

in steamer with two medium sized sour apples sliced on top, steam until chestnuts are mealy. Serve hot.

cooking utensils and agate ware that has become discolored. Add water to fill vessel and allow to soak several days.

Hints for the Housewife

Save lemon rinds and over-ripe tomatoes, they are valuable in bleaching

Salt will remove egg stains from silverware.

A little flour placed on a cut will stop bleeding immediately.

Healing Department

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THE COMBINATION OF ASTRAL AND SPINAL DIAGNOSIS

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The purpose of diagnosis is to determine the causes of symptoms manifesting as disease, and upon its correctness depends the effectiveness of the treatment.

Several methods exist for the detection of disease, but the two explained below are probably least known, and consequently little recognized. Progress, however, demands that we investigate, and if found worthy, accept new ideas.

In Astrological diagnosis the data required is the time and place of birth, judgment being made from a map of the heavens. The movement of the celestial bodies is such that their relative positions will not be duplicated for a period of over twenty-five thousand years. Thus

there are no two horoscopes alike, they cannot be, for every individual shows some dissimilarities to the rest, and so it is evident that resistance to any disease will never be the same in two cases. Two persons may be receiving identical treatment for practically similar symptoms, yet their response to remedial agents may be very different, but it will be in accord with the indications of the horoscope.

The detection of disease has been somewhat simplified by the works issued by the Rosicrucian Fellowship, and briefly the theory is this. Each sign has an affinity for a certain part of the human anatomy and the organs contained therein, thus the first sign Aries has jurisdiction over the head, the others following in rotation to the twelfth sign Pisces, which rules the feet.

The planets affect the various parts of the body when they are in the corre-

sponding zodiacal sign, and the angle of their changing rays develops the different forms of morbid action to which the system is liable. By combining these two factors, and bearing in mind the house in which they occur and the excitement or retardation occasioned by their aspects to each other, an accurate and extremely penetrative system of diagnosis has been evolved.

To give an example. The keyword of Saturn in every department of life is "**obstruction**," and to find it posited in the sign Gemini, which rules the lungs, at once advises care in regard to those parts. If, in addition, we find the planet Jupiter placed in the same sign, within two or three degrees of Saturn, then as the latter planet rules the arterial circulation, it becomes apparent that this will be obstructed in some degree and as a result the subject will be liable to colds in the lungs, and the more serious maladies that may result from neglect of the simpler symptoms.

In *The Message of the Stars* astrological delineation has been aptly said to be superior to X-ray diagnosis, for whereas the instrument may indicate weakness at any moment, the horoscope applies precisely the same principle to the system **for the whole life**, both prior and subsequent to the time of examination.

Nor is this the most valuable function of this mode of diagnosis, for it also points to the time at which inherent weaknesses will become functional or organic disorders, and thus the reader

may become "forewarned and forearmed" in two different ways.

Astrology has, however, one limitation and this restriction applies to every science of applied psychology. The natal figure indicates **the tendencies** of the life in every department. Choice and free will belong to man and to man alone however; he has the prerogative of overthrowing predictions by an act of will, but is usually too weak to do so, and consequently the horoscope remains an exceedingly accurate guide, especially as very few are even aware of the fact of planetary influence.

This brings us to the most important purpose of astrology. The perception of inherent debility in any direction is a step in advance, but it merely leads us to the threshold of a new system of dealing with disease before it manifests.

"**Prevention is better than cure**" is a profound truth, and therefore it behooves each individual perceiving the possibilities of this science, to find his weak points and so order his life that he may build up the best possible resistive constitution, and at the time of danger attend to the local conditions.

Under the direction of this science we have the best and most rational opportunity to apply the ounce of prevention which makes the pound of cure unnecessary.

Spinal diagnosis, being a physical process, is not so broad in scope as the former method. It will show location, and to some extent severity, but never time of manifestation. Its accuracy

depends upon sensitiveness of the touch of the operator.

