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Scientific Discovery: Case Studies Charles Darwin's Natural Selection
This illuminating volume explores the effects of chance on evolution, covering diverse perspectives from scientists, philosophers, and historians. The evolution of species, from single-celled organisms to multicellular animals and plants, is the result of a long and highly chancy history. But how profoundly has chance shaped life on earth? And what, precisely, do we mean by chance? Bringing together biologists, philosophers of science, and historians of science, Chance in Evolution is the first book to untangle the far-reaching effects of chance, contingency, and randomness on the evolution of life. The book begins by placing chance in historical context, starting with the ancients and moving through Darwin to contemporary biology. It documents the shifts in our understanding of chance as Darwin’s theory of evolution developed into the modern synthesis, and how the acceptance of chance in Darwinian theory affected theological resistance to it. Other chapters discuss how chance relates to the concepts of genetic drift, mutation, and parallel evolution—as well as recent work in paleobiology and the experimental evolution of microbes. By engaging in collaboration across biology, history, philosophy, and theology, this book offers a comprehensive overview both of the history of chance in evolution and of our current understanding of the impact of chance on life.

Psychology Primer, Volume 3: Evolution Princeton University Press
Radiations, or Evolution in Action We have just celebrated the “Darwin Year” with the double anniversary of his 200th birthday and 150th year of his masterpiece, “On the Origin of Species by means of Natural Selection”. In this work, Darwin established the factual evidence of biological evolution, that species change over time, and that new organisms arise by the splitting of ancestral forms into two or more descendant species. However, above all, Darwin provided the mechanisms by arguing convincingly that it is by natural selection – as well as by sexual selection (as he later added) – that organisms adapt to their environment. The many discoveries since then have essentially con?rmed and strengthened Darwin’s central theses, with latest evidence, for example, from molecular genetics, revealing the evolutionary relationships of all life forms through one shared history of descent from a common ancestor. We have also come a long way to progressively understand more on how new species actually originate, i. e. on speciation which remained Darwin’s “mystery of m- teries”, as noted in one of his earliest transmutation notebooks. Since speciation is the underlying mechanism for radiations, it is the ultimate causation for the biological diversity of life that surrounds us.
The Cambridge Companion to Aristotle's Biology Princeton University Press
This book contests the general view that natural selection constitutes the explanatory core of evolutionary biology. It invites the reader to consider an alternative view which favors a more complete and multidimensional interpretation. It is common to present the 1930-1960 period as characterized by the rise of the Modern Synthesis, an event structured around two main explanatory commitments: (1) Gradual evolution is explained by small genetic changes (variations) oriented by natural selection, a process leading to adaptation; (2) Evolutionary trends and speciational events are macroevolutionary phenomena that can be accounted for solely in terms of the extension of processes and mechanisms occurring at the previous microevolutionary level. On this view, natural selection holds a central explanatory role in evolutionary theory - one that presumably reaches back to Charles Darwin's Origin of Species - a view also accompanied by the belief that the field of evolutionary biology is organized around a profound divide: theories relying on strong selective factors and those appealing only to weak ones. If one reads the new analyses presented in this volume by biologists, historians and philosophers, this divide seems to be collapsing at a rapid pace, opening an era dedicated to the search for a new paradigm for the development of evolutionary biology. Contrary to popular belief, scholars' position on natural selection is not in itself a significant discriminatory factor between most evolutionists. In fact, the intellectual space is quite limited, if not non-existent, between, on the one hand, "Darwinists", who play down the central role of natural selection in evolutionary explanations, and, on the other hand, "non-Darwinists", who use it in a list of other evolutionary mechanisms. The "mechanism-centered" approach to evolutionary biology is too incomplete to fully make sense of its development. In this book the labels created under the traditional historiography - "Darwinian Revolution", "Eclipse of Darwinism", "Modern Synthesis", "Post-Synthetic Developments" - are thus re-evaluated. This book will not only appeal to researchers working in evolutionary biology, but also to historians and philosophers."
The Statistical Sleuth: A Course in Methods of Data Analysis OUP Oxford
A former evangelical Christian and creationist refutes the pseudoscientific arguments of proponents of Intelligent Design and explains why the scientific evidence reveals that evolution is more than just a theory and how it transforms life through the process of natural selection.
Lamarck's Signature National Academies Press
Jerry Fodor and Massimo Piatelli-Palmarini, a distinguished philosopher and scientist working in tandem, reveal major flaws at the heart of Darwinian evolutionary theory. They do not deny Darwin's status as an outstanding scientist but question the inferences he drew from his observations. Combining the results of cutting-edge work in experimental biology with crystal-clear philosophical argument they mount a devastating critique of the central tenets of Darwin's account of the origin of species. The logic underlying natural selection is the survival of the fittest under changing environmental pressure. This logic, they argue, is mistaken. They back up the claim with evidence of what actually happens in nature. This is a rare achievement - the short book that is likely to make a great deal of difference to a very large subject. What Darwin Got Wrong will be controversial. The authors' arguments will reverberate through the scientific world. At the very least they will transform the debate about evolution.
The Origin of Species VM eBooks
This book proposes a new way to think about evolution. The author carefully brings together evidence from diverse fields of science. In the process, he bridges the gaps between many different--and usually seen as conflicting--ideas to present one integrative theory named ONCE, which stands

