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by Stephen Skinner

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<sup>1</sup> Note the different spelling of the titles of each manuscript, although they all embody the same basic text in either Latin or English. These differences have been deliberately preserved, and should not be construed as careless editing. Note that the two older Latin texts do not have '*Liber Salomonis*' in their titles, suggesting that this was added by the English scribe to the original *Sepher Raziel* title.



## Liber Salomonis

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In noie Deij potentis vibi et verij et eternij  
 In his noma di Almygty God living and very and ever  
 lasting and noont all end no Eib said Adonay Saday  
 Ehye. Aferere i begin to write of his booke no Eib said  
 Sephar Raziel. no all his appoyntmentes in no Eib / given  
 twelvethe Compite or fulfilled feat is his booke

Dixit Salomon gloria et laus et cu multo honore or  
 Salomon said glory and prayeing no Eib said bo to  
 God of all creature, so feat is singular no made all  
 thinge at one tyme. And he is one God very myghty  
 ze alone feat is and feat noad and no evermore  
 shall be, and no had never in end or any like him  
 neither is he like to save. And fe is singular noont  
 end Lord alone noont Corruption John Olsome make  
 and great all thinge being and stering and wise and  
 in all thinge myghte. And i begin in this booke to put  
 in an example feat noont of at sate it blame it not  
 till fe sate we and sterd all or somerof at of it. And  
 then praye his God maker of all thinge

Cyde be he ix precepte incipiunt precepta  
 Etne beginneth the precepte

- No creas esse plures nisi unu singulari or
1. Noe frame from not to be moe or many but one singular  
 alone pper all thinge no Eib, at none like him and him  
 love ye and dard and govern all trayt and no good  
 will and stable and no myght and no all the cleane
  2. feart Noe lite from not noont love and from salt
  - 3 be loved of God by create and of folkes. Noe do from  
 not to another man if then wouldst not be same. Noe
  - 4 be from not a lyer to the Law neither to the friends  
 and say from singe soth, not if it be to the profit and not  
 harme. Noe love from not neither fellowship from none  
 no pntoise men from no wisemen and evermore love

Figure 1: First page of Liber Salomonis or Sephar Raziel in Sloane MS 3826, f.2. c. 1564. Note the alternate title at the beginning of the fifth line.

## Foreword

### *Legendary Origins*

The name of the Angel (or Archangel) Raziel means “secrets of God” and is therefore a most appropriate pseudepigraphical author for a book on magic. According to the *Jewish Encyclopedia*, Raziel’s mission is as the “transmitter of secrets.” Various spellings of his name include Raziel, Ratziel, Razial, Ratzial, Retziel, Reziel, and Rezial. The spelling of Sepher/Cephar, will also vary.

The legend of the ספר רזיאל the *Sepher Raziel*, or ‘Book of Raziel’, states that the book was originally inscribed on a sapphire stone.<sup>1</sup> A copy was given to Seraph, then Metatron, then Adam. It is said that the angels (specifically the Cherubim) were upset that such knowledge was given to Adam, and so they descended to earth to steal the book back from him. This is an interesting echo of the idea that both angels, and their fallen brethren the demons, are unhappy that books of magic, containing formulae that can constrain them, have been made available to man. To ensure that the book would not be found again, the angels tossed it deep into the ocean. However, according to Jewish tradition, God ordered the archangel Raphael (or Rahab, according to some sources) to retrieve it, who then gave it to Noah to protect him during the flood. Eventually, after a number of adventures, it was given to King Solomon by a Babylonian prince (who is mentioned in the present manuscript on folio 2v). So much for the legend.

### *Hebrew Sources – the various Raziel Traditions*

Because of this legend, the angel Raziel became a popular reference, and has generated a number of different pseudepigraphical books or Raziel traditions, which may be quite independent of each other:<sup>2</sup>

- a) *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh*,<sup>3</sup> with sections drawn from Rabbi Eleazar of Worms (1160-1237) *Sepher ha-Razim* and *Sepher ha-Shem*.
- b) *Sepher Raziel* (divided into chapters according to the Seven Heavens).
- c) The 13th century rabbinical *Sepher Raziel*, with content from Rabbi Eleazar.
- d) *Cephar Raziel* (containing Seven Treatises) - the present volume.

Let us look at each of these separate *Sepher Raziel* books and traditions in turn:

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<sup>1</sup> This is reminiscent of the Smaragdine Tablets of Hermes Trismegistus, inscribed on an emerald tablet. Sapphire is the stone most often mentioned in connection with the floors of Jewish heavens.

<sup>2</sup> Further research is needed to establish the exact family relationships between these groups of books and manuscripts.

<sup>3</sup> First published in Hebrew in 1701, translated into English 2000.

## Sepher Raziel

### a) *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh*

The Hebrew *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh* was published in 1701 in Amsterdam,<sup>1</sup> and later reprinted nearly 40 times, probably because of the popular belief that the presence of the book in a house protected it from fire. This book has been translated into English by Steve Savedow as *Sepher Rezial Hemelach*, 'The Book of the Angel Rezial.'<sup>2</sup> The present Raziel text and the one published by Steve Savedow are *not* closely related. The anonymous author of *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh* acknowledges the fact that there are other Raziel books/traditions, although he claims (immodestly and probably incorrectly) to be their source:

"There are two [*Raziel*] books from other countries. I see mine is the original of all of them. They have all been copied from my book... Also included [in my *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh*] is the smaller work of Eleazar [of Worms],<sup>3</sup> son of Rabbi Judah who received the work of Merkabah [chariot] from the pious Rabbi Judah."<sup>4</sup>

The Foreword explains that this book is in turn divided into 5 Parts:

i) *Sepher ha-Malbush*, the 'Book of the Vestment', gives the names of the seasons and of the *Malachim* (angels) ruling in every season, and every month, and every day. The names of the Heavens and Earth also change according to the season.<sup>5</sup> This section also lists "every spirit and angel ministering over every sign of the zodiac, and the angels of the seven planets in every season, and days of the week."<sup>6</sup> Book One page 7 of this Part has two paragraphs on the sacrifice of turtledoves, which are repeated in the present manuscript (37v-38r). Also pages 11-28 have a very similar structure to the present manuscript (44r-46v), but the names attributed are different.

ii) *Sepher Raziel ha-Gadol*, or 'Book of the Raziel the Great' is in 4 Parts and relates to *Merkavah* (chariot) mysticism. It draws a lot of its contents from the *Sepher Yetzirah*. Part 3 and 4 are concerned with the Kabbalah of *Genesis*, and the structure of the Universe. They have nothing in common with the present text.

iii) *Sepher ha-Shem*, or 'Book of the Holy Name' or Shem ha-Mephorash. This treats of 72 three letter divine names, but does not relate to the present Treatise on 'Semiforas', or to any other part of the present manuscript.

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<sup>1</sup> Published by Moses Mendes Coutinho.

<sup>2</sup> Steve Savedow, *Sepher Rezial Hemelach*, York Beach: Samuel Weiser, Inc., 2000. Savedow's transliteration is rather non-standard, transliterating (for example) 'IHVH' as 'IHOH'; 'ha-Malbush' as 'Hamelbosh'; and 'ha-Razim' as 'Hereziem.'

<sup>3</sup> A reference to *Sepher ha-Razim* by Eleazar.

<sup>4</sup> Translated by Savedow (2000), page iv.

<sup>5</sup> See the present text ff. 34r-46r. This idea resurfaces in Peter de Abano's *Heptameron* where the words in the magician's protective circle change according to the season and the day, a key concept.

<sup>6</sup> Savedow (2000), page x.

iv) *Sepher ha-Razim*, or 'Book of Mysteries' or 'Book of Magical Secrets.'

*Part 1*: It seems much more likely that this section was taken from Eleazar of Worms' *Sepher ha-Razim*, rather than the other way around, as claimed by the anonymous author.<sup>1</sup> Anyway, only a subset of *Sepher ha-Razim* is incorporated here into *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh*, and a much more cohesive, complete and useful version of the *Sepher ha-Razim* is that edited by Morgan.<sup>2</sup>

*Part 2*: of Savedow's *Sepher ha-Razim* contains background Jewish cosmology.

*Part 3*: typically deals with the physiology and dimensions of god, drawing material from *Shi'ur Qomah*. Neither forms part of the present manuscript.

v) *Sepher ha-Mazloth* or 'Book of the Signs of the Zodiac' includes various charms, and the use of the 22-letter, and the 42-letter name of god. The illustrations which appear in this book, especially in this last section, do not appear in any of the other *Sepher Raziels*, but are often used as illustrations by writers on Jewish magic, like Joshua Trachtenberg, Gustav Davidson and David Goldstein. See Figure 5.

b) *Sepher Raziel (divided according to the Seven Heavens)*

The sections in this particular group of *Sepher Raziel* manuscripts are divided up into chapters by the seven Jewish Heavens. This tradition is preserved in Italian manuscripts such as Alnwick MS 585 and Alnwick MS 596.

c) *The 13th century Rabbinical Sepher Raziel*

Perhaps the best Hebrew version of the Rabbinical *Sepher Raziel* is found in Additional MS 15299, a 13<sup>th</sup> century manuscript, beautifully executed in very clear Hebrew on large parchment folios. This particular manuscript was owned by Prince Augustus Frederick, the Duke of Sussex (1773-1843) who was the son of King George III. The Duke was also one of the early Grand Masters of Freemasonry, President of the Royal Society, and supportive of the cause of the Jews in England.

After the Duke's death the manuscript was bought by the British Museum in 1844. The second half of that manuscript (ff.133-153) also contains a commentary explaining the magical (rather than philosophical) uses of the *Sepher Yetzirah* by Rabbi Eleazar of Worms, material later thought relevant to Golem making.

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<sup>1</sup> The text of *Sepher ha-Razim* in *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh* is in fact rather scrambled. For example a section on page 211 is repeated word for word again on page 253. There are also missing sections, so for example, on pages 208-210 the sequence repeats the 'third host of Malachim' twice, and then jumps (via the 12 Princes and days of the week) to the 'sixth host' of the Malachim. This may be the fault of the original Hebrew of 1701, rather than the translator.

<sup>2</sup> Michael Morgan, *Sepher ha-Razim: the Book of Mysteries*, Chico California: Scholars Press, 1983.

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Probably as a result of that inclusion, Rabbi Louis Ginzberg, in *Legends of the Jews*,<sup>1</sup> attributed the whole of *Sepher Raziel* to Rabbi Eleazar of Worms (1160-1237), otherwise known as Rabbi Eleazar of Germiza, or Rabbi Eleazar ben Judah ben Kalonymus of Worms. He maintained that Eleazar had preserved some of the wisdom of the Geonic period<sup>2</sup> in this book. This assertion was repeated by Joshua Trachtenberg.<sup>3</sup> This attribution is however probably only partly true; as one book by Eleazar called *Sodei Razya* (סודי רזיא 'Secret of Secrets') became part of the *Sepher Raziel ha-Gadol* published in *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh* in 1701. The *Sepher ha-Shem* ('Book of the Name') on the 22-letter Name of god is also attributed to him, and has had some input into the *Sepher Raziel*. This version of the *Sepher Raziel* was probably compiled in the thirteenth century. We have no indication that the *Sepher Raziel* which Ginzberg and Trachtenberg refer to is related to the present manuscript.

It remains for further research to identify to what extent Rabbi Eleazar was responsible for each of the different Raziel traditions.

### *d) Cephaz Raziel (containing Seven Treatises)*

The present text is divided into seven Treatises. It is quite different in structure and content to the preceding three types of *Sepher Raziel*. It does however have an amount of Hebrew content, and even uses the Hebrew word for heavens, *Samaim*, as the title of one of its seven constituent Treatises. Repeated references to purity and chastity, and the description of the sacrifice of turtledoves, suggest Jewish roots. Having said that, the few examples of Hebrew writing in the present manuscript are execrable, and so it is certain that the English scribe did not know Hebrew. One Latin version from which the English version may have been translated, on the other hand, has quite competent Hebrew orthography. This suggests that the roots of the present manuscript were probably a Hebrew original, filtered through a Latin intermediary, to the present Middle English version. We will now just concentrate upon this last version of *Sepher Raziel* (in seven Treatises), which exists in at least seven manuscripts (see Bibliography).

### *Sloane MS 3826*

The present manuscript of *Sepher Raziel* is in English. It has been translated from Latin, and is written in a sixteenth century hand, which is superficially like that of Edward Kelley. See Figure 1. Each subsection begins with an opening Latin tag line, which was designed to facilitate reference back to the Latin original.

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<sup>1</sup> In Vol. I, pages 90-93 and Vol. V, pages 117,110, 1909-1938.

<sup>2</sup> Jewish mystical and interpretive material from the period 589-1038 CE.

<sup>3</sup> Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania, 2004, page 315.

*Sloane MS 3846*

Another very similar English copy of *Sepher Raziel*, Sloane MS 3846, which is precisely dated November 1564, gives us some additional clues.<sup>1</sup> See Figure 2. Because the manuscripts are very close in style and content, we have presumed to date the present manuscript to the same year, on the grounds that often several copies of the same grimoire were made at the same time, though these two manuscripts were not executed by the same scribe. Even if we are a few years out, this is still the oldest manuscript so far published in the *Sourceworks of Ceremonial Magic* series.

Sloane MS 3846 is bound up with a number of other extracts from writers like Cornelius Agrippa, a number of magical recipes, spells, workings with the skrying crystal, invocations, sigils, angelic calls, methods for cutting the magical wand, and other interesting items. One bound-in slip identifies the suffumigations (incenses) used for individual planetary angels:

“Mercury – Askariel – Mastic  
Venus – Uriel – Costus  
Luna – Anael – Aloes  
Saturn – Galban[um]?  
Jupiter – Crocus  
Mars – Piper Nigrum [black pepper]  
Sol – Red Sanders [red sandalwood]”

Another fascinating item in Elias Ashmole’s handwriting occurs on f.102v of Sloane MS 3846 where a blob of red wax has been impressed with a seal ring, which is then described in detail:

“A Ring made by Dr Napier Forman<sup>2</sup> in Silver. On the signet part were these Characters. On the outside verge of the Signet was engraved ARIEL & ANAEL.<sup>3</sup> On the circumference of the Ring, was engraved these words on the outside DIE ET PHORA [Venus] IN [Taurus] 1598.<sup>4</sup> This ring was given to me by Tho[mas] Napier Esq[ui]re son of Sir Rich[ard] Napier.”

Further on in the same volume is an ‘Invocation of Oberion<sup>5</sup> concerning Phisick [medicine]’ [f. 102v-106]. It is very usefully and clearly divided into the correct *portio* of a properly conducted evocation: Consecratio Dei, Invocatio, Constrictio, Ligatio, and Licentia. It is not often that this sequence is so clearly delineated.

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<sup>1</sup> The actual title is *Liber Salomonis* or *Sephar Raziel* [sic].

<sup>2</sup> The manuscript has been corrected by Ashmole from ‘Dr Napier’ to ‘Dr [Simon] Forman.’

<sup>3</sup> The two angels which were most significant for Shakespeare and Dr John Dee respectively.

<sup>4</sup> The ring was therefore made and consecrated between 5<sup>th</sup> March and 7<sup>th</sup> July 1598.

<sup>5</sup> This spirit name is the probable source of the fairy Oberon found in Shakespeare’s *Tempest*.

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The later half of Sloane MS 3846 contains material which is parallel to the contents of the present manuscript, Sloane MS 3826, which is catalogued as follows:

Liber Salomonis	fo. 139 [f.129] <sup>1</sup>
The Rule of the Book of Consecration, or the manner of working	fo. 168b [f.158]
<i>Liber Lunae</i>	fo.182 [f.172v]
Adellardus Bathoniensis <sup>2</sup>	fo. 192 [f.181]

The items, *The Rule of the Book of Consecration*, and *Liber Lunae* also occur at the end of Sloane MS 3826, strengthening the argument that both manuscripts were probably derived from the same source, and are similarly dated.

### *Owners of Sloane MS 3846*

It is not easy to determine the 16th century owners of Sloane MS 3826, but from the mid 17th century onwards it 'travelled' with Sloane MS 3846, from owner to owner, so it is enlightening to examine the owners of both manuscripts. One early attempt at beginning a transcription of *Cephar Raziel* is preserved in an Ashmole fragment dated 1564.<sup>3</sup> Sloane MS 3846 states that it was also written in the same year by William Parry <sup>4</sup> of Clifford's Inn and is clearly dated 2nd November 1564. The note reads:

"The booke, entituled *Cephar Raziel*, contain'g seuen treatises, was written by William Parry of Clyffords Inne by Josuy[?], le barre [a barrister] in London borne at North of in the County of Flynt & at the charges of John Gwyne <sup>5</sup> of Llandlos [Llanidloes] in the County of Mountgomericke Esquire [Montgomeryshire] in the year of our Lord god a thousand five hundred three score & four et Anno Elizabetha dei gra[tia] Angeliæ &c. Reginæ sexton.

Londinij 2<sup>o</sup> Nouembris 1564. William Parry."<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The 'fo.' number is the seventeenth century folio number shown in the contents listing at the front of the manuscript, while the 'f.' number is the current re-numbered folio.

<sup>2</sup> Adelard of Bath (c. 1080-c. 1152) translated many works on astrology and mathematics.

<sup>3</sup> Bodleian Ashmole MS 1790 f.116-116v.

<sup>4</sup> One of the more colourful Parrys of this period was the Welsh Dr William Parry, who after several attempts on the life of Queen Elizabeth I, who forgave him, was finally sent to the gallows in 1585. However, as this Parry signed himself "of Clifford's Inn" it is most likely that he was not the traitor, but instead a lawyer. This is no surprise as a number of senior lawyers were to be found amongst the angel magicians of the seventeenth century.

<sup>5</sup> Probably meaning at the expense of John Gwyne.

<sup>6</sup> Folio 128. A John Gwyne was for a while mayor of Llanidloes, supporting the above interpolations. On 17<sup>th</sup> January 1598, John Dee's messenger (Edmond Arnold) went to Llandlos to deliver a letter, possibly to the same John Gwyne. This Gwyne might also be the author of a number of alchemic manuscripts in the Bodleian Library by one 'John Gwyne.'

Above this is an inscription indicating yet another early owner:

“Ego Scribener Eruditio[?]...Haec ex Lomporo[?] Scripsit, Westrum[?] 27 Julii 1570. Haec litera John Gioin astin[?] Magister mihi transcript ut pz.”

And later on folio 182, in the Adellardus item, it is more clearly written:

“J Gioyn of Pormall. 1575. borded 1570 at Mr Stewards. Booke delivered to Howell ap Mathew 1<sup>o</sup> Martii [March] 1568. my broet[her] in glostershire now...at one Mr W A Vaughan a lawyer...”

Here we have other people, possibly all lawyers, through whose hands the manuscript may have passed between 1570 and 1575: John Gioin of Pormall, Mr Stewards, Howell ap Mathew and Mr W A Vaughan.

Another undated owner of these, or other magical books, William Walmesbury, is identified on folio 126 of Sloane MS 3846.

“Mr Willia[m] Warmesbury Register of Worcester <sup>1</sup> hath these booke[s] in vellum.

1. The characters & vertues of ye Psalmes in 8<sup>o</sup> [octavo].
2. A Booke of [Magical] Experiments in 4<sup>o</sup> [quarto] written in redd & blacke. These bookes were left with Mr Freeman, a Physician, of Paxford neere Camden, who [later] dyinge left them with his owne Bookes to Mr Warmesbury.”

The handwriting suggests a date circa 1600. The interesting thing about this owner is that, as Registrar of Worcester, he would have been well placed to know the subsequent owners of this manuscript, all of whom had links with Worcester.<sup>2</sup>

An interesting side-light on the importance of *Sepher Raziel* was thrown by the influential alchemist Andreas Libavius (1555-1616), who in 1615 speculated that one of the *Sepher Raziels* was the founding document for the Rosicrucian cosmology of angelic spheres.<sup>3</sup> It is therefore likely that a copy (but probably not this copy) of one of the *Sepher Raziels* passed through his hands. Over a century later, the mystic Emanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772) was also reported to have been influenced by *Sepher Raziel* in his opinion about angels. But to return to the historical appearances of this manuscript.

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<sup>1</sup> Yet another resident of Worcester owning what was possibly the vellum originals of the present manuscript. This is yet further proof of a continuum of members of the legal profession and aristocrats living in, or connected with Worcester, who were engaged in the practice of angel magic.

<sup>2</sup> More detail will be found about the Worcester group of angel magicians in Skinner & Rankine, *Practical Angel Magic of John Dee's Enochian Tables*, London: Golden Hoard, 2004, pages 21-22, 43-47.

<sup>3</sup> In his *Examen Philosophia Nova*, Leipzig, 1615. See Åkerman (1999), page 16.



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Around 1630, Sir Richard Napier (1607-1676) wrote in a letter to his uncle Richard Napier (1559-1634) that:<sup>1</sup>

"I found in the Archives in our pub[lic] Library [the Bodleian], a Booke of Solomons called *Cephar Raziel*, which is in Latin as I finde, [called] *Angelus Magnus Secreti Creatoris*, & in the Hebrew *Cephar Raziel*, in which is contained 7 Treatises, the first is said [called] *Clavis*...<sup>2</sup> This booke is a little folio about three quire of paper.<sup>3</sup> I hope in tyme to purchase [procure] a copy of it by my own hande, though it be worthier of a more honest pen, for I am persuaded that it is *Liber est Magnae, virtutis, & magni sunti*[?]. I doubt not to transcribe it in a short time, & to be so happy as to present you with my Copy; were it possible that I could get that booke to my owne study, I would copy it out in 2 weekes, yet as it is, I have made a faire way to goe into the Library privately where I please & use to sit from 6 of the clocke in the morning to 5 at night... I have made the Second Keeper of the Library my friend & servant, who promised me his key at all tymes to go in privately."<sup>4</sup>

Napier asked his uncle to "make me a paper booke of Royall [size] paper"<sup>5</sup> so he could use it to transcribe *Cephar Raziel*. He signed his letter "Your most observant Sonn and thankful debtour [?], Richard Napier."<sup>6</sup> It is likely that this copy made by Napier was eventually left to Elias Ashmole (1617-1692), who was to a large extent responsible for preserving the works of Dr John Dee.

Another owner, or at least the writer of a note bound in Sloane MS 3846, was Henry Swibers [?] of Crookham in 1672.

From then onwards we can trace the wanderings of both manuscripts in greater detail. Both Sloane MS 3826 and Sloane MS 3846 belonged to Baron Somers of Evesham (1651-1716) who was Chancellor of England. In fact the contents list of both manuscript volumes is in the hand of Lord Somers's library cataloguer. Lord Somers in turn passed both manuscripts to his brother-in-law Sir Joseph Jekyll (1663-1738), who was a prominent lawyer and Master of the Rolls (an antique title given to the second most senior judge in England). Both Somers and Jekyll were intensely interested in magic, and had a number of key manuscripts on practical angel magic.

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<sup>1</sup> Richard Napier was greatly interested in magic, and a pupil of the astrologer Simon Forman, and inherited Forman's copy of another famous grimoire, the *Picatrix*. He became rector of Great Linford, Buckinghamshire in 1589.

<sup>2</sup> Here follows a copy of the opening paragraphs outlining the contents of the present manuscript.

<sup>3</sup> In the Middle Ages a quire was a manuscript section of 16 pages. Therefore Napier is asking for 48 pages. This would accommodate Sloane MS 3846. Modern usage is 24/25 pages per quire.

<sup>4</sup> In Bodleian Ashmole MS 1730, ff.168-16v.

<sup>5</sup> 20 x 25 inches.

<sup>6</sup> Sir Richard Napier was also the godson of his uncle.

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On Sir Joseph Jekyll's death, his books and manuscripts were sold by the auctioneer Mr Cocks of Covent Garden, London (at St Paul's Coffee House).<sup>1</sup>

On 26<sup>th</sup> February 1738 both manuscripts were sold to the same buyer, Sir Hans Sloane (1660-1753), who bought at least 21 manuscript volumes at this sale. Sloane's collection later became the basis of the manuscript collections of the British Museum, which was later separated from the old Russell Street premises of the British Museum, removed to St. Pancras, and re-named the British Library, which is where the manuscripts reside today.

Although the early owners of Sloane MS 3846, before Lord Somers, do not necessarily tell us anything about Sloane MS 3826, they do indicate who was familiar with, read, and may have practiced, the magical methods outlined in *Sepher Raziel*.

### Latin Sources

The earliest Latin version appears to date from before 1259 for in that year Alfonso X (1221-1284) ordered a translation of *Liber Razielis* from Latin into Castilian. This Alfonsine *Liber Razielis* was also divided into seven books, like the present text, and may have been its earliest source.<sup>2</sup>

A separate *Sepher Raziel* was translated out of Hebrew into Latin for the Roman prelate Cardinal Egidio da Viterbo (1465-1532), who collected Kabbalistic manuscripts, with the help of the Jewish scholar and humanist Elias Levita (1469-1549).

Sloane MS 3847 (f. 161-188v) is a beautifully written Latin version of *Sepher Raziel*. It was closely associated with Sloane MS 3846, and 'travelled' with it from one owner to another for most of its life. It was also auctioned at Jekyll's sale, and had the very next lot number (373). See Figure 3. It could be partially the origin of Sloane MS 3846, and therefore is well placed to answer queries about illegible words in the English translation. It has a number of Latin margin tags which make it easier to follow, and its Hebrew is much better than that of the English copy, however it only encompasses the first three chapters.

This Latin version is actually entitled *Librum Razielis* or *Cephar Raziel* and is bound at the back of a fascinating collection of magical manuscripts. The manuscripts that it is bound with include several books that are actually referred to within *Sepher Raziel* itself, so it is well worthwhile listing them in detail:<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Sloane MS 3826 was lot 396, and Sloane MS 3846 was lot 372 in the sale catalogue.

<sup>2</sup> Bibliotheca Vaticana MS Reg. Latin 1300.

<sup>3</sup> The descriptions listed on the contents page have been amplified by reference to the actual items themselves.

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The work of Solomon the wise called his *Clavicle* revealed by King Ptolomeus the Greacian [sic]...Truly copyed verbu[m] pro verbo [word for word] by H: G: in anno ~~xpo~~ 1572 in mense Aprielis circa octano [8th April 1572]. fo. 1 [f.2].<sup>1</sup>

Opus mirabile de *Quatuor Annulus Solomonis*. fo. 65b [f.66v].<sup>2</sup>

What Stones and Herbs are appropriated [sic] unto the 15 Stars accordinge to John Gower in his booke intituled, *de Confessione Amantis*, the wh[ic]he he Dedicated unto King Henry the eight[h].<sup>3</sup> fo. 84 [f.83].<sup>4</sup>

*Liber Hermetis* tractans de 15 Stellis et de 15 Lapidibus et de 15 Herbis et de 15 harum rerum figures sic incipiense. fo. 85 [f.84].<sup>5</sup>

Dictum Thebit. fo. 100b [f.99v].

*Liber Imaginum* Zebel [Sahl ibn Bishr] alias Zoel. fo. 102 [f.101].

Hebreorum Machubales...Decem principalia Nomina Divina... fo. 115 [f.113].<sup>6</sup>

Divers [various] Spells. fo. 125 [120r]

*Liber Razaelis*. fo. 166 – 193 [161-188v]. [A Latin version of the present text.]

Another Latin version, Sloane MS 3853 (see Figure 4), has just a few pages related to 'Sephar Rasiel' (f. 46-49v). The initial letter of 'Sephar' could easily be read as a 'C' or an 'S', and this may well have contributed to the spelling of 'Cephar' in later manuscripts. These pages are followed by some very interesting circle diagrams, which probably did not form part of *Sephar Rasiel*. The rest of the manuscript, much of it in Latin, is devoted to extracts from *The Sworn Book of Honorius* and some of Roger Bacon's magical works.

John of Morigny's *Liber Visionum* is several times explicitly mentioned in the present text, and its techniques may contribute to some parts of *Sepher Raziel* or to the author's methods of discovering correspondences.<sup>7</sup>

### *Structure and Origins of the Manuscript*

There are other clues as to the manuscript's origins. One of these is its division into 7 books, which is emphasised several times at the beginning of the manuscript. This structure includes separate books on astronomy/ astrology;

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<sup>1</sup> In each case the first 'fo.' folio reference is what is listed by Lord Sommer's librarian at the front of the manuscript, whilst the 'f.' folio reference is the current re-numbered folio of the item.

<sup>2</sup> The fact that a copy of the *De Quatuor Annulus Solomonis* ('Of the Four Rings of Solomon') is included within the same binding, helps to support the Solomonic nature of the present manuscript.

<sup>3</sup> Gower lived 1330-1408, so the dedicatee was Henry IV, not Henry VIII.

<sup>4</sup> The Second Treatise on the four *Ala* in *Sepher Raziel* contains similar material.

<sup>5</sup> This book is quoted in *Sepher Raziel*.

<sup>6</sup> Attribution of the Divine names to the planets, angels and Tree of Life, in Latin.

<sup>7</sup> Claire Fanger [ed.], *Conjuring Spirits: Texts and Traditions of Medieval Ritual Magic*, University Park: Pennsylvania State University Press, 1998, pages 163-265.

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plants and animals; perfumes; times and days; and angel lists, each organised as a separate book. This is more like the structure of the Byzantine Greek *Magical Treatise of Solomon* than later European grimoires, and therefore the present manuscript may owe some of its contents to Byzantine Greek, as well as Hebrew roots.

Another small clue is afforded by the number of incenses beginning with 'a' whose names have Spanish roots. This suggests that the earliest Latin version of this manuscript might have been the Latin copy of the *Liber Razielis* that was extant in the Spanish court of Alphonso X (1221-1284), but that remains to be investigated.

It seems likely that both Sloane MS 3826 and MS 3846 were translated or copied from an unknown intermediate Latin manuscript. If Sloane MS 3847 had been a complete Latin version, then that manuscript might have been the immediate source of both of these, especially as its stone and plant names are less garbled. Sloane MS 3853, an even older Latin version, is also incomplete.

Note that Appendix 1 has more complete identification of the various incenses and plants mentioned in the text than do the footnotes.

However the construction of a complete *stemma* requires a full survey of each of the *Sepher Raziel* traditions and an analysis of the connections between them.

- Stephen Skinner  
London & Singapore, June 2010

*Liber Salomonis.*

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In nomina dei patris unij & unij, & eterni. &c.

In the name of almighty god living & very & everlasting & light out all eyes which is said Adonay, Saday. Ehye, Abery. In  
 Begin this booke which is said Cephaz, Raziel, with all his appurten-  
 -ments in which he testifies cephaz or full titled that is 7 booke  
 Dixit Salomon. gloria & laus ad multa honore &c. Salomon  
 says glory & praising with much honour & to god of all creation  
 by that is singular which made all things at his pleasure. And  
 he is our god very mighty by alone that is & that was & which  
 surmount shall be. & which had never an even or any like thing  
 with or he is to have. And he is singular without end, Lord alone is no  
 corruption, lust, cleave, murke & great all things being, hearing &  
 that with all things rightly. And I begin this booke to put an epitaph  
 all or some what that hath it please to you till he have read & heard  
 all or some what of it. & then praye for god maker of all things.

Plura in tua & precepta. Principium precepta. hinc beginit p'cepta

Non credas esse plures nisi unum singularem &c. He knowe them  
 not to be two or many. But one singular alone upon all things  
 which hath none like him & him love you & dread & honour with  
 all trust & with good will & stable & with might & without they  
 cleave heart. He live than not without Law & without rule & than  
 shall be heard of god the Creator & of fathers. He do you not to  
 another man that thou knowest that another man did so. And live  
 than him & strangers the same. He be thou not a liar to the Lord our  
 to thy friend. And say thou such to thyself that he to thy profit & not  
 harme. He live thou not without fellowship. Thou knowe unrighteous  
 than wife men. And surmount but you many unrighteous & good  
 Synous. and yet they will & thy life be in them. He speake thou  
 not in them have thought before. And that thou wilt do, consider in  
 thy heart ere thou do it. Neither Discour thou not thy fortune  
 to a woman neither to a child, nor to a spole, nor to a daughter man.  
 He prove thou not a medicine, neither venison in the or in another  
 or blame thou not a booke, neither prophesy neither a wisdom till  
 that thou have proved him. And if thou with wisdom, life & precepta in  
 the evermore thou shalt get more & more. Postquam scripsit &  
 scripsit per posse voluntas vera &c. After that with a knowledge &  
 light & very will overcome all things with good will & good intention  
 Therefore I will expound or make plain & open this booke which  
 is of a great power & of a great work. A Salomon put such  
 a knowledge & such a disposition, & explanation in this booke to save  
 man that readeth or studyeth it, that he knowe what he was and  
 whom he serve. Know ye that after Salomon had xxx years  
 with an halfe in the 5. day of the month of hebreys which was the  
 sixt tenth day the same being in the sign of Leo. In that  
 day was sent to the King of Babyloie of some Prisoner that was

Figure 2: A page from Liber Salomonis or Cephaz Raziel in Sloane MS 3846, f.129. 1564. Note the alternative title 'Cephaz Raziel' on the fourth line.

# The Study of Solomonic Magic in English

Don Karr

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE to neatly circumscribe a canon of magic texts as being safely of the 'Solomonic cycle.' By arbitrary and rather unscientific means, one might do so by simply including those works which, by tradition or artifice, bear Solomon's name or derive from works which do. Even here, we find a number of classes of material:

1. Magical works from late antiquity through the early Middle Ages, such as *The Testament of Solomon* and *Sepher Razim*.<sup>1</sup>
2. Byzantine Greek texts of the *Magical Treatise of Solomon* and the *Hygromanteia*.<sup>2</sup>
3. Medieval grimoires in Latin and other European languages, such as *The Key of Solomon*.

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<sup>1</sup> For English translations of *The Testament of Solomon*, see F. C. Conybeare, "The Testament of Solomon," in *Jewish Quarterly Review*, no. XI, 1899, and at [www.esotericarchives.com](http://www.esotericarchives.com) > CLASSICAL GRIMOIRES; C. C. McCown, *The Testament of Solomon*, Leipzig: 1922; Sayed Idries Shah, "The Catalogue of Demons" = CHAPTER 11 of *The Secret Lore of Magic* (Secaucus: Citadel Press, 1972); D. C. Duling, "Testament of Solomon," in *The Old Testament Pseudepigrapha* (= *OTP*), edited by J. H. Charlesworth (Garden City: Doubleday, 1983). Duling's introduction in *OTP* deals with Solomonic attribution and legend in the older material. He mentions M. Seligsohn's article, "Solomon — Apocryphal Works" (in *The Jewish Encyclopedia*, vol. 11, p. 447 — online at [www.jewishencyclopedia.com/index.jsp](http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/index.jsp)) as listing forty-nine Solomonic "scientific and magical books" in Arabic and Hebrew literature, and C. C. McCown's added comment (*Testament of Solomon*, p. 100) that Seligsohn's list is by no means exhaustive.

For a critical summary of *Testament of Solomon* scholarship, refer to Todd E. Klutz, *Rewriting the TESTAMENT OF SOLOMON: Tradition, Conflict and Identity in a Late Antique Pseudepigraphon* (London — New York: T&T Clark, 2005) and *idem*, "The Archer and the Cross: Chorographic Astrology and Literary Design in the *Testament of Solomon*," in *Magic in the Biblical World: From the Rod of Aaron to the Ring of Solomon*, edited by Todd E. Klutz (London — New York: T&T Clark International, 2003). For a survey of the *Testament's* background and dissemination, find also Sarah Iles Johnson, "The *Testament of Solomon* from Late Antiquity to the Renaissance," in *The Metamorphosis of Magic from Late Antiquity to the Early Modern Period*, edited by Jan N. Bremmer and Jan R. Veenstra (Leuven: Peeters, 2002).

*Sepher ha-Razim*, a third- or fourth-century text, claims in its preface to have been "more precious and more honorable and more difficult" than any other books in the possession of Solomon. See Michael A. Morgan's translation, *Sepher ha-Razim: The Book of the Mysteries* (Chico: Society of Biblical Literature/Scholars Press, 1983).

<sup>2</sup> *Hygromanteia* is a Byzantine Greek magical text also referred to as Solomon's *Epistle to Rehoboam*. It does *not* mean divination by water, as has often been suggested by scholars.

Attribution to Solomon already complicates several biblical texts <sup>1</sup> and apocrypha.<sup>2</sup> Solomon is the hero of many ancient tales in the East; still his legend figures into late traditions of the Freemasons. Rumours which suggest that the wise king left secret books of magic seem never to have died – nor have slumbered – since ancient times.<sup>3</sup>

In order to make short work of closing the category of Solomonic magical works, we shall follow E[liza] M[arian] Butler <sup>4</sup> and focus on the late grimoires. The limitations of her work, however, must be acknowledged: Butler depended primarily on published works of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, including familiar works in English (from Francis Barrett, Montague Summers, C. J. S. Thompson, Arthur E. Waite – even Aleister Crowley) and other modern languages (the collections of J. C. Horst and J. Scheible in particular).

The classes and selections of the Solomonic cycle according to Butler are:

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<sup>1</sup> Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs.

<sup>2</sup> Wisdom of Solomon, Odes of Solomon, and the Psalms of Solomon.

<sup>3</sup> See Pablo A. Torijano, *Solomon the Esoteric King: From King to Magus, Development of a Tradition* [Supplements to *The Journal for the Study of Judaism*] (Leiden: Brill, 2002) [= Ph.D. dissertation, New York: New York University, 2000].

<sup>4</sup> See Butler's *Ritual Magic* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1949) and its companion volumes, *The Myth of the Magus* (1949) and *The Fortunes of Faust* (1946), all reprinted in 1979 by Cambridge University Press. *Ritual Magic* and *The Fortunes of Faust* have again been reprinted (1998) as volumes of Pennsylvania State University's MAGIC IN HISTORY Series, along with

- *Forbidden Rites* by Richard Kieckhefer (1997)
- *Conjuring Spirits* edited by Claire Fanger (1998)
- *The Bathhouse at Midnight: Magic in Russia* by W. F. Ryan (1999)
- a reprint of *Spiritual and Demonic Magic: From Ficino to Campanella* by D. P. Walker (2000, orig. 1958)
- *Icons of Power: Ritual Practices in Late Antiquity* by Naomi Janowitz (2002)
- *Battling Demons: Witchcraft, Heresy, and Reform in the Late Middle Ages* by Michael D. Bailey (2003)
- *Prayer, Magic, and the Stars in the Ancient and Late Antique World* edited by S. Noegel, J. Walker, and B. Wheeler (2003)
- *Binding Words: Textual Amulets in the Middle Ages* by Don C. Skemer (2006).
- *Strange Revelations: Magic, Poison, and Sacrilege in Louis XIV's France* by Lynn Wood Mollenauer (2006)
- *Unlocked Books: Manuscripts of Learned Magic in the Medieval Libraries of Central Europe* by Benedek Láng (2008)

Compare the list of Solomonic texts presented here with that appearing in *The Black Arts* by Richard Cavendish (New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1967), Appendix 1: "The Grimoires."

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1. The Clavicles (Keys)
  - a. *The Key of Solomon*
  - b. *Lemegeton, or Lesser Key of Solomon.*
2. The Grimoires
  - a. *Grimorium Verum*
  - b. *True Black Magic*
  - c. *The Grand Grimoire*
3. Honorius <sup>1</sup>
  - a. *The Grimoire of Honorius*
  - b. *Liber iuratus [Juratus]*

To the list above, we might add <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> These are not the same Honorius, one being the supposed Pope, and the other Honorius of Thebes. In fact they deserve separate categories as they are quite different in structure and intent.

<sup>2</sup> *The Keys to the Gateway of Magic: Summoning the Solomonian Archangels & Demon Princes*, by Stephen Skinner and David Rankine (London: Golden Hoard Press, 2005) offers transcriptions of *Janua Magica Reserata* (KEYS TO THE GATEWAY OF MAGIC), *Dr Rudd's Nine Hierarchies of Angels with their Invocations to Visible Appearance with the Nine Great Celestial Keys, or Angelical Invocations*, and *The Demon Princes* (from British Library Sloane MSS 3628, 3821, 3824, 3825, Harley MS 6482, and Rawlinson D. 1363). This material bears great similarity to the items described below. A case could certainly be made for wedging these texts into our canon. However, our additions, 4 and 5, contain specific internal reference to Solomon, which the texts in *The Keys to the Gateway of Magic* do not — despite the subtitle of the book.

❖ *Liber Salomonis* [2]: “Dixit Salomon Gloria et laus et cu multo honore &c / Salomon said glory and praising w<sup>th</sup> much honor be to God of all Creatures, he that is singular w<sup>ch</sup> made all things at one tyme.”

❖ S&S [paragraph 2]: “In the name of the highest, almighty Creator, I, King Solomon, hold to the interpretation of the name of (God) Semiphoras...”

*The Keys to the Gateway of Magic* is volume 2 of the series SOURCEWORKS OF CEREMONIAL MAGIC, volume 1 being *Practical Angel Magic of Dr John Dee's Enochian Tables : Tabularum Bonam Angelorum Invocationes*, by Stephen Skinner and David Rankine (London: Golden Hoard Publishing, 2004); Volume 3, *The Goetia of Dr Rudd: Angels and Demons...* (Skinner and Rankine) — discussed below, § 1. b. *Lemegeton*; Volume 4, *The Veritable Key of Solomon* (Skinner and Rankine) — discussed below, § 1. a. *The Key of Solomon*; Volume 5, *The Grimoire of St. Cyprian: Clavis Inferni*, Latin translation by Dr Peter Forshaw (Skinner and Rankine, Singapore: Golden Hoard Press, 2009); Volume 6, *Sepher Raziel*, (Don Karr and Stephen Skinner, the present volume).

The first three volumes of this attractively prepared series feature the works and expansions of one Dr Rudd, “a scholar-magician of the early seventeenth century who knew Dr. John



4. *Semiphoras* and *Shemhamphoras Salomonis Regis*
5. *Liber Salomonis: Cephaz Raziel*, British Library Sloane MS 3826 (the present work)

While reference to the contents of some of these works is made, it is not the aim of this introduction to offer summaries or analyses. Instead, the reader is referred to sources in which these works are translated into or described in English. My initial advice to anyone interested in pursuing this material is to go to *Twilight Grotto* at [www.esotericarchives.com](http://www.esotericarchives.com) where most of the items discussed below, along with a wealth of other texts, are responsibly and tastefully presented – and can be viewed for free. (If the omissions at the site frustrate the reader, for the cost of one typical printed grimoire, a CD can be ordered from *Twilight Grotto* containing “50+ complete books/30 complete grimoires” – a forgivably mild exaggeration.)

#### A SURVEY OF THE LITERATURE

Notice must be given here to Aaron Leitch’s *Secrets of the Magical Grimoires: The Classical Texts of Magick Deciphered* (Woodbury: Llewellyn Publications, 2005). Leitch, a practitioner himself, has made a valiant effort to offer a single-source epitome of the “classic grimoires” with descriptions, tables, and excerpts clearly and logically presented through 400+ oversized pages. The book is in two parts: (1) “history and scholarship,” and (2) “practical work,” including experiments and how-to instructions.

In Part One [*Occulta Philosophia*], CHAPTER ONE, Leitch provides an efficient if not particularly nuanced historical background. He then offers an account of the major grimoires, describing 22 texts, including the Solomonic texts discussed below, plus *Picatrix*, *The Sacred Magic of Abramelin*, Agrippa’s *De Occulta Philosophia* and the pseudo-Agrippan *Fourth Book*, *Heptameron*, John Dee’s diaries, Barrett’s *Magus*, etc. Unfortunately, the preamble to these descriptions is marred by some irksome errors. For example, on page 9, Leitch writes,

“The *Ethiopian Book of Enoch*, the *Hebrew Book of Enoch*, the *Pirkei Heichaloht* (*sic*), and even such canonical biblical texts such as Ezekiel and the Revelation of St. John are all centered upon – or connected to – the *Merkavah* tradition. The *Merkavah*’s use of ritual drugs, its focus on talismans and seals, the summoning forth of angelic gatekeepers, and the gaining of mystical visions are elements that run throughout the grimoiric spells.”

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Dee.”The ‘Dr. Rudd’ mentioned was also the compiler of *A Treatise on Angel Magic* (MS Harley 6482), an edition of which was published by Adam McLean (Edinburgh: Magnum Opus Sourceworks [# 15], 1982, and subsequently reprinted; see the bibliography: ‘McLean’).

As an example of a work “centered upon...the *Merkavah* tradition,” the *Ethiopian* (more correctly, *Ethiopic*) *Book of Enoch* is an odd choice to set next to the *Hebrew Book of Enoch* and *Pirkei Hekhalot*. Yet, with “or connected to” interjected, Leitch allows enough slosh room for its inclusion as well as that of *Revelation*.

More serious is Leitch’s putting drugs and *merkavah* together, apparently through reading – but not thoroughly – James R. Davila’s accounts of shamanic techniques. In the article which Leitch cites (and in Davila’s book *Descenders of the Chariot*, Leiden: Brill, 2001), the use of drugs is indeed mentioned as a shamanic technique, and comparison is made between shamans (generic) and *Merkavah* mystics (specific). However, Davila states, “Nothing in the Hekhalot literature indicates that the descenders to the chariot made use of psychoactive drugs to induce their visionary experiences” (“The Hekhalot Literature and Shamanism’ at the web page *Divine Mediator Figures in the Biblical World* at [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/~www\\_sd/mediators.html](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/~www_sd/mediators.html) – the article Leitch cites). Leitch does go on to give a fairer account of *Merkavah* mysticism, again based on Davila, later in the book (CHAPTER TWO: “Shamanism, Tribal to Medieval,” pages 54-5), where there is no mention of drugs, and *hekhalot* is spelled more conventionally.

Leitch’s approach to the grimoires is best expressed in CHAPTER THREE, “The Art of Ecstasy: Way of the Prophet-Shaman,” which begins,

The altered mental state is the most essential and critical aspect of magickal practice.

A few pages before (page 71) Leitch states,

Some of the material in the grimoires may be, in fact, outdated. However, my focus is not upon the content or intent of the spells but on the foundational occult philosophy upon which the magick itself is based. It is my hope that this book will outline the processes by which this kind of magic works, and allow the practitioner to experiment with gaining conversation with various entities.

Part Two [*Occulta Practique*] mixes Leitch’s prose with tables and extracts from the grimoires on all the technical matters: times, tools, and talismans; purification and prayer; angels and spirits.

As a first or stand-alone book, *Secrets...* has much to recommend it. Leitch has reached beyond the old stand-bys (Waite, Mathers, original and later Golden Dawn material, E. M. Butler) and utilized some recent scholarship (James R. Davila, Claire Fanger, Richard Kieckhefer, Robert Mathiesen), though perhaps not enough (Leitch does not draw on the work of Michael D.

Bailey, Charles Burnett, Ioan Couliano, Valerie Flint, David Halperin, Deborah Harkness, Gösta Hedegård, Naomi Janowitz, Frank Klaassen, Christopher Leirich, Rebecca Lesses, Marvin Meyer, or Robert Turner, to name a few who have dealt directly with the texts and topics in *Secrets...*; the “classic” works of Lynn Thorndike and Joshua Trachtenberg are also neglected. See the bibliography below: WORKS OF RELATED INTEREST). Nearly all of the texts and scholarly sources Leitch refers to are readily available (in English), thus, the book has little new to offer, save Leitch’s synthesis and organization, which sets the ‘grimoiric’ material out in the form of a unified system – which it certainly is not.

Despite all of the times I furrowed and bristled while poring over Leitch’s book, because of its range, readability, and spirit, I recommend *Secrets of the Magical Grimoires*, especially to those who intend to do the stuff. For the practitioner, *Secrets...* could serve well as a hard-copy anchor to the mass of texts available on Internet sites such as *Twilit Grotto* at [www.esotericarchives.com](http://www.esotericarchives.com), Sacred Texts at [www.sacred-texts.com](http://www.sacred-texts.com), and *Norton’s Imperium* > ‘Classics of Magick’ at [www.hermetic.com/browe-archive](http://www.hermetic.com/browe-archive). Academics, however, would do better to go directly to Leitch’s sources – and well beyond.

For the comments of an experienced ‘Solomonic magician,’ refer to Carroll ‘Poke’ Runyon’s three-star review of Leitch, “A Good Survey in Need of Some Important Corrections” at Amazon.com § Reviews Written By Thabion ‘Thabion’:

[www.amazon.com/gp/cdp/member-reviews/A13AN1BZVI4K02/ref=cm\\_pdp\\_about see review/104-3689026-2823924](http://www.amazon.com/gp/cdp/member-reviews/A13AN1BZVI4K02/ref=cm_pdp_about%20see%20review/104-3689026-2823924).

#### OTHER NOTEWORTHY RECENT PUBLICATIONS:

- Readers should note Stephen Skinner’s expansion of Crowley’s *Liber 777: The Complete Magician’s Tables* (Singapore: Golden Hoard Press, 2006, and St. Paul: Llewellyn Publications, 2007). The subtitle elaborates: *The most complete tabular set of Magic, Kabbalistic, Angelic, Astrologic, Alchemic, Demonic, Geomantic, Grimoire, Gematria, I Ching, Tarot, Pagan Pantheon, Plant, Perfume and Character Correspondence in more than 777 tables*. (The Crowley editions circulating have less than 200 columns; Skinner’s volume contains more than 800 columns.) Table M, “Magic of the Grimoires – Angels, Demons and Spirits,” connects with the topic at hand. § M offers tables drawn from:

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- *Testament of Solomon.*
  - *Liber Juratus, the Sworn Book of Honorius*
  - Peter de Abano's *Heptameron*
  - *Codex Latinus Monacensis*
  - *Goetia (Lemegeton Book I)*
  - *Theurgia-Goetia (Lemegeton Book II)*
  - *Ars Paulina (Lemegeton Book III)*
  - *Ars Almadel (Lemegeton Book IV)*
  - *Key of Solomon — Clavicula Salomonis*
  - *Sacred Magic of Abramelin*
  - Franz Bardon's *Practice of Magical Evocation*
  - *Grimorium Verum*
  - *Grand Grimoire*
- The often cited but frustratingly scarce works on the Hebrew MS called *Sepher Maphteah Shelomoh* (ca. 1700) by Hermann Gollancz have been reprinted in a single volume by Teitan Press (York Beach: 2008):
- *Maphteah Shelomo. Clavicula Salomonis: A Hebrew Manuscript newly discovered and now described* (London: D. Nutt / Frankfurt a. M: J. Kauffmann, 1903)
  - *Sepher Maphteah Shelomoh* ('Book of the Key of Solomon') an exact facsimile of an original book of magic in Hebrew with illustrations now produced for the first time. (London - New York: Oxford University Press, 1914 — of which only 300 copies were printed)

The Teitan edition adds a seven-page foreword by Stephen Skinner, which states that "there is no doubt that this manuscript [i.e., *Sepher Maphteah Shelomoh*] is part of the Solomonic magical tradition," and "in a large measure derived from them, which is quite the reverse of the usual assumption" (page viii). In a section sub-headed CONFIRMATION OF THE LATINIZED CONTENTS, Skinner (following the lead of Claudia Rohrbacher-Sticker) presents "proof that this text [i.e., *Sepher Maphteah Shelomoh*] is a translation from a Latin/Italian original, by a Hebrew translator" (page xii).

Alas, the reprint is a limited edition of 358 copies.

1. a. THE KEY OF SOLOMON:

The best-circulated presentation of the KEY OF SOLOMON is S. L. MacGregor Mathers' *Key of Solomon the King* (London: Redway, 1888; reprinted New York, York Beach: Samuel Weiser Inc., 1974 and subsequently). Mathers compiled a text from several MSS found in the British Library Sloane, Harleian, Lansdowne, and King MS collections; he attempted to weave from these an ideal text.<sup>1</sup>

The KEY is described in Butler's *Ritual Magic*, pp. 47-64, and in C. J. S. Thompson's *Mysteries and Secrets of Magic*, pp. 229-240 (London: J. Lane the Bodley Head, 1927; reprinted New York: Causeway Books, 1973).

Another fair presentation of the KEY appears in Idries Shah's *Secret Lore of Magic* (New York: Citadel Press, 1958; reprinted 1972; hereafter *Secret Lore* or simply 'Shah') pp. 9-60. Not quite so good is Arthur Edward Waite's treatment in *The Book of Ceremonial Magic* (London: Rider, 1911; reprinted New York: Bell Publishing, 1969; hereafter *Ceremonial Magic* or simply 'Waite') pp. 58-64 (Bell edition). (*Ceremonial Magic* is a revision of Waite's earlier *Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, London: Redway, 1898; reprinted New York - York Beach: Samuel Weiser Inc., 1972, and subsequently.)

The most extensive treatment of the KEY to date is Volume IV of Stephen Skinner and David Rankine's *SOURCEWORKS OF CEREMONIAL MAGIC, The Veritable Key of Solomon* (London - Singapore: Golden Hoard Press / Woodbury: Llewellyn Publications, 2008), which presents three KEY OF SOLOMON texts translated from the French by Paul Harry Barron: KEY 1. *The Keys of Rabbi Solomon* (Wellcome MS 4670 [1796]), KEY 2. *La Clavicule ou La Clef de Salomon* (Wellcome MS 4669 Art. 1 [1796]), and KEY 3. *Traité Universel des Clavicules de Salomon* (Wellcome MS 4669 Art. 2),<sup>2</sup> these being "three different texts from those translated

<sup>1</sup> Mathers' version of the KEY is included in the opportunistic no-frills "pirate" collection, *The Clavicula Solomonis (sic)* by Magus Tsirk Susej — *Jesus Krist* backwards, for heaven's sake — [n.p.: Embassy of Lucifer, 2005]; this edition has the text of the KEY — and the LESSER KEY; see below 1.b, page 9 — with no introduction, notes, or mention of sources, MSS or otherwise.

<sup>2</sup> Additional material from Wellcome MS 4669 has been published as *A Collection of Magical Secrets, Taken from Peter de Abano, Cornelius Agrippa and from other Famous Occult Philosophers & A Treatise of Mixed Cabalah, Which comprises the Angelic Art Taken from Hebrew Sages*, translated from Wellcome MS 4669 by Paul Harry Barron from the original French manuscript dated 1796, with introduction and commentary by Stephen Skinner & David Rankine. London: Avalonia, 2009.

by S. L. MacGregor Mathers.” The texts are introduced by a 60-page survey of the history and various ‘text-groups’ of the KEY supplemented by several appendices listing KEY MSS.<sup>1</sup>

A composite of material related to the KEY is assembled in Ebenezer Sibley’s (or Sibly) *Clavis or Key to Unlock the Mysteries of Magic of Rabbi Solomon, translated from Hebrew into French and from French rendered into English with additions* (ca. 1800). Two reproduction editions have recently been published: (1) Ebenezer Sibly, *Solomon’s Clavis, or Key to Unlock the Mysteries of Magic* (Leicestershire: Society of Esoteric Endeavour, 2008), which offers Sibly’s manuscript (c. 1800), English translations primarily from various French magical sources, unadorned, i.e., “no modern introduction,” with Sibly’s preface; (2) Ebenezer Sibley, *The Clavis or Key to the Magic of Solomon...from a manuscript prepared by Frederick Hockley, with introduction, notes, and commentary by Joseph Peterson* (Lake Worth: Ibis Press, 2009). Refer to Joscelyn Godwin, *The Theosophical Enlightenment* (Albany: State University of New York Press, 1994): on Sibly, pages 107ff, on Hockley, pages 170ff.

1. b. Lemegeton, or LESSER KEY OF SOLOMON:

The *Lemegeton* consists of five sections:

- i. *Goetia*
- ii. *Theurgia-Goetia* [parts I and II]
- iii. Pauline Art
- iv. *Almadel*
- v. Notary Art <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> In “The Key of Solomon: Toward a Typology of the Manuscripts” (in *Societas Magica Newsletter*, Issue 17, Spring 2007 — online at [www.societasmagica.org/](http://www.societasmagica.org/)), Robert Mathiesen “offer[s] some materials for an eventual typological study of these [*Key of Solomon*] texts,” starting with an account of 122 MSS written in languages using the Latin alphabet, as opposed to those in Greek or Hebrew, then offering a provisional division of these into “Western text groups,” e.g., “Oldest (Western) Text [OT],” “Toz Graecus Text-Group [TG],” “Invocation of Angels Text-Group [IA],” and so on. Mathiesen adds some comments on “*A Hebrew Version of the Key of Solomon*,” i.e., *Mafteach Shelomoh*, and “*An Arabic Version...*” entitled *Al-Miftah al-Azam li-Sulayman al-Hakim*, and offers some “Tentative Conclusions.”

<sup>2</sup> The two page *Ars Nova*, which is often confused with it, is *not* the same text.

## Sepher Raziel

The *Goetia* is the best circulated of the sections, having been published numerous times, the best-known version being the one transcribed by S. L. MacGregor Mathers in 1898, with an introduction entitled "Preliminary Definition of Magic." A few years later, Aleister Crowley published this edition 'enhanced' by his own introduction, preface, preliminary invocation, and other ornaments (Foyers: S[ociety for the] P[ropagation of] R[eligious] T[ruth] Ltd, 1904). In 1916, the pirating began with an edition bearing the name L. W. de Laurence and the title *The Lesser Key of Solomon – Goetia: the Book of Evil Spirits* (Chicago: de Laurence, Scott and Co.), which is the Mathers/Crowley work unacknowledged; this edition is listed as still *in print* (!) A larger version – in size, not in content – bearing Crowley's name was published in 1970<sup>1</sup> as *The Book of the Goetia of Solomon the King*; this is, for the most part, a dressed up version of the "SPRT/de Laurence" edition.

*Goetia* is described and quoted in Butler's *Ritual Magic* (pp. 65-80); it is presented in both Shah (pp. 179-211; 299-304) and Waite (pp. 64-66; 184-235). Waite's "list of the seventy-two spirits...along with their sigils" is reproduced in Christopher McIntosh's *Devil's Bookshelf*.<sup>2</sup> Shah also gives *Almadel* in *Secret Lore* (pp. 169-178).<sup>3</sup> Waite includes the Pauline Art (pp. 66-72) and [The Art of] *Almadel* (pp. 72-77). McIntosh includes the conjuration of Samael from a MS of the *Pauline Art* "copied out by Frederick Hockley, the indefatigable nineteenth-century collector of occult documents" (*The Devil's Bookshelf*, pp. 190-1).

A full transcription of *The Art of Almadel of Solomon* from British Library Sloane MS 2731 (collated with Sloane MS 3648 and 3825)

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<sup>1</sup> New York: Ram Importer Inc.; subsequent editions from Equinox Ltd in 1976, Magickal Childe in 1989, and First Impressions in 1993.

<sup>2</sup> Wellingborough: Aquarian Press, 1985; pp. 168-189.

<sup>3</sup> The *Almadel* of the *Lemegeton* should not be confused with *Armadel* — a completely different work, available as *The Grimoire of Armadel*, translated by S. L. MacGregor Mathers (York Beach: Samuel Weiser, 1980 and 1995) — OR the *Arbatel of Magick* — a collection of forty-nine magical aphorisms, the first section of an otherwise lost nine-part tome said to have been employed by John Dee.

See Joseph H. Peterson's translation, *Arbatel: Concerning the Magic of the Ancients* [ORIGINAL SOURCEBOOK OF ANGEL MAGIC] (Lake Worth: Ibis Press, 2009) — also at Peterson's *Twilight Grotto*: [www.esotericarchives.com](http://www.esotericarchives.com) > Classical Grimoires. *Arbatel* also appears in the collection titled *The Fourth Book of Occult Philosophy*, edited... by Stephen Skinner. London: Askini Publishers, 1978; rpt Berwick [ME]: Ibis Press, 2005.

On the INTERNET, see Benjamin Rowe's PDF at NORTON'S IMPERIUM, [www.hermetic.com/browe-archive](http://www.hermetic.com/browe-archive) > Classics of Magick, AND Sadena's 2003 translation at [www.arbatel.org/index.html](http://www.arbatel.org/index.html).

appears as an appendix to Jan R. Veenstra's article "*The Holy Almandal: Angels and the Intellectual Aims of Magic*," in *The Metamorphosis of Magic from Late Antiquity to the Early Modern Period*, edited by Jan N. Bremmer and Jan R. Veenstra (Leuven: Peeters, 2002).<sup>1</sup>

Some recent efforts have offered complete, or near-complete, editions of *Lemegeton*. All parts but the *Notary Art* appear in Kevin Wilby's *Lemegetton [sic]: A Medieval Manual of Solomon's Magic* [Sloane MS 3648] (Dyfed: Hermetic Research Series NUMBER 5, 1985). In his article, "*The Lemegetton [sic] Revealed*," (in *The Hermetic Journal*, Issue 29, ed. Adam McLean, 1985), Wilby says that the *Notary Art* "is fragmentary and nowhere near complete," referring to it as the "corrupted fifth part." Wilby is even harsher in his FOREWORD to *The Lemegetton*, referring to "the fifth and final book" as "the only blemish I found in this masterly work," deeming it "literary tripe."

