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Introduction. This book basically contains 3 sections. The first part consists of a listing of the various occult oils, incenses, powders, floor-washes, and baths that are made at the Magickal Childe and detailed in the *MAGICKAL FORMULARY SPELLBOOK I*, and the second section of the book includes a listing of several common and easily obtainable herbs along with their "magickal uses."

While many people are familiar with the fact that herbs are very helpful natural medicines, not everyone is aware that tradition and folklore also ascribe alleged "magickal powers" to various herbs.

The potions and herbs are used in a form of magickal practice called "voodoo" or "hoodoo" in this country. But do not get scared and imagine that voodoo is what you have seen in the movies or on television. Media depictions of voodoo are slanted, uninformed, and generally grotesque. Voodoo is used in the United States to work primarily in the areas of love, luck, success, and money. Like many African-derived religions, voodoo focuses more on practical, real-world considerations than it does on metaphysical or philosophical pie-in-the-sky. The central focus of voodoo is always "Be Here Now." The belief is that if you have a love, luck, money, or other problem that instead of sitting back like a helpless victim, you should take action to change your lot in life.

Magick is very frightening to many people because it challenges an entire way of thinking and while the techniques of Magick will one day be incorporated into science, as of yet magick is sort of a poor second-cousin to science and is not highly regarded. Imagine how upsetting it would be for the average individual if he discovered that magick could, indeed, make things happen for him! Government and organized religions have frequently been quite threatened by magick and have sought to repress it, unsuccessfully, for centuries.

But we could go on for pages describing magick's role in life and the scope of this short book is merely to explain to you what to do with the various herbs and potions listed herein.

Essentials of the Art. Basically there are FIVE varieties of potions: (1) Oils, (2) Incenses, (3) Powders, (4) Floorwashes, and (5) Baths. Each of these individual components plays an important part in just about any ritual. While the uses of the potions are obvious to the trained practitioner, most of us have never heard of the products listed herein. So, assuming you know nothing, let's start at the beginning!

Oils are used to anoint (or dress) candles and to anoint oneself, talismans, charm bags, voodoo dolls, etc. Forinstance, if I were seeking luck, I might get some "Fast Luck Oil," use it to anoint a green candle, and possibly rub some on my hands before playing cards with my friends. One might obtain a luck talisman of some sort (there are dozens on the market) and anoint it with Fast Luck Oil to "charge" the talisman (that is, "get it working").

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Incenses are used to fill the air in your "temple" with fragrances relevant to a particular ritual. For instance, in my "Fast Luck Ritual" above, in addition to my green candle which I've anointed with Fast Luck Oil, I might also want to burn an incense to lend greater power to my ritual—greater power is seen as a function of the elaborateness of a ritual. Incenses are usually available in powder form and are burned by using a quick-lighting incense charcoal briquette which you can obtain at any good occult store.

Powders are used both to sprinkle on your altar and also to sprinkle on people, places, and things. Powders are the sneakiest of the Voodoo implements because they are the agents which connect your altar to the outside world. Let us continue our "Fast Luck" example. Let us suppose that in addition to my green candle and incense that I want luck basically on my job. While my candle is burning on my altar, I might want to go to my place of employment and sprinkle some "Fast Luck Powder" around my desk, office, etc. to connect the psychic power being generated on my altar to my actual place of employment. Or, I might sprinkle Fast Luck Powder on my money, credit cards, check book, in my mail box...the possibilities are only as limited as my imagination.

Floorwashes and Baths are employed for purposes of cleansing, purifying and dedicating. The floorwash is added to your mop bucket and is used to wash down the floors of your "temple." By temple, of course, we mean any room or portion of a room you use in a ritual. If you have carpeting in the area, then instead of a floorwash you may elect to use a "spray." A spray is really nothing more than a perfume which you spray into the air surrounding your altar. While we have not indicated sprays in the potion list, any item marked "O" is also available as a spray. Baths are used to cleanse you prior to any ritual. To neglect the bath and floorwash because they are a bummer or require too much effort is to sacrifice a great deal of ritual efficacy.

Candles. Now that you have a basic idea of the various forms of the voodoo potions, you should learn something about candles and their colors. Within a voodoo service, your candles are the primary signals to the spiritual planes of your intent and each color has a meaning. Your selection of proper colors, oils, and incenses, largely dictates the results of your ritual.

In general, the meanings of the candle colors are as follows and while there is no widespread consensus on colors, this list represents a relatively comprehensive discussion of generally agreed-upon attributions:

White-White is the color of the spirit. Any ritual should have at least one white candle (preferably two) incorporated within it to indicate that one wishes the magick to be worked through the auspices of white spirits. White is the color used in uncrossing (unhexing) procedures and it is also used in healing and prayer rituals.

Red—Red is the color of love, but more in the passionate than romantic sense. Red is also the color of vitality and energy and therefore it is also used in healing rituals.

Pink—Being a lighter shade of red, pink is more romantic in nature and has more to do with friendship and the gentler side of love. Pink is said to attract good vibes and to create a warm and hospitable energy wherever they are burned.

Blue—Blue is the color of peace and protection. Burning blue candles will tend to bring tranquility and mellowness to otherwise chaotic surroundings.

Yellow—Yellow is the color of joy and happiness and hence is frequently used when one is lacking in those two qualities. Many practitioners, for instance, when finding themselves depressed, will light a yellow candle anointed with Joy Oil or some other equivalent oil, to snap themselves out of their mood.

Green—Money, fertility, and growth are the qualities associated with the color green. It is frequently used in luck, money, and fertility rituals.

Purple—Purple is associated magickally with power and force. It is the color of royalty and it is, indeed, the most kingly of the candle colors. Purple can be added to just about any sort of ritual to lend greater force and power. Oils such as Commanding Oil, Obeah Oil, etc., are used on purple candles.

Orange—Essentially orange is a mixture of red and yellow and basically means vitality and happiness. It can also be used when a love affair is having serious problems because it is said to be healing in that regard.

Brown—Within Voodoo, brown candles are considered to be symbolic of the materialization process—that is, of bringing your wish into reality. Consequently, brown candles are frequently employed in luck or material world rituals where they are felt to help speed the materialization. Brown candles have no real spiritual function and therefore should not be used in spiritually-oriented rituals (healing, psychic development, etc.).-For instance, a brown candle is very appropriate for a success ritual, but it would not be appropriate in a love ritual because it would bring too much force to bear on the situation and love has nothing to do with force.

Black—Black candles have a great deal of evil connotation associated with them, not all of which is correct. In general, however, you should avoid black candles because for the most part they are used in hexing and dark magickal practices. It is beyond the scope of this book to outline

white magickal procedures which may be performed with black candles because they are too tricky for beginners. But perhaps in another book we can deal with this topic.

So now you have a basic idea of the five different forms of the potions and of the candles. Of course, there are dozens of other items one might add to a ritual—charm bags, herb or root bags, voodoo dolls, talismans, specially-anointed roots, seals, statues, etc. But these additional items largely have to do with the preferences of the individual operator of a ritual. There are several other books available which tell you how to incorporate these items into your rituals so rather than repeat them, let me refer you to the books of Aima. Her books *Perfume Oils, Candles, Seals and Incense* and *Ritual Book of Herbal Spells* are authentic and informative in this regard. See also *Voodoo & Hoodoo* by Dr. Jim Haskins and the books of Anna Riva for further information. We can also recommend *The Magical Virtues of Candles Herbs, Incense and Perfumes* by Lady Sara. While Lady Sara's book is not voodoo in its classic sense, the candleburning techniques she outlines are excellent although the oils she specifies are basically of her own creation and have no real tradition behind them. However, we have heard very positive things about her book. Another helpful book is *Helping Yourself with White Witchcraft* by Al Manning. Again, Manning's Book is sort of watered-down voodoo, but it is very helpful for beginners. Finally, another excellent book of authentic folk spells is *The Book of Legendary Spells* by E. Wright. And, of course, *The Magickal Formulary I* by Herman Slater.



Example Rituals. For the sake of clarity, let's look at a few sample rituals so that you may get an idea of what to do with the various potions, candles, and colors.

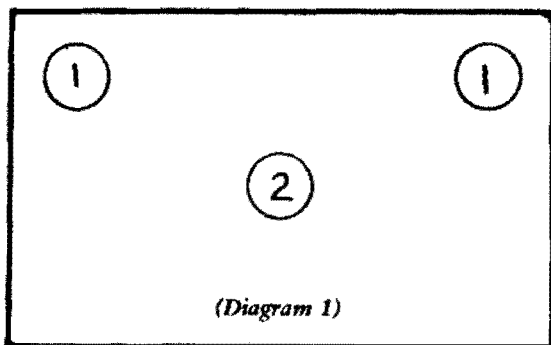
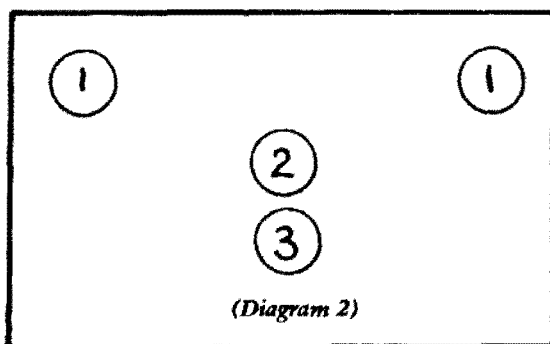


Diagram 1 represents a simple love ritual. The candles marked (1) are white candles and the candle marked (2) is a red candle. The white candles, as we have pointed out, are your spirit candles and the red candle represents the goal of your ritual. Selecting proper oils for anointing the candles is a difficult task, primarily because there are so many to choose from! Hence, you must read through the list of potions hereinafter to select just the right items to meet your needs. In general, however, the white altar candles use either Van Van Oil or High Altar Brand Oil. Van Van Oil is used for material world rituals while High Altar Oil is used for spiritual rituals. In other words, Van Van would be used in any ritual for success, love, luck, etc., while High Altar would be used for healing, psychic evolution, prophetic dreams, etc.

The choice of the oil for Candle (2) above largely depends upon the nature of the relationship. You may wish to use Come To Me Oil to bring someone to you or you may wish to use Love Breaker Oil to keep someone away from you! Either way, the altar arrangement stays the same—but the variation of an oil can change your ritual completely!

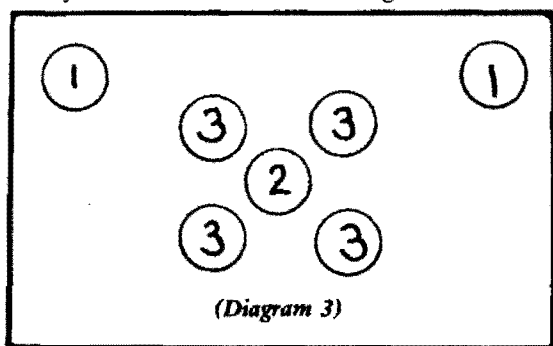
But let's look at another altar arrangement:



Altar Diagram 2 is for a success ritual. The candles denoted as (1) are the white altar candles, and since this is a material world ritual, we would use Van Van Oil on them. Candle (2) is a purple candle and on this we might use any one of several commanding or compelling oils (Bend-Over, Commanding Oil, Obeah, Power, etc.). Candle (3) is a green candle and for this one we might select either a luck or a money-drawing oil. Basically you will notice that the altar arrangement in Diagram 2 is basically the same as the altar arrangement for Diagram 1 with the exception of one additional candle. Also notice that the candle nearest the front of the altar is always the candle symbolizing your primary objective. This is an important point to keep in mind in arranging your candles.

Altar Diagram 2 could be used in other sorts of rituals. For instance, in an uncrossing procedure, we might anoint the white candles denoted as (1) with High Altar Oil, anoint a purple candle denoted as (2) with Obeah or Commanding Oil, and a white candle denoted as (3) with Uncrossing Oil.

Now let's look at a slightly more complex situation. Altar Diagram 3 represents the layout for a full-scale uncrossing ritual:



The candles denoted as (1) are the white altar candles and because this is a highly spiritual ritual, the oil of preference for them would be High Altar. Candle (2) is also a white candle and on this one we would use Uncrossing Oil. The four candles marked (3) are purple candles which are anointed with Obeah, or another of the protective oils.

As you can see from the two layouts for uncrossing procedures, there is no one way of accomplishing the same goal! Either layout should be effective.

From these brief examples, I think you can get a basic idea of altar layouts and correct symbolization of your goal. A good approach to designing a ritual is to think like a child who has just learned the alphabet. The potions, candles, powders, etc., are the "letters" with which you "spell" out different things by combining them in different ways. While

you can read book after book about this, essentially you will learn most from actual practice. So long as you avoid the hexing potions and procedures, you need not worry too much about getting into hot water through experimentation. I might mention to those who are curious about the black arts that in several years I have yet to see a situation which could not be best handled by white magick as opposed to black magick.

In the examples above I did not mention the use of an incense or a powder, but I think it is obvious that you select an incense based upon its relevancy to your ritual. In other words, if you are working a love ritual, don't burn Money Drawing Incense! Suit your incense to your ritual's basic function. So too with powders. Using Altar Diagram 3 above, I might wish to add a powder on the altar for greater protection, so I might sprinkle Fiery Wall of Protection Powder in a circle around Candle (2) or around the four purple candles (3) to provide a circle of defense. Or, using Diagram 1, I might wish to sprinkle a little Come To Me Powder into the flame of the red candle each day. The uses of the potions are limited only by your own imagination.

Most voodoo rituals are constructed to last for seven days. The candles used in these rituals are called "Seven Day Candles" and they are large enough to burn continuously for seven or more days. These candles come in glass jars and are about 12" tall. To be authentic, the candle must be removable from the jar so that you can anoint it thoroughly and then reinsert it. In the case of Seven Day Candles, once they are lighted, leave them burning until they go out. If you don't wish to use Seven Day Candles (or can't find them), then use anything you can get your hands on, but be sure to pace your ritual so that the candles last for seven days. In general, when conducting a ritual, it is a good idea to spend half an hour to an hour a day with the candles. During this period you should see to it that you are undisturbed. Take the phone off the hook and don't answer the door.

Another important point to keep in mind is that you should set up your altar someplace where you will not have to disassemble your ritual each day. It is a lousy idea to move your candles when a ritual is in process. So plan for this. Also, if you live in a place where there are others around who might touch the altar or in some way interfere with your work, we suggest that you find someplace else to work your ritual. While this can create hardships, it is worth the extra effort.

Questions and Answers. When we teach these arts, there are certain questions which recur, so this section of the book is devoted to answering some of the commonest queries.

What happens if a candle goes out? This is highly inauspicious and our best advice is to stop the ritual immediately' dispose of the candles, and forget your objective. If you wish, you can try again so as not to be labeled a "quitter," but in magick, if things don't go nicely, it is generally advised to withdraw from the objective until a later time. Another possible reason for a candle going out is that you have not planned your ritual well. Perhaps you are using the wrong oil or perhaps there are contradictory elements in your ritual. One man once said that planning a ritual was somewhat analogous to programming a computer—what you put in is exactly what you get back. So if you do get a bad omen like a candle burning out, before you do pack it it, make absolutely certain that your ritual is clear, to the point, and consistent with your desired objective!

Does candleburning involve devil worship? No. These practices are actually less a religion than they are a psychic art. They really have nothing to do with organized religion in any orthodox sense. Nor are practitioners of these arts anti-Christian, anti-establishment, or anti-anything! In fact, it has been our observation that those who follow traditional religions who become involved in these arts find their faith is strengthened, not destroyed. It is interesting to note also that most of the herbal magickal knowledge of voodoo is derived from the Bible. The herbs used by Moses and the other great Magi of antiquity are all part of the Witch Doctor's repertoire. The morality of voodoo basically comes down to observance of the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule. Since karma is recognized within voodoo practice, it does not make sense to use these arts for purposes of evil.

What do I do with my leftovers when I am finished with my ritual? To be authentic, you have three alternatives. First get an orange, cut it in half, and put both halves in a brown paper bag. Then put all of your used supplies into the bag with the orange—candle stubs, leftover ashes, etc. You may keep leftover oils and incenses and powders if you wish, but anything that has been used on the altar should be discarded. Then, take the bag and do one of the following: (1) bury it; (2) leave it on the front doorstep of a church; or (3) take it to a river and toss it in. Any one of these procedures will adequately dispose of the used ingredients according to traditional sources. Of course, many modern practitioners are more casual and throw their supplies out along with their regular garbage. While this is permissible, make sure that your supplies are separate from the rest of your garbage (put them in a paper bag or some other container before putting them in

with the rest of your trash). While this may seem like a lot of unnecessary effort, it probably is a good idea to follow these procedures since they involve an initiated knowledge of the protections required for safe disposal.

I find it hard to believe in this stuff—what should I do? So avoid it already! If you don't believe in it, it will not work, so don't waste your time or money. However, it is alright to be skeptical or have a "show-me" attitude. But if you are truly a non-believer or are unwilling to give these arts a fair and objective test, then go do something else.

Should magick be used to replace a lawyer or doctor in times of difficulty or illness? Absolutely not! Anyone who fails to see a doctor in times of illness is a fool, not a magician. While we see nothing wrong with working rituals to help oneself in times of trouble, it is pure folly not to avail oneself of counsel. Magick should not be used to avoid the mechanisms of society, but rather should be employed to enhance personal growth within society. With magickal skills comes an awesome responsibility to oneself, one's community, and to humanity in general.

How fast should I expect results? There is no answer, and sometimes no results occur at all. Some people seem to be better at magick than others, just as some people play the piano better than others, and some people cook better than others. Magick is a skill which, like any talent, is there to be developed. While this ability is not yet respected in modern culture, the recent findings by scientists about the aura, ESP, psychokinesis, etc., are slowly but surely bringing about a marriage between science and magick.

What is the best time of day to work a ritual? While there is no rule of thumb on this, it is suggested that the time of day is less important than the "Planetary Hour." If, for instance, you were working a love ritual, you would want to be at your altar during the "Hour of Venus." If you are working a success ritual, you would want to work during the "Hour of Jupiter." There are planetary hour tables available in several books which make it easy to work with the planets. Al Manning's book *Helping Yourself With White Witchcraft* contains a planetary hour table.

Does magick always work? Yes and no. Like Mick Jagger once wrote: "You can't always get what you want—but if you try sometimes, you get what you need." Someone else once wrote a definition of genius which broke it down to "5% inspiration; 95% perspiration." Both

of these hold true for magickal workings. While every ritual should obtain some result, the result may be the opposite of what your ego might like! But ego has nothing to do with true attainment. If a ritual fails, however, usually you will find out why within a matter of days. You must remember that at best a ritual will attract to you an opportunity of one sort or another—from there it is up to you to take things in hand and through work and effort to bring about your objective. Magick merely deals you a hand—it is up to you to play it.

How important is the Moon in magickal workings? The Moon is very important. It is best, in general, to work with the waxing moon (as the Moon moves from new to full) because it is said that effects are stronger then. However, there are several books which go into detail about this. But it behooves every magickal practitioner to be aware of the Moon in the various signs and phases because as one becomes more and more sophisticated in his or her magickal work, this factor becomes overriding in importance. However, in the initial stages of candleburning practice it is not necessary to be so fanatical about details. One must first learn to read and write before one can produce poetry!

What do I do if I invoke something that I decide I don't want? Surprisingly, this happens more often than one might think! For instance, one might invoke success only to discover that one really isn't interested in success! One might invoke a lover and find that the lover is actually a vampire. One might banish someone from one's space only to discover that the banished individual is actually very important! If you find that you have changed your mind about something and wish to send it back, merely perform an uncrossing ritual of some sort upon yourself. Because of the frequency of turnarounds in rituals, I usually advise practitioners to think very carefully before using magick for any purpose. 99% of the time magick is not required to make things happen and my best advice is to use it only when all other "real-world" efforts have failed.

What should be my attitude while I am at the altar? Opinions vary on this. Personally I think of the spirits as good friends and relate to them in that way. I find that the spirits do not mind informality at all so long as that informality does not become disrespect! While respect for spiritual levels is of utmost importance, fear and unnecessary formality are not necessary at all. The most important thing when you are at the altar is to BE YOURSELF. If you find that reading Psalms or sacred poetry is right for you, then do so! If you prefer just to chat with the spirits in your own words, then do that! JUST BE WHO YOU ARE. The basic symptoms of

black magick are to control people and to make false doctrines to keep them under the thumb of authority through the techniques of guilt and fear. Black magick always prescribes elaborate procedures, rules, guidelines, etc. for its practitioners. White magick, on the other hand, is very much expressive of the individual. While there are some general guidelines for these arts, in general most of it is left up to you. Your rituals will be as successful as you are creative! There are no hard-and-fast rules about where to place your candles, your incenses, etc. You should feel the same creative freedom with the potions as a child might feel when handed a set of blocks of various shapes and colors. Approach magick with wonder and joy and your results will reflect your attitude. Approach it with fear and terror, and your results will reflect that too!

What do you do with people who don't believe! Say nothing. I have learned the hard way, as have most magicians, that to talk overmuch is a major mistake. While it would, indeed, be joyous for everyone to participate magickally in life, it is impossible for some people to see that magick can work. One should not hate them for this, because it is merely a form of self-inflicted blindness. For many people, a belief in magick shatters their reality and merely produces fear and hate! While this sounds absurd, it is all too true. More than once I have done a favor for someone using magick only to have that individual turn on me and start persecuting me with vindictive names and indescribable hatred. While this used to surprise me, I now realize that for some people to admit that magick works would require admitting that everything they have believed all of their lives is false! Best not to break that veneer of blindness. It is important also to realize that to have the gifts of magick in your grasp makes you a Servant, not a Master! Your job is to help, not convert. While magick is the highest gift the gods can bestow upon an individual, society is dead-set against the kinds of freedom and creativity that magick provides

What is black magick? To some extent we have already answered this question, but it never hurts to make this distinction clear. Black magick is, in general, any violation of another person's rights or freedom. In Witchcraft, one of the basic laws is "And ye harm none, do what thou wilt." Provided that you are positive that no one will be hurt or coerced through your procedures, then go right ahead! To use magick to force people to do things or to manipulate reality for the sake of mere ego is considered black magick and is to be avoided at all costs. Remember well the law of Karma—

***** Whatever you do will return to you threefold! *****

In other words, any hex you lay on Georgina today will be sitting at your doorstep, three times worse, tomorrow!

However, there are occasional situations where some one has wronged you, in which case you should either perform a justice or uncrossing ritual. Either one will produce effects similar to a hex by lifting the inflicted hex off of you and returning it to the party who sent it.

How does magick work? Nobody knows! However, there are two basic explanations, one traditional, the other more modern. The traditional explanation posits that spirits respond to various candles, colors, and fragrances and perform the deeds that they are asked to perform. The modern rationale states that YOU respond to various colors, fragrances, and techniques and thereby your telepathic abilities become focused through the performance of your ritual and cause things to happen. Either explanation is perfectly acceptable and it is quite probable that a third, fourth and hundredth theory can be put forth. Science is only now beginning to scratch the surface of the capacities of the brain and of the parapsychological abilities of humanity. Like anything new, it is rather scary—but not very long ago the world was flat, the Sun revolved around the earth, and technology was unheard of!

Can I use more than one oil on a candle? Yes. In fact, very often the simpler you can make a ritual, the more effective it will be in terms of results. For instance, I count anoint a green candle with both money oil *and* commanding oil in order to add greater strength to the green candle. The rule of thumb is that the color of the candle should reflect your primary objective. In other words, if my basic purpose is love, I would select a red candle; if my basic purpose is protection, I would select a blue or purple candle. Once I have my candle I can add two, three, or as many oils as I like to accurately "spell out" my desired goal.

What is the correct way to make a charm bag? As we have indicated, a charm bag is a bag which contains herbs which relate to a specific goal or objective. Selecting the herbs is easy, but you must also "charge" the bag to make it effective. You charge it by (1) lighting a match and plunging it into the bag (taking care not to set it on fire) and (2) by spitting into the bag and pulling the string tight. In this way you have added the elements of fire and water and have "personalized" the bag for your own use. However, once charged, DO NOT let the bag out of your possession!

Can I make my own incenses? Absolutely! For this reason we have included a comprehensive list of herbs with their traditional magickal meanings in this book. For instance, if you are planning to do a money drawing ritual, you might wish to select four or five of the money herbs described herein, mix them together, and burn them as your incense.

Can I use more than one oil on a candle? Yes! For instance, let's say you have someone in mind for a love affair but there are real problems involved because the person has just gotten over a bad love affair and is avoiding you because he is afraid of getting hurt. One might do well to get a red candle, anoint it first with Uncrossing Oil, and then with Come To Me Oil. The first oil handles the problems, the second draws him to you. You may also use more than one incense, powder, etc., in a given ritual. Again, through practice and experimentation you will find the combinations which work best for you.

I am doing a love ritual and when I start it I get a sudden burst of inspiration to do something which was not in the original design of my ritual. What should I do? The best advice one can give to any young magician is to trust their own intuitions. If, when performing a ritual, you suddenly feel the urge to add a couple more drops of oil to a candle, burn a bit more incense, sprinkle a powder, etc., then GO AHEAD! You must learn to trust yourself. While you may occasionally make a mistake, in general you will find that your own intuitions are the best counsel you will ever have, so go with them. Of course, if the concept is obviously wrong for your intended purpose, then dismiss it, but if the new idea strikes you as being logical and intelligent in view of your general purpose, you should definitely try it.

I have noticed that one of the candles in my ritual are burning much faster (or much slower) than the others. What does this mean? This is actually an excellent question which is way beyond the scope of this book to really discuss fully. Those who have practiced these arts for a number of years feel that the rate of burning speed of candles is indicative of the extent to which the potency of a candle is required. For example, if I am burning a purple and green candle and the purple candle is blazing madly while the green candle is very placid, then it is an indication to me that a great deal of power (purple) is being required to help me attain my objective. You may also notice, particularly in 7-Day Rituals, that different candles burn at different rates at different points in the ritual. For example, for three days my purple candle might burn fast and then suddenly slow

down and practically go out! Normally this means that the work has been accomplished, but let the candle continue to burn anyway until it is completely finished. If you happen to have a candle which is burning exceptionally badly, feel free, by the way, to "doctor" the candle—that is, remove some excess wax, or help it to burn by repositioning it. The more you use candles, the more you will discover about how much they can reflect on your altar precisely what is going on out in the world. As you become more and more advanced, you will be able to tell, just by glancing at your candles, precisely what effect your ritual is having!

What are Voodoo dolls and how do I make them? In general a Voodoo doll can be made for just about any purpose. In construction they involve fabric and herbs. The herbs are selected based upon the doll's function. For instance, if it is a doll for love, then use love herbs; if it is a doll for success, then use success herbs; if it is a doll to help speed healing, then use healing herbs. The one rule to keep in mind in all of this is that the fabric and thread you use must be made of natural fibers. NO SYNTHETICS! So use cotton, silk, muslin, or other natural fabric in the construction of a doll. The colors of fabric and thread can be determined from the list of candle colors hereinbefore. For instance, a doll for love would be red; a doll for uncrossing or healing would be white, a doll for money, luck or success might be green. As for the thread, you may either match the color of the doll (red cloth, red thread) or you may include another color to symbolize another element. For instance, in an uncrossing doll, you might use white fabric with purple thread to add additional protection. If you wanted to help a lover with money problems, you would make a red doll, sew with green thread, and stuff with money drawing and love herbs. The various combinations are practically infinite.

I am doing a ritual which calls for 'Special Oil No. X-47' and I can't find it anywhere—what should I do? If you wish to work a spell but can't find certain of the key ingredients, you should feel free to substitute. By going through the formulary and the herb list you will find literally dozens of interchangeable potions and herbs. Provided that the potion you select is alleged to do basically the same thing as the potion (or herb) you cannot find, then go ahead and don't worry!

I was away from my altar and my mother came in and flipped out and extinguished all of the candles. What should I do? Start over.

What about talismans? Talismans are any symbolic representation of your desire. For example, merely writing "I want money" on a piece of

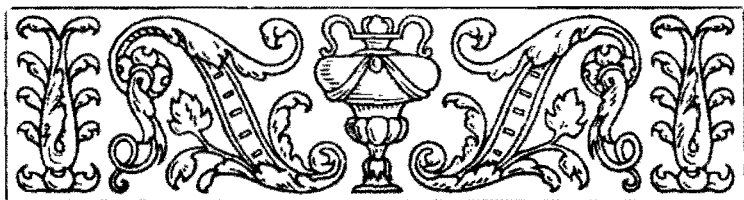
paper is a form of a talisman. If you wish to be more elaborate, then you should look into the area of talismans and their preparation and consecration. There are several books about this subject and most occult store owners can give you good advice in the selection of a talisman for a specific ritual. Within Voodoo in the United States, the most frequently used talismans are from a book called "The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses" which purports to be an ancient grimoire of magick. The talismans from this book are commercially available both in metal and in parchment paper form. Talismans are carried, used on the altar, or included in charm bags or dolls. However, this is a large subject and for further information we recommend Anna Riva's *Secrets of Magical Seals*, which has a very complete (and illustrated) discussion of the various talismans which are commonly employed in magickal practices.

Is there ever a use for black magick? No. However, life frequently confronts us with situations which might, on the surface, appear to call for a black magickal ritual. However, usually if one digs a little deeper into the situation, a white magickal solution may be found. Let's look at an example of how one could use either white or black magick to handle a difficult situation. Let us say that your friend Louise, who has been your bosom buddy for ten years, has just done something horrible to you. Let's say that she stole your boyfriend Ralph right out from under your nose! You are overwhelmed because Louise has always been privy to your closest confidences and you have always extended her a kind of trust that would never have led you to expect such a turn of events! Now, you can do one of three things. You can choose to ignore the situation and write Ralph and Louise off. You can hex the hell out of Louise and Ralph and put an end to their romance by inflicting any one of a variety of curses upon them. Or, you can perform a "Justice Ritual." Essentially the difference between a justice ritual and a hexing or revenge ritual is that in the former you allow the spirit planes to do the judging for you while in the latter you set yourself up as judge and jury! Basically a justice ritual employs a brown or purple candle in place of the traditional black candle. This is important to note because in an adultery situation, you should realize (no matter how painful the recognition may be) that you played your role in it as much as did Louise and Ralph. Hence, it seems to me that if you want Ralph back that you should work to develop positive attractive qualities within yourself while at the same time not casting judgment on the actions of others. Tolerance and forgiveness are the best keys I know to the attainment of true magickal power. Probably the best course to take is to let Ralph and Louise have their fling and continue on in your own life to overcome the hurt.

If your lover has shown you weakness, why don't you show him strength. Werner Erhard of *est* once said something to the effect that love is giving a person all the space they need to be all the things they are...and all the things they aren't!

Classical Voodoo Formulas

The following list of formulae are the companion explanations of the classic Voodoo recipes shown in MAGICKAL FORMULARY SPELLBOOK I for various oils (O), incenses (I), powders (P), baths (B), and floorwashes (FW). The code letters following the formula names indicate the forms in which the formula may be prepared. The meanings following the formula names are general in nature and should not be assumed to be the only use for the formulas. You can plan a ritual and its ingredients by reading through this list and selecting products relevant to your desired goal.



A

AFRICAN JU JU POWDER-Ju Ju Powder is a psychic development formula and is used in workings where the intuitive faculties must be stimulated for reasons of divination or spirit contact. Ju Ju Powder is worn on the body and some is traditionally sprinkled on or around the altar. Ju Ju Powder is also used in crossing rituals where it serves as an aid to forming a psychic bridge to the person one is crossing. The term "ju ju" signifies a hex object and in some traditions one takes a dead chicken and puts a curse on it and drops it on someone's doorstep to terrify him or her. This chicken is called a "ju ju". Fortunately, modern Voodoo has eliminated most of these more primitive ritual "grandes gestes" and substituted this sweet-smelling powder. But don't underestimate its effectiveness just because it's prettier than a dead chicken. Any agent with an ability to harness and focus our psychic abilities would make us very effective indeed in a crossing situation. A word of warning, however—long experience has shown us that usually today's hexer is tomorrow's hexee, so we suggest you use this powder exclusively for positive psychic development purposes.

AGARBATTI CHANDAN—This formula is considered to be a sacred luck and protection potion and it is recommended to gamblers as being conducive to propagating winning streaks. Its alleged power is to help in overcoming adversity and can be used as a ritual ingredient in just about any ritual aimed at that result. Agarbatti Chandan also tends to help promote feelings of peace and tranquility. One may add a few drops of any sweet-smelling essential oil to this incense and find that the magickal potency of the added oil is highly magnified in its effectiveness. (O, I, FW, P, B)

ALGIERS—Another fabled luck mixture with the added side effect of allegedly improving your love life. Now you'll not only hit the lottery, but you'll score romantically too! This is a very pleasantly scented mixture and is one of the most famous Voodoo recipes. (O, I, FW, P, B)

ALL NIGHT LONG—One of the most potent love oils going, this modern Voodoo recipe is used to insure a solid night of hard loving from your man. Just place a little bit wherever Nature inspires you to put it on your body and then turn out the lights. (O, I, FW, P, B)

ALL SAINTS—This is another psychic development compound of seven herbs or oils. This blend is considered to be one of the most spiritual fragrances in all of Voodoo. When used as a powder it is used at the beginning and the end of a ritual, forming a kind of high spiritual protection at both ends of your working. (O, I, FW, P, B)

AMOR OIL—This Caribbean love oil has a delicate and mild fragrance which is sweet and spicy. Used for anointing candles in any love ritual or it may be worn as a love perfume. Amor Oil, properly prepared, contains a small piece of coral in the bottle.

