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THE BRIDE'S RECEPTION

Note

This Appendix has purposely been left in the form of Notes, made by the Author as certain new aspects of the Qabalah were revealed to him. No attempt has been made to put these into good literary form or to draw together all the various conclusions into a complete Whole. The Student will find it necessary to use minute care in tracing out the different Paths indicated, and it may be well to adopt the advice of Chuang Tzu, as translated by Giles:

“Have no established mental criteria, and thus see all things as ONE.”

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APPENDIX TO CHAPTER TWO.

CONCERNING THE NATURAL BASIS OF CORRESPONDENCES IN THE HEBREW ALPHABET.

It has been intimated to the Author that some Qabalists consider the Symbolic Names of the Hebrew Letters, taken in their natural order, conceal a description of the Creative Process or natural Cycle of Generation. I have never seen this written of, but one might perhaps attempt to verify the notion and see if it has any foundation in truth.

Aleph	The Ox.	The Male Generative Power of the Father.
Beth	The House.	That which shelters. The Womb of the Mother.
Gimel	The Camel.	One who carries Water in its belly, therefore suggests that the Mother is with Child by the Father and that it floats in the amniotic fluid.
Daleth	The Door.	Means of ingress and egress. Whereby the Child makes its entrance into the World.
Heh	The Window.	Lets in Light from outside, suggests that the Child is brought to light.
Vau	The Nail.	That which unites or joins. The Umbilical Cord.
Zayin	The Sword,	That which severs the cord.
Cheth	The Fence.	Suggests an outside enclosure around the field or garden of the Father (Ox) viz: The child lives within its parents estates until.
Teth	The Serpent.	The sex-force awakes at Puberty.
Kaph	The Hand.	A natural symbol after recognition of sexual desire.
Yod	The Palm	(of hand). Obvious from last symbol.
Lamed	The Ox-goad.	Desire goads him on towards the opposite sex.
Mem	Water.	The Symbol of the Feminine.
Nun	Fish.	Seed.
Sameck	Prop.	Erection.
Ayin	Eye.	Sees object of desire.
Peh	Mouth.	Expresses desire by kiss.
Tzaddi	Fish-hook.	That which wishes to draw forth fish. Desire aroused in mate.
Qoph	Back of Head.	Suggests one lying on back of head.
Resh	Head.	Suggests another head, countenance beholds countenance.
Shin	Tooth.	Suggests “to bite”. Woman crushes Serpent's head.
Tau	Tau.	Egyptian Tau-cross. Instrument used to measure the depth of water in the Nile. Phallus in extension.

Thus we see the Cycle complete. The Son acts as his Father - Aleph - did before him., the Daughter becomes the Mother. As it was in the Beginning, is now, and ever shall be. AMN.

The above is capable of development along other and slightly different lines, according to the grade to which the student belongs, and the aspect of the process to be symbolized. I have suggested the purely physical, since it would be a very natural one with the primitive peoples. The scheme is possible of interpretation on other planes, no doubt, but I have kept entirely to the Symbolic titles of the letters without using, for instance, their Yetziratic or Tarot Correspondences.

APPENDIX TO

CHAPTERS THREE AND FOUR

CONCERNING THE TWENTY-TWO PATHS AND THE
ATTRIBUTIONS OF THE TAROT TRUMPS.

SECTION 1.

Having written as far as the end of the brief description of the XVIIth Trump called THE STAR, I noticed the time, and finding it already the small hours of the morning of May 31st E. V., I rested a moment from my labours on this my little book. My mind went back to the words I had just written and underscored, "The symbolism of the **Paths** is more important when considered from the BOTTOM TO THE TOP OF THE TREE." I went to bed, being right weary, but this thought kept recurring to me until, of a sudden, a glimmer of its tremendous importance illuminated my Understanding. I began mentally working on a plan which had never before been hinted at by any of the so-called Authorities. It seemed to have great possibilities, but I slept upon it and began further investigations in the morning.

The results of these investigations, which have been in progress until this morning, (June 2nd, 1922 E. V.) have proved so far reaching in their consequences that I have found it difficult to decide as to the best manner of dealing with this discovery, which at first sight seems to revolutionize the whole System.

I have decided, therefore, to present to you - and here I do not alone refer to new students but to ALL those of whatever Grade who have based their System of Attainment on the TREE OF LIFE - the first ideas of this revelation, but without dealing with the complexities which will occur to those who realize the consequences involved in making the further adjustments which appear to be indicated, or my own attempts to solve these problems.

This explanation will involve a matter which had not been fully discussed in the previous pages, viz:

THE SWORD AND THE SERPENT.

The Qabalists tell us that the SEPHIROTH were emanated by means of the FLAMING SWORD, or LIGHTNING FLASH, which descended from Kether unto Malkuth (as shown in the diagram in Chapter One.) They also say that this was followed by the ASCENT of the SERPENT of WISDOM who thus formed the PATHS. They showed his head at the top of the Tree, in the path leading from Kether to Chokmah, which is in turn the First Path of the FLAMING SWORD.

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All the known authorities have then continued to number the remaining 22 of the 32 Paths of Wisdom, from Path 11 (joining Kether and Chokmah) to Path 32 (joining Yesod and Malkuth). Students have only to refer to such well known Authorities as Mr. W. Wynn Westcott, in his *Introduction to the Study of the Kabbalah* (Watkins 1910), *Book 777* (London 1909) see], *THE EQUINOX*, Volume I, Number 2 see], which shows the attributions of Mr. Mathers and the Golden Dawn, etc., to prove this assertion to be a recognized fact.

One may now question how it was that the SERPENT who formed the Paths by ASCENDING The Tree, could possibly have started at the Top, and why previous commentators have never taken this vital idea into consideration.

Anyway, let us find out what would happen if we followed the SERPENT of WISDOM (NChSh = 358), which the Qabalists attributed to the Messiah (MShCh = 358), and, remembering that "The Wisdom of God is Foolishness with Men", start on our upward journey by the ELEVENTH Path leading from MALKUTH to YESOD and attributed to the Tarot Trump marked O = THE FOOL.

We shall then find by following exactly the Reverse Order of the Paths as they were numbered, keeping exactly to the Order of the Letters from Aleph to Tau, and adopting (provisionally) the attributions of the Elements, Planets and Zodiac, exactly as previously shown, that the Tree will take on the following aspect.

The ELEVENTH Path from Malkuth to Yesod, attributed to AIR, will be Aleph, = The Fool, = AIR.

The TWELFTH Path from Malkuth to Hod (the Sphere of MERCURY) will be Beth, the Magician = MERCURY (Note his four elemental weapons coming from Malkuth, the Sphere of the Elements).

The THIRTEENTH Path from YESOD (The Sphere of the MOON) to Hod, will be the High Priestess = Gimel = The MOON. (Note she holds the TORA or TARO on her lap and has the Moon under her feet.)

