



THE RESOLUTION
of all manner of QUESTIONS
and DEMANDS.

CHAPTER XXII.

Questions Concerning the first House.

If the Querent is likely to live long yea or not.



ANY Men and Women have not the time of their *Nativities*, or know how to procure them, either their Parents being dead, or no remembrance being left thereof; and yet for divers weighty considerations they are desirous to know by a question of Astrology, *Whether they shall live long or not? , Whether any sickness is near them? , What part of their Life is like to be most happy?* Together with many other such *Queries* people do demand incident to this house.

SIGNS of Health or long Life.

In the *Question* you must consider if the Sign ascending, the Lord thereof, and the ☽ be free from misfortune, *viz.* if the Lord of the Ascendant be free from Combustion of the ☉, *Signs of Health.*

from the ☐, ☉ or ☊ of the Lord of the eighth, twelfth, sixth or fourth house, if he be Direct, in Essential Dignity, swift in Motion, or Angular, especially in the first house, (for in this question he is best placed therein) or tenth, or else in the eleventh, or ninth houses, and in a good aspect with ♃ or ♀, or the ☉, or in the Terms of ♃ and ♀, it's an argument of Health and long life to the *Querent*, for the Lord of the Ascendant, or Ascendant itself unfortunate or ☽ in bad houses afflicted, show mischief at hand; the aforesaid *significators* free, argue the contrary: for as you consider the Lord of the Ascendant, so the Ascendant is to be considered, and what aspect is cast to it, *viz.* good or evil, and by what Planet or Planets, and of what house or houses they are Lords of.

Signs contrary, viz. of Sickness, Death, &c. Misfortune

It's generally received, that if the Lord of the Ascendant be under the *Sun* beams, or going to Combustion, which is worse than when he is departing, or the ☽ cadent and unfortunated by any of those Planets who have dominion in the eighth or sixth, and either the ☿, ♃ or ☊ in the Ascendant or seventh House, peregrine or in their detriments, or retrograde, or if there be in the degree ascending, or in that degree of the Sign wherein the Lord of the Ascendant is, or with the ☽, or with that Planet who afflicts any of those; I say, any fixed *Star* of violent influence or nature of the Planet afflicting, or nature of the Lord of the eighth or sixth House, then you may judge the *Querent* is not long lived, but near some danger, or shall undergo some misfortune in one kind or other, according to the quality of the *significator* and signification of that or those houses they are Lords of.

*The Time When Any of
These **Accidents** Shall Happen.*

You must see if the Lord of the Ascendant be going to Combustion, or to ☉ or ☊ of the Lord of the eighth or fourth, how many degrees he is distant from the ☉, or Lord of the eighth or fourth, and in what Sign either of them are in; if the space between them be eight degrees, and in a common Sign, it denotes so many months; if in a fixed sign, so many years; if in a moveable, so many weeks: this is only for example,

and in general; for the measure of time must be limited according to the other *significators* concurring in judgment herein.

Secondly, having considered the Lord of the Ascendant, see how many degrees the ☽ is also distant from any Infortune, or from the Lords of the sixth or eighth, and in what Sign or Signs their Nature, Quality and House wherein they are placed.

Thirdly, consider if there be an Infortune in the Ascendant, how many degrees the Cusp of the house wants of that degree the unfortunate Planet is in, or if the unfortunating Planet be in the seventh, how many degrees the Ascendant wants of his true Opposition, and compute the time of Death, Sickneses or Misfortune according to the dimension of degrees in Signs moveable, common, or fixed.

If you find the Lord of the Ascendant afflicted most of all by the Lord of the sixth, and in the sixth, or if the Lord of the Ascendant comes to Combustion in the sixth, you may judge the *Querent* will have very many and tedious sicknesses, which will scarce leave him till his death; and the more certain the judgment will be, if the Lord of the Ascendant, and the Lord of the eighth and the ☽ be all placed in the sixth.

If you find the Lord of the Ascendant, the Sign ascending, or ☽ most principally impeded or unfortunated by the Lord of the eighth, or that Planet who afflicts your *significators* out of the eighth, then you may judge that the sickness with which he is now afflicted, or is shortly to be troubled with, will end him, and that his death is approaching for that death is threatened.

