

spondence with the

blows with the cactus whips which they carried in their hands. At every other step the whip was brought first CASTING HOROSCOPES over one shoulder, then over the other, and at every blow sank deeper and deeper into their already torn and bleeding bodies. So sharp were these needlelike "disciplinas" that it was only by a strong effort that they could be wrenched from out their bed of flesh. Not a murmur nor a sound, however, OR TWO MONTHS escaped from the lips of the flagellants or more I had been as they walked along in their slow in diligent corre- and terrible march. Frequent stops were made, during which the blows Americans of New fell even more rapidly, till it Mexico in search seemed an eternity before the of some definite in- cross at the other end of the field was formation regard- reached. We estimated that at least ing the services of | 500 of these self-inflicted blows were that most fanatica administered in this journey, and not of all secret orders, in a single instance could we discover the Penitentes any falling off in their severity. Ar- tioners, it seems, are the astrolo-Scant success rewarded my efforts. riving finally at the cross, the entire gers, who have decided that she must It was therefore with strong doubts party fell on their knees and continued expire in one of the two months as to the ultimate success of our expe- their mournful chant, while the two named. And all because the planets dition that our little party of four, scourgers, as though their endurance under which the good queen was born two ladies and two men, left Denver had not yet been fully tested, com- happen to be mixed up in such a way on Tuesday morning of holy week for menced to move around in a wide circle at that period as to portend the cathe "Land of Poco Tiempo." Wednes- about the cross, still on their knees, lamity. One wise student of the day noon found us at the forlorn station of Tries Piedras, with the wind When they had completed this, the the exact day for the queen's death, and blowing hard and bitterly cold. How- line of march was again resumed, and the announcement has been made that Mercury, by the moon and the evil ever, full of confidence in the efficacy as the procession passed, the on-look- Victoria will pass away on Nov. 16, of our multitudinous ulsters, mackin- ers involuntarily closed up slightly to 1855. Still another of the evil prophets toshes, sealskins and steamer rugs we obtain a nearer view. Weak and exclimbed into the open wagon which hausted by this time, but still bringthere awaited us for our thirty-five- ing that terrible whip to fall mile drive across the open prairie to on their quivering and bleeding the little town of Taos. Six hours backs, they repassed us at were consumed in this drive, and the same slow and painful walk. We



every moment the wind blew more were then very close, but it was imand more fiercely, causing suffering possible to use our camera at this which before the end came had be- range, as the Mexicans were all around come simply exquisite.

on the following day by driving to the Ranchos de Taos, four miles away. Accordingly, the next afternoon we started out, accompanied by the doctor, a civil engineer, graduate of Lehigh unversity, and a mining man from Montana

The road to Ranchos de Taos led along the foot-hills of the Sange de Cristo range, until, climbing a steep hill from a little settlement of most ancient-looking adobes, we came to the top of the mesa. Here a most unexpected view met our eyes. About four hundred Mexicans, men, women, and children, were drawn in a straight line, extending from a small adobe hut at one end of the field to a large cross standing about a quarter of a mile away. Scowls and angry glances were directed at us from all quarters as we drove along seeking a point of vantage, and calls to turn back were sent after us as we drove beyond the line which they had formed. We could not approach the line of march closer than 125 feet, and here we halted our horses to await developments. Not an American was to be seen outside of our wagon, and the fact that our presence there was most unexpected and unwelcome was plainly indicated by the gathering together and lowtoned consultations which immediately took place among the natives.

Within a few minutes a small band adobe hut, headed by one carrying a



PENITENTE CHURCH AT RANCHOS DE

and following them were six others ness it with less repugnance. chanting. A short distance after the chanters came two men clad only in back to Taos, trying hard to fight white cotton drawers, with black bags against the feeling of depression placed over their heads, and bound which fell upon our whole party. about the forehead with red bandannas. Streams of blood were gushing down their backs, where deep cuts and these blindfolded men must have of a respectable communisuffered untold agony as their bare practitioner who tells the feet were pierced and bruised at every step Halting until the line had closed up, the leader then started sues back to their distances. again at a slow pace, and the two me

