous seal is given with an order for one of the Lucky Seven Rings shown here.

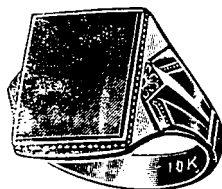
Dreams And Visions The Great Mystery Seal

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THE SEVENTH SEAL

"EGYPTIAN" "Black Lucky Ring"



**10 Karat Solid Gold
For Ladies And Gentlemen
Good Luck, Success, Fortune**

Many have read of the singular Magic of the Egyptians and their great belief and faith in certain Talisman Rings and Phylacteries, as a means of helping them to ward off disease, an evil influence, as well as to help them become successful. Shown above is the famous EGYPTIAN BLACK LUCKY RING. The ancient Egyptians believed that a BLACK LUCKY RING possessed some strange unknown power, and if worn would help them to overcome Spells, Charms, and an Evil Influence. As far as is known no one has ever offered an explanation of why the old Egyptians, as well as people in all ages of the world, even down to the present day, believed in the Spiritual or Magic Power of Lucky Talisman Rings. The Egyptians were great believers in these things, and their many precious jewels were always used for some particular purpose such as Divine Illumination, Spirit-Seeing, as well as to forestall and ward off bad luck. Indeed, in all ages of the world it has been believed that certain rings possess some singular Magical Power. There seems to be a universal belief in the efficacy of the Talisman Rings of ancient Egypt.

Belief and unbounded faith in Talismans and Amulets has prevailed among the people of every nation in all ages of the world. The Bible tells of a Seal Ring and how it was used as a Talisman. Genesis mentions Signet Rings which were worn as Talismans in ancient Egypt. The ancient EGYPTIAN BLACK LUCKY RING was composed of pure fine gold, inlaid with genuine Dead Black Onyx. Above on this page is shown our famous EGYPTIAN BLACK LUCKY RING.

In ancient times, so relates the Bible, Rings, Talismans, and Amulets were in universal use owing to the people's infallible belief and faith in their efficacy.

The ancients, and most especially the Egyptians, used Lucky Rings as Talismans against disease and misfortune. The EGYPTIAN BLACK LUCKY RING was worn by those who had an infallible hope and constant faith that it would be the means of bringing to them a high Spiritual Influence. It is reported that the BLACK LUCKY RING was well liked by both Egyptian men and women who were concerned about love affairs. Indeed, as stated above, the Egyptians had great faith in Rings and Talismans.

Belief in Talismans is coeval in age with the world. Extensive research shows that this belief dates back to the early history of man. The old Egyptians, tribes of Israel, the Chaldeans, the Grand Zoroastorian Nation, and the Hindoos; all believed in Talisman Rings as a harbinger of good fortune and proof against misfortune. This belief is found in both the Hebraic and Christian Bible.

History shows that the Ancients had great belief in Talismans against disease, an evil influence, or misfortune. The wearer of any kind of a Talisman, however, so history tells us, must possess an infallible hope, have constant faith in the Talisman, and have his mind lifted up to higher Spiritual Influences if results were expected.

Talisman Rings, as Tokens or Symbols, they believed, conveyed joy and confidence to their owners, and were thought to give warning of Coming Events, inspiring Courage and Faith in the fearful; and the romance and tragedies in which they have played a part, together with their marked influence on the lives of individuals and nations, intensifies our interest in them so that it is little wonder that Faith in the Mysterious Properties ascribed to Guard Rings, Lucky Rings, and Talisman Rings, should have survived the growth of ages and still find so many believers in all countries. The Philosophers of thousands of years ago, understanding the suitability of Talismans as a medium for the transmission of Spiritual Forces and Vibrations, invested them with much importance, attributing to them Spiritual Powers, Special Characteristics, and Medicinal and Curative qualities.

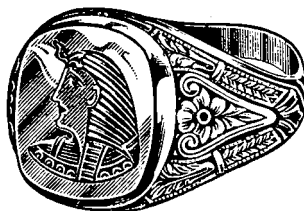
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“*HARM ME NOT*”

Is Hand Engraved

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EGYPTIAN GUARD RING

Special For Those Who Feel The
Need Of An Extra Heavy Solid Gold
GUARD OR TALISMAN RING
Liked And Worn As A Protection And
Guard Against Failure And Evil Influences

NOTE. Engraved on the inside of this fine Solid Gold EGYPTIAN GUARD RING there are the Magic Words “HARM ME NOT.” These very same words were engraved on the inside of rings worn by the old Egyptians; because it was believed they would help to ward off failure, bad influences, and evil spirits. **Read the article HARM ME NOT below at big arrow.**

Order Number For Egyptian Guard Or Talisman Ring

ORDER No. 505. FINE OLD STYLE EGYPTIAN GUARD OR TALISMAN RING. 10 KARAT SOLID GOLD. HAND ENGRAVED. PRICE, \$50.00 plus tax and postage.

Harm Me Not



The sciences of Astrology and Talismanic Magic were well known to the old Egyptians, many of whom wore a Guard Ring or an Egyptian Conqueror Ring, inside of which were engraved the words “HARM ME NOT.” These words were engraved upon the inside of these Rings because of the belief that they would help to ward off failure, bad influences, and evil spirits.

The Egyptian mind has even today a most important influence upon our modern civilization as far as Talismans, Guard Rings, and Conqueror Rings are concerned. Among the most interesting of the many Egyptian Rings is a Talisman wedding ring. The Egyptian gold, before the introduction of coinage, had been usually kept in the form

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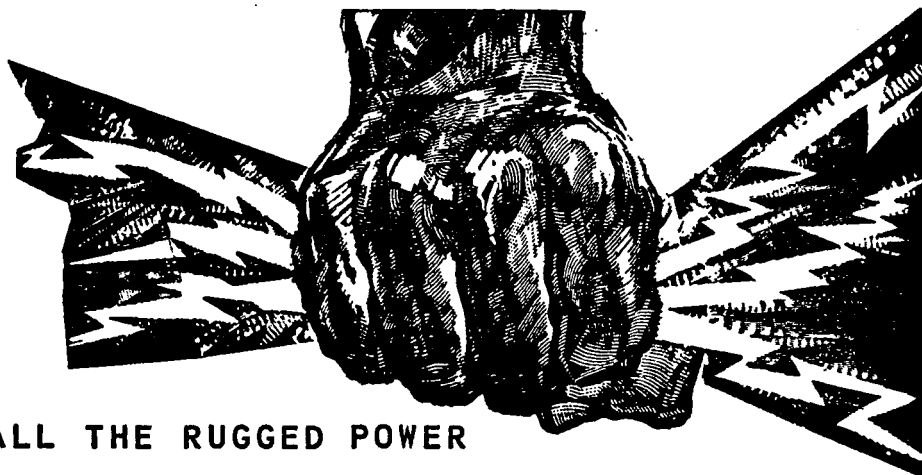
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of a ring; and the Egyptian at his marriage placed one of these pieces of gold on his wife's finger as a token of his entrusting her with all his property. Early Christians saw no harm in following this custom; and in our own marriage ceremony the man places the same plain ring of gold on his bride's finger when he says “with all my worldly goods I thee endow.”

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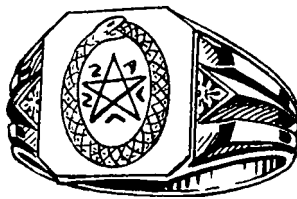
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The beautiful solid sterling silver signet rings illustrated above are carefully engraved by hand with the sign and symbol of "Salus" faithfully copied by skilled engravers.

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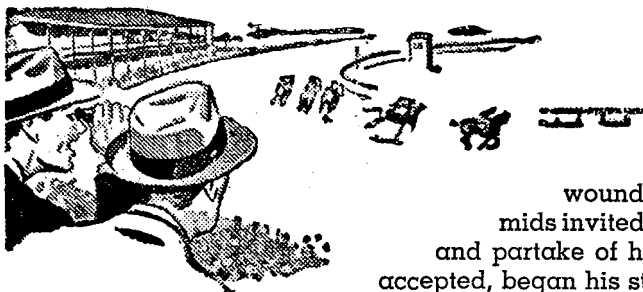
The Legend Of The "GOLD-FINDING HEN" of EGYPT

GOLD is where you find it, but the trick is to find it. You may find "gold" in the form of love and happiness, success or power, or in money itself. Everyone is seeking "gold" and it is extremely odd to have a "hen" find it for you, but in an old grimoire there is a romance in which a "hen" does just that.

Egypt had bowed to the arms of Napoleon, according to this tale, when a soldier, on a visit to the Great Pyramids, was left for dead by brigands. Upon regaining consciousness he was amazed to see a heavy stone roll out of the nearest Pyramid and a turbaned figure walk forth.

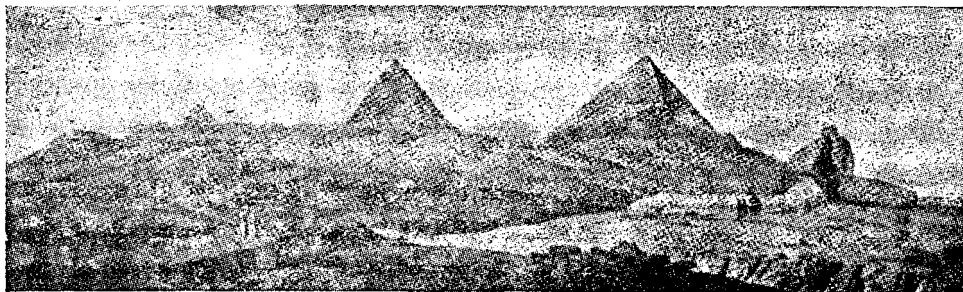
This amazing personage proved to be the Old Man of the Pyramids, heir and sole guardian of the wisdom of ancient Egypt. He led our hero into the Pyramid, down dark and lofty corridors, passageways and tunnels and at length through

chambers filled with mysterious figures and vessels and much gleaming treasure.



Having magically cured the soldier's wounds, the Old Man of the Pyramids invited him to stay in the Pyramid and partake of his knowledge. The soldier accepted, began his studies and learned among other things that the Old Man was on the point of death and was happy to have found an heir to whom he could impart his secrets.

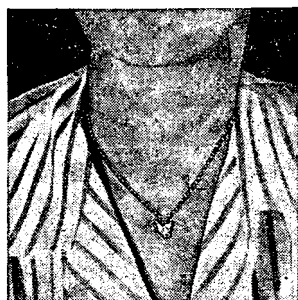
When the task of teaching was completed, the Old Man died, and the learned soldier returned eventually to France. There he devoted himself to study and to recording his secrets, among the most wonderful of which was the "Gold-Finding Hen".



Folk Tales About The "GOLD-FINDING HEN"

OBEDIENT to her master's wishes, the "hen" sought out "gold" wherever it might be found. He had only to wish and she hurried away to her task.

There are other tales about the hen. In one of them, a poor fellow, down on his luck, encounters her at the turn of a lonely lane. In a human voice she informs him her "Masters" are aware of his troubles and his virtues and have instructed her to help him. If he follows her, his every wish will be satisfied. And of course he does—and it is.



Whatever may be your opinion of these myths, we are sure you will like our little "gold-finding" hen charm. She is herself the color of gold, about a half-inch tall, and she has a link on her back. Through this link you can thread a neckchain and wear her suspended from your neck—or from a bracelet—if you are a woman. Men prefer to carry her on a key or watch chain, or just in their pockets.

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CORAL VERSUS EVIL SPIRITS

By de Laurence

So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them. **Acts 19. 12.**

Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We abjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth. **Acts 19, 13.**

And the evil spirits answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye? **Acts 19. 15**

And the man in whom the evil spirits was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. **Acts 19. 16.**

NOTE. After reading the above, which has been copied from the Holy Bible, it would be absolute nonsense to deny the existence of Evil Spirits, and say that you do not believe that they obsess and torment people. To deny the above is to turn down the Bible and, abjure the teachings of Christ which He gave to the world gratuitously during his life and even in the sad hours of his death.

Earth-Bound Spirits, Astral Entities, or Evil Spirits torment, and at times obsess people or manifest their evil presence in some manner. There are many kinds of spirits, good as well as evil ones, who like to be around people. In this, they are comparable to dogs, who are also fond of the company of men and women. Nobody can gain anything, however, from their presence; for an evil spirit is an encumbrance and a torment to anybody, bringing ill luck, mental and moral disorders on the ones whom they annoy.

All who have studied *Witchcraft, Trance Witches, Vampirism and Spirit Obsession* are well aware of these things, and that ill luck, mental and moral disorders are cast unto many people by *Evil Spirits*. It is said, however, that these Evil Spirits, who trouble and torment men and women, are afraid of *Coral*. It is an old belief that the one who wears *Genuine Coral* will be protected.

Real Coral is looked upon as being effective and as necessary to ward off Evil Influences as was the *Egyptian Circle Of Necessity* in the days of the Ancients. Many recommend the wearing of *Genuine Corals* in the shape of *Necklaces* and *Rings* as a preventive against obsession and melancholy. *Genuine Corals* are ruled by the influence of the sun and are believed to be disagreeable to the evil monsters of the *Astral Plane*.

Many know of cases of melancholy, depression of mind, hypochondria, obsession and extreme nervousness, that seems to have been helped by the wearing of *Coral*, while other articles employed for the same purpose had no effect and the cure could therefore not be attributed merely to the belief of the patient. The wearing of *Genuine Coral* in connection with A STRONG AND DETERMINED WILL has proven very beneficial. *The ignorant will find it easier to ridicule such things than to explain them.*

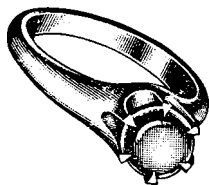
However, owing to the universal belief in the efficacy of *Coral* as a remedy against evil spirits, nervousness, hysteria, obsession, witchcraft and evil influences, we have listed, on another page, some very fine *Genuine Coral Necklaces* for ladies and *Coral Rings* for ladies and gentlemen. As there is a great deal of imitation *Coral* being sold by unscrupulous dealers, we would advise the reader to be careful and see that he obtains the genuine. We absolutely guarantee ours to be *Genuine Coral* imported direct from the *Mediterranean Sea*, as the coasts of the *Mediterranean Sea* are famous for their *Fine Coral*.

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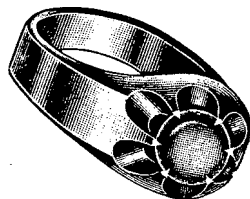
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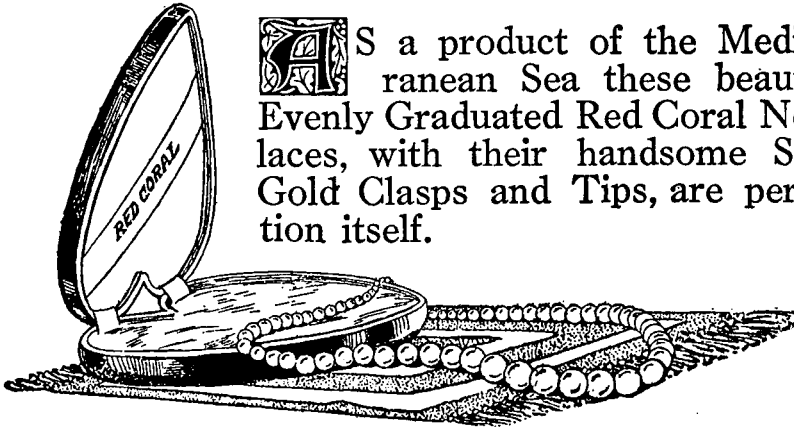
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ADONAI	4	14	15
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	5	11	10
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THE TABLE OF JUPITER TALISMAN

A Talisman of the Dark Ages

The early Christians had great faith and belief in the power of numbers, and their magical formulas were largely composed of letters having numerical values, usually expressed in Hebrew. Sometimes Greek letters were used, as in THE TABLE OF JUPITER, which, combined with astrological formulas, were believed to attract influences of the Angels and Intelligences ruling through the Planets, the houses of the Zodiac, their triplicities and degrees.

The Hierarchy of Divine Power

The Laws of the Cabala were the source and inspiration of many talismans, which is readily understandable when it is known that according to its precepts the Holy Intelligence was believed to rule by acting first through the nine orders of the Angelic Hosts and blessed souls, and through them to the Celestial Spheres, Planets and Mankind. Lower degrees of Angels and celestial influences, known as Intelligences, ruling each element, nation, language, animal and vegetable life, atmospheric conditions, emotions and aspirations.

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THE TABLE OF JUPITER TALISMAN contains sixteen numbers which total up to thirty-four whichever way they are added. These, with the Divine Names around them, are to be inscribed on a plate of silver or gold, and, according to THE BOOK OF TALISMANS, was worn for riches, favor, peace, concord, to appease enemies, and to confer honor and dignities.

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Some of The Ten Names of God are inscribed on THE TABLE OF JUPITER TALISMAN. These Names were used to attract the virtues and powers they represent, or to accomplish some desire signified. Those on THE TABLE OF JUPITER TALISMAN were used for the following purposes: Elohim signified providence and understanding; Adonai, the God of Hosts, triumph and victory, justice and eternity; Sabaoth, piety and agreement.

To Be Worn On the Person

THE TABLE OF JUPITER TALISMAN was designed to be worn on the person. It is suggested that it be carried in a talisman case such as are illustrated on the opposite page, or carried in a little used pocket.

Prices and Order Numbers

ORDER No. 2008. THE TABLE OF JUPITER TALISMAN engraved on a plate of genuine solid sterling silver size 1 by 1 3/4 inches. **\$12.00,**

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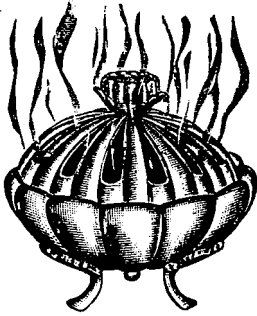
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TEMPLE INCENSE WITH DAILY RECITALS

By de Laurence

Taking the days of the week, **TEMPLE INCENSE**, with the accompanying recitals, may be employed:—

SUNDAY.—Burn **TEMPLE INCENSE** for ten minutes, and say in a low, firm voice *Psalm 55*. If this is done each *Sunday* for some weeks, you should be successful in all your undertakings. Repeating the same *Psalm* seven times, the evil set against you by your enemies will, it is said, be turned to naught. Those who desire some particular wish granted will find this day and *Psalm* good if **TEMPLE INCENSE** is burned as directed herein and the *Psalm* repeated twelve times.



MONDAY.—If you wish to receive knowledge through a dream, purify yourself by fasting twenty-four hours, and bathing, and repeat *Psalm 23* seven times while the incense is burning. Burn **TEMPLE INCENSE** and repeat this *Psalm* between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock at night.

TEMPLE INCENSE can be used on any day of the week, as directed herein, though the best days for burning it are *Sunday* and *Wednesday*, between the hours of 11 and 12 at night. Being a moon-scent, it is said, therefore, to possess more power on the days dedicated to the lunar goddess.

The following prayer should be said after repeating *Psalm 23*, between the hours of 11 and 12 on Monday night, as directed in the preceding paragraph: Oh Great and Powerful spirit of the world (God?), notwithstanding Thy unutterable mighty, hidden power, exaltation and glory, Thou wilt lend a listening ear to the prayer of Thy humblest and faithful disciple, and wilt fulfill his desires. Hear my earnest prayer, Thy Great Universal Spirit, and let it be pleasing to Thy holy will to reveal unto me in a dream, whether (here the affair of which a correct knowledge is desired must be plainly stated) as Thou didst often reveal through dreams the fate of our forefathers. Grant me my petition for the sake of Thy adorable name, *Jah. Amen. Selah!* Repeat this prayer from memory four times, burning incense all the time.

TUESDAY.—The fumigation appropriate to the day is also **TEMPLE INCENSE**. If you are troubled by your enemies—open or secret—repeat *Psalms 53, 54 and 55* as soon as your **TEMPLE INCENSE** begins to burn. If it be desired to quiet and overcome your enemies, then repeat *Psalm 53* ten times. Do this between the hours of 11 and 12 at night, if possible.

If you wish to be not only secure from their malice, but also to revenge yourself upon them, you may repeat *Psalm 54* six times, though the spirit is to be deprecated.

WEDNESDAY.—The fumigation for this day is **TEMPLE INCENSE**, and it may be used if you are about to enter college, or have a case in court, or hold converse with wise men, or if you wish to gain wisdom. Its burning may be accompanied by the repeating of *Psalm 134*. You may repeat this *Psalm* five times.

THURSDAY.—**TEMPLE INCENSE** is sacred to this day. It is said that if one wishes to procure love of women, let him repeat *Psalms 45 and 46*, while burning **TEMPLE INCENSE**. As the ancient writer hath it: "*The 45th and 46th Psalms are said to possess the virtue of making peace between man and wife, and especially tame cross and unreasonable wives.*" The saying is, namely: "*Whoever has a scolding wife, let him pronounce the 45th Psalm over pure genuine burning TEMPLE INCENSE, when his wife, in the future, will be more lovable and friendly.*" But if a man has innocently incurred the enmity of his wife, and desires a proper return of conjugal love and peace, let him pray the *45th Psalm* over burning **TEMPLE INCENSE** ten times, and, it is said, married love will return again.

FRIDAY.—**TEMPLE INCENSE** is the fumigation used by many who wish to increase in good fortune, might and power. While it is burning repeat *Psalm 112* seven consecutive times. Should you desire to gain the love, respect, friendship or good will of another, you may repeat the *137th Psalm* nine consecutive times while burning **TEMPLE INCENSE**, and no doubt you will be well pleased with the results.

SATURDAY.—Burn **TEMPLE INCENSE**. If afflicted with an incurable disease or troubled by an evil spirit, and you wish to obtain relief, you may recite *Psalm 90* four times and also *Psalm 91*, the latter being particularly powerful, so it is claimed.

TEMPLE INCENSE is said to be also a powerful antidote against all evil influences, and its formula has been kept a close secret for centuries. For strengthening the memory, rendering concentration easier, acquiring knowledge, meditating, steadying thoughts, etc., this preparation can be used to great benefit.

To induce trance, for prophesying, **TEMPLE INCENSE** is without doubt the best fumigation known to man. Place one-half of a teaspoonful of **TEMPLE INCENSE** in an incense burner; light it and, closing the eyes, inhale slowly. Let the mind dwell upon whatever thought or subject you desire information.

If you wish to be successful in business, or whenever you have an important appointment to keep, or interview someone from whom you wish to secure a favor, burn a small amount of **TEMPLE INCENSE** and without doubt you will be well pleased with the results.

To induce hypnosis or lull the irritations of any nervous or bad-tempered persons whom you have to meet, the burning of this incense is said to help wonderfully. If suffering from depression, this fumigation is said to have a powerful effect in restoring the animal spirits.

† God is the greatest power in the universe, because He is the source and sum of all powers in their highest mode of manifestation. God is therefore absolute consciousness, absolute love, and absolute wisdom. If we wish to accomplish anything great, the first requirement is the presence of God, because He is man's understanding and power, and resides in man. But God cannot be approached by an intellect that is without love. God is love, and is only attracted by love. We cannot know the principle of love, unless we love it with our heart, and the more we desire it, the more will we be able to comprehend with the heart what this principle is. The love of God is therefore a power transcending the lower nature of man; it cannot develop itself out of the animal elements of man, but it is a gift from the universal fountain of love, in the same sense as sunshine cannot grow out of the earth, but comes from above. God lives in the hearts of men, and if we desire to love Him, we must love all that is good in humanity. The love of humanity is the beginning of the knowledge of God. The intellect is the greatest possession of mortal man, and an intellect that rises to the source of all knowledge by the power of love may know God and all the mysteries of Nature, and become godlike itself; but an intellect without love leads into error, grovels in darkness, and goes to perdition. An intellect combined with love for the supreme good leads to wisdom; an intellect without love leads to the powers of evil. —de Laurence.

THE HOLY OF HOLIES

Christ Again Restored To Humanity The Assurance Of Immortality. He Elevated The Spiritual Being To A Temple Of Holy Fire, And Made It A Living Altar And Incense To An Eternal Peace



The men of God under the old Covenant, who performed such great wonders, and accomplished such wonderful works, were always rather more on the side of humanity than that of the divine, that is, they always evinced only single powers and perfections. The universal expression of full perfection became an absolute reality only through Christ. He it was who first unbarred the new door—severed the chains of slavery, and pointed out the true image of perfection and wisdom in all their fullness to man. Christ again restored to humanity the assurance of immortality. He elevated the spiritual being to a Temple of Holy Fire, and made it a living altar and incense to an eternal peace.

There are beings for whom the Redeemer has already come, others for whom He comes now, and still others for whom He is yet to come. Since His advent all things have become simplified, and He will simplify Himself more and more until everything earthly will vanish. A great sabbath of universal love and peace, as it was in the creation, will signalize the end. He entered the Holy of Holies as the true High Priest, and restored to the elect through

His spirit, not only the Lost Word of the Old Book, but gave them a new one, richer in content for the healing of all evil, and for making them invulnerable. In addition He gave them the Holy Incense of prayer, and showed them, that without it they would be unable, except through Him alone, to obtain every principle of life. He performed on earth what is found above. He was constantly active, as the highest embodiment of wisdom, in spiritual and temporal acts of charity, and united both in one. But this could only be when He himself was joined in this unity on earth in which He was joined from all eternity. In the end He crowned his work by conferring a spirit which created a knowledge and vitality that were never experienced before. He chose an object of sense as a channel through which to communicate the highest powers of life. Even man may transfer his weak powers on any object: how much more must the mysteries (baptism by water, the communion through bread and wine), instituted by Himself, have possessed a power which man could never possess. The action of the Holy Communion is at the same time corporeal, spiritual and divine, and all things therein contained must become spirit and life, because He himself, who instituted it, was the spirit and the life.

Each true Christian is a living expression of this doctrine and an image of its author. He possesses fervor enough to absorb everything that is diseased and dissolute, and his life is a daily offering in humility and holy fear before God, for the mysteries of God are only revealed to those who fear Him. The true Christian relies upon the commandments of the author of his name. Only such a man can enter into the counsel of peace. If the highest human wisdom continues to be a tottering and perishable structure, a single ray of the sun of the world will make him purer and wiser than all the wise of this earth. Since there are mysteries in every religion, so there are certain things of indescribable power and of the highest weight in Christianity which cannot be explained. So long as these were known only to the true possessors as a sanctuary, Christianity was at rest. But after the great of earth began to set their feet within this sanctuary and desired to see with unprepared eyes; so soon as it was converted into a political machine, divisions and uncertainties ensued. Upon this came the High Priests who separated themselves farther and farther from original purity, and in this resulted in an incongruous conglomeration of religious teachings. Many so-called teachers have multiplied these evils by their subtleties, separating that which was united, and covering with darkness and death what was formerly light and life. If even a few traces of purity, zeal and power could be seen here and there, they could accomplish nothing, because the horrors of desolation had already become too general and were preferred by too many. These corruptions were the cause, in later times, that the structure of Christianity was sapped in its very foundations. Only one step from Deism to utter ruin. Out of Deism grew a still worse brood of materialists, who declared that all connection of humanity with higher powers to be idle imagination, and who did not even believe in their own existence. It was very seldom that the generations of the earliest times sinned through great enterprises; those of later periods, on the contrary, sinned through nullity. But there is a truth whose sanctity cannot be shaken, and which will remain firm as long as the world exists.

But if man, through his reconciliation and return to God, and through a true Christian life, receives the powers which the Saviour promised to his followers, namely, "To expel serpents, to heal the sick, and to cast out devils," and this to the same extent that he did himself, (John xiv. 12) and if such a Christian man can in deed and in truth perform greater wonders than one who lives in a state of sin (and we find this to be the case not only with the apostles, but with all godly men of every age), then we must accord to man what is human. I have already spoken of the Christian method of healing, and inasmuch as I refer back to it in this place, the fact will not admit of a doubt, that the healing by Christ as well as by the apostles really had reference to higher spiritual powers. They never obtained the means to heal diseases from the apothecary, neither did they possess any secret remedies or magical essences; they possessed an inherent power to heal diseases, and by words they cast out devils, restored the dead to life, healed, through prayer and the laying on of hands, the lame and paralytic, and caused the blind to see, and the dumb to speak. To prove this, not however to represent them solely as magnetic cures, but to examine them as humanly Divine Wonders, I will mention a few cures performed by Christ and his apostles as they stand recorded by the Evangelists and the Acts of the Apostles:

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JESUS PUTS FORTH HIS HAND

"When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed." (Matt. viii. 1-3.)

"And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him to heal his servant. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only and my servant shall be healed. When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said unto them that followed: Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour." (Matt. viii. 5-13.)

"And when Jesus had come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and he arose and ministered unto him." (Matt. viii. 14, 15.)

"When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick." (Matt. viii. 16; Mark i. 32.)

"And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy: Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee." (Matt. ix. 2; Mark ii. 3.)

"And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment: For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith has made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour." (Matt. ix. 20-22.)

"And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, he said unto them, Give place; for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn. But when the people were put forth he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose."

"And when Jesus departed from thence, two blind men followed him. And when he was come into the house, the blind men came unto him: And Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. And their eyes were opened." (Matt. ix. 27-30.)

The man with the withered hand he healed through the words: "Stretch forth thine hand," and it was restored whole like the other. (Matt. xii. 10-13.)

"And when the men of that place had knowledge of him, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought unto him all that were diseased; and besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole." (Matt. xiv. 35, 36.)

The daughter of the woman of Canaan, who was grievously vexed with a devil was restored through the faith of the woman. (Matt. xv. 22-28.)

"And great multitudes came unto him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them." (Matt. xv. 30; Luke vii. 22.)

THE TRUE RELATION OF MAN TO THE OMNIPOTENT

The Bible may be justly styled The Holy Scriptures, because it contains the knowledge of the Saints, while at the same time, it unites and harmonizes the word and deed, doctrine and action.

It points out the true relation of man to the Omnipotent—it affords the most direct reference to the great truths of the spiritual and intellectual; it treats of the origin of the universe and its laws, through which all things have to be brought to light—of the anterior and posterior history of mankind—of his future destiny and how to attain it; of the living and visible agents which God employs in the great work of redemption, and, finally, of the most Exalted of all beings—of the world's Saviour, who was a universal expression in his own person, and who exhibited all Divine Power and action in one person.

In The Holy Bible we find a connected chain of acts and events—in fact, a Divine and life-like drama. The Bible contains the light which illuminates every dark phase in life; it is the groundwork of all human actions, the guiding star of the earthly to the eternal—of the intellectual to the Divine, the aim and end of all knowledge. It is the first of the three Great Lights, guiding and governing our faith, and bears no relation to the other two Great Lights of the angel which shall make these actions lawful.

The Bible is also more instructive and helpful in reference to the life, health and spiritual well-being of mankind than all other books taken together. An account will, therefore, be given of the many strange and remarkable things which took place as set forth in the Scriptures. Particular attention is also called to the healing of the sick according to Scriptural teachings.

THE HOLY DECALOGUE OR THE WRITTEN LAW FROM GOD

Mankind received the Holy Decalogue or the written law, from God. In addition to the laws which God gave to Moses, engraven upon stone, He also gave to him certain verbal laws, by which through his protracted stay upon the mountain Sinai, where all doctrines, explanations of mysteries, Holy names of God and the angels, and particularly how to apply this knowledge to the best interest of man, were entrusted to him. All these doctrines, which God pronounced good, but which were not generally made known, and which in the course of time were called The Kabala, or Traditions, Moses communicated, during his life, to Joshua, his successor. Joshua handed them over to the elders, the elders gave them to the judges, and from the judges they descended to the prophets. The prophets entrusted them to the men of the great synagogue, and these gave them unto the wise men, and so the Kabala was handed down from one to the other—from mouth to mouth—to the present day. Therefore, do we know that in the Bible are many names of the Most High and his angels, besides deep mysteries, which may be applied to the welfare of man, but which, on account of the perverseness of humanity and to guard against their abuse, have been hidden from the great mass of human beings.

Everything here stated is as clear as the sun, and needs no further proof, and it is equally clear and incontrovertible that the All-merciful God gave the Bible in the beginning to promote the best interests of the soul and the body of man at the same time. Therefore has God endowed man with exalted talents, powers and virtues that, with a rational use of which, man may protect himself from danger, when no other help is at hand, and save himself simply by uttering the words of the living God. On this account, the expression "For it is thy life," occurs frequently in the Bible. And Solomon says in his Proverbs, vi. 22. "When thou goest it shall lead thee, and when thou sleepest it shall keep thee."

That the Psalms are most Holy and Worthy will not be called in question. Our wise men declare, "He who will daily live closer to God, who deserves to unite his soul with Him, and who is willing to live in the closest communion with Him, should often pray the Psalms with fervor and devotion." "Happy the man who does this daily and hourly, for his reward will be great." The Psalms are formed and divided into Five Books, and in them are many names of the Most High Majesty of God and his angels, besides, many mysteries are hidden.

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Yes, dear reader, you must not doubt. Through a pious life and by a rational use of the Psalms you may obtain by grace of God, the favor of your employer, men in high offices, judges and magistrates, and the love of your fellow-men. By the Psalms and True Faith and Belief in God you will be enabled to protect yourself from danger, to escape suffering, and to promote your own welfare.

The correctness of this is also established by the teachings of the old wise men, who assure us, that many of our famous forefathers availed themselves of apparently supernatural means from time to time, to protect their best interests. Let it suffice for you to believe that the Almighty God has given in His revealed word true and unexampled talents and power, and that, in an extreme case of necessity, we are permitted to make use of this gift of God, for our own and our neighbor's welfare. As for example, to cast out evil spirits, to relieve deep melancholy and to cure grievous diseases; to set free prisoners who have been unjustly imprisoned; to resist enemies and opponents, to defend innocence and to reveal it, and to foster good fortune, well-being and peace in a general manner.

It is sufficient for you to know that you are allowed, to make use of words and passages in the Holy Scripture for your own good. The Psalms are highly recommended by some writers, as a certain means to avoid suffering and danger, even in cases of war, fire and similar instances, enabling us to escape unharmed, free, secure and without hindrance.

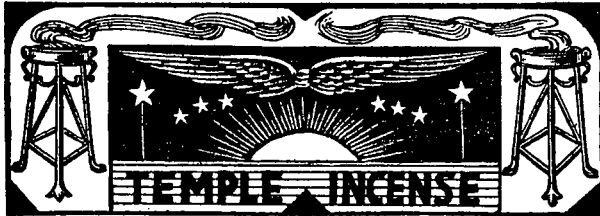
Under such happy circumstances, it is surely right and proper, that such wholesome knowledge, which up to this day was known but to a few men, and they only the learned, was yet free to all, although not generally known, should at least, in some degree, be brought to light.

It is obvious of course, that these printed pages will fall into unclean hands and it is necessary, therefore, in order to prevent an unworthy use of them, to admonish the reader never to use them only when necessary, as set forth in the three following paragraphs.

1. If you are willing to avail yourself of the Psalms, as shown on the following pages, you are warned never to attempt it only in a case of extreme necessity, and when there is no other help at hand.

2. If this be so, in experimenting, place your trust in the goodness and power of the Most High and ever blessed God, upon whom you may perhaps have hitherto called under an unknown holy name.

3. If you wish to console yourself with this help, you must live in such a manner that no crime or willful sin can trouble your conscience; for it is well known, that the prayer of the ungodly is not acceptable to God. At the same time you must have your undertaking continually in your mind. And herewith you are committed to the protection of the Most High.



THE BURNING OF INCENSE

The Continuity Of Life After Death. The Burning Of Incense is an old custom which has been followed religiously for ages. Again, the Burning Of Incense seems to stimulate the belief in Spiritual communication. The Burning of Incense also offers an appropriate and striking way of showing one's faith in a continued life beyond the grave. Many burn Candles and Incense to manifest in an outward way, the devotion and faith they have in the Spiritual World. Therefore, the burning of Incense is mute but striking evidence of one's faith in the continuity of life after death.

Life Here But A Temporary Abode. There seems to be something about the Burning of Incense which impresses upon us the great, over-powering fact that our life and intelligence continues after we have finished up our earthly career. These are great truths, all flowing from the ages and philosophies of the past. The Burning of Incense by a Spiritualist, or a true Christian, may be accepted as a sign of their faith in the existence of another life. Genuine Incense burned now and then is impressive testimony; an exhibition of faith and belief on their part that life here is but a temporary abode that is touched by the fingers of light for a short time only; while all around yawns an infinite, shoreless gulf of impenetrable darkness, from one side of which we appeared and to whose other side we shall hurry at death to meet our loved ones and friends living in the Spiritual World.

THE BURNING OF INCENSE AN OLD CUSTOM

As stated in the beginning of this article, the Burning of Incense is an old custom which has been followed religiously for ages, and many burn Incense for different purposes. Some believe it an appropriate and striking way of showing their faith in a continued life beyond the grave. Others burn Incense as a material manifestation of their faith in the Spiritual world beyond the grave. Candles and Incense are burned in almost every country, during Religious or Divine meditation for the purpose of obtaining higher spiritual uplifting and understanding.

Spiritualists and Students of esoteric subjects burn Incense while performing their professional work during spiritual meditation as well as exercises.

Again, many of those who believe in these things, obtain Incense and burn it if they are in trouble or wish to protect themselves against enemies, or any misfortune, believing that by carrying out the old custom of burning Incense they will attract higher spiritual influences and be able to have their wishes fulfilled.

Indeed, among some classes of people, Incense is burned when they get into trouble of any kind, whether it is financial trouble, trouble with the law, home troubles or serious sickness.

All of this of course, is quite natural in view of the fact that it is based upon an old belief that there is something Divine and Sacred connected with the burning of Incense.

Incense Burned With Recital Of The Psalms

Those who believe in the efficacy of prayer and a recital of the Psalms while burning Incense may, if they wish, read what follows.

Psalm For An Unborn Child

Psalm 1.—If a woman is pregnant and fears a premature delivery, or a dangerous confinement, or that the child to be born unto her may not be fully developed and normal in every way, she can, if she wishes, burn some of de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, the first three verses of Psalm 1; all the while having great and Divine faith that she will not, at the time of her repeating the first three verses of this Psalm, or at any other time, have a premature confinement; but that there will be granted unto her a truly fortunate delivery; that she and the fruit of her body will enjoy good health.

Psalm For A Storm At Sea

Psalm 2.—Should you be exposed to danger in a storm at sea, and your life threatened, you can, if you wish, burn some Temple Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 2; all the while having undivided faith in God who fixes the boundary of the sea, restrains its power, and quiets its raging and foaming waves. You can, if you wish, also repeat the prayer which follows. "Almighty God! Let it be Thy holy will, that the raging of the storm and the roaring of the waves may cease, and that the proud billows may be stilled. Lead us, oh, all-merciful Father, to the place of our destination in safety and in good health, for only with Thee is power and might. Thou alone canst help, and Thou wilt surely help to the honor and glory of Thy name. Amen."

Psalm For Bodily Pain

Psalm 3.—Should you suffer from severe headache or backache, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 3; all the while having most sincere faith in God, who has it within his Divine Power to grant immediate relief. You may, if you wish, also repeat the prayer which follows. "Lord God of the world, may it please thee to be my physician and helper. Heal me and relieve me from my severe headache and backache, because I can find help only with Thee, and only with Thee is counsel and action to be found. Amen."

Psalm For Those Who Have Been Unlucky

Psalm 4.—If you have been heretofore unfortunate or unlucky, in spite of every effort, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Oriental Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 4, three times, before sunrise in the morning with humility and devotion. Let your mind be uplifted in true faith ever trusting in the help of Almighty God, without whose assistance all must perish. Proceed in faith and peace to execute your contemplated undertaking; having true faith in God, and all things will result to your entire satisfaction. You may, if you wish, also repeat the prayer which follows. "May it please Thee, oh, God, to prosper my ways, steps and doings. Grant that my desire may be amply fulfilled, and let my wishes be satisfied even this day, for the sake of Thy great, mighty and praiseworthy name. Amen."

NOTE: If you wish to accomplish an undertaking or have a favor granted by or through another, you can, if you wish, proceed in all things as already stated above, with this exception; change the prayer as follows: "Oh, God! Let me find grace, favor and mercy in the eyes of, (here mention the name of the person in whose eyes you wish to find favor), so that he may grant my petition."

Again, if you have a case to bring before a high Judge or Magistrate, you can, if you wish, cite Psalm 4 and the prayers given herewith, SEVEN TIMES in succession before the rising of the sun.

Psalm For A Business Transaction

Psalm 5.—In case you have important business of any kind to transact or if there is any person from whom you desire to obtain a special favor, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Oriental Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 5; early in the morning at the rising of the sun, and in the evening, at sunset; all the while having sincere faith in God to help you. You can, if you wish, also repeat the prayer which follows: "Oh, God! have mercy unto me, for the sake of Thy great, adorable, and, holy name, turn the heart of (here mention the name of the one whom you wish to find favor with), to me, and grant that he may regard me with gracious eyes, and let me find favor and courtesy with him. Amen."

NOTE: A peculiarity of this Psalm 5 is: When you find that notwithstanding the utmost industry and care, your business does not prosper and you have reason to fear that an evil Masal, that is, an evil star, spirit or destiny is opposing you, you can, if you wish, pray Psalm 5, daily, even to the last verse with great devoutness. You should also have true faith in God that you will soon find yourself in more favorable circumstances.

Psalm For Diseases And Infirmities

Psalm 6.—Should you be so unfortunate as to suffer from diseases of the eye and have a desire to be healed, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense while citing in a faithful manner, Psalm 6. This very same Psalm can be read once a day for three successive days; but your whole soul should be imbued with Divine Faith in God: that He will heal and relieve you of your sad affliction. You may, if you wish, repeat the prescribed prayer, SEVEN TIMES slowly, each day, in a low tone, and with devotion; keeping continually in your mind the name of God, believing without doubt that He can and will help you. The Prayer follows: "Oh, Lord God, I beseech and ask of Thee to send Thy blessings upon me, and to heal my diseases, and take the pain from my eyes; for Thine is a Divine Power and help, and Thou alone art mighty enough to cure me; of this I am certain, and have great faith and therefore, I trust in Thee. Amen."

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Psalm For Enemies

Psalm 7.—Should evil persons conspire to render you unfortunate; if your enemies watch for an opportunity to overthrow you; if they pursue you in order to harm you, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Black Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 7; all the while keeping in mind the name of the great, strong and Divine God. You may, if you wish, repeat the prayer with the belief that the power of God will help you to make your enemies cease their persecutions and leave you alone in peace. The prayer follows: "Oh, great, strong and highest God! may it please Thee to change the hearts of my enemies and opposers, that they may do me good instead of evil, as thou didst in the days of Abraham when he called upon Thee by this holy name." (Gen. XIV-22.) Amen."

First Note For Psalm 7.—If you have incurred the ill-will of an enemy, whose cunning power and vengeance you have reason to fear, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Black Incense while repeating the twelve last verses of Psalm 7; believing in the power of the Lord, and that he will help you to overcome your enemies so that they may not have the power to provoke or to injure you.

Second Note For Psalm 7.—If you have a case to be decided before the Court, and you have reasons to fear an unfavorable or partial verdict, you can, if you wish, burn some of The Master's Oriental Incense while praying the 8th, 9th and 10th Verses of Psalm 7 slowly, a short time before you appear in the presence of the Judge. Believe faithfully in the goodness and power of God, and in the righteousness of your cause. As you approach the Judge, say the following prayer: "Oh, Lord my God, turn Thou the heart of the judge to favor my best interests and grant that I may be fully justified when I depart. Give unto my words power and strength and let me find favor in the eyes of the court. Amen."

Psalm For Love And Good Will Of All Men

Psalm 8.—In the event you desire to secure the Love and Good Will of all men and women, in your business transactions, and social affairs or any other matters you may have, you can, if you wish, burn some of The Master's Oriental Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 8; all the while believing in the Lord God, who has made thee to have domain over the works of thy hands. You can, should you care to, pray this Psalm three days in succession after sundown, at the same time thinking continually of the Holy name of God, which signifies love, grace and mercy. After citing this Psalm, as above, you can, if you wish, say the following prayer: "Oh, Lord God, may it please Thee, to grant that I may obtain love, grace and favor in the eyes of all men, and all women, in the transaction of my business. I, at all times, promise Thee that I will be honest and straightforward in all my dealings, according to Thy Holy will. Amen."

Psalm For The Health Of Children

Psalm 9.—This Psalm, (according to the author of a very old and rare book), has been used as a means of restoring a child who is feeble in health, when no medicine or other help are at hand. You can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense while citing Psalm 9, against the power and malignancy of enemies; all the while having unbounded faith in the power of God, who has rebuked the heathen, who has destroyed the wicked, who hast put out their name forever and ever. You may, if you wish, repeat the holy prayer which follows. "All-merciful Father! For the sake of Thy mighty, adorable and holy name, may it please Thee to take away from my child, (here repeat the child's name), the illness, (here name the disease), from which it suffers and relieve it from all pain and suffering. Oh God! let it please Thee to make my child holy in soul, mind and body, and release it during its life from all plagues, injury and danger, and be Thou always my child's helper. Amen."

NOTE: You can, if you care to, repeat this Psalm and prayer devoutly, during the early hours of the morning or late in the evening, as a means of helping the child to gain health; believing with great faith all the while, that you, and your family, will be released from the power of enemies and opposers, and that you will be protected from their persecutions, as God didst protect the Psalmist from the enemies who pursued him.

Psalm Against An Evil Spirit

Psalm 10.—If anyone is plagued with an unclean, or an evil spirit and you wish to relieve the tormented one, you may, if you care to, write the name of the obsessed person upon a piece of Genuine Parchment; then burn some Temple Incense. You may then pronounce, over the name, Psalm 10, nine times; keeping constantly in mind the adorable name of God. You can, if you wish, repeat the prayer which follows: "Oh, Lord God, please break the power and spell of this evil, obsessing spirit and free, (here call the name of the person who is obsessed), from his plagues and oppressions. Wilt Thou strengthen him in soul and body and deliver him from evil and unclean spirits. Amen."

NOTE: SHOULD YOU YOURSELF be obsessed, troubled, or plagued by an evil or an unclean spirit, you can, if you wish, burn some Temple Incense; after writing YOUR OWN NAME upon a piece of Genuine Parchment. You may, then, pronounce, over your name, Psalm 10, nine times; keeping constantly in mind the adorable name of God. You can, if you wish, also repeat the prayer which follows. "Oh, Lord God, please break the power and spell of the evil, obsessing spirit which is tormenting me, and free me from its plagues and oppressions. Wilt Thou strengthen me in soul and body and deliver me from evil and unclean spirits. Amen."

Psalm For Persecution

Psalm 11.—Any person who desires to be safe from all persecution and wishes to be free from fear of evil of any kind, can, if they wish, burn some Temple Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 11. This Psalm can be prayed daily with feelings of devotion. Besides, a prayer may be uttered to God. The prayer follows. "Most adorable, mighty and holy God; who hast all advice; who hast all action and power; who hast the power to work wonders, I beseech Thee to turn away from me, all that is evil and protect me from the persecution of evil men, for the sake of Thy great name and power. Amen."

Psalm For Better Fortune

Psalm 12.—Any person suffering from adversity, misfortune, or financial reverses, can, if it be so wished, burn some of de Laurence's Oriental Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 12. After citing this Psalm, if it be so wished, the following prayer may be repeated. "Almighty God, may it please Thee to grant that all conspiracies against me may be set at naught: turn away from me all danger and injury as well as direct toward me prosperity and success in all undertakings, in which I am worthy, and which are honestly due unto me. Amen."