But if you find that the Lord of the Ascendant, or Sign of the Ascendant, or the ☽ are chiefly afflicted by the Lords of some other houses, you shall judge his misfortune from the nature of the house or houses whereof the Planet or Planets afflicting are Lords; and the first original thereof, or discovery, shall be signified from something, Man or Woman, &c. belonging to that house wherein you find the Planet afflicting placed, and thereby you shall judge a misfortune and not death: The fixed Stars I mentioned, being of the nature of ♂, show sudden distempers

of body, or Fevers, Murders, Quarrels &c. of the nature of ♃, quartan Agues, Poverty, casual hurts by falls &c; of the nature of ♀, they declare Consumptions, Madness, cozenage by false Evidence or Writings; of the nature of the ☽, Tumults, Commotions, Wind-cholic, danger by Water, &c; of the nature of the ☾, envy of Magistrates, hurt in the Eyes, &c.; of the nature of ♃, oppression by domineering Priests, or by some Gentleman; of the nature of ♀, then prejudice by some Woman, the Pox, or Cards, Dice and Wantonness.

Caution. You must carefully avoid pronouncing Death rashly, and upon one single testimony, you must observe, though the Lord of the Ascendant be going to Combustion, whether either ♃ or ♀ cast not some ✕ or Δ to the Lord of the Ascendant, ere he come to perfect Combustion, or any other infortune, for that is an argument that either Medicine or strength of Nature will contradict that malignant influence, or take off part of that misfortune; but when you find two or more of the rules asforesaid concurring to death, you may be more bold in your Judgement; yet concerning the absolute time of death of any party, I have found it best to be wary, and have as much as I could, refrained this manner of judgement; only thus much by the Question may be known, that if you find the *significators*, as aforesaid, afflicted, you may judge the man or party inquiring to be no long lived man, or subject to many miseries and calamities, and this I know by many verified examples; the knowledge hereof is of excellent use for such as would purchase any Lease or Office, or thing for Life or Lives, &c. or for those who would carefully in a natural way prevent those casualties their natures or inclinations would run them into.

To what part of Heaven its best the Querent direct his Affairs, or wherein he may live most happily.

You must know that the twelve Houses are divided into the East, West, North and South quarters of Heaven.

The Cusp of the first House is the beginning of the East, and

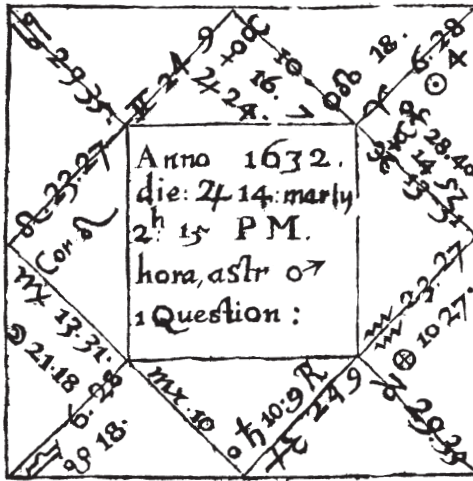
it's called the East Angle, from the Degree of the first house to the Degree or Cusp of the tenth House or *Medium Coeli*, containing the 12, 11 and tenth Houses, are East, inclining to the South: from the Cusp of the tenth House to the Cusp of the seventh house, containing the 9, 8, and 7, is South, verging toward the West; from the degree of the seventh House to the Cusp of the fourth House, consisting of the 6, 5, and fourth houses, is the West, tending to the North; from the Degree of the fourth House to the degree of the Ascendant, containing the 3, 2, and first Houses, is North inclining to the East.