PROCESSION OF FLAGELLANTS ON MAUNDY-THURSDAY. twelve hundred Mexicans and but six that the entire covering of flesh had Americans. One of these latter, a been torn off, leaving the bones of the

called on us in person, greeting us doors of the morada, or Penitente these spaces, or "houses," the aswith an air of hospitality and free house of worship, another and much dom which seemed thoroughly in ac- larger one started on the same pilcord with his huge frame. A native grimage. In this second party, immeof New York city, and a graduate of diately following the chanters, came evil or a good influence over one's life one of its best medical colleges, he two men stripped and masked like the (according to its nature) in just that drifted to Taos some four years ago. others, but bearing on their shoulders particular line shown by the signifiand since then has risen to high favor high crosses about fifteen feet in cance of the space it is in. with all the Mexicans for miles around, length, made of rough timbers twelve by reason of his ability as a physician inches in diameter, weighing, I should not born under a lucky star. The sun and surgeon and an intense personal judge, between 300 and 400 pounds. was in mid-heaven (if the hour of his magnetism. From him we learned As this procession started, at the birth is rightly said to be 11:30 a. m.), that in all probability we would be same pace adopted by the first, two and as there were no planets to inter-



A FLAGELLANT THE DAY AFTER BEING SCOURGED.

behind the cross-bearers and at every step applied vicious blows upon the naked backs of the men in front. Following them came a party of eight flagellants, and behind them about a dozen rough, uncouth, unshaven Penitentes, carrying in their hands and elevated in front of them primitive and uncouth figures of all the saints of men was seen to emerge from the in the litany. Again the cruel blows resounded across the silent field, for But the astrologers are merciful in not a sound was heard save the occasional chant. Every head was uncovered, and the aspect of the spectators during the passing of the procession was most reverential. All the way to that far-off cross the former scene was repeated, and upon the return of this party we tried to perpetuate the picture upon the films. The distance, however, was too great to do it full justice. In every case the blood flowed in torrents down the backs of the flageliants, staining the drawers much better than did the President to the ground and leaving the subjects He was born at 6 o'clock on the mornof this terrible sacrifice so weak they ing of April 23, 1834, and at that hour

Had this punishment been administered as a penalty for crime, our whole nature must have revolted, and the victim could never summon sufficient nerve to stand it, but so strong a hold has religious enthusiasm upon this poor, benighted, superstitious people, crucifix upright before him. Directly that an unnatural fortitude enabled behind him came another, playing a them to bear it uncomplainingly, and weird and solemn tune on a piecolo: this fact made it possible for us to wit-

We had seen enough, and drove

A Misleading Statement. Until we evolute to the state where Taurus was rising with the planets all or glass. The day was cold, and on the conditions and peculiarities of the exposure to the wind of the chill the lobster, we can not expect to have March day would in itself under or- any of our lost members, organs or dinary circumstances have been brutal faculties reproduced and made as good punishment to most mortals. The as new. The doctor who would take field was covered with a rank growth the care of a person having suffered ofthorn-cactus, sage-brush and stones | amputation and declare that he could restore the limb would be hooted out

lesses what he can i who were stripped to the waist code is entirely anworth

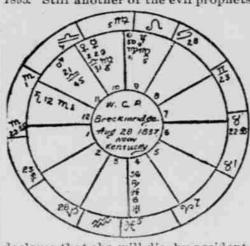
AMERICAN NOTABLES.

President Cleveland, They Say, Should Guard Against Secret Enemies-Senator Hill, Col. Breckinridge and Chauncey M. Depew Under the Planets.



THE PLANETS say that Queen Vica c toria . has been doomed to die in October or November of next year. Her death warrant has been published in several of the English and Indian

papers. Her execu-



declares that she will die by accident. D"Judicial astronomy" is what he calls the method by which he has settled the fate of America's leading men, the time of his birth offer the very and he defines the study as "the art | meanest kind of testimony in regard of forming a judgment from the posi- to his character. Prof. Apolon says tions and motions of the planets, to- that their opposition to Mercury gether with the application of astronomical calculations, added to a knowledge of the subtle influences the stars exert on man."

