



SECRET CEREMONIAL FOR AN OPERATOR

EXTRACT FROM O.M.S. SOURCE MANUSCRIPTS

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When one wants to perform a Simple Operation with four Circles, four Angles and four Circles of correspondence with the division of the square of the apartment, he will observe first of all to have given a Mass to the Holy Spirit on the day he must begin his work; and as soon as he has heard this Mass, the operator will go and exorcise the apartment where he is to work. He will find these exorcisms and blessings in all rituals. The wall that will be to the east must be wide and without any window or opening, at least near the angle of the east. The operator will generally bless all that is to be employed in his work for the Operation, and even all that is used to trace his plan on the floor, such as chalk, rope, etc. and all that is to be used for the recordings of the things he receives, such as penknives, feathers, pencils, etc.¹

We shall observe that we do not work during the Equinoxes, if the prescribed weather is not beautiful and calm, without wind, rain, or storm; otherwise, one would fall into the greatest disadvantages.

A double Δ will be drawn in the fourth Circle of the center. In each angle of this \star we shall place alternately a Spiritual Name² and a Name of Double Power³. All these Names will be taken by half letter of the planet of the previous day and half to the letter of the planet of the day, and we will be careful to change these names, every day that we work, and put in the center of \star Four Divine Words taken from the same letters, which will make the number of 10 Names or Words. This \star refers to the seven-branched candelabrum of Moses and Solomon, which they used for their Spiritual Operations.⁴

In the other three Circles, the Characters, Intelligences, and Hieroglyphics of the Good Spirits of the three Planets will be traced for the work of the day.⁵ Note, however, that if one begins on Monday, the Characters, Intelligences, and Hieroglyphics of the Good Spirit of the Moon cannot be mixed with those of the Sun because on Sunday, the Sabbath, the service of Good Spirits happened. In this case, Prophets, Apostles, or Patriarchs will be substituted for them by the Characters and Hieroglyphs which will be judged appropriate; or take two Characters and two Hieroglyphics of the Prophet and so of the Apostle, of the number 8.

The Characters, Intelligences and Hieroglyphics of the Good Spirits of the Planets and of the Prophets and Apostles will be placed as far as possible from the southeast to the southwest. The Characters, Intelligences, and Hieroglyphics of Evil Spirits will be placed in order to learn by this means the different forms of Characters and Images which Evil Spirits assume to appear to the operant, and to know and distinguish the Good and the Bad. We will leave the square from the southwest to the west empty as much as we can.

If the operator does not begin his work on Monday and begins on Tuesday, he will trace the Characters, Intelligences and Hieroglyphics of the past planet, which is the Moon, between the first and second outer Circle, or on the line of the first Circle. On the second Circle, the same things will

¹ As is common in Élus Coëns Operations. See the *O.M.S.: 1^o Associate Élu Handbook* for examples of Openings and Preliminary Blessings.

² A +7 Name, a Septenary power of the Holy Spirit, and the “Good Companion”.

³ A +8 Name, a Double Divine power of the Major Spirit, the Son, the Christ and his “types”.

⁴ 6 Names in the Fourth Circle (Central Circle) of the Angles, and 4 Names in the Center = 10 total Names.

⁵ The operator utilises the Planet of the preceding day, the current Planet, and the Planet of the following day, excepting if the Operation commences on a Sunday, as described next.

be placed of the Planet of the day which is Mars, and on the third Circle we will place in the same way that which relates to the Planet of the following day which is Mercury. All Characters of the Moon will no longer serve on Wednesday, they will be replaced by those of Mars on the same circle; the characters of Mercury will take the place of those of Mars on the second Circle, and the Characters of Thursday will take that of Wednesday on the third Circle.

Except in the case of a work begun on Monday or finished on Saturdays, no Prophet or Apostle shall be employed, because their Characters and Hieroglyphs are used only for the Operations of Kabbalah, and the Operations by Four Circles are merely and solely to know the passing of the Planetary Spirits and to strengthen the operant in the appearance and the passage of the Characters and Hieroglyphics.