A so-so photocopy (with some pages missing) of British Library Sloane MS 2731 (which is in English) and a remarkably poor typescript comprise Nelson and Anne White's *Lemegeton: Clavicula Salomonis, The Complete Lesser Key of Solomon the King* (Fremont: Technology Group, 1979; 2nd edition, once available at [www.techgroupbooks.com](http://www.techgroupbooks.com) — an unfortunately now-defunct site which proved that one picture is worth a thousand words).

The edition from the International Guild of Occult Sciences (hereafter I.G.O.S.), *King Solomon's the Lemegeton: Lesser Key* (or *The Lemegeton: King Solomon's Lesser Key*) (Palm Springs: I.G.O.S., 1997) contains the Whites' photocopy slightly enlarged with a transcription which is neat and readable. Neither the Whites' nor the I.G.O.S. version includes the *Notary Art*, save for a few "sample pages," stating that *Notary Art* is "quite obviously not a 'book,' but rather a collection of notes and explanations which should have been presented with the first book, *The Goetia*" (the Whites' edition, p. 57); and "a scattered and undeveloped jotting down...at best supplementary notations" (I.G.O.S. edition, p. 65).<sup>2</sup>

Robin E. Cousins (in *Elizabethan Magic*, edited by Robert Turner [Longmead: Element Books, 1989], p. 140) observes that the *Notary Art*

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<sup>1</sup> *The Holy Almandal* is a practical manual of ritual magic which "may have roots extending back into Persia and the Far East, but its medieval versions were thoroughly Christianized" [page 192]; however, *Almandal* and *Almadel* are of "diverse traditions." [page 209] (cited from Veenstra's "*Holy Almadel*").

<sup>2</sup> In each of these two cases, the editor has confused the *Notary Art* with the 2 page *Ars Nova*.



is, in fact, omitted from British Library Sloane MS 2731, the MS used by the Nelsons and I.G.O.S. According to Cousins (*Elizabethan Magic*, p. 141), Wilby based his edition on a manuscript (British Library Sloane MS 3648) which contains the *Notary Art*, but — as noted above — he saw fit to exclude it from his “complete” edition.

*Ars Notoria: The Notary Art of Solomon*, translated into English in 1657 by Robert Turner of Holshott (not to be confused with Robert Turner, the contemporary author/editor, mentioned above) has been published in a collector’s edition (Seattle: Trident Press, 1987 and 1997) along with some support material: “An Astrological Catechisme” and “Solomon and the *Ars Notoria*” from Lynn Thorndike’s *History of Magic and Experimental Science*, and “*Ars Notoria* in Manuscript” by Adam McLean. A low-cost edition, titled variously *Ars Notoria: The Magical Art of Solomon, Showing the Cabalistical Key of Magical Operations or The Magical Art of Solomon, being the Ars Notoria: A Grimoire* [KABBALISTIC GRIMOIRE SERIES III], without the sundry additions, edited by Darcy Kuntz, was put out by Holmes Publishing Group [Edmonds] in 1998 and remains available in a more recent reprint edition.

While not really contradicting the Nelson/I.G.O.S. assessment, Benjamin Rowe offers an alternative and more positive take on the *Lemegeton*’s fifth book. In the introduction to his *Ars Nova – Book Five of the Lemegeton* (June 1999; on the Internet at Rowe’s site, *Norton’s Imperium: Enochian Magick Papers & Links* > “Classics of Magic,” at [www.hermetic.com/browe-archive](http://www.hermetic.com/browe-archive)), Rowe says that in some manuscripts (such as the one from which he transcribed, British Library Sloane MS 2731 — the same as the Nelsons’ and I.G.O.S.), the fifth book is an addendum containing notes on *Goetia*. This book has been mistakenly called *Ars Notoria* instead of the correct name, *Ars Nova*. Rowe suggests quite convincingly that the last couple of pages of the manuscript are out of order, and, thus, *Ars Nova* consists of two leaves rather than one. These final pages of *Lemegeton* can be seen in the photocopies of the Nelson and I.G.O.S. editions. For a full transcription, see Rowe’s site.<sup>1</sup>

Another recent edition is *Lemegeton: the Complete Lesser Key of Solomon*, edited by Mitch Henson, with revised illustrations by Jeff Wellman

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<sup>1</sup> *Ars Nova*, even when it has been transcribed, has been read incorrectly as a continuous text rather than as two columns of text, with a small gap between. The only printed copy of it that is transcribed in the correct order appears in Skinner & Rankine, *The Goetia of Dr Rudd*, London: Golden Hoard, 2007, Appendix 9, pages 414-421.

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(Jacksonville: Metatron Books, 1999), which also omits the *Notary Art*. Henson says in his introduction, “Both the content and the context of *Ars Notoria* show no affinity for the listings of spirits that mark the bulk of the material contained in *The Lesser Key of Solomon*.” This tidied-up (perhaps a bit too tidy), inexpensive edition presents “a careful collation of manuscripts from the Sloane collection in the British Library.”

(The LESSER KEY collection with *Ars Nova* — not *Ars Notoria* — is included in The Embassy of Lucifer’s *Clavicula Solomonis* — noted above in §1.a; *Ars Nova* is identical to Rowe’s version, even including the footnote numbers in the text — *without the footnotes*.)

*The Lesser Key of Solomon* edited by Joseph H. Peterson (York Beach: Red Wheel/Weiser, 2001) includes a complete text — all five books — with other pertinent material, including a preface from one of the MS editions of the *Lesser Key*, addenda from two others, and Johann Weyer’s *Pseudomonarchia dæmonum*. “I have followed Sloane 3825 for this edition, except for *Ars Notoria*. For the latter, the manuscripts are clearly dependent on Robert Turner’s translation. I have therefore used his 1657 printed edition as my primary source” (INTRODUCTION, p. xiii). Intelligently prepared, nicely printed, and reasonably priced: Peterson’s is by far the best edition available.

Finally, there is *The Goetia of Dr Rudd: The Angels & Demons of Liber Malorum Spirituum seu Goetia / Lemegeton Clavicula Salomonis /* with a study of techniques of evocation in the context of the angel magic tradition of the seventeenth century / *being a transcription of Dr Rudd’s ‘Liber Malorum Spirituum seu Goetia’ from Harley MS 6483, with other pertinent extracts from manuscripts Harley MS 6482, Sloane MS 3824 and Wellcome MS 3203*, by Stephen Skinner and David Rankine (London – Singapore: Golden Hoard Press, 2007). The question, “Why another edition of the Lemegeton?” is taken up in the introduction (I have condensed):

1. The manuscript contains much material which no other version does...
2. We wanted to show how the system of magic in the *Lemegeton* was developed and actually practiced by working magicians in the seventeenth century...
3. The seals in this manuscript are beautiful and more carefully drawn than in any other manuscript...
4. This version explains the preparation and protection of the magician, specifically what precise angel he should use to compel each individual demon, and the use of the Brass Vessel. These key practical details are not present in any other edition of the *Goetia*.

5. We wanted to trace where the *Lemegeton* material comes from and to demonstrate that its roots reach back at least to the thirteenth century, and the connections between angel magicians and those evoking in the grimoire tradition, which in the case of this manuscript proves to be identical. ...

*The Goetia of Dr Rudd* is Volume III of SOURCEWORKS OF CEREMONIAL MAGIC, by Skinner and Rankine contains *Goetia*, *Theurgia Goetia*, *The Art Pauline*, and *The Art Almadel* – but not *Ars Notoria* because “it is not a workable system as it appears in these manuscripts,” without the crucial *notae* illustrations.

Further, see Michael Camille’s “Visual Art in Two Manuscripts of the *Ars Notoria*,” in *Conjuring Spirits: Texts and Traditions of Medieval Ritual Magic*, edited by Claire Fanger (University Park: Pennsylvania State University Press, 1998; hereafter *Conjuring Spirits*); “The Notary Art” (CHAPTER 4, § 1) in Frank Klaassen’s *Religion, Science, and the Transformations of Magic: Manuscripts of Magic 1300-1600*, Ph.D. dissertation: Toronto: University of Toronto, 1999 (pp. 109-129); and Klaassen’s § THE ARS NOTORIA within “English Manuscripts of Magic, 1300-1500: A Preliminary Survey,” in *Conjuring Spirits...*, (ed. Fanger), pp. 14-19.

2. a. *Grimorium Verum*:

Again we can turn to Waite (pp. 96-100, 159-183, and 236-240, with numerous other references) and Shah (pp. 64-68; 75-112).

An attractive edition was put out by Trident Press (Seattle: 1994): *Grimorium Verum: Containing The Most Approved Keys Of Solomon Wherein The Most Hidden Secrets Both Natural & Supernatural Are Immediately Exhibited ...* translated from the Hebrew by Plangiere, Jesuite Dominicaine, in ‘library’ cloth, and, in this rare case, paper. The I.G.O.S. version offers the text in both French and English (Palm Springs: 1996).

The best edition available is, not surprisingly, that of Joseph H. Peterson,<sup>1</sup> which offers not only an English translation but complete French and Italian texts. Peterson’s careful work accommodates academics and practitioners alike.

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<sup>1</sup> Scotts Valley: CreateSpace Publishing, 2007.

2. b. TRUE BLACK MAGIC:

There are conflicting descriptions of this text. Butler describes a MS containing 45 talismans with details of their workings and “all magical characters known unto this day” from a Hebrew original (*Ritual Magic*, p. 80). Waite (p. 100) refers to it as “simply an adapted version of the KEY... [and] like the *Grimorium Verum*, it is exceedingly confused, and is rendered almost unmeaning by the omission of the practical part.” Waite does, however, quote and paraphrase it frequently:

- p. 146 on abstinence
- pp. 147-148 on baths
- p. 149 on inks
- p. 154 on instruments
- p. 166 on pen and ink
- pp. 174-176 on parchment
- pp. 177-179 on cleaning
- pp. 300-302 for love
- pp. 306-307 for invisibility

2. c. THE GRAND GRIMOIRE:

THE GRAND GRIMOIRE, also called the *Red Dragon*, is described and quoted by Waite (pp. 100-103/pp. 241-264). Shah introduces it and from it offers an operation for conjuring Lucifuge (pp. 68-74). There is an artful limited edition (500 copies) from Trident/Ars Obscura (Seattle: 1996) translated by Gretchen Rudy from the 1612 Italian edition; this has been reprinted by Trident in a \$100 “library edition” with an optional \$25 slipcase (2006). I.G.O.S. has its typically pricey edition titled *The Red Dragon – The Grand Grimoire* (translated by Robert Blanchard, Palm Springs: 1995), which gives both the French and English. Lastly, there is an economy version of *The Grand Grimoire* edited by Darcy Kuntz [KABBALISTIC GRIMOIRE SERIES IV] (Edmonds: Holmes Publishing Groups, 2001).

3. The Grimoire & SWORN BOOK of Honorius:

Distinction should immediately be made between the SWORN BOOK OF HONORIUS and the later, derivative – and diabolical – *Grimoire*, also called the *Constitution of Honorius*. Unfortunately, these titles are often interchanged (as with the I.G.O.S. edition discussed below).

3a. The *Grimoire of [Pope] Honorius* is treated in the books we have already cited: Butler: pp. 89-97, Waite: pp. 103-110, and Shah: pp. 253-280.

*The Grimoire of Pope Honorius* "from a [German] manuscript from the Infernal Library of a Schwabian farmer," translated by Kineta Ch'ien, was published in a limited edition in 1999 by Trident Books (Seattle); both the English and German are included. The text is somewhat different from the one treated by Butler, Waite, and Shah, though introduced by *The Constitution of Pope Honorius* given in French and English, the English of which is identical to Shah, pp. 255-6 and quite similar to Waite pp. 107-9. Included in the Trident edition is support material, such as a "Bibliographic Prolegomenon," an "Examination of the Editions of the Grimoire," and yet another text, *Coniurationes Demonum* (in English).

3b. A translation of the SWORN BOOK, or *Liber Sacer sive Liber Juratus*, was done by Daniel Driscoll: *The Sworn Book of Honorius the Magician* (Gillette: Heptangle Books, 1977 & Berkeley Heights: Heptangle Books, 1983). Printed as a fancy collectable, this work is now difficult and expensive to obtain; alas, it is incomplete and considered somewhat inaccurate. I.G.O.S. published a hardbound typescript, variously titled *Medieval Grimoire of Honorius*, *Grimoire of Honorius*, and *Handbook of Honorius the Magus* (translated by Robert Blanchard, Palm Springs: 1993). Even though it is called "*Grimoire*," this work is in fact the *iuratus* or SWORN BOOK of Honorius mentioned by Lynn Thorndike in *History of Magic and Experimental Science* (New York: Macmillan Company, 1923-1958; reprinted Columbia University Press), volume II, chapter XLIX: "Solomon and the Ars Notoria."

There is the more definitive *Liber Iuratus Honorii: A Critical Edition of the Latin Version of the Sworn Book of Honorius*, by Gösta Hedegård [Acta Universitatis Stockholmiensis: *Studia Latina Stockholmiensa*] (Stockholm: Almquist & Wiksell International, 2002). The text is in Latin; the 46-page introduction, however, is in English.

See 'A Thirteenth-Century Ritual to Attain the Beatific Vision from the *Sworn Book* of Honorius of Thebes' by Robert Mathiesen, and 'The Devil's Contemplatives: The *Liber iuratus*, The *Liber visionum* and Christian Appropriation of Jewish Occultism' by Richard Kieckhefer — both in *Conjuring Spirits*. Refer also to Frank Klaassen's Ph.D. dissertation, *RELIGION, SCIENCE, AND THE TRANSFORMATIONS OF MAGIC: MANUSCRIPTS OF MAGIC 1300-1600* (Toronto: University of Toronto, 1999), pages 129-135, and Klaassen's § THE LIBER SACER OR SWORN BOOK OF HONORIUS within "English Manuscripts of Magic, 1300-1500: A Preliminary Survey," in *Conjuring Spirits...*, (ed. Fanger), pp. 19-20.

4. Semiphoras & Shemhamphoras Salomonis Regis (hereafter S&S):

S&S is surrounded by a mish-mash derived from Agrippa, pseudo-Agrippa, Jewish magic (*Shimmush Tehillim*), folk magic, and fragments from the Faustian school in a collection titled *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses* (New York: Wehman Brothers, n.d. [1880]; and Carbondale: Egyptian Publishing Company, n.d.; Chicago: The de Laurence Company, 1919.)

In 1982, there appeared the profoundly disappointing *New Revised Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses and the Magical Uses of Psalms*, edited by Migene González-Wippler (Bronx: Original Publications). The text and especially the introduction are rife with errors.

In 2008, Joseph H. Peterson edited a nicely-printed edition (Lake Worth: Ibis Press) which offers serious treatment of this hybrid collection of translations: clear, correct texts and diagrams, with an informative foreword, notes, and nine supplemental appendices – by far the best edition.

The texts (with seals in Hebrew and magical script) of *The Sixth Book of Moses* and *The Seventh Book of Moses* are English translations from Johann Scheible's *Das Sechste und Siebente buch Mosis* (Stuttgart: 1849), which is volume six of Scheible's *Bibliothek der zauber geheimnis – und offenbarungs-bucher*.

The S&S texts also trace their origins back to German collections, namely volumes 3 and 4 of J. C. Horst's *Zauberbibliothek* (6 vols., Mainz: 1821-6); and volume 3 of Johann Scheible's *Das Kloster* (12 vols., Stuttgart and Leipzig: Theodor Thomas, 1846).<sup>1</sup>

Interestingly, “The Seven Semiphoras of Adam” and “The Seven Semiphoras of Moses” within S&S closely match passages in the seventh book of *Cephar Raziel: Liber Salomonis*, discussed below. For S&S, see Wehman, Egyptian, and de Laurence – pp. 116-140; González-Wippler – pp. 125-164. Peterson, APPENDIX 3 – pp. 141-168.

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<sup>1</sup> Other items from *Das Kloster* (vols. 2 and 5, respectively) are posted at the website of the Cleveland Public Library: *Libellus Magicus: A Nineteenth-Century Manuscript of Conjurations and Praxis Magica Faustii*, introduced, annotated, and transcribed by Stephen J. Zietz (1999); go to [www.cpl.org/010012/libellus/LIBELUS2.html](http://www.cpl.org/010012/libellus/LIBELUS2.html) (NOT FOUND: December 29, 2008) to bring up the contents page. Both are described by Waite (*Black Magic*, Weiser edition, pp. 102-4; *Ceremonial Magic*, Bell edition, pp. 110-112) and the first text is presented in both Latin and English at *Twilight Grotto*: [www.esotericarchives.com](http://www.esotericarchives.com) > Black Magic with the title *Verus Jesuitarum Libellus*.

5. *Liber Salomonis*, British Library Sloane MSS 3826, 3846, 3847 and 3853:

*Liber Salomonis* is not treated at length in any printed source, though it is described in *Ceremonial Magic* (pp. 20-21) and mentioned here and there by Shah and Butler. Thorndike mentions this MS only once in *History of Magic* (volume II, p. 281).

British Library Sloane MS 3826 is in English, except for (i) the opening lines of paragraphs in *Liber Salomonis* and *Incipit Canon*; (ii) the Orisons; (iii) the invocation, constriction, ligation, and license of *Raphael*; and (iv) *Beleemus De imaginibus* (BELEEMUS ON THE IMAGES [of the planets]). Folio pages 58<sup>r</sup>-83<sup>v</sup> have been identified as material from THE SWORN BOOK of Honorius (see Bibliography: "Printed notices of Sloane MS 3826").

See the following section, INTRODUCTION TO THE MANUSCRIPT, for further details of Sloane MS 3826.

The Bibliography lists works of related interest.

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Praefatio in Librum  
Razielis. J. P. D

In nomine Dei omnipotentis vivi et veri et  
eterni et sine omni fine qui dicitur Adonay  
Saday Aseray Iuripio scribere istum librum:  
qui dicitur Cephaz Raziel cum omnibus suis  
Pertinentiis in quo sunt scriptae in Quattatubrom:  
pluri, et septem libri:

Vixit Solomon gloria et laus cum multo honore  
sicut deo omnium Creaturarum. Ille qui est sin-  
gularis quia fecit omnia una voce & est Deus unus  
tenens potentis. Ipse solus qui est, et qui fuit, et qui  
semper erit, qui nunquam habuit aequalem, nec  
similem sibi, nec est habitans, et est singularis  
sine fine, Deus unicus sine corruptione, Deus mun-  
dus pius, & magnus, omnia audiens et videns  
et sapiens, et in omnibus potens. Et incipio  
in libro isto ponere Exemplum quod quicumque  
habuit ipsum, non vituperet eum usquequo la-  
gerit et audierit totum, aut aliquid ipsius, et  
tunc laudet Deum Creatorem. Et sunt 9. precepta.

1. Non credas esse plures, nisi unum Deum solum  
& singularem super omnia potentis: qui non  
habet parem, et illum dilige et honora in omni fi-  
dentia & voluntate bona, et firma et posside eum
2. toto mundo corde. Non vivas sine lege, et sine  
Ratione, et eris dilectus a Deo. Creatore et a Gen-  
tibus.
3. Non facias aliis quod nolis aliis faci-  
ret tibi, et dilige tuos, et extraneos eum. Non
4. sis mendax Domino tuo, nec Amico tuo, et  
sacerdoti

Figure 3. First page from the Latin Librum Razielis or Cephaz Raziel Sloane MS 3847 f.161.



**E**ncipio scribere istud librum qui vocatur Sephar Raziel  
 que angelus Raphael dedit Adde docet de 4. temporibus  
 anni mensis diei et noctis quomodo demum nominis quantum semper  
 et cognoscere quolibet horam que de liber tempore et angelis  
 dedit ei virtute et potestate magnam per mandatum quatuordecim  
 mensium deus in omni se facit. Et ut adam cognoscere omnia que  
 voluit in hoc mundo quid est et quod fuit et quid illud que  
 in octo. 12. mensibus anni et diebus et horis et per ordinem et  
 similitudinem per se semper et locum et officium et subingentem  
 facit per. 1. dico ad primum mensis vel autem ascendit et  
 fundat sua. 1. Ascendent et autem ascendit et fons et  
 et nominis dicitur ea angeli qui habent potestate super celos  
 feruari ab igne et habentes vitam ab igne et videntur  
 vestiti ab igne sunt in super celos et videntur et coepta ignis  
 et vadit ab igne et manent in igne et sunt magis deo  
 tate et potestate in. 12. mensibus anni per acceptum quatuordecim. qui  
 dicitur fiat mundus. Et omnes angeli sunt et fuerunt ante horam  
 et sunt. 1. potestates ante faciem dei et omnibus deorum data  
 est potestas et habent deum et mensibus et septima. Et illorum  
 sunt quidam stantes in igne quidam sunt sedentes in cathedris  
 gloriosissime sumentes quatuordecim. Et sunt semper patris digne et  
 interque et eorum facere per mandatum dei. Et omnes angeli

in die ob.

Figure 4: First page of the Latin *Sephar Raziel* in Sloane MS 3853, f. 46. Early 16th century. Note the ambiguous initial letter of *C/Sephar Raziel* in the first line.

## Introduction to the Manuscript

*Liber Salomonis* comprises folio pages 2<sup>r</sup>-57<sup>r</sup> of British Library Sloane MS 3826; it contains seven treatises (as described in its own fol. 3<sup>r</sup>):

1. *Clavis* "of astronomy and of the starres" (ff 5<sup>v</sup>-11<sup>v</sup>)
2. *Ala* "the vertues of some stones of herbes and of beasts" (ff 12<sup>r</sup>-27<sup>r</sup>)
3. *Tractatus Thymiamatus* of suffumigations and of allegations of them and divisions" (ff 27<sup>r</sup>-34<sup>r</sup>)
4. The "*Treatise of tymes* of the year of the day and of the night when anything ought to be done by this booke" (ff 34<sup>r</sup>-46<sup>r</sup>)
5. The "*Treatise of Cleanesse of Abstinence*" (ff 46<sup>r</sup>-51<sup>r</sup>)
6. "*Samaim*" which "nameth all the heavens and her angels and the operations or workings of them" (ff 51<sup>v</sup>-53<sup>v</sup>)
7. The "*Booke of Vertues and miracles*—the properties of the ark of magicke and of his figures and of the ordinance of same" (ff 53<sup>v</sup>-57<sup>v</sup>)

*Liber Salomonis* refers to itself as "Cephar Raziel" (ff 2<sup>v</sup>, 3<sup>r</sup>, 4<sup>r</sup>, 12<sup>r</sup>, 34<sup>r</sup>), "Sepher Raziel" (fol. 2<sup>r</sup>), "booke of Raziel" (ff 20<sup>r</sup>, 46<sup>r</sup>, 57<sup>r</sup>), and "booke of Razeelus" (fol. 3<sup>v</sup>). Solomon is indicated as the recipient and redactor, not the author of the book in the narrative which introduces the text (ff 2<sup>v</sup>-3<sup>v</sup>), though most instructions begin, "Salomon said." Others begin, "Hermes said" (ff 9<sup>r</sup>, 11<sup>r</sup>, 18<sup>v</sup>, 24<sup>r</sup>, 28<sup>v</sup>, 30<sup>r</sup>, 31<sup>r</sup>, 32<sup>r</sup>, 33<sup>v</sup>), "Adam said" (fol. 16<sup>r</sup>), "Nathaniel said" (fol. 47<sup>r</sup>), "Moyses said" (ff 4<sup>r</sup>, 4<sup>v</sup>), and "Raziel said" (ff 6<sup>r</sup>, 16<sup>v</sup>, 22<sup>r</sup>, 26<sup>r</sup>, 28<sup>v</sup>, 31<sup>v</sup>, 34<sup>v</sup>, 36<sup>r</sup>, 37<sup>r</sup>, 38<sup>v</sup>). Narrative passages refer to Raziel as the source of the book (e.g., ff 34<sup>r</sup> and 36<sup>r</sup>).

The rest of Sloane MS 3826 consists of:

1. *Incipit Canon*: The rule of the book of consecration (ff 58<sup>r</sup>-60<sup>r</sup>)
2. Orisons (ff 60<sup>r</sup>-65<sup>r</sup>)
3. Magical directions (ff 65<sup>r</sup>-83<sup>v</sup>)
4. *Liber Lunae* (ff 84<sup>r</sup>-97<sup>v</sup>)
5. *Raphael*: The Invocation of Oberion Concerning Physick &c. (ff 98<sup>r</sup>-99<sup>r</sup>)
6. The Call of *Bilgal*, One of the 7 etc. (fol. 99<sup>v</sup>)
7. An Experiment for a Fayry (fol. 100<sup>r</sup>)
8. *Beleemus De imaginibus* (ff 100<sup>v</sup>-101<sup>r</sup>)

In various communications, I have expressed my opinion that Sloane MS 3826 was a sixteenth-century Christian product, though one which borrowed from Jewish, Arabic, and Græco-Roman scholastic and folk sources. In a note to me (January 28, 2007), Sophie Page offered an informed and most welcome emendation to my view in the form of an abridged segment from her article, 'Uplifting Souls and Speaking with Spirits: The *Liber de essentia spirituum* and the *Liber Razielis*,' in Claire Fanger (ed.), *Invoking Angels: Mystical Technologies in the Middle Ages* (forthcoming):

"The most explicit transmission of Jewish magical material into the Christian Latin tradition of magic was the translation of works associated with the name "Raziel," an angel present in Jewish angelology and Arabic astrological texts who was said to have revealed a book of secrets to Adam. Various esoteric and magical treatises attributed to Raziel and based on the practical use of divine and angelic names circulated among late medieval Jews. The earliest known reference in Latin is a citation by the Christian convert Petrus Alfonsus [or Alfonsi] (1062-1110) of a certain *Secretum secretorum*, which claimed to have been revealed to Seth, the son of Adam, by the angel Raziel. By the mid-thirteenth century, these magic texts were circulating more widely in Latin. In 1259, Alfonso [X, (1221-1284)] directed the translation of a work entitled *Liber Razielis* from Latin into Castilian by the cleric Juan d'Aspa. The Castilian version does not survive, but the Latin original put together by Alfonso survives in two complete and several partial copies, as well as various early modern abridged vernacular versions. The Alfonsine *Liber Razielis* is structured in the form of seven books said to have been brought together by Solomon. Nine related texts from the Solomonic and Hermetic magical traditions were added by Alfonso's scribes as appendices. Although the preface cites a single Hebrew original for the seven volumes, it is likely that the structure was partly a creation of Alfonso himself and his translators."

The following post-1500 manuscripts contain abridged vernacular copies of the Alfonsine *Liber Razielis* or the *Liber Sameyn* only (the sixth book). This is not an exhaustive list, and I have only personally examined those in the British Library: MS Yale, Beinecke Rare Books Library Osborn MS fa. 7 (late s. xvi, English); British Library MSS Sloane 3826 (s. xvii,<sup>1</sup> English), ff. 1-57, Sloane 3846 (s. xvi, English), ff. 127-55; MS Lyon 970 (s. xvii, xviii, French); MSS Alnwick Castle 596 (s. xviii, Italian, the *Liber Sameyn*), pp. 1-42 and 96 (Italian, Latin, English, the *Liber Sameyn* only); MS Lübeck, Bibliothek der Hansestadt, Math. 4<sup>o</sup> 10 (s. xvi/xvii, German); MS Dresden N. 36 (s. xviii, German); Prague, National Museum Library MS XVII F25 (1595, Czech, trans. Ioannes Polenarius). MS British Library Add. 16,390 (s. xvii) has a

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<sup>1</sup> Should be xvi century.

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Hebrew extract with a title in Italian. Where no folio references are given, the catalogue entry suggests that the *Liber Razielis* travels alone.

Suggested bibliography: J. Dan, "Raziel, Book of," *Encyclopedia Judaica* 13 (Jerusalem, 1971), 1592-93; A. Garcia Avilés, "Alfonso X y el *Liber Razielis*: imagines de la magia astral judía en el *scriptorius* Alfonsi," in *Bulletin of Hispanic Studies*, Volume 74, Number 1: January 1997, pp. 21-39 (Carfax Publishing/Liverpool University Press); Alfonso d'Agostino, *Astromagia* [MS. Reg. Lat 1283a] (Naples: Liguore, 1992). On the later *fortuna* of the *Liber Razielis* in Spain and elsewhere: F. Secret, "Sur quelques traductions du Sefer Raziel," *Revue des études Juives*, 128 (Paris: 1969), pp. 223-45. On magic at the Alfonsine court, see also N. Weill-Parot, *Les images astrologiques au Moyen Âge et la Renaissance* (Paris: Honor Champion, 2002), pp. 123-138).

In her introduction to *The Watkins Dictionary of Angels* (London: Watkins Publishing, 2006), Julia Cresswell writes (page 9) of Sloane MS 3826,

"I would suggest that although the manuscript may be sixteenth century, some of the language is rather old-fashioned for that date, except perhaps for an old person writing in the early sixteenth century. I would guess that the text is a reworking of an earlier one, pushing the origin of the material back into the Middle Ages."

*Liber Salomonis* is in the present book literally transcribed, line-by-line, with no changes in spelling or wording. Spelling in the MS is quite inconsistent; e.g., within a few lines of each other, we find "wing," "winge," "wyng," and "wyngē." Using superscript and other features, I have imitated the look of the text as closely as typographically possible. Note that superscripted letters belong to the text and usually indicate contractions; superscripted numbers refer to footnotes. All Latin headings are in *italics*. Manuscript folio numbers are given in square brackets.

Following that, for ease of reading, Stephen Skinner has edited a modern English version of the same text.

For printed notices of Sloane MS 3826 see the Bibliography.

- Don Karr

Sepher Raziel - Liber Salomonis

*British Library Sloane MS 3826, folios 2-57*

transcription by Don Karr

[2<sup>r</sup>]

*In noie Dei potentis vibi et veri et aeterni &c*

In the name of Almighty God living and very and everlasting and without all and which is said Adonay Saday Ehye Asereye I begin to write this booke which is said Sephar Raziel with all his appertences in which be seven treatises complete or fulfilled that is vii bookes.

*Dixit Salomon Gloria et laus et cu multo honore &c*

Salomon said glory and praying with much honor be to God of all Creatures, he that is singular which made all things at one tyme. And he is one God very mighty he alone that is and that was and which evermore shall be, and which has never an end or any like him neither is he like to have. And he is singular without end, Lord alone without corruption, holy cleane meeke and great all things seeing and hearing and wise and in all things mighty. And I begin this booke to put an ynsample that whosoever that hath it blame it not till he have red and heard all or somewhat of it, and then prayse the God maker of all things.

These be the ix precepts *Incipiunt praecepta*  
Heere beginneth the precepts

*Non credas esse plures nisi unu~ singulare &c*

1. Ne trowe thou no to be moe or many but one singular alone upon all things which hath none like him and him love with all dread and honor with all trust and with good will and stable and with might and with all they cleane
2. heart. Ne live thou not without lawe, and thou shall
3. be loved of God thy creator and of folks. Ne do thou not to another man yf thou wouldest not the same. Ne
4. be thou not a lyer to the Lord neither to thy friend and say thou such soothes that be to thy profit and not
5. harme. Ne love thou not neither fellowship thou more with unwise men then with wisemen. And evermore love

[2<sup>v</sup>]

- thou many wisdoms and good sciences and all thy will
6. and thy lyfe in them. Ne speakest thou not before thou have thought, and that thou do consider it in thine
  7. hart ere thou do it. Neither discover thou not thy privities to a woman, neither to a childe, neither to a foole, neither
  8. to a dronk<sup>e</sup> woman. No prove thou not a medicine neither

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venym in thy self before thou provest it in an other. Ne  
9. blame thou not a booke before thou prophesy neither a wise  
man till thou have proved thou. And if thou with holdest  
these ix precepts in thee evermore thou shalt profite more  
and more. *Postqua sensus et scire et posse vo=*

*luntas vera &c* After that witt and knowledge and  
might and very will overcometh all things with good witt  
and good discretion. Therefore I will expound or make open  
his booke which is of great power and of great vertue.

I, Salomon put such knowledge and such a distinction  
and explanation in this booke<sup>e</sup> to every man that readeth or  
studyeth in it, that he may know<sup>e</sup> whereof he was and  
from whome he came. Knowe ye that after I Salomon  
had xxx yeeres within an half in the v<sup>th</sup> day of the  
month of Hebreys which was the vi<sup>th</sup> ferial day, the  
sonne being in the signe of Leonis. In that day was sent  
to me from Babilony of some prince that was greater  
and more worshipfuller then all men of this tyme some  
booke that is said Cephaz Raziel which cont vii bookes and  
vii treatises.

*Nota tempus in quo Salomon fuit p<sup>o</sup> adeptus istu libre  
et quomodo et a quo venit sibi*

Knowe thou the tyme in which Salomon gott the booke and  
howe and of whom it came to him.

*Iste liber est magnae virtutis et magnae secretiae* This  
booke is of great vertue and of great privity, the name of the  
prince that sent it to me was Sameton and of the two  
wise men that brought it to me was said Kamazan and  
the other Zazont.

[3<sup>r</sup>]  
The name of this booke expound<sup>ed</sup> in Latine is Angelus mag-  
nus Secreti Creatoris That is to say the great Angel  
of the secret creator And in Hebrew Cephaz Raziel it  
is the booke<sup>e</sup> after Adam written in language of Caldey  
and afterward translated in Hebrew. And know each man that  
read<sup>e</sup>s it that in it all Semiforax that is to say the great  
name complete with all his names whole and even. and with  
his vertues and his sacraments And I found it in 7 bookes that  
is 7 treatises. And know ye that I found the first and the  
last full dark<sup>e</sup> and the five middle more plain and although  
I found them dark<sup>e</sup> I opened them as much as I could or  
might. And the 7 treatises of this booke<sup>e</sup> be these..

1. The first is said Clavis for that in it is determined of Astronomy and of the stares for without them we may do nothing.
2. The second is said Ala for that in it is determined of the vertues of some stones of herbes and of beasts
3. The third is said Tractatus Thymiamatu<sup>s</sup> for that there is determined in it of suffumigations and of Allegations of them and divisions
4. The iv<sup>th</sup> is said the Treatise of tymes of the year of the day and of the night for that in it is determined when anything ought to be done by this book<sup>e</sup>
5. The v<sup>th</sup> is said the Treatise of Cleanesse for that there is determined in it of Abstinence
6. The sixt<sup>h</sup> is said Samaim for in that treatise it nameth all the heavens and her angels and the operations or workings of them
7. The vii<sup>th</sup> is the book<sup>e</sup> of Vertues for that there is determined in it of vertues and miracles for there be told the properties of the ark of magicke and of his figures and of the ordinance of same.

And the I beganne to write all these treatises in a new<sup>e</sup> volume for that one treatise without another serves not to the wholeness of the work<sup>e</sup> Therefore I made an

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whole book<sup>e</sup> to be made of the treatises. Therefore Salomon said to his writer Clarifaton that he could write it, which I know well the language of Caldys of Indy of Hebrew and of Syne and their right explanation. Methelis Salomon said that after Clarifaton had corrected it and had dressed it, it should be the better and ordained it in the best maner that he might. And Clarifaton said, which was the writer of Salomon, that this booke is full of great privity and that it was sent of full great honor And that it was sent to Salomon for most price and most love. And everiche treatise of these vii was written by themselves. But although it be so that Clarifaton said that it ought to be but one booke alone by itself for none of these saith he should suffice without another, wherefore he said it were necessary that they were all together Whereupon Salomon ordained that all the said 7 treatises were but one book<sup>e</sup> as they ought to be and as they ought to be read and wrought.



And he ordayned it much better then the ph<sup>il</sup>o<sup>[soph]</sup>rs orday=ned, and also he taught how a man ought to do his work<sup>e</sup> by it. And he put every treatise by itself and every chapter by itself and ordayned all till the end of the book<sup>e</sup>. And he putt into this booke Semiforas that is the book<sup>e</sup> of 17 vertues how it ought to be written and of which Ink<sup>e</sup>, and of which parchment and with what pen and with what man, and in which time and what day and in what night and in what hour. After that Salomon expounded in the book<sup>e</sup> of Razeelus and how it ought to be kept Cleanly and with great honor

*Dixit Salomon qui videt et non cognoscit &c*  
Salomon said who so seeth and knoweth not is as he that is born<sup>e</sup> blind<sup>e</sup> and knoweth not colors and who that heareth and understandeth not is such as if he were a deaf<sup>e</sup> man. And who so considereth and knoweth not the consideration is such as if it were of a dronkerd

[4<sup>r</sup>]

And whom that speaketh and cannot expound the reason is as a dombe man. And who that readeth playne bookes and understandeth them not is as it were he dreameth. These proverbs Salomon said in this booke ffor as Salomon said in this booke is hit that Cephar Raziel the angel said to Adam which was the first man in this world and after it which Moyses said to other prophets in soothes and we troweth it so.

*Dixit angelus Salomoni vt o<sup>mm</sup>es tuæ operationes &c*  
The angel said to Salomon that all thy workings and petitions and willes be fulfilled, and it shall be made in all hitt that thou shalt covet that it be in thy might It behoveth that when thou hast this book<sup>e</sup> of this or of Another example or exemplar that thou write it in Inst maner in virgin parchemt and that it be not filthy neither of a dead beast or in vealime (vitulino) or in parchmyn of sylke, or in samatyne,<sup>1</sup> or in cleane clothe or in parchmyn of a lamb or of a virgin kidde or of a virgin ffawne, and this is better than any other. And the Ink<sup>e</sup> with which thou shalt write be it of cleane galles and let it be made with good white wyne & whole and with gum<sup>e</sup> and vitriol and masticke & thyme and

<sup>1</sup> Above "samatyne" is written "sattin."

croco. And the third day when it hath taken residence and shall be clensed putt <sup>1</sup> thou therein a little of Algoba and Almea,<sup>2</sup> and putt therein of good muske or muske more than of those three. And put thou therein Amber and Balsamu<sup>s</sup> myrryam and lignus aloes and when the Inke shall be made, boyled with masticke and with thyme and with lingo aloes and with somewhat of Thymiamat and Mulazarat and thou clense it well with a cleane<sup>e</sup> thinne cloth<sup>e</sup>, and the cloth be it threefold. And afterward putt therein musk<sup>e</sup> and Ambram and Almenus & Algana and Balsami<sup>s</sup> and Myrrha<sup>s</sup> all well grounden & then

[4<sup>v</sup>]

shalt meddle all this with the Inke full well together And let the inke be so still for the space of 3 days well covered in a fayre place And know<sup>e</sup> thou that with this ynke thou shalt write all the holy names of God and of his angels and of his saints, and all things in which his holy great name is <sup>3</sup> nempned and written. And all things that thou willest truly to be fulfilled with thy well pleasing or with thy service. And what ere thou putttest in this ynke, be it newe and bright and pure and good  
<sup>4</sup> And the penne that thou shalt write the holy names be it of a green<sup>e</sup> reed<sup>e</sup> gathered early ere the sunne  
<sup>5</sup> arise. And he that shall gather it be he clene & washen & in running water or in a quicke well and also let him be clothed with cleane clothes, and the moon<sup>e</sup> being waxing with Caput Draconis or with Jove, for that they be true and very. And when thou shalt gather it, thou shalt behold of looke toward the East and thou shalt say thus *Adonai et Saday jubate me ad complendu<sup>s</sup> voluntates meas eo<sup>s</sup> axundine ista*. That is to say Help ye me to fulfill my willes with this reed<sup>e</sup>. and when this is said thou shalt cutt one reede or twayne or as many as thou wilt with one stroke. And as Moyses said the knife be it well playne sharpe and whole as thoughe we should

<sup>1</sup> Above "putt" is written "& strained."

<sup>2</sup> A marginal note offers an alternative to Almea: Alinza.

<sup>3</sup> Above "is nempned" is written "named."

<sup>4</sup> A marginal note 'pen.'

<sup>5</sup> An indistinct marginal note here reads: "it might be done / in the new of / the ☉ whiles / the ☉ dothe / increase when / she applieth / to caput dra / conis by o / or to the ☽ of or / Δ of ♃ for if / they be true / & very good."

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cutt of an neck<sup>e</sup> with it. And thou take the reed<sup>e</sup> with thy cleane hands, and make thou of it a gobbets. And when thou wilt cutt the penne, cutt it ere the sunne arise or when it ariseth. With this penne and with this ynke thou shalt write all the names of God holy and severall. And as often as thou writest the name of the Creator be thou clean<sup>e</sup> and <sup>1</sup>solleme & serened & in a clean<sup>e</sup> place. And thou shalt first ere thou write by iii dayes be bathed in clean<sup>e</sup> water, but rather thou shalt be clean<sup>e</sup> by 9 days an house or clean<sup>e</sup> place made very clean<sup>e</sup> with beesoms

[5<sup>e</sup>]  
and washen watered and suffumed And ordeyne so that when thou writeth, hold thou thy face toward the East & write thou from morning till midday till that thou eate. And after that thou hast eaten and dronken thou shalt not write in it any thing. And if thou wilt write Semiforax with his strengthes the number of the mone, be it even. And most in the day of the mone or of morning or of Jovis or dius. & be thou word of Saturne and of Sol upon all. And Salomon said If thou putteth into the ynke of the bloud of vowter or of a furtur or of a gander (wholly or all white) the ynke shall be much the better and the more vertue

Also I say that if there were of Sapher powdered Sma=ragdo, gagnisia & topasia the ynke shall be complete or fulfilled. And with this Inke and with this penne ought to be written all the names of Semiforas and know<sup>e</sup> thou yt he that shall write this book<sup>e</sup> ought to be clean<sup>e</sup> & fasting bathed and suffumed with precious aromatickes, that is with spices well smelling. And it shall be great profit to thee and to him that maketh it or writeth it. And each man yt hath written this booke or hath holden it in his house, ev'more hold<sup>e</sup> he God in his mynde and his holy Angels & hit for which he hath made it. & let him put in his mynde in which tyme of the 4 tymes of the day with his oughth or of the tymes of an hower And ev'more let him put in his mynde to his 4 tymes of an hower to which they ought to be as *invenies in libro prophetar<sup>um</sup>*

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<sup>1</sup> Above "and solleme" (and in the margin) is written "solitarie."

*Dixit Salomon sicut si esset castru<sup>m</sup> etc*

Salomon said as though there were a castle full strong and his highenes ful great and high and en=hansed and well on each side with walles invironed and the gates in one place well strong and stable or fyrme and with keyes closed and locked. Therfore it behoveth it who that would open the gates of that close castle and holsomly would enter into it both without travel of gyfte and without bruising of his body It is necessary to have the same

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keyes and none other of this castle and of his gates & of his closings Thus I say this that it is for to knowe the starres and their names and their figures and their natures, and when they should be good and when they should be evill, And thus I say of the fixe and of the 7 erraticis neverthesse Consider how evermore the nature of the Circle of the xii signes that is thee towards. And therefore it behoveth each man that hath this booke, that he holde it clenly and that he keep<sup>e</sup> it with great reverence & with great hono<sup>r</sup>. And who that hath it, and can reade it, let him not reade it, but if he were before full cleane of body and with great witte.

And I make every man to knowe or weel that he ought not to worke by this book<sup>e</sup> in vayne, neither without wytte nor without lawe or reason. And this is when every man doth to the contrary, or when and Reptiles, or wood beasts should lett thee or do the harme. And knowe thou though<sup>e</sup> thou have might and trust for to worke by this booke & although thou might have great trust in this, yet thou shalt not worke, but with great right or lawe or with much reason And understand thou of all the contrary, and if thou worchest otherwise by this booke then thou shouldest and much might let thee that is to say if thou worchest without reason, or if thou were uncleane or evill in thy self.

*o Clavis istius libri est cognoscere et scire loca*

The key to this booke is to knowe and will the places of the vii bodyes above and their natures and their sciences and the domes, and all their vertues after yt it appeared in the earth to me

*o\_\_o formata debet esse omnis figura cu<sup>s</sup> ex vero*

Eache figure ought to be formed with very or true en=

## Liber Salomonis

sample therefore I put the figure of the key in this booke that no man true that without reason and profitt it be made. And I put in figure and key with the shafte to the

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similitude or likenes that there is one soleyme Lord one god which never had neither shall have any even or like to him In the Quadriture or in that, yt is fower cornered yt signified that there be 4 elements and no moe. And in this key is one triangle which signifyeth knowing might and will for whome these three no man may do any thing in the worlde neither attayne to any profit. And Salomon said that the shafte of this key is as Raziel said to Adam unite or one head, and the quadrate is as 4 vertues that be in herbes and words and beasts, and they be to the similitude of elemnts which openeth and doeth all. And the 7 wards be 7 Angels which have might in the 7 heavens, and in the 7 dayes of the weeke as furthermore I shall teache you.

And the triangle signifyeth man which is in body and soule and spirit, and these above said leadeth together all the worlde as it was compounded in highnes & lownes.

*Pastquā hucusq̄ diximus oportet nos dicere &c*  
After that we have said hitherto it behoveth us now to say for this booke that which is said of the key of the 7 brethren. And these 7 brethren have among themselves 12 realmes for to devide or to depart, and in each realme be 30 cities, and in every city be 60 castles and in every eiche castle 60 Caldee yt is to say feeldy or wilde townes. And this exemplar Salomon found and made distinction and said there is one father and he hath 7 sonnes and these 7 sonnes be germanyes ffor after that they be of the same father germanyn. And the Elder is most heavy among all the other. And the middle in the middle more ordinate then all. And thither lightly be in the middle in fellowshiping hit evermore, so they twene of these be not much severed from hit. And the 7 brethren Salomon said be Sabaday Saturnus. Zedel Jupiter

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Modyn Mars Hamyna Sol Noga Venus Cocab  
Mercury Labana that is to say Luna Knowe thou  
the houses of the planetts. And Salomon putt names

## Sepher Raziel

to the xii realmes of the of Germanyes and they be called signes and he beginneth to make distinction. And he gave to their fighter that is to say to Mars that he should rest, and that he should not fight in the realme of the signe of Arietis and of this vertue he is in the realme of the East, he gave him in the realme of the worlde the signe of Scorpionis that he should fight strongly and that he should never rest, and he is in the eight realme from the first. And afterward he gave to the fayre Noga that is to say Veneri twey realmes of which one hath the half seale of Tauri that is from the highnes of his head with his horns till to the navell. And their as the vii<sup>th</sup> from the first that is Libra, and after while Venus is above that is in the Northe, and otherwhile beneath that is in the South. And so he hath inherited in twey parts And then he gave to the painter (which is the writer) that is Mercurius twey realmes of which one hath twey men embraced that is clipping together himself, that other hath a fayre virgin winged and nevermore would be divided or departed from wemen for those Images be such and he displeaseth evermore to go much from the South into the Northe. And he gave to the Malix that is to say Lune for that he goeth evermore one realme And for that she will note stande much in her house & her signe is a fish that is said Cancer which hath many feete, and signifyeth be this that he will go much for that he is under other brethren, this suffer alone And he gave to the middle brother, which is the Lord of all

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other, and he commandeth to all and is more adorned for fayrer arrayed, therefore he gave to him one realme full strong in heate and his signe is as the Lion, that sheweth him Lord upon all beasts, so is he stronger and of more Lordshippe upon all his brethren. And then remayned twey brethren of the par<sup>ty</sup> of the South and theld or tooke twey realmes, one about another for this that he should never overcome in the signe of the realme well meridionall or south, and he is one beast with one forme in his front, and the signe of that other realme is a man that holdeth with many waters and this brother is said the old Sabaday. And then taketh that other brother for heritage on his right syde the realme with the signe of half a man and half a horse

and it is said Sagittarius, and on the left syde of Pisces.

Knowe you heere the natures of the Signes  
And Salomon said Aries is a sign fiery hot &  
dry, choleric, and so is Leo and Sagittarius and they  
have might in the East.

Taurus is earthy, cold and dry, melancholious & so  
is Virgo and Capricornus and they have might in  
the South.

Gemini is airy, hot and moist & sanguine and so is  
Libra & Aquarius & they have might in the West.  
And Cancer is watery feminine moist and flegmatic  
and so is Scorpio and Pisces & they have might in  
the North.

*Iam diximus de naturis et signis et eor<sup>u</sup>m complexionib<sup>us</sup>*  
Now we have said of natures and sign<sup>s</sup> and of the  
complexions of them, so we meane to say of natures  
and of the complexions of germanyes and what they  
signifyeth.

The first higher that is said the old Sabaday is Satur-  
nis the nature of which is cold and dry for that is

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much straight and melancholious and signifyeth father  
and wroth and discord in lands.

The second is said Zedek and he is temperate for that  
he is betweene the old Sabady and the hott Madyn and  
Zedek is hott and moyst and sanguine in savor sweete &  
it draweth to good ayer, and it signifyeth good and honor  
and vertue.

The third is the fighter Madyn and he is hott and dry  
evill and lover and bremer, ravisher & a lyer.

The fowrth is Hamyna Sol middle among other hott  
and mighty and worshipfull and all thither brethren  
shameth or dreadeth him and he is much soothfast and  
strong.

The fifth is the fayre Noga colde and moyst, glad  
flegmaticke fatt and fleshy and well seeming in all her  
members and chere, and he signifyeth good soughts  
and he is much glad among wemen.

The sixt is the writer and the forespeaker Cocab, this  
holdeth himself with all & serveth to all, and signifyeth  
writers and tydings and voyces after that he shall be with  
it yt which everich<sup>e</sup> he holdeth him self, when he is with it

The vii<sup>th</sup> brother is Labana & it is Malx and it is colde and moist and it signifyeth brethren and beareth each moneth and manndem<sup>ents</sup> of brethren to brethren after that it is severed from them.

*Deinde loquamur de septem fr̄ibus quare dicuntur clavis &c* And then speake we of the vii brethren why they be said the keyes of the world (and which this world may not excuse neither excuse) and these were formed as 4 brethren which be said the 4 elements, and they have after signification witt and discretion & might complete and honesty and strength, and everiche may do in his hemisphere that is empire as an Emperor in his empyer, or as a prince in his Lordship. Also they have might over the 7 parts which we sayen clymates. And

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knowe thou that these be mighty upon all beasts heere formed.

And Salomon said prophets clippeth these brethren vii quicke spirits, and holy and wise men said that they were 7 lampes burning or 7 candlesticks of light & of life, and all prophets clipeth them 7 heavenly bodyes which be vii planets and of commonalty they be said 7 starres. And the 7 brethren be kept of 4 beasts full of eyen before and behinde which be the partyes of heaven East West north and South, and they have might in the 4 parts of the worlde and in 4 tymes and in 4 natures with her complexions and withal her parties and in all her 4 elements and with these together is hed and meeved all things moveable by the Commandements of God that put them in their places.

*Dixit Salomon sicut fuerunt semp status superius* Salomon said As there were evermore states above without corruption so know<sup>e</sup> thou that there is nowe and shall be evermore. And for this we understand the bodyes above cleane and good and made without corruption. And that neather-bodyes uncleane evill treated and broken, and eache day they fayleth and bend corrupted And this corruption resteth not neither is made very of the which we understand that the neatherbodyes might not excuse the over bodyes. And all things which we seene beneath have roote and beginneth from things above ffor things above be with lyfe and without dolor and things



beneath be the contrary, have death and dolor And things above have during without corruption and things beneath each day fayleth and be corrupted and minished. All prophets seene that if there lacked any one of the over bodyes that is of these that be much above ten thousand betwixt those that we see and those that we not see. Knowe thou that it were a great precipitation and destruction and confusion in lande and in sea and in the 4 elements if

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any of the bodyes above were broken or were evill treated And if there fayled one of the 7 brethren the earth shoulde come agayne to his first state, and all the elements were confused. And if any of them had corporally received corruption knowe thou that all things were destroyed that received soule or lyfe. And knowe thou that as the 4 elements be turned downeward so be they not turned without some reason of the 7 above And this sayeth the Philosoph<sup>[i]</sup>er when the sonne is destroyed eache lyfe and eache soule is destroyed. And when the mone is destroyed the ligatures or buildings of the sea be destroyed. And knowe thou that Saturnus is earthly and holdeth all the earth in a ballance that is not moved. And Jupiter holdeth the ayer, and Mars the fyer, and Sol the day and men, And Venus holdeth the fayre parts of the worlde, and Mercurius reasons and Luna holdeth the hearts seas waters and their powers. And know<sup>e</sup> thou that everiche (After that it were or shall be in this exaltation) ordeyned and bounden with the sonne yt<sup>s</sup> reasons and words and speches should be good betwixt men. And as ofte as Mercury were joined in Virgo in the same point with Sol direct and not retrograde, make we subtill things and reasonable And as ofte as Sol were in Aries, so many yeeres unlike he giveth us. And as ofte as Saturnus were in Libra so many mutations he giveth in landes. And as ofte as Jupiter is ioyned with Saturne in an earthly signe so many divers mutations or changings he giveth. And he changeth lawes & seates and Lordshippes and thus understand thou in other complexions of planetts after the states of them and their beholdings that is said Aspectus.

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*Et dixit Hermes istam rationem super capita oia &*

And Hermes said this reason upon the heads of beasts Saturnus hath the right eare, Venus the lefte and Sol the right eye and Luna the lefte. Mercurius the mouth. These 7 hooles have they in power above upon the head of a man. And Salomon said that a man is a measure which is said Palmus made with hande in which bene all the vertues of the worlde and of the 7 planetts and that is only the head of a man wherefore everiche man is likened to his starre and to his elements. And Salomon said when I founde a spirit above retrograde or combust or evill treated thus I say that his body was evill treated beneath in which it was like or he signified in it. And who that were so wise that he knowe his signe and his planet and his starre above and his signification he might do good and evill to himself & likewise so to other men. And as the nativities of beasts be denyed such wurchings you shall do with helpe of God.

*Postqua diximus de 12 signis et planetis &*

After that he said of the 12 figures & planetts & of radiis of them we say that eche planet that were in Ascendent and if there be another in the same Ascendent it is named coniunction, and how much the latitude or bredth shall be lesse so much the coniunction is said to be stronger and if there be more latitude the coniunction is the feebler. And so I say to thee in the middle of heaven. And if the poynte of the 12 houses which be in the stronger places of all houses I say the poynte of the first degree of the house, and eche starre that were lesse and hath upon himself another the like is said that it hath power and goeth upon another

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from starre to starre And thus each starre that diverseth from another by 60 degrees before and after It is said aspectus sextilis that is the sixt beholding And each planet that differeth 90 degrees before and behinde It is said in aspectu quarto that is in the fourth beholding. And each planet that diverseth or differeth by 120 degrees before and behinde It is said in aspectu tertio, that is in the third beholding. And each planet that differeth by 180 degrees is in opposition in that that it is said in the contrary place. These

be the 7 beholdings and no moe duo tertii, duo quarti & duo sextile and unus opposites that is to say twayne in the third, twey in the fourth, and twey in the sixt and one contrary against another. The coniunction is complete then they be in one degree Double coniunction if twey good or temperate sheweth double good, as twey evill by the contrary sheweth much evill The sextilis beholding the ascendent avayleth one good if trino and twey trino avayleth in the beholding ascendent one good fortunate in the ascendent. And twey quarties in the beholding the ascendent avayleth one greevous or heavy (if there were evill starres) and twey opposita avayleth one infortunate in the ascendent or in the opposite. And twey quarti avayleth as much as a starre falling or combust or retrograde this is letted in the Ascendent one fortunate or twey in the Ascendent and another of sextile and another of trine beholding the ascendent sheweth much good hasty or highing Twey evill in the ascendent or one with another in opposito that is in the contrary or falling sheweth

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greevous or long impediment. And if they be falling and letted it shall be worse. One fortunate in the Ascendent beholding of twey trinis it sheweth much good and how much there were no witnesses upon the figure of which thou enquireth and searcheth or fo which thou worchest so much it shall be the better And if three planets beholden the Ascendent with good beholding and twey evill the good shall overcome the evill and so of the other One infortunate in the Ascendent beholding twey quartis sheweth much greefe. Caput draconis is much better than Cauda Eache planet in his head of the same degree it more Lordship in the figure for that it is twey in latitude to the way of the sonne and it profiteth in going toward the party of the north. Eache planet in the taylor of the dragon is minishing of his worke yt goeth towards the south.

Luna coniunct or Joyned with Saturne and Mars in the Ascendent it constrayneth and threatneth divels Satunus maketh divels strength & great power Luna coniunct or Joyned with Jove and Venus in the ascendent it sheweth great dilection and great love

in every good thing.

Luna joyned with Mars & Saturne in the ascendent it sheweth impediment except the planet were of good receiving.

Luna joyned with Sol in the one poynt sheweth great grace and if that they were good

Luna ioyned in falling and to mercury in the Ascendent it sheweth the contrary

Luna in the ascendent by her self signifyeth after the planet to the which she is Joyned

Luna with Caput draconis in the ascendent sheweth good

Luna with Cadua draconis or combust or ioyned with

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a starre letted or in evill sitting it sheweth much evill when caput draconis and Luna were with capite Saturni or that Luna or Saturnis were there and that their werke of celson made it signifyeth upon buildings of devills fowle and evill.

Each planet that is with dracon of another & both be ioyned together it sheweth a very soothe or try worke and more in the ascendent. And if caput draconis were of Jovis or Luna and these twey coniunct or Joyned in the ascendent it sheweth much good and in= ceasing of good and honor And if it were in Cauda not only when there were twey Cauda draconis that is of Luna and of other they be full evill when Luna were with them. When Caput draconis Luna were with Caput draconis Martis and Luna and Mars in the like poynt it sheweth strength and might. And if Cauda with Cauda and Luna with Mars together it is full greevous and evill after everiche is evill so is the place or beholding of one another.

Caput draconis and Luna in capite. Aries (Luna & Sol in Zamin) sheweth great might and great honor and by the contrary in Libra beneath with Cauda dra= conis. Caput draconis with capite veneris sheweth much love and cauda draconis the contrary

Caput draconis that is to say mercury with caput draconis and Luna sheweth werke of reason and of voice and many sounds, and in Cauda Luna with Mercury & Saturne it sheweth us the beholding of many experiences.

Luna in capite sui draconis sheweth and if there

Were Jupiter or Venus it shall do the werke of Jovis  
or of Venus and it shall profit in all good worke as these  
be good. Luna if it be in Cauda draconis and Mars

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and Saturne with it or that they beholdeth it with evill be=  
holding it sheweth as evill as we have said of Saturne  
and Martis.

And we have said that Saturnis nourisheth devills and  
Mars draweth and thresheth and figureth them. And  
Saturnus gathereth together many divels Venus and  
Saturnus gathereth together devills and wyndes from  
beneath. A good starre in the ascendent and Luna  
Joyned with a good starre sheweth much good. And the  
beginning in all hit in which were d<sup>e</sup>us quartae that is  
the Lord of the 4<sup>th</sup> house and if the 4<sup>th</sup> house is well  
beholden of good, all the one of the thing shall be good  
And when the Lord of the 4<sup>th</sup> house were evill and evill  
intreated it sheweth noy and evill. The signe of the  
Ascendent sheweth the body o The Lord of the Ascen=  
dent of the planet that is in the Ascendent or which behol=  
deth it sheweth his spirit and the Lord of the hower  
signifyeth his soule and his will, and this understand  
thou in other domes The body and soule and the  
spirit for these three knowe thou that they maketh the  
body of a man safe and whole.

*Dixit Hermes Saturnus exaltatur in Libra &c*  
Hermes said Saturnus is enhanced in Libra, and  
Jupiter in Cancer, and Mars in Capricorne and  
Sol in Aries. And Venus in Pisces and Mercurius  
in Virgo and Luna in Tauro.

And knowe thou that Saturnus gladdeth or Joyeth in  
The xii house, and Mars in the vi<sup>th</sup> and Sol in the  
ix<sup>th</sup> and Venus in the v<sup>th</sup> and Mercurius in the Ascen=  
dent that is the first house and Luna in the 3<sup>d</sup> house  
And the Ascendent hath 12 vertues, and each planet  
that is in it upon eache place of the circle. The x<sup>th</sup>

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house hath xi vertues. The xi<sup>th</sup> house hath 10  
vertues. The vii<sup>th</sup> nine, the 4<sup>th</sup> eight vertues  
the v<sup>th</sup> house hath 7 vertues, the ix<sup>th</sup> house hath 6.  
The third 5. The second 4. The 8 three, the xii<sup>th</sup> two

and the vi house hath one vertue. And evermore consider thou in all things, that thou shalt do upon the planets how it be in the xii houses & thou shalt profitt if thou choosest well. And Salomon said to eache man that worketh by this booke, It behoveth that he knowe all these things, that is reasons which heere I will not expound to thee, that is thou knowe in which tyme of the yeere thou were borne of the 4 tymes of the yeere. And in which moneth of the moneth of Luna And begin thou from the Lunation of the moneth of Mercury (where ever Luna prima were) And all Secrets and privity be it asked in Saturne with all deepenes, and honor and substance be it asked upon Jove. And all strifes and battaile and hasting be it asked upon Mars. And all cleannes & Lordship of sol. And all fayrenes and dilections or loves and fatnes be it asked of Venus. And all reasons & witts & subtiltyes of Mercury. And of these 7 thou shalt aske evermore counsel where thou findest them in their houses and signes And they shall shewe to thee so deeme thou upon them in all good and evill. Now we have fulfilled heere with the helpe of God The treatisy that is said *Liber Clavis* That is the booke of the Key.