The FOURTEENTH Path from Malkuth to Netzach (the Sphere of VENUS) will be The Empress = Daleth = VENUS.

The FIFTEENTH Path from Yesod to Netzach will be The Emperor, (Consort of The Empress) = Heh = Aries. (Second Decan of Aries is Ruled by Venus according to Egyptian Astrology, though I am only provisionally content in regard to this Path.)

The SIXTEENTH Path from Hod to Netzach (the Sphere of VENUS) is the Hierophant = Vau = Taurus which is RULED by VENUS. (Note this position of the Hierophant in the centre of the Veil between the First and Second Orders.)

The SEVENTEENTH Path from Hod (the Sphere of MERCURY) to Tiphereth is the Lovers = Zain = Gemini which is RULED by MERCURY. (Note the Sun above their heads on card.)

The EIGHTEENTH Path from Yesod (the Sphere of the MOON) to Tiphereth is the Chariot = Cheth = Cancer which is RULED by the MOON. (Initiates will note the symbolism of this Card of the New Aeon uniting with that of The Hierophant, and how he has harnessed the Black and White Sphinxes, etc.)

The NINETEENTH Path from Netzach to Tiphereth (the Sphere of the SUN) is Strength = Teth = Leo which is RULED by the SUN. (Note the Lion Of the Sun or Leo and the Woman of Venus = Netzach.)

The TWENTIETH Path from Hod (the Sphere of MERCURY) to Geburah is THE HERMIT = Yod = VIRGO, the other sign (Besides Gemini) which is RULED by MERCURY.

The TWENTY-FIRST Path from Tiphereth to Geburah (the Sphere of MARS) is The Wheel of Fortune = Kaph = Jupiter. (Here we find something which does not seem to follow this wonderful plan of the Planetary Paths meeting their OWN SEPHIROTH and in this one instance I am going to indicate the nature of a change which might make a great deal of difference to the rest of our plan. There appears no valid reason why Kaph should be attributed to Jupiter and Peh to Mars. The letters are very similar in appearance, except that Peh has an additional TONGUE and means THE MOUTH, while Kaph is THE PALM OF THE HAND. On the other hand Jupiter is the Sphere of Authority from whence comes the Instructions for the Order and might be Peh, The Mouth, while Mars, (with its New Aeon implicits as the Lord of SILENCE and of STRENGTH) is perhaps better symbolized by the PALM of the HAND (which is empty) i.e. KAPH.

Making this provisional change we should find the TWENTY-FIRST Path from Tiphereth to Geburah (the Sphere of MARS) is the Blasted Tower = Kaph = MARS. (Also note that the "Palm of the Hand" is adjacent to the Path of Yod = The Hand.) The TWENTY-SECOND Path from Netzach (the Sphere of VENUS) to Chesed is Justice = Lamed = Libra which is RULED by VENUS.

The TWENTY-THIRD Path from Tiphereth to Chesed would be the Hanged-Man = Mem = WATER, and Chesed is attributed to WATER.

The TWENTY-FOURTH Path from Geburah (the Sphere of MARS) to Chesed, is Death = Nun = Scorpio RULED by MARS. Note that this forms the Second Reciprocal Path or VEIL OF THE ABYSS above which IDEAS ARE ONLY TRUE INSOFAR AS THEY CONTAIN THEIR OWN OPPOSITES.

PAST THIS VEIL I do not feel permitted to lead you at this time. You may trace up the correspondences for yourselves and will find that in some instances, according to the accepted order of things, there will be difficulties in making perfect adjustments. One will also discover some startling symbolism, such as the conjunction of the Sun and Moon, of the Letters O. and N. etc., but the whole matter is of such importance that I can make no attempt to disclose my further surmises. Enough has been said to establish the possibility of a PERFECT SYSTEM of CORRESPONDENCES worthy of THOTH who gave us HIS BOOK.

I need only add that it is worth noting that the Paths below Tiphereth are those of the UNITS in the Hebrew Alphabet, as this is THE FIRST ORDER. Those below the Supernal Triad are the TENS corresponding to THE SECOND ORDER while the FOUR SUPERNAL PATHS are the HUNDREDS and their NUMERATION is ONE THOUSAND which is a Large ALEPH. Thus we have THE THIRD ORDER of the HOLY QABALAH.

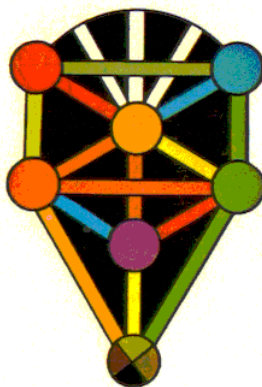


Plate III—The Second Order.

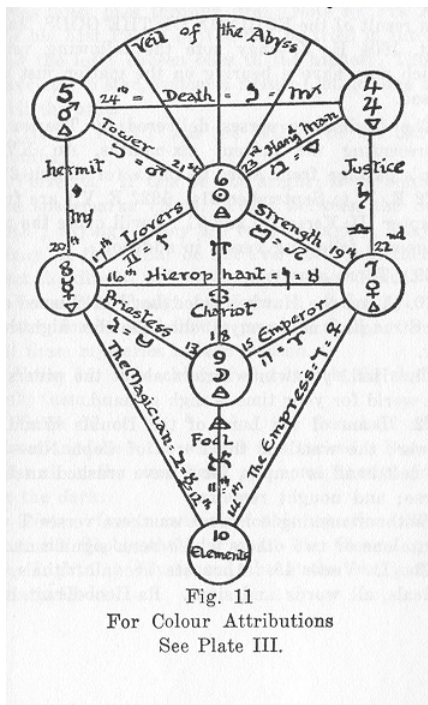


Fig. 11
For Colour Attributions
See Plate III.

SECTION II.

Those who are interested in the gradual working out and fulfillment of the Prophecies of "LIBER LEGIS" - the Book of the Law for the New Aeon - given to the world by THE MASTER THERION as a result of the EQUINOX OF THE GODS March 21st, 1904 E. V.- may note the following verses which may have a bearing on the matter just disclosed.

The Divinatory verses delivered by Therion as representing the present six-months, An. XVIII Sun's passage from Aries to Libra (or March 21st, 1922 E. V. to September 21st, 1922 E. V.) are from Chapter 111, Verses 70 and 71. I will quote the previous and following verses in addition.

- 69. There is success.
- 70. I am the Hawk-Headed Lord of Silence and of Strength; my nemyss shrouds the night-blue sky.
- 71. Hail! ye twin warriors about the pillars of the world for your time is nigh at hand.
- 72. I am of the Lord of the Double Wand of Power; the wand of the Force of Coph Nia - but my left hand is empty, for I have crushed an Universe; and nought remains.