To comprehend the theory of spinal diagnosis, it is necessary to understand the principle of spinal formation. The spine is composed of a number of small bones called vertebrae, which are held together by ligaments. Near the center of each vertebrae is a round opening about one inch in diameter, and when the vertebrae are in position, these several openings form a hollow tube through which the spinal cord passes downward from the brain.

On either side of each vertebrae there are two small notches which, when the vertebrae are in position, form an opening for the nerves to pass out from the spinal chord. For example, the nerves passing from the second dorsal vertebrae, in the main, supply the heart with nerve force, while the kidneys obtain their energy from nerves proceeding from the tenth dorsal.

Thus if either of these vertebrae be found in any way displaced from the normal position, that is, out of alignment with the general formation of the spine, trouble will be perceptible in the organs dependent upon them for nerve life, and a similar cause in any other region of the spine will produce like effects in the part of the body supplied with nerve force therefrom.

The use of these two methods of diagnosis in conjunction gives material for interesting comparative study. To give an example. If in the horoscope of a

patient an affliction is found in the sign Leo, ruling the heart, then the corresponding vertebrae, the second dorsal, may be expected to show need of adjustment. From the writer's investigation, the co-incidence of these two systems has been abundantly evident and their value in detecting and remedying morbid tendencies in the body before they become definite pathological disorders is inestimable.

It has taken the world centuries to recognize, even dimly, the prime necessity of aiming at prevention, and when this is impossible, to endeavor to attack the root causes of disease, instead of white-washing the inharmonies that may appear on the surface. Even today, therapeutic science, with few exceptions, simply aims at the suppression of symptoms, by the correction of the chemical fluids of the body.

Cure is announced when the apparent symptoms have been overcome, and this is often accomplished by directly treating them. But while the patient may be rid of these particular manifestations, the internal poison may still remain to cause, at various periods in the future, other or similar indications in harmony with the temperament of the person.

By the employment of astrology we may receive previous warning of unhealthy tendencies, thus enabling preventative measures to be employed; and by the utilization of spinal adjustment we attack at least one fundamental cause, and if no other advantages exist-

ed, these two points should give them a high recommendation.

THE ROSY CROSS HEALING CIRCLE

The Rosy Cross Healing Circle meets in the Pro-Ecclesia at Headquarters every time the Moon enters a Cardinal sign. Only a few are present in the body, but thousands from all over the globe join us in spirit when we meditate upon the symbol of the Invisible Helper placed on the west wall.

The pure white cross shows us that he must be without stain or sin, the seven red roses tell their story of the cleansing blood, and the central white rose is a still higher symbol of purity of heart and mind. This lofty ideal we aspire to reach that we may radiate the Christ-force of Healing represented by the golden star behind the Rose Cross.

If you are not already one of us, you may join us in spirit between 6 and 7 on the following nights:

March. . . . 5—12—19—26
 April. . . . 1—8—16—22—29
 May 6—13—19—26

We append a few letters from people who have been helped.

London, W., Dec. 5, '15

Dear Mr. Heindel:

I am pleased to write and tell you that I am now quite well, I shall never be able to thank you enough for your kind help. My adored music has been faithful to me all through my illness and every time I play I feel soul-inspired and my heart is always full of gratitude for what you have done for me, and I wish you every happiness and success.

Please accept Xmas and New Years greetings from,

yours ever gratefully,

E. K. H.

Lacombe, Dec. 17, '15

Dear Friends:

Just a line today to let you know how we are progressing. I have never felt so well for over three years as I do now. If you have never been sick you have no idea how good it feels to be gradually growing back to health and strength. Thanking you most sincerely.

Yours in Fellowship,

C. B. S.

YOUR CHILD'S HOROSCOPE

Did you notice our offer to cast your child's horoscope? Read it in the front part of the magazine, and if you want to take advantage of it, send us his or her Name, birth-year, date, hour and place. There are **five items**, do not forget any of them, or we cannot cast the horoscope and your request will be thrown out.

Echoes from Mt. Ecclesia

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AN EXPLANATION (?)

