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Scientific Protocols for Fire Investigation, Third Edition focuses on the practical application of fundamental scientific principles to determine the causes of fires. Originally published in 2006, the First Edition was very well received by fire investigators and those who work with them. Since fire investigation is a rapidly evolving field—driven by new discoveries about fire behavior—the Second Edition was published in late 2012. This latest, fully updated Third Edition reflects the most recent developments in the field. Currently, serious research is underway to try to understand the role of ventilation in structure fires. Likewise, there is improved understanding of the kinds of errors investigators can make that lead to incorrect determinations of the causes of fires. In addition to the scientific aspects, the litigation of fire related events is rapidly changing, particularly with respect to an investigator's qualifications to serve as an expert witness. This book covers these latest developments and ties together the changing standards for fire investigations with the fundamental scientific knowledge presented in the early chapters of the book. The book is intended for those individuals who have recently entered the field of fire investigation, and those who are studying fire investigation with a plan to become certified professionals. In addition, professionals in the insurance industry who hire fire investigators will find this an invaluable resource. Insurance companies have sustained significant losses by hiring individuals who are not qualified, resulting in cases being settled or lost at a cost of millions. Insurance adjusters and investigators will learn to recognize quality fire investigations and those that are not up to today's standards. Lastly, this book is also for the many attorneys who litigate fire cases. Written with language and terms that make the science accessible even to the non-scientist, this new edition will be a welcome resource to any professional involved in fire and arson cases. Grilled meats, and their flavorful sauces, marinades, and rubs--that's the primal pleasure Lex Taylor explores in Grill Fire. More than just a collection of recipes, this cookbook teaches the art and technique of grilling, from creating a backyard Brazilian churrasceria to making your own chicken wing racks. Along with tasty variations on the burger and dog, Taylor's globally influenced dishes include Japanese kobe slices with umami tare sauces, Mexican rotisserie chicken, and Cameroonian Snapper. Matter is Mother and vice versa. Undifferentiated matter is composed of indestructible atoms; differentiated matter is destructible in form. The Circle of Life becomes triangular by hypothecating Absoluteness; the right line represents a metaphysical synthesis; the left, a physical one. When Mother Nature shall have made of her body the horizontal line joining these two, then will be the moment of the awakening of cosmic activity. In the manifested world, “the highest sees through the eye of the lowest.” First Logos is the real Pythagorean Tetractys. It is the Esoteric Logos of the Invisible Monad. Tetragrammaton is Logos Demiourgos; it is the Tetractys of the profane. In occult symbolism, Macroprosopus is the Square in the Circle and a veil over the Hierarchy of Compassion; Microprosopus, the Triangle in the Square. Macroprosopus is the Spiritual Tetrad; Microprosopus, the Material. The “Long Face” is Absoluteness, the Perfect Square within the Magic Circle, an ever Unknowable and Unmanifested Deity. The “Short Face” is the “Heavenly Man” or manifested Logos, the Triangle in the Square or the Sevenfold Cube. The Abstract Cross ceases to exist and becomes the Circle or Boundary, for below rules the physical procreation of mortals, whereas above reigns the noetic creation of Gods. The great circle or Ring Pass-Not is the “Rope of the Angels” that hedges off the phenomenal from the noumenal Kosmos. 31415 ($7 \times 2 = 14$) is the numerical hierarchy of the Dhyani-Chohans (the twice seven), number of the inner, circumscribed world, and the mystic Svastika. In other words, the astronomical pi veils the Benefactors of the World from prying minds. It is the Lipikas, Records of the Karmic Ledger, that circumscribe the world of matter within a Ring Pass-Not thus making an impassable barrier between the personal ego of man and his impersonal Self, the Noumenon and Parent-Source of the former. This impassable barrier is neither a locality nor can it be measured by distance, for it exists in Absoluteness or Infinity. While numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 are successive emanations from Infinite Space, 4, 3, 2 veil the Infinite from objective perception and speculation. Number 1 is lost in its inaccessible solitude. Another veil unveiled! This timely book provides the inside story of the development of mobile public alert and warning technology in the United States and addresses similar systems being used in Australia, Canada, Japan, and the Netherlands. This book provides a comprehensive account of how mobile-smartphone systems are transforming the practice of public alert and warning in the United States. Recent events have vaulted mobile alert and warning technology to the forefront of public debates concerning the hazards of the digital age. False alarms of ballistic missile attacks on Hawaii and Japan, the non-use of mobile alerts during the Northern California wildfires, and the role this technology plays in supporting police manhunts and counterterrorism efforts have prompted reconsideration of how these systems are used. Drawing upon interviews with officials, executives, experts, and citizens, the book provides an in-depth analysis of the events and contexts influencing the trajectory of mobile public alert and warning and charts a course for its improvement. The book first introduces readers to the high stakes involved in the transformation of public alert and warning, explaining how new research is revealing the benefits, limitations, and risks of mobile technology in the disaster communication context. Three case studies then illustrate issues of risk, trust, and appropriateness in mobile public alert and warning. This book features selected papers from the 11th Asia-Oceania Symposium on Fire Science and Technology (AOSFST 2018), held in Taipei, Taiwan.