Having viewed the several quarters of Heaven, see in which of them you find the Planet that promises the Querent most good, and where you find ♃, ♀, ☽ or ☿, or two or more of them, to that quarter direct your affairs; and if you have the part of Fortune and the ☽ free from Combustion and other misfortunes, go that way, or to that quarter of heaven where you find her; for you must consider, that though ♃ and ♀ be Fortunes, yet casually they may be Infortunes, when they are Lords of the 8, 12, or 6. In that case you must avoid the quarter they are in, and observe the ☿ and the ☽ and the Lord of the Ascendant; and as near as you can avoid that quarter of Heaven where the infortunes are, especially when they are significators of mischief, otherwise either ♂ or ♃ being Lord of the Ascendant or second House, tenth or eleventh, may (being essentially strong) prove friendly. The general way of resolving this Question is thus; If the Querent do only desire to live where he may enjoy most health, look in what Sign and quarter of Heaven the Lord of the Ascendant and the ☽ are in, and which of them are strongest, and does cast his or her more friendly Aspect to the Degree ascending; to that quarter of Heaven repair for Health's sake: If the *Querent* desire to know to what part he may steer his course for obtaining of an Estate or Fortune, then see where and in what quarter of Heaven the Lord of the second is placed, and the ☿, and his *Dispositor* or two of them; for where and in what quarter they are best fortified, from thence may he expect his most advantage, &c. Of this I shall speak casually in subsequent Judgments.

What part of his LIFE is like to be best.

See either in what Angle or quarter of Heaven the fortunate and promising Planets are placed in; for in this way of Judicature, we give usually to every house five years, but sometimes more or less, according as you see the *significators* promising Life or Death, (but commonly five years we give) beginning with the twelfth, and so to the eleventh, then the tenth, then the ninth, &c. and so to the Ascendant; as if in your Question you find ♃ or ♀ in the eleventh or tenth house, you may judge the Man or Woman to have lived happily from the fifth year of his age to the fifteenth, or in his youth: if they, or either of them, be in the eighth or seventh, they declare that from twenty to thirty he will, or has lived, and may live contentedly: if ♃ or ♀ be in the 6, 5, or 4, then judge after his middle age, or from 30 to 45 he may do very well: If you find ♃ or ♀ in the third, second, or first, then his best days, or his greatest happiness will be towards his old age, or after he is forty five until sixty; if you find the *significators* of Life very strong, and signifying long Life, you may add one year to every house, for it's then possible the *Querent* may live more than sixty years, or until seventy, or more, as many we know do.

Lastly, you must observe at the time of your Question, how the Lord of the Ascendant and the ☽ are separated, from what Planet, and by what aspect; the separation of those show the manner of Accidents which have preceded the Question; their next application, what in the future may be expected; if you consider what house or houses, the Planet or Planets they separated from are Lords of, it acquaints you with the matter, nature, person and quality of the thing already happened: ill, if the aspect was ill; Good, if the aspect was good; and if you observe the quality of the next aspect by application, and the well or ill being and position of the Planet or Planets applied to, it delivers the quality of the next succeeding Accidents and Casualties, their nature, proportion, time when they will happen or come upon the *Querent*.



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An ASTROLOGICAL Judgment concerning these demands propounded by the Querent.

1. *If he were like to live long, yea or not.*
2. *To what part of the World he were best direct his course of life.*
3. *What part of his life, was in probability like to be most fortunate.*
4. *He desired I would relate (if possible by a Figure) some of the general Accidents had happened to him already.*
5. *What Accidents in future he might expect, good or evil.*
6. *The time when.*

The Stature of the Querent is signified by Ω , the Sign ascending; there is a fixed Star called *Cor Leonis* near the cusp of the first house, viz., in 24.34 of Ω , of the nature of σ and τ , and first magnitude; both the Cusp of the first house and degree of the sign wherein \odot , Lord of the Ascendant is in, are

the terms of ♃; the ☽ is in a Δ aspect with both ♃ and ♀, and they in the tenth house; so that the form and Stature of the *Querent's* body was decent, of a middle stature, strongly compacted, neither fat or fleshy, but comely, wanting no gracefulness in its composure; a fair Visage, reddish Hair, clear Skin, some cuts on his right Cheek, (for he was a Soldier;) but certainly the presence of the fixed Star in the Ascendant, which represents the Face, occasioned those hurts or scars.

As the Sign ascending is fiery, and as the Lord of the Ascendant is in a fiery Sign, and by nature is *Hot* and *Dry*, so was this Gentleman's temper and condition, being exceeding Valiant, Choleric, high Minded, and of great spirit; for ☉, Lord of the Ascendant is in his *Exaltation*; yet in regard the ☽ is in Δ with the two *Fortunes*, he was sober, modest, and by Education excellently qualified, and thereby had great command of his *Passion*; but as the ☽ was in ♂ to ♀, he had his times of *Anger* and *Folly*, whereby he much prejudiced his Affairs. But to our question.

