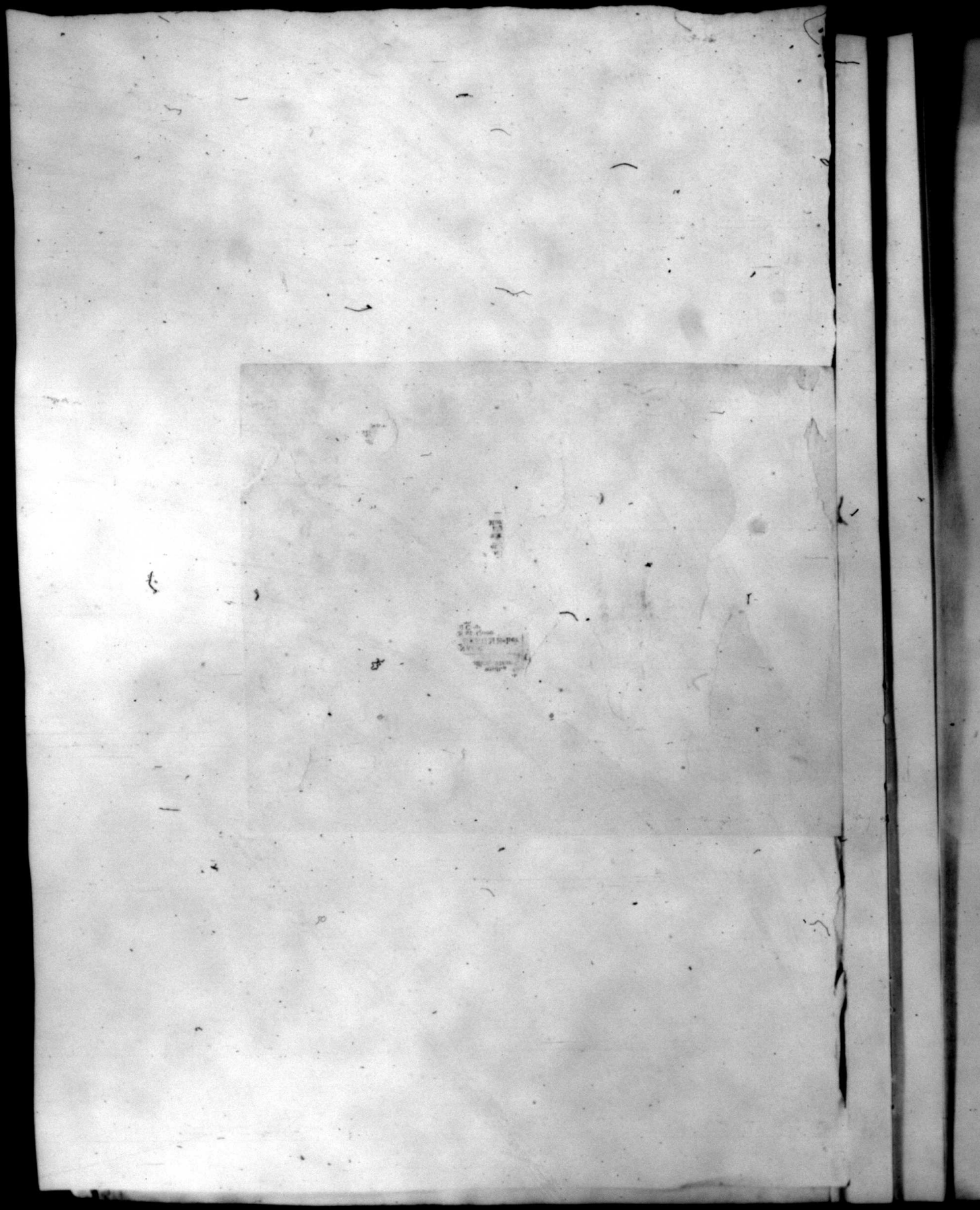


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55 Avenue de Suffren,

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A. C. to M. H. Kunitzel

November 5th, 1928

Dear Little Sister:

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the Law.

I have at last got these letters translated.
Birven seems to be a darling old idiot. What he says
about knowing all my works is, I think, absurd and I am
sure he does not know their sources either. He thinks he
knows everything, but at the same time he talks about a
time when I was not acquainted with the work of Rabelais.
It is true that there was such a time, but I was not then
out of my teens.

Hewdemonot seem to know that St. August-
ine said "Love and do what thou wilt."

There is one word which we could not read:
"They called me a Freemason without Schar(?)," as near
as we could get it, and no one can guess what the word
means.