If you intend binding the magazine, you may feel annoyed that the paper is different from the usual stock this month, but we trust that you will feel different when you know the reason for this change. It has been very hard to get paper of any kind, for in January Southern California had the worst storm in many years, even mail connections being ruptured for weeks, bridges were washed out and passengers marooned. It will probably be March before normal conditions are established. Realizing this, and reading that one automobile had gotten through to San Diego by a devious, and very difficult road, the "Editor" and "Roy" our printer, determined to try and bring in paper and type that way.

It was bad and dangerous going, but we got through and by a mere chance obtained this paper from a printer who was over stocked, also our type, and had thus about 900 lbs. of freight in the car for the return trip. Then it commenced to rain, and we dared not delay because we feared the added water would wash out the road entirely, so we started. We forded rivers and climbed over mountains, ploughing through deep mud most of the time. Once we were stuck in a river-bed and were preparing to dig out, when a man with a team came along and gave us a pull. After seven hours we arrived home.

The distance from Oceanside to San Diego is 42 miles by the boulevard, which is as smooth as a floor when in condition, but we had to travel twice that distance, over almost impassable roads, in order not to miss an issue of the magazine, for that would have been the consequence of sitting down to wait for re-opening of the usual channels of communication.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE FOR YOU

You remember that we told you when the magazine was started that it would take one thousand subscribers before it paid the cost of material and typesetting. The size of the magazine was the same as now, sixty-four pages, but only thirty-six pages were reading matter changed from month to month, the rest was a resume of the philosophy, something about the Rosicrucian Fellowship Headquarters at Oceanside, and advertisements of our books. These matters must have space because they are a necessary and important part of our work in spreading the teachings which we have espoused and for which we are working. And we told you at that time, that when the subscription list reached 1500 we would enlarge the magazine. It has been a slow climb and we are far from the goal as yet. But by hard work in canvassing news dealers

offering inducements in the shape of child's horoscopes, giving the Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception as a prize for a number of new names, and last but not least, by the generosity of a number of members who have sent in subscriptions for friends, the subscription list is well over the nine hundred and fifty mark, so that now we may say that it is just about paying **expenses for material** and if any new subscribers are added, which of course we know there will be, that money would go toward paying something for the labor of those that get it out.

But we could never be satisfied to hold back and wait till the thing pays for itself, it is in our nature to want to give, give, give, and give more always. Nor are we to be commended therefore, for we cannot help it any more than water can help running down hill. It is an unspeakable joy to give. Months ago we condensed the advertising matter of the books and increased the number of pages of reading matter which changes every month; from thirty-six to forty-eight, and **now we are going to do something more**, in fact we are going to do **a whole lot more** when we start a new year of publication with the May issue. We are going to add enough space so that the reading matter will be equal to sixty-four pages of the present size of the magazine, for we are so cramped for space and there are so many good articles waiting for you, that we think it a shame to keep them back just for the sake of a little money.

This is not all of the contemplated change either, by any means. We have

greater ambitions than merely to enlarge the number of pages of the magazine. We want to increase the size so that it will be twice as large as the present volume, which seems rather squatty; that will give us a larger page and a better chance for display so that it will become **a much more artistic publication.**

A new cover design is being made for that purpose and on that space is reserved, so that the leading articles of each month may be given right on the cover. In this size magazine it will also be possible to make the Horoscopes larger so that the figures can be read more plainly. Furthermore, we are going to print **the cover in two colors**, red and black, on an imported brown craft paper, which will give it a very artistic appearance; then, instead of the present bulky paper which we are using for inside stock, we will substitute a more expensive, highly finished paper of a cream tint, which will have a much finer appearance and be easier on the eyes.

Thus you see that the appearance of the magazine will be very much improved, that it will also be increased in size and reading space, and we need not say that the quality of the articles will be kept up to the present standard and as much as lies in us that will also be improved. In short, we are going to make the *Rays From the Rose Cross* a banner publication from whatever standpoint you take it. It must compare in excellence with the Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception and all the other Rosicrucian publications, **splendid without and splendid within.**

And we are not going to increase the

price, we have established the reputation for the books of the Rosicrucian Fellowship that they give more value both physically and spiritually for the small amount of money asked for them than any other. In fact, if it were not that it costs money to bring them out, even if we have our own printing plant, that paper houses want money for the goods they send us, and Uncle Sam wants to be paid for carrying the mail, also that we must have the wherewithal to keep soul and body together so that we can do this work, if it were not for these facts, the writer would like to give the books and everything else away gratis, free for nothing, though he realizes there is the other side to the question: that people who do not care sufficiently to pay something for what they get do not care for it at all.

