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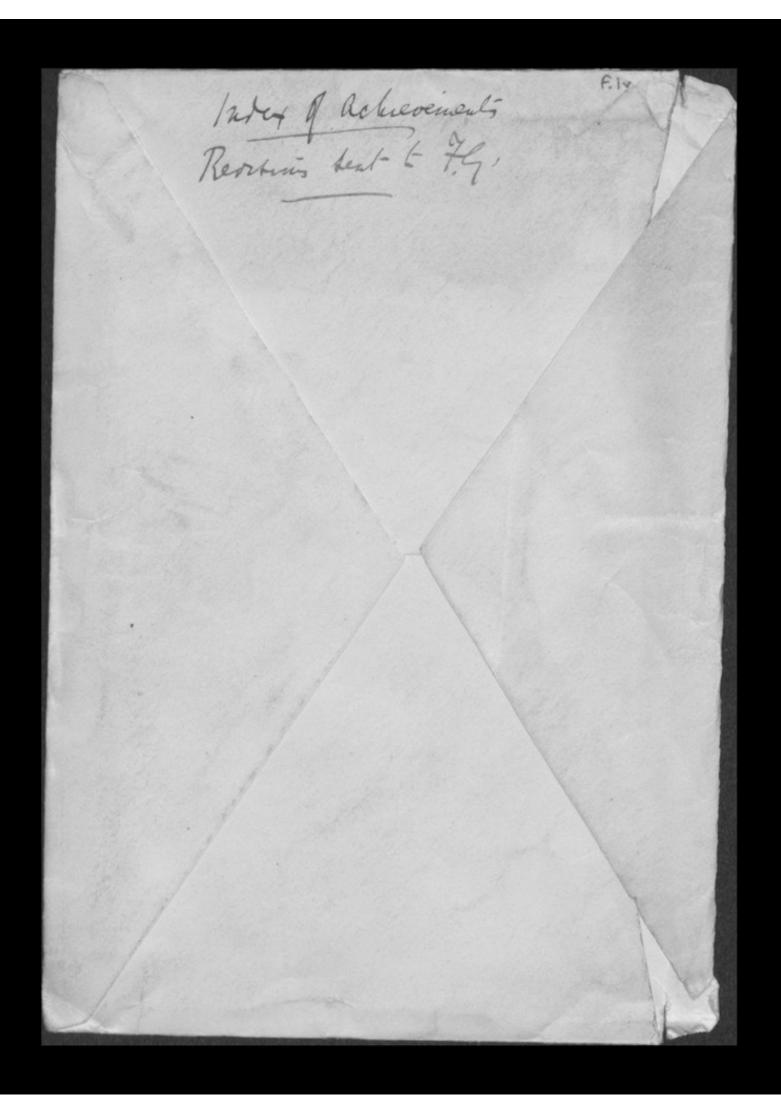
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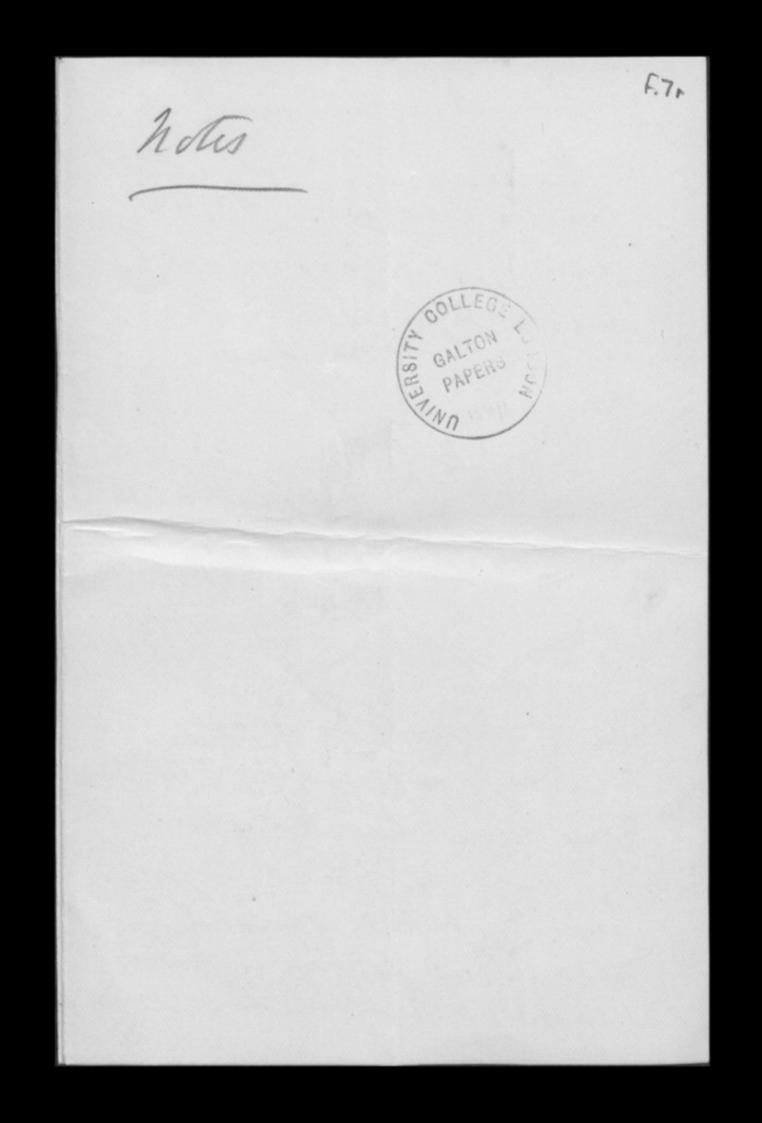
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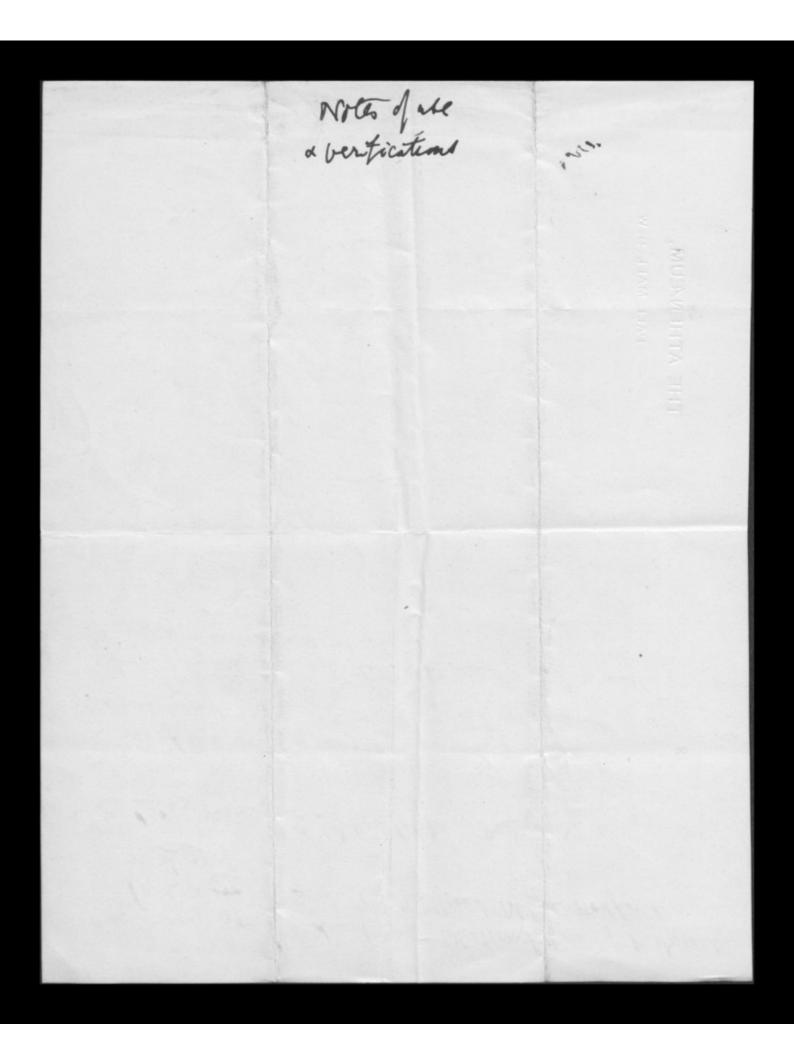
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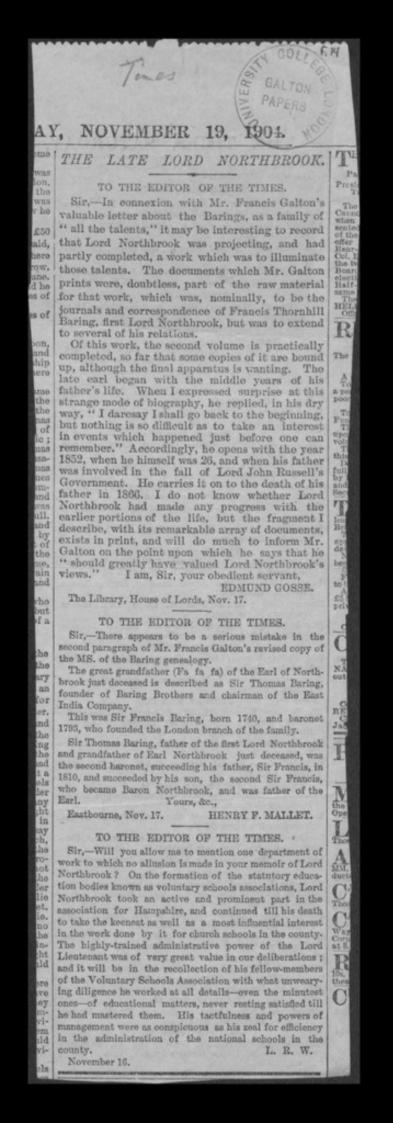
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LORD NORTHBROOK AND THE BARINGS. F16

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES. Sir,-Your very interesting account of Lord Northbrook deserves to be supplemented, because his family, that of the Barings, is conspicuous for its administrative and other ability. This was impressed upon me during the course of a recent inquiry into the "Achievements of near kinsfolk of some of the Fellows of the Royal Society," of whom Lord Northbrook was one. For that purpose I sent a circular with a blank schedule to all the Fellows, and received answers from one-half of them, including Lord Northbrook. The results are printed in the little pamphlet that I enclose, which is only nominally "published," being are printed in the intro panning "published," being which is only nominally "published," being really printed for circulation among past or tell printed to my inquiries. Unfortunately the revision of the MS. by Lord Northbrook of the Baring family reached me just too late for insertion in the pamphlet, although he took much interest in the inquiry, as may be gathered from the concluding words of the letter LIS.

