

CHAPTER VI.

TONICITY, ATONICITY, AND PERVERSION.

A NORMAL horoscope would be the outcome of a due and proper balance between the planets—that is, such a balance as would not admit the preponderance of one over another. Each would exercise its activity to the detriment of none of the rest. But this is never the case. There is always some fighting going on. Each planetary body may be said to function in three different ways. It may through position and aspect be urged above the normal: this is its *tonic* side. It may be suppressed below: *atonic* action. Or it may suffer, in a sense, an unnatural change—*perversion*. In other words, in an individual scheme of nativity there may be too much of some particular planet's energy, an insufficiency, or a permutation.

Suppose, for instance, a man has a weak Mars. This will show as a want of spirit, lack of muscular power, lack of control over muscles, flaccidity, involuntary evacuations. If Mars is too much in evidence, fevers, agues, hæmorrhage ensue, inflammatory action is set up, varioloid disorders occur and a high temperature exists. If its nature is partly overlaid and intermixed with certain other bodies, but particularly Uranus, Saturn and Neptune, fistulas, morbid growths, fibrous degeneration, hæmorrhoids, priapisms, etc., are induced. Again, the tonic action of Venus will manifest on one side in venereal excess, the atonic in sterility: the

perverted in moral folly. And similarly with the remaining bodies.

But apart from this, each planet is intrinsically tonic or atonic, electric or magnetic, positive or negative. The positive are Sun, Mars, Jupiter and Uranus. The negative, Moon, Venus, Saturn and Neptune. Mercury is interchangeable.

TONIC.	ATONIC.
☉ SUN ☉ Hyperæmic	☾ MOON ☾ Anæmic
♂ MARS ♂ Hypertrophied, acute, incremen- titious, excessive, enlarging	♄ SATURN ♄ Atrophied, paralytic, cachectic, tabefactive, reducing
♃ JUPITER ♃ Sthenic plethora	♀ VENUS ♀ Asthenic plethora
♅ URANUS ♅ Perversion, stricture, disruption	♆ NEPTUNE ♆ Atrophy of process, dissipation
☿ MERCURY ☿ Receiver, reflector, amalgamator	

Now an atonic or negative body may have its nature partially transmuted by configuration with a tonic or positive body. In a lesser degree a tonic body may have some of its positive force destroyed by the proximity of an atonic one, but cannot wholly become subservient to it. Each planet imparts a special type of disease to an organ, but becomes modified, changed or disguised by reception of cross aspects from other planets. From the combination of planet, sign, aspect and house we may infer structural and functional disorder.

CHAPTER VII.

ZODIACO-PLANETARY SYNOPSIS OF TYPICAL DISEASES.

THIS synopsis is only an aid to diagnosis. The difficulty of framing invariable and universally applicable laws consists in the numberless combinations of planets and signs which are possible. Some disorders will be found repeated under two or more heads for reasons easily comprehended. But the list as it is here presented will afford clues; the working out of combinations, and the deduction of probable results must remain a matter of individual judgment. There are also proximate and ultimate causes and effects, which consideration opens up a wide field for speculation and investigation. In these astrology is at present defective; that is to say, we regard the results of disease more than the *causa prægumena*, the proximate seat rather than the efficient exciting factor. Diseases, in the main, ought to be distinguished by their causes, not their effects. For instance in such cases as stone in the bladder, caused by the deposition of uric acid, the condition of the blood ought to occupy first attention; similarly in diabetés: in this way we should have our observation drawn to Jupiter before Scorpio or Libra. Then too, it must be remembered that the graver diseases will be consequent upon the severer forms of planetary affliction. Not everyone whose Mars is located in Cancer will suffer gastritis; the intensity of the complaint will depend

upon the power of aspecting bodies, aspect configurations and other impressions of celestial influence.

SUN IN

ARIES.—Hyperæmic and organic headache, apoplexy, aphasia, cerebral meningitis, brain fever.

TAURUS.—Quinsy, diphtheria, nasal catarrh, polypus.

GEMINI.—Scurvy, bronchitis, nervous disorders, pleurisy, hyperæmia of lungs.

CANCER.—Dyspepsia, dropsy, chest disorders.

LEO.—Heart, back, and spinal complaints, acute fevers.

VIRGO.—Diarrhœa, complaints arising from mal-assimilation.

LIBRA.—Kidney diseases, skin eruptions.

SCORPIO.—Calculus, fistula, diseases of generative organs, nose and throat, appendicitis.

SAGITTARIUS.—Sciatica, paralysis, lung and nerve troubles, hyperæsthesia.

CAPRICORN.—Rheumatism, cutaneous disorders.

AQUARIUS.—Blood disorders, poor circulation, heart dropsy, asphyxia, poisoning from carbonic-acid gas, cardiac dilatation, (*slate-quarry miners*), caisson disease.