Without making comment on these verses I will quote one or two others which seem significant.

Ch. I. Verse 49. Abrogate are all rituals, all ordeals, all words and signs. Ra-Hoor-Khuit hath taken his seat in the East at the Equinox of the Gods; ...

Verse 50. There is a word to say about the Hierophantic task. Behold! there are three ordeals in one, and it may be given in three ways. The gross must pass through fire; (Note by Fra A.: Shin the old 31st Path.) let the fine be tried in intellect, and the lofty chosen ones in the highest; Thus ye have star & star, system & system; let not one know well the other.

(Note: FIFTY was the WORD of the last six months).

Verse 52. If this be not aright; if ye confound the spacemarks (Note. Paths between the Sephiroth?) saying: They are one; or saying, They are many, if the ritual be not ever unto me: then expect the direful judgments of Ra Hoor Khuit!

Verse 54. Change not so much as the style of a letter; for behold! thou o prophet, shall not behold all these mysteries hidden therein.

Verse 55. The child of thy bowels, *he* shall behold them.

Verse 56. ... solve the first half of the equation, leave the second unattacked. But thou hast all in the clear light, and some, though not all in the dark.

(Note: One meaning of this equation may be that the Sephiroth = the Paths. The Clear Light of the Lightning Flash, and the Paths but partially interpreted.)

Verse 57 is significant; the first part should be studied with care by those in possession of Liber Legis. I quote the latter part.

“All these old letters of my Book are aright; but Tzaddi is not the Star. This also is secret: my prophet shall reveal it to the wise.”

(He did, transposing The Emperor and the Star, thus bringing The Emperor to its present position. A.)

One should further note Ch. I, Verse 34, in which Nuit says: “the ordeals I write not: the rituals shall be **half known and half concealed**: the Law is for all. ”

SECTION III.

June 2nd 1922 E. V. 6 30 P. M. (5.30 Sun time)

Since writing the above, other matters are becoming clear to me. As usual, The Book of the Law supplies the Key.

I remembered the verse from Chapter II wherein Hadit says “Come! all ye, and learn the secret that hath not yet been revealed. I, Hadit, am the complement of Nu, my bride”, and I decided to look up the quotation and perhaps place it at the beginning of my Book “The Bride's Reception” for which it seemed suitable. I also intended to place at the beginning the words of Nuit, recently quoted “the gross must pass through fire; let the fine be tried in intellect, and the lofty chosen ones in the highest” thus giving a sort of hint at the secret of the Inner Order, and instituting a test of intelligence by some subtle means in the body of the book, which might lead others to make the same discovery without having read this appendix.

I had also obtained some light on Hadit's statement, for he being the SERPENT, might indicate the PATHS, while NUIT might in a measure represent THE SEPHIROTH, His complement, with possibly an additional Sephira to make ELEVEN, which is her Number.

On looking at Liber Legis I first noticed the words in Ch. I, Verse 16 wherein Hadit states “I am the Empress & the Hierophant. Thus eleven as my bride is eleven” and the mystery of the new Path of Heh, immediately presented itself to my mind once more. Then in Verse 15, just above, “The Empress and the King are not of me; for there is a further secret”. The Empress and King (or Emperor) are together in my present arrangement, but the Emperor seems wrong. What this further secret is, I have not yet tried to discover, as it involves the main question of making changes in the Paths, etc.

The next words that drew my attention were in Chapter II, Verse 2, (following those I first quoted). “I am not extended, and Khabs is the name of my House” I had of course attempted various interpretations of these words before, such as “not-extended” being the extension of NOT in a mystical way concerning LA which is Not. I had also stated that I believed Malkuth to be the House of Hadit (See Liber AVM), a Closed Sphere, etc. I had remarked too, that the sum of the numbers from 1 to 31 = 496, a Perfect Number which reduces to 13 (AChD= Unity) and the Numeration of Malkuth (**MLKVTh**), but I had never put these facts together so as to read “I am NOT (LA=31) extended (1+2+3 +31=496) and Khabs is the name of my House”, therefore MALKUTH, The Kingdom, which I fancy contains all the sephiroth. This Number (496) is also that of **LVITHN** Leviathan, the Dragon or Serpent, which probably represents Hadit. Now it is written “The Perfect and the Perfect are one perfect and not two, nay are none”. This is a Perfect Number and Nuit is THE BRIDE (Malkuth = The Bride) of Hadit, may it not be that Hadit and Nuit are united in Malkuth, and that in some way this is the Eleventh Sephira (if we put in Da'ath), and that “The Fool” was numbered Zero so as not to upset the THIRTY-TWO PATHS, which would otherwise be 33 viz: Two Knights on One Horse.

SECTION IV.

June 3rd 1922 E. V.

Last night, after writing the above, I was obliged to take a Class in “The Vision and The Voice”. We studied the 9th, 8th and 7th Aethyrs. During this study many illuminating ideas came to me, one I particularly remember in the 7th Aethyr (Eq. I. No. 5. Page 117 see) “The five and the six are balanced in the Word Abrahamadabra, and therein is the mystery disclosed. But the key unto this gate (Da'leth) is the balance of the seven and the four; and of this thou hast not even the first letter.” I remarked to myself how clearly the Mystery of 5=6 is shown when THE CHARIOT is attributed to the Path from Yesod to Tiphereth, as it is in my revised Order, but also that Libra the Balance is now between Netzach and Chesed the SEVEN and the FOUR.

Also I particularly noticed the relationship of AIWASS the Minister of Ra-Hoor-Khuit, to the Seer, and to ADONAI his Lord, who is again but the Viceroy of the Unknown King. (P. 114.see)

Further I was struck by the words (Page 110 see) of the Angel of the Pyramid, “The light is come to the darkness, and the darkness is made light. Then is light married with light & the child of their love is that other darkness, wherein they abide that have lost name and form. Therefore did I kindle him that had NOT UNDERSTANDING, and in the Book of the Law did I write the secrets of truth that are like unto a STAR and a SNAKE and a SWORD.

“And unto him that UNDERSTANDETH AT LAST do I deliver the secrets of truth in such wise that the LEAST OF THE LITTLE CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT may run to the knees of the MOTHER and be brought to UNDERSTAND.”

Many more points might be studied but I have not had the time. Particularly did I miss a point (noticed by Brother S. who asked me to repeat it, but I could not find the place) and it was (Page 104) “Until the Ibis be revealed unto the Crab, and the Sixfold Star become the Radiant Triangle” but this I have since been led to discover.