Psalm For Personal Safety

Psalm 13.—Any person who wishes to feel safe for the next twenty-four hours from an unnatural death and from all bodily sufferings and punishments, may, if it is desired, burn some Temple Incense while citing in a prayerful manner, Psalm 13; all the while believing in the great power and Divine mercy of God. After citing said Psalm if it be so wished, the following prayer may be repeated. "O, Lord, let it be Thy holy will that protection be granted unto me from violent, sudden and unnatural death and from all other evil accidents; for Thou art my help and my God and Thine is the power and the glory. Amen."

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Psalm For Favor With All Men

Psalm 14.—Any person who wishes to find favor with all men, and all women, and be free from slander and mistrust, may if they so desire, burn some of de Laurence's Oriental Incense, and pray Psalm 14 with child-like faith and trust in God. If it be so wished, the following prayer may be repeated. "O, God in Heaven, may it please Thee, to grant me grace, love, and favor with all honest men, and women, whose help and well wishes I need. Grant, O God, that all may believe my words, and that no slander may be effective against me to take away the confidence of anyone. Thou canst do this for Thou turnest the hearts of men and women according to Thy holy will, and liars and slanderers are an abomination to Thee. Hear me, for the sake of Thy name. Amen."

Psalm Against An Evil Spirit

Psalm 15.—Any person who desires to help another against the presence of an evil spirit, insanity and melancholy, can, if it be so wished, burn some Temple Incense while repeating Psalm 15. Again, if they care so, they may repeat the following prayer. "May it be Thy will, O, God, to restore, (here name the person who is obsessed), for he has been robbed of his senses and is grievously tormented and plagued by an evil spirit. Enlighten his mind for the sake of Thy holy name. Amen."

Psalm For Robbery

Psalm 16.—This is a very important Psalm and can be used. Any person who has had anything stolen from them, can, if they so wish, burn some of de Laurence's Black Incense and repeat Psalm 16 with great reverence and child-like trust in the eternal love and justice of God. The one who prays this Psalm with a desire and wish, to know the name of the robber must have unbounded faith in the Divine power of the Lord God, beseeching that the thief may be caught or, shown before his eyes in a vision, that the thief may be known to all men. Again, if it be desired, the following prayer may be repeated. "Let it be the will of the Living God to make known the name of the thief who stole from me, (here name that which was stolen). Grant, O God, that the name of the thief may rise before my eyes in a vision; or be shown me in a dream, and thus be made known to me and all men that; Thy name may be glorified. Please, O God, grant this request for the sake of Thy holy name. Amen." This Psalm can be prayed with reverence, and child-like trust in the eternal love and goodness of God: that God will change sorrow into joy; enemies into friends, and will destroy thieves and vagabonds.

Psalm For A Traveler

Psalm 17.—Any traveler, whether by land; by railroad; by sea; by airship, or vehicle of any kind, can, if he so wishes, burn some Temple Incense, and pray Psalm 17, early in the morning with ardor. Again, if it be so wished, the following prayer may be repeated. "May it be Thy holy will, O, God, to make my journey prosperous, to lead me in pleasant paths, to protect me from all evil and to bring me safely back to my loved ones, for Thy mighty and adorable name's sake. Amen."

Psalm Against Robbers

Psalm 18.—Should you be attacked unexpectedly by robbers, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Black Incense and pray Psalm 18 quietly but fervently. You can, if you so desire, repeat the following prayer, with confidence in the name of the Lord God who is, mighty, all merciful and compassionate; all the while believing with unbounded faith in the power of God, and that the robbers will leave you suddenly, without inflicting the slightest injury upon you. The prayer is as follows: "Mighty, all merciful and compassionate God, may it be pleasing to Thy most holy will, to defend me against approaching robbers and protect me against all enemies, opposers and evil circumstances, for Thine is the power and Thou canst help. Hear me O, God, for the sake of Thy most holy name. Amen."

Psalm For A Dangerous Confinement

Psalm 19.—For a protracted and dangerous confinement, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense and cite over the one who is about to become a mother, Psalm 19, every morning for two weeks before the delivery is expected. The holy name of this Psalm consists of two letters from the holy name Jehovah He, which, according to the tradition of the Kabalists, are of great power, and which embrace the so-called ten Sepirot or reckonings and other deep mysteries. The prayer is as follows: "Lord of Heaven and Earth! May it please Thee graciously to be with this parturient, (here name the person about to be confined), who is fluctuating between life and death; ameliorate her sufferings, and help her and the fruit of her body that she may soon be delivered. Keep her and her child in perfect health and grant her life, for the sake of Thy holy name. Amen."

Psalm For Trial Before A Judge

Psalm 20.—Should you be summoned to appear before a judge in a judicial trial, you can, if you wish, burn some of The Master's Oriental Incense shortly beforehand and repeat Psalm 20. This Psalm may be repeated as many times as you wish to repeat it before the trial. You surely will be justified in citing this Psalm if it is your desire to leave the court without restraint. You can, if you wish, repeat the prayer which follows. "Lord and judge of all the world! Thou holdest the hearts of all men in Thy power and movest them according to Thy holy will; grant that I may find grace and favor in the sight of my judges and those placed above me in power, and dispose their hearts to my best interests. Grant O God, that I may be favored with a reasonable and favorable verdict, that I may be justified by it, and that I may freely go from hence. Hear me, merciful, beloved Father, and fulfill my desire, for the sake of Thy Great and Adorable name."

Psalm For A Storm At Sea

Psalm 21.—Should anyone be on the high seas when there is a terrible storm, they can, if they so wish, burn some Temple Incense and repeat slowly with great sincerity, Psalm 21. This very same Psalm may be repeated as often as it is thought necessary during the storm. Again, while the sea is foaming, you can, if you so desire, utter the following prayer. "Lord of the World! Thou rulest the pride of the foaming and roaring sea, and calmest the terrible noise of the waves. May it please Thee, for the sake of Thy most holy name, to calm the storm and to deliver us from this terrible danger. Amen."

Psalm For A Traveler

Psalm 22.—If a traveler, you can, if you so wish, before starting on a journey, burn some Temple Incense twice daily and cite Psalm 22, in full trust in the mighty protection of our exalted and most merciful God; beseeching Him that no misfortune will happen whether you travel by water; by land; by train or by any other means, and that you and your family, if any, will be safe from harm, by men and beasts.

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Psalm For Instruction By A Vision Or Dream

Psalm 22.—Should you desire to receive information regarding any particular person, or a given matter, through a Vision or a Dream, you can, if you wish, burn some Temple Incense and cite Psalm 23, seven times each day until the thing you wish to know has been shown you in a vision or in a dream. You may, if you so desire, repeat the following prayer every time you cite Psalm 23. The prayer follows: "Lord of the World! Notwithstanding Thy unutterable mighty power, exaltation and glory, Thou wilt still lend a listening ear to the prayer of Thy humblest creature, and wilt fulfill his desires. Hear my prayer also, loving Father, and let it be pleasing to Thy most holy will to reveal unto me in a dream, whether, (here the affair of which a correct knowledge is desired must be plainly stated), as Thou didst often reveal through dreams the fate of our forefathers. Grant me my petition, for the sake of Thy adorable name, Amen."

Psalm 24 And Psalm 25

Psalm 24 And 25.—Although the contents of these remarkable Psalms differ materially in respect to their Mystical Uses, they are believed, to be equal and alike in divine power and action. Whosoever cares to do so, may repeat these Psalms daily in the morning and the evening with a deep feeling of devotion; while burning some Temple Incense, for it is believed that by repeating these Psalms, one will receive the protection of God against evil influences of any kind.

Psalm For Success

Psalm 26.—If bad luck has followed you, or misfortune is ever-present and with you; or if you have been unsuccessful in obtaining employment; or you have not been able to save money, you may, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Oriental Incense and cite Psalm 26, early every morning and late every evening. However, you must have undivided faith in the great and unlimited power of God to overcome all things, and to help you so that your wishes may be fulfilled so you will have plenty for yourself and your loved ones.

Psalm For One Visiting A Strange City

Psalm 27.—If you wish to be kindly received by those you are going to meet in a strange city, and desire to be hospitably entertained, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Oriental Incense and repeat Psalm 27, before beginning your journey; also again and again while going. This Psalm should be prayed with great reverence and in full confidence that God will dispose the hearts of your friends and associates to receive and entertain you kindly.

Psalm For An Enemy

Psalm 28.—If you would have one who is your bitter enemy to become reconciled to you, if you so wish, you can, burn some of de Laurence's Black Incense and pronounce Psalm 28, with appropriate reverence and mighty trust in the power and readiness of the Lord God, who is a ruler of hearts, to put kindness and consideration for you into the heart of your enemy so that he will become friendly and reconciled to you.

Psalm For An Evil Spirit

Psalm 29.—It is reported that this Psalm has been used by many for the above purpose, and, you may, if you so desire, burn some Temple Incense and repeat it any time you care to, ten times; all the while having great reverence for God and true faith in his power to drive away an evil spirit, as well as make it depart from the one who is possessed.

Psalm For Death Of Children

Psalm 32.—If you have been unfortunate in respect to the constant death of your children before or after birth, you may, if you so desire, burn some of de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense and repeat Psalm 33, at any time you wish. That is, before pregnancy, during pregnancy, just before or after confinement. While praying this wonderful Psalm, your soul must be uplifted to God, who is to be praised for his goodness; for his power. All of your confidence and faith is to be literally and intensely placed in God; ever believing that you will be more fortunate with any child born to you thereafter; that it will live and be blessed by God, who is a giver of all good.

Psalm For One Deprived Of A Position

Psalm 41.—A peculiar characteristic of this Psalm is that it brings to those who pray it in a sincere and faithful manner, great hope and unlimited consolation, especially if they have a troubled heart.

If your enemies have talked about you, or did something that has been the means of your losing a valued position so that your earnings will be thereby reduced; or if you have been deprived of a position and another put in your place, you can, if you wish, burn some of de Laurence's Oriental Incense and pray Psalm 41 three times each day immediately after getting up in the morning and the last thing before going to bed at night. A frequent citing or praying of this Psalm will be the means of bringing unto you the blessings of God and help you put your enemies to shame and humiliation.

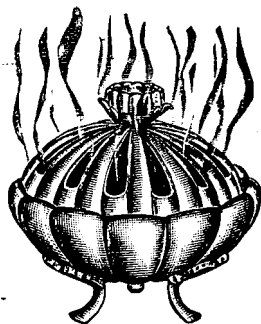
The formula for making both Oriental and Temple Incense was kept a close secret for centuries. Today it is used throughout the Orient, Europe, North and South America. The West Indies, and Africa, for Sacrificial Fumigation as well as an invoking Powder. Again, the burning of Incense finds great favor with Clairvoyants and Spirit Mediums. The burning of it, so it is reported, seems to help them to obtain stronger materializations. It is also well liked by Crystal-Gazers, Trumpet Mediums and Spiritual Healers.

For Spirit Development; for Strengthening the Memory; for rendering Concentration easier; for acquiring Knowledge; for gaining the powers of Prophecy and Foreseeing, both Temple and Oriental Incense has been used by Occult students and Spiritualists in all ages of the world.

Indeed, Incense is believed, by Advanced Occult Students, to be the best article to use while passing into a Spiritual Trance or for Prophecying. It may be used in the following manner; Place one fourth of a teaspoonful of Incense in the Burner; after lighting it, close the eyes, and breathe in its dreamy, soothing fragrance slowly. Let the mind dwell on any person you have in mind, or whatever thought or subject you desire information on.

In fact, it would be impossible to tell here, the many different reasons people have all over the world for burning Incense. Some use it for driving disagreeable odors from the home. Others claim that it drives away evil influences; while there are still others who believe it helps to lull the irritations of a nervous or bad tempered person whom they are going to meet.

INCENSE IN THE ORIENT



Incense In Ancient And Modern Literature. Temple Incense is a product of the Far East. We are told that it is one of the oldest articles of commerce, as indicated by the fact that the world's first trade routes were established for the transportation of Incense that its importance and significance in the life of the Orient are proven by the innumerable references to Incense in ancient and modern literature. We are informed that Temple and Oriental Incense are made according to a formula adopted from one that for centuries has played an important part in the Ceremonial Rites of the Orient, having been first made by Arabian chemists.

Used Since The Beginning Of The World. Incense has been used, in some form or other, by people of different beliefs, since the beginning of the world, and, in ancient times was prepared as an Aromatic Substance which exhaled perfume, that is, it produced a sweet odor when burned for Sacrificial Fumigation, or as an Invoking Powder.

Incense In The Bible. Incense is referred to in the Bible: "He made the holy anointing oil, and the pure Incense of sweet spices, according to the product of the Apothecary." (Exodus XXXVII, 29.)

There are few things so characteristic of the fascination and mystery of the beautiful lands beyond the Pacific, as Temple or Oriental Incense. The dreamy, soothing fragrance of Burning Incense brings to mind the rosy dawns, the brilliant sunlight, the purple dusks of the Orient—the enchantments of strange, Far Eastern countries—the subtle, languorous sweetness of tropical gardens and of blossom-laden breezes blown from palm-fringed islands set in turquoise seas. All Incense from the Far East, is made according to a formula adopted from one that for centuries has played an important part in the Ceremonial, Spiritual and Occult Rites of the Orient. Its principal ingredients, Sandalwood and Patchouly, were among the first to be used by those learned Arabian chemists, to whom the world is indebted for its finest Oriental Perfumes.

The Magic Use Of Incense

Modern materialism seems to have lost sight completely of the Occult or Esoteric teachings of the ancients. There are many hidden treasures of the past, and these consist of a knowledge of those Occult and Spiritual forces of the universe.

Go back as far as one likes, even to pre-historic ages, and we find nearly every nation of antiquity using Incense or Oriental Perfumes, and, not always for ornate and sentimental purposes. The fact is, the finer forces possessed by man seem to be affected by Oriental Perfumes and Incense. Take the case of modern anesthetics. Note the helplessness which follows the inhaling of chloroform or ether.

In all ages of the world Incense or Candles have been burned before any Occult or Spiritual work has been started. The Orientals, especially the Hindus and Japanese, always burn Incense or Candles when about to invoke or call the Spirits.

Among the Ancient Egyptians and Hindus, the composition of Incense and Oriental Perfumes was kept a profound secret and only made known to Initiates and those fitted to receive the higher Occult and Spiritual knowledge of the Adepts and Old Masters.

Primarily, the mind should be prepared before Candles are burned or Oriental Incense Magically used. That is, Incense should not be burned in the ordinary way. Affirmations should precede the use of Incense or Candles; a statement of what one wants, and a strong desire to obtain it, must possess, the aspirant.

In fact, it was held by the Ancients that no Magical, or Spiritual practices were of any use unless the mind could be brought to a reverential attitude; an attitude desirous to learn, to develop, only the Highest and Divinest Occult and Spiritual Powers. Nor is this all; there must be no thoughts of anger, envy, criticism, no unkindly acts, or evil inclinations toward others or it will render the Incense useless for Invoking and attracting higher Spiritual and Occult Powers.

There is about Virtue, or Goodness, an actual definite rate of pure vibration created, and this rate harmonizes with the Perfume or Oriental Incense used. We know that in music certain notes are in harmony with others, and that other notes when struck together produce discord. In the world of effects, when discord takes place, it is like two people pulling in opposite directions with equal force—nothing happens only that a good deal of force has been wasted to no purpose. Incense and Oriental Perfumes only act where the finer forces on which they act are in a quiet, harmonious condition of true faith and belief. This particularly applies where we wish to raise our Occult and Spiritual Powers to a higher level, where we want to make ourselves receptive to higher Astral Influences, and come in touch directly with the Great Hidden Forces of the universe. Our Inner Vision or Spiritual Sight, then becomes clearer; we can see into problems which before we were in doubt about, and were constantly in the habit of consulting others. We become more self-reliant; we are able to entertain bigger plans, to see ways and means of carrying projects through; we become independent of outside help; we solve our own difficulties; our ambition becomes firmer, more noble, and we no longer lead the mean petty lives we have been leading before. We refuse to be mere average persons, but see that life is something far greater than we used to believe it was.

Many have heard of people being unpleasantly affected by certain houses when they have entered them. They have not liked them, though they could give no definite reason for their dislike. The Tower of London and the mummy rooms of the British Museum have had effects on sensitive persons, and it was not on account of their imagination. The fact is, both these places have a moral "atmosphere" which the student of Occultism recognizes as being due to apparitions and allied phenomena. If the person is keyed up to the same rate as the rooms or place vibrates, then, he or she, feels the vibrations repeated in his or her body. Experiments have been repeatedly carried out showing that this is no idle statement. Many have seen it in cases where the person so affected has been ignorant of the history associated with the place complained of.

To aid in securing desirable conditions as far as your home or room is concerned, one should first burn Incense in it, as this helps to drive away all adverse influences. An old room or house may be filled by the emanations and evil forces of all its former inhabitants, and in Meditation or Clairvoyance, these bad forces will make it difficult to get clear, definite results. At one end of the room—preferably the east—a little table should be used as an altar for the burning of your Incense. No stranger or one not in sympathy with your work should have access to the room. You desire to impregnate it with your own Magnetism alone, as Cross-Magnetism would befog results to say the least. Have the room well ventilated in fair weather, so that the fresh air may enter. There must be nothing stuffy about it, and window shades or heavy, dark draperies are the best.

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Further, when you enter this Sacred room, it must be with a mind at rest, with no troubles of any kind. Worries, petty jealousies, anger, strife, low, coarse, sensual thoughts and doubt of self must be left on the threshold. This, of course, cannot be done very easily without previous preparation, hence the need to practice Thought Control, as taught in that wonderful book, namely, "The Master Key," published and sold only by The de Laurence Company.

You are going to create an atmosphere for yourself; you want a room to which you can retire when mentally tired, dispirited, a little out of tune with the Higher Spiritual Forces. Do not misunderstand, however. You must not carry these negative conditions into your Sacred Sanctuary, but that whenever, in the outer world you may be discouraged or not perfectly happy, you must lay your cares, doubts and misgivings aside, and say to yourself: "I will enter my Sacred room and put myself into touch with the great Hidden Spiritual Forces of Nature, whence all Power, all Life, all Mental Force is derived." So that when your soul lacks anything; when it is depleted of energy, or when your mind has been harassed with home or business worries, you will find solace and sure recuperation in that Sacred Room wherein you have burned your soothing Incense and thereby made for yourself a place for soul rest.

Thus, by entering your Sanctuary or Sacred Room with feelings of Gladness, of Hopefulness, of Potency, High-Souled Ambition, Aspiration and feelings which raise one to the highest point you can conceive, you actually attract and draw to yourself very wonderful forces. They remain in the room, are strengthened each time you enter the room in such a hopeful mental state, and by means of the Incense burned therein; begin to weave about you Soul and Occult Powers and possibilities, which only the future can outline.

Now, if you treat what is written here the same way you do a novel or cheap literature and books written by surface writers, you will derive no benefit from what is given forth. This contribution to the Magical and Spiritual use of Incense gives Force of Character; builds up your Inner Forces, affects your surroundings with certainty, provided the Spirit and Faith inculcated herein is entered into. But only by actual practice and the Burning of Incense, can these Grand Powers be gained. Mere reading of cheap books that teach nothing, will do little beyond stimulating your curiosity, or pass away an hour. There is in the study of True Occultism, as contained in "The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic, And East Indian Occultism," by de Laurence, Spiritual work enough to last one many years; but you must first find the Key by following the instructions laid down in those books written by the old Adepts and Masters.

It has been said that man is more than a mere physical body; he is more than a material envelope; but his body is thin, and within that outer casing lies another; the exact duplicate of his outer personality. It is formed of a very fine spiritual matter, so fine, in fact, that it is scarcely entitled to the name of matter; but nevertheless it is matter after all; but too fine to be perceived by the eyesight and is known as the Astral or Spiritual body. Anyone gifted with even a slight degree of Clairvoyance, or Inner Sight, can perceive it, and it is this duplicate which is often seen and taken for a ghost. The Astral* Body is the receptacle of the emotions, and all our feelings may be referred to it. It is powerfully affected by certain Perfumes and Unseen Forces, and as our feelings are affected so we act.

Many people are, as a matter of fact, moved by their inner feelings more than they are by their thoughts, or by reason or common sense. The English and American people are less moved than, say, the French or the Italians; they are reputed to be cold, phlegmatic, yet, all the same these feelings play a tremendous part in their ordinary daily lives. Being ruled by one's feelings is being ruled by the passions, and seeing how prone the majority are to get into a passion with the slightest pretext, one can understand how Oriental Perfumes and Incense will act on this subtle spiritual body.

Seeing that the use of Incense is now being so widely used by many Occult Students, Spiritualists and Healers; it may be well to let the reader know more about it in performing all Occult Operations. Certain Herbs and Dried Plants when burnt emit odors which have a calming effect. These are found useful in preparing the mind; others literally intoxicate and produce illusions when inhaled, the fumes being charged with substances which have a peculiar affinity with the secret "Gates of the Astral Body," as they are termed in the East, by the Chakras. These seven Centers of the body vibrate at a more rapid rate when these fumes impinge upon them, and this quickly rushes through the whole body.

In this state, then, the thoughts are influenced by the feelings and the Clairvoyant state is reached much more quickly. Moreover, the reaction on the thoughts leads to the inception of new ideas, and when a man gets new ideas he usually does something with them if he has any ambition at all worth mentioning. High-grade Oriental Perfumes and Incense influence the Thought-centers of the body, so it is believed.

A further reason is afforded in the well known law of Sympathies and Antipathies, as taught in "The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism," upon which medical science is based to some extent. Some schools of Materia Medica work with the Sympathies and others with the Antipathies. Much in the same way we see that opposite temperaments in persons get on better than when both are alike; they are complementary. It is another example of the "pairs of opposites," such a Light and Darkness, Heat and Cold, Day and Night, Magnet and Electric, Positive and Negative. The reciprocal action engendered between two opposite temperaments, leads one to give up that which the other has not, and the interchange is beneficial to both.

Supposing you have got your Sacred Room properly prepared, a little Incense may be burned; no plants, dog or cat, being in the room at the time. The doors should be closed, but the windows may be opened a little. Left thus for twenty-four hours, the room should then be well aired and is ready for use. If hangings, shades or curtains are used at all, let them be dark or deep blue.

First procure from The de Laurence Co., a packet of their Oriental or Temple Incense, together with a durable Incense burner. Place within the burner some Incense and set fire to it. It will burn for a long time.

Ordinary clothing may be worn. To get the best results for the Higher Occult and Magical Purposes, Incense obtained from this firm may be used exclusive of all other brands. Always, after lighting your Incense, place the top on the burner, as this insures that it shall not die out before being burnt through.

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*As long as anyone fancies his highest ideal to exist outside of him, somewhere above the clouds or in the history of the past, he will go outside of himself to seek for it in his fancy or in the pages of history. This is not true wisdom, but merely a dreaming about it; for not that wisdom which exists outside of man, but that which has taken root in him renders him wise. A child is not born from outside of its mother's womb, but from within, and the spiritual regeneration of man must be accomplished by that which is existing in him.

The spiritual regeneration of man requires the opening of his inner senses, and this again involves the development of the internal organs or the spiritual body, while the latter is intimately connected with the physical form. Thus this regeneration is not an entirely spiritual process, but productive of great changes in the physical body. He who rejects, neglects, or despises his physical body as long as he has not outgrown the necessity of having such a corporeal form, may be compared to the yolk of an egg wanting to be free from the white of the egg and the shell, without having grown into a bird.

TEMPLE INCENSE WITH DAILY RECITALS

Taking the days of the week, you may, if you so desire, burn Temple Incense while reciting different Psalms.

SUNDAY—If it is your heart's wish and great desire to be successful in all of your undertakings, you may, if you wish, on Sunday, burn Temple Incense for ten minutes and repeat in a low, firm voice, Psalm 55. If you wish to overcome the evil set against you by your enemies, so that it will be turned to naught; or you desire some particular wish granted, you may, if you wish, repeat Psalm 55 seven times while burning Temple Incense. There is no doubt you will find this day and Psalm good.

MONDAY—If it is your wish to receive knowledge through a Dream or in a vision, you may, if you so desire, purify yourself by fasting twenty-four hours and burn Temple Incense while repeating Psalm 23 seven times. This can be done between the hours of eleven and twelve o'clock at night.

Temple Incense can be burned of course on any day of the week; although it is believed by some that Sunday and Wednesday between the hours of eleven and twelve at night is a very good time. Being a moon-scent Incense, it might well be dedicated to the lunar goddess.

NOTE—If upon consideration, it becomes your wish, you may repeat the following prayer after you have read Psalm 23 between the hours of eleven and twelve on Monday night, as indicated above. The prayer follows: Oh, Great and Powerful spirit of the world (God?), notwithstanding Thy unutterable mighty, hidden power, exaltation and glory, Thou wilt lend a listening ear to the prayer of Thy humblest and faithful disciple, and wilt fulfill his desires. Hear my earnest prayer, Thou Great Universal Spirit, and let it be pleasing to Thy Holy will to reveal unto me in a dream, whether (here the affair of which a correct knowledge is desired must be plainly stated) as Thou did'st often reveal through dreams the fate of our forefathers. Grant me my petition for the sake of Thy adorable name. Repeat this prayer from memory four times, burning Incense all the time.

TUESDAY—Temple Incense is an appropriate fumigation to burn on this day. If you are troubled by your enemies—open or secret—you may if you wish, repeat Psalm 53, while burning Temple Incense between the hours of eleven and twelve at night, if possible. If you wish to feel doubly secure from their malice and to overcome them, you may if you wish, repeat Psalm 64, as indicated above.

WEDNESDAY—An appropriate fumigation for this day is de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense. If you are about to enter college; or have a case in court; or hold converse with influential men; or if you wish to gain wisdom and superior or spiritual powers, you may if you wish, repeat Psalm 134 five times while the Incense is burning.

THURSDAY—If any man wishes to procure the love of women; or if it is wished to make peace between man and wife, and especially influence a cross or unreasonable wife, a man can if he so desires, repeat the 45th Psalm ten times while burning de Laurence's Oriental Incense. Further, if any man's wife has departed and he wishes her to return, he can if he so wishes, repeat this very same Psalm while burning de Laurence's Oriental Incense.

FRIDAY—This day is held to be unlucky by those who are superstitious, weak, and disinclined to develop an aggressive disposition. However, if any person wishes to increase in good fortune, might and power; or to gain the love, respect, friendship, and good will of another, he can if he so wishes, repeat the 137th Psalm nine consecutive times while burning de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense.

SATURDAY—If any person is troubled with a guilty conscience or an evil spirit and wishes to obtain relief, he can if he so wishes, recite the 90th Psalm four times while burning de Laurence's Mystic Rites Incense.

† God is the greatest power in the universe, because He is the source and sum of all powers in their highest mode of manifestation. God is therefore absolute consciousness, absolute love, and absolute wisdom. If we wish to accomplish anything great, the first requirement is the presence of God, because He is man's understanding and power, and resides in man. But God cannot be approached by an intellect that is without love. God is love, and is only attracted by love. We cannot know the principle of love, unless we love it with our heart, and the more we desire it, the more will we be able to comprehend with the heart what the principle is. The love of God is therefore a power transcending the lower nature of man; it cannot develop itself out of the animal elements of man, but it is a gift from the universal fountain of love, in the same sense as sunshine cannot grow out of the earth, but comes from above. God lives in the hearts of men, and if we desire to love him, we must love all that is good in humanity. The love of humanity is the beginning of the knowledge of God. The intellect is the greatest possession of mortal man, and an intellect that rises to the source of all knowledge by the power of love may know God and all the mysteries of Nature, and become godlike itself; but an intellect without love leads into error, grovels in darkness, and goes to perdition. An intellect combined with love for the supreme good leads to wisdom; an intellect without love leads to the powers of evil.

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MYSTICAL CEREMONIAL COMPOUND

ORIENTAL INCENSE is one of those enchantingly exquisite suffumes, whose odor is most pleasing. Throughout the Orient it is believed the burning of Incense helps one in the generation of Occult, Spiritual and Esoteric Powers. At all times, and in all places, Oriental Incense gives forth a Subtle, Fragrant odor, stronger and more agreeable than any other Incense or Invoking Powder. This sweet-smelling Mystical Ceremonial Compound may be used exclusively by sincere and earnest investigators. Those who wish to be lulled into a "Soul-Vision" or Clairvoyant state, where they can experiment in those wierd "out-of-the-body" sensations, so much loved by the Oriental, certainly could do no better than try a package of Temple or Oriental Incense; especially if they are using a Magic Mirror or Crystal, or sitting for development.

The Incense sold by The de Laurence Co. is made after the same formulas that the Old Masters used, ages and ages ago. Therefore, it is an Aromatic Compound which really and truly diffuses an agreeable, dreamy fragrance, most pleasing to the senses, and is used by many who believe it helpful in the development of Clairvoyance and Spirit-Sight.

Incense is used abroad, in Courts and Palaces of high caste titled Oriental people, also by the Priests in the Lamarsaries and Hindu Occult Chambers. One package should do for one hundred or more sittings, so you see it is very inexpensive, costing only two cents or less per sitting. Temple Incense is highly recommended for use among Spiritualists, those holding Circle, Public Mediums and those who do a professional business.

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Both Temple and Oriental Incense have for centuries been used in all high-grade Invocations, Ceremonial, Magical and Occult Rites of the Orient and the Far East. Its ingredients were among the first Secret Preparations to be used by those learned Arabian chemists to whom the world is deeply indebted for Oriental Perfumes and Incense.

Little need be said here about Oriental Perfumes and fumigations made from Incense, as all who believe in Eastern Occultism and spiritism, know that Incense is burned during all of the various operations and communications with the unseen world throughout the Orient and the Far East.

Hundreds and thousands of years ago, the Ancient Masters knew much regarding the Occult uses of Temple Incense, Ceremonial Incense, Black Incense, and other subtle Oriental Compounds. It is reported that they well knew why they were so efficacious. These Ancients also well knew the power and meaning of Confections, Lights, Lamps, Infernal Imprecations, and also of Seals, Charms and Talismans traced on Parchment Paper, or engraved on Solid Gold. It is to be regretted that there are very, very few indeed, today, who have made a sincere study of the deeper phases of Oriental Occultism and Spiritism, so that they could get a proper interpretation of the deeper and powerful work.

The reason why many never learn Occultism or advance in Development and Spirit-Sight is obvious. They insist on buying every cheap, new little publication issued. Every so-called New Thought gun fired by some crank professor attracts them. They will insist upon following so-called modern authors, teachers, cheap professors, and fake institutes of which there is a multitude today, instead of confining themselves to some of the works of the Old World writers, such as Agrippa, author of **THE PHILOSOPHY OF NATURAL MAGIC**, (Order No. 23. Price \$3.50; Foreign 16s.) Eliphas Levi, author of **THE MYSTERIES OF MAGIC** (Order No. 11. Price \$4.00; Foreign £1.) Also **TRANSCENDENTAL MAGIC, ITS DOCTRINE AND RITUAL**, (Order No. 9. Price \$5.00; Foreign £1 6s.).

Yes, all students and investigators should be careful how they send for books written by surface writers. Stick to the old world authors and masters, such as Paracelsus, Agrippa, Levi, Franz Hartmann, and de Laurence.

Those who have ordered and studied such works as, **"The Book of Death, Hindu Spiritism, Soul Transition, And Soul Reincarnation,"** known as the Handbook of Spiritism, by de Laurence, (Order No. 26. Price \$2.00; Foreign 9s.), also **"The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East India Occultism,"** (Order No. 2. Price \$10.75; Foreign £2 16s.), always get the best of results. Indeed it is tradition that those who have studied de Laurence's books have advanced from the very start.

Don't think you can ever become a Master unless you study under a Master. Some people think they can develop simply by reading some Spiritual novel written by some fly-by-the-gate author, who has had a fairy dream and put it in book form. Let cheap books, cheap professors, cheap institutes and cheap mail courses severely alone. Pay a fair, honest price and deal with those who handle Official Publications written by authors of reputation, and you will have less cause to complain about your advancement.

The same thing holds good regarding Incense and all Oriental Compounds used by the student of Occultism to bring about Development, "Spirit-Sight," "Soul-Vision," and such "Out-of-the-body" experiences as Propelling the Astral Form, etc. Insist upon getting the best Temple, or Ceremonial Incense and feel certain beyond a reasonable doubt that you are getting the genuine article. Unless you do this you will be disappointed, as you should be; for it's clearly your own fault if you buy of unreliable dealers or purchase unknown and untried goods.

It's claimed that the Eastern Masters once held the secret of making Incense which many today use to help them find the Key which unlocks the Mysteries of Spirit Life, so that they may acquire the Gift of Clairvoyance and Soul Vision.

For the benefit of those interested, and who wish to test Incense, for Conjunction and Ceremonies, we will state that it is used as follows:

FIRST. It may be used in an Incense Burner which can be obtained from this firm. Use about one-quarter of a teaspoonful at a "Sitting." Put the Incense in the Burner, light it with a match by allowing the flame to die out. Then allow the Incense to smoulder. Place the Burner upon a table or stand. Next seat yourself about two feet away and gaze into and look through the ascending spirals of smoke which arise from the fumigation.

Use a darkened room, or, if you have a light, it must be very subdued; keep the mind perfectly passive, as directed by de Laurence in his Lessons in **"The Mystic Test Book Of The Hindu Occult Chambers."**

While the Incense is burning entertain a reverent spirit of mind and soul. Observe that conditions conform strictly to directions given here, and in the book just referred to, as they are very essential. Again, always keep the package of Incense securely closed and open it only when you wish to use some. We print below a testimonial taken from an English Publication. This testimonial seems to have been given by a good soul who had used Incense to produce a fumigation.

TESTIMONIAL

"I hasten to send you a description of the remarkable phenomena produced by the mystical Hindu Powder or "Soul-Vision" inducing subtle compound called Temple Incense which I have been using in an Incense Burner to make a fumigation while sitting for development of my Higher Spiritual and Divine Powers. The first vision was that of a Hindu, as real as if materialized and of advanced spirituality. After this glorious phenomena had passed, there appeared a radiant Spiritual being robed in pale blue, studded over with glittering stars and Astral lights.

"This Celestial remained many minutes. Thus ended my first sitting, at least I had thought it ended; but no; for throughout the night following the sitting, I was travelling consciously upon the Spirit Plane and conversing with spirit friends and brothers of the Mystic organization of the unseen world."

It is said by those, who profess to know, that many ages ago, even prior to the erection of King Solomon's Temple, that the subtle and Invoking Powers of sweet and fragrant Incense, Powders and Rare, Costly Essences were largely used and known.

It is true, as all who have visited the Orient will attest, that Incense in some form or another, is burned on all occasions where Invocation, Astral or "Spirit-Sight" are desired or required. Again, Candles or Incense are used by some operators while introducing the Hypnotic State.

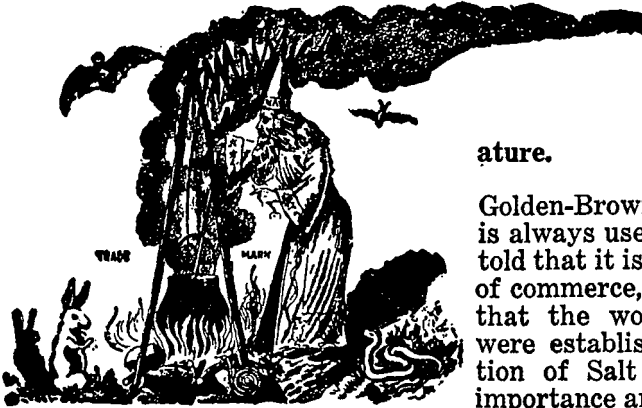
Many burn Incense before going to meet a person with an unkind disposition believing that it will help to lull the irritation of a nervous or bad tempered person. If you wish to be successful in business, or whenever you have an important appointment to keep, or interview someone from whom you wish to secure a favor you might try the burning of Incense. Many are today using it for this selfsame purpose.

If you wish to try to lull yourself into a "soul-vision" inducing state so much loved by the Oriental, you certainly could do no better than try a package of Incense, especially if you are using a Magic Mirror or Crystal.

Both Oriental and Temple Incense has been for Centuries used extensively throughout the Far East by those who believe that when burning its soothing and dreamy fragrance helps to drive away evil influences. Again, as stated elsewhere, Incense is burned as an Invoking Powder throughout the Orient, by those who believe it helps them in Spiritual Development as well as attracting Spirits.

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TEMPLE INCENSE



Burning An Invoking Powder.

Incense In Ancient And Modern Literature.

ature.

It consists of a fine Golden-Brown Powder: the kind that is always used in the Orient. We are told that it is one of the oldest articles of commerce, as indicated by the fact that the world's first trade routes were established for the transportation of Salt and Incense; that its importance and significance in the life of the Orient are proven by the innumerable references to Incense in

ancient and modern literature.

Temple Incense is made according to a formula adopted from one that for centuries has played an important part in the Ceremonial Rites of the Orient, having been first made by Arabian chemists.

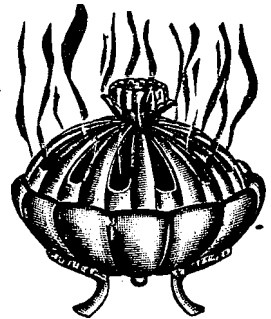


Used Since The Beginning Of The World. Incense has been used, in some form or other, by people of different beliefs, since the beginning of the world, and, in ancient times was prepared as an aromatic substance which exhaled perfume during combustion; being a mixture of gum spices, etc., to produce a sweet odor when burned; an odorous resin used for Sacrificial Fumigation, such as frankincense; olibanum; so the Standard Dictionary states.

Incense In The Bible. Incense is referred to in the Bible: "He made the holy anointing oil, and the pure Incense of sweet spices, according to the product of the Apothecary." (Exodus XXXVII, 29.)



"There are few things so characteristic of the fascination and mystery of the beauty loving lands beyond the Pacific, as Temple Incense. Its dreamy, soothing fragrance brings to mind the rosy dawns, the brilliant sunlight, the purple dusks of the Orient—the enchantments of strange, Far Eastern countries—the subtle, languorous sweetness of tropical gardens and of blossom-laden breezes blown from palm-fringed islands set in turquoise seas. Temple Incense is made according to a formula adopted from one that for centuries has played an important part in the Ceremonial Rites of the Orient. Its principal ingredients, Sandalwood and Patachouly, were among the first to be used by those learned Arabian chemists, to whom the world is indebted for its finest perfumes. A very fine Golden-Brown Powder is the form in which Incense has always been used in the Orient and the Far East.



Oriental Incense



Temple Incense For Invocation. Incense has for centuries been used in Invocations, Ceremonial and Occult Rites of the far East. Its Secret Preparations were used by those old Arabian Chemists to whom the world is indebted for Oriental Incense.

Fragrant Aromatic Compound. de Laurence's Temple Incense when burned, makes an Exquisite Suffumigation whose odor is most pleasing, as all who have used it have ample proof. It gives forth a beautifully fragrant odor.

KEY NO. 875. Glass jar of Temple Incense.
Price: \$2.00 plus postage.



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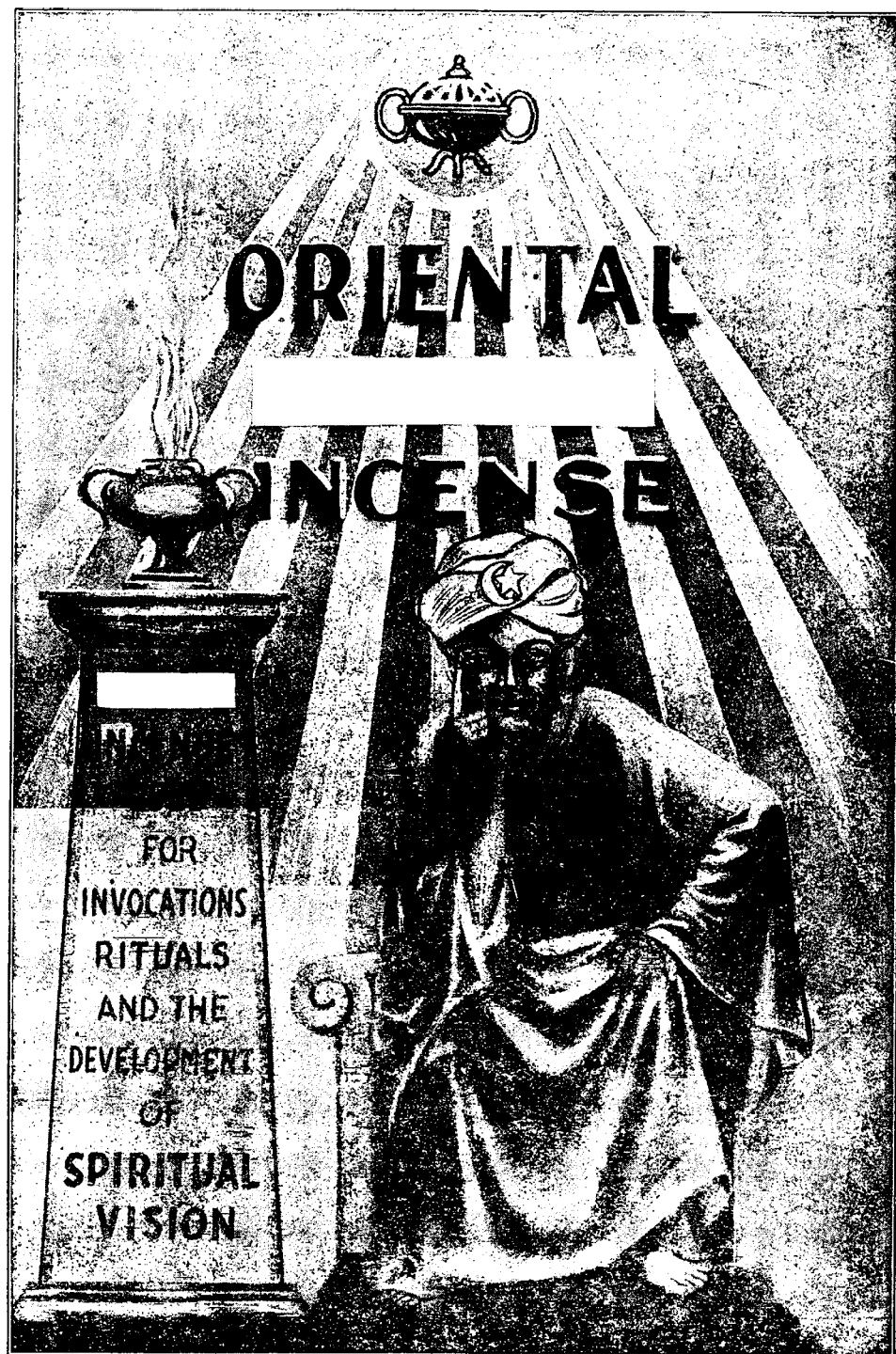
Some of the most successful people in the world use Temple Incense in their daily life; for it is said to affect one's spiritual powers, assisting in meditation by concentrating and steadying the mind, thereby developing Trance Mediumship and other phases of individuality. Many use Temple Incense and burn special Waxed Candles to gain the affection of the opposite sex, secure friendship, promote success in business and all undertakings: the construction of Talismans and such like things. In fact, Temple Incense and Candles are burned by most every person who desires to be successful in Spiritualism and Occultism.

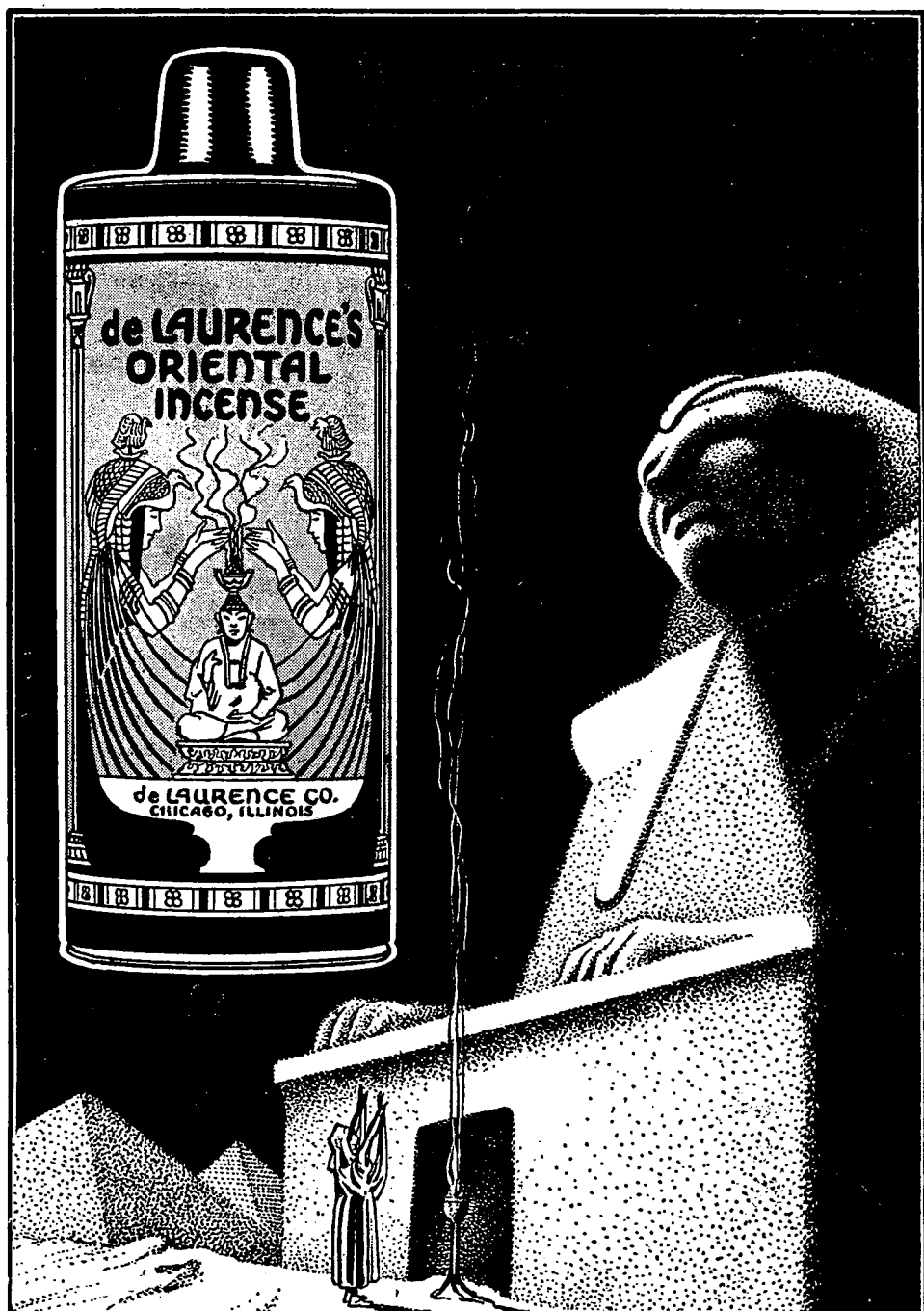
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KEY NO. 876. Large tube of Temple Incense. Price: \$5.00 plus postage.