On the other hand his general line of
thought is quite fair in its way, but the whole thing is
muddles. What Therion says and does is of no importance
to anyone. The work has to be judged by its value and
that can only be tested by experience.

if
you might tell him that you think it de-
sirable that Miss Hirsig was excluded from communication
with us because she allowed Mudd to make her his catspaw
in a treacherous scheme which he had inaugurated.

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I hope to hear better news from you about
Gebhardi to whom please convey my utmost devotion.

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Yours fraternally,

A C. account

MEMORANDUM.

SECTION I.

Leamington Spa - 1975

I was educated at Malvern College and at Trinity College, Cambridge.

I was recommended for the Diplomatic Service by the late Lord Salisbury and the late Lord Ritchie. For various reasons I was dissatisfied with the prospects of this as a career.

I was interested in climbing the great mountains of the world, in writing poetry, and in studying what, for want of a better word, is called the Occult Sciences.

On coming of age, I inherited a fortune which amounted, first and last, to something in the neighbourhood of £100,000.

I discontinued all regular attempts at a career, and went out to explore the mountains of Mexico, etc. When actually not on a Glacier I tried to discover some of the so-called hidden Magic, known by the so-called wise men of old.

This course of action led me to China, Ceylon, and India. In 1902 I was second in command of an expedition to the Himalayas.

In 1903 I returned to England and married. About this time I began to publish reprints of a Mediaeval Book on the subject of Magic, and certain original essays with the idea of rationalizing the old theory.

At this period I was publishing poetry which achieved a certain success. I should mention in particular that I became the intimate friend of Auguste Rodin, Marcel Schwob, Eugène Carrière, Anatole France, and other distinguished writers, and artists.

I continued travelling, and I made a second expedition to the Himalayas in 1905. I spent part of 1904 and 1906 shooting Big Game, and in 1906 I walked across China.

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drug-taking, instead of, as in fact it was, a serious warning against such folly. Feeling the weakness of his position, and being assured that I was 1500 miles away and ill with asthma, the "Sunday Express" published a libellous article about me, stating, for instance, that I had been in prison for 5 years in America as a White Slave Trafficker. This at a time when I was prominent as the Editor of a first-class magazine, and in constant touch with the best people in the country.

A certain colour was lent to this business by the fact that the young man whom I had engaged as my secretary died of ^{Russell Lord} arthritis as the result of a surfeit of oranges. Reporters of the Gutter Press met his widow on her return to England, made her drunk, and elicited from her a statement in which she made me responsible for the death of her husband, and they elaborated this absurdity with all sorts of nonsense of their own.

The well-known patriot Horatio Bottomley saw money in this rubbish, and published weekly articles about me as 'A man we would like to hang', 'The King of Depravity', 'The Wickedest Man in the World', 'The Human Beast', and so on. My lawyers informed me that in order to take up any libel action I would have to put down £1000.- in cash before they began, and that to carry through the Law Suit would cost £5000, and that I had no chance of winning the case because I had translated books by French Authors all of whom are

notoriously immoral and blasphemous and obscene.

During the whole of this period my reputation as a writer on Occult subjects had become consequently greater, so that no article, even remotely dealing with such subjects, was considered complete without accounting me responsible.

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Mr. Yorke replied in appropriate terms, and Handt stated that he would not take any action unless some new event transpired. In point of fact, however, he did make this denunciation. On his dismissal he did not return certain papers which had been entrusted to him in confidence as our employee, but sent them to the Police.

For some reason for which we are entirely at a loss to fathom, the Préfecture took this matter seriously, and sent round a detective to make enquiries. This man was so stupid that he was not quite sure whether my coffee machine was an anarchist bomb or an apparatus for distilling cocaine. After several interviews, however, he appeared quite satisfied, and said that all they required to end the business satisfactorily was a statement from some Frenchman who knew me.

I should have mentioned earlier that when I was in Tunis in 1923, the Police were very anxious about me on account of my having murdered three women in Sicily. The most elementary investigation proved that the whole story was balderdash. The British Consul intervened on my behalf and I was left in peace. Mr. Aumont, a Journalist in Tunis, who was on intimate relations with the Authorities, had undertaken the translation of my books into French. He investigated the whole matter with the result that I found myself in a very short time on the best of terms with the Resident General and the Police Authorities.

I gave the name of Mr. Aumont to the Préfecture who was able to give evidence as to my activities in France and her Colonies, and this was in 1923. He came up to Paris on February 2nd, of this year, and was assured by the Chef de Bureau at the Préfecture that there was nothing to worry about, that his friend would not be in any way disturbed.

In the meantime there was some slight technical trouble about the Cartes d'Identité. The Service d'Etrangers was excessively charming and polite in every way, and gave us every possible help in clearing up this matter. They took our money without a blush.