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any further use to you, pray let me know. If you put the story into print, I shall be happy to correct the proof." I now send to you a revised copy of the MS, that he returned. The abbrevia-tions are easily intelligible. "Fa," "me" "bro," "si," "son," stand for father, mother, brother, sister, son, respectively. Example-" me fa bro Grey 1st Earl." means that Lord Northbrook's mother's father's brother was Grey

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It was my fortune to serve on a council that met frequenily during two years, over which Lord Northbrook presided, and I am glad of this opportunity of bearing testimony to his remarkable ability in that office. By the use of happy phrases that clearly summed up what had been said, he had the faculty of preventing useless iteration and verbiage, with the result that after a brief sitting every member of the council felt that all had been said and fairly put that he wished to have been considered. I was informed that this rare combination of thoroughness with quickness was a characteristic of the Baring family. I should greatly have valued Lord Northbrook's views on this particular point, but that opportunity is now gone for ever. FRANCIS GALTON.

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OF SOME OF THE

FELLOWS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

 \mathbf{BY}

FRANCIS GALTON, F.R.S.

PREFACE.

I T is now practically certain, from wide and exact observation, that the physical characters of all living beings, whether men, other animals, or plants, are subject approximately to the same hereditary laws. Also that mental qualities, such as ability and character, which are only partially measurable, follow the same laws as the physical and measurable ones.

The obvious result of this is that the experience gained in establishing improved breeds of domestic animals and plants is a safe guide to speculations on the theoretical possibility of establishing improved breeds of the human race.

It is not intended to enter here into such speculations, but to emphasise the undoubted fact that members of gifted families are, on the whole, appreciably more likely than the generality of their countrymen to produce gifted offspring.

No extensive collection exists of the biographies of Gifted Families, as distinguished from biographies of individuals; we are therefore without means of obtaining an idea of the distribution of ability in our very mixed race, incomparably more mixed than that of any domestic animal, where some conscious selection is always at work. We cannot tell, *a priori*, how far ability is sporadic at the present time, and how far it clusters in families. As a first attempt to supply the deficiency, both as to matter and form, I submit the present pamphlet, the result of inquiries made through a circular letter to all Fellows of the Royal

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Society, as to the "noteworthy" achievements of their near relatives. The standard of "noteworthiness " was defined as achievement in any occupation which was judged by the writer to be at least equal in dignity, among his fellows, to that of F.R.S. among men of science. It was the best standard I could think of; no one has as yet suggested a better, and notwithstanding its obvious faults it has served well. About half of the 367 fellows, or thereabouts, replied to my circular. Many of the replies were extremely interesting, and not a few were very jejune; still. I have collected enough material to be serviceable in many ways. I wrote a brief statistical article upon those I had received up to a certain date, in Nature on August 11. Evidence was there given that ability, as measured by achievement, tended in a marked degree, to be a family characteristic. Besides these distinguished families there were others reputed to have a high level of ability whose members had nevertheless failed to achieve anything noteworthy; again, there were others in whom the ability was, in the language of horticulturists, a "sport"; it was shared by none of the collaterals or ancestry, but, presumably like all sports, may be highly capable of producing its like in descent.

The difficulty of estimating the ability of women, who have few opportunities of displaying it in a measurable way, was partly met by asking for the achievements of the brothers of the females, which are comparable on equal terms with those of the brothers of males.

Having collected and discussed my material, the question arose how best to present the results so as to emphasise the fact that ability, as measured by achievement, is really clustered to a remarkable degree in certain families. Something more vivid was required

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than statistical figures; something in the nature of those family histories above mentioned. It was, however, difficult to give them, because, although no stipulation whatever was made in the circular letter of inquiry that the replies should be treated as private documents, I found that a feeling existed that such restriction was implied. I could not disregard this view without risking the accusation of breach of trust. At length I thought of the course that has been adopted here. It is to take the replies as guides only, and rarely to quote from them, restricting the mention of achievements to those that have already been published; to extract the account of them as a general rule, from publications where they appeared, and to give references as far as seemed reasonably desirablé. The publications might be official or only local, but, as a matter of convenience, the references are in almost all cases either to the "Dictionary of National Biography" for deceased persons, and to "Who's Who" for living ones. A biography in the former is in itself a mark of distinction; it is so, but in a much less degree, in the latter. They both have the merit of giving detailed accounts of the achievements of the person in question, while the "Dictionary "gives full references to the memoirs and other sources whence the information in each article was derived.

The present pamphlet is styled an "Index," because it falls far short of being a collection of biographies, but it does much more than indicate families deserving of minute study, for it gives a fair idea of the quality of ability that dominates in each. This would be sufficient, if the collection were largely added to, to enable families to be sorted into different groups, according to their prevailing characteristic, each group being convenient for separate study. I could

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have added more pedigrees from the same source, but these will serve as a preliminary attempt to show the quality of material that exists, and a convenient form of treating it, which is the primary purpose of this small pamphlet.

The average number of kinsfolk in each degree should be borne in mind when reading the "Index." This was discussed by me in a paper in *Nature*, September 22. From that discussion I now conclude that the average numbers of near kinsmen who attain an age at which they would have achieved something noteworthy, if they possessed the necessary qualifications, would be roughly as follows :—grandfathers, 2 (I father's father and I mother's father); father, 1; uncles, 2 (I father's brother and I mother's brother); brothers, I; first cousins, 4 (see table of abbreviations); making IO altogether. Sons and nephews are rarely taken into account here, because they usually had not attained a sufficient age to enable them to do justice to their potentialities.

Persons who have earned a place in the "Dictionary of National Biography" or even in "Who's Who" by virtue of their achievements are so enormously rarer than one in ten, that the appearance of one of them within the inner degrees of kinship of Fellows of the Royal Society would give a presumption of hereditary ability; but when, as in the families who are indexed here, an average of four of these noteworthy persons fall within those near degrees, the presumption grows into certainty.

The connection between achievement and ability is technically known as Correlation, though it be of a complex, entangled, and discontinuous kind. Still, it must be governed by the law that links every pair of systems of correlated variables. Let the members of one of the pair be called "subjects," and those of

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the other "Relatives"; then, although we can never guess beforehand what Relative will be associated with any particular subject, we can tell something about the group of Relatives that will be associated with any considerable number of *similar* subjects; namely, that the *average* of those Relatives will always be less exceptional than the subjects. In other words, *very high* achievement will, on the average, be associated with only *high* ability; *high* achievement with *moderately high* ability; *average* with *average*; *low* with *moderately low*; *very low* with *low*. It is as yet impossible to say much more than this in respect to achievement and ability.

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Arrangements are in progress for an inquiry into the Biographies of Modern Families, of every social grade, each of these families being distinguished, as a whole, for Ability, Character, or Physique.

Many persons have expressed interest in the progress of inquiries of this character. I hope, therefore, that some may be disposed to assist actively in procuring and sending information. Blank forms to receive the entries will be sent on application.

It will be assumed that free use may be made of the information that is furnished, unless otherwise stated.

FRANCIS GALTON.

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42 RUTLAND GATE, S.W. October, 1904.



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Rt. Hon. Charles **Booth**, P.C., F.R.S. (b, 1840, economist and statistician; president of the R. Statistical Society, 1892-4. Originated and carried through a cooperative inquiry in minute detail into the houses and occupations of the inhabitants of London, which resulted in the volumes "Life and Labour of the People of London"; author of memoirs on allied subjects.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, Thomas **Booth**, successful merchant and shipowner at Liverpool.

fa bro, Henry **Booth** (1788–1869), railway projector, cooperated with Stephenson in applying steam to locomotion, published much relating to railways, and invented mechanical contrivances still in use on railways; secretary and then railway director.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 5, 382.]

fa bro, James **Booth**, C.B. (1796–1880), Parliamentary draughtsman; became permanent secretary to the Board of Trade.

me si son, Charles **Crompton**, fourth wrangler, Q.C., and for some years M.P. for the Leek Division of Staffordshire.

me si son, Henry **Crompton**, a leader in the Positivist Community; authority on Trades Union law, and author of " "Industrial Conciliation."

me si son, Sir Henry Enfield Roscoe, F.R.S., q.v.

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Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson, Bart., cr. 1899, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D., D.Sc., F.R.S.; held a succession of important offices, beginning with Inspector med. dep. Privy Council, 1860-65; superintendent Brown Institution, 1871-78; professor of physiology University Coll., London, 1874-82; in Oxford, 1882-95; president Brit. Assoc., 1893; regius professor of medicine at Oxford, 1895-1904; served on three Royal Commissions; author of many physiological memoirs.-["Who's Who."]

fa fa, Sir Thomas **Burdon**, Kt., several times Mayor of Newcastle, knighted for his services in quelling a riot.

me fa, Sir James **Sanderson**, Bart., M.P., Lord Mayor of London; a successful merchant.

fa, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, fellow of Oriel College, Oxford; graduated first class and gained Newdigate prize; was secretary to Lord Chancellor Eldon.

- bro, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, the first promoter of the "conciliation board" of coal owners and colliers at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and of the first reformatory in Northumberland.

si son, Rt. Hon. Richard Burdon **Haldane**, P.C., M.P., high honours at Edinburgh and three other Scotch universities. Author of "Life of Adam Smith" and of memoirs on education.—["Who's Who."]

si son, John Scott Haldane, M.D., F.R.S. (b. 1860), university lecturer on physiology at Oxford; joint editor and founder of Journal of Hygiene.-["Who's Who."]

si da, Elisabeth Sanderson **Haldano**, "Life of Professor Ferrier" and other works; promoter of education and of reforms in Scotland.

More distant kinsmen and connections.

fa me bro, John Scott, first Earl of Eldon (1751-1838), famous Lord Chancellor of England.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 49.]

fa me bro, William Scott, first Baron Stowell (1745-1836), eminent maritime and international lawyer; judge

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of High Court of Admiralty, 1798-1828.-[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 108.]

wife's bro, Farrer, first Lord Herschell, Lord Chancellor of England.