for Organic Nonoptimal Constrained Evolution. The author argues that evolution is mainly driven by the behavioral choices and persistence of organisms themselves, in a process in which Darwinian natural selection is mainly a secondary--but still crucial--evolutionary player. Within ONCE, evolution is therefore generally made of mistakes and mismatches and trial-and-error situations, and is not a process where organisms engage in an incessant, suffocating struggle in which they can't thrive if they are not optimally adapted to their habitats and the external environment. Therefore, this unifying view incorporates a more comprehensive view of the diversity and complexity of life by stressing that organisms are not merely passive evolutionary players under the rule of external factors. This insightful and well-reasoned argument is based on numerous fascinating case studies from a wide range of organisms, including bacteria, plants, insects and diverse examples from the evolution of our own species. The book has an appeal to researchers, students, teachers, and those with an interest in the history and philosophy of science, as well as to the broader public, as it brings life back into biology by emphasizing that organisms, including humans, are the key active players in evolution and thus in the future of life on this wonderful planet.

In the Light of Evolution □□□

Aristotle's voluminous writings on animals have often been marginalised in the history of philosophy. Providing the first full-length comprehensive account of Aristotle's biology, its background, content and influence, this Companion situates his study of living nature within his broader philosophy and theology and differentiates it from other medical and philosophical theories. An overview of empiricism in Aristotle's Historia Animalium is followed by an account of the general methodology recommended in the Parts of Animals. An account of the importance of Aristotle's teleological perspective and the fundamental metaphysics of biological entities provides a basis for understanding living capacities, such as nutrition, reproduction, perception and self-motion, in his philosophy. The importance of Aristotle's zoology to both his ethics and political philosophy is highlighted. The volume explores in detail the changing interpretations and influences of Aristotle's biological works from antiquity to modern philosophy of science. It is essential for both students and scholars.

Oxford University Press, USA

Charles Darwin's Natural SelectionCambridge University Press

40 Years of Evolution Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

In 1859 Darwin described a deceptively simple mechanism that he called "natural selection," a combination of variation, inheritance, and reproductive success. He argued that this mechanism was the key to explaining the most puzzling features of the natural world. The exact nature of the Darwinian process has been controversial ever since. Draws on new developments in biology, philosophy of science, and other fields to give a new analysis and extension of Darwin's idea. The central concept used is that of a "Darwinian population," a collection of things with the capacity to undergo change by natural selection. From this starting point, new analyses of the role of genes in evolution, the application of Darwinian ideas to cultural change, and "evolutionary transitions" that produce complex organisms and societies are developed.

The Origin of Species (Royal Collector's Edition) (Annotated) (Case Laminate Hardcover with Jacket) Cengage Learning

In December 2006, the National Academy of Sciences sponsored a colloquium (featured as part of the Arthur M. Sackler Colloquia series) on "Adaptation and Complex Design" to synthesize recent empirical findings and conceptual approaches toward understanding the evolutionary origins and maintenance of complex adaptations. Darwin's elucidation of natural selection as a creative natural force was a monumental achievement in the history of science, but a century and a half later some religious believers still contend that biotic complexity registers conscious supernatural design. In this book, modern scientific perspectives are presented on the evolutionary origin and maintenance of complex phenotypes including various behaviors, anatomies, and physiologies. After an introduction by the editors and an opening historical and conceptual essay by Francisco Ayala, this book includes 14 papers presented by distinguished evolutionists at the colloquium. The papers are organized into sections covering epistemological approaches to the study of biocomplexity, a hierarchy of topics on biological complexity ranging from ontogeny to symbiosis, and case studies explaining how complex phenotypes are being dissected in terms of genetics and development.

