

ROOSEVELT GIVES ROMANES LECTURE

Former President of United States at Oxford

LORD CURZON IN THE CHAIR

Sheldonian Theater Crowded With Distinguished People When American Talks on "Biological Analogies in History"

Oxford, England.—The Romanes lecture by Theodore Roosevelt, which was to have been delivered on May 18, but which was postponed on account of the death of King Edward, was given on June 7 by the distinguished American. The Sheldonian theater was filled to its capacity by notable persons and Oxford students and the lecture, which was on "Biological Analogies in History," was well received. Lord Curzon, chancellor of the university, presided.

In seeking to penetrate the causes of the mysteries that surround not only mankind but all life, both in the present and the past, said Mr. Roosevelt, we see strange analogies in the phenomena of life and death, of birth and change, between those physical groups of animal life which we designate as species, forms, races and the highly complex and composite entities which rise before our minds when we speak of nations and civilizations. It is this study he asserted, that has given science its present-day prominence, and the historian of mankind must work in the scientific spirit and use the treasure-houses of science.

To illustrate, the lecturer took several instances of the development of new species and the extinction of species in the history of mammalian life, showing that in some cases the causes can be traced with considerable accuracy, and in other cases we cannot so much as hazard a guess as to why a given change occurred.

Analogies in Human History.

Continuing, Mr. Roosevelt said in part:

Now, as to all of these phenomena in the evolution of species, there are, if not homologous, at least certain analogies. In the history of human evolution, in the development and change of the temporary dominances and death of these formations, of the groups of varying kind which form races or nations.

As in biology, so in human history, a new form may result from the specialization of a long-existing and hitherto very slowly changing, generalized or specialized form; as, for instance, when a barbaric race from a variety of causes suddenly develops a more complex civilization and organization. This is what occurred, for instance, in western Europe during the centuries of the Teutonic and later the Scandinavian invasions.

From the north all the modern countries of western Europe are descended from the states created by these northern invaders. When first created they could be called "young" or "new" states. In the sense that part of all of the people composing them were descended from races that hitherto had been civilized at all, but that thereafter for the first time entered on the career of civilized communities. In the southern part of western Europe the new states were founded on the ruins of the inhabitants already in the land under the Roman empire; and it was here that the new kingdoms first took shape. Through a reflex action, which the same thing extended back into the old forests from which the invaders had come, and Germany and Scandinavia witnessed the rise of communities with essentially the same civilization as their southern neighbors, though in those communities, unlike the southern communities, there was no infusion of new blood, and in each case the new civilized nation which gradually developed was composed entirely of members of the same race which in the same region had already lived the life of a civilized nation for centuries. The same was true of the Slavs and the Slavized Finns of eastern Europe, when an infiltration of Scandinavian leaders from the north and infiltration of Teutonic culture from the south joined to produce the changes which have gradually, out of the little Slav communities of the forest and the steppe, formed the mighty Russian empire of today.

"New" and "Young" Nations.

Again, the new form may represent merely a splitting off from a long-existing, highly developed or specialized nation. In this case the nation is usually spoken of as a "young" and is correctly spoken of as a "new" nation, but the term should always be used with a clear sense of the difference between what is described in such case, and what is described by the same term, speaking of a civilized nation just developed from barbarism. Carthage and Syracuse were new cities compared with Tyre and Corinth; but the Greeks or Phoenicians race was in every sense of the word as old in the new city as in the old city. So, nowadays, Victoria or Manitoba is a new community compared with England or Scotland, but the ancestral type of civilization and culture is as old in one case as in the other.

I, of course do not mean for a moment that great changes are not produced by the mere fact that the old civilized race is suddenly placed in surroundings where it has again to go through the work of forming the wilderness, a work finished many centuries before in the original home of the race. I merely mean that the ancestral history is the same in each case. We can rightly use the phrase "new people" in speaking of Canadians or Australians, Americans or Afrikaners.