Heere endeth the first booke and heere  
beginneth the second

[12<sup>r</sup>]*Dixit Salomon sicut alae avium sunt membra &c*

Salomon said as the wings of the fowles or byrds be members that leadeth the fowles to the place where they desire to be, so by the vertue of stones & of herbes and of beasts, that liveth in flying, in swimming in going and in creeping thou might attayne to that thou wilt if thou chooseth the nature of them.

The propertyes and vertues. And therefore we clipeth this booke Ala that is wings for without wings neither fowles neither fishes mought move themselves, and so as wings beareth bodyes to highnes upwards and to fundaments downwards and to Longitude and latitude that is to length and bredth, so by the vertue of stones and of herbes with grace and with much might of Semiforas Knowe thou that thou might attayne that thou coveteth to do as to heale and to make sicke or to stande or to goe.

*Dixit Salomon sicut lapides sunt mundiores &c*

Salomon said as stones be cleaner cleerer and fayrer then golde and in vii vertues of this worlde as be in stones herbes wordes and beasts, so I say that in the beginning of this booke Cephaz Raziel that was crowned with vii stones of great power he put them in this booke The first was Rubinus – i – Carbunclo the second Smaragdus, the third Saphirus the fourth Berillus, the fifth Topasius, the sixt faguncia, the vii<sup>th</sup> Adamas and the vertues of these stones Raziel hath spoken. And he said that they were crowned of 7 angells which have might over the 7 heavens and of the 7 dayes of the weeke. And Raziel said knowe eache man that hath this booke that in this booke be the more vertues of this worlde And the first vertues of this booke that is said of 4 wings be the

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vertues of stones whereof knowe thou that by stones alone thou might do wonderfull things if thou hast well knowen as thou shouldest doe with all other Images and that thou keepe them clenely and reverently.

*De prima ala*

*Et dixit Salomon scias quod in prima ala sunt &c*

And Salomon said knowe thou that in the first ala or winge be 24 precious stones great and of great power to the similitude and signification that there be 24 howers in the day and night. And Salomon began & said I put and sett the first stone car= 1 bunculu Rubinus for that it is brighter and cleerer and fayrer and of more price above all other stones And I will say of his color and his power and his vertue, and of his seale and of his figure that might to be in it. And thus I shall say in all other stones, each stone signifyeth durability or lastingnes without end. The color of Rubinus is as the color of fyre sparkling and his power is that he shineth by night as a starre or as a flame of fyre sparkling. And the vertue of it is that it maketh good color of men that beareth it reverently, and it increaseth his goods of this worlde among other men, and the Image which thou oughtest to putt in it ought to be a draco that is a Dragon well fayre with dread.

2 The second stone is Topazins of which the color is citrine as of golde. His power is that if it be put in a caldron with fervent hott or boyling water it withholdeth the water that it may not boyle, which is for great power for making colde, and the vertue of it is that it maketh a man chaste that beareth it with him and it giveth benevolence or well willing of great Lords and his figure is a falcon.

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3 The third stone is Smaragdni and this stone is greene and fayre upon all greenenes, and it is not heavy as others are and his power is to keepe the light and it healeth the face and it doth many wonderfull things. And his vertue is to increase riches, and who that beareth it in golde prophesyeth things to come. And the signe of it is Scarabeus that is a maner of flye.

4 And the iiiii<sup>th</sup> stone is Faguncia the color of which is redde as the graynes of an apple. Of these sothely there be well coloured some and some a little and some in the middle maner. His power is that beareth it is not infect with alien infirmity, his vertue is that is that he giveth



health and hono<sup>r</sup> and keepeth the man that beareth it whole in wayes or in Journeys, and his figure is a Lyon well figured.

5 The v<sup>th</sup> stone is a crysopazine of which the colo<sup>r</sup> is greene and when it hath similitude as though it had golden drops, and his power is to defend a man from the Podagrie, and his vertue is that it maketh to prophesy things to come (if it were in the hand cleane and chast) and his figure is the image of an asse.

6 The sixt stone is Saphirus the color of which is full leady and fayre (as the color of the pure cleane heaven) His power is that he healeth all infirmityes that axeth in men of Inflammation and greevance of the eye. And it clenseth them much. And if in this stone be graven the head of a man with the beard it delivereth a man from prison and from all pressure and oppression and this stone accordeth to the great power of Lords & of kings If this stone be kept clenely reverently & chastly, & that it be good oriental with it a man might attayne great honor and the profitt of it that he searcheth and coveteth And some man putteth therein the signe of a ram. Aries

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7 The vii<sup>th</sup> stone is Berillus the color of which is of the eye or of sea water, and some of them be round and some of five corners. The stone ought to be cleere within and cleane. And his power is to chaffe the hand closed of him that beareth it. And if it be sett in golde it giveth great frindshippe betwixt twey men, if thou touchest them with it. And his figure is Rana that is a ffrogge & it is of great power to make concord and love.

8 The viii<sup>th</sup> stone is Onyx this stone is full blacke and his power is to give him that beareth it many dreadfull dreames and dreads, and he that beholdeth himself in it hath power upon all divels in constra<sup>y</sup>ning them and in clipping and gathering them to<sup>=</sup>gither in speculo tabilio conjuring as it behoveth and his figure is the head of a camell or twey heads betwixt two eares that be said Mirti

9 The ix<sup>th</sup> stone is said sardius the color of which is red and fayre, and his power is to make other stones fayrer his vertue is to give good color to him that beareth it. And it is putt in golde, and if there be

graven in it Aquila that is an Eagle it giveth great hono<sup>r</sup>

10 The x<sup>th</sup> stone is Crysolitus that is of golden color and sparkling as fier. His power is to gather together divels and windes and his vertue is to defend the place where it is from evill spirits and from dead men that they do not there any evill and that divels obey there. And his figure is Vultur that is a wontor

11 The xi<sup>th</sup> stone is said Eliotopia. And it is a stone of great power of which the color is greene and fayre shining and cleere with drops like bloud well redde within this stone is said the stone of wisemen of prophets

[14<sup>r</sup>]

and of philosophers. And this is honoured for twey things for the color is like Smaragdo in greenenes and in rednes to rubine. The price of this stone overcometh the price of other and of his vertues and propertyes. The power of this stone is that if it be put in any broad vessell full of water to the sonne it resolveth the water into vapor And it maketh it to be rayسد upward till that into the forme of rayne it be converted downeward. His vertue is that who that beareth it in his mouth or in his hand closed he may not be seene of any man, with this stone a man may have power upon all divels, and make eache Incantation or In=chantment that he will. And in this stone ought to be graven Vespertino thus he sayth. But I trowe it be Vespertilio that is a Backe or a rermouse.

12 The xii<sup>th</sup> stone is Cristallus of which the color is of water congealed with colde. his power is that he putteth abstray of fyer from him. and his vertue is that he increaseth to nourishe much mylke and good. and thou may take in it what vertue thou wilt, after as the hower shall be in which thou shalt work<sup>e</sup>. and after as the Image shall be which thou hast made (although they be many) and yet be seene easily. Knowe thou that it hath many vertues. and his figure is a gryffon that is a fowle and a beast that he hath 4 feete & 2 wings and he is a great beast.

13 The xiii<sup>th</sup> stone is Cornelia and it is likened to water in which is bloud as the loture or washing of bloud. And his power is to staunche bloud of the nostrells. And if there be graven in it a man well clothed holding a yard or a rodde in his hande, it giveth honor to him yt beareth it

14 The xiiii<sup>th</sup> stone is Jaspian and it is thicke darke greene

and redde. and there be some greene and cleere and they be better then the other. and there be some redde thicke and dropped. And his power is that who that beareth it is not [14<sup>v</sup>]

letted with venyme neither with serpent, neither with Attercope neither with scorpion. And it defendeth a man from fever if in it be graven Leo Aries or Sagittarius

15 The xv<sup>th</sup> stone is Iris and it is likened to cristall or to gelly, and it hath corners and if any man put it in a house to the beames of the sonne so that the beames passé through it or by it the color appeareth of the raynebowe. And for this cause it is said Iris that is the raynebowe. And this is the might for it hath vi corners, and the vertue of it is to keepe the place which it is with health & honesty, and there ought to be graven in it a man armed that beareth a bowe and an arrowe.

16 The xvi<sup>th</sup> stone is Corallus and it groweth in rocks of the sea as Arbor inuersa that is as a tree over= turned, and it hath branches as a tree, more till two and three palames or palmes and no more. And when it is drawn up it is greene and tender, and then it is dryed in the ayer and it is made redde & harde as another. And otherwise it is founden white. And know thou that the redde be better. And where this stone were it keepeth the house and the vineyarde or the place from tempest pestilence and torment And it keepeth the place with health and it defendeth a man from malefets i maleficis and from evill enchantments. And his Image is a man like to him that holdeth a sword in his hande.

17 The xvii<sup>th</sup> stone is presius or prassius and it is of greene color thicke and fayre. and it helpeth malefets an giveth to them grace to his ministry And Taurus

[15<sup>r</sup>]

ought to be graven in it, that is a Bull.

18 The xviii<sup>th</sup> stone is said Catel and it is of great power both in deedes and in vertues. the color of which is like to Berill, but for it is darker then it, although it have within full cleere and cleane beames and strakes And there be founde some of vi corners and other some of v. And his power is to inclepe devills and to speake

with them. And his vertue is, if thou maketh in thee blanke of water and bringeth the roote of Apii and the stone hanged to the necke in the skynne of an Asse suffumed with masticke thure and croco and that thou inclepeth what dead man thou wilte that is knowen to thee and other knowe thou that anone he shall appeere to thee. And he shall be with thee in the same tyme And grave thou in it Lapwing and before Dragancia<sup>m</sup> which is a middle herbe and it is said Colubrina.

19 The xix<sup>th</sup> stone is Celonites And it is greene as an herbe and his power is that it waxeth & decreaseth as the moone, and his power is also to make peace and concorde betwixt twey if in it were graven the signe of a swallowe.

20 The xx<sup>th</sup> stone is Calcedonius and it is white as betwixt cristall and berill or as gyfus thicke bright, his power is to overcome plees. His vertue is to holde a man whole in an alien land and his Image is a man that holdeth his right hand straight forth to heaven.

21 The xxi<sup>th</sup> stone is Ceramius This stone is of divers colors after divers elements and divers londs otherwhiles white, and otherwhiles browne greene & redde And elsewhere it is likened to Iron and somewhere to copper and sulphur and it hath as it were rundlets

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paynted and little droppes and his power is to defend a place from thunders and lightnings, and his vertue is to defend from all enemyes. And write thou in it or one p<sup>te</sup> or syde Raphael Michael & Gabriel and on the other side panuteseron micrason Saidalson and if thou beareth it with thee and hast it in thy power thou shalt overcome all thine enemyes and thine adversaryes.

22 The xxii<sup>th</sup> stone is Metestus<sup>1</sup> and it hath the color of wyne upon it. a white cloth or of a rose or violet and this hath might to chase away feends and his vertue is to defend from dronkennes and his figure is Ursus that is a Beare.

23 The xxiii stone is Magentis or magnes and it is

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<sup>1</sup> Above "Metestus" is written "amatyst."

of great weight and like to ferro brumeto. His power is that he draweth dead Iron as nayles knives and swords and his vertue is that with it thou might be in what house thou wolte, and do what thou wolt with men and with things of the house suffuming the house of it, and with this men made inchantments and grave thou in it a man armed when Luna were in Aries or Scorpio joyned with Mars, and sol beholding them with a trine aspect. And knowe thou that what maner of Images thou gravest in this stone such inchantments thou might attayne, and beare it with thee and thou shalt profit.

24 The xxiiii<sup>th</sup> stone is Adamas as it is middle color and the better hath somewhat of greenenes And his power is that with it other stones be graven. And therefore we have putt it out more strange & more openly and his power or vertue is to keepe the members of a man safe and whole And this stone is more, and is

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better set at price in inchantments & invocations of wyndes spirits and devills And with this thou maiest send whatever fantasy thou wilt, and his figure is of 5 corners and know<sup>e</sup> each man who that will beare within a precious stone be he pure and cleane when he will do anything with them And eschewe he or keepe himself from uncleanenes and keepe he them reverently in a quiche or in a cleane place And Raziel said In the hower in the which thou wilt do of Semiforas beare the ii stones abovesaid and thou shalt profit.

*Dixit Salomon sicut avis corpus volare non potest &c*  
 Salomon said As the body of a fowle ne may not fly without wynges neither go where he cometh, so by science of one thing above we might not fulfill that we desire And for this we putteth the second key in this book<sup>e</sup>, and we sayne it the second for that it maketh the second opening, for as the world is closed with 4 elements so this book<sup>e</sup> is closed with 4 sciences and 4 vertues. and now we have said of stones now say we of herbes. Knowe thou that in herbes are vertue of the most that may be. And some of naturals of this worlde beth that liveth of them as ther that have reason and some that flyeth, and some which swimeth and which goeth and which creepeth. And knowe thou that of

## Sepher Raziel

trees and herbes some liveth much and some liveth midly  
and some liveth litle, and yt is the similitude of beasts  
And knowe thou also that among herbes there be some  
with which thou may do good or evill, as to heale & to make  
sicke, and so understand thou in these that shall be said  
*furthermore hereafter* And Adam said By a tree  
come wretchedness into the worlde, that is by the tree

[16<sup>v</sup>]

I synned in it. And Raziel said an herbe shall be thy  
Lyfe. And Salomon said A tree shall be & shall waxe  
Or growe of which the leaves shall not fall and it shall  
Be medecine of men.

The second wyng is to the similitude  
of 24 howers and of 24 herbes

1 *Prima herba est Acil vel almabum &c*

The first herbe is Acil almalie and it is said corona  
regia and in Latin Rosmarinus This herbe hath  
a middle tree and good odor and litle leaves and his  
power is to chafe and comferte the brayne. And if  
an house be suffumed with it it chaseth away devills  
the same doth Peonia

2 The second herbe is Artemisia and this is mother  
and first if other, but for that other is said Corona  
regis that is to say the crowne of a kynge we had  
putt it first of this they sayden all that in all things  
thou doest thou shalt putt of it And the leafe is middle  
greene over thone side and white on thother side  
And it waxeth or groweth midly. And with this thou  
shalt steepe windes <sup>1</sup> and all spirits that thou wilt  
and thou shalt profit.

3 The iii herbe is Cannabis <sup>2</sup> and it is long in shafte  
and clothes be made of it, the vertue of ye Joyce  
of it is anoynt thee with it and with the Joyce of  
artemisia and ordayne thee before a mirror of steele  
clepe thou spirits, and thou shalt see them, and thou  
shalt have might of bynding and losing devills and  
other things

4 The iiii herbe is said feniculus and it hath small

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<sup>1</sup> Above "windes and" is written "stop or stacke."

<sup>2</sup> Above "Cannabis and is written "hempa."

## Liber Salomonis

leaves and a long staffe and it is an holy herbe and  
worshipfull, and it is medecyne of the eyen, and it

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giveth good light and it chaseth away spirits and evill  
eyne in the place <sup>1</sup> where it is, the roote of it chaseth  
away evill things and helpeth in sight.

5 The v<sup>th</sup> herbe is Cardamomm<sup>us</sup> and it is hott and of  
good complexion and it is of middle highnes and it  
giveth gladnes to him that useth it and gathereth together  
spirits. Eate thou of this when thou steapest or maketh  
invocation and if thou wilt make fume of it.

6 The vi<sup>th</sup> herbe is Anisu<sup>s</sup> and it is of chastity Joyne it  
to camphire, and thou shalt see that spirits shall dread  
thee, and it is a cleane herbe, and it maketh one to see  
secret things and privy, and the fume of this ascendeth  
much.

7 The vii<sup>th</sup> herbe is Coriandru<sup>s</sup>, and this withholdeth the  
spirit of a man much with tother, and it maketh a man also  
full of sleepe and this gathereth much together y<sup>e</sup> spirits  
wherefore evermore they standeth with it, so that it is  
said that if with this and apis and insquiano thou make  
fumigacions compounded with much lazaia cicuta  
anon it gathereth together spirits, and therefore it is  
said herba spiritum.

8 The viii<sup>th</sup> herbe is said Petroselim<sup>um</sup> which hath great  
might for to chase away the spirits of roches, and his  
vertue is to breake the stone in the bladder of him that  
useth it.

9 The ix<sup>th</sup> herbe is ypericon or hipericon and it is a  
middle herbe thirled the Joyce of it seemeth bloud, this  
is of great power for with the joyce of it, and with croco  
Arthemisia and with fume of radice valeriana if it be  
written upon what frindshippe thou wilte of a prince  
of spirits of the ayer and devills. Knowe thou that anon  
it shall be that thou covestest And so upon spirits and wyndes

10 The x<sup>th</sup> herbe is Apium. this is of great power upon

[17<sup>v</sup>]

wyndes and devills and fantasyes and it is shawdded  
and towiched to shade with the cloud Alcisse for in it  
be wyndes and devills, and this alone maketh Albafortu~

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<sup>1</sup> Above "in the place" is written "that is withouten." The final word, "withouten," is not clear and could be read differently.

## Sepher Raziel

Vazebelil i Mortagon and they be much contrary, for one is kepte with heavenly angels, and another is kepte with devills i. Apin<sup>u</sup> And this beareth the stone of the reynes and a woman with childe use ~~shee~~ it ~~not~~ for it noyeth to the childe, and it gathereth together divells when suffumigacions is made with insqrmō and arthe= misia Apinm suffumed by 7 nights with fagax al= meit and gathered clenly and the roote of it putt and dryed and then tempered with aqua lapides suffume thou thee by environ when thou wilt and thou shalt see fantasies and devills of divers maners.

11 The xi<sup>th</sup> is Coriandru<sup>s</sup> of the second kynde which maketh one muche to sleepe. And if thou maketh suffumigacions of it and croco and insqrmō & apio papavere nigro grounden together evenly and tempered with succo ci= cutae and with msk, and then suffume thou the place where thou wilt hide treasure in when Luna is Joyned with Sol in angulo terra that is to say in the corner of the earth. And know thou that the like treasure shall never be found. And who that would take it away shall be made fooles. And if in the hower of de= position of the golde or silver or of the stones or Images thou suffumeth them with thure musk suco= lingo aloes cost evermore devils keepeth that place and evill wyndes. And knowe thou that it might never be dissolved or foredome agayne without sever or and Image made thereto by the poynt of starres.

12 The xii<sup>th</sup> herbe is Satureja and this is of great vertue and good odor and who that beareth it with him

[18<sup>r</sup>]

with auricula muris in the day of veneris it giveth him grace of goods and it taketh away from ther place wyndes and evill fantasies.

13 The xiii<sup>th</sup> herbe is said sca<sup>1</sup> And this is middle in length and hath litle leaves This ought to be holden worshipfully in holy places and in churches, for it defendeth the places from evill things And with this prophets made dead men speake that were dead by many dayes or fewe. In place where as any evill he hath no might if he that beareth it stepeth them not

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<sup>1</sup> Some speculation on this has led us to the reading "scammony," namely, the bindweed *Convolvulus scammonia*.



And it giveth them might upon which things he would  
and this herbe put upon the place where devills be  
closed, and it constraineth them and byndeth them  
least that they might have power to move them selves  
And Salomon said I founde in the booke of hermits  
that who that taketh water in the 4<sup>th</sup> hower of the  
night upon the tombe of a dead man with what spi=  
rits he would have speech withall caste he water  
upon the tombe with this herbe ysope And the  
water be it suffumed with costo succo musco and say  
surgo surgo surgo That is to say rise rise rise  
and come and speak to me, and do this by 3 nights  
and in the third night he shall come to thee and he  
shall speake with thee of what thing thou wilte.  
14 The xiiii<sup>th</sup> herbe is psyllium which is of great vertue  
for it sheweth or maketh open in the ayer the other  
mought not to do it maketh to see spirits in the cloudes  
of the heavens and this with scicorda & garmone and  
the tree which swimeth which is said arbor Cancri and  
malie with rore madii and with the tree that sheweth  
by night, and it is said herba lucens that is herbe

[18<sup>v</sup>]

shining if thou makest with these an ointment with  
the eyne of a whelpe and with the fatnes of a harte  
thou mightest go suerly whether thou wolt in on hower  
15 The xv<sup>th</sup> herbe Majorana, this keepeth an house  
by itself and defendeth from evill infirmities and  
Hermes said that gentiana and valerina and  
maiorana avayleth much upon great princes and  
upon great men.

16 The xvi<sup>th</sup> herbe is Draguntia. This is of great  
power, and the highnes of the roote of it Joyned with  
the tong of Colubrj which is lett quicke, and the herbe  
be gathered when sol is in the first degree of Cancri  
and Luna beholdeth mercury or Joyned with him  
knowe thou that who that toucheth clansures or locke  
they shall be opened to him anone And Hermes said  
that it gathereth together wyndes & spirits If man  
dragora were with it and Capillus dezoara.

17 The xvii<sup>th</sup> herbe is Nepita and if this with maio=  
rana and athanasia & trifolio and salvia hermita  
edera and artemisia with ysope being ioyned & ga=  
thered together cresente luna die Jovis That is

to say in the wenyng of the mone in the day of  
*Jovis in the morowe when the sonne waxeth from*  
the first degree of Aries till into the first of Cancer  
and when thou shalt gather him be thou clene and  
washen worshipfull and stand thou towards the east  
knowe thou that the house and place is amended  
where these nyne herbes were wyned together And  
put them upon the gate of thy house and thou shalt  
profitt evermore And the 9 herbes ioyned be  
like to rubyne.

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18 The xviii<sup>th</sup> herbe is *Linum* suffumigacions of the  
Seed of this with semine psylyly – i – azartachona & radix  
*Violae* and apii maketh to see in the ayer things to come  
and to say many prophesies

19 The xix<sup>th</sup> herbe is *Salvia* this is of great vertue  
and the long leife of it is as ligna agni and sharpe  
this breaketh or defendeth evill shades & evill spirits  
from the place where it is, and it is good for an hole  
man to beare with his for it holdeth a man whole, but  
a sicke man holdeth it not with him.

20 The xx<sup>th</sup> herbe is *Sauina*, and some men say that it  
is a tree ^ of love <sup>1</sup> and dilection who that can chese it  
And if this with somewhat of croco and lingua co=  
lubri be borne with him a ring of gold and somewhat  
of provinca surely goe thou before the king or before  
whomsoever thou wolt And most if thou put with it  
the stone that is said *Topazius* or if thou wilt beril=  
lum And if this ring were made when Luna is ioyned  
to Jove in trino from sol it were much the better  
And it is said *annulus solis* that the ring of the  
sonne, and it is of health against infirmityes, and it is  
of grace of vertue and of hono<sup>r</sup>.

21 The xxi<sup>th</sup> *Nasturciu*~ This holdeth the  
members whole, and if there were with it *origan* and  
*pulegin*~ and *arzolla* and be borne together with thee  
and thou eatest of them thou shalt be whole within  
and without And so if thou annoyntest thee with them  
and were suffumed with *marrubio albo* or *reubarbaro*  
and *herba thuris* it shall defend thee from many  
infirmityes

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<sup>1</sup> At the caret mark ^ above the words "of love" is written, "This is a tree."

22 The xxii<sup>th</sup> is an herbe that is said Canna ferula

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This is full dreadfull and greevous and strong in worke. And if thou takest the Joyce of it and the Joice of cicuta and Jusquiami and sapsi barbate and san= dalu~ rubr~ papaver nigr~ with confection made fume thou what thou wolt and thou shalt see devills and things and strannge figures And if Apin were with this Knowe thou that from eache place suffumed devills should flye, and if thou wolt thou might de= stroy evill spirits. This suffumigacions is full evill and dreadful for the fume of it and the worke overcometh in malice and worcheth most evill and most strongly if Luna were with Saturne or in opposition with marte that is in opposition with Mars.

23 The xxiii<sup>th</sup> herbe is Calamintum and it is like= ned to mynte and it is of great vertue in good suffumigacions, and if there is with it menta and palma xpi i. pioma theis beholden taketh away evill spirits from a place And evermore it is against fantasies.

24 The xxiiii<sup>th</sup> herbe is Cicoria. This is full good in all ^ exercisannce <sup>1</sup> if it be ioyned with erigo & pentaphyllon and ypericon and vrtica & verbena and all be together and be borne at the necke and under the feete and be there the herbe of vii knots and of vii leaves. l. Martagon and liliu~ domesticu<sup>s</sup> and sylvestre that is tame and wylde and herba angelica who ever hath these under his feete or sytteth above and putteth the other herbes to the necke and hath vii rings of vii metals in the fi= gures Knowe ye that he shall have might in

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bynding and in losing and in enchanting and for to do good and evill in eache place that thou wolt making suffumigacions of these 9 things thure albo thymiama= te mastiche musco ligno aloes cassia cinamono and of them suffume thee with the things above said in envy= ron and say these names Raphael Gabriel Michael

<sup>1</sup> Above "exercisannce" is written "exonization."

Cherubin Seraphin arrielim pantaseron micraton san= daton complete mea~ petitione~ et mea~ voluntate~. That is to say fulfill ye my peticion or asking and my will and they shall fulfill it to thee. These be the more names of the more 9 angels abovesaid And knowe thou them and keepe them, and some men said that they be the 9 orders of Angels.

Heere endeth the 24 reasons upon the vertues of herbes of the second wyng and these experiments were new writen on party in Raziel although Sa= lomom put two of these three of the sawes of hermes And the herbes be put in the booke of Raziel for that with them we may be excused and worke with herbs as with Semiforas with fasting and with words in good and in evill And let no man Joyne himself to Se= miforas till he knowe himself the first and in the second And thus we shall say all thing that shall be to us necessary with the helpe of God.

*De tertia ala*

*Dixit Salomon super ala tertia sicut corpus solis &c*

Salomon said upon the third wyng as the body of the sonne is more appeering and mighty upon all other bodyes and brighter and fayrer and cleener So the vertues of sensible beasts which flyeth and sendeth out

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voices and sayeth And so beasts of the third wyng have power upon the twey first wyngs of stones and of herbes And he put therefore in the Raziel 24 beasts with their names and vertues and states. And the figures be 24 distincte or departed a twey. And I would putt upon eache Element 6 beasts everiche distinct from other and everiche of his kynde. And as the fyer is the high Lord and distinct from the 4 elements so the lese of them all is purer and Cle= ner among them. Therefore I beginne to say upon the beasts of fyer ffor as everiche of the 4 ele= ments hath his beast beneath so the fyer hath his above pure and cleane without corruption And this fyer that is above is not expounded of wax trees neither of oyle neither of other composition but it is simple And the things that liveth in it beth angels cleane and cleere and bright like to the beames of the

sonne or of a starre, and like to the flame of fyer  
 or of a sparke of fyer or to the colo<sup>r</sup> of quickesilver  
 or of pure golde. And this similitude is naturall in  
 the beasts of the fyer And the figures of them bene  
 seeme such as the lightening in similitude and in  
 deed for as an Eomoest is a messenger to the  
 creator so they be ready anon to good and evill and  
 they seme like things & prophets that upon the  
 4 elements be heavens with their beasts of which we  
 should say furthermore.

The second spirit is much cleane but darker then  
 The overer and it is likened to the wynde & his figure  
 Is after that he would take after some of the 4

[21<sup>r</sup>]

Elements to which he is Joyned. And he formeth himself  
 in this maner either by water or by cloude or by moist=  
 nes or by thicknes of some darkenes or he receiveth  
 some body as fume of some kynde by falling on it either  
 by voce or by shape of a beast elemented by these he  
 taketh forme after that the nature above disposeth  
 3 The third beast of which wise men sayne is that ever=  
 more he fellowshipe a spirit And most the corpulent  
 and thicke of the spirit And therfore his figure is found  
 by night in places of dread and it is heard and seene and  
 that ofte tyme and the color of it is like to tpari 1 after  
 the nature of hower ere it is made, otherwise to the  
 similitude of the body of which it went out of, wherfore  
 some men seith otherwhiles the soules of bodyes in church  
 hayes And of these soules said the wise Hermes and  
 the prophet that the soule that goeth out & hath might  
 is not neither was but a man or a woman And upon  
 such maner of soules speaketh wisemen and clepeth  
 them spirituall for goodnes heavenly fro<sup>~</sup> symplenes.  
 4 The iiiii<sup>th</sup> beast is the wynde eache day we heare that  
 we seyne not although we other & hearen not. And  
 the worke of the wynde be seene of the eyne after  
 the part from which they cometh And he hath such  
 nature that if he be orientall or meridionall that  
 is East or south he is hott And if he is occidentall  
 or septentrionall that is west or north he is colde  
 This we seene to have great power for it beareth  
 cloudes and waters and tempests and gayles and it  
 stirreth and troubleth the seas and breaketh tree, and

this is said quicke ayer as the fyer above is said quicke fyer and simple. And therefore the elementes above said double or twey folde That is to say fixe &

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moveable, moveable it is because it dwelleth in the corners of the earth although it descendeth from above ffor the 7 above byndeth and loseth it for of them it descendeth and of them it was formed & this is a great figure in sea in Ayre and in land as it cometh temperate.

5 The v<sup>th</sup> beast or vision is a fantasy that is a shade to the similitude of divers colors or maners come pounded of divers together And this forme is made in desert place or in a corrupte ayre or otherwhile it descendeth from hills to the similitude or lightnes of knights, and they be said exercitus antiquus, that is an olde house And otherwise upon matters to similitude of fayre women and well clothed or in medes, and some say that they be face<sup>s</sup>. And otherwhiles this befalleth in a man, for corruption or malice of complexions and of humo<sup>rs</sup> that be in a man And they be said Demoniaci for that it ascendeth the head and falleth upon the eyne and such corruption maketh to see many fantasyes

6 The sixth beast is said Demon this descendeth in highnes to lownes ad he was formed of pure matter without corruption wherfore he fayleth not but shall evermore dure although he hath taken thicknes in darknes of the lownes of the earth. And he is pure in matter and strong in body And of this sayth the wise man that he knoweth all things that is, And by him Philosophers have answers and wise men all things of which they would knowe the soothernes and he dwelleth evermore in darknes and in obscurity and he is never severed from them

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And of this sayth the prophet that he hath power of taking away forme and shapes of which he would in the earth after the will of the creato<sup>r</sup> And he said a bright angell mighty and fayre as the forme of the sonne and of the mone and of the starres or of an angell or of a cloude or of a fowle or of a fyshe or of a man or

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of a beast or of a reptile that is a creeping beast or any other forme which he woulde And all these abovesaid without them knowe thou that they be impalpable or unhappy to be felt. That is that they neither may be taken with hand nor towchiched with foote for they be spirits or wyndes And knowe thou that everiche of the abovesaid when it befalleth in the elements he taketh a body of them although the lyfe of them be of fyer And the dwelling of them in the fyre and their deads fury for they be fury. And Raziel said upon these vi that invocation of them and opening and constrayneth and bynding and losing and also to do good and evill by them All is made with cleanes and therefore who that would clepe them or have the service of them & with orison and fasting and fumigation and with praying of God must do as Heere= after thou shalt heare furthermore.

*Animalia aeris tertiae alae vocantur aves &c*  
Beasts of the ayer of the third winge be cleped fowles for that they flyeth and they be of 4 mevings one is said running another flying and swiming and going and creeping

Now say we of flyeing and beginne we first of 1 Aquila that is an Egle for that is a fowle flying much in highnes and he hath Lordship upon all other fowles, and he is very and true in his deeds and in Lordship and in hono<sup>r</sup> among all other fowles. The

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Eagle hath such a nature that he taketh his sonnes or byrds when they be litle and ascendeth them into a place when the sonne is highe, and then he dresseth the face of them to the sonne. And if they beholdeth strongly the sonne he deemeth them to be his children and good and if they beholdeth not the sonne he deem= eth them not to be his children but thinketh them evill and letteth them fall and dye And one feather of him fretteth another fether, and he seith farre by one league or rule a litle beast, a great beast soothly he seith by 9 leagues or by a dayes Journey The eyne of him with the hart have great vertue and Grace to a kynge or to a lord of a lorde for that

Giveth to him grace in <sup>1</sup> realme.

2 The second fowle is Vultur that is a vouter this hath great vertue in all his members, the head of him helpeth against all dreames and against craftes of magicke and his feete helpeth against malefette And if an house be suffumed with 9 fethers of him it putteth out from it evill spirits The gall of it helpeth the eyne better then anything of y<sup>e</sup> worlde The eyne of him putt in the skynne of a serpent, and The tong of him putt in a cloth of red sylke wrapped with them helpeth in clauses in which thou covetest to overcome and for to wyne the love of another Lord. The wings of him putt upon a bed defendeth a man sleeping from all evill wyndes greivances and evill spiritts neither may they lett in all the house, neither any other fantasyes have power or other things.

3 The third fowle is falco that is falcon of whome the Vertue is that of great Lords he is sett at much price

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they bene of the highnes of his right wyng overcometh plees both ravishing and in taking away alien things and the highnes of his lefte wyng taketh away evill fevers But we ought not to sley venative fowles neither hounds although they have many vertues in them selves. And knowe thou that how many members be in every beast fowle fishe or reptile so many vertues distincte hath every member by himself.

4 The iii<sup>th</sup> fowle is a Turtur simple and good neverthelesse if thou takest the male and the female together and burnest them together in a new pott with croco and vervinca and cichoria gathered together by them which thou wilt ioyn together if thou castest the powder of these upon them knowe thou that anon they shall be ioyned together, and it giveth great love to them that beareth the powder with them

5 The v<sup>th</sup> fowle is said Upupa that is a Lapwing having a crest of fethers in the head as a cocke & he hath many vertues this hath one bone in his wings and it gathereth together divels and spirits of the ayer the property of him is that whoever taketh the hart of him and wrappeth it in hony, and the assoone as he may

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<sup>1</sup> Above <sup>^</sup> is written "his."



swallowe it and drinke the mylke of a white cow of a red or of a blacke. Know thou that it maketh a man to say things to come. And he hath another vertue for who that cutteth the necke where the cocke croweth not neither may be hard neither the voice of an hound neither where wheate is sowen and when he cutteth if his necke inlepe he devils, and then bear<sup>e</sup> he with him the half deale of the bloud and of that other half deale anoynt he himself and evermore shall go with

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him one of the devills that is to witt he whome he can inlepe which shall say to him many things  
6 The vi<sup>th</sup> is said Ciconia that is an haysoucke who that fleyeth him in the day of Luna and taketh the bloud of the hart of him and anoynt himself with it And eateth the flesh with somine faeminli and with cardamoms and garyophillo And eare he eate it suffume he himself with good odors and with thure masticke and cinamom and other such. And know thou that he shall have grace of enchanting which he woll and of coniuring and constraining the spirits of the ayer and other spirits that goeth upon rivers and wells These vi fowles abovesaid bene exemplar upon all other And when thou wilt knowe the vertue of any fowle do thou after the precept of this booke.

Raziel upon the booke of visions of Angells upon the beginning of tymes in the 12 months as heere after thou shalt see furthermore

*Dicamus de viscus mavis et alys &c*

Say we of fishes of the sea and others upon vi of Them that is to witt of the more and the middle that I should shew the vertues of them.

1 The first fishe is Balena the fatnes of which made liquid and kepte by the space of vii yeeres & more for how much it is thelder so much it is the better it healeth a man from eache gowte and evill mynde if he anoynt himself with it. And if he annoynteth his head with the bloud of him it helpeth him much and yeeldeth him strong and more whole and it maketh

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him to see true visions. The sperma of him is said Ambra  
 If they suffumeth tombs with this it gathereth together  
 The spirits above downwards and each petition & axing  
 It maketh to give answe. And Hermes said There is not  
 suffumigacions for to inclepe spirits as Ambra & lignum  
 aloes, costus, muscus' crucus and bloud of lapwing with  
 thymyamati for these be meat and drinke & gladnes  
 of spirits of the ayre, and these things gathers them to-  
 gither strongly and full soone. And wise men sayne that  
 the sperme and bloud and hart of a Balene be princi=  
 palls for to command the wyndes & spirits

2 The second fish is said Dolphin And he is the king of  
 the sea ffor as the eagle hath might among fowles  
 and the Lion among beasts so in this maner hath the  
 dolphin in the sea. And who that annoynteth with the bloud  
 of the clothes of twey friends it maketh them enemyes  
 or casteth the dry bloud upon them. And who that bea=  
 reth the hart of him maketh him hardy

3 The third fishe is Cancer this hath vi feete take  
 and brenne him in panno livido and with the powder  
 frote thy teeth softly it healeth them and maketh them  
 fayer, and cureth the canker in the mouth, if thou  
 casteth it upon the fyer with somewhat of Stercoris  
 humani combusti it gathereth together spirits.

4 The fourth is bright as an horne betwixt palemes  
 and whitenes that is to say piscis candis or sepia  
 This fish hath many propertyes and that knoweth well  
 enchantments and prophets which made with this their  
*enchantments and transfigurations* so that when  
 they would that a house should seem full of water  
 or that a river should enter by the gate They tooke

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this fish and with thymyamati and ligno aloes and  
 roses they fumed an house and they cast therein of  
 the water of the sea, and then it seemed that the house  
 were filled with water And if they cast bloud therein  
 then it seemed all bloud, and so if they cast snowe there=  
 in it seemeth snowe. And when they would that the  
 earth shoulde seeme to quake then they cast therein  
 the earth of a plowe, and so the made there divers  
 similitudes in all things according or after the thing  
 which they put in the fumigacion. And knowe thou that  
 it dweth so much and so long as the suffumigacions

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is or lasteth in the house. And with the gall of him also they made many enchantments, ffor that this beast is much unlike to other.

5 The v<sup>th</sup> fishe is Murena and he is lentiguus the vertue of it is that enchanter beareth the powder of him with them to make enchantments with.

6 The vi<sup>th</sup> fishe is Rana viridis And if thou take it or touché it upon what woman thou wilte and nempnest the names of the Angells of the moneth in which thou werthe borne as I thinke which be furthermore within in libro visionn<sup>is</sup> thou might do both good and evill of what woman thou wilte, and know thou that of these fishes and of all other thou maist knowe the vertues of moneths and understand thou by like things in all other things.

*Primie animal est leo ista bestia est valde fortis*

The first beast is a Lyon This beast is full strong in The brest and in the cheeks And he is of strong beholding

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and looking so that when other beasts seeth him they be moved together with dread and the skynne of him is of full vertue that if it be putt with other skynnes it destroyeth them and maketh them bare. And who that taketh the biting toothe of him that is cleped dens caninus and putteth it in golde it is good to take away and to take alyen things and the same doth wolfes toothe. And if thou maketh a purse of the harte of a Lyon full of bloud musco & almea et ligno aloes thymyamati and it were gathered & put upon whome thou wylt and thou maketh it hott. Know thou that in that hower he shall love the much and shall doe thy bidding. And if thou inclepest with the bloud of a goate the prince of Divels he shall be ready anone to do thy commandement and so more kynge or he for whome thou doest, and the same I say for great women.

2 The second beast is Elephant that is an Oliphant and He is ful great, and when he is risen of hard he lyeth & when he falleth of hard re riseth, for that thereto he hath no knees disposed well, and the bone of the teeth of him is said Ebur that is Ivory. And if it be put in electna= ryes it comforteth the feebleness of the hart as much as margarita and more. And the bloud of him with the liver comforteth much fasting.

3 The third beast is Cerbus that is an hart which liveth long for that he remayneth as the moone or as an egle who that maketh fumigacions of the hornes it chaseth away serpents, by it self it chaseth away devills.

4 The iv<sup>th</sup> beast is Catus that is a catte and he seith better by the night then by the day, and who that taketh of him and of an Irchen and of a rearemouse and maketh of Alcofol & Alcofolizeth or noynteth his eyne he seith well by night and by day. And if thou putteth

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therein the eyne of an asse thou mightest see whether the spirits and devills of the ayer goen

5 The v<sup>th</sup> beast is Mustela that is a wesell, this bringeth forth her Issue at her moneth after the sayeng of the poets but not of philosophers, this helpeth much when he is brent, and the skynne of him is written for to cause love betwixt tweyne

6 The vi<sup>th</sup> beast is Talpa that is a molewarpe and dwelleth under the earth and is likened to a mouse with this beast thou mayest make to come tempests pestilence, hailes and lightnings & cornflations and many evill things if thou putteth him bare or naked upon the earth dead and overturned, and with this beast thou mayest make discorde and concord with whome thou wilte, for he is a cursed beast, he healeth a man of the festure when he is burnt or powder and Cast in it.

And when thou wilt knowe the vertue of other beasts do as it is said in libro visionn<sup>is</sup> upon which aske thou this of the Lord of the vision that is that it appears to thee that thou askest and covetest to knowe of beasts which thou wylte.

This beast seith not neyther hath eyne. And know thou that the vision of moneths is upon all things that thou askest or would knowe. And God shall be with thee if of right thou aske. And knowe thou that heere is fulfilled the third wyng And now begin we the fourth wing which is complete or fulfilled upon all the elements.

[De Quartus Ala]

*Dixit Salomon sicut corpus vivu~ &c*

Salomon said as a quicke body mylde or great is

[26<sup>r</sup>]

not moved with their feete neither any fowle lesse then with two wings, neither the world is governed with lesse then with fowre elements may not neither might not be lesse then with 4 wyngs which be said to be 4 vertues wherefore Raziel said that who that shall be filled with this booke shall be as one of the prophets, he shall understand all vertues of things and powers of them and if he withholdeth and worcheth he shall be as an angel. And therefore he putt in this booke 22 elements of great vertue that is 22 letters or figures which the sonnes of Adam might not excuse.

1 The first is Aleph א That is A his letter is three cornered and it signifyeth the lyfe power and highnes and the principall or beginning in all things These putteth all things in their figures and in their principles.

2 The second is said Beth ב That is B and it is full good in things which we desire in Battaile and in playe & evermore sheweth goodness and profit

3 The third is said Gimel ג that is G and it sheweth evill and grief and Impediment in things

4 The fourth is said Daleth ד that is D this sheweth turbation and death of some man & harme to him

5 The fifth is said He ה that is H and it sheweth price, honor and gladnes & it is full good in all things

6 The sixt is said Vau ו that is V and it sheweth death payne and travaile

7 The vii<sup>th</sup> is said Zain ז that is Z at it sheweth pennyes and riches

8 The viii<sup>th</sup> is said Heth ח and it signifyeth Long lyfe and helthe.

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9 The ix<sup>th</sup> is said Teth ט that is T and it signifyeth wrath woodnes and grief

10 The tenth is Iod י that is I and it signifyeth faith good lyfe and gladnes and all good beginning

11 The xi<sup>th</sup> is said Caph כ hit sheweth very gladnesse and travaile without profit

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- 12 The xii<sup>th</sup> is said Lamed ל and it sheweth glad=nes and honor and profit  
13 The xiii<sup>th</sup> is said Mem מ That is M and it sheweth greef and otherwise dolor  
14 The xiiii<sup>th</sup> is said Nun נ that is N. It signifyeth restoring of a friend, and a visitation of him & profit  
15 The xv<sup>th</sup> is said Samech ס  
16 The xvi<sup>th</sup> is said Ain ע It sheweth occasion or evill of a woman  
17 The xvii<sup>th</sup> is said Pe פ it sheweth health.  
18 The xviii<sup>th</sup> is said Phe פ<sup>1</sup> That is ff and it sheweth bloud is shed of good men and highe  
19 The xix<sup>th</sup> is Zade צ It sheweth health  
20 The xx<sup>th</sup> is said Coph ק It sheweth hid lyfe  
21 The xxi<sup>th</sup> is said Res ר That is R And it shew=eth a man that is fallen and is risen  
22 The xxii<sup>th</sup> is said Thau ת That is T. It sheweth Greefe and diminution.

Now we have said upon the fowre wyngs upon the 22 letters that be upon the lawes of the table written And know thou that there be no moe but onlye 22 letters Which be the roote of Semiforas for with them it is formed And is caused and is made and without them I may not be

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And some men said that Ca~malie found them. But it is not sooth ffor the angell Raziel gave them written to Adam in this booke that is said liber ignis, and with them all the booke of Semiforas written. And knowe eache man that readeth this booke that the Creator said to Raziel to be the names of Semiforas wherfore if thou canst transpose these 22 letters or figures as it beseemeth thou shalt attayne the great name of thy Creator and with it thou might do what thou wilt evermore with Cleanesse and with the helpe of the Creator. Now we have fulfilled this booke of the wing like to the angels that is Pantaseron Mucraton Sandalon for everich of these hath 4 wings by commandement of the benigne angell which the Creator sent to me that this booke were better compounded and well ordeyned.

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<sup>1</sup> Two forms of *peh* פ (*peh* and *peh dagesh*) are given, but no *shin* ש.

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Heere endeth the second booke & beginneth  
the third book of Thymiamatibus

*Dixit angelus Adae fac Thymiamata &c*

[Book 3]

The Angell said to Adam make thymiamata  
Thymiamata be confections of good odors with which thou  
shalt suffume (and thou shalt please to Creacion)  
and thou shalt attayne what thou wylt by this  
And they of which they be made be petition things  
which thou shalt fynde and of good odor and of good  
nature, and of cleane things. And when thou  
wilt do it be thou cleane of without all fylthe  
and then the angell rested in that hower And Adam  
remayned and did what he might And this Salomon  
expounded and said I marvaile why this is the booke

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of Moyses also ffor the Creato<sup>r</sup> said to Moyses  
make thou Thymiamata and suffume thou in the  
hill when thou wilt speake with me wherfore Salomon  
said suffumigacions sacrifice & unction maketh  
to be opened the gates of the aire and of the fyre  
and of all other heavens. And by suffumigacions a  
man may see heavenly things and privatyes of the  
Creato<sup>r</sup> And each man knowe that they thirleth  
The earth water and lownesse And Salomon said  
As there be 7 heavens, 7 starres & 7 dayes in  
the weeke of which everiche is distinct and is not likened  
to his even. So knowe each man that there be 7  
suffumigacions which withholdeth with them the vertue  
of the 7 starres, and maketh glad the spirits of the  
ayre and the angels of heaven and Divels of angels  
of the worlde. And therefore for a man yeeldeth to  
them hit, that is theirs. Therefore they be pleased  
and well apaid for the words which thou sayest of  
sayest the names of them or of the Creato<sup>r</sup>. And for  
this that thou doest when thou wastest thee and  
for the gift that thou givest to them when thou  
suffumest, and these things yeeldeth them earthly  
and appearing to thee. And that spirituall & invisible  
that is, that neither evill men neither beasts  
mongst see thee if thou doest it strongly about thee  
and about whome thou doest it.  
Thymiamata is made of many things, and these be

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Principally upon the vii dayes of the weeke And first  
say we of thymiamata of the Saturday for the starre  
of him is higher & the angell of him is mighty in y<sup>e</sup> earth

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1 The first Thymiamata is of the Saturday ought  
to be of good things and well smelling rootes as is  
costus and herba thuris. And that is thymiamata  
for good, and so I shall shewe all other as it beseemeth  
to good and Thymiamata to another I  
shall say in another place

2 Thymiamata of the Sondag is thus Mastick muscus  
and other such and all other good gumes and  
of good odor in all good and by the Contrary in  
all evill

3 Thymiamata of the Monday is foliu<sup>s</sup> myrti and  
lauri and leaves of good odor and so understand  
thou in his contrary.

4 Thymiamata of the Tuesday is Sandalus rubeus  
niger and albus and all such trees and eche tree  
of Aloes & cypresse and so understand thou of each  
tree.

5 Thymiamata of Wednesday is made of all rindes  
as cinamon cassia lignea & cortices lauri & muris  
and so understand thou in the other

6 Thymiamata of Thursday is nux muscata gari=  
ophylli and citruli and the rinde of Aurangiar~  
siccar~ & pulverizatar~ that is the rynde of Oranges  
dry and powdered & all other fruits of good odor

7 Thymiamata of the Friday is moas rosa viola  
& crocus and all other flowers of good odor and in  
the contrary to the contrary put yow all Thymiamata stinking  
And knowe thou that each Thymiamata of good odor  
Gathereth together his spirits after that his nature  
& his color he & his strength is Thus I sayd for good  
good, for better better.

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And Hermes said of Thymiatibus that  
Thymiamata of Luna is cinamonis & ligno  
aloes et mastix et crocus et costus, et macis  
et myrtus we putteth this that each of the pla=  
nets have a parte in it, and all this may be Luna  
good and well fortunate by good spices & sharpe



although Salomon made distinction upon the daies  
 and planette of the spices with the which a man ought  
 to make thymiamata And he said that of Saturne  
 is each good roote in good and evill in evill  
 And of Jovis all fruite, and of martis eche tree  
 And of solis eche gume and of veneris eche  
 flower, and of mercury each rinde, and of Luna  
 eache leafe, and thus understand thou of all other  
 and eche odoriferous herbe is of veneris. And  
 Raziel said to Adam that he should make good  
 Thymiamata. And therefore said Hermes, understand  
 That eache Thymiamata is made of all good things  
 as of roote tree rinde leafe flower fruite & gumes  
 and yet seeds be put in it as Baccae & Cardamomu~  
 and waxe, and put thou in it all good thing and  
 precious, and sithen he said Thymiamata completu~  
 And there is some Thymiamata gracu~ or of greeke  
 by which heather men were wont to suffume Idols  
 with. And yet to this day Churches and Altars be  
 suffumed with it, and it is said Thymaimata Jovis.  
 And in soothernes who that useth this Thymiamatibus  
 must be cleane and chaste and of all good lyfe and  
 will to the Creato<sup>r</sup> and he shall profit.

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*Dixit Salomon super suffumigata Hermetis q<sup>1</sup> dur &c*  
 Salomon said upon the suffumigacions of Hermes which  
 be said beneath and they be seven maners with which be  
 1 made sacrifices some be (and the first) which fastesth and  
 giveth tei things to the Creato<sup>r</sup>, and therefore they  
 trust that they attayne to that that they desire And  
 it is soothe  
 2 The second is that they washen & clenseth them  
 selves and dwelleth cleane and therefore they trow  
 to attayne their petition & axing & it is soothe  
 3 The iii<sup>d</sup> is that they do almes of God and for the  
 holy angels of him  
 4 The iiiii<sup>th</sup> is that they sleyeth and casteth the bloud  
 in the fyer.  
 5 The fifth is that they sleyeth and burneth all  
 6 The sixt is that they prayeth much in howers ordeyned  
 7 tymes in the day, and 3 in the night

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<sup>1</sup> The *q* has <sup>ae</sup> written above it.

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7 The vii<sup>th</sup> is to make suffumigacion with good things and well smelling and everiche of these did this that he might attayne the sothenes of it that he asked and so he attained hit by the Commandement of the Creato<sup>r</sup>.

And know thou that suffumigacion overcometh in all Sothely who that suffumeth best to the eye it proveth and with this the wisemen excuseth all other. And wit thou that who can well knowe the natures of suffumigacions he might easily nigh thilk spirits which he would enclepe according to the nature of suffumigacion And evermore consider thou the nature of the spirit and of the suffumigacion, and the spirits be constrained by the contrary and be comforted by

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like things And it is to wytt that as a wise leache in giving a medecine to a sicke man removeth the sickenes and inleadeth health. So suffumigacion if it be good remeveth the contrary from the place And with evill suffumigacion be remeved good spirits, evill and ill spirits also dreadeth for eache thing more loveth health then sickenesse. And therefore it is said that Sulphur remeveth both good spirits and evill, and this is approbation or profitt way And there is another way for lignu~ aloes and none other, and Sulphur chaseth them away and this is very reason And then I say that Sulphur gathereth together his proper spirits and none other And they be full strong & penetrative and thicke and be not severed or departed so soone from a place But although a place were suffumed with Sulphur, and then were washen with water and suffumed with lignu~ aloes yet it draweth away the spirits of Sulphur or endureth or leadeth in his owne. And knowe thou also that the spirit of Azet that is quicksilver and the spirit of Thuris be contrary Although spirits both yet therewith all devills entereth and thirleth rather or sooner then the spirit of Thuris, wherfore everich hath full great might, yet and if thou wilte withdrawe the spirits suffume thou with thure and they shall go out And so understand thou of all other spirits good and evill.

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And Salomon said that as a physicion putteth  
a man pure good oyntmente and cleane and

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they thirleth the body of a man and healeth so suffumigacions  
thirleth the 4 elemnts and maketh to see and knowe  
heavenly things which were evermore heavenly and which  
descendeth from heavens as be angells & spirits of the  
ayre and the soules of dead men and divels and windes  
of spelunke and of deepenes and fantasies of desert place  
And wherfore knowe thou that all spiritualls with right  
fumigacon shall obey to thee, and shall come to thee  
and they shall do thy co~mandement And Hermes said  
that all things that was or is present or shall be that the  
overnature Joyned with the neather by ordinance or tyme  
and hower maketh one body and understanding that he  
can understand and knowe thilke things whereof creatures  
have to live and themselves to governe. Therfore  
know thou that there be fumes that Chaseth away  
spirits and other some that steyeth them and constreyneth  
them to come, and other that quickeneth them  
and strengthneth them, and giveth them might, and so  
by the contrary there be some that destroyeth them  
and taketh away their might, and this is the probacion  
of this for the fume of an hare chaseth them away  
and this he said upon serpents and that chaseth them  
away which is fumus amnecae that is the fume of feces  
of oyle and that steyeth them is the spittle of a  
fasting man. And therefore he said suffumigacion  
sufficeth to us in all things beneath. And Raziel  
said knowe thou that as water washeth all uncleanesse  
and fire maketh liquid or melteth all mettalls & maketh  
cleane and fyneth. And as the aire is the lyfe of a man

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living, and the earth sustaineth or beareth eche body  
and nourisheth each plant, to understand thou that  
good thymiamata – i – suffumigacions is fulfilling in  
the worke to the Invocations of spirits and of other  
things and well proporcioned with the which Thymiamata  
is confect or medled, and were in eache hower convenient  
of according.

*Dixit Salomon propter hoc pono hora<sup>s</sup> et tempus &c*  
 Salomon sayeth ffor this I put the hower and the  
 tyme in this worke for in all howers in which a man  
 will speake to a kinge or to a prince he may not speake  
 to them neither in eache hower which a sonne asketh  
 of the father any thing he giveth to him. Therefore  
 it is darke to thee to choose the tyme and the hower  
 upon these that thou askest. This is therefore tempus  
 quoddam that is some tyme of Jovis be it done in the  
 day of Jovis and of Veneris in the day of Veneris  
 and Martis. And of Saturne in the day of Saturne.  
 And so of other that be done in Invocations of spirits  
 and in all prayings of Angells. And the fumigacion  
 of which is pure and cleane. Knowe thou that it is a  
 spirituall thing and living and fellowshiping to heavenly  
 things. And now said Veallia Knowe thou  
 that no man ought to make suffumigacion of precious  
 things but if it were before cleane, and with cleane  
 waters well washen and annoynted with precious oyntments  
 which he made cleanly and with precious things  
 as cera alba, balsamo croco and musco abitatmecca  
 algalia, almea Thure myrrha. Oleo olivary. And this  
 oyntment be it well kept and well warded in a cleane

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place of him after that also the clothings be cleane  
 white newe and good, not broken neither blacke. And  
 the suffume he himself worshipfully, and the  
 maner of suffuming himself ought to be made in  
 vii maners towards the East the North the West  
 and the south, and towards the heaven above, and  
 towards the earth beneath, and the vii<sup>th</sup> tyme all  
 about. And as offe as thou doest this evermore  
 dresse thy mynde unto God evermore, and pray that  
 he fulfill thy will. And knowe thou that I founde in  
 some olde booke that these were the more suffumigacions.  
 Thus thymiamata gracu<sup>m</sup> masticke, sandulus  
 galbanu<sup>s</sup> Muschalazerat myrrha and Ambra and these  
 be collectors of spirits and placators of them. And  
 Salomon said when thou wilt gather together the  
 spirits of the ayre do thou in this maner. Clense  
 thou thy self in the better maner that thou canst  
 and go to a pitt where thou wilt knowen to thee  
 and suffume it and encleape him by his owne

proper name and lathe him or pray him and that by three nights, and if he answereth not to thee neither appeareth send thou him to a certaine place or to an house or to a quadrive that is a place where 4 wayes meeteth or to a yard or gardeine And suffume thou the pitt towards the vii parts and in the place where thou bathest also, as I have said And then knowe thou that he shall come, and he shall appeere to thee that thou shalt do this.

*Et dixit Hermes quod spiritus qui apparent &c*  
And Hermes said that the spirits which appeareth

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in this worlde be these. Some sothely be heavenly and the prophet clepeth them Angels, and they be bright and cleere as flame or a starre as we have said. Other be aire and of the aire and of many colors greene bright and other such & of many figures. And other be fiery and they be bright and red. And other be watery and they be white and as bright as tinne or Iron burnished or quickesilver Other be that neigheth to men & be like to a white cloude or to a white clothe And other be darke and dime and of divers formes which be said Divels which be said with the wynde, and they be in the deepenesse of the sea and of lownesse Spirits that bring with hailes & lightnings And wisemen clepeth these huge spirits & strong Now we have said of the nature of spirits and putt to thy mynde and thou shalt attayne with the helpe of God.

*Dixit Raziel sicut in aere puro claro &c*  
Raziell said as in the pure cleere and bright & cleane and peciable aire all things gladdeth a wyeth of it. So knowe thou that from fasting and cleannes and washing of water & prayers<sup>1</sup> and orison of the Creator. And for naturall and cleane suffumigacion and very faith or trust thou might please them which we have said above. And Raziel said to Adam knowe thou that in all maner te life of Angells be holy & cleane And the

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<sup>1</sup> The word "luck" appears here in the margin.

suffuming or suffumigacion is bread of which spirits

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liveth And fasting and Cleannesse and Clarity sacrifice  
with orison be the house of holy altar soules  
and trust in the author of good. Wherefore each man  
that hath these abovesaid in himself he shall attaine  
or neigh and he shall have profit.

And Salomon said these be that befalleth in suffumigacions,  
anon shall come to us fume and then odor  
and of the fume a cloude <sup>^ 1</sup> of the cloud an high cloude  
and wynde, and of the wynde ascendeth the cloude higher  
and of the Cloude an high winde ascendeth higher and  
is made a soule And of this the spirit is made higher  
and of the spirit and angell of heaven, and of angells  
light. And these be caused by cleane suffumigacion. And  
know thou that suffumigacions be of vii maners. Some  
sothely sharpe, and other penetrative or percing. Other  
sweete smelling other stinking, other simple, other meke  
other of greefe other sothely of peace, or everich of these  
or of these manners is after his odor savor nature and  
complexion. Wherefore Hermes said that as coldenes  
congealeth water which is colde, and as water of the  
sea is congealed with great, and as Azertacona congealeth  
the water of wells, and everiche of these congealeth  
the water one with coldenes another with hotnes  
another by arte another by nature, and the matter is  
made one body and one gobbet. And knowe thou that  
good suffumigacion gathereth together and constrayneth  
and maketh spirits to appeare in the aire, and secret  
or privy things And it maketh them to take a body with  
out eyne seeth.

And Salomon said that as the Adamant draweth

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Iron to himself, so knowe thou that suffumigacion  
gathereth together and draweth the spirits of the  
ayre, and maketh them to come to the place where  
thou doest it and will gather them together. And the  
wiseman said suffumigacion is like to the roote of  
Arzolle ffor as it Joyneth together gobbette of flesh  
into one. So suffumigacions gathereth together

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<sup>1</sup> Above the caret mark ^ appears '&.'

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spirits of heaven or heavenly which the 4 elements  
and they make that they taketh a body, and spirits taketh  
fulfilleth that be axed of them and that to  
likenes of a mirror to which if there be sett before what  
figure thou wylte a like appeareth within the fumigacion  
made Cleanly and invocation in the hower  
after the spirits proporcionall. The spirits appeareth  
to us, and new operations and worchings with  
fulfilling upon the thing that thou asketh, and be  
thou never deceived in the knowledge of suffumigacions,  
and putt thou thy mynde in them lest  
they be transposed, and thou shalt fulfill as that  
were and after that thou doest as he said.

