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glow” (*Hilma af Klint: A Pioneer of Abstraction*). As Hilma af Klint was a member of the Theosophical Society, she most likely studied Blavatsky’s teachings and may have read such passages as the following: “It is a law of Occult dynamics that ‘a given amount of energy expended on the spiritual or astral plane is productive of far greater results than the same amount expended on the physical objective plane of existence’” (*The Secret Doctrine*, 1:644).

“Occultism tells us that every atom, like the monad of Leibnitz, is a little universe in itself; and that every organ and cell in the human body is endowed with a brain of its own, with memory, therefore, experience and discriminative powers. The idea of Universal Life, composed of individual atomic lives, is one of the oldest teachings of esoteric philosophy” (*Lucifer*, 6 April 1890, p. 90).

“Every star is an independent planet, which, like our earth, has a soul of its own, every atom of matter being impregnated with the divine influx of the soul of the world. It breathes and lives; it feels and suffers as well as enjoys life in its way” (*Isis Unveiled*, 1: xxi).