When the operator wants to know something special for himself or his friends, he will take for his friends a Character of Good Intelligence of the past Planet which is on the first Circle, and if it is for him directly, he will assume the Character of Good Intelligence of the Planet of the day he is working. If these characteristics of Convention do not come out on the day that we are working, and they only come out on the second or third day, it is a sign of delay for the thing that we wanted to know. But if these Characters come out the same day as they have been asked for, it is a proof of speedy success, or at least in the time that has been counted. It is necessary to put aside the Character of Good Intelligence of the Planet, its Name taken from the initial letter of the Planet and falling on 7. We will also put the name of baptism and family of the subject for whom we ask, beside of the Character of Convention that one took for him. The operator will do the same for himself.

At the eastern corner will be placed Four Divine Words placed square at the top of the corner, on each of which there will be a candle also forming the cross. This angle will be formed by a double radius. At the angle of the south will be placed a Spiritual Name, 7, a Name of Simple Power, 4, and a Name of Double Power, 8. These three Names will be illuminated by three candles of virgin wax placed in a triangle, which will be observed the same in the other angles. If there are no virgin yellow candles, white shall be used. These Names will be taken indifferently in all the letters of the Registry of Names, except in those which serve for the planets, as L.M.I.V.S⁶. The same thing and the same order shall be followed for the two other angles, west and north, so that these Words or Names shall be thirteen, of which the product is 4⁷.

In the Circles of Operation there will be in each of the first three a Good Planetary Spirit Name of the three of the Operation.

In the double triangle enclosed in the inner circle there will be Four Divine Words placed in a square, and alternately in each corner of the  will be placed a Spiritual Name, 7, and a Double Power Name, 8, in all 6, of which 3 of 7 and 3 of 8. Thus, we will find in the Circles the number of thirteen names⁸, as in the angles, which makes simple Kabbalistic Number of Spirits. The addition of each number produces 4; the addition of the two numbers produces $26 = 8^9$. By summing all the numbers of the names placed at the three angles, west, north, and south, we shall find $19 = 10$ everywhere¹⁰. If we associate the three simple products of the numbers of these together they will produce by the addition

⁶ Luna, Mars, Jupiter, Venus, Saturn (in French).

⁷ Four Divine Words in the East (4) + 3, 7, 8 in each the South, West and North (9) = 13. $13 = 1+3 = 4$.

⁸ The Center: $8 \times 3 = 24$; $7 \times 3 = 21$; $10 \times 4 = 40$; $24 + 21 + 40 = 85 = 8+5 = 13$.

⁹ 13 of the Center and 13 of the Angles = $26 = 2+6 = 8$.

¹⁰ $4 + 7 + 8 = 19$, $1 + 9 = 10$.

$57 = 3^{11}$. By joining together this product with those of the Four Divine Words of the center and those of the Major Spirits and of Double Power of the center and of the double Δ , we find the number of $106 = 7^{12}$. This is what is called a simple Operation of Kabbalah to a Double Power. It is necessary for such an Operation that the use of the different numbers of Names of these Spirits, by special double and general addition, produces the numbers 3, 4, 7, 8, 10; for then, the calculation of Kabbalah is just and good.

If the Operation does not yield to the will of the operant, it is because of his error. When all the Circles, both the interior and of correspondence, and the angles are thus garnished, the operator begins to exorcise and bless them. At ten o'clock, or ten-thirty, he says the Seven Psalms of Penance, dividing them at the four corners and at the center of the Circles of Operation. Then he says the Litanies of the Saints, starting from the west around the circles and passing north to the propitious east. Then he retraces his steps by passing by the south and continues to tour the Circles until the end. After that, he encompasses the Circles by making a circle in each, to the Circle of the center, which he encounters three times without entering. He turns out of the Circles, still advancing and moving through them as when he entered. The operant then goes to incense the four corners and the four Circles of correspondence. After this, he makes his four Prostrations at the four angles, beginning with the west angle where he prostrates himself, lying full length, the face to the ground, then making three steps of the Apprentice, advancing and retreating, and at the last step he puts both knees in the ground. Then he falls, the body in the Circle of the angle, on his two hands, head close to the Names that are written in the corner, and lengthens the whole body against the ground. Thus prostrated, he makes the Consecration of the west angle, as follows.