Charles Robert **Darwin**, F.R.S. (1809–1882), the celebrated naturalist. The dates of his works are "Voyage of the *Beagle*," 1840; "Origin of Species," 1859; followed by a succession of eight important volumes ranging from 1862 to 1881, each of which confirmed and extended his theory of evolution. Among the very numerous biographical memoirs it must suffice here to mention "Life and Letters," by Francis Darwin; and "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 72,

fa fa, Erasmus **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1731-1802), physician, poet and philosopher. Author of "Botanic Garden," "Zoonomia," and other works, in which he maintained a view of evolution subsequently expounded by Lamarck.—["Life," by Ch. Darwin, "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 84.]

fa, Robert Waring **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1766-1848), sagacious and distinguished physician, described by his son, Charles R. Darwin, as "the wisest man I ever knew."----[" Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 10-20.]

fa bro, Charles **Darwin** (1758–1778), of extraordinary promise, gained first gold medal of Æsculapian Society for experimental research; died from a dissection wound, aged twenty; many obituary notices.—["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 7.]

bro. Erasmus **Darwin**; see Carlyle's inexact description, and the appreciations of him by his brother and others, in "Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 21-25.

fa, 1si son, Francis **Galton**, F.R.S. (b. 1822), traveller and biometrician; gold medal R. Geograph. Soc., 1853; Royal medal, 1886, and Darwin medal, 1902, of the Royal Society.-["Ency. Brit.," 28, 578; "Who's Who."]

me fa, Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S. (1730-1795), the

famous founder of the pottery works.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

me bro, Thomas **Wedgwood** (1771-1805), an experimenter in early life, and in one sense the first to create photography; a martyr to ill-health later. Sydney Smith knew "no man who appeared to have made such an impression on his friends," and his friends included many of the leading intellects of the day,—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 146.]

wife's fa fa (she was her husband's fa bro dau), Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S.; see above.

wife's bro, Hensleigh **Wedgwood** (1803-1891), author of "Entomological Dictionary" and other works, partly mathematical.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

wife's bro dau, Julia Wedgwood, essayist.

son, George **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1845), second wrangler, 1868; Plumian professor of astronomy and experimental philosophy, Cambridge. Author of many papers in the *Philosophical Transactions* relating to tides, physical astronomy, and cognate subjects; president designate of British Association in 1905 at Cape Town.—["Who's Who."]

son, Francis **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1848), botanist; biographer of his father; reader in physiological botany at Cambridge, 1876–1903. Author of botanical works and memoirs.—[" Who's Who."].

son, Major Leonard **Darwin**, late R.E., second in the examination of his year for Woolwich; served on several scientific expeditions, including transit of Venus of 1874 and 1882; Staff Intelligence Dep. War Office, 1885–90; M.P. for Lichfield, 1892–95. Author of "Bimetallism," "Municipal Trade."—[" Who's Who,"]

son, Horace **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1851), engineer and mechanician; joint founder of the Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company and its proprietor, but now a limited company, of which he is chairman.—[" Who's Who?"]

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Sir Victor A. Haden Horsley, F.R.S., M.D. (b. 1857), eminent surgeon and operator; professor-superintendent of Brown Institution, 1884–90; professor of pathology University College, 1893–96.

fa fa, William **Horsley**, Mus. Bac., Oxford (1774-1858), musical composer, especially of glees, and writer on musical topics.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

me fa, Charles Thomas **Haden**, a rising London physician, who initiated a treatment for gout, much noted at the time; d. young in 1823.—[Unpublished information.]

fa, John Callcott **Horsley**, R.A., distinguished painter.— ["Who's Who."]

fa bro, Charles Edward **Horsley** (1822-1876), musical composer of oratorios; best known in America. Author of "Text-book of Harmony."—["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 381, and Grove's "Dict. of Music."]

me bro, Sir F. Seymour **Haden** (b. 1818), surgeon; a well known sanitarian, especially in respect to the disposal of the dead, and artist in respect to etching; founder and president of the R. Society of Painter Etchers; Grand Prix, Paris, 1889 and 1900; many publications.—[" Who's Who."]

fa si son, Isambard Brunel, Chancellor to the Diocese of Ely; ecclesiastical barrister.

Ancestors in more remote degrees.

fa me fa, John Wall **Callcott** (1766–1821), composer, mainly of glees and catches; published "Musical Grammar," 1806.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256, and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

fa me fa bro, Sir Augustus Wall **Callcott**, R.A. (1779– 1844), distinguished painter, mainly of landscapes; knighted, 1837.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256.]

me fa fa, Thomas **Haden**, the principal doctor in Derby, and of great influence in the town; was three times mayor. -[Unpublished information.]

· wife, née Bramwell.

wife's fa, Sir Frederick **Bramwell**, Bart., F.R.S. (1818-1903), eminent engineer; president British Association, 1888; of Institution of Civil Engineers, 1884-5; hon. sec. Royal Institution.—[" Who's Who."]

wife's fa bro, Lord Bramwell (1808-1892), Judge, 1856; Lord Justice, 1876-81; raised to peerage, 1882.-["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 1, 256.]

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me si son, Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, G.C.S.I., F.R.S., and pres. R.S., 1872-77 (b. 1817), eminent botanist and traveller; director of the Royal Gardens, Kew, 1855-65; naturalist to H.M.S. Erebus in Antarctic expedition, 1839-43; botanical travels in the Himalaya, 1847-51; Morocco and Atlas in 1871; California and Rocky Mts., 1877; many botanical publications.—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson Turner, F.R.S. (1775-1858), see Palgrave.

fa, Sir William Jackson **Hooker**, F.R.S. (1785-1865), eminent botanist; director of Kew Gardens, which he greatly extended and threw open to the public, and where he founded the museum of economic botany; was regius professor of botany at Glasgow, 1820; knighted in 1847; many botanical publications.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 296.]

me si sons, the four brothers Palgrave (see Palgrave).

Sir Clements R. Markham, K.C.B., F.R.S. (b. 1830), president for many years of the R. Geograph. Society; served in Arctic expedition, 1850–51; travelled in Peru, 1852–4, bringing thence cinchona-bearing trees for cultivation in India; Geographer to the Abyssinian expedition; author and editor of numerous geographical works.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William Markham, scholar; secretary to Warren Hastings in India.

fa bro son, Lieut.-General Sir Edwin Markham, R.E., K.C.B. (b. 1833), constant active service.-["Who's Who."]

fa bro son, Admiral Sir Albert **Markham**, K.C.B. (b. 1841), commanded the *Alert* in Arctic Expedition, 1875-6; various high naval appointments, besides unprofessional work when unemployed on naval duties.— ["Who's Who."]

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me bro son, Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Milner, Bart., P.C. (b. 1849), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Francis Foljambe, P.C. (b. 1830), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Sir Edwin **Egerton**, P.C., G.C.M.G. (b. 1841), Ambassador at Madrid, recently transferred to Paris.—["Who's Who."]

More distant kinsmen.

fa fa fa, William **Markham**, P.C. (1719–1807), Archbishop of York; one of the best scholars of the day; headmaster of Westminster School, 1753–65; preceptor to the Royal Princes, 1771; Archbishop and Lord High Almoner, 1777; denounced by Chatham for "pernicious" doctrines; his intemperate defence of Warren Hastings was brought before notice of Parliament.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 172.]

fa fa bro, Admiral John **Markham** (1761-1827), many services at sea; twice on Admiralty Board; M.P. for Portsmouth during seventeen years.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 171.]

fa fa bro, George Markham, Dean of York; scholar and numismatist.

Robert Harris Inglis **Palgrave**, F.R.S. (b. 1827), statistician; editor of the "Economist," also of "Dictionary of Political Economy."—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson **Turner**, F.R.S. (1775-1858), botanist and antiquary.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 57, 334.]

fa, Sir Francis **Palgrave** (1788–1861) (son of Meyer **Cohen**, adopted the surname Palgrave in 1823), historian; deputy keeper of H.M. Records, and assisted in their publication. Author of the "Rise and Progress of the English Commonwealth," 1832, and of other works; greatly promoted the study of mediæval history; knighted, 1832.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 107.]

me, Elizabeth, née Dawson **Turner**, greatly assisted her husband in his literary work.—[Unpublished information.]

me bro, Dawson William **Turner** (1815-1885), philanthropist and educational writer; Demy of Magdalen College, Oxford, D.C.L., 1862.

bro, Francis. Turner **Palgrave** (1824-1897), poet and art critic; professor of poetry at Oxford; editor of "Golden Lyrics"; author of many critical essays and other publications.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 242.]

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bro, W. Gifford **Palgrave** (1826–1888), traveller and diplomatist; at twenty years of age gained first class *lit. hum.* at Oxford, and second class *math.*; became Roman Catholic, and travelled as Jesuit missionary in Syria and Arabia, assuming disguise for the purpose. Author of "Journey through Eastern and Central Arabia." Severed his connection with the Jesuits in 1865, and thenceforward served as English diplomatist in various distant countries. -["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 109.]

bro, Sir Reginald F. **Palgrave**, K.C.B. (1829-1904), Clerk of the House of Commons. Author of the "Life of Cromwell," &c.--[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Sir Joseph **Hooker**, F.R.S. (see separate genealogy above).

Sir Henry Enfield **Roscoe**, F.R.S., Ph.D., LL.D., D.C.L., professor of chemistry Owens College, Manchester, 1857–87; president Society of Chemical Industry, 1881; of Chemical Society, 1882; M.P. for S. division of Manchester, 1885–95; president of Brit. Assoc., 1887; Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, 1896–1902; knighted, 1884; author of many memoirs and works on chemistry.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William **Roscoe** (1753-1831), historian, poet, and philanthropist; author of "Lives of Lorenzo de' Medici and of Leo X.," and of several volumes of verse; M.P. for Liverpool, 1806-7; promoter and first president of its Royal Institution.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa, Henry **Roscoe** (1800–1836), biographer, including life of his father.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 221.]

fa bro, Thomas **Roscoe** (1791-1871), miscellaneous writer and translator.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa bro, William Stanley Roscoe, poet. ["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa bro, Robert Roscoe, poet, "King Alfred."

me, Maria, née Fletcher, artist and authoress, "Life of Vittoria Colonna."

me si, Harriet Fletcher, authoress of "Tales for Children."

fa bro son, William Caldwell **Roscoe** (1822-59), poet and essayist.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa si son, William Stanley Jevons, F.R.S. (1835-1882), economist and logician; professor of logic and political economy at Owens College, 1866-79; at University College, London, 1876-80; influential writer.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 29, 374.]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Charles Booth, P.C., F.R.S., q.v.