And Salomon said I will touché somewhat to thee  
of the nature of suffumigacions, who that useth it  
much it maketh to see in sleepe or in sothenes grene  
things and yellowe and divers colors melancholious  
fumigacion sheweth leady things Sanguine fumigacion  
sheweth red things, and otherwise it is shewing  
of purple color flegmaticke fumigacion sheweth  
white things and fayre. And so understand thou after  
that the nature were and the appearing of spirits

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and of their colo<sup>r</sup> and visions and the worke of them  
shall be after the sharpenes of it and the goodnes and  
the direction of fumigii that is fulfilling of the thing  
after that the Image were formed and the Orison of  
the thing nempned and the trust for all is in the  
intention of the man and in the hower in which it is done.  
Now we have said how every of the planetts hath his  
fumigacions Now say we the fumigacions of the xii  
signes and of the xxxvi faces of them. Aries holdeth  
by himself Mirta<sup>s</sup>. Taurus costum. Gemini  
masticem. Cancer Musthalazeratis. Leo thus. Virgo  
classen. Libra galbanu<sup>s</sup>. Scorpio opopanace<sup>s</sup>. Sagittarius  
lignu<sup>s</sup> aloes. Capricornus assa<sup>s</sup> fatidu<sup>s</sup>. Aquarius Euphorbiu<sup>s</sup>.  
Pisces Thymiamia. The first face of Aries  
holdeth Mirta. The second Stamonea the third Piper  
nigru<sup>~</sup>. The first of Tauri Costum. The second Cardamomu<sup>~</sup>.  
The third Cassia. The first of Geminoru<sup>~</sup>  
masticem. The second Cinamomus. The third Cipressu<sup>~</sup>  
The first of Cancer mastu<sup>~</sup>. The second succu<sup>~</sup>. The  
third anisu<sup>~</sup>. The first of Leonis thus. The second

lignu~ balsami. The third Nuce~ muscata. The first of Virginis Sandalos. The second Crocu~. The third masticẽ  
 The first of Librae galbanu~ the second Bofor. The third mirtum. The first of Sagittarii lignu~ aloes. The second folia lauri. The third gariofilum. The first of Capricorni assa. The second Colofoniam, the third piper longum. The first of Aquarii Euphorbiu~ the second Reubarbar~ the third Stamonea The first of Piscium. Thymiamia. The second Crocum. The third Sandalum album.

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*Nota scdm Hermetem de fumigiis*

And Hermes said Aries Leo and Sagittarius withholdeth eche chollericke spice & bitter Taurus Virgo and Capricornus melancholious and stipticke Gemini Libra & Aquarius sanguine & sweet Cancer Scorpio & Pisces flegmaticke and of salt savor And this Salomon holdeth for the naturall for such spice we give & with them we suffume And which give to the dayes and to the howers. And the sunday the first hower is of Solis, and all of the day altogether we should give this masticke & muscum as we have said of planets in the beginning if this booke of Thymiamatu, and to understand thou of all other knowe thou the suffumigacions of tymes

*In primo tempore lignu~ aloes thus et crocu~ &c*

In the first tyme lignu~ aloes, thus & crocu~ In the second tyme Thymiamia. Costum masticẽ. In the third tyme Sandalus Cassia and mirtu~. In the fourth tyme muscu~ succu~ and lignu~ balsami. And as he gave to eche of the 4 tymes their spices or kyndes so he giveth to eche moneth one spice by order.

*Dicamus nunc suffumigia 4 partiu~ mundi &c*

Say we now suffumigacions of the 4 partes of the worlde and of the 4 elements. For all things that be in this worlde either be compounded of 4 elements or symples Suffumigacions of the 4 partyes of this world be these upon the partyes of the

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East and the fier serveth Ambra muscus & alba cera yt



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is white waxe. Upon the party of the south and the earth  
Algalia, almea and teriaca. Upon the party of the west &  
the ayre Balsamus, Camphora & olen olivraru~. Upon the  
North & the water Lignu~ aloes, mix muscata & Maris.  
And Salomon said each man that would do any thing  
by this booke putt he his mynde to the chapter of thymiamatu~.  
That he knowe the kindes or things & justly  
Can meddle them. And so knowe thou that thou might  
easily worke by it and without travayle thou might fulfilall  
thing that thou desyrest to see. Now we have fulfilled  
one Chapter of fumigiis or fumigacions, and we  
will say furthermore yet upon which was or intencion with  
the help of God.

*Heere beginneth the fourth booke that  
speaketh upon tymes of y<sup>e</sup> yeare*

*In Dei noie py incipio scribere libris istu &c*

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In the name of the meeke God I beginne to write this booke that is said or called Cephaz Raziel which the Angell Raziel gave to Adam. And it shall speake upon the 4 tymes of the yeere & moneths & dayes with his night how we should neme each thing and knowe each man. That this is said the booke of tymes, and the Angell gave it that is said might and great b<sup>1</sup> by the mandement of the Creator quicke God & in all things mighty. And for that Adam should knowe all things by which he would knowe in this worlde what it is what it was and what it should be in all things in the 12 moneths of the yeere and dayes & howers and that by order and similitude of Cleane fastings and of washings of sacrifice of suffumigacions made by 7 dayes or the

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first mone were, and ere the sonne should assende his taile the ascendent, and ere the sonne should ascend upon his starre Zedek Jovis and they should be nempned in this booke by monthe of holy angells that have might upon the 7 heavens formed of fyer and the beholding of them is of fyer and the life of him is fyer. And they seemed clothed with fyer And they be covered with fyer. And from the fyer the went out and in the fyer they dwelleth and they be of great fellowships mighty upon the xii moneths of the yeere by the precept of the Creato<sup>r</sup> of it which said the world be it and all angels be, and were before it, and there be vii powers before the face of it, and to eache of them is given might and hath a day of the moneth and of the weeke. And of them some be standing in environ and some be sitting in chaires with great honor serving to the Creato<sup>r</sup>, and they be evermore ready and bound to go out and to enter, to come and to go and to do all good and evill whatsoever is made and to enchant and to put downe and to cover prily things and to discover or make revelacion. And all this that we have said by the manndmt of God, and all the

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<sup>1</sup> This "b" is smudged out.

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more angells and lesse, and the princes of them with their powers with their odors or with their fellowships they clipeth themselves everiche with their names and which be selly . i . heigh or soveraigne evermore they praise God the Creato<sup>r</sup> which formed them. And also all the powers of all heavens in the moneth and in the day in which he formed them and they all speaking to himself together as men. And Raziel said that these angells wrote these names and this booke.

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And he said that there be 7 angells mighty upon vii starres and these bene potestates or powers mighty upon vvi dayes of the weeke And they be keepers of them and of the xxiiii howers of the day and of the vii heavens and of the xii signes and of all other things that governeth the worlde. And Raziel said to Adam beholde knowe and withhold these vii powers or potestates which have power in the vii heavens and the vii starres. The names of which be these Sabaday that is Saturnus. Zedek that is Jupiter. Madim that is Mars. Hanina that is Sol. Noga that is Venus Cocab . i . Mercurius. Labana . i . Luna. The names of the vii heavens in which they be borne be these Samin raquia Siagum Mahum. Macon. Zebul. Arabeck upon Samyn goeth Luna. Upon Raquia goeth Mercurius and upon Arabeck Saturnus and so understand thou of other

The names of Angells that have power upon the vii starres and goeth upon the vii heavens and other while in their chaires be these Capziel. Satquel Samael. Raphael. Amael. Michael. Gabriel. And the power of these is that Capziel is the power of Sabaday. Satquel of Zedek. And Samael of Madyn and Raphael of Hanina. Amael of Noga. Michael of Cocab. Gabriel of Lubona. And everiche of these sytteth in his heaven. And the meynees of them all about and there be divers colors as white blacke red yellow greene leady pardi viati medled overgilt and of the color of a pecocke fether and of many other colors These be the Angels that have power upon the 12 moneths of the yeere. The names of the moneths

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be these Nisan yar zinantamus abelul Tisirin  
 Marquesuam quislep tobez or thebeth Sabat adar  
 pladar postm<sup>9</sup> The names of potestates be these  
 And they be 12 capitalls, that is one upon everiche  
 moneth of Luna and the rather that is the other is  
 Oriel Sasuyel Amariel. Noriel. Biraquel magna  
 saciel. And everiche of these hath so many potestates  
 helpers more or greater as there be sayes in the  
 moneth or many other servants of them. And the aforesaid  
 Angells a man may knowe all things that is  
 to come in everiche yeere, and in everiche tyme and  
 in everiche moneth and everiche day and everiche  
 hower with the proper signes of them who that knoweth  
 them well if he will knowe of many reynes or fewe  
 or when they shallbe or if they shall be or no. and  
 the day and hower when they shall fall. And a man  
 may knowe by them which is his signe and his starre  
 and he may knowe of his lyfe if it shall be of long  
 tyme or of shorte in the worlde sand other things  
 either for a sicke man or an whole, either for a man  
 either from a woman. Or he may knowe a subtyll understanding  
 or sharpe he may knowe what is to  
 come and do with it what he will. And the dayes of  
 the yeere or of Solis alone (in which may be done the  
 worching of this booke) 365 and the 4<sup>th</sup> parte of one  
 day in the week of dayes. the yeere of Luna be otherwise  
 360 dayes or four howers and 46 minutes  
 after the yeere of Luna. And the fulfilling of tyme  
 in this. In one tyme be 3 monethes, and when the tymes

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befower sothely till to 12. And knowe thou that Nisan  
 that is the first moneth entereth in the first day of the  
 first mone whereat were Luna prima of the moneth  
 of Martii and so of other. and the first very tyme is  
 from the first poynt into the which the sonne entereth into  
 Arietem, till it enter the first poynt of Cancer. And  
 The 2 from Cancer in Libran, And the third from  
 Libra to Capricornu~. And the 4<sup>th</sup> from Capricorno  
 into Arientes. And this is the better distinction of tymes  
 And in the hower which Raziel gave the booke to Adam  
 of tymes of moneths and names of things then was Adam

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comforted onely wherin thilk day fillen lightnings meved  
and thunders and Coruscations appeariden, and there  
was in that day great tempest in all the worlde both in the  
lande and in the ayre, and in the sea. And in the hower  
in which the Angell Raziel opened this booke and gave it  
to Adam. Then he gave to him might and strength & surety  
in all the words of this booke and myracles that be in it.  
And when this booke fell before the face of Adam, then  
Adam dread full mucche and quoke of great dread And  
fell downe unto the earth as though he had bene dead  
Then the Angell Raziel said to Adam Rise and  
be thou comforted for knowe thou that a very soothfast  
spirit hath descended in thee from the hight heavens  
which hath lightned thee and hath putt in this hower  
in thee knwing and might, and that thou shalt attaine  
that that thou shalt aske. And I say to thee that thou  
consider in this booke and beholde in it and by it thou  
shalt knowe and understand whatere was and that is

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and that shall be after thee And in that hower in  
which this booke was given to Adam fier fell upon the  
brinke of the flood of paradice And the Angell  
ascended by the flame of the fier to the heavens And  
an Angell descended in similitude of a white cloude  
and spake with him plainely and came to him as a  
man well bright and cleere like to the cleerenes  
of a starre in his body and full of many other all about  
And in ascending when he was severed evermore  
Adam was like to a lambe which formed well bright  
as the flame of fyre and cleere then the fyre of a  
fornace in which golde is purged And then Adam sawe  
this and found and knewe that of the Lord of all  
worlds which is a great king and mighty things.  
This booke was sent for him. And then he considered  
and looked in it with holynes and Cleannesse. And  
then he beheld in it all things that he would know  
in this worlde. And this was the first word that  
Adam had with the Angell Raziell And therefore he  
considered in it and governed himself by it.  
Salomon said upon the foresaid reason above  
after that the Angell Raziell said unto Adam that  
it behoveth to knowe the tymes and one hower before  
another and one tyme before another ffor who that

## Sepher Raziel

soweth wheat in Ver it may not be gathered on the same Ver. And this is after the temperament of the party of the northe. And therefore it is necessary or needful to divide the yeere into 4 parts and a moneth into 4 partes and an hower into fowre partes

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And if thou keepest these divisions and understandest thou shalt profit in all that thou wilt, for this is sothe and all naturall things is made in the tyme and in the day and in the hower according as the higher or soveraigne Creato<sup>r</sup> hath ordeyned. Raziel said of thou wilt knowe any thing of this worlde that is of other that be in the heaven or heavens which be fellowshipped with the first heavens. Or if thou wilt do any thing yt be fulfilled to thy will clense thou thy body by 7 daies that is washe thee and eat thou not a thing of cheste neither of raven, neither of evill party neither a thing uncleane neither that is fallen to death, neither a beast of 4 feete neither other. And eschewe thou thee from malice and falsenes, and thou shalt not drinke wyne neither shalt thou eat fishes or any thing which bloud goeth out. And ioyne thou thee not to a woman pollute neither menstruate neither enter thou into an house where is a dead man neither go thou beside the pitt of a dead man. neither by him that suffereth gonorrhea and eschewe thou and be thou ware of night lest thou fall into pollution and keepe thee from lechery and evill pride. And do thou that thou be evermore cleane and be thou in Orison or prayer, and keepe thy tong from saying evill and leasing and fast thou clenely And keepe thou thy body from doing evill and sinne And lighten thou the house with orison and prayse the angells and do thou almes to needy men and charity and be not thou ioyned to evill men neither to uncleane and clothe thou thee with cleane clothes the larger that thou mightest and evermore trust thou unto God and

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rise thou early and pray to the Creato<sup>r</sup> that he dresse thee and washe thee and fulfill thy petition and thou shalt attayne to that thou askest with God

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*Nota hanc partem bene*

Note well this parte

*Primu<sup>m</sup> opus istius libri q est necessariu<sup>m</sup> &c*

The first worke of this booke that is necessary or needful in all things that man will do. And when thou wilt knowe when it is good to do all thing which thou wilt do. Or thou wilt know when it is good to do what thing thou wilt of this worlde and thou canst not any thing thereof understand thou that thou account by 7 dayes before the first day of the moneth that is of the moneth of Luna. And in these 7 dayes ne be thou not pollute, neither eat thou a beast having bloud, neither drinke thou wyne, neither touch thou uncleane things, neither ly thou not with a woman and washe thou thee with cleane water running all the vii dayes ere the sonne Ascend And hold the abstinence which we have said and suffume thou thee when thou were bathed with this ligno aloes and ambra croco costo camphora and masticke And then take thou twey quicke turturs and whole without languor in themselves, or if thou wilt twey white culvers if thou might have none other. And cut of the necke fasting with a brazen red knife overgilt on everiche side cutting. And cut of the necke of that one turtur on that one side, and that other on that other, after that drawe out the intrailes but withholde the bloud in a newe glasen cup & cast it into the fyer.

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And wash thou th'entrailes with cleane water. And then take iii weichte of musk and iii croco and thuris albi lucidi cinamoni and 10 keyes of gariophylli and lignu aloes as much And then take 12 grana piperis nigri and olde white wyne and sandalos and muscu and camphora and somewhat hony and wyne all these with wyne, and put all medled in the entrailes of the turturs and fill them or divide them into 7 parts or 7 members, and cast on member upon the coles of the fyer in the morrow ere the sunne arise and that is to understand the 11 hower of the night. And when thou burnest the members be thou covered with white cloth and standing thy feete discalciated that is unhosed and unshowed afterward the names of angells which be written that is serving

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to the moneth in which be written that is serving  
to the moneth in which thou doest for they be prayers  
and doers there, and knowe thou that each day thou hast  
to say the names of angells of that moneth 7 tymes.  
And in the 7 dayes thou shalt gather together the ashen  
which thou hast made in thilk 7 dayes of the foresaid 7  
members. And the house and the place in which thou shalt  
burne be it cleane. And when all this is done thou  
shalt dispose or ordeyne a solemne house cleane  
severed to thee. And thou shalt spring the aforesaid  
ashen upon the earth in the middle of the house and  
thou shalt sleep there so that thou shalt do this. And  
then when thou entereth the bed thou shalt nempne the  
names of the angells strong dreadfull mighty & high  
and then sleepe thou. And speake thou with man And then  
knowe thou that thou be well certaine and not dreadfull  
that there shall come to thee some man and he shall  
shew himself to thee in the vision of the night and the

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similitude or likenesse of him shall be of a worship-  
full man. Then be thou strong and dread thou not  
and he shall not leave himself to thee that it be  
a vision or a dreame but in very or sooth maner  
And aske thou what thou wylte and without doubt  
he shall give to thee.

*Dixit angelus Raziel volo tibi dicere hoc com=  
plemento &c* The angell Raziel said I will  
say to thee this fulfilling the worching that thou  
worke by power and vertue and strength of this  
booke in which be written the powers of the moneths  
and of dayes ~~and~~ of the yeere and they have power  
in everiche moneth and in eache day for evermore  
And knowe thou eache man who that governeth himself  
with them with cleanness that they helpeth him  
in all his deeds and in all his things. And they  
maketh him to knowe all his willes, and they helpeth  
him to fulfill at that ever he asketh with great  
power and strength and wisdom  
The names of the Angells of the first moneth. These  
be the names of the Angells which be mighty and more  
mighty in the first moneth which is said Nysan  
Oriël malaquiran acia yaziel paltifus

nisan



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yesmactria yariel araton robica sephatia. Anaya  
quesupale semquiel sereriel Malgas Ancason  
pacyta abedel ram asdon Casiel nastiafori  
sugni aszre sornadaf adniel necamia  
caisaat benit quor adziriel

The names of Angels of the second moneth

yar

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These be the mightier Angells of the second moneth  
which is yar in language of Hebrew<sup>c</sup> Safuel  
Saton Cartemat aryel palthia bargar galms nocpis  
Aaron manit aadon qwenael quemon abragin yehoc  
adnibia parciot marinoc galus gabmion resegar affry  
absamon sarsaf alxim Carbiol regnia achlas nadib  
absafyabitan pliset. And thou sahlst name the names  
of the foresaid Angells of this moneth yar in each thing  
which thou shalt name in it and they should helpe thee  
and they shall make thee to knowe all thy will.

The names of the Angells of the third moneth. These  
be the names of the Angells which be keepers of the  
third moneth that is said Zyvan of which the first is  
amariel tatgiel casmuch nuscifa almux naamab  
mamiazicara<sup>s</sup> Samysarach naasien. Andas paltamus  
abris borhai Salor hac yayac dalia Azigor Mabsuf  
abnisor zenam dersam Cefania Maccafor naboon  
Adiel maasiel szarhyr cartalion adi ysar. And thou  
shalt name these names that be said in all things that  
thou doest and thou shalt profit.

Zivitam

The names of the Angells of the fowrth moneth. These be  
the names of the Angells of the fowrth moneth that  
is said Thamuth moriel safida Asaf Mazica sarsac  
adnyam nagrow galuf galgall danroc saracus remafidda  
luliaraf nediter / delgna maadon saamyel amrael  
lezaidi Elisafan paschania maday And thou shalt  
nempe these names above said in all hit that thou  
wilt do and thou shalt profit.

Thamuth  
Ab elul

The names of the Angells of the 5 moneth. These <sup>1</sup>  
be the names of the Angells of the 5 moneth that is said

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manhi or amariahaya byny madrat amantueliel  
cassurafarttis nactif necyf pdgnar tablic mamiro

<sup>1</sup> The marginal note here is illegible.

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amacia qnatiel reycat qnynzi paliel gadaf  
nesquiraf abrac amyter camb nachal cabach  
loch macria safe essaf And thou shalt name  
these before said in all his that thou wilt do and  
thou shalt profit.

The names of the Angells of the 6 moneth  
These be the names of the angells of the 6 moneth  
that is said Elul. Magnyny arabyel hanyel  
nacery yassar rassy boel matriel naccamarif  
zacdon nafac rapion sapsi saltrri raseroph malgel  
samtiel yoas qualabye danpi yamla golid rasziel  
satpach nassa myssa macracif dadiel carciel  
effignax. And thou shalt name these names  
aforesaid in eache thing which thou wilt do and  
thou shalt profit therein.

Ab  
Elul  
marqueslica

The names of Angells of the 7 moneth. These be  
Quislip the names of keepers of the vii moneth that is  
said Tisirin. Suriel sarican gnabriza szucariel  
sababiel ytrut cullia dadiel marhum abecaision  
sacdon pagulan arsabon aspiramo aquyel safcy  
racynas altim Masulaef vtisaryaya abri And  
thou shalt name these names abovesaid in each  
thing that thou wilt do and thou shalt profit.

Tysirin

The names of Angells of the 8 moneth. These be  
the names of Angells of the eight moneth that  
is said marquesaan karbiel tiszodiell raamyel  
nebubael alisaf baliel arzaf rasliel alson

Tobtz  
marque=  
sean

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napiel becar paliel elisuaig nap naxas sansani aesal  
maarim sasci yalsenac iabynx magdiel sarmas  
maaliel arsaferal Manistiorar veaboluf nadibael  
suciell nabuel sariel sodiell marcuel palitam. And  
thou shalt name these names above said in everich thing  
that thou wilt and thou shalt profit.

The names of the Angells of the 9 moneth. These be the  
names of the Angells of the 9 moneth that is said Qwinslep  
adoniell radiell naduch racyno hyzy mariell azday  
mandiell gamiell seriell kery sahaman osmyn sachiell  
pazehemy calchihay hehudaell nerad minael arac  
arariqniell galnel gimon satuell elynzy baqwylaguel  
And thou shalt name these names above said in all hit  
that thou doest and thou shalt profit.

Quinslip  
Scibat

The names of the Angells of the 10<sup>th</sup> moneth. These

Adar

be the names of angells that have might in the 10<sup>th</sup> moneth that is said Thebeth Anael aniyel aryor naflia rapinis raaciel pacuel hahon guanrinasuch aslaqwy naspaya negri somahi hasasisgafon gasca szif alzamy maint xatinas sargnamuf oliab sariel Canyel rahyeziel pansa insquen sarman malisan asirac marmoc. And thou shalt name these names in it that thou wilt do and thou shalt profit.

The names of the angells of the xi<sup>th</sup> moneth. These be the names of Angells that keepe the xi<sup>th</sup> moneth that is said Cynanth and which have might in it Gabriel Israel natriel gazril nassam abrisaf zefael zamiel mamiel tabel miriel sahumiel guriel samhiel dariel banorsasti satyn nasyel ranfiel talgnaf libral luel daliel quadriel sahuhaf myschiel And thou shalt name these names before said in all thing that thou doest in the moneth & thou shalt fulfill

pladar

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<sup>1</sup> The names of Angells of the 12 moneth These be the names of the 12 moneth that is said Adar romiel patiel guriel laabiel addriel cardiel aguel malquiel samiel sariel azriel paamiel carcyel amaluch parhaya ytael beryel cael tenebiel pantan panteron fanyel falafon masiel pantaron labiel ragael cetabiel nyahpatuel. And thou shalt name these names in all things that thou doest and thou shalt profit.

The names of Angels if the 13 moneth. These be the names of angells of the xiii moneth Bisertilis which is said Adar the laste in marche lantiel ardiel nasmyel celidoal amyel magel gabgel sasugos barilagni yabtasyper magossangos dragos yayel yoel yasmyel stelmel garasyn ceyabos sacadiel guracap gabanael tamtiel. These names abovesaid thou shalt name in all things that thou wylte, and they shall ful fill all thy will with fasting & washing and suffumigacion and cleanenesse. And thus understand thou of every worke. And knowe thou that the moneths of the Hebrewes and the moneths of Romans be evened upon the moneth of marche and knowe thou well this number and thou shalt proffitt.

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<sup>1</sup> There is no marginal note here, or marking of the 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> months.

Sepher Raziel

*Scias quod postqua<sup>s</sup> diximus de mensibus &c*

Knowe that after that we have said of moneths nowe  
we will say the names of the dayes of the weeke with  
his angells full strong and mighty upon everiche day  
and everiche in his day

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The names of y<sup>e</sup> angels y<sup>t</sup> serveth in y<sup>e</sup> day of Solis  
And these be the names of haie~ and his angell be these  
Daniel Elieyl Saffeyeyl dargoyeyl yelbrayeyl comaguele  
gebarbayea faceyeyl caran neyeyl talgylnenyl bethaz  
rancyl falha hyeyl armaqnieyeyl roncayl gibryl  
zamayl mycahe zarfaieil ameyl torayeil ronmeyeyl  
remcatheyel barhil marhil barhil mehil zarafil  
azrageyl anebynnyl denmerzym yeocyn necyl hadzbeyeyl  
Zarseyeyl Zarael anqnihim Ceytatynyn Ezuiah  
Vehichdunedzineylyn yedmeyeyl esmaadyn albedagryn  
yamaanyl yecaleme detriel arieil armayel veremedyn  
unaraxxydin These be the mighty angels on the day  
of Solis, and name thou them worthily & thou shalt  
proffitt.

The names of the angels in the day of Luna  
These be the names of angels that serveth in the  
day of Luna. Semhahylyn. stemehilyn Jasyozyn  
Agrasinden Aymeylyn Cathneylyn Abrasachysyn  
Abrasasyn Layzaiosyn langhasin Anayenyn nangareryn  
aczonyn montagyn labelas mafatyn feylarachyn  
candanagyn Laccudonyn Casfrubyn bacharachyn  
bathaylyn anmanineylyn hacoylyn balganarichyn  
aryelyn badeilyn abranocyn tarmanydyn amdalcyn  
sahgragynyn adiamenyn sacstoyeyn latebayfanysyn  
caybemynyn nabyalni cyzamanyn abramacyn lariagathyn  
byfealyqnyn baiedalin gasoryn asaphin dariculin  
marneyelin gemraorin madarilyn yebiryln arylin farielin  
nepenielin branielin asrieilyn ceradadyln These holy angells  
in the day of Luna thou shalt name worthily and  
thou shalt profitt.

The names of angels of the day of Martis  
These be the names that serveth in the day of martis

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And they have power upon red mettall and in his  
worches. Samayelyn Tartalyn dexteyl racyeylyn  
farabyn cabyn asmeylyn mabareylyn tralyeyln

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rubelyn marmanyn tarfanyelyn fuheylyn ruffaraneylyn  
rabfilyn eralyn enpyn pirtophin brofilyn  
cacitilyn naffrynyn impurny raffeylyn nyrysin  
memolyn nybirin celabel tubeylyn haayn reyn  
paafiryn cethenoylyn letityelyn rorafeyl cannyel  
bastelyn costirynt monteilyn albeylyn parachbeylyn  
alyel uaceyl zalcyfyl amadyeyl usaryeyel emco=  
deneyl dasfrypyel unleylyn carszeneyl gromeyl  
gabrynyn narbell

The names of the angels y<sup>1</sup> serveth in y<sup>e</sup> day of Mercury

These be the names that serveth in the day of  
Mercury. Michael Zamirel beerel dufuel  
Aribiriel boel bariel meriol amiol aol semeol  
Aaon berion farionon kemerion feyn ameinyn  
zemeinyn cananyn aal merigal pegal gabal leal  
amneal farnnial gebyn caribifin ancarilyn  
metorilin nabiafilyn fisfilin barsfilin camfilin  
Aaniturla feniturla geninitur la elmia calnamia  
rabmia rasfia miaga tiogra bee ylaraorynil benenil

The names of angels in the day of Jovis

These be the names of Angells that serveth in the  
day of Jovis Sachquiel pachayel tutiel osflyel  
labiel raliel beniel tarael snynyel ahie l yebel  
ancuyel Jauiel Juniel amyel faniel ramnel  
sanfael sacciniel galbiet lafiel maziell gunfiel  
ymrael memieil pariel panhiniel toripiel abinel  
omiel orfiel ael bearel ymel syymelyel traacyel

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mefeniell antquiel quisiell cunnyryel rofiniell rubycyell  
Jebraayel peciell carbiell tymell affarfytyriell rartudell  
Cabriell beell briell cherudiell

The names of angels in the day of Veneris

These be the names of the angells that serveth in the  
day of Veneris Hasneyeyl barnayeyl uardayheil  
alzeyeil szeyyeil uachayel zesfaieil morayeil borayeil  
apheieyl arobolyn canesylyn anrylin zarialin marilin  
batoraielyln kelfeieilyn azraieylin ambayerin ayayeylin  
cadneirin alserin afneirin abneyrin nonanrin eazerin  
orinyln gedulin hareryn nanylin halilin himeilin resfilin  
noraraabilin hatheylin laudulin et effilin thesfealin  
patnilin keialin lebraieil ablaieil talrailanrain  
barcalin bahoraelin

## Sepher Raziel

The names of angels of the day of Saturne  
These be the names of angels that serveth in the  
day of Saturne or Sabat. Micraton pacryton  
pepilon capeiel themiton alsfiton chenyon Sandalson  
panion almyon expion papon calipon horrion melifon  
aurion temelion refacbilion ononiteon boxoraylon  
paxilon lelalion onoxion quilon quiron vixalimon  
relion cassilon titomon Murion dedion dapsion  
leuainon foylylon monichion gabion paxonion xysuylion  
lepiron belon memitilon Saron salion pion Macgron  
accirion felyypon ymnybron raconeal zalibron  
These holy angells and blessed be they names in all thy  
very workes and keepe thee with them cleane and thou  
shalt profitt.

The names of howers of y<sup>e</sup> night

*Ista sunt propria noia horar~ noctis prima hora &c*  
These be proper names of howers of the night. The

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first hower of the night is said zedrin. The second  
biroel the third caym the fourth hacir the  
fifth zaron the syxt zzya the seventh Nachlas  
the eight Thasras the nynth Saphar The tenth  
Halaga The eleventh galcana the xii<sup>th</sup> Salla  
And these be proper names which the xii powers of  
the night have. And thou shalt nempne in these  
that thou doest and thou shalt proffitt.

These be the names planets and of their  
angels by the Elements these be the proper  
names

*Ista sunt noia ptar~ 7 et angelor~ super 4 eta &c*  
These be the names of the 7 planets and of the  
angels upon the 4 elemnts as is fyer aire earth  
and water for without these and without the 7 above  
we may not do anything. The first is the highest  
Sabaday and Sabaday is said in the fyer campton  
In the aire Srynongoa. In the water Synyn and  
In the earth onion. And the names of angels of  
Sabaday upon the fyer be these 3 Libiel nybiel  
phynitiel. And upon the aire be these 3 Arfigyel  
gael nephyl. And upon the water be these Almemel  
hoquiell fulitiel. And upon the earth be these Lariel  
tepyel esyel. Zedet is nempned upon the fier

Pheon upon the ayre fidon And upon the water  
Calidon and upon the earth Mydon. And the names  
of the angels of Zedek upon the fyer be these three  
Tinsyel Necanynaël fonyel. And upon the water  
be these 3 Meon ykiel yryniel. and upon the earth

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Palriel tufiel quyel. These be the names of  
the third which is Madyn upon the fyer it is said  
Roqnyel upon the aire pyryel upon the water  
Tasfien upon the earth Ignofon And the angels  
of Madim upon the fyer be these three Kasiel  
Cabryel raloyl. And upon the aire be these three  
pyroyinel flatoniël carbiel and upon the water  
be these three Cazabriel pasaliel zebaliel  
These be the names of haie~ upon the fire it is said  
yeye upon the aire Don. And upon the water Agla  
And upon the earth On. And the angells of haie~ upon  
the fyer be these 3 dandaniel Saddaniel ellalyel  
And upon the aire be these 3 Karason berriel  
oliel. And upon the water be these three Muracafel  
pecyrael Michael. And upon the earth be these  
homycabel lucifel locariel. Noga is the 5 and  
is nempned upon the fyer Dusuyon and on the aire  
Clarifon and in the water Narubni and in the  
earth Cabras. These be the three angells of Noga  
upon the fyer Capciel debitaël deparaël. And upon  
the aire Camirael Cakaziël neraziël and upon  
the water Saloniël emyël expaoniël. And upon the  
earth paziaël amuraël salainel These be the  
names of Cocab upon the fyer it is said Piztal  
and in the aire Cabran and in the water facayl  
and in the earth tarzon. And the names of angells  
of Cocab upon the fier be these paradiël darifiël  
dameyël. And upon the ayer be these ramatiël  
loriqniël bengariël. And upon the water be these

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Rinafonel Mellyfiel Alatiel And upon the  
earth these Alapion beriel rabiël These be  
the names of Labona upon the fyer it is said  
Claron. And upon the ayre becyla and upon the  
water tasfit and upon the earth pantours. And  
the names of the angells of Labona upon the fire

be these Gabriel paticael daliel and upon the  
 aire be these barasiel ztaziel. and upon the  
 water be these Caziel memyiel pazicaton and  
 upon the earth be these: Simyllyel Lafaqnael toniel  
 And name thou these abovesaid in all hit that  
 thou doest and evermore Consider thou the planet  
 with which thou wilt worche and thou shalt  
 proffitt.

The names of the hais in 4 tymes

*Ista sunt noia caelor~ in quatuor temporibus &c*  
 These be the names of the heavens in the 4 tymes  
 In the first tyme first it is nempned Hacibor  
 In the second rumcaqnia. In the third Mesfisnogna.  
 In the fourth Saaemaho. These be the  
 names of the heavens in the 4 tymes. And when  
 thou wilt worche and worke, name thou the  
 names of the heavens in the tyme in which thou worchest.

These be the names of y<sup>e</sup> fire in the 4 tymes  
 In the first tyme the first is named quoyzil in  
 the second Enlubra. In the third Mezayn In the  
 fourth aybedyn. And these angels have might upon  
 the fyer and in the flame Michael rafael rasoiel  
 adciel roqniel myriel Indam malqniel gazriel

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amynyel cariel yafrael And these thou shalt name  
 evermore when thou doest any thing in the fyer.  
 These be the names of the aire in the 4 tymes  
 in the first tyme it is said ystana in the second furayl  
 in the third Oadion in the fourth gulynon And the  
 names of the Angels that have might upon the aire be these  
 rafael quabriel micha<sup>^</sup>el<sup>1</sup> cherubyn ceraphin  
 orychyn pantaceren micraton. Sandalfon barachiel  
 ragehyel tobiel And name thou them in all thinges  
 that thou shalt do in the aire and thou shalt proffitt  
 well with the helpe of God.

*Ista sunt noia aquar~ et maris in quottuor temporibus &c*  
 These be the names of the waters of the sea in the 4  
 tymes. In the first tyme it is nempned Augustiz  
 In the second Theon. in the third Maddrylk. In the

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<sup>1</sup> Above ^ is the letter r.



fourth Sebillgradon. And the names of angells of the waters of the sea be these Urpeniel . Armariel yyamnel abrasos Sapiel uiotan oriel bachmyel<sup>1</sup> porackmiel acceriel galliel zsmayel. And name thou them upon waters and upon the sea and thou shalt p<sup>ro</sup>fitt.

These be the names of the earth in the 4 tymes In the first tyme it is said ingnedon. in the second yabassa, in the third Coliel. In the fourth Aradon And the Angells of the earth be these Samael yatayel baraniel oriel arfaniel latgriel daniel affariel partriel bael byeniell. And thou shalte name these names of Angells upon the earth in these that thou hast done in it

These be the names of lownesse in the 4 tymes In the first tyme it is said Hahan in the second Cipaon. And his angell is Jacyel in the third

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meresac and his Angell is Ababaot. In the fourth aycyhambabo and his angell is Caaniel

These be the names of the 4 parties of the world in the 4 tymes

In the first tyme the East is said Acbedan in the second Cardrenac. in the third Abryel in the fourth Acritael.

These be the names of the north party in the four tymes In the first tyme it is said Henniyna

In the second tyme Abodich in the third galdidur in the fourth Rabbifor

These be the names of the west party

In the first tyme Mahanahym. In the second Sugor. in the third Zarzir in the fourth Rabiur

These be the names of the south party

In the first tyme Naufor. in the second Alparon in the third Machniel. in the fourth Thamy

These be the names in the 4 partyes of the world In the party of the east these have might or power guabriel raphael uriel

In the party of the north these Adriel yamiel Zabdiel

In the party of the west these Adriel Samael Joel

And in the party of the south these Corabiel Sariel Michael

And name thou them upon all things that thou

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<sup>1</sup> Marginal note "o."

doest in the 4 partyes of the worlde and thou shalt proffitt.

The proper names of y<sup>e</sup> planets in the 4 tymes  
*Ista sunt noia stellar~ qui sunt et vadunt &c*  
 These be the names of the seaven starres that be

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and goeth in the 7 heavens everiche by himself Sabaday Zedek Madyn Hanina noga Cocab Labana And ewiche of these hath his owne proper name upon the fowre tymes of the yeere as we shall shewe in this chapter beneath. And Salomon said in explanation of this place. Wherefore everiche planet and eche thing before said changeth his name in each tyme for his thing ffor heere standeth some tree and from thilk tree cometh to us fowre things. And of these fower things the first is when it burgeoneth the second is the flower. The third is the fruite the fourth is the seed when it is in it. Therefore the sonne is said in the first tyme hott and moist. In the second hott and dry In the third Colde & dry in the fourth Colde and moyst. These be the worchings of the sonne, and the propertyes of it upon all things for another reason the names of things abovesaid be changed in fower parts of the yeere, for ewiche tyme hath his nature and his Complexion by himself as we have said of water which is in the first tyme temperate and in the second heat and in the third rotton and in the fourth Congealed And so other things of the worlde ewiche by himself. The example whie Raziel put his name to eache thing. In everiche thing be the 4 lords that have might in eche thing and everiche in his tyme. And it is said that there be 4 elements whereof one is fyer that hath might in the first tyme and so other. Wherefore knowe thou that everiche thing changeth his name

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As first we say a man a childe and then a yongling and then a middle man in the fourth tyme an old man. And so things changeth their names who will cleape them a leader and this is in a man And so understand thou of Mettaile and in all things

that waxeth and liveth. And Salomon said and all other that it was more inst that eache thing should have 7 names then 4 for that all they might descend of 4 bodyes, and to them is given all the might Sothely they put 4 names to everiche thing that it were more easy to worche these 4 names be assigned upon the city of David my fathers and myne which had many names. Sothly the wiseman Isaac the wiseman said that the first name was Remusale, and then Jebusale Jeroboam Jerusalem. And these names this City received for 4 Lords that were in yt And everiche putt to his proper name And for this like things of this worlde receiveth 4 names in themselves or 7 or more after that God hath ordeyned. And therefore no man marvaile of these names of things in 4 tymes. In the higher heaven that is the first from the ou/<sup>1</sup> party and it is the 7 from the neather in it serveth Sabaday and his angell Capciel. In the first tyme Sabaday is said Cuerues. In the second Palicos. In the third Quirtipos in the fourth Panpotes. In the sixth serveth Zedek and his angel is Satquiel and the name Jovis In the first tyme it is amonor. In

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second Sahibor. In the third Sayin. In the fourth Eanynyel. In the 5 heaven serveth Madim and for his angell Balquiel. And the name of Martis in the first tyme is said Aaryn. In the second Daron. In the third Bearon. In the fourth Pantefos. In the fourth heaven serveth Hamina and his angell Dandaniel In the first tyme the name of Solis is said halyom in the second Adocham in the third Cantopos. In the fourth Pantasus. In the third heaven serveth Noga and his angell Adzdiel. In the first tyme the name of Veneris is said Aporodicy In the second Calizo in the third niniptz. In the fourth Pontos. In the second heave serveth Cocab and his angell Satquiel In the first tyme Mercurius is said Armis In the second Angocus. In the third Tholos. In the fourth Ancholos. In the first heaven serveth Labana and

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<sup>1</sup> This is probably "outer."

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his angell Anael. In the first Luna is said Salmi  
in the second Sarico. In the third Naspilij. In the  
fourth Afriqnym. And knowe thou that thou shalt  
nempne the names in their fowre tymes and thou shalt  
profit when thou shalt knowe any thing of them.

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Heere beginneth the fifth booke  
that treateth of Cleannesse

*Dixit Salomon revelatu~ fuit nitri de isto  
libro &c* Salomon said It was shewed to me of  
this booke of Raziell and many angells after that  
I had the booke and of these which nourished powers

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and vertues and matter and strength of the  
potestates above, and that by the manndement and  
obedience of the Creato<sup>r</sup> or maker of the worlde  
And they said thus Salomon thou hast asked witt  
and wisdome and fairenes and might in will com=  
plete and named full great for evermore upon  
earthes.

And knowe that all kings and lesse men shall  
come after thee and which should heere speake of  
thee should love thee and worshippe thee and should  
set price of thee and should prayse thee and  
keepe thou this booke, and worche thou with it with  
reverence and cleannesse. And Salomon said  
to the benigne angell Natanael which hath might  
in thaire and this evermore ~~was~~ was fellowshipped  
to Salomon which be thilke 7 bodyes which we seene  
above bright fayre cleane and cleere w<sup>h</sup> ceaseth  
never to go neither the wayes of them be void  
and they fayleth never but evermore dureth going  
their wayes. And it that farryeth more in going  
his way fulfilleth it in 30 yeeres. And then they  
appeareth such as they were before and which went  
before thus they sawe. And thus it us said that  
they should be how long God would. And thus  
I say of an hundreth yeeres and a 1000 that they  
never be changed neither in meving but we have  
found them as the Prophets and other olde men  
fouden. And the angell Natanael said to Salomon.  
The 7 bright bodyes which thou seest above

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above be put beneath And they in going upwards  
holdeth in balance or in rule the 4 elemts beneath  
And therefore the meving of them ceaseth not for such  
might the Creato<sup>r</sup> gave to them. And knoweth thou

that the matter of them is simple and pure without corruption and evermore durable. And the state of them is likenes to the Lord that formed although they obey to him in all things. And Natanael said furthermore to Salomon knowe thou that in the heavens of the 7 bright bodyes be angels without number mighty in all thing, and everiche of them hath his proper mighte and his strength and vertue. And they be unlike among themselves as men together or other beasts And everiche serveth of his office to the creator that formed them or made them. And Salomon said to Nathaniel which is the lyfe or the might or the service that these angells doth. And Nathaniel said the lyfe of them is of cleanness of Orison and of trustines and the might of them is of suffumigii holocausti et sacrificii. And the service of the is when the Creator woll they go from place to place when any cleane man hath prayed to the Creator as it beseemeth And then they do good or evill as the creator will for in them is power science & will complete And Salomon said which be these 7 bright bodies and how be they named and of what thing serveth everiche And Nathaniel said that same that Raziel said to Adam, the higher of these that goeth slower is said Sabaday and all the realmes of his heaven be

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full of Ice snowe and haile and wrothe ranco<sup>r</sup> and Coldenes And all the angells that bene there bene clothed with darkenes full darke. And the greatness of them be full high and full long and small and upon the earthes and upon divels and upon darkness and coldeness and drinesse. And this hath power upon wyndes of this nature And they have power of doing good and evill And the angell of it is Beel crowned upon all other. In the second heaven<sup>1</sup> standeth Zedek and all the realmes of him.

*Dixit Salomon rex filius regis David &c*  
Salomon the king said the sonne of David that was king of Jerusalem of Jury and Damaske of Egypt Lord of Babilony prince of science

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<sup>1</sup> Margin note "for like."

covetouse of cleannesse ensearcher of privities  
 keeper of good true men, avoider of leasing of  
 poore men, of vertues desire upon l<sup>r</sup>e vertues and  
 speedfulnes of words busily thinking and most  
 subtilly in mynde insearching. I have enquired and  
 knowe that in wordes of power vertue and effecte  
 and of all humo<sup>rs</sup> whole and health and there may  
 be sufficient fulfilling. And he said I see that  
 the most fame is of wise men and prophetts by  
 words and books which they have left into testimony  
 of them And I see that the sonnes of Adam and  
 of Hermes and of Noe and their sonnes & many  
 other prophetts have left books by their death by  
 which they should clarify their fame and anents men

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glory should remayne. And I see that my father  
 king David compowned or made some booke in which be  
 conteyned all orisons which he might knowe and fynde  
 which sothely latin men that is Romanes clipeth the  
 psalter which sothe it is if prayers alone and of holt  
 names of the creato<sup>r</sup> it is names the head of Orisons.  
 In the same booke king David wrote all things that  
 ever he might knowe of patriarke and of old wise men  
 to the praising of the creato<sup>r</sup> And I king Salomon  
 sothely long studyeng in holy words with vertues and  
 miracles I founde to be while there is fulfilled in eche  
 thing worching trust and will sawe in the books in which  
 while I studies long found and knowe that Adam and  
 Hermes and Noe and Moyses and many other most wise  
 men had great privities & vertues in their bookes.

*Cu~ ergo veteres et antiquos Sapientes &c*

When therfore I understand old wise men to have  
 made bookes how or with what wytt or with what arte  
 I might knowe the sciences of all the aforesaid  
 I enquired and there answered unto mean old man of  
 good mynde and understanding which was cleped zebraymayl  
 And I said Adam had a maker and a m<sup>r</sup> that is to say  
 o<sup>r</sup> Lord his maker and gabriell to m<sup>r</sup> ffurthermore  
 Hermes the discreet and most wise man and Moyses  
 had a master and a friend that is to witt Cretu<sup>s</sup> Also  
 Aaron sothely had a friend of which therfore is made  
 resistance that a wise man may not be without a m<sup>r</sup>

how arresteth it thou in thee that two may be wise without  
 one m<sup>r</sup> But that thou be wise these I knowe to be

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necessary to thee. A wise m<sup>r</sup> and discrete long  
 and continuall study many olde bookes of great wise  
 men made oft and after over red profitt & amended  
 glad and continuall health of thy body long lyfe  
 without cares and travailes quiet. The Salomon  
 said to the wise man Is not this possible to be done  
 by a shorter way then that thou hast said above  
 Zebraymayl answered king by a lighter & shorter  
 way then this ne unknowe thou not to may be done  
 To whom Salomon said How therfore to whome  
 the wise man answered agayne saying Open thou  
 privily and fully the arke of the Testant no man  
 knowing or understanding in which all secrets or  
 privities and olde wisdomes and words of great  
 power and of vertue thou shalt fynde By which  
 not only thou shalt knowe things passed but  
 these also that be present and likewise these that  
 be to come. The Salomon answered agayne  
 saying for this that thou hast answered to me I  
 give thanks to that high and blessed creato<sup>r</sup> which  
 reigneth after that it pleased to him all things with word  
 alone he formed or made. And there is not any  
 more noble or mightier then he without whome no  
 vertue or power is which giveth wisdomes to wise  
 men, he is that is of all things the fyrste sith  
 he is without beginning and of all things the last  
 sith there is no end of him. This is of all thinges

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maker and none ymade of whome the raigne or  
 raigning is and shall be and of whome all worke be  
 good and of whome he will over all is free sith there  
 is none that may againe say to him. Whereupon Salo=  
 mon trowing or trusting to Zebraymayl made the  
 arke of the testament to be brought before him. And  
 he sought all the bookes of Moyses and of Aaron of  
 Adam and of Noe and of their sonnes and of Hermes  
 and of other prophetts, and of others which he might finde  
 of the miracle of words and the vertues of them And



he sought all the old Idolls of heathen men & Images  
of divers tongs having writings and all things graven  
which might be founde by all the parts of the worlds  
And he made them to be gathered togethers into his  
pallace, and he brought forth M<sup>rs</sup> of everiche one  
of the 72 which should expound to him privy l<sup>res</sup> or  
hid Y. C. M. Hebrew Caldly Syriacke greeke  
writing and that they should expound to him that  
which were hidde. And when the l<sup>res</sup> were expounded  
he sawe the more party to accord with hit in vertues of  
words.

*Rex ergo Salomon fecit arca nocte quadam ape=*  
*riri &c* therefore King Salomon made the arke  
some might privily to be opened that in the arke with  
reasons afterward he should be learned. And  
Salomon said After that the sovreigne and Almighty  
Creato<sup>r</sup> had infused that grace of his spirit in me  
I opened the arke of the testament in which I found all

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things which long and studiously before I had sought  
Among which I found the booke which is cleped Raziel  
which the creato<sup>r</sup> sent to Ada<sup>m</sup> by the angell Raziel when  
upon the brinke of the floud of paradice weeping  
thilke creato<sup>r</sup> he prayed and of him forgiveness of  
his sinnes he besought. And I found the booke which  
the creator gave to Moyses in the hill when he  
made him partner of his privities In which three  
bookes that is three Orisons I found.

The first the prophets clepeth Semiforas which  
the creato<sup>r</sup> gave to Adam in Paradice

The second booke is which the creato<sup>r</sup> gave to Adam  
in paradice in the hower of necessity or need

The third is which the creato<sup>r</sup> gave to Moyses  
in the hill of Sinay after that he had ful=  
filled the fasting.

And Salomon said I found in the arke a pott  
full of manna, and the yard of Moyses which was  
changed into a serpent and efte from a serpent  
into a yard And the tables of the lawe and peeces  
of the first l<sup>res</sup> which Moyses for the sinnes of the  
people in his wrothe he broke in the ground sothely  
of the arke I found some golden tables quadrate

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or fowre cornered In which were 15 precious stones  
twelve tribes or lynages of Israell by similitude  
likened And in everiche stone were written the  
holy highe names of the creato<sup>r</sup> of the booke  
Semiforas out drawen And I found a boxe of  
marble having greene colo<sup>r</sup> as Jaspis coloured

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And in this boxe were 7 figures, and in each figure  
7 great and virtuous names of the Crea<sup>t</sup>o<sup>r</sup> to Moyses  
tolde and other 7 which the creato<sup>r</sup> taught Adam in paradise.  
And this is a secret or privity which much leaned  
and covered ought worshipfully to be kept. I found also  
about thextremities of arke 24 vertuous rings with  
names and figures of the creato<sup>r</sup> writt in Semiforas  
with divers colo<sup>rs</sup> written or figured And I myself  
Salomon had one of thilk rings having mynde to the same  
In which I knowe to have founden such vertue that when  
I said make it to rayne and it rayned And when I said  
eft as thou hast made it to rayne so make thilk rayne  
to cease agayne and it ceased. And beside Jerusalem  
the same realme aswell of tempests as of raines it did  
or made And Salomon said I found Semiforas with which  
Moyses made the plagues in Egypt, and with which he dried the  
red sea, and with which also he drewe out water out of the  
stone, and with which also he knewe all the cleannesse of his  
people, and with which also overcame princes and kings and  
mighty men, and with which whatever he would do he did  
and that which he would destroy he destroyed And with which  
fulfilled it at his owne will

*Capitulum explanationis hujus nois Semiforas &c*

The chapter of explanation of this name semiforam  
And it is that that all divells and wynds and men as  
well quicke as dead, and all spirits and all bodyes  
dreadeth. Wherefore sothely Semiforas is said or  
nempned the first secret or privity and of great old  
and much yleaned and hidde and of great vertue and  
power to gett what ever he would. Semiforas is a word

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which ought not to be shewed to all men, neither by  
hit (but with great necessity or anguish) ought any  
man to worche. And then with dread of the creato<sup>r</sup>

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he ought cleanely and meekely and devoutly to nempne it. Also Semiforas is roote and beginning and fundament of oryson, exemplar of good lyfe trust of mans body the oryson or prayer of a Just man thilk creator dreading. And Salomon said about Semiforas These be necessary with mekeness fasting, with oryson trust with clarity cleanness, with patience meekenes and constancy of a man without which yow might worche nothing. And with the which whatever thou wilt thou shalt gett. When all vertues in worching by Semiforas ought to be nethesle these 7 that is mekeness trueth patience abstinence trust clarity mercy ought in him principally to be had or to abound.

*Si ergo per Semiforas operari volumes oportet quod simus &c* If therfore we will worche by Semiforas it behoveth that we be bright or cleane of body and in trust stedfast and from falsenesse and leasing fully departed. It behoveth also to dread the creator and the creatures of him among which we ought to dread most the sonne which giveth to us light and darkenes colde and hott which is cause of changing of tymes and of temperment of the aire and of herbes. We ought also to knowe the beholdings of the moone and the moneths which by hit 12 and s~, 13 by accounted as the said nyssan yar tina &c And we ought to knowe the waxing

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and decreasing of the mone when by it all creatures as the sea flouds and welles and all the neather bodyes waxing and decreasing taken bloud in the veynes and marrowe in the head and the bones. After that the mone taketh waxing & decreasing they be nourished in thilk Also the enfusiall or melting of metalls ne doubt thou not the vertue of the mone to worche. We ought also to knowe Sabaday .i. Saturne by whome hunger and dearth and all anguish in londs befalleth. We ought also to knowe & dread Zedek .i. Jove by whome honor and health and righteousness and all good is had. We should also knowe and dread Madim .i. Martem of whome chollers & strifes and hate and battailes and leasing and all evils cometh.

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We ought also to knowe and dread Hanina .i. solem by whome we have light and darkenes & cleerenes and by whome tymes as evill unto good into evill be transmuted or changed. We ought also to dreade and know Nogam .i. Venerem by whom<sup>e</sup> we have meate and drinke and all necessaries or things that be needful by whome peace and love and dilection among men is made fast and stable. We ought also to dread Cocab .i. Mercury for he is nigher to us then all except the mone by whome merchandise and venditions or sellings and all seculer things be exercised. Therefore behold y<sup>ow</sup> those that be said and most the spirits abovesaid and thus thou shalt profitt And whatever thou shalt axe of the creator rightfully thou shalt have it.

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Heere beginneth the Sixth book that  
treateth of the names of heavens

*Dixit Salomon oñes coiter horas et malas &c*  
Salomon said All men commonly good howers and  
evill, and good dayes and evill, good signes and evil  
to be they affirmeth And this with many reasons  
they Confirmeth And I my self Salomon have  
proved the dayes and howers of madim & Sabaday  
which I found full greevous for to worche. I have  
proved also the howers of zedek and Noga And I  
sawe what ever I would worche of them lightly  
I wrought. The howers of Cocab and Labana  
otherwhile greevous otherwhile good I have proved  
to be And I sawe that in the day and in the hower  
co<sup>o</sup>ia nothing of my will I might fulfill. And know  
thou that the spirits abovesaid anentis divers  
men diversy be nempned ffor the first in Hebrew  
is Sabaday in Arabicke zoal, in greeke orgrue  
fenes in Latin Saturnus it is cleped or nempned  
And I say therfore that the first hower of the  
day of Sabaday is said Sabaday the second zedek  
the third Madyn the fourth Hanina the fifth  
Noga. the sixth Cocab the 7<sup>th</sup> Labana And  
the howers of the might ought to be nempned to  
them. And knowe thou that by the starres above  
said and dayes and howers whatever thou wilte  
thou shalt understande And thou shalt knowe the  
hidde and privy willes of men.

*Cumg per Semiforas operari voluerat &c*

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When he would worche by Semiforas first or ever  
he beganne any thing it behoveth him to name the 7  
names of Angells, for some angells be upon the seven  
heavens, and upon the 7 planets and upon the 7 dayes  
of the weeke and upon the 7 mettalls and upon the  
7 colo<sup>rs</sup> and upon the 7 words having power, the names  
of the which be these Raphael. gabriel. Samael. Michael.  
Saquiel. anael. capciel. And these be ordeyned after  
that we ought to name and to enclepe them in the 7  
dayes early in this maner.

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*Nota oratione~ o angeli supradicti sitis meae quoinis  
quam volo quaerere auditors et nutri in oibus adintores &c*

That is to say Oh the angells abovesaid be ye the  
hearers of my question or axing which I will enquire  
or axe and to me in all things helpers. Thilke  
sothely which we ought to name upon the 7 heavens  
and upon the 7 planetts be these Capciel Saquiel  
Samael. raphael anael Michael gabriel. And in all  
Things in cleping these angels thou shalt profit. When  
therfore there be 7 heavens that is to witt  
Samaym Raaqu Saaquin Maon Mahon Zebul  
Araboch And these be 4 partyes of the worlde  
that is East West north and south which Angels  
in everiche heaven, and in what party serveth we say

These be the angels of the first heaven

*In primo caelo q vocat' Samaym in quatuor ptibus &c*  
In the first heaven that is cleped Samaym in the  
fowre partyes of heaven serveth these  
ffrom the party of the north Alael hiaeyel urallim  
veallu~ baliel basy unascaiel ffrom the party of the

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south these be Duraniel darbiel darquiel hanin  
anael nahymel alscini. soquiel. zamel. hubayel bactanael  
Carpa;iel. ffrom the party of the East be these  
Gabriel Gabrael Odrael Modiel Raamyel Janael  
ffrom the party of the west be these Abson soquiel

Angels of the Second heaven

*In secundo caelo quod vocat' Roaquya a parte septen=  
rionis &c* In the second heaven that is cleped Roaquya  
from the party of the north serveth these angells Tyel  
Jarael yanael Nenael. Neneel quian. uetamuel ffrom  
The party of the south be these Mylba nelia  
balyer Calloyel cyoly batriel. ffrom the party  
of the East be these Maachin another l<sup>r</sup>e hath  
Carmiel Carcoyel betabaat. ffrom the party of the  
west is Anulus yesararye in which is written the  
names of macareton & in many maners expounded

Angels of the third heaven

*In tertio caelo q vocat' Saaquin a parte Septen=  
Trionis &c* In the third heaven that is cleped

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Saaquin ffrom the party of the north serveth these  
Poniel penael penat Raphael carmiel. Doranel.  
ffrom the party of the south be these parna sadiel  
lyenyel vastamel sanael samyel ffrom the party  
of the east be these Satquiel quadissa taramel  
taryestorat amael hufbrria another l're hath heere  
last hifaliel

### Angels of the fourth heaven

*In quarto cael q dicit' Maon serviunt isti a parte  
Septentrionis &c* In the 4<sup>th</sup> heaven that is said  
Maon these serveth from the part of the north

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Rahumiel haynynael bacyel serapiel matiel serael  
In the party of the south be these saoriel mahamel  
gadiel hosael vaanyel verascyer. In the party of the east  
be these Capiel braliel braaliel raguel gael  
Daemael calcas atragon In the party of the west  
be these Lacana astagna nobquin sonatas yael yas  
yael lael yyel.

### Angels of the fifth heaven

*In quinto caelo isti sunt q dicitur Mahon.* In the  
Party of the north serveth these hayel hanyel veal  
quiel margabel saeprel mamyel. In the party of  
the east be these Lanyfiel anther l're hath barquiel  
zaquiel sanficiel zoaziel aciel farbiel uranacha  
In the party of the west be these Anhael pabliel  
uslael Bortaz suncacer zupa faly paly.

### Angels of the Sixth heaven

*In sexto caelo q vocat' cebul dices a parte septen=  
trionali &c* In the sixt heaven that is cleped Cebul  
thou shalt say from the north parte est Deus fortis  
et potens sine fine that is to say God is mighty  
and strong without end ffrom the party of the south  
thou shalt say Deus sanctus patiens et misericors  
that is to say God holy patient and mercifull ffrom  
the parte of the east thou shalt say Deus magne  
excelse et honorate per saecula. that is to say great  
god highe and worshipped by worlds ffrom the  
party of the west thou shalt say Deus sapiens clare

et juste Deus tua clementia et sititate exoro q  
quaestione mea et opus meu et labore meu hodie

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complete et integer verficere digneris qui vivis  
et regnas deus per o. s. s. amen that is to say  
God wise cleere and righteous. God thy mekenes  
and thy holynes I beseech, that question and  
my worke and my travaile do daily fulfill and  
hallow thou vouchsafe to ful fill that liveth and  
reigneth God by all worlds of worlds so mote it  
be Amen.

Angels of the seaventh heaven

*In septimo cael est Semiforas scriptu in libro  
vitae &c* In the seaventh heaven Semiforas is  
written in the booke of lyfe. In the name of the meke  
and mercifull god of Israel and of paradice  
and of heaven and of earth and of the seas and  
of hills and of Creatures.



*Heere beginneth the seaventh booke  
that treateth of names and of the  
vertues of them*

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*Incipiunt srae et verba et noia Semiforas &c*

Heere beginneth the l<sup>r</sup>e and words and names  
of Semiforas which god the Creato<sup>r</sup> gave to Adam  
in paradise. In which be fowre letters which to the  
4 parties of the worlde and to the 4 elements  
and to the 4 complexions and to the 4 natures  
of the beasts they be likened such they be יהוה הוהי<sup>1</sup>  
And these be letters piteously and devoutly and  
meekely name thou that petition in all things  
be fulfilled. Salomon said ther be to be said that  
there are 7 semiforas. And the first is the

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Semiforas of Adam in which be conteyned 4 chapters  
The first is when Adam spake with the creator in paradise.  
The second is when he spake with the angells  
The third is when he spake with the divels. The 4<sup>th</sup>  
is when he spake with men and with fowles & fishes and  
beasts and reptiles and wilde beasts. The fifth  
when he spake with seeds and herbes and trees and  
all growing things. The 6 when he spake with wyndes  
and with the 4 elemts. The 7<sup>th</sup> when he spake with the  
sunne and the moone and the starres And by the 7 vertues  
of Semiforas whatever he would do he did, and  
what ever he would destroy he destroyed. And this  
Semiforu Adam had when the Creato<sup>r</sup> enspired grace  
into him.

The first Semiforas

*Primu~ Semiforas est quando creator Adam formavit &c*

The first Semiforas is when the creator formed Adam  
and putting him in paradise nempned or named

יהוה הוהי<sup>2</sup> גגגג<sup>1</sup> that is to say

<sup>1</sup> At this place are eight poorly formed Hebrew letters. Since no transliteration is given, it is impossible to determine with any certainty which letters are intended, given the similarities among the Hebrew letters ה *heh* (H), ח *chet* (Ch), and ת *tav* (T or Th), and, if badly written, between ו *vav* (V) and י *yud* (Y). My best guess is that the letters are supposed to show the *tetragrammaton* forward and backward: יהוה הוהי YHVH HVHY.

<sup>2</sup> Eight letters resembling those discussed in a previous note are written here, but crossed out.

yana. the natures and vertues of which above we have declared. If in great necessity or need thou namest this name meekely and devoutly before the creato<sup>r</sup> grace and helpe ne doubt thou not to finde.