Covering the entire spectrum of fire safety science, it focuses on research on fires, explosions, combustion science, heat transfer, fluid dynamics, risk analysis and structural engineering, as well as other topics. Presenting advanced scientific insights, the book introduces and advances new ideas in all areas of fire safety science. As such it is a valuable resource for academic researchers, fire safety engineers, and regulators of fire, construction and safety authorities. Further it provides new ideas for more efficient fire protection. This book focuses on topics in the entire spectrum of fire safety science, targeting research in fires, explosions, combustion science, heat transfer, fluid dynamics, risk analysis, structural engineering, and other subjects. The book contributes to a gain in advanced scientific knowledge and presents or advances new ideas in all topics in fire safety science. Two decades ago, the 1st Asia-Oceania Symposium on Fire Science and Technology was held in Hefei, China. Since then, the Asia-Oceania Symposia have grown in size and quality. This book, reflecting that growth, helps readers to understand fire safety technology, design, and methodology in diverse areas including historical buildings, photovoltaic panels, batteries, and electric vehicles. From Pod 153, to fans of NieR Automata [ref & NieR: Automata: a Short Story Long] Question: What is a novel? Affirmative: It is hypothesized that this book is “interesting.” Hypothesis: “Interest” is an internal incentive that allows humans to practice tolerance. Recommendation: To purchase both existing novel forms. From Pod 153 to 042: Affirmative. We have also concluded executing additional advertisement duties. -- VIZ Media This eBook features the unabridged text of ‘With Fire and Sword by Henryk Sienkiewicz - Delphi Classics (Illustrated)’ from the bestselling edition of ‘The Complete Works of Henryk Sienkiewicz’. Having established their name as the leading publisher of classic literature and art, Delphi Classics produce publications that are individually crafted with superior formatting, while introducing many rare texts for the first time in digital print. The Delphi Classics edition of Sienkiewicz includes original annotations and illustrations relating to the life and works of the author, as well as individual tables of contents, allowing you to navigate eBooks quickly and easily. eBook features: * The complete unabridged text of ‘With Fire and Sword by Henryk Sienkiewicz - Delphi Classics (Illustrated)’ * Beautifully illustrated with images related to Sienkiewicz’s works * Individual contents table, allowing easy navigation around the eBook * Excellent formatting of the text Please visit www.delphiclassics.com to learn more about our wide range of titles In the first book devoted to the subject, Billy Reading looks at the architecture and history of some of Britain’s most distinctive buildings. Many of the earliest books, particularly those dating back to the 1900s and before, are now extremely scarce and increasingly expensive. We are republishing these classic works in affordable, high quality, modern editions, using the original text and artwork. London, 1680. The famous philosopher, Sir Robert Boyle, is about to demonstrate the results of his investigations of the phosphorus and its cold fire to fellows of the Royal Society and other guests. Far away at the edge of Wales an alchemist learns of the discovery and, helped by his young assistant, attempts in his own way to form the mysterious material, little suspecting that his work threatens to open the universe to the evil power of the Malevolence. Summoned by the Brains, September, the Cludydd o Maengolauseren, arrives charged with halting the Malevolence’s storm of destruction. But how? She finds herself out of her time and in a world not quite her own. Nevertheless her experience of the Malevolence tells her that she must do something. The fantastic beasts she encounters may come to her aid, if she can work out how to save them from the Cold Fire. For September, hardly any time has passed since she was trying to save Gwlad in Peter R. Ellis’ thrilling fantasy series Evil Above the Stars. Now, in the first of the September Weekes novels, she appears to be closer to home, at least in space if not time. But not everything is as she’d expect it, and she still seems to be wearing her school uniform! Combining science, fantasy and adventure, this is a novel truly worthy of the designation Speculative Fiction. This book holds the proceedings of the Conference on Applications of Structural Fire Engineering (ASFE 2017), held on September 7-8, 2017, in Manchester, UK. The ASFE’17 conference will be the next in a series (2009, 2011, 2013, 2015) of successful conferences that aim to bring together experts and specialists in design against fire from all over the world to share ideas and to acquire knowledge in the field of structural fire engineering. Practice