Lieut.-General Sir Richard **Strachey**, R.E. (retired 1875), G.C.S.I., F.R.S., LL.D. Camb. Sec. Govt. Central Provinces of India during mutiny, 1857-8; public-works Sec. to Govt. of India, 1862; legislative member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1869-70; Member of Council of India, 1875-89; acting financial member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1878; Chairman of East Indian Rly. from 1889; Chairman of Meteorological Council from 1883; pres. R. Geograph. Soc., 1888-90; royal medal of Royal Society, 1897. *Publications*:—" Lectures on Geography "; " Finances and Public Works of India " (jointly with his brother, Sir John S.); various scientific memoirs.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in near degrees, ascending and collateral.

fa fa, Sir Henry **Strachey** (1736-1810), private sec. to Lord Clive in India; joint under-sec. of state for the Home department, 1782; cr. baronet, 1801; F.S.A.— ["Diet. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

me fa, Lieut.-Gen. **Kirkpatrick** (1754-1812), orientalist; military sec. to Marquess Wellesley; Resident at Poona; translated Persian works, expert in Oriental tongues and

in manners, customs and laws of India.-[" Dict. N. Blog.," 31, 222.]

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fa, Edward **Strachey** (1774-1832), chief examiner of correspondence to the India House, the other two being Peacock and James Mill (secretaries' work, writing despatches, &c.).

fa bro, Sir Henry **Strachey**, Bart. (1772-1858), distinguished Indian civilian, described by James Mill ("Hist. Brit. India," 6, ch. 6) as "the most intelligent of the Company's servants."

fa bro, Richard Strachey, Resident at Lucknow and Gwalior.

me si, Isabella Barbara **Buller**, well known in her day as a centre of literary and political society.

bro, Sir John **Strachey**, G.C.S.I., eminent Indian statesman; Lieut.-Governor of the N.W. Provinces; financial member of Gov. Gen.'s council; Member of Council of India. *Publications* :—" Finance and Public Works of India," 1882 (jointly with his brother, Sir Richard **S.**); " Hastings and the Rohilla War," 1892; "India," 1888, third ed., 1903.— [" Who's Who," 1904.]

bro, Colonel Henry Strachey, Thibetan explorer, gold medal of R. Geograph. Soc., 1852.

bro, Sir Edward **Strachey**, Bart. (d. 1904), author of "Hebrew Politics in the Time of Sargon and Sennacherib."

bro, George **Strachey** (1873-90), Chargé d'Affaires and Minister Resident at Dresden.

bro son, Sir Arthur **Strachey** (1858-1901) [son of Sir John **S.** and of Katherine, dau. of George **Batten**], Chief Justice Allahabad æt. 39, d. æt. 43.

bro son, John St. Loe **Strachey** (b. 1860) [son of Sir Edward **S.** and Mary, sister of John Addington **Symonds**, writer and critic], editor of the Spectator.—[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Charles **Buller** (1806–1848), distinguished politician, sent as secretary with Lord Durham to Canada, 1838, Chief Poor-law Commissioner.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 7, 246.]

me si son, Sir Arthur Buller, judge of the Supreme Court, -Calcutta.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in more remote degrees of ancestry.

fa fa bro, John **Strachey**, Archdeacon of Suffolk, Prebendary of Llandaff, preacher at the Rolls, LL.D. Camb., F.S.A.

fa fa fa fa, John **Strachey**, F.R.S. (1671-1743), geologist, said to have first suggested theory of stratification in his work "Observations on Different Strata of Earths and Minerals," 1727.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

Wife, and her kinsfolk, ascending and collateral.

wife, Jane Maria, née **Grant**, 2nd wife, authoress of "Lay Texts," "Poets on Poets," "Memoirs of a Highland Lady," &c.—["Who's Who," 1904.]

wife's fa fa, Sir J. P. Grant (1774-1848), Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Calcutta.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 22, 398.]

wife's fa, Sir J. P. Grant, G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (1807-1893), Indian and Colonial Governor; Member of Council; Lieut.-Governor of Central Provinces of India; Lieut.-Governor of Bengal; Governor of Jamaica (1866-1873).--["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 341.]

wife's me bro son, Sir Trevor Chichele Plowden, K.C.S.I., Resident at Kashmir, Hyderabad and Baghdad.

wife's me bro son, Sir Henry Meredith **Plowden**, Senior Judge of chief court, Punjab (1880-94).--["Who's Who," 1904.]

Descendants.

son, Giles Lytton Strachey, scholar Trin. Coll., Cambridge, Chancellor's medal for English verse.

son, Oliver Strachey, Eton scholarship.

son, James Beaumont **Strachey**, scholarship at St. Paul's School.

da, Joan Pernel **Strachey**, lecturer on old French at Royal Holloway College.

da, Marjorie Colvile **Strachey**, prize offered in 1904 by the British Ambassador in Paris to all undergraduates, male and female, of all colleges in Great Britain for examination in French; scholarship Royal Holloway College in 1904.

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NEAR KINSFOLK

OF SOME OF THE

FELLOWS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

FRANCIS GALTON, F.R.S.

BY



PREFACE.

I T is now practically certain, from wide and exact observation, that the physical characters of all living beings, whether men, other animals, or plants, are subject approximately to the same hereditary laws. Also that mental qualities, such as ability and character, which are only partially measurable, follow the same laws as the physical and measurable ones.

The obvious result of this is that the experience gained in establishing improved breeds of domestic animals and plants is a safe guide to speculations on the theoretical possibility of establishing improved breeds of the human race.

It is not intended to enter here into such speculations, but to emphasise the undoubted fact that members of gifted families are, on the whole, appreciably more likely than the generality of their countrymen to produce gifted offspring.

No extensive collection exists of the biographies of Gifted Families, as distinguished from biographies of individuals; we are therefore without means of obtaining an idea of the distribution of ability in our very mixed race, incomparably more mixed than that of any domestic animal, where some conscious selection is always at work. We cannot tell, *a priori*, how far ability is sporadic at the present time, and how far it clusters in families. As a first attempt to supply the deficiency, both as to matter and form, I submit the present pamphlet, the result of inquiries made through a circular letter to all Fellows of the Royal

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Society, as to the "noteworthy" achievements of their near relatives. The standard of "noteworthiness " was defined as achievement in any occupation which was judged by the writer to be at least equal in dignity, among his fellows, to that of F.R.S. among men of science. It was the best standard I could think of; no one has as yet suggested a better, and notwithstanding its obvious faults it has served well. About half of the 367 fellows, or thereabouts, replied to my circular. Many of the replies were extremely interesting, and not a few were very jejune; still, I have collected enough material to be serviceable in many ways. I wrote a brief statistical article upon those I had received up to a certain date, in Nature on August 11. Evidence was there given that ability, as measured by achievement, tended in a marked degree to be a family characteristic. Besides these distinguished families there were others reputed to have a high level of ability whose members had nevertheless failed to achieve anything noteworthy; again, there were others in whom the ability was, in the language of horticulturists, a "sport"; it was shared by none of the collaterals or ancestry, but, presumably like all sports, may be highly capable of producing its like in descent.

The difficulty of estimating the ability of women, who have few opportunities of displaying it in a measurable way, was partly met by asking for the achievements of the brothers of the females, which are comparable on equal terms with those of the brothers of males.

Having collected and discussed my material, the question arose how best to present the results so as to emphasise the fact that ability, as measured by achievement, is really clustered to a remarkable degree in certain families. Something more vivid was required

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than statistical figures; something in the nature of those family histories above mentioned. It was, however, difficult to give them, because, although no stipulation whatever was made in the circular letter of inquiry that the replies should be treated as private documents, I found that a feeling existed that such restriction was implied. I could not disregard this view without risking the accusation of breach of trust. At length I thought of the course that has been adopted here. It is to take the replies as guides only, and rarely to quote from them, restricting the mention of achievements to those that have already been published; to extract the account of them as a general rule, from publications where they appeared, and to give references as far as seemed reasonably desirable. The publications might be official or only local, but, as a matter of convenience, the references are in almost all cases either to the "Dictionary of National Biography" for deceased persons, and to "Who's Who" for living ones. A biography in the former is in itself a mark of distinction; it is so, but in a much less degree, in the latter. They both have the merit of giving detailed accounts of the achievements of the person in question, while the " Dictionary " gives full references to the memoirs and other sources whence the information in each article was derived.

The present pamphlet is styled an "Index," because it falls far short of being a collection of biographies, but it does much more than indicate families deserving of minute study, for it gives a fair idea of the quality of ability that dominates in each. This would be sufficient, if the collection were largely added to, to enable families to be sorted into different groups, according to their prevailing characteristic, each group being convenient for separate study. I could

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have added more pedigrees from the same source, but these will serve as a preliminary attempt to show the quality of material that exists, and a convenient form of treating it, which is the primary purpose of this small pamphlet.

The average number of kinsfolk in each degree should be borne in mind when reading the "Index." This was discussed by me in a paper in *Nature*, September 22. From that discussion I now conclude that the average numbers of near kinsmen who attain an age at which they would have achieved something noteworthy, if they possessed the necessary qualifications, would be roughly as follows :—grandfathers, 2 (I father's father and I mother's father); father, I; uncles, 2 (I father's brother and I mother's brother); brothers, I; first cousins, 4 (see table of abbreviations); making IO altogether. Sons and nephews are rarely taken into account here, because they usually had not attained a sufficient age to enable them to do justice to their potentialities.

Persons who have earned a place in the "Dictionary of National Biography" or even in "Who's Who" by virtue of their achievements are so enormously rarer than one in ten, that the appearance of one of them within the inner degrees of kinship of Fellows of the Royal Society would give a presumption of hereditary ability; but when, as in the families who are indexed here, an average of four of these noteworthy persons fall within those near degrees, the presumption grows into certainty.

The connection between achievement and ability is technically known as Correlation, though it be of a complex, entangled, and discontinuous kind. Still, it must be governed by the law that links every pair of systems of correlated variables. Let the members of one of the pair be called "subjects," and those of

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the other "Relatives"; then, although we can never guess beforehand what Relative will be associated with any particular subject, we can tell something about the group of Relatives that will be associated with any considerable number of *similar* subjects; namely, that the *average* of those Relatives will always be less exceptional than the subjects. In other words, *very high* achievement will, on the average, be associated with only *high* ability; *high* achievement with *moderately high* ability; *average* with *average*; *low* with *moderately low*; *very low* with *low*. It is as yet impossible to say much more than this in respect to achievement and ability.

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3 dau. of paternal
aunt fa si da
4 dau. of maternal
aunt me si da

TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS.

