

with woods in the distance. Farther down on the right is a city. There is something round it; posts and high work that seem made to protect it. I see buildings and people, the buildings are small. What are they made of? Most of them seem plastered or mud-bedaubed. It looks nothing like our cities. One building I see is very large and a great many people are coming and going near there; some walking and others riding. What are they riding on? Not horses, but animals much smaller, I do not know what. Some of the streets are very dirty, the others clean and from the city I can see out in the country. There is a fine wide highway. The large building I saw is not high, but covers considerable ground. The roof goes up to a peak but it looks nothing like our buildings. It resembles most a huge tent. People are riding on strange looking things drawn by animals that look more like sheep than anything else, though they are not sheep for they are larger and of a darker color and hold up their heads like deer. The vehicles look like old boxes mounted on two wheels."

That a race of comparatively civilized people living in cities and employing beasts of burden ever existed in northern Ohio will seem like a very strange story to some persons, yet those who are familiar with the remains of mounds and fortifications that are scattered over the surface of Ohio and the western states generally, may regard it as possible that such a people as Mrs. Foote saw once lived in Ohio; who, being startled by the descent of an enormous aerolite had made it an object of religious worship and it had thus become impressed with the scenes described.

That Indians should have employed animals as beasts of burden will not appear strange to those who are acquainted with their history. When the Spaniards first invaded Peru and Chile they found the llama in common use as a beast of burden. Agustin de Zarate in 1544 thus describes the llama in Peru: "In places where there is no snow the natives want water and to supply this they fill the skins of sheep with water and make other living sheep carry them, for it must be remarked that these sheep of Peru are large enough to serve as beasts of burden. They can carry about one hundred pounds or more. They are used by the Spaniards to ride upon and can go four or five leagues a day. The heads of these animals are small in proportion to their bodies and are somewhat in shape between the head of a horse and that of a sheep. Their necks are long and they walk holding up their heads with wonderful gravity."

These animals are found both brown and white but the white are most common. The llama was not, however, found by the Spaniards in North America but it is quite possible that they existed there at an earlier period, but

had perished like the camel and horse that we know existed in North America during the Tertiary Period.

Later I tried an experiment with a fragment of what was known to be an aerolite. On this occasion Mrs. Denton said:

"This seems to have had something done to it. I can easily see into the inside of it but the difficulty is with the outside. I know not how to describe what I see. Here are different kinds of metals and beautiful objects that look like gems. I see a great steep chasm. What a terrible depth! It must have been dreadfully disturbed.

"I see a hilly country now. The landscape is beautiful, delightful, all is at perfect rest like a calm summer's day. I see a mountain of rock with iron-like network all through it. It looks like meteoric iron. This must be a piece of the specimen I tried the other day. I see different colors in the rock that look like the reflection of brilliant gems. It is, however, merely light reflected from the iron. There seems to be a great deal of electrical light in this. In proportion as I move this specimen from my forehead the mountain increases in visible size. It looks ragged, the iron seems quite distinct.

"This is curious: Now there is nothing at all to be seen and I feel as if I were in the air—not in the air either but in nothing, no place. I am utterly unable to describe it. It seems high however. I feel as though I were rising and my eyes are carried upward, but I look around in vain, there is nothing to be seen. I see clouds now but nothing else. They are so close to me that I seem in them. My head and neck and eyes are affected. My eyes are carried up and I cannot roll them down. Now the clouds appear lighter and lighter, and look as though the sunlight would burst through them. Now the clouds separate, I can see a star or two and then the moon instead of the sun. The moon seems near and looks coarse and rough and appears paler and larger in size than I ever saw it before.

"What a strange feeling comes over me! It appears as if I were going right into the moon and it looks as if it were coming to me. It affects me terribly."

She was too much affected to continue the experiment longer. Had this aerolite at some period of its history come within the sphere of the moon's attraction and its velocity so increased that its augmented centrifugal force carried it off into space again whence drawn by the superior attractive force of the earth it had fallen and its planetary career ended forever? Large fire-balls have been seen approaching the earth and then flying off again apparently in this very manner.

Another meteoric specimen I obtained from Prof. McChesney, Chicago; was tried by Mrs. Denton on another occasion. She knew nothing of what was the nature of the fragment given her. She said:

"I am a very large monstrous beast. Others are near me that are different. My proportions are very huge. I seem to be among trees. I do not believe I can get at the true influence of the specimen.