Adaptation and Natural Selection Columbia University Press

A concise introduction to Darwin's theory of evolution by natural selection. Specific case studies are reviewed including antibiotic-resistance, mating preferences, and the Cinderella effect. The volume also includes multiple-review and short-answer review questions.

Darwin's Blind Spot VM eBooks

Taking a close-up look at the complexities of evolution, the author of Virus X and The Forgotten Plague explores the role of interaction among species in promoting the diversity of life, examining key examples of symbiosis and demonstrating that huge leaps in evolution have arisen from the blending of life forms.

Evolution Driven by Organismal Behavior Springer

States the evidence for a theory of evolution, explains how evolution takes place, and discusses instinct, hybrids, fossils, distribution, and classification.

The Formation of Vegetable Mould, Through the Action of Worms, with Observations on Their Habits University of Chicago Press

INTRODUCTION. When on board H.M.S. 'Beagle,' as naturalist, I was much struck with certain facts in the distribution of the inhabitants of South America, and in the geological relations of the present to the past inhabitants of that continent. These facts seemed to me to throw some light on the origin of species—that mystery of mysteries, as it has been called by one of our greatest philosophers. On my return home, it occurred to me, in 1837, that something might perhaps be made out on this question by patiently accumulating and reflecting on all sorts of facts which could possibly have any bearing on it. After five years' work I allowed myself to speculate on the subject, and drew up some short notes; these I enlarged in 1844 into a sketch of the conclusions, which then seemed to me probable: from that period to the present day I have steadily pursued the same object. I hope that I may be excused for entering on these personal details, as I give them to show that I have not been hasty in coming to a decision. My work is now nearly finished; but as it will take me two or three more years to complete it, and as my health is far from strong, I have been urged to publish this Abstract. I have more especially been induced to do this, as Mr. Wallace, who is now studying the natural history of the Malay archipelago, has arrived at almost exactly the same general conclusions

that I have on the origin of species. Last year he sent to me a memoir on this subject, with a request that I would forward it to Sir Charles Lyell, who sent it to the Linnean Society, and it is published in the third volume of the Journal of that Society. Sir C. Lyell and Dr. Hooker, who both knew of my work—the latter having read my sketch of 1844—honoured me by thinking it advisable to publish, with Mr. Wallace's excellent memoir, some brief extracts from my manuscripts. I much regret that want of space prevents my having the satisfaction of acknowledging the generous assistance which I have received from very many naturalists, some of them personally unknown to me. I cannot, however, let this opportunity pass without expressing my deep obligations to Dr. Hooker, who for the last fifteen years has aided me in every possible way by his large stores of knowledge and his excellent judgment. In considering the Origin of Species, it is quite conceivable that a naturalist, reflecting on the mutual affinities of organic beings, on their embryological relations, their geographical distribution, geological succession, and other such facts, might come to the conclusion that each species had not been independently created, but had descended, like varieties, from other species. Nevertheless, such a conclusion, even if well founded, would be unsatisfactory, until it could be shown how the innumerable species inhabiting this world have been modified, so as to acquire that perfection of structure and coadaptation which most justly excites our admiration. Naturalists continually refer to external conditions, such as climate, food, etc., as the only possible cause of variation. In one very limited sense, as we shall hereafter see, this may be true; but it is preposterous to attribute to mere external conditions, the structure, for instance, of the woodpecker, with its feet, tail, beak, and tongue, so admirably adapted to catch insects under the bark of trees. In the case of the misseltoe, which draws its nourishment from certain trees, which has seeds that must be transported by certain birds, and which has flowers with separate sexes absolutely requiring the agency of certain insects to bring pollen from one flower to the other, it is equally preposterous to account for the structure of this parasite, with its relations to several distinct organic beings, by the effects of external conditions, or of habit, or of the volition of the plant itself. The author of the 'Vestiges of Creation' would, I presume, say that, after a certain unknown number of generations, some bird had given birth to a woodpecker, and some plant to the misseltoe, and that these had been produced perfect as we now see them; but this assumption seems to me to be no explanation, for it leaves the case of the coadaptations of organic beings to each other and to their physical conditions of life, untouched and unexplained.

The Descent of Man Cambridge University Press

An original, unpublished manuscript written before the Origin of Species which contains the references to journal articles and books that Darwin used in formulating his controversial ideas. This volume has been edited and annotated and includes a cross-indexing to the Origin.