The Second Semiforas

*Secundu~ Semiforas est quando Ada~ locutus fuit &c*

The second Semiforas is when Adam spake with the Angell which brought to him these letters written the example of which is such אֵשֶׁר אֵדִיהָ<sup>1</sup> That is yeseraye. And the name thou shalt name when thou wilt speake with angells. And then thy question and thy

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worke without doubt shall fulfill

The third Semiforas

*Tertiu Semiforas est qu locutus est cu daemonibus &c*

The third Semiforas is when he spake with devils and with dead men and of them counsel he enquired, and they sufficiently to him answered And all this he did with these l<sup>r</sup>es of which this is the explanation Adona Sabaoth Adonay Cados Addona Annora And these l<sup>r</sup>es thou shalt name when thou wilt gather together wyndes or divels or serpents

The fourth Semiforas

*Quartu~ Semiforas est qu aialia et sps &c*

The fourth Semiforas is when he bound and loosed beasts and spirits and that with these 7 names Lagume Lamizirm Lanagzlayn Lagri Lanagala Lanatozin Layfyalasyn And when thou wilt bynde or loose beasts thou shalt name the names abovesaid

The fifth Semiforas

*Quintu Semiforas est qu arbores et sementa &c*

The fifth semiforas is when he said or names the 7 natures with which he bound seeds and trees And these they be Lihaham Lialgana Liafar Vialurab

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<sup>1</sup> Four letters are shown which look like variations of *gimel*, but nothing close to *yana* in Hebrew.

<sup>2</sup> Again, here are eight letters with little or no likeness to the word they represent. Some do not even resemble Hebrew letters.

Lelara Lebaron Laasasilas. And when thou wilt  
bynde seeds or trees thou shalt name the names  
abovesaid And thou shalt bynde

The Sixt Semiforas

*Sextu Semiforas est magna virtutis &c* The sixt  
Semiforas is of great vertue and power of which  
These be the names ~~La~~ Letamynyn Letaglogen  
Letafiryng Babaganaritin Letarimitin Letagelogen

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Letafalazin these names thou shalt name when thou  
wilt that the elemts and wyndes fulfill thy will in  
all things

The Seventh Semiforas

*Septinu Semiforas est magnu et virtuosu &c*  
The seventh Semiforas is great and vertuous for  
they be names of the Creato<sup>r</sup> which thou oughtest to name  
in eache thing and in all thy workes inclepe. And they  
be these Eliaon yaena Adonay cados ebreel Eloy  
Ela Egiel ayom sath adon sulela Eloy deliom  
yacy Elim delis yacy Zazael pabiel man myel  
enola dylatan saday alina papym another l<sup>r</sup>e saena alym  
catinal uza yarast calpi calsas safna nycam Saday  
aglataon sya emanuel Joth lalaph om via than piel  
patriceion chepheron baryon yael And these thou shalt  
name in eache tyme that thou workest upon the 4  
elements and whatever thou wilte do by them it shall be  
destroyed and fordone.

Heere beginneth the Semiforas that  
Moyses had

*Incipit Semiforas q d<sup>r</sup>us dedit Moisi &c* Heere  
beginnethe semiforas that o<sup>r</sup> Lord gave to Moyses  
and it is divided into 7 Chapters of which the first is  
when Moyses ascended the hill and spake with the  
flambé that environed the bush and the bush seemed  
to burne and nevertheles it burned not. The second  
when he spake with the Creato<sup>r</sup> in the hill. The third was  
when he divided the red sea and passed through it.

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The iiiii<sup>th</sup> when the yarde was changed into a

serpent and the serpent devoured other. The v<sup>th</sup> is in which the name that was written in the forehead of Aaron. The vi<sup>th</sup> is when he made the brazen adder and the Calf in brasse with the plagues of the Egyptians he smote. The vii<sup>th</sup> is when he rayned Manna in desert, and drewe out water of the stone and let out the Children of Israel from Captivity.

Cap primu~

*Haec sunt noia quae dixit Moises qu est &c* These be the names that Moyses when he ascended the hill and spake with the flambe Maya afi zye yaremye une bace sare binoe maa yasame roy lyly leoy yle yre cyloy zalye lee or see loace cadeloy ule meha ramechi ry hy fossa tu mimi sehie nice yelo habe uele. hele ede quego ramaye habe. And when thou namest these names devoutly knowe thou thy worke without doubt to be fulfilled

Capitulu~ secundu~

*Haec sunt noia quae dixit creator &c* These be the names which the Creato<sup>r</sup> said to Moyses when he ascended the hill and spake with him Abgincam loaraceram naodicras pecaccecas acaptena yeger podayg saccosicum These be the names with which the temple of Bozale was founded. These be the names of the prophets when with the Angels with which the 4 partyes of the worlde were sealed with which thou mightest do many miracles And beware least thou name them but chaste and cleane and three dayes

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fasting, and what ever thou wilt do by them thou shalt do trustelye

Capitulu~ tertiu~

*Haec sunt noia quae Moses dixit &c* These be the names that Moses sayd when he divided the red sea ena elaye sayec helame maace ~~lehaha~~ lehahu. lehahu alielie q<sup>o</sup>re azaye boene hyeha ysale mabeha arayha arameloena qleye lieneno feyane ye ye malice habona nechee hikers And when thou wilt have grace of any man, these names thou shalt name devoutly and meekely and thou shalt have

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### Capitulu~ Quartu~

*Haec sunt noia quae dixit Moses &c* These be the names that Moses said when the <sup>1</sup> yard was changed into a serpents of the enchanter and the prophets micraton piston yeymor higarón ygniron tenigaron mycon mycondasnos castas laceas astas yecon cuia tablinst tabla nac yacuf And these foresaid names thou shalt name when thou wilt full fill thy question or axing

### Capitulu~ quintu~

*Haec sunt noia quae scripta evant in pple Aron &c* These be the names that were written in the people of Aron when he spake with the Creato<sup>r</sup> Saday haleyos loez elacy citonij hazyhaya yeynimeysey accidasbaruc huadonenu eya hyebu ueu uaha oyaha eye ha hia zalia haliha eyey yaia el ebehel ua ua ua Keepe well these names abovesaid for they be holy and vertuous, and these thou shalt name that thou mayst get what thou askest of the Creato<sup>r</sup>.

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### Capitulu~ Sextu~

*Haec sunt noia quae scripta errant in virga Moysi &c* These be the names that were written in the yard of Moyses when he made the brazen serpent and destroyed the golden calf when all that dronke in the well had a beard. yana yane sia abibhu uanoia accenol tiogas yena eloym ya uehu yane hayya uehu ahiacmed. And these names Conteyned in themselves in any vertues for with them thou shalt destroy evill and all enchantm<sup>ts</sup> And presume thou not to name them in the 7 works

### Capitulu~ septimu<sup>s</sup>

*Haec sunt noia quae Moyses dixit qu pluit &c* These be the names that Moyses said when Manna rayned in desort and drew out water of the worke and ledde out from Captivity the Children of Israel Saday samora ebon pheneton eloy eneiobceel messias Jahe yana or eolyen

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<sup>1</sup> Above the caret mark ^ is written "rod."

## Sepher Raziel

When thou wilt do any marvelles, or if thou were  
in any anguish these names thou shalt name. And  
in all things thou shalt feele the helpe of them  
and the vertue. And when thou hast done this  
rehearse thou these words by which the names afore  
said be expounded Deus vive verax magne fortis  
poleus pie sancte munde oi bonifate plene benedictē  
due benedictū nomen tuu tu completer nostra compleas  
questione tu factor fac nos ad fine uri operis  
provenire tu largitor nobis integru complementu  
uri operis elagire to sancta et misericors nobis  
miserere nomen tuu yeseraye sit per secula benedictū  
Amen. That is to say God quicke very great

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strong mighty meeke holy cleane full of all goodnes  
blessed Lord be thy name thou fulfiller  
fulfill our question thou maker make us to come  
to thend of our worke Thou holy and mercifull  
have mercy of us Thy name yeseraye be it  
blessed by worlds Amen. In the name of souereigne  
almighty Creato<sup>r</sup> I beginne the explanacion of  
his name yeserayē that is to say God without  
beginning and without end Angilae is the name of  
a prophet and properly written in a golden plate of  
living men And whoever beareth it upon himself  
and how long he hath it with him he shall no  
dread sodeyne death.

Heere endeth the booke of Raziel  
of the seaven treatises



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*rendered into modern English, with modernised spelling, punctuation, paragraph  
breaks, word order, and with its contractions expanded*

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## *Modern English Text*

In the course of rendering the text into modern English, the spelling has been modernized, and the punctuation clarified. Paragraph breaks, and occasionally sentence breaks, have been silently introduced to clarify the meaning, and to help make the divisions of the manuscript more clear. In a number of cases the word order has been changed to match modern understanding, without loss of meaning. Contractions both in the Latin and the English have been expanded. The Latin has not been translated, because the scribe, in each case, has provided a translation or summary immediately after each Latin passage. Excess personal pronouns such as 'he' and 'you' used in Middle English<sup>1</sup> have been silently removed. For example 'know you' has been rendered simply as 'know' or eliminated altogether where its repetition becomes tedious. The verb 'to be' has also been adjusted to reflect modern usage. Redundant words have been silently dropped, so for example in a phrase like 'destroyed and fordone', the second word has been dropped as 'fordone' means 'destroyed.'

Where significant words have been inserted to clarify the meaning they are enclosed in square brackets. Simple connective words (like 'and', 'or', 'because', 'then', 'there', 'that'), definite/indefinite articles ('the', 'a'), or prepositions ('on', 'by', 'in', 'over', 'above'), have been added or deleted silently where necessary to improve the meaning. If there is any uncertainty as to the meaning, then the reader can simply refer to the original text transcription printed earlier in the present book.

Some words will appear to have been arbitrarily changed. This is because a number of words in English have completely changed in their underlying meaning since the time this manuscript was composed. You should not, for example, be surprised to find 'said' in the original changed to 'called' in the modern English version, or 'proved' changed to 'tested', or 'very' changed to 'true' or 'truth', or 'quick' changed to 'living', or 'clean' changed to 'pure', or 'cleanness' changed to 'purity', or 'price' changed to 'high esteem', or 'point' changed to 'degree', or 'star' changed to 'planet' where needed, or 'will' sometimes (as the context demands) changed to 'wish' and 'full' sometimes changed to 'very.' These changes reflect the original meaning and intention of the author, and can be confirmed by consulting any Middle English dictionary.

The original names of stones and herbs have been retained with the modern word, plus alternate Latin word, following in square brackets.

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<sup>1</sup> Middle English as defined by W. W. Skeat in his dictionary of Middle English, is the period 1150-1580, which certainly covers the presumed date of the present manuscript, 1564.

Liber Salomonis  
[*Praefatio* - Preface]

[2r] *In nomine Dei [omni]potentis vibi et veri et aeterni &c.*

In the name of Almighty God living, true and everlasting and outside of all [creation] and who is called <sup>1</sup> Adonay, Saday, Ehye Asereye,<sup>2</sup> I begin to write this book which is called *Sepher Raziel* <sup>3</sup> with all his appurtenances, in which there are seven Treatises complete or fulfilled, that is in 7 books.

*Dixit Solomon gloria et laus et cum multo honore &c.*

Solomon spoke glory and praise, with much honour, to the God of all Creatures, he that is unique, who made all things at one time. And he is the one true God and mighty, he alone is, and was, and always shall be, who has no end, nor is there any [other] like him, neither is he like [any other]. And he is unique without end, Lord alone without corruption, holy, pure, meek and great, seeing and hearing all things, wise, and in all things mighty. And I begin this book to make an exemplar, [so] that whosoever has it, [must] not blame it till he has read and heard it all, or somewhat of it, and then [he will] praise God, maker of all things.

These are Nine Precepts [to be observed in this practice].

*Incipiunt praecepta.* Here begin the precepts:

*Non credas esse plures nisi unum [Deum solum &] singularum &c.*<sup>4</sup>

1. Do not believe [God] to be many, but one, unique, alone among all things, which has none like him, and love him with awe and honour, with all trust and with good will, a stable [intent], with might, and with a pure heart.
2. Do not live without law, and you shall be loved by God your Creator, and by folks [your family].
3. Nor do to another man, if you would not [have] the same [done to you].
4. Do not be a liar to the Lord, nor to your friend, but say such truth that is to your profit, and not to do harm.

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<sup>1</sup> 'Said' is used in the original manuscript in many places where the sense is obviously 'called', and so it has been uniformly replaced with 'called' in these places.

<sup>2</sup> A more familiar transliteration of these Hebrew godnames would read: 'Adonai Shaddai Eheieh Asher Eheieh.'

<sup>3</sup> It later refers to itself as *Cephar Raziel*.

<sup>4</sup> The Latin catchlines have sometimes been supplemented from the Latin of Sloane MS 3847.

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5. Do not love associating more with unwise men than with wise men. And always love [2<sup>v</sup>] much wisdom and good sciences, and [put] all your will and life into them.

6. Do not speak before you have thought, and consider it in your heart before you do it.

7. Do not show your private parts to a woman, nor to a child, nor to a fool, nor to a drunken woman.

8. Do not test a medicine, nor its venom, on yourself, before you test it on another.<sup>1</sup>

9. Do not blame a book before you prophesy,<sup>2</sup> nor [confirm] a man to be wise till you have tested [him].

And if you hold these Nine Precepts to you always, you shall profit more and more.

*Postquam sensus et scire et posse voluntas vera [vestra] &c.*

After that, understanding, knowledge, might and truth will overcome all things with good understanding and discretion. Therefore I will expound, or make open, his book which is of great power and of great virtue. I, Solomon, supply such knowledge, and such distinction and explanation, in this book [so] that every man that reads or studies it, may know whereof he was, and from whom he came.

### *[Introductio Libri – Introduction of the Book]*

Know that after I, Solomon, had 30 years [of reign] plus a half [year], [until] the fifth day of the month of Hebrews, which was the sixth day of the Sun being in the sign of Leo. In that day there was sent to me from Babylon by some Prince, that was greater and more revered than all men of that time, a book called *Cephar Raziel*<sup>3</sup> which contained 7 books and 7 Treatises.

*Nota tempus in quo Solomon fuit quo adeptus istum libre et quomodo et a quo venit sibi*

Know the time in which Solomon received the book, and how and by whom it came to him.

*Iste liber est magnae virtutis et magnae secretiae*

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<sup>1</sup> This appears to be ethically the wrong way around.

<sup>2</sup> Prophecy here means have the magical powers of a prophet of old, not just being able to foretell the future.

<sup>3</sup> *Cephar Raziel* is an alternate spelling for *Sepher Raziel*, the *Book of Raziel*. In Hebrew it is סֵפֶר רִיזִיֵאל. In the Latin of Sloane MS 3847 it is called ‘*Sephar Raziel*.’

This book is of great virtue and [has] great secrets. The name of the prince that sent it to me was Sameton, and the two wise men that brought it to me were called Kamazan,<sup>1</sup> and the other Zazont.<sup>2</sup> [3r] The name of this book as expounded in Latin is *Angelus Magnus Secreti Creatoris*, that is to say the 'Great Angel of the Secret Creator,'<sup>3</sup> and in Hebrew *Cephar Raziel*. It is the book of Adam written in the language of Caldey [Chaldaean] and afterwards translated into Hebrew. And each man that reads it knows that in it are all the Semiforas,<sup>4</sup> that is to say the great name [of god] complete with all his names, whole and even, and with his virtues and his sacraments.

[*The Seven Treatises*]

And I found it in 7 books, that is in 7 Treatises. And know that I found the first and the last very dark,<sup>5</sup> and the five middle [Treatises] more plain, and although I found them dark I opened [understood] them as much as I could or might.

And the 7 Treatises of this book are these:

1. The first [treatise] is called *Clavis* ['Key'] for in it is explained Astronomy and the stars [planets], for without them we may do nothing [magically].
2. The second is called *Ala* ['Wing'] for in it is explained the virtues of some stones, of herbs, and of beasts.<sup>6</sup>
3. The third is called *Tractatus Thymiamatum* ['Treatise of Incenses'] and in it is explained [the virtues] of suffumigations,<sup>7</sup> their choice,<sup>8</sup> and their divisions.
4. The fourth is called the *Treatise of Times of the Year*, [*Temporum Anni*], of the day, and of the night, in it is explained when anything ought to be done by this book.

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<sup>1</sup> 'Karmazail' in Sloane MS 3846. 'Karmazayl' in the Latin of Sloane MS 3847.

<sup>2</sup> 'Zozont' in the Latin of Sloane MS 3847.

<sup>3</sup> Here we have yet another title for this manuscript: *Great Angel of the Secret Creator*.

<sup>4</sup> It is not just the 72 letter name Shem ha-Mephorash. It is written Semhamforash/Semphorax in the Latin of Sloane MS 3847. The Semiforas are the formulae or lists of names given in the last Treatise of this book. In two places in the present manuscript, it is also written 'Semiforax.' 'Semiphoras' is also the name of related Solomonic manuscripts mentioned in the Introduction.

<sup>5</sup> Difficult to understand.

<sup>6</sup> In the present text, the supposed explanation of why the second book is divided into four 'Wings' is very stretched, artificial and unconvincing, as if the scribe was seeking to justify something he himself found inexplicable.

<sup>7</sup> We have refrained from modernising 'suffumigation' throughout as it is not easily replaceable by a single word like 'perfume' or 'cense', and 'fumigate' definitely doesn't give the right meaning. It means to use perfumed smoke or incense, with the objective of ritually cleansing a thing or place, or to attract or dispel spirits therefrom.

<sup>8</sup> '*Allegationibus*' in the Latin of Sloane MS 3847.

5. The fifth is called the *Treatise of Purity* [*Tractatus Munditia*] for in it is explained Abstinence.

6. The sixth is called *Samaim*<sup>1</sup> [Heavens] for in that Treatise it names all the heavens and their angels, and their operations or workings.

7. The seventh is [called] the *Book of Virtues* [*Liber Virtutum*], for there is explained virtues and miracles, and there are told the properties of the Ark of Magic, and of its figures, and of its provisions.

And then I began to write all these Treatises in a new volume for [just] one Treatise without another serves not to [explain] the wholeness of the work. Therefore I made [3<sup>v</sup>] a whole book up of the Treatises. Therefore Salomon said to his writer Clarifaton,<sup>2</sup> that he could write it, which I know well the languages of Chaldaean, of Indy [Indian], of Hebrew and of Syrian,<sup>3</sup> and their right explanation. Solomon secondly said that after Clarifaton had corrected it and had arranged it,<sup>4</sup> it should be better, and he arranged it in the best manner that he might. And Clarifaton, who was Solomon's writer, said that this book is full of great secrets, and that it is worthy of very great honour. And that it was given to Solomon with high esteem and much love. And every Treatise of these 7 [treatises] was written by themselves. Clarifaton said that it ought to be but one book alone by itself, for none of these [Treatises], said he, would suffice without the others, therefore he said it is necessary that they are all [kept] together.

Whereupon Solomon ordained that all the said 7 Treatises were but one book, as they ought to be, and so they ought to be read and wrought. And he ordained it much better than the philosophers ordained, and he also taught how a man ought to do his work from it. And he put every Treatise by itself and every chapter by itself and arranged all till the end of the book. And he put into this book the *Semiforas*, that is the book of 17 virtues, how it ought to be written, with what ink, on what parchment, with what pen, with what man, in which season, on what day, in what night, and in what hour. After that Solomon expounded how the *Book of Razeelus* [Raziel] ought to be kept, purely and with great honour.

*Dixit Solomon qui videt et non cognosit &c.*

Solomon said, "who sees and knows not, is like he that is born blind and knows not colours, and whoever hears and understands not, is such as if he

<sup>1</sup> Hebrew for 'heaven.'

<sup>2</sup> The Latin version of Sloane MS 3847 has 'Clarephaton' and 'Clarefatoni.'

<sup>3</sup> 'Siriicum' in the Latin of Sloane MS 3847.

<sup>4</sup> 'Drossed' meaning 'dressed up', hence 'edited.' 'Diregibat' is the Latin of Sloane MS 3847, from 'dirigo' meaning 'to arrange in order.'

were a deaf man. And who considers and knows not the consideration is such [a person] as if he were a drunkard. [4r] And whoever speaks and cannot expound the reason, is as a dumb man. And whoever reads plain books and understands them not, is as if he were a dreamer."

[*Qua charta debet Scribi...Quo Encausto...Quo Calamo*]

[*The Parchment, the Pen and the Ink*]

These proverbs Solomon wrote in this book, for Solomon wrote in this book *Cephar Raziell*,<sup>1</sup> what the angel said to Adam (who was the first man in this world) and after that, what Moses said to other prophets, in truth, and we believe it to be so.

*Dixit Angelus Salomoni ut omnibus tua operationes &c.*

The angel said to Solomon that all your workings and petitions shall be fulfilled, and all that you covet shall be made [available], and be in [your] power. It is your duty that when you have this book, or another copy of it, that you write it [out] the first time on virgin parchment, and [see] that it [the parchment] is not filthy, neither [just the skin] of a dead beast, [but] on vealime (*vitulino*),<sup>2</sup> or on parchment of silk, or on satin,<sup>3</sup> or on clean cloth, or on parchment of a lamb, or on a virgin kid,<sup>4</sup> or on a virgin faun, and this [latter] is better than any other.

And the ink with which you write [should] be [made] of clean [oak] galls, and let it be made with good whole white wine, with gum,<sup>5</sup> vitriol, mastic & thyme and crocus.<sup>6</sup> And the third day when it has taken residence <sup>7</sup> and is cleansed, and strained, add therein a little of *algoba* and *almea*,<sup>8</sup> and add

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<sup>1</sup> The English scribe wrote 'Cepher' or 'Cephar' for 'Sepher', the Hebrew for 'book.' The Latin of Sloane MS 3847 however clearly shows '*Librum Raziellis*.'

<sup>2</sup> Vellum, or prepared sheep skin. The reference is to the use of lime to clean the flesh off the skin in order to make it into parchment.

<sup>3</sup> In Sloane MS 3826 this is 'Samatyne' (with 'sattin' written above it), but in Sloane MS 3846 it is just written as 'satin.' This suggests, but it is not in any way conclusive, that Sloane MS 3826 is possibly the older of the two versions.

<sup>4</sup> Young virgin goat.

<sup>5</sup> Usually gum tragacanth.

<sup>6</sup> The wine is the main liquid part of the ink. The oak galls and (small quantity of) vitriol help to remove any oiliness from the parchment at the point where the pen is writing. The gum tragacanth helps glue the ink to the parchment. The mastic, thyme and crocus are part of the magical tradition that the ink should be perfumed. The other necessary, but unmentioned, ingredient is soot which provides the black of the ink.

<sup>7</sup> Settled.

<sup>8</sup> A marginal note offers an alternative to Almea: Alinza.

therein good musk, more than the [other] three [perfume ingredients]. And add therein ambergris, balsamic myrrh, and *lignum aloes*.

And when the ink is made, boil it with mastic, thyme, *lignum aloes*, and with somewhat of Thymiamata,<sup>1</sup> and Muculazarat,<sup>2</sup> and cleanse [filter] it well with a clean thin cloth, and [let] the cloth be [folded] threefold. And afterward put therein musk, *ambram* [ambergris], *almenus* & *algana*, balsam and myrrh, all well ground & then [4<sup>v</sup>] mix all this very well with the ink. And let the ink be still for the space of 3 days well covered, in a fair place. And know that with this ink you shall write all the holy names of God, his angels, and of his saints, and all things in which his holy great name is named and written. And all things that you want will truly be fulfilled, pleasing to your wishes, and serviceable to you. And whatever you put in this ink, [make sure] it is new and bright and pure, and [written with] a good pen.

[*De modo faciendi Calamum* – of the Method of making the Reed]

And the pen that you shall write the holy names, [should] be a green reed, gathered early before the Sun arises.<sup>3</sup> And he that shall gather it, [must] be clean & washed in running water, or in a living/flowing well, and also let him be clothed with clean clothes, and [let] the Moon be waxing, with Caput Draconis or with Jupiter, for then they will be true [usable]. And when you gather [the reed pen], you shall look toward the East, and you shall say thus “*Adonay et Saday juvate me ad complendum voluntatem meam [ac voluntates meas cum] arundine ista.*” That is to say “[Adonai and Saday] help me to fulfill my wishes with this reed.” And when this is said you shall cut one reed, or two, or as many as you wish, with one stroke.<sup>4</sup> And as Moses said, the knife must be plain, sharp and whole, as if we should [need to] cut a neck with it. And take the reed with your clean hands, and make of it a gobbet [small piece]. And when you cut the pen, cut it before the Sun arises, or as it arises. With this pen and with this ink you shall write all the names of God, holy and several. And as often as you write the name of the Creator, be pure and solemn, alone, serene & in a pure place.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Incense, from the Greek *θυμιαματων*, *thymiamaton*. See *Revelations* 5:8 “bowls of gold full of incenses.” See Appendix 1 for the modern the equivalents of the other incense ingredients.

<sup>2</sup> Not in the OED. ‘Mukul’ is a type of myrrh produced in Zufar. ‘Muql’ is a type of bdellium.

<sup>3</sup> An (indistinct) marginal note: “it must be done in the new of the ☾ [Moon] while the ☾ [Moon] increases, when she applies [moves towards] Caput Draconis, or towards the ☽ [conjunction] with, or Δ [trine] with ♃ [Jupiter], for if so the [time] will be very good.”

<sup>4</sup> Seven reeds are sometimes recommended, one for each planetary ink.

<sup>5</sup> ‘Cleanliness’ or purity is mentioned frequently in this manuscript, even to the extent of having one of the seven Treatises wholly devoted to it. Although washing and wearing clean

And you shall first, before you write, for 3 days be bathed in clean water, but rather [it is better if] you are pure for nine days [in] a house or clean place, made very clean with besoms [brooms], [5<sup>c</sup>] and washed, watered and censed. And arrange it so that when you write, you hold your face toward the East & write from morning till midday, after that you [may] eat. And after you have eaten and drunk you shall not write anything [more]. And if you wish to write Semiforas, [taking advantage of] its powers, then the number of the [days of the] Moon, should be even.<sup>1</sup> And mostly do it on the day of the Moon [Monday], or in the morning, or of Jupiter [Thursday] or Venus [Friday], & [begin writing in the hour] of Saturn, and of the Sun over all.<sup>2</sup>

And Solomon said, "If you add into the ink the blood of a vowler [vulture], or of a turtur [turtle dove], or of a gander (wholly or all white), the ink shall be much the better, and [have] more virtue. Also I say that if there were *sapher* [sapphire]<sup>3</sup> powdered, *smaragdo* [emerald],<sup>4</sup> *gaynisia* & *topasia* [topaz]<sup>5</sup> in it, [then] the ink shall be complete or fulfilled."

And with this ink, and with this pen, ought to be written all the names of Semiforas, and know that he that shall write this book ought to be pure & fasting, bathed and censed with precious aromatics, that is with good smelling spices. And so it shall be of great profit to you, and to him that makes it or writes it. And each man that has written this book, or has held it in his house,<sup>6</sup> [shall] always hold God in his mind, and his holy Angels & [the purposes] for which he has made it. And let him keep in his mind in which time (of the 4 times of the day), he ought to [work], or at what time of the hour. And always let him keep in his mind to his 4 times, in an [appropriate] hour to which they ought to be as *Juvenies* in *Libro Prophetarum*.

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clothes forms part of the requirements, it is really meant in the sense of 'moral purity.' Contrary to the popular impression that magic involves depravity, the emphasis of all serious works on magic, and all serious practitioners, is on the purification and the purity of the operator, so that they are in a sufficiently morally strong position to deal with any 'spiritual creatures', be they angels, spirits or demons.

<sup>1</sup> In other words, only on the 2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th and 14th day after New Moon.

<sup>2</sup> The last phrase is not clear, but might suggest 'during daylight hours.'

<sup>3</sup> Symbolic of the Virgin Mary.

<sup>4</sup> Symbolic of Hermes Trismegistus.

<sup>5</sup> Sometimes 'topas' was also used to indicate a chrysolite, peridot or yellow sapphire.

<sup>6</sup> Mediaeval Jews considered the *Sepher Raziel* so potent that the mere possession of the book in the house was believed to help prevent fires, a serious concern in the ghettos of Mediaeval Europe. However we have no certainty that the Mediaeval Hebraic *Sepher Raziel ha-Melakh* is connected in any direct way with the present text.



[*Liber Primus* - The First Book]

[*Liber Clavis*, the Book of the Key of Astronomy and of the Stars]<sup>1</sup>

*Dixit Solomon sicut si esset Castrum &c.*

Solomon said that [this method is] as though there is a strong castle great, high, enhanced and well [fortified] on each side with walls surrounded, and the gates in this place are strong and stable, or firm, and with keys closed and locked. Therefore it obliges [anyone] who would open the gates of that closed castle, and wholesomely enter into it, without work or gift [bribe], and without bruising his body [in battle], to have the same [5<sup>v</sup>] keys, and none other, of this castle, of its gates and of its closings.

Thus I say that it is [necessary] for [you] to know the stars [planets], their names, their figures, their natures, and when they should be good and when they should be evil. And this I say of [both] the fixed [stars] and of the 7 erratics [the planets]. Consider [also] how the nature of the Circle of the 12 [Zodiacal] Signs [effects them].

And therefore it is the duty of each man that has this book, to hold it purely, and keep it with great reverence & with great honour. And he who has it, and can read it, let him not read it before he [has a] very pure body, and [then he should read it] with great understanding. And I make every man know that he ought not to work with this book in vain [disrespectfully], neither without understanding, nor without law or reason. And when any man does to the contrary, [it] as [if] reptiles or wild beasts do him harm.

And know though you have power, and trust to work by this book, & although you might have great belief in this, you should not work, except with great right or law [on your side], or with many [good] reasons. And understand, if on the contrary, you work otherwise by this book than you should, [it] might greatly hinder you: that is to say if you work without [good] reasons, or if you are unclean or evil in yourself.

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<sup>1</sup> The beginning of the first book, the *Clavis*, is not marked in the English manuscript, but as this section begins the discussion of astrological matters, and first mentions keys, it is likely that this was the beginning of the first of the seven Treatises or books, which is called *Liber Clavis* on its last page. The Latin of Sloane MS 3847 marks the beginning of this chapter on the next page where [*Clavis Libri*] is marked. But 12 lines later it re-headines the page with '*De Astronomia Liber Primus*', so the Latin text's divisions are not quite as logical as they initially seem.

[*Clavis Libri*]

*Clavis istius libri est cognoscere et scire loca*

The key to this book is to know and examine the places of the 7 bodies above [the planets], and their natures and their sciences, and their Houses, and all their virtues, after [the manner] it appeared on the earth to me.

*Formata debet esse omnis figura cum exemplo vero*

Each figure ought to be formed with a true example, therefore I put the figure of the key in this book,<sup>1</sup> [in order] that no true man, without [good] reason, shall profit by it. And I put in the figure a key with a shaft, to [6<sup>r</sup>] [symbolize] that there is one solemn Lord, one god, who never had, nor shall have, any even or like to him. In the quadrature [quarter part of the figure], there are four corners that signify that there are 4 Elements, and no more. And in this key is [also] one triangle, which signifies knowledge, might [power] and will, for [without] these three [things] no man may do anything in the world, nor attain to any profit.

*[Et dixit Salomon quod hastilo huinum Clavis]*

And Solomon said that the shaft of this key is as Raziel said to Adam, with the unity or one head; and the quadrate is as the 4 [types of] virtues that are [found] in [stones], herbs, words, and beasts, and they be in the likeness of [the 4] Elements which open and do everything. And in the 7 wards [zones] be 7 Angels which are mighty in the 7 Heavens, and in the 7 days of the week, as furthermore I shall teach you. And the triangle signifies man which is [divided] into body, soul and spirit: and these things abovesaid, lead to all the world, as it was compounded [generated] in highness & lowness.

*Pastquam hucusque diximus oportet nos dicere &c.*

After what we have said hitherto, it is the duty of us now to say, in this book, that which is said of the key of the 7 brethren [planets]. And these 7 brethren have to divide among themselves 12 realms [Signs], and in each realm are 30 cities [degrees], and in every city are 60 castles and in every castle there are 60 *Caldee*,<sup>2</sup> that is to say *feeldy* [fields?], or wild *forones* [towns?].<sup>3</sup>

And this example Solomon found, and made distinctions, and said, "there is

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<sup>1</sup> There is no figure or key present in the manuscript. However Guillaume Postel (1510 – 1581), a French Kabbalist, designed a similar key which might have been modelled on this description.

<sup>2</sup> 'Villa campostris' in the Latin of Sloane MS 3847. The meaning may be 'rooms'.

<sup>3</sup> A metaphor for the 7 planets wandering in the 12 Zodiacal Signs, each one of which has 30 degrees, divided into 60 minutes, which are in turn divided into 60 seconds of arc.

a father and he has 7 sons [the planets], and these 7 sons are siblings, for they are [born] of the same father. And the eldest [Saturn] is the most heavy among all the others. And the middle [the Sun] is in the middle, and regulates then all. And there it is sited in the middle in relationship to them, so [that no planet] is separated from it [by more than] two [places]."<sup>1</sup>

And the 7 brethren [planets], Solomon said, are Sabaday or Saturn; Zedek or Jupiter; [6<sup>v</sup>] Madym or Mars; Hamyna <sup>2</sup> or the Sun; Nogah or Venus; Cocab or Mercury; and Labana, that is to say the Moon.<sup>3</sup> Know also the [favourable] Houses of these planets. And Solomon put names to the 12 realms, which are called Signs, [and names to] the siblings [the planets], and he begins to make distinctions [between them].

*[Attribution of the 7 Planets to the 12 Zodiacal Signs]*

And he [Solomon] gave to the fighter, that is to say to Mars, [the instruction] that he should rest, and that he should not fight in the realm of the Sign of Aries, and of this virtue he is in the realm of the East, he also gave him in the realm of the world the sign of Scorpio, that [there] he should fight strongly, and that he should never rest, and he is in the eighth realm from the first [i.e. Scorpio].

And afterward he gave to the fair Nogah, that is to say Venus, two realms [Signs], of which one has the half figure of Taurus, which is from the highness of his head with his horns till the navel. And [counting] as the seventh from the first, that is Libra, and after Venus is above in the North, and otherwise beneath that in the South. And so she has inherited [dominion] in two parts.

And then he gave to the painter (which is the writer) that is Mercury, two realms, of which one has two men embracing [Gemini], that is clinging together, and that other has a fair virgin winged [Virgo], and nevermore will he be divided or departed from [that] women, for those images be such, and he dislikes always to go far from the South into the North.<sup>4</sup>

And he gave to the Malix,<sup>5</sup> that is to say the Moon, for she is always moving, [just] one realm. And for that she will not stand [still] much in her house, and

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<sup>1</sup> Using the Earth-centric model, with the planets being in order Moon, Mercury, Venus, Sun, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, no planet is more than two positions away from the Sun.

<sup>2</sup> Hamyna or Hamina is used in Honorius' *Liber Juratus* to indicate the Sun. Hamina is used in the Latin version of *Sepher Raziel* Sloane MS 3847.

<sup>3</sup> These names are simply the Hebrew names of the days of the week.

<sup>4</sup> The path of the planet Mercury remains close to the ecliptic.

<sup>5</sup> Malix = Matrix? Astrologers thought of the Moon as the womb or 'matrix' of life.

her Sign is a fish that is called Cancer, which has many feet, which signifies that she will travel much, for she alone is under the other brethren.<sup>1</sup>

And he gave to the middle brother, which is the Lord of all [7<sup>r</sup>] others [the Sun], and who commands all, and is more adorned and far fairer arrayed, therefore he gave to him [only] one realm very strong in heat, and his Sign is as the Lion [Leo], that signifies him as Lord over all beasts, so is he stronger and more Lordship [aristocratic] than all his brethren.

And there remained two brethren [planets] in the part of the South which [each] take two realms, one above another that he should never overcome in the Sign of the southerly realm. He is a beast with one form in his front [and one in the back, Capricorn], and the sign of that other realm is a man that holds many waters [Aquarius], and his brother [planet] is called the old Saturn.

And then take that other brother [Jupiter]. For heritage, on his right side the realm with the Sign of half a man and half a horse called Sagittarius, and on the left side [the Sign] of Pisces.

*[The Nature of the 12 Zodiacal Signs]*

Know the nature of the Signs. Solomon said that Aries is a sign fiery, hot & dry, choleric, and so is Leo and Sagittarius and they have strength in the East. Taurus is earthy, cold and dry, melancholic & so are Virgo and Capricorn, and they have strength in the South. Gemini is airy, hot and moist & sanguine and so is Libra & Aquarius, and they have strength in the West. And Cancer is watery, feminine, moist and phlegmatic, and so is Scorpio and Pisces, and they have strength in the North.

*Iam diximus de naturis et signis et eorum complexionibus*

Now we have explained about natures and Signs, and their complexions, so we now mean to explain about their natures, and of the complexions of the siblings [the planets] and what they signify.

*[The Nature of the 7 Planets]*

The first and highest [planet] is called the old Sabaday or Saturn, the nature of which is cold and dry, for that is [7<sup>v</sup>] very straight and melancholic, and it signifies the father, wrath, and discord in the lands.

The second is called Zedek [Jupiter] and he is temperate for he is between the old Saturn and the hot Mars, and Jupiter is hot and moist and sanguine, in savour sweet, and it draws to good air, and it signifies good, honour and virtue.

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<sup>1</sup> Below all the other planets in the Earth-centric model of the universe.

The third is the fighter Mars, and he is hot and dry, evil, a lover, fierce, a ravisher and a liar.

The fourth [planet] is Hamina or the Sun, middle among the others, hot and mighty and [worthy of] reverence, and all the other brethren are ashamed and regard him with awe, for he is very true and strong.

The fifth is the fair Nogah [Venus], cold and moist, glad, phlegmatic, [appearing] fat and fleshy, and well seeming in all her limbs and countenance, and she signifies good events, and she is very happy among women.

The sixth is the writer and forespeaker <sup>1</sup> Cocab [Mercury], that holds himself with all & serves all, and he signifies writers, news, and voices, after which he shall be with that which everyone holds close.

The seventh brother is Labana [the Moon] and it is Malix, and she is cold and moist, and she signifies brethren and [marks out] each [lunar] month, and [conveys] the commandments of brethren to brethren, after she is parted from them.

*Deinde loquamur de septem fribus quare dicuntur clavis &c.*

And then we speak of the 7 brethren, why they are called the keys of the world (and this world may not be neglected), and these were formed from the 4 brethren which are called the 4 Elements, and they afterward have signification, understanding and discretion, complete power, honesty and strength, and every [one] may do in his hemisphere that [which is his] empire, as an Emperor in his empire, or as a prince [may do] in his Lordship. Also they have rulership over the 7 parts, which we call the climates. And [8<sup>r</sup>] from these rule all beasts here formed.

And Solomon said that the prophets call these brethren the 7 living spirits, and holy and wise men said that they were 7 lamps burning, or 7 candlesticks of light & of life,<sup>2</sup> and all the prophets call them the 7 heavenly bodies which are the 7 planets, and commonly they are called the 7 planets. And the 7 brethren are kept of 4 beasts, full of eyes before and behind, which are the [four] parts of heaven: East, West, North and South. And they have rulership in the 4 parts of the world, and in 4 times, and in 4 natures, with its complexions and with all its parts, and in all its 4 Elements. And with these together is led, and moved, all things moveable by the Commandments of God, that put them in their places.

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<sup>1</sup> Forespeaker = bewitcher or prophet. Prophet also meant having the magical powers of a prophet. Forespeaker can also mean advocate or barrister. These are all typically mercurial professions.

<sup>2</sup> Suggestive of the Jewish *menorah* or 7 branched candlestick, which used to be a symbol of Judaism, in the same way the Star of David is now.

## Liber Salomonis

*Dixit Solomon sicut fuerunt sempus status superius.*

Solomon said, "as there were always states above, without corruption, so there is now and shall be for ever more." And from this we understand that the bodies above are pure, good, and made without corruption. And that the lower bodies are unclean, evil, treated and broken, and each day they fail and are bound and corrupted. And this corruption rests not, neither is it made true of that which we understand, so that the lower bodies must not neglect the upper bodies. And all things which we see beneath have their roots and beginning from the things above: for things above are with life and without dolor, and things beneath be the contrary, and have death and dolor.

And things above are without corruption, and things beneath each day fail, are corrupted and diminished. All prophets have seen that if we lacked any one of the upper bodies (there be more than ten thousand [stars], between those that we see and those that we see not), there would be a great precipitation, destruction and confusion in land, and in sea, and in the 4 Elements [below], if [8<sup>v</sup>] any of the bodies above were broken or were evilly treated. And if any one of the 7 brethren failed, then the earth should come again to its first state, where all the Elements were confused. And if any of them [the upper bodies] had corporally received corruption, all things that receive a soul or life would be destroyed.

And know that as the 4 Elements are turned downward, so they are not turned without some reason [or motion] of the 7 [planets] above. And thus say the philosophers, that when the Sun is destroyed, so each life and each soul is destroyed. And when the Moon is destroyed the ligatures or bindings of the sea are destroyed. And know that Saturn is earthy and holds all the earth in a balance that is not moved. And Jupiter holds air [in balance], and Mars [holds] fire, and the Sun [holds] the day, and men. And Venus holds the fair parts of the world, and Mercury [holds] reason, and the Moon holds the hearts, seas, waters and their powers. And know that everyone (after it were, or shall be, in this exaltation) is regulated and bound to the Sun, [in order that] its reasons, words and speeches should be good between men.

And when Mercury is in conjunction in Virgo (in the same degree) with the Sun, [moving] direct and not retrograde, this makes things subtle and reasonable. And as often as the Sun is in Aries, so many years [of life] unlike he gives us.<sup>1</sup> And as often as Saturn is in Libra so many mutations

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<sup>1</sup> This is rather stating the obvious, for the Sun passes through Aries once a year, for every year of one's life.

he gives us in lands. And as often as Jupiter is in conjunction with Saturn in an earthly Sign, so he gives us many mutations or changes. And he changes laws & seats and Lordships (of the planets) and thus, in other complexions of the planets (after their state) their relationships are called Aspects. [9<sup>r</sup>]

*Et dixit Hermes istam rationem supra capita [animalium] &c.*<sup>1</sup>

And Hermes said this reason: on the heads of beasts Saturn [corresponds with] the right ear, Venus the left [ear], the Sun the right eye, and the Moon the left [eye]. Mercury [has] the mouth. These 7 apertures have power over the head of man. And Solomon said that man is the measure, which is [exemplified in his] palm, [part of his] hand, in which is [reflected] all the virtues of the world and of the 7 planets, and that is only the head of a man, wherefore every man is likened to his star and to his Elements.

And Solomon said, "when I found a spirit [planet] retrograde <sup>2</sup> or combust <sup>3</sup> or evilly treated, thus I say that his body will be evilly treated beneath [on Earth], in whichever [part] it was like, or [whichever part of his body] is signified [by the afflicted planet]. And he who is so wise that he knows [his natal chart], his Sign, and his planet, and his star above, and his signification, so he is [able to] do good and evil to himself & likewise to other men. And as the natiuities of beasts be denied such workings, you shall do this with the help of God."

*Postquam diximus de 12 Signis et Planetis &c.*

And after that he said of the 12 figures and planets and their *radiis* [rays],<sup>4</sup> we say that each planet that is in Ascendant, and if there is another [planet] in the same Ascendant, this is named a 'conjunction', and by how much the

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<sup>1</sup> The text now begins to quote Hermes, as well as Solomon. The following paragraph appears as a marginal note in Sloane MS 3846: "But Hermes saith, That there are seven holes in the head of an Animall, distributed to the seven Planets, viz. the right ear to Saturne, the left to Jupiter, the right nostrill [nostril] to Mars, the left to Venus, the right eye to the Sun, the left to the Moon, and the mouth to Mercury. The severall Signes also of the Zodiack take care of their members. So Aries governs the head, and face, Taurus the neck, Gemini the armes..." The two do not agree on all the attributions, but it is not clear which manuscript is the oldest.

<sup>2</sup> Retrograde is normally applied to a planet, not a spirit. It is said of a planet that appears to move backwards when viewed from the Earth.

<sup>3</sup> Literally 'catches fire', said of a planet which comes too close to the Sun in the sky, thereby losing much of its virtue. This is usually defined as within 3 degrees of the Sun, but this term is sometimes extended as far as 8.5 degrees from the Sun. The only exception is the planet Mars which gains in strength by its proximity to the Sun.

<sup>4</sup> In the sense that *radiis* is used by al-Kindi to remark on the effect of the rays of the planets.

latitude (or breadth) shall be reduced, by so much the conjunction is said to be stronger, and if there be more latitude [between the two planets] so the conjunction is the feebler. And so I say to you in the middle of heaven. And if the degrees of the 12 Houses which are in the stronger places of all the Houses, [that is] the first degree of the House, and each star that were less and has over himself another the like, is said that it has power and goes over another [9<sup>v</sup>] from star to star.

[De Aspectibus]

[The Aspects]

And thus each planet that diverges from another by 60 degrees, before or after [the other planet], is in *aspectus sextilis* [Sextile aspect] that is the 'sixth aspect.' And each planet that differs 90 degrees, before or behind, is called in *aspectu quarto* [Square aspect], that is in the 'fourth aspect.' And each planet that diverges or differs by 120 degrees, before or behind, is called in *aspectu tertio* [Trine aspect], that is in the 'third aspect.' And each planet that differs by 180 degrees is in Opposition, in that it is in the contrary [opposite] place. These are the 7 aspects and no more *duo tertii*, *duo quarti* & *duo sextile* and *unus opposites*, that is to say [there are] two in the third, two in the fourth, and two in the sixth and one contrary against another.

The conjunction is 'complete' when [the planets] are within one degree [of each other]. Double conjunction [occurs] if two [planets are] good or temperate, [and this] signifies double good, but if two [planets are] evil, to the contrary, it signifies much evil. The *sextilis* [aspect] to the Ascendant, avails one good, if in *trino* [Trine aspect] and [if] two *trino* avail in the aspect the Ascendant, one good, [it is] fortunate in the Ascendant. And two *quartiles* [Square aspects] in the aspect to the Ascendant, avails one grievously or heavily (if they are evil planets) and two opposite avails one unfortunate [aspect] in the Ascendant or in the opposite [Opposition aspect].

And two *quarti* [Square aspects] avails as much as a star [planet] falling or [one that is] combust or retrograde, and this is hindered in the Ascendant [by] one fortunate [aspect], or two in the Ascendant and another of Sextile and another of Trine aspecting the Ascendant, signifies much good, and speedy travelling. Two evil [planets] in the Ascendant, or one with another in Opposition, that is in the contrary, or falling, signifies [10<sup>r</sup>] a grievous [heavy] or long impediment. And if the [planets] are [in their] fall and hindered, it shall be worse. One fortunate in the Ascendant aspect of two *trinis* [Trine aspects] signifies much good, and how much there were no witnesses over the figure of which you enquire and search, or for which you work so much,



it shall be the better. And if three planets aspect the Ascendant with good aspects, and two with evil [aspects], the good shall overcome the evil, and so [it is true] of the other [configurations]. One unfortunate [planet] in the Ascendant aspecting two *quartis* [Square aspects] signifies much grief.

Caput Draconis is much better than Cauda [Draconis].<sup>1</sup> Each planet in its head [Caput] of the same degree has more Lordship [influence] in [reading] the [astrological] figure, for if it is [within] two [degrees] in latitude away from the [path] of the Sun, it profits [more] in going toward the part of the North. Each planet in the tail of the dragon [Cauda Draconis] is diminishing in its work if it goes towards the South. The Moon in Conjunction or joined with Saturn, and Mars in the Ascendant, constrains and threatens devils.<sup>2</sup> Saturn makes devils of strength & great power.

The Moon in Conjunction, or joined with Jupiter and Venus in the Ascendant, signifies great delectation and great love of every good thing. The Moon joined with Mars & Saturn in the Ascendant signifies impediment, except where the planets are receiving good [influences]. The Moon joined with the Sun in the same degree signifies great grace, and that they are good. The Moon joined in its Fall to Mercury in the Ascendant signifies the contrary. The Moon in the Ascendant by herself signifies [whatever is the nature of] the planet to which she is joined. The Moon with Caput Draconis in the Ascendant signifies good. The Moon with Cauda Draconis, or combust, or joined with [10°] a hindered [badly aspected] planet, or in an evil sitting, signifies much evil when Caput Draconis and the Moon are with Capite Saturn,<sup>3</sup> or the Moon or Saturn were there, and their work of *celson* signifies the building of devils foul and evil.

Each planet that is with the Dracon [Caput or Cauda] of another [planet] & with both in Conjunction, or joined together, signifies a truth or true work, and more so [if its] in the Ascendant. And if Caput Draconis were with Jupiter or the Moon, and these two conjunct, or joined in the Ascendant, it signifies much good and an increase of good and honour. And if it were in Cauda [Draconis] not only when there were two Cauda Draconis (that is of the Moon and of another [planet]) and they will be very evil when the Moon is [conjunct] with them. When Caput Draconis and the Moon are with Caput Draconis and Mars and the Moon, and Mars is in the same degree, it signifies

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<sup>1</sup> Caput and Cauda Draconis are the Head and Tail of the Moon, poetic terms for the Moon's turning points as it travels North and South of the Equator. The Indian equivalents are Rahu and Ketu.

<sup>2</sup> Possibly a useful astrological configuration for the timing of evocations.

<sup>3</sup> Head of Saturn, an astrological Part.

strength and might. And if Cauda with Cauda, and the Moon with Mars, together it is very grievous [heavy] and evil, after everyone is evil, so is the place or aspecting of one to another.

Caput Draconis and the Moon in Capite Aries (the Moon & the Sun in Zamin) signifies great might and great honour, and to the contrary, if it is in Libra beneath with Cauda Draconis. Caput Draconis with Capite Venus signifies much love, and Cauda Draconis [signifies] the contrary. Caput Draconis, that is to say Mercury with Caput Draconis and the Moon, signifies a work of reason, and of voice, and many sounds, and in Cauda the Moon with Mercury & Saturn, it signifies the observing of many experiences.

The Moon in Capite *sui* Draconis signifies [good], and if there were Jupiter or Venus [in conjunction], it shall do the work of Jupiter or of Venus, and it shall profit in all good work as these be good [aspects]. The Moon, if it is in Cauda Draconis, and Mars [11<sup>r</sup>] and Saturn with it, or that they are aspected to it with an evil aspecting, it signifies evil, as we have said of Saturn and Mars. And we have said that Saturn nourishes devils, and Mars draws and threshes and figures them.<sup>1</sup> And Saturn gathers together many devils. Venus and Saturn together gather devils and winds from beneath.<sup>2</sup>

A good planet in the Ascendant, and the Moon joined [in Conjunction] with a good planet, signifies much good. And the beginning in all in which were *deus quartae*, that is with the Lord of the fourth House; and if the fourth House is well aspected and good, every one of the things shall be good. And when the Lord of the fourth House is evil, and evil entreated, it signifies annoyance and evil. The Sign of the Ascendant signifies the body of the Lord of the Ascendant of the planet that is in the Ascendant; and that which aspects it signifies his spirit; and the Lord of the hour signifies his soul and his will; and this you must understand in [all] other *domes* [Houses]. The body, soul and the spirit, these three make up the body of a man, safe and whole.

[The Houses]

*Dixit [Salomon et] Hermes, Saturnus exaltatur in Libra &c.*

Hermes said, "Saturn is enhanced in Libra, and Jupiter in Cancer, and Mars in Capricorn, and the Sun in Aries. And Venus [is enhanced] in Pisces, and Mercury in Virgo, and the Moon in Taurus. And Saturn gladdens or is happy in the twelfth House, and Mars in the sixth, and the Sun in the ninth, and

<sup>1</sup> Maybe, Mars either punishes them, or it shapes their manifested form.

<sup>2</sup> There is an interesting association of demons with evil winds from the Underworld, possibly derived from the word '*spiritus*', which is the Latin for 'air' or 'breath'.

Venus in the fifth, and Mercury in the Ascendant (the first House), and the Moon in the third House.”

The Ascendant has 12 virtues, and each planet that is in it rules each place of the circle [horoscope]. The tenth [11<sup>v</sup>] House has 11 virtues. The 11th House has 10 virtues. The seventh [House] has nine [virtues], the fourth [House] has eight virtues, the fifth House has 7 virtues, the ninth House has 6 [virtues]. The third [House] has 5 [virtues]. The second [House] has 4 [virtues]. The eighth [House] has three [virtues], the 12th [House] has two [virtues], and the sixth House has one virtue.

And for always consider in all things, what you should do with the planets, how they are in the 12 Houses, and you shall profit if you choose [the best astrological configuration of planets in Houses]. And Solomon said, “to each man that works by this book, it is well that he know all these things, for reasons which here I will not expound to you, that is you [should] know in which time of the year you were born, [which] of the 4 times [seasons]<sup>1</sup> of the year. And [born] in which month of the Moon.”<sup>2</sup>

And begin [counting the months] from the Luration of the month of Mercury (wherever the Moon *prima* is). And [about] all Secrets and private matters ask Saturn with all seriousness; and [about] honour and substance ask Jupiter. And for all [matters] of strife and battle and speed, ask Mars. And for all [matters] of purity & Lordship ask the Sun. And for all [matters] of fairness and delectation, or loves and fatness, ask Venus. And for all reasons, understandings & subtleties [ask] Mercury.

And of these 7 [planets] you shall always ask counsel from [the nature of the positions] where you find them in their Houses and Signs. And they shall show you, so consider them in all good and evil [configurations]. Now we have finished here, with the help of God, the Treatise that is called *Liber Clavis*, which is the ‘Book of the Key.’

Here ends the First Book and here begins the Second [Book].

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<sup>1</sup> Throughout the manuscript, ‘times’ has been changed to ‘seasons’, where that is its actual meaning.

<sup>2</sup> This is the lunar month of the year (as in the Jewish calendar) beginning circa March, rather than the standard Western solar calendar month, beginning in January.

[*Liber Secundus* - The Second Book]

[*Ala*, the Virtues of some Stones, Herbs, Beasts and Words]

[12<sup>r</sup>] *Dixit Solomon sicut alae avium sunt membra &c.*

Solomon said, "as the wings of the fowls or birds are the limbs that lead the birds to the place where they desire to be, so by the virtues of stones & of herbs and of beasts, that live in flying, in swimming, in going [upon the face of the earth], and in creeping, you might attain to that which you desire if you choose their [correct] nature."

The properties and virtues. And therefore we call this book *Ala*, that is 'Wings', for without wings neither birds nor fishes might move themselves, and so as wings bear bodies to highness upwards and to the foundations downwards, and to longitude and latitude, that is to length and breadth, so by the virtue of stones and of herbs, with grace, and with the great power of Semiforas [they will carry us].<sup>1</sup> Know that [through them] you might attain that which you covet, such as to heal and to make sick, or to stand, or to go.

*Dixit Solomon sicut Lapides sunt mundiores &c.*

Solomon said, "stones are purer, clearer and fairer than gold, and in the 7 virtues of this world which are in stones, herbs, words and beasts, so as I said in the beginning of this book *Cephar Raziel*, that it is crowned with 7 stones of great power, that he put in this book."

The first [stone] is Rubinus Carbunco [red carbuncle], the second Smaragdus [emerald], the third Saphirus [sapphire], the fourth Berillus [beryl], the fifth Topasius [topaz], the sixth Faguncia [hyacinth], the seventh Adamas [diamond], and [about] the virtues of [all of] these stones Raziel has spoken. And he said that they are crowned by 7 angels, which have power over the 7 heavens, and over the 7 days of the week. And Raziel said, "each man that has this book, has in this book all the virtues of this world." And the first virtue of this book, called the *Four Wings*, is the [12<sup>v</sup>] virtue of stones, wherefore know that by stones alone you may do wonderful things, if you know well (as you should do) all the other [magical] Images [to be engraved upon them], and you keep [store] them purely and reverently.

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<sup>1</sup> This is a rather strained and overly long rationalisation as to why this treatise is called the four 'Wings.'

*De Prima Ala* – the First Wing

[Stones]

*Et dixit Solomon scias quod in prima Ala sunt &c.*

And Solomon said that in the first *Ala*, or 'Wing', there are 24 precious stones of great power, corresponding to and signifying the 24 hours of the day and night.

[1.] And Solomon began & said, "I chose for the first stone Carbunculu[m] Rubinus [red carbuncle] because it is brighter, and clearer, and fairer, and [held in] high esteem above all other stones. And I will describe its <sup>1</sup> colour, its power, its virtue, and of its seal, and of its figure that might be [engraved] in it. And thus I shall explain for all other stones, each stone signifying durability, or [long] lastingness without end." The colour of Rubinus is as the colour of a sparkling fire, and its power is that it shines by night, as a star or as a flame of sparkling fire. And the virtue of it is that it makes good colour for men that bear [wear] it reverently, and it increases his goods of this world among other men, and the Image which you ought to put in it ought to be a *draco*, which is a Dragon well [engraved] with reverence.

2. The second stone is Topazins [*Topazius/Thopasius* – ancient topaz],<sup>2</sup> of which the colour is citrine, as of gold. Its power is that if it is put in a cauldron with fervent, hot, or boiling water, it holds the water so that it may not boil,<sup>3</sup> which is [because of its] great power for making cold, and its [other] virtue is that it makes a man chaste that carries it with him, and it gives benevolence (or willingness) of great Lords, and its figure is a falcon. [13<sup>r</sup>]

3. The third stone is Smaragdu[m] [*Smaragdum* – emerald] and this stone is green and fair above all greenness, and it is not heavy as the others are, and its power is to keep the light, and it heals the face, and it does many wonderful things. And its virtue is to increase riches, and whoever wears it [mounted] in gold prophesies things to come. And the sign [image] of it is a Scarabeus [beetle] that is a manner of filth.<sup>4</sup>

4. And the fourth stone is Faguncia [*Hiacynthum* – hyacinth], the colour of which is red, as the grains [pips?] of an apple. Of these [stones] there are [some] well coloured ones, and some of a lesser [colour], and some in the

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<sup>1</sup> The text refers, in each case, to the stone as 'he' or 'his.' We have changed this to 'it' and 'its.'

<sup>2</sup> For clarification, the Latin term in each case is taken from the (sometimes faulty) Latin of Sloane MS 3847 without correction, and placed in square brackets.

<sup>3</sup> The stone that causes water not to boil is *hephaestites*, which is what Albertus Magnus called *topasion*. This is not the modern topaz, nor the stone mentioned by Pliny.

<sup>4</sup> The scarabeus, or dung beetle, was the insect associated with the ancient Egyptian god Kephra.

middle. Its power is that bearers of it will not be infected with an alien illness, its virtue is that it gives health and honour, and keeps the man that wears it whole in ways and in journeys, and its figure is a Lion well figured.

5. The fifth stone is a Crysopazine [*Chrisopazium* - chrysoprase], of which the colour is green, and it is as though it had golden drops [in it], and its power is to protect a man from the podagrie,<sup>1</sup> and its virtue is that it makes [its wearer] prophesy things to come (if it is [held] in a hand that is pure and chaste), and its figure is the Image of an ass.

6. The sixth stone is Saphirus [*Saphyrus* - sapphire], the colour of which [ranges between] very leady [grey] and fair (as the colour of a pure heaven). Its power is that it heals all infirmities that affect men [especially] the inflammation and illness of the eye. And it cleans them much. And if in this stone be engraved the head of a man with a beard, it will deliver a man from prison, and from all pressure and oppression, and this stone accords with the great power of Lords and of kings. If this stone be kept purely, reverently & chastely, & if it be a good [quality] oriental [sapphire], a man might [with it] attain to great honour and to the profit that he searches [for] and covets. And some men put therein the sign of a ram, Aries. [13<sup>v</sup>]

7. The seventh stone is Berillus [*Berillus/Beryllus* - beryl], the colour of which is of a [blue] eye, or of sea water, and some of them are round, and some have five corners. The stone ought to be clear within, and pure. And its power is to warm the closed hand of him that bears it. And if it be set in gold it gives great friendship between two men, if you touch them with it. And its figure is Rana, that is a [genus of] frog, and it has great power to make concord and love.

8. The eighth stone is Onyx [*Onix/Onyx*], this stone is very black and its power is to give him that bears it many dreadful dreams and dread, and he that sees himself in it has power over all devils, in constraining them and in calling [them], and gathering them together in *speculo tabilio*,<sup>2</sup> conjuring as it requires, and its figure is the head of a camel, or two heads between two ears, that are called Mirti.

9. The ninth stone is called sardius [*Sardus/Sardius* - carnelian], the colour of which is red and fair, and its power is to make other stones fairer, its virtue is to give good colour to him that bears it. And if it is set in gold, and if there is engraved in it Aquila, the Eagle, it gives great honour.

10. The tenth stone is Crysolitus [*Chrisolitium* - chrysolite, 'Greek topaz'], that

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<sup>1</sup> Gout, inflammation of the joints, especially in the toes.