in structural engineering increasingly accepts the benefits of performancebased approaches to the design of structures for fire resistance. This conference will focus on the application of design methods, both manual and computational, for structures to resist fire. Particularly relevant themes will be fire modelling, simulation of the heat transfer between fire and structures, and modelling of structural behaviour at elevated temperatures using numerical methods or software implementations of design codes. A troubling story of the devastating and compounding effects of climate change in the Western and Rocky Mountain states, told through in-depth reportage and conversations with ecologists, professional forest managers, park service scientists, burn boss, activists, and more. Climate change manifests in many ways across North America, but few as dramatic as the attacks on our western pine forests. In Trees in Trouble, Daniel Mathews tells the urgent story of this loss, accompanying burn crews and forest ecologists as they study the myriad risk factors and refine techniques for saving this important, limited resource. Mathews transports the reader from the exquisitely aromatic haze of ponderosa and Jeffrey pine groves to the fantastic gnarls and whorls of five-thousand-year-old bristlecone pines, from genetic test nurseries where white pine seedlings are deliberately infected with their mortal enemy to the hottest megafire sites and neighborhoods leveled by fire tornadoes or ember blizzards. Scrupulously researched, Trees in Trouble not only explores the devastating ripple effects of climate change, but also introduces us to the people devoting their lives to saving our forests. Mathews also offers hope: a new approach to managing western pine forests is underway. Trees in Trouble explores how we might succeed in sustaining our forests through the challenging transition to a new environment. MODERN MOTORCYCLE TECHNOLOGY, Third Edition, provides an in-depth, visually rich guide to the internal and external workings of today’s motorcycles. The book begins with an overview of motorcycle technology, including the history of the motorcycle and the current state of the industry. Coverage then progresses to safety measures, engine operation, internal combustion engines (two-stroke and four-stroke), electrical fundamentals, motorcycle maintenance, and troubleshooting. Thoroughly updated, the Third Edition includes the latest motorcycle models and technology from today’s top manufacturers, as well as additional material on topics such as fuel injection, suspension systems, and electronics. Now better than ever, this trusted guide is ideal for anyone seeking the knowledge and skills to succeed in today’s motorcycle technology field. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version. Flame Retardant Polymeric Materials provides a comprehensive and up-to-date overview of the field, from basic properties and mechanisms of action for flame retardants to emerging methods, materials, and industrial applications. With over 120 black and white images, Hu and Wang cover the latest in the development of novel polymer nanocomposites such as graphene, CNTs, LDHs, POSS, and techniques such as layer-by-layer assembly. These expert authors also include discussions on the important flame-retardant systems based on phosphorus, silicon, and boron. In doing so, they highlight the use of flame-retardants in varying industries, for example, construction, textiles, and aviation. This comprehensive handbook is an essential read for students and academics of physics with a particular interest in flame-retardant materials. It would also be recommended for professionals within the materials science and engineering fields. This volume addresses ten issues pertaining to energy and the environment, such as climate change, fossil fuels, endangered species, and renewable energy, and examines how these issues are affecting countries around the world. In the industrial age, first powered by coal and then more often by oil, environmental degradation nearly inevitably followed resource exploitation and energy production. This book examines environmental issues in specific countries around the world as well as solutions some of these countries have discovered in order to help save the environment. This volume includes 10 chapters, each addressing a specific issue relating to energy and the environment as it pertains to a variety of countries, including toxic chemicals, pollution, deforestation, and climate