Darwinian Populations and Natural Selection National Academies Press

INTRODUCTION. PART I. THE DESCENT OR ORIGIN OF MAN. CHAPTER I. THE EVIDENCE OF THE DESCENT OF MAN FROM SOME LOWER FORM. THE BODILY STRUCTURE OF MAN. EMBRYONIC DEVELOPMENT. RUDIMENTS. CHAPTER II. ON THE MANNER OF DEVELOPMENT OF MAN FROM SOME LOWER FORM. THE DIRECT AND DEFINITE ACTION OF CHANGED CONDITIONS. EFFECTS OF THE INCREASED USE AND DISUSE OF PARTS. ARRESTS OF DEVELOPMENT. REVERSION. CORRELATED VARIATION. RATE OF INCREASE. NATURAL SELECTION. CONCLUSION. CHAPTER III. COMPARISON OF THE MENTAL POWERS OF MAN AND THE LOWER ANIMALS. ABSTRACTION, GENERAL CONCEPTIONS, SELF-CONSCIOUSNESS, MENTAL INDIVIDUALITY. LANGUAGE. SENSE OF BEAUTY. BELIEF IN GOD—RELIGION. CHAPTER IV. MAN A SOCIAL ANIMAL. THE MORE ENDURING SOCIAL INSTINCTS CONQUER THE LESS PERSISTENT INSTINCTS. THE STRICTLY SOCIAL VIRTUES AT FIRST ALONE REGARDED. CONCLUDING REMARKS. SUMMARY OF THE LAST TWO CHAPTERS. CHAPTER V. ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTELLECTUAL AND MORAL FACULTIES DURING PRIMEVAL AND CIVILISED TIMES. NATURAL SELECTION AS AFFECTING CIVILISED NATIONS. ON THE EVIDENCE THAT ALL CIVILISED NATIONS WERE ONCE BARBAROUS. CHAPTER VI. ON THE AFFINITIES AND GENEALOGY OF MAN. ON THE BIRTHPLACE AND ANTIQUITY OF MAN. LOWER STAGES IN THE GENEALOGY OF MAN. CONCLUSION. CHAPTER VII. ON THE RACES OF MAN. ON THE EXTINCTION OF THE RACES OF MAN. ON THE FORMATION OF THE RACES OF MAN. NOTE ON THE RESEMBLANCES AND DIFFERENCES IN THE STRUCTURE AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BRAIN IN MAN AND APES BY PROFESSOR HUXLEY, F.R.S. PART II. SEXUAL SELECTION. CHAPTER VIII. PRINCIPLES OF SEXUAL SELECTION. NUMERICAL PROPORTION OF THE TWO SEXES. POLYGAMY. THE MALE GENERALLY MORE MODIFIED THAN THE FEMALE. LAWS OF INHERITANCE. INHERITANCE AT CORRESPONDING PERIODS OF LIFE. INHERITANCE AT CORRESPONDING SEASONS OF THE YEAR. INHERITANCE AS LIMITED BY SEX. ON THE RELATION BETWEEN THE PERIOD OF DEVELOPMENT OF A CHARACTER AND ITS TRANSMISSION TO ONE SEX OR TO BOTH SEXES. SUMMARY AND CONCLUDING REMARKS. SUPPLEMENT ON THE PROPORTIONAL NUMBERS OF THE TWO SEXES IN ANIMALS BELONGING TO VARIOUS CLASSES. MAN. HORSES. DOGS. SHEEP. FISH. INSECTS. CHAPTER IX. SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERS IN THE LOWER CLASSES OF THE ANIMAL KINGDOM. THE SUB-KINGDOM OF THE MOLLUSCA. SUB-KINGDOM OF THE VERMES: CLASS, ANNELIDA (OR SEA-WORMS). SUB-KINGDOM OF THE ARTHROPODA: CLASS, CRUSTACEA. CLASS, ARACHNIDA (SPIDERS). CLASS, MYRIAPODA. CHAPTER X. SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERS OF INSECTS. DIFFERENCE IN SIZE BETWEEN THE SEXES. ORDER, THYSANURA. ORDER, DIPTERA (FLIES). ORDER, HEMIPTERA (FIELD-BUGS). ORDER: HOMOPTERA. ORDER, ORTHOPTERA (CRICKETS AND GRASSHOPPERS). ORDER, NEUROPTERA. ORDER, HYMENOPTERA. ORDER, COLEOPTERA (BEETLES). LAW OF BATTLE. STRIDULATING ORGANS. CHAPTER XI. ORDER LEPIDOPTERA. (BUTTERFLIES AND MOTHS.) DISPLAY. MIMICRY. SUMMARY AND CONCLUDING REMARKS ON INSECTS. CHAPTER XII. SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERS OF FISHES, AMPHIBIANS, AND REPTILES. AMPHIBIANS. URODELA. ANURA OR BATRACHIA. REPTILES. CHELONIA. CROCODILIA. OPHIDIA. LACERTILIA. CHAPTER XIII. SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERS OF BIRDS. LAW OF BATTLE. VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC. LOVE ANTICS AND DANCES. DECORATION. DISPLAY BY MALE BIRDS OF THEIR PLUMAGE. CHAPTER XIV. LENGTH OF COURTSHIP. UNPAIRED BIRDS. MENTAL QUALITIES OF BIRDS, AND THEIR TASTE FOR THE BEAUTIFUL. PREFERENCE FOR PARTICULAR MALES BY THE FEMALES. VARIABILITY OF BIRDS, AND ESPECIALLY OF THEIR SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERS. FORMATION AND VARIABILITY OF THE OCELLI OR EYE-LIKE SPOTS ON THE PLUMAGE OF BIRDS. GRADATION OF SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERS. ARGUS PHEASANT. CHAPTER XV. CHAPTER XVI. RULES OR CLASSES OF CASES. CLASS I. CLASS II. WHEN THE ADULT FEMALE IS MORE CONSPICUOUS THAN THE ADULT MALE, THE YOUNG OF BOTH SEXES IN THEIR FIRST PLUMAGE RESEMBLE THE ADULT MALE. CLASS III. WHEN THE ADULT MALE RESEMBLES THE ADULT FEMALE, THE YOUNG OF BOTH SEXES HAVE A PECULIAR FIRST PLUMAGE OF THEIR OWN. CLASS IV. WHEN THE ADULT MALE