After arriving home at night, I picked out from the bookcase THE SEPHER YETZIRAH (Dr. Westcott's translation, limited to 100 copies, published by Robt. H. Fryar, Bath 1887) and noticed some interesting passages, as follows: "Ten are the numbers of the ineffable Sephiroth, ten and not nine, ten and not eleven." (Possibly warning me from the track I was following earlier in the evening.) "Learn this wisdom, and be wise in the understanding of it, investigate these numbers, and draw knowledge from them, FIX THE DESIGN IN ITS PURITY, and pass from it to its Creator seated on his throne." To this was appended the following notes:

Rittangelius gives "REPLACE THE FORMATIVE POWER UPON HIS THRONE" Postellus gives "RESTORE THE DEVICE OR WORKMANSHIP TO ITS PLACE."

The above are remarkable as proof that the restoration of the ORDER of the QABALAH is the main work. Also it may be that having attained in ASSIAH one goes on to the YETZIRATIC World and readjusts the SYMBOLS of FORMATION. I noticed, too, some of the remarks about the "Three Mother Letters," but could not quite see the points indicated.

This morning I took the "Sepher Yetzirah" with me, and on my way to the office, opened it at the following words:

"He created this universe by the three Sepharim, **Number, Writing, and Speech.**" This gave me food for thought about the Three Mothers again. Then I turned idly to the middle of the book-which contains other tracts, among them "The Count of Gabalis." My eyes caught these words:

AN ORACLE.

"There is above the Celestial Fire, an Incorruptible Flame, always sparkling; the Spring of Life, the Fountain of all Being, the Original of all things! This Flame produceth all Things; and Nothing persisteth, but what it consumes. It makes it Self known by it Self. This Fire cannot be contained in any place: 'Tis without Body, and without Matter. It encompasses the Heavens: And there goes out from it a little Spark, which makes all the Fire of the Sun, of the Moon, and of the Stars.

And again another Oracle - "There is in God an immense Profundity of Flame. Nevertheless, the HEART should not fear to TOUCH this Adorable Fire, or to be touched by it: It will never be consumed by this so sweet Fire; whose MILD and Tranquil Heat, makes the Binding, the HARMONY, and the DURATION of the World. Nothing subsists but by this Fire, which is GOD Himself."

This set me to thinking that the Path of SHIN must be the one from KETHER to TIPHEREH without any further shadow of doubt. Also is not this the 31st Path which Governs the SUN and MOON (Tiphereth and Yesod) which is the Origin-AL (=31) of all things wherein NOTHING (LA = NOT = 31) perisheth, but what it consumes. (Some of the words I have written Large to point out the Qabalistic ideas clearly.) By the time I had arrived at the office I had determined to set up a Tree of Life and to Place THE THREE MOTHER LETTERS on the MIDDLE PILLAR and on so doing, I again remembered the Words "He created this Universe by the THREE SEPCHARIM, **Number, Writing and Speech.** Is not this the Work of Hermes the THRICE GREATEST, the Universal Mercury, and do not the Three Mother Letters thus arranged form the Caduceus; Shin above Mem above Aleph, on the Rod of the Middle Pillar, with The Winged Globe of Kether Chokmah and Binah above? Having therefore FIXED OUR MERCURY the next thing is to use WISDOM in the WISE UNDERSTANDING of the matter so as to FIX THE DESIGN IN ITS PURITY. This I decided to do by means of the Planetary and Zodiacal Symbols only, leaving the Elements FIXED in their proper place and not worrying with the Letters or the Trumps for the moment. I first placed the Symbols in the 10 Sephiroth. Then I noticed the connexion.

Shin = Number = Fire.

Mem = Writing which flows like Water.

Aleph = Speech which cometh from Air.

But also Shin is all these being SPIRIT so that its three flames are Water, Air, Fire indicating Binah the Root of Water, Kether the Root of Air, the Divine Breath, and Chokmah the Root of Fire these form the Winged Globe of the Third Order. Also the Tarot Trump "The Judgment" shows this, for we have the Air coming from the Trumpet, (The Music of the Spheres), the Figures arising in the form of Fire, and the Water in the background indicating the Waters of Death, the Path of Scorpio, which is the veil of the Abyss. Also notice that this Path of Shin is divided by the reciprocal paths into THREE, as is the Path of Mem into TWO while the Path of Aleph is SINGLE and alone.

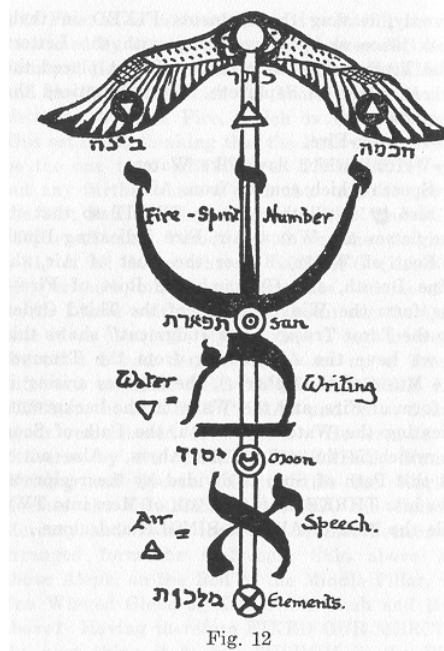


Fig. 12

To continue, after this digression, with the Paths of the Planets and Signs. As before Mercury joins Malkuth and Hod, The Moon joins Yesod and Hod. Venus joins Malkuth and Netzach. Now we need something Ruled by VENUS, in place of the Aries attribution, this is evidently CANCER since his Path has been given to MEM. Taurus, Ruled by Venus, unites Hod and Netzach. Gemini unites Hod and Tiphereth. Cancer has been disposed of. Leo unites Netzach and Tiphereth. Virgo unites Hod and Geburah. Libra unites Netzach and Chesed. Scorpio undoubtedly unites Geburah and Chesed. So far, up to the Veil of the Abyss, we have only two Paths unfilled. What about ARIES, Ruled by Mars, in which sign is the SUN at the VERNAL EQUINOX. This must join TIPHEREH and GEBURAH, where we had previously placed the Mars symbol. The other Path, from Tiphereth to Chesed, is not clear for the moment, so we proceed to put our certainties in order. Sagittarius, ruled by Jupiter, is tempting, but had better be reserved. Capricorn ruled by Saturn must either join Geburah to Binah, or Tiphereth to Binah, as before. The latter is undoubtedly correct for it shows "The Devil" connecting with the Sun, and AYIN uniting with NUN (Scorpio) forming ON = The Sun. This leaves but one path for the MARS Symbol, which must join Geburah and Binah. Now we must deal with AQUARIUS ruled by Saturn. There are but two vacant Paths, one from Binah to Kether and the other from Binah to Chokmah.

