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To The Reader

from **Christian Astrology**, by **William Lilly**

I HAVE oft in my former Works hinted the many fears I had of that danger I was naturally like to be in in the year 1647, as any may read, either in my Epistle before the Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, printed 1644, or in page thereof 108, or in the Epistle of Anglicus 1645, where you shall find these words: *I have run over more days than fifteen thousand and five hundred fifty nine, before I am sixteen thousand four hundred twenty two days old, I shall be in great hazard of my life, but that year which afflicts me will stagger a Monarch and Kingdom, &c.* What concerns myself, hath almost in full measure proved true, in 1647, having in this untoward year been molested with palpitations of the Heart, with Hypochondry melancholy, a disaffected Spleen, the Scurvy, &c. and now at this present viz. August 1647, when I had almost concluded this Treatise, I am shut up of the Plague, having the fourth of August buried one Servant thereof, and on the 28 of the

same month another, myself and remainder of my Family enforced to leave my proper seat, and betake myself to change of air; so that if either my present Epistles, or the latter part of the Book itself be any thing defective, as well they may, being written when my Family and self were in such abundant sorrow and perplexity; I desire the Reader to be so civil, as to pass over those slight imperfections (if any be) with a candid censure.

I thank almighty God, who hath prolonged my life up to this present, and hath been so gracious unto me, as to spare me so long, whereby I have been enabled now at length to perfect that **Introduction** so oft by me promised, so earnestly desired by many well-wishers unto this learning.

The latter part of my prediction concerning Monarchy, is now upon the stage and eyes of the millions attending what shall become of it: let us leave the event hereof unto God, who is hastening to require a strict account of some people entrusted in the Kingdom's affairs, fiat Justitia; vivat Rex: floreat Parliamentum. — **To The Reader**, from **Christian Astrology**, by **William Lilly**.



§ 4. INTELLECTUAL ABILITIES

These cannot be judged from Mercury, for this planet rules self-expression rather than actual brain-power. If strong, it nearly always gives fluency with tongue and pen, but it may also be mentally shallow and flippant. On the other hand, a good Saturn gives good judgment, sense, and wisdom, in contradistinction to cleverness. Uranus in good aspect to either planet may give exceptional talent.

General mental ability seems (in contradiction to the usual belief) to be most clearly indicated by good *solar* aspects, especially to ☿, ♃ or ♅.

Aspects to the asc. affect the brain, regarded as the physical vehicle for mental expression, and weaken and strengthen it according to their nature.

Many bodies in mutables make the mind active, often with a thirst for knowledge, especially the two positives. Virgo may be conservative and conventional. Pisces is artistic rather than strictly mental.

— **The Principles of Astrology**, 1925

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for the week (all times GMT)

Notes

14	04:35	♀ ♀	
12	07:44	☾ ☿ ☉	
13	00:08	☾ ☐ ♃	Void
	04:17	☾ ♃	
14	21:27	☉ 21 ♃ 26	First Quarter
15	09:49	☾ ☿ ♃	Void
	14:24	☾ ♃	
16	09:40	☾ △ ♃	
	14:10	☾ ☐ ♀	
17	00:20	♂ II ♀	
	01:05	♀ ♂ ☉	
	14:59	☾ △ ☉	
	17:42	☾ II ☉	
	18:49	☾ ♂ ♀	Void
18	02:52	☾ ☿	
	12:04	♀ △ ♀	

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STAR OF THE WEEK

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SPICA alpha Virginis 23 ♍ 59

Notes: A brilliant flushed white binary star in the Wheat Ear of Virgo. Frequently called Arista.

Influence: According to Ptolemy it is of the nature of Venus and Mars. It gives success, renown, riches, a sweet disposition, love of art & science, unscrupulousness, unfruitfulness & injustice to innocence.

If rising or culminating: Unbounded good fortune, riches, happiness, ecclesiastical preferment, unexpected honour or advancement beyond the native's hopes or capacity.

With Sun: Great & lasting preferment, eminent dignity, immense wealth, great happiness to native's parents & children, help from friends among clergy, favourable for public & legal affairs. If culminating, Church & State preferment. If with Venus & Mars the native is a potent king obeyed by many people . . . — from **Fixed Stars**, by Robson

Ivy M. Goldstein-Jacobson
1893-1990



IVY'S GEM OF THE WEEK

The Person Affected by a Transit

THE degree of the Sign on the Ascendant together with the planet ruling that sign - and any planet in the First House itself - represents the native himself. Any heavy transit on these points energizes him & he responds or reacts according to whether the transiting planet is good or bad by nature & also by the good or bad aspects it makes from that point, activating whatever was promised at birth.