ANCIENT WISDOM POWDER—Ancient Wisdom is one of several Voodoo powders which is designed to help clarify fuzzy thinking and to attract high telepathic vibratory powers. The powder may be sprinkled on or near the Voodoo altar and a small bit may be rubbed on the forehead in the location of the third eye. When clarity of thought is used in a ritual, apply some of this powder as directed above at the beginning of the ritual. May also be made in the form of an oil. (O, P, B)

ANGEL—A potent protection, this formula is alleged to attract angelic intercession into your problems when used in a luck or protection ritual. The oil can also be used with pink candles to attract friendship; used on your Astral candle it provides protection to you. (Q, I, P)

ANGER POWDER—When you are angry, irritated, enraged, or otherwise in an evil temper, sprinkle a bit of Anger Powder around your room and this famous blend is supposed to help eliminate feelings of anger or frustration to put you in a much better frame of mind.

In working a ritual, it is important not to be in an anger space because it can tend to distort the outcome of the ritual. Since anger is one of the negative emotions, it can produce unpleasant results if it seeps into your working. So first get your self-control and then start working your magick. Anger Powder is a useful tool in accomplishing this, according to Voodooists.

ANOINTING OIL-Sometimes called Candle Dressing Oil, this is used to bless the Altar candles in a ceremony. This oil is alleged to give a candle greater occult strength. Anointing Oil may also be utilized to wipe the altar and can be added to bath water for a ritual bath. More than one Voodooist uses this oil to anoint herbs in charm bags since it has a lovely smell and adds potency to any white magickal concoction.

ARABIAN BOUQUET-This is a purifying or cleansing oil for the spirit which it is suggested be used prior to calling upon good spirits. Since spirits can tend to be as tricky as people, this oil gives you a special protection against any spirit games or practical jokes. Also, this oil is sometimes used against hexes, particularly those placed upon you by ex-lovers. (O, P)

ARABIAN NIGHTS-A love oil, Arabian Nights will attract many choices to a lady by lending qualities of extreme appeal on both intellectual and sexual levels. Arabian Nights is a light oil in the sense that it is a mild attractant and hence it is more designed to attract people on a friend basis than on a sexual basis. Once you've met the man of your dreams wearing Arabian Nights, then switch to a more potent love oil to clinch the contact.

ARABKA SOUDAGAR-This is a boon for the businessman since it attracts luck and money when burned as an incense. In its oil form it may be used to anoint green or pink candles for success rituals. (O, I)

ASTARTE—Lovers take note! This incense, named after one of the ancient love goddesses, is burned in a room where lovers are to meet. This fragrance is used once you have attracted the man or woman you seek since it helps to inspire sexual interaction and to enhance sexual awareness. (O, I, B, FW)

AS YOU PLEASE—As You Please is a mild commanding and compelling formula basically used in love problems. This may be burned as an incense, used as an anointing oil on a red figure candle, or as a powder sprinkle a bit in a lover's (or potential lover's) shoes or pockets to insure they will not displease you in the romance department. (O, I, P, B)

ATTRACTION BATH-This bath is an all-purpose attractant for love, money, and good vibrations. If you use no other bath, this one will help with just about any luck matter.

ATTRACTION OIL & INCENSE-Similar in function to the Attraction Bath. The oil is especially beneficial when used on love candles and it is said that if you put a drop of the oil in each of your shoes before you go to work, that it will bring success in your professional life. The incense is particularly beneficial when burned in love or success rituals. The Attraction formulas attract only good spirits.

ATTRACTION POWDER-Again, similar in function to the other Attraction formulae, but the powder is particularly beneficial for gamblers. A small amount of the powder is rubbed on the hands and body. The powder may also be sprinkled in your office, cash box, or on your bank books to help attract money to them.

AUNT ANNA WISHBONE-A blend of five ingredients which is alleged to help make dreams come true. This is a mix which acts on the psychic channels to inspire prophetic dreaming and to magnify your psychic or telepathic effectiveness. (O, I, P, B)

AUNT SALLY DREAM-Another New Orleans prophetic dream formula, this one is said to be particularly effective in areas of love. A bit of this may be added to a charm bag created for love, or sprinkle a bit of the powder between your sheets before you go to sleep at night and it is said that you will begin to make psychic contact with your soulmate. (O, I, P, B)

B

BANISHING—Used as an incense in a Voodoo ceremony, this formulation gets rid of all bad spirit forces which may have entered your temple area. This incense is also frequently used in uncrossing operations since it helps to alleviate any form of hex. In general, the herbs employed in the banishing formulas are very similar to those used in the uncrossing formulas. (O, I, FW, P, B)

BAT'S BLOOD INCENSE-This is a hexing formula which is burned to cast evil spells. Strictly black magickal in function, this is an incense of vengeance and hatred. In modern Voodoo, such a formula is rarely used since it evokes only baneful spirits and as such is highly dangerous to the operator.

BAT'S EYE INCENSE-Used basically for the same reasons as Bat's Blood and it is said to work just as well.

BAT'S HEART INCENSE-Another hexing formula which is normally used where it is desired to break up a love affair or to place a crossed condition on an unfaithful lover. Alleged to work very quickly

BEND OVER-One of the most famous of the Voodoo commanding

and compelling formulae, Bend Over is, as its name implies, a powerful agent used to get others to do as we would have them do. This is used in its oil and incense form as a hex-breaker in that commanding and compelling oils, in general, are used to order evil spirits to return to their sender. Businessmen would be well-advised to wear a drop of Bend Over Oil on each palm before going to an important meeting since it will tend to make them the center of attention and make others anxious to serve them. (O, I, P, B)

BENEFICIAL DREAM—This mixture works on the psychic centers and is alleged to help make dreams materialize if, and only if, they are beneficial to the dreamer. It also tends to develop clairvoyant faculties and consequently it is sometimes used in its incense and oil forms in spiritualistic sessions (séances, etc.). Used as a powder, rub a bit on your forehead and sprinkle a bit on your pillow before retiring. If used as a bath, soak in the tub at least 20 minutes while imagining yourself surrounded by all the good things in life. (O, I, P, B, FW)

BLACK ARTS—Used exclusively in black magick, this compound is used for hexing or crossing someone you truly despise. This is a very dangerous compound and has absolutely no white magickal uses. Before using it, make sure that there are no white magickal means for obtaining your desire. (O, I, P)

BLACK CANDLE TOBACCO—An old New Orleans recipe which is used to overcome legal problems. This incense is made with a tobacco base to which is added a couple drops of the following essential oils: Hi-John, Lo-John, Clove, Sage, and Rosemary. This incense is burned along with a black candle which is placed in a dish of salt.

BLACK CAT—In Voodoo, black cats are symbolic of luck and do not have a negative connotation. Therefore, this formula is used to attract the opposite sex and is also used in uncrossing and unhexing ceremonies. (O, I, P)

BLACK DEVIL—Basically used as an oil or a powder, the oil is helpful in keeping a man or woman faithful. Mix a bit of salt and sugar with the oil and sprinkle just a bit on their undergarments while they are asleep and it should prevent philandery. The powder is used basically the same way. Black Devil may also be used in a ritual aimed at getting a lost love to return. Despite its nasty name, this formula is basically for love. (O, P, I)

BLESSED—Normally used just as a powder, this formula may also be used as an incense. This is a purifying potion and as a powder it is sprinkled around the altar at the beginning and end of a service to attract and reward only good spirits. This may also be used as a protection for your home or business. (O, I, P, B, FW)

BLUE ANGEL—Similar in function to ANGEL. Use as specified under that entry. (O, I, P, B, FW)

BOSS FIX POWDER—This handy concoction handles problems on the job posed by a nasty boss or supervisor. Sprinkle a bit around your boss' office and around your own office. This will prevent any form of harassment and tend to improve relations with your superiors. It doesn't hurt to sprinkle a bit of this powder around your home inasmuch as it is said to cause those who enter your home to treat you with respect and kindness.

BUCKEYE—Traditionally the Buckeye has been symbolic of good luck. In this recipe, buckeye is added to bayberry, bay, and basil to provide a potent incense or powder. Alleged to be excellent for breaking hexes and for returning them to their sender, this formula has the additional benefit of replacing the hex with good luck for the user. Remember, when you break a crossed condition, it is a good idea to build up the positive vibrations around the person who has been unhexed in order to insure fruitful future activities for the individual. (I, P, B, FW)



CALIPH'S BELOVED—Considered one of the best aphrodisiac formulae, this blend is said to stimulate the sexual centers and to attract lovers. In New Orleans and throughout the Voodoo community in the United States this oil is considered essential in any Voodooists repertoire. To give you some idea of its effectiveness, Voodoo high priests used to recommend that New Orleans prostitutes wear a bit of this perfume to insure business. (O, P, I, B)

CAT'S BLOOD—A potent spell or hex-breaker often used in uncrossing rituals. This formula is especially beneficial when the hex has been placed upon you either by an ex-lover or an employer/employee. (O, P, I)

CAT'S EYE—Same as CAT'S BLOOD.

CAT'S HEART—Same as CAT'S BLOOD.

CHYPRE OIL—A favorite among gamblers, this is considered to be one of the supreme success oils. It also brings financial success in general. Gamblers should anoint hands before gambling. This formula is most beneficial when your hands actually come in contact with the gambling materials, e.g., cards, dice, etc. Not so effective with the horses.

CLEOPATRA—A potent blend of pine, sandalwood, orris, patchouli, myrrh, and frankincense which is said to insure love. Very similar in effect to Caliph's Beloved, except there are more protective ingredients built into this formula to insure that the man you attract is of good quality. (O, I, P, B)

COME TO ME—Without a doubt one of the most popular and renowned of Voodoo love oils. In reality, this is a commanding/compelling oil and, as the name implies, it is used to bring a lover to you by exciting your sexual and psychic centers. Use to anoint a red figure candle. If you wear the oil or use as a bath, be very careful, because this compound stimulates a man's sexuality to the extreme, according to Voodoo sources. With this brew, a little goes a long way. (O, I, P, B)

COMMANDING/COMPELLING OIL—Used to get another to do as we please. Commanding/compelling formulas come dangerously close to black magick in that they tend to interfere with another's will. However, there are situations where such an oil is useful. For instance, supposing someone has taken something from you and refuses to return it. A quick ritual using a commanding oil will quickly retrieve the article. (O, P, I)

CONCENTRATION—There are times when one is beset with all sorts of distractions at a time when one must think clearly and carefully. For this reason this formula has been developed. Place a small amount of the powder on your forehead, or place some of the oil in a bath and just relax in the tub for a while. This potion is said to inspire sudden insights into highly perplexing problems. (O, I, P, B)

CONFUSION—If you suspect that someone is about to cast a spell upon you, or suspect that one is being cast, use the Confusion formula in that it will not only break a hex but will throw the person sending it into a state of complete chaos and confusion. This is most effective when a hex is new; if you've been hexed for a while, it is not likely that this powder will be effective. However, it never hurts to have a bit of this in your supply cabinet for emergencies. (O, I, P)

CONQUERING GLORY—It is said that if you put a bit of the powder on your hands and feet each day before you set out for work that you will find that everything seems to break your way. This formula is not to be over-used, however as too much will tend to decrease its efficiency. You should reserve the use of Conquering Glory for those special business deals or for situations where you need a great deal of courage. Helps to overcome timidity, according to most Voodooists. (O, I, P, B, FW)

COURTING POWDER—This is a delicately scented powder prepared by adding a few drops of Muguet to a white Arrowroot base. This potion is alleged to put a man in a marrying frame of mind if worn by a woman. Another use for the powder is to sprinkle a bit someplace where the man you are interested in will walk and it is said to stimulate his interest in you. This powder's potency is rather mild and is often used to get to know someone on a friendly basis

before using a more potent powder to catch them. However, if the man is already yours, a bit of the Courting Powder is said to help nudge him towards walking down the aisle.

CROSSING—There are not enough words in the English language to warn the individual against the use of this potent recipe. This is the classic Voodoo spell-casting formula and it is not a joke or something to be used lightly. Most modern Voodooists stay away from the hexing preparations since there are so many white magickal ways of accomplishing the desires of one's will without inflicting harm on another. (O, I, P)

CROWN OF SUCCESS—As one of Voodoo's best known success formulae, Crown of Success has a dual function. It both attracts success to the user, and tends to remove those who would stand in your way. Also, if someone on your job is gossiping about you or bad-mouthing you in some way, this blend eliminates their bad vibrations from affecting you in any way. (O, I, P, B, FW)

CRUCIBLE OF COURAGE—For people who are inordinately shy or timid, Crucible of Courage is renowned among Voodooists as a courage elevator. The oil is used to anoint purple candles and you may wear the oil when confronting frightening or potentially dangerous situations. (O, I, P, B, FW)

D

DAMNATION POWDER—This is another of the strong hexing powders and is used by dropping nine pinches upon a burning incense charcoal and repeating the name of your oppressor nine times. Because this powder can bring very evil things to pass in the life of the person you use it on, you should think carefully before employing it to make absolutely certain that you wish to do extensive damage.

DELIGHT—A very popular Voodoo love formula which has a way of making one lose one's inhibitions for a while. A marvelous powder or oil for a woman who is attracted to someone who just can't summon the courage to "make the move." It is also said to increase the pleasure levels of the sexual embrace. (O, I, P, B)

DEVIL'S MASTER—Used by both male and female Voodooists, this is a potent love incense used to stimulate the carnal levels in another person. This is more a "lust" than a "love" attractant. (O, I, P)

DEVIL'S OIL—This is used as a hexing compound, but because it has a tendency to bring bodily harm to the one it is used against, very few Voodooists would resort to its employment. Remember that according to the Law of Karma, any evil we wish on another will come

back to us three times as strong eventually. So, be cool with this and all hexing potions.

DEVIL'S SNUFF—If there is someone in your life who opposes your every move, Devil's Snuff Powder may be your answer. Sprinkle a bit on your hands and it is said that it will temporarily subdue any and all opponents, and prevent others from mixing into your private business.

(P, I, O)

DIXIE LOVE—A strong attraction recipe which stimulates those of the opposite sex to bend over backwards to please you. (O, I, P, B)

DOMINATION—Basically the same as a Commanding or Compelling oil. This allows you to have control over others while insuring that they will cast no evil spells upon you. If someone is sending a hexed condition at you, utilization of Domination Oil will send it back to them. May also be burned as an incense for the same effect. One may wear one or two drops of the oil in a situation where having the upper hand is of importance, such as in a business deal or when dealing with bureaucrats or petty officials.

DOUBLE CROSS—Basically the same ingredients as the "Crossing" formula, however this has an opposite use. Use this to reverse hexes—but make sure you use this carefully and that you wash hands after use because it contains some hexing herbs. (O, I, P)

DOUBLE FAST LUCK—This renowned Voodoo luck incense is exactly the same as Fast Luck Incense with the addition of a pulverized dollar bill. Since defacing of currency is illegal, we cannot advise you to try this formula. See entry under Fast Luck Incense for more information. (I, O, P)

DOVE'S BLOOD—A blend of Dragon's Blood Reed, Rose and Bay oil, this formula is supposed to provide tranquility and happiness in times of trouble. Since the Dove is the symbol of peace and Dragon's Blood is one of the most potent of Voodoo herbs, we suspect you will find this a most efficacious admixture. (O, I, P, FW, B)

DOVE'S EYE INCENSE—While this is a different formula, its effect is exactly the same as DOVE'S BLOOD and works equally as well. Just in case you are wondering, a dove's eye is not actually one of the ingredients in the recipe. Actually, this is a blend of carnation, frankincense, vanilla, cardamon, and marjoram oils.

DOVE'S HEART—Basically the same as Dove's Blood and Dove's Eye except it is rumored to be particularly effective when upset is engendered by love problems. This recipe is said to alleviate all problems in one's romantic life. (O, I, P, B)

DRAGON 5 BLOOD CRYSTAL BATH—An excellent protective bath which is said to attract both peace of mind and love.

DRAGON'S BLOOD OIL—This is basically an uncrossing oil and it is recommended that one use it in combination with the Dragon's Blood Crystal Bath. This oil is used to anoint the hexed individual and is not used for candle anointing. Even after the hex has been removed, the person should continue to wear the oil for at least 14 days to insure that no side effects of the crossing will harm him/her.

DRAW ACROSS—If you feel you are lacking something in the sexual magnetism department, this formula has been created to help you. This is a potent attraction combination of oils or herbs and it is recommended that you sprinkle some around your home or apartment to attract interesting people into your sphere. As an oil it can be used to anoint another person's Astral candle in a ritual. For instance, if you are seeking to get a Scorpio to be interested in you, then anoint a suitably colored taper symbolizing Scorpio and draw that person across the barriers of his/her reticence in the ritual. May also be used as a powder which is sprinkled where someone you desire will walk. (O, I, P)

DRAW BACK INCENSE—If you feel that someone is interfering in your life, use of this incense will cause any sort of interference to quickly cease. It is recommended that this incense be burned in combination with sprinkling of some Get Away Powder, which is described below. (O, I, P)

DRAWING—This is one of those fragrant combinations which it is alleged that good spirits truly love. Rub some of the oil or powder on your hands and sprinkle around the altar area. Makes a marvelous incense when attempting to draw down the forces of luck and success. This is the perfect formula for when you find yourself in dire straits and truly need a miracle to get you out. Serves to quiet the nerves too, in addition to its other functions (O, I, P, FW, B)

DREAMS OF DELIGHT—See Aunt Sally's Dream entry above for full details.

DRESSING—This is an incense which is used as a general purpose formula at just about any kind of Voodoo service. The function of the incense is to purify the chambers and the oil makes a wonderful anointing oil for the white Altar candles. The traditional way of using this incense is to apply it in seven individual pinches to a lighted incense charcoal at both the beginning and end of your service. (O, I, P)



EASY LIFE—As the name implies, this is supposed to be a magical preparation which will make everything in your life flow with ease. This is used frequently when times are bad or when someone wishes to have others do his work for him. This latter function of Easy Life is what

makes it such a popular oil or incense. (O, I, P, B, FW)

EASY TIMES-The secret ingredient in this one is the addition of some pieces of a dollar bill. As with the Double Fast Luck formula, we cannot recommend you use this recipe because defacing currency is a federal offense. But then again, what isn't a federal offense these days. (O, I, P, B, FW)

EASY WRATH or **EASE WRATH**-Normally this formula is prepared as a powder and it is sprinkled either on someone who is angry with you, or on some symbolic representation of the person such as a Voodoo doll, a candle, or a charm bag. This powder is said to help overcoming any kind of anger, hatred, or animosity which another may feel for you. Think how nice it could be if you could eliminate such negative vibes from your life. (O, I, P)

EGYPTIAN TEMPLE-Said to be an ancient Egyptian formula, this is one of the Voodoo sacred recipes for incense, oil, or floorwash. The basic purpose of this herbal combination is to purify, banish, and generally make sacred the temple area. (O, I, FW)

EGYPTIAN VISION-See Spiritual Vision.

ENDING OIL—This is not so much an oil as it is a procedure used in uncrossing rituals. Ending Oil is prepared by taking a white plate and making three crosses on it, side by side, and then washing down the plate with Van Van oil into a receptacle. Make sure that the crosses dissolve completely into the Van Van. This procedure is said to make this truly a holy oil, according to Voodoo belief. See entry under Van Van for further information.

ENVY & JEALOUSY-If you are feeling envious or jealous of someone, sprinkle a bit of this powder around your house and it should help to dispel some of the upset. If you wish, you may sprinkle a bit of the powder near the door of the person you are envious of or jealous about and it is said to work doubly well in easing your mind. Use the oil to anoint your Astral candle when you are feeling upset. (O, I)

EVE OIL—If you're having a problem getting Adam to sink his teeth into the big apple you've been offering him, then this may do the trick. This oil is supposedly an aphrodisiacal fragrance and men are alleged to be overcome with lascivious ideas at even the slightest whiff. Use with care, however, because Adam may turn out to be the snake! (O, I, B)

EVIL EYE-This oil preparation uses Van Van oil similarly to the formula for Ending Oil. Obtain a white plate and with blue coloring draw an eye in its center. Wash the plate with Van Van oil and make sure that the entire eye is absorbed into the Van Van. Pour the oil off into a bottle. This is said to be the best protection against the effects of the "evil eye" available. This oil is used in an annual weekly ritual. Rub some on

your hands each day for seven days and it is said that you are protected for up to a year.

EXORCISM-See Satan Be Gone.

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FAST LUCK-Who doesn't need a little Fast Luck every once in a while. And this one is probably the most famous New Orleans Voodoo recipe. For a variation on this formula, see entry under Double Fast Luck. This is a lovely fragrance in whatever form you choose to use it. (O, I, P, FW, B)

FAST SCRUBBING ESSENCE-This is a type of Florida Water which is discussed below. This makes an excellent floorwash for any type of business establishment since it is alleged to attract success and unexpected strokes of good fortune.

FIERY COMMAND—This is a commanding and compelling incense which most Voodooists advise be used with caution since its ingredients are three of the strongest herbs in the Voodoo repertoire. Consistent use of this formula in ritual is said to cause others to immediately perform your every wish without your having to say a thing. (O, I, P, B)

FIERY WALL OF PROTECTION-This formula is basically the same as Fiery Command in terms of how it is used, except it adds a fourth ingredient which protects the burner against any unexpected rebound or black magickal attack. (O, I, P, FW, B)

FIRE OF LOVE-As you might suspect, this incense appeals to the baser instincts of mankind and is said to draw others forcibly to you by greatly enhancing your sexual desirability. (O, I, P, B)

FIRE OF PASSION-Exactly the same as Fire of Love with the exception of one additional ingredient—Ambergris (sometimes called Sperm Oil). This is even a more potent passion arouser and it is advised that the user exercise extreme caution in where one wears this fragrance lest they might incite an undesired person to passion or lust. Unless you are sure you can keep everything in control, we suggest you stick with the Fire of Love formula. (O, I, P, B)

FIVE CIRCLES-This is one of the most psychic of the Voodoo incenses and wisdom dictates that we say little about either its use or its manufacture. Because of the enormous powers credited this fabled incense, we suggest again that you use it most sparingly. About the only hints we feel it appropriate to give is to anoint the forehead and bedroom area before retiring and watch the results! (I, P)

FLAME OF DESIRE-See Flaming Power.

FLAMING POWER-This is a love incense to be used only by men.

Burning this incense or wearing the oil are said to make even the coldest of women melt at "just the nearness of you." However, a little goes a long way and used in excess it can stimulate your loved one to become highly possessive and jealous of your every move. So don't overdo with this one. (O, I, B)

FLORIDA WATER-In Southern Voodoo circles, the most commonly used floorwash is known as Florida Water. Florida water is added to one's mop bucket to banish the home of any sort of evil spirit. While there are at least four different formulae for Florida Water, we are presenting two of the best below:

1 gal. 90 proof alcohol
1 dm Lemon
1 dm Portugal
1 dm Lavender
2 dm Clove
1/8 dm Cinnamon
1 pint water

or

1/2 gal. 90 proof alcohol
1 oz. Lavender
1 oz. Bergamot
1 dm Lemon
1 dm Clove
1 gal. water

It should be noted that these formulae are for rather large quantities of Florida Water, and since only about a half a cup is used in a bucket of water, you may reduce these recipes proportionally to suit the quantities you may actually require.

FLYING DEVIL-Said to be a highly dependable uncrossing oil, Flying Devil has maintained a wide popularity because it tends to really zing the person who has hexed you. This formula is said to work very quickly, but probably it would have to be burned for at least seven days to ensure an uncrossing.

FOLLOW ME BOY-This is a love oil which it is said New Orleans prostitutes use to insure the fatness of their wallet. The floorwash is frequently used to mop down brothels because it is believed to greatly improve business in such establishments. (O, P, I, B, FW)

FOUR THIEVES VINEGAR-Allegedly introduced to this country by Marie Laveau, the unrivaled High Priestess of American Voodoo, this vinegar-based herbal potion is said to drive enemies away from your door. Sprinkle a bit on your front doorstep, or on the doorstep of someone you do not like.

FRENCH CREOLE-This prophetic dream and psychic enhancement blend is composed of a mixture of lilac, musk, bay, and lime. It is said also to aid in the interpretation of seemingly prophetic dreams. (O, P, I, B)

FRENCH LOVE POWDER-A famous New Orleans recipe for a scented white powder to be worn only by ladies. The scent is alleged to bring forth the qualities of love and tenderness in a male when he comes in contact with the powder.

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GET AWAY POWDER-This is one of the best potions around to get someone who is bothering you to cease and desist. Sprinkle a bit outside your door and you'll find that troublesome people have a hard time getting through it. This powder is said to make pests leave your premises immediately.

GLOW OF ATTRACTION-See Attraction.

GO AWAY-Same as Get Away.

GODDESS OF EVIL-This is both a hexing and protecting compound. If sprinkled around your altar or temple floor it will protect you from bad spells. But if you add some to a Voodoo doll, it will place a hex upon someone you do not like. As with all hexing compounds, we strongly warn against their use. (I, P, O)

GOOD LUCK MYSTIC-This combination of four herbs is said to help you have highly fortunate dreams of a prophetic nature. Said also to help invigorate unused psychic abilities. (I, O, P, B)

GOOD LUCK SPIRITUAL-This blend is said to greatly enhance psychic and clairvoyant abilities when used in any form of ritual or séance. It tends to increase the levels of spiritual vibrations and heighten one's abilities to interpret manifestations. (O, I, P, B)

GOOFER DUST-Goofer Dust is the same as Graveyard Dust and is a frequent ingredient in Voodoo hexing rituals. However, where one is too faint-hearted to steal out to a cemetery at midnight, you may substitute a mixture of patchouli, mullen, and vetever. In fact, some Voodoo-ists allege that this mixture is better in effect than actual dirt from a graveyard.

GODDESS OF LOVE-Tends to trigger the baser, more animal instincts in a man and so it is advised to use this combination with extreme care. Perhaps the best way to utilize this mixture is in its bath form where it can be appropriately diluted. This also makes an excellent anointing oil in a love ritual and it is said to be most successful when used on a red male figure candle. (O, I, P, B)

GOONA GOONA—If you are having problems in any relationship,

burning Gonna Goona in its incense form is a great way to create the right kind of environment or atmosphere for communication and understanding. Goona Goona brings with it peace, love, and protection. (O, I, P, B, FW)

GRAVEYARD DIRT/GRAVEYARD DUST/GRAVEYARD MYSTIC POWDER/GRAVEYARD SPIRITUAL POWDER—See entry under Goofer Dust.

GREEN POWDER—This powder is to be used exclusively by men. (See Red Powder for females). Green powder is a diabolically simple recipe, but it tends to bring great good fortune with regard to the opposite sex. Voodooists advise sprinkling just a bit of the powder on the left leg and placing just a bit in the area of the male member. Homosexual males who use this preparation should use a Lavender or Purple base powder instead of Green.

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HAITIAN GAMBLER—One of the success and luck oils of Haitian origin which is alleged to clear up even the worst losing streak. Anoint a green 7-knob candle with this oil and burn before gambling, or anoint one of the luck herbs with this oil and carry in a red flannel bag when playing any game of chance. This oil may also be used to anoint suitable talismans or seals. Place a bit on the palm of the hand before playing cards and watch your luck take charge. (O, I, B, P)

HAITI JUNGLE POWDER—This is a spell-casting and spell removing powder and it is to be used sparingly. You may use this in any sort of uncrossing ritual by sprinkling it about the altar while petitioning aloud for protection, or you may use some of this powder mixed with herbs for stuffing a Voodoo doll representing someone upon which you wish to cast a spell. Because of the "reversible" nature of this powder, it is recommended that only skillful or advanced Voodooists employ it.

HAITIAN LOVER—This is an oil to be worn by men only and it is said to create swoons wherever you go. An excellent formula for shy men. This is an excellent anointing oil for red female figure candles in a ritual where a man desires to attract a woman symbolized by the red candle. Anointing the female candle with the male-oriented oil is a potent spell unto itself since it represents a symbolic sexual gesture. (O, I, B)

HAPPY TIMES—As its name suggests, this jolly potion brings good times to an environment which may be having some rough luck. When used in its powder form, sprinkle around your room or office, or wherever you are having difficulties. This is a hex-reversing compound alleged to make even the most unfortunate of circumstances to disappear and be

replaced by laughter and light. Many have noted that this blend also tends to produce money for people who burn it regularly. A very sweet-smelling blend. (O, I, P, B, FW)

HAS NO HANNA-If you are in a funk, a depression, then Has No Hanna is just about the best blend to bring you right out of it. Use to anoint a White or Orange candle, or anoint a white figure candle representing yourself and burn every day for seven days. It is sometimes recommended to put one drop in the corner of your temple room as a protection once a year. (O, I, P, B)

HEALTH-While this combination is hardly a substitute for seeing a doctor, it can help bring healing vibrations into the sickroom, according to ancient legend.¹ Use to anoint a white taper or cross candle. May also be used to anoint appropriate talismans and seals (O, I, B, P)

HELL'S DEVIL-Strictly a hexing combination, in its oil form Hell's Devil is used to anoint black candles. Since this formula is alleged to cause grave physical harm to the individual against whom it is used, it is recommended to avoid this compound.

HELPING HAND-If you and your lover are having a rough time with one another; if where there once was loving there is now only quarrelling, Voodooists would recommend using the Helping Hand formula. As an incense it should be burned each evening for seven days to restore calm. Helping Hand is a very sweet-smelling incense; for those who do not like sweet incenses, we recommend you substitute Peaceful Home for this formula. As an oil it is used to anoint white and/or pink candles. (O, P, I)

HERB OIL-Another famous New Orleans recipe, this five-herb incense is renowned for its effectiveness in three areas—luck, health, and memory. For those who suffer from a bad memory, Herb Oil is supposed to help them. Obviously a memory enhancer would be of great help to a gambler.

HERMES—Hermes is the same as Mercury, the God who rules communication and thought. Hence, his formula is said to increase one's ability to concentrate. A popular formula for people who like to meditate, this blend is also said to heighten creativity and more than one artist has burned it while working. (O, I, P)

HIGH ALTAR BRAND-This is a blessing formula which is used to anoint both candles and heads in Voodoo services. One of the holiest of the Voodoo oils, it is said to be the most potent spirit puller (attractant) that there is on the open market. (O, I, P, B, FW)

HIGH CONQUERING-Because one of the ingredients in this formula is High John the Conqueror oil, it is obvious that this is a strongly protective formula and has the qualities of attracting the best things in life. One of the most positive of the Voodoo oils, High Conquering brings prestige, love, and money. Said to take effect quickly. (O, I, P, B, FW)

HOLINESS POWDER-See Holy Spirit Powder.

HOLY INCENSE-See Holy Oil.

HOLY OIL-Holy Oil and Holy Incense are two of the most protective spiritual components available to the Voodooist. Alleged excellent for healing and blessing candles, this blend of three sacred oils is said to be one of the best psychic attractors available. (O, I, P)

HOLY SPIRIT POWDER-Sprinkle some of this around the top of your altar and on the incense charcoal at any Voodoo service where the help of good spirits is being requested and wherever clairvoyant faculties are required.

HOLY HERBS-This combination of herbs is said to be very helpful for a number of purposes. Composed of equal parts of chamomile, thyme, tarragon, cinnamon, parsley, and cardamom, this is brewed into a tea. As the steam rises from the pan, call on the spirits to protect you and bring you health and good fortune. This tea may be added to your bathwater for extra protection in these areas.

HORN OF PLENTY-When you are broke and down and out, this is the incense to select. Said to overcome poverty and change fortune rapidly. A very sweet incense; for those requiring something less sweet, we suggest substituting Frankincense for this formula. (O, I, P, B)

HOT FOOT POWDER-If you know someone whom you would like to make uncomfortable but whom you wish to real harm to come to, this compound is recommended. Its effects are temporary and no real suffering is inflicted. It tends merely to turn the other person's attention to some petty personal problem and thereby get him off your back.