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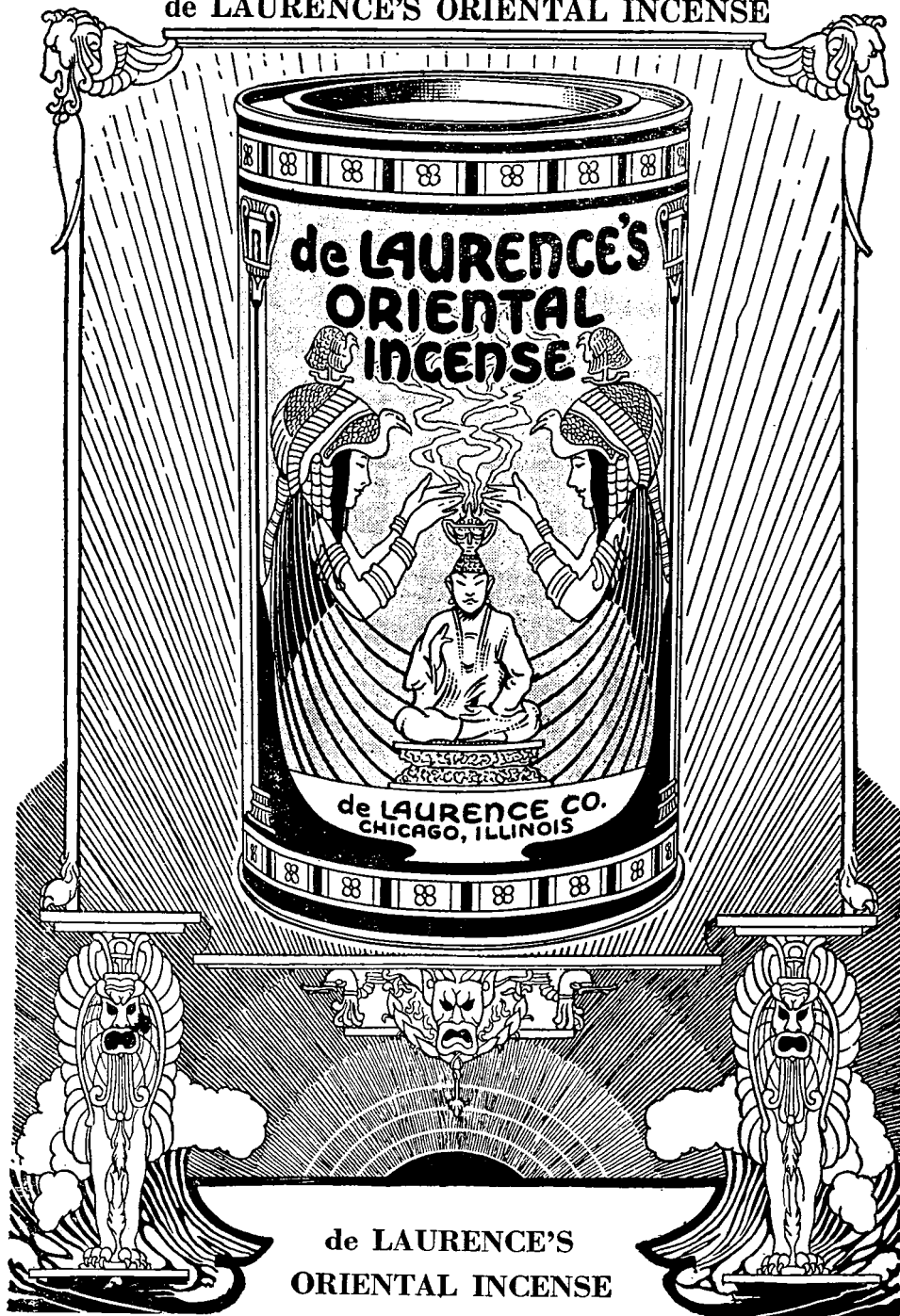




Genuine Oriental Incense. The same Incense as is used in Invocations, and Occult Rites of the Orient. When burned it diffuses an Exquisite Dreamy Fragrance. This Incense is used almost exclusively by Occult Students, Spiritualists, Mediums and those who give Readings.

ORDER No. 174. One Tall Round Can Of de Laurence's Oriental Incense. **Price, \$1.75;** Foreign 9s.

de LAURENCE'S ORIENTAL INCENSE

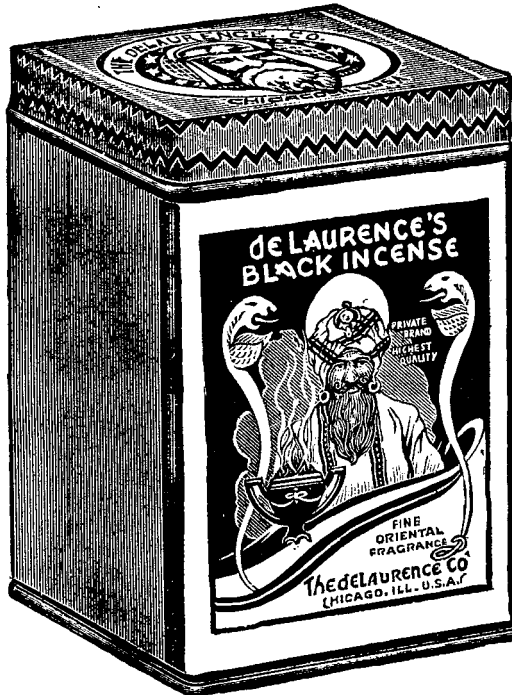


A Genuine Oriental Incense. Incense is used in Invocations, and Occult Rites of the Orient. When burned it diffuses an Exquisite Dreamy Fragrance. This Incense is used almost exclusively by Occult Students, Spiritualists, Mediums, and those who give Readings.

EXTRA LARGE SIZE CAN holds FOUR TIMES as much as a regular \$2.00 package and sells for only \$4.75. This

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The Rituals Of Black Magic



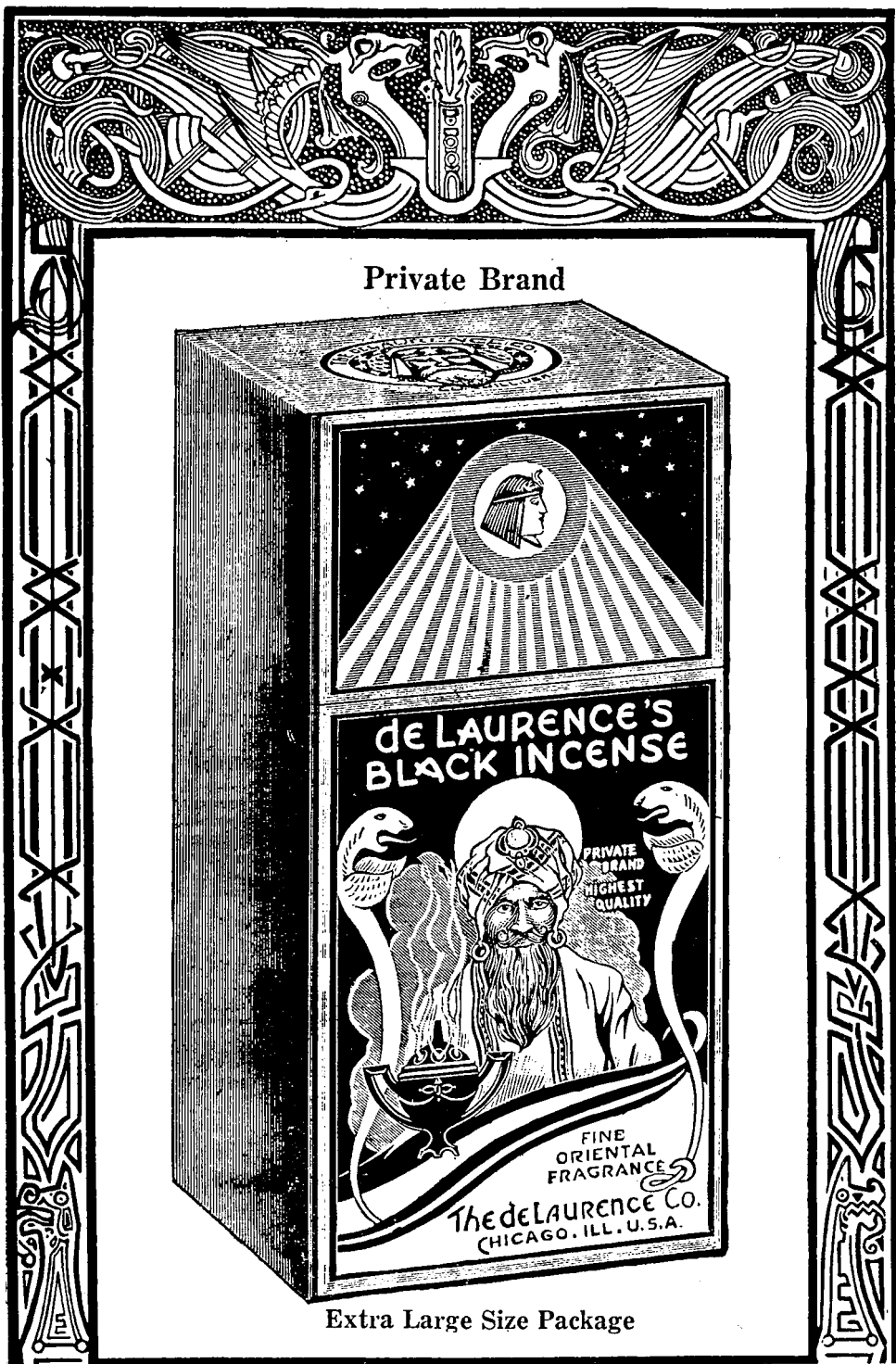
Highest Quality

**Black Compound Incense. Slow Burning.
Extra Quality. Private Brand. Oriental Odor.**

Dead-Black Compound. Shown above is the Large Size Package of de Laurence's Famous Black Incense. Shown on the next page is the Extra Large Package. This Incense is guaranteed to be of the very Highest Quality and to burn steady and slowly. It consists of a fine Dead-Black Compound Powder: the kind that is always used by those who practice the Rituals of Black Magic.

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de LAURENCE'S BLACK INCENSE



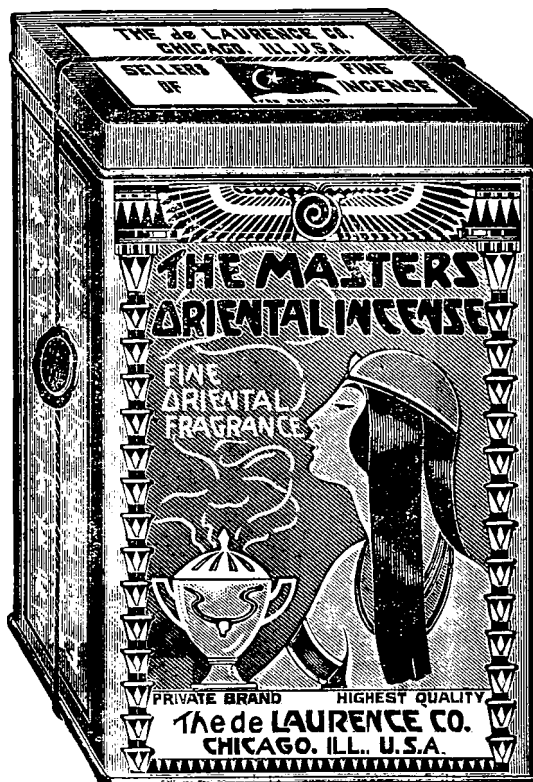
ORDER NO. 182. Price Of This Extra Large Size Package Of de Laurence's Black Incense Without Burner Is \$5.00; Foreign £1 4s.

NOTICE. The EXTRA LARGE SIZE Package of de Laurence's Black Incense shown above which sells for Only \$5.00 holds exactly 4 times as much as the Large Size Package, which sells for \$2.25. In other words, you get really \$9.00 worth of Incense for Only \$5.00 when you order one of these EXTRA LARGE SIZE PACKAGES. See Order Numbers above.

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Very Highest Quality

Oriental Compound Incense In Finest Powdered Form

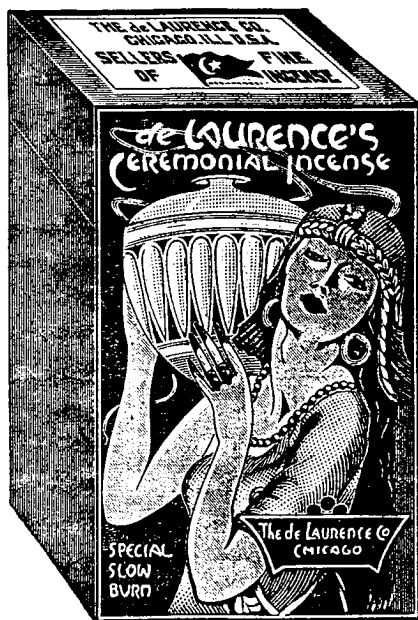
Genuine Oriental Incense. The Same Incense is used in Invocations, and Occult Rites of the Orient. When burned it diffuses an Exquisite Dreamy Fragrance. This Incense, because of its Subtle, Sweet and Fragrant Oriental Odor is used almost exclusively by Crystal Gazers, Occult Students, Spiritualists, Mediums and those who give Readings.

Incense In The Orient. In the Occult, Spiritual and Magical Rituals of the Orient and the Far East, Incense is used about as follows: It is usually burned in an Incense Burner of good ventilation. About one-fourth of a teaspoonful is put in a Burner and a lighted match is applied until the Incense begins to slowly burn and smoulder. Good Incense always burns steady and slowly. The Oriental places his Incense Burner on a low stool or the floor; seats himself about two feet away, gazes into and looks through the ascending spirals of smoke which arise from the fumigation made by his burning Incense. For Burning Incense here the Burner may be placed on a table or a stand and the user may sit in a chair about two feet away. Use a darkened room, or if you have a light, it should be very subdued. The mind should be kept passive, entertaining all the while a reverent spirit within your soul. Printed below is a statement which was taken from a London Publication:

TESTIMONIAL. "I hasten to send you a description of the remarkable phenomena produced by burning a Compound called Incense which I have been using in an Incense Burner to make a fumigation while sitting for Soul Development and the gaining of higher Spiritual Powers. The first vision I had was that of a Hindu as real as if materialized and of advanced spirituality. After this glorious phenomenon had passed, there appeared in a Second Vision a radiant being robed in pale blue. This ended my first sitting, at least I thought it had ended, but no, for throughout the night following the sitting I seemed to be conversing with spirit friends who had passed to the Unseen World beyond."

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de LAURENCE'S CEREMONIAL INCENSE



Special Slow Burning Oriental Compound Incense

Ceremonial Incense For Invocations. Incense has for centuries been used in Invocations, Ceremonial and Occult Rites of the far East. Its Secret Preparations were used by those old Arabian Chemists to whom the world is indebted for Oriental Incense.

Fragrant Aromatic Compound, de Laurence's Ceremonial Incense when burned, makes an Exquisite Suffumigation whose odor is most pleasing, as all who have used it have ample proof. It gives forth a beautifully fragrant odor, stronger and more agreeable than the ordinary Incense, or that sold in drug stores.

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de LAURENCE'S Blue Diamond Brand Incense

Remarkable Oracles and Prophecies. Spirits many times reveal things to those who burn Incense. In India no better means has ever been known than the burning of Incense for the obtaining of Oracles, Prophecy and Spiritual help.

de Laurence, whose reputation extends over two continents, possesses a certain Secret Formula from which Private Brand, Blue Diamond Brand Incense is made. de Laurence's Incense is now being used by the Hindus, Chinese, Africans and Egyptians as well as thousands of Spiritualists and Occult students in England, Germany, France, The United States and the West Indies.

Blue Diamonds are the precious jewels of the Orient and are like unto the Famous Eleusinian Mysteries. In a certain sense Blue Diamonds speak an allegorical language. As a Blue Diamond radiates and throws off all the beautiful mysterious colors of the Universe so de Laurence's Blue Diamond Brand Incense, when burned, radiates and gives off a fine odor which spreads and merges itself into a fascinating perfume whose beautiful aroma attracts and invokes strong Spiritual Influences. All of this and much more is not known or understood only by those who have studied the great science of Oriental Occultism.

de Laurence's Blue Diamond Brand Oriental Incense is a private product made exclusively for those who wish a strictly High Grade Compound Golden Brown Incense, which, when burned, gives off a dreamy Oriental fragrance. Used when strong Spiritual Powers are desired. Also for assisting one to induce the Clairvoyant state.

The Dreamy, Soothing Fragrance and Languorous Aroma of Burning Incense is suggestive of the Ceremonial Rites of the Orient and if you wish to progress in Spiritual work so as to be able to use your Occult and Spiritual Powers to their best advantage you should by all means try a package of de Laurence's Blue Diamond Brand Oriental Compound Incense.

NOTE. de Laurence's Blue Diamond Brand Oriental Compound Incense costs a little more than other brands. It is of a Very Superior Quality and is made exclusively for those who wish to use Incense for Prophecy, Invocation and the Development of Extraordinary Spiritual Powers. Again, it is much sought after by those who wish the Spiritual and Occult Power which will enable them to call forth any Spirit they desire to see.

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Genuine Beeswax Candles. Owing to the fact that they are composed of a substance gathered by the bees from flowers, they are burned for invoking Higher Spiritual Influences. Those who wish to develop their Clairvoyant Sight and Spiritual Powers will find these candles very satisfactory. Genuine Beeswax Candles are listed below to sell together with one package of de Laurence's Blue Diamond Brand Incense. The Incense sells for \$2.35 and the Genuine Beeswax Candles sell Six for \$2.50, making a total of \$4.85. For Special Price see Combination Offer below.

COMBINATION OFFER

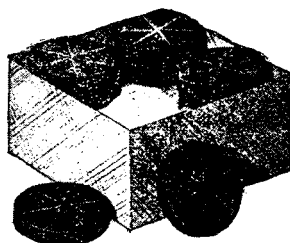
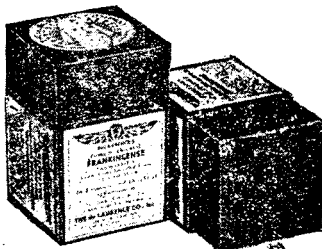
ORDER No. 187-B. Price for one package of de Laurence's Blue Diamond Brand Oriental Incense and one-half dozen Genuine Beeswax Candles \$3.50; Foreign £1.

De Laurence's FRANKINCENSE



COMPLETE OUTFIT
with Instructions and Directions

\$3.00



Genuine Frankincense — compounded of gums imported from the Arabian Peninsula and from North Africa — is, we understand, becoming scarce.

We are fortunate to have on hand a stock sufficient for some time, but we are very doubtful of being able to obtain an additional supply. This



Frankincense is therefore a "find" and a "buy" for those interested in using it in their work.

Here is everything, in one outfit, with which to begin your Work — Frankincense, Self-Lighting Charcoal, Burner, Directions, and Instructions.

*LATEST ADDITION TO De LAURENCE'S
COLLECTION OF TRUE INCENSES*

BURN FRANKINCENSE FOR the most delightful, beguiling, and stimulating Suffumigation you have probably ever experienced. The pungent odor of these Eastern gums readily calls up mind-pictures of the storied history of Oriental Necromancy.

DeLaurence's FRANKINCENSE IS EASY TO BURN

● Not by any means the least of the virtues of DeLaurence's FRANKINCENSE is that it is easy to burn. Although Charcoal must be used as an ignitant and a medium for producing the aroma and smoke, those using the DeLaurence System of burning FRANKINCENSE obtain the utmost satisfaction and the maximum production of smoke and scent. There are complete directions on every box.

"INSTRUCTIONS"

Complete suggestions for use, and "instructions" for operations accompany every box of DeLaurence's FRANKINCENSE. There is a selection of Psalms and Orisons (prayers) offered treating many subjects. These "Instructions" make DeLaurence's FRANKINCENSE KIT complete. There is everything one needs for active Occult Work and Study; in fact, this is a good way to begin your activities.

Key No. 780. DeLaurence's complete FRANKINCENSE KIT consisting of a large, three-quarter pound box of FRANKINCENSE, a Ventilated Burner, and a box of eight pieces of SELF-LIGHTING CHARCOAL. Complete with Directions and Instructions. Each Kit, \$3.00.

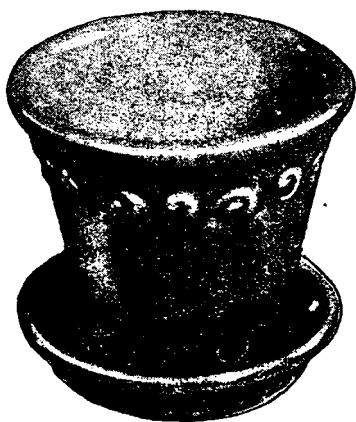
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De Laurence's FRANKINCENSE

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IT TAKES experts to make FRANKINCENSE like De Laurence's. There is just the proper balance of various Oriental Gums to produce the pungent, penetrating odor peculiar to this suffumigant. It will give off clouds of pleasing, vari-formed smoke, and in a short while it will have cast its hazy white veil over even a large room. This FRANKINCENSE has been ground to just the right size for economical use — you will be very pleased with its long lasting qualities, both of quantity and odor.

Key No. 781. Large, three-quarter pound box of De Laurence's FRANKINCENSE. The box is specially made for us; it has an economical pouring hole. Complete directions on box. \$2.50.



DeLaurence's FRANKINCENSE BURNER

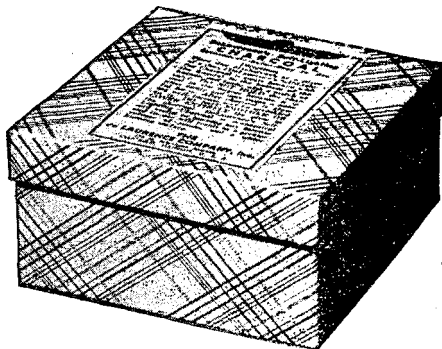
THIS green, glazed, ventilated burner-vase, is ideally adapted to the burning of FRANKINCENSE. It is the proper size and will draw just enough to provide pleasing quantities of hazy white FRANKINCENSE smoke. There is no danger of over-heating with this fire-hardened pottery and in this respect it is superior to metal burners. Reminiscent of the incense-pots of the ancients, this BURNER is in harmony with its use.

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NO OTHER medium, vehicle, or ignitant can equal DeLaurence's Self-Lighting CHARCOAL for burning FRANKINCENSE. A match held to a piece of this CHARCOAL immediately ignites the ridges, and the fire works steadily throughout the whole morsel. Sprinkle a little FRANKINCENSE around the CHARCOAL and you have volumes of smoke. No burned fingers — no fussing — immediate satisfaction.

Key No. 783. Box of Eight Pieces of DeLaurence's SELF-LIGHTING CHARCOAL. Directions for use on label on box. Per box, \$0.50.



FRANKINCENSE IN THE PAST

The Ancients were consistent users of Frankincense. It was probably brought to the attention of the great Mediterranean cities by traders who obtained it from natives of East Africa. These latter gathered the gums and resins of various burseraceous trees, and it is from this source that Frankincense is obtained to the present day. We read of Frankincense in Egypt and on Mount Sinai. It graced altars of the most primitive and bizarre sects — and of the most sophisticated and popular, burning in a slab of rock in the desert and on the jeweled altars of the Temple. In a way it is a sacrifice and again it is a supplication to the great, invisible Power on high. From earliest times down to the present, one can trace its use in Occultism, and the modern day Occultist has ample authority for including it in his Circle.

PSALMS *for*

POPULARITY, POWER, MONEY, LOVE, HEALTH, ENEMIES, PEACE, Etc.

At Your Fingertips!

WRITE "Your Own LUCKY" PSALMS

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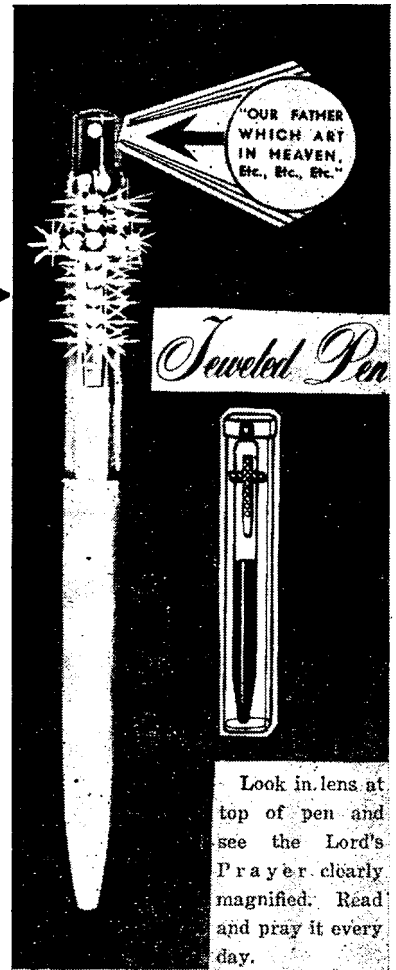
"PSALM PEN" →

150 PSALMS TO CHOOSE FROM

All you need is De Laurence's "Psalm" Pen and your Bible. Select the psalm you want to write from the 150 Psalms in the "Book of Psalms" in the Old Testament in your Bible. Follow the suggestions you receive with your "Psalm" Pen, and write your psalm on paper or parchment.

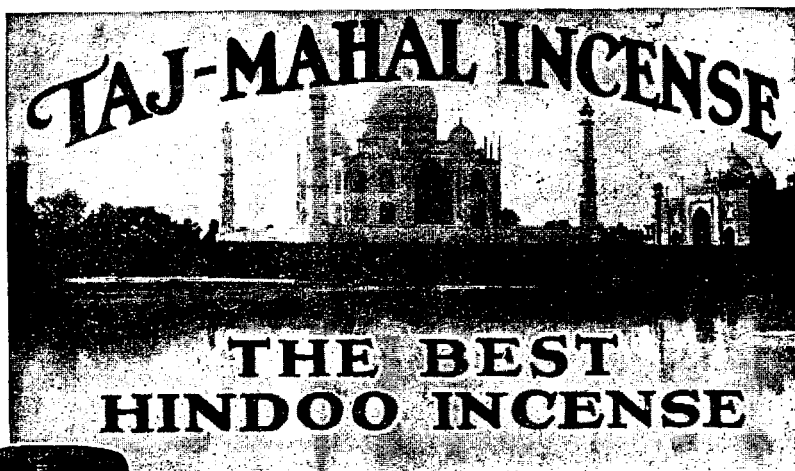
THE "PSALM" PEN IS HAND ENGRAVED

The invocation commanded in the "Great Book" is hand engraved on your "Psalm" Pen. The pen itself is an excellent ball point pen with a gold color cap on which the invocation is engraved and on which is mounted a cross set with brilliants. In the top of the pen is a "loup" or little magnifying eyepiece in which one can read the Lord's Prayer by looking carefully and holding the lens close to the eye. You can write thousands of words with the pen and when the reservoir is exhausted you can replace it with a new one in an instant.



CHECK THIS LIST FOR EVERYTHING YOU NEED

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| KEY NO. 825. | DeLaurence's "Psalm" Pen. (Blue ink only.) | \$3.00 plus post. |
| KEY NO. 826. | Additional reservoir of blue ink | \$1.00 plus post. |
| KEY NO. 265. | "New Testament with Psalms" from the Old Testament. Handy pocket edition, genuine leather bound | \$1.00 plus post. |
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De LAURENCE'S
"Taj-Mahal"
SAFFRON INCENSE

Divination is an occult process in which incense frequently figures, and of course it is widely used in other necromatic operations. It is particularly important that the perfume of the incense be pleasing to the supernal personalities involved. The incense itself must burn readily and steadily so that the operation may be "purified" and "sanctified".

One of the best known works on this subject asserts that it is necessary to use saffron perfumed incense in rituals concerning the Angel Anael, a favorite divination phantom. In the elaborate operation described in the book, saffron incense is definitely utilized.

If a compound of this type is considered sufficiently powerful to draw, attract, and materialize one of God's Angels, it should be extremely useful in those ceremonials where the operator is interested in realizing love, money, and success.

With these factors in mind, DeLaurence has produced TAJ-MAHAL SAFFRON INCENSE. The perfume of this incense is far more pleasing, penetrating and mystifying than any other we have ever experienced, and the formula burns efficiently according to the highest standards. In the large jar offered here, there is sufficient incense for from fifteen to twenty suffumigations.

KEY NO. 793. DeLaurence's TAJ-MAHAL SAFFRON INCENSE. **\$3.00**
 Per Jar:

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DeLaurence's **TWIN** Lodestones

LUCK?

POWER?

LOVE?

STOCK No. 750

Two pieces of genuine
lodestone (Magnetite) in
our own special genuine
leather snap case.
Convenient for
carrying in the
pocket or purse.
Instruction in-
cluded.

\$2.00

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Today**

Lodestones are sold in pairs for those who believe that one piece "drives away evil while the other brings luck." For hundreds of years lodestones have been carried and used by those who believe they are luck charms. In 1775 the lodestone was described as giving "comfort and grace" and "effective" as a love potion. While these are not the views of modern scientists, many retain these convictions.

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Exciting Entertainment! Fascinating Fun! Magic Mystery! Astounding Answers! All this and much more are combined in the wonderful SYCO-SLATE — the modern answer game that is sweeping the country like a golden hurricane. It's the best and newest way to keep parties and gatherings alive and thrilling. Everybody wants to "ask the SYCO-SLATE a question" Yes . . . the SYCO-SLATE has the answers to millions of questions



Ask Question — cover with left hand.



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Amaze your friends!



Answers to a Million Questions

Do you have any questions about the future? You'll be amazed at the mysterious way the **Syco-Slate** answers questions about things to come. An ideal fortune telling game.

Have a **Syco-Slate**

handy when friends come for an evening. Watch them gasp and gape at the **Syco-Slate's** amazing answers to their questions. Watch the clearly written messages float into view every ten seconds.

KEY No. 820 "Syco-Slate" Price \$2.00

POWER

"LODES-O-POWER" —

DeLaurence's PIERCED LODESTONES

Wear Them - For the First Time - As Necklace or Bracelet

You can wear them simply suspended from the neck or wrist, or tie them to your ankle, to a watch bracelet, or to any part of your clothing. You need not wear them in view of others, but the holes DeLaurence pierces in these lodestones permit you to carry them about with you more conveniently than ever before.



ATTRACT! - DEFEND!

"LODES-O-POWER" are furnished in pairs because of the wide currency of the belief that one stone "attracts" good luck and the other "repels" evil forces. This is obviously an analogy to the magnetic properties of the lodestone which even in this small form physically attracts iron filings and small pins.

OLD!

The belief in the supernatural properties of lodestones goes back to ancient times, but as late as 1775 cures by magnet were described and it was held to give "comfort and grace...it is of great value in disputes...it reconciles husbands and wives...it is principally of use to the wounded...it is a remedy against spleen, the dropsy...It is effective as a love potion, having the power to attract flesh, and therefore...hearts."

ONLY DeLAURENCE HAS THEM

So far as we know, only DeLaurence furnishes pierced lodestones. They come in pairs strung on a long, strong cord, and may be worn immediately on receipt. Information and suggestions are sent with each pair.

Order "LODES-O-POWER" by Key No. 798. The price is \$4.00 for the pair.

A WAND for MASTERS of the ART



HAND INSCRIBED - GOLD ON BLACK LACQUER

Express the full power and drama of your personality with this feather-weight Magician's Wand - symbol of forces greater than the thunderbolt. Admire its glistening beauty, lustrous black lacquer with the invocative inscription hand-applied in gold.

LATEST MODEL

DeLaurence's Magician's Wand is the latest design. Improved balance will not tire the hand during long operations. Tapering seems to enhance the commanding authority of its appearance - it will seem like an enormous extension of your own hand doing the good work. Once you have used one, you will never discard it. It is 22 inches long (55 cm.).

NEVER WEARS OUT

Once you have consecrated, aspergated and suffumigated your Wand - according to directions furnished with it - you can use it forever after. Keep it wrapped in the inscribed cloth furnished with it, and enclosed in the moisture, light and dust proof storage tube - and you will never need another.

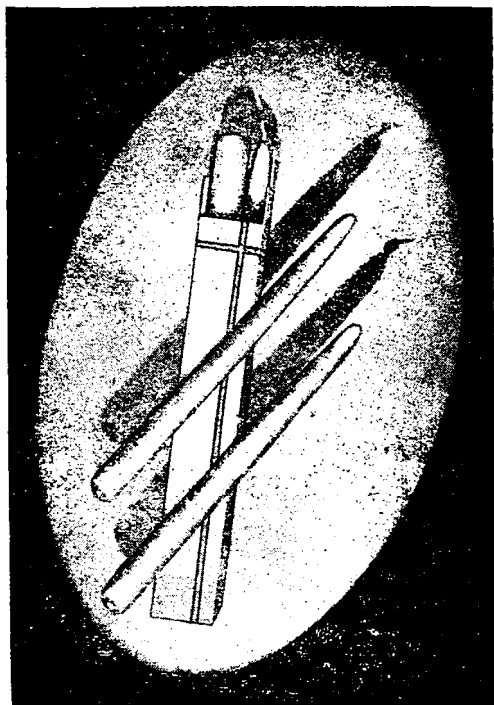
COMPLETE OUTFIT

With DeLaurence's Magician's Wand you receive an inscribed cloth in which to keep it wrapped, permanent storage tube, and full directions for preparation and use.

KEY NO. 829. DeLaurence's Magician's Wand, including inscribed cloth, permanent storage tube, and directions. Price: \$10.00.

De Laurence Suggests

BAYBERRY CANDLES



*"Bayberry candles
Burned to the socket
Bring luck to the house
And money in the pocket."*

Bayberry Candles are made from wax of the myrtle and have a pungent, penetrating odor redolent of the deep, dark mysterious forest. We know they were in use in the long ago, misty past; probably they have some connection with Druid forest and religious practices, but in any case they come to us intimately associated with the fascinating overworld of benign and benevolent forest deities. Winter or summer they exude a breath of the "deep-tangled wildwood". Another poet has said:

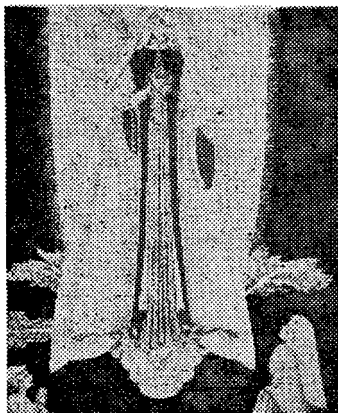
*"Touch a light to the little wick,
Watch it burn to the candlestick.
Study with care the little blaze;
Fortunes are told by its tiny rays.*

*If an unseen power makes it weak and
low,
For you it foretells a tale of woe.
If that same power makes a blaze bright
and healthy,
You'll be happy and wise, be good and
wealthy."*

For the creation of "atmosphere" bayberry candles are unexcelled. They are sold only in pairs, are a little over eight inches long, and of a dark lime-green color. They are round and tapered.

Stock No. 792. One pair (2) of Bayberry Candles **\$100**
neatly cartoned. Price per pair

(£0/5/0)



DeLAURENCE'S PRAYER CANDLE

You need only indicate to DeLaurence the reason you wish to pray, and with your PRAYER CANDLE you will receive a prayer intended for that purpose. All of us have new and recurring needs from day to day, and sometimes we are at a loss for words to frame our thoughts and express our feelings. Whenever you find yourself in this condition, let DeLaurence help you. To be alone and helpless is a terrible state for anyone. Try prayer. There can be no doubt that it assists many and it may help you, too.

The PRAYER CANDLE is decorated with an angel engaged in the act of prayer. You will find it beautiful and inspiring. Suggestions for burning accompany each candle in addition to your prayer. The candle is dark green in color and 15" (38 cm.) tall.

KEY NO. 824. PRAYER CANDLE with suggestions for burning and special prayer according to your request sent with your order. Price each: \$2.00 plus postage.

TRY de LAURENCE'S SPECIALS

HYPNOTIC BRAND INVOCATION CANDLES



The Hindu Hypnotist is simply a Soul who by being faithful has succeeded in gaining, because he uses a special Kind of Hypnotic Brand Invocation Candle, strong spirits as his friends. He knows only too well what they can do when invoked with Waxen Candles or Ancient Temple Incense. He knows only too well, the terrible meaning of the words Hypnotism and Spiritism. He knows again that his Spirit friends will work for him and help him in his Occult and Hypnotic feats. Consequently, he becomes both wise and faithful, talks little and thinks much. He is more often found in quiet contemplation, or communication with Spirit friends and advisers than he is with those around him on the Earth Plane. If you care to increase your Hypnotic (Spirit) Powers and influence another, procure unto yourself some Special Waxen candles (for no Occult work can be done without Fire), and for a short space of time, before you are ready to Hypnotize anybody



go to a room where you will be alone and light four of the candles and let them burn, sit quietly with your eyes closed and withhold your mind as much as possible from everything about you. The essential difference between the American and East Indian Hypnotist is this: Before the western operator attempts to Hypnotize, he is generally found telling his friends what a great Hypnotist he has become. Before the Hindu attempts any hypnotic feats he is always found in seclusion, quietly burning his Waxen Candles or Ancient Temple Incense to conjure spirits to help him.

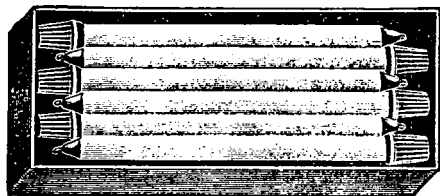
Get de Laurence's Method And Learn How To Use These Candles

Below we have listed two kinds of SPECIAL HYPNOTIC BRAND INVOCATION CANDLES. It will be noted that one Brand is ORIENTAL YELLOW and the other is PURE WHITE. Some prefer the ORIENTAL YELLOW HYPNOTIC BRAND INVOCATION CANDLES especially if the subject they are hypnotizing is a male one. Others prefer to use the PURE WHITE HYPNOTIC BRAND INVOCATION CANDLES if the subject they are hypnotizing is a female. Again, some greatly prefer to burn the Oriental Yellow Candles for Hypnotic Work as well as Spiritual Work and Invocations of all kinds.

Full instruction for using the Special Hypnotic Brand Invocation Candles, listed below, is given in de LAURENCE'S WONDERFUL SECRET HINDU METHOD OF HYPNOTIZING. This SECRET METHOD is sent FREE to any one who orders a dozen of these Special Hypnotic Brand Invocation Candles.

SPECIAL HYPNOTIC BRAND INVOCATION CANDLES

Furnished In Two Colors
Oriental Yellow And Pure White



Oriental Yellow

Hypnotic Brand Invocation Candles

ORDER NO. 784. One Dozen Hypnotic Brand Invocation Candles. Color, Fine Oriental Yellow. Price \$2.25; Foreign 12s.



Pure White

Hypnotic Brand Invocation Candles

ORDER NO. 785. One Dozen Hypnotic Brand Invocation Candles. Color, Fine Pure White. Price \$2.25; Foreign 12s.

de Laurence's Fine

WAX CANDLES FOR SPIRITUAL PURPOSES

EXTRA LONG LENGTH

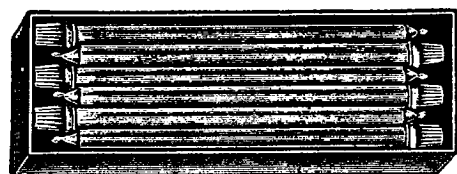
Highest Quality. The Candles listed below, are of the highest quality. They come in different colors; White, Black, Yellow, Red, Blue and Green; and are packed in fancy boxes.



Oriental Yellow Candles
Extra Long

ORDER NO. 786. One Dozen Oriental Yellow Candles. \$2.50 (£0/13/0).

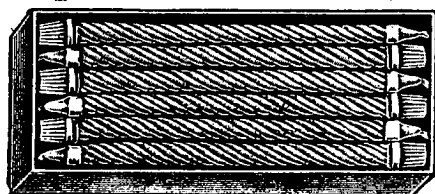
NOTE. Oriental Yellow Candles. Used by many for developing their Spiritual and Occult Powers. Still others believe that the burning of Oriental Yellow Candles helps them to develop their Spiritual Vision and Invoke Spirits.



Turquoise Blue Candles
Extra Long

ORDER NO. 788. One Dozen Turquoise Blue Candles. \$2.50 (£0/13/0).

NOTE. Blue, the Emblem of Fidelity and Truth, the Blossoms of Love. "True Blue." Blue Candles are liked by those who wish to influence one to be true and faithful. Blue Turquoise, "Seal of Secrets." Many burn Turquoise Blue Candles to procure Favors, overcome Enemies, Freedom from Enchantment and Evil Influence. Blue Candles, a burning Talisman for Domestic Felicity.

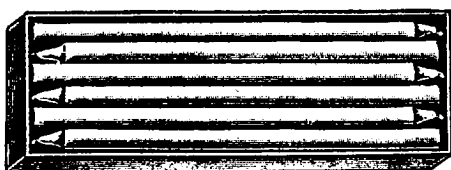


Channel Red Candles
Extra Long

ORDER NO. 790. One Dozen Channel Red Candles. \$2.50 (£0/13/0).

NOTE. Red, the Flame of Love and Magnetic Influence. Red Candles are liked by those who wish to arouse love and affection in one of the opposite sexes. Red Candles, in a Mystic sense, are burned for Love.

NOTICE. In every age, of the world Candles have been burned. It is an old belief that goes back into the ages so far that it is lost in the night of time. It seems that there is something about the burning of Candles that helps one to operate and manifest Superhuman, Spiritual and Occult Powers. Therefore, Candles are burned. The usual method is to burn TWO CANDLES for the space of about one hour. Many people, while BURNING Candles for some particular purpose, either sit or lie down and CONCENTRATE THEIR MIND INTENSELY ON THE THING THEY WISH BROUGHT ABOUT, whether it is Healing, Invocation of Spirits and Clairvoyant Powers, or Protection against Black Magic, and Evil Spirits.



Lily White Candles
Extra Long

ORDER NO. 787. One Dozen Lily White Candles. \$2.50 (£0/13/0).

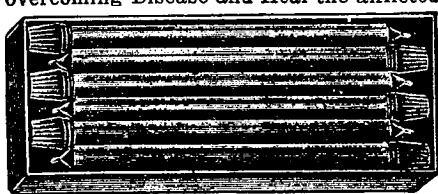
NOTE. White, the Emblem of Purity, Symbol of Innocence. White Candles are burned by those who wish to possess the Spirit of Prophecy, Inspiration and Clairvoyance.



Emerald Green Candles
Extra Long

ORDER NO. 789. One Dozen Emerald Green Candles. \$2.50 (£0/13/0).

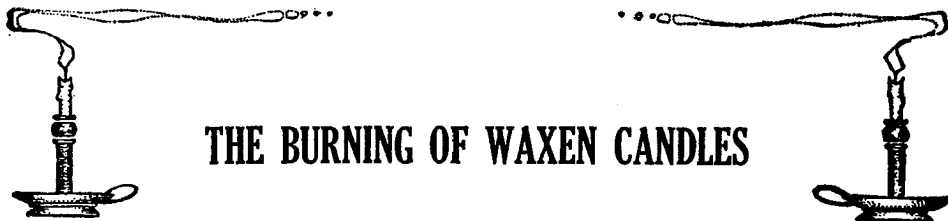
NOTE. Emerald Green, Symbol of Health. Emerald Green Candles are much sought after by those who wish to manifest a Healthy Influence to those whom they wish to heal. Green Grass and all vegetation is a Symbol of Health. It is an old belief that you may burn Green Candles for Health, overcoming Disease and Heal the afflicted.



Dead Black Candles
Extra Long

ORDER NO. 791. One Dozen Dead Black Candles. \$2.50 (£0/13/0).

NOTE. Black, opposite of White. Many burn Black Candles as a protection to their Spiritual and Material Well-being. To burn Black Candles is to repel Black Magic and preserve one from Evil Spirits: Avert the Evil Eye, so it is written down in an Ancient book.



THE BURNING OF WAXEN CANDLES

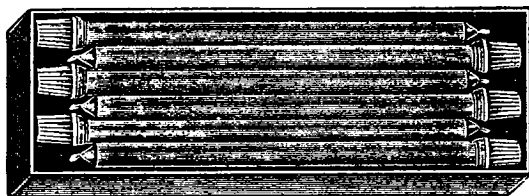


The Continuity Of Life After Death. The Burning Of Candles is an old custom which has been followed religiously for ages. Again, the Burning Of Candles and Incense seems to stimulate the belief in Spiritual communication. The Burning of Candle also offers an appropriate and striking way of showing one's faith in a continued life beyond the grave. Many burn candles to manifest in an outward way, the devotion and faith they have in the Spiritual World. Therefore, the burning of candles is mute but striking evidence of one's faith in the continuity of life after death.



Life Here But A Temporary Abode. There seems to be something about the Burning Of A Candle which impresses upon us the great, over-powering fact that our life and intelligence continues after we have finished up our earthly career. These are great truths, all flowing from the ages and philosophies of the past. The Burning of Candles by a Spiritualist, or an Occultist, may be accepted as a sign of their faith in the existence of another life. A Candle burned now and then is impressive testimony; an exhibition of faith and belief on their part that life here is but a temporary abode that is touched by the fingers of light for a short time only; while all around yawns an infinite, shoreless gulf of impenetrable darkness, from one side of which we appeared and to whose other side we shall hurry at death to meet our loved ones and friends living in the Spiritual World.

Guaranteed Genuine Beeswax Candles. Extra Long Length



ORDER NO. 200. Six Genuine Beeswax Candles. Guaranteed, Extra High Grade. Long Length. Cream Color. Price \$2.50; Foreign 15s.

NOTE. Genuine Beeswax Candles are very slow burning, last longer, and will not drip. Again, these are Nature's Candles. Are made from Wax gathered by Bees, and for this reason are believed to be the very best to use for any particular purpose, such as, the invocation of a Good Influence, Doing Mental or Spiritual Work on another, to Repel an Evil Influence or to Develop Spiritual Vision.

It is only necessary to burn one of these Candles at a time, therefore, a half-dozen will outlast a dozen of ordinary candles.

THE ETERNAL PRINCIPLE

By de LAURENCE

The struggle between light and darkness, between good and evil, is as old as the world, and yet there is no principle of evil; whatever degrades is evil, whatever elevates is good. Evil or so-called sin is simply undeveloped good. Good and evil are the light and shadow of the one eternal principle of life, and each is necessary for the existence of the other.

The struggle between light and shadow is life, and there can be no life without a struggle.

Matter transmits force, but does not originate force. It is for a time the receptacle of power, but not the power. All essence of power belongs to Spirit. All pure force is invisible.

Matter and Spirit may be one to the Absolute and Infinite Being, but that one is Spirit. In human speech, matter is only the name of an effect whose cause is wrapped in Mystery.

It remains for the human to penetrate the veil and solve the mystery. And the solution of this problem of mind and matter discovers man unto himself, and binds him in loving union forever with the Infinite "I am," the Spirit of all.

Absence of feeling and of suffering only shows that the process of death has begun, or that the animal has taken full possession. Pain is not an element to be most dreaded; for, as gold is refined by fire, the Soul is refined by pain, and only through the death of suffering does the human Soul rise into eternal life.

If selfishness and the animal instinct have full sway, the Soul shrivels toward decay, while all its noble powers are congealed, its sensibilities benumbed, its vision blinded, its intellect dimmed, and from the once clear mirror the reflection of a noble Soul shines no more where the innermost temple might have been radiant with truth and virtue.