"I see a great rock that goes up like a mountain and feel like flying off. I am off. What a high rock that is. I stand at the foot of it. I cannot make this agree with the other. There is a slope up to a tract of low land in the distance. It looks marshy, I do not feel at home up here, I am too awkward and clumsy. I am rising through the air to the top of the rocks. That certainly cannot be right—the two do not agree at all. Is it a fossil? No, that rock looks like a great broken mass. There are bodies in it that shine so as to dazzle my eyes. I cannot tell what they are. Now I have that moving feeling again. I know what this is now. It is a piece of an aerolite, the slope or inclined plane that I saw is covered with short green vegetation differing from all I have ever seen. It looks more like moss than grass; though I never saw anything covered with moss to such an extent. The soil in which it grows seems, very thin.

"This is strange; I seem to have come to the jumping off place. The sky is overhead and almost under my feet. There is a ledge of bare rock of great height and miles in length and looking down at an angle of about 35 degrees I see the sky below."

Both Mrs. Denton and myself were very much puzzled with regard to this reading until I remembered that the specimen previous to examination had been wrapped up in a paper with a fragment of the tooth of a mastodon and had apparently imbibed considerable of its influence and to this, in my opinion, strange as it may seem was owing the difficulty in obtaining the true influence of the specimen.

Facts that have come before me during examinations since made have convinced me that what I then surmised was the transference at times of psychometric impressions from one specimen to another. I have sometimes thought that where specimens have no striking history of their own they more readily receive impressions from neighboring specimens.

Two months later Dr. Bartlett of Aurora, Ill., gave me a piece of rock looking somewhat like lava supposed to be of meteoric origin. It was one of a number of pieces that were found upon his farm at Waukegan, Ill., and covered an oval space of ground at one end of which, where the fall had apparently taken place, they had sunk deeply into the ground. The Doctor thought the aerolite before its fall must have been as large at least as a flour barrel. When this was given to Mrs. Denton without allowing her to know the nature of the specimen she said:

"It appears as if I were down at the bottom of the sea.

I can see about twenty feet around me though not very distinctly, as the water is not clear. I hear it roaring above me. I am near a cliff that presents a perpendicular face to me. Whether it rises up above the water or not I cannot tell. I occupy the same position with regard to the high cliff that I did before with the meteoric specimen, the only difference being that I am now in water and do not see that long green slope. I cannot help thinking that this is the same place and this specimen must be meteoric.

"I am now rising and everything around me is rising at the same time. I have a nervous feeling in connection with it that a person might be supposed to have during an earthquake. I rise and sink alternately, though never as low as before. I feel as if there would be a collision before long. There is a bright stream of light now exactly before me. What can that mean? It flashes upon my vision every moment and produces great terror. All seems strange and terrible. There are two streams of bright light which I seem to see through a dense fog.

"Now I am moving with great velocity and tremendous force and then there comes a terrible crash. All is confusion. I do not think the concussion took place on this earth. I see enormous rocks like mountains for size shot up and piled on one another. I have seen nothing like it for magnificence and sublimity. The rocks are absolutely naked. What a pit! I can see down a vast distance. It is horribly deep.

"Now I am down and miles of rock are above me. This is chaos. I can see water flowing down like a torrent among the naked rocks. There was heat before the concussion and heaving, rolling, rocking before moving through the air.

"I have travelled for many miles over the surface of that world, for world it is with plains and seas. I see a road between two cliffs, it is natural of course and near it is a low ridge covered with green vegetation, the soil is exceedingly thin."

This ended our experiments with meteoric stones for that time but many more experiments are yet needed to bring order out of their apparent confusion. Our experiments indicate that meteorites were once portions of a world shattered by some terrible convulsions of nature into fragments, that these worlds, or at least one of them, had an atmosphere surrounding it with large bodies of water and a vegetation such as ours must have been at the close of the Silurian Period.

(To be continued.)

The question for each man to settle is not what he would do if he had means, time, influence, and educational advantages, but what he will do with the things he has.

Forward Speed

John Hawkins

DIFFICULTIES and apparently deterrent influences are the ladders of God. They are the means by which we may climb to greater heights of spiritual attainment, and we have only to accept them in the right spirit in order to find in them potent factors on the line of advancement.