HOUSE BLESSING-Perfect for cleansing your temple or home of any sort of malevolent spirits. A perfect gift for friends or relatives who are moving into a new home or apartment since it is said to both banish evil and bring peace and harmony to the premises. (O, I, P, B, FW)

HOUSE DRESSING-Another fine luck attractant and blessing formula. Similar in effect to House Blessing and rather similar in fragrance. (O, P, I, B, FW)



INDIA BOUQUET-This compound works in the service of love three ways. First it creates a strong atmosphere of attraction between people of the opposite sex. Second, it brings harmony and peace between people if they have been quarreling. Third, it is alleged to end the problem of marital infidelity. Use as an anointing oil in love rituals and sprinkle some of the powder around the bedroom to insure tranquility. (O, I, P, B, FW)

INFLAMMATORY CONFUSION POWDER—If you have a mate or lover who is cheating, a pinch or two of this powder, properly applied, will put an end to it. Sprinkle a little around the altar and on a figure candle representing the person who is cheating. Or, write the name of a person who has been cheating in Dragon's Blood Ink on a piece of parchment and sprinkle some of the powder on it while the ink is still wet. Allow to stand until the ink is dry and then fold the parchment carefully and place into a red flannel bag. Place the bag in the freezer compartment and leave there until you are assured that the cheating has stopped. It shouldn't take long. Some Voodooists recommend also sprinkling a bit of the powder in the wandering one's undies.

INFLAMMATORY INCENSE—This incense uses the same ingredients as Inflammatory Confusion, but with one major exception. This one includes a bit of Chili Pepper and the inclusion of this herb turns this into one of the hottest, most passionate of the love/sex incenses.

INSPIRING—One of the loveliest of the Voodoo formulae, this compound, as its name suggests, is supposed to help you feel optimistic, happy, confident, and spiritually "high." This is also an excellent meditation incense and it is suggested as a perfect blend for businessmen or creative people who must constantly come up with new ideas. This fragrance is said to make creativity come easy. (O, I, P, B, FW)

INSTIGATION—Use this in a ritual where you are trying to get someone, or a group of people, to do something for you. This is a mild commanding/compelling formula and tends to have very positive effects for those you use it on in that it helps to inspire creativity and grant them abilities to accomplish otherwise impossible tasks. A perfect incense for an employer to burn as he thinks about how to get more work out of his employees. (O, I, P)

IRIS—If you're falling apart and you must somehow pull yourself together quickly, this blend may be just what you need. This potion is also alleged to help strengthen the will and one's thinking abilities. (O, I, P, B)

ISIS OIL—This aphrodisiac oil should only be worn by women and only by adventurous women at that! A blend of seven of the sexiest fragrances going, this is a powerful stimulant for the male animal. And we do mean animal. (O, I, P, B)



JALOP POWDER—Famed throughout Voodoo as the foremost of blessing and protection powders, no Voo-dooist's supply shelf would be complete without some of this mixture. Use in any service where special spiritual protection is desired.

JAMAICA BUSH-Wonderful for financial speculators, gamblers, and businessmen. The powder is excellent in any success ritual and the oil makes a good anointing or body oil. The bath is one of the most popular ways of using this combination. While taking the bath one is supposed to relax completely and meditate about what it will be like to be successful. (I, O, P, B)

JINX—This is actually a line of incenses which were formulated many years ago by a Voodoo High Priest. Jinx comes in several colors and each color has a different function. Black—Used to banish evil spirits and in uncrossing ceremonies; particularly recommended as an incense to be used prior to and following any sort of hexing operation to purify and banish the premises. Green—Burn this in times of financial trouble since it is alleged to bring success in abundance. Purple—A psychic developer; use this in any sort of ritual where psychic or clairvoyant powers are required. Red—Helps attract love and potential lovers who are marriage minded. (O, I, P, B, FW)

JINX REMOVING (INSIDE)-Whenever you are in a hexed condition or suffering from poltergeist activity, this is a famed formula alleged to quickly reverse effects of evil of any sort. It protects through its ability to disperse negative vibrations and it is recommended that in its powder form it be sprinkled throughout the home. Particularly useful for people who have recently been uncrossed to avoid the possibility of recurrence of the hex. (O, I, P, FW)

JINX REMOVING (OUTSIDE)-If you are planning to clear all the jinxes from your house, you might as well make sure they leave your property too. Used in powder or incense form, this admixture is supposed to keep your land clear of evil for at least a year. To be most effective, the two Jinx Removing formulae should be used together. Preferably they should be employed at the time of the New Moon.

JINX REMOVING INCENSE-Different from the two Jinx Removing formulae mentioned above, this is one of Voodoo's classic uncrossing incenses. Because of the potency of the individual herbs involved in this blend, it is frequently used as a bath and floorwash. (O, I, P, FW, B)

JOCKEY CLUB-Despite its suggestive name, this is a hex-breaking blend of herbs and most Voodooists realize that lurking behind that innocent name is one of the strongest protection oils on the market. This oil should only be used for protection and should be kept wrapped in a piece of leather.

JOY-When you're down at the frown, miserable, low, think you'll never get it together, are positive that happiness will never again cross your doorstep, that is the time to light up some Joy incense. Beautifully scented and invigorating, this combination also makes a marvelous love incense or oil. (O, I, P, FW, B)

JU JU OIL-Ju Ju Oil has a dual nature in that it is used both for crossing and uncrossing. This may be used as an anointing oil in an uncrossing ritual, or it may be used to anoint Voodoo dolls in a crossing ritual. Either way, it is alleged highly effective.

JUA JUA POWDER-This is also a protection and crossing compound. Very similar in effect to Ju Ju, but in a powder form for those who desire to employ a powder in their ritual.

JUPI—Same as Jua Jua Powder.

JURY WINNING POWDER-If you are not too sure how good your lawyer is, no sense taking a chance—bring a little Jury Winning Powder into court or sprinkle some of it around a purple candle in a protection ritual when you are concerned about the outcome of a court case.

JYOTI— This is particularly effective for someone who is trying to make a go of a business but is encountering a difficult time of it because of bad fuck or suspected hexes which may have been placed upon the business. Sprinkling some of this around the premises in its powder form or burning the incense is said to be extremely protective and purifying. (O, I, P, FW)

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KABALA—This is a profoundly spiritual incense which is alleged to permit expeditious communication with the spirit planes. It is recommended that this incense or oil be used only when in solitude as it allows for intensive meditation. Use only with white candles. (I, O, P)

KHUS KHUS-Al though Khus Khus is an herb, this formula does not contain Khus Khus. Instead, it is a blend of Oleander and Jasmine and is considered a marvelous love attractant and is said to be helpful to businessmen in that it tends to increase sales. (O, I, P, B, FW)

KINDLY SPIRIT-Are you feeling neglected, that people are ignoring you and you aren't getting the kind of attention you may need but are too proud to ask for? Then this is the formula for you. It is alleged to vibrate out to your friends, family, or whomever you designate to bring them to you with sympathetic attitudes. Use this in any ritual where you are seeking to overcome loneliness or where you simply need a friendly shoulder to cry on. (O, I, P)

KING OF THE WOODS-This compound is to be used only by men and it is a sexual domination formula. By this we do not mean sado-masochistic activities are inspired by its use, but rather that its fragrant oils merge to make a man highly stimulating and attractive to the

opposite sex. Homosexual males seeking to attract other males should read the entry under Satyr Oil. (O, I, P, B)

KING SOLOMON-Traditionally used as an oil, this formula is also an excellent incense and bath. This is a psychic energizing formula and it is said to promote wisdom, wealth, psychical intuitive abilities, and clear thinking. Use in any ritual where these faculties are to be called into play. (O, I, P, B)

KING'S PERFUME-This is the oil of change and it is to be used in any circumstance where a drastic alteration in present circumstances is desired. Said to be highly aphrodisiacal and lucky, this is a fragrance that only men should see. (Women should use the Queen's Perfume, mentioned in a separate entry, since the essential oils in that formula are specifically blended to be attuned to the feminine psyche.) This is also an excellent oil to use in rituals when you are looking for a job. Use to anoint success or luck objects to heighten their magnetism. (O, I, B)

KYOTO—When you need to change a mood from negative to positive, Kyoto is an excellent mood elevator. Use as a mild jinx-breaking powder if you are encountering a run of lousy luck. The formula is alleged to work by creating a positive psychic attitude in the user and thereby permitting positive telepathic energy to create good things in your personal space. (O, I, P, B, FW)

KYPHI INCENSE-One of the sacred Ancient Egyptian incense formulae, Kyphi makes an excellent banishing incense and has one of the nicest fragrances of any incense available. Use to banish negativity, evil spirits, or bad luck. Said also to be beneficial in attracting healing spirits.

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LADY LUCK-One of the most famous luck formulae in New Orleans Voodoo circles, this blend of fragrances is said to create a potent luck vibration. It makes a wonderful bath mixture for those seeking prophetic dreams or a change in luck. (O, I, P, B)

LA FLAMME—This is a love oil which encourages someone to think only of you. Use with a red figure candle of a male you wish to influence (males use red female candle) and write the name of your intended in Dove's Blood Ink on a piece of parchment. Anoint the candle with La Flamme oil and place it on top of the parchment and allow to burn. You may also use this to anoint seals or talismans, or sprinkle a few drops on a Voodoo doll representing the man/woman of your dreams and accomplish the desired effect. (O, I, P)

LODESTONE—Lodestone incense is considered one of the most potent luck attractants because of its "magnetic" nature. As you may

know, lodestones are natural magnets, and this incense contains a bit of lodestone. Not only is Lodestone one of Voodoo's favorite luck blends, but it is also used in uncrossing rituals as it is said to also be a powerful hex-breaker. Those striving for success who suspect that someone may be crossing them or blocking their drive towards success would be well-advised to try this formula. (O, I, P)

LOBBAN—A fragrant banishing incense used in Voodoo rituals at both their beginning and end. This incense is used only in white magickal rituals. The bath formula is a fine protection which may be used as a follow-up on an uncrossing where there is a suspicion of recurrence of the hexed condition. (O, I, P, B, FW)

LOST AND AWAY—Similar in effect to Get Away and employed in the same manner. This one is said to have enough power to make someone move out of the neighborhood, even the town! Only used in powder form.

LOVE & SUCCESS—Ladies looking for a wealthy husband or men looking for a wealthy wife take note! This blend is said to not only find you a happy marriage, but also to bring great success to the marriage partners. Use for anointing pink and red candles. If your mate is having a rough time financially, use this formula liberally as both an incense and oil in a ritual designed to bring him renewed success and luck. (O, I, P)

LOVE BREAKER—This is one of the naughty potions in that if used in a certain way it can break up a marriage. However, there is a use for this formula which is helpful sometimes in white magickal circumstances. If, for instance, someone is in love with you and you are not interested, you can use this in its powder form in a ritual and cause the person to get off your case. Sprinkle on a candle or doll representing the person who is annoying you and it is alleged they will beat a hasty retreat. (O, I, P)

LOVE INCENSE—A love attractant, this formula is said to quite effectively bring potential lovers flocking to your door.

LOVE ME PERFUME OIL—Used sparingly, this fragrant blend is said to arouse the sexual passions of even the most jaded of men. May be used to anoint candles in love rituals and it makes a fine aromatic bath mixture. (O, I, B)

LOVE OIL—From the tropical Caribbean, this recipe will bring luck in love - according to legend.

LOVE POWDER—Actually there are several Voodoo love powders listed under this formula, each blended for different functions. These powders are utilized in rituals and their functions are as follows: Blue—This formulation is used only by females and it is alleged to make you more attractive. Use in a ritual where you wish to draw someone to you. Green—This blend is alleged to attract success, particularly money, to a marriage if there is no dissension between the partners. Use only if the

marriage is happy. Orange—If a couple you know is having difficult adjusting, use of the Orange Love Powder in a ritual will tend to calm the environment. Also, try sprinkling a bit of this around the home of the combatants and it should help attract peace and serenity. Pink—This is used only by males and is used in the same way as the Blue Love Powder. Purple—To be used only by male homosexuals for the purposes described above. Said to attract men to men. Red—Use this one sparingly because this is less a love formula than a lust formula. This one is used by prostitutes to insure a long string of liaisons. What can it do for your love life? White—This formula is used on newly-wed couples either in a ritual which is aimed at directing blessings towards them or it may be sprinkled on them as they leave on their honeymoon.

LOVERS-This blend has an alleged two-fold function. Not only does it make you much more attractive to the opposite sex, but it also brings you self-confidence and sexual dynamism. (O, I, B, P, FW)

LUCK AROUND BUSINESS-From New Orleans comes this formula which is said to be highly beneficial to businessmen since it is alleged to attract new customers and to cause old customers to spend more money. This blend was commonly used in brothels to pick up business and it has a wide following of people who insist that it works. You may sprinkle some of the powder around the premises of a business, burn the incense, use the floorwash to wash down the shop after hours, or use the ingredients in a success ritual you may perform for the business establishment. Any way it is used it is said to be effective. (O, I, P, FW)

LUCKY DOG—Another gamblers aid which is said to enhance luck and to bring financial gain from unexpected sources. (O, I, P, B, FW)

LUCKY LODESTONE-Similar to the Lodestone formula described above, this blend is used in exactly the same way for the same purposes. (O, I, P)

LUCKY MYSTIC-This luck formula has a highly specific function in that it is designed not only to attract luck, but to attract prophetic dreams and psychic abilities which will tend to increase one's chances for success. If you need a good dream mixture for purposes of gambling, this is the one to choose. (O, I, P)

LUCKY POWDER-Lucky Powder is a protective compound which is alleged to instantly stop infidelity. Use this by sprinkling on the wandering spouse, in his or her shoes, or use in a ritual by forming a circle around a red figure candle representing the person you are seeking to make faithful. The circle of powder builds a psychic wall around the individual. However, if the spouse is straying not because of mere sex but because of a deeper involvement with someone else, then this powder will be ineffective.

LUCKY-7 ROOT—One of the most potent of the protection formulae, this may be used in uncrossing ceremonies. It also have the additional side-benefit of attracting luck and it should be used whenever anyone is taking a risk of any kind. (O, I, P, B, FW)

LUCKY SPIRIT—This powder is used in uncrossing or unhexing rituals because it has a way, they say, of attracting good spirits which may then be requested to remove a hex through their intervention. (O, I, P)

LUV LUV LUV—Famed throughout the Voodoo community, this is one of the most commonly used love potions in candle burning rituals. Use Luv Luv Luv when you have found your man and discover that he is totally involved with someone else. Use of this oil tends to make him notice you. May be used in the same way to attract women, although usually this formula is worn only by women to attract men. (O, I, P, B)



MAD OIL—If you are working on a project or a business and others keep interfering or seeking to inhibit your efforts, use this Mad Oil formula to not only clear the channels for success but also to hex those who are standing in your way. Use sparingly, however, as this oil is said to drive your enemies to total insanity and hence its use is not recommended.

MAGNET—Basically the same in effect and use as Lodestone or Lucky Lodestone except Magnet has additional ingredients for protection and meditation. (O, I, P)

MANDRAKE—This is a combination hexing and protecting formula which, because of its tendency to be highly reversible, is seldom used except by the most experienced of Voodooists. Because the ingredients of this potion tend to invoke the Elemental levels in magick, it is considered far too potent for the beginning student to work with. (O, I, P, FW)

MARIE LAVEAU PEACE—In our files we find this old formula from Marie Laveau, High Priestess of New Orleans Voodoo at the turn of this 20th century: Holy Water, Spring Water, Rain Water, Rose Water, Lavender. This should be used like a holy water and sprinkled throughout the home to bring peace. Unfortunately no proportions are given with the recipe, although probably the four waters were mixed in equal parts and the lavender was added as an herb to the mixture.

MASTER OIL—Basically a power formula, this oil is used by men only, usually in rituals involve love, luck, or material power. Use

this with a brown candle in a ritual, and wear a drop or two of the oil on the palms of your hands when going to an important business meeting or when you are likely to enter a situation where you must be self-possessed and confident.

MEDITATION—Used in any sort of ritual where one's psychic, meditative, or clairvoyant faculties are required. This formula is said to be a very good spirit attractant and will tend to add success to any ritual. This is an excellent blend to use while you are working on the construction of a ritual as having its fragrance in the air will tend to inspire you and lend potency to what you are seeking to do. (O, I, P, B, FW)

MIMOSA MAGIC—This is a prophetic dream mixture which may be used as an incense, powder, bath, or oil. Sprinkle some of the powder between your sheets, burn the incense, anoint blue or white candles with the oil, or soak and relax in a tub of hot water to which the bath mixture has been added. According to legend, not only will this mixture cause you to have good dreams, but it is also said to help them come true. By the way, it is said that this formula will only permit good dreams to come true and will automatically squelch bad dreams. (O, I, P, B)

MINT BOUQUET—This formula is used as an unhexing compound, but it has the additional benefit of being a blend particularly beloved by good spirits. It is recommended by at least one writer on the subject to place some of this oil in a small white dish and place on the altar as an offering to the good spirits for their help. (O, I, P, B)

MONEY DRAWING—Not only will this formula allegedly attract money, but it is also said to be a marvelous protection against poverty. (O, I, P, B, FW)

MONEY OIL—Used to anoint green candles in any ritual aimed at bringing money into a home quickly and expeditiously. This blend of six herbs is renowned for its effectiveness and it has a delightful fragrance which is instantly recognizable. The oil is often used as an incense by placing one or two drops on a lighted incense charcoal. One may also wear the oil when conducting important business. A bit of the powder sprinkled in the cash register is said to work wonders. (O, I, P, B, FW)

MOUNT POWDER—When it comes to a sexual attractant formula for women to use, this is one of the most famous. Considered very powerful, it is said not only to draw men to you, but also to make you feel more vigorous and enthusiastic. Some even claim that it has a way of increasing physical strength! Only available as a powder. This may also be sprinkled on the altar in any love ritual.

MUSK LOVE—Musk is definitely one of the most potent sex attractant scents there is, and this formula is highly recommended for why people who need just a little boost in their self-confidence. Said to be equally

effective for use by either sex, but normally it is only used by women. Homosexual males will find this a valuable brew when used as a bath prior to going out. (O, I, P, B)

MYSTIC RITES-See Good Luck Mystic.



NINE MYSTERIES-Used for handling any form of domestic or business problem. Sprinkle around your room or business establishment, burn as a blessing and luck attracting incense, or anoint success candles with the oil to bring a speedy change in fortune. (O, I, P, FW)

NIRVANA—Another Voodoo blend said to enhance psychic, clairvoyant, and meditation abilities. This formula is frequently utilized in rituals where communication with the dead or disembodied is required. This is one of the most commonly used Voodoo incenses for meditation. (O, I, P)

NO HEX POWDER-This is not a particularly strong hex-breaker, and is only used in mild crossing conditions or in cases where you know who is crossing you but you do not wish to cause any sort of harm to that individual for personal reasons. Sprinkle some on your head at the time of the full moon and burn a suitable uncrossing incense while praying for relief. Also have at least one white candle burning, preferably anointed with a protection, unhexing oil.



OBEAH PERFUME OIL-An excellent African formula for blessing and banishing during Voodoo services. Use to anoint the white altar candles or place a few drops in your bath to cover yourself with its protective fragrance. Said to be one of the most powerful protective fragrances because of its primitive origins. Use in its powder form to sprinkle all around your temple to banish bad vibrations and elicit the help and support of white magickal spirits. (O, I, P)

OBITSU POWDER-Used to overcome hexes and crossed conditions, particularly those which have effected your health or love life. Make a Voodoo doll representing yourself, stuff with protective and uncrossing herbs, and sprinkle with Obitsu Powder as a sub-ritual within a major uncrossing ritual for added effectiveness.

ORANGE POWDER-Said to help nudge a potential mate into asking for your hand in marriage. Sprinkle some of this powder over burning pink or red candles at any love ritual.

P

PAX/PEACE—This marvelously fragrant blend is one of the best incense or oil formulae for bringing an atmosphere of calm and quiet to otherwise noisy or troubled environments. Sprinkle liberally in its powder form throughout the house, including the bathroom, and sprinkle over blue or white altar candles. The formula also makes a wonderful relaxing bath and the incense will quickly mellow out even the most chaotic of settings. (O, P, I, B, FW)

PEACE & PROTECTION—A truly ancient formula whose origins are unknown, this combination, as its name implies, brings peace and protection to any premises where it is used. Because of its effectiveness, we are including the full formula here: 4 oz. Lavender; 3 oz. Thyme, 2 oz. Vervain; 3 oz. Basil; 1 oz. Frankincense; pinch of Rue, pinch of Benzoin, three drops of Jasmine Oil and Bergamot Oil. This makes an excellent incense, powder, or bath herb combination. (O, I, P, B, FW)

PEACEFUL HOME—Used exactly the same as Pax/ Peace, or Peace & Protection for the same purpose. (O, I, P, B, FW)

PENTATRUCK—Used as an uncrossing and protection formula. Origin of the recipe unknown, but it probably comes from New Orleans since its ingredients are common to other New Orleans uncrossing potions. (O, I, P, B, FW)

POWER/POWER BRAND—This oil may be substituted for any commanding and compelling oil and is used similarly to them. (O, I, P, B)

PRAY/PRAYING—This highly spiritual combination is said to be ideal for spiritual workings, meditation, or for times when the spirit is in turmoil. It is said that this formula banishes the premises of negative vibrations and attracts only beneficial spirits. (O, I, P, B, FW)

PROSPERITY—Normally used as a powder, this formula may also be made as an incense, oil, bath, or floorwash. It is frequently used in its powder form in rituals where success and money are the goal. Sprinkle around a green candle which you have anointed with a suitable money attractant to heighten the effectiveness of your ritual. (O, I, P, B, FW)

PROTECTION—As the name implies, this is a formula which is used to protect in general against any sort of hex, negative vibration, or foul mood which may overcome you. Sprinkle the powder liberally in your chamber and burn the incense. In its bath form, this formula is excellent for a follow-up to an uncrossing as it helps the person to maintain his immunity to a recurrence of the hexed state. (O, I, P, B, FW)

PROTECTION & LOVE—This classic formula not only attracts love, but it also places a protective shield around you and your loved one to make certain that no negativity may invade the sanctity of your relationship. (O, I, P, B, FW)

PSYCHIC POWER—Similar in effect to other psychic development formulae, this is a perfect blend to use in any séance, or it may be burned while meditating. Anoint the forehead with a little of the oil before retiring and it is said to help one to dream prophetically and to focus one's telepathic abilities. (O, I, P, B)

Q

QABAL—Another of the meditation, psychic enhancement blends, Qabal is alleged to set up a positive vibration current which is conducive to any sort of spirit contact, clairvoyance, or telepathic working. (O, I, P)

QUEEN BEE—See Queen Oil.

QUEEN OIL—Used only by women. See entry under King Oil for further information. Said to be a potent attraction oil for both love and success.

QUIETING POWDER—This is available exclusively as a powder is it is said to be perfect for sprinkling around the altar and temple prior to initiating any Voodoo ritual as the powder is designed to facilitate meditation and to attract the strongest of spiritual vibrations.

QUITTING POWDER—If you are a man or woman who is being pestered by a married member of the opposite sex, this powder is the perfect way to get rid of their unwanted attentions. Basically the powder inflicts a very mild hexed condition upon the person and forces them to stay away from you. The hex is not noticeable to the person unless they attempt to bother you in any way, in which case the crossing becomes more intense.

"Q" PERFUME OIL—Said to stimulate men to passion, women in New Orleans wear this admixture frequently. Prostitutes have been frequent purchasers of this magickal brew inasmuch as it is claimed to increase business. (O, I, P)

R

RED FAST LUCK—Similar formula to Fast Luck, except this blend is a love oil designed to bring a lover to you quickly and without hassle. (O, I, P, B, FW)

RED POWDER—Similar in effect to Green Powder, this is used exclusively by women who seek a man. Traditionally used by prostitutes to increase business. Male homosexuals may use Red Powder or Green Powder (see separate entry for Green Powder) formulae.

REPENTANT POWDER—If you feel that you have somehow sinned

or failed to do your best, then this may be the perfect item for you. Use by sprinkling some on a purifying and banishing incense and it is said to help in the purification and cleansing of the soul.

RED ROSE—As an oil or powder it is said to be highly protective and is used in uncrossing ceremonies. Red Rose has the additional benefit of attracting love, and it's the perfect incense to have going whenever someone you really want to get into is coming over to your house for the first time. It tends to make the atmosphere very conducive to loving. (O, I, P, B, FW)

ROOT POWDER—Famous as an uncrossing powder, this may be used similarly to other unhexing compounds described herein.

ROSE—Excellent for healing and enhancement of the psychic abilities. Sprinkle some of the powder on your pillow at night and it is said to inspire prophetic dreams of a positive nature. (O, I, P, B)

ROSEMARY—Renowned as a banishing and purifying formula, this is usually burned as an incense or sprinkled upon the altar during any Voodoo service where a protective vibration is desired during the working. Also, sprinkle some of the powder near your doors and windows as a good day-to-day protection for your home. (O, I, P, B)

S

SANDALWOOD—In addition to sandalwood, this blend also includes two other herbs which are said to be highly efficacious for healing and development of psychic abilities. The basic ingredient in the incense, however, is sandalwood which is one of the simplest but most effective protective fragrances available. (O, I, P, B, FW)

SATAN BE GONE—Used only when a very strong hex has been placed on someone. This is an exorcism formula and because of its strength one may notice rather unusual reactions by the hexed person to its fragrance. If the exorcist finds that the person reacts strangely when the incense is burned or the oil is applied, it is a good indication that the potion is working and the exorcist is advised to continue and not to worry about strange effects that occur during the procedure. In any uncrossing situation, there are bound to be strange psychic effects set off. (O, I, P, B, FW)

SATYR OIL—Highly secret, this blend is used exclusively by male homosexuals to attract other homosexuals. This may be used as a candle anointing oil in any love ritual performed by a male homosexual, and may be used as a bath or as a powder. The oil is placed at the heart, the throat, and behind the ears. The powder is used to dust the genitals. The oil is

sometimes used with a candle shaped like a phallus for maximum effectiveness. (O, I, P, B)

SEPARATION POWDER—This concoction is used when one wishes to separate two or more people, for whatever reason. Particularly potent in separating lovers, this brew is also used by businessmen to create dissension in their competition and in their own organization.

SEVEN DAY UNCROSSING—Used every day for seven days, this formula is available as an oil, incense, powder, bath and floorwash. Many Voodooists use all five components in unhexing someone. This is probably the most ancient of the uncrossing formulae. (O, I, P, B, FW)

SHI SHI—Said to attract wealth and disperse poverty vibrations it is alleged to work quickly. Many businesses use Shi Shi floorwash every day to stimulate business. (O, I, P, B, FW)

SHOE STRING ROOT POWDER—Alleged to protect against death vibrations which may be being leveled at you by someone. Also said to be extremely good for card players in that it tends to invoke lucky spiritual forces.

SNAKE OIL—Used to anoint health candles. Said to protect and lend healing currents to the user.

SNUFF POWDER—If you have confided in someone who has betrayed that confidence, this hexing powder will quickly turn fortune your way and cause them to be betrayed in much the same way as they betrayed you.

SPECIAL PERFUME NO. 20—Used for uncrossing, attracting love, and enhancement of one's courage and resolve. The four essences used in the preparation of this blend combine to provide the Voodooist with a multifaceted oil or incense which works effectively in all the areas it is alleged to handle.

SPIRIT GUIDE—Used to communicate with the world beyond. This fragrant combination is considered excellent for developing one's spiritualistic powers. Under no circumstances, however, should the oil be worn upon one's person. Use to anoint white candles or as an incense (O, I, P)

SPIRITUAL VISION—Similar in effect to Spirit Guide, except the oil may be worn to help develop clairvoyant abilities and to help with contact with the beyond. This makes an excellent preparation for those who are seeking employment since it is alleged that it helps to create business opportunities for the user. (O, I, P, B)

SPIRITUALIST'S POWDER—Similar in effect to both Spirit Guide and Spiritual Vision, this powder preparation is sprinkled on incense and over burning candles in any Voodoo service conducted wherein spirit contact is essential.

STAY AT HOME—If you are troubled by a wandering husband or lover, then this powder is what you may be looking for. Sprinkle some on your errant love's undies, some in his/her shoes, or burn as an incense to keep

the person faithful. Applying some of the powder to your body before love-making is said to make the lover appreciate you more than ever before and to forget about his dalliances. (O, I, P)

SUCCESS—Not only does this formula draw success to you, but it has ingredients added for protection and to bring good spiritual aid in obtaining your goals. Recommended for people in tight legal situations. (O, I, P, B, FW)

SWALLOW BLOOD-Perfect for travelers. If you find it necessary to take a trip but are nervous about it, or would prefer to stay home, this highly protective and relaxing incense may be taken with you and burned regularly to both relax you and insure a pleasant traveling experience. (O, I, P, B)

J

TAPER PERFUME OIL-This is used to float wicks and has an olive oil base with a few drops of jasmine, cinnamon, and patchouli to add a mellow fragrance to your room. This is used more for decoration than for ritual purpose, but the oils tend to attract, love, healing, and positive spiritual forces.

TAR PERFUME OIL-Designed to create dissension and strife, this is used when you wish to hex someone by creating millions of stick situations in their life. Because of the negative nature of this formula, we advise strongly against its use and mention it here only as a curiosity.

TEMPLE-See Spiritual.

TEN COMMANDMENTS-If someone has drastically violated one of the ten commandments, this formula is used to send the karma incurred from such a violation back at them full force. However, to those who keep the ten commandments, this formula attracts high level spiritual assistance as their reward. (O, I, P, FW)

TEN SLIVERS POWDER-An ancient formula from South America through New Orleans, this is said to bring good fortune in times of back luck. Also said to reverse one's despairing attitude to one of joy.

THIEF POWDER-This blend is used in situations where something has been stolen in order to expose the wrongdoer. Sprinkle this powder in the area where the object was stolen and you will either visualize who the thief was or cause the thief to confess quickly.

THREE JACKS-One of Voodoo's most popular gambling oils. Use not anoint candles, palms, and forehead in a success ritual. Use in bath before going to the casinos or to the track. (O, I, P, B)

THREE KINGS-A triple potency luck formula which is said to be ideal when burned for success in business. If your company is not doing particularly well, the aroma of this incense is perfect to change the

situation. As an oil it is often used to anoint a green figure candle representing yourself.

THREE KNAVES-See Three Jacks.

THRIFTY POWDER-Somewhere, in everyone's life there is someone who has a lot of money who is tight, stingy, and miserly. But now that you know about Thrifty Powder, you can change this situation. Sprinkle some on your hands and touch the person and they will quickly reach deep into their pockets and spend some money on you! Or, create a Voodoo doll representing them and sprinkle some of this powder on it.

TIGER PERFUME-This African formula is alleged to touch the primal, animal levels of self when used and to awaken psychic and clairvoyant powers which are housed in the depths of the psyche. Or, use as a bath and just soak while meditating and it is said that you will have psychic or prophetic experiences. It is best to bathe just before retiring when using this formula. (O, I, P, B, FW)

TIPHERETH-Used to cast hexes, this incense is named after the sixth sephiroth on the Hebrew Tree of Life. The blend of oils used in this admixture is used to invoke only evil spirits, however, and draws its potency from the dark side of the Tree. (O, I, P)

TRINITY-This oil is said to draw blessings upon you and to guarantee success in both material and spiritual undertakings. Most writers suggest that it be used sparingly since it is a sacred oil and should be kept only for times of extreme despair or where success is desperately needed for survival. Burn the incense form of the formula when banishing evil vibrations and to purify the Voodoo temple. (O, I, P)

TRYST-Said to work on the mysterious Kundalini energy, this oil arouses the sexually-oriented clairvoyant and psychic abilities within the individual. Use only when you want passion to enter a relationship. (O, I, P, B)

NUMBER 20 LOVE OIL-Practically every Voodooist has a bottle of this on their supply shelves because it is notorious for its efficacy in attracting lovers. Proven for years, this special oil may also be used as a bath mixture, powder, or incense. As a floorwash it is frequently used to wash down floors in brothels. (O, I, P, B, FW)

TWISTING POWDER-If you are uncrossing someone, or are uncrossing yourself, sprinkle some of this powder around the outside of your house or apartment to prevent any further effects of the crossing from entering. This formula is alleged to quite effectively send the crossed condition back at he/she who sent it.



UNCROSSING—Unquestionably the most popular blend used in Voodoo uncrossing and unhexing rituals. (O, I, P, B, FW)

UNTRUTHFUL—If you think that someone is lying to you, use this formula by applying some to your hands and touching the person. Or, make a Voodoo doll image of the person and sprinkle some of the powder on it. Or, you may use the oil to anoint the correct color astral candle for the person and thereby require them to confess the truth to you within a day or two. (O, P)

UNFORGIVING—If you have recently quarreled with a close friend or are having difficulties in a relationship, sprinkle some of this powder on yourself and it will cause the other person to forget about your quarrel. Use only in its powder form.