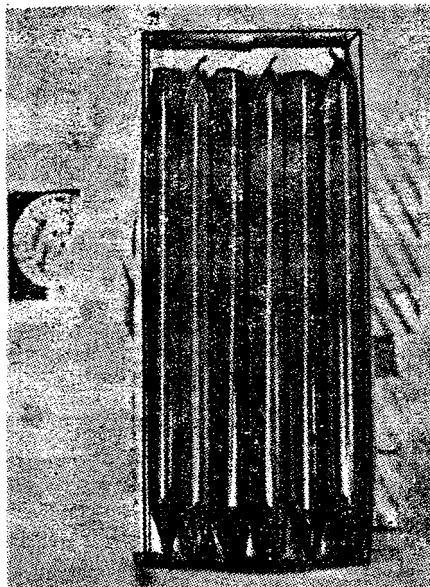
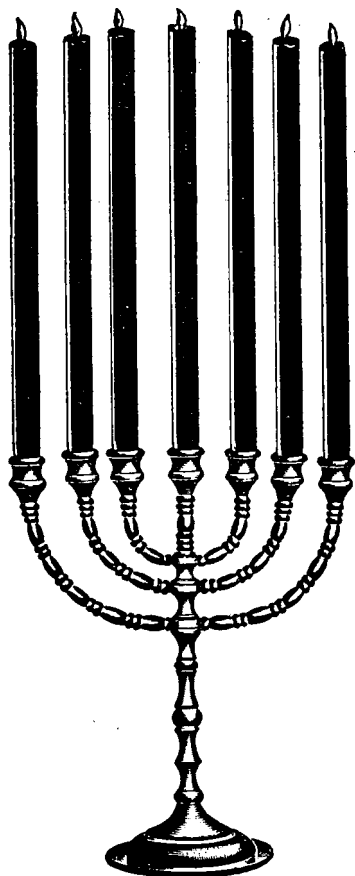
DEATH—Is death more to be feared because it is an enigma the mysteries of which western dull minds, because obscured by theology, cannot fathom, or their weak fancy cannot comprehend?

The human Soul is the anchorage or place of ideas. The Astral body or star magno is the mirror that reflects and records them, human thoughts being simply the clothing of these ideas. The spirit is the self-acting energy that produces the idea.

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BLACK -- ALL THE WAY THROUGH

**DeLaurence's Own Solid Color
DEAD BLACK CANDLES
Best Quality Hard Wax
FOR RELIGIOUS AND SPIRITUAL USE**

In every age of the world candles have been burned. It is an old belief that goes back into the ages so far that it is lost in the night of time. It seems that there is an idea that there is something about the burning of candles that helps one to operate and manifest spiritual occult powers. Many burn Black candles for protection to their spiritual and material well-being. It is said that to burn Black candles is to repel black magic and preserve one from evil spirits, to avert the evil eye, sickness and unhappiness.

It is the custom to burn two candles for about an hour. Most persons during this time sit or lie down and concentrate intensely on the thing they wish brought about.

GENUINE - BEST QUALITY - FULL SIZE

The wax used to make these candles IS black. No more white streaks when you burn DeLaurence's Black Candles. Nothing invalidates spiritual practices so much as the use of improper materials. But with DeLaurence's candles you can be sure you have the best for your work.

DeLaurence's Dead Black Candles are an extra full twelve inches (31 cm) long, with standard self-gripping bases — they stay securely when you push them into the candlestick socket. Diameter: 7/8" (23 mm).

KEY NO. 791. DeLaurence's own solid color Black Candles. Price, per dozen, \$2.50, postage extra.

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SOLID, SHINING, GOLDEN BRASS
**"LUCKY SEVEN"
CANDELABRUM**

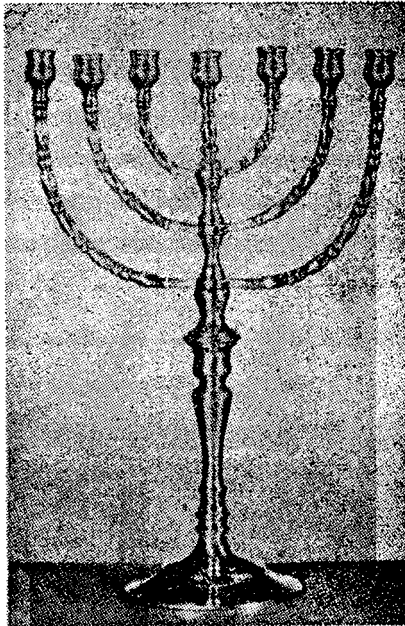
FOR BURNING SEVEN CANDLES AT ONCE

One Candle For Each Year Of The "Lucky" Cycle Of Seven Years
Seven Virgin White Candles Included Without Extra Charge
With Each Order For This Candelabrum

Seven
"Lucky"
Virgin White
Candles Sent
with each
Candelabrum
without
Extra Charge

The
Cycle Of
Seven Years

Seven "Wins"



16½ Inches (42 cm.)

High

12 Inches (30 cm.)

Wide

The
Seven Ages
Of Man

The Seven Days

**"LUCKY SEVEN" CANDELABRUM WITH
SEVEN VIRGIN WHITE CANDLES**

This beautiful, solid brass candelabrum can justly be considered a fitting symbol of the mystic significance of the fateful number "7". Since the dawn of history this number has been found markedly involved in the affairs of men and women, and its importance cannot be overlooked.

KEY NO. 807. Solid Brass Seven-Branch Candelabrum, including Seven White Candles: \$30.00, plus postage.

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TWELVE PERFUMES FOR THE OCCULTIST

The Doctrine of the Masters includes, it is said, extensive expositions on the use of perfumes by the Occultist, as if, in their opinion, the odors—invisible to our eyes—formed a symbolic union between Reality and the Preternatural. The uses suggested are manifold, apparently, having been developed in the course of hundreds of years by energetic Workers in the Mystic. For instance, they were held important in evocatory operations, in human relations, and in material affairs of this world—insofar as these were believed to be affected by Occult Manipulation.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING PERFUME WITH EACH BOTTLE

You will find these perfumes to your liking in every way: they are characterized by long-clinging odor and wide-ranging penetration, qualities that make them suitable for Sprinklings and Suffumigations. It is conceivable, that in their use, their aromas may stir within the mind and memory recollections of loves, hates, and fears long past and dimly remembered—ghosts of powers dimly perceived.

CARRY "TALISMAN" BRAND PERFUME BOTTLES ON THE PERSON

The smaller bottle pictured—one dram size—is particularly suitable for carrying on the person: women will find it convenient in their handbags and purses; men can slip it into their vest pockets inconspicuously and privately.

"TALISMAN" BRAND FINE PERFUMES*"Lovers"*

The name of this odor brings to mind the sympathy and affection of the sexes and their strongly clinging associations. The tender emotion has a strong appeal and is confined to no age or condition of life.

- Key No. 753. One Dram, so-called "LOVERS" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume. \$1.00
Key No. 754. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size.....\$3.00

"Commanding"

One shall lead them, it is said; it is he who utters the word of command. A perfume may "command" attention and admiration; perhaps it has possibilities as limitless as the bounds of the human mind.

- Key No. 755. One Dram, so-called "COMMANDING" brand "TALISMAN"
Perfume\$1.00
Key No. 756. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size.....\$3.00

"Compelling"

To force his will on his fellow men, and to harness the elements has been the overall desire of the individual since the beginning of time.

- Key No. 757. One Dram, so-called "COMPELLING" brand "TALISMAN"
Perfume\$1.00
Key No. 758. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size.....\$3.00

"Lucky"

A perfume could not have a more fortunate name! Does it exist, or does it not? Are some beneficiaries of it and others not? Why not? Chance is a beckoning hand; may it lead to green pastures.

- Key No. 759. One Dram, so-called "LUCKY" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume...\$1.00
Key No. 760. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size.....\$3.00

"Success"

For one, it is money; for another, love; still a third calls it wisdom. There are many forms, and each is good.

- Key No. 761. One Dram, so-called "SUCCESS" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume.\$1.00
Key No. 762. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size.....\$3.00

"Happiness"

The Name of this perfume is a rare and beautiful word. Evanescent and impalpable as is this human state, it remains a solid human goal. Many identify it with success, power, and peace, but a fine perfume can bring it to a sensitive soul, conceivable, on the Material Plane, in a purely sensual manner. What may we not assume about a fine perfume on the Astral Plane?

- Key No. 763. One Dram, so-called "HAPPINESS" brand "TALISMAN"
Perfume\$1.00
Key No. 764. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size.....\$3.00

"Health"

Essential in peace as in war, at every age, in every condition. In these troubled times we must guard it jealously because clearly it is the key to our well-being and our effectiveness in life. This is a timely and stimulating Name for a Fine Perfume.

- Key No. 765. One Dram, so-called "HEALTH" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume.\$1.00
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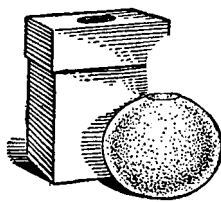
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"TALISMAN" BRAND FINE PERFUMES



One Dram Size Bottle



One-Half Ounce Size Bottle

"Victory"

In war for our nation, in health for our bodies (freedom from wound, disease, and maiming), in combat with the ineffable powers of darkness, may we conquer! Let our foes beware! None can stand before us.

- Key No. 767. One Dram, so-called "VICTORY" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume. \$1.00
Key No. 768. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size. \$3.00

"Dominating"

Some are high and some are low; sometimes the low rule the high. Shall not the meek inherit the earth?

- Key No. 769. One Dram, so-called "DOMINATING" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume. \$1.00
Key No. 770. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size. \$3.00

"Magnet"

This is a fascinating word: we like to draw many things to us in this life: love, money, success, acclaim, independence, peace, health. Each has his desires and each his way of achieving them. Let all prosper.

- Key No. 771. One Dram, so-called "MAGNET" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume. \$1.00
Key No. 772. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size. \$3.00

"Attraction"

To be the cynosure of all eyes, the object of all desires. A perfume may be a queen of perfumes. "Attraction" works in many ways and in many directions. Who knows all of them?

- Key No. 773. One Dram, so-called "ATTRACTION" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume. \$1.00
Key No. 774. One-Half Ounce (four drams) Size. \$3.00

"Power"

Is it not "power" in some form that we all seek? Shall it be given to some and denied others? Wearing many masks, power can be an angel or a devil in this life, and, it is said, in the next. Perfumes, too, have many "appearances"; much depends on the wisdom, personality, and sensitivity of the user or wearer.

- Key No. 775. One Dram, so-called "POWER" brand "TALISMAN" Perfume. \$1.00
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GROUP PRICES FOR ALL TWELVE PERFUMES

- Key No. 778. One each of the One Dram Size of all twelve of the "TALISMAN" brand perfumes described in this article. \$10.00
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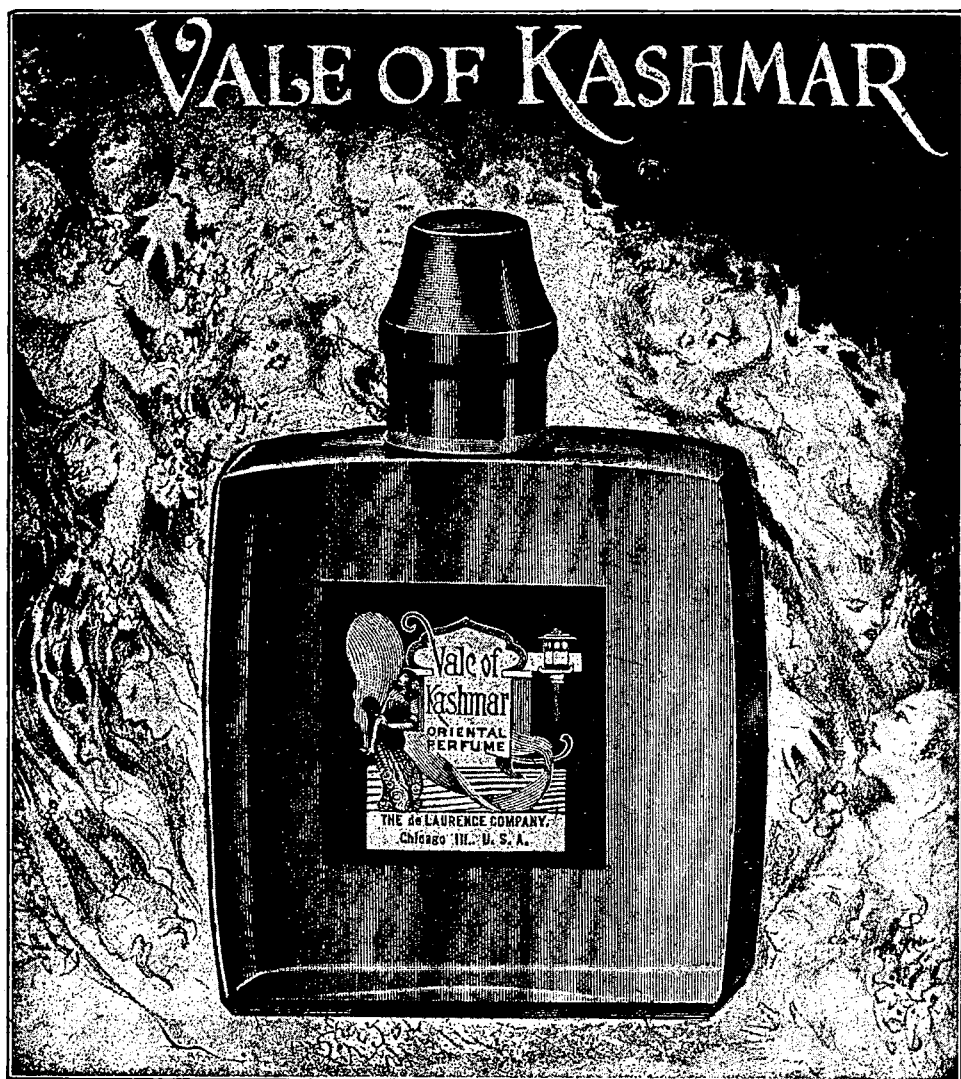
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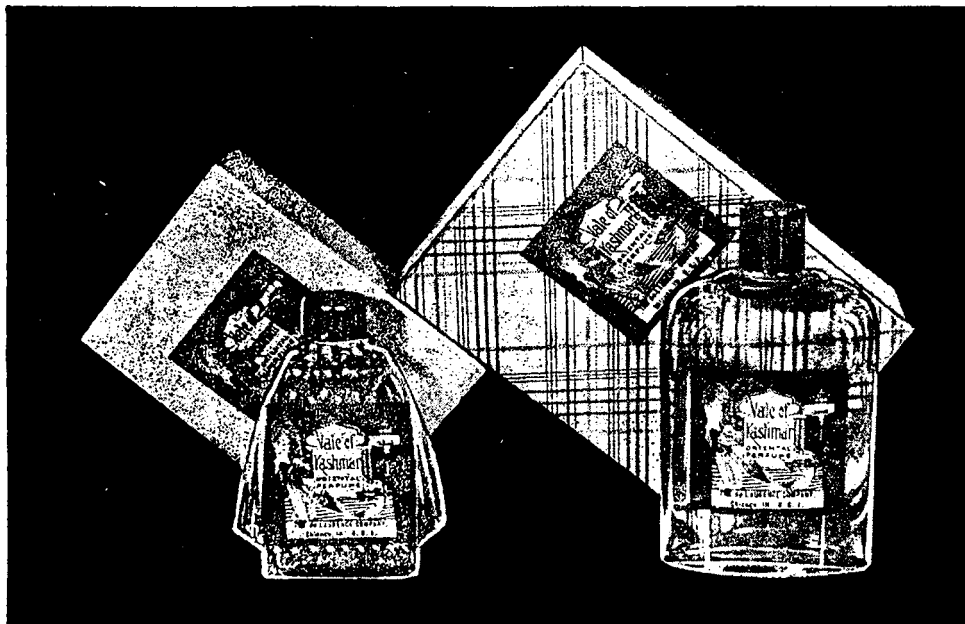
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VALE OF KASHMAR



FRAGRANT ORIENTAL PERFUME

Little need be said here about the Virtue and Efficacy of Oriental perfumes and Incense, as all familiar with the work know that they are very powerful and requisite for the success and perfection of all various operations and communications with the unseen world. Hundreds of thousands of years ago the ancients and masters all well knew the full meaning of what has been written here regarding the Occult Virtue, which is inherent in subtle Oriental Perfumes and Incense, and they well knew by what power they are so efficacious. When you use VALE OF KASHMAR Oriental Perfume you will discover, as many others have, that in delicacy, in refinement, in individuality, and, above all, in that indefinable something which brings a broadening, brightening, fragrant influence that you have a most exquisite Oriental Perfume.

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Exquisite Oriental Flowers Perfume. Its fragrant odor appeals to one's Spiritual Nature. Use this perfume, inhale it, and you will at once feel its irresistible charm. It acts upon you at once. A Perfume that really benefits those who use it; because it a lasting benefit. If you wish those around you to associate with you, care for you, and love you, use this Perfume. Its exquisiteness cannot be appreciated unless used. A Perfected Oriental Perfume whose essence is most exhilarating, making you feel better, more vigorous mentally and physically. Its influence is felt immediately by those with whom you come in contact. A Genuine Favorite among Occult students and Spiritualists who use it, because of its refined distinctive fragrance.

THE LURE OF INDIA

Draw the lure of India about you by wearing this perfume constantly. It is with just such scents that the women of the East create that mystery about them that has made them world famous—the veiled ladies who for centuries have depended on fine perfumes to suggest their femininity. It is said that as one strolls through the gardens of the great Eastern Potentates one may see a flash of color, a graceful figure approach and pass quickly along a path; a breath of loveliness created almost entirely by a swish of garments and the dreamy glamor of her perfume. This is what we have created for you.

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ORIENTAL FLOWERS PERFUME

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THE EAST COMES TO THE WEST

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The heavenly spheres have influenced the soft, clinging odor of TRANSCENDENTAL. The tender sentimental scent which lingers all day and far into the night makes you beguiling and enchanting. It transcends all earthly cares and produces a soothing fragrance for the wearer and all who approach within its entrancing aura.

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Always have the odor of “TRANSCENDENTAL MAGIC” hovering about you. Place a few drops of it on your handkerchiefs and use it on the skin behind the ears and on the arms mornings and evenings. Those who use “TRANSCENDENTAL MAGIC” for mystical purposes such as protection from undesirable influences are said to believe that it is the best formula obtainable for this purpose.

For An Attractive Personality

The pleasing affect of a high grade, high priced perfume cannot be overlooked in circumstances where it is necessary to create a good impression for personal or business reasons. The subtle, rich and lush aroma of “TRANSCENDENTAL MAGIC” should prove irresistible.

For A Troubled Spirit

The soothing affect of a “smooth” perfume is acknowledged to be quite pronounced. A few drops on one’s pillow at night may prove restful and quieting. There is nothing better when one is wretched and ill at ease, or harassed by a thousand worries and cares. A quiet and peaceful sleep will almost always strengthen the nerves and induce a composed state of mind.

"TRANSCENDENTAL MAGIC" SPRINKLING PERFUME

For the Home

To rid your home of unpleasant odors or undesirable auras, a strong influence is needed. Sprinkle "TRANSCENDENTAL MAGIC" on the fabrics of your furniture and bed coverings. Use a small sponge saturated with this exquisite essence, casting it gently about. "TRANSCENDENTAL MAGIC" is especially effective in the sickroom where its "warmth" and "smoothness" can have only a beneficent and favorable influence.

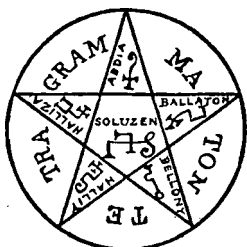


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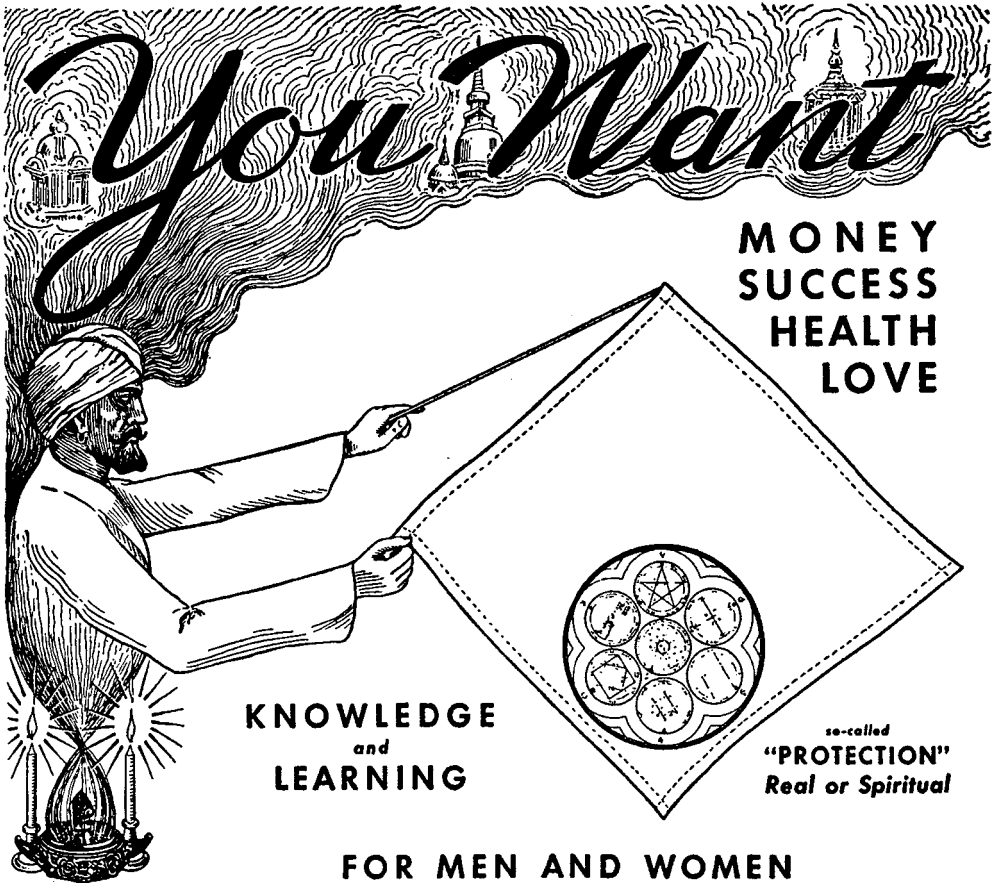
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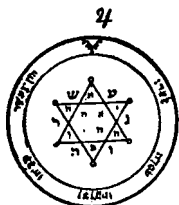
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THE ALLEGEDLY "POWERFUL" SEVEN SEALS OF SOLOMON MAY MEAN A GREAT DEAL TO YOU

MONEY



This is the Second Pentacle under Jupiter, which is believed in Astrology to be deeply concerned with worldly acquisitions and material things. THE KEY OF SOLOMON says "This is proper for acquiring glory, honors, dignities, riches, and all kinds of good, together with great tranquillity of mind; also to discover Treasures and chase away the Spirits who preside over them." In the center of the Hexagram are the letters of the Name AHIH, Eheieh; in the upper and lower angles of the same, those of the Name AB, the Father; in the remaining angles those of the Name IHVH. The letters outside the

Hexagram in the re-entering angles are probably intended for those of the first two words of the versicle, which is taken from Psalm cxii. 3:—"Wealth and Riches are in his house, and his righteousness endureth for ever."

HEALTH

This is the Second Pentacle of Mars, a Planet closely associated with conceptions of power and conflict, competition and striving and all that these mean when earnestly undertaken. The pentacle is believed to serve with great success against all kinds of disease. The letter Hé in the angles of the Hexagram. Within the same the Names IHVH, IHShVH Yeheshuah (the mystic Hebrew Name for Joshua or Jesus, formed of the ordinary IHVH with the letter Sh placed therein as emblematical of the Spirit) and Elohim. Around it is the sentence, John i. 4:—"In Him was life, and the life was the light of man."

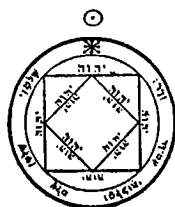
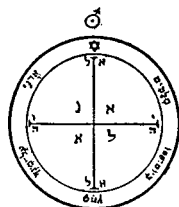


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VICTORY

The Fourth Pentacle of Mars deals directly with conflict and war, and with the fruits of conflict and war. It is said and believed to be "of great virtue and power in war, wherefore without doubt it will give thee victory." In the center is the great Name Agla; right and left, the letters of the Name IHVH; above and below, El. Round it is the Versicle from the Psalm cx. 5:—"The Lord at thy right hand shall wound even Kings in the day of His Wrath."



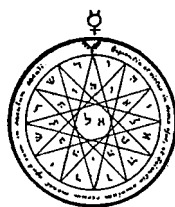
SUCCESS

Consonant with mystical and necromantic conceptions of the function of the SUN, this, the Third of his Pentacles is held in authoritative quarters to be closely allied with states of grandeur, development and elevation. "All creatures Obey, and the Angelic Spirits do reverence on bended knees." The passage continues "This serveth in addition to acquire Kingdom and Empire, to inflict loss, and to acquire renown and glory, especially through the Name of God, Tetragrammaton, which therein is twelve times contained." The name IHVH twelve times repeated; and a versicle somewhat similar to Daniel iv. 34:—"My Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom, and my dominion endureth from age to age."

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LOVE

The civilizing and cultural importance of the concepts of Venus are valuable in themselves. Everywhere she is the projection of kindness and affection, honor and fair-dealing, good will and pity. Many in probably all ages have felt that her Pentacles were proper for "Obtaining grace and honor, and for all things which belong unto Venus" not the least of which are Physical and Spiritual Love and the accomplishment of all of your desires therein. The letters round and within the Pentagram form the Names of Spirits of Venus. The versicle is from Canticles viii. 6:—"Place me as a signet upon thine heart, as a signet upon thine arm, for love is strong as death."



KNOWLEDGE

Mercury under whom this Pentacle is agreed to function, is the deity of Wisdom and Wit, business ability and intelligence—and memory. This, Mercury's Fourth Pentacle stands for the acquisition of the understanding and knowledge "of all things created," and for seeking out and penetrating into hidden things; "and to command those Spirits which are called Allatori to perform embassies. They obey very readily." In the center is the Name of God, El. The Hebrew letters inscribed about the dodecagram make the sentence, "IHVH, fix Thou the Volatile, and let there be unto the void restriction." The versicle is:

"Wisdom and virtue are in his house, and the Knowledge of all things remaineth with him for ever."

PROTECTION

The Fourth Pentacle of the Moon "protects," according to the GREATER KEY OF SOLOMON. "This defendeth thee from all evil sources, and from all injury unto soul or body. Its Angel, Sophiel, giveth the knowledge of the virtue of all herbs and stones; and unto whomsoever shall name him, he will procure the knowledge of all." The Divine Name Eheieh Asher Eheieh, and the Names of the Angels Yahel and Sophiel. The versicle is: "Let them be confounded who persecute me, and let me not be confounded; let them fear, and not I."



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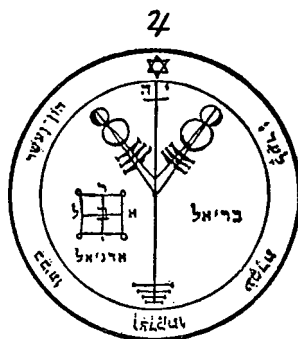
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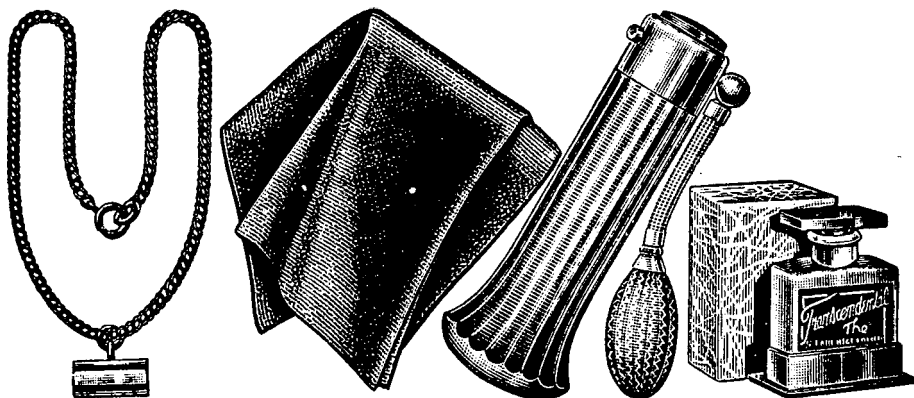
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MARVELOUS INVENTION

THE LUNAR CIRCLE

For Spiritual Vision. The Spirit World Unveiled.
The Unseen Universe Of Human Disembodied Spirits

THE LUNAR CIRCLE is a most marvelous invention, by *de Laurence*, and is very similar in many respects to the *Perpetual Lamps of the ancients*, which at all times, day and night, in all places, constantly threw out a perpetual flame of astral light, which could not be extinguished. The extraordinary magical effects of this strange invention are like unto an astral apparation, owing to the fact that its soft luminous light can only be seen when it is placed in a dark room.

THE LUNAR CIRCLE is used exclusively for the development of *Spiritual Vision* or *Spirit Sight*, to induce the *Clairvoyant State*, and also for the induction of the trance state of successful mediumship. This is positively the greatest instrument to use for the development of occult and spiritual powers, as it even surpasses the famous "*Persian Mirrors*" now being used by many in Europe: This very same LUNAR CIRCLE is used by the *Hindu*, the *Arabian*, and the *Thibetan* to place themselves in the trance state so that they can enter into direct communication with human disembodied spirits. By the use of *de Laurence's* great invention, THE LUNAR CIRCLE, your development should be made much easier.

It was invented by this great *Adept* for the sole purpose of assisting those who have found it hard and difficult to develop, or to obtain, a satisfactory degree of clairvoyant sight.

There are many good reasons why the study of *Magic*, and the development of *Trance Mediumship* as well as *Clairvoyant Vision* is not found easy by all. Western men and women have at times found it difficult, and practically beyond their reach, because they have never studied *de Laurence's* books on *Occultism*, *Magic* and *Spiritism*. *de Laurence* has more students and followers than all the other teachers in America put together because he is the only man competent to teach white-skinned people, who must make all their efforts in this direction at home, not being able to go to *India*. White-skinned men and women must have a certain kind of instruction because the majority of them are not endowed, at first, with the *mental qualifications* necessary. *de Laurence* has for years made a special study of this question, and his books cover these points so well that any earnest beginner advances rapidly from the start. This truth could not be better stated. *If Occultism, Magic and Spiritualism have a future in the West, it is in the keeping of such men as de Laurence.*

As stated above, THE LUNAR CIRCLE, with its *vari-colored* eternal light, which glows perpetually like an astral flame, has been produced by the greatest living Master and *Adept*, *de Laurence*, for the exclusive use of those who wish *Spiritual Vision*.

The great demand in *Europe and America* for THE LUNAR CIRCLE—which is sold direct, prepaid, for the mere trifle of \$1.50—may be found based on something more scientifically exact than many suppose. Those who have used it speak of the beneficial and peculiar influence it seems to exert over them while "sitting" for development. They ascribe to it a certain *Occult power*, when used in a perfectly dark room, which every advanced student of spiritism will readily understand, for its perpetual deep glow is said to help produce extraordinary clairvoyant powers.

The astral light is the most modern *electric* of all lights and can be increased to a *Magical* proportion. In the presence of the striking phenomena, which has been attained by *de Laurence's* students, ordinary investigators stand speechless; they do not even attempt to conjecture as to the reason, and naturally, for they have not yet learned to look outside the ball of dirt upon which they live, and its heavy atmosphere, for the hidden influences, and occult forces, which are affecting them day by day, and, even minute by minute. Instead of expounding the rule of divine law and justice they preach the doctrines of theology and church dogmas, which have been rubbed threadbare by the most serious minds of the day. Materialism, and the dogmas of so-called christianity, have been found to be, on the whole, subsersive, rather than promotive of spirituality and good morals. False teachings and ignorance hardened the heart of Pharaoh, put an evil spirit into Saul, sent lying messengers to the prophets, and tempted David to sin; they are—the *Bible-God* of Israel.

The true soul will greatly appreciate THE LUNAR CIRCLE, and will feel grateful to *de Laurence* for placing it within his reach, as it will surely help him to lift aside the curtain, and to see the spirit world unveiled.

THE LUNAR CIRCLE DESCRIBED

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THE LUNAR CIRCLE is produced on hard metal which is first cut into a square of given size. Upon this square there appears a pale tinted Circle. When, however, the square piece of metal is placed in the dark there instantly appears a strange, and apparently supernatural, glowing light, which shines forth like the *Egyptian sepulchral lamps*, once found in such profusion in the subterranean caves of *Memphis*.

THE LUNAR CIRCLE, of *Perpetual Light*, is one of the most sacred instruments of the *Adepts*; they use it when performing their mysterious rites, its light illuminating their solemn faces. THE LUNAR CIRCLE can be used for self-development, as stated heretofore, and it can also be used by healers and those employed in giving distant mental and magnetic treatments; it is also used by hypnotic operators. Many have found it difficult, while sitting for development in a light room, to keep their mind centered on a thought or any article they were using for the reason that their attention would, in spite of them, be attracted by the different objects in the room. Again, many have found it almost impossible to induce the clairvoyant state, owing to the fact that they could not center their mind inwardly long enough to gain any degree of trance. Silence and complete control of one's attention, while sitting for development is absolutely necessary if one would advance to a superior degree of occult power.

The Hindu *Adepts*, in their temples, demand complete silence, and all their disciples are trained and developed in dark chambers. Outside of these great Masters' Temples the *Oriental sun* may be setting, and its last flickering rays are seen at the doorway; but within the disciple's *Occult Chamber* all is complete darkness. This, added to the oppressive silence which reigns, greatly assists the *Chela* (disciple) in his development of *Spiritual Vision*.

Amid this silence and darkness the *Chela* (disciple) slowly unwraps his piece of metal, upon which has been produced a perfect LUNAR CIRCLE. This he stands on a low bench before him, and at once proceeds to place himself in a state of deep meditation. For the space of one or two hours daily he gazes steadily at THE LUNAR CIRCLE. It is thus that he takes his first steps in Occultism.

The awful silence of the western prairies of *North America*, the boundless steppes of *Southern Russia*, the sandy deserts of *Mongolia*, the barren solitudes of the deserts of *Africa*, are all noted for their oppressive silence, but even these places, which are usually utterly void of life, cannot be compared to the disciple's Occult Chamber when it comes to a question of silence and darkness. The Adept's Temple holds many an Occult Mystery, which has been shown to these great Masters, whose rites and doctrines are purely spiritual, in the silence and darkness of their *Occult Chambers* which are never lighted except by an *Astral Light*.

The above will, of course, provoke naught but incredulity in the general reader. However, this has been written for those who will and do believe; who, like de Laurence, and his advanced students, understand and know the illimitable powers and possibilities of the human astral soul.

On the Adept's altar burns a curious perpetual *Astral flame* whose phosphorescent light is as radiant as moonbeams. This apparently supernatural light mingles with the vacillating exquisite odor of burning *Temple Incense*.

THE LUNAR CIRCLE is produced on unbreakable metal. It is absolutely new in *Europe* and *America*. It is made from a secret preparation, and is absolutely guaranteed to throw off a bright luminous light, devoid of sensible heat, when placed in a dark room.

This apparently supernatural luminous light is guaranteed to last over a great period of time. It is an eternal light, and in many respects resembles the *Perpetual lamps* of the ancients, for it glows constantly when placed in a dark room. A perpetual luminous light in the form of an exact circle which cannot be extinguished. Place it in the light and all you see is a square piece of hard unbreakable metal, upon which appears a white circle with a background of ivory white. Hang it in a dark room, and it instantly radiates a refulgent phosphoric light whose effect is as quieting as moonbeams poured vertically through an opening in the roof. This Circle, with its *perpetual luminous light*, has caused the greatest wonder when used in spirit circles. It also has a most startling effect if placed in a dark room at night. THE LUNAR CIRCLE is original with de Laurence, and is without doubt an exceedingly useful thing in the hands of an earnest investigator.

The wonderful and secret preparation used in producing THE LUNAR CIRCLE absorbs the rays of light during the day, and these rays are emitted when it is placed in a dark room, producing a soft light, blue at first but gradually changing to a bright, ivory-like light, showing THE LUNAR CIRCLE in almost startling relief continuously while in the darkness. The darker the room the brighter THE LUNAR CIRCLE glows. Its luminous effect is everlasting. It can be hung on the wall or stood on a table. It can be carried in the pocket. It can be seen anywhere on the darkest night. It is now being used exclusively by de Laurence's advanced students throughout the world, and the highest words of praise have been received commending THE LUNAR CIRCLE to all earnest students of the occult.

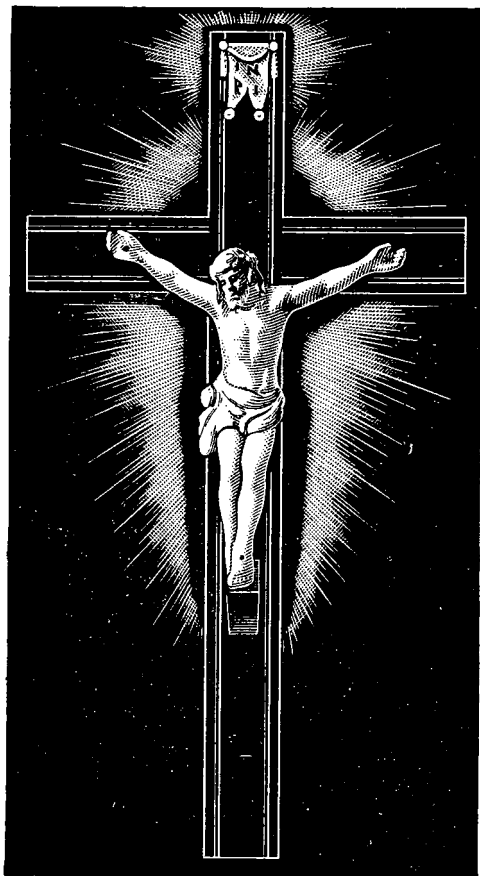
For the beginner it is especially useful, for what a great help it is to have a LUNAR CIRCLE of glorious perpetual light to help you center your forces. THE LUNAR CIRCLE has been carefully concealed by de Laurence from all excepting his personal students, and no stranger has been admitted to witness its effect. de Laurence has at last, however, consented to its sale over our mailing list, for a certain length of time at a very low price, and it would be well for those who are interested in these things to take advantage of this unprecedented offer. Private students have always paid \$5.00 each for THE LUNAR CIRCLE with the strictest understanding that it was never to be exhibited to a stranger.

ORDER NO. 231. One Lunar Circle. Price \$1.50; Foreign 7s. NOTE. Before ordering this Lunar Circle be sure and read all about the wonderful LUNAR CRUCIFIX OF CHRIST on the next page. Also see SPECIAL COMBINATION OFFER on page 333; for, if the LUNAR CIRCLE and the LUNAR CRUCIFIX are ordered together they are sold very cheap. See Order No. 233 on page 333.

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THE LUNAR CRUCIFIX

Absorbs Rays Of Light During The Day Shines Forth During The Night



The Crucifix Of Christ
Its Luminous Effect Is Everlasting
The Darker The Room The More It Glows

Higher Spiritual Influences. This Lunar Crucifix of Jesus is especially appropriate for hanging in your room, where Spiritual Meditation is carried on, or in your Developing Room, or in any place where Christian, Spiritual or Mental Healing is administered. It is a well known fact that the Crucifix has been "blessed" and without doubt, at all times, and in all places, gives forth a good Spiritual Influence. Many who are conscious of this, that is, Christian Scientists, Christian Healers, Mental Healers, Spiritualists, Mediums, Practitioners of Suggestive Therapeutics, and those who believe in the Attraction and Invocation of Higher Influences, always welcome and are glad to obtain anything that reminds them of the Spiritual Power Of Christ.

The Subterranean Caves Of Memphis. This Handsome Luminous Crucifix is a work of art. The Corpus, or figure of Christ, is made of metal and richly finished with a certain Preparation which covers it. During the day this Preparation absorbs the white and yellow rays of the light. Strange to say when this Crucifix is hung in the dark there constantly appears a strange, apparently supernatural glowing light, which shines forth like the old Egyptian Sepulchral Lamps once found in such profusion in the Subterranean caves of Memphis. This cross with its soft luminous perpetual light when hung in your sleeping room where it can be seen seems to promote sound sleep.

To Sleep Without Fear. The Crucifix of Christ, when hung on the wall near the bed where it can be seen often helps one to procure sleep, sound and secure so that you not only sleep well, but sleep without danger, ever protected by the Spiritual Power of Jesus; for: Whosoever hangeth up the Cross of Christ, and believeth thereon, may sleep the sleep of the "blessed" at any hour or in any place.

The Cross Of Christ. Many believe that The Cross of Christ will ward off any disastrous conditions or circumstances which might be cast upon them. If your enemies have disposed you of credit, and caused you to be mistreated and thereby reduced your strength and health, or deprived you of your position and installed another in your place, you should find much comfort, and possibly the ability to overcome them and put them to failure and shame, if you believe in the Cross of Christ.

Ivory-like Light. Should you doubt any of the statements made here regarding the fact that the whole and the entire body of Christ on the Cross, can be seen when hung in an intensely dark room, or at any hour during the night, or that this secret preparation put over the corpus or figure of Christ absorbs the yellow rays of light during the day, so that these rays shine forth during the night when placed in a dark room, producing a Luminous Light; Yellow and Light Blue at first, and gradually changing to a bright, Ivory-Like Light, showing the figure of Christ in almost startling relief continuously while in the darkness; you may order it and if this is not true return it at our expense and your money will be refunded. **The darker the room the more it glows. Its luminous effect is everlasting.**

A Work Of Art. This beautiful Luminous Crucifix of Jesus, is a work of art. The corpus, or figure of Christ, is made of metal and richly finished with the same preparation which is used on the Lunar Circle. The cross, on which the corpus is mounted, is made of very hard wood, ebony color.

NOTICE. Description of the Lunar Crucifix is continued on the next page. See Order No. 232 on next page. Also see Order No. 233 on the next page as we have made a Special Combination Price if you order both the Lunar Circle and the Lunar Crucifix at once.

THE LUNAR CRUCIFIX

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BEHOLD THE LUMINOUS CHRIST FIGURE

Especially appropriate for your developing room as it can be hung on the wall. Now used by spiritualists and mediums throughout the world, as it undoubtedly attracts a good influence and helps to invoke spirits of high order.

This beautiful LUMINOUS CRUCIFIX, of Jesus The Master, is a work of art. The *corpus*, or figure of *Christ*, is made of metal, and richly finished with the same *secret* preparation which is used on THE LUNAR CIRCLE. The cross, on which the *corpus* is mounted, is made of a very hard wood, ebony color.

The marvelous secret preparation, put over the body of *Jesus*, absorbs the yellow rays of light during the day, and these rays shine forth during the night, or when placed in a dark room, producing a brilliant light, Yellow and light Blue at first, and gradually changing to a bright, ivory-like light, showing the figure of *Christ* in almost startling relief continuously while in the darkness. The darker the room the more it glows. *The Luminous effect is perpetual.*

To Destroy A Bad Influence And Rebuke Diabolical Arts

Many have steadfast faith and belief that this marvelous LUNAR CRUCIFIX is efficacious and possesses extraordinary powers, which are said to destroy and rebuke a bad influence, and to overcome the diabolical arts of certain witches and sorcerers. Everyone, who has made any study of the subject, knows that a great number of persons, of both sexes have entered into a pact with evil spirits, and by their practice of black arts, sorcery and witch-craft, they strike with sterility the conjugal bed, destroy the germs of humanity in the bosom of the mother, and throws spells on them, and set a barrier to the multiplication of horses, cattle, etc. The diabolical arts of certain witches and sorcerers are firmly believed in by many people. The following are among their most dreaded powers: To inspire love and hatred at will; to send an evil spirit to take possession of a person and torture him; to expel him; to cause sudden death or an incurable disease; to strike cattle with sterility. Provoke unbounded passions in men and women, etc., etc. The sight alone of a man said to be such a sorcerer, excites in many profound terror. In order to overcome these things, and to assist them in rebuking certain bad influences, many hang this LUMINOUS CRUCIFIX of the *Master Christ* in their room, or in any place where they believe a bad influence prevails.

To Sleep Without Fear

It is said that one of the marvelous virtues of this LUNAR CRUCIFIX of Jesus The Master, is, that if it is hung on the wall near the bed where it can be seen, it will procure sleep, sound and secure, and that the owner thereof may not only sleep well, but sleep without danger, even from evil influences. FOR WHOSEVER HANGETH UP THE LUNAR CRUCIFIX OF CHRIST, MAY BE BOLD TO SLEEP AT ANY HOUR IN ANY PLACE.

The LUMINOUS CRUCIFIX has excited extraordinary interest because of the efficacy it is believed to have in preventing and warding off any very distressing condition or circumstances which might be cast upon one.

If your enemies have despoiled you of credit, and caused you to be mistreated, and thereby reduce your strength and health, or perhaps deprived you of your position and install another in your place, they will be put to failure and shame, so it is said, if you have the LUMINOUS CRUCIFIX of *Jesus* in your sleeping room.

ORDER NO. 232. One Lunar Crucifix. Price \$2.50; Foreign 15s. NOTE. Before ordering this Lunar Crucifix be sure and read all about the wonderful LUNAR CIRCLE on the two preceding pages. Also see SPECIAL COMBINATION OFFER below, for, if the LUNAR CRUCIFIX and the LUNAR CIRCLE are ordered together they are sold very cheap. See Order No. 233 below.

SPECIAL COMBINATION PRICE

As many will feel the need of both THE LUNAR CIRCLE and THE LUNAR CRUCIFIX of *Christ*, we have made a special combination price for the two when ordered at one time. See Order No. 233 below.

These two marvelous inventions, THE LUNAR CIRCLE and THE LUNAR CRUCIFIX, go well together and make a very strong combination for the attraction of higher forces of nature which flow so rhythmically around all mankind. The genuine Occultist uses these life forces in treating the sick, and to quicken his development. Again, the Occultist uses these forces to create for himself and for others, wealth, position, health and other material things. *Yellow and Light Green Astral Currents* of occult forces are said to be the highest and strongest which vibrate on this planet as they embrace the *Blue Cosmic* currents of Astral force, which is the highest in spiritual qualities; *Red* being the lowest.

To acquire the ability to attract and control these forces man must develop to a given degree; when he does this, he can attach himself to the *Yellow Cosmic currents of Astral forces*, and can accomplish anything along the line of occult or spiritual work. An undeveloped person cannot accomplish anything because he cannot use the *Yellow* nor the *Blue Cosmic* currents of forces; they vibrate much higher than his own, and there is no sympathy between him and them.

As stated above, both THE LUNAR CIRCLE and THE LUNAR CRUCIFIX absorb the *Yellow* rays of light during the day, and at night, or when placed in an intensely dark room, throws off a luminous light; *Blue* at first, and gradually changing to a permanent phosphorescent glow. This marvelous emission of light, *without sensible heat*, when placed in a dark room, after exposure to light, has proved of great value, as it seems to help the investigator and student to come more perfectly into vibration with forces much higher and stronger than his own.