The kinships are reckoned from the person mentioned in the heading to the list, whom we may call P. Then fa bro means "P's father's brother is"; me si son means "P's mother's sister's son is." Tarapa L-Sul

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Rt. Hon. Charles **Booth**, P.C., F.R.S. (b, 1840, economist and statistician; president of the R. Statistical Society, 1892-4. Originated and carried through a cooperative inquiry in minute detail into the houses and occupations of the inhabitants of London, which resulted in the volumes "Life and Labour of the People of London"; author of memoirs on allied subjects.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, Thomas **Booth**, successful merchant and shipowner at Liverpool.

fa bro, Henry **Booth** (1788–1869), railway projector, cooperated with Stephenson in applying steam to locomotion, published much relating to railways, and invented mechanical contrivances still in use on railways; secretary and then railway director.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 5, 382.]

fa bro, James Booth, C.B. (1796-1880), Parliamentary draughtsman; became permanent secretary to the Board of Trade.

me si son, Charles **Crompton**, fourth wrangler, Q.C., and for some years M.P. for the Leek Division of Staffordshire.

me si son, Henry **Crompton**, a leader in the Positivist Community; authority on Trades Union law, and author of "Industrial Conciliation."

me si son, Sir Henry Enfield Roscoe, F.R.S., q.v.

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Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson, Bart., cr. 1899, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D., D.Sc., F.R.S.; held a succession of important offices, beginning with Inspector med. dep. Privy Council, 1860-65; superintendent Brown Institution, 1871-78; professor of physiology University Coll., London, 1874-82; in Oxford, 1882-95; president Brit. Assoc., 1893; regius professor of medicine at Oxford, 1895-1904; served on three Royal Commissions; author of many physiological memoirs.-["Who's Who."]

fa fa, Sir Thomas **Burdon**, Kt., several times Mayor of Newcastle, knighted for his services in quelling a riot.

me fa, Sir James Sanderson, Bart., M.P., Lord Mayor of London; a successful merchant.

fa, Richard Burdon-Sanderson, fellow of Oriel College, Oxford; graduated first class and gained Newdigate prize; was secretary to Lord Chancellor Eldon.

bro, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, the first promoter of the "conciliation board" of coal owners and colliers at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and of the first reformatory in Northumberland.

si son, Rt. Hon. Richard Burdon Haldane, P.C., M.P., high honours at Edinburgh and three other Scotch universities. Author of "Life of Adam Smith" and of memoirs on education.—["Who's Who."]

si son, John Scott Haldane, M.D., F.R.S. (b. 1860), university lecturer on physiology at Oxford; joint editor and founder of Journal of Hygiene.-["Who's Who."]

si da, Elisabeth Sanderson **Haldano**, "Life of Professor Ferrier" and other works; promoter of education and of reforms in Scotland.

More distant kinsmen and connections.

fa me bro, John Scott, first Earl of Eldon (1751-1838), (amous Lord Chancellor of England.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 49.]

fa me bro, William Scott, first Baron Stowell (1745-1836), eminent maritime and international lawyer; judge

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of High Court of Admiralty, 1798-1828.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 108.]

wife's bro, Farrer, first Lord Herschell, Lord Chancellor of England.

Charles Robert **Darwin**, F.R.S. (1809–1882), the celebrated naturalist. The dates of his works are "Voyage of the *Beagle*," 1840; "Origin of Species," 1859; followed by a succession of eight important volumes ranging from 1862 to 1881, each of which confirmed and extended his theory of evolution. Among the very numerous biographical memoirs it must suffice here to mention "Life and Letters," by Francis Darwin; and "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 72.

fa fa, Erasmus **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1731-1802), physician, poet and philosopher. Author of "Botanic Garden," "Zoonomia," and other works, in which he maintained a view of evolution subsequently expounded by Lamarck.—["Life," by Ch. Darwin, "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 84.]

fa, Robert Waring **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1766-1848), sagacious and distinguished physician, described by his son, Charles R. Darwin, as "the wisest man I ever knew."— ["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 10-20.]

fa bro, Charles **Darwin** (1758–1778), of extraordinary promise, gained first gold medal of Æsculapian Society for experimental research; died from a dissection wound, aged twenty; many obituary notices.—["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 7.]

bro, Erasmus **Darwin**; see Carlyle's inexact description, and the appreciations of him by his brother and others, in "Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 21-25.

fa, 1si son, Francis **Galton**, F.R.S. (b. 1822), traveller and biometrician; gold medal R. Geograph. Soc., 1853; Royal medal, 1886, and Darwin medal, 1902, of the Royal Society.—["Ency. Brit.," 28, 578; "Who's Who."]

me fa, Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S. (1730-1795), the

famous founder of the pottery works.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

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me bro, Thomas **Wedgwood** (1771-1805), an experimenter in early life, and in one sense the first to create photography; a martyr to ill-health later. Sydney Smith knew "no man who appeared to have made such an impression on his friends," and his friends included many of the leading intellects of the day.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 146.]

wife's fa fa (she was her husband's fa bro dau), Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S.; see above.

wife's bro, Hensleigh Wedgwood (1803-1891), author of "Entomological Dictionary" and other works, partly mathematical.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

wife's bro dau, Julia Wedgwood, essayist.

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son, George **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1845), second wrangler, 1868; Plumian professor of astronomy and experimental philosophy, Cambridge. Author of many papers in the *Philosophical Transactions* relating to tides, physical astronomy, and cognate subjects; president designate of British Association in 1905 at Cape Town.—["Who's Who."]

son, Francis **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1848), botanist; biographer of his father; reader in physiological botany at Cambridge, 1876-1903. Author of botanical works and memoirs.—[" Who's Who."]

son, Major Leonard **Darwin**, late R.E., second in the examination of his year for Woolwich; served on several scientific expeditions, including transit of Venus of 1874 and 1882; Staff Intelligence Dep. War Office, 1885-90; M.P. for Lichfield, 1892-95. Author of "Bimetallism," "Municipal Trade."—[" Who's Who."]

son, Horace **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1851), engineer and mechanician; joint founder of the Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company and its proprietor, but now a limited company, of which he is chairman.—["Who's Who."]

Wife's bro Ernest Crofts. R. A. mile = Marye Bach tox and for firsten

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Sir Victor A. Haden Horsley, F.R.S., M.D. (b. 1857), eminent surgeon and operator; professor-superintendent of Brown Institution, 1884-90; professor of pathology University College, 1893-96.

fa fa, William **Horsley**, Mus. Bac., Oxford (1774-1858), musical composer, especially of glees, and writer on musical topics.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

me fa, Charles Thomas **Haden**, a rising London physician, who initiated a treatment for gout, much noted at the time; d, young in 1823.—[Unpublished information.]

fa, John Callcott **Horsley**, R.A., distinguished painter.— ["Who's Who."]

fa bro, Charles Edward **Horstey** (1822-1876), musical composer of oratorios; best known in America. Author of "Text-book of Harmony."—["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 381, and Grove's "Dict. of Music."]

me bro, Sir F. Seymour **Haden** (b. 1818), surgeon; a well known sanitarian, especially in respect to the disposal of the dead, and artist in respect to etching; founder and president of the R. Society of Painter Etchers; Grand Prix, Paris, 1889 and 1900; many publications.—[" Who's Who."]

fa si son, Isambard **Brunel**, Chancellor to the Diocese of Ely; ecclesiastical barrister.

Ancestors in more remote degrees.

fa me fa, John Wall **Callcott** (1766–1821), composer, mainly of glees and catches; published "Musical Grammar," 1806.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256, and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

fa me fa bro, Sir Augustus Wall **Callcott**, R.A. (1779-1844), distinguished painter, mainly of landscapes; knighted, 1837.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256.]

me fa fa, Thomas **Haden**, the principal doctor in Derby, and of great influence in the town; was three times mayor. -[Unpublished information.]

wife, née Bramwell.

wife's fa, Sir Frederick **Bramwell**, Bart., F.R.S. (1818-1903), eminent engineer; president British Association, 1888; of Institution of Civil Engineers, 1884-5; hon. sec. Royal Institution.—["Who's Who."]

wife's fa bro, Lord Bramwell (1808-1892), Judge, 1856; Lord Justice, 1876-81; raised to peerage, 1882.-["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 1, 256.]

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me si son, Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, G.C.S.I., F.R.S., and pres. R.S., 1872-77 (b. 1817), eminent botanist and traveller; director of the Royal Gardens, Kew, 1855-65; naturalist to H.M.S. Erebus in Antarctic expedition, 1839-43; botanical travels in the Himalaya, 1847-51; Morocco and Atlas in 1871; California and Rocky Mts., 1877; many botanical publications.—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson Turner, F.R.S. (1775-1858), see Palgrave.

fa, Sir William Jackson **Hooker**, F.R.S. (1785-1865), eminent botanist; director of Kew Gardens, which he greatly extended and threw open to the public, and where he founded the museum of economic botany; was regius professor of botany at Glasgow, 1820; knighted in 1847; many botanical publications.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 296.]

me si sons, the four brothers Palgrave (see Palgrave).

Sir Clements R. Markham, K.C.B., F.R.S. (b. 1830), president for many years of the R. Geograph. Society; served in Arctic expedition, 1850–51; travelled in Peru, 1852–4, bringing thence cinchona-bearing trees for cultivation in India; Geographer to the Abyssinian expedition; author and editor of numerous geographical works.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William Markham, scholar; secretary to Warren-Hastings in India.

fa bro son, Lieut.-General Sir Edwin Markham, R.E., K.C.B. (b. 1833), constant active service.—[" Who's Who."]

fa bro son, Admiral Sir Albert **Markham**, K.C.B. (b. 1841), commanded the *Alert* in Arctic Expedition, 1875-6; various high naval appointments, besides unprofessional work when unemployed on naval duties.— ["Who's Who."]

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me bro son, Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Milner, Bart., P.C. (b. 1849), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Francis Foljambe, P.C. (b. 1830), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon: Sir Edwin **Egerton**, P.C., G.C.M.G. (b. 1841), Ambassador at Madrid, recently transferred to Paris.--["Who's Who."]

More distant kinsmen.

fa fa fa, William Markham, P.C. (1719–1807), Archbishop of York; one of the best scholars of the day; headmaster of Westminster School, 1753–65; preceptor to the Royal Princes, 1771; Archbishop and Lord High Almoner, 1777; denounced by Chatham for "pernicious" doctrines; his intemperate defence of Warren Hastings was brought before notice of Parliament.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 172.]

fa fa bro, Admiral John **Markham** (1761-1827), many services at sea; twice on Admiralty Board; M.P. for Portsmouth during seventeen years.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 171.]

fa fa bro, George Markham, Dean of York; scholar and numismatist.