But we are intensely interested in spreading the Rosicrucian Teachings, and now we are going to ask our subscribers to help. It is ridiculous that a magazine of this nature and excellence has only a thousand subscribers, when there are hundreds of thousands who are looking for something wherewith to feed their hungry souls. We want to ask you to take this matter very thoroughly to heart and try to find some one who needs this. If you can do no more, send ten cents to headquarters for a sample copy to be sent to them. Probably many people think it is too deep for them, and we realize very well that if it were written "in a lighter vein" it would appeal to a larger amount of people. The writer cannot furnish such articles, but we know

there are among our subscribers many who are qualified to do so. This new space being added, will give us room for their articles, so **please help out**, and as time goes by and we get more subscribers we will not fail to enlarge the magazine still further, for as said we never think of what we can get but **how much we can give**.

Finally, please do not forget to renew your subscription so that you may not miss any numbers of the new edition, for in May we are going to start a serial article on "**The Symbolism of Ancient and Modern Initiation**," which will be a preface to another serial on "**Freemasonry and Catholicism**" which we have rewritten and enlarged.

MURDER WILL OUT

It is wonderful how the *Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception* has spread all over the world, to the remotest corners of civilization, and among all classes of people, from the highest to the lowest, the richest to the poorest. And in one sense we here at headquarters realize this better than other people, because we see the sacks of mail going out every day with single books ordered by individuals, in addition to the larger boxes sent to jobbers and dealers in various parts of the world; we also learn of the work it is doing from the constant stream of letters coming from hungry souls who have been filled and are desirous of expressing their gratitude and appreciation. Nevertheless, one does not realize it at

headquarters as fully as when one comes in personal touch with these people and hears how it is discussed in the strangest places and in the strangest ways.

Recently Mr. Heindel was called before the Grand Jury to testify against the Trustees of the city of Oceanside who have been held there by a band of our citizens for wrong-doing. It was proved that they have allowed the electric light company to take thousands of dollars worth of water without one cent remuneration to the city, because some of the City Trustees are stockholders in that company and benefit by it. They have also let contracts for the city's works to members of their own board without allowing others to compete, and done many kindred illegal felonies, and it is hoped that the Federal authorities will debar them from ever holding office in the state of California, and thus rid Oceanside of a ring of political bosses which has been keeping it back for many years.

But this is getting away from our story. When Mr. Heindel entered the jury room the question was asked, What is your business? to which we modestly answered. We are publishers. Then one of the Grand Jurymen spoke up quickly: O, yes! but you are an author, have written the *Cosmo*! and Mr. Heindel had to plead guilty, of course. But note this, the gentleman in question did not say the *Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception*, he said the "**Cosmo**," showing that he was very familiar with the book, by giving it the name that we all give it after we have become well acquainted with it. And it was noticeable that there was in the jury

room a very friendly feeling toward Mr. Heindel, which could not be accounted for if he were an entire stranger. This was explained. Mr. Heindel was the last witness for the day, and when he left the stenographer followed him out. O, Mr. Heindel! said she, I have also read your *Cosmo*, but I don't pretend to understand it. I wish I could find out a whole lot more about it. When Mr. Heindel expressed his surprise at finding another person among the small number composing the Grand Jury, she explained: O! before you came in a number of them talked about it and said they had read the *Cosmo*. That accounted for the friendliness and the familiarity which Mr. Heindel had not been able otherwise to explain, and it added another proof to the many which we already have, of the wonderful influence of the *Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception* upon a growing minority among the people. The good work is going on all the time. Every day names are being added to the list of those who love our teachings. It is not a lightning growth, nor is it like a mushroom, but when we compare it with the spread of the exoteric teachings of Christianity, we have no reason whatever to complain. Tacitus, the Roman historian who wrote about the year 80 of our Era, gives only a bare mention of the Christians as a small insignificant sect living near the borders of the empire. From such small beginning grew the present world religion, and there is no doubt that during the present century, not to speak of the Aquarian age, the Rosicrucian teachings will command universal and world-wide attention.