The Tarot seems to decide this. The Woman with the STARS above her head and the WATER at her feet evidently connects the Sphere of the STARS = Chokmah with the GREAT SEA = Binah. This leaves the SATURN Symbol for the Path from Binah to Kether. Now we come to PISCES ruled by Jupiter. What could be better than using our blank path from Tiphereth to Chesed, since we have used the one on the other side for ARIES, and PISCES, the last sign, might as well meet the Sun and represent the GRAND CYCLE of the ZODIAC, with the Sun Passing From Aries to Pisces, (as it is now passing into AQUARIUS, the old path from which we took Aries). Also The Tarot card "The Moon" shows KEPHRA Rising from the Pool and this Symbol again indicates the conjunction of Sun and Moon, which was Symbolized in the SECOND ORDER in a secret manner. This, combined with the fact that Pisces is Ruled by Jupiter, completes the evidence, in favour of our choice. We have now but three Symbols left, the SUN, JUPITER and SAGITTARIUS and we have Three Paths from Kether to Chokmah, from Chokmah to Chesed and from Chokmah to Tiphereth. If the SUN is to unite with Tiphereth, there is only one Path for it, that from Chokmah to Tiphereth. We still have JUPITER to arrange for, as well as SAGITTARIUS ruled by JUPITER. Obviously, since there is only one Path out of Chesed, we cannot give it to Two Symbols. I prefer to give it to Jupiter, though one of the Symbols has to be placed among the SUPERNALS and it might be this one. Anyway, leave Him there for the Present while we attempt to decide the important question of SOL and SAGITTARIUS. Can SAGITTARIUS be the Path from Kether to Chokmah? It does not seem likely, but it might be the ARROW across the ABYSS from Tiphereth to Chokmah, as it were Tiphereth's connection with the Star Universe.

The Tarot Card "Temperance" (= SAGITTARIUS) shows a figure who is pouring fluid from one vessel to another, and in the old cards one vessel is Red and the other Blue. Can this indicate the Red of the Path of Shin and the Blue of Chesed? This card should be Ruled by Jupiter, and this would indicate the connection, especially if we remember that the Waters of Death and the Waters of Life may contain an occult Mystery, and this path crosses Nun, or Scorpio. There can be little doubt of this attribution. This really leaves the disputed Supernal Path (from Kether to Chokmah), either to The SUN or JUPITER, and I had in my design this morning given it to the SUN, which makes the attributions wonderfully perfect. I now once more intend to change the arrangement, though tentatively, leaving this the final question to the Higher Powers. With Jupiter, The Father of The Gods, joining Kether and Chokmah, we should find THE WHEEL OF FORTUNE (representing the PRIMUM MOBILE or the BEGINNING of the WHIRLING MOTIONS, also the THREE PRINCIPLES and the CENTRUM IN CENTRI TRIGONO) producing the System of Revolving Orbs in CHOKMAH. Also in the "Heavenly Hexagram" Kether is attributed to Jupiter. In that case the SUN will be the Path from CHOKMAH to TIPHERETH (and this represents Him as taking up his work as THE LOGOS of the SOLAR SYSTEM) and the Path from CHESD to CHOKMAH will be SAGITTARIUS which is naturally Ruled by Jupiter. This Makes all the Signs of the Zodiac meet their Rulers perfectly. Also the 32nd Path is called the "Administrative Intelligence," and this is the office of Jupiter, although of course The Sun may be said to Rule the Planets. Anyway the Holy Spirit of the 31st Path governs the Sun and Moon without doubt and is Ruler under Kether of the Central Pillar.

Now I have only a few more remarks to make in order to complete my day's investigations. NUIT says "Change not so much as the style of a letter" and again "All these old letters of my book are aright, but Tzaddi is not the Star." I think this means that Tzaddi is NOT (= LA = 31) the Star, for She is combined with the Origin-AL Shin (Hadit) of the 31st Path, and is Herself the 29th Path which = 11. This was the 4th path of the Old System and $31=3+1=4$. I shall therefore leave all the attributions of Letters and Cards as they were, all that one has to do is to arrange them in their proper order, and BEHOLD. This is the Mystery of the THIRD ORDER of the QABALAH, it being the THIRD ORDER of the PATHS and it is for those who are to be tried in the HIGHEST viz: (the decision between the SUN and JUPITER). THE FIRST ORDER is for those who must PASS THROUGH FIRE, the SECOND ORDER is to try the INTELLECT, and THE THIRD ORDER for those who have COORDINATED their UNDERSTANDING.

Just a few more notes made this morning. HADIT says: "I am the EMPRESS and the HIEROPHANT, thus eleven, as my bride is eleven." Considering our new Plan we find the Hierophant, Taurus, on the Path from HOD to NETZACH and THE EMPRESS joining MALKUTH to NETZACH, while between them is CANCER on the Path attributed to the EMPEROR or KING in the SECOND ORDER. But CHETH (=418) should be the HIEROPHANT in the NEW AEON and therefore take the place of the Past Hierophant, OSIRIS, THE BULL. The Hierophant, in a certain sense, passes to the Path of Cancer and THE CHARIOT to the Path of TAURUS, without changing the marking of the cards in any way. Then we find the OLD HIEROPHANT taking the Place of the EMPEROR, or Heh, and the Hierophant, being Vau, unites the Son and Daughter, since CHETH the path of the THIRD ORDER is a letter like Heh, but CONNECTED at the UPPER LINE or HEAD, so that the letter is really like THE HEAD = Resh = The Sun connected with Vau the Son. These letters produce RV the Root of AIR (= the FOOL), also of ROTA the WHEEL. Also note that Cancer the CRAB goeth sideways, which is the move of the HIEROPHANT, or BISHOP, in CHESS. Thus also has the Past Hierophant gone sideways, for the old Aeon is passed away and all things are Ruled by the one in the CHARIOT who hath harnessed the BLACK AND WHITE SPHINXES and sits on the CUBIC STONE which is (YESOD) THE FOUNDATION of the UNIVERSE. HOOR in his secret name and splendour is the LORD INITIATING and HIS CHARIOT rolls STRAIGHT AHEAD.

AUMN.

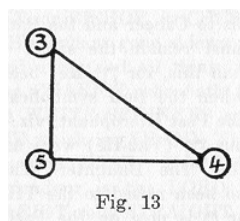
SECTION V.

June 3rd 11.49 P. M. (Sun time 10.49) Liber Legis. Ch. I. Verse 49.

"Abrogate are all rituals, all ordeals, all words and signs. Ra-Hoor-Khuit hath taken his seat in the East at the Equinox of the Gods; and let Asar be with Tsa, who also are one. But they are not of me. Let Asar be the adorant, Isa, the sufferer; Hoor in his secret **name** and **splendour** is the Lord initiating."