RESEMBLES THE ADULT FEMALE, THE YOUNG OF BOTH SEXES IN THEIR FIRST PLUMAGE RESEMBLE THE ADULTS. CLASS V. WHEN THE ADULTS OF BOTH SEXES HAVE A DISTINCT WINTER AND SUMMER PLUMAGE, WHETHER OR NOT THE MALE DIFFERS FROM THE FEMALE, THE YOUNG RESEMBLE THE ADULTS OF BOTH SEXES IN THEIR WINTER DRESS, OR MUCH MORE RARELY IN THEIR SUMMER DRESS, OR THEY RESEMBLE THE FEMALES ALONE. OR THE YOUNG MAY HAVE AN INTERMEDIATE CHARACTER; OR, AGAIN, THEY MAY DIFFER GREATLY FROM THE ADULTS IN BOTH THEIR SEASONAL PLUMAGES. CLASS VI. THE YOUNG IN THEIR FIRST PLUMAGE DIFFER FROM EACH OTHER ACCORDING TO SEX; THE YOUNG MALES RESEMBLING MORE OR LESS CLOSELY THE ADULT MALES, AND THE YOUNG FEMALES MORE OR LESS CLOSELY THE ADULT FEMALES. ON THE COLOUR OF THE PLUMAGE IN RELATION TO PROTECTION. SUMMARY OF THE FOUR CHAPTERS ON BIRDS. CHAPTER XVII. SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERS OF MAMMALS. CHOICE IN PAIRING BY EITHER SEX OF QUADRUPEDS. CHAPTER XVIII. ODOUR. DEVELOPMENT OF THE HAIR. COLOUR OF THE HAIR AND OF THE NAKED SKIN. EQUAL TRANSMISSION OF ORNAMENTAL CHARACTERS TO BOTH SEXES. QUADRUMANA. SUMMARY. PART III. SEXUAL SELECTION IN RELATION TO MAN, AND CONCLUSION. CHAPTER XIX. SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERS OF MAN. LAW OF BATTLE. DIFFERENCE IN THE MENTAL POWERS OF THE TWO SEXES. VOICE AND MUSICAL POWERS. THE INFLUENCE OF BEAUTY IN DETERMINING THE MARRIAGES OF MANKIND. CHAPTER XX. THE CAUSES WHICH PREVENT OR CHECK THE ACTION OF SEXUAL SELECTION WITH SAVAGES. INFANTICIDE. EARLY BETROTHALS AND SLAVERY OF WOMEN. THE MANNER OF ACTION OF SEXUAL SELECTION WITH MANKIND. ABSENCE OF HAIR ON THE BODY, AND ITS DEVELOPMENT ON THE FACE AND HEAD. COLOUR OF THE SKIN. SUMMARY. CHAPTER XXI. GENERAL SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION. SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE. ON SEXUAL SELECTION IN RELATION TO MONKEYS.