UNFAITHFUL—This is a sort of twisting powder inasmuch as it has two completely contradictory uses. If you sprinkle some of this on someone who is fooling around and leaving you lonely, it will cause them to stay home and be completely faithful. If, on the other hand, you sprinkle some on someone who is already faithful, it will cause them to become unfaithful. Or at least, that's what the legend says about this strange blend. (O, I, P)



VAN VAN or NEW ORLEANS VAN VAN—This is an all-purpose banishing formula which is used as an incense, oil, powder, and floorwash. Said to be excellent for purifying a Voodoo chamber when a ritual is in progress. Also excellent for purposes of meditation. (O, I, P, FW)

VENUS—Venus oil and incense are named after the Goddess of Love and, as the name implies, tend to smooth the course of love. (O, I, P, B, FW)

VERSATILE—Helps make you be more versatile in the way you relate to the changes in your life. Helps make you able to adapt the changing circumstances and tends to aid success in new ventures. Alleged to inspire creative and quick thinking. (O, I, P, B)

VESTA or VESTAR or VESTA ARU POWDER—This formula is used to attract positive spirits to your Voodoo workings and to banish negative spirits or vibrations. Said to be a very potent general blessing formula. Sprinkle some on the altar to purify it before and after a service.

VOODOO NIGHT PERFUME OIL—Said to arouse the most passive man, this love oil is said to make you completely irresistible. To be used only by women.

VOODOO POWDER-An ancient and traditional formula which utilizes eight ingredients (one of which is Graveyard Dirt), this is used at the beginning of a Voodoo ritual to attract the primal gods to your worship of their potencies. Summons the spirits of the dead, but also serves to calm restless or negative spirits. An excellent additive to any Voodoo incense—just sprinkle a bit on the lighted charcoal at any point in the service to attract primitive deities or powerful protective spirits.

W

WAR POWDER or **WAR WATER**-These are used when someone has infuriated you completely and you have no way to get rid of your anger. By sprinkling some of the War Powder on yourself, it is said that you can eliminate your anger and also call to your side those forces who will protect you from your enemy. War Water is sprinkled around the Voodoo temple when you plan to hex or cross someone who has done seemingly irreparable harm to you. Because these potions tend to inflict harm, it is recommended that they be avoided.

WATER OF NOTRE DAME-This "water" is actually a sort of floor wash, but it is used straight and not mixed in with the wash water. Sprinkle a bit of this formula around your temple prior to performing a service and it is said to attract positive spirits who will aid you. Despite its name, this potion is not actually water from Notre Dame Cathedral, but received its name because of the many wonders it has worked when used in Voodoo rituals.

WEAR AWAY POWDER-This is a mild hexing formula which causes only temporary crossed conditions, usually in the form of psychological strain or anxiety for the other person. This is used to teach someone a lesson about something they have done to you or to someone else. It is more like a mild slap on the bottom than a full-fledged spanking.

WINNER'S CIRCLE-Considered an excellent formula for gamblers, this formula is constructed to draw luck to its user. Also helpful in overcoming legal problems since it includes both High John and Low John.

WISHBONE—Used primarily as a powder, this is sometimes also used as a bath or incense. This powder is said to be potent in helping dreams or wishes to come true. Use to anoint yourself before sleeping or meditating, or use in Voodoo services which are aimed at luck or psychic goals. (O, I, P, B)

WISTERIA—A simple but effective good luck formula, this blend is normally only burned at midnight for night rituals. (O, I, P)

WOLF'S BLOOD-See Wolf's Heart.

WOLF'S EYE-See Wolfs Heart.

WOLF'S HEART—Used to grant courage and overcome fear, this is one of the most inspiring blends available to the Voodooist. Said to completely eliminate any fear of death or failure. Since fear is one of the biggest stumbling blocks to success, this might be a good formula for use by those in business or the arts looking for the strength to push their careers even further. (O, I, P, B)

WORMWOOD POWDER-This is one of the most feared and respected hexing powders in all of Voodoo. This is only employed under the direst of circumstances and is used only on one's worst enemy. This powder must be used with extreme care and be very careful of getting any on yourself or spilling any in your premises. This powder is only used outside. Sprinkle some on your enemy's front door and in his yard if at all possible for maximum effect.



XX (DOUBLE CROSS) POWDER-A double-strength crossing powder or incense which is used with the same warnings appended to Wormwood Powder, and in the same way.

YA YA POWDER-Said to greatly stimulate sexual potency and crease female fertility. Many New Orleans women used this powder to help them become pregnant and insure against miscarriages!

YAKA POWDER-Another crossing powder which is considered quite powerful and may be used for placing any sort of crossed condition.

YO YO POWDER-Another powerful crossing agent which men use against females. If a woman uses this formula against a man, it is said that the effect will be bad for the woman and excellent for the man. Sometimes known as Yo Yo Pucker Power Powder, this formula is said to return a woman's amorous advances to her and to get her off your back. Considering the vast array of sexual seduction formula in this list, it is nice to know that there is some protection somewhere, isn't it?!

YUZA YUZA-Used for necromantic working where you seek to make contact with the dead. This is particularly employed where one wishes to make contact with spirits of rather unseemly demeanor who would help you in some hex-casting or crossing activity. Strictly speaking, this is a black magickal formula and should never be utilized as a joke. (O, I, P)

ZAWBA POWDER-Said to create strife between friends and lovers. Sprinkle some on Voodoo doll images or candles representing the couple

you wish to separate. However, it should be pointed out that this sort of ritual is strictly black magickal and will not go without its punishments.

ZOMBI—Used like Yuza Yuza to summon dark spirits to help you in crossing and hexing operations. (O, I, P)

ZONKA—Excellent for reversing hexes or evil spells of any sort. Considered most efficacious when utilized at the time of the full moon, but it is only used outside since using it indoors tends to decrease its performance. If used as an incense, burn outdoors only. (O, I, P)

ZORBA—A psychic development formula which is useful in any sort of séance or situation where clairvoyant skills may be needed. Anoint forehead with the oil or powder while in ritual. Use the bath before retiring to secure prophetic dreams. (O, I, P, B)



Special Love Herbs

The following is a comprehensive list of herbs with their magickal meanings. Reading through this list is quite an herbal education unto itself, for strewn throughout are bits of traditional folklore, superstition, and esoterica which afford an insight into the magickal roots of mankind's long trek towards a more scientific understand of the medicinal uses of herbs.

When using these herbs for purposes of magick one may feel free to mix together as many herbs as desired provided that the herbs selected share a common magickal nature. For instance, in a love incense, would add herbs associated with love. Of course, one might also wish to add herbs for protection, health, etc., just to sweeten the pot!



AARON'S ROD - If brewed as a tea, Aaron's Rod is said to restore youth.

ACACIA FLOWERS - Acacia is traditionally burned as a love offering to the gods. This is one of the most ancient of incenses and some practitioners claim that its fragrance stimulates the psychic centers. Acacia Flowers may be added to any love incense.

ADAM & EVE ROOT - This root is divided in pairs, one portion

representing Adam, the other portion representing Eve. If a woman wishes to attract a man, she gives him half the root and keeps half for herself. It is said that carrying this root insures fidelity.

AFRICAN GINGER - Place a piece under your pillow and it is said to protect against evil. Some legends claim that African Ginger is pleasing to the Elementals and hence, those working with such forces would be well-advised to sprinkle a little in each corner of their temple room.

AGRIMONY - An excellent herb for uncrossing rituals. It is said that if burned its effect is to reverse spells and send them back to the person who sent them at you.

AGUE ROOT (same as **BONESET**) - Burn to stop any sort of hex or curse. It is claimed that burning this root will completely disarm any enemy. One formula for an incense utilizing Ague is to mix 4 oz. of Ague (cut up into tiny pieces), 4 oz. of crushed Patchouli Leaves, 4 oz. of Myrrh, 4 oz. of Frankincense, 4 oz. of Betony, and 1 oz. Saltpeter. This is to be burned and you should say aloud: "In the Names of the Four Great Angels, return all evil spirits back to him (or her) who sent them and may I see all my enemies brought to justice for their infamy."

ALFALFA - Tradition deems this a luck herb and says that keeping a bit of Alfalfa in the house protects against poverty! Keeping a bit in the cupboard is said to insure one against going hungry.

ALL HEAL - Burn this herb as an incense in any home where there is illness. Or, brew the herb into a tea and sprinkle some of the tea around the sickroom. Said to draw healing spirits.

ALOES LIGNUM - Aloe is a potent love herb. Burn as one of the incense ingredients in any serious love ritual. There is recorded a ritual involving the use of Aloes. Write the name of your intended on a piece of parchment using Dove Blood Ink. Take 3 hairs from your head and lay them on the parchment. As each is placed, say: "In the name of Venus, the Goddess of Love and by the strength and blessing of the Mighty Horned One, God of Fertility, bring to me the one I desire." Fold the parchment with the hair inside, place in ashtray and burn. Mix the ashes with an equal amount of Aloes and scatter in equal parts to the North, East, South, and West.

ALTHEA - Althea is said to be a strong spiritual aid in that it tends to help bring forth spirits when it is burned in any magickal ceremony, either alone or in combination with other suitable herbs for the intent of the ceremony.

AMBER (same as **ST. JOHNSWORT**).

ANGELICA - Angelica, sometimes called **ARCHANGEL**, is used to protect one against any sort of evil spirit or bad vibration. In order to prevent evil spirits from entering the home, Voodooists suggest sprinkling some Angelica in each corner of the house. Also, one may

brew a tea and sprinkle some of the mixture around the house.

ANISE SEED - Anise is said to be an excellent additive to any incense being burned for psychic development or spiritualism purposes. Excellent for astral traveling or crystal gazing incenses. It is claimed that its strong and exotic aroma tends to increase Voodoo powers during a ritual.

ASAFOTIDA - One of the most famous of protective herbs, although some might claim that it protects merely by dint of its awful smell since its odor alone would discourage anyone, even your best friend, from coming within five feet of you.

ASH LEAVES - Ash leaves are a highly occult herb with several uses. It is claimed that a few leaves worn in a red flannel bag around the neck will not only attract love, but afford protection against drowning! It's the perfect gift for lovers who enjoy doing it in the shower. A few of these leaves added to the bath water is said to soften the skin and create a more youthful appearance. Ash leaves can also be mixed with hexing herbs in which case they tend to deny love and attractiveness to the hexed individual.

B

BALM OF GILEAD - This is another protective herb, according to legendary sources and are carried particularly as a talisman to ward off effects of the "Evil Eye."

BASIL - One of the classic and simple Voodoo success formulae suggests soaking a teaspoon of Basil in a pint of boiling water. When the water has cooled, strain the mixture and sprinkle your place of business daily to attract money and success and to keep evil vibes away. In Voodoo it is known that Basil is one of the fragrances used to invoke the help of Erzulie, the Goddess of Love (equivalent to Venus). Basil is also alleged to be an aphrodisiac when sprinkled on food, but probably is ineffective given our jaded Western taste buds.

BAY LEAVES - One of the most powerful of the Voodoo unhexing and protection herbs. One writer suggests placing one leaf in each corner of each room of a house and states that this will protect all who live there as well as the house itself. Some suggest carrying a bay leaf in the wallet or pocket as a protection against harm or any sort of black magick.

BENZOIN - Benzoin is said to calm one and to bring peace of mind. It is frequently burned with oils and incenses because it adds to certain fragrances without contributing an overpowering fragrance of its own. Benzoin is often used in unhexing or uncrossing rituals in Voodoo because it is said to defeat evil and purify.

BERGAMOT - Success is the traditional attribute ascribed to Bergamot. Often added to oils and incenses to greatly enhance their potency.

BETEL NUTS - Because they are a mild stimulant, Voo-dooists ascribe to this nut the power to increase mental and spiritual capacities.

BETONY - Another valuable unhexing herb, this is frequently added to herbal incenses at uncrossing ceremonies. Often some Betony is added to a Ouanga Bag (red flannel bag) and worn as an amulet to draw strength and courage to an afflicted being. Many ardent practitioners of Voodoo will sprinkle a bit of this herb in the four corners of each room in their house to banish any negative spirits.

BISTORT - Said to draw wealth, it is recommended by some writers to add a pinch of bistort to any Money Drawing herbal incense.

BITTERSWEET - Generally considered a love herb, one writer claims that it is said to be an aphrodisiac if one cup of its tea is taken once a day. (To drink more than one cup per day is said to cancel the effect of the herb.)

BLACK COHOSH - Make tea, add to bathwater. Protection from ail harm. Helps potency in love life.

BLACK SNAKEROOT - Frequently burned in love spells where the intention of the one casting the spell is for something more than "Platonic" love. One might consider this herb X-rated.

BLADDERWRACK - This is said to be a highly protective herb for anyone taking a sea voyage. It is also used in incense when calling upon the powers of Water for any sort of favors or assistance.

BLUEBERRY LEAVES - This is considered a hexing herb. To prepare the hexing solution, one must boil water and place the leaves (about a quarter-pound) into the water (use about 1 quart of water). Allow to sit overnight-as the water gradually cools. Throw a bit on the doorstep of the person you are hexing. As with any hex spell, we must warn you that the law of Karma states that what you do will come back at you three times...so be careful. Remember, usually one can handle difficulties through the judicious use of white magick without resorting to black magick.

BLOOD ROOT - Now that you've learned about a hexing herb; we turn to Blood Root, which is one of the most powerful of the Voodoo unhexing herbs. Normally this is carried in the pocket or in a Ouanga Bag as a charm. Also, it is one of the commonest ingredients in herbal unhexing/uncrossing incenses. Blood Root is a sort of commanding and compelling herb too in that it is said to make others treat you with respect and kindness. Sprinkle some in your doorway and say: "Let no Evil enter my home."

BOLDO LEAVES - Similar in function to Blood Root in that they also lend protection against evil according to traditional Voodoo sources.

BRIMSTONE (same as **SULFUR**) - Brimstone is added to Voodoo incenses to drive away any evil spirits which may be lurking.

BROOM TOPS (same as **SCOTCH BROOM**) - Take about an ounce of **BROOM TOPS** and boil in two pints of water. Add to your wash bucket when you mop the floors and it should eliminate all poltergeist activity if performed once or twice a month.

BUCHU LEAVES - It is said that these leaves, if brewed as a tea, will tend to increase one's psychic abilities. The Voo-dooist might add one or two Buchu Leaves to any sort of incense to be utilized while astral traveling or crystal gazing.

BUCKEYE - Long ago, people used to carry a Buckeye around in their pocket to ward off arthritis and rheumatism. It is also said to be a luck talisman and will attract money to one if anointed with the proper Money Drawing Oil.

BUCKTHORN BARK - Make a tea by adding one oz. of Buckthorn Bark to two pints of boiling water. Allow to steep for 10 minutes. Go outside on a night of the full moon and sprinkle it into the center of a circle you draw in the dirt.

C

CALAMUS - Calamus has a reputation in Voodoo to be an excellent ingredient in any sort of Controlling or Compelling incense.

CALENDULA - One of the most potent of alleged dream-inducers, Calendula is used by sprinkling a bit under your mattress. It is alleged to help make dreams come true in that it is said to absorb psychic vibrations. Another author recommends carrying a bit of Calendula into court in the event of a legal hassle in order to obtain a lenient decision.

CAMPHOR - Camphor is frequently mixed with ingredients in prophetic dream incenses. It only takes a little bit to go a long way.

CARAWAY SEED - Traditionally carried in a Ouanga Bag, this herb is said to be a charm against illness.

CARDAMON - The powdered seeds are considered an excellent love potion. A pinch may be added to love incenses.

CARAWAY SEED - Carry some in a Ouanga Bag for protection. A few seeds may be added to any uncrossing incense for greater protection.

CASCARA SAGRADA - (Same as **BUCKTHORN**) - This herb is used to help win legal cases. Some of the herb should be carried into court with you and on the night before your appearance, brew some into

a strong tea (about 2 oz. of the herb to 2 pints of boiling water) and sprinkle some of it around your bed to help you work on the astral levels to solve your problems.

CELERY SEED - Aside from being a noted aphrodisiac, Celery Seed is also said to increase ones psychic powers. Add Celery Seed to any incense of a psychic nature, although usually it is used in combination with powdered Orris Root.

CHAMOMILE - While Chamomile tea is one of the most popular cure-all teas, it has definite and important magickal uses. Brewed as a tea, it is frequently used as a hand wash before playing cards or gambling. Chamomile oil is frequently used in luck formulae.

CHICORY - Considered a strong hexing component when burned in a hexing ritual.

CINQUEFOIL - There are many legends about Cinque-foil (also called FIVE FINGER GRASS). Hanging it over your bed is said to ward off any evil. In a sense it is like a

"helping hand" and protects in this way. Another use is to brew a tea and use it to wash your hands and forehead nine times to undo any and all hexes, jinxes, or curses which may have been sent your way. Each of the leaf's segments (fingers) is said to represent a special power—love, luck, money, power, and wisdom. A bit of Cinquefoil placed in the four corners of your room will also serve as a marvelous protection since evil spirits, according to Voodoo legend, usually hover in the corners of a room.

CLOVER - Four leaf clover is considered a good luck charm in Voodoo. Red clover is used in love potions of all sorts (and also makes a wonderful foot bath for curing the dreaded Athlete's Foot). White clover is a common ingredient in uncrossing incenses and powders. White clover is also frequently brewed into a "tea" by letting a tsp. of clover soak in a cup of vinegar for three days. Strain and then sprinkle in each corner of every room. This will drive all evil spirits from the premises.

CLOVES - Cloves are considered an aphrodisiac by many people and have a wider reputation as a love herb. One love ritual suggests holding some cloves in your hand while concentrating on a friend or a lover. Then, place the "charged" cloves into two Ouanga Bags. You keep one and you give the other to your friend. This is said to insure a friendship or love affair. One author suggests mixing clove cinquefoil and chicory in equal parts and burning it as an incense to help develop mediumistic abilities.

COMFREY ROOT - Comfrey is a marvelous protection for travelers. It is said that by placing a bit of this in all of your luggage when traveling will insure safety and will help keep your luggage from getting lost.

CORIANDER - Coriander is not only a protection against health

problems when worn in a Ouanga Bag, but it also makes a strong love potion when it is powdered and used to season food.

CUMIN - This herb is said to help a lover be faithful when it is regularly mixed with food. Tends to keep a lover faithful even when separated for a long time. For this reason, Cumin is often used in incense formulae burned for love where binding a person to you is also the object.

CURRY POWDER - Curry is a strong protection powder and is burned to keep evil spirits away. Also used as part of the incenses in un-crossing ceremonies.

D

DAMIANA - Noted for its aphrodisiac properties, it is not surprising to find that Damiana is considered to be a potent love herb. Soak about an ounce of Damiana in a pint of very hot water for three to six hours. Sprinkle some of the liquid outside your front and back doors each day for 21 days and it is said that your wandering lover will come to you.

DANDELION - Said to help make wishes come true. It is a good idea to carry some in a Ouanga Bag and also to sprinkle a bit between your mattresses. Dandelion tea, regularly used, is said to increase clairvoyant abilities.

DEVIL'S BIT (also called **DEVIL'S SHOESTRING**) There are numerous uses for this herb. It is said that if some is carried in the pocket it will bring luck and prevent against any sort of attack. It can be used to hex someone because legend has it that a bit of this root thrown in an enemy's pathway will force him to face financial ruin. As a compellant, it is said that if you add some of the herb along with some camphor to a glass of whiskey and then wash your hands with this mixture that it will give you complete control over the man or woman you love.

DILL - Noted for its protective qualities, Dill is said to countermand any sort of black witchcraft which may be aimed at you. Usually Dill is mixed with an equal part of salt and sprinkled about the house for this purpose. It is also claimed that Dill is a powerful aphrodisiac and one author recommends steeping some in hot wine for a few hours to prepare a strong love potion. One author even recommends smelling Dill to cure the hiccoughs! Another way to use this herb as a love potion is to sprinkle some of it in your bath water before going out in that it is said to add to one's irresistibility.

DRAGON'S BLOOD REED - Usually it is recommended that a solid

piece of Dragon's Blood Reed be carried in a Ouanga Bag for luck and protection. A solid piece placed between your mattresses is said to cure impotency and increase sexual desire. Dragon's Blood Reed is one of the basic ingredients in Dragon's Blood Ink and is famed for its use as a love powder. Also used in uncrossing rituals by burning some of it at midnight for seven days. (Make sure to have a window open while burning to give negative spirits a proper exit.)



EGYPTIAN PARADISE SEED - See GRAINS OF PARADISE.

ELDER - Said to be one of the most potent protections against black witchcraft, Elder is recommended to be kept in every room inasmuch as black witches hate this plant. Elder Berries may be ground up into a powder and placed in each corner and outside doorways and windows to afford protection and keep troubles from entering your domicile. One traditional spell suggests writing the name of someone you wish to influence on a piece of parchment in Dove's Blood Ink. Burn the parchment and mix the ashes with an equal part of Elder Bark. Divide the mixture into seven equal parts and each night at midnight for seven nights you should bury a portion in a separate place. By the seventh day, according to the spell, the person will be within range of your control.

ELECAMPANE - Mix with Vervain and Mistletoe Berries to make the fabled "True Love Powder" which is mixed very sparingly with food or drink. This powder may also be used in love rituals.

ELM BARK - If a person has been slandering you in some way, bury some in a box with a voodoo doll which has the name of the person you are seeking to stop written on it.

ERYNGO - Claimed to be a love tonic, Eryngo may be brewed into a tea and drunk. Many women carry a piece of Eryngo to insure love from a man.

EUCALYPTUS - An excellent protective herb, hide a bit in your pillow and not only will demons stay away, but also colds and flu's, according to folklore.

F

FENNEL SEED - Worn around the neck in a Ouanga Bag to ward off witchcraft attacks. Write on parchment the following:

CALLEN DANDANT DANDANT

CALLEN DANT CALLENDAN

It is said that this incantation when added to the Ouanga Bag with the Fennel Seed will protect against any form of demonic possession. Fennel is also used in love potions and incenses.

FLAX - Brewed as a tea to help develop divination powers.

FRANKINCENSE - One of the strongest and most ancient of mystical incenses. The effect of the incense is to banish impure thoughts and spirits and to attract only the most positive spiritual vibrations. Frankincense is also an excellent success and money drawing incense.

G

GALANGAL - Also called "Low John," Galangal is said to be an excellent protection for the defendant in any legal proceeding. Carrying a piece of Galangal into court is said to help sway the judge and jury in your favor. Galangal may also be burned each night for 14 nights prior to a court case. The ashes from each of these burnings should be saved and added to the Ouanga Bag worn into court.

GARLIC - A highly potent protection against witchcraft, Garlic is also used sparingly in uncrossing and banishing incenses. A clove of garlic hidden in the bedroom is said to protect while sleeping. Tradition says that Garlic protects against Vampires.

GENTIAN - Brew up a tea using 1 oz. of Gentian Root and 2 pints of water. Add this brew to your bath and it is said that it will attract love to you.

GINGER - Always added to love potions since its spiciness tends to arouse the libido, according to legend. Ginger is also a protective herb and stops hexes. Ardent voodooists recommend keeping some in every room.

GINSENG - Claimed by the Orientals to be a very powerful aphrodisiac and to cure or help alleviate numerous health problems. An excellent general tonic for the entire system, but particularly the-sexual and endocrine system. May be used as a tea, an extract, or chewed as a root.

GRAINS OF PARADISE - Grains of Paradise are a well-known aphrodisiac when brewed as a tea (about 1 oz. herb to 2 pints water). A few grains are frequently carried in a Ouanga Bag for good luck.

GUM MASTIC - One of the most expensive of incense bases, but definitely one of the purest and most potent. Mastic is frequently burned alone or mixed with other incenses. Most of the high church incenses employ Gum Mastic as at least one of their ingredients.



HAWTHORNE - A purification and banishing herb. Brew a cup of tea and add it to your scrub water. Evil spirits cannot stand the use of Hawthorne and will quickly vacate the premises.

HEAL-ALL - When drunk as a tea, it is said to help with luck at gambling.

HEMLOCK - Write an enemy's name on parchment in Dragon's Blood Ink and tie it around a piece of Hemlock. Keep this "ju ju" in a dark place to insure that the spell will stay in effect.

HOLY HERB (same as YERBA SANTE) - Unquestionably one of the most important of the Voodoo magickal herbs. Used in bath water, it is noted for its protective abilities and for its healing powers. The baths should be taken daily for seven days. Another author tells us of a ritual where Holy Herb is used to contact the dead. It is suggested that one should sprinkle some of the herb on the grave of one you wish to contact and he or she will appear to you that night in your dreams. Another use is to brew a tea by boiling one ounce of Holy Herb in 2 pints of water. As the steam is rising, concentrate hard on your wish and it is claimed that your thoughts will be carried to a higher spiritual plane and help spirits from the other world appear to you.

HOLY THISTLE - This herb is normally brewed as a tea and the tea is sprinkled all around your house in order to protect against all forms of witchcraft or demonic onslaught.

HOREHOUND - Kept near doorways, this herb is another protective herb.

HUCKLEBERRY - Said to remove despair or depression, this herb is particularly potent when brewed as a tea and sprinkled around your house. A few huckleberry leaves burned as an incense before retiring for the night will cause dreams and wishes to come true within seven days according to ancient belief.

HYDRANGEA - (see SEVEN BARKS).

HYSSOP - Another very ancient (in fact, Biblical) herb which is used to purify before a ritual. Hyssop tends to dispel bad vibrations and is recommended before any occult work, ritual, or serious meditation. It is claimed that the sweet and delicate fragrance of Hyssop increases one's clairvoyant powers.



INDIAN ARROW WOOD - Same as WAHOO BARK.

INDIAN TURNIP - Also called PLANT OF PEACE, this herb is none other than the Jack in the Pulpit. It is said that to have one in one's house brings peace, harmony, and contentment.

IRISH MOSS - Also called SEA SPIRIT. A little bit placed under the rugs of one's house is said to bring good luck and to facilitate success.



JASMINE - Voodooists burn jasmine as an aid in love spells and to induce prophetic dreams. Jasmine has a powerful and exotic fragrance and many of the Voodoo love oil formulae call for its inclusion.

JEZEBEL ROOT - Same as ADAM AND EVE ROOT. Said to be a potent love charm, when carried in a Ouanga Bag and anointed with appropriate love oils.

JOB'S TEARS - Many voodooists carry seven lob's tears with them when they wish for a particular thing to come true. Count out 7 of the seeds, concentrating very hard on your wish as you lay each seed down. Carry them with you for 7 days and legend claims your wish will have come true.

JOE-PIE - Same as QUEEN OF THE MEADOW.

JOHN THE CONQUEROR - Here we have one of the central and most powerful herbs used in Voodoo. It is said that John the Conqueror (sometimes called High John) will dispel moods of depression when carried and will tend to eliminate confusion from your life. Gamblers are known to use this root by boiling some of it in water and using it as a hand wash prior to going to the casinos. Probably the most famous of the American Voodoo herbs, John the Conqueror is said to

attract love, luck, good health, and money. Normally the herb is carried in a red Ouanga Bag and occasionally anointed with an appropriate oil symbolizing your desire. (For instance, one might anoint it with a Money Drawing Oil if one were wishing for money. In this sense, John the Conqueror is somewhat of a talisman.

JUNIPER BERRIES - Said to increase male virility and potency. Also, noted for their abilities to bring luck since they represent Jupiter, the god of good fortune.

K

KAVA KAVA - Said to have aphrodisiac properties, but also noted for its protective powers against any sort of harm. Tends to bring good luck according to most sources.

KHUS KHUS - West Indian Voodooists swear by this herb which they carry for luck and success. They claim that Khus Khus attracts benevolent spirits when used as a fragrance in your bathwater. Some people add Khus Khus to Money Drawing incenses.

KNOT GRASS - This is a hexing ingredient which is used for casting only negative spells. In order to rid yourself of problems, wait until a night of the full moon, then write the nature of your problem on a piece of parchment in Dragon's Blood Ink. Place some Knot Grass on the parchment when the ink has dried and fold. Pour some melted black wax on it to seal it and then take it outside and bury it. Your problems should disappear by morning.

L

LAUREL - Give to brides, it is said, and they will enjoy a happy and fruitful marriage. Definitely a love herb.

LAVENDER - Symbolizing peace and contentment, Lavender is an essential ingredient in all incenses burned for those purposes. It tends, also, to attract money to the home when burned regularly. One source recommends stuffing some Lavender into your pillow and to make a wish. If you should happen to dream about that wish that night, then the wish will come true.

LEMON VERBENA - Verbena is burned as a part of any success incense or it can be used as a Separation Powder (used to split people apart in rituals of that nature) by simply sprinkling some on the doorsteps of lovers or married folk.

LICORICE - An ingredient in love potions since Licorice has been used since Ancient Egypt for that purpose. A strong aphrodisiac. Voodooists claim that Licorice, when used magickally, is very similar to Stay At Home Powder. If you wish, you might try grinding some Licorice Root into a powder and placing a bit in a wandering mate's shoes.

LIFE EVERLASTING - Considered a charm against illness and some herbalists say that to drink one cup a day will greatly prolong life. Basically this is one of the foremost Voodoo health herbs.

LIGNUM ALOES - Definitely a love herb, Lignum Aloes is used in love powders and considered essential for purifying a Voodoo chamber. Unfortunately, this is very hard to obtain. Often it is added to banishing incenses.

LINDEN - Like Licorice, Linden has the reputation of keeping lovers faithful. If you wish to have telepathic contact with a loved one, it is sometimes said that if one powders some Linden and puts just a touch of it on the forehead and "private" areas of the body, one will dream intimately of the loved one.

LINSEED - Linseed is added to psychic development incenses, or burned when divinations are taking place. It is also a noted protective herb and it is recommended that a cross be drawn on each door in a house using Linseed Oil.

LOTUS - Said to attract vibratory and magnetic powers to its user, Lotus is frequently burned with psychic development incenses. Some use Lotus Root as an oracle by writing "No" on one side of the pod and "Yes" on the other. They then pose a question and toss the root into the air.

LOVAGE ROOT - Lovage is sometimes called "Love Herbs" because of its wide-spread reputation as a tonic to the love life when taken as a tea. Magickally speaking, this root is credited with being able to absorb beneficial vibrations.

LOW JOHN THE CONQUEROR - Same as GALAN-GAL. Low John is a hex-reverser and merely by carrying a piece it is said that any curse aimed at you will quickly return to him who sent it. Low John is also considered a success herb and many Voodooists wrap a dollar bill around the root believing that it causes money to "multiply."

LUCKY BEANS - Same as MOJO WISH BEANS.

LUCKY HAND ROOT - One of the most famous of the luck herbs, Lucky Hand is carried in a Ouanga Bag for good luck. No Haitian Gambler would feel secure without a Lucky Hand Root in his pocket at the gaming tables.



MAIDENHAIR - Maidenhair is an herb attributed to Venus,

Goddess of Love. It is suggested that ladies, before going out for the evening, dip a little Maidenhair in water and place in a Ouanga Bag which they carry with them. Said to attract very positive male vibrations.

MANDRAKE - It is said that even to carry a little bit of this root on a man's person will greatly enhance his virility. Mandrake is also said to attract wealth. However, Mandrake has another, darker magickal function in that it is a common additive to black magickal incenses. Mandrake is burned as an incense and is alleged to stop all evil from interfering with the will of the operator of the ritual during its performance.

MARIGOLD - Said to enhance your status. Brew a tea of Marigold Flowers (about 1 oz. flowers to 2 pints of boiling water). Strain after steeping for 5-6 minutes. Pour the tea into your bath water and soak for at least 15 minutes.

MARJORAM - This common culinary herb is also one of Voodoo's most potent protections since it is said to reverse the effects of every sort of negative witchcraft and return them magnified to their sender. A little Marjoram is placed in each room of one's house or apartment and is renewed each month on the night of the Full Moon. It is also alleged that Marjoram (which is one of the herbs attributed to Venus, Goddess of Love) will also attract a man if a little is placed in each room. Some claim that it acts as an aphrodisiac when used with food.

MASTER OF THE WOODS - Same as **WOODRUFF**.

MASTERWORT - Said to give one strength when it is sprinkled in one's shoes.

MINT - One of the commonest ingredients in love potions, Mint also serves as a protection against all forms of black magick. It is claimed that Mint will protect at least as well as Garlic when it comes to Vampires. Add a bit to all love and protection incenses.

MISTLETOE - A highly protective charm which is said to banish demons and ward off the effects of evil.

MOJO WISH BEAN - These are a popular Voodoo luck charm. It is advised to place two of these beans in your pocket or purse and carry them for 3 days, concentrating as frequently as possible upon your wish. (It is a good idea to rub the beans while wishing.) On the 4th day, throw the beans into a stream, ocean, or river and wait for at least 7 days, by which time your wish should have become reality.

MOTHERWORT - The mere presence of this herb in a home is said to protect its occupants from any sort of harm. Motherwort is also brewed as a tea (1 oz. to 1 pint boiling water) and added to the bath water because it is said to draw love.

MOUNTAIN ASH - Same as **ROWAN WOOD**.