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persons, therefore, left on the evening of Saturday, March 9th, for England, but on Sunday morning they were refused admission, and after all sorts of needless insults and hardships found a temporary refuge in Brussels.

It is evident from the foregoing that the main spring of this disgraceful affair is the blackmailer-Hundt, and the essential thing is to bring an action against him for theft of documents and abuse of confidence.

It may be that the affair is complicated by the vengeance de femme, as a certain woman waylaid my fiancée in the autobus and proceeded to threaten her, some weeks ago; but it is clear that the first step to take is to bring a criminal action against Hundt, and to have the order rescinded to give us time to clear up the whole situation.

It is vital that my witnesses should be on the spot. Also, I need secretarial help and personal attendance.

From the statement of the exiles it appears that this talk about selling cocaine and killing women is not very serious, but that some people have a superstitious fear of Black Magic, that the real charge is fundamentally a charge of Witchcraft, and that we have only to get the whole affair put before the public and kill it with ridicule.

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Appendix (Fraser-Nicholson The Surgeon)
was acting as Secretary for
A.C. - living with him
and Marie.

DECLARATION OF ISRAEL REGARDIE

1924 - IR was
6th Secretary

Being summoned on March 5th to appear at the Bureau des Etrangers in Paris, presumably on a matter of my carte-d'identite, which had been refused me on February 20th on the grounds that it was not yet ready, I went on the 8th to the Prefecture of Police. I handed over my Recépissé on the request of a clerk, and waited for some considerable length of time, - which wait I surmised at the time to be caused by the search for the card. I was extremely surprised, when, instead of receiving this identification card, a pink slip - a "Refusé de Sejour" was handed to me. I was so utterly stunned, especially so as it ordered departure from French territory within 24 hours, that I was unable to ask questions as to the why and wherefore of such action. But I understand Madame de Miramar (Sir Crowley's fiancée, who was also summoned at the same time) to have quoted their remark that "they have heard what we have done." The clerk also stated that a similar paper would be served on Sir Crowley, who at the time was in bed with a very severe attack of the influenza, in the course of the afternoon.

That afternoon, I called upon Mr. W. E. de Courcy the American Consul at 3, rue des Italiens, Paris, and requested him to ascertain what charges were held against me, and to intervene on my behalf with the French Government.

The following morning I again called to see what was the result of his visit to the Prefecture. He admitted that there were no charges against me at all, merely that I was the secretary to Sir Crowley who was also being expelled. When asking what charges, then, are proffered against Sir Crowley, he gave the very enigmatical, and unsatisfactory, answer "I did not memorize the dossier."

There was nothing to be done but to obey the decree and leave France. Accordingly, Saturday evening, Mme. de Miramar and myself set sail from Dunkerque for Tilbury on the "Alsace."

Shortly after 7 a.m. the following morning, the Immigration officers at Tilbury refused us admittance, principally on the ground of our being unable to show sufficient proof that we would not become public charges during our stay. Mr. Gerald Yorke, who had met us at the quay, volunteered to guarantee this, and also in case of emergency my return passage to the United States. But no attention was paid to this.

We were sent back to the ship. When going to my room in the course of the afternoon, I took my key and locked the door on the inside, as I wished to lie down for a short while. A few moments later, the captain or the commissaire - I am not sure what his office was - knocked at the door and remarked that it was unnecessary to lock the door on the inside, but that if I wanted anything to ring the bell. With this last remark, he locked the door on the outside, and

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and removed the key. In short, I was virtually a prisoner on the boat all afternoon. For what offense? - - - -

The cabin was very small. The air was humid and stiflingly hot. At about 6 p.m., I rang the bell to be let out on deck to get some fresh air, and found Mme. de Miramar pacing the deck like myself. We were not alone, but found ourselves followed all the time either by the commissaire or one of the stewards.

A few minutes after 8 p.m., a detective from Scotland Yard, accompanied by an Immigration Officer came on board and requested permission to search my trunk. It so happened that I had a set of old Tarot cards in my possession, and this called forth a remark from one of the two men "Is that black magic?" Furthermore, my own personal and private property, my diary, and a set of the typescripts of "The Confessions of Aleister Crowley" came in for some very close scrutiny and examination.

The boat sailed at 11:30 p.m. for Dunkerque. Once more the cabin door was locked on me, despite the fact that the boat was in motion.

At Dunkerque, on the 11th, we were permitted to land some considerable time after the other passengers had done so. From Dunkerque we went to Dunkerque Central to gather information about Belgium. At 10:10 we took the train to Lille, where Mme. de Miramar obtained a Belgian visa. I being an American citizen did not need one.

