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ited liability companies and trade enterprises are probably ruled by the 5th.

§ 3. VOCATION AND FINANCE

Vocation may be judged in a general sense from the whole horoscope and the type of person whom it represents.

Thus a cardinal person needs an active outlet for energy and scope for initiative. A fixed individual will do better in a settled position, with a routine that requires judgment and decision, but not great push or enterprise. A mutable person will do best in a clerical or academic capacity. In the same way, fire inclines to outdoor occupations ; air, to mental ones ; water, to the sea, the liquor trade, and many everyday occupations ; earth, to agriculture, farming, stock-raising.

The signs have each their special affinities in the world of business and profession :—

Aries	Engineering, soldiering.
Taurus	Farming, stock-breeding, cashiers and those who handle hard cash, music.
Gemini	Journalism, writing, driving vehicles for hire, teaching, Post Office, printing.
Cancer	Trade of all sorts and shopkeeping, especially in household commodities ; boating and shipping.
Leo	Stock Exchange, finance, company promoting ; management and control of many kinds, especially in connection with amusements, such as cinemas and the stage.
Virgo	Clerical, and secretarial ; medicine, gardening, physical culture, writing.
Libra	Jewellery, millinery, dress, wine-trade ; often go to sea, brokers and agents of all sorts.
Scorpio	Surgeons, sanitary inspectors, chemists, soldiers and sailors, undertakers, butchers, analysts.
Sagittarius	Religion and the law, professional athletes, publishing, exploration.

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- Capricorn Politics, mining, managerial posts of many kinds, Government employ, labour exchange officials.
- Aquarius Many intellectual pursuits, such as teaching and lecturing, music and science.
- Pisces Trades connected with cloth and wool, grocery, footwear sale and manufacture, the sea, painting, welfare work, charities, nursing.

It must be borne in mind that these influences affect the native's personal inclinations when the sign in question is rising, but they may also potently affect the destiny by being on one or more of the three earthy houses. It is in this way that people find themselves forced or drifting into an uncongenial occupation ; the asc. indicates their natural inclination, but some strong sign or planetary position on the 2nd, 6th, or 10th places them in another walk of life altogether. As, for example, a man with Mars and Jupiter rising in Scorpio is made for an open-air life, and would be perfectly at home in the Colonies " roughing it ", but he has Mercury in Virgo on the M.C., and destiny decrees that he must go into a city office, until the force of character shown by the rising sign and planets can assert itself.

Such cases as these are not uncommon, especially when people are born with strong planets in the 12th. Their early life is obscure and their conditions distasteful, but as the planets by progression pass into the 11th and 10th their personal ideals overcome the obstacles denoted by their natal 10th and 4th houses.

When the significators of character are harmoniously placed as regards the vocational houses, a person will find his right path in life.

Great attention should be paid to the strongest planet, for this denotes the category of things most beneficial to

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the native and most congenial to his own nature. *A strong solar aspect is always very important.*

As regards wealth and success, property, as such, comes under Saturn and most propertied people have this planet either angular, or in aspect to the Sun, or, better still, both. Even bad aspects from Saturn to the Sun are not inconsistent with financial success ; but in this case it will be limited and there will always be danger of loss ; moreover, the position will entail heavy responsibilities.

Venus gives success through the help of others and from personal charm.

Jupiter gives success through good fortune ; and this planet angular, or configured with the Sun, favours success. However, the planet, of itself, does not accumulate, and, if afflicted, indicates loss through over-optimism, gambling, hazardous enterprises, and inordinate generosity. Investments abroad are not likely to succeed and lawsuits should be avoided.

Mars gives fortune by effort ; his good aspects show gain through pluck and hard work.

On the other hand, when much afflicted, he may show hard times of a very bitter sort. Mars, however, has not such a depressing effect as Saturn, and his influence does not seem so interminable or so insuperable. Generally he spends and earns freely, like all fire, while Saturn works slowly and methodically and saves carefully.

