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Sir William,  
I venture to seek  
the benefit of your penetrative and  
illuminating intellect on an inquiry that  
has occupied me for long years and  
wherein I feel sure for your masterly  
looks, you can be helpful, and with which  
you will have sympathy. I note  
these points:—

a. Theodore Parker tells of the horror  
with which he discovered that the male  
squirrel has a contrivance by which he  
injects a cord into the female  
placenta. Can you tell me what this  
(alleged) "cord ball" is?

But this is only one of myriad  
cases eg the lhei tears out the  
liver of the living sheep and leaves it  
to die in anguish over a week; and

similarly the eagle picks out its victim lambs' eggs and so has it to perch lingeringly & quiveringly. Not only so, but to fore-worries — not needed for food-getting & song back to pre-Adamic creation — abound everywhere.

B. Parkes also notes immunities of Nature e.g. vile habits of dogs, monkeys, frogs.

I suppose masturbation is movent of the two forms; but I find another "vile habit" of frogs. Do you know of them?

Y. Can you suggest a name & date for the existence of insect and other pests — for locusts & ticks & flies that cause the starvation & death of millions of man & animals to cobras & bacilli (that infect our drains)?

D. Must it be conceded that the physical resemblance at early stages of embryos of man & monkey is so descent (or ascent) of man & monkey run along these lines? Is that man & monkey been successive mollusks, fish, monkey? Surely this is a vast and baseless demand? The resembling embryos of mollusks, fish, monkey & man (still resembling) to man. Eggs more physical resemblance can't determine



in favour of Evaluation of man?

Trusting to the nature of my request  
for excuse of a Ranger's intrusion &  
for the pleasure & help of your names  
& with deepest gratitude for your  
splendid scientific service

I am, Sir, William

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