ORDER NO. 233. One Lunar Circle And One Lunar Crucifix Of Christ. Price \$3.00; Foreign £1. NOTE. The Lunar Circle sells regularly for \$1.50 and the Lunar Crucifix sells for \$2.50. By ordering them both at once you save \$1.00.

DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS
FOR THE MYSTIC

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RESEARCH EQUIPMENT
FOR THE PSYCHIC

YOU can try the 'Protection'



Carry DeLaurences's Brass Plate -- Fits Purse or Billfold

COMPOSED OF EGYPTIAN MAGICAL FIGURES and WORDS OF POWER

Ancient Egyptians used this amazing amulet for protection from physical and supernatural enemies. Engraved and sculptured on many materials, it shielded every phase of life. It was called the "Cippus of Horus". Budge, in his "Egyptian Magic" describes it as a "gigantic amulet engraved with magical figures and words of power." There is not an Egyptian deity of any importance omitted and there is no demon or symbolic evil animal which is not shown in a conquered state. Many of them are accompanied by the texts of magical formulae and magical names of power.

ETCHED ON BRASS

DeLaurence has etched the "Cippus of Horus" on a brass plate. In this form it is convenient to carry on the person, in purse, pocket or billfold. Or it may be placed anywhere about the house where the entire family is a consideration. The brass plate is durable, may be kept clean and bright with little effort; the round corners make it smooth and pleasant to handle. The etching is deep and bright. You will be impressed and charmed with its appearance. The plate measures 2-1/2 by 3-1/2 inches. (63 by 89 mm.) "Instructions" accompany each plate.

"POWER BELIEVED TO BE INVINCIBLE"

Thus Budge expresses the belief of the Egyptians in the "Cippus of Horus" and from the quantity of them found by Egyptologists this must be an accurate statement.
KEY NO. 533. BRASS "EGYPTIAN PROTECTION" PLATE. Price, \$3.50, plus postage.



Genuine Parchment Made From Polished Lamb Skin

Talismans For Success, Honor, Health, And Wealth For Man's Love, Woman's Love, Magical Pacts, And Rituals Can Be Used For Making Any Kind Of Charms, Talismans, Amulets, And Seals

It is a Hidden and Secret Truth that the Ancients used only Genuine Parchment, made from the skins of dead-born lambs, for making their Talismans, Seals, Charms and Amulets. The old Egyptian and Hindu Kabalists always traced their Talismans upon Genuine Virgin Parchment, and it is said, "that their Talismans were 'strong and useful,' having wonderful power in producing certain effects." The Ancients claimed, "that their Talismans gave to the wearer victory over every earthly enemy when they were rightly formed on Parchment, and worn or carried about the person in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case where they would remain clean and unspotted.

The Genuine Parchment, listed on the next page is hard to obtain. In fact, it is imported and to be obtained only at certain places, owing to the fact that it is made from the skins of dead-born lambs. Again, the process of preparing and polishing it with pumice-stone is a very expensive one.

Publisher's Note. Read at the bottom of this page the definition of Parchment as given in Funk & Wagnalls' "New Standard Dictionary Of The English Language."

Genuine Parchment can be used for copying and tracing Charms, Talismans, Amulets, and Seals. Talismans for Honor and Health; also for attracting the Opposite Sex; for Man's Love; for Woman's Love; for Magical Pacts and Rituals, and Ceremonial Magic. Charms for working Bewitchments and Spells as well as Black and White Magic, are as a rule always traced upon Virgin Parchment as it is an old belief that it makes them more effective. In short, it is an old belief, which has survived the ages, that No Charm, Talisman, Seal, Symbol, Amulet, Phylactery, nor Philtre is thought to be effective unless it is produced upon Genuine Parchment Paper made from the skin of a lamb.

Talismans On Parchment Paper



An able writer on the subject of Talismans, says: "Constructed by Rules, the Talisman on Parchment Paper is usually carried in the pocket in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case so it will remain clean and protected from injury. No one should touch or see it after placement except the person for whom it is designed, and only when it has wrought its effect should it be discarded. This method is adopted by natives of India. As to the Invocation, the act of making a Talisman on Parchment Paper is an Invocation. Faith does the rest. *A number of Talismans may be worn at once.*"

Some time ago there was published a history of the famous Rothschild Talisman, which is an heirloom, and the possession of which the fortune of the family is believed to depend. It is in the form of a small Gold Casket, about the size of a snuffbox, but the Secret of its Power lies hidden in words inscribed within. Napoleon was a great believer in Charms, and wore upon his body a Talisman given him by one of the Priests after the Nile Expedition. Talismans are largely in use on the Continent, by Arabs, Persians, and Hindoos, while in Africa, among native tribes, the Obeyah is much in repute. Captain Welby reports that in Abyssinia he discovered races of giants who inhabit the devil-possessed district of Walamo. He was a victim of the Magical Powers of the Walamo, and "was quite unable to explain the cause of his mysterious business." These people use Magical Powers, and no Abyssinian can approach the tribe. In other countries we have instances of Bewitching, and the Evil Eye.

Parchment As Defined In "The New Standard Dictionary" Is As Follows: Parchment. The skin of sheeps, goats, lambs, young lambs, and other animals prepared and polished with pumice-stone for writing, painting and engraving, etc. **Vellum** is a fine parchment made from the skins of calves, kids, and **dead-born** lambs; while drumheads are made from welfskins, battledores from ass-skins, and seives from the skins of the goats. **Virgin Parchment.** A fine parchment made from the skins of new-born lambs or kids.

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The Psalms

WRITTEN ON GENUINE

PARCHMENT

Those who believe in the efficacy of prayer and a recital of The Psalms as well as writing them on Genuine Parchment, may, if they wish, read what follows.

Psalm For Deliverance

Psalm 30.—If you are nervous, ill at ease, wretched in mind and body, or your soul is troubled with matters over which you have no direct control, you may, if you so wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose what-so-ever, the 2nd, 8th, and 10th Verses of Psalm 30; and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. If you wish, you can carry the same in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted, and protected from dampness or perspiration.

Psalm For Slander

Psalm 31.—If you would escape slanderers, who are maliciously uttering false reports, or are injuring your reputation by false tales told or propagated with the object of bringing upon you discredit or disgrace, you may, if you so desire, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose what-so-ever, the 4th, 5th, 9th, 13th, and 14th Verses of Psalm 31; and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. If you wish, you can carry the same in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted, and protected from dampness or perspiration.

Psalm For A Troubled Soul

Psalm 32.—Sorrow and grief are ever in the soul of the one who is wicked. Indeed, the troubles and lamentations of the sinner are manifold. Only those who loveth righteousness and live to the counsel of the Lord are blessed with a contented heart. Therefore, if you have sinned and your soul is troubled with your own iniquity, you will never find relief until you have confessed your misdoings to God. You can, if you so wish write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose what-so-ever, the 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 7th Verses of Psalm 32; and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you do this, you will enjoy that blessedness which ever follows the remission of sins. Confession of sins giveth ease to the conscience, and should you write these verses on Genuine Parchment and carry them with you, they will be the means of giving you confidence in God and create a desire in you to praise Him for his goodness. If you wish, you can carry the same in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness or perspiration.

Psalm For Meeting A Stranger

Psalm 34.—If you have already resolved to call upon a stranger for any reason what-so-ever, and you greatly desire to be received pleasantly and find favor in his or her eyes, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose what-so-ever, the 3rd, 7th, and 22nd Verses of Psalm 34; and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Even so, this Sacred Psalm should be found highly beneficial to each and every traveler; for if they write the Verses, indicated above on Genuine Parchment, and pray the entire 34th Psalm diligently, and with entire faith in the Lord God, it will be the means of helping him finish his journey in safety and being kindly received.

Psalm For Lawsuits Pending

Psalm 35.—Should you have a serious lawsuit pending in which you are opposed by unrighteous, revengeful and quarrelsome people, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st, 3rd and 11th Verses of Psalm 35; and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Even so, this Sacred Psalm should be highly beneficial to each and every person who believes in God and that He being always righteous and kind, will not allow anyone to be imposed upon.

Psalm For Slander

Psalm 36.—Should you be troubled or suffering from slanderous libels or be bothered by any person attempting to ruin your reputation, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 3rd, 5th and 12th Verses of Psalm 36; and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Even so, this Sacred Psalm should be highly beneficial to each and every person who believes in God and that He being always righteous and kind, will not allow anyone to be imposed upon.

Psalm For Drunkenness

Psalm 37.—Should anybody be overcome with a weakness for strong drink or wine of any kind, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 3rd, 6th and 7th Verses of Psalm 37; and place this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, somewhere in their room. They of course should have no knowledge of the fact that you have concealed the Parchment in their room. Even so, this Sacred Psalm should be highly beneficial to each and every person who believes in God.

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Psalm For To Obtain Information In A Dream

Psalm 40.—This Psalm is said to possess this peculiar characteristic. If you wish to be sure in regard to a certain cause, or desire to obtain information through a dream, or be shown something regarding a certain matter in a vision, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st and 17th Verses of the 40th Psalm and place this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, under your pillow when you go to bed. Before you retire however, you may, if you wish, read the entire 40th Psalm seven times, mentioning your desire, each time before saying this Psalm.

Psalm For A Scolding Wife

Psalm 46.—This Psalm is said by some to possess the virtue of making peace between man and wife, and, especially to tame cross wives. The saying is, namely: whoever has a scolding wife, can, if they so wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 9th Verse of Psalm 46, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon their person at all times. Should this be done and extreme kindness be administered toward the wife, she should become more lovable and friendly. If a man has innocently or thoughtlessly incurred the enmity of his wife, and desires a proper return to conjugal love and peace, he may do as directed above if he wishes. Should anyone wish, they may carry this Parchment Talisman in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Many Enemies

Psalm 48.—Should you have many enemies without cause, who hate you out of pure envy and jealousy, and it is your wish and desire that your enemies will be seized with fear, terror and anxiety, and that in the future they will no more attempt to injure you, you may, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 6th and 7th Verses of Psalm 48, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should this be done and you maintain strict observance over yourself so as to not provoke any person or meddle in other people's affairs, you can enjoy a peaceful and calm state of mind. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 6th and 7th Verses of Psalm 48, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration, and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Sickness

Psalm 50.—Should anyone in your family be suffering from a severe sickness or disease, you can, if you wish, write upon a piece of Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 15th Verse of Psalm 50 and place this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, in some part of the bed upon which the sick person is lying. You can, if you wish, inform the sick person of what you are doing or you may place it in the bed without their knowledge, just as you like. Again, if you care to, you may place this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 15th Verse of Psalm 50, in a Genuine Leather Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted, and protected from dampness, perspiration, or injury of any kind. It may be placed in any part of the bed whether it is in the leather case or not.

Psalm For A Troubled Conscience

Psalm 51.—Should you be troubled with an anxious and restless conscience on the account of the commission of a great sin and wish to have your mind at peace because you have committed an evil deed, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Verses of Psalm 51, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you act as indicated above and confess your sin in a suitable prayer unto God thereby acknowledging your transgressions and sins, as well as creating unto thyself a clean heart, peace of mind and righteousness will be bestowed upon you. Again, if you care to, you may place this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Verses of Psalm 51, in a Genuine Leather Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration or injury of any kind.

Psalm For The Passions

Psalm 56.—Should any one be desirous of freeing himself or herself from the bonds of passion, so they will not be tempted by evil lusts or the desire to commit sins and thereby be able to overcome their evil desires, they can, if they wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 4th Verse of Psalm 56, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription upon their person at all times. If it has been your desire to act as indicated above and you have done as directed with a full and sincere belief that God will deliver you from falling a victim to your evil passions, you will no doubt become aware of the most wonderful changes within yourself, for he who is free from the temptations and desires of evil passions, is fortunate indeed. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 4th Verse of Psalm 56, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For A Soldier

Psalm 60.—If you are a soldier in an army, and are about to march into the field; or go into battle with the enemy, and in your soul you believe in, and have full faith upon the endless Omnipotence of God, to give the victory where he will, and you further wish to be enabled to return to your home uninjured, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2½ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 6th Verse of Psalm 60, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 6th Verse of Psalm 60, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

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Psalm For A New Dwelling

Psalm 61.—When you are about to take possession of a new dwelling, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2¼ by 2¼ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Verses of Psalm 61, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Verses of Psalm 61, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Your Business Partner

Psalm 63.—If you have reason to believe that your business partner, or partners are dishonest or about to take unfair advantage of you, and that you will suffer loss, and if you desire them to treat you with justice and honesty; or if it is your wish to withdraw from the firm without loss, and you believe in the good fortune and blessings of God, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2¼ by 2¼ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 11th Verse of Psalm 63, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 11th Verse of Psalm 63, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Success

Psalm 65.—Should you wish to be fortunate in any and all of your undertakings, and desire that everything you attempt will result to your advantage, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2¼ by 2¼ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st and 10th Verses of Psalm 65, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment, upon which you have written the 1st and 10th Verses of Psalm 65, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For An Evil Spirit

Psalm 66.—If any person is possessed by a Ruack Roah (evil spirit), they can, if they wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2¼ by 2¼ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 20th Verse of Psalm 66, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 20th Verse of Psalm 66, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For A Universal Favorite

Psalm 72.—Should any lady wish to become a Universal Favorite, and find favor and grace from all men so as to be treated with great consideration and respect, she can, if she so wishes, write on a piece of Genuine Parchment, size 2¼ by 2¼ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 6th Verse of Psalm 72, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription upon her person at all times. If it is so desired, she may carry this piece of Parchment upon which she has written the 6th Verse of Psalm 72, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Your Employer

Psalm 77.—Should any person wish to be able to do their work well and render service that will be entirely satisfactory to their employer, so that his business affairs will succeed and prosper so that they will receive a raise in salary, they can, if they wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2¼ by 2¼ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st Verse of Psalm 77, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription upon their person at all times. Should they wish, they can carry this piece of Parchment upon which they have written the 1st Verse of Psalm 77, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For A Friend

Psalm 85.—Should you wish that your former friend, be it lady or gentleman, who now lives at enmity with you, should again be reconciled to you, and you can discover no disposition on his or her part to make it up with you and again approach and receive you in great friendship, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2¼ by 2¼ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 11th and 13th Verses of Psalm 85, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 11th and 13th Verses of Psalm 85, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Illness In The Family

Psalm 86.—Should one of your own family or dear friends waste away so rapidly, in consequence of a very severe illness, so that they are already nearly helpless and useless, you may, if you so desire, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2¼ by 2¼ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st, 5th and 6th Verses of Psalm 86, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 1st, 5th and 6th Verses of Psalm 86, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

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Psalm For A Bitter Enemy

Psalm 94.—If you have a hard, unyielding and bitter enemy, who opposes you sorely and causes you great anxiety, and whose object is to humble and overcome you, you can, if you desire, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2¾ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 22nd and 23rd Verses of Psalm 94, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 22nd and 23rd Verses of Psalm 94, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Trouble Between Families

Psalm 98.—Should any person desire to establish peace, unity, friendship and love between two families which have been separated through quarrel, gossip or a misunderstanding, they can, if they wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2¾ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st and 2nd Verses of Psalm 98, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon their person at all times. Should they wish, they may carry this piece of Parchment upon which they have written the 1st and 2nd Verses of Psalm 98, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Shaking

Psalm 119.—Should any person whose limbs shake and quiver, or whose hands shake and quiver when they become excited or nervous over even small matters, they can, if they wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2¾ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 75th and 76th Verses of Psalm 119, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon their person at all times. Should they wish, they may carry this piece of Parchment, upon which they have written the 75th and 76th Verses of Psalm 119, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Addressing A Man In A High Position

Psalm 122.—If you are about to address a man in a high position, or who occupies some great office, you can, if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2¾ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st and 2nd Verses of Psalm 122, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment, upon which you have written the 1st and 2nd Verses of Psalm 122, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Pregnancy

Psalm 126.—If you are so unfortunate, that your children are taken away from you in their infancy, and that you are not able to raise any of them, then, when your wife again becomes pregnant, you can, if you are interested and so desire, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2¾ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 3rd, 4th and 5th Verses of Psalm 126, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment, upon which you have written the 3rd, 4th and 5th Verses of Psalm 126, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For A Besieged City

Psalm 130.—Should you be living in a besieged city, to and from which no one can go without danger, and if you have urgent business, so that you feel constrained to venture on a journey, then, before you leave the city, you can if you wish, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2¾ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 1st and 2nd Verses of Psalm 130, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment, with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 1st and 2nd Verses of Psalm 130, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

Psalm For Evil Spirits

Psalm 145.—He, who fears ghosts and evil spirits and desires that all ghosts and apparitions shall leave him, may, if he so desires, write on a piece of Genuine Virgin Parchment, size 2½ by 2¾ inches, with an entirely new pen, which has never before been used for any purpose whatsoever, the 17th, 18th and 19th Verses of Psalm 145, and keep this piece of Genuine Parchment with its Sacred Inscription, upon your person at all times. Should you wish, you may carry this piece of Parchment upon which you have written the 17th, 18th and 19th Verses of Psalm 145, in a Genuine Leather Talisman Case, where it will remain clean, unspotted and protected from dampness, perspiration and injury of any kind.

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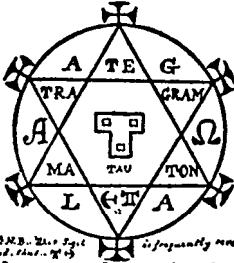
Psalm 150.—This happy Psalm of Praise should be uttered by every God-fearing, thankful being, who has escaped a great danger, or received a particular grace in answer to a prayer to God. It should be repeated with a thankful heart to His praise and glory. The above Psalm, that is, 150, may be prayed as directed herewith, as no directions are given for writing it on Parchment.

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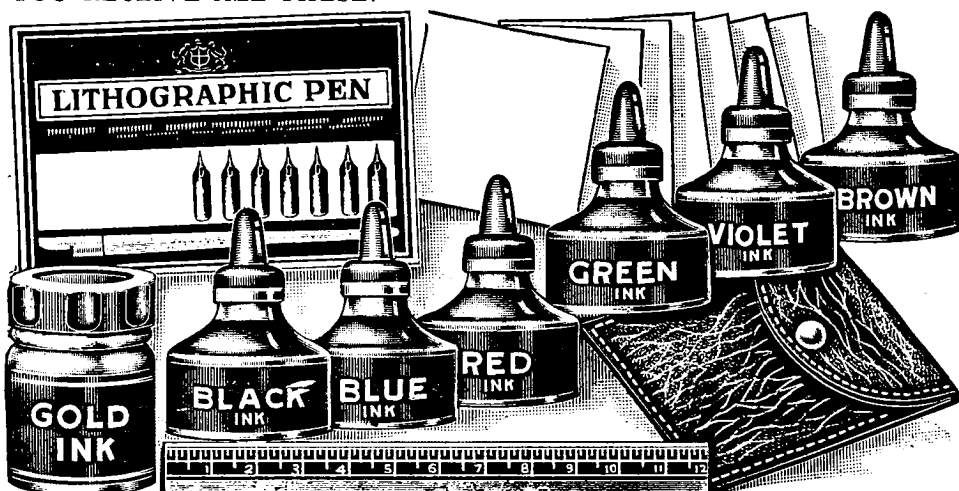
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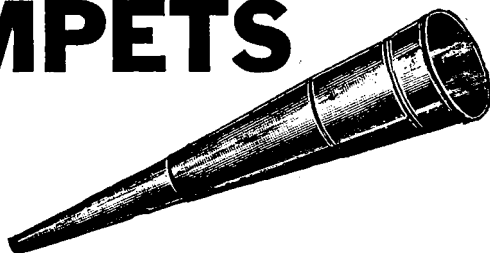
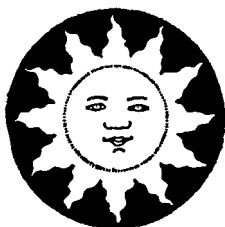
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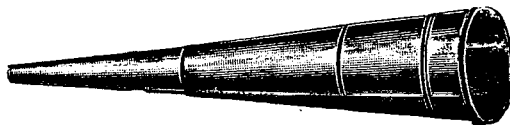
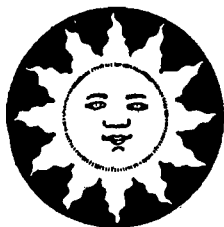
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Directions For Using de Laurence's Luminous Ring Trumpets

Heretofore directions have been given for using the Spirit Trumpet by those who only had a crude knowledge of the subject and at the same time possessed of little education or real ability in regard to giving instruction or directions about anything. Some of them have just picked up a little knowledge of spiritualism and pose as instructors. Others get into it backwards, as it were, with very little true knowledge of what they are trying to do. No other subject in the world has been more attended by a lot of pretenders or people who were only novices, than Spiritualism has. Christ said, "Let the blind lead the blind."

Mediumship, and especially that phase of it called Trumpet Mediumship, is at the present time surrounded with a great deal of mystery. Some claim this, and others claim that. Their mouths are full of advice and when you don't get results, they have got a lot of excuses.

Using a Trumpet so as to receive spirit voices, is like everything else, based upon common sense and human reason. Supposing that some person wanted to speak to you over a telephone. The instrument would have to be installed, properly adjusted and become a permanent fixture. In other words, one day you wouldn't have the telephone in the cellar and the next day upstairs or out in the yard or some other place. If you wanted a person to talk to you over the telephone at night, you would have it beside your bed. If you wanted to use it in the parlor or in a certain room, you would have it placed there, that is the way with the trumpet. It is better to have some given place to use it.

The following directions will be found good for holding a circle. The number of people in a circle can be anywhere from 4 to 12 or more. The members may sit in a circle with hands joined so that a condition may be produced for spirit speaking as well as materialization.

After you have selected the person you believe best suited to use the Spirit Trumpet, place that person at the head of the circle with their back to the East. It matters not whether the one who uses the Trumpet is a man or a woman. Let all join hands, then lay the Trumpet on something beside the medium so that the small end will be near the medium's ear. The Trumpet can be laid on anything or if it is more convenient, can be suspended from the ceiling attached to a cord. If the Trumpet is hung from the ceiling or suspended from anything, it is better to have it at an angle, that is, to have the big end higher than the small end which, as stated above, should be right at the medium's ear.

After the circle has been formed, hands joined and the Trumpet adjusted as directed, the lights in the room may be lowered or put out entirely. A sacred song should be sung, every member of the circle should become as quiet and passive as possible. In other words, negative or mediumistic so as to help magnetize or place the trumpet medium in a receptive state so that she can become clairaudient, that is, hear spirit voices through the Trumpet. The circle may be held from three-fourths to one hour and a half, as the members may decide.

As a sun glass concentrates the rays of the sun, so the Trumpet helps to concentrate and develop spirit voices. Of course, it is necessary for the medium to develop some degree of clairaudience, that is, to be able to hear by the inner or spiritual voice before results can be obtained. This takes longer in some mediums than it does in others. The same as it may take longer for one person to develop in music, singing, or the like.

de Laurence's Standard Luminous Ring Trumpet may be used in the dark with the Luminous Ring on. It may be also used in the light; but it is always better to develop some degree of Trumpet ability in the dark before using the Trumpet in a light room.

The Spirit Trumpet is one of the most valuable and wonderful instruments for receiving individual information direct from the spirits there is. A spirit, like an individual, will talk to you more freely in private than it would in a public circle. Supposing there are matters you want information on or there is something that is puzzling you, or some mystery you want to solve. A good way to find out about anything by the spirits is to carry out the following: First, obtain for your own private use a Trumpet. Then, BURN SOME INCENSE for about one-half an hour before you retire. If you wish to know some certain thing, write the question on a card or a piece of paper and stand it beside your incense while it is burning. The spirits will read this and answer your question through the Trumpet after you have gone to bed, or show you something in a vision.

If you wish to know something about money matters or business, it is always better to burn incense, as directed above. If you wish to know something about a love affair or about some person or several people, it is always better to burn TWO CANDLES about one hour before you retire, writing the question you want answered on a card or piece of paper and stand it beside your candles, the same as you would beside the incense. After you burn the incense or the candles, place your Trumpet so that the large end of it will be near your head, while you are sleeping.

Just when the spirits will talk to you through the Trumpet, is a matter for they themselves to decide. It may be before you go to sleep or you may be awakened from a sound sleep by a spirit speaking to you through the Trumpet. You may hear a voice in the Trumpet after you awake in the morning or before you get out of bed. It may be several nights or a week or two after you have fixed the Trumpet near your head at night before you hear any spirit voices. Again, it may occur the first or second night.

It is said that you cannot do any Occult or Spiritual work without fire. This means, of course, the burning of Incense or Candles. It is a well known fact, of course, that some western spiritualists may not approve of either burning incense or candles. This, of course, is their own affair. They have a right to their opinion, but there are still others who have just as good a right to their own opinions about these matters as have the spiritualists.

Spiritualism and Occultism had its birth in the Orient, where incense and candles are always burned during any degree of development or a seance. In fact, candles and incense are burned throughout the Orient as a signal or sign to the spirits that you are ready to receive them and as soon as either candles or incense are burned, there is no question but what they attract the spirit.

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Trumpet Mediumship In The Seance Room

Trumpet Mediumship. We have often been asked regarding this phase of Mediumship. The following remarks might be both helpful and interesting. A Circle or Class of six, eight, ten or twelve may be formed among those interested and willing to sit one or two nights each week. It is best to have a regular time, and to be on time, so that if any Spirit Friends come they will not be disappointed. If you do not disappoint them, they are not so apt to disappoint you. We can say nothing about the time it takes to develop Trumpet Mediumship or Independent Voice. Some authorities claim that they have known people to develop in three months. Others say it takes longer. It is usually customary to have the Circle or Seance Room dark, that is, very dark, so dark that you cannot see your hand before your face. Some open the Circle with singing or music, after which they repeat the Lord's Prayer.

Ordinary Seance Trumpet Not Desirable. The Three Section Trumpet appears to be so constructed that it amalgamates all the conditions needed for the manifestation of Spirit Voice through it. Again, it is thought by those who have investigated these matters, that darkness, or at least semi-darkness, is better for Spirit Voice manifestation. Few, if any, Trumpet Mediums get Voices in the light; if they do the Voice is weak and of short expression. This is true no matter how highly developed the Medium is. It is said that Spirits themselves are more easily seen in a dark than in a light room, and that people have more visions and dreams at night than they do in the day time. Therefore it would seem, this being true, that Spirit Voice could be concentrated and manifested better in the dark than in the light.

Immutable Laws of Nature. Investigation seems to show that few develop any phase of Trumpet Mediumship in a light room; but that many have developed in a dark one. As the Voices come stronger the room may be made a little lighter if desired. There is nothing in our estimation that is supernatural pertaining to Spiritual manifestation; but what is governed by those natural and immutable laws of nature which governs all life; both in the material and the spiritual worlds. The Trumpets listed in this Catalogue are now being used by many noted and famous Mediums all over the world who seem to take great pleasure in recommending them to their friends.

Trumpet Mediumship is only one phase or manifestation, in spirit form, of the voices of those who have passed to the other world, and the Trumpet seems to be in the Seance Room what the telephone is in the business office. That is to say, that from what has been heard, and from what has been seen in the Seance Room, that spirits are able to make themselves heard by those in the circle by speaking through a Trumpet.

All Spiritual Phenomena and manifestation are produced by natural law. The Spiritual Phenomena of the Bible is well known. It is mentioned in many of its passages. Some authorities claim that it is referred to 58 distinct and separate times in the Bible. In fact it seems to be that every phase of Spiritual Phenomena, and every degree of Mediumship, Clairvoyance, and Clairaudience, or Independent Voice, was known in the time of Christ. Jerusalem like Boston, New York and Chicago had many a Seance Room. A Table showing the Spiritual Phenomena of the Bible, that is, Materialization, Trumpet Speaking, Old Testament Healing, Visions, Gifts of Healing and Dreams is shown below on this page.

Spiritual Phenomena Of The Bible

MATERIALIZATION

Genesis	.....	iii-8
Genesis	.....	xviii-1; xxxii-24
Genesis	.....	xxiv-10, 11
Exodus	.....	xi-9
Ezekiel	.....	v-5
Daniel	.....	xxiv-15, 16, 29, 30, 31
Luke	.....	xx-19, 30
John	.....	xx-30, 31
Luke	.....	xx-30, 31

SPIRIT WRITING

II Chronicles	.....	xxi-12
Daniel	.....	v-5

INDEPENDENT SPIRIT WRITING

Exodus	.....	xxiv-12
Exodus	.....	xxx-18
Exodus	.....	xxxii-16
Exodus	.....	xxxiv-1
Deut.	.....	v-2
Deut.	.....	ix-10

TRUMPET SPEAKING

Exodus	.....	xix-13, 16, 19
Exodus	.....	xx-18
Revelations	.....	i-10

TRANCE

Genesis	.....	xv-12, 17
Daniel	.....	viii-18
Daniel	.....	x-9
Acts	.....	ix-3, 9
Acts	.....	xxii-17
II Corinthians	.....	xii-2

HEALING—OLD TESTAMENT

Numbers	.....	xxi-8, 9
II Kings	.....	v-1, 14
I Kings	.....	xvii-17, 24
II Kings	.....	iv-18, 37

DISCIPLES CHARGED TO HEAL THE SICK	.....	x-8
Matt.	.....	x-8
Luke	.....	ix-2
Luke	.....	x-9

DISCIPLES HEAL THE SICK

Acts	.....	xiv-8, 10
Acts	.....	iii-1, 8

HEALING—NEW TESTAMENT—JESUS THE HEALER

Matt.	.....	viii-5, 13
Matt.	.....	xii-10, 13
Luke	.....	xix-2, 4
Mark		iii-2, 5
Luke		v-17, 25
John		iv-47, 50
Luke		ix-11

GIFTS OF HEALING

I Corinthians		xii-9, 28
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HEALING BY MAGNETIZED ARTICLES

II Kings		iv-29
Acts		xix-11, 13

INDEPENDENT SPIRIT VOICES

Deut.	.....	ix-12, 13
I Samuel	.....	iii-3, 9
Ezekiel	.....	i-28
Matt.	.....	xvii-5
John	.....	xii-28, 29, 30
Acts	.....	vii-30, 31
Acts	.....	ix-4, 7
Acts	.....	xi-7, 8, 9

SPIRIT LEVITATION

I Kings	.....	xviii-12
Ezekiel	.....	iii-12, 13, 14
Ezekiel	.....	viii-3
Acts	.....	viii-39
Possibly also Matt.	.....	iv-1

SPIRIT TESTS

Genesis	.....	xxiv-14, 19
Exodus	.....	iv-14, 31
Judges	.....	vi-36, 40
I Samuel	.....	i-10, 11, 17, 26, 27
I Samuel	.....	x-2, 6, 9, 10

SPIRIT COMMUNICATIONS IN DREAMS

Job	.....	xxxiii-15
Joel		ii-28
Genesis		xxviii-12
Genesis		xxxii-24
Genesis		xxxvii-5
Genesis		41

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WITH HEREIN CERTIFY THAT,

I AM NOW, AND HAVE BEEN FOR SOME TIME, DEEPLY INTERESTED AS A
PRACTICAL STUDENT OF THE ANCIENT ARTS AND SCIENCES WHICH ARE
RIGHTFULLY TERMED AS OCCULT, TO-WIT: THE HIDDEN WISDOM OF THE
ANCIENT TEMPLES OF INDIA, THIBET AND EGYPT; THAT,

I HAVE PERSONALLY EXAMINED, STUDIED AND ENQUIRED INTO A WIDE
VARIETY OF UNCOMMON LITERATURE, TEXTS, ETC., THE REAL OCCULT AS
WELL AS THE "SO-CALLED;" THE GREAT AMOUNT OF WHICH I HAVE FOUND
TO BE IDLE, FOOLISH, "CATCH-PENNY," IN FACT OF LITTLE OR NO WORTH;

I HAVE CAREFULLY EXAMINED, ENQUIRED INTO, AND SUCCESSFULLY
EXPERIMENTED INTO AND WITH, MANY OF THE THINGS SET FORTH IN THE
WORKS UNDER THE AUTHORSHIP OR EDITORSHIP OF L. W. DE LAURENCE;
AND I AFFIRM, WHOLLY FROM PERSONAL STUDY, OBSERVATION, AND EXPE-
RIENCE, THAT THE MANY THINGS SET FORTH IN HIS WORKS ARE NOT ONLY
TRUE AS WELL AS CLEARLY SET FORTH, BUT A PRACTICALLY UNLIMITED
SUPPLY OF ENLIGHTENMENT, KNOWLEDGE, AND WISDOM CAN BE DRAWN
FORTH BY OPENING AVENUES OF WHICH HIS WORKS ARE "KEYS."

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EVER PRESENT THE INSTANT I BEGAN USING MY MAGIC MIRROR. I HAVE
SECURED SOME WONDERFUL EFFECTS WITH IT, AND HAVE VISIONS AND
MATERIALIZATIONS WITHOUT ENTERING THE DEEPER TRANCE STATES—
ALTHOUGH, THE DEEPER ONE GOES INTO THE "TRANCE," WHILE BURNING
YOUR TEMPLE INCENSE, THE BETTER RESULTS YOU OBTAIN.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED
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A Message To All Mystics

Written Down By L. W. de Laurence

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This is a sincere and True Message to all faithful Brother and Sister Mystics and those who may wish to know more about those Great Occult Organizations which exist on the Earth Plane and in the Spiritual or unseen world.

My supreme desire is to educate capable and sincere brothers and sisters to act in concert with good spirits and to teach them the work that they must do preparatory thereto.

Furthermore, be it known to all the world, and especially so unto him or her into whose hands this Message may come, not by reason of their own solicitation, or by advertisement, but by their own Spiritual influence, that this message to those who desire to rid themselves of the bounds and shackles of failure, ignorance, superstition, and materialism, regarding the famous "Magic Mirror," that wonderful Astral Instrument so long used by leading Mystics, Adepts and Occult workers for communication and preparatory development for communication between the two worlds, will help all who heed.

Every soul will rest at some mid-point in life
Those never ending, unnumbered, unknown points
All void, vacant, and dark,
Yet, be still for, as it looks once more.

A multitude assembled;
Unnumberable Astral souls reveal a force Supreme,
Invincible for human advancement,
The annulment of man-made law;

The concert uplifting and educating of humanity.
Listen, Oh ye capable brothers, for out of darkness
Comes this mystic message.

PART ONE OF A MESSAGE TO ALL MYSTICS

PART ONE: UNTIL YOU, BROTHER AND SISTER, "KNOW THYSELF" AND THE POSSIBILITIES OF "THYSELF," BY AND THROUGH THE UNDERSTANDING OF "SELF," AND ARE ABLE TO develop the Spiritual Forces within your own soul, there is certain spiritual work for you to perform.

The shackles and chains of centuries, of cycles of ages, of antiquity, are riven at length by their own corroding and heart-eating rust (materialism).

Let ye, oh brother and sister, listen most attentively, for no shackle or bond that comes of materialism, darkness or superstition, or gross ignorance, can ever endure the full light of spiritual truth.

To carry this work onward to its and your own full success I must have true, faithful, sincere and capable brothers on the Earth Plane who have common sense (sense that is not common), and who will act in full concert with me for the uplifting and Spiritual Education of humanity.

No city code, or man-made law, can overthrow, annul or set aside the laws of God (SELF-NATURE). The progressive Mystic who has received his or her Occult Education will always act unselfishly, for they have by their education become Nature's (GOD'S) own legitimate and true instrument in human advancement.

They have steadfastly met and overthrown error, superstition, materialism, ignorance, and arrogance in high and so-called holy places, and have thus denied the so-called Divine right of those who would scoff at spiritism.

They have without hesitation uprooted and overthrown the rule of despot and tyrant, have led true brothers and sisters with the potent weapon of mental thought and Astral force, to triumph over superstition and ignorance, and will finally be the means of ending the reign of materialism and selfishness who can exist only for a time, and times, and half time.

Before the truths of spiritism the bonds and shackles of fettered humanity are destined to melt as snow beneath the Sun of Aries.

Do not be so foolish as to ask whether you are a Mystic or whether you can develop sufficiently to communicate directly and personally with the unseen world.

Each and every sensible and true soul possesses within itself these possibilities which are simply the attributes of Divine Soul Powers. Of course you may suppress and crucify them, or permit them to lie dormant, but only to your own loss and sorrow; or you can allow them to thrive and bloom, like the lotus blossoms on the river Nile, to a beauty and power that will allow you to outstep those who have devoted themselves to more inferior studies and pursuits.

Are you superstitious? Are you orthodox? Are you stingy? Are you selfish? Are you a doubting Tom? Ask yourself these questions.

These are the deep, treacherous, underlying false conditions you must combat and overcome. Can you lay aside these selfish or superstitious instincts and work for the good and uplifting of all worthy Brothers and Sisters instead of the aggrandizement of self? If you can, then you are ready to begin.

If such you are, then every True Mystic will stretch out to you a helping hand over the infinite spaces, from the dim, forgotten centuries, and recognize you as a true brother or sister and comrade. You may rest assured, and the future will prove the truth of this statement, that the reign of truth and absolute justice and absolute unselfishness ultimately will come to every planet. To such culmination the progress of earth life is marked with every vicissitude that change and man-made laws may imply.

When such a condition has been brought about the planetary forces that previously indicated so much sorrow and suffering are discovered to be essential to perfect social organization.

'Tis thus the condition of adversity is turned into the force of perpetuity; the disappointments of failures and obstruction and slow decay are turned into a condition of sure, safe advancement.

Infinite force and infinite intelligence are infinitely good. If what you read here stirs the soul and smoldering forces within you it is the responding cry of your true spiritual self—your true Ego—the Astral self, recognizing and responding to the desires and vibrations of the eternal SELF.

It rests entirely with you whether this warning and my recognition bears fruit or not. If you decide to act, ponder and consider well my advice. "BE SILENT." "BE ye wise as serpents but harmless as doves." A seed before it sprouts lies concealed, secret and silent in the dark earth.

It is in this condition that it finds its real and only opportunity for growth and development.

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Antagonistic elements can only sweep over it while it lies concealed; its work, growth and development goes silently on. Such must be your self-development. So must your Astral and Soul Forces develop while silently hid in yourself.

Neither money nor position will buy true knowledge, nor can they destroy true knowledge.

Astral Powers, and Soul Forces, cannot be measured with money. Your Magical powers and great Astral possibilities must spring to life within yourself. Jesus, the greatest Master that ever lived, said: "Seek ye the Kingdom of God within you." I admonish you likewise.

See well to it that you heed. You may be so orthodox as to think that you should not heed and investigate, believing that Spiritualism should not be investigated, or that your development should not be accelerated.

There is no subject, be it esoteric or exoteric, that is too sacred for true investigation, and it is the peculiar province of the True Mystic to desire to reason on all hidden and Astral forces with the utmost care.

The health of body, the energy and confidence that an order for truth and power inspires, mark his progress. No doubters, no laggard, no dotard, charlatan, no miser, no selfish one may ever hope to succeed, or overtake the fleeting feet of true Occultism and esoteric truths.

The true Master, Adept or Mystic must possess a will and intelligence that develops and brightens with attrition.

No scoffers, no obstacle, should daunt him, no condition should bar him, nothing should hinder or discourage him in his Astral development and search after truth.

He must acquire secret Knowledge and Mystic powers as a miser does wealth to hold—his soul his strong-box; but, unlike the miser, he can give of his store and yet retain his all.

Steadfastness and purity of purpose and self are a necessary requisite while traveling the rugged path of Occultism and Mystic development.

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A master Mystic cannot enter into diseased or sensual conditions.

He may desire to set those Spiritual forces in operation that will assuage deepseated sorrow and physical suffering, but he cannot be expected to bring sweet music out of inharmonious notes.

To attempt to do so would of course be foolish and result in deep injury to himself. So I say, BE PURE, save your vital forces and preserve them long into old age.

The true Mystic and real Master never dissipates his physical or sex forces. The dissolute, sensual man does. The unspent and preserved sex and germinal forces surrounds you with a beautiful purple aura, which envelops you always greatly to your honor as well as being conducive to your development.

This beautiful aura and strength-giving element is dissipated and destroyed by sensual acts and animal instincts. When this purple Astral Aura is preserved and its supply constantly increased from day to day by pure acts and thoughts you will possess the means necessary for your development and the practice of true Occultism and Spiritism.

Heed thee, then, that your Aura remains pure, unimpaired and preserved. For this reason children are many times clairvoyant and possess Spirit and Inner Sight when their parents do not.

Condition Essential For Spirit Co-ordination And Communication

It now becomes my province to direct and indicate the way and manner best suited for communication with the unseen world.

Try and fulfill all the requirements that I have indicated in the fore part of this communication and those which hereinafter follow, especially those relating to the preparation and use of the MAGIC MIRROR.

However, should you fail, do not be discouraged or cast down.—BE FAITHFUL, Faithfulness and application are all that will ever accelerate your development.

Persevere. To him or her who is faithful much help and assistance will be given. At some future time, should you decide to become a brother or sister Mystic, you will know my meaning of the above; for I assure you I know full well how to handle this problem that has vexed so many who insist on developing in their own foolish way.

However, after you start, should no apparent results be obtained, keep on, be faithful, persevere, if necessary, for many years, yea, a lifetime.

Results and your capacity for work and perseverance will indicate the degree of your development and advancement as a true and faithful Mystic, while the cardinal principles of true Co-ordination will promote and signify the progress of your development and communication.

Of course, if you really wish to identify yourself with the Spiritual world and enter into such a relationship with it that you can communicate, you must place yourself, of your own free will and accord, in harmony and accord with those vibratory Astral forces which Co-ordinate with your own.

To obtain this class of vibratory forces you should read, then carefully re-read, this message many times until you thoroughly understand its real esoteric meaning.

Next most carefully decide and fix in your mind just the kind of an ideal life you think a true Mystic should live. Examine yourself as you would a peck of wheat, seeking both the inferior and superior grains or qualities.

Take heed of each inferior quality and virtue you possess. Then, like a true man or woman, decide to live what you believe to be the true ideal Mystical life.

After you do this see to it well that you live the ideal life and you will bless the day and hour that this Message came unsolicited by you.

Until you so live the ideal life, do not expect to co-ordinate with the Higher Spiritual Powers. Should you decide upon an ideal Mystical life many questions will come to you.

Anticipating this there follows here the answer to all important ones. First—Good, pure, unselfish thoughts are absolutely essential and demanded. Remember, you seek to identify yourself with the Spirit World.

A pure mind keeps away all vain fancies and mental delusions. Seek and you will find.

Aspire and you will be inspired. Perform any good deed you can; do not defer a good deed nor a laudable ambition.

The proper time to do anything is when ambition inspires you to do it. Then your energy is sustained by a free and natural ardor and desire, and you are assisted by a clear conception, unclouded by procrastination, which acts most effectively for success.

By living in a pure mental and physical condition, and rounding out your existence by constantly keeping before you the ideal life of the advanced Mystic, you should rapidly advance to a degree of spiritual light and Astral co-ordination where the spirits may be able to establish intelligent communication with you.

But remember, it all depends upon your faithfulness and capacity to persevere until you have advanced to a point where you can place yourself in a sphere of vibratory Spiritual forces that will admit of perfect co-ordination.

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When To Use A Magic Mirror

Now if you have begun to live the ideal life and have arisen to a degree where the good spirits can co-operate with you through your Aura, you are now in a state where you can seek co-ordination, communication and relationship with the Spiritual World through a Magic Mirror.

Every wise Mystic constructs his own Opaque Magic Mirror, not because it could not be made for him, but because, if he constructs it himself, it will be more certain to serve the occult purpose for which it was made.

It will also more fully co-equal with his own cloisteral and monastic personality.

A Magic Mirror made under these circumstances, with an intense desire in the Disciple to succeed, will not be as a means of preventing sodality and exclusive association between himself and the Astral world, as would one constructed by another, impregnated and perverted with their selfish corporeal magnetism and depressed lustreless Aura, which always serves as a bar to your complete coalescence and association with those in spirit life.

If you wish to succeed, disassociate yourself with any individual whose sole object and pursuit is financial gain or who is of a mercenary nature.

If you make it a rule in life to disassociate yourself with any person who has a parsimonious, stingy nature and who is always curmudgeonly in his dealings, you will be better off.

Stay entirely away from those of a churlish, penurious disposition, as they will surround you with a muddy, mottled Aura or magnetism which will hold you back like a heavy fog or dismal vapor.

For this reason, unless you are careful, it is best to always live a sequestered and monastic life as far as your business and earthly pursuits will allow.

Far better that you remain untrammelled than to have to do with the close-handed and niggardly. Never get intimate or confidential with them or their kind.—Have no dealings with them, as they are surrounded with an Aura that means death to your hopes.

Shun them as you would an abominable, odious, damnable thing, for if you could see them in their true light, as the Mystic can, you would shrink and recoil from them as you would from something that was loathsome and nauseating—accursed.

Now, should you be interested enough to follow further, and it is purely your own affair whether you do or not, you are going to be told that if you were in a position to see clearly, that is to say, if your spiritual or Inner sight was developed, you would be able to observe many things which are low and unbecoming in those around you.

SPIRIT SIGHT AT WILL

If you doubt this, it's because it is concealed from you owing to the fact that you only possess the physical sight. These things can only be observed by those who have Spirit Sight at will.

Does not your Christian Bible, tell you to "develop the inner or spiritual sight?"

Common sense should indicate that it is your plain duty to possess Astral or Spirit Sight, which the ancients called the inner or spiritual sight.

If you wish to own a real genuine Opaque Magic Mirror and be able to make it exactly as it was made by famous ancient Mystics so that it will possess Occult Virtue and become infused with Astral Auras, then proceed as hereinafter instructed, in this message.

Foremost, procure unto thyself the following materials from The de Laurence Company, with which to make your own Opaque Magic Mirror.

One Convexo-Concave superior transparent glass which has a perfect and complete sphericity of form on the properly indicated side; manufactured by a certain secret process and formed by infusing silicious matter with fixed alkalies; but so constructed that it possesses none of the qualities of the lens, so that rays of Astral light passing through it are not made to change their direction or to magnify or diminish objects at a certain distance, as does the crystalline humour of the human eye.

In other words, this exclusive Convexo-Concave superior transparent glass must be so made by a special process that it has no mitigating, assuasive or lenitive qualities whatsoever. The exact size should be $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Next, obtain a sufficient amount of a dead black substance with which the Convexo-Concave transparent glass is to be coated. Also one very fine camel's hair brush. The entire cost for all of the above materials, securely packed, when sent in a special mailing case to any post office in the world is not great.

The materials referred to above were positively, previous to this communication, not obtainable anywhere in the world arranged ready for instant use as far as I know.

Next obtain a box with a lid on to hold your mirror. Next procure one yard of new cloth. These are special materials from which you can make a genuine superior Opaque Magic Mirror.

The material for making a Superior Magic Mirror, that is, the Convexo-Concave transparent non-magnifying superior glass, and the substance to be used for coating your Magic Mirror, and the fine brush also to be used to apply the coating, you may obtain as told above of The de Laurence Company.

The box for holding the Magic Mirror, the yard of cloth and the pint of turpentine which you will also need, you of course can easily obtain yourself at a nominal cost from the stores where you reside.

These Convexo-Concave superior glasses for making the Magic Mirrors are prepared especially for this purpose and are sold by The de Laurence Company, who are the largest dealers in these materials as well as standard Occult, Spiritual and Magical books and Temple Incense in the world.