PISCES.—Urinary, uterine, pulmonary and nervous disorders.

MOON IN

ARIES.—Weak sight, eye strain, headache, migraine insomnia, catarrh, alopecia.

TAURUS.—Quinsy, swellings in throat, relaxed throat, aphthous ulcers, eye disorders.

GEMINI.—Edema of lungs, catarrhal pneumonia, varicose aneurism.

CANCER.—Dropsical tendency, inclination rapidly to put on flesh, sickness, tympany, carcinoma.

LEO.—Swoonings, convulsions, heart affections.

VIRGO.—Looseness of bowels, abdominal swellings and tumours, typhous pneumonia, hydrothorax.

LIBRA.—Various kidney disorders.

SCORPIO.—Hydrocele, genito-urinary complaints, hernial aneurism.

SAGITTARIUS.—Gout, nerve disorders, ischiatic affections.

CAPRICORN.—Skin eruptions, synovial troubles.

AQUARIUS.—Varicose veins, ulcers, lower extremities, blood poisoning, eye affections.

PISCES.—Alcoholism, dropsy, relaxed tissues, colds, weak lungs, tabes.

MERCURY IN

ARIES.—Headaches proceeding from nervous strain, vertigo, brain disorder, astigmatism, neuralgia, phrenitic delirium.

TAURUS.—Hoarseness, croup, difficulty in swallowing through loss of nervous control, laryngismus.

GEMINI.—Gouty pains in head and arms, bronchitis, intercostal neuralgia, asthma, pleurisy.

CANCER.—Indigestion, gas (*stomach*), stomach cramps, dipsomania, flatulence, neuroses of stomach.

LEO.—Convulsions, swoonings, pains in back, palpitation of heart, neuralgia of heart.

VIRGO.—Borborigmus, colic, diarrhœa, nervous debility, *ballonnement*.

LIBRA.—Urinary obstructions, nephritic colic, neuralgia of kidneys.

SCORPIO.—Pains and disorders of generative organs, dysmenorrhœa, diseases of pudic nerves, neuralgia of neck of matrix and bladder.

SAGITTARIUS.—Pains in region of hips and thighs, sciatica, paralysis, nervousness.

CAPRICORN.—Rheumatism, gout, pruritus, psoriasis.

AQUARIUS.—Lameness in ankles, disordered circulation.

PISCES.—Cramp in feet, coldness of extremities, forgetfulness, phthisis, ailments proceeding from worry.

VENUS IN

ARIES.—Cold in head, lachrymal humours, musci volantes, eczema head and face, toxæmic headache.

TAURUS.—Swellings in neck, mumps, quinsy, relaxed throat,

salivation, bronchocele, exophthalmic goitre, thrush, ranula, retropharyngeal abscess, headache in amative tract.

GEMINI.—Whitlow, ganglion, papilloma.

CANCER.—Vomiting, dilatation of stomach, nausea, cyst and œdenoma of breasts.

LEO.—Heart affections, diseases of spinal marrow, aortic disease.

VIRGO.—Irregular bowel action, diarrhœa.

LIBRA.—Kidney disorders, high coloured urine, uræmia.

SCORPIO.—Venereal diseases, weakness of bladder, womb disorders, maladies connected with vaginal passage, ovaries, etc., leucorrhœa, prolapse, varicocele.

SAGITTARIUS.—Gout and tumours in hips and thighs.

CAPRICORN.—Nausea, bursitis (*of knee*), gout in knees (*gonagra*), skin diseases.

AQUARIUS.—Blood disorders, varicose veins, swellings in ankle.

PISCES.—Gout (*podagra*), bunions, chilblains, tenderness of feet, gonorrhœa.

MARS IN

ARIES.—Violent pains in head, ruptures of blood-vessels in brain, extreme restlessness, blows, cuts and wounds to head and face, insomnia, cerebral congestion, encephalitis, delirium, insensate acts, neuralgia, ringworm, S. Anthony's fire, small-pox, porrigo.

TAURUS.—Laryngitis, angina, amygdalitis, enlarged tonsils, diphtheria, epithelioma, pharyngitis, tonsillitis, rhinitis, acne rosacea, polypus, adenoids, epistaxis, muscular rheumatism in neck, parotitis.

GEMINI.—Disordered nervous system, cuts, fractures and wounds of arms, hands and collar-bone, bronchitis, bilious diarrhœa, pneumonia, inflammation of lungs, hæmoptysis, neuralgia, neuritis.

CANCER.—Dry cough, irritable stomach walls, hæmorrhage of stomach, gastritis, dipsomania, dyspepsia, schirrus of breasts or axillæ, bilious vomiting, hæmatemesis.

LEO.—Heart affections, palpitation, aneurism, hypertrophy

dilatatio cordis, angina, pericarditis, endocarditis, sunstroke, shingles (*herpes zoster*), muscular rheumatism in back.