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Its mission was to blend **Esoteric Christianity**, **Mystic Masonry**, and **Spiritual Alchemy** into one great system of Religious Philosophy, adequate to meet the advanced spiritual and intellectual needs of the Western World, during the Aquarian Age of two thousand years, when the Sun, by precession of the Equinox, passes through the constellation Aquarius.

This Western Wisdom School, like all earlier Esoteric Orders, is secret, but **the Rosicrucian Fellowship** is its **Herald of the Aquarian Age**, now at hand, promulgating this blended scientific soul science: **The Western Wisdom Religion for the Western World.**

Formerly, religious truths were intuitively perceived or taken wholly on faith as dogmas of the church. Today, a growing class demands that immortality and kindred matters be proved to the intellect, deductively or by observation, as are other facts of life, like heredity and ether. They desire religion as much as their fathers but want the ancient truths in modern dress congruous to their altered intellectual condition. To this class the Rosicrucian Fellowship addresses itself with a definite, logical and sequential teaching, concerning the origin, evolution and future development of the world and man, which is strictly scientific as it is reverently religious; a teaching which makes no statements not supported by reason and logic, which satisfies the mind by clear explanations, which neither begs nor evades questions, but offers a reasonable solution to all mysteries, so that the heart may be allowed to believe what the intellect has sanctioned, and the solace of religion may speak peace to the troubled mind. The following is a brief resume of **Facts about Life here and hereafter.** A list of the lectures referred to is found in the back of this magazine.

Sooner or later there comes a time when the consciousness is forced to recognize the fact that life, as we see it, is but fleeting, and that amid all the uncertainties of our existence there is but one certainty—Death!

When the mind has thus become aroused by thought of the leap in the dark which must some time be taken by all, the question of questions—Whence have we come?—Why are we here?—Whither are we going?—must inevitably present itself. This is a basic problem with which all must sooner or later grapple, and it is of the greatest importance how we solve it, for the view we take will color our whole life.

Only three theories of note have been brought forward to solve this problem. To range ourselves in one of the three groups of mankind, segregated in their adherence to one theory or the other in an intelligent manner, it is necessary to know the three theories, to calmly weigh

and compare them one with another with established facts. Lecture No. 1 does just that, and whether we agree with its conclusions or not, we shall surely have a more comprehensive grasp of the various viewpoints and be better able to form an intelligent opinion when we have read "**The Riddle of Life and Death.**"

If we have come to the conclusion that death does not end our existence, it is but a natural question to ask: **Where are the dead?** This momentous question is dealt with in Lecture No. 2. The law of conservation of matter and energy precludes annihilation, yet we see that matter is constantly changing from the visible state and back again, as, for instance, water is evaporated by the sun, partially condensed into a cloud and then falls to earth again as rain.

Consciousness may also exist without being able to give us any sign, as in cases where people have been thought dead, but have awakened and told all that had been said and done in their presence.

So there must be an invisible World of force and matter, as independent of our cognition of it as light and color exist regardless of the fact they are not perceived by the blind.

In that invisible World the so-called dead are now living in full possession of all the mental and emotional faculties. They are living a life as real as existence here.

The invisible World is cognized by means of a sixth sense developed by some, but latent in most people. It may be developed in all, but different methods produce varying results.

This faculty compensates for distance in a manner far superior to the best telescopes and for the lack of size in a degree unreachable by the most powerful microscope. It penetrates where the X-ray cannot. A wall or a dozen walls are no denser to the spiritual sight than crystal to ordinary vision.

In Lecture No. 3 **Spiritual Sight and the Spiritual Worlds**, this faculty is described, and Lecture No. 11, **Spiritual Sight and Insight**, gives a safe method of development.