Note: ASAR = The Bull = Taurus, let him be, (that is remain) with ISA (The Hanged Man, = Mem), who also are one, viz: - their Paths cross on the Tree of Life (Third Order). HOOR in his secret NAME and SPLENDOR is the Lord initiating, viz: Hoor is to be considered as on the Path from Hod = SPLENDOR to Netzach, thus indicating him as the Victorious One, though his attributions to Cancer and the Path from Yesod to Netzach must remain the same. But there is much more than this, for Heh became the Path of Vau when the Bull symbolically passed to the place of the Past Hierophant, viz: - the Path of Cheth thus Vau-Heh were united, even as it is clear that The Daughter = "The World" = Tau has also been raised to the THRONE of the MOTHER, for Tau is now on the Path from Binah to Kether, where she was first tempted by the old Serpent, Saturn. Thus we obtain the idea HV, but we also found CHETH, the New Hierophant or Lord Initiating = Vau, combined with Resh, which is VR. Now then, these ideas combine into HVVR which is HOOR, or we can say that Heh is Resh and Vau separated, and obtain HRU or HERU. Also if the Vau be reversed and added to Resh, or rather combined with it, we get Tau = VT the letters shown on the old Tarot trump the Chariot. But we must not actually change the Unity of the arrangement as it stands, for we find the Triad Malkuth, Yesod, Netzach, joined by the Paths Aleph, Cheth, Daleth, which is Achad = Unity (and Ahebah, Love through 13) which is the mystery of the Uniting of the Son and Daughter.

Now HOOR spelt HVVR = 217 = 10, Malkuth or Kether or IO = Jove, etc., (see Mystery of Jupiter in the Supernal Triad). But spelt HOOR = 345 and this suggests the 47th problem of Euclid and Masonry. Now the Sephiroth 3-4-5



suggest these proportions on the Tree, then the "lost path" across the Abyss would be shown in this triangle. What do we obtain?

The Egyptian ISIS, OSIRIS, HORUS. Not that alone, however, but the Magic SQUARES of SATURN, JUPITER and MARS. Now note, the Supernal Paths are Saturn and Jupiter, did these two MALES give birth to the Idea of MARS, and thus, as we see indicated by the Mars square in diagram which covers the old path of Aleph, produce the Bastard of the Swastika (For the Swastika is 17 on the Square of Mars) thus causing the confusion of ideas in regard to the Old Path of Aleph, as representing the first creative Path, when this should have been the path of Shin, the Holy Spirit and the Universal Mercury. Herein is perhaps the Mystery of the THREE LOST FATHERS, Saturn, Jupiter and Mars (or Horus the Elder)

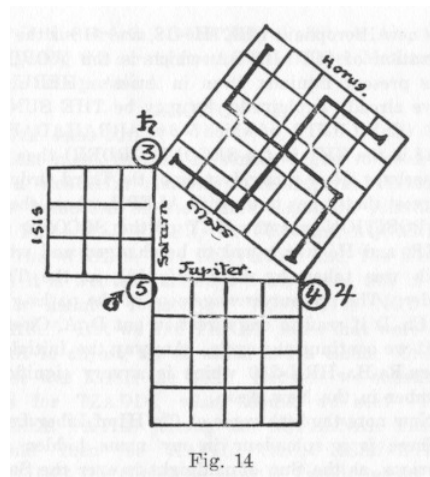


Fig. 14

for they all got lost somewhere and are represented by the THREE MOTHERS, forming the Caduceus of the Universal Mercury, which represents both Male and Female in one.

Again referring to Cancer = 69 by shape = Sameck the Prop and Teth the Serpent. Not bad for the Serpent and Staff of Moses, and it may be that The Arrow or Prop will yet be the means of raising the Serpent to its true estate. 217 (HVVR) also equals the Hebrew word for AIR which is Aleph = 1 and these ideas combined give $69 + 1 = 70 =$ The Eye. But the new Hierophant CHETH = 418, and 418 is the Numeration of HRU-RA-HA which is the WORD of this present Equinox (Sun in Aries). HERU, we have already explained. Ra may be THE SUN, or AR (Ch) LIGHT (of which $5=6$ or ABRAHADABRA = 418 is the KEY in the SECOND ORDER) then HA is perhaps Heh or some Mystery of the Third Order. I suggest that it has to do with ALEPH, whose change of POSITION was the KEY of the SECOND ORDER, and Heh which had to be changed and whose path was taken by CHETH (= 418) in the Third Order. The present arrangement of the paths gives A, Ch, D if read in one direction but D, A, Ch = 4, 1, 8, if we continue the cycle. Anyway the Initials of Heru-Ra-Ha = HRH = 210 which is a very significant number in the New Aeon.

Now note the 74th verse of Ch. III of Liber Legis. "There is a splendour in my name hidden and glorious, as the Sun of midnight is ever the Son." Does not this again suggest the SPLENDOUR and NAME of the Victorious One.

Again, in the next and last verse of the book. "The ending of the words is the Word Abrahadabra (= 418 = PARZIVAL = The FOOL. See Ch. I "And Abrahadabra. It shall be his child and that strangely".) The Book of the Law is Written and concealed. Aum (= 111 = Aleph the Fool) Ha. (= 6 = Vau = The Son and the Lord Initiating who is now CHETH = 418.)

Finally note 345 = Shin, Mem, and Heh. The last letter is the Breath of the Holy Spirit or Air, thus suggesting the arrangement of the Three Mothers in their true position.

SECTION VI.

Sun. June 4th.

Last night further Mysteries began to clear up in a wonderful manner. The Supernal Triad is now composed of the Three Sephiroth joined by the Paths of JUPITER, SATURN and AQUARIUS or The WHEEL, The UNIVERSE and The STAR. But it is written (although I explained this in another manner formerly) "TZADDI is NOT the STAR." But we had THREE paths that were difficult to adjust, all of which had a claim. One of these was RESH the SUN. Suppose we substitute this for TZADDI what should we see? THE THREE PATHS joining the SUPERNAL TRIAD would then be KAPH, TAU, RESH = KThR = KETHER the CROWN. But if Tzaddi is Not the Star then perhaps RESH is THE STAR as well as the LETTER of THE SUN. This would show the whole Mystery of the UNIVERSE, the WHEEL, the SUN, STARS, PLANETS and ELEMENTS, all in the SUPERNAL TRIAD, which is the STAR of the THIRD ORDER, the Three-fold Star. And look at the NUMBERS of the SEPHEROTH COMBINED, for the first Mystery of the SEPHARIM is NUMBER. $1 + 2 = 3$ The TRINITY. $1 + 3 = 4$ The Tetrad. $2 + 3 = 5$ The Flaming Star. 1 and 2 combined = $12 =$ HUA (Heh referred to Mater, Vau to Pater, and Aleph to Corona), etc. $13 =$ Achad, Unity and AHBH Love, etc. $23 =$ Joy and Life. $21 =$ AHIIH = Existence, Being, the KETHER name of God. $31 =$ AL = God and All, LA = Not. 31 is also the Key of the Book of the Law, etc. $32 =$ AHIIHVH the 32-fold name in which AHIIH and IHVH are coalesced which, if the three Hehs are taken for THE THREE MOTHERS, gives $358 =$ The Messiah and also the Serpent. There are many other important attributions. Thus all cometh from KThR the Crown, which containeth the Mystery of the three Fathers Jupiter, Saturn and Sol, and the Three Whirling forces of Life in The WHEEL, the SWASTIKA FIGURE in The STAR, and The ELLIPSE of The UNIVERSE.