March 20th, I forwarded a letter to my Consul, informing him of the fact that my separation from Sir Crowley, on whom I was dependent for a living, was in the nature of a death-sentence, as it were, for me and I urged him to do all in his power to obtain an annulment of my "Refus de Sejour." It was not until more than two weeks after that I received his reply; to the effect that the Embassy in Paris did not see upon what grounds a protest to the French Government might be made because of a report held against me at the Surêté Générale. This letter, containing as it does remarks which were entirely in opposition to his personal statements, caused me to write requesting an abstract of the charges proffered against me. No answer came to this at all. Therefore on the 20th of April, I wrote him once more advising that since he had refused to help me in a time of need, I would be obliged to appeal to the Department of State in Washington for an investigation into this matter.

Two days later, I received a reply in answer to mine of the 6th, stating that the Embassy definitely declined to either set forth the charges against me, or to intervene in the matter of my expulsion from France.

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Decembre 30th, 1928

A.C. to G.C. Hammond

Very Illustrious and Very Dear Brother:

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the law.

Thanks for your letter of the 29th. You don't say where these people were born; I have had to assume that it is London.

As to this alleged male born in 1885, it is very difficult to say much which is definite. It is not any good asking me for a horoscope as full as possible, because that does not mean anything in particular. The might imply the work of a lifetime, but on the other hand, one cannot say anything at all, unless there is something to say.

This individual does not present remarkable astrological interests. The planets are quite unbalanced and remarkably disconnected. This means that he is the play of circumstances. There is no deep fundamental issue of character on which to build a career. Such success as he has will be in the nature of a sort of accident that might happen to anybody. It is true that he may have very great executive ability in certain peculiar lines. For instance, in a business like your own, he might be a very good practical man. He might make an efficient, though severe, master of a workhouse. Again, he has a pleasant easy going mind with a certain practical cleverness, and in the small material affairs of life he ought to be fairly lucky. It is as if he had not enough in him to arouse a serious opposition, but in all funda-

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I said to him, "Barry, you're not looking grand,
and your manner has ceased to be blissful and bland,
but he smiled as he waved his vermilion hand,
"Till now, Willow, Willow, Willow!"
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Mid my, Willow, Willow, Willow, the woe
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O that's the sort of thing, it is, as wounds
you for the core—
For we then have for walk behind short
There's the only thing as matters—short's
Attributed, who's the Core,
Or the lock-out, or the typhoid, near the
Baronesses will meet?
They'll meet in their 'art-dozens, they'll
At noon, sons of Wilks like the cart before
the 'orse,
Respectin', if those liest rules ain't set on
at the start,
The carry 'orse 'all soon be put before the
'uman Part.
And the awful 'orror of it is, a chap can't
'ardly see
When they've got through that meeting
'or much further on they'll be;
For when they've bin and sold it, short is
left for 'appen then;
Unless they goes for somewhere else and
tells the same agen?
And, O, it's little I kin do nor little I kin
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But ope the world 'ill still go on when the
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And the only consolation I kin offer 'em
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Skill this Barty may justly employ it no doubt
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Or ranges his mansion that's furnished throughout
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At seein' sons o' lifers like the cart before

the 'orse,

Egspectin', if these listest rules ain't ast on

at the start,

The orn'ry 'orse 'ull soon be put before the

'uman Bart.

And the awful 'orror of it is, a chap cawn't

'awdly see

When they've gort through thet meetin'

'ow much further on they'll be;

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mentals he has no essential "guts," if I may quote the little known phrase of Mr. Rudyard Kipling in his little known story - "Regulus." Despite the easy going sensible nature of his mind, he is some danger of sinking gradually into dementia. His danger seems to become entirely mechanical, and to tend to react passively to circumstances. He should have essentially a melancholy type, the facts being hatched up by a certain social capacity in making himself a pleasant companion at harmless evening parties. He would be a great fool to marry. Any children that he had would die young or be very unfortunate. He may live to a great age, but I don't see that that is going to do him any good. The back row of the chorus is the place for him, and preferably in a music hall which has ceased to exist for several centuries.

I don't say that he might not become a distinguished professor of history, archaeology, or palaeontology, or something like that. But whatever he did would be ultimately a mistake.

So much for Buckingham!

The little girl has a very fine character, well established in every way. At the same time it is a very curious character. She ought to make a great artist in some line or other. You have to reckon first of all with her temperament. It would be fatal to interfere with her development, - To try to impose preconceived ideas upon her. She is much too strong to be influenced by any external pressure. All that education, in the commonly accepted sense, could do, would be to damage her.

