

pressing itself in new forms of life, breaking up at this point and that to develop along different lines: at this point breaking up into the two great streams of vegetable and animal life, breaking up at that point into instinct and intelligence, and so breaking up at a thousand points to produce the endless variety of the living forms of nature, and attaining the climax of its creative activity in man. This original independent urge of life, starting out as one impetus but containing in itself from the start all the impulses which have produced specialised forms of life from the protists up to man, and still operative in all but a few of the forms of life which have wandered into blind alleys of development—this is the great fundamental fact with which we have to do.

3. We are carried back then in thought to that original spark of life which was once deposited somehow in this world, charged with those innumerable potentialities which