MUGWORT - Same as **WORMWOOD**.

MULLEIN - A bit of Mullen placed in a Ouanga Bag and worn

to bed (or placed in pillow) is said to ward off any nightmares. Mullen is also said to enhance one's courage and some claim that it protects against wild animals.

MUSTARD SEED - An ancient symbol of faith, Mustard Seed is frequently worn as a good luck charm. One well-known Voodoo expert recommends carrying some Mustard Seed in a Ouanga Bag with a piece of parchment on which you have written in Dragon's Blood Ink the following words:

LIGHT
BEEF
CLETEMATI
ADONAI
CLEONA
FLORIT

The expert says that this should protect against all injury.

MYRRH - Usually mixed with Frankincense and burned as a potent mixture to attract both Love and Success.



NETTLE - Famed as an uncrossing herb, this is a frequent ingredient in jinx-removing powders. Many people grind the Nettle down into a powder and sprinkle a little bit in each room and at every entrance or doorway to prevent bad spirits from entering.

NUTGALL - Add to incenses used for hexing.

NUTMEG - There is a traditional Voodoo belief that if one bores a hole in the nutmeg and inserts some quicksilver (liquid mercury) in it and then reseals it with wax, it will be one of the most potent of luck charms. It should be carried on the person at all times, preferably enclosed in a Ouanga Bag to protect it, and from time to time it should be anointed with an appropriate luck oil.



ORANGE - Used as a love incense. Burn a few of the flowers or add some to an appropriate love incense. It is said that if one burns the Orange Blossoms and then saves the ashes, they should be sprinkled on a piece of parchment upon which you have written your loved one's name in Dove's blood Ink. Then the parchment should be folded and kept hidden where no one can find it.

ORRIS ROOT - Probably the classic Voodoo love herb. It is said that Orris is powerful enough to cast a love spell on someone merely by dusting a bit of the powder on them. A pinch may be added to food or drink as a love potion and may «be added to any love or success incense. Many people carry a piece of Orris Root in a Ouanga Bag as a love charm.

P

PALMA CHRISTI BEAN - Same as **CASTOR BEAN**. Voodooists recommend keeping one or two beans in a bottle sealed with wax as a protection against black magick. The bean should be replaced at monthly intervals as its absorption powers are limited to about that length of time.

PASSION FLOWER - It is said that sprinkling a little Passion Flower in the corners of one's rooms will bring good friends and harmonious relationships into your home.

PATCHOULI - Frequently substituted for "Goofer Dust" or "Graveyard Dust" because of its smell when dampened. Many Voodoo priests and priestesses prefer Patchouli to actual graveyard dirt. Patchouli, however, does have its positive side in that it is added to many love and success incenses and oils.

PENNYROYAL - If you are having marital problems, it is alleged that keeping a little Pennyroyal in the home will bring peace and tranquility. Pennyroyal and Lavender make an excellent combination for this purpose.

PEONY - On a Sunday, anoint a piece of Peony Root with Hi-Conquering or Success Oils and place in a Ouanga Bag as a luck charm. Some claim that Peony is also a fine uncrossing herb.

PEPPERMINT - It is said that Peppermint is a fine ingredient in any incense designed to increase prophetic dreams or psychic abilities.

PERIWINKLE - Another noted love herb, this makes a delightful additive to any love incense.

PINE BARK - A common addition to uncrossing incenses in that it helps to reverse any spell, according to Voodoo belief.

POKE ROOT Another fine hex-breaking or jinx-removing herb. Usually brewed into a tea and added to bathwater and mop bucket. Some claim that if you melt some wax and add Poke Root to it and then throw the hardened glob into a river or stream, it will force someone you do not like to move away and stop bothering you.

PURSLANE - Purslane is alleged to protect against every sort of

evil force. It is particularly important to sprinkle some in the bedroom inasmuch as it can eliminate certain marital or romantic problems.

Q

QUASSIA CHIPS - Ground or powdered Quassia is commonly mixed with some hair from a loved one and then burned. The ashes are saved in a bottle. This charm is said to preserve love.

QUEEN ELIZABETH ROOT (Same as **STILLINGEA**) - Queen Elizabeth Root is often used as a pendulum. The root must be tied with a string that is 13" long. The string is held between the thumb and forefinger while you concentrate intensely upon a question. Soon the pendulum will start to swing. If it swings from left to right, the answer is yes; if it swings back and forth, the answer is no.

QUEEN OF THE MEADOW - A tea is brewed from Queen of the Meadow (1 oz. in two pints of water). Allow to stand for seven days, strain, and add to your bath water. This is said to be a strong luck attraction bath herb. Some voodooists recommend carrying a bit of this herb on your person when looking for a job, or when gambling.

QUINCE SEED - Quince is a protection and is said to ward off harm from accidents.

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RATTLESNAKE ROOT - Same as **BETH ROOT**.

ROSE BUDS - Rose Buds are probably the most popular of the love charms. Many people carry a red flannel bag containing one or two rose buds since this herb is one of the plants ascribed to Venus, Goddess of Love. Rose Buds also are a frequent addition to love incenses.

ROSE HIPS - These are used similarly to Rose Buds except Rose Hips are alleged to attract not just love, but also luck.

ROSEMARY - Alleged to insure faithfulness, Rosemary is frequently kept near the bed. Some legends say that to stuff a bit in one's pillow will bring luck and prophetic dreams. If you decide to prepare a charm bag for a close friend as a gift, be sure to include a bit of Rosemary as it tends to insure close friendship according to traditional sources. One writer even advises carrying a little Rosemary as an aid to improving the memory!

ROWAN WOOD (Same as MOUNTAIN ASH) - A most powerful charm against any sort of black magick. To use Rowan, find two small pieces of it and tie them into a cross using red or white thread. You may make several of these crosses and they are to be kept in hidden places in your home or apartment or one may be carried on your person, preferably in a red flannel bag.

RUE - Mix a bit of Rue in any love incense and it is said that it will greatly heighten the attracting power of the incense. Rue also is said to attract only appropriate lovers, thereby automatically preventing an unwise choice. Rue is also alleged to be a health herb and if a friend is recovering from a minor illness, suggest that they wear some at night since legend claims it speeds recovery.

RULER'S ROOT - Same as GINSENG.

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SACRED BARK - Noted for its abilities to draw luck to its user, a piece of Sacred Bark is frequently carried on the person or is added to purifying incenses at Voodoo ceremonies.

SAFFRON - Since Saffron is so expensive (it takes 75,000 flowers to make one pound of Saffron), it is rarely used, but if a pinch is added to a tea it is said to heighten psychic abilities (also said to be aphrodisiacal) and in Voodoo it is used in hexing spells.

SAGE - Sage is essentially a protection herb and should be used similarly to others described herein.

ST. JOHNSWORT - Ardent Voodooists put a piece of St. Johnswort in a small red bag and hang one at every door and window to protect against any form of evil.

SANDALWOOD - Probably the most popular of the Voodoo incense base woods, Sandalwood can be burned alone or in combination with other herbs. It is said to protect its user and to draw good fortune to him.

SANG ROOT - Same as GINSENG.

SARSAPARILLA - Sarsaparilla is a noted aphrodisiac since it contains testosterone (the male sex hormone) and estrogen (the female sex hormone) in their natural states. One Voodoo magickal formula for Sarsaparilla suggests that you soak the herb in some wine for seven days and then strain and allow the herb to dry thoroughly. Grind the root into a powder and mix with a love incense or with a combination of Frankincense and Myrrh. Burn once a week to help protect and to stimulate the sexual levels of self.

SATYRION ROOT - Generally unobtainable in this country, Satyrion is one of the most potent of mythical aphrodisiacs. The Greek poets sang its praises and even Voodoo legend is replete with encomiums of praise for its erotic effects.

SCULLCAP - Women who are having difficulties with wandering mates, or who suspect their man of philandering often carry a bit of Scullcap along with other appropriate herbs to insure their man's fidelity. Scullcap is said to cast a charm which makes the man unattractive to other women.

SEA HOLLY - Same as **ERYNGO**, or **WATER ERYN-GO**.

SEA LETTUCE (Same as Kelp) - Place a bit in a little alcohol and set on your kitchen window sill. This is said to insure luck to all who live in the household.

SEA SPIRIT (Same as **IRISH MOSS**) - Use similarly to **SEA LETTUCE**; has the same effect.

SENNA PODS - Similar in effect to **SCULLCAP**. One Senna Pod may be kept in a red flannel bag along with other appropriate herbs to insure a man's fidelity. Or, brew a tea (one ounce Senna Pods to two pints of water) and add some to your lover's bath water (secretly) to insure faithfulness.

SEVEN BARKS (Same as **HYDRANGEA**) - Add to luck herbs in a charm bag or add a pinch to any luck incense to heighten its potency.

SHAME ROOT - See John the Conqueror.

SILVER LEAF - Same as **STILLENGEA**.

SKUNK CABBAGE - If you throw a piece of Skunk Cabbage in front of an enemy's house it is said to place a hexed condition upon him. The Skunk Cabbage should be renewed on his doorstep every 7 days.

SLIPPERY ELM - Said to stop gossip. Burn as a part of a protection incense or carry a bit in a red flannel bag.

SLOE BARK or **SLOE BERRIES** - Usually burned as part of an exorcism incense to banish demons or negative vibrations. Drop one or two berries into a strong unhexing oil and burn a bit of the oil on charcoal each day for 7 days both at noon and at midnight.

SMARTWEED (Same as **KNOTWEED**) - Alleged to help attract money and to help the mind's psychic abilities.

SMELLAGE ROOT - If you know someone who just loves to cause trouble, sprinkle a bit of tea made from this root on them to change their attitudes.

SNAKE ROOT - Snake Root allegedly will lead you to money if applied in the following way. Boil some Snake Root (about an ounce) in a pint of water for eleven minutes. Strain the water and throw away the root. Place the tea in a container and permit it to sit for seven days. On the 8th day, get the bottle and anoint the bottoms of your shoes with it. Snake Root can also be used to perform a "psychic divorce" by mixing some of the root with some hair, clothing, or other personal effects of someone who

is bothering you. Burn the mixture and it is said that the person will lay off.

SOLOMON'S SEAL - An important ingredient in Voodoo success offering and incenses.

SOUTHERNWOOD - Used as a love charm and a protection against aggravations and minor personal problems.

SPEARMINT - Make a wish and write it on parchment in Dragon's Blood Ink. Place some Spearmint leaves inside a red flannel bag and fold the parchment and place it inside the bag with the Spearmint. Your wish will come true by the time the smell leaves the Spearmint, according to one writer.

SPIKENARD - If you can obtain a photograph of a loved one, anoint with a bit of Spikenard tea and it is said to insure their fidelity. Or you may anoint a Voodoo doll representing the person if a photograph is unavailable.

SQUILL ROOT - Frequently a piece of Squill Root is added to luck charm bags by Voodoo practitioners. Many traditional Voodooists recommend brewing a tea which is added to the cleaning water for purposes of purifying the house or temple room. Businessmen would be well advised to place a bit of Squill Root in the cash register according to folk traditions.

STAR ANISE - Considered a potent good luck charm, a piece of Star Anise is a common component of luck charm bags. Voodooists also frequently keep a piece of Star Anise on their altar as a protection and offering to benevolent spirits.

STILLENGIA - See **QUEEN ELIZABETH ROOT**.

STONE ROOT (Same as **HEAL-ALL**) - Kept in the home as a protection against hexes or black witchcraft.

STORAX - Same as **STYRAX**.

STYRAX - Added to help insure success for just about any sort of Voodoo ritual. The mysterious powers of Styrax were one of the most closely guarded secrets in the Voodoo temples and this knowledge was normally kept only for high initiates.

SUMBUL ROOT (Same as **MUSK ROOT**) - Said to attract luck, where Sumbul Root is not available, Musk Powder may be substituted.

SWEET BUGLE - Sprinkle some of this around your bedroom during a love ritual and it is said to send out a spiritual message to all available and appropriate partners.

SWEET SEDGE (Same as **CALAMUS**) - This is another classic love herb and should be added to love incenses or a bit carried in a charm bag.

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THYME - Thyme is said to be one of the favorite herbs of the benevolent spirits. Consequently, Thyme is frequently added to incenses in rituals where you are seeking a favor from the spiritual kingdom.

TONKA BEANS - A common luck charm, these beans are frequently carried on the person. Some people recommend carrying the Tonka Bean in a charm bag and anointing it frequently with an appropriate luck oil.

TORMENTIL - Another strong protection herb, this may be carried on the person or added (a pinch) to incenses invoking the protection of the spirits. Some Voodooists suggest that if someone is bothering you, write their name on parchment in Dragon's Blood Ink and wrap the parchment around a piece of Tormentil Root. Bury in the ground and your enemy should stop bothering you.

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VALERIAN - Can be used either to hex or to bring peace. To hex, just sprinkle some on an enemy's doorstep. To bring peace, place a bit in your pillow. Unfortunately, Valerian is rather foul-smelling and so you may not find this a suitable use.

VANDAL - Same as Valerian.

VERVAIN - Alleged to have healing powers, a bit of Vervain worn in a red flannel bag is said to help speed recovery from an illness.

VETEVERT - Vetevert is one of the most famous of the unhexing herbs in the Voodoo tradition. To reverse a hex, burn a black" figure candle of the person who has hexed you while simultaneously burning some uncrossing incense which contains some Vetevert.

VIOLETS - Violets are alleged to attract good spirits and many Voodooists sprinkle a bit in the corners of their homes to entice good spirits to hang around. Violets are also said to have healing qualities.

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WAHOO BARK - One of the famous unhexing rituals consists of making some tea of the bark. The tea is used to sponge the possessed per-

son. While sponging, the exorcist should shout the word "Wahoo" aloud nine times.

WASTE-AWAY TEA - Same as FIVE FINGER GRASS.

WILLOW BARK - Alleged to be one of the Satanic herbs, this is burned in black magickal invocations.

WITCH GRASS - Frequently, Voodoo dolls are stuffed with this herb, particularly when the doll is to be used for hexing purposes.

WONDER OF THE WORLD ROOT - Same as GINSENG.

WOOD ROSE - Thought to enhance psychic abilities. Four or five Hawaiian Wood Rose seeds will produce an LSD-like trip if eaten.

WOODRUFF - Generally carried for protection.

WORMWOOD - Used in necromancy rituals when one wishes to contact the dead for some reason. A little Wormwood is mixed with Sandalwood and burned as an incense. Some claim aphrodisiac effects from Wormwood, but one should remember that it is a poison and there are far less dangerous aphrodisiacs which work just as well.

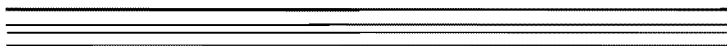
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YARROW - Used for hexing, this herb is added to any hexing incenses and burned at midnight, normally on a Full Moon.

YELLOW DOCK - Said to attract luck to a business and to promote general good fortune. A tea may be brewed and added to one's mop bucket to purify the premises.

YERBA MATE - Considered a potent love herb with an emphasis on the more carnal side of love. Said to have aphrodisiac effects.

YERBA SANTA (Same as HOLY HERB) - Considered an essential ingredient in Caribbean protection and banishing incenses.



Love Herbs - The following herbs will be discussed individually herein because they have a reputation within the Voodoo community as having special "powers" or "magickal qualities" attached to them. While many modern students might find it rather absurd to think that plants have powers other than medicinal, let us not fail to point out that the magickal use of herbs has gone on for over 10,000 years so there must be something to it! The theory is that herbs have certain "vibrations" or "harmonics" and that they can create effects in the outside world when they are used in particular ways. So, here's our list of love herbs: *Absinthe, Adam & Eve, Aloes, Apple Blossom, Archangel, Basil, Beth Root, Bittersweet, Black Snake-root, Cardamon, Civit, Cloves, Coriander, Cubeb, Cumin, Damiana, Deerstongue, Dill, Dragon's Blood Reed, Elecampane, Eryngo (Sea Holly), Gentian, Ginger, Grains of Passion, Heartsease, Hyacinth, Jasmine, Juniper Berries, Khus Khus, Laurel, Lavender, Licorice, Lignum Aloes, Lime, Linden, Lovage, Magnolia, Maidenhair, Mandrake, Marjoram, Mistletoe, Mint, Mullen, Musk, Naroli (Orange Blossom), Orange, Orris, Passion Flower, Pennyroyal, Quassia, Rose Buds, Rosemary, Rue, Sage, Scullcap, Senna Pods, Violet, Thyme, Vanilla, Vervain, Vetivert, Violet, Yerba Mate, Ylang Ylang.*

Absinthe. Absinthe is a poison and while it used to have a reputation as an aphrodisiac, the fact that it also rots the brain brought about the cessation of its use. However, you may mix a pinch of Absinthe (also called "Wormwood") with a love incense where you wish the sexual dimension to be inherent. In effect, Absinthe is similar to Musk. Musk, however, is an animal-derived oil, not an herbal oil. It is taken from the sexual glands of deers.

Adam and Eve Root. Adam & Eve Root has been unavailable in the United States for a number of years. Many stores sell what is known as "false Adam and Eve" which is nothing more than a part of the Salap or "Lucky Hand" root. Despite the fact that Lucky Hand is not true Adam and Eve, it is an acceptable substitute.

Aloes. This refers to "Lignum Aloes" which is said to be the one tree which has descended to man from the original Garden of Eden! Aloes is a potent love incense, but it is very hard to come by in the United States because of its scarcity. Do not confuse this with Bitter Aloes, however! Lignum Aloes is a wood and it is used as a base for incenses in its powdered form. When burned it has a very aromatic and pleasant fragrance.

Apple Blossom. Apple Blossom is one of the most obvious love herbs because of the connection of the apple to Adam and Eve. Apple Blossom is viewed as being seductive and erotic but in a very subtle way. It is one of the ingredients in the classic "Eve Oil" and very often Apple Blossom oil applied to a red candle will help enhance the romantic levels between two people.

Archangel. While Archangel (Angelica) is not specifically a love herb, it is highly protective and is seen as angelic and helpful in nature. Archangel is sometimes added to love incenses and oils where it is felt that there is an element of threat somewhere. This oil would tend to protect the lovers from outside influences or interferences.

Basil. Within initiated Voodoo circles, it is known that Basil is one of the herbs said to be sacred to Erzulie, the goddess of love. Erzulie is equivalent to Venus or Aphrodite in classical mythology and while Basil is not strictly a love herb, it is added to love incenses as an offering to the goddess because it is one of Her favorite herbs. Basil also has implications in the areas of success and protection. Its function is to invoke the goddess; that is, its fragrance brings Her presence to your ritual. The other herbs you mix with Basil tell Her what you would like Her to do.

Beth Root. This root is considered to be both protective and to have a "drawing" or "attracting" nature, particularly in the area of love. A common use of Beth Root is to carry a piece in a red charm bag (with other herbs). Anoint the Beth Root with an appropriate love oil. (See the next section of this book.)

Bittersweet. It was once felt that *one* cup of this herb per

day is an excellent aphrodisiac, but we see no reason why this should be so. Rather, Bittersweet is more effective when used as an incense. However, it is not a commonly selected ingredient, and if used in an herbal mixture it should not be the dominant herb.



Bittersweet

Black Snake Root. This is an X-rated root. It is generally carried only by men and it is said to increase virility and sexuality. Often it is anointed with Power Oil, Master Oil, or some other such commanding/compelling oil. Master of the Woods Oil also makes an excellent anointing oil for this root. Once the root is anointed, it is generally kept in a red flannel bag and carried on the person.

Cardamon. Frequently a pinch is added to love incense because this herb, like Basil, is considered sacred to

Erzulie and Venus. Again, its function is to attract the Goddess to your ritual. In the formulation of any incense, it is a good idea to add an herb which is beloved by the particular deity which handles the kind of ritual you are going to perform.

Civit. Civit is an oil or fragrance which is derived from the civit cat's sexual glands. When used in incenses or oils only a drop or two is necessary and because of the oil's strength and odor, a little goes a long way! Civit is allegedly a "power" or "sexual domination" oil. Civit is said to be representative of females while musk is said to be representative of males. Hence Civit is often employed in potions to be used by males on females, while Musk is often used by females to sexually compel males.

Cloves. Many authors have suggested that cloves are an aphrodisiac and they have a wide reputation as a love herb. Cloves are frequently added to love charm bags and Clove is one of the ingredients in Commanding Oil which gives an indication of its use. While it is a love herb, it is also a "forcing" or "compelling" herb. But its ways are subtle and gentle as compared to the forcing potential of Musk, Civit, Ambergris, or Vetivert.

Coriander. Very often Coriander is used as a seasoning for love potions. A bit sprinkled on a potential lover's food is said to make him or her very accessible to your advances. Coriander may also be used in a charm bag or it may be added (a pinch) to any love incense. It functions similarly to Basil and Cardamon.

Cubeb Peppers. Lover ain't hot enough for you? So get come Cubeb Peppers, powder them, and sprinkle the powder around your bed. You may also add some powdered Cubebs to a love incense, but be prepared for X-rated action because Cubebs have a way of making a man or woman h-o-t. You must realize, however, the Cubebs have NOTHING to do with romance. This one is for sex only!

Cumin. This herb is said to be useful in controlling unfaithful lovers. A bit powdered and mixed in their food allegedly keeps them at home where they belong. This may

also be used to keep a lover faithful while you are separated from him or her for a long period of time. Cumin, however, is not a power or force herb despite what it does. It tends, instead, to rectify or "fix" love problems where love is deep by protecting your loved one from too much temptation. In this sense, it acts as sort of a "screen."

Damiana. Another X-rated herb. This is usually brewed as a tea and drunk, one cup per day. Take two tablespoons per cup of water of the herb and bring your water to a boil. When the water is boiling, turn off the gas and place the herb in the hot water and allow it to steep for about 20 minutes. Do not drink more than one cup per day. It is said to make one horny horny horny and many people swear by it. It may also be added to incenses to produce a similar effect on the magickal as opposed to physical plane.

Deerstongue. Deerstongue is particularly useful to male homosexuals. However, it also has applications for heterosexuals. The classic gay male ouanga bag consists of a mixture of Deerstongue and Samson Root. This charm bag is then worn in one's underwear when going out for an evening. This fragrance also appeals to heterosexual men and often women employ Deerstongue to turn them on too! One of the charming things about Voodoo is that it embraces the concept of "different strokes for different folks" and has no hangups about any form of sexuality.

Dill. Noted for its protective qualities, Dill functions similarly to Archangel when used in love potions. One author recommends steeping about an ounce of Dill Seeds in a pint of hot wine for a few hours to prepare a strong love potion while another author recommends Dill Seed as a cure for the hiccoughs! One common way of using this is to sprinkle some of the seeds (or a bit of the oil) into your bathtub before you take your bath and it is said that this procedure will make you irresistible. A pinch of Dill is said to be very effective in incenses.

Dragon's Blood Reed. Dragon's Blood Reed is one of the most famous herbs in Voodoo practice in the United States. It is used for many different purposes and in the

area of love it is most often used as an additive to incenses and oils for power, protection, and white magickal forcing. For love rituals where you need a special ink, very often Dragon's Blood Ink or Dove's Blood Ink are used. Both contain Dragon's Blood in their formulas and both work similarly although technically, Dove's Blood Ink is the one preferred for love rituals while Dragon's Blood Ink is particularly effective in commanding and protection rituals of various sorts.

Elecampane. Elecampane is suggested for use in combination with Vervain and Mistletoe Berries as being a particularly strong powder for attracting love. This particular powder is highly recommended for people who are desperately lonely as being one of the stronger "attraction" powders for love in a hurry. However, this particular potion is more Druid-ic than Voodoo in composition and while it may work, it really is not traditional in terms of the subject matter of this book.

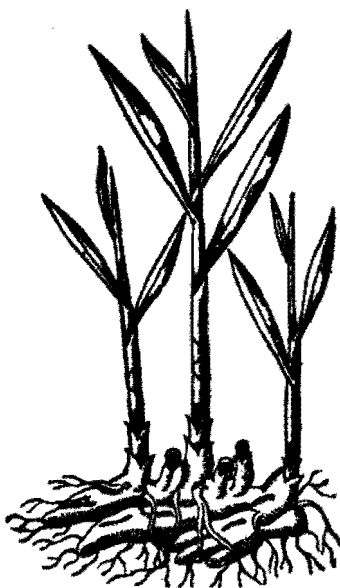
Eryngo (Sea Holly). In southern Voodoo circles many women carry 3 piece of Eryngo in a charm bag to insure the Jove of their man. The herb is said to be effective only when used by women.

Gentian. Gentian is used to prepare a special love bath. Boil about a pint of water and then add to the water about one ounce of Gentian and allow it to steep (do not continue boiling once you have added the herb) for about a half hour. Then strain the mixture and add the "tea" you have prepared to your bath water before going out on a date and it is said to attract love to you!

Ginger. Ginger is frequently sprinkled into a lover's food as its spiciness is said to effect the libido in a positive way. Ginger is also considered to be highly protective and while it is not as strong as Archangel in terms of protection, it does have this quality. Many ardent practitioners recommend keeping a bit of Ginger in every room as a relatively strong insurance against black magickal attacks.

Grains of Passion. Also called "Grains of Paradise."

This is a classic Voodoo ingredient in love potions and it is recommended that a tea brewed of the seeds (about one ounce of herb to two pints of water) provides one with a potent aphrodisiac. A few grains are frequently added to a charm bag for love or for luck since Grains of Passion work in either category.



Ginger

Heartsease. As the name implies, this herb is recommended where there are love problems since it tends to soothe them. However, an even better herb for providing tranquility in a troubled relationship is Lavender.

Hyacinth. Feel that your relationship is tired, boring, too much of the same thing? Then try a bit of Hyacinth oil or mix some of the herb in a love incense because Hyacinth is said to bring fun, joy, and new life to dull, worn out relationships.

Jasmine. Jasmine is said to be one of the favorite fragrances in Voodoo love potions, and considering the remarkable number of love oils which contain Jasmine as part of their ingredients, this is not sur-some authors have recommended powdering a bit of Linden and placing just a touch on both the forehead females, however since its highly floral scent is inappropriate for males.



Hyacinth

Juniper Berries. Juniper Berries are actually more for luck than for love, however, they work well with love herbs to produce luck in love. Mix a few of the powdered berries with just about any love incense and Juniper is said to intensify events so that they occur more rapidly. Also, since Juniper Berries are strictly white magickal in nature, you may be assured that the effects created by a ritual employing these berries will be positive, pleasant, and agreeably surprising!

Khus Khus. West Indian Voodoo practitioners swear by Khus Khus and frequently add a bit of the oil to their baths before going out. Khus Khus carries with it a luck connotation in addition to its love attributions. Essentially the connotation of Khus Khus is "luck in love," and should be used for situations requiring that effect.

Laurel. This is a traditional herb which is supposed to be presented to new brides on their wedding day to insure marital bliss. Laurel has protective qualities and while it is not a love attractant or a love herb in its strictest sense, it does merge well with other love herbs to provide the protective influence where this is required.

Lavender. Lavender is symbolic of peace and contentment and is an essential ingredient in just about every potion burned for that purpose. Its application to love lies mostly in helping with love problems as opposed to attracting love. Because Lavender attracts peace and tranquility and has a way of cleansing away bad vibes, its function is to quiet down problems between two lovers. It is also said that Lavender has certain money-drawing abilities and because so many couples have problems over lack of money (perhaps more than any other issue) this may help in that area specifically.

Licorice. Believe it or not, plain old licoriceroot was once a big secret aphrodisiac among the Pharaohs of Egypt! They brewed a tea of licoriceroot which they drank prior to extensive indulgence in the arts of love. Within the Voodoo tradition, legend has it that licorice root works similarly to "Stay At Home Powder" which is discussed in the potions section of this book. To use it this way, obtain some licorice oil and use it to anoint a red figure candle of the philandering lover. It is said to stop adultery quickly.

Lignum Aloes. See Aloes, above.

Lime. Lime is one of the Caribbean love oils and some feel that it is only effective in tropical climates. However, lime has a refreshing citrus fragrance and is said to be particularly beneficial in attracting a new lover. You might

try using lime oil on a red candle to see what gets invoked. While this writer has not personally experimented with Lime in love rituals, it has been used by many with good result.

Linden. Similar to Licorice in effect, Linden has a reputation for keeping a lover faithful. Linden is said to establish a telepathic link between you and the person upon whom you are working. Therefore, some authors have recommended powdering a bit of linden and placing just a touch on both the forehead and your "private" parts before a ritual aimed at enchanting a lover. This symbolically connects both your mind and your genitals to the loved one and this symbolic connection is made even stronger if you sprinkle some of the powdered Linden into the flame of a figure candle representing the loved one. In this way, you are using the herb both in your ritual and upon your body which is said to make your magick all the more effective.

Lovage. Lovage is sometimes called "Love Herbs" because it is considered to be so strong in the area of love. This root is said to absorb love vibrations and therefore it is considered a very powerful talisman. What some people do is anoint some Lovage with one of the strong love oils and then powder the root. The powdering process should be done while you concentrate carefully upon the person you desire. It is said that thoughts can transfer into Lovage and therefore, if you sprinkle this herb where you loved one is likely to walk, he will automatically pick up your telepathic message!

Magnolia. Magnolia's attribution has to do with added strength, perseverance, and achievement. It is frequently employed when the loved one is too shy to "make a move." In this sort of situation, add some magnolia oil to the oil you are using to anoint a red figure candle for your loved one and it should help him or her be more aggressive and open to sexuality.

Maidenhair. Attributed to Venus, the classical goddess of love, Maidenhair is a common ingredient in charm bags. In general, Maidenhair herb is only used by women since it tends to attract positive male vibrations. For this reason it is sometimes used by male homosexuals with good result. At least one author recommends that before going out you should wet a bit of

Maidenhair place it in a red charm bag, and wear it close to your genitals.

Mandrake. It is said that if a man carries a bit of Mandrake on his person that it will greatly enhance his virility. Mandrake is also alleged to attract money, but it is doubtful if it works particularly well in this area. The danger of working with Mandrake is that it is a common ingredient in hexing potions. Its function, like that of Patchouli (which is often mistakenly believed to be a love herb) is to materialize things, of whatever nature. Consequently, what it materializes may not be too cool. Therefore, when using Mandrake in any potion, make sure that the other herbs you use are strictly white magickal in nature. Otherwise you may be in for some highly unpleasant surprises. This same advice relates to Patchouli. While I recognize that many people think that Patchouli makes love happen, it is probably the most dangerous love herb to work with because of its unpredictable and conscienceless qualities.

Marjoram. Marjoram, like Cardamon and Basil is sacred to Erzulie and to Venus. Again, its effect is not to invoke a lover, but rather to invoke the Goddess herself who, in turn, will bring you a lover. So, in reality, this is an offering herb and it is important to add such an herb to an incense since it is a way of both invoking the Goddess and also of saying thank you!

Mistletoe. Mistletoe is the ancient Druidic sacred herb which is said to work miracles in many areas of life. We all know the common legend about kissing someone under a sprig of Mistletoe so we can see the romantic nature of this herb. But watch out, Mistletoe has spiny prickles on it and you can cut yourself on it. Love is that way too. Usually Mistletoe is used as a powder and it may be employed either on the altar or sprinkled where a loved one is known to walk.

Mint. Probably there is no herb more beloved by white spirits than Mint (Peppermint). It is employed in numerous love oils because it serves as a "catalyst." By catalyst, we mean that it sets other herbs into action. Mint by itself makes a marvelous offering to the spirit planes, but when

added (a drop or two is sufficient) to an incense or an oil it greatly increases their potency in the area of love. Many advanced practitioners recommend occasionally burning a white candle anointed with Peppermint Oil as a way of thanking and rewarding the spirit planes for the good deeds they have done for you.

Mullen. Mullen is highly protective in nature, but is very tricky to work with. Its function is to materialize things. Hence, be very careful as to which herbs you select to mix with Mullen. In a very real sense, Mullen, Patchouli, and Mandrake all work similarly and are really far too tricky for a beginner. Mullen has a way of reversing on you and bringing about very opposite effects to what you had intended unless you are highly dominant in using the herb. Best to leave this one to the experts.



Mullen

Musk. We have already discussed Musk to some extent above. The central thing to keep in mind about Musk oil is that it is powerful in nature and its function is to command or compel. It works primarily on men and its effect has to do with sexual domination. Women should not wear Musk oil, but rather they may use it to anoint candles. Men may wear Musk oil if they wish, but it should be pointed out that it will stimulate other men more than it will women!

Naroli (Orange Blossom). Again we have the Caribbean influence in Orange Blossom. This may be added to any love incense or oil. Naroli oil is charming when added to one's bathwater before a festive evening. One old folk spell calls for writing the loved one's name on a piece of parchment in Dove's Blood Ink and then sprinkling some Orange Blossoms on it and folding the paper carefully. Then, hide the parchment with the Orange Blossoms in it inside a dresser drawer where you keep your underwear. This is said to bring the loved one to you.