One of the ancients said that “although there should be no calves in the stall, no fruit on the vine, though everything and every friend should fail, yet would he not depart from serving the Lord.” This typifies quite accurately the experiences through which most of us must pass if we intend to be faithful to the Light Within, and to attain our highest Spiritual Ideal. We can only reach the great and magnificent through the small and apparently insignificant, therefore we must perform to the best of our ability the duty that lies nearest our hand, at the same time being ever watchful for opportunities as they come along; remembering that this done well, in a cheerful spirit, will do more to advance us than anything else.

Every fraction of life and time has equal greatness and significance. Faithfulness *now* means enlarged opportunities presently, but the time of preparation is equally as important as the hour of fruition and achievement.

Therefore, make the most of the passing hour.

The true path is seldom or never the one that affords the greatest promise at the outset; it rather presents the greatest difficulty and perplexity.

In the experiences of our soul coming out into the world, and assuming the first weight of responsibility, we are confronted by the Ideal on the one hand, and by the customs and manners of earth life on the other hand. It is so easy to live in what may be called “the near-by,” in the deceptive warmth and apparent security of earthly attachments and established customs; but always, above the noise and glamour of the earth-life, is heard the calm, low, insistent voice of the Ideal; the reminder of vows, and experiences, the beckoning hand, forever calling us forward, pointing us Onward and Upward to the goal.

Always above the “near-by” worldliness, we may see and recognize our Guiding Star, and if its light grows indistinct, it is only by reason of the distance we ourselves have placed between.

Now, those who have determined to tread the Path of Spiritual Attainment, and to take some share of the responsibility in the work of human perfection, can find the Path, and qualify for service only by following faithfully the Inward Voice, giving no heed to the dissenting

murmur of established custom, or the urgings of the lower emotions.

For every phase of our national life must take its true place and render its own allotted assistance in the Attainment of the Ideal.

Our home life, our business life and methods, our social and domestic life—all these are factors which cannot be ignored in the attainment of Spiritual Life and Power. The true disciple will therefore strive to raise the tone of the established rules of the life and conduct in his environment until these coincide with the promptings of the Ideal. He cannot say “It is the way of the community, therefore it is excusable.” He can only ask, “Is it right, does it advance my fellows to the greatest good?”

In other words, he must have in his nature an element of relentlessness and must at all times ignore the consequences of his just decisions. He must do the right, and follow his Guiding Star, whatever the result.

Hence the point of greatest importance is to have an overwhelming bias in favor of the right and Truth with a stern determination to follow it faithfully and to the End. Such an one will often, especially at the outset, makes many apparent mistakes and miscalculations and will often see, or think that he sees, where he might have chosen a straighter course, but as he advances still further and reaches the point where the small Light appears as a Living Flame, he will be able to look back and see through the perspective of the greater number of incidents how the miscalculations have contributed to the perfect result, and how the short journeys around have prevented great catastrophies. Then he knows that he has indeed been led “O’er moor and fen, O’er crag and torrent” until at last the Ideal has fully claimed him, and the shadows have disappeared in the Light of Eternal Day.

Are you afraid of becoming righteous over much? of ruining your business? your health? or losing your soul? or your reason? Do you think it best to hold to the little you have? Have you listened to the sophism that you cannot be too honest these days? That you can take it too far? That you must be temperate in all things? Others have listened also, listened and failed, listened and lost that which they had and were—that which they might have had and been. These have gone back to the common men and women, satisfied to gratify common tastes and appetites, content to prey upon others and be preyed upon in their turn; for no one can follow the precepts of established custom successfully without becoming in

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Question Department

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The Method of Spiritual Cognition

QUESTION: Will you please discuss the following topic in the "Question Department" of your excellent Magazine?

The problem of cognition. How does the seer know on the higher planes? By this I mean, (a) how can he distinguish between a thought form emanating from his own mind and (b) the thought form emanating from some other person either in the body or out, and (c) objective spiritual entities?

Answer:

Contrary to the opinion of people who do not know anything about the matter, this is purely a matter of training. It is absolutely wrong to suppose that because a person has developed the spiritual sight and is able to see things in the worlds which are usually invisible to the ordinary human view in the present stage of evolution he therefore by the same faculty knows everything. As a matter of fact, he does not know anything until he has acquired the knowledge by investigation.