The operant pronounces the three names traced in the said angle by exclamation:

O (N), O (N), O (N.), I conjure you in general and especially you and those above you, by these three powerful, formidable and ineffable Words (the Operant pronounces the last three words of the angle of the East and will not pronounce the first at the angle of the East itself, because it will be he who will lead all) **of the Living God, Creator of the human soul, creator of Terrestrial Spirits, Celestial and Supercelestial, the absolute Creator of every being created in the Four Universal Regions; and by these three terrible Words** (he repeats the three Divine Words of the East) **of the Living God of our fathers, the avenging and heavenly God of the heavens and the earth, before whom all tremble, all shake and all bend** (the three Divine Words of the East, and then the Three Names of the Spirits of the West). **To you, Spirits whom I invoke and to whom I pay homage, and command by this one Divine Word that out of respect I dare not pronounce, to descend from your Circle of spiritual glory, Celestial and Supercelestial, haste to obey the intention of my Thought, as my spiritual, powerful and divine soul invokes and commands you, by my pure and sincere words, as it is made known to you who are here present. I command, O (N), I command, O (N), I command, O (N)** (naming each of the three Spirits of the West), and consecrate you in this salient and principal terrestrial angle of the West, so that you may be concentrated there, with all the virtues and powers which are innate in you before the time and since your spiritual creation. Watch over me in my quality of soul, act upon me as a universal image. Be my counsel, my support, and my spiritual defenders against all the adversities of this low world, in my quality as a divine likeness like you, by your destination

¹¹ The 4, 7 and 8 Spirits of the South, West and North Angles = $(4+7+8) \times 3 = 57 = 5+7 = 12 = 1+2 = 3$.

¹² $57 + \text{Four Divine Words } (10 \times 4 = 40 = 4) + \text{Major Spirits } (7 \times 3 = 21) + \text{Double Powers } (8 \times 3 = 24) = 106 = 1+6 = 7$.

and the charge given to you by the One who is. Instruct me of what I must know during my temporal and transitory course. Warn me of all present and future events which may be favorable to me, and against those who may injure me. Make me to be as firm and joyful in the adversities and tribulations of this low world as I can be in all the possessions of which man is susceptible on earth. Make me immutable in my mind, firmly resolved as you in my actions and in all the events of the earth, the sky, the air and the waters, to which I shall share. That, by your aid, no unclean spirit can make me soften or weaken in the resolution that I take in your presence, to be invincible against all those who seek to seduce and corrupt my present operation and the one to come. I abjure and condemn them in your presence, in the depths of the abyss of this earth. Amen.