How and Why Species Multiply Profile Books

THE STATISTICAL SLEUTH: A COURSE IN METHODS OF DATA ANALYSIS, Third Edition offers an appealing treatment of general statistical methods that takes full advantage of the computer, both as a computational and an analytical tool. The material is independent of any specific software package, and prominently treats modeling and interpretation in a way that goes beyond routine patterns. The book focuses on a serious analysis of real case studies, strategies and tools of modern statistical data analysis, the interplay of statistics and scientific learning, and the communication of results. With interesting examples, real data, and a variety of exercise types (conceptual, computational, and data problems), the authors get students excited about statistics. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Why Darwin Matters Lulu.com

Biodiversity-the genetic variety of life-is an exuberant product of the evolutionary past, a vast human-supportive resource (aesthetic, intellectual, and material) of the present, and a rich legacy to cherish and preserve for the future. Two urgent challenges, and opportunities, for 21st-century science are to gain deeper insights into the evolutionary processes that foster biotic diversity, and to translate that understanding into workable solutions for the regional and global crises that biodiversity currently faces. A grasp of evolutionary principles and processes is important in other societal arenas as well, such as education, medicine, sociology, and other applied fields including agriculture, pharmacology, and biotechnology. The ramifications of evolutionary thought also extend into learned realms traditionally reserved for philosophy and religion. The central goal of the In the Light of Evolution (ILE) series is to promote the evolutionary sciences through state-of-the-art colloquia-in the series of Arthur M. Sackler colloquia sponsored by the National Academy of Sciences-and their published proceedings. Each installment explores evolutionary perspectives on a particular biological topic that is scientifically intriguing but also has special relevance to contemporary societal issues or challenges. This tenth and final edition of the In the Light of Evolution series focuses on recent developments in phylogeographic research and their relevance to past accomplishments and future research directions.

Darwinian Agriculture University of Chicago Press

During the last three decades, reflections on the growth of scientific knowledge have inspired historians, sociologists, and some philosophers to contend that scientific objectivity is a myth. In this book, Kitcher attempts to resurrect the notions of objectivity and progress in science by identifying both the limitations of idealized treatments of growth of knowledge and the overreactions to philosophical idealizations. Recognizing that science is done not by logically omniscient subjects working in isolation, but by people with a variety of personal and social interests, who cooperate and compete with one another, he argues that, nonetheless, we may conceive the growth of science as a process in which both our vision of nature and our ways of learning more about nature improve. Offering a detailed picture of the advancement of science, he sets a new agenda for the philosophy of science and for other "science studies" disciplines.

Ecology and Evolution of Darwin's Finches Sapling Books

INTRODUCTION. The nature of the following work will be best understood by a brief account of how it came to be written. During many years I collected notes on the origin or descent of man, without any intention of publishing on the subject, but rather with the determination not to publish, as I thought that I should thus only add to the prejudices against my views. It seemed to me sufficient to indicate, in the first edition of my 'Origin of Species,' that by this work "light would be thrown on the origin of man and his history;" and this implies that man must be included with other organic beings in any general conclusion respecting his manner of appearance on this earth. Now the case wears a wholly different aspect. When a naturalist like Carl Vogt ventures to say in his address as President of the National Institution of Geneva (1869), "personne, en Europe au moins, n'ose plus soutenir la creation indépendante et de toutes pièces, des espèces," it is manifest that at least a large number of naturalists must admit that species are the modified descendants of other species; and this especially holds good with the younger and rising naturalists. The greater number accept the agency of natural selection; though some urge, whether with justice the future must decide, that I have greatly overrated its importance. Of the older and honoured chiefs in natural science, many unfortunately are still opposed to evolution in every form. In consequence of the views now adopted by most naturalists, and which will ultimately, as in every other case, be followed by others who are not scientific, I have been led to put together my notes, so as to see how far the general conclusions arrived at in my former works were applicable to man. This seemed all the more desirable, as I had never deliberately applied these views to a species taken singly. When we confine our attention to any one form, we are deprived of the weighty arguments derived from the nature of the affinities

which connect together whole groups of organisms—their geographical distribution in past and present times, and their geological succession. The homological structure, embryological development, and rudimentary organs of a species remain to be considered, whether it be man or any other animal, to which our attention may be directed; but these great classes of facts afford, as it appears to me, ample and conclusive evidence in favour of the principle of gradual evolution. The strong support derived from the other arguments should, however, always be kept before the mind.