But we use it in an entirely different sense from that in which we use it when speaking of such communities as those founded by the northern and their descendants during that period of astonishing growth which saw the descendants of

the Norse sea-thieves conquer and transform Normandy, Sicily, and the British Islands; we use it in an entirely different sense from that in which we use it when speaking of new states that grew around Warsaw, Kiev, Novgorod, and Moscow, as the wilds of the steppes and the marshes were being steadily and stubbornly upward to become builders of cities and to form stable governments. The kingdoms of Charlemagne and Alfred were "new" compared with the empire on the Bosphorus; they were also in every way different; their lines of ancestral descent had nothing in common with those of the polyglot realm which paid tribute to the Caesars of Byzantium, their social problems and after-time history were totally different. This is not true of those "new" nations which spring direct from old nations. Brazil, the Argentine, the United States, are all "new" nations, compared with the nations of Europe; but with whatever changes in detail, analogy of civilization is nevertheless the general European type, as shown in Portugal, Spain, and England. The difference between these "new" American and these "old" European nations are not as great as those which separate the "new" nations one from another and the "old" nations one from another. There are in some cases very real differences between the new and the old nation—differences both for good and for evil; but in each case there is a certain ancestral history, with its attendant benefits and shortcomings; and, after the pioneer stages are passed, the differences are not so great as in the case of the "new" nations. The "old" nations are those that confront all civilized peoples, not those that confront nations struggling from barbarism into civilization.

So, when we speak of the "death" of a tribe, a nation or a civilization, the term may be used for either one or two totally different things. It may mean the extinction of a certain type of life, or it may mean the complete biological history being complete. Certain tribes of savages, the Tasmanians, for instance, and various tribes of the American Indians, have wholly died out; all of the individuals have perished, leaving no descendants, and the blood has disappeared. In other cases, as in the case of the Indians, the tribes have disappeared or are now disappearing; but their blood remains, being absorbed into the veins of the white intruders, or of the black introduced by these white intruders; so that in reality they are merely being transformed into something absolutely different from what they were. A like understanding in fact may be derived from the statement that a civilization has "died out."

Phenomena That Puzzle.

In dealing, not with groups of human beings in simple and primitive relations, but with highly complex, highly specialized and semi-civilized societies, there is need of great caution in drawing analogies with what has occurred in the development of the animal world. Yet there is need of caution in drawing analogies with what has occurred in the development of the animal world. Yet there is need of caution in drawing analogies with what has occurred in the development of the animal world.

Why do great artificial empires, whose centers are a hundred miles from the center of the world, show periods of extraordinary growth, and again of sudden or lingering decay? Why do some of these empires, which have lasted for centuries, suddenly disappear, leaving no trace behind? Why do some of these empires, which have lasted for centuries, suddenly disappear, leaving no trace behind?

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their fighting for them on land; and on sea, where they did their own fighting, and fought very well, they refused in time of peace to be engaged in a struggle so certain as either to insure the Dutch against the peace being broken or else to give them the victory when war came. To be engaged in a struggle without secure ease in the present at the almost certain cost of disaster in the future.

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THE BEST THAT MORGAN GOT

Imperious Financier May Keep In Memory One Man He Could Not Broombeat.

The yarn of the other day about Mayor Gaynor and a bellboy recalls another one. Gaynor, you know, slept at the Hotel Astor one night, having been detained there very late. In the morning he couldn't find his way to the elevator, and met one of the pert youths who broombeat the hotel guest.

"Aw, foller yer nose," said the kid. "I ain't got no time to bother with you."

Mr. Gaynor's nose ultimately led him to the office and shortly afterward a clerk's nose led him to the seventeenth floor and the boy's nose led him to Broadway, with instructions to stay out of the Astor forever after. It recalled to a reporter the time that J. Pierpont Morgan got tangled up with a mental Mr. Morgan, you may know, is imperious and dictatorial. He speaks in grunts. When the grunt is not readily interpreted by his unfortunate opposite, he roars.