The law of analogy, which is the master-key to all mysteries, should make this clear. "As above, so below" and "as below, so above." We see the telephone hanging on the wall; we know how to operate it by taking down the receiver, placing it to our ear and talking into the transmitter. We know even in vague way that it is operated by electricity, but the mechanism is a mystery to the great majority.

Similarly, we may turn an electric switch, the lights are flashed on, all the motors begin to whirl, we see the phenomena, but we do not know the under-lying forces until by investigation we have fitted ourselves and acquired the knowledge. And the very same conditions obtain in the desire world to an even greater degree, because of the superlative plasticity of the desire stuff and the ease wherewith it is changed into different forms by the ensouling spirit, whether superhuman or elemental. On that account even the person who has voluntary control of his spiritual sight requires thorough training and must cultivate the faculty of seeing beyond the form to the ensouling life.

It is only when he has cultivated that faculty that he is free from delusion and able to distinguish the true nature and status of all the things and beings which he sees in the invisible world. To do this in the most efficient manner and have the certainty of escaping illusion, it is nec-

essary to cultivate the grade of spiritual sight pertaining to the concrete region of the World of Thought, where the archetypes, which are the ensouling life, can be seen.

To make this clear we may call to mind that the physical sight varies so that there are certain beings which see perfectly under conditions which to us appear as darkness. For instance, owls and bats. The eyes of fishes are constructed so that they see under water. The organs of spiritual sight are also capable of being attuned to different vibrations. Each rate of vibration produces a different grade of sight and opens up to the investigator a certain realm of nature. By an exceedingly slight extension of the physical sight the ethers and the beings therein become plainly visible and this grade of sight may be likened to the X-ray. For objects which appear solid to the physical sight are most easily penetrated by the etheric vision.

When one looks at a house with the etheric vision he sees right through the wall and if he wants to find out what is taking place in a room on the farther side of the house from where he stands, the etheric rays from his eyes to the objects in that room pierce through the walls and all other intervening objects and he sees them just as plainly as if the whole house were made of glass. This grade of sight may be applied to the human body and it is possible with its help to look through the whole organic structure and watch its functions in actual operation.

The writer also had the idea until recently, that the common trick of reading a letter which is enclosed in a sealed envelope perhaps in the pocket of another person was done in the same manner. But stimulated by the articles on psychometry now running in this magazine, he one day took a letter addressed to himself and tried the experiment which succeeded beautifully, showing the person who had written the letter sitting in his room and giving the whole contents very nicely. Immediately afterwards he tried another letter with the etheric sight to ascertain how the result would differ and it was then found to be very difficult to disentangle the writing on account of the letter having been folded up. There seemed to be a conglomerate mass of ink streaks and it required the use of the next higher grade of sight which pertains to the desire world before the letter could be disentangled and read.

When one looks at an object with the sight necessary to see the desire world, even the most solid objects are also seen through and through, but with the difference that one sees them as it were from all directions. Thought-forms such as spoken of by the enquirer would probably be clothed in this material because no thought-form can compel action save through the medium of this force-matter which we call desire stuff and no one who has not made a study of it can guess how many people are actuated by thought-forms which they think are their own, but which, as a matter of fact, originated in the brain of some one else. It is in this way that what we call public opinion is formed. Strong thinkers who have certain definite ideas about a particular thing radiate these thought-forms from themselves and others less positive and not antagonistic to the view expressed in these wandering thought-forms catch them up and think that these thoughts have originated within themselves. Thus gradually the sentiment grows until that which was originally started by one man has been accepted by a large part of the community.

To learn positively the origin of such stray thought-forms would necessitate examination by means of the grade of sight necessary to function in the region of Concrete Thought, where the idea first took shape. There all solid objects appear as vacuous cavities from which a basic key note is continually sounded and thus whoever sees a thing also hears from itself the whole history of its being. Thought-forms which have not yet crystallized into physical action or being do not present themselves to the observer as a cavity but there thoughts are not silent. They speak in a language which is unmistakable and convey far more accurately than words can what is their intent until the force which their originator expended to bring them into being has been spent, and, as they sing in the key peculiar to the person who gave them birth, it is a comparatively easy matter to the trained occultist to trace them to their source.