They also sell at a small cost very excellent Gazing Crystals, which no Mystic or Adept ever thinks of being without.

A Mystic or real Adept would be in no better shape to carry on Occult or Mystical work without his Crystal than would a man who tried to write with no ink in his pen.

Students and Mystics as well as others owe much to this progressive firm, whose business has increased so rapidly year by year.

This firm imports from the Orient and Europe, and in turn exports books and other goods to every country in the world. de Laurence's name is as well known in South America, Gold Coast, Africa, India, British West Indies, Egypt, as it is in the United States. After a careful canvass and checking up of sales it was found that there was scarcely a city or town in the United States and Foreign Countries but what sheltered one or more students who had purchased and studied this famous man's books.

Another thing, students have de Laurence to thank for stopping dealers in charging exorbitant prices for Occult books, Incense and Crystals, etc. A case in point is his recent publication of a fine edition of that famous book entitled, "THE MYSTERIES OF MAGIC." BY ELPHAS LEVI. Importers and London dealers sold this book for \$15.00 a copy. The de Laurence Company published a modern edition of this excellent work and sold it all over the world for a low price. Still another case: "INDIA'S HOOD UNVEILED," written by a native of South India, was being sold in India at \$20.00 a copy. Today The de Laurence Company have their own exclusive edition of this work, and sells it for only \$2.00.

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HOW TO CONSTRUCT AND USE A MAGIC MIRROR

MESSAGE PART TWO: The turpentine, which you are to obtain where you live, you are to use to thoroughly clean your brush and convexo-concave glass with. The dead black substance, with which you are to coat the Magic Mirror so as to make it opaque, you will receive from the de Laurence Co., ready mixed, and will not need diluting unless it should be too thick; in this event, mix a little turpentine into it.

The brush **MUST** be new, as must be all the materials used in the construction of your opaque Magic Mirror.

The box, which you are to obtain where you reside, may be of wood, but new. The cloth, which you are to obtain where you reside, should be of purple or blue, and of goods very agreeable to your touch and sight. If you cannot obtain blue or purple, get white cotton cloth; but under no circumstances use red. After you have finished your Magic Mirror wrap it in the cloth when not in use and keep it in the box.

With all materials ready you are to go into a room by yourself when all conditions are agreeable, and proceed as hereinafter instructed. With a piece of new cloth (a small piece will do) clean the concave glass of dust after dipping the cloth in turpentine. This will cause the dead black substance to adhere to the glass when you apply it. Dip your brush into the black substance and proceed to paint or coat the convex side of the glass.

The outside of the glass is the convex side and is the side to paint. Don't paint the concave or inside. Start painting at one end of the glass and proceed slowly until you reach the other end. Apply the substance smoothly and as evenly as possible, not resting for any other purpose until you have entirely finished your work. You must not go back over the glass, as any imperfection or streak in the coating can be remedied by the next coat of paint you are to apply on another day. You are to apply three coats, one every day, which will be necessary to make this specially prepared convexo-concave superior transparent glass Opaque.

HOW TO MAGNETIZE A MAGIC MIRROR

After you have painted the convexo-concave glass as above, allow it to dry for one day. Next proceed to infuse into it the particular individual virtues of your own aura and magnetism. This is accomplished as follows: Pass the right hand, palm down, in a circular motion over the Mirror—your hand being about two inches above it. Repeat with the left hand. Then operate as above, with both hands at once. You should, however, make any kind of a motion over the glass that you feel impressed to make. Do all this with confidence, as it certainly pertains to your own individuality. You should make no fancy motions for effect, but should keep your mind solemnly on your task. Let your movements be deliberate and regular. See to it that the palms pass close to the glass. At times allow the hands to stop near both ends of the glass. It is not the movements of your hands, of course, that infuses and magnetizes your Magic Mirror. It is your aura, which you have projected and transmitted into it. This dead black substance is of such a nature that it readily absorbs your vital Aura and magnetism. It is the only substance known that will do this so well.

Be sure that you give this substance ample time to take on and absorb your Astral Aura so that it becomes thoroughly infused and well impregnated with it while you are in a perfectly quiet mental state of deep meditation, all the while keeping before you the ideal Mystic life you have decided upon living.

After you feel that you have about exhausted your Aura and that it has been absorbed by the substance on the Mirror, you should stop. Before and during the process of making your Magic Mirror let yourself be prompted only by high aspirations and pure desires. Drive out all worry and thought of self and earthly desires by meditating on your work and the purpose for which you have made your Mirror. Read and re-read this message before you begin this work. After you have prepared the Magic Mirror, then lay it upon a piece of heavy paper or cardboard, the coated side up; place it in the box to dry, some place where it will not be disturbed and the atmosphere is of an even temperature or nearly so.

Allow the cardboard to remain under the glass until you have infused or magnetized it. You now have a Magic Mirror whose opaqueness will be perfect, and it will be ready for use three days after you apply the last coat. These are the only complete instructions ever given out to the world in print for this work, and it is given without thought or desire for pay—it being my desire and request that it be given free to all who are far enough advanced to appreciate their great value.

After you have finished the first, second and last coating, clean your brush with turpentine and put it aside for future use. Also cork up your dead black substance tightly.

Once started, keep steadily on living your ideal Mystical life, as near as your conditions and family affairs, if you are married, will allow. Examine yourself at the end of each day and resolve to do better the next. Try and avoid lapses. Live a life that each hour, each week, each month and each year makes you better morally and stronger physically. Help those who are worthy and need assistance.

This kind of a life will surely bring you health, peace of soul, and the inspiration to do good will become stronger, as will your desire for truth and goodness. If you do this you will really feel yourself getting stronger and better. You will feel your spiritual self unfolding. As you perfect yourself and succeed in Astral attainments, so will you attract to yourself by your Aura higher and purer forces and aspirations. With these there will come to you, and be added unto you, Astral and Mystical powers that will well repay you for your efforts—the power that will make you a power and a Mystic. Remember, Brother and Sister, that each should give according to his or her ability and will receive according to his or her capacity.

This development, this inspiration, this Astral unfoldment, this progress, these powers—all these—and more—must come from within—for, remember, "The Kingdom of God Is Within You." Without this unfoldment of your Astral self all the spirits and Astral Powers in the Universe might be ready to help you and obey your invocation but no results would follow their ministrations. You must unfold. Astral Powers, Astral Sight, and, Spirit Sight Must unfold from within you.

You can blindly follow the childish instructions and methods of the so-called professors and mediums and surface writers and so-called authors until you are tired, heartbroken and discouraged, and you will never even be able to receive intelligently a spiritual or mental impression from the unseen World, let alone being able to co-ordinate and enter into intelligent communication with it.

With a heart destitute of selfishness, with your soul on fire for humanity, and a mind desiring and aspiring for help and truth, always desiring to engage in good Occult works—all these fruits of a good life—you will need and shall have the help and companionship of those good souls in the Spiritual world.

Once your Magic Mirror has been constructed strictly according to the directions in this message it will be necessary of course for you to give the spirits an opportunity to materialize and also communicate with you.

This can be helped by your conforming to certain conditions as hereinafter indicated.

The first essential is regular sittings or periods of meditation, when you must get mentally and physically quiet, so as to completely bring about a condition of receptivity to external psychic and spiritual forces. You should go into silent and secret meditation at certain specified times and observe that you attend well this duty, always endeavoring to bring about a state of introspection.

You will observe I have advised that these sittings be secret. This of course is for your own welfare and protection. Keep it from the curious and I do here admonish you in this beginning to

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be secret, and neither teach nor manifest to anyone your work, or place, or time, nor your desire, or will, except it be to a true companion, who also wishes to become a Mystic or Master of this work, who likewise should be faithful, discreet, silent and dignified by nature, education and conduct.

Never are you to expose or reveal them to unworthy or unscrupulous persons; but reveal them only to faithful, discreet and chosen friends, for your association with a prating companion, whose misbelief, doubting, questioning, and, lastly unworthiness hinders and disturbs the effect and result of every Spiritual and Occult operation, consequently, and, in consideration of what has been said in the forepart of this message, about the undesirable astral Auras some people carry around with them, you should not seek the companionship of those who are unworthy.

Set a given time for your meditation period and development in the use of your Magic Mirror. Arrange these sittings at a convenient hour, then allow nothing to interfere except sickness or something beyond your power to prevent.

You should also procure unto thyself an Incense Burner of good ventilation and some **TEMPLE INCENSE**.

Burn a small amount of this Incense at every sitting with a Magic Mirror or a Crystal. One imported package will do for fifty or more sittings. This subtle, fragrant compound, should always be burned in an Incense Burner which you may obtain from The de Laurence Company.

Once you begin these sittings, be regular; do not disappoint your spirit friends unless you wish to disappoint yourself.

Three times a week is often enough. Once a week will do if you cannot sit oftener. Sit from forty-five minutes to an hour, or an hour and a half, always commencing at the same time of day or night.

Have a quiet neat room, where you can be alone. Be composed, be patient, and, above all, be faithful—believe there is more in life than the demoralized material world around you on the earth plane.

Have the room dark so you will not be able to see the Magic Mirror, though you are all the time gazing into it. Sit quiet and hold the Magic Mirror in both hands by placing them against the ends.

Your condition, capacity, ability, surroundings, vibratory forces, Astral Auras, time of sitting, and all necessary information carefully noted.

To successfully establish intelligent communication, you must then proceed to find some brother or sister in the spirit world whose vibration, forces, and Astral Aura will coordinate with you, and who will volunteer to be a companion to you so as to establish communication with you at given intervals.

Of course it may at times seem long before you succeed in securing the right guide.

However, if you are faithful, patient and regular you may rest assured the spirits will become interested in you and will not see you sit in vain.

You might be visited by spirits who would like to communicate with you but cannot owing to some peculiar Astral or physical condition. Of course, they may note these adverse conditions and set about overcoming them and to help bring you into communication with them.

Once a brother spirit is found whose vibratory forces coordinate with your own and he volunteers to become your guide results come quickly, and will be instantly noted on your **OPAQUE CONVEXO-CONCAVE MAGIC MIRROR**.

First, you may see all around the room bright lights like little stars snapping into life; while across the Black Opaque face of your Magic Mirror may pass an emulsive luminous film, which will be phosphorescent—without heat—of a white, cloudy appearance. This is the usual manifestation of the presence of Spiritual forces.

After the luminous film has passed away a little star may be seen to pass across the firmament of the **MAGIC MIRROR**. This is the first indication of real advancement and success upon your part.

However, you should keep quiet at this your initial spirit phenomena, eliminating all quixotic thoughts from your mind.

Do not be too anxious for results or the advancement of your development. If you heed this advice you will act as have all *ci-devant* Mystics, and all others who are wise, *quo ad hoc*.

Once Spirit phenomena and psychic results come you may be assured that good spirits or angels are around you; that they have a true gauge on you; and if you persevere, your ideas will undergo a complete transfiguration as far as Mysticism and true pneumatology is concerned.

In short, the veil of Osiris, if your efforts are not mediocre will be raised before your admiring gaze.

Once you have learned from this message, how to make a real, genuine Opaque Convexo-Concave Magic Mirror and other details which I have given here regarding Astral Vision and Magnetic Aura, it is my request that you interest any worthy brother or sister in this work and make them a Magic Mirror should they desire you to do so.

As the subject is of vital and universal interest to humanity, it may be hoped you will avoid all selfishness, as hereinbefore mentioned, and obtain as many brothers and sisters as you can.

They can either have you make them a Magic Mirror or send for materials to make one and thereby become a True Mystic.

It becomes your plain duty to do this, especially should they be influenced or inclined to apply to you by their Astral influence and not as the direct result of printed matter or advertisement.

In constructing an Opaque Convexo-Concave Magic Mirror for another who wishes to become a Mystic, take just as much care with it as if it were your own and deliver it to him or her, as the case may be, no matter if you have become greatly attached to it yourself. Your charge for making a Magic Mirror for a friend or student should not exceed \$5.00, or less if you feel disposed.

Admonish the one who receives it never to let anyone else handle it. Try to become a trained psychic, seer and Mystic by studying and using the Opaque Magic Mirror and studying official and standard works that treat on this subject. An excellent book for assisting you in the use of a Black Magic Mirror and a Gazing Crystal is

"The Mystic Test Book Of The Hindu Occult Chambers, Hindu And Egyptian Crystal Gazing, Together With The Wonders Of The Magic Mirror" by de Laurence.

This work teaches the original and true science of Hindu Seership and "Spirit-and-Astral-Sight-at-Will," as it was taught by the old Masters and mystics. If you would then know the imitations and disciplines of the Mystic Brotherhood and understand the inner psychic and Astral nature of yourself and the spiritual basis of human Auras, you are advised to study books treating on these subjects, and no longer remain in ignorance regarding your Astral or Sidereal self.

You will then understand every system of Astral personality and be able to determine the primary fund and nature of Astral and Psychic forces, and their nature, and their results, and their aptitudes in dominating industrial life and personal destiny.

It is not my purpose to here consider elaborately the nature and substance which compose, and the laws which govern, the Astral personality of humanity, or why the nature and destiny of a person is, and can be specifically influenced in one direction more than another by them.

This may seem strange. However, if you will consider for a moment the great contention of Occult and Spiritual Forces that are struggling for supremacy in the psychic or Astral regions around and in you, and into which you were born, and which were born into you, and the fact that, even from a physical viewpoint, the volume, direction and effect of these Astral forces and Auras are forever varying; surging; overcoming; and again equalizing each other with your every change of thought and varying mental attitude and divers physical conditions, it should be easily understood and realized that they may and really do influence mentality, destiny and results.

It would certainly cause a sensation in all social, domestic and commercial life, and would un-

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doubtedly change such a tentative art as medicine into an exact science, if the nature and laws that underlie Spiritual and Occult forces were universally understood.

It does not disprove my claims, as contained herein, nor place them subject to ridicule, because many are not initiated into their use or nature; else must many arts and sciences suffer the same results.

All Sages, Seers and Mystics and members of all Standard and proficient Occult organizations know by experience that Astral and Psychic Auras and forces do influence and control the physical and physical nature of men, women and children, and, in short, all active life.

The Astral and psychic sight and the intuitions of all Ancient and Modern Mystics is perfect.

Results are as a rule more regular in Occultism than those said to be obtained from the unmeasured phases of religion; ethics; morality and some other branches of so-called human knowledge and physical or material sciences.

People are fast giving up orthodoxy and religion and the more advanced of mankind are working out the solutions regarding the Spiritual or inner self.

Indisputable facts manifesting the Astral and mental forces are attested to by great and fearless Mystics and men of research all over the world.

The near future will be devoted to the solution of man's inner self. People are beginning to greatly desire Spiritual vision and to understand the silent, ever-pulsating forces of the unseen world.

Interesting, valuable and wonderful revelations are being secured by many today.

Many Mystics and advanced students have developed Astral and Spiritual consciousness by studying my books.

The alchemy of life, Telepathy and Intuition, Dream and Trance states, wider states of mental plane and consciousness of Astral Vision, Inherent Vibrant Astral force, higher Auras, Stages of Clairvoyance, Psychic Vibrations, which control the emotional and mental nature of men and women and children, and interpenetrate the physical body for health or disease, are fully and most intelligently treated in my books. The very fact that my books have been simultaneously accepted as Standard and official by all leading Spiritualists and Occult students has convinced me, as well as my record as a successful Mystic and Seer, that I am the proper one to give this message to you. Again, I have more correspondence than any other teacher, besides being in the best position to circulate it properly.

My works and teaching will go out to the intelligent world in spite of all the critics. I care not for creed, color or clime, and this message will be read in Africa, India and America, as well as in Judea and Galilee, Japan and China.

I have sincere brothers and sisters in all climes. All are WELCOME to test their psychic qualities, or investigate the dynamic and psychic world, so that they may thereby obtain a better, fuller and clearer conception of the possibilities, faculties, nature and qualities of their inner or Astral self and the world of vibratory forces around them.

Concerning Soul Sight And Magic Mirrors

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This article has been published for two reasons:

FIRST—To gratify the hundreds of inquirers who daily wish to learn more of the wonders of the Hindu Magic Mirror and, SECOND—To give those who have faithfully read "A Message To All Mystics," and sent in their order for material for making a Magic Mirror, more light and information about the Magic Mirror and how it is used and loved by the Hindus. This article and "A Message To All Mystics" contains all that is necessary to be known upon the subject of Soul Sight and Magic Mirrors.

India, Africa and the far East must ever lead the world in the practice and art of Magic, both White and Black.

All the skill and mechanical ingenuity of the most expert prestidigitateurs of Europe or America cannot produce a single exhibition which will compare with the Occult feats of the commonest Hindu student of the real Occult and Esoteric Studies of India.

The Japanese have taught the greater part of the sleight-of-hand illusion which is daily paraded before staring audiences in the United States and Europe, who are foolish enough to believe that these crude jugglers of the stage and foot-lights, know anything at all about the true Magic of India.

The so-called legerdemain, sleight-of-hand, and other foolish stage "stunts," and that are being constantly "pulled off" before gaping crowds in cheap show houses, fairs, etc., is as boy's play compared with the mysterious Occult and Esoteric spirit and Magical work of the nether and farther Indies, and especially of Siam.

The Masters of the latter country consist of a royal troupe of Adepts, who perform only at funerals and coronations of the Kings, and then only in the presence of the nobles of Siam, or those initiated into the mysteries of the Occultism and Spiritism of the country. These Masters do not perform or read from their Magic Mirrors or crystals for money. They are of Noble blood, and it is seldom that an European sees even their faces.

The best way is for the student to use some form of the Spirit Glass, or Magic Mirror, not the "Urim and Thummim," or metallic breastplates used for purposes of divination, and worn by the priesthood, as recounted in the Bible; nor systems of later days—but the perfected Spirit-seeing, or Magic Glass, commonly known as the "Hindu Magic Mirror," which can be made of materials and fitted for use by your own hands.

These are of two generic kinds, and also of diverse grades, sizes, sensitiveness, focal power, and magnetic planes,—because those made for, and adapted to one line of use, are not so well suited to different lines. The best Spirit Seeing Magic Mirrors are those described in "A Message To All Mystics."

These Magic Mirrors, when made strictly according to the instruction in "A Message To All Mystics," from materials obtained from The de Laurence Company, are Magic Mirrors, adapted to ordinary ends, such as reading in the Astral Light, invoking, and other Occult and Magical purposes for which they have for ages been used by all true Mystics and the deeper students of the Magi.

Many of the Crystals sold by cheap penny dealers as well as books of instruction, written by surface writers and sold at a high price, are useless, for unless you obtain a standard work, such as, "The Great Book of Magical Art, Hindu Magic and East Indian Occultism," you will only meet with complete failure in your efforts to reach perfection.

The difference between the very common Mirrors, such as are sold by cheap dealers, and those Mirrors described, is the difference between a high-grade gold watch and a cheap one. Both are time-keepers, but one is vastly superior to the other. The materials of the two classes of Mirrors are quite dissimilar, and this it is that renders these famous Magic Mirrors very valuable and adapted to the uses for which, from hoary antiquity they were intended. I have seen a very small Crystal-line Magic Mirror, weighing less than a pound, for which the owner demanded a large amount, and was not at all anxious to part with it even at that price. The larger and finer Magic Mirrors referred to in "A Message To All Mystics," are of course far better, stronger, more perfect, and

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have a great deal wider range. Formerly there were five sizes; but it was found that but one could be depended on, as the rest were extremely liable to fracture by reason of the great climatic ranges of temperature in Western Europe, India, Africa and North America.

These Magic Mirrors were also found better suited to beginners than any other obtainable, especially those who, not content with the limited ranges of the ordinary ones, were anxious for a perfected instrument of greater sensitiveness, magnetic calibre, focal range, Aethic basis, or magnetic reservoir, and of a capacity equal to the solution of almost any subject capable of demonstration by such means. However, the very best of all such things in that line is material for making a Special Extra Heavy fine oval Magic Mirror with deeper, broader, larger basins, or magnetic reservoirs, presenting dead black surface when finished, nearly absolutely perfect, and leaving almost nothing to wish for in any respect—a beautiful, clear Dead Black Glass and of size, focal length and calibre seldom equalled and never surpassed.

Should you obtain from The de Laurence Company materials for making your own Magic Mirror and then proceed to make it exactly as instructed in "A Message To All Mystics," you will have something as near perfect as it is possible to obtain in an article of this kind.

The following is related regarding a Magic Mirror. The story as told is thus:

In January, there was imported by a Mystic, material for making two Black Magic Mirrors. After they were prepared, magnetized, charged and finished in the regular way, they were put into a box. There they remained until one morning early in June, when they became suddenly illuminant, and no grander sight, so the story goes, was ever beheld by human eyes than was presented on that memorable morning; for the whole starry galaxies, rolling word-systems of nebulas, vast congeries of stellar constellations, cities afar off on the earth and astral scenes never before beheld by eyes of this world, were displayed to such a grand, sublime and amazing extent that one was impressed with the manifestation of such transcendent Phantorama. Such Black Magic Mirrors as these, if kept free from promiscuous handling, treated judiciously and rightly used, are capable of more Psychic Marvels than all the mediums on the globe, so it is said.

Magic Mirrors may be used by a room full of persons at the same time, being fixed immovably and the people arranging themselves so that each one can see the surface; but no one, save the owner, should either touch or sit or stand closer than from four to five feet, or more; and when the seance begins, no word should be spoken, no movement made; and it ought to open with an invocation, or call to your best guide, while special invocations, for any given purpose or purposes, may be made to lesser potential intelligences. The Magic Mirrors sold by The de Laurence Co. have never been equalled; while their true Cuspis-Ovid, depth and breadth is most admirable—appreciated by those favored ones who are true seers and born Mystics, as being immeasurably superior to anything of the kind seen since the days of the Magi on the plains of Chaldea—for great pains have been taken to make these glasses perfect. Results depend upon the mode of a Mirror's preparation, seasoning, application and magnetic manipulation, and not upon the glass itself.

Many ask why satisfactory results are not always obtained from Black Magic Mirrors made from material sold by obscure dealers and those who really know nothing about matters of this kind. The reply is this: You are advised to read "A Message To All Mystics," as it explains what is necessary to obtain and what is to be done in order to make a Magic Mirror.

Again, many in Europe and America do not understand why Spiritualism and Occultism, as well as White Magic and Black Magic are so well understood in the Orient and the Far East. The following will throw some light on this subject.

People of the West (Europe, America) are not subject to the same extremes of passion (sexive) as are Orientals; and hence know not either its awful intensity or its terrible penalties, because they dwell far more in the Brain than in the gender, far more in the physical than the Spiritual world; wherefore they have less veré'elan and passionate power than their brown brethren and sisters of the far-off eastern lands. As a general rule, with occasional exception, they are unable to reach the magnificent goals of Soul-vision and Spiritual Powers easily attainable by the sorrow devotees of India, and Saiva, and, therefore, cannot realize the intense passionate furore, essential both to the successful invocation of correspondent Aerial Potentialities, and the charging of Magic Mirrors with divine spiritual reflective powers which characterize them. I here allude to a profound mystery connected with their construction, known only to the initiate, but fully explained in "A Message To All Mystics,"—a mystery at which Western people may laugh, provided they sense its nature, but which higher souls must reverence, honor and adore.

Twelve Years In India

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Says Colonel Stephen Fraser, in his glorious volume entitled "TWELVE YEARS IN INDIA."

"We joyfully, gladly went—five of us, Her Majesty's officers—on a tour of military inspection, the toils of which were likely to be rewarded by an opportunity of witnessing the dance of Illumination, of the MUNTRAWALLAHS, or Magic-working Brahmuns, whose strange miracles, worked apparently by the triple agency of Battasahs (rice), Gookal (red-powder), and, strangest of all, by means of Magic Mirrors and Crystals. These Magic Mirrors are black as night, in which, it is reported, some very strange things were to be seen. We were all prepared to witness skillful jugglery, for which the residents of Muttra* are renowned, but fully resolved to ascertain, if possible, how it was all done, rejecting, of course, everything claimed to be either supra-mortal or hyper-natural, so far as the underlying principles were concerned. It was sheer Occult and Spiritual skill, but such as no European could pretend to equal; yet how by their Black Magic Mirrors they could tell the number of our watch, date of coins and many other true and wonderful facts, never having seen either of us before—because the dust of Jubalpoore was still upon our clothes, we having been but one day in Muttra—was a problem not easily solved.

"After reading Lane's story about the Magic Mirror in his Modern "Egyptians;" what De Sacy says in his famous "Exposition de la religion des Druses;" Makrisi's account in his "History of the Mamelukes;" J. Catafago and Defremeny in the "Journale Asiatique;" what Potter affirms as the truth in his "Travels in Syria;" Victor L'Anglois, in "Revue d'Orient;" Carl Ritter; Dr. E. Smith; Von Hammer in his "Hist. des Sasseins;" W. H. Taylor's "Nights with Oriental Magicians;" the "Gesta Magici" of Lespanola; "Lettres Edifiantes et Curieuses;" Youett's "Researches into Magic Arts;" and innumerable other unquestionable authorities,—it was far less difficult to believe in the existence of some Occult Visual Power possessed by these Magic Mirror-gazers, of both sexes, all ages, and diversity of culture, than to attribute it all to chicanery and lucky guesswork. * * * * *

"Sahib, it true," said our Wallah next morning, when speaking of the exhibition of the previous day; "and now I s'pose you go see Sebeiyeh dance—(the Magic Mirror Bridal-fete of a renowned Brotherhood of Mystics, Magicians)—no doubtée." Well, we all determined to go, and a three hours' ride brought us to a plateau in a mountain gorge of the Chocki hills. We were not too late, and were kindly offered vantage ground of view by the Sheikh,—a man of at least 125 years of age, judging from the fact that his grandchildren were white with snowy locks and beards waist long. The two brides entered the circle followed by the two grooms, all four bearing large earthen pots full of black, tar-like substance, which, on inquiry of the Sheikh, we learned was the product of the volcanic spring of the Mahades hills, in the far-off province of Gondwana, in the Deccan;

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*"Muttra, a town in the province of Agra (India), on the west bank of the river Jumna, in latitude 27 deg. 31 min. North; longitude 77 deg. 33 min. East, a place famous for the manufacture of Magical apparatus and one of the only two places on earth where Paraphthaline gum is prepared, wherewith the Adepts paint the backs of these extraordinary Mirrors, so celebrated by the various authorities named in the text."—*Twelve Years in India. Vol. 2, p. 286.*

that it only flows in the month of June; is collected by girls and boys who are virginal,—that is, before puberty,—and must be prepared for use within the ensuing forty-nine days, by similar persons on the eve of actual marriage, as it is supposed certain properties of a Magical Nature attach to it when handled by such persons, under such circumstances.

"Of course, I, with my western habits of thought and European education, could but laugh at this, which seemed so very palpable and gross a superstition; and yet, strange to relate, when I expressed my skeptical views to the old Sheikh, he laughed, shook his head, handed me two parts of the shell of a large nut, and requested me to fill one with the dead black material, and the other with the same after it had been prepared. I did the first, and reserved the empty shell for the other, taking care to hold both in my hand well wrapped up in a brown bandana. * * * The circle had a pile of stones in the center, upon which coals were brightly burning; and over this fire—which, by the way, is the Eternal sacred Fire of the Garoonahs, which is never allowed to go out from one year's end to the other—was suspended from a tripod of betel rods a coarse earthen vessel, into which the four expectant marriagees poured about one-fourth of the contents of the simla gourds already mentioned; amid the din of an hundred tom-toms or native drums; the clashing of rude cymbalos (cymbals) and wild, clarion-like bursts of the strangest, and, shall I, a staid Briton, confess it?—most soul-stirring and weird music that ever fell upon my ears, or moved the man within me. After this was done, the Sheikh's servitors erected a pole near the fire, around which pole was coiled the stuffed skins of the dreadful hooded snake of India—the terrible Naga, or Cobra; while on top was an inverted cocoa shell, and two others at its base—understood by the initiated as symbolizing the Linga,—the male emblem, or creative principle of Deity; while the suspended vessel over the fire represented the Yoni, or female principle; the tripod emblemizing the triple powers or qualities of Brahma—Creation—Preservation—Perpetuation; the fire below corresponding to Love, or the Infinite Fire which is in the Life of All; * * *

And now began a strange, weird, dance, to the wild melody of five hundred singing devotees of that wonderful Phallic, or sexual religion; mingled with the mellow breath of cythic flutes, the beating of tambours, the thrumming of various stringed instruments, and an occasional ziralet, or rapture-shriek from the lips of women and young girls, whose enthusiasm was unrestrainable, and who gave vent to it with wild movements of their graceful and supple bodies, and in shrill cries that might be heard long miles away, like voices from heaven awakening the echoes of Space; * * * Advancing with a slow, voluptuous, rhythmic movement, not of the feet alone, but of the whole form from crown to toe, the girls—aged about fifteen, brown as berries, agile as antelopes, graceful as gazelles; lovely, with barbaric splendor, as an Arab's ideal Houris—they swayed, bent, advanced by twists and curves, by nameless writhings, by sweeping genuflexions, by movements the very poetry of passions, but passion of soul far more than of body, with suffused faces and moistly gleaming eyes, toward the taller emblem, round which they slowly whirled and danced, ever and anon stirring with a silver spatula the dark substance contained in the vessels they bore. This by turns. While the two youths, bearing similar vessels, performed corresponding movements about the vessel which symbolized Nature in her productive aspect—until we five Europeans were lost in a maze of astonishment at the capacity of the human frame to express mutely, but with more meaning and eloquence than a thousand tongues could convey, the amazing heights, depths, and shades of passion, but a passion totally free from vulgarity or indecency; and as pure as that of the ocean billows when they kiss each other over the grave of a dead cyclone; * * *

Observing my surprise, the old Sheikh touched my arm, and in purest Bengalee whispered: "Sahib, ARDOR begat the Universe. There is no power on earth, either for good or ill, but Passion underlies it. That alone is the spring of all human action, and the father and mother alike of all the good and evil on Earth. It is the golden key of Mystery, the fountain of Weakness and of Strength; and through its halo alone can man sense the ineffable essence of the Godhead. The materials in the vessels are charged with life,—with the very essence of the human soul, hence with Celestial and Divine Magic Power for, O Sahib, it is only lust and hatred that keep closed the eyes of the soul,—and in the Magic Mirrors whose backs we cover with the contents of these five vessels, the earnest seeker may behold, not only what takes place on earth, but also what transpires on other globes, and in the SAKWALAS of the Sacred Gods—and this is the only true Bab (Door).

"I turned once more to the dances of the Alewehah, who by this time were moving in more rapid manner to the quickened strains of the more than ever wild and fantastic music. * * * Three of them began stirring the contents of the cauldron, into which all the materials from the gourds had now been poured; murmuring strange, wild bursts of Phallic song the while; and the fourth, the taller maiden of the two, stripped herself entirely nude above the waist and below the knees; her long raven hair streaming around her matchless form—a form of such superlative contour, proportions, lively peachblow tint, and rounded beauty, as made me blush for the imperfections of the race that mothered me. There were no violent exertions of legs and arms; not the slightest effort at affect; none of the gross motions in us in the West, on the stage or off it—whose palpable object is the firing of the sluggish blood of half-blaze spectators; but a graceful movement, a delicious trembling, half fear, half invitation;—a quivering, semi-longing, semi-reluctant undulation of arms, bosom, form, eyes even—rippling streams of most voluptuous motion; billowy heavings and throbbings of soul through body, so wonderful, so glowing, that one was spellbound by the sight. And yet there was absolutely nothing suggestive of coarse, gross animal passion in all this transcendental melody of hyper-sensuous motion; on the contrary one felt like seizing her by the waist, drawing his sword and challenging all earth to take her away, or disturb her tranquillity of celestial—what shall I call it?—I am lost for a name.

"Presently both the girls joined the Mystic Sensuous-Magic Dance; and one of them seized me suddenly by the arm and dragged me to the central vessel, saying, "Look, Sahib, look." I did so, but instead of a black mass of seething, boiling gum, I beheld a cauldron bubbling over with the most gorgeously pink-tinted froth that imagination ever dreamed of; and while I stood there marveling at the singular phenomenon—for the very bubble took the form of a flower—lotus, amaranth, violet, lily—rose—the old Sheikh drew nigh and said, "Sahib, now's the time," pointing to the bundle containing the empty shell and the one already half filled. Acting on the suggestion, I held forth the empty shell; into which the girl ladled about a gill of the contents of the swinging vessel; and the Sheikh produced two perfectly clean Magic Mirrors, over which he poured respectively the contents of the two shells, and held both over the fire for a minute, till dry, and then, handing them to me, said, "Look, and wish, and will, to see whatever is nearest and dearest to your heart." Internally I laughed, but he took the two shells, and while he held them, I looked into the hollow face of the Magic Mirror which was covered with the singular dead black substance first handed to me, and gazing steadily about half a minute,—the mystic-dance going on meanwhile,—I wished to see my home and people in far-off Albion; but nothing appeared. The old man smiled. "Now look at the other Magic Mirror, which is a true Bhatteyeh—full of divine light and imperial power, and you will—" Before he finished, I glanced into the other Magic Mirror, and—scarce hoping that the Western reader will credit me with anything loftier than a vivid imagination, fired almost beyond endurance by the lascivious surroundings in the midst of which I was—I nevertheless clearly and distinctly affirm, on the hitherto unsullied honor of an Englishman, and a colonel in Her Majesty's service, that I saw a wave of pale, white light flit like a cloud-shadow over the face of the mysterious Magic Mirror, and in the center of that light a landscape, composed of trees, houses, lands, lowing cattle, and forms of human beings, each and every item of which I recognized as the old familiar things of my boyhood and youth, long ere the fires of ambition had turned my face toward distant India. I beheld the simulacrum of a dear sister, whom I had left in perfect health. I saw her to all appearance very, very sick,—the physicians, nurses, troops of friends, and faithful servitors, gathered around her; she was dying; dead. I saw the funeral cortege set out for the cemetery, and I marveled greatly that they buried her by the iron ribs of a railway; because, when I left, no road of that kind ran through my native town. I saw the silver plate on her coffin, and most clearly and distinctly read the inscription thereon; but the surname was one I had never heard of.

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I looked up at the Sheikh, who was eyeing me with strange interest and intensity, as if to ask an explanation; but he only smiled and repeated the one word, "See." Instantly I turned my eyes to the Magic Mirror again, as likewise did three of my European friends, and to my and their utter astonishment, beheld a shadow, an exact image of myself, standing near the well-curb of my native manse, weeping as if its heart would break, over the prostrate form of my elder brother who lay there dying from a rifle bullet through the groin,—the result of an accident that had just befallen him while in the act of drinking from the swinging pail or bucket. Now came the most astonishing phenomena of all,—for each of the three friends, who were looking with me, started in surprise, and uttered exclamations of undisguised astonishment, for each had seen things beyond the range or pale of trickery or the play of excited fancy. One beheld the three forms of his dead father, sister and uncle,—the latter pointing to a sealed packet on which was inscribed the words, "Dead—Will—heir—Oct. 11th. Go home." The other beheld the drawing-room, and its occupants, of the old house at home; and on the table lay a large pile of gold coin, across which lay a legend, thus: "Jem and David's winnings: Lottery: Paris: June 18th: 10,000 pounds." The third man saw a battle or skirmish waging in the Punjab, and his senior officer struck down by a shot in the side, thus opening the road to his own promotion. Much more we saw and noted in that wonderful scene of diablerie, portions of which I shall detail at length hereafter. But it became necessary to attend to other matters. I did so (as will be hereinafter cited), and then accompanied the Sheikh to his tent, where the marriage was celebrated; and he told me there certain wonderful secrets in reference to the further preparation of the strange material composing the reflective surfaces of the curious Bhatts, which, while exceedingly mystic and effective, at the hands and offices of the newly married people, is yet of so singular and delicate a nature as not to be admissible to these pages; for, while really of the most holy and sacred nature, yet the miseducation—in certain vital respects and knowledges—of the civilized Teutonic, Anglo-Saxon, and Latin races, would render the matters to which I allude subjects of either not well-based blushes or outright mirth.

Seven long months after these memorable experiences, I parted with three of my then comrades, and, accompanied by two others, embarked on one of the steamers of the Messageries Impériales, from Bombay, homeward bound. Before I left, one of my friends had sold his commission in consequence of having fallen heir to an uncle's estate, who, the letters of recall stated, had died in England, on Oct. 10th, and not on the 11th, as the Magic Mirror had stated. It had actually taken the difference of latitude, and was correct to an hour. The second man, on arrival in England, proved the truth of the Mirror, for Fane, not "Jem," as the Mirror stated, and Davison, not "David,"—cousins of his—had fallen on a lottery fortune of over a lac of rupees in India money. The other officer was promoted in consequence of the death of his lieutenant-colonel, in a skirmish in the Punjab, which event was the result of a shot in the loins, not in the side. Arrived at home, I found my people in deep mourning for my younger sister, the widow—after a widowhood of less than a year—of Capt. H—, of Her Majesty's Navy, whom she had met for the first time only a few months before their marriage. I had left for India five years before, and though I had often heard of my brother-in-law's family, yet we had never met. He went down in one of the new crack ironclads on her trial trip. The awful news occasioned premature motherhood; she died, and her remains were deposited in the hillside vault, skirting which was a railway just equipped and opened for traffic a month or two prior to the marine disaster. Lastly, within eight months after my return I became sole male heir to our family property in consequence of the death of my brother by a charge of shot, not a bullet in the groin, as the Mirror showed, but full in the abdomen, while climbing a fence for a drink at the brookside, and not at a well. Every fact shown so mysteriously was proved strangely true, though not literally so. I, just previous to my departure from the strange bridal, asked the old Sheikh some questions, and learned that the Black material on Magic Mirrors, wherein we saw the strange miracles, was but partially prepared,—as my readers will also recollect—but some which he placed on a Magic Mirror and gave me just before I left, and which had been fully prepared, the finishing process being a secret one and conducted by the newly wedded couples by a peculiar process—and nameless—never showed me anything which was not true while in my possession; for I confess I lost it from a silly servant having shown it boastfully to a gypsy, who stole it that same night, through the most adroit bit of scientific burglary I ever heard or read of. The loss, however, was irreparable, for I have since found that these strange Muntra-Wallahs, as they are contemptuously called by their Islamic foes in the Carnatic (but true magi in the opinion of better informed people), have brother Adepts in nearly every country on the globe—Brazil, China, Japan, Vienna, and even our own London and America; while they have a regular lodge in Paris, of some of whom the initiated, and favored ignorants even, can and do obtain occasionally, not only well-charged and polished Magic Mirrors, but actually, now and then, a gourd full of Moulveh-Bhattah,—the strangely mysterious substance which constitutes the seeing surface, as mercury does in the ordinary looking-glass, and the two are alike in all save that the latter reflects material and the physical, while the former sometimes—but not at all times, or to all people, or to the successful seers on all occasions—reveals only the Astral or spiritual world, and unseen forces that survive the body.

"Heaven help all who are subject to witchcraft or the black art; for the magician will bring up the hated one's astral enemy—and then strange influences will seize him or her."

Thus much by way of information. Those who have read the works of Mundt, Hargrave, Jennings, Lawrie, Palgrave, Morier, Lane and de Laurence need not be told that these Hindu Magic Mirrors have been imitated often, but without avail; for, unless they be true, not a cloud even can be seen. There is another secret about them which is revealed in "A Message to All Mystics."

Some persons have been disappointed in such, because a host of spirits, or all mysteries of the heavens, or gold in the ground, or hidden money, etc., were not at once revealed in the Magic Mirror. I never used one for any such purpose; but I sat and gazed upon it, awaiting patiently for aught that was vouchsafed in the way of visions or phantoramas.

This is their negative and immeasurably lowest use. The highest is to sit gazing until the gazer shall pass into a transcendently lofty and most interior state—absolute, unequivocal supra-clairvoyant condition, and then, ah, THEN, as myriad glories unfold and roll before the soul's eyes, the seer is every inch a Master of The Occult by the positive results that are obtained by the use of the Hindu Magic Mirror.

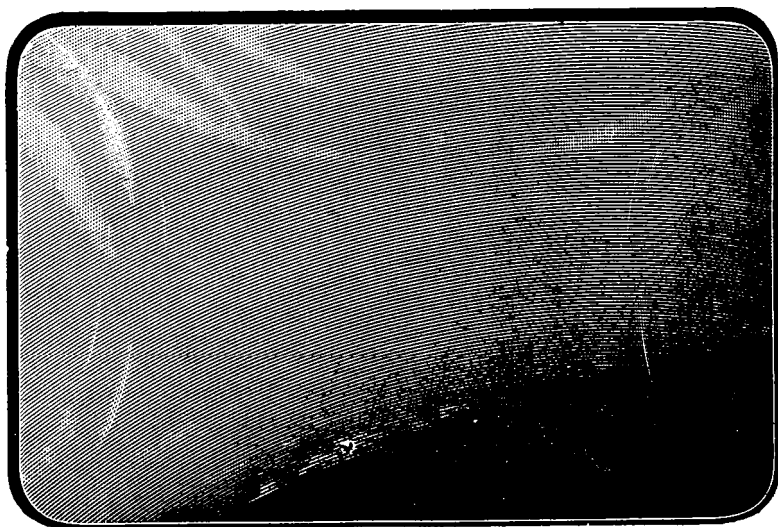
The Magic Mirror offers an easier, better and safer method of development surpassing the boasted clairvoyance of America, England or France. Many are using their Magic Mirrors today as an instrument to give life readings and for bettering themselves financially. The old usages of India and the Orient will always be superior to the more modern methods of the West, which are vicious perversions from the true and normal methods. All those who follow the foolish methods taught by Western mediums and professors must, will, and do fail, for the most that can be accomplished by their instruction, is to bring students into contact with earth-bound evil influences that they cannot identify; and for this reason methods of this kind are doubly dangerous.

But the question arises with many: "Can any and every one successfully use the Magic Mirror?" And the reply is, Yes. Not every one can see in them, without long practice. However, most every one can develop by an hour's steady use every day, together with the faithful application of WILL, ATTENTION, CONCENTRATION and PERSISTENCE. This develops soul, thereby growing the power of death-survival and ensuring immortality. For I hold that those who cannot see in them at all, or produce clouds, or other magnetic effects, after first trial, may rest assured that they lack the great essential to immortality, and unless they cultivate soul power and strive for it, when death lands their bodies in the grave their inner selves will remain undeveloped.

Others can see in them, if not at once, then in periods varying from several weeks or longer.

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THE HINDU MAGIC MIRROR



Vast Spiritual Realms

For many ages people have sought some medium, instrument or means by which they might penetrate through or lift the veil which hangs between the world we inhabit and that vast Spiritual Realm where causes reside and principles exist. To that end recourse has been had to various so-called marvelous methods taught by fake spiritualists, would-be mediums and silk-hat professors, all of which in the end have proved unsatisfactory. No person can reach the interior sight, develop or read in the Astral Light by such methods.

To all who have failed so far, there is still hopes of a way, within the reach of every one, which require but the elements of Time, Patience and Constant Practice to ensure very good results, if not complete success in soul-sight.

A good way is for the Student or Investigator to use some form of Spirit Glass or Magic Mirror. Full details regarding the Construction, Magnetizing, and use of the Famous Hindu Black Magic Mirror is contained in "A MESSAGE TO ALL MYSTICS" by L. W. de Laurence, also a noted article, "SOUL SIGHT AND MAGIC MIRRORS" by the same writer. Both of these are published in pamphlet form and are sent free of charge to any one interested and who will send 10 cents in stamps to pay for addressing and posting same. All who desire information on Esoteric subjects and special instruction on various points regarding the use and care of the Magic Mirror, should read this pamphlet; for it also contains "THE GENESIS OF THE HINDU ADEPTS," written down by L. W. de Laurence.

How To Obtain Material For Making A Magic Mirror

If you wish to own a real genuine Opaque Magic Mirror and be able to make it exactly as it was made by the ancient Mystics you may procure the materials, from which you can make your own Opaque Magic Mirror. This material consists of one Convexo-Concave transparent glass which has a perfect and complete sphericity of form on the properly indicated side. This piece of glass, from which the Magic Mirror can be constructed, is formed so that it possesses none of the qualities of the lens, and rays of Light passing through it do not change their directions or magnify or diminish objects at a certain distance, as does the crystalline humour of the human eye.

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The slower the development, the grander will be their astral sight when patience, and faith, and attention shall have brought it. A few are utter failures with them; but the successes outnumber them a thousand to one. Those who would learn more of these matters are referred to the special work on that subject, "A Message To All Mystics." When this Message was written, no first-class Magic Mirrors were on this continent; now there are many good ones; the material for making them having been obtained from The de Laurence Company.

Magic Mirrors may be used in a company, or circle of from five to ten persons. When used by a single person, the front may be gazed at; but a glorious surface is presented edgewise, or obliquely. In circles, the company, whether it be few or many persons, should sit in a semicircle; the Mirror leaning against a black background. Let all be still and motionless, and then carefully note the result. The use of the Magic Mirror for magnetizing or influencing those of either sex is not approved; for, although easily done, yet favors thus gained are not apt to benefit, hence cannot fully satisfy the needs of the human soul; yet it is good to stir the medicine for the sick, with the finger in the hollow of the Magic Mirror; for by such means it can be quadruply charged with the divinest and most living, therefore healing, influence of the tremendous soul of man.

Full particulars regarding the construction, magnetizing and use of the Magic Mirror is contained in "A Message To All Mystics."

THE CRYSTAL, THE MAGIC MIRROR AND THE SEER

By de LAURENCE



Any attempt by Western men at a scientific explanation of the phenomenon of "Crystal Gazing" or "Mirror Gazing" would perhaps fall short of completeness, and certainly would depend largely upon the exercise of what Professor Huxley was wont to call "the scientific imagination." The reasons for this are obvious. The Hindus know considerable about atomic structure in relation to nervous organism. We are informed to a certain degree upon atomic ratios; we know that all bodies are regarded by the physicist as a congeries of atoms, and that these atoms are "centers of force." Primarily, the atomic theory would refer all heterogeneous bodies to one homogeneous substance, from which substance, by means of a process loosely referred to as "differentiation," all the elements are derived. These elements are the result of atomic arrangement, and the atoms of each are known to have various vibrations, the extent of which is called the "mean free path of vibration." The indestructibility of matter, the fact that all nature is convertible, and the absolute association of matter and force, lead to the conclusion that since every change in matter implies a change of force, matter must be ever-living and active, and primarily of a spiritual nature. The great Swedenborg, no less a scientist than a spiritual seer, laid down his doctrine of "Correspondences" upon the primary concept of the spiritual origin of all force and matter. Matter, he argued, was the ultimate expression of Spirit, as Form was that of Force. Spirit was to Force what Matter was to Form—our ideas of Matter and Form being closely related. Hence, for every Spiritual Force there is a corresponding Material Form, and the material or natural world corresponds at all points with the world of spirit, without being identical. This, in brief, is the conclusion to which the "scientific imagination" of the present day, extending as it does from the known into the unknown, is slowly but surely leading up.

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Taking as our postulate the scientific statement of the atomic structure of bodies, atomic vibration and molecular arrangement, we turn to consider the action exerted by such bodies upon the nervous organism of man. The function of the brain—which must be regarded as the bulbous root of a nervous plant whose branches grow downward—is twofold; to affect, and to be affected. In its active or positive condition it affects the whole of the vital and muscular processes in the man, finding expression in vital action. In its passive or negative state it is affected by impressions coming to it in different ways through the sense-organs, resulting in nervous and mental action. It is this latter phase of brain-function with which we are immediately concerned.