Robert Harris Inglis **Palgrave**, F.R.S. (b. 1827), statistician; editor of the "Economist," also of "Dictionary of Political Economy."—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson **Turner**, F.R.S. (1775-1858), botanist and antiquary.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 57, 334.]

fa, Sir Francis **Palgrave** (1788–1861) (son of Meyer **Cohen**, adopted the surname Palgrave in 1823), historian; deputy keeper of H.M. Records, and assisted in their publication. Author of the "Rise and Progress of the English Commonwealth," 1832, and of other works; greatly promoted the study of mediæval history; knighted, 1832.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 107.]

me, Elizabeth, née Dawson **Turner**, greatly assisted her husband in his literary work.-[Unpublished information.]

me bro, Dawson William **Turner** (1815-1885), philanthropist and educational writer; Demy of Magdalen College, Oxford, D.C.L., 1862.

bro, Francis Turner **Palgrave** (1824–1897), poet and art critic; professor of poetry at Oxford; editor of "Golden Lyrics"; author of many critical essays and other publications.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 242.]

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bro, W. Gifford **Palgrave** (1826-1888), traveller and diplomatist; at twenty years of age gained first class *lit. hum.* at Oxford, and second class *math.*; became Roman Catholic, and travelled as Jesuit missionary in Syria and Arabia, assuming disguise for the purpose. Author of "Journey through Eastern and Central Arabia." Severed his connection with the Jesuits in 1865, and thenceforward served as English diplomatist in various distant countries. -["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 109.]

bro, Sir Reginald F. **Palgrave**, K.C.B. (1829-1904), Clerk of the House of Commons. Author of the "Life of Cromwell," &c.-[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Sir Joseph Hooker, F.R.S. (see separate genealogy above).

Sir Henry Enfield **Roscoe**, F.R.S., Ph.D., LL.D., D.C.L., professor of chemistry Owens College, Manchester, 1857–87; president Society of Chemical Industry, 1881; of Chemical Society, 1882; M.P. for S. division of Manchester, 1885–95; president of Brit. Assoc., 1887; Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, 1896–1902; knighted, 1884; author of many memoirs and works on chemistry.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William **Roscoe** (1753-1831), historian, poet, and philanthropist; author of "Lives of Lorenzo de' Medici and of Leo X.," and of several volumes of verse; M.P. for Liverpool, 1806-7; promoter and first president of its Royal Institution.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa, Henry **Roscoe** (1800–1836), biographer, including life of his father.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 221.]

fa bro, Thomas **Roscoe** (1791-1871), miscellaneous writer and translator.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa bro, William Stanley Roscoe, poet.-[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

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fa bro, Robert Roscoe, poet, "King Alfred."

me, Maria, née Fletcher, artist and authoress, "Life of. Vittoria Colonna."

me si, Harriet Fletcher, authoress of "Tales for Children."

fa bro son, William Caldwell **Roscoe** (1822-59), poet and essayist.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa si son, William Stanley Jevons, F.R.S. (1835-1882), economist and logician; professor of logic and political economy at Owens College, 1866-79; at University College, London, 1876-80; influential writer.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 29, 374.]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Charles Booth, P.C., F.R.S., q.v.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in near degrees, ascending and collateral.

fa fa, Sir Henry **Strachey** (1736-1810), private sec. to Lord Clive in India; joint under-sec. of state for the Home department, 1782; cr. baronet, 1801; F.S.A.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

me fa, Lieut.-Gen. **Kirkpatrick** (1754-1812), orientalist; military sec. to Marquess Wellesley; Resident at Poona; translated Persian works, expert in Oriental tongues and

in manners, customs and laws of India.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 31, 222.]

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fa, Edward **Strachey** (1774-1832), chief examiner of correspondence to the India House, the other two being Peacock and James Mill (secretaries' work, writing despatches, &c.).

fa bro, Sir Henry **Strachey**, Bart. (1772-1858), distinguished Indian civilian, described by James Mill ("Hist. Brit. India," 6, ch. 6) as "the most intelligent of the Company's servants."

fa bro, Richard Strachey, Resident at Lucknow and Gwalior.

me si, Isabella Barbara **Buller**, well known in her day as a centre of literary and political society.

bro, Sir John **Strachey**, G.C.S.I., eminent Indian statesman; Lieut.-Governor of the N.W. Provinces; financial member of Gov. Gen.'s council; Member of Council of India. *Publications*:—" Finance and Public Works of India," 1882 (jointly with his brother, Sir Richard **S.**); " Hastings and the Rohilla War," 1892; "India," 1888, third ed., 1903.— [" Who's Who," 1904.]

bro, Colonel Henry Strachey, Thibetan explorer, goldmedal of R. Geograph. Soc., 1852.

bro, Sir Edward Strachey, Bart. (d. 1904), author of "Hebrew Politics in the Time of Sargon and Sennacherib."

bro, George **Strachey** (1873-90), Chargé d'Affaires and Minister Resident at Dresden.

bro son, Sir Arthur **Strachey** (1858–1901) [son of Sir John **S.** and of Katherine, dau. of George **Batten**], Chief Justice Allahabad æt. 39, d. æt. 43.

bro son, John St. Loe **Strachey** (b. 1860) [son of Sir Edward **S.** and Mary, sister of John Addington **Symonds**, writer and critic], editor of the Spectator.—["Who's Who."]

me si son, Charles **Buller** (1806–1848), distinguished politician, sent as secretary with Lord Durham to Canada, 1838, Chief Poor-law Commissioner.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 7, 246.]

me și son, Sir Arthur **Buller**, judge of the Supreme Court, Calcutta.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in more remote degrees of ancestry.

fa fa bro, John **Strachey**, Archdeacon of Suffolk, Prebendary of Llandaff, preacher at the Rolls, LL.D. Camb., F.S.A.

fa fa fa fa, John **Strachey**, F.R.S. (1671-1743), geologist, said to have first suggested theory of stratification in his work "Observations on Different Strata of Earths and Minerals," 1727.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

Wife, and her kinsfolk, ascending and collateral.

wife, Jane Maria, née **Grant**, 2nd wife, authoress of "Lay Texts," "Poets on Poets," "Memoirs of a Highland Lady," &c.—["Who's Who," 1904.]

wife's fa fa, Sir J. P. Grant (1774-1848), Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Calcutta.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 22, 398.]

wife's fa, Sir J. P. **Grant**, G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (1807–1893), Indian and Colonial Governor; Member of Council; Lieut.-Governor of Central Provinces of India; Lieut.-Governor of Bengal; Governor of Jamaica (1866–1873).—[" Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 341.]

wife's me bro son, Sir Trevor Chichele Plowden, K.C.S.I., Resident at Kashmir, Hyderabad and Baghdad.

wife's me bro son, Sir Henry Meredith Plowden, Senior Judge of chief court, Punjab (1880-94).—["Who's Who," 1904.]

Descendants.

son, Giles Lytton **Strachey**, scholar Trin. Coll., Cambridge, Chancellor's medal for English verse.

son, Oliver Strachey, Eton scholarship.

son, James Beaumont **Strachey**, scholarship at St. Paul's School.

da, Joan Pernel **Strachey**, lecturer on old French at Royal Holloway College.

da, Marjorie Colvile **Strachey**, prize offered in 1904 by the British Ambassador in Paris to all undergraduates, male and female, of all colleges in Great Britain for examination in French; scholarship Royal Holloway College in 1904.

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PREFACE.

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I T is now practically certain, from wide and exact observation, that the physical characters of all living beings, whether men, other animals, or plants, are subject approximately to the same hereditary laws. Also that mental qualities, such as ability and character, which are only partially measurable, follow the same laws as the physical and measurable ones.

The obvious result of this is that the experience gained in establishing improved breeds of domestic animals and plants is a safe guide to speculations on the theoretical possibility of establishing improved breeds of the human race.

It is not intended to enter here into such speculations, but to emphasise the undoubted fact that members of gifted families are, on the whole, appreciably more likely than the generality of their countrymen to produce gifted offspring.

No extensive collection exists of the biographies of Gifted Families, as distinguished from biographies of individuals; we are therefore without means of obtaining an idea of the distribution of ability in our very mixed race, incomparably more mixed than that of any domestic animal, where some conscious selection is always at work. We cannot tell, *a priori*, how far ability is sporadic at the present time, and how far it clusters in families. As a first attempt to supply the deficiency, both as to matter and form, I submit the present pamphlet, the result of inquiries made through a circular letter to all Fellows of the Royal

Society, as to the "noteworthy" achievements of their near relatives. The standard of "noteworthiness" was defined as achievement in any occupation which was judged by the writer to be at least equal in dignity, among his fellows, to that of F.R.S. among men of science. It was the best standard I could think of; no one has as yet suggested a better, and notwithstanding its obvious faults it has served well. About half of the 367 fellows, or thereabouts, replied to my circular. Many of the replies were extremely interesting, and not a few were very jejune; still, I have collected enough material to be serviceable in many ways. I wrote a brief statistical article upon those I had received up to a certain date, in Nature on August 11. Evidence was there given that ability, as measured by achievement, tended in a marked degree to be a family characteristic. Besides these distinguished families there were others reputed to have a high level of ability whose members had nevertheless failed to achieve anything noteworthy; again, there were others in whom the ability was, in the language of horticulturists, a "sport"; it was shared by none of the collaterals or ancestry, but, presumably like all sports, may be highly capable of producing its like in descent.

The difficulty of estimating the ability of women, who have few opportunities of displaying it in a measurable way, was partly met by asking for the achievements of the brothers of the females, which are comparable on equal terms with those of the brothers of males.

Having collected and discussed my material, the question arose how best to present the results so as to emphasise the fact that ability, as measured by achievement, is really clustered to a remarkable degree in certain families. Something more vivid was required

than statistical figures; something in the nature of those family histories above mentioned. It was, however, difficult to give them, because, although no stipulation whatever was made in the circular letter of inquiry that the replies should be treated as private documents, I found that a feeling existed that such restriction was implied. I could not disregard this view without risking the accusation of breach of trust. At length I thought of the course that has been adopted here. It is to take the replies as guides only, and rarely to quote from them, restricting the mention of achievements to those that have already been published; to extract the account of them as a general rule, from publications where they appeared, and to give references as far as seemed reasonably desirable. The publications might be official or only local, but, as a matter of convenience, the references are in almost all cases either to the "Dictionary of National Biography" for deceased persons, and to "Who's Who" for living ones. A biography in the former is in itself a mark of distinction; it is so, but in a much less degree, in the latter. They both have the merit of giving detailed accounts of the achievements of the person in question, while the "Dictionary" gives full references to the memoirs and other sources whence the information in each article was derived.