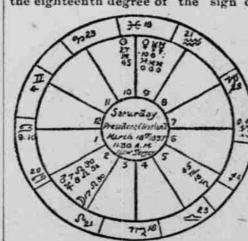
Americans have been cast by Prof. Apolon and 'he positions of the planets hood enjoys a population of probably sharp and knifelike were the whips, to understand the importance of these seemingly senseless diagrams. The char of the heavens is divided physician, had been my correspon-dent, and shortly after our arrival he As soon as this party had entered the the positions of the planets in trologer's predictions are made. Each house has its own special significance, and each of the planets exercise an

President Cleveland certainly was able to see the Penitents at their best men armed with whips took their places fere with it, astrologers say that this foretold the high position he was destined to reach. Jupiter, it seems, was found in the second house, which governs fortune, and in the fiery sign Leo, which indicates the acquisition of wealth. But a reservation is put upon this good sign, for the astrologers tell us that on March 18, 1837, when the President was born. Jupiter was in conjunction with Mars, and both were in the house of the Sun; hence, what wealth the President does acquire, will be spent with a lavish hand, and at the close of life, very little of his possessions will remain. Mr. Cleveland is solemnly warned

against Wall street by the appearance of Saturn in the sign Scorpio, which occupies the house of speculation. Should he indulge in an occasional "flyer" in the street with the bulls and bears, it is likely to result unfortunately for him, for the evil influence of Saturn is said to be strong enough to control the stock market if his warnings are disobeyed. But old Saturn is not satisfied with annoying the President in the matter of speculation, for his evil influence is doubly powerful because he is found in the fifth house, which also controls his their evil predictions, anyway, for it is said that whatever ill does befall

him will be sudden and unexpected. against secret enemies, and particularly those of the opposite sex; from people of a literary turn of mind, and always from unexpected quarters.

"Our Chauncey" Depew was also submitted to the tender mercies of the experts on "judicial astronomy," and seems to have survived the ordeal were hardly able to complete the the eighteenth degree of the sign of



had been made with pieces of flint we can perform miracles, or can take above the earth except Saturn and the moon. These facts make Mr. Depew's a very fortunate horoscope.

In worldly matters it is particularly so. Jupiter and Venus, both good planets, were in conjunction, and both above the horizon, the former being in the house of fortune, which is governed by the sign Gemini, when Mr.

menced to apply to their backs fiercs TOLD BY THE STARS. his fifth house. It will not be a fleet- positive testimony against his re-elecing good fortune, either, the planets say, for Mr. Depew should add to it OF considerably before his death.

The sun above the horizon on the day of his nativity makes Mr. Depew the flery finger of Saturn, the evil planet, points in opposition to the sun and repeats its solemn warning that this can never be. Mr. Depew must | Rollef Expedition to the Land of the content himself, therefore, without public office, for if the evil influence of the malicious planet be not overrated, inevitable failure will follow any attempt on his part to secure the

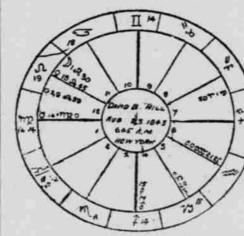
coveted laurels. bright horoscope. Prof. Apolon says sons. Lieut. Peary, before leaving that Saturn influences and controls Philadelphia, deposited funds and inthe agricultural classes, and that it is structions with Prof. Angelo Heilprin wholly due to a misunderstanding on covering this relief project. their part which prevents "Our Chauncey" from attaining the high G. Bryant. They expect to reach St. position which his talents and good Johns, Newfoundland, in time to leave He is solemnly warned not to allow will there find awaiting them, on his name to be used as a nominee.