On this occasion Mr. Morgan had gone to one of the big uptown hotels to attend a banquet. He asked a large party at the entrance where he could find the banquet hall. The large person sent him along, and Mr. Morgan next met a hall porter who had just been discharged and was looking for a chance to get even. Mr. Morgan granted inquiringly. The porter granted sullenly.

"Wuh-wuh-wuh," granted Mr. Morgan.

"Wah-wah-wah," growled the porter.

Mummified Heads Scarce.

Mummified heads of South American Indians belonging to a tribe living on the slopes of the Andes near Quito, in Ecuador, once so easily purchased, are becoming extremely scarce. The head is shrunk by some secret process known only to the natives, being thus reduced from life size, nine or ten inches from tip of chin to top of head, to five inches.

The curious thing is that the head can be reduced in this fashion without destroying the features. These heads, including property rights and the family, would destroy the features. These heads, including property rights and the family, would destroy the features.

They are now almost impossible to procure. Their sale is forbidden by law.—Wide World Magazine.

Satirical Voltair.

One day some nice said to one another: "How charming is this world! What an empire is ours! This palace so superb was built for us; from all eternity God made for us these large holes. Do you see those fat hams under that dim ceiling? They were created there for us by Nature's hands; those mountains of lard, inexhaustible alms, will be ours till the end

Common Law.

The common law of England is an ancient collection of unwritten maxims of British, Saxon and Danish origin, which by long use and approval, have become fundamental in English jurisprudence. Many of the principles of the English common law hold in this country and throughout the English speaking world as well.

"It seems she did something rather odd—wedded her first love or some such silly thing." "No, it was far more remarkable—loved her first wedded."—Smart Set.

Another View of It.

There is a quality of possible revenge in having stuck like a porous plaster to an unworthy friend. It hurts him all right when you do pull away finally.—Puck.

When You Think

Of the pain which many women experience with every month it makes the gentleness and kindness always associated with womanhood seem to be almost a miracle. While in general no woman rebels against what she regards as a natural necessity there is no woman who would not gladly be free from this recurring period of pain.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes weak women strong and sick women well, and gives them freedom from pain. It cures all kinds of female troubles, including inflammation, head and backache, and cures female weakness.

Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter, free. All correspondence strictly private and confidential. Write without fear and without fee to World's Dispensary Medical Association, R. V. Pierce, M. D., President, Buffalo, N. Y.

If you want a book that tells all about women's diseases, and how to cure them at home, send 21 one-cent stamps to Dr. Pierce to pay cost of mailing only, and he will send you a free copy of his great thousand-page illustrated Common Sense Medical Adviser—revised, up-to-date edition, in paper covers, in a handsome cloth-binding, 31 stamps.

WOMEN'S ILLS.

Many women who suffer with backache, bearing-down pain, headaches and nervousness do not know that these ailments are usually due to trouble with the kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills remove the cause.

Mrs. Joseph Cross, Church St., Morrilton, Ark., says: "For weeks I was bent double by pain in my back and the kidney secretions were profuse. My feet and ankles were badly swollen and I had headaches and dizzy spells. Six doctors treated me without relief and I finally began taking Doan's Kidney Pills. They cured me."

Remember the name—Doan's. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Diplomacy.

Here is a story about a diplomatic negro waiter; also about two well-known Kansas men, who can go by the names of Smith and Jones. Just to tell the yarn.

Smith and Jones look much alike and are frequently taken for each other. One day Smith was in a certain big hotel not a thousand miles from Kansas City and went into the dining room for dinner. The negro waiter busily brushed off the crumbs and said: "Why, how is you, Mr. Jones, how is you? I's glad to see you. I hasn't seen you since I walked on your table when you all used to have a little game upstairs."

"I'm afraid you are mistaken," said Smith, very quickly. "My name isn't Jones. You have the wrong man."

"Nuff said; nuff said," sniled the negro, with much bowing and scraping. "Ah knows all right when to keep mah mouf shut; Ah knows all right, Mr. Jones."—Kansas City Journal.

Her Laugh Broke.

She was a little fairy of seven, with