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Dear Capt Petre

I have received
Mr Lamb's paper and have
looked it over somewhat
hastily but so as to see
its drift. The idea of sym-
fies as I mean is familiar
enough to me and is indeed
the only parallel they are
what the dominant
view of man is of dis-
tinct types of animals
can be held with any
approach to probabi-
lity. Unfortunately
it does not admit of
any scientific proof
except analogy and

Could not be accepted by
Agnostic Darwinians because
his miraculous part
as much as any other
kind of creature while
on the other hand
it is looked on
with suspicion and
doubt by ^{many} theists.
There seems however
no reason why such
a doctrine may not
be ventilated and
discussed. It seems
in any ~~way~~ ^{case} to state
one possible cause of
the origin of species.

They & thank you for your
interest of Mr H Nassau paper in
Eden. It does not ^{appear} seem to me to
contain much that is new in
furtherance of the solution of the question.
The author is evidently unaware of the
geological ~~facts~~ ^{evidence} relating to the
condition of the Abyssinian plain
in the antediluvian & post glacial
period & about the narrative in Genesis
12-14. There is the best reason
to believe that this plain was an
elevated and ^{well} wooded ~~in the~~
~~antediluvian~~ ^{at that time} period which its
rivers the Euphrates, Tigris, Kerkehar
and Kanne ~~was~~ corresponded with
those of the notes of Genesis. These
facts are now well known on geological
~~evidence~~ ^{grounds} and must have been known
of the time of Genesis ~~as well as~~ ^{from high or tradition}
~~antediluvian~~ ^{antediluvian} ~~period~~ ^{They}
been so fully ^{explained} ~~discussed~~ in my work
which I have in both hands Chapt 10,
that I should have supposed ~~it~~ ^{it} would
have entered on the ~~discussion~~ ^{of the points} without
omission of them.

W. D. Howe

Journal in
Spain

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