

Just as there are vibrations in the solar spectrum below the visible red rays and above the visible violet rays, there are evidences of the working of mind outside of the range of consciousness. These extensions of the mental spectrum have been called the subliminal mind. Is not this subconscious mind identical with the instinctive mind?

The brain is the organ of the conscious or objective mind. The instinctive mind has no special organ, but is the federal head of the aggregated minds of the cells which constitute the whole organism. The brain, or imperial mind, exerts its influence on the instinctive or colonial mind by the power of suggestion. "Every suggestion is a nascent instinct. Original sin is a kind of suggestion instilled from childhood and producing real hereditary sin."—(Guyau).

Conscience is a peculiarly human emotion. It is certain of action only when it has become instinctive. A good conscience is the fruit of good seed sown by the rational intelligence in the soil of the instinctive mind. The voice of conscience is the voice of our distant progenitors transmitted along the lines of heredity.

Patriotism is an altruistic instinct. Kipling's "Absent-Minded Beggar" acts, not rationally, but instinctively when he enlists in defence of the Empire. When a nation finds it necessary to assert its patriotism by noisy and dangerous demonstrations, it may be assumed that such patriotism has not yet developed into an instinct.

The sting of death is withdrawn when it is recognized that like sleep, it is instinctive. The great majority of deaths are peaceful because they are instinctive.

What has been called an instinctive aversion to snakes, seems to be disappearing in the civilized human race in the light of the fact that most of our snakes are harmless. The rivalry of the rat for the possession of the earth may in time develop a similarly strong instinct in the human mind against that animal.

Instinct, Intuition, Omniscience, are words embodying ideas of the same category. Intuition is a high grade of instinctive human intelligence, the faculty of knowing without the labor of inductive reasoning. Genius is habitual intuition. The genius is "in tune with the Infinite;" his instinctive mind vibrates in unison with the mind of the Omniscient.

Extend instinct, intuition, genius to infinity and we attain omniscience. Divine omniscience and human intuition are the same in kind, differing only in degree, differing as the Father differs from the son.