The range of our sense-perception puts us momentarily and continually in relation with the material world, or rather with a certain portion of it. We say a certain portion because we know from scientific experience that the scale or gamut of sense-perception is limited, both as to its extent and as to its quality. Many insects, birds, and quadrupeds have keener perceptions in some respects than man. The photographic plate can register impressions which are beyond the perception of our highest sense of sight. The Röntgen rays have put us into relation with a new order of impression-records quite beyond the range of our normal vision. The animalculæ and microbic life, itself microscopic, has yet its own order of sense-organs related to a world of vitality beyond our ken. These and a host of other observations, serve to show that our normal perceptions are extremely limited, and, further, that nature does not cease to exist where we cease to perceive her.

The relation of our sense-organs to the several degrees of matter, to solids, fluids, gases, atmospheric and etheric motions, vary in different individuals to such a wide extent that the average wool-sorter leaves many an artist behind in his perception of color-shades. The same odor is perceptible by one person and unrecognizable by another. In the gradation of sound, too, the same differences of perception will be commonly noticed. But quite apart from the scale or range of perception, the quality of a sense-impression is found to vary with different persons. By this we mean that the same body will affect different persons in dissimilar manner. Hence arises the variety of "tastes" in regard to forms, colors, flavors, scents, sounds, fabrics, etc., what is agreeable to one being highly objectionable to another. The experience is too common to need illustration; but the conclusion to which we are led is that, in relation to the nervous system of man, every material body has a variable effect. And this clears the ground for a statement of our views in regard to the Crystal and its effects upon the seer.

The Crystal itself is a clear pellucid piece of quartz or beryl, sometimes oval in shape, but more generally spheroidal. It is accredited by Reichenbach and other researchers with highly magnetic qualities capable of producing in a suitable subject a state analogous to the ordinary waking trance of the hypnotists. It is believed that all bodies convey, or are the vehicles of, a certain universal magnetic property, variously called Od, Odyle, etc., which is regarded as an inert and passive substance underlying the more active forces familiar to us in kinetic, calorific, and electrical phenomena. In this respect it bears a position analogous to the Argon of the atmosphere. It is capable of taking up, sympathetically, the vibrations of those bodies or elements to which it is temporarily related. But of itself it has no activity, although in its still, well-like, and calm depths it holds the potentiality of all magnetic forces. This Odyle, then, is particularly potent in the quartz or beryl, when brought into activity by the intention of the seer. It produces and retains more readily in that form the various images communicated to it from the soul of man. And the soul, in this connection, must be regarded as the repository of all that complex mass of emotions, thoughts, impressions, perceptions, feelings, etc., included in the inner life of man; for the soul of man is not the less a scientific fact because there are those who bandy words concerning its origin and nature. Reichenbach has shown by a series of experiments upon sensitive and hypnotized subjects that metals and other substances produce very marked effects in contact with the human body. Those experiments showed, too, that the same substance affected different patients in diverse manner. The hypnotic experiments of Dr. Charcot, the well-known French biologist, also demonstrate the rapport existing between the sensitive patient and foreign bodies when in proximity or contact; as, for example, when a bottle containing a poison was taken at random from among a number of others of exactly similar appearance, and applied to the back of the patient's neck, the hypnotized subject would at once develop all the symptoms of poisoning by arsenic, strychnine, prussic acid, etc., it being afterward ascertained that the bottle thus applied actually contained the toxine whose effects had been portrayed by the subject.

It need not, then, be a matter of surprise, to learn that the Crystal exerts a very definite and sensible effect upon the nervous system of a certain order of subjects. It does not affect all alike, nor act in exactly the same way on those whom it does so affect. Where its action is more or less rapid and remarkable, the Crystal may be taken as the most effective medium for producing the Vision. In other cases the Concave Magic Mirror will be found serviceable for inducing the Clairvoyant state. The Ecstatic Vision was first induced in the case of Jacob Boehme by the sun's rays falling upon a bowl of water which caught and dazzled his eyes while he was engaged in the humble task of cobbling a pair of shoes. As a consequence of this exaltation of the sense of sight we have those remarkable works as "THE GREAT BOOK OF MAGICAL ART, HINDU MAGIC, AND EAST INDIAN OCCULTISM," "THE GREATER KEY OF SOLOMON," "THE MYSTIC TEST BOOK" and "CRYSTAL GAZING AND SPIRITUAL CLAIRVOYANCE." BY de LAURENCE.

In cases like the above it may be said that the clairvoyant faculty is constitutional and already fully developed, waiting only the circumstances which shall serve to bring it into active play. Emanuel Swedenborg, if we remember rightly, was 54 years of age before he awoke to the consciousness of his spiritual vision.

The medium employed for inducing the clairvoyant state cannot be definitely prescribed. It must remain a matter of experiment for each investigator. This, however, may be said: Every person whose life is not wholly sunk in selfish and material pleasures, but in whom the aspiration to a nobler and purer life is a hunger the world cannot satisfy, has within himself the power, to see and know that which he seeks behind the veil of his earthly senses. Nature has never produced a desire she could not satisfy. There is no hope, however vague, that the soul cannot define, and no aspiration, however high, that the wings of the spirit cannot reach. Therefore be patient and strive.

That there are some in whom the psychic faculties are more prone to activity than in others is certain, as also some in whom these powers are native, by spiritual or hereditary succession; all of which may be determined from their genitures by the astrological art. In others, the determination of the natural powers takes a more practical and mundane tendency, making them more successful in the affairs of daily life than in aught of a spiritual nature. St. Paul has spoken of a diversity of gifts. "One star differeth from another in glory," he says, in very truth. This distribution of natural gifts proceeds from the celestial world, and is so ordered that each person born on this earth may fulfill his part in the economy of life. And because the spiritual needs of mankind are of primary importance, there are those born in whom the power of spiritual interpretation is the dominant faculty, such persons being the natural channels of intercourse between the superior and inferior worlds. These are to mankind what a certain order of microbic life is to the body of man—organic interpreters, translating the elements of food into blood, nerve, fibre, tissue, etc., agreeably to the laws of their being.

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For those who would aspire to the gift of pure vision, and in whom the faculty is striving for expression, the following pages are written. To others we would say, Be content. All birds are not eagles. The nightingale has a song, the humming-bird a plumage which the eagle will never possess. The nightingale may sing to the stars, humming-bird to the flowers, but the eagle, whose tireless eyes gaze into the heart of day, is unaccompanied in its lofty loneliness in the barren mountain-tops.

QUALIFICATIONS

THERE are in existence certain magical works, written by de Laurence, wherein the use of the Crystal is accompanied by certain rites and invocations. This ceremonial magic is taught in de Laurence's "Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism." It brings into play a number of forces which may well prove what is written here. All action and reaction are equal and opposite. A child might easily fire a cannon, but could not possibly withstand its recoil. So in the education of the spiritual faculties, it is better to encourage their natural development by study than to invoke the action of stimulants which we may not afterward be able to control. The continual fretting of the water will wear away a rock, though none doubts the water is softer than the rock. If the barrier between this and the soul-world be like granite, yet the patient and persistent action of a determined mind will sooner or later wear it away, the last layer will break down, and the light will streak through, dazzling the unaccustomed eyes with its effulgence.

It is my desire to indicate by what means and by what persons the natural development of the clairvoyant faculty may be achieved.

First, in regard to the subject, medium or seer. There are two distinct temperaments in which the faculty is likely to be dominant, and capable of high and rapid culture. There is the nervous temperament associated with a high muscular development, classified as the "mental-motive" temperament. It is characterized by extreme activity of body and mind, a certain nervous excitability, prominent features, full osseous development, prominent brows, intent gaze, and generally a swarthy complexion. This type represents the positive seers, in whom the mind goes out toward the images of the soul. The other, in whom the passive temperament is present, and to whom the soul-images come by passive reflection, as things mirrored in a moveless lake, are known by the following characteristics: Full and lymphatic habit, pale or delicate complexion, generally blue eyes, straight fine hair; small plump hands and quiet voice.

These two types—of which there are many varieties—achieve their psychic development by quite opposite means. The positive seer works with effort, throwing out the soul-images by the power of his will, perceiving them with more or less accuracy, and thereafter turning them over in the mind, reasoning and questioning concerning their import and meaning. The passive seer, on the contrary, works not at all and makes no effort, the visions coming slowly, almost imperceptibly, and in most cases having a literal interpretation. The visions in this case are not allegorical, emblematic, or symbolic, as in the case of the positive seer, but are actual visions of facts just as they have happened or will transpire in the future. Of the two orders, the passive is the more serviceable because the more perspicuous, but it has the disadvantage of being largely under the control of external influences, and hence capable of "Seeing."

The positive type of seer exercises an introspective vision, searching inwardly toward the soul-world whence the revelations proceed. Of what nature these revelations are will appear in the following pages. The passive type of seer, on the contrary, remains in statu quo, open to impressions coming inward toward the perceptive faculty, but making no effort toward either outward or inward searching. The success of each depends upon the observance of that method which is agreeable to their respective temperaments.

In regard to the qualifications which should supplement and sustain the natural aptitude of the seer or seersess, the following remarks may be of general service.

Self-possession and confidence in one's own soul-faculties must be the firm rock upon which all revelations should rest. The purer the intention and motive of the seer, the more lucid will be the visions accorded. No reliable vision can be obtained by one whose nature is not inherently truthful. Any selfish desire dominating the mind in regard to any thing or person will distort the visions and render them misleading, while a persistent self-seeking spirit will effectually shut the doors upon all visions whatsoever. Therefore, above all things it is essential for the investigator to have an unflinching love of truth, to be resigned to the will of Truth, to accept the revelations accorded in a spirit of grateful confidence, and finally to dispel all doubt and controversy by appeal to the eyes of one's own immortal soul. These are qualifications with which the seer or seersess should be invested, and if with these the quest is unsuccessful after a period of earnest trial, it must be taken as sufficient warrant that the faculty is not in the category of one's individual powers. Happily, the same qualifications brought to bear upon some other psychic faculty will result in a rich recompense.

PRELIMINARIES

Having obtained a good Crystal, resting on a Genuine Crystalline Holder, care must be taken to keep it as much as possible in a dark place when not in use. The best covering therefore is a black one of soft material, such as velvet, which will not scratch the polished surface of the Crystal.* Exposure to the sun's rays not only scores the surfaces of the crystal, but also puts the odyle substance into activity, distributing and dissipating the magnetic force stored up therein. It must not be understood that the visions are in the crystal itself. They are in the soul of the seer. But the odyle substance is acted upon by the nervo-vital emanations of the body of the seer, and reacts upon the brain centers by means of the optic nerves. That is why it is necessary to keep the Crystal as free as possible from disturbing elements. For the same reason when in use, the Crystal should be overshadowed by the seer, and so placed that no direct rays of light from the sun, or lamp, or gasolier may fall upon it. The odyle, as has been already stated, rapidly responds to surrounding magnetic conditions, and to the vibrations of surrounding bodies, and to none more powerfully than the etheric perturbation caused by combustion—indeed, to light of any kind.

For similar reasons the room in which the sitting is conducted should be only moderately warm and shady as possible, provided it be not actually dark. A light by which one can just see to read average print is sufficient for the purpose in view. The Crystal with which I have had the most satisfactory and surprising results is a 3-Inch Crystal with A Genuine Crystalline Crystal Holder. See Order No. 213.

It is important that all persons sitting in the same room as the seer, should be at arm's length away from him—farther if possible. Silence should be uniformly observed by those present. A recorder should be at hand to set down everything the seer may give voice to. If any questions are addressed to the seer while the sitting is in progress, they should be spoken in an undertone and as nearly a monotone as may be, so that the seer is not suddenly surprised into consciousness of his surroundings, and the psychic thread thereby broken.

At first the sittings should not be of longer duration than fifteen minutes, but it is important they should take place regularly every day or night if possible, and always at the same hour and in the same place. By this method of procedure it will be found that a cumulative effect is produced and success more speedily insured. The reason is obvious. All actions tend to repeat themselves, to become automatic, and hence the psychic faculties

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will, if actuated at any set time and place, tend to bestir themselves toward the same end as that to which they were first moved by the conscious will and intention of the seer.

Until definite and satisfactory results are obtained, not more than two persons should be present at the sittings, and these should be in sympathy with the seer and each other. When the sitting is over, it will be found agreeable and useful to discuss the results obtained; or if none are elicited, the seer can give an account of his or her impressions and feelings during the sitting. It will be interesting to note these experiences and to compare them from time to time.

The seer or seersess must not be disheartened if at the first few sittings nothing of any moment takes place, but must persevere, with patience and self-control. Indeed, when one comes to consider the fact that for hundreds of generations the psychic faculties inherent in mankind have lain in absolute neglect, that perhaps the faculty of "clear vision" has never yet been brought into activity by any save the most remote of our ancestors, it will not be thought remarkable that it should be at first difficult to get any definite results. Rather should it be a matter of surprise that the power is still with us, that it is not wholly irresponsible to the voice of the soul. While, in the course of physical evolution, many important functions have undergone remarkable changes, and organs, once active and useful, have become stunted, impotent, and in some cases extinct; yet it is said that seeds have lain dormant in arid soil for hundreds of years, to spring into leaf and flower as soon as the rains have fallen and the climate changed. The faculty of pure vision is like the latent seed-life. It waits only the conditions which favor its growth and development; and though for hundreds of years it may have lain dormant, yet in a few days, weeks, or months it may attain the proportions of a beautiful flower, a thing of wonder and delight, gracing the garden of the soul.

THE VISION

VISIONS seen in the crystal are of two kinds, both of which may be conveyed to the perception of the seer in two ways. The two kinds of visions are: 1. Direct visions; 2. Symbolic visions. The first of these is a representation of scene or incident exactly as it will transpire, or has already happened, either in relation to the seer, those sitting with him, or yet in relation to public affairs. The second order of vision is a representation by means of symbol, ideograph, or other indirect means, of events similar to those conveyed by direct vision.

In most cases it will be found that answers to questions take the form of symbols. But this is not always so, as will appear from the following remarks concerning the manner in which these impressions or visions are conveyed to the perception of the seer.

The vision is conveyed in one of two ways—first, as a vivid picture affecting the focus and retina of the eye, perfect in its outline and coloring, and giving the impression of being either distant or near or at moderate range. Secondly, it may be conveyed as a vivid impression accompanied by a hazy and undefined formation in the crystal field. In this form it becomes an apprehension rather than a perception, the consciousness receiving the impression of the vision to be conveyed before it has had time to form and define itself in the crystal.

The direct vision is more generally found in association with the passive type of seer. It is not usually so regular and constant as the symbolic vision, owing to the peculiarities of the negative temperament. When it does appear, however, it is particularly lucid and actual, and has its literal fulfillment in the world of experience and fact. It is an actual representation of past or future event, or yet of what is then presently happening at some place more or less distant.

The symbolical vision is more closely associated with the positive temperament. It has the advantage of being more ready and constant in its manifestations than the direct vision, while on the other hand it is frequently a matter of speculation as to what the symbolic vision may portend.

The positive temperament, centripetal and forceful in its action, appears to throw off the soul-images, afterward going out toward them in a mood of speculative inquiry. The passive temperament, however, centrifugal and sensitive, most frequently feels first and sees afterward, the visionary process being wholly devoid of speculation or mental activity. The one sees and thinks, the other feels and sees. That, in a word, is the distinction between the two temperaments.

In the early stages of development the crystal will begin to cloud over, first becoming dull, then suffused with milky clouds, among which sparkle a large number of little specks of light like gold dust in the sunlight. The focus of the eyes is inconstant, the pupil rapidly expanding and contracting, the crystal at times disappearing entirely in a haze or film which seems to pass before the eyes. Then the haze will disappear, and the crystal will loom up into full view again, accompanied by a lapse of the seer into full consciousness. This may be the only experience of the first few sittings, it may be that of many; but, sooner or later, there will come a moment when the milky clouds and dancing starlights will suddenly vanish—a bright azure expanse like an open summer sky will occupy the field of vision; the brain will take up a spasmodic action, as if opening and shutting in the superior coronal region; there will be a tightening of the scalp on a level with the base of the brain, as if the floor of the cerebrum were contracting; the seer will catch his breath with a spasmodic sigh, and the first vision will stand out, clear and lifelike, against the azure screen of heaven.

The danger at this supreme moment is that the seer will be surprised into full waking consciousness. During the process of abstraction which precedes every vision or series of visions, the consciousness of the seer is gradually and imperceptibly withdrawn from his surroundings. He forgets that he is seated in this or that room, that such a person is at his right hand, such another at his left. He forgets that he is gazing into the crystal. He hears nothing, sees nothing, save what is passing before the eyes of his soul. He loses sight, for the time, even of his own identity.

Therefore, when his vision is suddenly arrested by an apparition, startling in its reality and instantaneous production, even though hoped for and expected, the reaction is so violent and rapid that the seer is frequently carried back into the full consciousness of his physical conditions. Therefore, the qualifications of self-possession and confidence in one's own soul-faculties have been stated as of primary importance in this domain of research. Excess of joy or fear at sight of the vision will be fatal to its continuance and to the condition of mind required for the process of development. This fact must therefore be borne in mind.

DIFFICULTIES

UNDER this head I propose to cite a few of the obstacles to be met with in the process of inducing the psychic vision, and some also which may be expected in connection with the faculty when induced.

Putting aside the greatest of all obstacles—that of constitutional unfitness—as having been already discussed on the preceding pages, the first obstacle to be avoided is that of ill-health. The importance of a moderate and sustaining diet in regard to psychic development cannot be too strongly urged. All overloading of the stomach with indigestible food and addiction to alcoholic drinks tends to cloud the spiritual perception. It depletes the brain-centers, gives the heart too much work, and overthrows the equilibrium of the system. Ill-health follows; the mind is centered upon the suffering body, spiritual aspiration ceases, and the soul folds its wings and falls into the sleep of oblivion. The consciousness of man works from a center, which co-ordinates and includes all the phenomena of thought, feeling, and volition. This center of consciousness is capable of rapid displacement, alternating between the most external of our bodily functions and the most internal of our spiritual operations. It cannot be active in all parts of our complex constitution at

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one and the same moment. Hence it follows that when one part of our nature is active another is dormant, as happens in sleeping and waking dream-life being that wherein the center of consciousness hovers between the body and the soul.

With these considerations in mind it will be obvious to everyone that a condition in which the consciousness is held in bondage by the infirmities of the body is not one conducive to psychio development. The constitution need not be robust, but it should at all events be free from disorder and pain. Some of the most ethereal natures are associated with a delicate organism, but while the balance is maintained the soul is free to develop its latent powers.

It is advisable not to sit for crystal reading, or indeed for any order of psychic exercise, immediately after or before a meal. The body should be at rest, and the mind contented and tranquil. Again, the attitude of the seer should not be too expectant or over-anxious in regard to the production of the vision. Let the development take its natural course. Do not force the young plant in its growth, or it will come to a premature end. Take time, as Nature does. It is a great work, and much patience is needed. The acorn becomes the sturdy oak only because Nature is contented with small results, because she can afford to wait and is never in a hurry to see the result of her operations. And because she is patient and careful in her beginnings, her works are wonderfully great and complete in their issues. Above all, they endure. Whoever breathes slowest will live the longest. This is an Eastern saying which voices a fundamental truth.

The vision is produced. The faculty of clairvoyance has become more or less under the control of the mind. New difficulties arise, and, of these, two will be conspicuous. The first is that of time-measure, and the other is that of interpretation. The former is peculiar to both orders of vision, the direct and the symbolic. The difficulty of interpretation is, of course, peculiar to the latter order of vision.

Time-measure is, perhaps, the greatest difficulty encountered by the seer. It is sometimes impossible to determine whether a vision relates to the past, the present, or the future. In most cases, however, the seer learns by experience how to distinguish, and frequently it will be found that an intuitive impression of the period involved comes with the vision itself. In our own experience the foreground, middle distance, and background, mark off the present, the approximate, and the distant future. In tracing the succession of events, we have found it convenient to think of time-measure at the outset, bending the sight upon each month or year separately and in succession, noting the visions that arise with each in order. And as regards the past or future, we distinguish between them by an intuitive sense rather than by any other means, and very rarely is this sense deceived, for it is part of the psychic faculty we have had in training.

Therefore, if the vision appears in the foreground and, as it were, at the feet of the seer, then it may be taken as relating to the present, or a quite recent date. In the same way the middle distance indicates the near past or future, and the background denotes the more distant past or future. The other difficulty we have mentioned is that of interpretation of such symbols as may arise. The following pages will indicate some of the symbols and their meanings. The rest must be left to the intuition of the seer.

SYMBOLS

SYMBOLS are thought-forms which convey, by the association of ideas, a definite meaning in regard to the mind that generates them. They depend wholly upon the laws of thought, and the correspondence that exists between the spiritual and material worlds, between the subject and the object of our consciousness.

Among the ancients symbols were the original form of record, of communicating ideas, and of writing. The hieroglyphs of the Egyptians, the word-pictures of the aborigines of Central America, the ideographic writing of ancient Mongolia, are all forms of symbolic writing, drawn from natural objects. The Hebrew alphabet, the names of its 22 letters clearly indicate the nomadic and simple life of those "dwellers in tents." Thus the names of the letters include such objects as ox, tent, tent-door, tent-peg, camel, fish, fish-hook, an eye, a hand, a basket, a rope-coil, a head, an ox-goad, water, etc. From the combination of these simple forms the words are constructed, thus the word used to simplify "knowledge" is derived from these letters, Yod, Daleth, Oin, which mean a hand, a door, an eye. The hand denotes action, power, etc.; the door denotes entering, initiation, etc.; the eye denotes seeing, vision. Therefore the three ideographs, when combined, denote "opening the door to see," which is a very graphic way of conveying the idea of acquiring knowledge. One cannot help seeing the hand of the young Hebrew drawing aside the canvas door of the tent and peeping in to see what secrets may be learned!

All symbols, therefore, may be translated by reference to the known nature, quality, and uses of the objects they represent. Thus a foot signifies a journey, and also understanding; a mouth denotes speech, revelation; an ear news, information, and, if ugly and distorted, scandal or abuse. The sun, shining brightly, denotes prosperity, honors. 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.

Every symbol, however, has a threefold interpretation, and the nature of the inquiry or the purpose for which the vision is sought must determine the meaning of the symbols. If they refer to the spiritual world the interpretation must be agreeable to the nature of the spirit, and similarly if they refer to the intellectual or physical worlds. Thus a pair of scales would denote Divine Justice in the spiritual sense, judgment in the intellectual sense, and obligation in the material sense. If the scales were evenly balanced the augury would be good. But if weighed down on one side it is *Mene, mene, tekl, upharshin*, "Thou art weighed and found wanting"; it shows a corrupt judgment, a wrong conclusion, an unbalanced mind, failure in one's obligations, injustice, etc. And if a word 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, etc. 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 aught is written on the sails it will be an additional source of enlightenment. If the symbol of death be 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. But 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. This symbol was seen, with a goat butting at it, in June, 1896. There followed a famine and plague in India, which country is said to be ruled by the zodiacal sign of Capricorn! The symbol was not deciphered till the event came to throw light upon it. In the same way a leaf of shamrock, denoting the Triple Alliance, has been seen split down the center with a black line, denoting the fracture of the treaty. It would also seem to indicate that Ireland, whose symbol is the shamrock, will be separated by an autonomous government from the existing United Kingdom.

In similar manner all symbols arising in the crystal may be interpreted by reference to their known qualities and uses, as well as the association existing between them and other things, persons, and places, in the mind of the seer. As I have already said, however, the meanings of most of the symbols will be conveyed to the consciousness of the trained seer at the time of their appearance in the crystal. Experience will correct many errors, and a symbol, once known, will assume a constant meaning with each seer, so that after repeated occurrence it will hold a definite signification.

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It should be mentioned, however, that the same symbol will have different meanings with different seers. It is difficult to say why this is the case. But it probably arises from the difference of individual temperament, and the Order to which the soul belongs in the spiritual world. These dissimilarities exist between individuals down to the lowest of our sensations. We have the same laws of thought and the same general constitution. Humanity holds us all within the bonds of a single nature. Yet, despite this fact, we have differences of opinion, of emotion, of sympathy and antipathy, of taste, and so forth. Therefore it would appear that the soul images projected by the magical power of the mind must have different signification with each of us, their interpretation being in some peculiar way in agreement with the nature of the person who sees them. Necessarily no definite rule can be laid down as to interpretation, but it is advisable that the seer or seersess should be his or her own interpreter.

Thus, although every symbol has some general signification in agreement with its natural qualities and uses, yet it obtains a particular signification in regard to each person. It is within common experience that this is the case in regard to dreams, wherein the faculty of seership is acting in its normal plane. Every person is a seer in dream-life, but few persons pay that attention to dreams that their origin and nature warrant. The crystal is but a means of bringing this normal faculty of dreaming into activity in the waking life. Yet, as stated above, the differences of import or meaning, even in the dream-world, of any particular symbol is a common experience. Thus one person will dream to be wading in water whenever there is trouble ahead. Another will dream of a naked child when similar troubles are about to occur. Butcher's meat will signify financial troubles to one person, to another a fortunate speculation. The controlling factor in this matter is probably to be found in the constitution of the mental and psychic qualities conferred by the hereditary and psychic influences converging at the conception of an individual, and expressed in the birth. Probably, too, an argument could be established in regard to the influence of the planets ruling at the nativity, and also from the dominion of the signs of the zodiac in the horoscope of birth. But this would be beyond the scope and intention of this short treatise.

SOME EXPERIENCES

THE following facts, in connection with predictions made from the Crystal, have come within the knowledge of the writer, either as personal experiences or in association with others in whom the faculty of clear-vision is active.

A lady of title visited the seer in the month of June, 1896, and was told that she would hear news from abroad in some hot country concerning the birth of a child, a boy, who would arrive in the following year in the month of February. The lady did hear such news, and in February, 1897, a boy was born to the lady's sister in India. The same lady was told that on a certain date, while traveling, she would meet with an accident to the right leg. She fell between the platform and the footboard while getting into a train, and suffered severe abrasion of the right leg, together with a serious muscular strain which laid her up for several days. Previous to that the lady was to be surprised by some good fortune happening to her son in connection with papers and a contest. This happened at the time specified. Her son passed his examination for the military college with honors.

Mrs. H. was consulted by a lady of some ability in a special line of literature. This fact was not, however, within the knowledge of the seersess. She was told that she would go up a certain staircase into a dingy room with a roll of something under her arm. She would see a dark man who was thick set and of quiet demeanour. The man would take the roll, and it would be a source of good fortune to her at a later date.

The lady-consultant did so take a certain manuscript rolled up beneath her arm. She went up the dingy staircase described by the seersess, and saw the man whose description had been given.

The manuscript was transferred from her hand to that of the publisher, for such was the man's occupation. The manuscript was accepted, and later on was published. So the prediction was literally fulfilled.

In the first case cited the vision was symbolical, and the interpretation was made by the seer himself. In the second case the vision was literal and needed no interpretation. These two cases will serve for an illustration of the two types of vision.

Mrs. A. was consulted by a lady of the writer's acquaintance in 1893. She was told that she would not marry the person to whom she was then engaged, but would have to wait till a certain person, who was described, should come from a foreign country and take her away. This would happen, it was said, in the month of January, three years later. This event transpired in due course exactly as predicted, though nothing was further from the probable course of events; in fact, the lady was not a little irate at the allusion to the breaking off of her then existing relations, while the idea of marrying a person whom she had never seen, and for whom she could have no sort of regard, was naturally revolting to one so wholly absorbed as she was at the time.

Mrs. G. consulted the seer on September 27th, 1894. She was told she would have sickness incidental to the loins and shooting pains in the knees. (A figure was seen with a black cloth around the loins, the figure stooping and resting its hands upon its knees.) She would be the owner of a house in the month of December. (A house was seen covered with snow; the trees were bare.) A removal would be made when the trees were without leaf. (A bird was seen on a branch without leaf; the bird flies off.) The consultant would be engaged in a dispute concerning money. (Several hands seen grabbing at a pile of money.)

These events came to pass at the time predicted. It is advisable to note that in the first instance the symbolical vision is seen; in the second, a literal vision supervenes; and in the third and fourth cases the vision reverts to the symbolical. Here we have an instance of the overlapping of the two conditions of the temperament, the active and the passive states alternating.

As an illustration of the extreme difficulty of interpretation in the normal state of consciousness a symbol may be cited which was seen in the crystal for Miss X. "A shield, and a lion rampant thereon, in red." Now this might mean anything. It suggests the armorial bearings of a princely family. The lion rampant might mean the anger of a person in authority, as the lion is the avowed king of beasts. Its color, red, and its attitude are naturally expressive of anger. The shield might be a protection, though little needed by a lion, especially if the assailant were the fragile Miss X. to whom the vision had reference.

Now observe the interpretation of the seer. "You will hear news from a man of medium height and fair complexion concerning a foreign country. A letter will come in reference to something written by you which will be the very best thing that could happen. You will score a great success." This interpretation, which is quite in line with the fact and which afterwards transpired, is probably as far removed from all that one might have expected as anything could well be. But we have to remember that the condition in which the seer voices the interpretation of symbols seen by him is a psychological one, and no doubt in that state natural symbols take on quite a different signification to that which they would hold in the normal state of waking consciousness. How often do dreams have a marked influence upon the dreamer while still asleep; how often do they assume proportions of magnitude and become pregnant with meaning to the dreamer, only to dissolve into ridiculous triviality and nonsense as soon as the person awakes! It would indeed appear that a complete hiatus exists between the visionary and the waking states of consciousness, so that even the laws of thought undergo a change when the centre of consciousness is removed from the outer to the inner world of thought and feeling.

The writer has known cases of sickness predicted with remarkable accuracy, the time and the nature of the sickness being foretold with more or less accuracy. The reception of unexpected letters and telegrams; their import and consequences; the various changes, voyages, business negotiations and speculations occurring in the consultants' lives, have been foretold by

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means of the crystal. Deaths have been foreseen, and even changes in the religious views of the consultant or his associates.

In one case the writer saw a vision of a public square in which was the effigy of a lamb mounted upon a pedestal. The lamb was made of solid silver and was mounted on marble. A Catholic priest came along and pined at the lamb. Immediately a flash of lightning came from the sky and struck the effigy, melting off one of its ears.

This was stated to signify that the community to which the consultant belonged would immediately lose a member by conversion to the Roman Church. By the next mail the consultant learned that such was the case—an important member of the community having gone over to the Roman Catholics exactly as predicted.

In another case a man was seen dressed in black and wearing the habit of a judge. He held some papers in his hands which he was endeavoring to conceal. He appeared unsuccessful in his efforts. A snake was seen at his feet. It rose up against him. A change took place in the field of the vision and the same man was seen lying on his death-bed. From this it was predicted that the man designated by the vision would be guilty of misrepresentation, and would be cut off by death three years from that time. The prediction was in every respect verified.

Not unfrequently the visionary state is induced by excessive emotion, during which the prophetic faculty is considerably heightened. Some temperaments of a peculiarly sensitive order will fall into the clairvoyant condition while engaged in thought. The thread of thought is broken, and there appears a vision wholly unconnected with the subject but a moment ago in the mind. It would appear that the soul of the sensitive, while probing the depths of its inner consciousness, suddenly comes into contact with the thin partition which may be said to divide the outer world of thought and doubt from the inner world of intuition and direct perception, and, breaking through, emerges into the light beyond. The same may be said of cases which manifest the faculty of clear visions while in the hypnotic state, whether spontaneous or induced. The trance condition frequently manifests this faculty in conjunction with others, such as clairvoyance or clear hearing and the sense of psychic touch.

The following instance, which was reported in the *Morning Leader* of Friday, August 14th, 1896, is remarkable for its extreme pertinence to the subject under consideration.

"Last month a man named David Thomas, who had for a short time been employed by Lord Windsor as his estate carpenter, was found shot dead in a lonely spot on the roadside near Fairwater, a village not far from Cardiff. No trace of the murderer could be found, and no motive has been supplied for the fell deed.

"David Thomas was, from all accounts, a quiet, peaceable fellow, well liked by his intimates, and happy in his domestic relations. He was a native of the little fishing village Aberavon, in Cardiganshire, but he had lived in Glamorganshire for some years, and had married a respectable woman, a native of the Vale of Glamorgan. A few months ago he received the appointment of carpenter on Lord Windsor's estate. He then removed with his family to live in the little village of St. Fagan's, a few miles out of Cardiff. He had hardly settled down there when the tragedy took place. It happened on a Saturday night. He had given up work early, and had come home to cut the grass in the little green in front of his cottage, and to tidy up his new home. Early in the afternoon he seems to have grown tired of the work and went indoors. His wife asked him to take the children out for a stroll. He made no reply, and his wife, busy in another part of the house, did not pay much attention to his subsequent movements. She knows, however, that he washed and went upstairs to put himself tidy, and then went out—without the children.

"He seems to have met a friend on the road, and went for a walk with him. They called at a public-house, and had a glass or two of beer. Then, about ten o'clock, they parted. Thomas was quite cheerful, and started for home at a brisk pace. He came presently to a lonely part of the road. A wayfarer heard a pistol shot and a scream, and presently met a man who was hurrying away from the direction of the scream, and who wished him a gruff goodnight. Two hundred yards farther on the traveler saw in the dim night the body of a man stretched out on the side of the road. He fetched assistance: the body was that of David Thomas. He had been shot about a hundred yards behind, but he had not been killed outright. He had run in terror up the road, spouting blood as he went, and leaving a ghastly trail behind him.

"But a weird story which is told in the *Western Mail* of Cardiff serves to lend that touch of horror to the tale which renders it more thrilling than any story which the most daring novelist would venture to create.

"A young girl, who is not yet 20, has been in the habit for some time past of attending seances held by the Cardiff Psychological Society. One night at a seance, while in a state of trance, she was seized with a strange convulsion. Through her lips came the words:

"I—will—have—my—revenge."

"Who are you, friend?" asked the interlocutor.

"David—Thomas. I—was—shot."

"This entirely unexpected answer was followed by sensational statements concerning the murder and the identity of the murderer. Some days after she was taken out to Fairwater—which she had never before visited—and re-enacted in a trance the scene of the murder.

"The story leaked out, and came to the ears of the *Western Mail*. Doubts were cast at once on the bona fides of the girl and the whole story. An offer was made to repeat the experiment in the presence of two *Mail* representatives. The offer was accepted, and one night this week, at ten o'clock, the little party met outside the Railway Inn where poor David Thomas had had his last drink.

"A start was made. The medium walked at an easy pace between a male and female friend, whose arms were linked. The faint outline of the road ahead led always on towards a wall of blackness.

"At last they came near Fairwater. Suddenly the medium spoke:

"I see a pistol right in front of me—held towards me—it is a shiny one—there it is, held up—it has a large mouth."

"Forty yards farther on the medium spoke again. 'Hark! I hear footsteps! I see a man!'

"Where?"

"Right in front of us. There he is, creeping along the hedge. He is keeping out of sight."

"What is he like? How is he dressed?"

"The medium described her vision very minutely. Her pace increased suddenly; she dragged her linked companions on with a lurch forward. The farmhouse where she first saw the phantom stranger was well passed. She was following him, eagerly now.

"A piercing scream came from the girl. A pressman sprang to her side and helped to prevent her body pitching headlong forward.

"This was at the spot where David Thomas fell at the first shot.

"O—oh!" moaned the medium, twisting her left arm around to the back, to a spot immediately below the shoulder-blade, as if in intense agony. Then, supported on either side, she staggered forward.

"A light was struck to see her face. It was the hue of death. Her eyes were turned until the whites only were visible.

"Let her go down!"

"Moaning, she was allowed to sink, and lay there prone. Her moans expressed intense agony, and were like those of a man dying, blood gurgling in the sound; it was scarce conceivable a woman actually lay there.

"Speak, friend," said her interlocutor, and presently came the slow answer, a whisper:

"David—T—Thomas."

"What do you want of us, friend?"

"I—was—shot!" The tones of the voice were those of a man.

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"Who shot you?"

"A name was given."

"What do you want to do, my friend?"

"Slowly, distinctly, with relentless purpose came the answer."

"I will—have—my revenge. He shot me."

"Then the medium told them where the pistol had been bought by the murderer a year ago under an assumed name, and where the pistol would be found. All this while the poor girl lay prone on the roadside under the thin sinister telegraphic pole."

"Gradually she revived. 'Look, look!' she cried, in a voice of horror, 'Look at the blood.'"

"Where?"

"Here—look! Look here!" indicating spots invisible to any one else. "Take me away," she shuddered, but before her frightened exclamation could be obeyed her body suddenly stiffened. "He is there!" she said, with a pitiful horror in her tone, but with her face expressionless and her eyes still white.

"What do you see?"

"The ghost."

"Then the party returned, shaken in mind and surfeited with horrors."

Examples of a similar nature might be multiplied indefinitely, and would but serve to show what has already been stated as a matter of personal experience among all those in whom the psychic faculties have attained any degree of development, viz., that the rapport existing between the human soul and the world of subjective consciousness is capable of being actively induced by recourse to appropriate means, or cultivated, where it exists to any degree, by means of the crystal and other accessories, such as the metal disc used in China, or the Shivalingam stones used in India.

The following example of the psychic sense of feeling will serve to show that all the senses, not that of vision alone, are capable of development under suitable conditions. A contributor to the Westminster Budget, in December, 1893, sends the following account of the use of the divining rod for the purpose of spring-finding:—

"A few weeks ago took place some operations with the divining rod by Mr. Stears, of Hull, who was called to Mr. S. Campion's farm at East Heslerton, near Malton, to search for a water supply. At that time he marked two places near the farmhouse where, he said, the presence of water was indicated by the rod. Since then Mr. E. Halliday, plumber, of 87, has bored an artesian well at one of the places indicated, and found a very copious supply of water at a depth of 37 feet, after going through sand, clay, and a bed of what Mr. Halliday says is quartz and lead ore. Mr. Campion, who was previously without a supply of pure water, is delighted with the results of the visit of the 'diviner,' and has faith in his power with the rod. Mr. Stears has since been called in to experiment on several farms on the Birdsall estate of Lord Middleton, the operations being conducted in the presence of Julia, Lady Middleton, the Hon. Geoffrey and Mrs. Dawney, Mr. Persons (Lord Middleton's agent), and others. Other farms were visited, and Mr. Stears, after employing the rod, indicated the presence of water at each. Mr. Halliday has also received instructions to make tests at these places, and operations are now in progress. Mr. Stears has successfully 'divined' for water on two of Mr. Lett's farms in the East Riding, and also at Amotherby, near Malton; and his success is drawing fresh attention to the 'divining rod' and its capabilities in the hands of a duly 'inspired' professor. Mr. Stears claims that he can also discover metals as well as water, and he alleges that not one person in 10,000 can use the rod successfully. His explanation of the power he possesses beyond the ordinary run of his fellowmen is that it is what he would call 'animal electricity,' because at times, after using the rod for a long period, he loses his power with it, and only recovers it after a short rest and refreshment. In the presence of Lady Middleton and the rest of the company he made several interesting experiments—for instance, standing on a china dish, to show that china is a non-conducting agent (the rod ceasing to oscillate even when over water); finding metals hid in the ground, etc."

Mrs. Louise Cotton, writing of the operation itself, says:—

"When a sensitive person who has the power of feeling the existence of water or mineral under the surface of the earth, steps exactly over the course of a spring or running water, or metallic vein, etc., the piece of wood or other medium used turns in the hands—in most cases upwards for water and downwards for minerals. The motion varies according to individual temperaments: in some hands the turning is slow and but slightly felt, or scarcely perceptible by lookers-on; with others it rotates rapidly, and when held tightly by the thumb, the bark of the branch or twig often peels off; and, with very susceptible operators, I have seen the rod fly out of the hands, or, if very tightly held, break."

As yet, however, the majority of people are wholly oblivious to the fact that such psychic faculties exist, and even those who possess them, i. e., who have them in something like working efficiency, are conscious of having but an imperfect control over them.

Probably it is as suggested by Mr. F. H. Myers, these things are, as yet imperfectly understood. Genius, far from being a condition bordering on neurosis or other nervous ailments—as Lombroso and Nordau have erroneously taught—is an exaltation of faculty which brings its subject into relations with a plane of life possibly far in advance of one's normal experience; so that while new centres of activity are as yet under imperfect control, the normal functions of the brain and other centres of action are left in neglect. Hence, to the casual observer, the erratic nature of Genius is not distinguishable from some incipient forms of insanity.

In just the same way the opening up of new centres of activity in the psychic nature of man is frequently attended by temporary loss of control over the normal brain functions. Loss of memory, hysteria, absent-mindedness, unconscious utterance of one's thoughts, illusions and hallucinations, irritability, indifference to one's surroundings, and similar perversions, are among the products of the newly-evolved psychic faculty.

These, however, will pass away when the faculty has been brought under control of the mind. Nature is jealous of its offspring, and concentrates the whole of its forces when in the act of generation. That is the reason of its apparent neglect of powers and functions already under its control while the evolution of a new faculty is in process.

The would-be seer, therefore, must be prepared to pay the price of any success which may attend his efforts in the direction of inducing clairvoyance by means of the crystal.

"The universe is thine. Take what thou wilt, but pay the price," is the mandate of Nature. "What shall be the price of this new faculty?" the reader may ask. The answer is the same in regard to this or any other faculty of the soul: "What is it worth to yourself? That is the price you must pay."

With this equation in mind the reader is asked to consider seriously the phenomena indicated in the foregoing pages.

DIRECTIONS FOR USING THE CRYSTALS AND MAGIC MIRRORS

DAYLIGHT or artificial light are both equally suitable. A North light is the best suited to the human eye.

Observer should sit back to the light, holding the mirror or crystal in the palm of the hand, which may rest comfortably on the lap, or it can be placed on a table with a stand under it, and a back screen of black velvet or dark material. The latter materially assists by cutting off side lights and reflections. Steady gazing in complete silence is absolutely necessary, for unlike other occult phenomena, the distraction of the attention of primary (ordinary) consciousness is a great disadvantage. Success depends chiefly upon idiosyncrasy or faculty in the gazers, for "Seers," are very often men and women of imperfect education, in fact they seem "born rather than made," but the faculty may be developed in many people, seemingly at first insensitive, by frequent short trials, say fifteen to twenty minutes at a time, or less if the eyes get tired.

Success is indicated when the crystal or mirror, ceasing to reflect, becomes milky. A clouded color following (generally red, and its complementary green), turning to blackness, which seems to roll away like a curtain, disclosing to the view of the student pictures, scenes, figures in action, sentences of warnings, advice, etc. etc.

Specially made crystals.—Pure, "translucent," and will not cause injury to the eye. As safe in this respect as pure rock crystal (the price of which is enormous, a small one costing \$100.00).

These crystals are considered the best. The price a few years ago was \$25.00 each, but the sale having become larger and the process less expensive, they are now sent packed with instructions for much less. "Some persons see at once, others after a time. Women see better than men visions of the past, present, and future, on the subjects upon which the mind feels anxious. It does not require a knowledge of astrology to be able to use the crystal."

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CRYSTAL-GAZING AND SYMBOLS

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Fortunately I do not feel called upon to give a scientific explanation of the phenomenon known as Clairvoyance. The facts are numerous; the evidence is unimpeachable; and the exercise of the faculty is too well attested the world over to leave any manner of doubt as to its claim to a place in the category of occult phenomena.

Two facts, however, appear to have been established in regard to it, viz.: (1) The faculty is not normal to the same degree in all persons; (2) in those in whom it is more or less constantly active faculty it is nevertheless beyond the control of the will.

The function of the brain—which may be regarded as the bulbous root of a nervous plant whose branches grow downwards—is duplex; to affect and to be affected. In its active or positive condition it affects the whole of the nervous and muscular processes in man, finding expression in vital action. In its passive or negative condition it is affected by impressions coming to it through the organs of sense, the results being expressed by nervous and mental action. It is this latter phase of brain function with which we are concerned in the study of clairvoyance, whether natural or induced.

The range of our sense-perceptions puts us continually in relations with the material world, or rather with a certain part of it only. But the gamut of sensation is limited in us. Many insects, birds and quadrupeds have keener sense organs than we. The photographic plate can register beyond the highest range of our sense of sight. The X-rays have put us in relations with a new order of impression-records quite beyond normal sense perception. The animalculæ and microbic life, itself microscopic, have yet their own sense-organs related to a world of life beyond our ken. We know most positively that Nature does not cease to exist where we cease to perceive her. Yet there are people foolish enough to require the evidence of the senses in proof of things which cannot normally be perceived and who would scout the idea that visions may be seen in a crystal unless they could be pointed out and perceived by them.

The relation of our sense-organs to the several degrees of matter, to solids, fluids, gases, etc., vary very considerably with different persons. The average wool-sorter would leave many an artist behind in his discrimination of color-shades. Odors are not only differently sensed by various individuals, but also they affect people differently.

The perception of sound also affords evidence of a wide range of variability in the acoustic sense. Neither is it wholly a matter of quantity. Sounds, colors, odors and flavors have a qualitative value which differs with the individual percipient. Hence arises the variety of "tastes," of likes and dislikes observable in a mixed community. The experience is a general one, but the principle involved appears to have escaped recognition simply because it is a psychological and not a material or physical one. But to come to the practical part of our subject, let us examine first of all what we understand by the terms Clairvoyance and Crystal-Gazing.

CLAIRVOYANCE OR CLEAR VISION

Clairvoyance or Clear Vision may be natural or induced. Natural clairvoyance is more common among certain communities than others. It has been stated that the inhabitants of basalt territory are disposed to natural clairvoyance, which, if true, would certainly lead to the conclusion that the faculty is normal to man under certain favoring conditions will become active. It is an established fact that certain sensitive persons are nervously affected by the presence of water, and this has been utilized by some for the purpose of finding springs and underground currents. Such persons are known as "Dowsers." If these are affected by the presence of underground water it is quite reasonable to suggest that others may be similarly affected by the presence of basaltic rocks beneath the surface of the land.

Natural clairvoyants, then, may be regarded as those in whom the faculty is more or less persistent. In coming into a locality, they will describe things which have already taken place there as if they were presently conscious of them, or as if the events were actually taking place before their eyes. At other times they will describe events which are subsequently enacted. There appears to be no sense of time attaching to the vision.

Induced clairvoyance is, in effect, nothing more than the faculty of natural clairvoyance brought into temporary activity by suitable excitation, meditation or development.

The Crystal or Magic Mirror are a ready means of developing clairvoyance where a tendency to it is known to exist. The Crystal is clear pellucid quartz or beryl, sometimes oval in shape, but more generally spherical. Baron Reichenbach credited it with highly magnetic qualities capable of producing, in a suitable subject, a state analogous to the ordinary waking trance of the hypnotists. Reichenbach has shown, by a series of experiments upon sensitive and hypnotized subjects, that metals and other substances produced marked effects in contact with the human body. The same substance was found to affect different patients in diverse manner. The hypnotic experiments of Dr. Charcot, the well-known French biologist, have also demonstrated the rapport existing between the sensitive and foreign bodies in contact; as, for instance, when a bottle containing poison was taken at random from among a number of others and placed on the back of the patient's neck, the hypnotized subject would at once develop all the symptoms of poisoning by arsenic, strychnine, prussic acid, etc., it being afterwards ascertained that the bottle thus applied contained the toxin whose effects had been portrayed by the subject.

