

Once more, Madame Petroushka Flatulenca gazes into her crystal-ball and brings you news from the future...

**Republican** (20th March to 19th April)

A revolution in the stars this week means that Jupiter will be crashing into Mars: keep your umbrella up. A lucky find in a rubbish skip will begin a new friendship. Avoid methylated spirit for the next few days. Your mother always knew best - admit this now and you will avoid disaster.

**Hilarious** (20th April to 20th May)

An encounter with a custard-pie and two plastic-bags full of water will begin a downward spiral of despair and suspicion. Place £10 on Laughing Boy at 15-to-1, in the 4:30 at Uttoxeter. A bus-driver will tell you many surprising jokes.

**Economist** (21st May to 20th June)

Counting your stamp-collection will yield a very large number this month. Use this as your lucky number and you will become rich and famous overnight. Beware of autograph-hunters wearing silk pyjamas.

**Quebecois** (21st June to 22nd July)

It is the turn of Quebec to pass across the trajectory of Uranus this week, so feel privileged. Buy some cream-cakes for your work-mates. Something you have done in the last week has made you feel tired - take this opportunity to have that good long sleep you always promised yourself.

**Hanoverian** (23rd July to 22nd August)

The alignment of the stars in the Great Bear does not bode well. Leave the country. Do not withdraw your savings, but flee, flee, flee!

**Vole** (23rd August to 22nd September)

The aspect of Pluto suggests that storing up food for the winter is something which will benefit yourself and your family. Make that long trek to Safeways now, and buy all the tubs of Houmous you need. Watch out for Thursdays - these are days on which inconsiderate pedestrians will throw themselves in front of your car.

**Supernumerary** (23rd September to 22nd October)

Connecting the lightning-conductor to the plumbing was not a good idea last month. You must think more clearly in the next few days if you are to avoid a sudden shock. Ratchet-screwdrivers are a good acquisition if you can find them. A tall dark and handsome chimney-sweep will take you dancing. Washing your hair in an anti-clockwise motion will almost certainly bring bad luck.

**Sneezy** (23rd October to 21st November)

Lay in a good supply of handkerchiefs. Mercury is in transit over Orion. This certainly means something, but I cannot predict what. You will make a short trip to the shops this month. Eat plenty of mullet and cultivate friendship with a hamster.

**Vertiginous** (22nd November to 21st December)

Venus and Mars are in retrograde motion and Pluto and Saturn are running rings round Jupiter. It makes things very dizzy, doesn't it? Take it easy. Your children should bring your slippers and a glass of whisky sometime this month. A friend will tell you a secret you would rather not have heard - pretend you have gone deaf. Study stick-insects, for they have something to spell out.

**Crustacean** (22nd December to 19th January)

Crustaceans are normally thick-skinned, but something a large friend says will upset you. Nip the friend hard and scuttle away. This is a good month for reviewing your life-insurance.

**Chiropodist** (20th January to 19th February)

Unexpected setbacks will make you irritable and clumsy this month. Stand on your own two feet, but not too hard. This is not really your time of the year. Don't even think about fun and romance. Hide your head in a paper bag and sweat it out. Eat lots of garlic and beans.

**Cautious** (20th February to 19th March, but not the 29th February)

If your numbers come up in the Lottery, you will become a multi-millionaire. Do not let this change your life. There are many charitable funds for struggling astrologers which will welcome your donation, however large. Avoid aubergines and broccoli, because they are quite difficult to spell. A hamster will give you sound advice.

**Unfortunate** (29th February)

Bad luck - I predict no birthday this year again. You may have to wait for a leap-year. Yak's milk is often considered good for your condition.