If live long, &c.

Finding the *Ascendant* not vitiated with the presence of either *Saturn*, who is Lord of the sixth, or of *Jupiter* who is Lord of the eighth.

Seeing the Lord of the *Ascendant* was in *Exaltation*, no ways impeded, pretty quick in motion, in the ninth house, and in the *Terms* of ♃.

Observing the ☽ separated from Δ of ♀ applying to Δ of ♃, and he placed in the mid heaven, and thereby the malice of ♂ restrained by the interposition of ♃.

Considering the ☉ was above the earth, the fortunate Planets, *viz.* ♃ and ♀ Angular, and more potent than the infortunates, *viz.* ♄ or ♂: from hence I concluded, that according to natural Causes, he might live many years; and that Nature was strong, and he subject to few Diseases. This has hitherto proved true; he being yet alive this present, *March* 1646.

*To what Part of the WORLD, or of this KINGDOM,
he might best apply himself to Live in.*

The Lord of the *Ascendant* is ☉, who being near the *Cusp* of the ninth house, (signifying *long Journeys*) and the sign thereof *Moveable*; I intimated he was resolving suddenly upon a *Journey* Southeast, or to those parts of the World which lie from *London* Southeast: *South*, because the quarter of Heaven wherein the Lord of the *Ascendant* is in, is *South: East*, because the Sign where ☉ is in is *East* [*this he confessed.*] And as the ☉ was but two degrees 10 min. distant from the *Cusp* of the ninth, he went away within two months; for ☉ was 4.18 ♃.

I judged those *Countries* subject to the Sign of ♃, might be suitable and propitious to his Affairs; which you may see in the nature of ♃, page 95, and what their Names are, to which I now refer you.

Had his resolution been to have stayed in *England*, the ♁ and ☉ being both in ♃, show it might have been good for him, for *England* is subject to ♃; I would have advised him to have steered his course of life towards *Kent, Essex, Sussex* or *Suffolk*, for they lie East or by South from *London*; but if sometimes you find that a City, Town or Kingdom subject to the *Celestial* Sign which promises you good, stands not, as to the *quarter* of Heaven, *directly* as you would have it, or as the Sign points it out; herein you must observe this general rule; That if your occasions enforce you, or you shall and must live in that Country, City, or Town, so directed to you in *Art*, that then you must lead your Life, or direct your actions, or manage your employments to those parts of that City or Country which lie *East, West, North* or *South*, as in the Figure you were directed: as for Example; You may see *France* is subject to the Sign ♃, it lies from *London* Southwest: had this Gentleman gone into *France*, it would have been best for him to have seated himself towards the Southeast part, or East part of *France*, &c.

Now because the ☽ applied so strongly to the Δ of ♃, and that he and ♀ were in ♃, and the Sign signifies *Ireland*; I

advised him that *Ireland* would well agree with his Constitution, and that he might get *Honour* there, because the Planet to whom the ☽ applies is in the house of *Honour*.

And verily the *Querent* did go into *Ireland*, and there performed good service and obtained a notable Victory against the *Rebels*; as I could manifest, but that I will not mention the Name of the Gentleman,

What part of his LIFE would be best.

Considering the two *Fortunes* were placed in the tenth house, and that ♀ and ☾ were in the ninth, I judged his younger years would be the most pleasant of all his whole *life*; seeing also ♂ in the eighth house, which according to our own direction of time comes to be about 24, 25 or 26 of his age; I judged that about those times he had many crosses, or first of all his afflictions then began; and seeing further no fortunate Planet was either in the seventh, sixth, fifth, fourth or third houses, I judged the remainder of his *life* for many years would be little comfortable to him, but full of labour and trouble; yet I judged those Calamities or Misfortunes should not suddenly come upon him, because the ☽ was in application to a Δ of ♃, and wanted almost three degrees of coming to his perfect aspect; wherefore I conceived by means of some man in authority represented by ♃, or some Courtier or person of quality, for almost three years after the proposal of the *Question*, he should be supported and assisted in his affairs, or else get Employment answerable to his desires; had ♃ been Essentially fortified, I should have judged him a more durable fortune.