Senator David B. Hill's chances in life have been seriously impaired by the affliction of his beneficent planet planet Mars, on the day of his nativity, Aug. 23, 1843. Mercury, it seems, would have made him a great man if it had been allowed its own way, but Mars and the ever-present Saturn took a hand in the matter, and his prospects were blasted. The hour of his birth is believed to be 6:45 a. m., and at that time the seventeenth degree of the celestial sign Virgo was on the eastern horizon, which testifies to a witty, ingenious and talented mind. But for the evil aspect of Mercury it is said that Mr. Hill would have been "a profound scholar, and capable of any undertaking requiring great abil-

Both the moon and Mars, which afflict Mercury in the senator's horoscope, seem to have had some grudge against Mr. Hill, for their positions at "makes him disposed to desert his benefactors at their utmost need; makes him insincere in his professions of friendship and unscrupulous in the The horoscopes of five distinguished methods by which he attains his direct to Peary headquarters at Bouends." I wonder if this could have been found in Mr. Hill's horoscope berange, as the Mexicans were all around at the time of the birth of each are and about us. So terrible had been shown in the accompanying "nativior of New York in 1888? Perhaps Mars July 25.

Some explanation is necessary supported Cleveland that year, and Lieut Peary and his companions Taos and its immediate neighbor- the punishment administered, and so ties." Some explanation is necessary supported Cleveland that year, and was disappointed at his defeat!

Congressman William C. P. Breckinbeing evilly aspected with the sun. October, 1893, stating that they able planets foretold the high position | mos of Ellesmere land.



least, this is what the astrologers say. Ruling the congressman's house of wealth is the sign Sagittary, but in the last degree, with 25 degrees of the house of Saturn in his house of wealth. This testimony would indicate the congressman to be in possession of wealth, the only conflicting testimony being that his house of speculation is children. Between this date and Nov. ruled by Aries, which is ruled by 15 the mystical planet Herschel will Mars; and Mars in semi-square, with be passing through this house, and its Saturn and the Sun, are both evil asinfluence in conjunction with that of pects. These signs would go to show Saturn threatens some misfortune to rash ventures of a speculative nature. Mr. Cleveland's children before Her- Betting on four aces or a straight schel passes out of the fifth space. flush, it is claimed, is not speculation -it certainly is not rash speculation -though this prediction would probably be vindicated if Mr. Breckinridge should try to bluff out too many "bob-The planets also warn Mr. Cleveland | tail" flushes. Whether caused by playing in too many expensive jackpots or dabbling in stocks is not specifically stated, though it is said that financial loss through "speculation" threatens the Kentucky congressman.

In marriage and love affairs, that of Philadelphia. subject so interesting to Mr. Breckinridge just Low, we find the celestial house of Taurus (the home of Venus) would be a valuable sign were not Venus evilly aspected by Mercury and the sun. Venus and Mars are also been appointed and confirmed in the in conjunction, which is more evil testimony, and shows the congressman's weakness for the opposite sex. we are told. Still another evil sign is Venus semi-square with Jupiter, which the astrologers say, is indicative of extravagance and dissipation. Virtue, prudence, temperance and almost all other virtues are declared by the planets to be wanting in this horoscope. "The truth of judicial astronomy is attested." Prof. Apolon says, "by the fact that at the time the congressman was served with papers in his recent breach of promise suit, at 6 After leaving Harvard annex p. m., August 5, 1893, at Washington, in evil aspect, both with his midheaven

was ascending at his birth." The most important prediction made from Mr. Breckinridge's horoscope, and one which is of particular erned by the sign Gemini, when Mr. Depew made his debut in the world. These favorable signs, the astrologers say, point to the amassing of a large fortune, and a considerable part of it through speculation, because Leo rules to accede.

Scope, and one which is of particular interest just now, is that he will not be returned to congress again. Saturn, that old mischlef-maker, again bobs up, and is at present afflicting fortune, and a considerable part of it through speculation, because Leo rules to congress again. Selections from Lucian, which is that he will not be returned to congress again were greatly commended.

If a fowl has a bad attack of roup or cholera, in nine cases out of ten the semi-square, which is taken as almost cheapest way is to cut off its head.

tion to congress

Undertakers, however, could boom their business considerably by knowing just when their services could be needed, while life insurance comambitious for place and power, but panies would have to go out of business entirely. J. P. P.

TO PEARY'S RESCUE.