The Invisible World is divided into different realms: The **Etheric Region**, the **Desire World**, the **Region of Concrete Thought** and the **Region of Abstract Thought.**

These divisions are not arbitrary, but are necessary because the substance of which they are composed obeys different laws. For instance, physical matter is subject to the law of gravity, in the Desire World forms levitate as easily as they gravitate.

Man needs various vehicles to function in the different

Worlds, as we need a carriage to ride on land, a boat at sea and an airship in the air.

We know that we must have a **dense body** to live in the visible World. Man also has a **vital body** composed of ether, which enables him to sense things around him. He has a **desire body** formed of the materials of the Desire World, which gives him a passionate nature and incites him to action. The **Mind** is formed of the substance of the Region of Concrete Thought and acts as a brake upon impulse. It gives purpose to action. The real man, **the Thinker or Ego**, functions in the Region of Abstract Thought, acting upon and through its various instruments.

Lecture No. 4 deals with the normal and abnormal conditions of life such as **Sleep, Dreams, Trance, Hypnotism, Mediumship and Insanity**. The previously mentioned finer vehicles are all concentric with the dense body in the waking state, when we are active in thought, word and deed, but the activities of the day cause the body to grow tired and sleepy.

When the wear and tear incident to use of a building has made exhaustive repairs necessary, the tenants move out that the workmen may have full scope for restoration. So when wear and tear of the day has exhausted the body, it is necessary to restore its tone and rhythm. During the night the Ego hovers **outside the dense body** clothed in desire body and mind. Sometimes the Ego only withdraws partially, is half in the body and half out, then it sees both the Desire World and the Physical World, but confused as in a dream.

Hypnotism is mental assault. The unsuspecting victim is driven out of his body and the hypnotist obtains control.

The victims of the hypnotist are released at his death, however, but the medium is not so fortunate. Spirit-controls are really invisible hypnotists. Their invisibility gives great scope for deception and after death they may take possession of a medium's desire body, use it for ages, and keep their hapless victim from progressing along the pathway of evolution. This latter phase of Mediumship is elucidated in Lecture No. 5, which deals with **Death and Life in Purgatory**.

What we call death is in reality but a shifting of consciousness from one World to another. We have a **science of birth** with trained nurses, obstetricians, antiseptics and every other means of caring for the incoming Ego, but are sorely in need of a **science of death**, for when a friend is passing out of our concrete existence, we stand helplessly about, ignorant of how to assist, or worse, we do things which make the passing infinitely harder than if we merely stood idly by. Giving stimulants is one of our worst offenses against the dying, as it draws the passing spirit into the dense body again with

the force of a catapult.

After the heart has stopped on account of the partial rupture of the **silver cord**, (which united the higher and lower vehicles of man during sleep and remains unsevered for a time varying from a few hours to three and a half days after death), there is still on that account a certain feeling if the body is embalmed, opened for post-mortem examination, or cremated. The body should therefore be left unmolested, for at that time the passing Ego is engaged in reviewing the pictures of its past life (which are seen in a flash by drowning persons.) These pictures are impressed daily and hourly upon the ether of the vital body as independently of our observation as a detailed picture is impressed upon the photographic plate by the ether regardless of whether the photographer observed details or not. They form an absolutely true record of our past life, which we may call the subconscious memory (or mind), far superior to the view we store in our conscious memory (or mind.)

Under the immutable **Law of Consequence**, which decrees that what we sow we reap, the deeds of life are the basis of our existence after death. The panorama of a past life is the book of the Recording Angels, who are adjusters of the score we make under the Law of Consequence.

Review of the life panorama just after death etches the pictures into the desire body, which is our normal vehicle in the Desire World, **where Purgatory and the First Heaven** are located.

The Panorama of life is the basis of purgation of evil in purgatory and assimilation of good deeds in the first heaven. It is of the highest importance that this panorama be deeply etched into the desire body, for if that impress is deep and clear the Ego will suffer more sharply in purgatory and experience a keener joy in the first heaven. This feeling will remain as conscience in future lives to impel good action and discourage evil deeds.