Orange. See Naroli above.

Orris. Probably this is the classic southern Voodoo root for love spells. It is doubtful if there is any other herb, with the possible exception of Adam and Eve, more noted for its ability to draw love. Orris is sometimes used as a whole root which is anointed with a love attracting oil, or it may be used in its powdered form as a base for incenses or to use on the altar as a powder in love rituals. Usually Orris is not used alone, but rather it is mixed with other oils because it serves as an enhancing fragrance for the other oils since its own fragrance is not overwhelmingly pleasant. However, when a pleasant floral or herbal scent is added, it makes the added scent all the more beautiful.

Passion Flower. Passion Flower is used to promote harmony between people and in that sense it is a lot like Lavender. However, Passion Flower is particularly useful when there are tensions between heavy lovers. This is because it is particularly effective when passion is behind the problem! The passions can create all sorts of tensions and problems between people and Passion Flower is alleged to help cool

these difficulties out and get them into manageable proportions.

Pennyroyal. Pennyroyal may be used as a substitute for Lavender or Passion Flower since it promotes peace and harmony in much the same way they do.

Quassia (Cassia). Essentially Quassia is similar to Cinnamon but is somewhat less fiery. Cinnamon is a common "catalyst" in Voodoo oils and incenses, but it is perhaps a bit too fiery for a love potion. Therefore, the somewhat more subtle Quassia is selected since it is deemed to work more gently and it is felt that love should be worked on gently rather than forcibly for best results. Quassia in and of itself is not particularly useful, but when mixed with love herbs of various sorts, Watch Out!

Rose Buds. The classic rose is often attributed to Venus, but actually it is an herb of Mercury with heavy Venus overtones. Rosebuds facilitate communication, particularly when that communication is of a love nature. For this reason you will find Rose in about half of the various Voodoo oils and



Rose

incenses. Rose is considered sacred too and it is one of the ingredients in the classic recipe for Uncrossing oil. Rose Buds are also frequently added to charm bags or are used as doll stuffing in love rituals. See the section hereinafter on charm bags and dolls for love.

Rosemary. Alleged to insure fidelity in both men and women, this herb is similar in effect to the others mentioned above which deal with this problem. However, Rosemary has many other positive uses and is one of the most magickal of plants. It is said that a sprig of Rosemary over the door to your home or apartment will insure that only friendly folks get through the door. While we doubt if this alone would really do the trick, it is likely that Rosemary in combination with a few other protective herbs might be quite potent. One other interesting note is that some have suggested that Rosemary might be of use in getting someone to think of you. To do this, get a figure candle representing the person, anoint it with Rosemary oil, and burn it.

Rue. A bit of Rue added to just about any love attraction incense is quite beneficial since Rue is said to emphasize this dimension of a potion. Also, since Rue is noted to be protective in nature, it has a way of screening undesirable candidates out of the picture and bringing you only eligible contenders. Since most love-attraction incenses and oils tend to be general or non-selective in nature, a bit of Rue will see to it that those brought to you will meet your specifications. In any case, adding a bit of Rue will not hurt any love potion and will only serve to make it stronger.

Sage. Sage is essentially an herb associated with protection, but it is also said to be able to receive telepathic impressions from the person using it. It is often used by sprinkling it on a loved one's food after first holding the Sage in your hand and concentrating heavily for a moment or two on your desires for the individual. Try to imagine your desires going through your arm, into your hand, and into the Sage itself. When you sprinkle the Sage on the food, it is as if you are transferring your wishes to your lover while they eat!

Scullcap. Scullcap is frequently used in controlling infidelity and the way it works is really quite diabolical! According to tradition, when Scullcap is sprinkled into the shoes of the wandering spouse, it will make them exceedingly unattractive to members of the opposite sex! In other words, if your boyfriend is sneaking out at night, a little Scullcap will turn Romeo into Count Dracula!

Senna Pods. This works very similarly in effect to Scullcap and is used in the same way but Senna does not work in the same way. Senna is more of a directly "controlling" mixture and it tends to produce negative effects in terms of generating guilt in the philanderer. Senna is more psychological in action than Scullcap, but the results are alleged to be the same. One sneaky way of "treating" a philanderer is to secretly brew a tea of Senna Pods (about a quart of water to an ounce of Senna Pods) and then pour the errant spouse a nice hot bath into which you secretly have poured your Senna "tea." They may think they're washing up for a secret rendezvous with their lover, but in reality their adultery is going to go right down the drain with the bathwater.

Thyme. Thyme is considered beloved by beneficial spirits and it is used similar to Cardamon and Basil which are described above.

Vanilla. Vanilla is a male-oriented herb. Its long beans are considered to be phallic in nature and in many countries many of the male colognes are known to contain Vanilla as one of the basic fragrances. Vanilla is often added to love incenses and oils to strengthen them and in many ways it acts similarly to Rue.

Vervain. Vervain is one of the sacred herbs of the witches and it is said to bring happiness, peace, and joy wherever it is used. In this sense it is like Lavender in many ways. One author suggests brewing a tea of Vervain (one ounce Vervain to two pints of water) and adding your "tea" to your mop-bucket. Then wash down all the floors of your house with this special "floorwash" and it is said that anyone who comes into your home within 48 hours will have a

wonderful time. Just the thing for the next time you are expecting guests!

Vetivert. Vetivert is one of the most powerful of the Voodoo "forcing" herbs and it is added when compelling is desired. You may add Vetivert to just about any incense or oil for greater potency, but you must be most careful of not overdoing it. Also, many feel (including this author) that forcing herbs are totally inappropriate for love potions since they come dangerously close to black magick and interfering with another human's rights and freedom. Remember, to force another to love you is plain black magick, NOT white magick!

Violet. Violet is used to detect lies within a relationship. Gerard, in his "Herbal" mentions this association with honesty and truth. Simply anoint a white figure candle representing the mate you think may be lying to you and you should find that the truth will out rather quickly!



Violet

Yerba Mate. Yerba Mate is considered a potent love herb with an emphasis on the more carnal side of love! While its tea is said to have aphrodisiacal effects, this has not been proved and more commonly it is employed as a part of a powder or incense

designed to strongly compel love to you. Carrying some Yerba Mate in a charm bag along with other modifying love herbs is considered a potent talisman. While the above list is by no means comprehensive in nature, it does give you an idea of those herbs which are commonly employed in Voodoo practice within the United States. Also, we have only included herbs which, for the most part, are easily obtainable in all parts of the country since it seemed ridiculous to list dozens of unavailable items.



Orange Tree



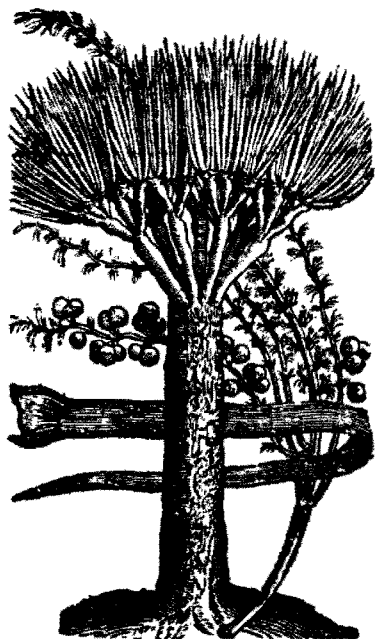
Sage



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Mistletoe



Dragon Tree



Archangel



Marjoram



Vervain



Lavender

How to Make Incenses

There is nothing difficult or mysterious about making incenses. And basically, in Voodoo practice, they are made in either one of two ways, the first being more traditional, the second being more modern. It really doesn't matter which way you decide to prepare your incenses since they will work equally well either way.

Method One

Supposing that we want to make a love incense to attract love and let us suppose that we have decided upon using Rose, Lavender, Quassia, and a drop or two of Musk oil just to liven things up. We would go to our local herb supplier and pick up some Rose Buds, some Lavender, and some Quassia. Probably you could get some Musk oil at the herb store since many of them carry essential oils.

Now you must powder the herbs. You may use a common household blender to powder the herbs or you may use a mortar and pestle. When grinding herbs in a blender, make sure you don't try to powder barks, gums (such as Frankincense or Myrrh) or hard roots. However, flowers and soft herbs are easily handled by blenders. Once your herbs are powdered, mix them together thoroughly. Proportion is really more a matter of taste than magical necessity. The one thing to keep in mind, however, is that you should go light on the fiery herbs (such as the Quassia) since they serve as "catalysts" and only a pinch is needed. Now you get an incense charcoal (which are sold at most occult supply stores or incense shops), light it, and put a pinch or two of your incense on it.

Method Two

A somewhat more modern method involves obtaining some "crushed bamboo wood base powder." This is a special absorbent wood base which comes in many different colors and which you can obtain at most occult supply companies. These "bases" are unscented and you make incenses out of them by putting a few drops of different oils on them and then mixing thoroughly. For instance, in my recipe mentioned in Method One, above, I would get some red (the color of love) incense base and put a few drops of Rose, Lavender, Musk, and Quassia oils onto the base. All

of these herbal oils are readily available at most of the better occult supply shops. Again, proportion is a matter of personal preference.

By the way, don't forget to keep a record of your incense recipes since you may kick yourself if you don't. It is a good idea to keep a notebook wherein you record your rituals, their ingredients, and their results.

In the area of love, there are a number of oils, incenses, powders, and other potions which are said to be helpful in various areas of concern. In general the love potions break down into four basic categories: **Passionate Love, Romantic Love, Soothing of Love Problems, Control of Infidelity.**

We shall discuss each of these areas briefly in terms of the various oils, incenses and powders which are contained within each of these categories.

PASSIONATE LOVE

Within Voodoo there is a distinction made between passionate or sexually-oriented love and the more romantic or spiritual kind of love. In Voodoo it is considered perfectly acceptable if you wish merely to have sex and skip the more romantic aspects just as it is considered fine to seek only romantic or spiritual love and avoid sexuality! Again, the principle of "different strokes for different folks" is basic to all Voodoo practice. So let's look at a few New Orleans oils and incenses to see what you have to choose from when you wish to satisfy your lusty side.

Astarte. Used as an oil, bath, and incense, Astarte is alleged to be one of the most powerful animators of male lusts going! This one is used only by women and in general it is worn as a perfume oil and not used in candle burning rituals, although the oil is suitable for that purpose if desired.

Caliph's Beloved. Similar in effect to Astarte, but perhaps even more potent in terms for stimulating purely

sexual interest. This may be used as a perfume oil and worn on the body or it may be used to good advantage in candleburning rituals.

Cleopatra Oil. This formula is a mild commanding oil and women will find that men find it very attractive. This oil, however, has several protective herbs in it which should be helpful in screening out low lives from your flock of suitors. In general, this oil is used only by women and it makes a marvelous (and compelling) anointing oil for candle rituals aimed at drawing someone to you.

Come To Me. This is a very strong commanding and compelling oil which does what its name says. This is used primarily to anoint figure candles of people you wish to draw to you. Be careful in its employment, however, since it treads dangerously close to black magick. The problem with Come To Me oil is that if the other person is not interested in you and you decide to bombard him (or her) psychically by using this oil, you can create strain, nervousness, and anxiety in the other person. Hence use of this oil is NOT recommended.

Delight. Surely all of us have met someone in our lives whom we are deeply attracted to; however, sometimes that person is terribly shy or inhibited. This is where Delight is used because it is said to make timidity and shyness disappear for a while to allow both partners to fully enjoy the sexual embrace. So, if you are up against a lover who has some hangups, Delight should be helpful according to tradition. However, the effects of Delight are not long-term in nature and will only last for a few hours according to most authors.

Dixie Love Perfume Oil. This is another excellent anointing oil for candleburning rituals. It is particularly effective if you don't have anyone in particular in mind and merely wish for a new lover to enter your life. But watch out because this potion contains Jasmine among its ingredients plus a bit of Cinnamon or Quassia in addition to another secret ingredient so it is strictly carnal in nature and tends to materialize love quickly and effectively. However, there is no protective screen in this potion, so be

on your toes in terms of evaluating the lovers invoked by your rituals.

Eve Oil. Use this as a perfume oil on yourself once you have landed your man. This oil is used by women only. A few drops of the oil in a tub of water makes for a marvelous (and seductive) bath just prior to a heavy date. This will not invoke love, but it may help you clinch it!

Fire of Love and Fire of Passion. Basically these two oils are quite similar, with Fire of Passion being somewhat stronger in nature. Both, however, are passion oils and one would select Fire of Passion oil only if one felt he or she were encountering unusual difficulties in bringing a flirtation to a climax. These two also make excellent bedroom incenses. Also, both men and women can use these two oils for anointing candles in love rituals since both of these oils are mildly compelling in nature and should be effective in drawing someone to you. Basically I would recommend using Fire of Love oil to invoke a lover through candle procedures and then, when the lover is in your presence, be wearing the Fire of Passion oil to bring things to the next level of attainment.

Follow Me Boy. At the turn of the century this oil was used by New Orleans prostitutes to drum up business on the streets. However, Follow Me Boy is also considered to be a potent legal protection oil! In fact, in most books on the subject when Follow Me Boy is discussed, it is mentioned only as a legal aid oil. This is correct to some extent because there are some protective ingredients in the potion. However, it is mostly a love oil. Prostitutes might well be advised to wear it because it should help avoid busts while at the same time drumming up new trade. We realize that many people would rather not recognize the history of this oil because it may offend their morals, but again we hasten to point out that central to Voodoo morality is the idea that provided your actions in no way hurt anyone else then you may feel free to do as you please. But do not overlook evaluating the potential effects of your actions before using any form of magick.

Goddess of Love. This is an excellent ritual incense or oil and is used to produce love on both sexual and spiritual planes since its ingredients cover both arenas. This is not a bad anointing oil for your altar candles in a love ritual.

Isis. Isis oil is one of the most complex of the Voodoo love oils and also it is one of the strongest (and strangest). Perhaps more than any other love oil, Isis has earned a reputation for effectiveness and power. This is also an excellent incense and both heterosexual and homosexual women have indicated that it seems to be very effective in terms of their desires. Isis may be worn as a body oil or a few drops may be added to one's bath water. Isis may also be used to anoint figure candles, but it should only be used by women.

King of the Woods. This is a "males only" potion and works for men similarly to the way Isis works for women. The oil may be worn or used to anoint figure candles of one's intended. King of the Woods, like Isis, is actually more of a sexual domination formula than it is a seduction formula. When a man wears this oil, he should put a touch of it on each side of his neck, on the center of his chest, and just above his pubic hair below his navel.

LaFlamme. This simple oil contains two of the strongest sexual compellants in Voodoo, but it modifies them somewhat with two protective herbs. This is frequently used in its oil and incense forms in love rituals because of the power attributed to it regarding its forceful vibrations and its psychic manipulation of your loved one. However, LaFlamme is not a "forcing" potion in its strictest sense and if there is absolutely no interest in you from your lover, it will merely send pleasant vibes his (or her) way and not interfere with their lives. It is important to remember that if you force Jove, on either the romantic or sexual plane, you are guilty of black magic k and will pay the price. Love and sex should always be gifts freely given. In Voodoo there is one simple word of advice which may be tough to take but is quite realistic: If the one you want does not want you then move on to someone else. If all of your rituals flop in terms of a

specific individual, then find someone else!

"Q" Perfume Oil. This oil is famous for causing people to do strange or unusual things sexually. More than this we cannot say. It may be used as an anointing oil or it may be worn as a body oil. One word of caution: Do not wear this oil out onto the street—use only in your home.

ROMANTIC LOVE

Very often a relationship will start on a sexual basis and as it evolves and matures the romantic elements become more important and the potions below are useful in terms of translating a passionate affair into a long-term relationship. Also, there are many people who would prefer warm, tender, and loving relationships with others without a heavy emphasis upon sexuality. For both circumstances the following oils and incenses are of value in terms of generating a so-called "higher" love in other people.

Amor. From the Caribbean comes this charming and very delicate blend which has nothing to do with passion, but everything to do with romance! This oil is not normally used to anoint candles, but it is excellent for that purpose. When working for romance as opposed to sexual love, it is best to work with Pink rather than Red candles because the Pink vibration is less aggressive and powerful and therefore tends to create manageable relationships.

Arabian Nights. One may remember the delightful story of Scheherazade who told the King 1001 tales in an effort to forestall her execution. Each night for 1001 nights she would tell part of a story and leave the King dangling until the next night when she would finish the story and start another. Her stories were so wonderful that the King kept postponing her execution day after day so that he might hear the end of her stories. Arabian Nights oil or incense seeks to accomplish the same effect. Its influence is to create an atmosphere of romance and fantasy to delight and entertain two people. This **oil** is also recommended for helping to find new friends. Many women wear this oil daily to insure loving vibes and entertaining conversation in their presence.

Attraction. Attraction formula does what its name implies - it attracts. However, used alone it will do absolutely nothing. You might think of Attraction as being something like a magnet, but you must make specific what it is you wish to attract. Basically you do this through using candles of different colors. For instance, if I anoint a red candle with Attraction Oil I will attract love; if I anoint a green candle with Attraction Oil I will attract money or success, etc. So if you use Attraction oil or incense, make sure you add another element to your ritual to make your desire clear.

India Bouquet. This potion works in the service of love in three ways: First it creates an atmosphere of attraction; second, it brings harmony and peace between people who have been quarreling, and third, it has benefits in the area of keeping infidelity from being an issue. It is an all-purpose, all-around romantic love formula and it makes a marvelous incense for parties or social gatherings since it is alleged to generate such positive vibes.

Khus Khus. This is not the herb "Khus Khus," but rather it is a mixture of two oils which blend together to create an aura of irresistibility in terms of your personality, your sense of humor, and the non-physical parts of you. The most common way of using this potion is as a bath. Just add a few drops of your oil to your bathwater and rest assured that you will have a fun evening.

Love and Success. The name says it all. This is fine general-purpose incense which creates loving and success vibes wherever it is used. You may use it also as an oil if you wish and it may be used by both men and women. This makes a good candle anointing oil also, particularly when two lovers are seeking to add the dimension of success to their relationship.

Love Me. Actually this is a mild commanding and compelling fragrance which is almost one of the sexual oils except that it has modifying ingredients which keep it from being too X-rated. The effect of this oil is very similar to

the classic New Orleans Come To Me formula, except that Come To Me is somewhat stronger and more forceful.

Luv Luv Luv. This is also a mild commanding oil, but very spiritual in nature. This is perfect to use on that special man or woman who is so right for you but who doesn't seem to notice your presence! Use to anoint red figure candles (or pink figure candles). You may also wear this oil and it may be used by both men and women.

Red Rose. This is a classic romantic incense or oil which consists strictly of herbs sacred to Venus, the goddess of love. It is suggested that this is most effective in its incense form inasmuch as it creates a lovely background fragrance which subtly brings harmony and love between" two people.

SOOTHING OF LOVE PROBLEMS

Most of the potions listed below work in pretty much the same way. They are all beneficial in cases where there is a great deal of argument between lovers or where tension seems to exist between the lovers for no logical reason. These formulae are all concerned with healing a relationship, bringing peace and tranquility, renewing love, etc. These may be used if there is trouble between two people or they may be used as a preventative to keep trouble from coming up. The potions most recommended for troubled relationships are: Dove's Heart, Helping Hand, No. 20 Love Oil, Pax/Peace, and Peaceful Home.

Rather than discuss each of these individually since their functions are so similar, let me just say that Dove's Heart in both its oil and incense forms are particularly recommended if you have been jilted or left by your lover. The function of this potion is to "unbreak" your heart, take away the upset, and re-secure happiness.

No. 20 Love Oil is particularly beneficial if you sense that your love affair is "crossed" or "hexed" by someone else. While this may seem a bit paranoid to some readers, within Voodoo it is believed that people can, knowingly or unknowingly, cast hexes or "bad vibes" upon a relationship. This

can be done by someone who is jealous, by an ex-lover of your present paramour, by a parent who does not approve, etc. A "hex" is nothing more than a psychic bombardment through the focused use of telepathy. No. 20 Love Oil, therefore, is particularly beneficial because it is an uncrossing oil particularly designed for love problems. In fact, three of the herbs in this oil are exactly the same as three of the four herbs in the classic formula for "Uncrossing Oil." Of all the New Orleans potions for helping with love problems, probably No. 20 Love is the most commonly employed.

However, it is important to recognize that if a relationship has had problems for a while that it is probably going to take a while for the problems to work themselves through. These potions will not solve your love problems for you—only you can do that. However, they will help to insure a tranquil environment so that you and your lover may talk and they will also generally tone down the arguments long enough so that both sides may make their points.

Uncrossing is a long-term procedure since, in a real sense a "crossed condition" is a psychological state similar to a neurosis or (sometimes) a psychosis. *Under no circumstances should magic be used as a substitute for professional psychological help.* Rather, it may be employed as an *additional procedure* to supplement psychological counseling. While psychology does not recognize Voodoo techniques at present, there are in fact several psychiatrists and psychologists whom I know personally to use Voodoo techniques to help their clients (unbeknownst to their clients of course)! If they told their clients, of course, most of them would think that their psychiatrist was crazier than they were! Also, the results of the uncrossing procedure could not be scientifically evaluated if the client knew what was being done. But uncrossing is a specialized area and we will soon do another book on that subject alone.

However, we introduce the subject here because in point of fact when you employ any of the potions in this section you are

using "uncrossing" potions which work on relationships rather than people. Very often these mellow, uncrossing potions are employed *in advance of problems happening* almost like buying insurance.

CONTROLLING INFIDELITY

There is certainly no more painful experience within a relationship than infidelity. Infidelity is probably the lousiest thing you can do to your partner and it is usually accompanied by the disintegration of a relationship. While sometimes overcoming such a problem can make a relationship stronger, my general observation is that it is very difficult to rebuild the castle once it has been bombed by one of the partners' adultery.

Now, if you are not married to someone, you cannot use these potions. Just because, for instance, your boyfriend Larry decided to run off with your ex-friend Betty does not give you any claim on Larry because *there is no legal agreement between you*. The exception to this is if Larry has promised you something and has now reneged. However, the gods appear not to recognize the sanctity of a relationship unless there is marriage involved. If there is no marriage then it is assumed that people are together strictly by choice and either may choose to leave at any point. Mere "going steady" means absolutely nothing...

But, if you are married to Larry and Larry decides that he is going to play around, then if you wish, you can "nail" him by using various techniques described hereinafter. The following list of potions involves both "heavy" and "gentle" formulae for handling the infidelity problem, but before listing these oils, powders and incenses, I am appending this list of questions which you really should think about before proceeding with a magickal ritual:

- 1) Since it takes two to make love, it also takes two to destroy love. What part did you play in Larry's infidelity? How did you participate in opening the door? If you think you are totally blameless, think again...

2) What do you really want? Do you really want Larry back again, or are you really just looking for revenge because your "ego" has been hurt?, If it is just your ego that is sore, forget it...

3) If Larry does come back, how will things be different so that this will not happen again? In other words, how can you defuse the situations which caused Larry to leave in the first place?

4) If you know who the "other woman" (or "other man," depending on Larry's trip) is, what is it about that other person which delights Larry so much, and how can you combat it? What do you have within yourself which is more appealing than what his current lover has?

5) Do you really want Larry back or are you just afraid of going on to someone new and to new experiences? Are you merely clinging to something "secure" or "known" instead of boldly getting on with your life?

6) Are you doing magick to get Larry back because you love him or because you can't stand the fact that he has chosen someone else?

If you discover that you are basically going after Larry for ego reasons, then probably your ritual will not work. If, however, your desire comes out of love and the wish to have Larry back so that the two of you may work things out between you (and it will require a great deal of work and patience), then you may go ahead.

The following list consists of classic New Orleans recipes for handling the infidelity problem:

Black Devil. This oil sounds awful, and it is. In composition it looks very much like a hexing oil, but actually it is a "hex-reversing" oil. In Voodoo, many of the hex-reversing oils contain the same ingredients as the hexing oils which is a demonstration of the "fight fire with fire" philosophy behind Voodoo. Infidelity within a relationship is viewed as being a hex. It is a betrayal of a sacred vow, and more importantly it is an act which creates pain in the jilted partner. Black Devil is used to send the pain inflicted upon you back to him (or her) who inflicted it. Black Devil will NOT bring back a lover, but it will make their adulterous

relationship exceedingly unpleasant for them. Very often, the new relationship turns so sour that Larry makes a beeline back to you for solace. Black Devil oil is used on black figure candles representing your adulterous lover. Keep in mind, however that you are not casting a hex in this procedure! Instead, you are actually "calling down karma" upon an individual. While this is fine, however, make sure that your own karma is neat and clean to the best of your knowledge. In case you don't know what karma is, within Witchcraft there is a basic rule known as the Law of Threes which states: "Anything you do will come back to you threefold, whether it be for good or evil." In this regard, you might ask yourself: "Did I do something a while ago for which Larry's infidelity is my payback?" More often than not, the answer will be yes. If this is the case and Larry's leaving you is a karmic payoff for your own misdeeds, then leave Larry alone and take your karmic spank like a good little soldier. Karma is not vicious or "out to get you." It is merely an impartial principle of spiritual law. Also, once you have paid your karmic dues, karma moves on and leaves you alone.

Lucky Powder. This is a protective powder which is supposed to control infidelity immediately. This powder is used by sprinkling some on the wandering spouse, in his or her shoes, in the pockets of their clothes, etc. Only a pinch is necessary—you need not throw enormous gloms of powder to have it be effective! Lucky Powder may also be used on the altar to circle candles or to sprinkle into the flames of candles representing the adulterous individual.

Quitting Powder. This powder is employed to control a married member of the opposite sex to keep them from coming on to you. Probably all of us have had a situation where a married individual wishes to commit adultery and YOU are the chosen individual. Assuming that you do not wish to participate in such a situation but find it difficult to get the unfaithful individual off your back, sprinkle some Quitting powder around your desk, home, or wherever you are likely to run into this individual. You may also use this powder in candleburning rituals to sprinkle onto

the flame of a candle representing the adulterous individual.

Stay At Home Powder. Probably Stay At Home is the best-known of the New Orleans potions for the control of infidelity. It is used the same way as Lucky Powder and works similarly. It contains different herbs and only experimentation will tell you which powder will be most effective in your situation.

Unfaithful. This charming potion is called a "reversing" or "reversible" formula. The reason for this is that it is alleged that when this is used on a man who is unfaithful, he will become faithful; when used on a man who is faithful, he will become unfaithful! If you stop and think about it, then you will see where the "reversible" nature could be useful in certain situations. Also, this potion may be used by and on both males and females.

MISCELLANEOUS ACCESSORIES

There are many miscellaneous ingredients which go into making for a successful ritual. While certainly your herbs, oils, and incenses provide the "meat and potatoes" of any ritual, it is the little extra touches which produce the truly artistic effects. In thinking about candleburning procedures, it is best to think of them as an art, similar in many ways to the Japanese Tea Ceremony or other ritualistic gestures. To think of candleburning techniques as a "religion" is fine, but more and more occultists are seeing Voodoo as a spiritual science and are eliminating most of the "hocus pocus" practices. Modern practitioners see candleburning procedures as a way of harnessing psychic abilities and focusing them towards specific things. Unlike most religions, Voodoo is very practical in its focus and works most effectively on the day-to-day problems of life. While there are many potions within Voodoo for meditation, psychic development, etc., probably the nicest thing about Voodoo is that it keeps its feet on the ground. If a procedure does not have effects, then drop it and try something else.

That's the guiding philosophy behind all Voodoo practice. DO NOT approach your altar with faith; approach as a scientist would. Skepticism is WONDERFUL! Voodoo is not afraid of being tested.

In terms of the additional ingredients you may add to your ritual, there are talismans, Voodoo dolls, charm bags, floorwashes and baths, seals, and other "special objects" such as statues, photographs, etc.

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for which Larry's infidelity is my payback?" More often than not, the answer will be yes. If this is the case and Larry's leaving you is a karmic payoff for your own misdeeds, then leave Larry alone and take your karmic spank like a good little soldier. Karma is not vicious or "out to get you." It is merely an impartial principle of spiritual law. Also, once you have paid your karmic dues, karma moves on and leaves you alone.

Lucky Powder. This is a protective powder which is supposed to control infidelity immediately. This powder is used by sprinkling some on the wandering spouse, in his or her shoes, in the pockets of their clothes, etc. Only a pinch is necessary—you need not throw enormous gloms of powder to have it be effective! Lucky Powder may also be used on the altar to circle candles or to sprinkle into the flames of candles representing the adulterous individual.

Quitting Powder. This powder is employed to control a married member of the opposite sex to keep them from coming on to you. Probably all of us have had a situation where a married individual wishes to commit adultery and YOU are the chosen individual. Assuming that you do not wish to participate in such a situation but find it difficult to get the unfaithful individual off your back, sprinkle some Quitting powder around your desk, home, or wherever you are likely to run into this individual. You may also use this powder in candleburning rituals to sprinkle onto the flame of a candle representing the adulterous individual.

Stay At Home Powder. Probably Stay At Home is the best-known of the New Orleans potions for the control of infidelity. It is used the same way as Lucky Powder and works similarly. It contains different herbs and only experimentation will tell you which powder will be most effective in your situation.

Unfaithful. This charming potion is called a "reversing" or "reversible" formula. The reason for this is that it is alleged that when this is used on a man who is unfaithful, he will become faithful; when used on a man who is faithful, he will become unfaithful! If you stop and think about it, then you will

see where the "reversible" nature could be useful in certain situations. Also, this potion may be used by and on both males and females.

MISCELLANEOUS ACCESSORIES

There are many miscellaneous ingredients which go into making for a successful ritual. While certainly your herbs, oils, and incenses provide the "meat and potatoes" of any ritual, it is the little extra touches which produce the truly artistic effects. In thinking about candleburning procedures, it is best to think of them as an art, similar in many ways to the Japanese Tea Ceremony or other ritualistic gestures. To think of candleburning techniques as a "religion" is fine, but more and more occultists are seeing Voodoo as a spiritual science and are eliminating most of the "hocus pocus" practices. Modern practitioners see candleburning procedures as a way of harnessing psychic abilities and focusing them towards specific things. Unlike most religions, Voodoo is very practical in its focus and works most effectively on the day-to-day problems of life. While there are many potions within Voodoo for meditation, psychic development, etc., probably the nicest thing about Voodoo is that it keeps its feet on the ground. If a procedure does not have effects, then drop it and try something else. That's the guiding philosophy behind all Voodoo practice. DO NOT approach your altar with faith; approach as a scientist would. Skepticism is WONDERFUL! Voodoo is not afraid of being tested.

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Specialty Candles

There are several commercially available "figure" or "specialty" candles which have been employed for love and other purposes. For love rituals, generally one selects red candles, no matter what the shape. For those of you who have seen specialty candles in occult stores and have wondered what they are for, the following list will give you some idea of their uses.

Red Figure Candles—These candles are frequently used by beginners because since they shaped like men and women, they help the visualizing process. More advanced practitioners often use just plain candles to symbolize people or things, although many people will carve the name of the person or object of their desire upon the candle. The theory behind figure candles is that if I buy a red candle and carve Susie's name on it and then anoint it with Come to Me Oil, that it will in some way cause Susie to receive my telepathic message and cause her to call or drop over.

Red Skull Candles—These candles are shaped like human skulls and while a skull seems highly inappropriate for a love ritual, it is employed in situations where love is in deep trouble and Uncrossing Oil is commonly used upon them. Some have suggested that the skull is particularly helpful when the problem appears to be of a karmic nature.

Red Cross Candles—Christian-oriented candleburning practitioners will sometimes burn candles shaped like crosses in love rituals believing that they simultaneously invoke Christ's help in the matter (or the help of one of his Saints) and also to invoke his protection.

Red Seven-Knob Candles—These are long candles which appear to have seven "knobs"—one for each day of the week. These candles are used by anointing them with a love oil and burning one knob a day, each day, for seven days. Don't skip any days, though! You may also carve the person's name on it if you wish.

Red "Satan" Candles—These candles are shaped like the "Devil" and they are used to return hexes placed upon relationships. They are used with hex-reversing oils. However, we think it very unwise to experiment with any symbol of the dark forces because it is unnecessary in most cases and invites potential problems.

SPECIAL

Here are a couple of sample recipes. The proportions suggested are general and you may feel free to adjust the ingredients to suit your personal taste.

"Mae East"

½ pound of high quality Rosebuds
 ¼ pound finest English Lavender
 ½ ounce powdered Bergamot
 ½ ounce Basil
 ½ ounce powdered Orris
 10 drops Lilac Oil
 5 drops Cardamon Oil

"Shadie Sadie"

½ pound Damiana
 ½ pound high quality Rosebuds
 20 drops Musk Oil
 10 drops Ambergris
 5 drops Civit
 5 drops Valerian
 Pinch of powdered Vetivert
 Handful of Cloves

Please read this section carefully as we will not repeat these instructions under the rituals.