change. Each chapter begins with an introduction to the issue. Following the chapter introduction, each chapter highlights that issue in eight countries and provides historic perspective. This work provides an overview for high school students and college students at the undergraduate level on 10 important topics that address matters relating to energy and the environment in the 21st century. This book explores the cause, impact, and aftermath of the wildfires that burned across California. Easy-to-read text, compelling photos, and a simple timeline give readers an age-appropriate look at how people prepare for and respond to wildfires. A Gallery of Combustion and Fire is the first book to provide a graphical perspective of the extremely visual phenomenon of combustion in full color. It is designed primarily to be used in parallel with, and supplement existing combustion textbooks that are usually in black and white, making it a challenge to visualize such a graphic phenomenon. Each image includes a description of how it was generated, which is detailed enough for the expert but simple enough for the novice. Processes range from small scale academic flames up to full scale industrial flames under a wide range of conditions such as low and normal gravity, atmospheric to high pressures, actual and simulated flames, and controlled and uncontrolled flames. Containing over 500 color images, with over 230 contributors from over 75 organizations, this volume is a valuable asset for experts and novices alike. In the gripping fantasy sequel to *A Shadow Bright and Burning* that *Justine Magazine* says is "a pinch of Potter blended with a drop of *Infernal Devices* (Cassandra Clare)", Henrietta wants to save her love, but his dark magic may be her undoing. "Devastatingly magical and monstrously romantic." —Stephanie Garber, *New York Times* bestselling author of *CARAVAL* Henrietta wants to save the one she loves. But will his dark magic be her undoing? In the second book in the *Kingdom on Fire* series, Jessica Cluess delivers her signature mix of magic, passion, and teen warriors fighting for survival. Hand to fans of Victoria Aveyard, Sarah J. Maas, and Kiersten White. Henrietta came to London to be named the chosen one, the first female sorcerer in centuries. Instead, she discovered a city ruled by secrets. And the biggest secret of all: Henrietta is not the chosen one. Still, she must play the role in order to keep herself and Rook, her best friend and childhood love, safe. But can she truly save him? In order to try, Henrietta persuades Blackwood, the mysterious Earl of Sorrow-Fell, to travel up the coast to seek out new weapons. And Magnus, the brave, reckless flirt who wants to win back her favor, is assigned to their mission. Together, they will face monsters, make powerful allies, and discover that some old wounds are still full of poison. Praise for Jessica Cluess's *A Shadow Bright and Burning, Kingdom on Fire, Book 1*: "This is a novel that gives off light and heat." —The *New York Times* "The magic! The intrigue! The guys! We were sucked into this monster-ridden alternative England from page one. Henrietta is literally a 'girl on fire' and this team of sorcerers training for battle had a pinch of Potter blended with a drop of [Cassandra Clare's] *Infernal Devices*." —Justine "Unputdownable. I loved the monsters, the magic, and the teen warriors who are their world's best hope! Jessica Cluess is an awesome storyteller!" —TAMORA PIERCE, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

The design, construction, and upkeep of infrastructure is comprised of a multitude of dimensions spanning a highly complex paradigm of interconnected opportunities and challenges. While traditional methods fall short of adequately accounting for such complexity, artificial intelligence (AI) presents novel and out-of-the-box solutions that effectively tackle the growing demands of our infrastructure. The convergence between AI and civil engineering is an emerging frontier with tremendous potential. The book is likely to provide a boost to the state of infrastructure engineering by fostering a new look at civil engineering that capitalizes on AI as its main driver. It highlights the ongoing push to adopt and leverage AI to realize contemporary, intelligent, safe, and resilient infrastructure. The book comprises interdisciplinary and novel works from across the globe. It presents findings from innovative efforts supplemented with physical tests, numerical simulations, and case studies – all of which can be used as benchmarks to carry out future experiments and/or facilitate the development of future AI models in structural engineering, traffic engineering, construction engineering, and construction materials. The book will serve as a guide for a wide range of audiences, including senior undergraduate and graduate students, professionals, and government officials of civil, traffic, and computer engineering backgrounds, as well as for those engaged in urban planning and human sciences. This book is a printed edition of the Special Issue "Short-Term Load Forecasting by Artificial Intelligent Technologies" that was published in *Energies* These essays are for Americans concerned about the future of our country and for policy wonks. By and large, the political process is controlled by those who take