What general ACCIDENTS had happened already.

Although it is not usual to be so nice or inquisitive, yet seeing the *Question* so radical, I first considered from what Planet or Planets the ☾, who is Lord of the *Ascendant*, had last separated; if you look into the *Ephemeris* of that year, you shall find, that the ☾ had lately, during his passage through the Sign

♄, been first in ♄ with ♄, then in □ of ♃, lately in ♄ of ♃; now, for that ♄ in our *Figure* is Lord of the fourth house, signifying *Lands*, etc. and was now locally in the eighth, which signifies the substance of *Women*, I judged he had been molested of late concerning some *Lands*, or the *Jointure* or *Portion* of his Wife, or a Woman: wherein I was confirmed the more, because the ☽ was also applying to an ☽ of ♄, in this *Figure* placed in the eighth house; for the ☽ being in the *Querent's* house of substance, *viz.* the second, intimated the Quarrel or Strife should be for, or concerning *Money*, for such things as are signified by that house: [*And this was very true.*]

Because ☾ had lately been in □ of ♃, who is *Significator* of the *Querent's* Wife, I told him I feared his Wife and he had lately been at great variance; and because ♃ her *Significator* did dispose of his *Part of Fortune*, I judged she had no mind he should have any of her Estate, or manage it, but kept it to her own use; for ♃ is Retrograde, a superior Planet, and in a fiery Sign, and the Sign of the seventh is fixed; these show her a *Virago*, or gallant spirited Woman, and not willing to be curbed, or else to submit: [*This was confessed.*]

Lastly, because ☾ was lately in ♄ with ♃, and ♃ was in the tenth; I told him, either some great *Lawyer* or *Courtier* had endeavoured to reconcile the differences between them; and forasmuch as both the ☾ who was his *Significator*, and ♃ who was hers, did now both apply to a Δ aspect, there seemed to be at present a willingness in both Parties to be reconciled; nor did I see any great obstruction in the matter, except ♃ who is in □ aspect with ♃, did impede it; I judged ♃ in the general, to signify either some *Attorney*, or *Lawyer*, or *Writings*; but as he is Lord of the *Querent's* second, it might be because the *Querent* would not consent to give or allow such a sum of *Money* as might be demanded, or that the *Querent's* purse was so weak, he had not wherewithal to solicit his cause lustily; or as ♃ is Lord of the eleventh house, some pretended friend would impede her, or advise the contrary, or some of her *Lawyers*; or as the eleventh is in the fifth from the seventh, a Child of the *Querent's* Wife might be occasion of continuing the Breach. [*I believe every particular herein proved true; however, this was the way*

*It was the
Lord
Coventry*

to find the occasion or thing disturbing their unity or concord.] Observe as ♀ Lady of the tenth, does dispose of ♃ Lord of the eighth, *viz.* the Wife's Fortune, so she had entrusted her Estate to a great *Nobleman*.

What ACCIDENTS in future he might expect; Time when.

In this *Quere*, I first considered the ☉ Lord of the *Ascendant*, who being no ways unfortunated, or in any evil aspect with any Planet, which might impeach or impede him, but on the contrary excellently fortified, I judged, he had the wide world to ramble in, (for a Planet strong, and in no aspect with others shows a man at liberty to do what he will;) and that for many years he might (*quoad capax*) live in a prosperous condition (according to the preceding limitation) and traverse much ground, or see many Countries; because ♃, the Sign wherein the ☉ is in, is moveable, placed on the Cusp of the ninth, signifying long Journeys, which prenoted many turnings and shiftings, variety of action in sundry parts.

Secondly, I observed the ☽ in the *Querent's* house of substance, *viz.* the second, did apply to ♃ in the tenth house, and that ♃ was Lord of the fifth house and eighth: the fifth house signifies *Children*; the eighth denotes the substance of the Wife: From hence I gathered, that the *Querent* was very desirous to treat with some *Nobleman* (because ♃ is in the tenth) about the Education of his Child or Children, and that there might be a Salary payable for their breeding and education, out of the Wife's Jointure or annual Revenue: [*Such a thing as this in one kind or other, he did settle before he went out of England.*]

Thirdly, I found the ☽ in the sign ♏ (*Peregrine*) it being a Diurnal Question, else she has a Triplicity in that Trigon by night.