When performing a ritual, attitude is most important. While you need not approach the altar with total faith, you must approach it seriously. If you think Voodoo is a big joke, prepare yourself for a very unpleasant surprise.

When you are performing a ritual, there is a suggested (but not mandatory) order for procedures: (1) Bath; (2) Floorwash; (3) Light Incense; (4) Anoint and Light Candles; (5) Sprinkle Powders.

If a candle goes out while you are performing a ritual, extinguish the other candles and either start over or forget it. Generally, if a candle goes out, it is a very bad sign and probably means you are working on someone or something which really is not meant for you. If you start over and another candle goes out, definitely discontinue your ritual, no matter how unhappy that may make you.

When you are anointing a candle, there is a particular way of doing it: First, holding the candle in your LEFT hand and starting at the center of the candle, anoint the TOP HALF. You do this by putting some of the oil you are using on your right index finger and then starting at the center, apply the oil upwards on the candle, all the way around. When the top half of the candle is fully anointed, then you turn the candle over, still holding it in your left hand, and apply oil to the bottom half the candle, again starting at the center and working down. The symbolism behind the anointing process is simple: First you petition UPWARDS to the spirit planes to bring your desire DOWN to manifest on the material plane.

If you are conducting a seven-day ritual (that is, a ritual which lasts for seven days), once you set up your altar, you should not take it down—it should be left standing for the full seven days. Also, make absolutely certain that no one touches your candles. While it is fine for a friend to see what you are doing if you trust them, do not let them touch any of the candles or powders. If they do, throw everything away and start over. In general it is best to keep what you are

doing to yourself. After all, the first law of Magick is "Silence." I think that you will find that the more secret you keep your practices, the more successful they will be. Remember well that very few people believe in Magick and most people react with fear and hate when they see Magick at work! You must keep in mind that most people would have to admit that everything they always believed was false if they admitted that Magick worked—and few people have the courage to do that. The attitude of most magicians is that either people come to magick naturally, or they do not come to it at all. To force your ideas upon someone else is another example of black magick. No one tradition has the whole truth; rather, every religious tradition has much to offer the serious student. Because Voodoo techniques are more of an art than a religion insofar as they are practiced in the United States, it is important not to confuse people by making them think they must leave an orthodox faith in order to perform candleburning procedures.

It has also been my observation that people tend to make fun of magick and magicians until they come in direct contact with the powers of magick. Right now in our history these powers are viewed as being "spooky" or "wicked," but as consciousness grows within man what is superstitious will soon be viewed as natural and evolutionary. Many orthodox religions have fought these skills in an effort to keep this secret knowledge within their own ranks and not let it spill into the hands of the masses. On one hand this looks like censorship, but there is a wisdom behind their fears because there are those who will abuse the powers of magick and seek to use those powers for their own ego-derived goals. Such folk, however, usually burn out quickly, although they can sometimes do great damage. However, in looking over the history of organized religion, it too has abused magick!

If your rituals flop again and again, then it may be that you should rethink what it is that you are doing. Magick does not work the way you want it to every time. Sometimes we may attempt to invoke someone or something

which is truly wrong for us and in cases like that I think you will discover that there is a kind of spiritual censorship which takes place. Magick is not a route to control of the universe—instead it is a way of participating more fully and more meaningfully within the universe. The magician who thinks his powers control the world is not a magician, he is a psychotic and should seek professional help.

As you progress, you will probably discover that while you can work very effectively in some areas, you are a total klutz in other areas. Some people are natural healers, others have profound success with love or money rituals, others are superior at uncrossing operations, etc. As you practice you will uncover our areas of competency and you will probably meet others with skills which complement your own. You will discover that there are "specialists" in Voodoo just as there are specialists in medicine, law, and the other professions.

There are some people for whom nothing works magickally and none of us really understand why this is so. Fortunately, these people are in the minority. My observation of such people is that they tend to be very confused, disorganized, and frequently disoriented in terms of reality. Magick is a very orderly procedure and it takes intense focus on the part of the practitioner. If a person is too spaced out, it would be best for them to avoid Magick. People who are extremely metaphysical and who seek to be purely spiritual beings and ignore the material plane should definitely stay away from Voodoo because Voodoo insists upon a balance between the spiritual and the material feeling that too much emphasis on either plane is both stupid and dangerous.

Once you have finished your ritual, you should dispose of your materials in the following way: Place all of your debris (candle stubs, ashes from your charcoal powder which was used on the altar, seal, etc.) into a brown paper bag. Get an orange and cut it in half and place both halves into the bag. You may now do one of three things: bury the bag; take it to a river and throw it in; or leave the bag on the front

steps of a church. Probably your best bet would be the river or burial of the debris. The problem with leaving the materials on your local church's doorstep is that it will probably freak the priest out completely unless he is sophisticated enough to be aware of Voodoo techniques. In general, bury black magick materials and cast white magick materials into the river.

Candles have not yet been discussed in detail, so perhaps a few words are in order. As we have mentioned, the colors pink and red are those which are most associated with love—red representing passionate love; pink representing friendship or romantic love. In a ritual you may use any kind of candle you wish, but we have found that the use of "figure candles"—that is, candles which are molded to represent people—are particularly effective in love rituals, particularly for beginners. Figure candles are available at most occult supply stores or through various mail order occult companies.

If you have difficulty finding any of the herbs, oils, incenses, or powders listed herein at your local occult store, you may obtain them by mail order on the Internet.

However, there are fine suppliers in most major American cities and herb stores are popping up all over the place these days because of the renewed public interest in this area.

As a final piece of advice, the question often arises as to how Magick actually works. There are basically two points of view. The traditionalists say that there are helpful spirits who respond to human requests. The modernist says that candle-burning rituals help to focus telepathy and it is ESP which does the work. Either explanation is perfectly acceptable. The point is that no one really knows how it works, they only know that very often it does! But it is important to understand the limitations of Magick before proceeding. If you wish for Magick to do all the work while you sit back in spiritual bliss, get over it! That ain't how Magick works it all. Someone once

defined "genius" as 5% inspiration; 95% perspiration. The same definition applies well to Magick. At best Magick can only bring you an opportunity—then it is up to YOU to do the work to make it real. Forinstance, in the example of the businessman above, if he did not do the work to fulfill the contracts which Magick brought him, he would not collect the profits! So you must be prepared for action when you are conducting a ritual. Forinstance, in a love ritual, you might managed, through Magick, to set up a meeting between you and the one you love, but once you are at that meeting, you are on your own! Either you have the guts to make your move or you don't...it's up to you. Magick manifests potential; hard work materializes the reality. Magick is not for lazy people; it is for people who wish to work hard for success in various areas of life and who merely wish to have an opportunity present itself so that they can begin to grow within society.

It is important for the aspiring Magician to remember that Magick is not there for you; you are there for Magick. A powerful adept is nothing more than a highly valued servant. The mightiest of Magi are those who have given over their lives to the service of the spiritual realms and who are willing to work on the material plane as an "agent" of the spiritual plane. While I realize that this may sound ridiculous or contradictory, it has been my experience that this is how spiritual power works.

Special Procedures

In addition to those techniques outlined in the Rituals section, there are other techniques one may use in attracting love according to some practitioners:

Loading a Candle—This procedure is commonly employed in hexing rituals, but it has applications to any sort of love or success ritual. What you do is hollow out the bottom of any sort of candle, including figure candles, and stuff the bottom with love herbs. According to tradition, this is said to make the candle more powerful. However, if you are using an incense in your ritual, you need not do this sort of thing because

the herbal aspect is already covered in your ritual.

Single Burns—Most of the procedures outlined herein are seven day rituals. However, single burn rituals may be performed wherein one candle is lighted and permitted to burn down completely in one sitting. For this, of course, you would select the right color small candle and anoint it with an appropriate oil and permit it to burn. You need not be with the candle the whole time it is burning, but it is a good idea to place it centrally where you can easily see it. Many practitioners do this sort of thing at night and place the candle near their TV set, on a conspicuous table, or near their chair so that they can keep being reminded of its presence. Very often, in fact more often than not, a single candle ritual handles even really troublesome situations.

High John—Probably the most famous and powerful root in American Voodoo lore is the celebrated High John root which is said to accomplish just about anything, provided it is of a worthy nature. A favorite folk spell is to anoint a piece of High John root with a love oil and to carry it with you at all times.

In this section of the book we are going to present several sample candleburning rituals which utilize the ingredients we have already discussed in addition to other potions. These rituals are meant to be guides for your planning and if you like you may experiment within them and add your own touches. These rituals are only being presented to give you an idea of how a candleburning service is planned and executed.

We must hasten to point out that there is nothing inherently magickal in these potions or procedures. The reason we hasten is that the law requires that consumers not be misled in any way about products of this sort. While orthodox religions may make unsubstantiated claims about forgiveness of sins, afterlife, etc., those of us in the occult are not given such privileges. Hopefully one day the established churches will be called upon to prove their claims which have been

used to murder, oppress, and torture innocent victims over the centuries. But don't hold your breath!

Will these rituals produce results for you? Sometimes yes, sometimes no. No two situations are exactly alike and therefore no general recipe **will** suit every taste or problem. However, I have never seen a ritual that did not get some sort of result, even if it isn't the one that perhaps you hoped you'd get. It is one of the unpleasant facts of life that you can't always get what you want, but as Mick Jagger puts it, "if you try sometimes...you get what you need."

This is commonly the case in a love ritual. I have frequently seen a practitioner cast a love spell on Mr. A only to discover that Mr. B keeps coming around while Mr. A seems to ignore all the magick coming at him. Our advice in this sort of situation is to forget about Mr. A and begin to look at Mr. B. Magick is unlikely to bring you something which in the long run will be bad for you, and usually you will discover with hindsight that your flop rituals have actually been successful in the sense that their failure helped you avoid a bad entanglement of one sort or another!

There are candle and root procedures which will "force" another person to pay attention to you, but we have left such procedures out of our discussion in this book for one simple reason: **Any procedure which forces another person to do anything is black magick.** A love spell which involves commanding and compelling is actually an egotistical or arrogant ritual because it assumes that you know better than the other person what is best for that other person! Such an attitude not only brings chronic failure in love situations, but it also brings pain and upset to both parties. After several years of observation I have noticed that those who constantly use purple commanding candles in love rituals are always having love problems which they hope to overcome with power candles! Ironically, the power trip is precisely what causes them all of their problems! But it is very hard to convince such individuals that love rituals should be seductive in nature, not sadistic. Anyone who wishes to have power over another is not coming from a space of love; they are coming from a space

of fear. Possessive, jealous, clutching people make lousy lovers and should be avoided at all costs. If you are a clutchy, possessive person my suggestion would be to work on that part of yourself and banish that demon before you start working with candles.

A BASIC LOVE SPELL ALLEGED TO ATTRACT LOVE

The traditional color for love is red. Therefore, go out and obtain a red figure candle (male or female, depending on your objective). Carve the beloved's name on the candle and get a common pin, preferably one with a red plastic head on it like the kind they sell in stationery stores. Now stick the pin through the candle's "heart." Pick up the candle with your left hand and anoint it with any of the love oils mentioned in Part II of this book. Burn the candle for about a half and hour each day for seven days. Ideally this ritual should be conducted while you are alone and know that you will not be disturbed for the time you are working with your candle. While the candle is burning, you should sit and visualize or imagine yourself with the person, holding hands, walking, talking, making love, etc. See him or her picking up the phone to call you, or fantasize about what your first date will be like. When your half hour is done, pinch out the flame on the candle, do *not* blow it out.

It is a good idea to re-anoint the candle with oil each day. If you wish you may use TWO Oils on the same candle. For instance, in this case, one might have chosen Astarte and Come To Me oil. It is believed that two oils are better than one in the sense that they may help make our message more specific. Although this was not mentioned in the potions section, homosexual males should use "Satyr Oil" for anointing candles and homosexual females may use either "Queen Oil" or "Q Perfume Oil."

If you wish to make this single candle ritual more power-

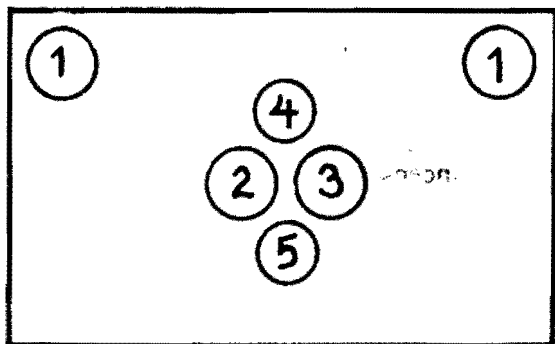
ful, you may wish to obtain a love seal or talisman and place it under the candle while it is burning. You may wish to utilize an incense, (in this case, Come To Me is probably the best choice.) Or you may wish to add a powder of some sort which you sprinkle daily into the candle's flame (taking great care not to extinguish the candle, of course!).

If you wish to use a floorwash in this simple ritual, again Come To Me would be ideal.

ALLEGED SPELL TO CONTROL INFIDELITY

As we pointed out before, infidelity or adultery is one of the most painful experiences in life. In Voodoo it is viewed rather differently than in some traditions. If two people (A and B) have made an agreement and B decides to go off philandering, than A has two options: Say goodbye to B or work to get him/her back.

Assuming A wants B back, then here's what A does:



In the altar diagram above, the two candles at the back of the altar marked (1) are white candles and they are anointed with Uncrossing Oil. A matter of infidelity is handled exactly the same as a so-called "crossed" condition. Just as a person in trouble is often treated through the kind agencies of Uncrossing Oil, so too a relationship in trouble may obtain benefits from this oil.

In the center of the altar are two red figure candles (2) and (3). Candle (2) represents YOU and it should be a female candle if you are female, or a male candle if you are male. Anoint this candle with Dove's Blood or Dove's Heart oil. Candle (3) represents the philanderer and it should match that person's sex. Anoint candle (3) with Unfaithful Oil or Black Devil Oil if you are receiving a great deal of personal abuse from the philanderer. Very often unfaithful individuals, guilt-ridden by what they are doing, turn on their victim and inflict vicious accusations and insults to try and assuage their consciences.

Candle (4) is a blue candle and it is used this time not for communication but because blue also has the sense of protection. This candle should be anointed with Peaceful Home Oil. Candle (5) is an optional candle and you need not include it if you do not wish. This is a yellow candle and it should be anointed with Joy Oil. This candle is added to help bring happiness to the situation.

In addition, you may sprinkle Stay At Home Powder into the flame of the philanderer's candle. You should also sprinkle Stay At Home Powder in the wandering one's shoes, pockets, etc. if this is possible since it should speed results.

You may also select a couple of appropriate herbs and place them in a small white dish on the altar. Fiery Command, Ten Commandments, or High Conquering incenses are all appropriate for this type of procedure.

There is another technique which has been used with a great deal of success, but it is only effective in cases where one of the partners has broken marriage vows: Obtain a large glass jar (such as a mayonnaise jar) and place in it any (or all) of the following: Mustard, Black Pepper, Red Pepper, Urine, Vinegar, Chili Pepper, and a couple of herbs alleged to control infidelity. Add also rat poison and any other horrible thing you can think of. Next get a black candle of any sort and melt it down and form two wax images: One should represent your cheating spouse; the other should represent his honeypie. Now put the two black wax images

into the jar and seal the lid carefully. Now shake and shake that jar whenever you suspect that they are together.

I learned this procedure from a woman who was having a husband problem and she in turn had learned it from her mother. It was quite funny because her husband was living with her, but was seeing someone else on the side. The adultery was out in the open between my friend and her husband and she had (very wisely) taken the attitude of: "Look, I love you—if you need to go through this relationship with someone else, I'll just wait until it is over." However, whenever he walked out the door to travel to his lover's arms, she would take out that bottle and shake it and shake it. He would return, rather confused and say, "I don't know what it is: I want to see her so I get on the train and I'm all excited, but then I get there and for some reason all we do is argue and fight so I come home."

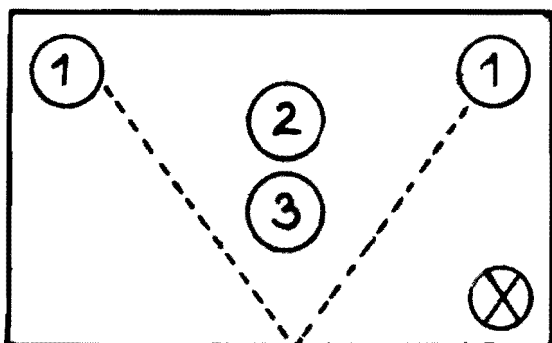
There is another technique which has been used frequently with excellent results. It has been observed that men (or women) who cheat really cannot stand a dose of their own medicine. While they want the freedom to scr-- everything that walks, they often want their husband or wife to sit at home and remain faithful to them! While this is insane, it is a common phenomenon. Therefore, I strongly recommend the creation of a "secret lover." By this I don't mean to make something up, but rather, let yourself be accidentally caught in a confession. In other words, create the illusion of another man or woman in YOUR life too! This usually drives the adulterer crazy!

I will never forget the case of Betty. Her husband Bob was wandering and we had done the bottle technique and it was quite effective, but her husband did not seem to have the nerve to finally leave his honey. Therefore, I arranged with Betty to place a phone call to her one night at about 11:00 P.M. when I knew her husband would be in. She saw to it that he answered the phone. "Is Betty there?" I asked. He seemed totally stunned. Betty then got on the phone with me and started whispering, then went into

another room so that we could whisper more "privately." Then she started giggling and saying, "Oh, stop it...stop it...really!?...oh...I don't know if I could...Monday night...uh...well I have this problem.." Betty noticed that Bob was listening most attentively to her conversation, so she added, "Who was that who answered the phone?...Oh...he's my brother; he's staying with me for a couple of days..." After that phone call, Bob flew into a jealous rage (unable to swallow his own medicine) and his extra-marital affair quickly ended!

A SPELL ALLEGED TO BRING BACK A LOVER

This spell is not meant to bring back an adulterous or unfaithful lover. This spell is to bring back someone you've lost touch with somewhere along the line who once meant a great deal to you. Basically this is a ritual less for love than for communication. Let us say that you don't know where the person is you wish to work on. He or she may be in Europe, Mexico, Nevada, or Timbuktu for all you know Here is the altar diagram:



At the back of the altar are two candles marked (1). These are WHITE candles and should be anointed with Van Van Oil. In the center of the altar are two candles. Candle (2) is BLUE and is anointed with Hermes Oil while Candle (3) is RED and

is anointed with Come To Me Oil. You should carve the person's name on BOTH the red and the blue candle.

Coming down to the front of the altar are two diagonal lines which form a "V". This indicates a powder, preferably Helping Hand. The circle marked "X" indicates your incense on the altar, and in this case you might wish to use No. 20 Love Incense or Hermes, or Kindly Spirit.

Ideally this should be a 7-Day ritual and you should use the glass-encased 7-Day candles which are available at candle stores and occult shops. If you wish, you may put some of the Come To Me Powder into the bottom of the Red candle. You do this by removing the candle from the jar. If you can't find removable candles in your area, then use the kind that don't come out of the jars. However, it is best to find the removable kind for two reasons: (1) you can anoint it completely and (2) you can place a powder in the bottom.

The reason for adding the blue candle is that Blue is the color of Mercury, the god of communication and messenger of the gods. "Hermes Oil" is appropriate because Hermes is another name for Mercury and also because Hermes Oil is used to obtain messages, in addition to other uses. See our book **The Use of Voodoo Potions and Herbs** for a more complete discussion of Hermes Oil.

Another reason for using 7-Day candles is that once you light them, they stay burning for several days. Just make sure that your candles are kept in a safe place while they are burning. It would be an awful thing to succeed in bringing the loved one to you only to find that your house had burned down! So be very careful. While I have never seen the glass on a 7-Day candle break, occasionally it does happen.

A SPELL ALLEGED TO BRING BACK LOVE

Obtain some Dragon's Blood Reed and crush up about a teaspoonful. Next obtain some Parchment and some Dove's Blood Ink and write the loved one's name seven times on the Parchment. Then place the crushed Dragon's Blood

Reed onto the parchment and fold it so that the Dragon's Blood is contained within the Parchment. Next take an incense charcoal and light it and place the Parchment on it so that it burns. Now, for the next twenty-four hours you cannot speak to anyone. You cannot answer the phone; you cannot answer the door; you cannot wave and yell hello to a neighbor. Most people plan this to start on Saturday night and complete itself by Sunday night. It is said that within seven days the person you have invoked in this way will arrive on your doorstep.

ENVY AND JEALOUSY

Jealousy probably destroys more relationships than anything else. It is certainly one of the ugliest of emotions and it is to be avoided. Most of the time our suspicions about others are false. Of course, from time to time we do run into a stinker who really makes us crazy with jealousy and who plays on jealousy to keep us under their control. With people like this, just get rid of them the second you spot them. However, if you are getting jealous for no reason, there is a powder called Envy And Jealousy Powder which is used to dispel this evil emotion. Envy and Jealousy Powder is used by sprinkling some of it on your head. It is alleged to calm one almost immediately and to protect against feelings of jealousy which, in Voodoo, are viewed as a crossed condition! If you find the feelings still do not go away, then try Uncrossing oil on a white figure candle representing yourself. If they still do not go away, then we suggest professional psychological counseling to help you work through what may be a very difficult knot within your personality.

In general, jealousy is viewed as a symptom of a defective self-image. If you have a positive self-image you would not care so much or be so victimized by another's actions. Most importantly, be open with your spouse about your feelings and try to

source it where your jealousy is coming from and what it is about. Nine times out of ten jealousy is completely irrational and unfounded.

BRING PEACE TO A TROUBLED HOME

Assuming that everything is basically okay with your relationship, you still may find that you go through periods of arguments with your spouse or lover. If this starts to happen there are a few recommended procedures to follow:

1) First obtain a floorwash such as Peaceful Home, Pax/Peace, or similar and mop down the entire home (insofar as possible) with this floorwash.

2) Obtain some Banishing Incense and some Peaceful Home Incense and burn a pinch of each every day for seven days.

4) Start a series of Uncrossing Baths to make sure that your problems are not being caused by some sort of crossed condition.

5) Get into the habit of burning one blue or one purple candle a day to rid the home of problems. Use Peaceful Home oil to anoint them.

6) Select some herbs and make a powder to help bring tranquility and sprinkle the powder inconspicuously around the house.

If you follow any or all of the above steps you should find that the condition lessens. However, it is very important during periods of quarreling to get to the bottom of what is the problem. Use of the above procedures will not dispel the problem—it will only buy you a little peace and quiet so that the problem can be discussed intelligently and without a lot of shouting.

Another technique is to anoint two white candles with Uncrossing oil (one representing you and the other representing your lover or spouse) and burn them for a half hour a day for seven days. Or, you may obtain a red seven-day candle, carve yours and your lover's names on it, anoint it with Uncrossing oil, and burn it until it goes out by itself.

SPELL ALLEGED TO KEEP A MAN (OR WOMAN) FAITHFUL

This is a classic little folk spell and many women have sworn by it for years. Obtain a piece of string and persuade your man to let you measure his apparatus while you are in bed. Most men are more than happy to show off. Use the string and measure it carefully. Cut the string so that it is the exact length. Next, set the string aside and make love as always. After lovemaking, dip the string into the man's semen and tie a knot in the string. This is said to keep him ever faithful to you. Carry the string in your purse or on your person at all times. You may add it to a love charm bag if you wish.

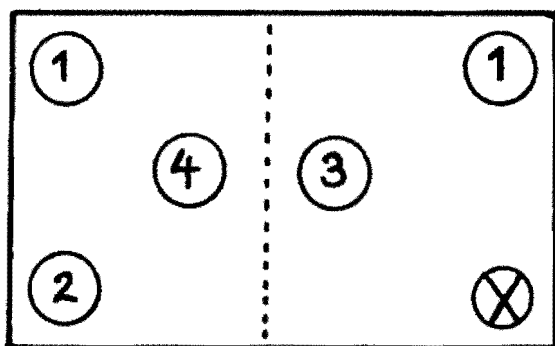
The procedure for keeping a woman faithful is a variation upon the above. After intercourse, the man should go into the bathroom and wipe himself off with a clean white handkerchief. Place the handkerchief in a small glass jar and seal the top. Put the jar someplace where it will not be found. It is alleged that so long as the jar remains sealed, the woman will be faithful.

HOW TO DEAL WITH AN UNWANTED LOVER

Most of us are extremely flattered when we learn that someone else is interested in us if we happen also to be interested in them. However, sometimes we discover that someone is attracted to us who is not someone we wish to get involved with. Generally you can handle this merely by avoiding the person or by being honest with them, but there are some people who will not take "no" for an answer. Usually such people are puffed up with vanity and can't believe that anyone would not be interested.

For individuals like this we have powders such as "Get Away," "Lost and Away," "Quitting," and "Yo Yo Pucker Powder." While the latter powder is only to be used by men to offset the advances of women, the first three may be used by either sex to good advantage. Try sprinkling the Get

Away Powder across the transom to your house or apartment and as you sprinkle it, have the person in mind whom you wish to have stop bugging you. Quitting Powder is particularly effective on married people who are trying to have an affair with you. Try to touch the culprit somewhere on his person with the Quitting Powder. Lost and Away Powder works similarly to Get Away Powder but it is slightly stronger and has a different formula. Usually one application of these powders will turn the trick for you. However, you may be compelled to perform a complete banishing ritual on the individual which is described below.



In the diagram above, the two candles marked (1) are White candles and are anointed with Van Van oil. The candle marked (2) is a black figure candle representing the person we wish to have leave us alone. This candle is anointed with Love Breaker oil. The candle marked (3) is a white figure candle representing you and should be anointed with both Uncrossing oil and Fiery Wall of Protection oil. Down the center of the altar you will see that we have sprinkled a powder indicated by the dotted line. The powder to be used is Separation Powder. You may also sprinkle some Get Away or Lost And Away Powder into the flame of candle (2), but be very careful not to put the candle out. If you do, you have to start all over! The candle marked (4) is a Purple candle and it should be anointed with Commanding or Obeah oil. This is a seven-day ritual and you should perform it for a half hour to an hour a day each day at the same time. Ideally,

this ritual should start seven days before the New Moon and conclude itself on the night of the New Moon itself. The symbolism here is that as the moon disappears completely, so will the person you are trying to get rid of.

For an incense you may select Banishing Incense, Fiery Command, High Conquering, or any of the commanding-type incenses available to you in your area.

Another folk spell alleged to handle this type of situation is as follows: Obtain a cucumber. Slit it in half the long way. Next obtain a piece of parchment paper and write on it the name of the individual you wish to stop from bothering you and sprinkle some Get Away Powder on the parchment. Next fold the parchment and place it between the two halves of the cucumber. Get some Purple thread and wrap it around and around the cucumber so that it is sealed completely with the parchment inside. Then place the cucumber in your freezer; This is said to control any bothersome individual. It appears to have the effect of "putting them on ice."

TO ENHANCE THE ROMANCE IN A RELATIONSHIP

Sometimes a relationship is going along fine, except that both partners are becoming totally bored with one another. In situations like this, Voodoo has a few procedures which will help to enliven things for you.

Essentially the heightening of romance is done through wearing certain oils and the sprinkling of certain powders around the premises, in general, candleburning procedures are not recommended. For example, I know a woman who anointed a red figure candle of her husband with Astarte oil and burned it thinking her husband would come home wild with desire for her. He did go wild with desire, but on his way home he met an attractive young woman and began an intense affair with her! So, let's not use candleburning here unless you are able to make your ritual so specific that you

are sure your lover will transfer all of his affections to you and not to someone else! While this is possible to do, it is best to just stick with wearing the right perfumes and oils when your man is around. Burning erotic incenses in the bedroom while the man (or woman) is at work is also good and the sprinkling of powders around the bed area is also highly recommended—even between the sheets is a good place to sprinkle powders. But be careful not to sprinkle too much! Again, the point of the powder is that it must be UNDETECTABLE! Also, many people utilize some of the culinary herbs mentioned in the first section of this book to sprinkle on the food of the lover to enhance romance. For instance, Basil, Cardamon, Cloves, Coriander, Cumin, Ginger, Marjoram, Rosemary, Sage, and Thyme are all love herbs and are also common household spices. You probably have most of the herbs you need on your spice shelf right now!

Romance within a relationship has more to do with the creation of an atmosphere than anything else. Once a couple has been together for a long time, they should focus their attention on developing imaginative and fantasy levels about one another. Many couples play "sexual games" and act out roles with one another in a playful sense to lend new life to their private lives with one another.

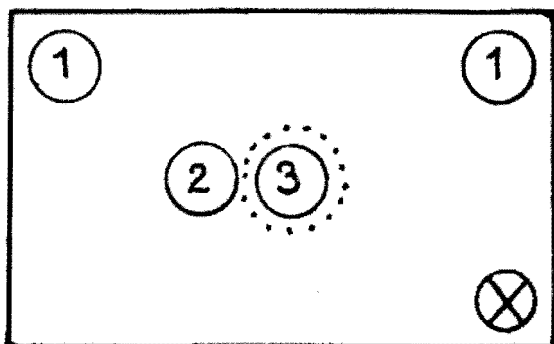
PROTECTION OF LOVE

Once you have invoked a lover, you may discover that your joys have begun, but so have problems! You may find that others are envious or jealous of your good fortune or you may find that friends are resentful of your lover because you spend less time with them and more time with your honey. Or, you may find that one of your parents or your partner's parents disapproves and causes all sorts of relationship problems.

Far from being unusual, I find that these disturbing elements are a part of every new love affair and it is one of the obstacles the young couple must overcome if they are to be a successful relationship.

Far from being unnecessary, it may be that these interferences into your relationship are part of the normal "testing" process of a relationship to see if it is worthy of continuing.

However, sometimes things get out of hand and Voodoo has a simple procedure for dealing with this sort of problem:



In the altar diagram above the two candles marked (1) are White and are anointed with No. 20 Love Oil. The candle denoted as (2) is a Purple candle representing the person (or persons) causing the problems and it is anointed with Commanding Oil. (In the event it is a parent causing the problem rather than a friend, it may be advisable to use Uncrossing Oil instead of Commanding Oil on this candle.) Carve the person(s) name on the Purple candle before anointing it with the oil. Candle number (3) is a Blue candle upon which you should carve both yours and your lover's names. Anoint this candle with Protection oil or Van Van. In this instance, however, Protection oil is best. Notice the dotted circle around the Blue candle. This is a circle of Fiery Wall of Protection powder which is very protective and has a way of bouncing back any bad vibes from reaching you. If the problem has been extreme, then obtain also a bit of Snuff Powder or Devil's Snuff Powder. These are controlling powders which prevent others from sticking their noses into your business. Sprinkle a bit of the snuff powder into the flame of the Purple candle each day for seven days but be very careful not to extinguish the

candle! The incense in this ritual should be strong and commanding in nature, so probably Fiery Command, Fiery Wall of Protection, Commanding, or Obeah would be excellent choices.

During a procedure of this sort it is also a good idea to institute a series of protection or uncrossing baths during the week of the ritual. Ideally, both partners should take the baths, but often it is difficult to convince both to do so, so at the very least, YOU should take the baths.

This type of procedure also merits carrying a charm bag and as a suggestion we would recommend a stuffing composed of: Rose, Bay, Lavender, and a pinch of Vetivert powder.

If you have done the above and the problem continues, you might try substituting another purple candle for the blue one—this will add power to your personal protection. However, start always with the Blue candle since there is no sense invoking more power in a given ritual than you need to accomplish the task.

To continue the protection afforded by this sort of ritual, it is recommended that once a month you burn a blue candle anointed with Protection oil until the problem is totally in the past.

CLOSING NOTES

Each of the above rituals incorporates authentic New Orleans Voodoo techniques and according to traditional and legendary sources these procedures should accomplish what they are designed to do. However, a few things are important.

First, BE PATIENT. There is no exact timeframe for success in any of these procedures. Different people take different amounts of time to achieve effects. No two people have the same timing when it comes to magick and for one person a ritual might take a week to obtain results; for another it might take three months! Do not despair, however, but try to be patient. The problem with patience in magickal procedures is that normally you are intensely interested in someone or something if you take

the time to actually perform a ritual. Under such a circumstance it is difficult to be laid back and willing to wait, but I'm afraid that is about all you can do. I used to advise people personally on procedures until I was driven crazy by a phone call a day from each of them asking me when they would get their results. Of course, in many cases, results were immediate and dramatic—but in some cases I have seen a year go by before results set in.

In extreme cases like these, however, usually there are several factors at work. For instance, to bring a divorced couple back together again may

take a year or more, depending upon how angry their breakup was. If it was violent and heavy, then it will take more time than if it was friendly.

As a general rule of thumb, however, usually results are obtained within a month. But a word of warning—sometimes results are obtained in the middle of a ritual! In other words, before your candies have finished burning completely you may find that the object of your desire is accomplished. In a situation like this, **FINISH THE RITUAL ANYWAY!** Do not stop because the situation is not clinched until the last candle has gone out *on* your altar. Too many times people have thrown away their candles just because the person they were working on has come to them only to discover that the minute the candles are gone, so is the party they invoked.