Uranian aspects tend to give trouble or benefit as the case may be through government and officials. The native often likes responsibility, and will shoulder it to any extent rather than remain in the background, or be obliged to de-

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fer to others, or seek favour with them, or use tact and persuasion. A prominent afflicted Uranus is likely to make any sort of worldly success almost impossible, since the native will be wilful, uncertain in temper, impatient, and perverse.

Neptune, by good aspect, sometimes produces much good fortune, but this has the reputation of being of the nature, often enough, of “fairy gold”, with little substance behind it. It favours success by the sea and, generally, in ♁ occupations (see list above). In bad aspect it occasions worry, trickery, and impracticable schemes.

A careful scrutiny of the 2nd house and the aspects it receives will generally reveal the native’s fortune in regard to finance, the good aspects showing whence money will come, and the evil where it will be lost.

The 5th rules speculation, and if this is afflicted, especially in regard to the 2nd, all risky finance should be avoided. Unusual success in speculation is generally denoted by strong good Uranian aspects to the 5th, but even if these are found in the map, they should not be strained too far.

The 6th is important, since it shows what sort of servants the native will have, and whether they will serve him well or dishonestly, and what sorts of faults they will be most prone to commit.

The 7th is involved in all questions of partnership and all kinds of “deals” or negotiation. Hence its value in nearly all business transactions. In this respect, do not judge the nativity as if it were a horary question (see page 197) if the 7th is stronger than the 1st it does not denote that the native will always be worsted in business transactions, but that he will be helped and benefited by partners, and meet

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honest and generous parties to contracts. If, however, the 7th is very weak he will get no aid from these sources, and if the lord or occupant of the 7th is a malefic and afflicts the ruler of the horoscope, or of the 2nd, he will then lose by contracts and bargains.

The 8th rules all legacies, as well as the partner's money. Thus an affliction between 2nd and 8th would lead to disputes between partners as to money, or loss to one through the finances of the other.

The 10th denotes the social and financial ambitions, which may or may not be realized. It indicates what sort of a figure the native wishes to cut in the world, or, if afflicted, the figure he will have to cut whether he wish to do so or not. It may also denote parental conditions. It is sub-served by the two other occupational houses, representing finance and work, both of which unite to produce that which is denoted by the 10th, i.e., status.

Near the meridian the three fire bodies—Sun, Mars, and Jupiter—all give pride which may incline to arrogance. They tend to a keen sense of personal honour, and, especially in fixed signs, family honour as well. They attract some amount of respect.

Mercury on the M.C. tends to make the native pliable and adaptable, and Venus popular, kindly, and good-natured. Neither planet can be considered strong on the meridian, except in so far as a prominent Venus is always better than a weak one.

These characteristics may affect the selection of the vocation and success therein.

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Saturn on the M.C. is a critical position. It gives much responsibility, and, as a rule, much ambition of a persistent kind. If strong it may denote success by merit and perseverance, but it seems liable, if in any way afflicted, to cause ultimate reverses and even downfall. It may denote a similar fate for the father. Saturn weak on M.C. is very likely to indicate a worldly and over-economical parent, and his financial misfortune in old age, especially if it be in Cancer, or afflict the Moon.

Uranus on the M.C. shows many changes of occupation. It inclines either to some unusual scientific profession, such as research, or else to official positions. In any case, the native usually aims at independence of control, and uses original methods. Under affliction the planet may show very heavy misfortunes.

Neptune in the 10th exposes the native to scandal and misrepresentation. It causes the ambitions of the native to be idealistic and unselfish in a good horoscope. In a bad, the imagination may run wild, and the native will involve himself and others in a morass of muddle and illusion. It does not seem to influence the choice of vocation greatly, however much it may affect the native's conduct in the same.

The Part of Fortune is considered by some to have great influence on wealth. This matter has been already discussed (see page 31), and the opinion expressed that such is by no means necessarily the case. It is rather an important centre of self-expression, and necessarily becomes significant of finance in the horoscopes of those whose activities are to a predominant extent directed towards monetary matters.