an interest in politics, large in number but small as a percent of population. Are you a member of the political class? Membership is voluntary. Our first 800 years of thinking: science culture and empathy from the Enlightenment ~1600 to ~2400 The Crisis of the Anthropocene: The most comprehensive description of all issues of the crisis in less than 100 pages. For the purpose of going through your mind to influence your brain. Musings on our Present Discontent: America, not advanced, not a democracy. Right to life for baby; right to choose for mom. Taxation. The security of a free state. Issues not discussed. The threat from within, Trumpism. The threat from without: Putinism. How to participate. Renewal. The story of the Nile Expedition is so recent that no word of introduction is necessary to the historical portion of the tale. The moral, such as it is, of the story of the two lads brought up as brothers is--Never act in haste, for repentance is sure to follow. In this case great anxiety and unhappiness were caused through a lad acting as he believed for the best, but without consulting those who had every right to a voice in the matter. That all came right in the end in no way affects this excellent rule, for all might have gone wrong. We are often misled by a generous impulse, more often perhaps than by an evil one, but the consequences may be just as serious in the one case as the other. When in trouble you should always go freely to your best friends and natural advisers, and lay the case fully before them. It may be that, if the trouble has arisen from your own fault, you will have to bear their temporary displeasure, but this is a small thing in comparison with the permanent injury that may arise from acting on your own impulse. In most cases, cowardice lies at the bottom of concealment, and cowardice is of all vices the most contemptible; while the fear of the displeasure of a parent has ruined many a boy's life. Therefore, when you are in serious trouble always go to your best friend, your father, and lay the case frankly and honestly before him; for you may be sure that present displeasure and even punishment are but small things in comparison with the trouble that may arise from trying to get out of the difficulty in other ways. *Fire Investigator: Principles and Practice to NFPA 921 and 1033, Fifth Edition* is the premier resource for current and future Fire Investigators. Written by talented professional fire investigators from the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI), this text covers the entire span of the 2017 Edition of NFPA 921, *Guide for Fire and Explosion Investigations* and addresses all of the job performance requirements in the 2014 Edition of NFPA 1033, *Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigator*. This text is the benchmark for conducting safe and systematic investigations. In this humorous urban fantasy, a female cop discovers she is a wizard and must learn how to handle her new powers while solving crimes. Samantha Kane is struggling with this thing called 'her life', and how it can be completely turned upside down in the span of one week. Her partner and mentor is hospitalized, followed quickly by her father, who slips into a coma, her teenage brother decides now is the perfect time to rebel, and her mom lays the guilt on thick as molasses every chance she gets. Work isn't much better. Recently promoted to detective, her job is suddenly in jeopardy, and the cops she's worked with for years, no longer respect her or want her around. Not to mention the fact that Ghosts, Vampires, and Werewolves are real, and apparently want her dead .Why? According to a crazy man who showed up out of nowhere, Sam was never meant to be a cop. She's supposed to be a Wizard. From the longtime host of *The Weather Network* comes a behind-the-scenes look at Canada's biggest weather events and climate phenomena. For more than twenty-five years, Chris St. Clair was on the frontline of Canada's biggest weather events as a popular presenter on *The Weather Network*. For the first time, he shares his never-before-told stories covering the country's most astounding weather events. From the flooding of the Red River in Winnipeg to the ice storm in

Montreal, the hurricanes in Newfoundland, the devastating wildfires in Fort McMurray, the hailstorm in Calgary, and the heat dome and horrifying floods in British Columbia, St. Clair recalls these extreme weather events and relays their impact on communities across the country. He also follows Canadian snowbirds south to Florida and recounts their dramatic escape from record-breaking Hurricanes Matthew and Irma. A vivid personal narrative with accessible scientific explanations and meteorological analysis, *Weather Permitting* tells the story of how the weather has shaped the character and psyche of our nation, and is an homage to the strength and resilience of Canadian communities from coast to coast.