Fourthly, I found ♀ Lord of his second house, *viz.* signifying his Fortune and Estate, in ♋, which is his Detriment, yet in his own Terms, afflicted by ♂, from whose ☽ the ☽ lately had separated.

From hence I collected, that he had been in great want of Money a little before the Question asked; and if we look how

many degrees there is distant between \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{V} , since their \mathcal{O} last past, we shall find them to be 6^{d} , 21^{m} , *viz.* six degrees twenty one minutes which noted, that he had been in some want of Money for about 6 months and somewhat more, or thereabouts, before the time of demanding the Question: [*This was confessed.*]

Fifthly, seeing the \mathcal{D} was applying to a Δ of $\mathcal{4}$, of which signification I spoke before, and then before she got out of the Sign \mathcal{M} , did occur the \mathcal{O} of \mathcal{O} : I did acquaint the *Querent*, that after some years or times of pleasure, he would be in great danger of losing his Life, Goods, Lands and Fortune. His *Life*, because \mathcal{O} is in the eighth: His *Goods* or *Estate*, because \mathcal{D} is in the second: His *Lands* or *Inheritance*, because \mathcal{O} is Lord of the fourth, now placed in the eighth. For the fourth house signifies Lands, &c.

The Time When.

In this *quere* I considered the application of the \mathcal{D} to a Δ of $\mathcal{4}$, which wanting about three degrees from the true aspect, I judged for some times succeeding the Question, or for three years, he might live pleasantly.

Secondly, seeing the \odot Lord of his *Ascendant*, during his motion through the Sign \mathcal{T} , did not meet with any malevolent aspect, and had 26 degrees to run through of the Sign, ere he got into \mathcal{V} ; I gave in this nature of judgment, for every degree one month, and so told him, That for about 26 months following, or until after two years, or much about that time, I judged he should live in a free condition in those parts into which he intended his Journey, &c.

Last of all, I considered how many degrees the \mathcal{D} wanted ere she came to the true \mathcal{O} of \mathcal{O} .

<i>Longitude of \mathcal{O}</i>	28	40
<i>Of the \mathcal{D}</i>	21	18
<i>Difference</i>	7	22

The difference is seven degrees and twenty-two minutes; which if I proportion into time, and neither give years, because the *Significators* are in Common Signs, and not in Fixed; or months, because the Signs do signify somewhat more; but do proportion a *mean* between both: the time limited in this way

of *Judicature*, will amount to about three years and three quarters from the time of asking the Question, ere the malevolent \circ of the \mathcal{D} to σ shall take effect: But in regard his *quere* was general, I might have allowed for every degree one year: After, or about which time, he was in several actions both dangerous to his Person and Fortune; and since that time, til the time of publishing hereof, he has had his *Intervals* of good and ill, but is now under the frown of Fortune, &c.

But as the \odot at time of the Question was strong, he did overcome all manner of difficulties for many years, and subsisted, and has in our unlucky differences had honorable Employment on his Majesty's part: but as the \mathcal{D} is in \circ to σ , so it was not without the general outcry and exclamations of the people; nor was it his fortune, though in great Commands, ever to do his Majesty any notable piece of Service; yet is he now forever, by just Sentence of the Parliament, deprived of so much happiness as to end his days in *England*; which, though in some measure, might have been foreseen, by the \mathcal{D} her \circ to σ , being Lord of the fourth, *viz.* the end of all things.

Yet we must herein admire *Providence*, and acknowledge according to that strong *Maxim of Astrologers*; *That the general Fate of any Kingdom is more prevalent, than the private genitor or question of any Subject or King whatsoever.*

Very little of this Judgment has already failed; I have been herein somewhat large, because young Students might hereby benefit the more; and if my Judgments do vary from the common Rules of the ANCIENTS, let the Candid Reader excuse me, since he may still follow their Principles if he please; and he must know, that from my Conversation in their Writings, I have attained the Method I follow.