In the same way, take the Sign on the 5th cusp & its ruler & any planet in the 5th for any person represented by the 5th House, as listed on p. 124, who now responds or reacts to a transit there. Do this with the persons of all the houses when under transit. The native will be drawn into it only if the transit also aspects the Ascendant, its ruler or a planet in the First House: and he responds or reacts according to the nature of the aspect made.

An eclipse or occultation falling on or opposite an afflicted malefic planet in the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 10th or 11th House endangers the life of a member of the family or social circle or someone connected with the employment or career. For the ordinary house-rulership of persons we have quoted page 124, but an additional clue in describing the person is given by the planets listed as follows:

Mercury denotes a child, teen-ager, school-mate. **Mars** is a brother, lover, or younger man. The **Sun** is a man of prestige or importance to the native. **Saturn** is an older man or the father. The **Moon** is an older woman or the mother. — **All Over The Earth**, 1963.

Habits

from
**The Encyclopaedia
of Medical Astrology**
by *H.L. Cornell*

HABIT—The Saturn influence tends greatly to make people governed by habit, as Saturn rules over habits, and tends to make them fixed. Habit is also the result of automatic action by the Moon. The aspects and position of the Moon govern the general habits of life, and the functional activities. The Moon has an important influence over the personal habits. The Moon well-aspected in Taurus gives methodical habits. The Sun influence leads to tendencies which are later taken up by the Moon action and made automatic, and result in unconscious behavior. (See Automatic.) The influences of the negative signs & planets tend to the formation of habits, whether good or bad, being more related to the unconscious, or the subconscious realms of the mind. The following subjects have to do with Habits, their causes, nature, etc., which see in the alphabetical arrangement when not more fully considered here.

ACQUIRED HABITS—Are generally acquired under the action of & influences of the Moon, and strong Moon characters are greatly influenced by environment & external conditions. (See Acquired Habit.)

BAD HABITS—Saturn conjunct or ill-aspect Mars or Venus by direction; Jupiter square or oppose the Sun; Venus afflicted at birth; Venus afflicted by Mars; Venus afflicted in Virgo, and especially in the 6th house. With Venus afflicted in Virgo, carelessness in the habits should be avoided.

THE HABIT BETTER—The Sun configured with the lord of the Ascendant; the native is more comely & the habit better.

CARELESS HABITS—Venus afflicted in Aries; common signs on the angles.

CREATURES OF HABIT—The Sun, Moon, and many planets in fixed signs on the angles; the Taurus or Scorpio signs tend to make creatures of habit. — **Encyclopaedia of Medical Astrology**, by H.L. Cornell.

I have four remaining hardcover copies at \$40.00 each. In two weeks I will have a new printing, probably in paperback. The price has yet to be set, but will be more. A hardcover version may follow. — *Dave*

Health & the Hyleg

from
Man & the Zodiac
by *David Anrias*

THE Hyleg is that point in the horoscope upon which health & life depend, requiring careful consideration when estimating the probable length of life & strength of the body. According to some astrologers, the hyleg is not concerned with health so much as longevity. Furthermore, opinions vary as to the right way of selecting the hyleg; others think the Sun for men & the Moon for women.

According to Claudius Ptolemy, the father of Western astrology, the following houses are “hylegical”, the first, the seventh, the ninth, and tenth houses and that half of the eleventh house nearest the M.C. If the Sun is therein, it is hyleg; if it is not, but the Moon is, she is hyleg; if neither is, the ascendant is considered. An orb of five degrees above the cusp of the ascendant and twenty-five below would be the limits of reckoning, whilst the Western angle would count from five degrees below to twenty-five above. The remaining houses are unimportant, for they could not be hyleg. The two luminaries & the ascendant must be considered regarding the length of life. If the ascendant is negative, it absorbs the influence of the Moon & its aspects; if it be positive, then the Sun & its aspects must be considered.

The luminaries in benefic aspect to the ascendant insure a sound body. On the other hand, bad aspects to that point or the luminaries menace the life. Favourable and afflicting aspects to the ascendant must be weighed up to form a correct judgment of health.

If all three influences are well-aspected, a healthy & long life can be expected. If any of these are afflicted, especially if the afflicting influence rules the fourth, eighth or twelfth houses or is placed therein, ill health relative to that particular influence & the sign it contains, is liable to menace the life, according to the type of affliction. — **Man & the Zodiac**, by David Anrias, 1938.