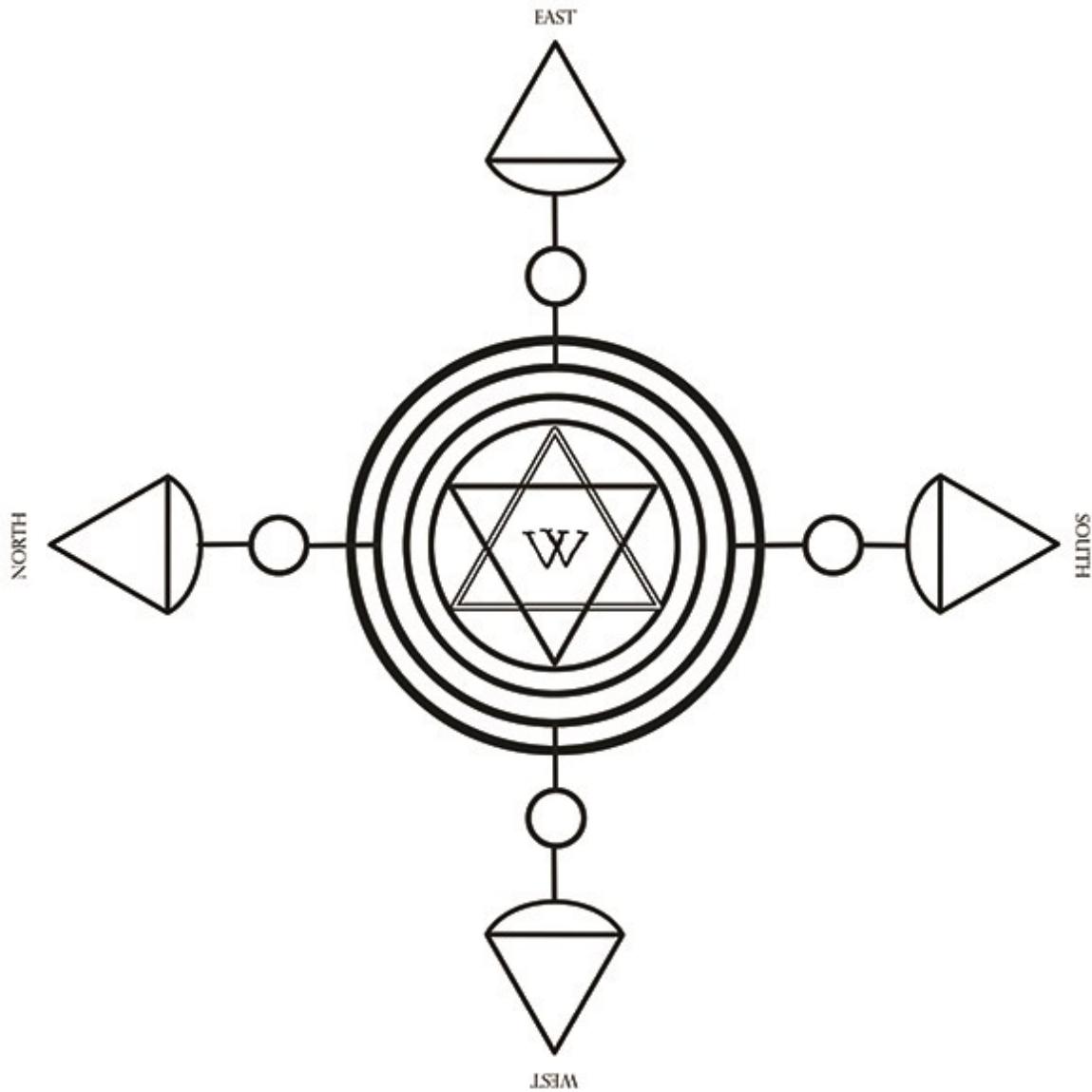
The operator said three times **Abrenuntio**,¹³ striking the floor each time with the point of the left foot, without leaving his position. Then he gives the instruction to the Three Spirits whose Names are in the same Angle, as follows.

¹³ "I renounce".

OPERATIONAL CIRCLES¹⁴

The Simple Operation of Kabbalah to a Double Power

In Georges Courts' *Le Grand Manuscrit d'Alger – tome III*, Courts says "There are many tracings possible" from these directions. Here, we will reproduce different variations that have been published. For one option, he there produces a common E.C. Circle¹⁵, here with four detached quarter circles in the cardinal directions.¹⁶