The best attitude is to be ready for anything but expect nothing!



The Yes-No Stones

Find three smooth stones, paint them with the following runes on both sides:

First stone (in silver) means yes.

Second stone (in gold) means no.

Third stone (in red) is significator.



Hold the stones in your left hand and cover them with your right...ask the Question and cast them out. Whichever the significator falls closest to is the answer.

The Rune Stones

On eight stones of uniform size, paint the following runes of the correct color on one side of each stone:

The Moon—Silver. Represents the feminine, a woman, changes, secrets, disappointments, illusions.

Mercury—White. Travel, hasty news, a letter, important papers.

Jupiter—Blue. Expansion, prosperity, good luck, success, growth, reunion.

Venus—Light blue or rose. Love, romance, harmony, beauty, the arts.

The Sun—Gold. The masculine, a man, happiness, joy, freedom, wish granted in a happy way.

Neptune—Green. Travel by sea, emotion, drugs.

Mars—Red. Energy, ambition, quarrels, disputes, enemies, sudden occurrences, war.

Saturn—Black. Delays, sorrows, tears, loss, partings.

Hold the stones in your left hand and cover them with your right hand. Shake the stones while asking your question out loud. Cast them out and remove the stones with the symbols face down. Read the stones from the

farthest away from you to the closest which is the outcome.

Numerology

1-A J S

4-D M V

7-G P Y

2-B K T

5-E N W

8-H Q Z

3-C L U

6-F O X

9-1 R



Add up the number value of the letters in a name and birthdate. Reduce to one digit by addition. For example, the name Gwydion is done like this: G+W+Y+D+I+O+N
 $7 + 5 + 7 + 4 + 9 + 6 + 5 = 43 = 4 + 3 = 7$

Astrology

- 1—The Sun
- 2—The Moon
- 3—Jupiter
- 4—The Sun
- 5—Mercury
- 6—Venus
- 7—The Moon
- 8—Saturn
- 9—Mars

Aries: War, destruction, chaos, revenge, all martial undertakings.

Taurus: Money, finance and valuable possessions, wealth.

Gemini: Communication, letters, lecturing, debating.

Cancer: All household and domestic problems.

Leo: Authority, dealing with people in power, judgment, public relations.

Virgo: Physical health and healing.

Libra: Marriage, love, friendships and lawsuits.

Scorpio: Loss of property, legacies, agreements, necromancy.

Sagittarius: Dreams and visions, trance.

Capricorn: Honor, fame, rank.

Aquarius: Financial affairs of those in power.

Pisces: Prison, exile, banishment, restraint, confinement.

Magick done for the above purposes is best done by people who have their strongest aspects (Sun, Moon, Rising Signs) in the appropriate signs. Also propitious when done with the Sun or Moon in the appropriate sign.

How the Planets Rule the Body

Sun: Heart, back

The Moon: Breasts, stomach, liver, intestines, gall bladder, pancreas.

Mercury: Brain, nerves, breathing.

Venus: Throat, kidneys.

Mars: Genitals, muscles.

Jupiter: Liver, pituitary gland.

Saturn: Skin, teeth, bones, gall bladder, pituitary, sex glands.

Uranus: Blood, Third Eye.

Neptune: Nerves.

Pluto: Genitals, Reproductive glands and reproduction itself.

How the Signs Rule the Body

Aries: Head.

Taurus: Throat, neck.

Cancer: Stomach.

Virgo: Nerves, intestines.

Sagittarius: Liver, hips, thighs.

Aquarius: Circulation, shins, ankles.

Gemini: Arms, shoulders, nerves.

Leo: Heart, spine, back.

Libra: Kidneys.

Scorpio: Sex glands, genitals.

Capricorn: Knees, bones, teeth. Pisces: Feet.

The Magickal Uses of Herbs

Any philtre, potion or special incense can be compounded for magickal use by following this simple formula.

Choose one, three or nine herbs which fall under the influence of the planet or sign involved. Try to compound it when the moon is waxing in that sign or planet, although this is not a necessity.

By following this formula, you can make any necessary herbal magicks.

The Sun: Authority, dealing with people in power, judgment, public relations, success, great happiness, wishes.

The Moon: Secrets, magick, divination by dreams, household and domestic problems, changes, initiation, trance and vision.

Mercury: Divination, communication, travel, news, knowledge and wisdom.

Venus: Love, sex, beauty, art, harmony, marriage.

Mars: Vengeance, hate, power, ambition, energy, quarrels, force, war.

Jupiter: Good luck, success, prosperity, expansion, leadership, trance and visions, decisions and counsel.

Neptune: Emotions, drugs, mysticism, trance, vision, sea travel.

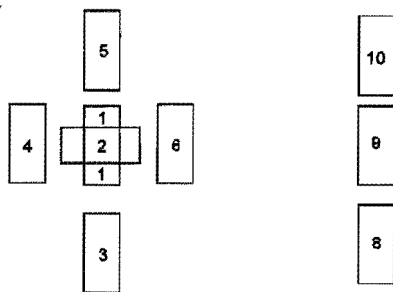
Saturn: Vengeance, death, delay, sorrow, loss, tears, separation, evil, restraint, binding.

When gathering the herbs fresh, they should be cut with the boline on the day that is ruled by their planet, preferably in the first or eighth hour of the day.

The Tarot

Riffle the cards thrice and cut them thrice with the left hand, OR: Start with all the cards facing up, the deck right side up, turn them over and cut thrice towards yourself. Riffle each pack separately, then put them together in any way.

Layout:



- 1: General atmosphere—
influence at work.
- 2: Opposing forces, for good or ill.
- 3: Basis, something already part of the past.
- 4: Influences just passing away.
- 5: Something that may happen in the future.
- 6: Near future (two-three months).
- 7: Fears.
- 8: Opinions of Others.
- 9: Hopes.
- 10: Outcome

Wands: Change. Cups: Love. Swords: Strife. Pentacles: intrigues or money.

Folk Spell to Remove Warts

Rub wart with a snail. Impale snail on a thorn. As the snail wastes away, so shall the wart, OR: Stick a pin which has been rubbed on the wart into a Rowan tree.

Basic Psychic Development

Do this at least every two days: Relax yourself, burn soft incense and lay down in silence. Beginning at the toes, feel them in your mind until they begin to tingle. Work up your body slowly feeling every inch of it. Skip nothing. It is of great good if you fall asleep during this.

The Spoken Word

There is great power in the spoken word. Always speak and think positively. The spoken word becomes even more powerful with raised emotion. Never go back on your word to a witch. Don't worry about the Cowans.

Making an Offering to a Tree

Bring your offering to a tree. Touch the tree, feeling its life force meeting yours and say:

O Tree

This offering I bring to thee
That good friends we may be
In Arianrhod's name, Blessed Be.

Now give your gift (flowers, wine, water, and incense). If you wish to make a boonsay:

O Tree my friend
This favor I ask of thee
Grant this boon for me
And friends we will ever be.

[State Desire]

Thank you, my friend,
Hail and Fare-thee-well

Reincarnation Ritual

Select a quiet time in a darkened room, cast a simple circle with your athame around a table upon which there is a small mirror, about 10 inches in diameter. Also, a small candle and

some incense. Sit before the mirror having the short candle between it and you. Light the candle and incense and blank out your mind for one minute. Gaze now at your image in the mirror and speak your name aloud thrice. Pause, then say "Who was I?" Keep gazing into the mirror and eventually you will be able to see various images that will awaken far-gone memories. Warning: Do not do this for more than fifteen minutes at a time.



Dream Interpretation

In the following section you will find listed alphabetically various articles that often appear in dreams. Each is described in terms of what it means within a dream.

ARTICHOKE—You could be seriously embarrassed in your relations with the opposite sex if you do not guard your behavior.

ASPARAGUS—The portent here is that your own judgment is the best judgment. It is good to resist the advice or influences of others.

ASTER—Signifies happiness and abundance. If you gathered them you will soon learn the solution to a mystery.

AVOCADO—Conditions surrounding your love life will undergo an improvement if you dreamed of this member of the pear family.

AZALEA—Unexpected financial good is predicted in a dream of the azalea.

BACCHUS—For a man to dream of Bacchus portends good financial news; but for a woman the omen is contrary, it warns to be careful in money matters.

BALSAM—An improvement in your health if you saw or smelled this piney by-product in your dream.

BANANA—Luck is yours in small matters if you saw the fruit growing on a tree. Eating it signifies hard work with little reward and mushy spoiled bananas augur disappointment in friends.

BARK—Tree bark is a "slow down. .dangerous area" sign - in connection with the opposite sex.

BARLEY—This is health-related and its significance depends on the condition of the grain. If the barley was stunted, looked to be in poor health, or if the field was overrun a medical checkup would be wise.

BEANS—Warn of trouble ahead unless you were cooking them, then the indication is of increased income.

BELLADONNA—Indicates commercial success.

BERRIES—If you saw them growing or harvested its portent is one of an increase in social status. Picking them indicates financial improvement through your own efforts and eating them predicts the achievement of comfort, not wealth.

BLACKBERRIES—Predict reverses. Struggle is indicated for a time following this dream.

BLOSSOMS—Anything in full bloom predicts certain happiness, prosperity and contentment.

BOUQUET—A fresh bouquet signifies a happy social occasion. If the bouquet was wilted the dream is warning a medical check-up is advised.

BRAMBLES—Setbacks if the thorns scratched you. If not, happiness beyond what you imagine will be yours.

BRANCHES—A general good omen.

BRISTLES—Firm bristles are a forecast of luck for your future plans. Soft bristles signify a social setback.

BUSH—Action is forecast in a dream of a bush. If you were only looking at the bush you will have the opportunity to change locations. If you, or anyone else, hid in and/or under the bushes, the dream is telling you to watch your actions, do nothing you would later be embarrassed by, were the action made public. If the bush was afire or you cut it expect the awkward disclosure of an embarrassing secret.

CANE—Growing cane predicts increasing profits. If the cane was cut, avoid financial maneuvers for about four weeks. If you carried, or saw someone else carrying cane the significance is one of success in business and/or love. Not immediately, there will first be a series of petty vexations.

CARNATIONS—If you were just aware of the flowers the dream predicts social success, if you gathered the flowers or saw someone else gathering carnations, expect a very valuable surprise, perhaps a gift. White carnations predict an increase in status, bright red foretells a love affair. Pink carnations are an omen of success in domestic matters and dark-red or off-color carnations portend prosperity through friends.

CARROTS—Predicts a legacy or money windfall.

CAULIFLOWER—A more satisfying lifestyle is predicted for the married or the single.

CEDAR—Predicts happiness and contentment no matter what your present situation.

CELERY—Happiness through love and excellent health is the portent in a dream of celery.

CHAFF—Don't repeat gossip, it could damage your own reputation if chaff was a feature in your dream, unless you were separating the seeds. In that case, your current plans will materialize but only after much effort on your part.

CHERRIES—Growing on a tree they predict business troubles on the way, so go slow. But a tree without fruit is an omen of happiness and health. Ripe cherries signify success in love, but green cherries predict sorrow in any recent romance.

CHESTNUTS—To split or open chestnuts indicates that a mystery or problem of long standing will be solved. If you cooked the nuts beware of treachery on the part of someone you trust, while eating chestnuts predicts happy relations with the opposite sex.

CHIPS—Wood chips predict petty problems.

CHRYSANTHEMUM—Smelling them augurs well for the fulfillment of your hopes, picking them indicates social activity. To give or receive them indicates an increase in status through friends.

CINNAMON—Properly used, cinnamon in a dream indicates social opportunities. Used improperly, the forecast is one of disappointment in a friend.

COCONUT—Forecasts an unexpected gift, no matter what form it took.

COFFEE—If you consumed the coffee and it tasted good, the dream tells of good news about to reach you. If the coffee was

bitter, it tells of a rift in a friendship. To grind coffee means domestic tranquility, but to spill it indicates a series of small setbacks.

CORN—Cornfields, popcorn, corncobs, corns on the feet even! Dreams of corn are among the best. It is a happy omen for all that concerns you.

CROCUS—Tells of new beginnings. New vistas are about to be opened to you.

CUCUMBERS—If they are being eaten they signify the recovery from an illness, and they also signify the recovery of a lost friend. If they are being cooked you are in danger of making a big business mistake. Re-evaluate radical changes.

CURRANTS—Opportunities will be knocking if the currants were ripe and red. If the fruit was dried or dark and withered looking, it predicts a period of struggle and frustration.

CYPRESS—The omen here is of sad news about friends.

DAFFODILS—Forecast an unusually long and happy future with special focus on your personal and/or love affairs.

DAHLIAS—These are omens of good financial news, especially if they are seen indoors or in a vase.

DATES—Eating them predicts a marriage. It may not be yours but you will be concerned. Growing or harvesting dates augurs business success.

EBONY—Care in writing, documents, petitions, etc., should be used for a time following a dream of ebony.

ELDERBERRIES—In whatever form these berries were featured they predict worries and problems not of your own making.

ELM—Easy success during life unless the tree was diseased or pest-infested. In that case, the omen is still favorable but you will have to come through some minor setbacks.

FERNS—Ferns in natural surroundings signify beneficial influences enfolding your undertakings. Dead or wilted ferns predict trouble. Potted ferns foretell misunderstandings, but they also tell that you can clear the problem before it becomes a lasting schism. Buying, picking, sitting or laying on ferns portends exciting new opportunities.

FERTILIZER—Predicts a new source of income.

FIG—Dried they signify financial trouble. On the whole figs are not a very good symbol. Fresh figs announce an acute embarrassment with someone of the opposite sex.

FILBERTS—Trouble with travel.

FIR—Cutting it down predicts financial trouble if spending habits are not changed. A forest of fir trees predicts extreme good fortune further enhanced if you were aware of perfume.

FOLIAGE—Love and/or sexual relations are symbolized by foliage. Fresh greenery tells of improving or continued pleasurable experiences. Damaged, wilted, pest-infested foliage augurs quarrels, discontent and possible separation.

FOREST—Someone you depend on will let you down if you were frightened and/or alone in the forest. Being lost in a forest portends gain if you have a moderate income and loss to the wealthy. If the green color of the trees was a focus for your attention, any worries you may now have will disappear. A forest fire predicts happy news and a difficulty you have been experiencing will be beneficial if you dreamed of hiding in a forest.

FORGET-ME-NOT—Assure that you are enwrapped in love and loyalty.

FORSYTHIA—Peace of mind but if they were indoors these flowers predict a happy new love affair.

FUSCHIA—Warns of nervous tension. Relaxation is indicated.

FUNGUS—Warns of hostility. Don't allow yourself to be intimidated.

GARDENIA—A new love affair or the resurgence of a past relationship are forecast for those who see gardenias.

GARLAND—Defeat will turn to victory; take time to think your way out of a situation if you wore a garland. To receive a garland means progress, but to give one is a warning of deceit.

GINGER—Tasting or smelling it predicts a brief albeit passionate love affair. Baking gingerbread indicates family joy.

GLADIOLA—They predict an advance or an improvement in your lifestyle.

GOLDENROD—If it was growing goldenrod, it is warning you not to become involved or to meddle in the affairs of others. If you picked it or it was arranged indoors it predicts a new friend who just happens to be influential.

GOOSEBERRIES—Embarrassment brought on by being indiscreet. Foolish companions are predicted by gooseberries.

GOURD—Used or seen, its omen is one of happy companionship.

GRAIN—An omen of prosperity unless it was spoiled or afire. The grain then tells you can only avoid business hardships if you use vigilance.

GRAPEFRUIT—Confusion due to a conflict of interests, your love versus your business life. Advice may be taken but your own intuition will serve you well.

GRAPES—Do not become overly involved in pleasures of the flesh if you picked or ate them. Harvested or vine-clinging, they predict future comfort, prosperity.

GRASS—Neglected, it forecasts hard work; green and well tended grass tells of success in all things; to mow or cut it portends sad news; eating it relates to sensual pleasure; to sow or plant it indicates future security but no great luxury.

GROW—Seeing things grow naturally and abundantly predicts advancement.

HARVEST—A good harvest is a harbinger of success in all things that matter to you. A poor harvest warns of unscrupulous friends or associates.

HAWTHORNE—These are spring flowers and their omen is one of good times in the future.

HAY—A contrary enough meaning in that seeing hay in the sunshine is an omen of great financial strain and to see it in cloudy weather predicts money from a surprising source. Stacks of hay portend profit where you expected a loss. Hay fever indicates that a medical check-up would be advised. A hay cart predicts a coming change and cutting hay means a period of uncertainties.

HAZELNUT—See Filberts.

HEATHER—White heather is just about the most fortunate symbol extant. Heather of any other color is a fantastic omen for all that concerns you.

HEDGE—Trimming hedges is a luck omen. Jumping over them predicts the acquisition of something you have desired deeply, but the acquired desire will most likely be a disappointment. Sometimes wanting is better than having (not logical, but often

true). Social embarrassment is predicted by going through a hedge opening. Green healthy hedges, or if they were in bloom tell of success in love. Thorny hedges mean you will have to overcome single-minded hostile influences.

HELIOTROPE—Satisfaction in love and a secure future.

HERBS—Peace and contentment is the omen if you see herbs growing in a garden. The sign is especially good if they were blooming. To smell herbs tells of exciting times ahead and the possibility of distant travel. HICKORY—This wood lets you know there will be hard work and not much pleasure. The hickory nut indicates success.

HOLLY—Luck in finances and in love unless you were pricked. If you were pricked, this is a warning of intrigue which could cause embarrassment.

HONEYSUCKLE—Love for the single and domestic happiness for the married. If your main interest is business, the omen is an auspicious one.

HOPS—Picking them augurs a sudden passionate love affair of short duration. Growing or harvested, hops are a harbinger of coming prosperity.

HOREHOUND—The candy in a dream predicts a period of contentment. If the dream concerned the plant, see listing under Herbs.

HORSERADISH—This root indicates petty vexations.

HUCKLEBERRIES—A warning against carelessness.

HYACINTH—Outdoors the forecast is for unexpected events. Potted, they tell of improving conditions.

IRIS—Contentment and prosperity.

IVY—It predicts faithful friends when seen growing outdoors. Potted up indoors, their meaning is one of personal happiness. Ivy growing on a house indicates wealth and seen growing on a tree it predicts health and vigor.

JACARANDA—A tropical tree which promises contentment.

JASMINE—Predicts success in romantic areas.

JESSAMINE—Only the best for those lucky enough to dream of this fragrant flower.

JONQUIL—A fantastically good and happy sex life is the prediction if jonquils are seen in your dream.

JUNIPER—Warns of treachery. If you cut it down or the tree was damaged, the omen is one of good.

KELP—Better times ahead.

KERNELS—Predict a valuable gift or an unexpected reward.

LABURNUM—In bloom the omen is good. It tells of overcoming obstacles through applied intelligence.

LAUREL—Growing outside it predicts success and contentment. Picking it suggests triumph over adversity. To be crowned with laurel is a warning not to let your pride get out of hand, you could fall flat on your face.

LEAF—Green leaves tell of happiness, health and abundance. Dry or withered, they warn of hostile competition. Falling leaves portend the parting of friends. To see them blowing in the wind foretells of family disunity.

LEEK—The plant indicates slow progress, while eating, cooking or serving this onion-type plant augurs a quick rise in status.

LEMON—Sucking on it predicts an embarrassing situation of a social nature. Squeezing a lemon tells of financial difficulties. Lemonade augurs an increase in popularity.

LETTUCE—See Vegetables.

LILAC—A broken friendship is forecast by these flowers.

LILY—Easter or calla lilies are a sign of an unexpected rise in position. Lily of the Valley predicts happiness in love.

LIME—See Lemon.

LOCUST—The locust tree predicts good luck.

LOTUS.—This flower predicts you will soon find love and romance.

MACE—Recognition in civic matters.

MAHOGANY—Predicts an improvement in your lifestyle.

MAPLE—Unity and a happy home life if you saw the tree or things made of maple wood. Syrup or maple flavoring indicates great sexual vigor.

MISTLETOE—For those in professional fields the potent, magickal mistletoe signifies a need for patience. Something you have been striving for will take more time than originally planned. If you are concerned with a love affair or personal interest, matters of the heart will run smoothly.

MINT—Signifies continues good health for the healthy and an improvement for those who are ill.

MOLD—If it is found on clothing, paper, books, etc., it portends disenchantment in love. Found on food it signifies an escape from danger which will be lucky rather than planned.

MOSS—Soft, green moss augurs romantic happiness. Dry or diseases it tells of disappointment.

MUSHROOMS—A totally beautiful dream omen. Mushroom predicts wealth through smart planning and speculation if you saw them growing. Picking mushrooms has almost the same meaning while adding a protective aura to your prosperity and eating them means an improvement in social spheres.

MUSK—Smelling musk predicts a passionate, new and exciting love affair, either for yourself or a friend.

MUSTARD—Good news and success in your endeavors.

MYRTLE—You will be popular and great sexual vitality will be yours if you dreamed of this beautiful, fragrant tree.

NARCISSUS—Growing naturally out of doors, this flower is a pleasant augury for the future. Indoors or potted, they warn that vanity and overconfidence may be your downfall.

NASTURTIUM—If you ate the seeds or stems, this dream portends unusual sexual experiences.

NECTARINE-See Fruit.

NETTLES—Success due to courageous efforts, unless you were stung. In that case, they signify deceit on the part of a close friend or lover. Be prepared.

NIGHTSHADE—This member of the potato family portends success. Be daring, try something new.

NUTS—A good omen unless they were stale. Stale and/or wormy nuts predict deceit, hostility and competition. Cracking nuts is a portent of success, eating them signifies good health.

NUTMEG—Tasting or smelling nutmeg is a warning. Those around you probably have ulterior motives. Look around carefully unless you want to be at a disadvantage. Grating nutmegs is a sign of increased social pleasures.

NUTSHELLS—Empty shells in your dream predict futility in some current undertaking, but the omen is reversed if you stamped on them to crack them.

NUT TREES—Wealth. The slow, steady growth of material matters through shrewd, sensible planning.

OAK—A symbol of strength in all areas of your life.

OASIS—An important success.

OATMEAL—Cooking it predicts you will have a period of oscillation, first going one way, then the other. To serve or eat it predicts steady progress.

OATS—Oats predict financial gain, unless they were still green, in which case you will have a period of frustration before achieving your aim.

OLEANDER—Forecasts satisfaction in sexual and/or domestic situations.

OLIVES—Whether ripe or green, olives predict contentment for the dreamer. Stuffed or pitted olives portend the dreamer should show more consideration for the feelings of others.

ONIONS—Onions are a harbinger of a season of ups and downs. To eat them tells of financial success, the possibility of an inheritance, or a winning streak. To peel them indicates family disunity. Cooking them portends a quarrel with a close friend and to serve them means you should stop placing so much importance on trivial matters.

ORANGE—A heavy, unforgettable romance of short duration if you ate them or drank the juice of an orange. Growing or packed for shipment they predict slow, steady progress. To see orange blossoms forecasts news of—what else?—a wedding.

ORCHARD—Good luck follows a dream of a blooming orchard. An orchard of ripe fruit tells you that you will have your fondest desire. If the fruit was green it portends slow but steady progress and eventual success. A bare or stripped orchard is telling you that you will only get as much from a situation as you put into it.

ORCHIDS—A warning. Curb your extravagance or any rather unusual habits.

PALM TREE—Disappointment in a trusted friend.

PANSIES—Unpleasant moments with someone of the same sex.

PAPRIKA—This red spice, which is of Hungarian origin, warns you must control excesses.

PARSLEY—Success. If it was growing, it predicts hard work and achievement. If you ate or served it, your desire will be had through hard work coupled with many unusual lucky breaks.

PARSNIP—This vegetable is telling you of many good opportunities. Look carefully and take advantage of the best.

PEACH—Personal pleasure, whether you ate it or just had a peach or peaches in your dream.

PEANUTS—Salted or in their hull they signify personal popularity. Peanut butter indicates remorse over a past act. Confess or forget it. Continual regret saps your energies.

PEARS—Canned they signify profit, fresh they augur gossip about a scandal. The information gleaned in this manner will prove very fortunate to you. The trees, bearing fruit, predict an expansion of opportunities.

PEAS—If you opened a can of peas, the omen is one of petty vexations brought about by the dreamer. To see them growing forecasts the small problems of someone close to the dreamer. For a man to dream of shelling peas indicates a wealthy, influential woman who will have a great deal to do with his success. For a woman shelling peas symbolizes her mate will be mostly all talk... very little action.

PECANS—Predict a social invitation which will prove advantageous.

PEEL—Peeling fruit portends the discovery of a secret, while peeling vegetables indicates disappointing news.

PEONY—Peonies forecast anxiety.

PEPPER—This hot spice tells you to control your temper.

PEPPERMINT—If you ate or served it, it predicts a legacy or a benefit from a distant relation.

PERSIMMON—Eating one forecasts a reunion with old friends; if the fruit was bitter, it portends problems connected with the reunion.

PETUNIA—Gay social activity if seen growing out of doors. Any other way, they predict you will soon be very bored.

PICKLE—The prediction is one of satisfaction with your lifestyle.

PINE—See Cedar.

PINEAPPLE—Social success if you ate or served the fruit; drinking the juice implies successful business ventures. Growing or harvested they predict a passionate new romance.

PINKS—Gay social times and congenial company.

PLANTS—Healthy plants, seen indoors, predict the successful outcome of your current goals. The omen is even better if the plants were in bloom. Difficulties may be yours if the plants were in poor condition: dry, withered, etc. To water, feed, repot, etc., augurs a happy domestic life.

PLUMS—Fresh plums portend recognition in your work. Canned plums indicate a coming disappointment. A change in your circumstances is forecast if you dreamed of picking plums.

POISON IVY—If you had the rash, or saw this unpleasant (for most people) weed, the portent is one of a separation between you and a member of the opposite sex who is very special to you.

POPLAR—Forecasts that you are involved with people whose attitudes and behavior could seriously damage your reputation. Avoid reckless behavior.

POPPY—Red poppies are a warning to control your temper and passionate emotions and yellow poppies herald sensual pleasures.

POTATO—Security and peace of mind, if you ate them. Cooking, digging, serving, etc., predicts good fortune in business matters.

PRIMROSE—The forecast in seeing primroses is a passionate, albeit quarrel-filled, love affair for you, or one of your close circle.

PRUNES—A change of location. If the dream concerned stewed prunes, they signify good or improving health.

QUINCE—Cooked or jellied quince forecasts the dreamer's confusion concerning the actions of a friend. Study all aspects, make no hasty decisions. Fresh quince predicts financial embarrassment due to lack of responsibility.

RADISHES—Success, unless you ingested them. Eating radishes predicts you will have to overcome some competition before achieving your desires.

RAISINS—Eating raisins tells of a cash output which will be greater than your inflow. Raisins, if you don't eat them, portend social events.

RASPBERRIES—Eaten or harvested they predict pleasure of a passing nature. In their season, seen growing, they augur success in business and also family unity.

REEDS—Trust everyone, but don't turn your back. Your friends may be unstable at this time.

RHUBARB—Satisfaction in achieving your goals.

RICE—If you ate it, you'll be euphoric over a domestic or a romantic situation. To cook or serve, or just see rice, is a sign you'll be able to fulfill all of your obligations. If you harvested rice yourself, expect a favorable business trend. If you threw rice, you will hear good news about travel.

ROSEMARY—See Herbs.

ROOTS—Tell you to be more assertive, otherwise someone else will reap the rewards from your hard work.

ROSES—Picking fresh roses signifies unbounded joy. If you gave the roses, the omen is one of true love; receiving them promises social success. Artificial roses tell you that you may be the object of jealousy and deceit directed by one in whom you have great trust.

RYE—Prosperity. Rye bread predicts a new opening or friendship.

SAFFRON—Envy on your part could wreck a friendship. Conceal your jealousy.

SALAD—For a man to prepare it suggests misplaced affection, and for a woman it warns against flirtatious behavior. However, if you ate or served it, salad portends financial success for the male and social pleasure and success for the female.

SEAWEED—Don't compromise yourself in your own values if you dreamed of tangled seaweed.

SEEDS—Broad new horizons, but don't misplace your loyalty and/or affections.

SHRUBS—Contentment and riches if they were healthy. Unhealthy shrubs predict malcontent in personal matters.

SPICES—Spices of a pungent variety tell you of exploitation by the opposite sex.

SQUASH—Time to take advantage of a profitable opportunity.

STRAW—Burning it warns about a loss of money through carelessness. Wet straw tells of a loss of free movement because of foolish behavior. A bed of straw predicts a financial upswing unless you actually slept on it in which case it predicts romantic dissension. Heaps of straw mean you will soon be able to add to your savings and stacked straw predicts an increase of a material nature.

STRAWBERRIES—Predict happiness, possibly concerned with travel if you picked them. Any other way, strawberries predict happiness in personal relations.

STRINGBEANS—To cook or serve them tells of a change in your lifestyle. Eating them portends happy social occasions.

SUNFLOWER—Guard against impulsive behavior unless you really know who you are with. If you ate the seeds, the omen is one of a reunion.

TABASCO—If unmarried, tabasco predicts a new romance. For the married, it predicts an interesting new friendship.

TANGERINE—Tells of congenial activities with good friends.

THORNS—If you were ensnarled or your clothes were caught, thorns warn you to guard your reputation. Your friends, at this time, could do the most damage.

TOADSTOOL—Directed hostility, which—with patience—you will overcome.

TOMATOES—Success and happiness, no matter what you did with them in your dream.

TREES—Planting trees indicates that your personal and romantic interests are favored. Cutting them down suggests hard times of your own making. Climbing a tree tells of hard work and not much profit; it also tells of a chance for new employment. Children climbing a tree means advancement. Burning trees is a harbinger of unhappiness. Back to climbing a tree again, if the tree you climbed happened to be a fruit tree, it augurs dignity, while using

a ladder to climb a tree tells you that you will attain a high position. To rest under a tree means that you will have influential friends who will come to your aid. If you saw yourself asleep under one it signals a loss and/or an abandonment. Falling from a tree is indicative of a loss of employment. Fresh, green trees tell of joy which knows no boundaries, and to see a barren tree indicates that you are being cheated. Cutting down a dead tree decrees misfortune and a crooked tree tells you that you have enemies lurking in your locale. Cutting down trees in someone else's garden means a failure for your enemies. Misfortune may strike if you found a fallen tree in a road, but trees fully fruited predict good fortune in your business ventures and blossoming trees tell of sweet satisfaction. Picking fruit from a tree indicates you may receive an inheritance and an escape from a forest fire tells of an unusual accident. You will hear good news if you saw a tall straight pine in your dreams and a Christmas tree promises joy and happiness. Unpleasant news usually follows a dream of an apple tree, but lemon trees promise you will receive good things. Fig trees indicate travel in the offing and nut trees promise riches to those who are lucky enough to see them. Olive trees symbolize peace and happiness. Oddly enough, peach trees predict opposition to your ideas. Orange trees tell of mild vexations, prune trees indicate the arrival of welcome guests. Cherry trees augur illness and pomegranate trees are indicative of a quiet future. Pear trees tell of objections raised because of your love life and poplar trees symbolize good fortune. If you saw aspen trees, they tell of loneliness, while the stately oak foretells faithful love. The crabapple promises new experiences and spruce trees contain the message of good health. Tree stumps are indicative of new beginnings.

ULCER—Having an ulcer in your dream means you will work much without profit.

UMBRELLA—If you are carrying it, you will be annoyed by trouble and vexations.

UNDERGROUND—Being below ground means that you desire what others possess.

UTENSILS—If they are kitchen utensils, you will have misery.

VACATION—Making plans for one, you will have many happy days. If you are returning, you will enjoy prosperity.

VALENTINE—Receiving means you will take advantage of available opportunities.

VAMPIRE—You will marry for money. Fighting with one in your dream means you will soon receive good news.

VINE—If they are healthy, good friendship. If withered, someone is trying to injure you.

VIOLETS—Wearing them denotes modesty. Buying them means a lawsuit.

VOW—Dreaming of making a vow tells that you must take care in your affairs.

WALNUTS—Riches and satisfaction. If you are cracking them, you have an unsettled mind.

WATER—Abundance.

WATERMELON—Good success and fortune.

WEEDS—You will face hindrances in an undertaking that promises great personal honor.

WHEAT—If it is ripe, you will come into good fortune.

WILLOW—A rival will take affections of your sweetheart.

WOOD—Scandal. If you are buying wood in your dream, you will soon be in need of things.

YEAST—Money accumulated thrift will be left to you.

YEW TREE—Death of an aged relative.

YOLK—An egg yolk, financial gains.

ZIRCON—Having a ring made with a zircon: Your friendship is badly placed.

ZODIAC—A dream of any sign in the zodiac: Will have a large fortune soon.

ZUCCHINI—You will receive bad news.