The present pamphlet is styled an "Index," because it falls far short of being a collection of biographies, but it does much more than indicate families deserving of minute study, for it gives a fair idea of the quality of ability that dominates in each. This would be sufficient, if the collection were largely added to, to enable families to be sorted into different groups, according to their prevailing characteristic, each group being convenient for separate study. I could

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have added more pedigrees from the same source, but these will serve as a preliminary attempt to show the quality of material that exists, and a convenient form of treating it, which is the primary purpose of this small pamphlet.

The average number of kinsfolk in each degree should be borne in mind when reading the "Index." This was discussed by me in a paper in *Nature*, September 22. From that discussion I now conclude that the average numbers of near kinsmen who attain an age at which they would have achieved something noteworthy, if they possessed the necessary qualifications, would be roughly as follows :—grandfathers, 2 (I father's father and I mother's father); father, 1; uncles, 2 (I father's brother and I mother's brother); brothers, I; first cousins, 4 (see table of abbreviations); making Io altogether. Sons and nephews are rarely taken into account here, because they usually had not attained a sufficient age to enable them to do justice to their potentialities.

Persons who have earned a place in the "Dictionary of National Biography" or even in "Who's Who" by virtue of their achievements are so enormously rarer than one in ten, that the appearance of one of them within the inner degrees of kinship of Fellows of the Royal Society would give a presumption of hereditary ability; but when, as in the families who are indexed here, an average of four of these noteworthy persons fall within those near degrees, the presumption grows into certainty.

The connection between achievement and ability is technically known as Correlation, though it be of a complex, entangled, and discontinuous kind. Still, it must be governed by the law that links every pair of systems of correlated variables. Let the members of one of the pair be called "subjects," and those of

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the other "Relatives"; then, although we can never guess beforehand what Relative will be associated with any particular subject, we can tell something about the group of Relatives that will be associated with any considerable number of *similar* subjects; namely, that the *average* of those Relatives will always be less exceptional than the subjects. In other words, *very high* achievement will, on the average, be associated with only *high* ability; *high* achievement with *moderately high* ability; *average* with *average*; *low* with *moderately low*; *very low* with *low*. It is as yet impossible to say much more than this in respect to achievement and ability.

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Grandfather paternal fa fa	Grandmother paternal me
,, ,, maternal me fa	,, ,, maternal me me
Father fa	Mother me
Uncle paternal fa bro	Aunt paternal fa su
,, maternal me bro	,, maternal me su
Brother bro	Sister su
Son son	Daughter da
Nephew brother's side bro son	Niece brother's side bro da
,, sister's side si son	,, sister's side si da
Male first cousins—	Female first cousin—
I son of paternal	I dau. of paternal
uncle fa bro son	uncle fa bro da
2 son of maternal	2 dau. of maternal
uncle me bro son	uncle me bro da
3 son of paternal	3 dau. of paternal
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Rt. Hon. Charles **Booth**, P.C., F.R.S. (b, 1840, economist and statistician; president of the R. Statistical Society, 1892-4. Originated and carried through a cooperative inquiry in minute detail into the houses and occupations of the inhabitants of London, which resulted in the volumes "Life and Labour of the People of London"; author of memoirs on allied subjects.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, Thomas **Booth**, successful merchant and shipowner at Liverpool.

fa bro, Henry **Booth** (1788–1869), railway projector, cooperated with Stephenson in applying steam to locomotion, published much relating to railways, and invented mechanical contrivances still in use on railways; secretary and then railway director.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 5, 382.]

fa bro, James Booth, C.B. (1796-1880), Parliamentary draughtsman; became permanent secretary to the Board of Trade.

me si son, Charles **Crompton**, fourth wrangler, Q.C., and for some years M.P. for the Leek Division of Staffordshire.

me si son, Henry **Crompton**, a leader in the Positivist Community; authority on Trades Union law, and author of "Industrial Conciliation."

me si son, Sir Henry Enfield Roscoe, F.R.S., q.v.

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Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson, Bart., cr. 1899, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D., D.Sc., F.R.S.; held a succession of important offices, beginning with Inspector med. dep. Privy Council, 1860-65; superintendent Brown Institution, 1871-78; professor of physiology University Coll., Londom, 1874-82; in Oxford, 1882-95; president Brit. Assoc., 1893; regius professor of medicine at Oxford, 1895-1904; served on three Royal Commissions; author of many physiological memoirs.-["Who's Who."]

fa fa, Sir Thomas **Burdon**, Kt., several times Mayor of Newcastle, knighted for his services in quelling a riot.

me fa, Sir James **Sanderson**, Bart., M.P., Lord Mayor of London; a successful merchant.

fa, Richard Burdon-Sanderson, fellow of Oriel College, Oxford; graduated first class and gained Newdigate prize; was secretary to Lord Chancellor Eldon.

bro, Richard Burdon-Sanderson, the first promoter of the "conciliation board" of coal owners and colliers at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and of the first reformatory in Northumberland.

si son, Rt. Hon. Richard Burdon Haldane, P.C., M.P., high honours at Edinburgh and three other Scotch universities. Author of "Life of Adam Smith" and of memoirs on education.—["Who's Who."]

si son, John Scott Haldane, M.D., F.R.S. (b. 1860), university lecturer on physiology at Oxford; joint editor and founder of *Journal of Hygiene.*—["Who's Who."]

si da, Elisabeth Sanderson **Haïdane**, "Life of Professor Ferrier" and other works; promoter of education and of reforms in Scotland.

More distant kinsmen and connections.

fa me bro, John Scott, first Earl of Eldon (1751-1838), famous Lord Chancellor of England.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 49.]

fa me bro, William Scott, first Baron Stowell (1745-1836), eminent maritime and international lawyer; judge

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of High Court of Admiralty, 1798-1828.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 108.]

wife's bro, Farrer, first Lord Herschell, Lord Chancellor of England.

Charles Robert **Darwin**, F.R.S. (1809–1882), the celebrated naturalist. The dates of his works are "Voyage of the *Beagle*," 1840; "Origin of Species," 1859; followed by a succession of eight important volumes ranging from 1862 to 1881, each of which confirmed and extended his theory of evolution. Among the very numerous biographical memoirs it must suffice here to mention "Life and Letters," by Francis Darwin; and "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 72.

fa fa, Erasmus **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1731-1802), physician, poet and philosopher. Author of "Botanic Garden," "Zoonomia," and other works, in which he maintained a view of evolution subsequently expounded by Lamarck.—["Life," by Ch. Darwin, "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 84.]

fa, Robert Waring **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1766-1848), sagacious and distinguished physician, described by his son, Charles R. Darwin, as "the wisest man I ever knew."— ["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 10-20.]

fa bro, Charles **Darwin** (1758-1778), of extraordinary promise, gained first gold medal of Æsculapian Society for experimental research; died from a dissection wound, aged twenty; many obituary notices.—["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," I, 7.]

bro, Erasmus **Darwin**; see Carlyle's inexact description, and the appreciations of him by his brother and others, in "Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 21-25.

fa, $\frac{1}{2}$ si son, Francis **Galton**, F.R.S. (b. 1822), traveller and biometrician; gold medal R. Geograph. Soc., 1853; Royal medal, 1886, and Darwin medal, 1902, of the Royal Society.—[" Ency. Brit.," 28, 578; " Who's Who."]

me fa, Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S. (1730-1795), the

famous founder of the pottery works.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

me bro, Thomas **Wedgwood** (1771-1805), an experimenter in early life, and in one sense the first to create photography; a martyr to ill-health later. Sydney Smith knew "no man who appeared to have made such an impression on his friends," and his friends included many of the leading intellects of the day.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 146.]

wife's fa fa (she was her husband's fa bro dau), Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S.; see above.

wife's bro, Hensleigh **Wedgwood** (1803–1891), author of "Entomological Dictionary" and other works, partly mathematical.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

wife's bro dau, Julia Wedgwood, essayist.

son, George **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1845), second wrangler, 1868; Plumian professor of astronomy and experimental philosophy, Cambridge. Author of many papers in the *Philosophical Transactions* relating to tides, physical astronomy, and cognate subjects; president designate of British Association in 1905 at Cape Town.—[" Who's Who."]

son, Francis **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1848), botanist; biographer of his father; reader in physiological botany at Cambridge, 1876-1903. Author of botanical works and memoirs.—["Who's Who."]

son, Major Leonard **Darwin**, late R.E., second in the examination of his year for Woolwich; served on several scientific expeditions, including transit of Venus of 1874 and 1882; Staff Intelligence Dep. War Office, 1885–90; M.P. for Lichfield, 1892–95. Author of "Bimetallism," "Municipal Trade."—[" Who's Who."]

son, Horace **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1851), engineer and mechanician; joint founder of the Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company and its proprietor, but now a limited company, of which he is chairman.—[" Who's Who."]

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Sir Victor A. Haden Horsley, F.R.S., M.D. (b. 1857), eminent surgeon and operator; professor-superintendent of Brown Institution, 1884-90; professor of pathology University College, 1893-96.

fa fa, William Horsley, Mus. Bac., Oxford (1774-1858), musical composer, especially of glees, and writer on musical topics.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

me fa, Charles Thomas **Haden**, a rising London physician, who initiated a treatment for gout, much noted at the time; d. young in 1823.—[Unpublished information.]

fa, John Callcott Horsley, R.A., distinguished painter.

fa bro, Charles Edward **Horsley** (1822-1876), musical composer of oratorios; best known in America. Author of "Text-book of Harmony."-["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 381, and Grove's "Dict. of Music."]

me bro, Sir F. Seymour **Haden** (b. 1818), surgeon; a well known sanitarian, especially in respect to the disposal of the dead, and artist in respect to etching; founder and president of the R. Society of Painter Etchers; Grand Prix, Paris, 1889 and 1900; many publications.—[" Who's Who."]

fa si son, Isambard Brunel, Chancellor to the Diocese of Ely; ecclesiastical barrister.