<sup>2</sup> Used in evocation, so that the spirits evoked can be seen in a skrying speculum or crystal.

is of golden colour and sparkling as fire. Its power is to gather together devils and winds, and its virtue is to protect the place where it is [kept] from evil spirits, and from dead men, so they do not do there any evil, and [to ensure] that devils obey [the wearer]. And its figure is a vulture, which is a vowler.

11. The 11th stone is called Eliotropia [*Elitropia* - heliotrope/marygold]. And it is a stone of great power, of which the colour is green, fair, shining and clear with drops like blood, red within. This stone is called the stone of wise men, of prophets [14<sup>r</sup>] and of philosophers. And this is honored for two things: for the colour is like Smaragdo [emerald] in greenness, and in redness [like] to ruby. The high esteem of this stone's virtues and properties overcomes the esteem of other [stones]. The power of this stone is that if it be put in any broad vessel full of water, [open] to the Sun, it dissolves that water into vapor. And it makes [the vapour] to be raised upward, till in the form of rain it is converted [to cloud and falls] downwards. Its virtue [works] for him who bears it in his mouth, or in his closed hand, so that it may not be seen by any man. With this stone a man may have power over all devils; and make any incantation or enchantment that he wishes. And in this stone ought to be engraved a Vespertino, thus he says. But I believe [the image should instead] be a Vespertilio, that is a bat or a dormouse.<sup>1</sup>

12. The 12th stone is Crystal [*Christallus* - crystal], of which the colour is of water congealed with cold [i.e. ice]. Its power is that it withdraws fire from [the body]. And its virtue is that it increases or nourishes [man with] much good milk. And you may create in it whatever virtue you wish, [according to] the [planetary] hour in which you work. And afterwards the [effects will correspond to] the Image that you have made (although they are many) and that are seen easily.<sup>2</sup> Know that it has many virtues, and its figure is a griffin, which is [both] a fowl and a beast, with 4 feet and 2 wings, and it is a great beast.

13. The 13th stone is Cornelia [*Cornelina* - carnelian], and it is likened to water in which blood [is mixed], as a lotion,<sup>3</sup> or washing of blood. And its power is to staunch the blood of the nostrils. And if there is engraved in it a man well clothed, holding a staff or a rod in his hand, it will give honour to him that bears it.

14. The 14th stone is Jaspis [*Jaspis* - jasper], is thick, dark, green and red. And there are some green and clear [varieties], and they are better than the others,

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<sup>1</sup> Vespertilio is Latin for 'bat.'

<sup>2</sup> Its magical action is determined by the Image engraved in it.

<sup>3</sup> The old meaning of 'lotion' was the water in which something has been washed, rather than a cream.

and there are some [varieties which are] red, thick and dropped [marked with spots]. And its power is that whoever bears it is not [14<sup>v</sup>] hurt by venom, neither from a serpent, nor a spider,<sup>1</sup> nor a scorpion. And it protects a man from fever, if it is engraved [with the Sign of] Leo, Aries or Sagittarius.

15. The 15th stone is Iris [*Yris/Iris*], and its [appearance] is likened to crystal or to jelly, and it has corners; and if any man put it in a house [open] to the beams of the Sun, so the beams pass through it, and by it the colours appear of the rainbow. And for this reason it is called Iris, which is the [goddess of the] rainbow. And this is its strength, for it has 6 corners, and the virtue of it is to keep the place where it is [kept], with health & honesty, and there ought to be engraved in it a man armed, that bears a bow and an arrow.

16. The 16th stone is Coral [*Corallus*], and it grows on rocks of the sea, as *arbor inverse*, that is as a tree overturned, and it has branches as a tree does, [some] more than two or three palms [in width] and no more. And when it is drawn up [from the sea] it is green and tender, and after it is dried in the air, it is made red & hard as another [stone]. And otherwise it is found white. And know that the red is the better [variety]. And where this stone is, it preserves the house and the vineyard, or the place, from tempest, pestilence and torment. And it keeps the place healthy, and it protects a man from evil doers and evil deeds, and from evil enchantments. And its Image is a man holding a sword in his hand.

17. The 17th stone is Presius or Prassius [*Prasius*], and it is a green colour, thick and fair, and it helps [against] evil deeds, and gives them grace to their ministry. And Taurus [15<sup>r</sup>] ought to be engraved in it, that is [the image of] a Bull.

18. The 18th stone is called Catel [*Catel*],<sup>2</sup> and it is of great power both in deeds and in virtues, the colour of which is like Beryl, but it is darker than that, although it has within it very clear and pure beams and streaks. And some [varieties] are found with 6 corners and others with 5. And its power is to call in devils, and to speak with them. And its virtue is that, if you make in you blank of water [?], and bring the root of *apii*,<sup>3</sup> and the stone is hung on the neck with the skin of an ass, censed with mastic, *thure* [frankincense] and crocus, and you call [invoke] whatever dead man you wish ([one] that is known to you), he shall soon appear to you. And he shall be with you at the same time [immediately]. And engrave in it [the image of] a Lapwing and

<sup>1</sup> Sloane MS 3846 has the obsolete word 'Attercoppe' for 'spider.'

<sup>2</sup> 'Catel' is Middle English for chattel, property or wealth.

<sup>3</sup> *Apium* or parsley/celeriac.



[add] Dragantium, which is a middle herb, that is called Columbrina. <sup>1</sup>

19. The 19th stone is Celonites [*Colonites*]. And it is green as a herb, and its power is that it waxes & decreases as the Moon does, and its power is also to make peace and concord between two, if in it is engraved the sign of a swallow.

20. The 20th stone is Calcedonius [*Calcidonium* - chalcedony], and it is white [in colour] between crystal and beryl, or as *gifus* thick and bright, its power is to overcome pleas.<sup>2</sup> Its virtue is to preserve a man whole [healthy] in an alien land, and its Image is a man that holds his right hand straight out to heaven.

21. The 21st stone is Ceramius [*Ceramius*]. This stone is of many colours after many elements and many lands, otherwise it is white, or brown, green & red. And elsewhere it is likened to iron, and somewhere to copper and sulphur, and it has, as it were, discs [15<sup>v</sup>] painted and little drops, and its power is to protect a place from thunder and lightning, and its virtue is to protect [the wearer] from all enemies. And write in it, or one part or side, 'Raphael Michael & Gabriel', and on the other side 'Panuteseron, Micrason, Saidalson', and if you bear it with you, and have it in your power, you shall overcome all your enemies and adversaries.

22. The 22nd stone is Metestus [*Amestitum* - amethyst], and it has the colour of wine, a white cloth, or of a rose or violet, and this has strength to chase away fiends, and its virtue is to protect [you] from drunkenness; and its figure is Ursus, that is a bear.

23. The 23rd stone is Magentis or magnes [*Magnes* - magnetite], and it is of great weight and like to *ferro brumeto* [magnetic iron?]. Its power is that it draws [out] dead iron, [such] as nails, knives and swords, and its virtue is that, with it, you may be in whatever house you wish, and do whatever you wish with men, and with the things of the house, censing the house with it, and with these men make enchantments. Engrave on it a man armed, when the Moon is in Aries, or Scorpio is conjunct with Mars, and the Sun aspected to them with a trine aspect. Whatever manner of Images you engrave on this stone, such enchantments you may achieve, carry it with you, and you shall profit.

24. The 24th stone is Adamas [*Adamas* - diamond], as it is of middling colour, and the better [varieties] have somewhat of greenness. And its power is that, with it, other stones can be engraved. And therefore we have put it out [explained it] more strangely & more openly, and its power or virtue is to

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<sup>1</sup> Columbrina gum. Or maybe Adderwort, the fern *Ophioglossum vulgatum*.

<sup>2</sup> Depositions or pleas made in court. In other words, to help win a court case, by overturning your opponent's depositions.

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keep the limbs of a man safe and whole. And this stone is more [beneficial], and is [16<sup>r</sup>] more highly esteemed for enchantments & invocations of winds, spirits and devils. And with this you may send whatever fantasy you wish [to another person], and its figure has 5 corners, and each man who bears it within a precious stone, [must] be pure when he does anything with it. And avoid or keep yourself from uncleanness, and keep them [the stones] reverently in a *quiche*, or in a pure place. And Raziel said, "in the hour in which you [invoke] Semiforas carry the two stones abovesaid, and you shall profit."

[*De Secundus Ala – the Second Wing*]

[*De Herbis - Herbs*]

*Dixit Solomon sicut avis corpus volare non potest &c.*

Solomon said, “as the body of a fowl will not fly without wings, nor go where it comes, so [without] the science of the one thing [outlined] above we might not fulfill that which we desire. And for this [to work] we supply the second key in this book, and we say the second book makes the second opening, for the world is closed [sealed] with 4 Elements, so this book is closed with 4 sciences and 4 virtues.”

As we have explained stones, now we will explain herbs. Know that in herbs are the most virtues. And some of the natural [things] of this world are those that live and have reason, and some that fly, and some which swim, and [some] which go [upon the earth], and [some] which creep.

And know that of trees and herbs some live much [flourish], and some live mildly, and some live little, and that is the same as for the beasts. And know also that among herbs there are some with which you may do good or evil, so as to heal & to make sick, and so understand what shall be said furthermore hereafter. And Adam said, “that by a tree came wretchedness into the world, that is, by the tree [16<sup>v</sup>] I sinned.”<sup>1</sup> And Raziel said, “a herb shall be your Life.” And Solomon said, “[there is] a tree that shall wax (or grow) of which the leaves shall not fall, and it shall be a medicine for [all] men.” The second ‘Wing’ [section] is about the correspondences of the 24 hours and the 24 herbs.

1. *Prima herba est Acil almalie &c.* The first herb is *Acil* or *Almabum* and it is called *Corona Regia*, and in Latin *Rosmarinus* [*Rosmarina* - rosemary]. This herb has a middle [sized] trunk and good odour and little leaves, and its power is to warm and comfort the brain. And if a house is censed with it, it chases away devils, the same as does Peony.

2. The second herb is *Artemisia* [*Arthemisia*], and this is mother and first [among all] other [herbs], but for it is called *Corona Regis*, that is to say the crown of a king.<sup>2</sup> We [would] have put it first [in this list], because in all things you do, you should use it. And the leaf is mid-green over one side, and white on the other side. And it grows mildly [slowly]. And with this you shall stop

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<sup>1</sup> The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. The extraordinary doctrine that original sin, derived from that Tree, should weigh upon the lives of all of Adam’s descendants.

<sup>2</sup> A scribal error applying ‘Corona Regis’ to both rosemary and artemesia.

winds, and [invoke] all the spirits that you wish, and you shall profit.

3. The third herb is Cannabis [*Cannabis* - hemp] and it is long in the stem, and clothes are made of it. The virtue of the juice, is to anoint yourself with it (and with the juice of Artemisia) and set yourself before a mirror of steel and call spirits, and you shall see them, and you shall have the ability to bind and loose [set free] devils, and other things.<sup>1</sup>

4. The fourth herb is called Feniculus [*Feniculus* - fennel], and it has small leaves and a long staff, and it is a holy herb and reverential, and it is medicine for the eyes, and it [17r] gives good light, and it chases away spirits and the evil eye from the place where it is, and the root of it chases away evil things and helps in sight.

5. The fifth herb is Cardamomus [*Cardomonium* - cardamom], and it is hot and of good complexion, and it is of middle highness, and it gives happiness to him that uses it, and it gathers together spirits. Eat this when you call [spirits] or make an invocation, and if you wish, make smoke of it.<sup>2</sup>

6. The sixth herb is Anisus [*Anisum* - aniseed], and it has [the quality] of chastity. Join it to camphor, and you shall see that spirits shall dread you, and it is a pure herb, and it makes one to see secret and private things, and the smoke of it ascends much.

7. The seventh herb is Coriandrus [*Coriandrum* - coriander], and this holds the spirit of a man much with the other, and it makes a man also full asleep, and this gathers together many spirits, wherefore always they stand with it. So it is said that, if with this, *apis* [honey?] and *jusquianus*,<sup>3</sup> you make fumigations, compounded with much *lazaia cicuta*,<sup>4</sup> soon it will gather together spirits, and therefore it is called the '*herba spirituum*' [herb of spirits].

8. The eighth herb is called Petroselinum [*Perroselinum* - parsley] which has a great power to chase away the spirits of roches [roaches?], and its virtue is to break [up] the stone in the bladder of any that use it.<sup>5</sup>

9. The ninth herb is Ipericon or Hipericon [*Hipericon* - hypericon], and it is a middle [height] herb, [which when] pierced the juice of it seems [like] blood. This [herb] is of great power, for with the juice of it (and with crocus,

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<sup>1</sup> This is a standard magical experiment to anoint yourself with these juices, and using a steel skrying mirror, to see the spirits that you invoke.

<sup>2</sup> Burn it on hot coals.

<sup>3</sup> *Jusquianus* = *Hyoscamus niger* or henbane.

<sup>4</sup> *Cicuta* = water hemlock.

<sup>5</sup> To break up calculus or stones in the kidneys or urinary tract.

artemisia, and with the smoke of *radicis valerianae* [root of valerian]), it [can be used] to write upon [a talisman] what friendship you wish of a Prince of the spirits of air, and [other] devils, and soon it shall be that [you will get that which] you covet. And so [likewise] over [other] spirits and winds.

10. The tenth herb is Apium [*Apium* - celeriac, parsley]. This has great power over [17v] winds and devils and fantasies [phantoms], and it is [both] the shadow and the exhalation of the cloud Alcisse.<sup>1</sup> For in it are winds and devils, and this alone [calls the spirits] Albafortum, Vazebelil and Mortagon, and they [these spirits] are very contrary, for one is kept [lives] with the heavenly angels, and another is kept [lives] with the devils in Apium.

And this [herb] cures the kidney-stone, but a woman [pregnant] with child [should not] use it as it annoys [irritates] the child, and it gathers together devils when suffumigations are made [of it, together] with *insqrm* [*jusquianus*]<sup>2</sup> and artemisia. Apium is censed for 7 nights with *fagax almeit* gathered purely, and the root of it kept and dried, and then tempered with *aqua lapides* [water stones?]: cense [your surroundings] when you wish, and you shall see fantasies and devils of many types.

11. The 11th is Coriandrus [*Coriandrum* - coriander] of the second kind, which makes one sleep. And if you make suffumigations of it, with crocus and *insqrm* [*jusquianus*],<sup>2</sup> *apia* and *papavere nigro* [black poppy], ground together evenly, and tempered with *succo, cicutae*<sup>3</sup> and with musk, and then cense the place where you hide treasure, when the Moon is in conjunction with the Sun in *angulo terra* [earth angle], that is to say in the corners of the earth, [it will protect the place]. And know that such a [hidden] treasure shall never be found [by other people]. And anyone who would take it away shall be made fools [of]. And if in the hour of depositing the gold or silver, or the [precious] stones, or images, you suffume [them] with *thure* [frankincense], musk,<sup>4</sup> *succo* [succory], *lignum aloes*, and *costus*,<sup>5</sup> then always devils [shall] keep that place [safe from robbers] and evil winds. It [the protection] will never be dissolved or destroyed again, without separation, or [without using] an image made [for that purpose] at the [precise] degree of the planets.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 'Umbro et nebula' in the Latin of Sloane MS 3847 meaning 'shade and fog.'

<sup>2</sup> *Hyoscamus niger* or black henbane.

<sup>3</sup> 'Cicuta' is water hemlock or cowbane. *Succo* is succory. This is a very psychotropic mixture.

<sup>4</sup> The sexual secretion of the preputial gland of the male musk deer, highly prized in perfumery.

<sup>5</sup> The root of *Costus Arabicus* or the fragrant root of *Saussurea lappa*, from Kashmir.

<sup>6</sup> This is a procedure for thwarting other magicians who might wish to use magic to find and free treasures from their spirit guardians. For more detail about these techniques see David Rankine [ed.] *The Book of Treasure Spirits: a grimoire of magical conjurations to reveal treasure... by invoking spirits, fallen angels, demons and fairies*, Avalonia, Hay, 2009.

12. The 12th herb is Satureia [savory], and this is of great virtue and good odour, and whoever bears it with him, [18<sup>r</sup>] with *auricula muris* [mouse-ear hawkweed], in the day of Venus [Friday], will get grace of goods, and it takes away from that place [all evil] winds and evil fantasies.

13. The 13th herb is called *sca* [*Centaurea* – century herb].<sup>1</sup> And this is middle in length and has little leaves. This ought to be held reverently in holy places and in churches, for it protects these places from evil things. And with this [herb] prophets made dead men speak, that had been dead by many days or few.

In places where there is any evil, it has no power if he that bears [this herb] calls them not. And it gives him rule over whatever things they wish, and [if you] put this herb upon the place where devils are confined, it constrains them and binds them, least that they might have power to move themselves.

And Solomon said, “I found in the *Book of Hermitis* <sup>2</sup> that whoever takes water in the fourth hour of the night [and puts it] upon the tomb of a dead man, with whatever spirits he wishes to speak, he should cast the water upon the tomb with this herb hyssop.” And the water is censed with *costo*, *succo*, *musco* [costus, succum, musk], and [he should] say “surgo, surgo, surgo.” That is to say “rise, rise, rise and come and speak to me”, and do this for three nights, and in the third night he [the spirit] shall come to you, and he shall speak with you of whatever things you wish [to know].

14. The 14th herb is psyllium [*Serpillum* – fleabane/wild thyme], which is of great virtue for it signifies or makes open in the air what the other powers do not. It makes [you able to] see spirits in the clouds of the heavens, [especially if put] with *scicorda*,<sup>3</sup> *garmone* and the ‘tree which swims’ (which is called *arbor cancri* and *malie*), with *rore madii*, and with the tree that signifies [shines] by night, and is called *herba lucens*, that is a shining herb. [18<sup>v</sup>] If you make with these an ointment with the eye of a whelp and with the fat of a hart [deer], you may go surely wherever you wish [and be able to see] at any hour.

15. The 15th herb Majorana [*Majorana* – marjoram], keeps a house and protects [it] from evil infirmities, and Hermes said that *gentiana* [gentian], *valerina* [valerian] and *maiorana* [marjoram] have power over great princes, and over great men.

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<sup>1</sup> The Latin version clearly shows *Centaurea*.

<sup>2</sup> For *Liber Hermetis* see Sloane MS 3847, fol. 84-100: Hermes Trismegistus, *Liber Magicus* or *Liber Hermetis tractans de 15 stellis 15 lapidibus 15 herba et 15 harum rerum figuris*. The same manuscript contains a Latin copy of *Sepher Raziel*, which was obviously influenced by it.

<sup>3</sup> In Sloane MS 3846 *scicorda* is ‘*cicorea*’ or chicory. The rest of the ingredients in this sentence are more difficult to identify.

16. The 16th herb is Dragantia [*Dragantia*].<sup>1</sup> This is of great power, and the highness of the root of it, [especially if] joined with the tongue of a *colubri* [snake] which is left alive. And [if] the herbs are gathered when the Sun is in the first degree of Cancer, and the Moon aspects Mercury, or is in Conjunction with him [Mercury], then whosoever touches [it to] closures or locks, they shall soon be opened for him.

And Hermes said that it gathers together winds & spirits, [especially] if mandragora [mandrake] is [mixed] with it and *capillus* [hair of] *dezoara*.

17. The 17th herb is Nepita [*Nepta*], and if this [is put] with maiorana [marjoram] and *athanasia*, *trifolio*, *salvia* [sage], *peruca*, *edera* and *artemisia* with *ysope* [hyssop],<sup>2</sup> being joined & gathered together, [during] the crescent Moon, on the day of Jupiter [Thursday], that is to say in the waning of the Moon, in the day of Jupiter, and in the following day, when the Sun waxes from the first degree of Aries till the first [degree] of Cancer, [then it is most effective]. And when you shall gather it, be pure and washed, reverential, and stand [facing] towards the East, know that the house and place is improved where these nine herbs are twined together. And put them upon the gate of your house, and you shall profit always. And the nine herbs joined are like to rubies. [19<sup>r</sup>]

18. The 18th herb is Linum [*Lumen*], suffumigations of the seed of this with *semine psyilly*, *azartachona*, *radix violae* and *apii* [parsley/celeriac] makes [you] see in the air things to come, and [able] to make many prophesies.

19. The 19th herb is Salvia [*Salvia* – sage].<sup>3</sup> This is of great virtue and the long leaf of it is as *ligna agni* and sharp. This breaks or protects evil shades & evil spirits from the place where it is [kept], and it is good for a man to bear it with him, for it keeps a man whole, but a sick man [should] not hold it.

20. The 20th herb is Sauina [*Samna*], and some men say that it is a tree of love and affection, whoever can choose it. And if this [is mixed] with somewhat of crocus and *lingua colubri* [snake tongue], and set in a ring of gold, with somewhat of *provinca* [periwinkle] [you may] surely go before a king, or before whomsoever you wish [and convince them]. And [it is] most [potent] if you put with it the stone that is called Topazius [topaz], or if you wish beryllium [beryl]. And if this ring is made when the Moon is in Conjunction with Jupiter in a trine [aspect] to the Sun, it would be much better. And [this herb] is called *annulus solis*, which is the 'ring of the Sun', and it is [good] for

<sup>1</sup> Columbrina. Or maybe Adderwort, the fern *Ophioglossum vulgatum*.

<sup>2</sup> In Sloane MS 3846: "*maiorana & Athanasia & trifolio & Saluia, peruca, edera & arthemesia* with *ysope*." So we have replaced 'hermita' with 'peruca.'

<sup>3</sup> *Salvia divinorum* has many interesting psychotropic properties.

health against infirmities, and it is [good] for grace, virtue, and for honour.

21. The 21<sup>st</sup> [herb is] *Nasturcium* [*Nasturtium* – nasturtium]. This keeps the limbs whole, and if there are with it *origan*,<sup>1</sup> *pulegium*,<sup>2</sup> and *arzolla*,<sup>3</sup> which are carried together by you, and you eat them, you shall be whole within and without. And so if you anoint yourself with them and are censed with *marrubio albo* [white horehound] or *reubarbaro* [rhubarb] and *herba thuris* [*boswellia*], it shall protect you from many infirmities.

22. The 22<sup>nd</sup> is an herb that is called *Cannaferula* [*Cana ferula*].<sup>4</sup> [19<sup>v</sup>] This is a very dreadful, grievous [heavy] and strong [herb] in work. And if you take the juice of it, and the juice of *cicuta* [water hemlock], *jusquianus* [*hyoscamus niger* or henbane], *sapss barbate* [?], *sandalum rubrum* [red sandalwood], *papavero nigrum* [black poppy], and with this confection make smoke, [you may obtain] whatever you wish, and you shall see devils and things, and strange figures. And if *Apinum* is [mixed] with this, know that from each place so censed devils should flee, and if you wish you may destroy evil spirits [with it]. This suffumigation is very evil and dreadful, for the smoke of it overcomes maliciously, and [it] works most evilly and most strongly if the Moon is [in Conjunction] with Saturn, or in Opposition with Mars.

23. The 23<sup>rd</sup> herb is *Calamintum* [*Calonietum* – calamint/pennyroyal],<sup>2</sup> and it is likened to mint, and it is of great virtue in good suffumigations, and if there is [mixed] with it *menta* [mint], *palma ppi* [?] and *pioma* [?], observe that it takes away evil spirits from a place. And always it is [useful] against fantasies [phantoms].

24. The 24<sup>th</sup> herb is *Cicoria* [*Cichorea* – chicory]. This is very good in all exorcisms <sup>5</sup> [especially] if it is joined with *eringo* [*eryngium*], *pentaphylon* [Cinquefoil/snake grass], hypericon, *urtica* [stinging nettle] and verbena, and all together worn around the neck, and under the feet, and [they] are then [called] the herb of 7 knots and of 7 leaves.

*Martagon* and *lilium domesticus* [domestic lily] and *sylvestre* (both tame and wild), and the herb *angelica*: whoever has these under his feet or sits above [them] and puts the other herbs on his neck, and has 7 rings of 7 metals on his fingers, knows that he shall have power in [20<sup>r</sup>] binding and in losing [spirits], and in enchanting, and to do good and evil in each place that he

<sup>1</sup> Any plant of the genus *Origanum*, especially majoram or oregano.

<sup>2</sup> The herb pennyroyal, *Menta pulegium*.

<sup>3</sup> Lady's thistle or *Silybum marianum*.

<sup>4</sup> This might possibly be *asafoetida*, as in *Ferula asafoetida*.

<sup>5</sup> 'Exorcism' can mean the evocation of spirits as well as their banishment.



wishes, [by] making suffumigations of these 9 things: *thure albo* [white frankincense], *thymiamata*, *mastiche* [mastic], *musco* [musk], *lignum aloes* [aloes wood], cassia, cinnamon, and with them suffume with the things abovesaid in the surrounding area, and say these names: "Raphael, Gabriel, Michael, Cherubim, Seraphim, Arelim, Pantaseron, Micraton, Sandaton, *complete meam petitionem et meam voluntatem.*" That is to say, "fulfill my petition and my wish," and they shall fulfill it for you. These are the names of the nine angels abovesaid. And know them and keep them, and some men say that they are the 9 orders of Angels.<sup>1</sup>

Here ends the 24 reasons concerning the virtues of herbs of the second 'Wing', and these experiments were newly written in [*Sepher*] *Raziel*, although Solomon put in two of these, [and] three of [them were] the sayings of Hermes.

And the herbs are put in the *Book of Raziel* so that with them we may be absolved, and work with herbs, as with Semiforas, with fasting and with words for good and for evil [purposes]. And let no man join himself to Semiforas till he knows himself first, and second. And thus we shall explain all things that shall be necessary, with the help of God.

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<sup>1</sup> In fact Raphael, Gabriel, and Michael are archangels, but Cherubim, Seraphim, and Arelim are orders of angels. Pantaseron has been found as far afield as a Norwegian runic Christian lead tablet from the thirteenth or fourteenth century, but is probably from a Greek Christian source. Micraton is an angel of Saturn. 'Sandaton' is likely to be Sandalphon. See also "Panthaseron, Mucraton, and Sandalon" at folio 27r.

*De Tertia Ala – [the Third Wing]*

*[Beasts, Birds and Fish]*

*Dixit Solomon super alam tertiam sicut corpus solis &c.*

Solomon said about the third 'Wing' [section]: "as the body of the Sun is more visible and rules all other [heavenly] bodies, and is brighter, fairer and purer, so the virtues of sensible beasts which fly and send out [20<sup>v</sup>] voices [are above other beasts]." And so beasts of the third 'Wing' have power over the [other] two 'Wings' on stones and herbs. And he [Solomon] therefore put in the [*Sepher*] *Raziel*, 24 beasts with [details of] their names, virtues and states. And the figures are 24 distinct or departed [divided] in two. And I put over each Element 6 beasts, everyone distinct from the other, and everyone of its [own] kind. And as fire is the high Lord, and distinct from the [other] 4 Elements, so the least of them all is purest among them.

*[Spirit 'Beasts' of the Elements]*

[1.] Therefore I begin to speak [first] of the beasts [i.e. spirits] of fire, for as every one of the 4 Elements has its beast beneath [on Earth], so fire has its [beast] above, pure and without corruption. And the fire that is above, is without corruption. And this fire is not expounded [made] of wax, trees, nor of oil, nor of [any] other composition, but it is simple. And the things that live in it are the angels, pure, clear and bright, like to the beams of the Sun or of a star, and like to the flame of fire, or a spark of fire, or the colour of quicksilver, or of pure gold. And this likeness is natural in the beasts of fire. And their figures seem like the lightening in likeness and in deed, for as an *Evrizon*<sup>1</sup> is a messenger of the Creator, so they are ready to do [both] good and evil, and they seem like things & prophets that [rule] over the 4 Elements, are heavens with their beasts, of which we shall say furthermore.

[2.] The second spirit is pure, but darker than the other, and it is likened to the wind, & its figure takes after some of the 4 [21<sup>r</sup>] Elements to which it is joined. And it forms itself in this manner either by water, by cloud, by moistness, by thickness, or by some darkness, or it receives some body from smoke of some kind, by falling on it either by *voire* [?] or by the shape of an 'elemented' beast, and from these it takes form, after the nature above stated.

3. The third beast of which wise men tell is [one] that always associates with a spirit, and mostly the corpulent and thick [part] of that spirit. And therefore its figure is found by night in places of dread, and it is heard and seen, and

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<sup>1</sup> 'Orison' in Sloane MS 3846.

that often time, and the colour of it is like to a spirit [?], after the nature of the hour before [when] it was made, otherwise [it is] in the likeness [shape] of the body from which it went out of, therefore some men see the souls of bodies in churchyards. And of these souls, said the wise Hermes, and the prophet, the soul that goes out and has power is not, nor was, but a man or a woman. And over such manner of souls speak wise men, and [they] call them 'spiritual' for [their] goodness, [and] 'heavenly' from [their] simpleness.

4. The fourth beast is the wind: each day we hear but we see not, although we and others hear it not. And the work of the wind is seen by the eye, after the direction from which it comes. And it has such nature that if it is oriental [East] or meridional [South] it is hot. And if he is occidental [West] or septentrional [North] it is cold. This [wind] we see has great power, for it bears clouds and waters, and tempests and gales, and it stirs and troubles the seas and breaks trees, and so this is called 'living air', as the fire above is called living fire, and simple. And therefore the Elements above are of double or twofold [nature], that is to say fixed and [21<sup>v</sup>] moveable: moveable it is because it dwells in the corners of the earth, although it descends from above, for the 7 [planets] above bind and lose it, for from them it descends, and from them it was formed, & this is a great figure in the sea, in air, and in land, and it comes temperately.

5. The fifth beast, or vision, is a fantasy [phantom], which is a shade like many colours or manners, it comes compounded of many [colours] together. And this form is made in desert places, or in corrupt air, or otherwise it descends from the hills, in the likeness of knights, and they are called *exercitus antiquus*, which is an 'old army.' And otherwise [they come] in the likeness of fair women and well clothed, or in *medes* [?], and some say that they are [just] faces. And otherwise it befalls a man by corruption, or malice of complexion, of the humors that are in a man. And they [these beasts] are called *Demoniaci* for they ascend to the head and fall upon the eye, and by such corruption [of our senses] make [us] to see many fantasies [phantoms].

6. The sixth beast is called a Demon, and it descends from highness to lowness, and it was formed of pure matter without corruption wherefore it fails [dies] not, but shall always endure, although it has taken thickness in the darkness of the lowness of the earth. And it is pure in matter and strong in body. And of this [beast] says the wise man, it knows all things that are, and by him Philosophers have [been given] answers, and wise men [also have answers to] all things [about] which they wish to know the truth, and it dwells always in darkness and in obscurity, and it is never separated from them. [22<sup>r</sup>] And of this says the prophet, that it has the power of taking [any]

form and shape, of which it wishes in the earth, after the will of the Creator.

And he tells of a bright angel, mighty and fair as the form of the Sun, and of the Moon, and of the stars [planets], or of an angel, a cloud, a fowl, a fish, a man, a beast, a reptile (that is a creeping beast), or [he may take] any other form which he wishes. And all these abovesaid [beasts] are impalpable and unhappy to be touched. That is that they neither may be taken with hand nor touched with the foot, for they are spirits or winds. And know that everyone of the abovesaid, when it falls into the Elements, it takes a body from them, although their life is of fire. And their dwelling is in fire, and their deeds fury, for they are fury.

And Raziel explained about these 6 [beasts], their invocation, opening, constraining, binding and losing [them] to do good and evil with them. All is made with pureness, and therefore whoever would call them, or have their service, [must] with orison and fasting, and censing, and with the praising of God, must do as hereafter you shall hear furthermore.

[Birds]

*Animalia aeris tertiae alae vocantur aves &c.*

Beasts of the air of the third 'Wing' are called birds for they fly, and they have four movements: one is called running, another flying, and swimming, and going [upon the earth], and creeping. Now we will tell of flying [animals] and begin with the first [bird].

1. Aquila that is an Eagle [*Aquila*], for that is a fowl flying high, and he has rulership over all other birds, and it is true in its deeds, and in rulership and in honour among all other birds. The [22v] Eagle has such a nature that he takes his sons, birds, when they are little and ascends into a place when the Sun is high, and then he arranges their faces to the Sun. And if they observe strongly the Sun, he deems them to be his children and good, and if they do not observe the Sun, he deems them not his children but thinks them evil, and lets them fall and die. And one of his feathers interlaces another feather; and he can see far: at one league (or rule) [he can see even] a little beast, but a great beast truly he can see at 9 leagues, or at a day's journey [distant]. His eye with his heart has great virtue, and [gives] grace [fit] for a king, or a lord, as that [his heart] gives to him grace in his [own] realm.

2. The second fowl is a Vulture [*Vultur*], which is a *vouter*, this has great virtue in all his limbs, his head helps against all dreams and against magic craft, and his feet help against evil deeds. And if a house is censed with 9 of his feathers it drives out from it evil spirits. His gall helps the eye better than

anything in the world. His eye put in the skin of a serpent, and his tongue wrapped in a cloth of red silk with them, helps in clauses, which you wish to overcome, [so as] to win the love of another Lord.<sup>1</sup> His wings put upon a bed protect a sleeping man from all evil winds, grievances, and evil spirits, nor may they enter into the house, nor may any other fantasies have power [there].

3. The third fowl is *falco*, which is a Falcon, of whom the virtue is that of great lords, he is given much high esteem. [23<sup>r</sup>] They [the virtues] are of the highness of his right wing [which] overcomes [legal] pleas, both ravishing and in taking away alien things, and the highness of his left wing [which] takes away evil fevers. But we ought not to slay game birds, nor hounds, as they have many virtues in themselves. And know how many limbs are in every beast, fowl, fish or reptile, as so many distinct virtues has every limb.

4. The fourth fowl is a Turtur [turtledove] simple and good. Nevertheless if you take the male and the female together and burn them in a new pot with crocus, *vervinca* [vervain?], *cichoria* [chicory] gathered together or joined together: if you cast the powder of these upon them [the lovers?] soon they shall be joined together, and it attracts great love to them that bear the powder with them.

5. The fifth fowl is called Upupa, that is a Lapwing, having a crest of feathers on its head like a cock, and it has many virtues. This [bird] has one bone in its wings, and [the bone] gathers together devils and spirits of air. The property of it is that whoever takes its heart and wraps it in honey, and as soon as he swallows it and drinks the milk of a white cow, of a red, or of a black [cow], it makes a man to [prophecy] things to come. And it has another virtue, [for anyone] who cuts its neck when the cock crows [at sunrise], neither may be heard, not the voice of a hound, nor where wheat is sown. And when he cuts its neck he [can] call in devils, and then he [should] carry with him half the blood, and of that other half anoint himself, and [so] always shall go with [23<sup>v</sup>] him one of the devils that he called, and it shall tell to him many things.

6. The sixth [bird] is called Ciconia [stork], that is a haysoucke [a hedge-sparrow]<sup>2</sup> that flees on the day of the Moon [Monday] and takes the blood of the hart [deer] and anoints himself with it. And [you should] eat the flesh with *somine faeminli* and with cardamoms and *garyophillo* [cloves], and when [you] eat it [you should] suffume yourself with good odours, and with *thure* [frankincense], mastic, cinnamon, and other such. [If you do this then you] shall have the grace of enchanting whatever [you] wish, and of conjuring and

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<sup>1</sup> Possibly refers to the clauses of an indenture that bound someone to their current Lord.

<sup>2</sup> It is hard to see how this bird can be both a stork and a hedge-sparrow.

constraining the spirits of air, and other spirits that go over rivers and wells.

These 6 birds abovesaid are exemplary over all others. And when you wish to know the virtue of any fowl, [find them] after the precepts of this book *Raziel* from the *Book of Visions of Angels*, from the beginning of times, in the 12 months, as hereafter you shall see furthermore.

[Fish]

*Dicamus de piscibus maris et alys &c.*

The explanation of fish of the sea and others, more than 6 of them, [some] that are more [potent], and [some that are in] the middle, so I will show you their virtues.

1. The first fish is Balena [whale] the fat of which [if it is] made [into] a liquid and kept for the space of 7 years & more (for how much it is aged, so [by this] much it is better) heals a man from gout, and [from an] evil mind, if he anoint himself with it. And if he anoints his head with its blood, it helps him greatly and makes him strong and more whole, and it makes [24<sup>r</sup>] him to see true visions. Its sperm is called *ambra* [ambergris]. If they cense tombs with this, it gathers together [the spirits]. The spirits above [are moved] downwards, and for each petition & asking, it makes them give an answer.

And Hermes said, "there is no [better] suffumigation to call in spirits than *ambra* [ambergris], *lignum aloes* [aloes wood], *costus*, *muscus* [musk], crocus, and the blood of a lapwing with thymiamata, for these are meat, drink and happiness for the spirits of air, and these things gather them together strongly and rapidly." And wise men say that the sperm, blood and heart of a Balene [whale] are excellent for commanding the winds & spirits.

2. The second fish is called a Dolphin. And he is the king of the sea, for as the eagle has might among birds, and the Lion among beasts, so in this manner has the dolphin in the sea. And whoever anoints with their blood, the clothes of two friends, [so] it makes them enemies, or [if he] casts the dry blood upon them. And whoever bears its heart [with him] makes himself hardy.

3. The third fish is Cancer [the crab] which has 6 feet. Take and burn [cook] him in a *panno livido* [bruising pan?], and with the powder rub [polish] your teeth softly so that it heals them, and makes them fair [whitens them], and cures the canker in the mouth. And if you cast it upon the fire with somewhat of *stercoris humani combusti* [human dung], it gathers together spirits.

4. The fourth [fish] is a bright horn [*cornu lucidi*] between paleness and whiteness [in colour], that is to say *piscis candis* or sepia. This fish has many properties and well knows enchantments; and prophets made with this [fish]

their enchantments and transfigurations. So that when they wanted that a house should seem to be full of water, or that a river should [seem to] enter by the gate, they took [24<sup>v</sup>] this fish, and with thymiamata and *lignum aloes*, and roses, they censed the house, and [then] they cast therein sea water, and then it seemed that the house was filled with water. And if they cast blood therein [instead of sea water] then it seemed all [filled with] blood; and so if they cast snow therein it seemed [full] of snow. And when they wished that the earth should seem to quake, then they cast therein the earth from a plough, and so they made there many likenesses of all things, according to the thing which they put in the incense. And know that [this effect] dwells as much and as long as the suffumigations last in the house. And with the gall of this fish they also made many enchantments, for this beast is unlike any other.

5. The fifth fish is a Murena [eel] and he is lentiguus [spotted]. The virtue of it is that enchanters bear the powder of the fish with them to make enchantments.

6. The sixth fish is *Rana viridis* [green frog]. And if you take it or touch it upon whatever woman you wish, and name the names of the Angels of the month in which you were born, which are furthermore [listed] within *Libro Visionnis*,<sup>1</sup> you may do both good and evil with any woman you wish. And know that of these fish, and of all others, you must know the virtues of the months, and understand similarly in all other things.

[Beasts]

*Primum Animal est leo ista bestia est valde fortis*

[1.] The first beast is a Lion. This beast is very strong in the breast and in the cheeks [buttocks]. And he is of strong countenance, [25<sup>r</sup>] and looking so that when other beasts see him they are all moved with dread, and his skin is of great virtue, [such] that if they be put with other skins, they destroys them and make them bare. And whoever takes [the lion's] biting tooth that is called *dens caninus* [canine tooth] and mounts it in gold, it is good to take away and to take alien things, and the same goes for the wolf's tooth. And if you make a purse of the heart of a Lion, full of blood, *musco* [musk], *almea* and *lignum aloes*, thymiamata, and it is gathered & put upon whom you wish, and you make it hot, know that in that hour he shall much love you, and shall do your bidding.

And if you call [spirits] with the blood of a goat, the prince of devils shall be ready soon to do your commandment, and so [even] more the king [of devils], or he from whom you do [it], and the same I say for great women.

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<sup>1</sup> John Morigny's *Liber Visionem*.

2. The second beast is the Elephant, that is an Oliphant, and he is very great, and when he has risen hard he lays, & when he falls hard he rises, because he has no well disposed knees, and the bone of his teeth is called Ebur, that is Ivory. And if it [ivory] is put in electuaries, it comforts the feebleness of the heart as much as margarita and more.<sup>1</sup> And his blood with his liver comforts much fasting.

3. The third beast is Cerbus [*Cervus* – stag], that is a hart, which lives long, for he remains as the Moon, or as an eagle, [and he] who makes fumigations of the horns, chases away serpents, and by itself it chases away devils.

4. The fourth beast is Catus, that is a cat, and he sees better by the night than by the day, and whoever takes from him, and from a hedgehog, and from a dormouse, and makes an Alcosol and Alcosolizat,<sup>2</sup> or anoints his eye, so he sees well by night and by day. And if you put [25<sup>v</sup>] therein the eye of an ass, you may see where the spirits and devils of the air go.

5. The fifth beast is Mustela, that is a weasel, which brings forth her issue at her month, after the sayings of the poets, but not of the philosophers, this helps much when he is brent [burnt], and his skin is said to cause love between the two.

6. The sixth beast is the Talpa, that is a mole, and it dwells under the earth and is likened to a mouse. With this beast you may make to come tempests, pestilence, hail and lightning & cornflations [conflagrations?], and [he will cause] many evil things if you put him bare or naked upon the earth, dead and overturned, and with this beast you may make discord and concord between whoever you wish, for he is a cursed beast, he heals a man of the fisture<sup>3</sup> when it is burnt, or powdered, and cast in it.

And when you wish to know the virtues of other beasts, do as it is instructed in *Libro Visionnis*,<sup>4</sup> and ask this [question] of the Lord of the vision that appears to you,<sup>5</sup> what you ask and want to know, for [the qualities of] beasts which you wish [to know]. This beast [the mole] sees not, nor has an eye. And know that the vision of *moneths* [?] is over all things that you ask or wish to know. And God shall be with you, if [it is] for a right [cause that] you ask.

And know that here is fulfilled the third 'Wing.' And now we begin the fourth 'Wing' which is complete or fulfilled about all the Elements.

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<sup>1</sup> An electuary is a herb, or other medicinal substance, mixed with honey, to make it more palatable.

<sup>2</sup> Methods of preparing herbs with alcohol. Alcosol is a colloidal solution in alcohol.

<sup>3</sup> A non-healing tubular boil.

<sup>4</sup> John of Morigny, *Liber Visionem* used as a technique for obtaining knowledge.

<sup>5</sup> The angel or spirit guide that will appear to you in your vision.



[De Quartus Ala – the Fourth Wing]

[De Verbis – Words]

*Dixit Solomon sicut corpus vivum &c.*

Solomon said, “as a living body moderate or great [in size] is [26<sup>r</sup>] not moved with[out] its feet, neither is any fowl [moved with] less than two wings, nor is the world governed with less than four elements, [so this book] may not have less than 4 ‘Wings’, which are said to be 4 virtues.” Therefore Raziel said that whoever shall be filled with this book shall be as [great as] one of the prophets, he shall understand all the virtues of things and their powers, and if he possess it and work on it, he shall be as an angel. And therefore he [Raziel] put in this book 22 elements of great virtue, that is the 22 [Hebrew] letters (or figures), which the sons of Adam may not neglect.

1. The first [letter] is Aleph א that is A. This letter is three cornered and it signifies life, power and highness, and the principal or beginning of all things. This puts all things in their figures and in their principles.
2. The second is called Beth ב that is B, and it is very good in things which we desire in battle, and in play, and it always signifies goodness and profit.
3. The third is called Gimel ג that is G, and it signifies evil and grief and impediment in things.
4. The fourth is called Daleth ד that is D. This signifies the perturbation and death of some man and harm to him.
5. The fifth is called He ה that is H, and it signifies high esteem, honour and gladness & it is very good in all things.
6. The sixth is called Vau ו that is V, and it signifies death, pain and work.
7. The seventh is called Zain ז that is Z, and it signifies money and riches.
8. The eighth is called Heth ח [that is Ch], and it signifies long life and health.
- [26<sup>v</sup>] 9. The ninth is called Teth ט that is T, and it signifies wrath, anger and grief.
10. The tenth is Iod י that is I, and it signifies faith, good life, and gladness, and all good beginnings.
11. The 11<sup>th</sup> is called Caph כ [that is K], and it signifies true gladness, and work without profit.
12. The 12<sup>th</sup> is called Lamed ל [that is L], and it signifies gladness, honour and profit.

13. The 13<sup>th</sup> is called Mem מ that is M, and it signifies grief, and otherwise dolor.

14. The 14<sup>th</sup> is called Nun נ that is N. It signifies the restoration of a friend, and a visitation by him, and profit.

15. The 15<sup>th</sup> is called Samech ס [that is S].

16. The 16<sup>th</sup> is called Ain א [that is O]. It signifies the [menstrual?] occasion, or the evil of a woman.

17. The 17<sup>th</sup> is called Pe פ<sup>1</sup> [that is P]. It signifies health.

18. The 18<sup>th</sup> [17<sup>th</sup>] is called Phe פה<sup>2</sup> that is ff, and it signifies that blood is shed of good men and high [men].

19. The 19<sup>th</sup> [18<sup>th</sup>] is [called] Zade ז [that is Tz]. It signifies health.

20. The 20<sup>th</sup> [19<sup>th</sup>] is called Coph ק [that is Q]. It signifies hidden life.

21. The 21<sup>st</sup> [20<sup>th</sup>] is called Res[h] ר [that is R+]. And it signifies a man that has fallen and is risen.

[The 21<sup>st</sup> is called Shin ש that is Sh.]

22. The 22<sup>nd</sup> is called Thau ת that is T. It signifies grief and diminution.

[*Iam diximus de quatuor Alia super*]

Now we have explained about the four 'Wings', and about the 22 letters [with which] the Table of the Laws was written.<sup>3</sup> And know that there are no more [Hebrew letters], but only the 22 letters, which are the root of Semiforas, for with them it is formed. And [it] is caused and is made [with them], but without them it may not be [made].<sup>4</sup>

[27r] And some men said that Cammalie found them. But it is not true, for the angel Raziel gave them, written, to Adam in the book that is called *Liber Ignis*,<sup>5</sup> and with them all the book of Semiforas was written. And each man that reads this book, knows that the Creator said to Raziel [that these letters are] to be [used in writing] the names of Semiforas, wherefore if you transpose these 22 letters (or figures) as it seems [best], you shall attain the great name of your Creator, and with it you might do what you wish,

<sup>1</sup> The hard *peh*, or *peh dagesh*, with a dot in the middle of the letter.

<sup>2</sup> Two forms of *peh* are given, but no *shin*.

<sup>3</sup> The assumption is that Moses' Tablets of the Law were written in Hebrew on Mt Sinai.

<sup>4</sup> The suggestion is that the Semiforas must be written in Hebrew.

<sup>5</sup> *Book of Fire*.

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always with pureness and with the help of the Creator.<sup>1</sup>

Now we have fulfilled this book of the 'Wing' like to the angels that are Panthaseron, Mucraton, and Sandalon,<sup>2</sup> for every one of these has 4 wings by commandment of the benign angel which the Creator sent to me, [in order] that this book is better arranged and well arranged.

Here ends the Second Book & [here] begins the Third Book of Thymiamata.

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<sup>1</sup> A description that neatly sums up the aim and rationale behind the Kabbalah.

<sup>2</sup> See "Pantaseron, Micraton, Sandaton" at folio 20r.

[*Liber Tertius* – The Third Book]

[*Tractatus Thymiamatus* of Suffumigations]

*Dixit angelus Adae fac Thymiamata &c.*

The angel said to Adam, “make thymiamata.<sup>1</sup> Thymiamata are confections of good odours with which you shall suffume (and you shall please the Creator) and you shall attain what you wish by this [action]. And those [things] of which they are made are petition things,<sup>2</sup> which you shall find and [which are] of good odour and of good nature, and pure things. And when you do it, be clean of all outward filth,” and then the angel rested in that hour. And Adam remained and did what he might. And this Solomon expounded and said, “I marvel why this is the book [27v] of Moses also, for the Creator said to Moses ‘make Thymiamata, and suffume it in the hill when you wish to speak with me.’”<sup>3</sup> Wherefore Solomon said “suffumigations, sacrifice and unction make to open the gates of air, and of fire, and of all the other heavens.”

And by suffumigations a man may see heavenly things and the privities [secrets] of the Creator. And each man [must] know that they pierce the earth, water, and lowness. And Solomon said that as there are 7 heavens, 7 planets, and 7 days in the week, of which every one is distinct, so know that there are 7 suffumigations which hold within them the virtue of the 7 planets, and make glad the spirits of air, the angels of heaven, and the devils (or angels of the world). And therefore if a man yields it to them, that is theirs.

Therefore they [the angels and devils] are pleased and glad of the words when you say their names, or that of the Creator. And for this, which you do when you wash often, and for the gift that you give to them when you suffume, these things yield them earthly and [make them able to] appear to you. And spiritual & invisible that is, [so] that neither evil men, nor the beasts amongst [you], see if you do it strongly about you, and about whom you do it. Thymiamata is made of many things, and these are principally [based] upon the 7 days of the week. And the first thymiamata is of Saturday, for his planet [Saturn] is the highest & his angel is mighty on the earth. [28r]<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> As defined in the next sentence, mixtures of perfumes or incenses to be burned on hot coals to produce smoke to purify things. These perfumes are also designed to attract spirits. It literally means ‘incense’, from the Greek *θυμιαματων*, *thymiamaton*. See Appendix 1 for incense nomenclature.

<sup>2</sup> Things that will help your petition or prayer.

<sup>3</sup> A reference to Mt. Sinai, or simply to the ‘high places’ of worship.

<sup>4</sup> Saturday is the first day of the week for Jews.

[Perfumes of the Days]

1. The first thymiamata of Saturday [Saturn] ought to be [made] of good things and well smelling roots, as is costus and the herb *thuris*. And that is thymiamata for good, and so I shall show all others for good [purposes]; and then thymiamata for another [bad purpose] I shall explain in another place.
2. Thymiamata of Sunday is *thus* [oil of frankincense], mastic, *muscus* [musk], and other such, and all other good gums, of good odour [are useful] in all good [operations], but to the contrary [bad odours are useful] in all evil [operations].
3. Thymiamata of Monday is *folius myrti* [myrtle] and *lauri* [laurel] and [other] leaves of good odour, and so understand [the opposite is true] for its contrary.
4. Thymiamata of Tuesday is *sandalus*, *rubeus*, *niger* and *albus*,<sup>1</sup> and all such trees, and each tree [wood] of aloes & cypress, and so understand [the benefit] of each tree.
5. Thymiamata of Wednesday is made of rinds, [such] as cinnamon, *cassia lignea* [cassia wood] & *cortices*, *lauri* [laurel] & *muris* [hawkweed?], and so understand for the other [purposes].
6. Thymiamata of Thursday is *nux muscata* [nutmeg], *gariophylli* [cloves] and *citruli* [citrus] and the rind of *aurangiarum* [oranges], *siccarum* & *pulverizatarum*, which is [in other words], the rind of oranges dry and powdered, and all other fruits of good odour.
7. Thymiamata of Friday is the flowers of rose, viola & crocus and all other flowers of good odour; and for the contrary [purposes], to the contrary use all stinking thymiamata.

And know that each thymiamata of good odour gathers together spirits after its [good] nature, its colour & its strength. Thus I said for good [use] good, for better [use] better. [28<sup>v</sup>]

And Hermes said of thymiamata that:

Thymiamata of the Moon is cinnamon, *lignum aloes*, mastic, crocus, *costus*, *macis* [mace], *myrtus* [myrtle], and we make this such that each of the planets has a share in it, and all this may be by the Moon good and fortunate, by good spices & sharp, although Salomon made distinction between the days and planets of the spices, with which a man ought to make thymiamata. And he [Hermes] said that of Saturn, each good root [is used] in good, and evil

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<sup>1</sup> The three varieties of sandalwood: red, black and white.

[root is used] in evil [magic]. And of Jupiter all fruit, and of Mars each tree. And of the Sun each gum, and of Venus each flower, and of Mercury each rind, and of the Moon each leaf, and thus understand of all the others, and each odoriferous herb is of Venus.

And Raziel said to Adam that he should make good thymiamata. And therefore said Hermes, "understand that each thymiamata is made of all good things, as of root, tree, rind, leaf, flower, fruit and gums, and that seeds are [also] put in it, as are *baccae* [berries], cardamom, and wax, and put in all good things and precious," and afterwards he called this '*Thymiamata Completum*.'

And there is some 'Greek Thymiamata' by which heathen men were used to suffume Idols. To this day [Christian] Churches and Altars are [still] censed with it, and it is called 'Thymiamata of Jupiter.' And in truth, he who uses this thymiamata must be pure and chaste, and of a good life, and [with good] will towards the Creator, and so he shall profit. [29<sup>r</sup>]

*Method of Using the Thymiamata*

*Dixit Solomon super suffumigata Hermetis quae dure &c.*

Solomon said about the suffumigations of Hermes below, that there are seven manners [of using them] which are:

1. [The first is to] make sacrifices (of the first [born]), with fasts, and give things to the Creator, and therefore they [who do this] believe that they attain to that which they desire. And it is true.
2. The second is that they wash & purify themselves and dwell purely, and therefore they think to attain their petitions and asking, and it is true.
3. The third is that they do alms for God, and for his holy angels.
4. The fourth is that they slew [sacrifices] and cast the blood in the fire.
5. The fifth is that they slew [sacrifices] and burn all [of the sacrifice].<sup>1</sup>
6. The sixth is that they pray much at specific hours, 7 times in the day, and 3 [times] in the night.
7. The seventh is to make suffumigation with good things, and good smelling [incenses], and every one of those that did this might attain the truth of whatever he asked, and so he attained it by the Commandment of the Creator.

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<sup>1</sup> Typically a Jewish practice, prior to the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 C.E.

And know that suffumigation overcomes all [other methods].<sup>1</sup> Truly, whoever suffumeth best, to the eye it proves, with this the wise men dismiss all other [methods]. And understanding that he who can know the nature of suffumigations, might easily [come] near such spirits, which he wishes to call, according to the nature of the suffumigation. And always consider the nature of the spirit and [the nature] of the suffumigation, as the spirits are constrained by the contrary [thing] and are comforted by [29v] similar things. And this is like a wise doctor in giving a medicine to a sick man, which removes the sickness and leads to health.

So suffumigation, if it is good, removes the contrary [evil spirits] from the place. And with evil suffumigation are removed good spirits, evil and ill spirits also dread that, for each thing loves health more than sickness. And therefore it is said that sulphur removes both good spirits and evil, and this is proven in a profitable way. And there is another way for *lignum aloes* and none other, and sulphur chases them away and this is the true reason. And then I say that sulphur gathers together its [own] proper spirits, and none other. And they are very strong & penetrative and thick, and are not departed soon [banished easily] from a place. But although a place is censed with sulphur, and then is washed with water, and [then] censed with *lignum aloes*, it draws away the spirits of sulphur, or endures or leads in its own [spirits].

The spirit of Azet [Azoth], that is quicksilver [mercury], and the spirit of *thuris*, are contrary [to each other], although spirits, yet all devils enter and pierce [quicksilver?] rather or sooner than the spirit of *thuris*, wherefore every one has very great strength. But if you wish to withdraw the spirits, suffume with *thure* [frankincense], and they shall go out. And so understand of all other spirits, [both] good and evil.

And Solomon said, that as a physician applies to a man pure good ointment and pure, and [30r] it pierces the body of a man and heals [it], so suffumigations pierce the 4 Elements, and makes [one] to see and know heavenly things which were always heavenly, and which descend from heaven, as do angels & spirits of air, and the souls of dead men, and devils, and the winds of spelunke [caves], and of the deepness and fantasies [phantoms] of desert places. And all spiritual [creatures], with the right fumigation, shall obey you, and shall come to you, and they shall do your commandment. And Hermes said that all things that were, or are present, or shall be, that the above nature [is] joined with the lower [nature] by ordinance, for time and hour makes one body, and understanding that he can

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<sup>1</sup> This suggests that suffumigation is a replacement for the animal sacrifice of the old Temple.

understand and know such things, how creatures have to live and govern themselves.

Therefore know that there are fumes that chase away spirits, and other sorts that strengthen them, and constrain them to come, and others that enliven them and strengthen them, and give them might, and so to the contrary there are some [fumes] that destroy them and take away their might, and this is the proof of it: for the smoke of a hare chases them away, and this he said about serpents, and *fumus amnecae* chases them away, that is the smoke of dregs of oil, and what constrains them is the spittle of a fasting man.<sup>1</sup>

And therefore he said suffumigation suffice for us in all things beneath [on Earth]. And Raziel said that water washes [away] all uncleanness, and [likewise] fire makes liquid, or melts, all metals & makes them pure and fine. And as the air is the life of a living man, [30v] and the earth sustains or bears each body and nourishes each plant, understand that good thymiamata or suffumigation is fulfilling in the work of the invocation of spirits; and of other things [ensure that] the thymiamata is well proportioned [when it] is confected or melded, in each hour convenient [to its manufacture] according [to its planetary qualities].

*Dixit Solomon propter hoc pono horas et tempus &c.*

Solomon said, "I [should] put [fix] the hour and the time for this work, for in all [auspicious] hours in which a man wishes to speak to a king, or to a prince, he may not [be able to] speak to them; nor in every hour in which a son asks of the father for any thing, does he give [it] to him." Therefore it is dark [unclear] to you to choose the [correct] time and the hour for these [things] that you ask.

This is therefore the *tempus quondam* [relevant measure of time], is some time of Jupiter, be it done in the day of Jupiter, and of Venus in the day of Venus, and Mars. And of [the hour of] Saturn in the day of Saturn: and so for other [planets] that [must] be done in the invocation of spirits, and in all praising of [praying to] angels. And the fumigation [must be] pure. Know that it is a spiritual thing, living and being associated with heavenly things, and now called *Veallia*. Know that no man ought to make suffumigation of precious things unless he is pure, and with pure waters well washed, and anointed with precious ointments, which he made purely and with precious things [such] as *cera alba* [white wax], *balsamo* [balsam], *croco* [crocus] and *musco*

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<sup>1</sup> An interestingly concrete reason for fasting before taking part in evocations.



[musk], *abibatmeca*, *algalia* [civet],<sup>1</sup> *almea*, *thure* [frankincense], myrrh, and oleo olivary [olive oil].

And this ointment [must] be well kept and well protected in a pure [31<sup>r</sup>] place, after that also [see] that your clothing is pure, white, new and good, not broken nor black [stained]. And cense yourself reverently, and the manner of suffuming yourself ought to be made in the 7 directions: towards the East, the North, the West and the South, and towards the heaven above, and towards the earth beneath, and the seventh time all about. And as often as you do this, address your mind unto God, and pray that he fulfills your desires.

I found in some old book that these were the best suffumigations. Thus *Thymiamata Graecum*, mastic, *sandulus* [sandalwood], galbanum, Muschalazerat,<sup>2</sup> myrrh, and *ambra* [ambergris], and these are collectors of spirits and their placators. And Solomon said that when you wish to gather together the spirits of air do it in this manner. Cleanse yourself in the best manner that you can, and go to a pitt <sup>3</sup> known to you and suffume it, and call him [the angel or spirit] by his own proper name and call him or pray [to] him, and that [repeat] on three nights, and if he answers not, nor appears, take him to a certain place, or to a house, or to a quadrive [crossroads] that is a place where 4 ways meet, or to a yard, or garden. And suffume the pitt [enclosure?] towards the 7 directions, and in the place where you bathe also, as I have said. And then know that he shall come, and he shall appear to you if you do this.

*Et dixit Hermes quod spiritus qui apparent &c.*

And Hermes said that the spirits which appear [31<sup>v</sup>] in this world are these. Some truly are heavenly and the prophet calls them angels, and they are bright and clear as flame or a star as we have said. Others are of air and of many colours green, bright, and other such and of many figures. And others are fiery and they are bright and red. And others are watery, and they are white and as bright as tin or burnished iron, or quicksilver. Others that are neighed [denied] to men are like to a white cloud, or to white clothes. And others are dark and dim and of many forms, which are called Devils, which are called with the wind, and there are [others] in the deepness of the sea and of the lowness [underworld], spirits that bring with [them] hail & lightning. And wise men call these huge spirits & strong. Now we have explained the nature of spirits,

<sup>1</sup> The obsolete Spanish word 'algaliar' means to perfume with civet.

<sup>2</sup> In the Latin of Sloane MS 3847 it is 'Muschullaroth.' However this could be Malabathron or Malabatum (Indian Bay leaves) which was the Classical Graeco-Egyptian incense of Jupiter.

<sup>3</sup> This could refer to an enclosure or arena, a pond, an underground chamber, or even a grave.

and [so] put your mind to it, and you shall attain with the help of God.

*Dixit Raziel sicut in aere puro claro &c.*

Raziel said, as in the pure, clear, bright, pure and peaceable air, all things gladden a joy [?] of it. So know that [success comes from] from fasting, purity, washing with water, prayers, and orisons to the Creator. And from natural and pure suffumigation, and true faith, or belief, which may please them [the angels] which we have mentioned above. And Raziel said to Adam, know that in all manners the life of angels is holy & pure. And the suffuming or suffumigation is the bread on which these spirits [32r] live. And fasting and pureness and chastity, sacrifice with orisons, are the house of holy altar, and trust in the author of [all] good. Wherefore each man that has these abovesaid [qualities], he shall attain, and he shall have profit.

