The third book of Levi ben Abraham ben Ḥayyim’s voluminous treatise\composition, *Livyat Ḥen*, is dedicated to astronomical and astrological knowledge. In its twelfth chapter, Levi describes a cosmological\natural mechanism that\which provides optimal thermal conditions for human life and secures\allows the persistence of the inhabited world. As such, Levi identifies it (or: the\this mechanism) with God’s general providence or, at least, with one aspect of it. The main purpose of this\the present article is to offer\present a close study of the mechanism and its *modus operandi*, and to shed light on the providential role of the celestial bodies in Levi’s thought. The article also shows that Gersonides, too, was familiar with the mechanism, and (it) offers a brief comparison of Levi ben Abraham’s mechanism with Gersonides’ **naturalistic account of providence**. In addition, it identifies some of the sources of the astronomical-astrological book of *Livyat ḥen*, and provides\~~suggests~~ insights into its character.

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