LIBER XXV
THE STAR RUBY
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Facing East, in the centre, draw deep deep deep thy breath, closing thy mouth with thy right forefinger prest against thy lower lip. Then dashing down the hand with a great sweep back and out, expelling forcibly thy breath, cry ΑΠΟ ΠΑΝΤΟΣ ΚΑΚΟΔΑΙΜΟΝΟΣ.¹

With the same forefinger touch thy forehead, and say ΣΟΙ,² thy member, and say Ω ΦΑΛΛΕ,³ thy right shoulder, and say ΙΣΧΥΡΟΣ,⁴ thy left shoulder, and say ΕΥΧΑΡΙΣΤΟΣ;⁵ then clasp thine hands, locking the fingers, and cry ΙΑΩ.

Advance to the East. Imagine strongly a Pentagram. aright, in thy forehead. Drawing the hands to the eyes, fling it forth, making the sign of Horus, and roar ΧΑΟΣ.⁶ Retire thine hand in the sign of Hoor pa kraat.⁷

Go round to the North and repeat; but scream ΒΑΒΑΛΟΝ.⁸

Go round to the West and repeat; but say ΕΡΩΣ.⁹

¹ [Grk., approx “away all evil spirits.”]
² [Grk., “unto thee.”]
³ The secret sense of these words is to be sought in the numeration thereof. [Note in first edition of The Book of Lies. Ω Φαλλε (Grk., “O phallus”) = 1366 = κτεις + φαλλος. See also Stirling, The Canon, p. 219 n.]
⁴ [Grk., “mighty.”]
⁵ [Grk., “grateful.”]
⁶ [Chaos. The Sign of Horus is the Sign of the Enterer described in “Liber O.” The version of the Star Ruby in Magick has “roar ΘΗΡΙΟΝ” (Grk., “Beast”).]
⁷ [The sign of Silence, see “Liber O.” Magick has “… of Hoor-voor-Kraat.”]
⁸ [Babalon. Magick has “say NUIT.”]
⁹ [Eros. Magick has “whisper BABALON.”]
Go round to the South and repeat; but bellow ΨΥΧΗ.10

Completing the circle widdershins, retire to the centre, and raise thy voice in the Paian, with these words ИΩ ΠΑΝ with the signs of N.O.X.11

Extend the arms in the form of a Tau, and say low but clear: ΠΡΟ ΜΟΥ ΙΤΤΕΣ ΟΠΙΣΟ ΜΟΥ ΤΕΛΕΤΑΡΧΑΙ ΕΠΙ ΔΕΞΙΑ ΣΥΝΟΧΈΣ ΕΠΑΡΙΣΤΕΡΆ ΔΑΙΜΟΝΈΣ ΦΛΕΓΈΙ ΓΑΡ ΠΕΡΙ ΜΟΥ Ο ΑΣΤΕΡ ΤΟΝ ΠΕΝΤΈ ΚΑΙ ΕΝ ΤΗΙ ΣΤΗΛΗ ΟΑΣΤΈΡ ΤΟΝ ΈΞ ΕΣΤΗΚΕ.12

Repeat the Cross Qabalistic, as above, and end as thou didst begin.

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25 is the square of 5, and the Pentagram has the red colour of Geburah. The chapter is a new and more elaborate version of the Banishing Ritual of the Pentagram. It would be improper to comment further upon an official ritual of the A∴A∴.13

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10 [Psyche. For Eros and Psyche see the fable in the Metamorphoses (Golden Ass) of Apuleius, the reference in any case being to Vau and Hé final of Tetragrammaton, as Chaos and Babalon (see “The Vision and the Voice”) represent Yod and Hé. Magick has “bellow HADIT.” — T.S.]

11 [The signs of N.O.X. are described in “Liber V vel Reguli.” The order in which they are given is left to the ingenium of the Aspirant. — T.S.]

12 [Grk., “Before me the Iunges, behind me the Teletarchs, at my right the Sunoches, at my left the Daimons; for about me flames the star of five and in the column the star of six is fixed.” For the Iunges, Teletarchs and Sunoches see the Chaldaean Oracles and the secondary literature thereon. — T.S.]

13 [Commentary by Crowley on this chapter as printed in the second edition of The Book of Lies.]