And Solomon said, "this is what happens in suffumigations: soon shall come to us smoke, and then odour, and of the smoke a cloud, and of the cloud a high cloud and wind, and on the wind the cloud ascends higher, and of the cloud a high wind ascends higher, and is made a soul. And of this the spirit is made higher, and of the spirit an angel of heaven, and of this angels [of] light." And these [things] are caused by pure suffumigation. And know that suffumigations are of 7 manners. Some truly sharp, and others penetrative or piercing. Others sweet smelling, others stinking, others simple, others meek, others of grief, others truly of peace, every one of these, or of these manners, is after [the nature of] his odour, savor, nature and complexion.

Wherefore Hermes said that as coldness congeals water [into ice] which is cold, and as the water of the sea is congealed with great [cold], and as Azertacona congeals the water of wells, and everyone of these congeals the water; one with coldness, another with hotness, another by art, another by nature, and the matter is made [into] one body and one gobbet [piece]. And know that good suffumigation gathers together and constrains and makes spirits to appear in the air, and [reveal] secret or privy things. And it makes them to take a body, without eye seen.

And Solomon said that as the Adamant draws [32v] iron to itself, so suffumigation gathers together and draws the spirits of air, and makes them to come to the place where you do [the experiment], and [it] will gather them together. And the wise man said suffumigation is like the root of *arzolle* [Lady's thistle], as it joins together gobbets of flesh into one. So suffumigations gather together the spirits of heaven, which [then] the 4 Elements make them take a body, and spirits take [and] fulfill what is asked of them, and that [spirit may be drawn] into a likeness in a mirror, which if [you] are there sat in front

of it, whatever figure you wish appears within the fumigation, made purely, with invocation in the hour after the spirits proportional.<sup>1</sup> The spirits appear to us, and new operations and workings with fulfillment of the thing that you ask, and don't be deceived in the knowledge of suffumigations, and apply your mind to them lest they be transposed [confused], and you shall fulfill [your wishes], after you do it as he [Solomon] said.

And Solomon said, "I will touch somewhat on the nature of suffumigations, whoever uses it much makes to see [visions] in sleep, or in reality, green things, and yellow, and many colours. Melancholic fumigation signifies grey things; sanguine fumigation signifies red things, and otherwise it is shown of a purple colour; phlegmatic fumigation signifies white things and fair. And so [you can] understand what their nature is [from] the appearance of the spirits, [33<sup>r</sup>] and of their colour and visible [appearance]." And their work shall be the sharpness of it, and the goodness, and the direction of *fumigii* [censing] that is fulfilling the thing, after the Image was formed, and the orison of the thing [spirit] named, and the trust for all is in the intention of the man, and in the hour in which it is done. Now we have said how every one of the planets has his fumigations. Now we will state the fumigations of the 12 Signs and of their 36 Faces.<sup>2</sup>

*[The Perfumes of the Zodiac]*

Aries	holds by himself mirtal [myrtle].
Taurus	costum [costus].
Gemini	masticem [mastic].
Cancer	musthalazeratis.
Leo	thus [olibanum].
Virgo	classen [oil of sandalwood].
Libra	galbanum.
Scorpio	opopanaces [oppoanax].
Sagittarius	lignum aloes [oud].
Capricorn	assafoetida.
Aquarius	euphorbium.
Pisces	thymiamata [thyme]. <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The reference is probably to the proportional planetary hour, which is one twelfth of the time between sunrise and sunset, rather than to an evenly divided clock hour of 60 minutes.

<sup>2</sup> The 12 Zodiacal Signs are divided into 36 Faces, like the 36 Decans. The first list above lists the suffumigation of the first Face as if it was the suffumigation of the whole Sign.

<sup>3</sup> Note that although 'thymiamata' refers to blended incense, 'thymiamata' means the herb thyme.

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The first Face of Aries holds mirtal.<sup>1</sup> The second stamonea. The third piper nigrum. The first of Taurus [holds] costum. The second cardamom. The third cassia. The first of Gemini masticem. The second cinamomus. The third cipressum. The first of Cancer mastum [camphor]. The second succum. The third anisum. The first of Leo thus. The second lignum balsami. The third nucem muscata. The first of Virgo sandalos [sandal]. The second crocum. The third masticem. The first of Libra galbanum. The second bofor. The third mirtum [mortum]. [The first of Scorpio oppoponax.]<sup>2</sup>

The first of Sagittarius lignum aloes. The second folia lauri. The third gariofilum. The first of Capricorn assa[foetida]. The second colofoniam, the third piper longum. The first of Aquarius euphorbium, the second reubarbarum, the third stamonea.<sup>3</sup> The first of Pisces thymiama. The second crocum. The third sandalum album.<sup>4</sup>

[33v] *Nota sedum Hermetem de fumigiis.*

And Hermes said, "Aries, Leo and Sagittarius hold each choleric [suffumigations, and are] spicy & bitter; Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn [have] melancholic [suffumigations] and are styptic [astringent]; Gemini, Libra & Aquarius [have] sanguine and are sweet; Cancer, Scorpio & Pisces [have] phlegmatic and are of a salty savor."

And this Solomon holds for the nature of such spices we give, and with them we suffume. And which [suffumigations are] given to the days, and to the hours? For Sunday, the first hour is of the Sun, and all of the day all together: we should give this [day] mastic and *muscum* [musk] as we have said of planets in the beginning of this 'Book of Thymiamata', and to understand of all others, know the season of suffumigations.

*In primo tempore lignum aloes thus et crocum &c.*

In the first season [use] *lignum aloes, thus* [olibanum] & *crocum* [crocus].<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The first third of the Sign Aries. See Appendix 1 for translation of the names of the incenses.

<sup>2</sup> The second and third Face are not given.

<sup>3</sup> The last two rhubarb and stamonea are often reversed.

<sup>4</sup> For details of the suffumigations of the 36 Faces see Table N12-N14; for details of the Faces/Decans other attributes see Tables H54-71 in Stephen Skinner, *Complete Magician's Tables*, Golden Hoard, Singapore, and Llewellyn, St. Paul, 2006.

<sup>5</sup> Spring.

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In the second season *thymiama, costum, mastice*.

In the third season *sandalus, cassia, and mirtum* [myrtle].

In the fourth season, *muscum, succum* and *lignum balsami*.

And as he gave to each of the 4 seasons their spices, or kinds, so he gave to each month one spice [each] in order.

*Dicamus nunc suffumigia 4 partium mundi &c.*

We now tell of the suffumigations of the 4 parts of the world and of the 4 Elements. For all things that are in this world are either compounded of the 4 Elements, or simple [substances].

Suffumigations of the 4 parts of this world [and of the 4 Elements] are these:

About the parts of the [34r] East, and fire, serve *ambra* [ambergris], *muscus* [musk] & *alba cera* (that is white wax).

About the parts of the South, and earth, *algalia* [civet], *almea* and *teriaca*.

About the parts of the West, and air, *balsamus*, camphor & *oleo olivrarum*.

About the [parts of the] North, and water, *lignum aloes*, *nux muscata* [nutmeg] & *maris* [the sea?].

And Solomon said, "each man that wishes to do any [magical] things [using] this book [should] study the chapter on thymiamata, [so] that he knows the kinds of things & can justly mix them." And so you might easily work by it, for without work you might [not] fulfill all things that you desire to see. Now we have fulfilled our Chapter on *fumigiis*, or fumigations, and we will say furthermore about that which was our intention, with the help of God.

[Here ends the Third Book & here begins the Fourth Book]<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> For a more complete listing of the various incenses, their Latin names and modern equivalents, plus their botanical names, see Appendix 1.

[The Fourth Book]

[*Treatise of Times of the Day and of the Night*]<sup>1</sup>

*Here begins the Fourth Book that speaks about the times of the year*

*In Dei nomine pii incipio scribere libris istu &c.*

In the name of the meek God I begin to write this book that is called *Cephar Raziel* which the Angel Raziel gave to Adam. And it shall speak about the 4 seasons of the year, & months & days, [each] with his night, [and] how we should name each thing, and know each man. This is called the *Book of Times*, and the Angel that gave it is called mighty and great by the commandment of the Creator, the living God, [who is] in all things mighty.

And [this Book was given in order] that Adam should know all things in this world, what it is, what it was, and what it should be, in all things in the 12 months of the year, and [all the names of the] days & hours, and that by order and likeness, by pure fasting, and by washings, by sacrifice, by suffumigations made on the 7 days [of the week], [especially] on the [34<sup>v</sup>] first [day of the] Moon, and before the Sun should ascend his tail, the Ascendant, and before the Sun should ascend over the planet Zedek, or Jupiter, they should be named in this book by the mouth of the holy angels, that have rulership over the 7 heavens formed of fire, and their observing is of fire, and their life is fire.

And they seemed clothed with fire. And they are covered with fire. And from fire they went out, and in fire they dwell, and they are of great friendship [help], ruling the 12 months of the year by the precepts of the Creator who called the world into being, and all the angels [into being], and existed before it, and there are 7 powers before the face of it, and to each of them is given a rulership, and [each] has a day of the month, and of the week [given to him]. And of them, some are standing around, and some are sitting in chairs honourably serving the Creator, and they are always ready and bound to go out, and to enter, to come and to go, and to do all good and evil whatsoever, and to enchant and to put down and to [un]cover secret things and to find [out] or make revelation.<sup>2</sup>

And all this that we have said, by the commandment of God, and [by the commandment of] all the greater angels and lesser, and their princes with their powers, with their odours, or with their associations, they call

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<sup>1</sup> This Chapter is entitled *Temporum Anni* in the Latin version of the text.

<sup>2</sup> It is interesting that the angels should be said to be equally able to do good as well as evil things.

themselves, every one, by their names which are selly [marvelous], [blessed], high and sovereign always, and they praise God the Creator which formed them. And also all the powers, of all the heavens, in the month, and in the day in which he formed them, and they are all speaking together as men. And Raziel said that these angels wrote those names and this book. [35<sup>r</sup>] And he said that there are 7 angels ruling over the 7 planets, and these be *potestates* or powers,<sup>1</sup> ruling over the 7 days of the week. And they are the keepers [of the days of the week], and of the 24 hours of the day, and of the 7 heavens, and of the 12 Signs [of the Zodiac], and of all other things that govern the world.

[*The Planets in the 7 Heavens*]

And Raziel said to Adam, "behold, know and hold [understand] these 7 powers or *potestates*, which have power in the 7 heavens, and [over] the 7 planets."

The names of [the planets] are these: Sabaday that is Saturn, Zedek that is Jupiter, Madim that is Mars, Hanina that is the Sun,<sup>2</sup> Nogah that is Venus, Cocab [Kokab] that is Mercury, and Labana [Levanah] that is the Moon.

The names of the 7 Heavens in which they are born are these: Samin, Raquia, Siagum, Mahum, Macon, Zebul, Arabeck.<sup>3</sup> Over Samyn goes the Moon. Over Raquia goes Mercury and over Arabeck [goes] Saturn, and so understand the others. The names of Angels that have power over the 7 planets, and rule over the 7 heavens, and others while in their chairs are these: Capziel, Satquel, Samael, Raphael, Amael, Michael, Gabriel. And the power of these is that Capziel is the power of Sabaday; Satquel of Zedek; Samael of Madim; Raphael of Hanina; Amael of Nogah; Michael of Cocab; Gabriel of Labana. And every one of these sits in his [own] heaven. And with their *meynees* [retainers/descendants?] all about, and they are of many colours as white, black, red, yellow, green, leady [grey], *pardi viati*, mixed, gilt [golden], and of the colour of a peacock's feather, and of many other colours.

[*The 12 Hebrew Months*]

These are the Angels that have power over the 12 months of the year. The names of the months [35<sup>v</sup>] are these: Nisan, Yar, Zivan, Tamus, Ab, Elul, Tisirin, Marquesuam, Quislep, Tobez or Thebeth, Sabat, Adar, *postadar*

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<sup>1</sup> *Potestates*: category of angels.

<sup>2</sup> The name for the Sun is sometimes spelled Hamina and sometimes Hanina in the manuscript.

<sup>3</sup> A more modern transliteration of the Hebrew heavens with their attendant planets is: Shamayim [Moon], Raqia [Mercury], Shechaqim [Venus], Zebul [the Sun], Ma'on [Mars], Makon [Jupiter], and Araboth [Saturn].

*postmodo*.<sup>1</sup> The names of the *potestates* [Powers] are these. And they are the 12 capitals, that is, one over every [lunar] month of the Moon, rather that is the [first 7 months only:] Oriel, Sasuyel, Amariel, Noriel, Biraquel, Magnia, Saciel. And every one of these has so many *potestates*, helpers, more or greater as there are days in the month, or many other servants.

And [using] the aforesaid angels, a man may know all things that are to come in every year, and in every season, and in every month, and every day, and every hour, with the proper signs. Whoever knows them well, he will know [the destiny of kings and queens, their] many reigns or few, or when they shall be, or if they shall be or not, and the day and hour when they shall fall [from grace].

And a man may know by them which is his Sign and his planet, and he may know of his [own] life, if it shall be long or short in the world, and other things, either for a sick man or a whole [man], either for a man or for a woman. Or he may know a subtle understanding, or sharp [understanding], he may know what is to come, and do with it [that knowledge] what he wishes. And the days of the year, or of the Sun, alone [are] 365 and the quarter part of one day (in the week of days). The year of the Moon is otherwise 360 days and four hours and 46 minutes, [calculated] after the year of the Moon.<sup>2</sup> And the fulfilling of seasons in this: if one season is 3 months, and then the [four] seasons [36<sup>r</sup>] truly [add] to 12 [months].

And know that Nisan, which is the first month, begins on the first day of the first Moon (the Moon *prima*) of the [calendar] month of March, and so [it is] for the other [Hebrew months]. The first season is truly [calculated] from the first degree in which the Sun enters into Aries, till it enters the first degree of Cancer. And the second [season is] from Cancer to Libra. And the third [season] from Libra to Capricorn. And the fourth [season] from Capricorn unto Aries. And this is a better distinction of seasons [than the Western Gregorian calendar]. And in the hour which Raziel gave the Book to Adam, [with details] of seasons, of months and the names of things, then was Adam comforted [because] in the same day lightning struck, and thunders and coruscations appeared, and there was in that day a great tempest in all the world, both on the land, and in the air, and in the sea. And [this happened] in the hour in which the Angel Raziel opened this book and gave it to Adam.

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<sup>1</sup> This is a slightly garbled rendering of the 12 Jewish lunar months beginning in March-April: Nisan, Iyar, Sivan, Tammuz, Ab, Elul, Tishri, Marchesvan, Kislev, Tebet, Shebat, Adar, followed by an occasional thirteenth month. This is another indication that the original of this grimoire (or at least this section) was Hebrew.

<sup>2</sup> This presumes a year of 12 lunar months calculated as 30.02 days each month.



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Then he [Raziel] gave to him [Adam] might, strength & surety in all the words of this book, and the miracles that are in it. And when this book fell [open] before the face of Adam, Adam regarded it with very much awe, and quaked in great dread. And [he] fell down onto the earth as though he had been dead. Then the Angel Raziel said to Adam, "rise and be comforted for know that a steadfast spirit has descended in you from the high heavens which has lightened you, and has been put in this hour in you, the knowledge and power that you shall attain [anything] that you shall ask."

And I say to you, that you [should] consider this book and observe it, and by it you shall know and understand whatever was, and is, [36<sup>v</sup>] and that shall be after you. And in that hour in which this book was given to Adam, fire fell upon the banks of the rivers of paradise. And the Angel ascended by that flame of fire to the heavens. And an Angel descended in likeness of a white cloud and spoke with him plainly, and came to him as a man, very bright and clear, like to the clearness of a star in his body, and full of many other [stars] all about. And in ascending when he was separated [from his body], always Adam was like a lamb which grew very bright, as the flame of fire, and clear as the fire of a furnace in which gold is purged.

And then Adam saw this, and found [this], and knew the Lord of all worlds who is a great king, and mighty [in all] things. This book was sent for him. And then he considered and looked in it with holiness and purity. And then he beheld in it all things that he would [want to] know in this world. And this was the first word that Adam had with the Angel Raziel. And therefore he considered it, and governed himself by it.

Solomon said, "for the aforesaid reason that the Angel Raziel said unto Adam that it is well to know the seasons, of [the difference of] one hour to another, and of one season to another", for whoever sows wheat in Spring [knows that] it may not be gathered in the same Spring, [but only in the appropriate season, Autumn]. And these [seasons] are after the temperament of the parts of the North[ern hemisphere]. And therefore it is necessary or needful to divide the year into 4 parts [seasons] and the month into 4 parts [weeks] and an hour into four parts. [37<sup>r</sup>] And if you keep these divisions and understand them you shall profit in all that you wish, for this is true, and all natural things are made in the season, and in the day, and in the hour, according to how the high sovereign Creator has ordered [it]."

Raziel said [using this Book], "you will know anything of this world, that is of the other [worlds], or that is in the heavens which are associated with the first Heavens. Or if you [wish to] do any thing that fulfills your wish, cleanse your body for 7 days, that is, wash, and eat not a thing of the chest [coffin],

nor of the raven, nor of evil parts, nor a thing unclean, nor that [which] has fallen to its death, nor a beast with 4 [cloven] feet, nor other. And avoid malice and falseness, and you shall not drink wine, nor shall you eat fish, or any thing from which blood goes out. And do not join [sexually] to a polluted woman, nor a menstruating [woman], nor enter into a house where there is a dead man, nor go beside the grave of a dead man, nor go near him that has suffered gonorrhoea, and avoid and be aware of night lest you fall into pollution, and keep from lechery and evil pride. And see that you are always pure, and are in Orison or prayer, and keep your tongue from saying evil [things] and lying, and fast purely."

And keep your body from doing evil and sin. And lighten the house with orisons, and praise the angels, and do alms to needy men, and do charity, and do not join with evil men, nor with unclean [men], and clothe yourself with clean clothes, a larger [size] than you might [normally use], and always believe in God, and [37v] rise early, and pray to the Creator that he dress you and wash you, and fulfill your petition [prayers], and [so] you shall attain to that which you ask of God.

[*The First Work and Sacrifice*]

*Nota hanc partem bene.* Note well this part.

*Primum opus istius libri que est necessarium &c.*

The first work of this book is necessary, or needful, in all things that man does. And then you want to know when it is good to do all the things which you do. Or you will know when it is good to do whatever thing you wish of this world, and you cannot do anything thereof [unless you] understand that you [must] count by 7 days, before [beginning with] the first day of the month that is of the Moon. And in these 7 days you [must not] be polluted, nor eat a beast having blood, nor drink wine, nor touch unclean things, nor lay with a woman, and wash yourself with clean running water each of the 7 days, before the Sun ascends. And hold [understand] the abstinence which we have said, and cense yourself, when you are bathed, with this: *lignum aloes* and *ambra* [ambergris], *crocus*, *costo* [costus], camphor and mastic.

And then take two living turtledoves, whole without languor in themselves, or if you wish two white doves, if you might have none other.<sup>1</sup> And cut off the neck, fasting, with a brazen red knife over gilt [with] on both sides a cutting [edge]. And cut the neck of one turtledove on one side, and the other

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<sup>1</sup> Turtledoves were common ancient Hebrew sacrifices. They appear in Solomon's *Song of Songs* 2:12 in a sensual context. They were considered emblems of devoted love.

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[turtledove] on the other [side], after that draw out the entrails, but save the blood in a new glass cup & cast it into the fire. [38<sup>r</sup>].<sup>1</sup>

And wash the entrails with clean water. And then take 3 weight of musk, and 3 crocus, *thuris albi lucidi* [bright white frankincense], cinnamon and 10 *keys* [weight] of *gariophylli* [cloves] and *lignum aloes* the same [amount]. And then take 12 *grana piperis nigri* [grains of black pepper], old white wine, *sandalos* [sandalwood], *muscu* [musk], camphor, and somewhat [of] honey, and [mix] all these with wine, and put it all melded in the entrails of the turtledoves and fill them or divide them into 7 parts or 7 'limbs', and cast one 'limb' upon the coals of fire in the morrow [the following day] before the Sun arise, and that is the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the night.<sup>2</sup>

And when you burn the 'limbs' be covered with white cloth and standing [with] your feet bare, that is unhosed [without stockings] and without shoes, and afterward [write] the names of angels which are written that serve the month, that is serving the month in which you do it, for there are prayers and doers [?] there, and know that each day you have to say the names of the angels of that month 7 times. And in the 7 days you shall gather together the ashes which you have made in the same 7 days of the aforesaid 7 'limbs.' And the house and the place in which you shall burn it [should] be clean. And when all this is done, you shall arrange a solemn house, clean [pure] and separated [from other houses] for yourself. And you shall sprinkle the aforesaid ashes upon the earth, in the middle of the house, and you shall sleep there, so that you shall do this.

And then when you enter the bed, you shall name the names of the angels strong, dreadful, mighty & high, and then sleep. And speak with the man [that comes]. And then you may be very certain, and not dreading, that there shall come to you some man, and he shall show himself to you in a vision of the night, and [38<sup>v</sup>] his likeness shall be of a holy man. Then be strong and dread [him] not, and he shall not leave you, [and know] that it is [not] a vision or a dream, but [he comes] in a true manner. And ask what you wish, and without doubt he shall give it to you.

*Dixit angelus Raziel volo tibi dicere hoc complemento &c.*

The angel Raziel said, "I will say to you that this fulfilling of the working, is by the power, virtue and strength of this book in which are written the powers of the months, of days, and of the year, and they have power in every

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<sup>1</sup> This, and the following paragraph, appear in a slightly different form in 'The Prayer of Adam' in the first part of the *Sepher ha-Malbush*. See SAVEDOW (2000), Book One, page 7.

<sup>2</sup> In other words the hour before sunrise.

month, and in each day, for always. For each man who governs himself by them, with purity, they have helped in all his deeds, and in all his things. And they make him to know all his wives, and they helped him to fulfill all that he ever asked, with great power, strength and wisdom.”

*[The Angels of the 12 Hebrew Months]*

The names of the Angels of the first month.<sup>1</sup> These are the names of the Angels which are mighty, and more mighty in the first month, which is called **Nysan [Nisan]**:<sup>2</sup> Oriel, Malaquiran, Acia, Yaziel, Paltifus, Yesmactria, Yariel, Araton, Robica, Sephatia. Anaya, Quesupale, Semquiel, Sereriel, Malgas, Ancason, Pacyta, Abedel, Ram, Asdon, Casiel, Nastiafori, Sugni, Aszre, Sornadaf, Adniel, Necamia, Caisaat, Benit, Quor, Adziriel.

The names of Angels of the second month. [39r] These are the mightier Angels of the second month which is **Yar [Iyar]** in [the] language of Hebrew: Safuel, Saton, Cartemat, Aryel, Palthia, Bargar, Galms, Nocpis, Aaron, Manit, Aadon, Qwenael, Quemon, Abragin, Yehoc, Adnibia, Parciot, Marinoc, Galus, Gabmion, Resegar, Affry, Absamon, Sarsaf, Alxim, Carbiol, Regnia, Achlas, Nadib, Absafyabitan, Pliset. And you shall name the names of the aforesaid Angels of this month Yar in each thing which you shall name it in, and they should help you, and they shall make you to know all your wishes.

The names of the Angels of the third month. These are the names of the Angels which are the keepers of the third month that is called **Zyvan [Sivan]** of which the first is Amariel, Tatgiel, Casmuch, Nuscifa, Almux, Naamab, Mamiazicaras, Samysarach, Naasien, Andas, Paltamus, Abris, Borhai, Salor, Hac, Yayac, Dalia, Azigor, Mabsuf, Abnisor, Zenam, Dersam, Cefania, Maccafor, Naboon, Adiel, Maasiel, Szarhyr, Cartalion, Adi, Ysar. And you shall name these names that are called, in all things that you do, and you shall profit.

The names of the Angels of the fourth month. These are the names of the Angels of the fourth month that is called **Thamuth [Tammuz]**: Moriel, Safida, Asaf, Mazica, Sarsac, Adnyam, Nagrow, Galuf, Galgall, Danroc, Saracus, Remafidda, Luliaraf, Nediter / Delgna, Maadon, Saamyel, Amrael, Lezaidi, Elisafan, Paschania, Maday. And you shall name these names abovesaid in all that you do, and you shall profit.

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<sup>1</sup> The margin notes over the next few pages are often indistinct, and not very helpful, being a repetition of the Hebrew month name, and so will not be repeated here. They appear in the transcription, printed earlier in this book, if they need to be referred to.

<sup>2</sup> The modern transliteration of the names of each Hebrew lunar month is printed in bold in square brackets.

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The names of the Angels of the fifth month. These are the names of the Angels of the fifth month that is called [39<sup>v</sup>] Manhi or Amariahaya [**Ab**]: Byny, Madrat, Amantuliel, Cassurafarttis, Nactif, Necif, Pdgnar, Tablic, Mamiro, Amacia, Qnatiel, Reycat, Qnynzi, Paliel, Gadaf, Nesquiraf, Abrac, Amyter, Camb, Nachal, Cabach, Loch, Macria, Safe, Essaf. And you shall name these beforesaid in all that you do, and you shall profit.

The names of the Angels of the sixth month. These are the names of the Angels of the sixth month that is called **Elul**: Magnyny, Arabyel, Hanyel, Nacery, Yassar, Rassy, Boel, Matriel, Naccamarif, Zacdon, Nafac, Rapion, Sapsi, Salttri, Raseroph, Malgel, Samtiel, Yoas, Qualabye, Danpi, Yamla, Golid, Rasziel, Satpach, Nassa, Myssa, Macracif, Dadiel, Carciel, Effignax. And you shall name these names aforesaid in each thing which you do, and you shall profit therein.

The names of Angels of the seventh month. These are the names of the keepers of the seventh month that is called **Tisirin [Tishri]**: Suriel, Sarican, Gnabriza, Szucariel, Sababiel, Ytrut, Cullia, Dadiel, Marhum, Abecaisdon, Sacdon, Pagulan, Arsabon, Aspiramo, Aquyel, Safcy, Racynas, Altim, Masulaef, Vtisaryaya, Abri. And you shall name these names abovesaid in each thing that you do, and you shall profit.

The names of Angels of the eighth month. These are the names of Angels of the eighth month that is called **Marquesaan [Marchesvan]**: Karbiel, Tiszodiel, Raamyel, Nebubael, Alisaf, Baliel, Arzaf, Rasliel, Alson, [40<sup>r</sup>] Naspiel, Becar, Paliel, Elisuaig, Nap, Naxas, Sansani, Aesal, Maarim, Sasci, Yalsenac, Iabynx, Magdiel, Sarmas, Maaliel, Arsaferal, Manistiorar, Veaboluf, Nadibael, Suci, Nabuel, Sariel, Sodi, Marcuel, Palitam. And you shall name these names abovesaid in every thing that you wish [for], and you shall profit.

The names of the Angels of the ninth month. These are the names of the Angels of the ninth month that is called **Qwinslep [Kislev]**: Adoniel, Radiel, Naduch, Racyno, Hyzy, Mariel, Azday, Mandiel, Gamiel, Seriel, Kery, Sahaman, Osmyn, Sachiel, Pazeheymy, Calchihay, Hehudael, Nerad, Minael, Arac, Arariqniel, Galnel, Gimon, Satuel, Elynzy, Baqwylaguel. And you shall name these names abovesaid in all that you do, and you shall profit.

The names of the Angels of the tenth month. These are the names of Angels that have might in the tenth month that is called **Thebeth [Tebet]**: Anael, Aniyel, Aryor, Naflia, Rapinis, Raaciel, Pacuel, Hahon, Guanrinasuch, Aslaqwy, Naspaya, Negri, Somahi, Hasasisgafon, Gasca, Szif, Alzamy, Maint, Xatinas, Sargnamuf, Oliab, Sariel, Canyel, Rahyeziel, Pansa, Insquen, Sarman, Malisan, Asirac, Marmoc. And you shall name these names in all that you do, and you shall profit.

The names of the Angels of the eleventh month. These are the names of Angels that keep the eleventh month that is called **Cynanth [Shebat]** and which have might in it: Gabriel, Israel, Natriel, Gazril, Nassam, Abrisaf, Zefael, Zamiel, Mamiel, Tabiel, Miriel, Sahumiel, Guriel, Samhiel, Dariel, Banorsasti, Satyn, Nasyel, Ranfiel, Talgnaf, Libral, Luel, Daliel, Guadriel, Sahuhaf, Myschiel. And you shall name these names before said in all things that you do in that month & you shall fulfill [your aims]. [40<sup>v</sup>]

The names of Angels of the twelfth month. These are the names of the twelfth month that is called **Adar**: Romiel, Patiel, Guriel, Laabiel, Addriel, Cardiel, Aguel, Malquiel, Samiel, Sariel, Azriel, Paamiel, Carcyelel, Amaluch, Parhaya, Ytael, Beryel, Cael, Tenebiel, Pantan, Panteron, Fanyel, Falafon, Masiel, Pantaron, Labiel, Ragael, Cetabiel, Nyahpatuel. And you shall name these names in all things that you do, and you shall profit.

The names of Angels if there [is a] thirteenth month.<sup>1</sup> These are the names of Angels of the thirteenth month Bisertilis which is [also] called **Adar**, the last in March: Lantiel, Ardiel, Nasmyel, Celidoal, Amyel, Magel, Gabgel, Sasuagos, Barilagni, Yabtasyper, Magossangos, Dragos, Yayel, Yoel, Yasmyel, Stelmel, Garasyn, Ceyabos, Sacadiel, Guracap, Gabanael, Tamtiel. These names abovesaid you shall name in all things that you wish, and they shall fulfill all your wishes, with fasting & washing, and suffumigation and purity.

And thus understand of every work. And know that the months of the Hebrews and the months of the Romans are evened [coincide at] the month of March, and know well this number, and you shall profit.<sup>2</sup>

*[The Angels of the 7 Days of the Week]*

*Scias quod postquam diximus de mensibus &c.*

Know that we have told of the months, now we will tell of the names of the days of the week, with their angels, very strong and ruling over every day, and each in his [own] day. [41<sup>r</sup>]

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<sup>1</sup> Because the 12 lunar months do not quite fill a solar year, at irregular intervals a thirteenth lunar month (with the same name as the twelfth) is introduced, so that the first lunar month does not slip backwards in time, away from the start of Spring.

<sup>2</sup> March was considered the beginning of the year by both Hebrews and Romans (until the introduction of January and February) and Europeans (until Elizabethan times). Other cultures also saw the beginning of Spring as the beginning of the year, and the Chinese still take February 4th/5th as the beginning of the solar year (with March being seen as the middle of Spring).

*The names of the angels that serve in the day of the Sun [Sunday].*

And these names of the Sun and his Angels are these: Daniel, Elieyl, Saffeyeyl, Dargoyeyl, Yelbrayeyl, Comaguele, Gebarbayea, Faceyeyl, Caran, Neyeyl, Talgylneyl, Bethaz, Rancyl, Falha, Hyeyl, Armaqnieyeyl, Roncayl, Gibryl, Zamayl, Mycahe, Zarfaieil, Ameyl, Torayeil, Ronmeyeyl, Remcatheyel, Barhil, Marhil, Barhil, Mehil, Zarafil, Azrageyl, Anebynyl, Denmerzym, Yeocyn, Necyl, Hadzbeyeyl, Zarseyeyl, Zarael, Anqnihim, Ceytatynyn, Ezuiah, Vehichdunedzineylyn, Yedmeyeyl, Esmaadyn, Albedagryn, Yamaanyl, Yecaleme, Detriel, Arieil, Armayel, Veremedyn, Unaraxxydin. These are the mighty angels on the day of the Sun, and name them worthily & you shall profit.

*The names of the angels in the day of the Moon [Monday].*

These are the names of Angels that serve in the day of the Moon: Semhahylyn, Stemeilyl, Jasyozyn, Agrasinden, Aymeylyn, Cathneylyn, Abrasachysyn, Abrasasyn, Layzaiosyn, Langhasin, Anayenyn, Nangareryn, Aczonyn, Montagyn, Labelas, Mafatyn, Feylarachin, Candanagyn, Laccudonyn, Casfrubyn, Bacharachyn, Bathaylyn, Anmanineylyn, Hacoilyl, Balganarichyn, Aryelyn, Badeilyl, Abranocyn, Tarmanydyn, Amdalycyn, Sahgragynyn, Adiamenyn, Sacstoyeyn, Latebaifanysyn, Caybemynyn, Nabyalni, Cyzamanyn, Abramacyl, Lariagathyn, Bifealyqyn, Baiedalin, Gasoryn, Asaphin, Dariculin, Marneyelin, Gemraorin, Madarilyn, Yebiryln, Arylin, Farielin, Nepenielin, Branielin, Asrieilyn, Ceradadyn. These holy angels in the day of the Moon you shall name worthily and you shall profit.

*The names of angels of the day of Mars [Tuesday].*

These are the names [of the Angels] that serve in the day of Mars. [41<sup>v</sup>] And they have power over red metal and in his [Mars] works: Samayelyl, Tartalyn, Dexxeyl, Racyeylyn, Farabyn, Cabyn, Asymeylyn, Mabareylyn, Tralyeyl, Rulbelyl, Marmanyn, Tarfanyelyl, Fuheylyl, Ruffaraneylyn, Rabfilyl, Eralyn, Enplyn, Pirtophin, Brofilyl, Cacitilyl, Naffrylyn, Impuryl, Raffeylyn, Nyrysin, Memolyn, Nybirin, Celabel, Tubeylyn, Haayn, Reyn, Paafiryln, Cethenoylyn, Letityelyl, Rorafeyl, Cannyl, Bastelyl, Costiryln, Monteylyn, Albeylyn, Parachbeylyn, Alyel, Uaceyyl, Zalcylyl, Amadyeyl, Usaryeyel, Emcodeneyl, Dasfripyl, Unleylyn, Carszeneyl, Gromeyl, Gabrylyn, Narbell.

*The names of the angels that serve in the day of Mercury [Wednesday].*

These are the names [of the Angels] that serve in the day of Mercury: Michael, Zamirel, Beerel, Dufuel, Aribiriel, Boel, Bariel, Meriol, Amiol, Aol, Semeol,

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Aaon, Berion, Farionon, Kemerion, Feyn, Ameinyn, Zemeinyn, Cananyn, Aal, Merigal, Pegal, Gabal, Leal, Amneal, Farnnial, Gebyn, Caribifin, Ancarilyn, Metorilin, Nabiafilyn, Fisfilin, Barsfilin, Camfilin, Aaniturla, Feniturla, Geniniturla, Elmia, Calnamia, Rabmia, Rasfia, Miaga, Tiogra, Bee, Ylaraorynil, Benenil.

*The names of angels in the day of Jupiter [Thursday].*

These are the names of Angels that serve in the day of Jupiter: Sachquiel, Pachayel, Tutiel, Osfleel, Labiel, Raliel, Beniel, Tarael, Snynyel, Ahiel, Yebel, Ancuyel, Jauiel, Juniel, Amyel, Faniel, Ramnel, Sanfael, Sacciniel, Galbiet, Lafiel, Maziel, Gunfiel, Ymrael, Memieil, Pariel, Panhiniel, Toripiel, Abinel, Omiel, Orfiel, Ael, Bearel, Ymel, Syymelyel, Traacyel, [42<sup>r</sup>] Mefenieli, Antquiel, Quisieli, Cunnyryel, Rofinieli, Rubycyel, Jebrayel, Pecieli, Carbieli, Tymeli, Affarfytyrieli, Rartudeli, Cabrifiel, Beeli, Brieli, Cherudiel.

*The names of angels in the day of Venus [Friday].*

These are the names of the Angels that serve in the day of Venus: Hasneyeyl, Barnayeyl, Uardayheil, Alzeyeil, Szeyyeil, Uachayel, Zesfaieil, Morayeyl, Borayeyl, Apheieyl, Arobolyn, Canesylyn, Anrylin, Zarialin, Marilin, Batoraielyn, Kelfeielyn, Azraieylin, Ambayerin, Ayayeylin, Cadneirin, Alserin, Afneirin, Abneyrin, Nonanrin, Eazerin, Orinyn, Gedulin, Hareryn, Nanylin, Halilin, Himeilin, Resfilin, Noraraabilin, Hayeylin, Laudulin, Et, Effilin, Thesfealin, Patnilin, Keialin, Lebraieil, Ablaieil, Talrailanrain, Barcalin, Bahoraelin.

*The names of angels of the day of Saturn [Saturday].*

These are the names of Angels that serve in the day of Saturn or Sabat: Micraton, Pacryton, Pepilon, Capeiel, Themiton, Alsfiton, Chenyon, Sandalson, Panion, Almyon, Expion, Papon, Calipon, Horrion, Melifon, Aurion, Temelion, Refacibilion, Ononiteon, Boxoraylon, Paxilon, Lelalion, Onoxion, Quilon, Quiron, Vixalimon, Relion, Cassilon, Titomon, Murion, Dedion, Dapsion, Leuainon, Foylylon, Monichion, Gabion, Paxonion, Xysuylion, Lepiron, Belon, Memitilon, Saron, Salion, Pion, Macgron, Acciriron, Felyypon, Ymnybron, Raconeal, Zalibron. These holy angels, blessed are their names, [use them] in all your true works and keep them pure, and you shall profit.

*The Names of the Hours of the Night*

*Ista sunt propria nomina horaram noctis. Prima hora &c.*

These are the proper names of hours of the night. The [42<sup>v</sup>] first hour of the night is called Zedrin. The second [is called] Biroel; the third Caym; the fourth Hacir; the fifth Zaron; the sixth Zzya; the seventh Nachlas; the eighth Thasras; the ninth Saphar; the tenth Halaga; the eleventh Galcana; and the twelfth Salla. And these are the proper names which the 12 powers of the night



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have. And you shall name in these [in all] that you do, and you shall profit.

These are the names of the planets and their angels by the Elements, these are their proper names.

*Ista sunt nomina planetarum 7 et angelorum super 4 elementa &c.*

These are the names of the 7 planets and of the angels over the 4 Elements fire, air, earth, and water, for without these, and without the 7 planets above, we may not do anything [magical].

The first is the highest [planet] Sabaday, and Sabaday [Saturn] is called in fire Campton. In air [it is called] Srynongoa. In water Synyn, and in earth Onion. And the names of angels of Sabaday over fire are these three: Libiel, Nybiel, Phynitiel. And over air are these three: Arfigyel, Gael, Nephyel. And over water are these: Almemel, Hoquiel, Fulitiel. And over earth are these: Lariel, Tepyel, Esyel.

Zedek [Jupiter, the second planet] is named over fire Pheon; over air Fidon. And over water Calidon; and over earth Mydon. And the names of the angels of Zedek over fire are these three: Tinsyel, Necanynael, Fonyel. [The angels over air are missing] And over water are these three: Meon, Ykiel, Yryniel; and over earth: [43<sup>r</sup>] Palriel, Tufiel, Quyel.

These are the names of the third [planet] which is Madyn [Mars]: over fire it is called Roqnyel; over air Pyryel; over water Tasfien; over earth Ignofon. And the angels of Madim [Mars] over fire are these three: Kaliel, Cabryel, Raloyl. And over air are these three: Pyroyinel, Flatoniel, Carbiel, and over water are these three: Cazabriel, Pasaliel, Zebaliel. [Angels over earth missing].

These are the names of Hamina [the Sun, the fourth planet] over fire it is called Yeye, over air Don. And over water Agla. And over earth On. And the angels of Hamina [the Sun] over fire are these three: Dandaniel, Saddaniel, Ellalyel. And over air are these three: Karason, Berriel, Oliel. And over water are these three: Muracafel, Pecyrael, Michael. And over earth are these: Homycabel, Lucifel, Locariel.

Nogah [Venus] is the fifth [planet] and is named over fire Dusuyon, and on air Clarifon, and in water Narubni, and in earth Cabras. These are the three angels of Nogah over fire: Capciel, Debitael, Deparael. And over air: Camirael, Cakaziel, Neraziel, and over water: Saloniel, Emyel, Expaoniel. And over earth: Paziael, Amurael, Salainel.

These are the names of [the sixth planet] Cocab [Mercury]. Over fire it is called Piztal, and in air Cabran, and in water Facayl and in earth Tarzon. And

the names of the angels of Cocab over fire are these: Paradiel, Darifiel, Dameyel. And over air are these: Ramatiel, Loriqniel, Bengariel. And over water are these: [43<sup>v</sup>] Rinafonel, Mellifiel, Alatiel. And over earth these: Alapion, Beriel, Rabel.

These are the names of Labona [Levanah] over fire it is called Claron. And over air Becyla, over water Tasfit, and over earth Pantours. And the names of the angels of Labona over fire are these: Gabriel, Paticael, Daliel and over air are these: Barasiel, Ztaziel. And over water are these: Caziel, Memyiel, Pazicaton and over earth are these: Simyllyel, Lafaqnael, Toniel. And name these abovesaid in all that you do, always. Consider the planet with which you will work, and you shall profit.

*The Names of the Heavens in the 4 Seasons.*<sup>1</sup>

*Ista sunt nomina caelorum in quatuor temporibus &c.*

These are the names of the Heavens in the 4 seasons. In the first season it is named Hacibor. In the second [season it is called] Rumcaqnia. In the third Mesfisnogna. In the fourth Saaemaho. These are the names of the Heavens in the 4 seasons.

And when you will work, name the names of the Heaven, in the season in which you work. These are the names of fire in the 4 seasons. In the first season [Spring] the first is named Quoyzil; in the second [season, Summer] Enlubra. In the third [season, Autumn] Mezayn. In the fourth [season, Winter] Aybedyn.

*[Names of the Angels of the 4 Elements]*

And these angels rule over **fire** and in the flame:

Michael, Rafael, Rasoiel, Acdiel, Roqniel, Myriel, Indam, Malqniel, Gazriel, [44<sup>r</sup>] Amynyel, Cariel, Yafrael. And these you shall name these always when you do anything in fire.

These are the names of **air** in the 4 Seasons:

In the first season it is called Ystana, in the second Furayl, in the third Oadion, in the fourth Gulynon. And the names of the Angels that rule over air are these: Rafael, Quabriel, Michael, Cherubyn, Ceraphin, Orychyn, Pantaceren, Micraton, Sandalfon, Barachiel, Ragehyel, Tobiel. And name them in all things that you shall do in air, and you shall profit well, with the help of God.

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<sup>1</sup> The following sections on the different names of the elements, sun and moon, etc., in different seasons, appear in a quite different form in 'The Prayer of Adam' in the first part of the *Sepher ha-Malbush*. See Savedow (2000), Book One, page 11-28. The structure is similar, but the names attributed are very different.

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*Ista sunt nomina aquarum et maris in quatuor temporibus &c.*

These are the names of the **waters** of the sea in the 4 seasons:

In the first season it is named Angustiz. In the second Theon. In the third Maddrylk. In the fourth Sebillgradon. And the names of angels of the waters of the sea are these: Urpeniel, Armariel, Yyamnel, Abrastos, Sapiel, Uiotan, Oriel, Bachmyel, Porackmiel, Acceriel, Galliel, Zsmayel. And name them over waters and over the sea and you shall profit.

These are the names of **earth** in the 4 seasons:

In the first season it is called Ingnedon, in the second Yabassa, in the third Coliel. In the fourth Aradon. And the Angels of earth are these: Samael, Yatayel, Baraniel, Oriel, Arfaniel, Latgriel, Daniel, Affariel, Partriel, Bael, Byeniel. And you shall name these names of Angels ruling over earth.

These are the names of lowness [the underworld?] in the 4 seasons. In the first season it is called Hahan in the second Cipaon. And his angel [name] is Jacyel. In the third [season] [44<sup>v</sup>] Meresac and his Angel is Ababaot. In the fourth Aycyhambabo, and his angel is Caaniel.

These are the names of the 4 parts of the world in the 4 seasons. In the first season the East is called Acbedan, in the second Cardrenac. In the third Abrthel, in the fourth Acritael. These are the names of the North parts in the four seasons. In the first season it is called Henniyna. In the second season Abodich, in the third Galdidur, in the fourth Rabbifor. These are the names of the West part. In the first season Mahanahym. In the second Sugor. In the third Zarzir, in the fourth Rabiur. These are the names of the South part. In the first season Naufor, in the second Alparon, in the third Machniel, in the fourth Thaumy.

These are the names [of the main angels] in the 4 parts of the world:

In the part of the East these have might or power: Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel.<sup>1</sup>

In the part of the North these: Adriel, Yamiel, Zabdiel.

In the part of the West these: Adtriel, Samael, Joel.

And in the part of the South these: Corabiel, Sariel, Michael.

And name them above all things that you do in the 4 parts of the world and you shall profit.

*The Proper Names of the Planets in the 4 Seasons*

*Ista sunt nomina stellarum qui sunt et vadunt &c.*

These are the names of the seven planets that [45<sup>r</sup>] fly in the 7 Heavens,

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<sup>1</sup> Normally listed as three of the four main Archangels. The fourth, Michael, is attributed to the South.

Sabaday, Zedek, Madyn, Hanina, Nogah, Cocab, Labana. And which of these has its own proper name ruling over the four seasons of the year we shall show in this chapter following.

And Solomon said in explanation of this place, that every planet, and each thing before mentioned, changes its name in each season, [just as] from the same tree comes to us four things [according to the season]. Of these four things the first is when it burgeons, the second is the flower. The third is the fruit, and the fourth is the seed. Therefore the Sun is called in the first season hot and moist. In the second [season] hot and dry. In the third cold & dry, and in the fourth cold and moist. These are the workings of the Sun, and these properties [are conferred] over all things, which is another reason the names of things abovesaid are changed in the four parts of the year, for [each] time has its [own] nature and its [own] complexion, as we have said of water which is in the first season temperate, and in the second hot, and in the third rotten, and in the fourth congealed [as ice]. And so other things of the world. This example [shows] why Raziel put these [four] names to each thing. In every thing are the 4 lords that have power over each thing, and every one in his season. And it is said that there are 4 Elements, whereof one is fire that has might in the first season, and so on.

Wherefore know that every thing changes its name. [45v] As first we say a man is a child, and then a youngling, and then a middle [aged] man, and in the fourth season an old man. And so [all] things change their names, who will call them a leader, and this is [the same way] in [the life of] a man. And so understand [the same] of metal and of all things that grow and live.

And Solomon said, and all others [agreed], that it was more inst[ructive] if each thing should have 7 names [rather] than 4, for all things might descend from 4 bodies, and to them is given all the might. Truly they put 4 names to every thing, and [so] it was more easy to work, [just as] 4 names were assigned over the city of David, my fathers and mine, which had many names. Truly Isaac the wise man said that the first name [of that city] was Remusale, and then Jebusale, Jeroboam, Jerusalem. And these are the names this City received from the 4 Lords that were in it. And everyone gave it his proper name. And these things of this world receive 4 names in themselves, or 7 or more after God has ordered it. And therefore [let] no man marvel at the [changing] names of things in the 4 seasons.

In the highest Heaven, that is the first [heaven] from the outer part, and it is [also] the seventh [heaven] from the lowest, it serves Sabaday [Saturn] and his angel is Capciel. In the first season Sabaday is called Cuerues. In the second Palicos. In the third Quirtipos, in the fourth Panpotes.

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In the sixth [Heaven] serves Zedek and his angel is Satquiel and his is name Jupiter. In the first season it is Amonor. In the [46:] second Sahibor. In the third Sayin. In the fourth Eanynyel.

In the fifth Heaven serves Madim and his angel is Balquiel. And the name of Mars in the first season is called Aaryn. In the second Daron. In the third Bearon. In the fourth Pantefos.

In the fourth Heaven serves Hamina [the Sun] and his angel is Dandaniel. In the first season the name of the Sun is called Halyom, in the second Adocham, in the third Cantopos. In the fourth Pantasus.

In the third Heaven serves Nogah and his angel is Adzdiel. In the first season the name of Venus is called Aporodicy. In the second Calizo, in the third Niniptz. In the fourth Pontos.

In the second Heaven serves Cocab and his angel is Satquiel. In the first season Mercury is called Armis. In the second Angocus. In the third Tholos. In the fourth Ancholos.

In the first Heaven serves Labana and his angel is Anael. In the first [season] the Moon is called Salmi in the second Sarico. In the third Naspilij. In the fourth Afriqnym. And know that you shall name the names in their four seasons, and you shall profit when you shall know anything of them.

[Here ends the Fourth Book & here begins the Fifth Book]

[The Fifth Book]

[*Treatise of Purity and of Abstinence*]

Here begins the fifth book that treats of purity

*Dixit Solomon revelatum fuit nitri de isto libro &c.*

Solomon said, "this book of Raziel was shown to me, and to many angels thereafter, that I had the book, and of those which nourished powers, [46<sup>v</sup>] virtues, matters and strength of the *potestates* [Powers] above, and that [was done] by the commandment of, and in obedience to, the Creator or maker of the world." And they said that Solomon asked for understanding, and wisdom, and fairness, and strength in will, all complete, and [so he was] named great for always over the earth. And know that all kings, and lesser men, who shall come after you, should speak of you, should love you, and worship you, and should set you in high esteem, and should praise and keep this book, and work with it with reverence and purity.

And Solomon said to the benign angel Natanael, which has power in the air, and which was always associated with Solomon, which are the same 7 bodies [planets] which we see above, bright, fair, pure, and clear, which cease never to go [in their orbit], nor are their ways void, nor did they ever fail, but always endure going on their way. And [the planet whose orbit] is farthest [out, Saturn] fulfilled [its orbit] in 30 years.<sup>1</sup> And then they [the planets] appear [in the same position in the sky] as they were before. And thus it is said that their [orbit] should be however long God [desired]. And thus I say: "in a hundred years, and [even] in a 1000 [years], that they never will be changed [in their course], but we have found them [in the same place] as the Prophets and other men of old found them." And the angel Natanael said this to Solomon.

The 7 bright bodies [the planets] which you see above [47<sup>r</sup>] are put [active] beneath. And in going upwards they hold in balance, or in rulership, the 4 Elements beneath. And therefore their movment ceases not, for such power the Creator gave to them. And know that their matter is simple and pure, without corruption and always durable. And their state is like to the Lord that formed [them], and they obey him in all things. And Natanael said furthermore to Solomon, "know that in the heavens of the 7 bright bodies [planets] there are angels without number, mighty in all things, and every

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<sup>1</sup> Saturn's period of orbital rotation is actually 29.47 years.

one of them has his proper power, his strength and his virtue. And they are as unlike [each other], among themselves, as men [are unlike each other], or as other beasts are. And everyone serves his office for the Creator that formed him, or made them."

And Solomon said to Nathaniel, "what is the life, or the service, that these angels do?" And Nathaniel said, "their life is [one] of purity, of orison [prayers], and of trust, and their might is of suffumigations *holocausti et sacrificii*.<sup>1</sup> And their service is when the Creator wills them to go from place to place, [in response to] any pure man who has prayed to the Creator, as it seems. And then they do good, or evil, as the Creator wills them, for in them is power, science & will complete." And Solomon said, "which are these 7 bright bodies [planets], and how are they named, and of what [purpose] does every one serve?"

And Nathaniel said the same that Raziel said to Adam, the higher of these that goes slower is called Sabaday [Saturn] and all the realms of his heaven are [47v] full of ice, snow and hail, and wrath, rancour and coldness. And all the angels that have been there are clothed with darkness, very dark. And their greatness is very high and very long, and [they have power] over the earth, over devils, over darkness, and [over] coldness and dryness. And they have power over winds of this nature. And they have power of doing good and evil. And the angel of it is Beel, crowned over all others.

In the second heaven stands Zedek [Jupiter] and all his realms.

*Dixit Solomon rex filius regis David &c.*

Solomon the king, called the son of David, that was king of Jerusalem of Jury [Jewry], and Damaske [Damascus], of Egypt, Lord of Babylon,<sup>2</sup> prince of science, covetous of purity, searcher of privities [secrets], keeper of good true men, avoider of lying, [keeper] of poor men, of virtues, desire over virtues, speedy with words, busily thinking, most subtle in mind, and in searching. I have enquired, and know, that in words of power [lie] virtue and effect, and of all humours whole and healthy, there may be sufficient fulfilling.

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<sup>1</sup> The original meaning of *holocausti* or 'holocaust' was "a Jewish sacrificial offering burnt on an altar" [OED], which is precisely what it means here. There are a number of ancient references to angels standing around and enjoying the savour of sacrifices in the temple, as strange as that sounds to us today. Solomon probably holds the world record for massive sacrifices which he instigated to sanctify the original Temple which he built in Jerusalem (see *I Kings* 8:62-64). Of course 'holocaust' went on to mean 'destruction or slaughter on a mass scale', and then more recently to refer specifically to the mass murder of Jews under the Nazi regime, a strange recycling of the meaning of this ancient word.

<sup>2</sup> The text gives a much wider geographical remit and rulership to Solomon than he ever had.

And he said, "I see that the most famous are wise men and prophets, [made famous] by words and books which they have left as their testimony. And I see that the sons of Adam, and of Hermes, and of Noah, and their sons, and many other prophets, have left books at their death by which they clarify their fame and [so] amongst men [48<sup>r</sup>] [their] glory should remain."

"And I see that my father, King David, compounded or made some book in which are contained all the orisons [prayers] which he knew and found, which truly Latin men (that is Romances)<sup>1</sup> call the *Psalter* which truly is prayers alone, but of the holy names of the Creator, it is names that head the Orisons.<sup>2</sup> In the same book, King David wrote all things that ever he knew, of patriarchs, and of old wise men, to the praise of the Creator. And I, King Solomon, truly have long studied holy words with [their] virtues, and the miracles I found to be therein fulfilled, with each thing working, and I saw and found this in the books in which I studied long. And know that Adam, Hermes, Noah and Moses, and many other most wise men, had great secrets and virtues in their books."

*Cum ergo veteres et antiquos Sapientes &c.*

When therefore I understood the old wise men to have made books, how or with what understanding, or with what art, that I might know the sciences of all the aforesaid, I enquired, and there answered unto me an old man of good mind and understanding who was called Zebraymayl. And I said, "Adam had a maker and a master, that is to say the Lord his maker, and Gabriel [his] master furthermore. Hermes, that discreet and most wise man, and Moses, had a master and a friend, which was Cretus. Also Aaron truly had a friend which therefore assisted him. That a wise man may not be without a master, however attested by you, that two may be wise without one master: but [for] you to be wise, these [things] I know to be [48<sup>v</sup>] necessary to you: a wise master, and discrete, long and continual study of many old books of great wise men, often read, profited by & amended, happy and continual health of your body, long life without cares and travails, and quiet."

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<sup>1</sup> Speakers of the Romance languages, that is languages descended from Latin, i.e. most of Western Europe.

<sup>2</sup> "It is names that head the Orisons" means it is the names (of god and the angels) that make the prayers effective. The *Psalter* is a volume containing the *Book of Psalms*. Some of the Psalms were composed by David, Solomon's father, and some by Solomon, and so it is no surprise that a number of Psalms have been used for magical purposes. For a listing of these see Table J7 in Stephen Skinner, *Complete Magician's Tables*, Singapore: Golden Hoard and St Paul: Llewellyn, 2006. For the use of Psalms in magic see David Rankine & Harry Barron, *The Book of Gold: a 17th Century Magical Grimoire...using the Biblical Psalms of King David*, London: Avalonia, 2010.



Then Solomon said to the wise man "Is not this possible to be done by a shorter way than that you have said above?" Zebraymayl answered the king "a lighter and shorter way than this is unknown, nor may it be done." To whom Solomon said, "How therefore," to which the wise man answered again saying "Open privately and fully the Ark of the Testament, no man knows or understands all its secrets, and old wisdoms, and the words of great power and virtue that you shall find [therein]. By which not only shall you know things passed, but also these that are present, and likewise those that are to come." Solomon answered again saying, "for this that you have answered to me I give thanks to that high and blessed Creator, who reigns as it pleases him, all things, with words alone, he formed or made."

*[The Ark of the Covenant]*

And there is not any more noble or mightier than he, without whom there is no virtue or power, who gives wisdom to wise men, he is of all things the first time, he is without beginning, and of all things the last time, there is no end. He is of all things [49<sup>r</sup>] the maker, and nothing was made [without him], of whom the reign or reigning is, and shall be, and of whom all work is good, and of whom his will is over all, is truly free, and there is none that may gainsay him. Whereupon Solomon, trusting to Zebraymayl, had the Ark of the Testament brought before him. And he sought all the books of Moses, of Aaron, of Adam, and of Noah, and of their sons, and of Hermes, and of other prophets, and of others in which he might find the miracle of words and their virtues.

And he sought all the old idols of heathen men & images of many tongues, having writings, and all things engraved which are found in all the parts of the world. And he caused them to be gathered together into his palace, and he brought forth Masters of every one of the 72 [letters of the Name], who could expound to him privately the letters, or hidden Y. C. M. in Hebrew, Chaldean, Syriac, and Greek writing, that they should expound to him that which was hidden. And when the letters were expounded, he saw that the most part accorded with it, in [regard to] the virtues of words.

*Rex ergo Solomon fecit arcam nocte quadam aperiri &c.*

Therefore King Solomon caused the Ark to be opened privately, [hoping to find] in the Ark, with [good] reason, afterwards what [he desired] to learn. And Solomon said "After the sovereign and Almighty Creator had infused that grace of his spirit in me, I opened the Ark of the Testament, in which I found all [49<sup>v</sup>] things which I had sought long and studiously before. Among which I found the book which is called *Raziel*, which the Creator sent to

Adam by the angel Raziel, when upon the banks of the rivers of paradise, weeping, [to his] Creator he prayed, and he besought forgiveness of his sins.

And I found the book which the Creator gave to Moses in the hill of Sinai, when he made him partner to his privities [secrets]. In which three books, three orisons [prayers or invocations] I found. The first [book] the prophets call Semiforas, which the Creator gave to Adam in Paradise. The second book is that which the Creator gave to Adam in paradise in the hour of his necessity or need. The third [book] is that which the Creator gave to Moses in the hill of Sinai, after he had fulfilled the fasting. And Solomon said "I found in the Ark a pot full of manna, and the staff of Moses which was changed into a serpent, and afterwards from a serpent into a staff. And the Tables of the Law, and pieces of the first letters, which Moses for the sins of the people (in his wrath) broke upon the ground. Truly in the Ark I found some golden tables, quadrate or four-cornered, in which were [set] 15 [12?] precious stones, likened to the twelve tribes or lineages of Israel. And in every stone was written the high holy names of the Creator of the book Semiforas."<sup>1</sup>

And I found a box of marble having a green colour as Jasper. [50r] And in this box were 7 figures, and in each figure [were] 7 great and virtuous names of the Creator as told to Moses, and the [other] 7 [names] which the Creator taught Adam in paradise. And this is a secret of secrets which is very learned, and ought to be kept reverently covered. I found also in the extremities of the Ark, 24 virtuous rings with names and figures of the Creator written in Semiforas, with many colours written or figured. And I, Solomon, had one of the same rings, having a mind to the same, in which I have found such virtue that when I said make it to rain, it rained. And when I said again, as you have made it to rain, so make the same rain to cease again, and it ceased. And beside Jerusalem, the same realm as well, of tempests and rains it made.

And Solomon said "I found Semiforas with which Moses made the plagues in Egypt, and with which he dried the Red Sea, and with which also he drew water out of the stone, and with which also he knew all the purity of his people, and with which he also overcame princes and kings and mighty men, and with which whatever he wished to do, he did, and that which he would destroy, he destroyed. And with these [rings] he fulfilled his own wishes."

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<sup>1</sup> See *Hebrews* ix, 4 for the details of what was inside the Ark of the Covenant: "the golden pot having the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant." Although *I Kings*, viii, 9 states that "there was nothing in the Ark save the two tablets of stone, which Moses put there at [Mount] Horeb."

*Capitulum explanationis hujus nomina Semiforas &c.*

The chapter of explanation of this name Semiforas. And it is that all devils and winds, and men living as well as dead, and all spirits, and all bodies, regard it with awe it. Wherefore truly Semiforas is called the first secret of secrets, and [it is] great, old, much [desired], hidden, of great virtue and of power to get whatever he wanted. Semiforas is a word [50<sup>v</sup>] which ought not to be shown to all men, neither by it ought any man to work (except with great necessity or anguish). And then in awe of the Creator, he ought to purely, meekly and devoutly name it. Also Semiforas is the root and beginning, fundamental to orison, an exemplar of good life, the trust of man's body, the orison or prayer of a just man, the same dread Creator.

And Solomon said about Semiforas, "These are necessary with meekness, fasting, with orison [prayer], belief, clarity, purity, patience, meekness and constancy of a man, without which you might work nothing. And with [these qualities] you shall get whatever you wish. The virtues [necessary] in working by Semiforas ought nevertheless to be these seven: that is meekness, truth, patience, abstinence, belief, charity, and mercy, which ought in him principally to be had, or to abound.