If the passing spirit is left in peace and quiet to concentrate upon the life-panorama, the etching will be clear and sharp, but if the relatives distract his attention by loud hysterical lamentations during the first three and one half days when the silver cord is yet intact, a shallow or blurred impression will cause the spirit to lose much of the lessons which should have been learned. To correct this anomaly the Recording Angels are often forced to terminate the next Earth-life in early childhood before the desire body has come to birth, as described in **Birth a Four-fold Event** (Lecture No. 7), for that which has not been quickened cannot die, and so the child goes into the first heaven and learns the lessons it did not learn before, and is thus equipped to pass on in Life's School.

As such Egos retain the desire body and mind they had

in life where they died as children, it often happens that they remember that life, for they only stay out of Earth life from one to twenty years.

Suffering in Purgatory arises from two causes: Desires which cannot be gratified or the reaction to the pictures of the life panorama—the drunkard suffers tortures of Tantalus because he has no means of obtaining or retaining drink. The miser suffers because he lacks the hand to restrain his heirs from squandering his cherished hoard. Thus the Law of Consequence purges evil habits until desire has burned itself out.

If we have been cruel, the panorama of life radiates back upon us the pictures of ourselves and our victims. Conditions are reversed in purgatory. We suffer as they suffered. Thus, in time, we are purged of sin. The coarse desire matter which forms the embodiment of evil has been expelled by the centrifugal force of Repulsion in purgatory and we retain but the pure and the good which is embodied in subtler desire stuff dominated by the centripetal force—attraction, which amalgamates good in the first heaven when the life panorama depicts scenes in our past life where we helped others, or where we felt grateful for favors, as described in Lecture No. 6, **Life in Heaven**, which also deals with our stay in the **Second Heaven**, located in the Region of Concrete Thought.

That is also the realm of **tone**, as the Desire World is of **color**, and the Physical World of **form**. Tone, or sound, is the builder of all that is on Earth, as John says: “In the beginning was the **Word**” (sound)—and the Word was made flesh,” the flesh of all things, “without it was not anything made that was made.” The mountain, the moss, the mouse and the man are all embodiments of this Great Creative Word, which came down from heaven.

There the man becomes one with the nature forces. Angels and Archangels teach him to build such an environment as he has deserved under the Law of Consequence. If he dallied his time away in metaphysical speculation, as do the Hindus, he neglects to build a good material environment, and is reborn in an arid land where flood and famine teach him to turn his attention to material things. When he focuses his mind on the Physical World, aspiring to wealth and material comforts, he will build in Heaven unexcelled material environment, a wealthy land with facilities for ease and comfort, as the Western World has done. But as we always long for what we lack, the possessions we have are satiating us beyond comfort and we are beginning to aspire to the spiritual life as the Hindus, our younger brothers, are aspiring now to the material prosperity we are leaving behind, as more fully elucidated in Lecture No. 19, **The Coming Force—Vril?** which shows why Hindu Yoga practices are detrimental to Westerners. They being behind us in

evolution.

When the Ego has helped to build the creative archetype for the environment of its next earth-life in the **Second Heaven** it ascends into the **Third Heaven**, located in the Region of Abstract Thought. But few people have learned to think **abstractly**, as in mathematics; the majority of people are therefore unconscious, as in sleep, waiting for the **Clock of Destiny**—the stars, to indicate the time when effects engendered by the action of past lives can be worked out. When the heavenly time makers, the Sun, Moon and planets, have reached a proper position, the Ego wakes and desires a new embodiment.

The Recording Angels look up the record of all our past lives, which is stamped upon the **super conscious mind** each time an Ego withdraws to the third Heaven, as outlined in Lecture No. 7, **Birth a Fourfold Event**. When there is no particular reason why a certain environment should be taken, the Ego has a choice of various embodiments. These are shown to it as a panorama giving the great outline of each proposed life, but leaving scope for individual freewill in the detail.