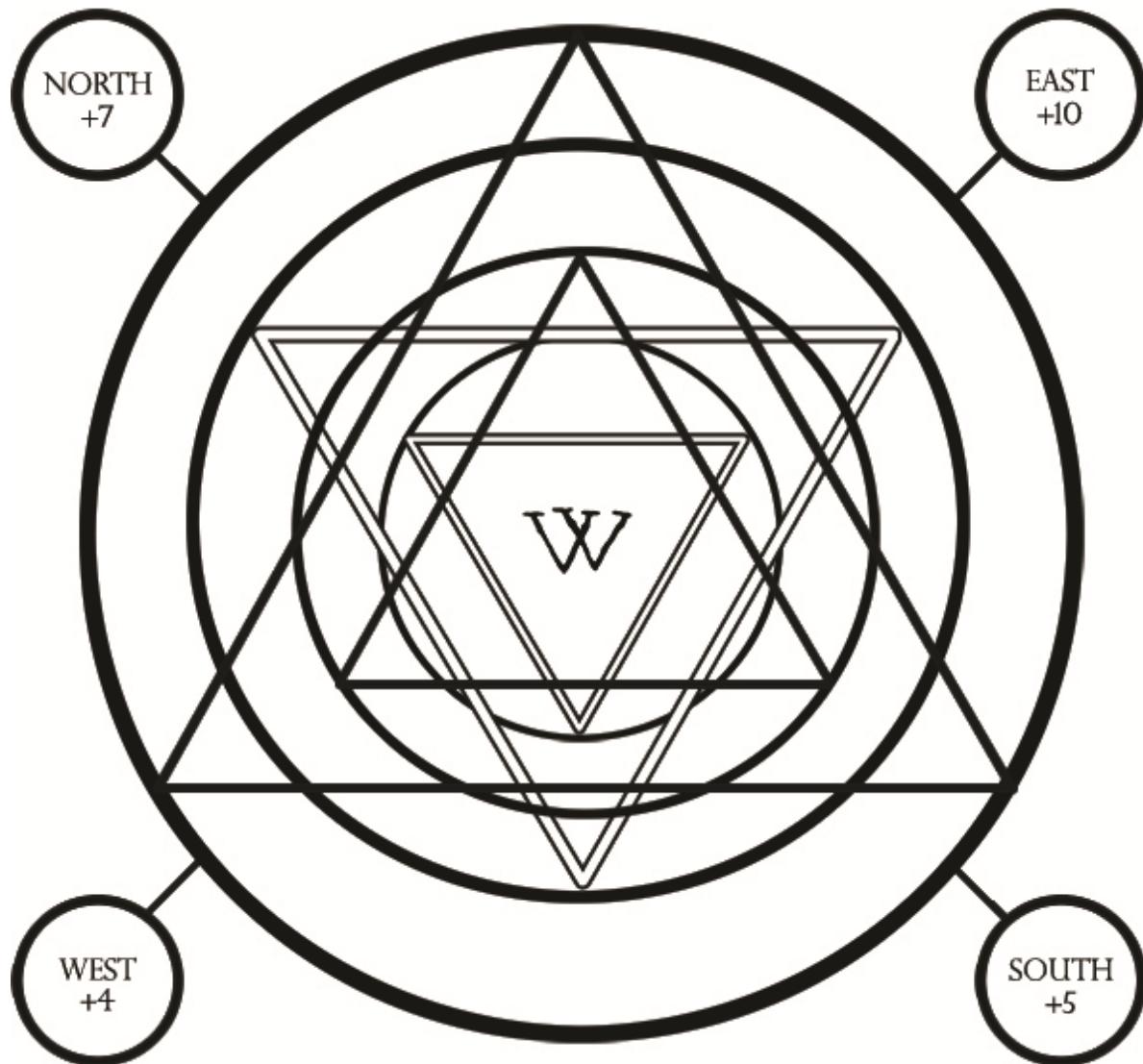
¹⁴ The following Circles are not drawn in the manuscript.

¹⁵ O. .M. .S. : members will recognize elements of this circle from various Operations and Initiations.

¹⁶ Image recreated.

From *Tableaux philosophiques 1780 – Cercle des différents operations des grand élus avec les 4 cercles des correspondance*¹⁷

Goerges Courts also gives this Circle as a possible option. Note however that the Numbers for the Spirits given in this drawing do not correspond with the Numbers in the instructions of this particular Operation.¹⁸