Regarding section "c" of your question, it is not quite clear what you mean. If you want to know how we can distinguish the thoughts of objective spiritual entities from our own thoughts the foregoing method may be applied to all beings without any distinction whatsoever; but if you mean how can we distinguish objective spiritual entities from thought-forms, the answer is that thought-forms lack spontaneity, they are more or less like automata. They move and act in one direction only, according to the will of the thinker, which is the motive power within them. The actions of objective spiritual entities are spontaneous and changeable in the same way that we change our actions or tactics whenever we wish or it seems desirable.

Question:

I find in the Bible in the Book of Job the words: "Canst thou bind the sweet Influences of the Pleiades or loose the bands of Orion?" Is there any influence of these stars upon men?

Answer:

Yes, there is no doubt that all the stars in the universe have an influence upon men and some astrologers also mark the positions of a number of fixed stars when they cast a horoscope. To our minds that is only a waste of time and work for the average human mind is now put to a sufficiently severe test to balance the interacting influences of houses, signs, and aspecting planets in such a manner as to read accurately the full message of the stars as shown by these elementary factors. It maybe stated, however, with respect to the Pleiades that that is one of three nebulous spots in the zodiac which has been found to exert an evil influence upon the eyes under certain horoscopic configurations of the Sun and Moon with Saturn, Mars, Uranus, and Neptune.

ENTHUSIASM

Enthusiasm is always connected with the senses, whatever be the object that excites it. The true strength of virtue is serenity of mind combined with a deliberate and steadfast determination to execute her laws. That is the healthful condition of the moral life; on the other hand, enthusiasm, even when excited to representations of goodness, is a brilliant but feverish glow which leaves only exhaustion and languor behind.—Kant.

"Contemplate the courses of the Stars as one should do that revolves along with them. Consider frequently the connection of all things in the Universe and their relations to each other. All things are in a manner intermingled with each other, and are therefore mutually friendly. For one thing comes in due order after another by virtue of local movements, and of the harmony and unity of the whole."—Marcus Aurelius,

Spiritualization, like civilization, is a matter of becoming, of living, of attaining. Live the life and you will attain to its knowledge; and unless you do that you cannot possibly attain to complete understanding, for actual experience is the required basis for understanding. No doubt you have found this true of the physical and of the mental; did you expect something different of the spiritual? One law governs the whole universe.

I pity bashful men, who fed the pain
Of fancied scorn and undeserved disdain,
And bear the marks upon a blushing face
Of needless shame, and self-imposed disgrace.

—Cowper



The Astral Ray

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Finding the Ascendant

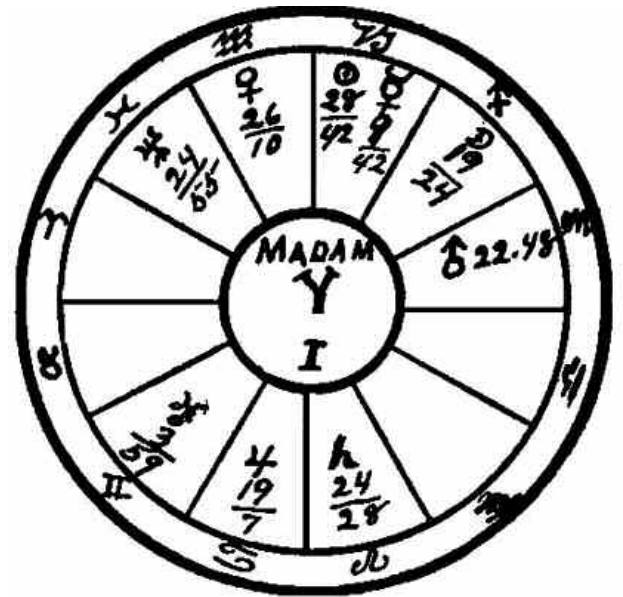
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ON ANOTHER occasion a lady, whom we will call Madam Y, because that is not her name, came into the dining hall on Mt. Ecclesia just as the Editor was going out to take his usual evening constitutional. She had a horoscope in her hand and wanted information about her rising sign. As she had only been visitor at Mt. Ecclesia for a few days the Editor took a good long look at her and said: "You are a Scorpio."

But the lady indignantly denied the accusation. She was sure that Taurus was the rising sign at her birth. "Very well," said the Editor, taking the horoscope from her and turning it so that Taurus was on the first house as shown in the figure below, and the first configuration which attracted his attention was Mars in the seventh house square to Saturn in the fourth, from the signs Scorpio and Leo. Turning to the lady he said: "Madam, if this is your figure your husband is a martial, domineering man shown by Mars in Scorpio in the seventh house, and Saturn in Leo in the fourth house which represents the home, tells me that he is always crushing every atom of self-expression out of you in the home, continually saying: 'Don't do this, don't do that and don't do the other thing.' How does that fit?"