Once a choice has been made, the Ego is bound to liquidate **ripe** causes selected by the Recording Angels and any attempt to evade that will be frustrated. It should be carefully noted that evil is eradicated in Purgatory. Only tendencies remain, to tempt us till we have consciously overcome. Thus we are born innocent and **at least every evil act is an act of free will**.

When the Ego descends toward rebirth it gathers the materials for its new bodies, but they are not born at the same time. Birth of the vital body inaugurates rapid growth from 7 to 14, ripening also the propagative faculty. Birth of the desire body at 14 gives rise to the impulsive period from 14 to 21. At that age the birth of the mind furnishes a brake on impulse and gives a foundation for serious life.

MOUNT ECCLESIA

In order to make our philosophy of life and health of practical value in the world, we have bought 40 acres of land in the little town of Oceanside, 83 miles south of Los Angeles. It is one of the sightliest spots in sunny Southern California, situated upon the promontory of a high table land. From Mount Ecclesia, as we have named our headquarters, there is an unobstructed view of the beautiful blue Pacific Ocean. Directly west lies the island of San Clemente, 75 miles out, and ships are often silhouetted upon the skyline as they sail by. Forty miles to the southward looms the promontory of La Jolla, a suburb of San Diego, the southernmost city in Uncle Sam's spacious realm. Eighty miles north from mount Ecclesia we see the lovely island of Catalina with its

crystal clear waters and its luxuriant submarine gardens, so strange and fantastic that they outstrip fancy and fairy-tale alike. Immediately below Mount Ecclesia lies the smiling San Luis Rey valley with its fertile green fields and its historic old mission; a little further away are the rounded foothills with their wonderful play of light and shade; then the mountains with their rugged contours; and farthest to the east we see the snowcapped peaks of Mount San Bernardino, Mount Greyback and Mount San Jacinto.

A HEALTH RESORT

The climate is as wonderful as the view, and incomprehensible to all who have not lived here. One may wear a white shirtwaist outdoors on every day in winter, and we do not perspire on the warmest day in summer on account of the sea breeze which sweeps over Mount Ecclesia every day from about 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., cooling the atmosphere and filling our lungs with invigorating ozone fresh from the heaving bosom of the great Pacific Ocean. It is a veritable elixir of life, and therefore this place offers such rare physical conditions for the attainment of health that it is probably without a peer.

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OUR BUILDINGS

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WHY YOU OUGHT TO STUDY ASTROLOGY

There is a side of the moon that we never see, but that hidden half is as potent a factor in creating the ebb and flow as the part of the moon which is visible. Similarly, there is an invisible part of man which exerts a powerful influence in life, and as the tides are measured by the motion of sun and moon, so also the eventualities of existence are measured by the circling stars, which may therefore be called "the Clock of Destiny," and knowledge of their import is an immense power, for to the competent Astrologer a horoscope reveals every secret of life.

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THE COWBOY'S PRAYER

O Lord, I've never lived where churches grow;
I love creation better as it stood
That day you finished it so long ago
And looked upon your work and called it good.
I know that others find you in the light
That's sifted down through tinted window panes,
And yet, I seem to feel you near tonight,
In this dim starlight on the plains.
I thank you, Lord, that I am placed so well;
That you have made my freedom so complete;
That I'm no slave of whistle, clock and bell,
Or weak-eyed prisoner of wall and street.
Just let me live my life as I've begun,
And give me work that's open to the sky;
Make me a partner of the wind and sun
And I won't ask a life that's soft or high.
Let me be easy on the man that's down
And make me square and generous with all;
I'm careless sometimes, Lord, when I'm in town,
But never let them say I'm mean or small.
Make me as big and open as the plains,
As honest as the horse between my knees,
Clean as the wind that blows behind the rains,
Free as the hawk that circles down the breeze.
Forgive me, Lord, when sometimes I forget;
You understand the reasons that are hid,
You know about the things that gall and fret,
You know me better than my mother did.
Just keep an eye on all that's done and said,
Just right me sometimes when I turn aside,
And guide me on the long, dim trail ahead
That stretches upward toward the great Divide.

—Charles B. Clark, Jr.