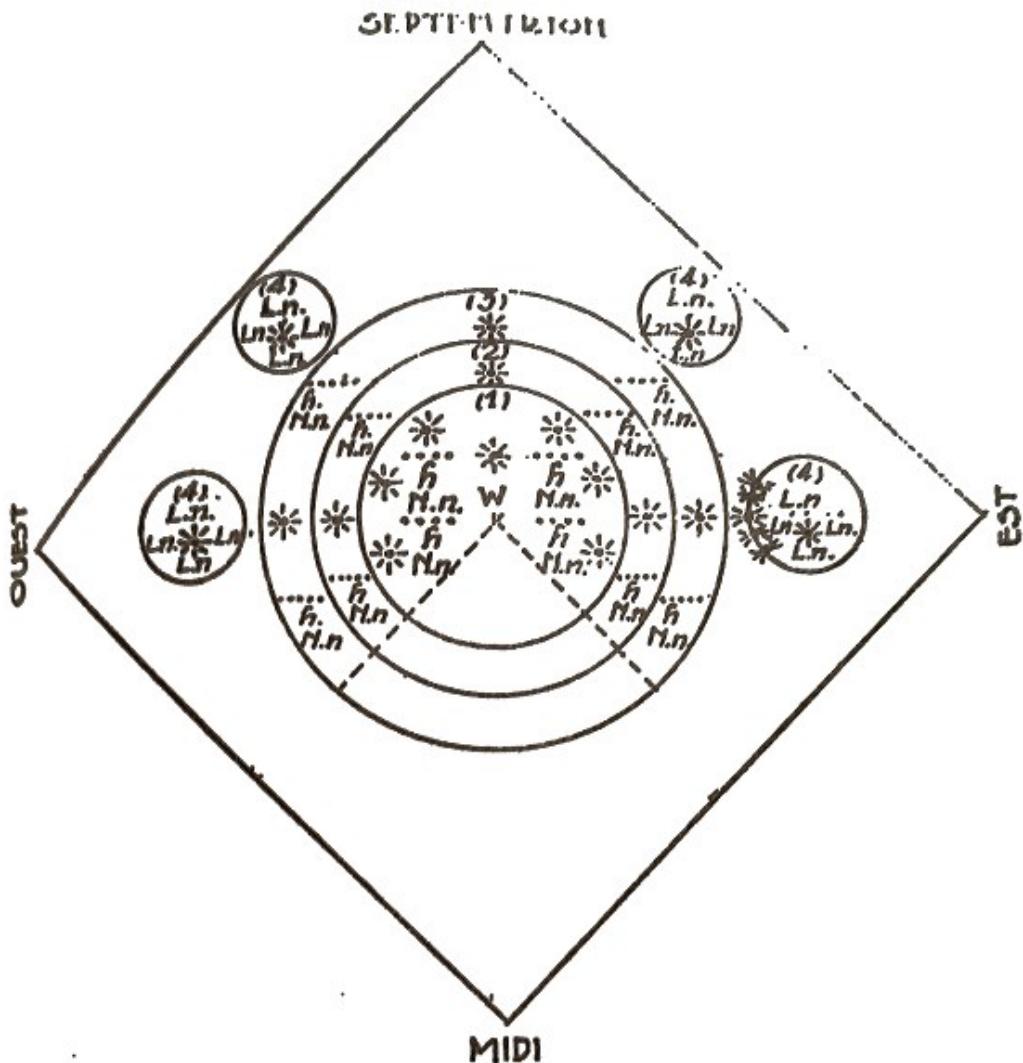


¹⁷ Image recreated.

¹⁸ A similar version of this Circle is also given in the Grand Élu de Zorobabel degree as the “Cercle des grandes operations d'équinoxe” with the specific instruction that this diagram is oriented to the South. Similar circles are also used for other Operations of this grade.

From Gérard van Rijnberk's *Un Thaumaturge au XVIII^e siècle Martines de Pasqually, sa vie, son œuvre, son ordre*

Rijnberk labels this Circle as "The Operation of the Four Circles of 1772".



Key:

- (1) : Circle of the Center
- (2) : Circle of the Middle
- (3) : Exterior Circle
- (4) : Circle of Correspondence

Nn : Names of the Spirits accompanying the Denary, Octenary, Septenary and Ternary

h : Hieroglyphs or "Characters" of the Patriarchs, Prophets, and Apostles

Ln : Letter accompanying a Number by which the Four Names are chosen in the repertoire

* : The stars are the candles illuminating the Circle.

The candles places on the Circle of Correspondence of the East are the "Candles of the absent ones".