She ought to make very good friends among intellectual people, and people engaged in business. Here again, she must

The End on Wed. 15th Oct. 1897.

The Westminster Gazette. 15th Oct 1897.

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Chronicle. 15th Oct. 1897

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Mail. 15th Oct. 1897

ORATORIC AGITATION.

EVANCES OF BARONETS.

(Daily Mail's Special.)

reement that a meeting of baronets in London to discuss questions affecting the protection of their rights, has all stir among those concerned.

Questions to be considered at the recent decision that the children of baronets shall in future have precedence after the younger children of barons, and before baronets, and this despite of James I. that no order between baronets should be created. The notifying this momentous change has been actually gazetted, and though it is appropriately surrounded with mystery, it may be that the agitators, who hear they may be able to start a blow. A representative of the Order called yesterday on the editor of the Daily Mail, who informed him that these points were decided by the Hon. the Earl of Marshal, as representative of her Majesty to the World the elections that day. The editor, who, of course, is a baronet, also intimated that there were about the Baronage which might

ADVANTAGE BE CLEARED UP.

After these would be discussed at any time might be held he could not say.

Investigations undertaken by the representative elicited the fact that a number of baronets to which they lay claim; indeed, during the past many baronets which apparently have been revived by the assumption by some person bearing a similar original holder of the patent, but of not the official recognition of the College. In the days of George III. requiring every baronet to record his name issued, but this was subsequently far as it related to patents granted as a result titles have been assumed by gentlemen whose dignity is not recognized by the officers of arms.

It thus appears that there is no power any one from assuming the title of baronet, provided it was created by the College, though of course the College of Arms give no recognition to the usurper. In the century, it seems, started an agitation against the title, and it may be that their aim in their ends on that occasion was a reversion of the laws against picketing the legal position of strikers is more, though the present moment is exactly the same for a fresh agitation, considering only the engineers hold the floor.

puts over their heads the sons of mere life peers. But that rankles, and lest worse should befall them—may their subordination to Knights Grand Cross or Knights Commanders of the orders of chivalry—they are, metaphorically, arming themselves for the fray. To this end several of them have arranged to meet privately in London early next month, on the invitation of one of their number, to discuss questions affecting the order, after which a circular will be submitted to every baronet recommending the lines on which a representative committee shall be formed.

The Globe. 14th Oct. 1897.

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The Sun. 15th Oct. 1897.

BARONETS WILL MEET.

It is announced that "a number of baronets have arranged to meet privately in London early next month, on the invitation of a prominent member of the Order, to discuss questions affecting the Baronage, after which a circular will be submitted to every baronet recommending the lines on which a representative committee shall be formed. Has this announcement something to do with the recognition recently accorded to the children of Life Peers as "Honourables," thus giving them precedence over baronets?

The St. Louis Gazette. 15th Oct. 1897

According to the "Daily News," we are to have a Baronet's Union, followed no doubt by a combined movement for the "blacklegging" of the younger sons of Life Peers. The preliminary meeting is to be held early next month, an executive or representative committee will be formed, and all will then be ready for action. In point of numbers the Baronets should carry all before them, for the Life Peers are, like the conies, feeble folk, who dwell among the Law Courts; but if they lie low and say nothing, what can the Baronets do? The occasions for a real trial of strength arise but seldom, and the ways of settling difficulties without scandal are not obvious.

The Westminster Gazette. 15th Oct. 1897

So the baronets are going to have their Trade Union—or "Representative Committee," as they prefer to call it. They have grievances in connexion with their order which they are determined to redress. One such grievance is alleged to be that they have now to yield precedence to the sons of life peers, who are all "honourable" men for the first time. Well, we sincerely hope that the bold—we will not say bad—baronets will succeed in getting all their "natural" and "inalienable" rights.

The Bristol Mail. 15th Oct. 1897.

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She ought to achieve a very great degree of renown. But this will be of a character likely to displease people of a conventional turn of mind.