There are other Mysteries about these alternative Paths, which may mean something, although they do not conflict with this truly wonderful Trinity in Unity. For had the ARROW = SAGITTARIUS (Ruled by Jupiter) been put in the place of Jupiter, and the Spirit, SHIN, been included in the CENTRE of the TRIAD we should have obtained the Numeration $60+400+200+300=960$ which plus the 3 Sephiroth = $963 =$ AchD = ACHAD = UNITY (Spelt fully) also the Hebrew for Garland, Crown, a little wreath. May not this be the Crown of Victory on the head of 418 (as Cheth) in the midst of OIN the "Mist and Vapour" which concealed him in UNITY, which is ALEPH, which is THE PURE FOOL.

SECTION VII.

June 5th 1922

Notes.

Possible date of Plan of Qabalah indicated by SUN between ARIES and PISCES in Grand Cycle of Zodiac.

Note. Change in position of Heh places this path in connection with SUN = Son. Marriage of Daughter to Son.

Note. SWORD, SNAKE and STAR. Three Orders.

Note. Lion = Leo, lies down with Lamb = Aries.

Note. Horoscope for 31st, Mercury entering Cancer, is very remarkable and seems to indicate Aeon of MAAT.

Note. SUN of MIDNIGHT may indicate Resh attributed to STAR.

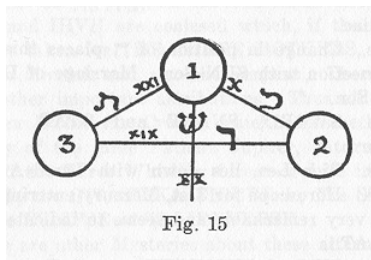
Note. KEYS of SUPERNALS XXI and X=31 also Path 1-2 = Three Principles on Wheel. 1-3 = Four Elements in World 2-3 = Flaming Star or Sun and Star combined. 1-6 = 31st Path. etc.

SECTION VIII.

June 5th Midnight (Sun time)

I have been making further considerations in the Light of a Colour Plan of the Third Order which I made to-day. (See Plate IV at end of section VIII.)

I perceive, (1) that the Paths of Gemini and Virgo should be interchanged in order to make the harmony more perfect (2) I began further investigation of the Supernal Triad according to the NUMBERS of the KEYS. I find that the Symbolism is indeed perfect if we substitute the actual Sun card for Aquarius, thus we obtain:



KThR = Kether The Crown (as before from LETTERS.)

XXI + X = 31.

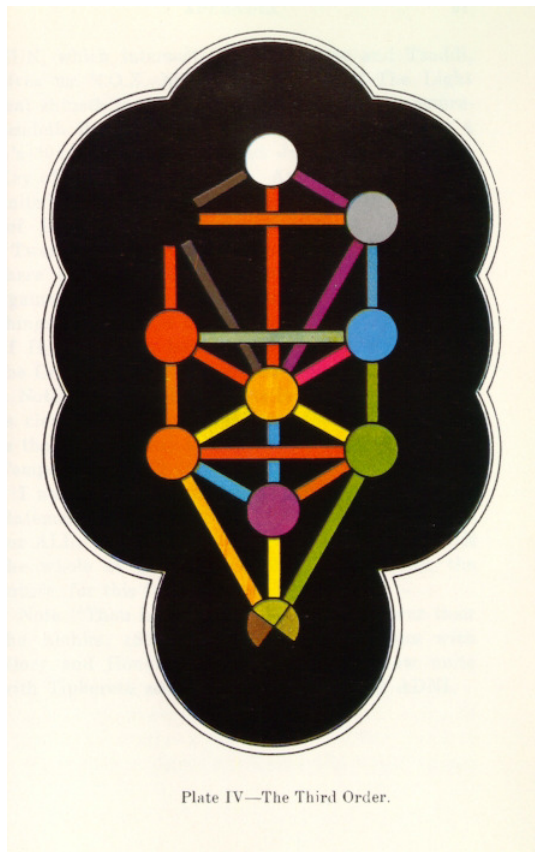
XXI + X + XIX = 50, and it is written: "FIFTY are Gates of UNDERSTANDING," while SHIN, the Path from 1-6, = XX which. plus 50 = 70 = AYIN = THE EYE (in the TRIANGLE). Now Tzaddi is not the Star for the Star is THE EYE = Ayin. Therefore Ayin is the Star and Tzaddi the Devil.

Now 70, The Eye, plus the SPIRIT (= 300) = 370 is A'ASH = CREATION. The STAR should now be the Path from CHOKMAH to TIPHERETH thus Harmonizing the Sun and Zodiac. The Path of NUN, which intersects those of Ayin and Tzaddi, gives us N.O.X. = Night and the SHIN = The Light that shineth in darkness and the Darkness comprehendeth it not." Also the Swastika represents 4 L's = 30 x 4 = 120, that is 4-fold Justice, and ON the Key of the City of Babalon. Again Ayin & Nun, ON, are United since the Paths join. Also OTz = The Tree (of Life) and also suggests OX = Aleph. Now note "Twenty-two are the Mansions of My Father, but there cometh an OX that shall set his forehead against the house and it shall fall, for all these things are the toys of the Magician and the Maker of Illusions, that barreth the Understanding from the Crown." (See Vision and Voice Page 142).

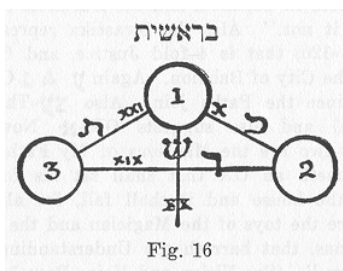
Note also how "Love is the law, love under will" is clearly shown on the Tree, for Love (Venus) is the Law (Libra) love (Chesed) under (Sameck = Temperance) Will (Chokmah).

I notice also that this should be the emphasized statement for "Love IS the law" and "The Law IS for ALL." While "Do what thou wilt SHALL BE the whole of the law," implies, in one way, the future, for this freedom must be won.

Note "Thou hast made MAN a little lower than the Elohim, (86), Thou hast Crowned him with Glory and Honour. The Paths of 666 now unite with Tiphereth and Hod, but 86 is AHIH ADNI.