This book is famous for its portraits of each of the 36 decanates, when on the ascendant. Do you look like your sign? Find out! This will be in print in about three weeks, the price will be about \$22.—*Dave*

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This is a serialization of Vivian Robson's masterpiece, **A Student's Text-Book of Astrology**. It is now in print.

Part 8:
General Principles of Judgment, continued

THE aspects to any planet indicate the assistance or hindrance that it receives. Every planet is a significator of something in the life indicated by the houses containing or ruled by it, and the planets aspecting it show the people & things that help or hinder the affairs of which it is the significator. An unaspected planet denotes that the matters ruled by it will be isolated & uninfluenced by others. If the ruler of the Ascendant is unaspected the native will always be left to his own resources & receives little, or no, assistance from others.

There is usually a link between the two houses ruled by one planet, and it is found that the native of any sign responds greatly to the house occupied by the other sign ruled by the lord of the Ascendant. Thus, natives of Virgo are greatly occupied with work and professional matters, since Gemini, the other sign ruled by Mercury, is on the 10th house.

When judging of any matter always look for several indications. No important characteristic is ever indicated by one position alone, and the more important the matter the greater number of testimonies will there be found.

Obtain a general idea of the native's character before making a detailed judgment in order to be able to see matters in the right proportion. In a strongly Saturnian map an aspect from Mars will not have the same effect as in a martial map. If there are strong indications of caution an influence tending to hastiness or impetuosity will be much modified, and similarly there will be only moderate caution if the general nature of the map is impulsive.

— **A Student's Text-Book of Astrology**, by Vivian Robson.

The Decans of Libra
 from **The Manual of Astrology**
 by **Sepharial**

1ST decan, ruled by *Moon*. A genial but weak nature, easily influenced by women, and disposed to extravagance & unsteady habits; clever in general business matters, frequently changing his pursuits or position; a changeful & restless mind, halting between two courses; gains honour & position by public business, and has a chance of acquiring some property in land or houses.

2ND decan, ruled by *Saturn*. Grievs & troubles are shown, but success in the end of life. The native falls & rises in life from his own fault or merit. Fondness for the home life & steadfastness in the affections are characteristics of this decan. In most cases the native is poor, and has some trouble in the marriage state.

3RD decan, ruled by *Jupiter*. A generous, kind, and amiable nature; well-balanced & fruitful mind; happy marriage & much wealth; many journeys; faithful friend & generous enemy. The native is beloved for his justice & probity.

Decans of Scorpio

1ST decan, ruled by *Mars*. The native is a strong, forceful, energetic one, capable of immense feats of prowess, of endurance & courage. In strife, the native is implacable & dauntless, scorning defeat & danger of reversal. The ambitions are high; the spirit of conquest strong; the will is not less exalted & powerful. Strange & impulsive love affairs, sickness, caused through indiscretion or excess, are the fruits of this decan; but the native has faithful servants, and is born, in most cases, to command. — **The Manual of Astrology, the standard work**, by Sepharial.

October 12:
 1692—Salem Witch Trials end.
 1812—First Oktoberfest, Munich

On Houses
 from
The Encyclopedia of Astrology
 by **Nicholas de Vore**

DUE to the inclination of the polar axis in its relationship to the Sun, the number of degrees which pass over the horizon in 2 hours varies with the time of the year & the latitude of the place where the birth occurs. While the Mid-heaven-point moves reasonably steady from day to day throughout the year, the rising & setting points vary, lengthening into the "long winter evenings" and shortening into the so-called "Daylight Savings" period of long days & short summer nights.

Before considering all the factors entering into the problem of House definition & terminology, remember that a House is a two-hour segment of a twenty-four-hour cycle, repeated each day with minor variants. The beginning of the First House is the degree that from a given point on the Earth's surface was rising above the eastern horizon at a given moment of time. This point is the Ascendant, just as the opposite point is the Descendant. Between them is the Mid-heaven, and the opposite point below the Earth, the so-called *Immun Coeli*, viz.: the Lowest Heaven. These are the Angles of the Figure. The Houses which fall away from these Angles are termed the Angular Houses. Note that as your horizon falls down, the planets—which are thus uncovered—rise up. The next Houses are termed the Sucedent Houses, and these are midway between the Angles. The remaining houses, which precede the Angles, are termed the Cadent Houses. — **Encyclopedia of Astrology**, by Nicholas de Vore.