"Oh no, Mr. Heindel," answered the lady, and she was very emphatic about it. "My husband is the kindest, noblest man that ever existed and I have the most perfect freedom in every respect!"

"Well," said the Editor, "that does not look very good for Taurus then, but let us see if something is all right about this figure. The Sun is right up in the Midheaven on the cusp of Aquarius in the eleventh-house-sign, ruling aspirations and friendships. Venus is also in Aquarius



and the Midheaven, the Sun being sextile to the energizer Mars. These configurations should, give you a high social standing in your sphere of life. It should make you a capable leader and fond of appearing as such before the public in clubs, societies and whatever other sphere you may move. How does this delineation compare with facts?"

"Not at all, Mr. Heindel! I don't mean to say that I have no friends. I have a few but I do not want to have anything to do with clubs, societies or any place where I have to meet people. I want to get away from them, and those few who become my friends are some that I have known for a number of years. It is perfect torture to me to have to meet strangers and I never do unless I am absolutely compelled."

"Then you were positively not born under Taurus," answered the Editor. "Again," asserted the Editor, "your build is distinctly Scorpio and we will see how this horoscope will fit you when we turn Scorpio toward the first house," and he held the figure as shown in the horoscope below. Then he went on with the interrogation.

"As I hold the figure now, Madam Y, Mars is in the martial sign Scorpio and in the first house. This shows a bad temper. Is that true?"

"Yes, Mr. Heindel, I am sorry to say that I sometimes fly off in a dreadful rage."

"And I also see Saturn, the planet of secrecy in the Midheaven square to Mars. That accounts for your dislike to meet people socially. I also find the Sun, which is the significator of the marriage partner for a woman, on the cusp of the fourth house which denotes the home. He is sextile to Mars which is the ruler of Scorpio, your rising sign, showing the cordial relations which exist between you. So everything seems to point that you are a Scorpio, Madam Y, and if you will go and set your horoscope up with about twenty degrees of Scorpio rising you will find that in figuring it you will not be very far wrong."



This incident shows us a common mistake made by students who are not certain of their birth-hour and who want to set up their horoscopes by the empirical method. They nearly always select a sign they would like to have rising and try to make the facts of their life fit the horoscope which they have thus erected rather than to look for the points where the horoscope fits the life; by that method they deceive themselves and sometimes others. At least we have been very much disappointed at Headquarters on many occasions when people who

wanted to become workers sent in their horoscopes having harmonious signs rising and denoting capable and energetic people and when they arrived one look was sufficient to disillusion us and show that they had selected the rising sign which appealed to them most. As Robert Burns says:

O wad some power the giftie gie us

To see oursel as ithers see us!

To continue the matter, anyone who wants to rectify his or her own Ascendant must strive to do that, to see themselves as others see them, admit their faults and weigh the horoscopical indications impartially in the balance. When that is done it is not at all difficult to arrive at a correct result.

Another case which comes to mind happened on a Sunday afternoon when word was brought to Mr. and Mrs. Heindel that a gentleman had driven in his car from Los Angeles to see them. Would they spare him a few moments? We went out to meet the gentleman and when he had introduced himself he stated that he was just too old to obtain a vocational reading in the magazine but would we kindly give him a hint of what best to do. He had set up the horoscope himself and had it all ready for us.

The moment we looked at the figure and saw Sagittarius 29 rising which would virtually make the young man a Capricorn we told him that his horoscope was wrong, for the high forehead, particularly over the temples bore the unmistakable stamp of Aquarius. His fingernails however, showed the Sagittarian, but this was accounted for by the presence of the Sun in that sign. To make sure however, we looked the horoscope over and then commenced our interrogation to find if it tallied with facts. The first thing we noticed was that Saturn was in the fifth house which has to do with courtship. If the horoscope as cast was correct it would have been almost impossible for this man to secure the attention of any young lady. We therefore inquired how he was received by the ladies and when he answered that he always got along nicely in ladies' company, had had no trouble in courtship and was married, we were satisfied that that was not his horoscope. We therefore gave the figure a slight turn and brought Aquarius on the Ascendant. This put Saturn into the fourth house and the Moon was in the sign of the heart, Leo, in the seventh house, which denotes marriage. The Moon is the significator of the marriage partner for a man. We asked him if he was very fond of his wife. This question he answered rather emphatically in the affirmative and when we then asked him if his wife did not always exercise a restraining influence in the home saying continually, "Don't do this. Don't do that, don't do the other thing," he also agreed

that such was the case. Then Saturn, the planet of obstruction and restraint in the fourth house, denoting the home, was also accounted for, and we told the young man to alter his horoscope accordingly, putting Aquarius on the Ascendant.