SECTION IX.
OF THE MYSTERIES OF THE BEGINNING



June 8th, 1922. Last night further mysteries were opened up to me. Firstly Kaph = 20 conceals the letter Yod (IVD), for this letter, spelt in full = 20. Again IVD is concealed in the shape of the letter Aleph. Therefore when it was written (Gen. 1. 1) "In the Beginning", this meaning "In the Head" or "In Wisdom", the word **RASHITH** (RASHITH, The Head) suggests Resh which is one of the Paths of the Supernal Triad, just as the Path of KAPH The Palm of the Hand, suggests Yod The Hand, as well as concealing it numerically as shown above. But the word **RASHITH** is all to be found in KThR, The Supernal Triad of the Crown, for the first letter Resh is the Path from Chokmah to Binah, Aleph can be traced through Kaph as above shown, Shin is the Holy Spirit in the midst, Yod is concealed in Kaph, and Tau is the Path from Kether to Binah. But the word used in Genesis is **BRASHITH** (B'RASHITH) which is "IN THE Beginning", but since Resh comes on the Reciprocal Path, or Horizontal line, we see that Resh with this line as the base, forms Beth. Thus the whole word may be traced to the Supernal Triad.

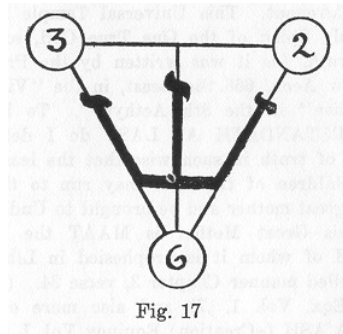
Again, Kaph is the Trump numbered X = Yod by numeration and Aleph, by shape. And as the Trumps XXI + X = 31 = AL the WORD of Kether, so also Kaph, since it conceals Yod, represents Peh, The MOUTH which utters the WORD of WISDOM or CHOKMAH.

It is interesting to note the symbolism of the letters of the Supernal Paths when spelt in full.

Resh = Resh-Yod-Shin and we see this also conceals the Yod or tongue and the Holy Triple Spirit SHIN, and these Paths of Resh and Shin are conjoined. Again SHIN (Shin-Yod-Nun) conceals the Yod, (as it does THE THREE MOTHERS) and it terminates in NUN, which Path it crosses before it enters TIPHEREETH = THE SUN, which was RESH in the Supernal Triad. And TAU = ThV and this conceals the VAU or Son as well as by SHAPE Resh and Vau, RU = The Divine Breath, or Ruach Elohim. This again is the Root of Rota the Wheel, which is shown in the Path of Kaph the Wheel of Fortune. But in Tau = "The Universe" we see the Ellipse, therefore is it suggested that The Whirling of the Primum Mobile (Rashith ha Gilgalim) was first about an axis, and then the Whole revolution took an elliptic Path. Notice also how Shin = 300 = Ruach Elohim, and again, that the Path of Shin, 300 united with Kether = 1 = 301 = ASH = Fire, while this number 301 is equal to "My Lord the Faithful King" who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. Again Kaph conceals Aleph and Peh, The Air and the Mouth, since in full it is spelled KAP. Also it is written that God made a covenant with Abraham concerning the Number Ten (The Sephiroth, etc.) and that this refers to The Ten fingers of the Hands and the Ten toes of the feet and also to the Covenant of the Tongue and of Circumcision. Now Yod is the Phallus, and Tau is the Phallus in extension, and Resh is the Head of the Phallus, (with its concealed Eye) and Kaph is the Palm of the Hand which conceals the Yod, and as shown, the Yod and the Kaph = Peh, The Mouth which uttered the Covenant, and Aleph is His Holy Covenant. (See Vision and Voice and Sepher Yetzirah in regard to these statements.) And Resh, the Head, combined with the line forms BETH which is the House of God, in which SHIN, the HOLY SPIRIT is concealed. Also BETH is MERCURY, but this is THE UNIVERSAL MERCURY which conceals the THREE MOTHERS, which form the CENTRAL PILLAR OF THE TREE by which "One Ran and Returned, 9) as also, HE COMBINES in HIS SYMBOL, ALL THE PLANETS including the SUN and MOON. For HE represents the SUPREME INTELLIGENCE of the BEGINNING.

A few further considerations. The Sephiroth Kether, Tiphereth, Yesod and Malkuth = 1 + 6 + 9 + 10 = 26 = IHVH. Binah, Geburah and Hod = 3, 5, 8 = 358 The Serpent and the Messiah. And Netzach, Chesed and Chokmah = 7, 4, 2 = 742 = The Ark of the Covenant.

Also Binah, Chokmah and Tiphereth = 3, 2, 6 and 326 is IHShVH = JEHESUAH, or the Descent of the Holy Spirit, Shin Into the Four Elements IHVH The Old Jehovah.



And the numbers of the Sephiroth - Binah + Geburah + Hod + Malkuth + Netzach + Chesed and Chokmah = 3 + 5 + 8 + 10 + 7 + 4 + 2 = 39 = The Eternal One, and together with those of the Middle Pillar 1 + 6 + 9 + 10 = 26 we obtain 39 + 26 = 65 = ADONAI. The Lord.

SECTION X.

Enough has been written in regard to THESE HOLY MYSTERIES, which are Mysteries no longer in the old sense of the word. Enough, at least, to prove without shadow of doubt the fulfillment of some of the prophecies of both the Old and New Books of the Law, to make possible the Plans for a Perfect Temple and a true Understanding of the, Holy Covenant. This Universal Temple is lit by the Holy Spirit of the One True God, so that in very truth, (as it was written by the Prophet of the New Aeon, 666 the Beast, in the "Vision and the Voice" in the 8th Aethyr)". To him that UNDERSTANDETH AT LAST do I deliver the secrets of truth in such wise that the least of the little children of the light may run to the knees of the great mother and be brought to Understand" For this Great Mother is MAAT the Lady of TRUTH of whom it is prophesied in Liber Legis in a veiled manner Chapter 3, verse 34. (see comment Eqx. Vol. 1. .7 see)) and also more openly in Liber A'ASH (=Creation) Equinox Vol. I, 6 see):- "Set is his holy covenant which he shall display in the great day of M. A. T. that is, being interpreted the Master of the Temple of A.: A.: whose name is Truth." For yet again notice that the Key Letter of the Change from the First to the Second Order is Aleph, and the changed letters in the Third Order are Heh, Resh, Vau, Mem, Cheth, Yod, Sameck, so that in all we have the one Secret Name

HRUMACHIS,

which is Three Hundred and Thirty, that is to say, THE HOLY SPIRIT of TRUTH and JUSTICE.

Finis

Transcriber's note: Further developments of Frater Achad's Tree of Life are described in his next book, The Egyptian Revival. see]

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