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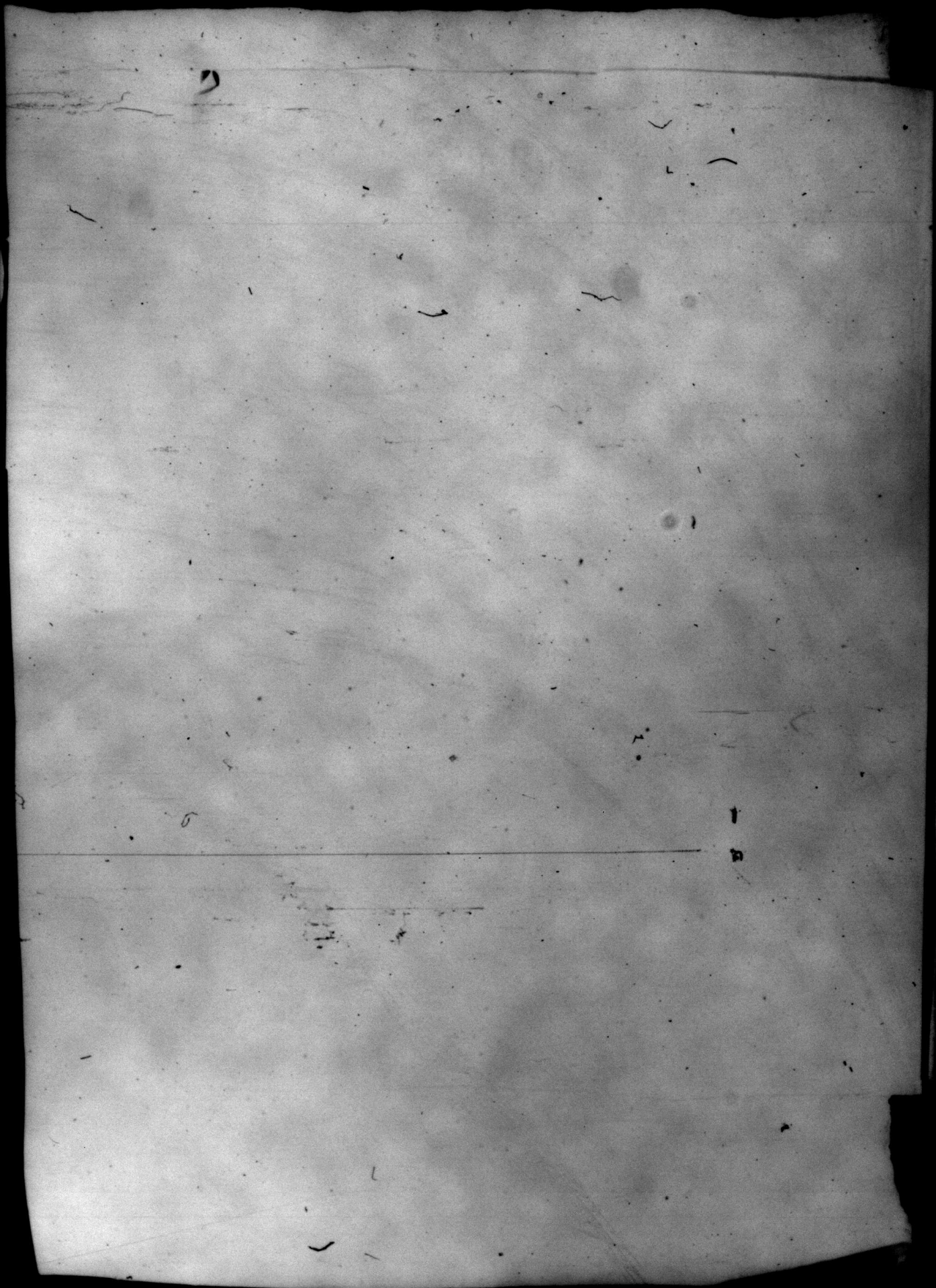
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Her career will be generally prosperous, but is likely to suffer temporary interferences from sudden scandals or intrigues.

She must rely upon the general solidity of her character and talents to ride over obstacles. If there is one thing she ought to be taught, it is to have confidence in herself. Almost any other form of instruction, apart from purely technical matters would injure her.

I hope that the above will prove satisfactory. If there are any special questions that you want to ask, let me know them. A horoscope is such a big thing that one cannot possibly think of everything, unless one's attention is directed as desired.

The very happiest of all New Years be you and yours.

Love is the law, love under will.

Yours fraternally,

666 (fake signature)

B. C. Hammond, Esq.,

Richmond News, Dean St.

London, W. 1.

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In answer to my letter to Grosche in which I cancelled your permission of publishing the Mss, I had sent, he first of all says that he did not get any Mss, and ends by using very impudent expressions, which however, he wants to be considered as "unofficial"! Just as he will regard mine as "unofficial". What on earth have I to do officially with him or his lodge or his society? The scandal that I wrote you about has been hushed "officially"; I must use this word here, as on account of the oath of silence of the members of the Society they could not find much, but Gr. tells me that he gave that powder himself and he ^{as} did it privately it was his own business and nobody had to interfere. The Esoteric Society had nothing to do with it. Quite right, only that he is the head of that society and carried that powder with him in his pocket, so that