The few instances cited in this and the preceding article will show students how the rising sign may be found and if a tentative horoscope is then set up for the fifteenth

degree of the sign selected for the first house events will come within a week or ten days of the time indicated by such a horoscope. If they come earlier than they ought set the horoscope one degree forward for every four days the event is tardy, or set it one degree backward for every four days the events come too early; by a little patience and some juggling a degree will be found which will stand the test.

Your Child's Horoscope

If the readings given in this department were to be paid for they would be very expensive, for besides typewriting, typesetting, plating of the figure, etc., the calculation and reading of each horoscope requires at least one half day of the editor's time. Please note that we do not promise anyone a reading to get them to subscribe. We give these readings to help parents in training their children, to help young people find their place in the world, and to help students of the stellar science with practical lessons. If your child's horoscope appears, be thankful for your luck, if it does not, you have no cause for anger at us.

We Do Not Cast Horoscopes

Despite all we can say, many people write enclosing money for horoscopes, forcing us to spend valuable time writing letters of refusal, and giving us the trouble of returning their money. Please do not thus annoy us; it will avail you nothing.

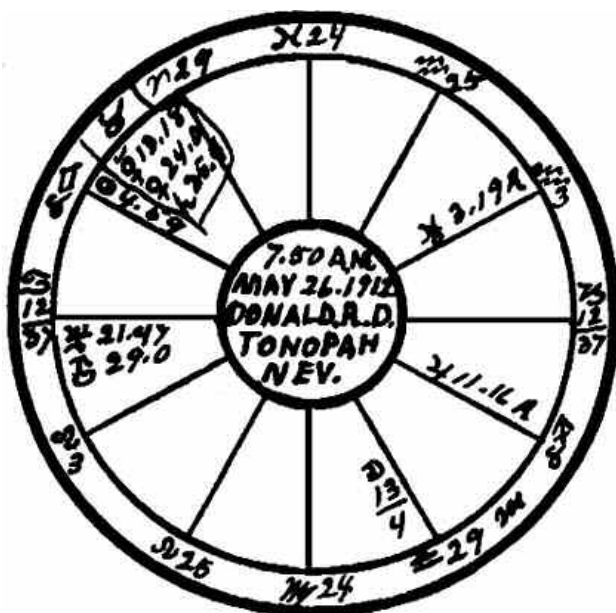
DONALD E. B., born May 26th, 1912, at 7:50 a. m., Tonopah, Nevada.

At Donald's birth the zodiacal sign Cancer was rising; this is a sign of scant vitality, but as Mars, the great energizer, is in the first house and sextile to the Sun, the Life-giver, Donald will have plenty of vitality notwithstanding. This configuration will strengthen the heart, for Mars is on the cusp of Leo, the sign which rules the vital organ. Were it not for this sextile, the opposition of Mars, from the sign of the heart, to Uranus, the planet of irregularity, would have caused palpitation, which is happily averted. It would be well nevertheless, to guard him against violent exertion during the years of growth.

While on the subject of health and the constitution, we

may also note the conjunction of Saturn and Venus in Taurus. Taurus rules the throat, and Saturn, the stellar agency of obstruction, is also naturally cold; therefore this configuration warns us that Donald will be subject to swollen tonsils which will obstruct the throat, and that is the point where he is liable to catch cold. When he is sixteen or seventeen years of age this condition will be the worst, because then the Moon will be passing through Taurus and vivify the affliction. But do not be alarmed, the planets have shown you the weak spots, and you have ample time and the best of opportunities to strengthen that part of the constitution. It is best to harden the throat to cold from childhood, and above all, do not allow the tonsils to be removed; they serve a purpose in the body, and by patient rational treatment such as massage the circulation can be kept free in the earliest years until by hardening the weakness has been overcome. Usually an affliction in one sign carries with it a weakness in the region governed by the opposite sign. Thus, an affliction in Taurus, which rules the throat, would also affect the part of the body which is under Scorpio, namely, the eliminative organs, causing obstruction of the urine or constipation, but in this horoscope we find the disturbing factor Saturn, beneficently configured with Mars, the ruler of Scorpio, and we may therefore judge that Donald will not be troubled by this reflex action, and that is a great point in the preservation of health, for where there is regular and thorough elimination of waste from the body, there disease does not easily take root.