2023-24 ITI Fitter Trade VOLUME-II Solved Papers Learn everything there is to know about building a wood fire. Fire has brought humans together for millennia. The cozy warmth of the hearth and the adventure of the campfire draw the same attention today as they did 100 years ago. Part how-to, part history of fire, *Building Wood Fires* is an essential guide for anyone with a fireplace, backyard fire pit, or love of camping. Outdoor journalist and wilderness expert Annette McGivney shares years of expertise, providing tips from where to build your fire pit to how to roast the perfect marshmallow and helpful diagrams to demonstrate essential techniques. Wildland fires have an irreplaceable role in sustaining many of our forests, shrublands and grasslands. They can be used as controlled burns or occur as free-burning wildfires, and can sometimes be dangerous and destructive to fauna, human communities and natural resources. Through scientific understanding of their behaviour, we can develop the tools to reliably use and manage fires across landscapes in ways that are compatible with the constraints of modern society while benefiting the ecosystems. The science of wildland fire is incomplete, however. Even the simplest fire behaviours – how fast they spread, how long they burn and how large they get – arise from a dynamical system of physical processes interacting in unexplored ways with heterogeneous biological, ecological and meteorological factors across many scales of time and space. The physics of heat transfer, combustion and ignition, for example, operate in all fires at millimetre and millisecond scales but wildfires can become conflagrations that burn for months and exceed millions of hectares. *Wildland Fire Behaviour: Dynamics, Principles and Processes* examines what is known and unknown about wildfire behaviours. The authors introduce fire as a dynamical system along with traditional steady-state concepts. They then break down the system into its primary physical components, describe how they depend upon environmental factors, and explore system dynamics by constructing and exercising a nonlinear model. The limits of modelling and knowledge are discussed throughout but emphasised by review of large fire behaviours. Advancing knowledge of fire behaviours will require a multidisciplinary approach and rely on quality measurements from experimental research, as covered in the final chapters. This proven guide provides students with the knowledge and skills they need to complete AWS SENSE Level I and Level II programs, create Workmanship Qualification Specimens, and earn professional certification. Advancing rapidly from basic concepts and processes to today's most complex, cutting-edge welding technologies and practices, this comprehensive text features valuable information on topics such as welding metallurgy, metal fabrication, weld testing and inspection, joint design, job costing, and environmental and conservation tips. The author opens each section by introducing students to the materials, equipment, setup procedures, and critical safety information they need to execute a specific process successfully, while subsequent chapters focus on individual welding tasks leading to SENSE certification. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

For all the wrong reasons, a national spotlight is shining on Chicago. The city has become known for its violence, police abuse, parent and teacher unrest, population decline, and mounting municipal and pension debt. The underlying problem, contend Ed Bachrach and Austin Berg, is that deliberative democracy is dead in the city. Chicago is home to the last strongman political system in urban America. The mayor holds all the power, and any perceived checks on mayoral control are often proven illusory. Rash decisions have resulted in poor outcomes. The outrageous consequences of unchecked power are evident in government failures in elections, schools, fiscal discipline, corruption, public support for private enterprise, policing, and more. Rather than simply lament the situation, criticize specific leaders, or justify an ideology, Bachrach and Berg compare the decisions about Chicago's governance and finances with choices made in fourteen other large U.S. cities. The problems that seem unique to Chicago have been encountered elsewhere, and Chicagoans, the authors posit, can learn from the successful solutions other cities have embraced. Chicago government and its citizens must let go of the past to prepare for the future, argue Bachrach and Berg. A future filled with demographic, technological, and economic change requires a government capable of responding and adapting. Reforms can transform the city. The prescriptions for change provided in this book point toward a hopeful future: the New Chicago Way.

Scott Knox is a newlywed whose marriage is torn apart by natural and political disasters. Now he's taking out his wrath on the only target he can find, President Towers. But is Scott really acting alone? Or is he a patsy? Can the President be saved? Or will prophecy be fulfilled? *The Dark Eagle* is the first book in the *Ruin & Restoration* series. Filled with a cast of interesting and believable characters, this series shows the possible fulfillment of great and terrible Last Days prophecies in the very near future. An overview of recent advances in the quantitative modeling of wildland fire based on fluid dynamics, including a discussion of the mathematical and dynamical principles. Providing a state-of-the-art survey, it is a useful reference for scientists, researchers, and graduate students interested in fire behavior from a range of fields. Divinely matched beings have a mission to fulfill on Earth prior to being joined at last. They must do their duty and complete the Plan which is inscribed upon their Souls. What links them can't ever be broken by anybody. When The Moment comes, The Magic Link, a magical dispensation granted from Heaven is forged in the Holy Bonds of Matrimony: Two beings, perfect in themselves, blessed by the joint destiny of true union. And with the support of angels and souls, joined in the Mission of Light. Guardians of an Ancient Truth. The Miracle of Love is consummated. The entire universe celebrates with a rain of stars or with the miraculous appearance of a huge symbol. "Pacts of Love" is a symbol revealed from on high. Two primogenitors in one; for all eternity, and the Inevitable Return beyond the avatars of life. Because it was, is and shall be thus.