is in a cardine and it has a share in the nativity like what I told you
with regard to Saturn. Mars will obstruct [the evil] for fifteen years
if it is thus. If the Sun in a diurnal nativity is in a cardine or in its own
triplicity, it will drive off the evil for nineteen years, but this will not
happen to it [the Sun] in a nocturnal nativity. If the Moon is in a car-
dine which is a feminine sign, it will drive off the evil for twenty-
five years, but in masculine signs for twenty-five months.

Chapter 24. In it are judgments concerning the matter of fortune
and property in nativities.

1 Now I will cause to pass by you [in review] the things in which I
showed you [what to do] if you wish to judge the nativity with regard
to property and fortune.

A native was born when the ascendent was Gemini and the posi-
tions of its [the nativity’s] planets in the sphere were according to this
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The nativity was nocturnal, and I found the first planets in the matter of fortune to be Mars and Venus because they are the lords of the triplicity of the sign in which the Moon is; and both of them are in cadents so that this man should be needy, poor, not finding his daily bread, miserable. And this was in him more evident than what I told you.

This nativity was diurnal, and Aries was becoming visible at that hour in the East from out of the depths of the sea, and the lord of the Sun’s triplicity was Saturn, then Mercury. Saturn was in what follows the cardine of the West and Mercury in what follows the cardine of midheaven, which is the place of fortune, so that the native should be wealthy, rich, powerful in business affairs, great in property, seizing eminence and fortune and increasing in them.
This nativity was diurnal, and the first lord of the [Sun’s] triplicity is the Sun, the second Jupiter, and both of these are in cardines in their own exaltations, so that the native should be praised with the praise of kings and nobles and wealthy men. Because Saturn is the third lord of the triplicity and is cadent from a cardine and Jupiter aspects it in its [Jupiter’s] house from trine, so for that reason he will be praised with the praise of kings.
Another nativity: its ascendent rising up from the earth is Scorpio, and the nativity is nocturnal, and the positions of the planets are according to what is in the diagram. The lord of the Moon’s triplicity is Mars, then Venus, then the Moon. Because the three of them are in cardine[s] this man is mighty in eminence, powerful in leadership so that crowns of gold and silver are placed on him and he is praised.

This is a second nocturnal nativity, and the first lord of the triplicity of the Moon is Mercury, the second Saturn. Because both of these are in a cadent in the vicinity of [the cardine] under the earth, the man will be needy with respect to property. But because Jupiter is the ruler of part of this nativity and is with the Moon in a cardine, he will have the closest thing to living out [his] days in poverty except that he will have the danger of the hand of misfortune.
This nativity is diurnal, and the ascendent is Gemini, and the Sun in this nativity is the first lord of its own triplicity, Jupiter the second, and Saturn the third, and the three of them are in a good place. This man will abound in gold and silver except that his end is evil because the lord of the triplicity of [the cardine] under the earth, from which the matter of the end and the situation of death are known, is Venus, and Venus in this nativity is cadent in the sign of calamity.
This nativity is nocturnal; so I looked at the two lords of the triplicity of the Moon, and I found the first of them to be Mercury, then Saturn, and both of them were in a cadent. Mars indicates the loss of the property of his father and its dispersal in [all] directions, and the lords of the triplicity which are in a cadent indicate poverty and indigence, and he will be beseeching all his days, but he will eat in misery. All this is from what Mercury and Saturn indicate, but since Jupiter and Venus are in cardines they indicate that he will be of noble lineage, but that he will be brought up and will grow up in houses of slavery, and he will curry favor with [his] brothers and nobles and will become acquainted [with them], but he will fail because of the evil effect of the lords of the Moon’s triplicity. If you look concerning something like what I told you about this [any] error will be evident to you, if God — He is exalted! — wishes.

Chapter 25. On the knowledge of the excellence of fortune.

Know that the best of things with regard to fortune is that the lord of the triplicity of the luminary be in a good place with the Moon or in opposition to it or quartile or trine. If you find the lord of the triplicity not aspecting the ascendent nor the Moon nor the shining luminary and the lord of the sign in which the luminary is is also thus, then let this be a bad indication for that native. If Jupiter and Venus and Mercury are not in these places, then this is more harmful and worse, because this indicates also that he will not long survive, especially if Saturn or Mars is in this place. But if then there is a benefic which is in its [own] house or exaltation or triplicity and is not under the rays [of the Sun] or retrograde, and the lord of [its] triplicity aspects the ascendent but does not aspect the Moon, then this native is middling in [his] livelihood, [and] good and evil are mixed together in him.

It is also necessary for you to look at the lord of the ascendent and the lord of midheaven and the lord of the house of property, which is the second place from the ascendent. If you find these in their places with benefics and they are not malefics, and you find them in cardines or in what follows cardines, then predict that the native will possess fortune, eminence, commendation, praise, and a good livelihood. But if those which I mentioned are not all of them in good places nor all in a bad place, then the native is middling in [his] livelihood. If all of
them are in a cadent, then look at where are the lord of the seventh
sign and the lord of the eighth sign and the lord of the eleventh sign,
which is the sign of fortune, and the lord of the fifth sign and the lord
of the cardine, the fourth. If you find these also leaving the cardines,
[being] in cadents, [and] not aspecting the Moon by night nor the
Sun by day, then this native will be needing nourishment for his belly,
and it will be worse for him if a malefic is in one of the cardines.

1-26 Chapter 26. The magnitude of fortune and property.

Now I will show you the magnitude of fortune and property. Look
at the lord of the triplicity of the sign in which is the shining luminary.
If you find it in one of these four cardines in [such a way] that there
are fifteen degrees [or less] between it and the cardine, then predict
about him that he will be most perfect in fortune and property. If it
is in the second fifteen degrees, then predict concerning him the second
fortune, which is what is available of what I told you in the beginning,
as the nearer it is to the degree of the cardine, the higher it is for his
rank in eminence and fortune. If that planet which is the lord of the
triplicity of the shining [luminary] is in the third fifteen degrees, then
the owner of this nativity will not be known, but according to this he
will be middling in property and fortune. If you find the lord of the
triplicity after these degrees until it reaches the next cardine, then
the natives will be needy [and] miserable. But you should have these
degrees in [the rising-times of] the ascendents because degrees are
equal, thirty [to a sign], but the ascendents are not equal because some
of them are crooked and some straight. And the crooked ones are
quicker in rising, the straight ones slower in rising; and their rising-
times in every region and clime is not the same because the region of
the vicinity of the North is long and square while the vicinity of the
South is low [and] excessive[?]. If you find the lord of the triplicity
of the Sun by day in a bad place and the lords of the triplicity of the
Moon by night in a good place contrary to that, then there is no good
in the native if it is thus, but according to this there was almost good
and pleasure for him in property so that, if he thinks that his affair has
drawn near, it will not increase according to this, but there was a
destiny by which he is ruled in himself.

If you find the lords of both luminaries in a bad place, then look at
the lot of fortune as on account of it there is a change in some of these