Donald will never be a good reasoner, for Mercury, the planet of logic, is in an intercepted sign, and unsuspected, but the Moon, which rules the instinctual mind, is in



and to know the frightful consequences of abuse of the divine function of procreation. Thank God, the horoscope shows only *tendencies*, which may be fostered or suppressed by will, and there is every reason to hope that you will be successful if you apply yourselves to the task, for the configuration occurs in cardinal signs. Had the signs been fixed, it would have been much more difficult to overcome the tendency.

Saturn is the planet of cold and obstruction, and he is in Gemini, the sign which rules the lungs. This shows a tendency to cold which will settle in the lungs; but as Saturn is well aspected with Venus and the Moon in the other airy signs, Libra and Aquarius, there is no danger of any serious trouble. At the same time it is well to be careful, especially in the earlier years. Mars in Cancer, the sign which rules the stomach, square Venus and Jupiter, the planet of self-indulgence in the opposite sign, shows that Harold will enjoy the pleasures of the table more than is good for him. Teach him to eat with discrimination. He has a keen wit, and will see the wisdom in time if you practice the precepts you preach to him, but it will not help him if you teach him to be frugal and live to please your own palates. Then he will be all the more determined to have his fling when your authority over him has passed with the waning years.

James M. J., born November 19th, 1911, Los Angeles, Calif.

Here we have a youngster with Saturn rising in Taurus, opposition to the Moon. Saturn is cruel, relentless and obstructive. Taurus is fixed and stubborn, determined to have its own way, Scorpio is also unfeeling and without sympathy and the Moon takes on the nature of the sign it is in; so if there were no other influences to be consid-

ered, we would have to judge that James is extremely selfish, cruel, and unsympathetic. But Venus, the planet of love, is in good aspect to Mercury, the planet of mind. This at once takes the edge off the indication of cruelty, and the spiritual influence of the Sun conjunction Jupiter, the planet of benevolence, cannot be underestimated as a factor in mellowing the nature. Thus, by synthesizing the auguries we come to the conclusion that James is going to be very strong-willed, and determined to have his own way, but although he may at times under adverse planetary conditions seem cruel and unsympathetic, there is nevertheless a noble and kindly side to his nature. This side should be fostered by the parents to the utmost of their ability. Scorpio, the great healing sign, being so strongly fortified by the presence of the Sun, Moon and Jupiter, shows that he will make an excellent surgeon, and that is a vocation where there is more scope for kindness and cruelty, than in any other profession. By vivisection and experimental operation a surgeon may cause unspeakable misery to his fellowmen and animals. He may also earn the everlasting gratitude of sufferers by constructive surgery. If the parents can suppress the cruel ride of James' nature and foster the kindly side, they may make him a great benefactor to the world and make it possible for him to attain a most wonderful soul-growth. They have a great opportunity, and a great responsibility. May God help them to bring out the best in their child.

Should it appear however, that he does not soften as readily as we hope, beware of letting him go into the medical profession, for when he sees blood it will harden his nature further, and God has provided another way for him which will automatically soften the nature. We find Venus, the planet of art and music, in her own sign, Libra, which expresses the beautiful and noble; she is well aspected by Mercury, the planet of mind, and Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, showing that James has musical ability. The Sun and Jupiter are also in good aspect to Neptune and Uranus from the seventh house which indicates the public. Neptune gives a weird touch to the musical temperament which makes those who have it different from the general run of musicians. This is perhaps the safest road for James, or it may be that with music as a safeguard he will be all right as a healer; that will be for the parents to judge, and they should not by any means neglect cultivation of the musical talent even if it is decided to let him pursue the medical profession.

Saturn in Taurus will make James frugal in his food, the Moon in Scorpio will make elimination of waste almost too free, and as the Sun, the giver of life, is conjoined with the expansive Jupiter, we may judge that James will have a very long life and good health. Saturn