Aurora The announcement was made at the monthly meet-ing of the Philadelphia Geographi-cal club recently that an expedition, to be known as the Peary Auxiliary ex-pedition, will soon This opposition of Saturn is the only | sail from New Yorkfor Newfoundland. cloud over Mr. Depew's otherwise The party will consist of seven per-

The leader of the party will be Henry influences make him capable of filling. | that port in the Falcon, which they | Renders his own lard and cures his July 4. The first stop will be at Godhavn, on what is called Diska island, in North Greenland. This is a Danish settlement, and recognition of the expedition by the officials at that point will be secured through the state department at Washington.

Continuing north, Melville bay will be crossed as quickly as the condition



EXPLORER BRYANT.

visited. From here the run will be doin bay, in Inglefield gulf, in latitude 77 degrees 13 minutes north. They

are not expected to return to this point from their long sledge trip ridge's misfortunes, which have re- through the ice-floes until the last of cently come upon him, were all fore- August. In the meantime the Falcon told last week from his horoscope. will be employed in original research. He was born in Lexington, Ky., on The Baffin bay shore of Ellesmere Thursday, Aug. 28, 1837, at or near land will be explored for some trace noon. At that hour the sun was in of the young Swedish explorers his mid-heaven, surrounded by Jupiter, | Bjorling and Kallstenius. whose Mercury and Venus, all exerting bene- schooner was wrecked on Carey Isficial influences over his life. The lands in the summer of 1892, and who mystical planet Herschel, however, left a message on these islands, which The position of the sun and the favor- posed to seek refuge among the Eski-

and popularity to which Mr. Breckin- Jones' Sound will also be explored ridge would rise, but the evil aspect of for a greater distance than has yet the sun with Herschel testified that at been attempted, and the effort made an unexpected time and from an un- to map out the 300 miles of unknown expected quarter his popularity, honor | coast-line forming the northeast shore and credit would be attacked. At of Jones' sound and the western border of Ellesmere land. This triangular area of 100,000 square miles, known as Ellesmere land, is one of the few large territories the outlines of which have not yet been determined. A tribe of Eskimos are said to inhabit this land who have not so far come in contact with explorers.

The Falcon will be back and expects to reach Philadelphia with the Peary party before Christmas. Dr. Axel Ohlin, a Swedish naturalist, representing the friends of Bjorling and Kallstenius, will accompany the Auxiliary expedition.

Henry G. Bryant, was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, on November 7, 1859. He is the son of Walter Bryant, a well-known Pittsburg merchant. Young Mr. Bryant graduated from Princeton college in 1883, and after studying law in the office of Hon. Robert N. Wilson of Philadelphia, graduated from the law department of the University of Pennsylvania in

He has been an insatiate traveler. In 1884 and 1886 he visited the northern countries of Africa. Subsequently he employed much of his time in hunting trips to the Rocky mountains. In 1891, with Prof. C. A. Kevaston, he started north to Labrador, penetrated a distance of 350 miles inland from the coast, reached the Grand Falls after many privations and hardships, and found their height to be 316 feet.

Mr. Bryant was second in command of the Peary relief expedition sent out by the Philadelphia Academy of Natural Science in 1892, under the leadership of Angelo Heilprin. Upon his return from his trip Mr. Bryant published a volume on Labrador. He is now secretary of the Geographical club

FEMALE DEAN FOR BARNARD. on the cusp of the seventh house. This Miss Emily Smith of the University of Chleago Chosen.

> person of Miss Emily Jane Smith, a daughter of Judge James C. Smith, of Canandaigua, N. Y., who

was for nearly thirty years on the supreme bench of New York state. Miss Smith had held the Greek Fellowship at the Uni-EMHLY JANE SMITTL versity of Chicago.

she entered Bryn Mawr, from Saturn, the malefic planet, was in his which she graduated in 1889 midheaven, and that this planet is now with the degree of A. B. Miss Smith spent the year 1889-90 as a (which rules his honor, credit and busi- student at Girton college, England, ness), and in like manner evilly aspects | with Prof. Jebb, and upon returning the sign and degree of the sign which to this country accepted the Greek chair in Packer institute, Brooklyn. She remained there two years, and last spring resigned to go to Chicago. Her deanship begins next October.

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