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From the Magical letters I can only quote to-day from what I got here, but I have the one about sexual magic sent to me. The first letter contains form-symbolism and is quite nice and alright bar the last 2-3 pages. The Chela is taught the experiment of concentrating on the manifestation of the beings connected with the symbols. He is warned that he will be sure to attract beings of the lower astral plane, most of which are in the sexual sphere. In order to spare himself he is advised to make the experiment with a medium, leaving the protecting circle away to be able to study the effect on the bodily organism of the medium. To do this well, he was to see that the position of the medium was the reverse of his, when he did it himself, that is facing north, be-

cause this position makes it easy for the strange being to attack the medium, as by this position the intellectual capacity of the medium is greatly hindered, and the limit that separates subconsciousness from the waking state is not strongly accentuated. "You will see that the results remind very much of vampirism, for the medium suffers always either from a severe physical odic (I don't know if this word is right) weakening. You yourself take care to protect yourself in all these experiments, as was said before, by pentagram and talisman. In the interest of the medium I advise you to repeat these experiments not too often; for the beings attracted, that live all these centuries on the sexual odic fluid of the mediums very rarely give up their influence once gained."

From the next volume "Dividing Magic".

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55 Avenue de Suffren,
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Thanking you to give this your prompt attention,

Yours truly

Secretary to
Sir Aleister Crowley

BR/r

Firma Haalmeijer,
244 Overtoom,
Amsterdam

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I do hope that you will take some really active steps, first of all to postpone the expulsion of my good friends, and secondly to bring this whole matter into daylight.

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The Hotel Metropole,
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April 19th, 1929.

President, Caledonian Society,
c/o H. B. M. Consulate General,
Rue Lord Byron,
Paris.

Mr. President:

It is with the deepest regret that I ask you
to accept my resignation from the Caledonian Society.

My honour as a gentleman and my loyalty as a
Briton have been impugned by anonymous liars, and until I
have nailed the pellets of these vermin to my barn door, I
feel that I cannot worthily continue as a member of the So-
ciety.

I will, however, ask you, particularly as His
Majesty's Consulate General is situated in the street named
after the great Scottish exile poet of his period, to communi-
cate this letter to the members of the Society, asking them
severally and collectively to aid me in my attempts to es-
tablish what I conceive to be the first principle of justice;
namely that no man shall be punished unless he is accused in
open court on the testimony of creditable witnesses, afforded
the opportunity of defending himself with legal assistance,
the issue to be decided by a competent magistrate.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ALEISTER CROWLEY

Carl G. letter from A.C. H.?

c/o J.G. Bayley,
11, Abercrair Rd.,
Streatham, S.W.16,
London;

July 15th, 1929.

Cara Soror:

Do what thou wilt shall be the
whole of the Law.

I have your letter of June
14th, in which you state that you are "not
writing at length."

I have nothing to do with your
private family affairs and your quarrels
with your brothers and sisters. But I get
the impression that you feel yourself to be
a very ill-used person, and this is a com-
plete bar to your getting what you want.
As Shakespeare remarked "If we got our de-
serts which of us would escape hanging,"
or words to that effect.

Thanks very much for the press
cutting. If you want to be of any use,
you will get an agency to supply cuttings
of all the stuff that has appeared since
the very beginning about me (it goes back
to 1908, I think). These cuttings are
wanted to republish in a book called "The
Legend of Aleister Crowley," which is part
of an important publicity scheme.

We will, of course, pay for
these cuttings.

I rather doubt whether Beaver-

brook is a Jew, being the son of a Presbyterian parson of Scotch extraction. But as people say that I am a Jew, it does not seem to me to matter much -- probably we are all Jews.

I am not feeling particularly persecuted at the present moment. My return to London was in the nature of a triumph, and everything seems to be going ahead splendidly.

At the same time, it is no use to assure you of anything because I don't know the future unless I ask about it, which I rarely do. What you have got to do is to do your day's work every day and leave the rest to come along as it will.

I don't see how I can help you to get away from your conditions. Your conditions are very largely created by your own unaided efforts. I found them so in my own case. There is no blame attached to any given attitude of mind, but there are certain types of thinking which may bar one's progress. I do not mean only on the occult plane, but on every plane. If you start arguing as to whether it is right to cross the street, you will never get to the other side.

The best address for me at present is the above.

I agree with what you say about the general political situation. We are all of us tied up in an absolute net of petty formalities, and the general principles of justice and common decency are practically forgotten. We do require something in the nature of a royalist revolution with a bad king

Leipzig, September 7th 30.

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Karl Jaspers (Free Saturnus)
on himself

January 5, 1930.