VIRGO.—Diarrhœa, dysentery, worms, inflammation of bowels, enteritis, gastro-enteritis, peritonitis, cholera, ventral hernia, typhoid.

LIBRA.—Nephritis, pyelitis.

SCORPIO.—Hot urine, incontinence of urine, inguinal and scrotal hernia, hæmorrhoids, venereal ulcers, particularly in nose, throat and parts ruled by Scorpio, pains in bladder, stone and gravel of kidney and bladder, immoderate catamenial discharge (*menorrhagia*), ovaritis, scarlatina, diabetes, neuralgia of neck of womb, vaginitis, hypertrophy of prostate, urethritis, perityphlitis (*appendicitis*).

SAGITTARIUS.—Sciatica, ulcers of hips and thighs, enteric fever, pelvic operations.

CAPRICORN.—Flying gout, rheumatic fever, contusions, smallpox, and other varioloid diseases, urticaria, pruritus, anthrax, psoriasis, scabies.

AQUARIUS.—Overheated blood, intermittent fever, erysipelas of extremities, blood poisoning.

PISCES.—Bunions, corns, pectoral affections; sweating of lower extremities, —bromidrosis, hyperidrosis, dysidrosis, etc.; diseases arising from excessive drinking, balanitis.

JUPITER IN

ARIES.—Determination of blood to head, congestion of brain, giddiness.

TAURUS.—Quinsy, gout, plethora from high living, apoplexy, coryza, epistaxis.

GEMINI.—Pleurisy, blood and lung disorders, fatty transformation of liver, apoplexy of lungs.

CANCER.—Dropsy, digestive disorders, overloaded stomach, dilatation of stomach.

LEO.—Fever, apoplexy, fatty degeneration of heart, palpitation.

VIRGO.—Consumptive tendency, liver affections, intestinal maladies, abscess of liver, jaundice, fatty degeneration of liver.

LIBRA.—Changes in blood circulation, obstructions, pleurisy, tumours in kidney.

SCORPIO.—Venereal disorders, piles, urinal and seminal complaints, dropsy, strangury, fistula, urethral abscess, over secretion of urates.

SAGITTARIUS.—Pains and swellings in hips and thighs, gout, rheumatism.

CAPRICORN.—Eczema, and various other forms of cutaneous disorder.

AQUARIUS.—Lumbago, blood-poisoning, swollen ankles, heart dropsy.

PISCES.—Hydrothorax, hydatid cysts, liver and lung complications.

SATURN IN

ARIES.—Catarrh, deafness, toothache, colds and chills, cerebral anæmia, apathy, paralysis, rheumatic headache, cerebral syncope.

TAURUS.—Laryngeal consumption, scurvy, phlegm in throat, coryza, loss of voice, suffocation, angina, gangrena, putrid gums, diphtheria.

GEMINI.—Rheumatism of arms, hands and shoulders, consumption of lungs, black jaundice, dislocation of arm and shoulder, chronic bronchitis, nervous trembling, fibrosis of lungs, dyspnœa.

CANCER.—Asthma, consumption, bruises in breast, ague, loss of appetite, dyspepsia, nausea, chronic gastritis, anæmia, cancer of breasts and axillæ, eructations, chlorosis, dipsomania.

LEO.—Atrophy and weak muscular action of heart, weak back, malformed spine, syncope, jaundice, locomotor ataxy, gout in heart.

VIRGO.—Abdominal phthisis, costiveness, griping, derangements of intestinal digestion, mal-nutrition, sluggish liver.

LIBRA.—Bright's disease, corrupted blood, renal colic, sterility, suppression of urine.

SCORPIO.—Strangury, retention of urine, gout, fistula, palsy, piles, gravel, stone, suppression of catamenia, caries of cartilage of nose.

SAGITTARIUS.—Gout, sciatica, hip-joint disease, dislocation of hip-joint.

CAPRICORN.—Rheumatism (chiefly articular), skin diseases, knee injuries.

AQUARIUS.—Cramp, anæmia, weak and sprained ankles, club-foot from contraction of the *tendo Achillis*, asthenia, spinal curvature, caries of spine, compression and sclerosis of spinal cord, arterial sclerosis.

PISCES.—Scrofula, ulcers of feet, gout, consumption, rachitis.

URANUS

is responsible for sudden attacks of disease—cramps, spasms, ruptures, explosions, electric and other shocks, exaggerated action. When in ARIES or the first house it brings acute neuralgic, darting and shooting pains in the head; in GEMINI spasmodic asthma; in CANCER cramp of stomach; in LEO suspension of heart's action; in SCORPIO spasm of the bladder; and so with other signs.

NEPTUNE

has dominion over certain vague and obscure diseases, mostly having a psychic rather than a physical origin as explained before. When afflicting it will induce the habit of taking drugs, such as narcotics, hypnotics, opiates, etc. It is also symptomatic of poisoning.