*Si ergo per Semiforas operari volumus oportet quod simus &c.*

If therefore we wish to work by Semiforas, it is well that we are bright or pure of body, and in trust steadfast, and from falseness and lying fully departed. It is well also to [regard] the Creator and his creatures [with awe], amongst which we ought to most hold the Sun in awe, which gives to us light, and darkness, cold and hot, which is the cause of the changing of the seasons, and of the temperament of the air, and of herbs. We ought also to know the aspects of the Moon, and the months by which its 12 [lunar months] and [sometimes] 13 [months] are counted, which are called Nyssan, Yar, Tina, &c.<sup>1</sup>

And we ought to know the waxing [51<sup>r</sup>] and decreasing of the Moon, when it [causes] all creatures of the sea, floods, and wells, and all the nether bodies to wax and decrease, take blood in their veins, and marrow in their head and their bones. After the Moon waxes & decreases, they are nourished in the same [way]. Also [there is] no doubt that the virtue of the Moon works [in] the infusing, or melting, of metals.

We ought also to know Sabaday or Saturn by whom hunger and dearth and

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<sup>1</sup> The first three Hebrew months, Nisan, Iyyar, and Sivan. Sometimes there will be a 13th lunar month added, to keep the lunar months roughly aligned with the solar year.

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all anguish befall lands. We ought also to know and regard with awe Zedek or Jupiter, by whom honour, and health and righteousness, and all good is had. We should also know and regard with awe Madim or Mars of whom choler & strife, and hate and battles, and lying, and all evils come. We ought also to know and regard with awe Hamina or the Sun, by whom we have light, and darkness & clearness, and by whom [through the changing] seasons, evil into good, [and good] into evil is transmuted or changed.

We ought also to regard with awe and know Nogah or Venus, by whom we have meat and drink, and all necessaries, or things that are needful, by whom peace and love and affection among men is made fast and stable. We ought also to regard with awe Cocab or Mercury, for he is closer to us than all [planets] except the Moon, by whom merchandise and vending or selling, and all secular things, are exercised. Therefore observe those that are said and the spirits abovesaid, and thus you shall profit. And whatever you shall ask of the Creator rightfully, you shall have it.

[Here ends the Fifth Book & here begins the Sixth Book]

[The Sixth Book]

[*Samaim* which Names all the Heavens and their Angels]<sup>1</sup>

[51<sup>v</sup>] Here begins the Sixth book that treats of the names of the Heavens

*Dixit Solomon omnes coiter horas et malas &c.*

Solomon said "All men commonly affirm [the existence of] good hours and evil, and good days and evil, and good signs and evil. And this with many reasons they confirmed. And I, Solomon, have tested the days and hours of Madim [Mars] & Sabaday [Saturn] which I found very grievous [bad] for work. I have tested also the hours of Zedek [Jupiter] and Nogah [Venus]. And I saw that whenever I would work with them lightly I wrought [successfully]. The hours of Cocab [Mercury] and Labana [Moon], I have tested [and found] some grievous [bad], and others good. And I saw proved that in that day, and in the hour, nothing of my wishes might I fulfill."

And know that the spirits abovesaid [in the opinion of] many men are named for the first [planet] in Hebrew which is Sabaday, in Arabic *zoal*, in Greek *orgrue fenes* [?], in Latin it is called Saturn. And I say therefore that the first hour of the day of Sabaday is [also] called Sabaday, the second [hour] Zedek, the third Madim, the fourth Hanina, and the fifth Nogah. The sixth Cocab, the seventh Labana. And the hours of the night ought to [be similarly] named by you. And know that by the planets abovesaid, and the days and hours, whatever you wish [to do] you shall understand. And you shall know the hidden and secret wiles of men.

*Cumque per Semiforas operari voluerat &c.* [52<sup>r</sup>]

When he wants to work by Semiforas first, or whenever he begins any thing, it is well to name the 7 names of Angels, for these angels are rulers over the seven Heavens, rulers over the 7 planets, rulers over the 7 days of the week, rulers over the 7 metals, rulers over the 7 colours, and rulers over the 7 words having power, the names of the which are these: Raphael, Gabriel, Samael, Michael, Saquiel, Anael, Capciel.

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<sup>1</sup> In Hebrew, *Samaim* שמים, refers to the 7 Heavens. The fact that the chapter heading is a transliterated Hebrew word points to probable Hebrew roots for this text, transmitted via Latin, although it is obvious that the scribe who actually wrote this particular manuscript knew no Hebrew.

And these are arranged so that we ought to name and to call them during the 7 days, early [in the morning] in this manner:

*Nota orationem o angeli supradicti sitis meae quominis quam volo quaerere auditores et misri in oibus adintores &c.*

That is to say, Oh angels abovesaid are the hearers of my question which I will enquire, and for me in all things, are my helpers. These truly, which we ought to name, rule over the 7 Heavens, and rule over the 7 planets are these: Capciel, Saquiel, Samael, Raphael, Anael, Michael, Gabriel. And in all things in calling these angels you shall profit. There are 7 Heavens that is: Samaym [Shamayim], Raaqu [Raquia], Saaquin [Shechaqim], Maon [Ma'on], Mahon [Makon], Zebul, and Araboth.<sup>1</sup> And there are 4 parts of the world, that is East, West, North and South, with Angels in every Heaven, and we say in what part [each] serves.

These are the Angels of the First Heaven:<sup>2</sup>

*In primo caelo qui vocatur Samaym in quatuor protibus &c.*

In the first Heaven which is called Samaym [Shamayim], in the four parts of Heaven, serve these. From the part of the North: Alael, Hiaeyel, Urallim, Veallum, Baliel, Basy, Unascaiel. From the part of the [52<sup>v</sup>] South these are: Duraniel, Darbiel, Darquiel, Hanin, Anael, Nahymel, Alscini, Soquiel, Zamel, Hubayel, Bactanael, Carpariel. From the part of the East are these: Gabriel, Gabrael, Odrael, Modiel, Raamyel, Janael. From the part of the West are these: Abson, Soquiel.

Angels of the Second Heaven:

*In secundo caelo quod vocatur Roaquya a part Septentrionis &c.*

In the second Heaven that is called Roaquya [Raquia] from the part of the North serve these angels: Tyel, Jarael, Yanael, Nenael, Neneel, Quian, Uetamuel. From the part of the South are these: Mylba, Nelia, Balyer, Calloyel, Cyoly, Batriel. From the part of the East are these: Maachin, another [source] has Carmiel, Carcoyel, Betabaat. From the part of the West is Anulus, Yesararye, in which is written the names of Macareton and in many ways explained. [There seems to be some missing angels here].

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<sup>1</sup> For full details of the seven Hebrew Heavens see Stephen Skinner, *Complete Magician's Tables*, Golden Hoard, Singapore, and Llewellyn, St. Paul, 2006, Tables K69-K76, M10.

<sup>2</sup> Compare the following list of angels of the seven Heavens with the list in Peter de Abano's *Heptameron*. These are listed in Table M10 of Skinner (2006).

Angels of the Third Heaven:

*In tertio caelo quod vocatur Saaquin a part Septentrionis &c.*

In the third Heaven that is called Saaquin [Schechaqim] from the part of the North serve these: Poniel, Penael, Penat, Raphael, Carmiel, Doranel. From the part of the South are these: Parna, Sadiel, Lyenyel, Vastamel, Sanael, Samyel. From the part of the East are these: Satquiel, Quadissa, Taramel, Taryestorat, Amael, Hufrbria, another [source] has here the last Hifaliel. [The angels of the West are missing].

Angels of the Fourth Heaven:

*In quarto caelo quod dicitur Maon serviunt isti a part Septentrionis &c.*

In the fourth Heaven that is called Maon [Ma'on] these serve from the part of the North: [53<sup>r</sup>] Rahumiel, Haynynaël, Bacyel, Serapiel, Matiel, Serael. In the part of the South are these: Saoriel, Mahamel, Gadiel, Hosael, Vaanyel, Verascyer. In the part of the East are these: Capiel, Braliel, Braaliel, Raguel, Gael, Daemael, Calcas, Atragon. In the part of the West are these: Lacana, Astagna, Nobquin, Sonatas, Yael, Yas, Yael, Lael, Yyel.

Angels of the Fifth Heaven:

*In quinto caelo isti sunt quod dicitur Mahon.*

In the [fifth Heaven, Makon, from] the part of the North serve these Hayel, Hanyel, Veal, Quiel, Margabiel, Saeprel, Mamyel. In the part of the East are these: Lanifiel, another [source] has Barquiel, Zaquiel, Sanficiel, Zoaziel, Aciel, Farbiel, Uranacha. [The part of the South is missing]. In the part of the West are these: Anhael, Pabliel, Uslael, Bortaz, Suncacer, Zupa, Faly, Paly.

Angels of the Sixth Heaven:<sup>1</sup>

*In sexto caelo quod vocatur cebul dices a part Septentrionalis &c.*

In the sixth Heaven that is called Cebul [Zebul] you shall say from the North part "*Est Deus fortis et potens sine fine,*" that is to say "God is mighty and strong without end." From the part of the South you shall say "*Deus sanctus patiens et misericors,*" that is to say "God holy patient and merciful." From the part of the East you shall say "*Deus magne excelse et honorate per saecula,*" that is to say "great god high and worshipped by the world." From the part of the West you shall say "*Deus sapiens clare et juste.*"

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<sup>1</sup> There are no angels listed for the two highest Heavens, as these are occupied by god, not the angels, hence the prayers to be said are listed here instead. Peter de Abano follows the same pattern, even if his angel names do not fully agree with *Sepher Raziel*.

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*Deus tuam clementiam et sititatem exoro qua quaestionem meam et opus meum et laborem meum hodie [53<sup>v</sup>] complete et integre verficere digneris qui vivis et regnas Deus per o. s. s. Amen,"* that is to say "God wise clear and righteous. God your meekness and your holiness I beseech, that question and my work do daily fulfill and hallow, you vouchsafe to fulfill that [which] lives and reigns, God by all world of worlds, so mote it be. Amen."

Angels of the Seventh Heaven:

*In septimo caelo est Semiforas scriptum in libro vitae &c.*

In the seventh Heaven [Araboth] the Semiforas is written in the *Book of Life*. In the name of the meek and merciful god of Israel, and of paradise, and of heaven, and of earth, and of the seas, and of hills, and of creatures.

[Here ends the Sixth Book & here begins the Seventh Book]



## Sepher Raziel

### [The Seventh Book]

#### [Book of Virtues and Miracles]

*Here begins the Seventh Book that treats of names and of their virtues*

*Incipiunt sraem et verba et nomina Semiforas &c.*

Here begins the words and names of Semiforas, which god the Creator gave to Adam in paradise. In which are four letters [IHVH] which [correspond] to the 4 parts of the world, to the 4 Elements, to the 4 complexions, and to the 4 natures of the beasts, they are likened such they are יהוה הוהי.<sup>1</sup> And these are letters piteously, devoutly, and meekly named [so] that petitions [prayers] for all things [may be] fulfilled. Solomon said there are 7 Semiforas.

And the first is the [54<sup>r</sup>] Semiforas of Adam, in which are contained 4 chapters. The first is when Adam spoke with the Creator in paradise. The second is when he spoke with the angels. The third is when he spoke with the devils. The fourth is when he spoke with men, with fowls & fish, beasts, reptiles and wild beasts. The fifth is when he spoke with seeds, herbs, trees, and all growing things. The sixth is when he spoke with the winds, and with the 4 Elements. The seventh is when he spoke with the Sun and the Moon, and the planets. And by the 7 virtues of Semiforas whatever he wished to do, he did, and whatever he wished to destroy, he destroyed. And this Semiforas Adam had when the Creator inspired grace into him.

*[The Seven Semiforas]*

#### **The First Semiforas**

*Primum Semiforas est quando Creator Adam formavit &c.*

The first Semiforas is when the Creator formed Adam, and putting him in paradise named יהוה הוהי גגגג,<sup>2</sup> that is to say *Yana*, the natures and virtues of which above we have declared. If in great necessity, or need, name this name meekly and devoutly, before the Creator, and doubt not that you will find grace and help.

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<sup>1</sup> The Hebrew is very badly written, but this is very likely to be IHVH, Tetragrammaton, the name of god plus its mirror image.

<sup>2</sup> The first block of IHVH and its mirror image HVHI is crossed out. It is followed by גגגג, GGGG, which adds numerically to  $4 \times 3 = 12$ . This might have been Eleazar's famous רררר. None of these reads as *yana*, unless you mistake the ך [Vav] for a ך [Nun] and transliterate יהוה YHVH as יהנה YHNH, or *yanah*, which is what has probably happened here.

### The Second Semiforas

*Secundum Semiforas est quando Adam locutus fuit &c.*

The second Semiforas is when Adam spoke with the Angel which brought to him these letters, a written example of which is such אֲשֶׁר אֲהִיָּה, that is *yesseraye*.<sup>1</sup> And this name you shall name when you speak with angels. And then your question and your [54<sup>v</sup>] work shall, without doubt, be fulfilled.

### The Third Semiforas

*Tertium Semiforas est quando locutus est cum daemonibus &c.*

The third Semiforas is when he spoke with devils, and with dead men, and of them [asked] counsel, and they sufficiently answered [him]. And all this he did with these names of which this is the explanation: Adona[i], Sabaoth, Adonay, Cados [Kadosh], Addona, Annora. And these names you shall name when you wish to gather together winds or devils or serpents.

### The Fourth Semiforas

*Quartum Semiforas est quando animalia et spiritus &c.*

The fourth Semiforas is when he bound and loosed beasts and spirits with these 7 names: Lagume, Lamizirm, Lanagzlayn, Lagri, Lanagala, Lanatozin, Laifyalasin. And when you wish to bind or loose beasts you shall name the names abovesaid.

### The Fifth Semiforas

*Quintum Semiforas est quando arbores et sementa &c.*

The fifth Semiforas is when he called or named the 7 natures with which he bound seeds and trees. And these are: Lihaham, Lialgana, Liafar, Vialurab, Lelara, Lebaron, Laasasilas. And when you wish to bind seeds, or trees, you shall name the names abovesaid. And you shall bind [them with these names].

### The Sixth Semiforas

*Sextum Semiforas est magnae virtutis &c.*

The sixth Semiforas is of great virtue and power, of which these are the names: Letamynyn, Letaglogen, Letafiryn, Babaganaritin, Letarimitin, Letagelogin, [55<sup>r</sup>] Letafalazin, these names you shall name when you want the elements and winds to fulfill your wishes in all things.

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<sup>1</sup> The Hebrew is totally corrupt, and virtually unrecognizable. It was probably meant to be אֲשֶׁר אֲהִיָּה AShR AHIH, 'Asher Eheieh.'

## The Seventh Semiforas

*Septinum Semiforas est magnum et virtuosum &c.*

The seventh Semiforas is great and virtuous, for they are names of the Creator which you ought to name [when doing] each thing, and in all your works call. And they are these: Eliaon, Yaena, Adonay, Cados, Ebreel, Eloy, Ela, Egiel, Ayom, Sath, Adon, Sulela, Eloym, Deliom, Yacy, Elim, Delis, Yacy, Zazael, Pabiel, Man, Myel, Enola, Dylatan, Saday, Alina, Papym, another [source gives] Saena, Alym, Catinal, Uza, Yarast, Calpi, Calsas, Safna, Nycam, Saday, Aglataon, Sya, Emanuel, Joth, Lalaph, Om, Via, Than, Domyrael, Nimel, Lialialens, Alla, Phenox, Agsata, Tiel, Piel, Patriceion, Chepheron, Baryon, Yael. And these you should name in each season that you work, ruling over the 4 Elements, and whenever you wish to do [destruction] by them, it shall be destroyed.

*[The Semiforas of Moses]*

### Here begins the Semiforas of Moses

*Incipit Semiforas qui dominus dedit Moisi et &c.*

Here begins Semiforas that our Lord gave to Moses, and it is divided into 7 Chapters, of which the first [chapter] is when Moses ascended the hill [Mt Sinai] and spoke with the flames that surrounded the bush, and the bush seemed to burn, but nevertheless it burned not. The second [chapter] is when he spoke with the Creator on the hill. The third was when he divided the Red Sea and passed through it. [55v] The fourth was when his staff was changed into a serpent and the serpent devoured another [serpent]. The fifth is the name that was written on the forehead of Aaron. The sixth is when he made the brazen adder and the Calf in brass, and smote the Egyptians with the plagues. The seventh is when he rained manna in the desert, and drew out water from the stone, and let out the children of Israel from captivity.

### Cap[itulum] Primum [First Chapter]

*Haec sunt nomina quae dixit Moises quando est &c.*

These are the names that Moses [heard] when he ascended the hill and spoke with the flames: Maya, Afi, Zye, Yaremye, Une, Bace, Sare, Binoe, Maa, Yasame, Roy, Lyly, Leoy, Yle, Yre, Cyloy, Zalye, Lee, Or, See, Loace, Cadeloy, Ule, Meha, Ramechi, Ry, Hy, Fossa, Tu, Mimi, Sehie, Nice, Yelo, Habe, Uele, Hele, Ede, Quego, Ramaye, Habe. And when you name these names devoutly, know your work will without doubt be fulfilled.

**Capitulum Secundum** [Second Chapter]

*Haec sunt nomina quae dixit Creator &c.*

These are the names which the Creator said to Moses when he ascended the hill and spoke with him: Abgincam, Loaraceram, Naodicras, Pecaccecas, Acaptena, Yeger, Podayg, Saccosicum. These are the names with which the temple of Bozale was founded. These are the names of the prophets, and the Angels with which the 4 parts of the world were sealed, with which you may do many miracles. And beware least you name them, but be chaste and pure, from three days [56<sup>r</sup>] fasting, and whatever you wish to do by them, you shall do.

**Capitulum Tertium** [Third Chapter]

*Haec sunt nomina quae Moses dixit &c.*

These are the names that Moses said when he divided the Red Sea: Ena, Elaye, Sayec, Helame, Maace, Lehahu, Lehahu, Alielie, Qore, Azaye, Boene, Hyeha, Ysale, Mabeha, Arayha, Arameloena, Qleye, Lieneno, Feyane, Ye, Ye, Malece, Habona, Nechee, Hicers. And when you want to have grace from any man, these names you shall name devoutly and meekly, and you shall have it.

**Capitulum Quartum** [Fourth Chapter]

*Haec sunt nomina quae dixit Moses &c.*

These are the names that Moses said when his rod staff was changed into a serpent, of the enchanters and the Prophets: Micraton, Piston, Yeymor, Higaron, Ygniron, Tenigaron, Mycon, Mycondasnos, Castas, Laceas, Astas, Yecon, Cuia, Tablinst, Tabla, Nac, Yacuf. And these aforesaid names you shall name when you wish to fulfill your request.

**Capitulum Quintum** [Fifth Chapter]

*Haec sunt nomina quae scripta erant in populus Aron &c.*

These are the names that were written by the people of Aaron when he spoke with the Creator: Saday, Haleynos, Loez, Elacy, Citonij, Hazyhaya, Yeynimeysey, Accidasbaruc, Huadonenu, Eya, Hyebu, Ueu, Uaha, Oyaha, Eye, Ha, Hia, Zalia, Haliha, Eyey, Yaia, El, Ebehel, Ua, Ua. Keep well these names abovesaid for they are holy and virtuous, and these you shall name, so you may get what you ask of the Creator. [56<sup>v</sup>]

**Capitulum Sextum** [Sixth Chapter]

*Haec sunt nomina quae scripta erant in virga Moysi &c.*

These are the names that were written on the staff of Moses when he made the brazen serpent and destroyed the golden calf, when all that drunk in the well had a beard [were men]: Yana, Yane, Sia, Abibhu, Uanoia, Accenol, Tiogas, Yena, Eloym, Ya, Uehu, Yane, Hayya, Uehu, Ahiacmed. And these names contain in themselves many virtues, for with them you shall destroy evil and all enchantments. And presume not to name them in the 7 works.

**Capitulum Septimum** [Seventh Chapter]

*Haec sunt nomina quae Moses dixit qua pluit &c.*

These are the names that Moses said when manna rained in the desert, and he drew out water from the rock, and led out from captivity the children of Israel: Saday, Samora, Ebon, Pheneton, Eloy, Eneiobceel, Messias, Jahe, Yana or Eolyen. When you wish to do any marvels, or if you were in any anguish, these names you shall name.

And in all things you shall feel their help and the virtue. And when you have done this, rehearse these words by which the names aforesaid are explained:

*“Deus vive verax, magne, fortis, poleus, prio, sancte, munde, omni, bonifate, plene, benedicte dominus benedictum nomen sum tua, completer nostram compleas questione tu factor fac nos ad fine urim operis provenire tu largitor nobis integrum complementum urim operis elargire tu sancta et misericors nobis misereres nomen tuam Yeseraye, sit per secula benedictum. Amen.”*

That is to say, “living true God, great, [57<sup>r</sup>] strong, mighty, meek, holy, pure, full of all goodness, blessed Lord be your name, fulfill our requests, you make us to come to the end of our work. You holy and merciful, have mercy on us. Your name, *Yeseraye*, be it blessed by the worlds, Amen.”

In the name of the sovereign almighty Creator I begin the explanation of his name *Yeseraye*, that is to say God without beginning and without end. Angilae is the name of a prophet and properly written on a golden plate by living men. And whoever bears it, and however long he has it with him, so he shall not dread sudden death.

Here ends the *Book of Raziel* of the Seven Treatises.

## Appendix 1 – Incense Nomenclature <sup>1</sup>

N20. Perfumes and their Plant Source.

Name in <i>Sepher Raziel</i>	Perfume/Incense	Botanical Source
Algalia	Algalia <i>see</i> Civet	
Almabum / Acil almalie	Almabum = Rosemary	<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>
Aloes	Aloes resin	Resin of <i>Aquillaria agallocha</i>
Lignum Aloes	Aloes wood (Oud)	Wood of <i>Aquillaria agallocha</i>
Apinum	Apinum	Maybe <i>Eryngium apinum</i>
Apium / Apii	Apium <i>see</i> Celeriac, Parsley	
Ambra / Ambram	Ambergris	A substance regurgitated by the sperm whale
Arzolla / Arzolle	Arzolla <i>see</i> Lady's thistle	
Asafoetida / Assa	Assafoetida	<i>Ferula asafoetida</i>
Auricular muris	Auricular muris <i>see</i> Hawkweed	
Balsamus / Balsamo	Balsam	Sap of <i>Commiphora opobalsamum</i>
Lignum balsami	Balsam wood	Wood of <i>Commiphora opobalsamum</i>
Benzoin	Benzoin	Resin from <i>Styrax Benzoin</i>
Cancer mastum	Camphor	<i>Cinnamomum Camphora</i>
Cardamom	Cardamom	<i>Elettaria Cardamomum</i>
Cassia	Cassia / Kasia [Classical Mercury incense]	<i>Cinnamomum Cassia</i>
Apium / Apii	Celeriac, Parsley	<i>Apii graveolentis rapaceum</i>
Cera alba	Cera alba = white wax	Bee hives
Scicorda	Chicory, succory [wild chicory]	<i>Cichorium intybus</i>
Cicorea		
Cicuta	Cicuta <i>see</i> Hemlock, water	
Cinamomus / Cinamomo	Cinnamon	Bark of the <i>Cinnamomum verum</i> or <i>Cinnamomum zeylanicum</i>
Pentaphyllon / Pentaphylon	Cinquefoil / snake grass	<i>Potentilla reptans</i>

<sup>1</sup> Taken from Table N20 of Stephen Skinner, *Complete Magician's Tables*, Singapore: Golden Hoard Press, and St. Paul: Llewellyn, 2006, with amplifications.

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Name in <i>Sepher Raziel</i>	Perfume/Incense	Botanical Source
Citron	Citron / lemon or orange	<i>Citrus medica</i>
Algalia	Civet (from Spanish)	From the odorous sacs of the civets, animals of the family <i>Viverridae</i>
Classen	Classen <i>see</i> Sandalwood oil	
Gariophylli / Garyophillo / Gariofilum	Cloves	<i>Eugenia caryphyllata</i> , or <i>Syzygium aromaticum</i>
Colofoniam / Pix Graecum	Colophony / Greek pitch	<i>Pine oleoresin</i> , distilled from pine trees
Dragantium / Dragantia	Columbrina gum [Maybe Adderwort]	Genus <i>Colubrina</i> [Maybe the fern <i>Ophioglossum vulgatum</i> ]
Costum / Costo	Costus / kostos [Classical Mars incense]	Root of <i>Costus Arabicus</i> , <i>Costus Speciosus</i> or <i>Saussurea lappa</i>
Crocum	Crocus (or saffron from its stamens)	<i>Crocus sativus</i>
Cipressum	Cypress	<i>Cupressaceae</i> family
Eringo	Eryngo, Sea-holly	Genus <i>Eryngium</i> , such as <i>Eryngium maritimum</i>
Euphorbium	Euphorbium	Sap of various species of <i>Euphorbia</i>
Folia lauri	Folia lauri <i>see</i> Laurel	
Thur /Thure	Frankincense [Classical Sun incense]	Gum resin from several species of <i>Boswellia</i> mainly <i>Boswellia cartierii</i> and <i>Boswellia thurifera</i> (hence the name 'thur')
Thus / Thuris	Frankincense oil (Olibanum)	
Galbanum	Galbanum	Sap from <i>Ferula galbaniflua</i>
Gariophylli / Garyophillo / Gariofilum	Gariophylli <i>see</i> Clove	
Auricular muris	Hawkweed, mouse-ear	<i>Hieracium pilosella</i>
Cicuta	Hemlock (Northern Water Hemlock), Cowbane (highly poisonous)	<i>Cicuta virosa</i>
Insqrm = Jusquianus	Henbane, Stinking nightshade [psychoactive and highly poisonous]	<i>Hyoscamus niger</i>
Marrubio albo	Horehound, white	<i>Marrubium vulgare</i>
Arzolla / Arzolle	Lady's thistle, Holy histle	<i>Silybum marianum</i>
Folia lauri	Laurel	<i>Laurus nobilis</i>
Masticem / Mastice / Mastiche	Mastic	Gum resin from <i>Pistacia lentiscus</i>
Menta	Mint	Various species of <i>Mentha</i> such as <i>Mentha viridis</i>
Muscum / Muscus / Muscu / Musco	Musk	Odoriferous substance from the glands of the male musk deer
Myrrh	Myrrh [Classical Lunar incense]	Gum from <i>Balsamodendron myrrha</i> , <i>Commiphora myrrha</i>

N20. Perfumes and their Plant Source.

Name in <i>Sepher Raziel</i>	Perfume/Incense	Botanical Source
Musthalazeratis / Muculazarat / Muschullaroth [see also Tejpatra]	Mukul = Myrrh from Zafar, Yemen Muql = Bdellium [both speculative]	Myrrh = <i>Commiphora myrrha</i> Bdellium = <i>Commiphora wightii</i>
Mirtal / Folius myrti / Mirtum	Myrtle	<i>Myrtus communis</i>
Nucem muscata / Nux muscata	Nutmeg	<i>Myristica fragans</i>
Olco olivrarum	Olive oil	Oil of the olive tree Family <i>Oleaceae</i>
Olibanum	Olibanum <i>see</i> Frankincense oil	
Opopanaces	Opoponax	Sap of <i>Opopanax orientalis</i>
Pulegium	Pennyroyal	<i>Menta pulegium</i>
Pentaphyllon	Pentaphyllon <i>see</i> Cinquefoil	
Piperum Nigrum / Piper Negrum / Piperis Nigri	Pepper, black	<i>Piper nigrum</i>
Piper longum	Pepper (Long Pepper)	<i>Piper longum</i>
Papavere nigro	Poppy, black	<i>Papaver nigrum</i> , related to <i>Papaver somniferum</i>
Reubarbarum	Rhubarb	<i>Rheum rhubarbarum</i>
Salvia	Sage	<i>Salvia officinalis</i> , or maybe <i>Salvia divinorum</i>
Sanders / Sandalos /sandalus	Sandalwood	Wood of <i>Santalum album</i>
Sandalum niger	Sandalwood, black	<i>Santalum nigrum</i> related to <i>Santalum album</i>
Sandalum rubrum	Sandalwood, red	Wood of <i>Pterocarpus santalinus</i>
Sandalum album	Sandalwood, white	Wood of <i>Santalum album</i>
Classen	Sandalwood oil	Oil of <i>Santalum album</i>
Satureia	Savory	<i>Satureia hortensis</i>
Scicordia	Scicordia <i>see</i> Chicory	
Storax	Storax / Styrax [Classical Saturn incense]	Gum resin from <i>Styrax officinalis</i> (from Liquid amber orientalis tree)
Malabathron / Malabatum [not specifically mentioned in <i>Sepher Raziel</i> ]	Tejpatra / Tamaalpatra / Indian Bay leaves [Classical Jupiter incense]	<i>Cinnamomum tamala</i>
Thur /Thure / Thus / Thuris	Thur <i>see</i> Frankincense	
Thymiama	Thyme	<i>Thymus vulgaris</i>
Thymiamata	Thymiamata = Sacred incense in general	-



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### Appendix 2 – Selected Table of Angels in *Sepher Raziel*<sup>1</sup>

A45. The Angels of the 12 Hebrew Months in <i>Sepher Raziel</i> .		
	Hebrew Month	Angels
Ⓜ	1 Nisan	Oriel, Malaquiran, Acia, Yaziel, Paltifus, Yesmactria, Yariel, Araton, Robica, Sephatia, Anaya, Quesupale, Semquiel, Sereriel, Malgas, Ancason, Pacyta, Abedel, Ram, Asdon, Casiel, Nastiafori, Sugni, Aszre, Sornadaf, Adniel, Necamia, Caisaat, Benit, Quor, Adziriel.
Ⓜ	2 Iyar	Safuel, Saton, Cartemat, Aryel, Palthia, Bargar, Galms, Nocpis, Aaron, Manit, Aadon, Qwenael, Quemon, Abragin, Yehoc, Adnibia, Parciot, Marinoc, Galus, Gabmion, Resegar, Affry, Absamon, Sarsaf, Alxim, Carbiol, Regnia, Achlas, Nadib, Absafyabitan, Pliset.
Ⓜ	3 Sivan	Amariel, Tatgiel, Casmuch, Nuscifa, Almux, Naamab, Mamiacaras, Samysarach, Naasien, Andas, Paltamus, Abris, Borhai, Salor, Hac, Yayac, Dalia, Azigor, Mabsuf, Abnisor, Zenam, Dersam, Cefania, Maccafor, Naboon, Adiel, Maasiel, Szarhyr, Cartalion, Adi, Ysar.
Ⓜ	4 Tammuz	Moriel, Safida, Asaf, Mazica, Sarsac, Adnyam, Nagrow, Galuf, Galgall, Danroc, Saracus, Remafidda, Luliaraf, Nediter / Delgna, Maadon, Saamyel, Amrael, Lezaidi, Elisafan, Paschania, Maday.
Ⓜ	5 Ab	Byny, Madrat, Amantuliel, Cassurafarttis, Nactif, Necif, Pdgmar, Tablic, Mamiro, Amacia, Qnatiel, Reycat, Qnynzi, Paliel, Gadaf, Nesquiraf, Abrac, Amyter, Camb, Nachal, Cabach, Loch, Macria, Safe, Essaf.
Ⓜ	6 Elul	Magnyny, Arabyel, Hanyel, Nacery, Yassar, Rassy, Boel, Matriel, Naccamarif, Zacdon, Nafac, Rapion, Sapsi, Salttri, Raseroph, Malgel, Samtiel, Yoas, Qualabye, Danpi, Yamla, Golid, Rasziel, Satpach, Nassa, Myssa, Macracif, Dadiel, Carciel, Effignax.
Ⓜ	7 Tishri	Suriel, Sarican, Gnabriza, Szucariel, Sababiel, Ytrut, Cullia, Dadiel, Marhum, Abecaision, Sacdon, Pagulan, Arsabon, Aspiramo, Aquyel, Safcy, Racynas, Altim, Masulaef, Vtisaryaya, Abri.
Ⓜ	8 Marchesvan	Karbiel, Tiszodiell, Raamyel, Nebubael, Alisaf, Baliel, Arzaf, Rasliel, Alson, Naspiel, Becar, Paliel, Elisuaig, Nap, Naxas, Sansani, Aesal, Maarim, Sasci, Yalsenac, Iabynx, Magdiel, Sarmas, Maaliel, Arsaferral, Manistiorar, Veaboluf, Nadibael, Suciell, Nabuel, Sariel, Sodiell, Marcuel, Palitam.
Ⓜ	9 Kislev	Adoniell, Radiell, Naduch, Racyno, Hyzy, Mariell, Azday, Mandiell, Gamiell, Seriell, Kery, Sahaman, Osmyn, Sachiel, Pazeheym, Calchihay, Hehudaell, Nerad, Minaell, Arac, Arariqniell, Galnell, Gimon, Satuell, Elynzy, Baqwylaguel.
Ⓜ	10 Tebet	Anaell, Aniyell, Aryor, Nafliell, Rapiniell, Raaciell, Pacuell, Hahon, Guanrinasuch, Aslaqwyy, Naspaya, Negri, Somahi, Hasasisgafon, Gasca, Szif, Alzamy, Maint, Xatinas, Sargnamuf, Oliab, Sariell, Canyell, Rahyeziell, Pansa, Insquen, Sarman, Malisan, Asirac, Marmoc.
Ⓜ	11 Shebet	Gabriel, Israel, Natriell, Gazril, Nassam, Abrisaf, Zefael, Zamiell, Mamiell, Tabiell, Miriell, Sahumiell, Guriell, Samhiell, Dariell, Banorsasti, Satyn, Nasyell, Ranfiell, Talgnaf, Libral, Luel, Daliell, Guadriell, Sahuhaf, Myschiell.
Ⓜ	12 Adar	Romiell, Patiell, Guriell, Laabiell, Addriell, Cardiell, Aguell, Malquiell, Samiell, Sariell, Azriell, Paamiell, Carcyel, Amaluch, Parhaya, Ytaell, Beryell, Cael, Tenebiell, Pantan, Panteron, Fanyell, Falafon, Masiell, Pantaron, Labiell, Ragaell, Cetabiell, Nyahpatuel.
Ⓜ	13 Adar bis / Bisertillis	Lantiell, Ardiell, Nasmyell, Celidoal, Amyell, Magell, Gabgell, Sasuagos, Barilagni, Yabtasyper, Magossangos, Dragos, Yayell, Yoell, Yasmyell, Stelmell, Garasyn, Ceyabos, Sacadiell, Guracap, Gabanaell, Tamtiell.

<sup>1</sup> Taken from Stephen Skinner, *Complete Magician's Tables*, Singapore: Golden Hoard Press, forthcoming third edition.

A46. Angels of the 7 Days of the Week in *Sepher Raziel*.

	Day	Angels
☾	Monday	Semhahylyn, Stemeihylyn, Jasyozyn, Agrasinden, Aymeylyn, Cathneylyn, Abrasachysyn, Abrasasyn, Layzaiosyn, Langhasin, Anayenyn, Nangareryn, Aczonyn, Montagyn, Labelas, Mafatyn, Feylarachin, Candanagyn, Laccudonyn, Casfrubyn, Bacharachyn, Bathaylyn, Anmanineylyn, Hacoylyn, Balganarichyn, Aryelyn, Badeilyn, Abranocyn, Tarmanydyn, Amdalcyn, Sahragynyn, Adiamenyn, Sacstoyeyn, Latebaifansyn, Caybemynyn, Nabyalni, Cyzamanyn, Abramacyn, Lariagathyn, Bifealyqynyn, Baiedalin, Gasoryn, Asaphin, Dariculin, Marneyelin, Gemraorin, Madarilyn, Yebiryn, Arylin, Farielin, Nepenielin, Branielin, Asrieylin, Ceradadyln.
♁	Tuesday	Michael, Zamirel, Beerel, Dufuel, Aribiriel, Boel, Bariel, Meriol, Amiol, Aol, Semeol, Aaon, Berion, Farionon, Kemerion, Feyn, Ameinyn, Zemeinyn, Cananyn, Aal, Merigal, Pegal, Gabal, Leal, Amneal, Farnnial, Gebyn, Caribifin, Ancarilyn, Meteorilin, Nabiafilyn, Fisfilin, Barsfilin, Camfilin, Aaniturla, Feniturla, Geniniturla, Elmia, Calnamia, Rabmia, Rasfia, Miaga, Tiogra, Bee, Ylaraorynil, Benenil.
♀	Friday	Hasneyeyl, Barnayeyl, Uardayheil, Alzeyeil, Szeyyeil, Uachayel, Zesfaieil, Morayeil, Borayeyl, Apheieyl, Arobolyn, Canesylyn, Anrylin, Zarialin, Marilin, Batoraielyn, Kelfieilyn, Azraieylin, Ambayerin, Ayayeylin, Cadneirin, Alserin, Afneirin, Abneyrin, Nonanrin, Eazerin, Orinyln, Gedulin, Hareryn, Nanylin, Halilin, Himeilyn, Resfilin, Noraraabilin, Hayeylin, Laudulin, Et, Effilin, Thesfealin, Patnilin, Keialin, Lebraieil, Ablaieil, Talrailanrain, Barcalin, Bahoraelin.
☼	Sunday	Daniel, Elieyl, Saffeyeyl, Dargoyeyl, Yelbrayeyl, Comaguele, Gebarbayea, Faceyeyl, Caran, Neyeyl, Talgylnenyl, Bethaz, Rancyl, Falha, Hyeyl, Armaquieyeyl, Roncayl, Gibryl, Zamayl, Mycahe, Zarfaieil, Ameyl, Torayeil, Ronmeyeyl, Remcatheyel, Barhil, Marhil, Barhil, Mehil, Zarafil, Azrageyl, Anebynnyl, Denmerzym, Yeocyn, Necyl, Hadzbezeyl, Zarseyeyl, Zrael, Anqnihim, Ceytatynyn, Ezuiah, Vehichdunedzineylyn, Yedmeyeyl, Esmaadyn, Albedagryn, Yamaanyl, Yecaleme, Detriel, Ariel, Armyel, Veremedyn, Unaraxxydin.
♂	Wednesday	Samayeyln, Tartalyn, Dexeeyl, Racyeylyn, Farabyn, Cabyn, Asymeylyn, Mabareylyn, Tralyeyln, Rulbelyn, Marmanyln, Tarfanyeyln, Fuheylyn, Ruffaraneyleyn, Rabfilyn, Eralyn, Enplyn, Pirtophin, Brofilyn, Cacitilyn, Naffrylyn, Impuryln, Raffeylyn, Nyrysin, Memolyn, Nybirin, Celabel, Tubeylyn, Haayn, Reyn, Paafiryln, Cethenoyleyn, Letityeyln, Rorafeyl, Cannyle, Basteyln, Costiryln, Monteylyn, Albeylyn, Parachbeylyn, Alyel, Uaceyl, Zalcycyl, Amadyeyl, Usaryeyel, Emcodeneyle, Dasfripyel, Unleylyn, Carszeneyl, Gromeyl, Gabrylyn, Narbell.
♃	Thursday	Sachquiel, Pachayel, Tutiel, Osfleel, Labiel, Raliel, Beniell, Trael, Snynyel, Ahieyl, Yebel, Ancuyel, Jauieyl, Junieyl, Amyel, Fanieyl, Rammel, Sanfael, Saccinieyl, Galbiet, Lafiel, Maziel, Gunfiel, Ymrael, Memieyl, Pariel, Panhiniel, Toripiel, Abinel, Omieyl, Orfiel, Ael, Bearell, Ymel, Syymelyel, Tracyleyl, [42] Mefenieyl, Antquiel, Quisieyl, Cunnyryel, Rofinieyl, Rubycyleyl, Jebrayel, Pecieyl, Carbieyl, Tymel, Affarfytiryel, Rartudell, Cabrifiel, Beel, Briel, Cherudiel.
♄	Saturday	Micraton, Pacryton, Pepilon, Capeiel, Themiton, Alsfiton, Chenyon, Sandalson, Panion, Almyon, Expion, Papon, Calipon, Horriion, Melifon, Aurion, Temelion, Refacbilion, Ononiteon, Boxoraylon, Paxilon, Lelalion, Onoxion, Quilon, Quiron, Vixalimon, Relion, Cassilon, Titomon, Murion, Dedion, Dapsion, Leuainon, Foylylon, Monichion, Gabion, Paxonion, Xysyulion, Lepiron, Belon, Memitilon, Saron, Salion, Pion, Macgron, Acciriron, Felypyon, Ymnybron, Raconeal, Zalibron.

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A47. Names of the Planets by the Elements, with their Angels in *Sepher Raziel*.

	Planet	Fire	Air	Water	Earth
♄	Levanah	Claron	Becyla	Tasfit	Pantours
	<i>Angels:</i>	Gabriel, Paticael, Daliel	Barasiel, Ztaziel	Caziel, Memyiel, Pazicaton	Simyllyel, Lafaqnael, Taniel
♃	Kokab	Piztal	Cabran	Facayl	Tarzon
	<i>Angels:</i>	Paradiel, Darifiel, Dameyel	Ramatiel, Loriqniel, Bengariel	Rinafonel, Mellifiel, Alatiel	Alapion, Beriel, Rabiel
♂	Nogah	Dusuyon	Clarifon	Narubni	Cabras
	<i>Angels:</i>	Capciel, Debitael, Deparael	Camirael, Cakaziel, Neraziel	Saloniel, Emyel, Expaoniel	Paziael, Amurael, Salainel
☼	Hamina	Yeye,	Don	Agla	On
	<i>Angels:</i>	Dandaniel, Saddaniel, Ellalyel	Karason, Berriel, Oliel	Muracafel, Pecyrael, Michael	Homycabel, Lucifel, Locariel
♂	Madim	Roqnyel	Pyryel	Tasfien	Ignofon
	<i>Angels:</i>	Kaliel, Cabryel, Raloyl	Pyroyinel, Flatoniel, Carbiel	Cazabriel, Pasaliel, Zebaliel	???
♃	Zedek	Pheon	Fidon	Calidon	Mydon
	<i>Angels:</i>	Tinsyel, Necanynael, Fonyel	???	Meon, Ykiel, Yryniel	Palriel, Tufiel, Quyel
♃	Sabaday	Campton	Sryngonga	Synyn	Onion [ <i>sic</i> ]
	<i>Angels:</i>	Libiel, Nybiel, Phynitiel	Arfigyel, Gael, Nephyel	Almemel, Hoquiell, Fulitiel	Lariel, Tepyel, Esyel

A48. Names of the 4 Elements and the Lowlands [Underworld] in the 4 Seasons in *Sepher Raziel*.

	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
<b>F</b>	Quoyzil	Enlubra	Mezayn	Aybedyn
<b>A</b>	Ystana	Furayl	Oadion	Gulynon
<b>W</b>	Angustiz	Theon	Maddrylk	Sebillgradon
<b>E</b>	Ingnedon	Yabassa	Coliel	Aradon
<b>UW</b>	Hahan <i>Angel: ?</i>	Cipaon <i>Angel: Jacyel</i>	Meresac <i>Angel: Ababaot</i>	Aycyhambabo <i>Angel: Caaniel</i>

A49. The 7 Heavens and the Angels ruling in each of their Directions in *Sepher Raziel*.

Heaven		North	East	West	South
Shamayim	1	Alael, Hiaeyel, Urallim, Veallum, Baniel, Basy, Unascaiel	Gabriel, Gabrael, Odrael, Modiel, Raamyel, Janael	Abson, Soquiel	Duraniel, Darbiel, Darquiel, Hanin, Anael, Nahymel, Alscini, Soquiel, Zamel, Hubayel, Bactanael, Carpariel
Raqia	2	Tyel, Jarael, Yanael, Nenael, Neneel, Quian, Uetamuel	Maachin or Carmiel, Carcoyel, Betabaat	Anulus, Yesararye [corrupt godname], in which is written the name Macareton	MyIba, Nelia, Balyer, Calloyel, Cyoly, Batriel
Shechaqim	3	Poniel, Penael, Penat, Raphael, Carmiel, Doranel	Satquiel, Quadissa, Taramel, Taryestorat, Amael, Hufribria or Hifaliel	???	Parna, Sadiel, Lyenyel, Vastamel, Sanael, Samyel
Ma'on	4	Rahumiel, Haynynael, Bacyel, Serapiel, Matiel, Serael	Capiel, Braliel, Braaliel, Raguel, Gael, Daemael, Calcas, Atragon	Lacana, Astagna, Nobquin, Sonatas, Yael, Yas, Yael, Lael, Yyel	Saoriel, Mahamel, Gadiel, Hosael, Vanyel, Verascyer
Makon	5	Hayel, Hanyel, Veal, Quiel, Margabiel, Saeprel, Mamyel	Lanifiel or Barquiel, Zaquiel, Sanficiel, Zoaziel, Aciel, Farbiel, Uranacha	Anhael, Pabliel, Uslael, Bortaz, Suncacer, Zupa, Faly, Paly	???
Zebul	6	[no angels]			
Araboth	7	[no angels]			

A50. Names of Heavens, and the names of the Directions, distributed over the 4 Seasons from *Sepher Raziel*.

	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
Names of the Heavens	Hacibor	Rumcaqnia	Mesfisnogna	Saaemaho
Names of the East	Acbedan	Cardrenac	Abrrhel	Acritael
Names of the North	Henniyna	Abodich	Galdidur	Rabbifor
Names of the West	Mahanahym	Sugor	Zarzir	Rabiur
Names of the South	Naufor	Alparon	Machniel	Thaumy

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## A51. Angel Names for the Semiforas from *Sepher Raziel*.

Heaven	Chapters [Capitulum]	Moses' Semiforas	Ordinary Semiforas
Shamayim	1	Maya, Afi, Zye, Yaremye, Une, Bace, Sare, Binoe, Maa, Yasame, Roy, Lyly, Leoy, Yle, Yre, Cyloy, Zalye, Lee, Or, See, Loace, Cadelay, Ule, Meha, Ramechi, Ry, Hy, Fossa, Tu, Mimi, Sehie, Nice, Yelo, Habe, Uele, Hele, Ede, Quego, Ramaye, Habe.	גנגג יוזה הוזה [no angel names]
Raqia	2	Abgincam, Loaraceram, Naodicras, Pecaccecas, Acaptena, Yeger, Podayg, Saccosicum.	אשר אודה [no angel names]
Shechqim	3	Ena, Elaye, Sayec, Helame, Maace, Lehahu, Lehahu, Alielie, Qore, Azaye, Boene, Hyeha, Ysale, Mabeha, Arayha, Arameloena, Qleye, Lieneo, Feyane, Ye, Ye, Malece, Habona, Nechee, Hicers.	Adona[i], Sabaoth, Adonay, Cados [Kadosh], Addona, Annora.
Ma'on	4	Micraton, Piston, Yeymor, Higarom, Ygniron, Tenigaron, Mycon, Mycondasnos, Castas, Laceas, Astar, Yecon, Cuia, Tablinst, Tabla, Nac, Yacuf.	Lagume, Lamizirm, Lanagzlayn, Lagri, Lanagala, Lanatozin, Laifyalasin.
Makon	5	Saday, Haleyos, Loez, Elacy, Citonij, Hazyhaya, Yeynimeysey, Accidasbaruc, Huadonenu, Eya, Hyebu, Ueu, Uaha, Oyaha, Eye, Ha, Hia, Zalia, Haliha, Eyey, Yaia, El, Ebehel, Ua, Ua.	Lihaham, Lialgana, Liafar, Vialurab, Lelara, Lebaron, Laasasilas.
Zebul	6	Yana, Yane, Sia, Abibhu, Uanoia, Accenol, Tiogas, Yena, Eloym, Ya, Uehu, Yane, Hayya, Uehu, Ahiaacmed.	Letamynyn, Letaglogen, Letafiryn, Babaganaritin, Letarimitin, Letagelogin, Letafalazin.
Araboth	7	Saday, Samora, Ebon, Pheneton, Eloy, Eneiobceel, Messias, Jahe, Yana or Eolyen.	Eliaon, Yaena, Adonay, Cados, Ebreel, Eloy, Ela, Egicl, Ayom, Sath, Adon, Sulela, Eloym, Deliom, Yacy, Elim, Delis, Yacy, Zazael, Pabiel, Man, Myel, Enola, Dylatan, Saday, Alina, Papym, another [source gives] Saena, Alym, Catinal, Uza, Yarast, Calpi, Calsas, Safna, Nycam, Saday, Aglataon, Sya, Emanuel, Joth, Lalaph, Om, Via, Than, Domyfrael, Nimel, Lialalens, Alla, Phenox, Agsata, Tiel, Piel, Patriceion, Chepheron, Baryon, Yael.

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Paper. Quarto. 101 folios. 16<sup>th</sup> Century (1564?). English. [The present MS.]

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Paper. Quarto. 186 folios. 1564. English.

[The text in English is very similar to Sloane MS 3826 with minor differences].

ff.129-157. *Liber Salomonis*, called *Cephaz Raziel*, containing seven treatises, written by William Parry of Clifford's Inn in November 1564.

**British Library Sloane MS 3847**

Paper. Quarto. 188 folios. 16<sup>th</sup> Century. Latin.

[The Latin text parallels the English of Sloane MS 3826 and MS 3846, but breaks off incomplete in Chapter Three.]

ff.161-188. *Praefatio in Librum Razielis J.V. in nomine Dei omnipotentis vivi et veri, et eterni, et sine omni Fine qui dicitur Adonay - Saday - Assereye - Jucipio - scribere istum librum qui dicitur Cephaz Raziel cum omnibus suis Pertinentiis, in quo sunt septem Tractatus completi, et septem libri.*

1. Introductio Libris.
2. Clavis Libris. Liber Primus de Astronomia.
3. De Lapidibus. Liber Secundus.
4. De Herbis.

[The introduction lists the *incomplete* Seven Treatises as:]

1. Clavis de Astronomia et de Stellis. [Astronomy]
2. Ala de virtutibus quorundam Lapidum, Herbarum, Animalia.
3. Thimiamatum de Suffumigationis [Incenses].
4. Temporum Anni [Times of the Year].
5. Munditio de Abstinencia [Purity and Abstinence].
6. Samahym [Heavens. Names of God and Angels of the 7 Heavens].
7. Virtutum quod ubi determinatur... [Virtues of the art of magic].

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### British Library Sloane MS 3853

Paper. Quarto. 268 folios. 16th/17th Century, Latin & English.

1. Tractatus cui titulus, Thesaurus Spiritum, secundum Robertum Furconem et Rogerum Bacon, cum tabula contentorum et prologo praemissis. ff.3-45.
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3. Experimenta plurima magica. ff.54-63, ff. 70-120.
4. The book of consecration. ff.64-69.
5. De spiritibus, solaribus, in figuris delineatis. ff.120v-127.
6. The divine Seal of Solomon. ff.127v.
7. Invocationes, orationes, etc. ff.129-137.
8. Tractatus qui vocatur, Speculum quatuor Regum. ff.138-141.
9. Processus magici, excitationes spirituum, etc. ff.142-174.
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13. Conjurations, etc. ff.245v-252, 253-256.
14. Of the Offices of Spirits. ff.257-264.
15. Experimenta quaedam magica. f.266.

### Yale University - Beinecke Rare Books Library Osborn MS fa.7

Paper. 303 x 205 mm. 33 folios. Late sixteenth century. English.

The text claims to be the *Book of Virtue* which the Angel Raphael [*sic*] gave to Adam, with Solomon's Hebrew additions. Incipit: "In the name of allmyghtie God livinge trewe & everlasting and without all end, w<sup>ch</sup> ys said Adonay Saday ... I begin to write this booke w<sup>ch</sup> ys said *Cephar razyell* with all his portenance in w<sup>ch</sup> be 7 treatises complete." The seven treatises are listed as:

1. Clavis,
2. Virtues of stones, herbs and beasts,
3. Tractatus thimiamatum,
4. Treatise of time,
5. Treatise of cleanness,
6. Samaym,
7. Book of Virtue.

### Bodleian Ashmole MS 1790

Paper. Quarto. 1564. English and Latin.

f.116-116v. A fragmentary copy of the first few pages of *Cephar Raziel*.



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### **Bodleian Ashmole MS 1730**

Paper. Quarto. Circa 1600. English and Latin.

ff.168-168v. A one folio letter from Sir Richard Napier to his uncle referring to his projected transcription of *Cephar Raziel*, undated, but circa 1600.

### **Prague, National Museum Library MS XVII F25**

1595. Czech.

*Sepher Raziel* in 7 Treatises.

Translated by Joannes Polenarius, a courtier in the court of Rudolph II. This manuscript may have a Dr John Dee connection, as the translation was made just after the time Dee was in touch with Rudolph II's court.

### **Bibliotheca Vaticana MS Reg. Latin 1300**

13<sup>th</sup> Century? Latin.

*Liber Secretorum de Raziel*

Queen Christina of Sweden's Latin *Sepher Raziel* manuscript, given to her in 1650 from the collection of Rabbi Menasseh ben Israel (1604-1657), via Michel Le Blon. This manuscript possibly dates from the 13th Century, as it is dedicated to Alfonso the Wise of Castile (d. 1284) who caused a translation to be made from a Latin *Sepher Raziel* (probably this manuscript) into Castilian. This manuscript probably belongs in this first category, with other *Sepher Raziels* divided into 7 Treatises, and may be the root of the other Latin manuscripts.

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### b) Manuscripts of *Sepher Raziel* arranged according to the Seven Heavens

These may be a fuller expansion of *Liber Samaim*, Treatise 6 of the present text, and are similar in structure to *Sepher Razim*.

#### **Alnwick MS 596**

18<sup>th</sup> Century, Italian, Latin, and English.

*Liber Sameyn* [Book of the Heavens] pp. 1-96.

The following work is a Book of great fame among the Magi and Cabalists called *Sepher Raziel* or the *Book of the Angel of the Secret*.

- p. 1 For the Account of this Book see the *Zohar* of the Jews in Genesis. When Adam was in the garden of Eden J.H.V.H. sent him a Book of the Angel Raziel in which were engraved characters of the highest wisdom...
- p. 3 Compendium of the Book called *Sepher Raziel* or the *Angel of the Great Secret*...
- p. 8 [a recipe for cabalistic ink].
- p. 11 Operation of the First Heaven.
- p. 20 Operation of the 2nd Army ... and attributed to Mercury.
- p. 25 Operationi del 2<sup>do</sup> Exercito.
- p. 35 Operationi del 3<sup>zo</sup> Exercito.
- p. 47 Operazioni del 4<sup>to</sup> Exercito.
- p. 56 Operations of the 5th Army.
- p. 62 Operations of the 6th Army.
- p. 69 Operazioni de 7<sup>mo</sup> Cielo.
- p. 75 [Lists of qualities of the seven Heavens].  
[List of various Angel names].
- p. 88 Oratio.
- p. 90 l'Orazioni.
- p. 92 Tavola [Contents of the manuscript in Italian].
- p. 93 Haec sunt 72 nomina Dei [List of 72 names of God, with their qualities and powers].

#### **Alnwick MS 585**

18<sup>th</sup> Century. Italian.

f. ii "This Book was bought at Naples from the Jesuit's College when that Order was suppressed and all their goods seized upon by the King and confiscated [1773]. It was brought from there by a Gentleman in a publick Employment in the English service and at his death was purchased in London with other MSS of the Jesuits College."

[Four short tracts bound together, of which only the first is relevant].

p. 1-43. *Cephar Raziel*.

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- p. 1 Erudition hujus Libri. *Zoar* [*Zohar*]: Sectione in principio Genesis I.
- p. 1 Compendio de Libro dello *Cephar Raziel*, id est *Angelus Magni Secreti*  
Communicato ad Adamo, ed esposto da Salomonie in Ebreo [Hebrew]...
- p. 2 Incomincia.
- p. 3 Disse Salomone in quest libro quello che disse l'Angelo Raziele a Adamo.
- p. 6 Operazione de primo Cielo.
- p. 8 Seguone l'operazione del i° cielo.
- p. 11 Operazioni del 2° esercito, qual'e nel Cielo di Labana, ed attribuiscon a Mercurio.
- p. 12 Operazioni del 2° Esercito.
- p. 14 Operazioni del terzo esercito.
- p. 17 Le operazioni de IV esercito, il quale sta' nel Cielo di Labana, ma' é attribuito al Sole.
- p. 18 Operazioni del IV Esercito.
- p. 21 Operazioni del IV Esercito, il quale ben che stia nel Cielo di Labana, non di meno e' attribuito a'Marte.
- p. 22 Operazioni del quinto [V] esercito.
- p. 25 Operazioni del VI essercito, il quale ben che stia ne Cielo di Labana, non di meno, e' attribuito à [Jupiter].
- p. 26 Dell' operazioni del VII esercito.
- p. 29 Operazioni del VII Cielo. ill 7° Cielo si chiama Araboth.
- p. 37 Il Complimento.
- p. 40 Questae l'orazione.
- p. 41 Siegrie il Nome Magno.

c) *Manuscripts of the 13th Century Rabbinical Sepher Raziel*

**British Library Additional MS 15299**

Parchment. 153 folios. 13<sup>th</sup> Century, maybe 1235.<sup>1</sup> Hebrew.

[Notes written on the first pages of the MS.]

"Presented to His Royal Highness the Duke of Sussex by W Webb, Esq.

[Coat of Arms with motto] 'Si Deus Pro Nobis Quis Contra Nos.'

Purchased at the Duke of Sussex Sale 3 August 1844 Lot 466."<sup>2</sup>

[In another hand] "Ce Manuscrit est un traitè Cabalistique de la fin du douzieme Siècle [end of the 12<sup>th</sup> century]. Mon cousin le cardinal me la donnè a don retour après le Conclave de Mil sept cent septante quatre [1774]. Il lavoit achete d'un juif de Maguse[?] durant son embassy a Venise pour quatre cents livres de notre argent. Les notes aux marges sont du quinzieme siècle."

[In another hand] "I suppose that the Book is the *Sepher Raziel*; the author is unknown, but Wolff's *Bibliotheca Rabbinica* contains some notice about the matter. It contains high mysteries of Cabbala."

[In another hand] "*The Book Raziel (The Hidden Things of God)* the Angel Raziel delivered this Book to Adam after 130 years of his Repentance, which Book contains Cabbala, by which they can cause Angels, according to his month and his day, to perform miracles, and cast out the evil spirits which occasionally enter into men; & it also contains the knowledge of conversing concerning the sun, the moon, the stars, the cause to be sick, & to heal again; & it speaks of many other powers of the vegetable world, precious stones, fishes, fowls, wild beasts; also to be inabled to foretell by the means of the stars, & to explain the rod of Moses, wherewith he performed wonders.

Vide *Labia Dormientium*, letter ך [Daleth] No. 31."

"This MS contains the book *Jetzirah* [*Sepher Yetzirah*] with the Commentary apparently of R[abbi] Eleasar [Eleazar of Worms] ben Juda de Garmiza, who lived in the middle of the 13<sup>th</sup> century. There are various other Cabalistic treatises in it. See the note at fol. 132b. J.M. See Wolfius, tom[e] i.p.23."<sup>3</sup>

ff. 1-132v *Sepher Raziel*

ff. 133-153 a commentary on the *Sepher Yetzirah*.

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<sup>1</sup> There is a marginal calculation of the Hebrew year 4995 in the margin, which equals 1235.

<sup>2</sup> Prince Frederick Augustus, Duke of Sussex (1812/13-1843) was one of the early Grand Masters of the United Grand Masonic Lodge of England and son of King George III.

<sup>3</sup> Wolff's *Bibliotheca Rabbinica*, Vol. I, 23. Also see Vol. II, iii; Vol. IV, 771, 1033, or according to Goldmerstein: Vol I, 111 (cf. III, 69; IV, 711).

d) *Other Sepher Raziel manuscripts not examined*

**Bibliothèque Nationale Fonds Latin MS 3666**

Latin.

**British Library Additional MS 16,390**

Paper. Small quarto. 17th Century. Two tracts in Hebrew plus some Italian.

(i) The Seven Names.

(ii) The eight chapters of Maimonides, or introduction to *Aboth* [imperfect].

At the end is an extract from a Hebrew cabalistic work, entitled *Raziel*, in Italian.

**Dresden MS N. 36**

18th Century. German.

**Dresden MS N. 96**

Quarto. 187 and 175 folios. 18th Century. German. With figures.

*Cabala Alba*. "Dieses ist das Buch Adam, oder Razielis, durch welches du wissen und verstehen kannst, alles mit einander, alle Wunder Dinge, welche geschehen sind, und noch gemacht werden können... Dieses Buch hat der Engel Raziel den Adam übergeben. - Fortsetzung des Buches Adae seu Razielis."

**Leipzig Senate Library Codex Latinus 745**

*Liber Razielis Angeli*

Briefly referred to by Margalioth when he was establishing the Hebrew text of *Sepher ha-Razim*.

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#### b. True Black Magic

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#### c. The Grand Grimoire

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### 3. The SWORN BOOK and the *Grimoire* of Honorius (two different texts)

- An English version of THE SWORN BOOK from 'the Royal MS 17 A xlii' (= *Liber juratis*) and the contents of three French versions of the *Grimoire* are at [www.esotericarchives.com](http://www.esotericarchives.com) > Classical Grimoires and > Black Magic

### 4. *Semiphoras* and *Shemhamphoras Salomonis Regis*

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