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There are two occasions of which I can think as giving cause to such a belief: in Leipzig in Auerbach's Keller at the dinner. Cora, Gretchen, Hopfer, I am sure you and I, believe, I.W.E., all thought that I was in love with Marie. The fact was that there was one or two traits of her manner enlivened me and still can do so. I cannot explain in words which they are. I think her eyes are beautiful, also sometimes the lines of her face and a certain expression. Things of that sort do not give any sexual desire. I have often analysed myself whether I could possibly force myself, if only, to kiss her. I always had to answer in the negative.

If all the same the judgment of such unconcerned people agreed about the phenomenon, the appearance must doubtless be against what I say above. I can, of course, only state my side of it. I am far too strong in the conviction of my purity in this particular case as that I would even so much as attempt to defend myself.

The other case was in Joachimstal. It is even less proving than the first. The fact is that I am greatly bored with this constant half French conversation. The atmosphere, particularly in Joachimstal, was very boring too. Perhaps there was something in Marie's nature which brought out that spark that only shows up in conversation with me every 3 or 5 years. For 1 hour and not longer, if that long.

I am inclined to think that people greatly under-rate the congenital coldness of my nature and its lack of reaction to its surroundings and interest. I get even tired to write about the matter. I only felt it necessary to give you as full an explanation as possible, because you seem to misjudge me or not understand me in sexual matters.

This should naturally lead to the 4 or 5 other points on the sexual problem which I have on my soul. But I do not want to write about them.

P.S.

A psychoanalyst might ask: "Perhaps you wanted to have a victory over G66?" Or "tease Cora"? Try as I would I cannot recall such a motive or a similar one. Such a motive would also show a lack of nobleness and fairness which would be entirely foreign to my nature. I rather have a defeat than obtain a victory in unfairness. This is just my defect and you should know it better. What I much rather think is: It was my job to entertain M. It certainly was a job ~~for~~. I made up my mind to "sacrifice" myself. The successful "sacrifice" perhaps created "spiritual energy". The thought just came to me & might give me a start in solving the puzzle as to what "sacrifice" means?

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K.G.

142, Fitching Road.
Clapton, London E5.
15th Feb. 1926.

Dear Sir

I am much obliged to you for your letter, to hand this morning.

Briefly, my position is this:-

My first "spiritual" environment was a horrible one - that of the Plymouth Brethren. There is no necessity for me to go further into details. Suffice it to say, that - in about my 16th year I faced the thing out + ceased to "believe" in Christianity. I regret to say that - owing maybe to an inner cowardice - I failed to cast the thing right out of my life: there was still a part of me that half-believed in the "taboos" of that cult.

For a number of years my chief help was a small library of cheap "New Thought" books. It was a long time before I met an exponent of that or any more or less liberal school.

Then - it must have been sometime in the summer of 1913 I went for a walk with a copy of "The Occult Review"

The Editor was dealing with the work of

a Mr. Crowley + quoted a few lines from "Aha". Never shall I forget the impression they made on me.

"All thoughts are evil. ~~The~~ Thought is two:

The seen + the seen. Echoes

That Supreme blasphemy, my son,

Remembering that God is One."

You will - of course - appreciate that I knew nothing of "occultism" proper at this time. I was still studying "New Thought" books with perhaps a book or two of Ramacharaka's (Atkinson's) "Yoga Philosophy".

To pass on quickly, in 1915 I acquired a copy of the Equinox containing "Aha" but owing the size of the book I had to leave it behind when I went to France.

In those days "Light on the Path" was my guide & friend & from that I learned that - I quote from memory, as I never look at the book now - "each man is to himself absolutely the way, the truth, & the life, but he is only so when he grasps his individuality firmly & by the force of his

awakened spiritual will recognizes that his individuality is not himself...

There's the rub. My New Thought reading helped me to a better intellectual viewpoint, but I didn't find the Divine, as they did with such facility. Always upon the Temple steps, but never inside. But worse was to follow.

I suppose it was about September 1918 - at any rate I was home from the war - that I fortunately came into contact with an Eastern Master, who called me "his brother" & subsequently "initiated" me. We fell apart. I also met Dr. Steiner who also failed to help me. The net result of the last ten years being - owing to circumstances perhaps beyond my own control, perhaps not is that I am a damned sight farther from finding Adonai than I was on say the day I first saw that Couplet in Aha.

Recently I read the "Diary of a Drug Fiend" from which I perceive that you can help me, & I venture again to ask you to do so.

As I do not know which symptoms you as a physician of the Soul would attach importance to, I will say no more but will await your questions.

I am Sir

Yours truly

H. J. N. Foreman

142, Fitching Road.

Clapton, London, E.5. 10/1/29.

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Thanks for your letter of the 5th.

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142, Fitching Road.

E.5. 3/1/30

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