It is not, therefore, a matter of surprise that the Crystal, which is a highly "magnetic" body in the sense that Reichenbach uses the term "odylic," should produce marked effects upon a certain order of sensitives. The fact that it does not act similarly upon all subjects seems to indicate that the difference is not in its action, but in the predisposition of the subject. Where the Crystal does not answer it is often found that the Black Magic Mirror is effective. Many have prepared a Mirror of this nature after the directions given in A Message To All Mystics, and the effects have fully justified the claim that for purposes of clairvoyant development the "Magnetic Mirror" is not to be surpassed.

A bowl of water has been found effective as a medium in some cases, and we learn that Jacob Boehme, while engaged in his work as a cobbler, was suddenly entranced by the sight of the sun's rays falling on a vessel containing water.

From that time his interior vision was opened, and we have in consequence a number of remarkable works from an unlettered man, including "the Aurora," "the Four Complexions," "the Signatura Rerum," and other works.

As to the medium employed for inducing clairvoyance, it cannot be definitely prescribed. It must remain a matter of experiment for each investigator. The degree of sensibility to stimulus of this kind differs with the subject. There are some in whom the psychic faculties are more active than in others. In some these powers are hereditary, in others they are developed by an

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innate tendency aided by favoring circumstances. In most persons the natural powers take a more practical turn, making them successful in mundane affairs rather than in those that are psychic and spiritual. All are not constituted alike, and it is well that it is so. The distribution of natural gifts proceeds from the celestial world, and is so ordered that each person born on this planet may take his part in the economy of life. The spiritual needs of mankind are included in this economy, and there are born into the world from time to time those who are specially endowed with the faculty or spiritual interpretation, with psychic gifts such as clairvoyance, telepathy, psychometry, etc., such persons being the natural channels of communication between the superior and inferior, or the internal and external worlds. They are to humanity what a certain order of microbe life is to the body of man—organic interpreters, translating the elements of food into blood, nerve, fibre, tissue, etc., agreeably to the laws of their being. Among any people who are alive to the paramount importance of maintaining the open door between this world and the spiritual universe, such media are cared for and protected and suitable conditions are supplied for the exercise of their faculty. It was so in the case of the Sybils among the Greeks; it is thus also in India today.

PRELIMINARIES AND PRACTICE

In the practice of Clairvoyance by natural means, patience is very necessary. Admitting that the germ of the faculty is there, Nature requires not only suitable conditions, but also adequate time in which to display her powers. Here again we find temperamental differences; and it may be useful in this place to indicate by what means and by what persons seership may most readily be attained.

In regard to the subject, medium or seer, there are two distinct temperaments in which the faculty may be expected to develop very readily. There is the nervous temperament associated with a high muscular development, classified as the "mental motive" temperament. It is characterized by great activity of body and mind, a certain nervous tension and excitability, prominent features, full osseous development, prominent brows, intent gaze, and sallow complexion. Mr. Evan Roberts, who figured so prominently in the Welsh Revival of 1905, is a characteristic example of this class of subjects.

The other class in whom the passive temperament is present and to whom visions come by reflections as images mirrored in a moveless lake, are known by the following characteristics; full and lymphatic habit, pale or delicate complexion, blue eyes, straight fine hair, small, plump and cold hands, and a languid disposition.

There are many variants from these two main types, of course, but they are cited as being very distinctive, and also they obtain their development by quite opposite means.

The positive seer studies earnestly and works with effort, throwing out the soul-images by the power of the will, perceiving them with more or less accuracy, and thereafter turning them over in the mind, reasoning and questioning concerning their import and meaning.

The passive seer, on the contrary, works not at all and makes no effort, the visions coming imperceptibly, almost unconsciously, and having generally a literal interpretation or fulfillment.

In the case of the positive seer the visions are symbolical and seldom capable of a literal application, even though they may be found to have a material fulfillment. With the passive seer it is otherwise, the visions being actual visions of what has happened or will thereafter transpire.

Of these two kinds of seership the passive is the more serviceable because more perspicuous, but it has the disadvantage of being largely under the control of external influences, and so frequently incapable of being exercised at will.

The positive type of seer exercise an introspective vision, searching inwardly towards the soul-world whence revelation proceeds. The passive seer, on the contrary, remains in statu quo, open to impressions coming inwards towards the perceptive faculty, but making no effort towards them. The success of each depends upon being allowed the free and uninterrupted exercise of that method which is natural to their respective temperaments.

In practice it is necessary that self-possession and confidence in one's own soul-power should be maintained. Faith is the firm rock upon which all revelation must rest. Let the intention be pure and a desire for Truth constantly present in the mind. Clairvoyance is not an undisputed possession, but a gift of the Spirit, and accepted as such in a spirit of humble recognition it is more capable of proving a real and lasting blessing than that "terror of the soul" it is sometimes seen to be. And if under the best conditions the quest is unsuccessful after a prolonged period of earnest trial, it must be taken as sufficient evidence that the faculty of Clairvoyance is not in the category of one's individual powers. Possibly the same qualifications brought to bear along some other line of psychic development will result in a commensurate degree of success.

So far, then, in regard to the preliminaries. A word or two now as to practice.

Having obtained a good rock crystal (the cheap glass balls sold as such by many are quite useless) or a Black Magic Mirror with a base of bitumen, the same should be kept out of the Sun's direct rays, and when not in use may be conveniently kept in a black velvet or silk bag, which will not scratch the surface.

It must not be thought that the visions are in the crystal or mirror itself. They are in the subconscious mind or soul of the seer; but the mirror serves as a medium for visualizing the impressions which come up before the mind's eye, and also produce inhibition of the basilar portion of the brain through the optic thalami, thus placing the attentive mind in a passive condition. Etheric perturbation caused by combustion disturbs the odic substance, and therefore no direct rays of light should be allowed to fall on the mirror. The diffused light just after sunset is the best for purposing and seering, and the position of the seer should be facing west with the direct light on the back of the mirror and only reflected rays upon its surface.

If by artificial light, the invocation candles or lamp should be behind the mirror, the latter being between the light and the seer.

HOW TO PROCEED

The Crystal or Mirror must be in contact with the sitter, and no other person should be within arm's length.

A person seated behind the seer may act as prompter or director of the seance, and another similarly placed may act as recorder.

The Director will maintain an even and quiet tone, suggesting from time to time, what may be looked for. Thus:—

Director. There is a house in Whitehall street! it is No. 432. You will enter by a gate and go along a short pathway to the door, which is of brown color. You will go through the door and along the vestibule. Turn into the room on the left. Now tell me who and what you see there.

The direction should be made by easy stages, and no step should be taken until the seer confirms the previous direction by saying, "Yes, I am there," or similar form of assent. The director will then know how the seer is progressing. The "push-off" is very necessary in the early stages of development, and the above suggestion will be found extremely useful.

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When once the seer is "on the move," so to speak, he can be left to himself and will then either recall at once to a complete consciousness of his physical surroundings or will go on to the exercise of the clairvoyant faculty.

The Recorder will make notes of everything that is said during the seance; and the results should be tested and proved so that imagination may not pass for clairvoyance, as it is apt to do before the faculty is really developed.

At no time during the seance should the director lose psychic of the seer, but as soon as a direction is satisfied another should be given with, as far as possible, a connecting link, so that the transitions are rendered natural and not abrupt. Sudden dislocations are apt to break the spell under which the seer is carried away.

No seance should last more than fifteen minutes, and sittings should be made at the same time of day and in the same place repeatedly, so that a cumulative effect is produced. A psychic habit is induced by this means, and it is extremely valuable in all functions of an automatic nature. Anyone can use a Crystal or Mirror alone if they wish, as many do with marvelous results.

Visions when fully developed are of two kinds, Direct and Symbolic. In most cases it will be found that answers to detached questions take a symbolic form. Passive seers usually have direct visions, and positive seers favor the symbolic form. The former feels first, and then sees; the latter first sees, and then thinks.

Special attention must be given in the early stages to the important process of direction. During the process of abstraction which precedes every vision, the consciousness is gradually withdrawn from the physical surroundings. The seer forgets that he is in this or that place, or in the presence of this or that person. He forgets that he is gazing into the Mirror or Crystal. He hears nothing consciously and sees nothing save that which is passing before the eyes of his soul. For the time being he loses sight of his own identity. When, therefore, the soul is suddenly arrested by an apparition which it has not consciously evoked, the reaction is apt to be violent and frequently carries the seer back to his normal condition.

The process of direction, however, if properly conducted, tends to establish a condition of preparedness in the seer, or Crystal Gazer, which is decidedly beneficial.

If there is a suspicion of telepathic communication between the seer or Mirror Gazer and the director or recorder, it can be obviated by directing the seer to a point where the knowledge of those present at the seance is equally nil. All independent intelligence communicated by the seer can be subsequently checked and tested.

VISIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS

The passive or direct vision is presumably a representation of the actual state of things perceived, whether relating to the past, present, or future. The circumstantial account given by the seer is sufficient to indicate that it is a direct vision.

The symbolic vision is, however, fraught with many difficulties for those who are unacquainted with symbolism and the method of interpretation. Something, therefore, may be said on this point. Symbols are thoughtforms which convey, by the association of ideas, a definite meaning to the mind which perceives them. They depend entirely upon the Laws of Thought and the correspondence between the spiritual and material worlds, between the subject and object of our consciousness. These things are fully explained in *The Mystic Test Book* listed on another page.

SYMBOLS AND THEIR MEANING

Among the ancients, symbols were the original form of record, of communication, and of writing. The Hieroglyphics of the Egyptians, the word-pictures of the Mayas of Central America, the ideographic writing of the Chinese are all forms of symbolism derived from natural objects. The Hebrew alphabet is quite symbolical. Any letter speaks to us of the nomadic people who were "dwellers in tents." Such names as ox, tent, tent-door, tent-peg, camel, fish, fish-hook, eye, hand, basket, rope-coil, ox-goad, water, are names of letters which cannot fail to convey an idea of the primitive Semites. They are all names of natural objects, and they are all symbols. Bring together the letters god (hand), dalet (tent-door) and oin (eye), and you have the word yedo. The hand denotes action, power; the door, and entry, initiation; the eye, sight, perception,—literally, opening the door to see: ideographically, knowledge.

Similarly, in Chinese the words for wall, face, and man, when brought together as a symbol, indicate a wall-facing man, by which we understand a prejudiced and bigoted person, one who will not see or enlarge his horizon.

All symbols may be interpreted by their known natures, qualities and uses. Thus an arm will signify defence, power, protection; a mouth speech, revelation, and ear news, information; if distorted, scandal, abuse. The sun prosperity, life, honors; the moon crescent, prosperity, increase, improvement; when gibbous, loss, decay, decline. The sun eclipsed, death of a man; the moon eclipsed, death of a woman; bread, food, sustenance, knowledge, preservation; and these are all natural interpretations. Every symbol has reference to the Three Worlds, the physical, intellectual, and spiritual, i.e. to Nature, Man, and Spirit.

If the question be concerning the material world, a ship as a symbol would show commerce, trade, a voyage, good or bad according to the condition of the ship; as if in full sail under a clear sky, prosperity is signified; if in distress or with flagging sails, an unfortunate condition is signified.

If the question has relation to the intellectual world, the same symbol would denote the interchange of ideas, good or bad news, etc.; if to the superior world, the same symbol would denote that communication with the spiritual world is increasing or decreasing, as the symbol may indicate. A private ship might thus refer to plunder, slander, infringement of rights, or death.

Symbols are almost infinite in number, and the interpretation of them requires unprejudiced skill, but they are nevertheless an important subject for study, and the use of the Crystal or Mirror by a positive seer or student can hardly be beneficial without a profound understanding of this subject such as is taught in *The Great Book Of Magical Art, Hindu Magic And East Indian Occultism* listed on another page.

Although every symbol has some general signification in agreement with its natural qualities and uses, yet it obtains a particular meaning in relation to the individual. This is also the case in dreams, where every person is a natural seer. Few, however, pay that attention to dreams which their source and nature warrant. The Crystal is but a means of bringing the normal dreaming faculty into conscious activity.

No definite rule can be laid down as to the interpretation of visions, and the seer or seeress will be found the best interpreter. Yet the difference of meaning, whether in dreaming or visions, of any particular symbol is of common experience. Thus to dream of a naked child imports trouble to some people, while others have a standard dream of wading in water whenever trouble is to be faced. To dream of butcher's meat means financial troubles to some people, while to others it imports gain by speculation.

The controlling factor in this matter is probably to be found in the constitution of the psychic and mental faculties of the seer as express in the nativity. A great deal may be said for a system of interpretation that has for its basis the dominion of the signs of the Zodiac at the birth of an individual and also the horary positions of these signs at the time of the visions or dreams as the case may be.



Crystal Gazing In The Orient

It is claimed by those who have traveled in the Orient that the Hindu can, by the use of the Crystal or the aid of the Magic Mirror, tell one's life from the cradle to the grave; he can, so it is claimed by those who are familiar with his powers, by the use and aid of these mediums, indicate remedies for the sick, and also perform many marvelous, interesting and mysterious things; the very same being both good and evil.

Indeed, it is claimed that those who have personally tested the old Hindu Philosophers that they really do possess wonderful Spiritual Powers gained by the constant use of a Gazing Crystal and the aid of a Black Magic Mirror, which are their constant companions and helpmates.

From what is claimed, by those who have been brought in personal contact with the Adepts of the Orient, their Astral and Psychic Sight, as well as their Intuition, like all Ancient and Modern Mystics is developed and perfected by the continuous use of either a Gazing Crystal, or Magic Mirror, or both; therefore, a Mystic or real Adept would be in no better shape to carry on Occult or Spiritual work without these things than would a man who tried to write without ink on his pen.

NOTICE. For full particulars regarding de Laurence's selected, Clear Gazing Crystals and Holders, see the following pages.

GLASS "GAZING" BALLS



KEY No. 840. Solid glass "Gazing Crystal". Two inches (50 mm.) in diameter. Stand and instructions included. **\$5.50**

KEY No. 841. Solid glass "Gazing Crystal". 2-3/8 inches (60 mm.) in diameter. Stand and instructions included. **\$8.50**

KEY No. 842. Solid glass "Gazing Crystal". Three inches (75 mm.) in diameter. Stand and instructions included. **\$10.00**

KEY No. 844. Solid glass "Gazing Crystal". 4-3/16 inches (105 mm.) in diameter. Stand and instructions included. **\$60.00**



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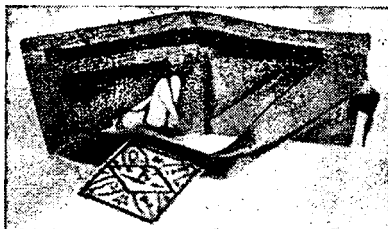
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RESEARCH EQUIPMENT
FOR THE PSYCHIC

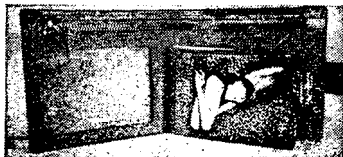
"MONEY! COME TO ME! FLY INTO MY PURSE!"



CARRY A "MIDAS TOUCH" BILLFOLD WITH A SECRET POCKET FOR ACCUMULATING MONEY-A PARCHMENT TALISMAN!

Some people have it -- there's no doubt about it. Everything they touch turns to gold. It's called the "Midas Touch" and the reference is to an old king of the Far Eastern kingdom of Phrygia who obtained the golden gift from a God. This is an ideal billfold with which to use your "Midas Touch." It has a secret pocket so cleverly concealed it is almost impossible to find it unless you know the trick of opening it.

Our advice is to put your "big" money in the secret pocket and never let anyone see it. No one will ever know you have large denomination money and you will run less risk of robbery.



"SECRET" POCKET
ZIPPED SHUT

TALISMAN WITH EACH BILLFOLD

With every billfold DeLaurence offers you a talisman of your choice. These talismans are artfully impressed on genuine parchment paper with gold ink following the best authorities. With your billfold you may have one for Money, Love, Success, Protection, or Health. Just mention which one you want when you mail in your order.

INSTRUCTIONS

With every billfold DeLaurence sends some curious instructions gleaned from an astounding old book held in the highest regard by those who know the value of such things. They refer to obtaining money.

A FINE BILLFOLD

The "Midas Touch" Billfold is a fine piece of work made of genuine pebble grained leather strongly sewed. It is finished in handsome bright red, is elegant and something of which you can be proud. There are two pockets for paper money, one of them zippered, and the "Secret Pocket." In addition there is a coin purse, identification pocket and two hinged plastic pockets for four photographs.



Snapped Shut
for Pocket
or Purse

KEY NO. 795. "MIDAS TOUCH" Billfold with Talisman and Instructions
\$3.50 plus tax and postage

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Anointing Oil — Compounded Privately by DeLaurence of "Temple" Incense - Allspice - Cinnamon and Pure Olive Oil. Finest Unctuous Formula For Holy Oil and "Protection" and "Shielding" Exercises—Rituals—Prayer Meetings. In Special "Ecclesiastical" Sprinkler Bottle.

"GUARD"
BRAND



"SHIELD
ME
FROM ALL
HARM"

Every Thaumaturge of the Art emphasizes the importance of a fine unction in esoteric operations. Wizard of old and modern research student are alike in utilizing an unctuous formula in their work and alike in demanding the finest ingredients. The "now and then," casual explorer in the teeming jungle of the overworld needs such a preparation, too, if his spirit and personality are to be securely ensconced within his ritual and he is to emerge unscathed from his perilous probing.

The reverent individual uses a "guard" oil, with a silent prayer to "fortify" his soul and his material environment.

All may use DeLaurence's "Guard" oil with complete confidence. It is privately and specially compounded by

ourselves following the explicit and forthright instructions of the master authorities. No specific instructions are provided, but all the definitive sources contain passages describing the use of an anointing oil. As mentioned above one can use this preparation with a mentally recited prayer on clothing, household and vehicles. Only the merest trace is necessary -- not enough to soil. Therefore the three-ounce sprinkler bottle is economical as well as useful.

The bottle is topped by two caps: the larger for filling the bottle, and the smaller for sprinkling. The high and serious nature of the reverent operations is signified by the white cross and the gilt crucifix -- signs of "protection" since the inception of Christianity.

KEY NO. 803. DeLaurence's "Guard" Oil in sprinkler bottle.

\$2.50

de LAURENCE'S SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL

ETHICAL, PRACTICAL, SCIENTIFIC
SPIRITISM NO LONGER A MYSTERY
LAVISHLY ILLUSTRATED IN COLORS
PRICELESS SECRET OF ANCIENT WISDOM
FAMOUS SYSTEM OF DIVINATION
GIVES YOU A GREAT SPIRITUAL TRAINING
FOR THE INITIATE
SETTING FORTH OCCULT MYSTERIES
Egyptian, Arabian And Hindu Magic
ESPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR
INVOCATIONS AND CONJURATIONS
REMARKABLE, STRANGE, WONDERFUL
GIVE UNTO THYSELF
AN UNDERSTANDING HEART LIKE
UNTO THE WISDOM OF
HERMES, MOSES, JESUS, AND PLATO

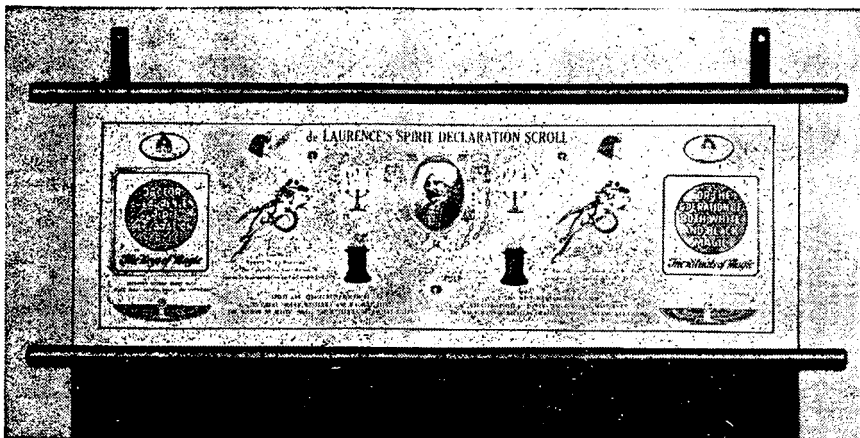
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General View of DeLaurence's "Spirit Declaration Scroll"

**This Unique and Amazing Apparatus
Is Included Without Extra Charge
With Every Set of "Spirit Declara-
tion" Supplies and Equipment.**

Close-Ups of DeLaurence's "Spirit Declaration Scroll"



Detailed View of Anterior Administration



Detailed View of Postjacent Administration

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For Official
Spirit Control
And Invocations
Use de Laurence's
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Your Spiritual Power
Will Surprise You
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Spiritual Powers
Obtain One Of These
Marvelous Scrolls
And You Won't Wonder

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**Why So Many People
All Over The World
Now Operate One
The Sky Is Your Limit
For Operation Of
Experiments In
Evocation And Conjuraton
Of Powerful Spirits
Spirit Art
Its Sacred Procedure
Rites And Hidden Mysteries
Accomplish Your Desires
Many Are Said To
Obtain Secret Occult Powers
Fortell Future Events
Be Safe From Evil Spirits
Forwarned By Visions**

**Overcome Your Enemies
Visible Or Invisible
Living Or Dead
Great Occult Secret
For Overcoming
The Art Of Witches
Conjurers, Evil Spirits
And All Evil Spells
Spiritual Development
Inner Spirit Sight
Magic Wand Of Miracles
Oracles, Symbols, Dreams
Great Hidden Mysteries
For Conjunction
And Citation Of Spirits
The Keys OF Magic
Mystery Of All Mysteries**

de LAURENCE'S SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL

Easy To Understand

Easy To Operate

HELPS YOU TO COMPREHEND

GREAT MYSTERY OF MYSTERIES

MAY GIVE THE OPERATOR

GREATER SPIRITUAL POWER

USED ALL OVER THE WORLD

For Invocations And Conjurations

DESIGNED BY de LAURENCE

The World's Greatest Mystic

Positively most Remarkable. Invented for the Exposition and Practice of Spiritualism, Occultism, Magic, and Divination. Really surpasses anything ever thought of before. Spirit Communication and Spirit Control as well as help from the Spiritual Side of Life by the Forces, now becomes, by using this Scroll, VERY EASY AND SIMPLE.

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HAS A DOUBLE ADMINISTRATION

de Laurence's Wonderful Spirit Declaration Scroll Has a Double Administration. On it are reproduced TWO each of certain Occult and Spiritual Symbols. The Scroll itself has been found useful and of great value in carrying out and Operating Many Strange and Wonderful Things for Spiritualists and those who wish the Spirit Forces to do certain things for them. The Occult Symbols on this Scroll are beautifully finished in striking Oriental Colors.

SCROLL HAS TWO SYMBOLS

The Upper Front Section. As the Scroll has a Double Administration, there are on the upper FRONT SECTION TWO of the Serpents with their Tails in Their Mouths forming a circle inside of which there is a Three Headed Hindu Figure. There are also TWO of the Egyptian Heads. TWO of the Winged Man and his Serpent Guards. TWO Candle Sticks containing three burners each. TWO ORIENTAL Incense Burners. TWO Heads of Rokajoken the famous Egyptian Adept wearing a Five Pointed Star Helmet. TWO of the Egyptian Winged Figures. There are THREE Crosses which are Symbolical of the Master, his Disciples and the Powerful Spirits of the Astral Plane. All of the Oriental Symbols, Figures and Illustrations on the upper FRONT Section of the SCROLL have a DOUBLE, that is, an Inner Allegorical Meaning as well as a DOUBLE ADMINISTRATION.

HAS TWO OCCULT INSCRIPTIONS

Keys Of Magic And Mystic Inscriptions. There are also on the upper FRONT SECTION of the SCROLL, Two each of the Occult and Mystic Inscriptions as follows: There are, The Keys Of Magic And The Rituals Of Magic. There are, The Scroll And Its Operation. There are, Recondite Wisdom And Spiritual Development. There are, The Mysteries Of All Mysteries, And The Great Occult Secret. There are, Spirit Art And Divine Mysteries.

Symbols and Illustrations In Beautiful Oriental Colors

Size Of Scroll 2 Feet, 6 Inches Wide And 2 Feet, 2 Inches Long

UPPER FRONT SECTION OF THE SCROLL. On the next page is shown the upper FRONT Section as well as the lower FRONT Section of the SCROLL. The actual size of the SCROLL is Two Feet, Six Inches Wide, by Two Feet, Two inches Long.

The upper FRONT SECTION, in White, is 9½ by 22 Inches.

Upon it are reproduced in handsome Oriental Colors. TWO each of the Symbols and TWO of the Inscriptions, all of which are FORBIDDEN KNOWLEDGE, having a DOUBLE ADMINISTRATION.

LOWER FRONT SECTION OF THE SCROLL. The lower FRONT SECTION is 15½ by 24 Inches. It is Dead Black and is used for writing down SPIRIT MESSAGES or any questions you wish to ask your Spirit Friends or, for writing down any matter you wish to be communicated to your Spirit Forces.

UPPER BACK SECTION OF THE SCROLL. On the next page is shown the upper BACK Section as well as the lower BACK Section of the Scroll. The upper BACK SECTION, in White, is 9½ by 22 In.

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SOLOMON THE KING

SOLOMON was a King. The son of King David. The wise son of a wise father. A righteous man's righteous child. All the incidents in David's life, all of his characteristics are paralleled in the life of Solomon.

de LAURENCE THE MYSTIC

So it is with de Laurence, all of the knowledge, all of the Ancient Wisdom, Spiritual Powers of the Old Venerable Masters of Occultism and Magic are manifested and paralleled in the life of de Laurence.

de Laurence has no desire to keep his wisdom and Great Spiritual knowledge locked up in his own soul; because it would be of no value to any person except himself. When he wrote and published his famous Occult and Spiritual books, men in all parts of the world became acquainted with his wonderful abilities as a teacher, and writer. The true teachings contained in his books has increased the information of those who have studied them. So great has become his reputation that several Occult Temples in certain parts of the world have been named after him. Again, any one in doubt concerning the meaning of Spirit Phenomena or the interpretation of a dream, has sought de Laurence's advice.

Other writers and teachers have attempted to interest the people, but the majority of them have turned to de Laurence whom they understand with ease and have no trouble in comprehending his teachings. de Laurence always removes the difficulties from the paths of the student.

A Very Learned And Advanced Occult Student In Speaking Of de Laurence Said: "Books by other writers are not near as instructive, neither do they teach the student like de Laurence does. Their writings are ambiguous. de Laurence, however, introduces certain explanation suited to the comprehension of all, through which means a knowledge of Occult Laws and Spiritual Powers become readily obtainable."

de Laurence's Spirit Declaration Scroll has solved the Mystery of Mysteries for Conjururation and Citation of Spiritual Forces. His Scroll has not only solved The Mystery, but has made Communication with the Spiritual World a very easy and simple matter.

It became known several years ago that de Laurence was working on a very Secret matter, and it was talked about that he was creating something which had been shown him in a Vision by an Old Egyptian Adept. It is now known that he has been, for several years, constructing a SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL that would be valuable and useful to every student of Spiritism and Occultism. Strange as this statement may seem to some, de Laurence like other Great Mystics receive instructions by Vision and it was in a Vision while he lay in a deep Spirit Trance, that this Marvelous Scroll was shown to him, and he was instructed from the Spirit World how to create it.

THE MAGIC WAND OF MIRACLES

de LAURENCE'S SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL is Marvelous and Most Useful for those engaged in the Practice of Spiritualism, or the Operation of Occultism and Magic. It is also of great use for those who desire to overcome the Arts of Witches, Conjurors, Evil Spirits, and Spells. It teaches the Secret Procedure of Occultism and explains its Hidden Mysteries and Magical Rites.

Divine Mysteries and Spiritual Powers have concerned men in all ages of the World. Many today possess Spirit Sight. Others have in their possession the Magic Wand to work Miracles. There are still others who understand Oracles, and are able to interpret Dreams and explain Visions. And, again, there are many who really are sincere in their desire to develop their Spiritual Forces, and also to understand how to protect themselves from Evil Spirits, Sorcery and Witchcraft. Others want to understand Occult Binding, so as to constrain a person and prevent them from doing certain things. Again, there are people who desire to receive Fore-Warnings and understand Divination.

Remember nobody else has ever created anything like it, and we have so many testimonials from those who have used it that we would be unable to publish them. Easy To Operate. Full directions sent with Scroll.

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Upon it are reproduced in beautiful Oriental Colors, Three very striking Half-Tone Illustrations. The First shows an Operator Invoking a Spirit. The Second is one of the most Striking Illustrations ever seen. It is in Oriental Colors and shows the MYSTERY OF ALL MYSTERIES. The Third Illustration is also very wonderful and striking as it shows the INVOCATION OF A SPIRIT IN A GRAVE YARD AT NIGHT.

LOWER BACK SECTION OF THE SCROLL. The lower BACK Section is 15 1/2 by 24 Inches. It is Dead Black and is used for writing down SPIRIT MESSAGES or any questions you wish to ask your Spirit Friends or, for writing down any matter you wish to be communicated to your Spirit Forces.

ALSO UPON THE UPPER BACK SECTION THERE ARE: Rites And Hidden Mysteries. There are, The Master's Instruction And His Timely Admonitions. There is, Faith In Your Master And Your Reward. There are, Forbidden Knowledge And Sacred Procedure. There are, Power And Protection From Evil Spirits And Hidden Enemies. There are, Fore-Warnings And Premonitions. There are, Visions And Dreams. There are, Evocations And Conjurations. There are, White And Black Magic. There are, Candles And Incense. There are, A Solemn Obligation And A Sacred Truth. There are, A Terrible Warning And A Penalty. There are, The Master And His Disciples.

THE OPERATION. Who-so-ever possesses and Operates this Scroll strictly according to the directions given, May by all means, be in a position to protect themselves and remain safe from Evil Spirits; all Enemies; Visible or Invisible, Living or Dead. They should, if they are careful in all their undertakings, become more prosperous; acquire success and be able to operate wonderful things through the Divine Spirit. Those who are possessed of Spirit and Divine Power should not only be able to operate strange and wonderful things but also discover the Secret Counsels of Men; to overcome Enemies; to obtain favors from friends and those in power; to Fore-tell Future Events; to see and know things done behind their back, or many miles away; to be informed of things in Dreams; to obtain knowledge from Spirits; to gain Secret Occult Powers; to Heal Disease, and as Jesus said: "DO GREATER THINGS THAN I."

THE ALTERNATE USE OF OCCULT FORCES

As stated on another page, de LAURENCE'S SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL HAS A DOUBLE ADMINISTRATION, that is, there are TWO each of the Symbols and Inscriptions; for in nature there is use for contrary Occult or Hidden Forces such as, Warmth and Cold, Mildness and Severity, Love and Anger, Light and Darkness. Nothing induces us towards Joy so effectually as Sorrow; nothing is nearer to Sorrow than Joy. Hence the uninstructed operator is astounded to learn that de LAURENCE'S TRUE SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL HAS A DOUBLE ADMINISTRATION.

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FOR THE MYSTIC

De LAURENCE
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NEW METHOD OF SPIRIT COMMUNICATION

Use A Spirit Declaration Scroll

Orders For Scroll Accessories

From All Over The World

**The Scroll Is Sent
ONLY
IF YOU SEND AN ORDER FOR
ANY ONE OF THE THREE SETS OF
SCROLL ACCESSORIES
DESCRIBED ON THESE PAGES**

Common Sense Method. THE SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL is the Easiest, Simplest and only Common Sense Method of Spirit Communication. Carrying out experiments and testing your Spiritual and Occult Forces becomes a SIMPLE MATTER if you use one of the MARVELOUS SCROLLS described on these pages.

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Testimony For Spirit Declaration Scroll

To illustrate. A lady, whose name we prefer to withhold, came to America from Europe with her brother who later became separated from her. She endeavored for several years to locate him. Finally she heard of de Laurence's wonderful Scroll. She obtained one and wrote the following on it: "Good spirits and angels, please inform me where my dear brother is." She then hung the Scroll up in her room and burned some Candles and Incense for an hour three consecutive nights between 10 and 11 o'clock. A short time later she was, so she states, informed in a dream that her brother was in a certain town in Texas and, if she addressed a letter to him at that town he would receive it. She sent the letter as directed, and you may imagine her surprise when she received a reply to it. This statement is positively true and was made by the lady herself voluntarily. **This party ordered Set One.**

Another Case. That of a young man who was engaged to be married to a young lady. For some reason unknown to him she broke the engagement and refused to marry him. He himself was a believer in Spiritualism and after learning the details regarding this Occult Scroll, he ordered the Accessories and other merchandise listed on these pages and obtained the Scroll

After obtaining it, he used the Accessories, that is, the Candles, Incense, etc., as hereinafter directed and the engagement was renewed and later he married the young lady. He believed so strongly in the Scroll that he used it with the greatest faith and he was of course very grateful for the results received. **This party ordered Set Three.**

Still Another Case. A man who reads his Bible faithfully had read that Jesus said, "Develop your inner or Spiritual Sight." He had tried for some months to develop his Inner or Spiritual Sight and had been unsuccessful. He had used many methods and was becoming discouraged when he read the particulars regarding de Laurence's Occult and Spiritual Scroll. He sent an order for the Occult Accessories and Merchandise, as indicated on another page, and obtained a Scroll

He started to experiment with the Scroll hoping that some of his Spirit friends might materialize to him. He figured that if Christ said, "Develop your Inner and Spiritual Sight" that it meant nothing else but that he, as a man, had two sights, that is, an Outer and an Inner Sight and, that if he developed the Inner Sight he would be able to see spiritually and he would observe his helpful spirits and angel guides with his Inner Sight. He also concluded that Christ meant that if one's Inner Sight was developed he would be able to see the things of the Spiritual world as did Swedenborg. Being of a very faithful and religious nature he carried out the instructions regarding the operation and use of the Scroll until he was perfectly satisfied that it had been of great assistance to him in the development of his Spiritual Sight. **This party ordered Set One.**

A lady whose husband had died wished to dispose of her property. She had placed it, for several months in the hands of Real Estate Agents, but they had failed. Being herself a spiritualist and learning of the Scroll she placed an order for SET TWO of the Occult Accessories, listed on another page, and obtained her Scroll. She operated it as directed and in a short time sold her property. This is an actual statement of what occurred. **This party ordered Set Two.**

The above statements are true, have not been exaggerated in the least. Indeed, many more could be added. All we claim is that those who have already ordered the Accessories as listed on another page, and have used them as directed in connection with the Scroll, seem to be satisfied. Many state that after writing down on the Scroll some special question they have been given information regarding the same in a dream or a vision.

There are others who have used the Scroll and Accessories that claim they have proved invaluable and worth a great deal to them.

NOTICE. The information tendered here regarding the Scroll and its Accessories has been secured from letters received from those who obtained and used the Scroll and Accessories. These statements, of course, are not guaranteed, and as stated above, the information has been drawn from letters and sources believed to be reliable; but beyond the exercise of all due care to insure accuracy in reproducing this information no responsibility or guarantee is assumed by The de Laurence Co.

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Testimony For Spirit Declaration Scroll

Thief Detected By Use Of Scroll

The de Laurence Co., Chicago, Ill. Dear Friends: Feb. 1, 1928.

I am sending to you for order No. 10. Magic, White and Black, by Franz Hartman, M. D., which is priced in your Catalogue at \$3.25. You will find that amount in this letter.

I have not written you since I left New York City, and wish to inform you that I received the SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL safely and I am very thankful to de Laurence for permitting me to have one of his Wonderful Scrolls.

I assure you that I will always do good with it. I have Operated my Marvelous Scroll only once since I have had it, and the Message that I sent into the Spiritual World was answered.

Here are the true facts. A lady friend of mine had a Diamond Ring stolen from her on Christmas Day, and at first I think she suspected me. Of course God knows I was innocent. I used de LAURENCE'S SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL as directed, and the real thief was caught. He admitted his guilt, and I was with the lady and a detective when he admitted his guilt.

Please advise me what color Candles to use for my Higher development, and what kind of Incense to use for full materialization in the daytime.

In closing I can only say that I am more than pleased with my Spirit Scroll. The most wonderful part of it is that the Scroll is FREE. It did not cost me any thing. I do not understand how de Laurence can be so generous as to give away such a Valuable thing as this Scroll certainly is. I have Set One.

All I was asked to do was to pay for a Set of the Scroll Accessories, consisting of Special Candles, Incense, Incense Burners, and the Material necessary to operate the Scroll. Of course anybody would expect to do that anyway under any circumstances. If I were asked to pay \$100.00 for one of these Scrolls I would not hesitate.

Thanking you for all the favors and help that I have received, I am, Sincerely yours,
Albert Bundy, Company No. 10, National Soldiers Home, _____.

P. S.: I am a member of the Soldiers Home (Name of state deleted), where you can send my mail. I spend some of my time here as well as at my home, No. 26 _____ Road (Name of town and state deleted).

NOTICE. The above letters are on file in our office. The name of the state where the Soldiers' Home is has been deleted, that is, not given. However, anyone interested may call at our office at any time and read Mr. Bundy's letter, who has given us his written consent to publish this testimony.

Helped Play Musical Instrument

The de Laurence Co., Chicago, Ill. Gentlemen: April 1, 1929.

In behalf of myself and dear wife, I desire to inform you that we received SET ONE of The Spirit Declaration Scroll Accessories, also de Laurence's wonderful SPIRIT DECLARATION SCROLL. In fact we have always been well please with anything that we have ever obtained from The de Laurence Co.

Further, I wish to inform you how I have been helped to play a guitar. No living being has ever taught me. I simply wrote a Message on my Scroll, requesting the Spirits to help me play my guitar. Suddenly, the next morning, after operating my Scroll, as I was laying in bed, a feeling came to me as though I had all at once become possessed of the ability to play a guitar. I got right up out of bed and tried to tune it. To my surprise, in a very short time, I succeeded in putting it in perfect tune, and from that time on everybody has been surprised at the way I am able to play my guitar. Even professional guitar players are puzzled and do not understand how I can play the guitar as well as I do, without having received any instruction. However, as stated above, I all at once seemed to develop wonderful ability as a guitar player.

Again, I have tested my Scroll in several different ways, that is, in giving treatments, influencing people, and have also been able to use it in regard to my success in business. I soon expect to travel in South America, and shall certainly be sure to take my Scroll and Accessories with me. It is very pleasing to know that I can obtain more Incense and Candles direct from you at any time.

In closing, all I can say is that I thank you very much, and feel that de LAURENCE'S SPIRIT SCROLL has been the means of giving me wonderful Wisdom and a deeper sight into Spiritualism and Occultism than I ever thought I would be able to obtain.

I assure you that I am more than pleased with my Scroll. I ordered SET ONE, and my friends will hardly believe that the Scroll was sent to me Absolutely Free. Sincerely yours,
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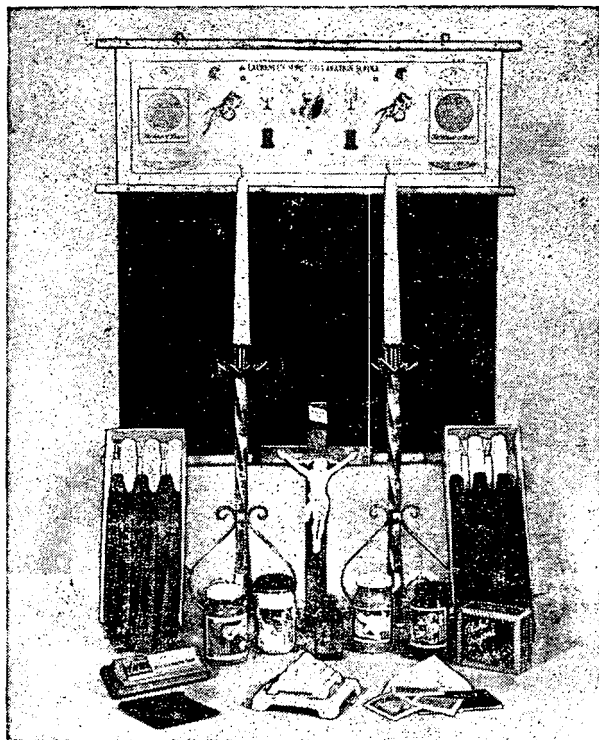


The Scroll Set illustrated above includes adequate supplies for "exercises" extending over a considerable period. In addition to four dozen candles of the necessary colors and eight jars of incense, there is a two-ounce bottle of "Vale of Kashmar perfume." The candelabra is finished in Flemish silver on black, the crucifix consists of a gold-color corpus on a large wood cross, and the incense burner is De Laurence's own "Pyramid" design. Chalk, eraser, leather "talisman" case, and "seals" complete the set. These articles are carefully utilized and integrated by the instructions which give clear directions for all types of "operations." This is a large set, and there are enough supplies to last a long time. The equipment is of excellent quality and exactly as required by the instructions.

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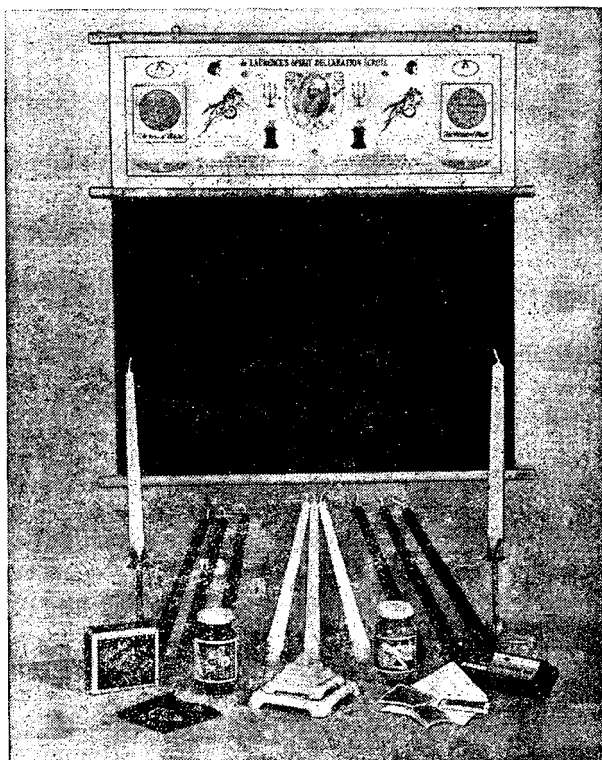
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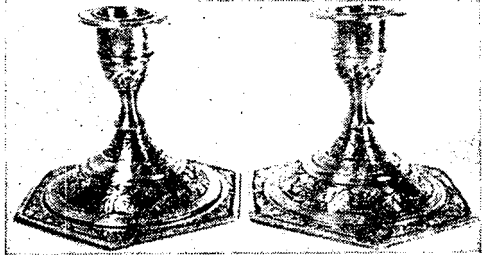
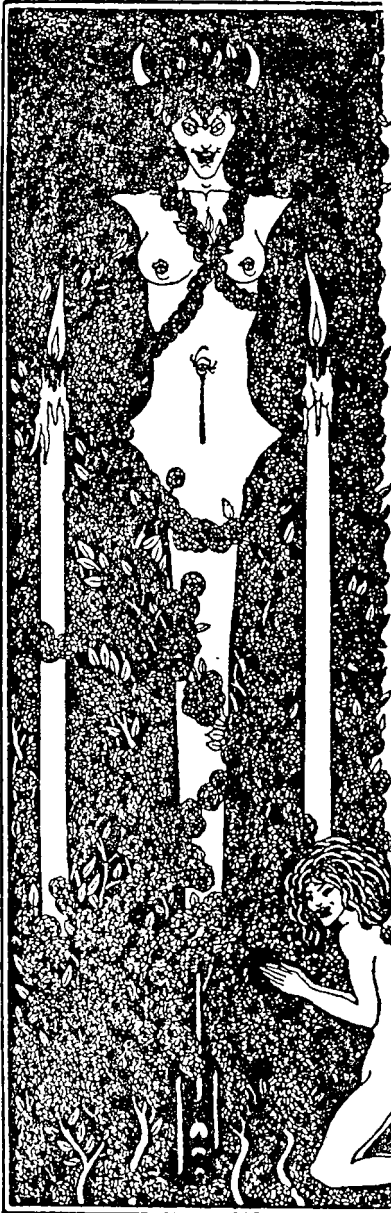
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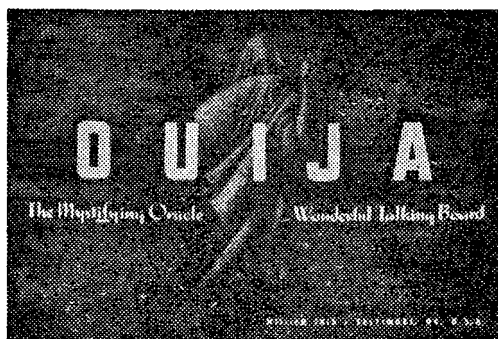
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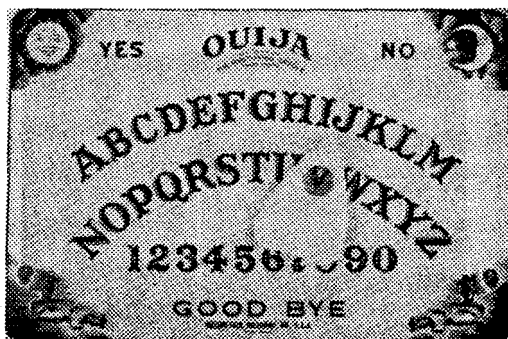
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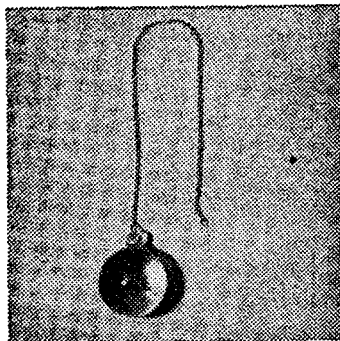
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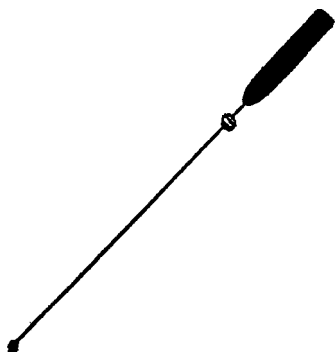


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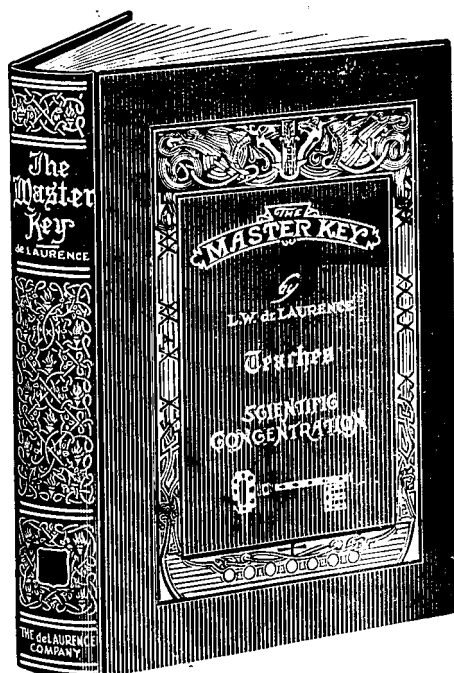
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