Ancestors in more remote degrees.

fa me fa, John Wall **Callcott** (1766–1821), composer, mainly of glees and catches; published "Musical Grammar," 1806.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256, and Grove's "Dict. of Music."]

fa me fa bro, Sir Augustus Wall **Callcott**, R.A. (1779-1844), distinguished painter, mainly of landscapes; knighted, 1837.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256.]

me fa fa, Thomas **Haden**, the principal doctor in Derby, and of great influence in the town; was three times mayor. --[Unpublished information.]

wife, née Bramwell.

wife's fa, Sir Frederick **Bramwell**, Bart., F.R.S. (1818-1903), eminent engineer; president British Association, 1888; of Institution of Civil Engineers, 1884-5; hon. sec. Royal Institution.—["Who's Who."]

wife's fa bro, Lord Bramwell (1808-1892), Judge, 1856; Lord Justice, 1876-81; raised to peerage, 1882.-["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 1, 256.]

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me si son, Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, G.C.S.I., F.R.S., and pres. R.S., 1872-77 (b. 1817), eminent botanist and traveller; director of the Royal Gardens, Kew, 1855-65; naturalist to H.M.S. Erebus in Antarctic expedition, 1839-43; botanical travels in the Himalaya, 1847-51; Morocco and Atlas in 1871; California and Rocky Mts., 1877; many botanical publications.—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson Turner, F.R.S. (1775-1858), see Palgrave.

fa, Sir William Jackson **Hooker**, F.R.S. (1785-1865), eminent botanist; director of Kew Gardens, which he greatly extended and threw open to the public, and where he founded the museum of economic botany; was regius professor of botany at Glasgow, 1820; knighted in 1847; many botanical publications.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 296.]

me si sons, the four brothers Palgrave (see Palgrave).

Sir Clements R. Markham, K.C.B., F.R.S. (b. 1830), president for many years of the R. Geograph. Society; served in Arctic expedition, 1850–51; travelled in Peru, 1852–4, bringing thence cinchona-bearing trees for cultivation in India; Geographer to the Abyssinian expedition; author and editor of numerous geographical works.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, William Markham, scholar; secretary to Warren Hastings in India.

fa bro son, Lieut.-General Sir Edwin Markham, R.E., K.C.B. (b. 1833), constant active service.--["Who's Who."]

fa bro son, Admiral Sir Albert **Markham**, K.C.B. (b. 1841), commanded the *Alert* in Arctic Expedition, 1875-6; various high naval appointments, besides unprofessional work when unemployed on naval duties.— ["Who's Who."]

me bro son, Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Milner, Bart., P.C. (b. 1849), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Francis Foljambe, P.C. (b. 1830), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Sir Edwin **Egerton**, P.C., G.C.M.G. (b. 1841), Ambassador at Madrid, recently transferred to Paris.—["Who's Who."]

More distant kinsmen.

fa fa fa, William **Markham**, P.C. (1719–1807), Archbishop of York; one of the best scholars of the day; headmaster of Westminster School, 1753–65; preceptor to the Royal Princes, 1771; Archbishop and Lord High Almoner, 1777; denounced by Chatham for "pernicious" doctrines; his intemperate defence of Warren Hastings was brought before notice of Parliament.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 172.]

fa fa bro, Admiral John **Markham** (1761-1827), many services at sea; twice on Admiralty Board; M.P. for Portsmouth during seventeen years.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 171.]

fa fa bro, George Markham, Dean of York; scholar and numismatist.

Robert Harris Inglis **Palgrave**, F.R.S. (b. 1827), statistician; editor of the "Economist," also of "Dictionary of Political Economy."—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson **Turner**, F.R.S. (1775-1858), botanist and antiquary.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 57, 334.]

fa, Sir Francis **Palgrave** (1788–1861) (son of Meyer **Cohen**, adopted the surname Palgrave in 1823), historian; deputy keeper of H.M. Records, and assisted in their publication. Author of the "Rise and Progress of the English Commonwealth," 1832, and of other works; greatly promoted the study of mediæval history; knighted, 1832.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 107.]

me, Elizabeth, née Dawson **Turner**, greatly assisted her husband in his literary work.—[Unpublished information.]

me bro, Dawson William **Turner** (1815-1885), philanthropist and educational writer; Demy of Magdalen College, Oxford, D.C.L., 1862.

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bro, Francis Turner **Palgrave** (1824-1897), poet and art critic; professor of poetry at Oxford; editor of "Golden Lyrics"; author of many critical essays and other publications.--["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 242.]

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bro, W. Gifford **Palgrave** (1826-1888), traveller and diplomatist; at twenty years of age gained first class *lit.* hum. at Oxford, and second class math.; became Roman Catholic, and travelled as Jesuit missionary in Syria and Arabia, assuming disguise for the purpose. Author of "Journey through Eastern and Central Arabia." Severed his connection with the Jesuits in 1865, and thenceforward served as English diplomatist in various distant countries. -J" Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 109.]

bro, Sir Reginald F. **Palgrave**, K.C.B. (1829-1904), Clerk of the House of Commons. Author of the "Life of Cromwell," &c.-[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Sir Joseph Hooker, E.R.S. (see separate genealogy above).

Sir Henry Enfield **Roscoe**, F.R.S., Ph.D., LL.D., D.C.L., professor of chemistry Owens College, Manchester, 1857–87; president Society of Chemical Industry, 1881; of Chemical Society, 1882; M.P. for S. division of Manchester, 1885–95; president of Brit. Assoc., 1887; Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, 1896–1902; knighted, 1884; author of many memoirs and works on chemistry.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William **Roscoe** (1753-1831), historian, poet, and philanthropist; author of "Lives of Lorenzo de' Medici and of Leo X.," and of several volumes of verse; M.P. for Liverpool, 1806-7; promoter and first president of its Royal Institution.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa, Henry **Roscoe** (1800–1836), biographer, including life of his father.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 221.]

fa bro, Thomas **Roscoe** (1791-1871), miscellaneous writer and translator.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa bro, William Stanley Roscoc, poet.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa bro, Robert Roscoe, poet, "King Alfred."

me, Maria, née Fletcher, artist and authoress, "Life of Vittoria Colonna."

me si, Harriet Fletcher, authoress of "Tales for Children."

fa bro son, William Caldwell **Roscoe** (1822-59), poet and essayist.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa si son, William Stanley Jevons, F.R.S. (1835-1882), economist and logician; professor of logic and political economy at Owens College, 1866-79; at University College, London, 1876-80; influential writer.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 29, 374.]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Charles Booth, P.C., F.R.S., q.v.

Lieut.-General Sir Richard **Strachey**, R.E. (retired 1875), G.C.S.I., F.R.S., LL.D., Camb. Sec. Govt. Central Provinces of India during mutiny, 1857-8; public-works Sec. to Govt. of India, 1862; legislative member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1869-70; Member of Council of India, 1875-89; acting financial member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1878; Chairman of East Indian Rly. from 1889; Chairman of Meteorological Council from 1883; pres. R. Geograph. Soc., 1888-90; royal medal of Royal Society, 1897. *Publications*:—" Lectures on Geography "; "Finances and Public Works of India " (jointly with his brother, Sir John S.); various scientific memoirs.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in near degrees, ascending and collateral.

fa fa, Sir Henry **Strachey** (1736-1810), private sec. to Lord Clive in India; joint under-sec. of state for the Home department, 1782; cr. baronet, 1801; F.S.A.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

me fa, Lieut.-Gen. **Kirkpatrick** (1754-1812), orientalist; military sec. to Marquess Wellesley; Resident at Poona; translated Persian works, expert in Oriental tongues and

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in manners, customs and laws of India.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 31, 222.]

fa, Edward **Strachey** (1774-1832), chief examiner of correspondence to the India House, the other two being Peacock and James Mill (secretaries' work, writing despatches, &c.).

fa bro, Sir Henry **Strachey**, Bart. (1772-1858), distinguished Indian civilian, described by James Mill ("Hist. Brit. India," 6, ch. 6) as "the most intelligent of the Company's servants."

fa bro, Richard Strachey, Resident at Lucknow and Gwalior.

me si, Isabella Barbara **Buller**, well known in her day as a centre of literary and political society.

bro, Sir John **Strachey**, G.C.S.I., eminent Indian statesman; Lieut.-Governor of the N.W. Provinces; financial member of Gov. Gen.'s council; Member of Council of India. *Publications* :—" Finance and Public Works of India," 1882 (jointly with his brother, Sir Richard **S.**); " Hastings and the Rohilla War," 1892; " India," 1888, third ed., 1903.— [" Who's Who," 1904.]

bro, Colonel Henry Strachey, Thibetan explorer, gold medal of R. Geograph. Soc., 1852.

bro, Sir Edward **Strachey**, Bart. (d. 1904), author of "Hebrew Politics in the Time of Sargon and Sennacherib."

bro, George **Strachey** (1873-90), Chargé d'Affaires and Minister Resident at Dresden.

bro son, Sir Arthur **Strachey** (1858-1901) [son of Sir John **S.** and of Katherine, dau. of George **Batten**], Chief Justice Allahabad æt. 39, d. æt. 43.

bro son, John St. Loe **Strachey** (b. 1860) [son of Sir Edward **S.** and Mary, sister of John Addington **Symonds**, writer and critic], editor of the Spectator.—["Who's Who."]

me si son, Charles **Buller** (1806–1848), distinguished politician, sent as secretary with Lord Durham to Canada, 1838, Chief Poor-law Commissioner.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 7, 246.]

me si son, Sir Arthur **Buller**, judge of the Supreme Court, Calcutta.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in more remote degrees of ancestry.

fa fa bro, John **Strachey**, Archdeacon of Suffolk, Prebendary of Llandaff, preacher at the Rolls, LL.D. Camb., F.S.A.

fa fa fa fa, John **Strachey**, F.R.S. (1671-1743), geologist, said to have first suggested theory of stratification in his work "Observations on Different Strata of Earths and Minerals," 1727.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

Wife, and her kinsfolk, ascending and collateral.

wife, Jane Maria, née **Grant**, 2nd wife, authoress of "Lay Texts," "Poets on Poets," "Memoirs of a Highland Lady," &c.--["Who's Who," 1904.]

wife's fa fa, Sir J. P. Grant (1774–1848), Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Calcutta.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 22, 398.]

wife's fa, Sir J. P. **Grant**, G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (1807–1893), Indian and Colonial Governor; Member of Council; Lieut.-Governor of Central Provinces of India; Lieut.-Governor of Bengal; Governor of Jamaica (1866–1873).—[" Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 341.]

wife's me bro son, Sir Trevor Chichele Plowden, K.C.S.I., Resident at Kashmir, Hyderabad and Baghdad. wife's me bro son, Sir Henry Meredith Plowden, Senior

wife's me bro son, Sir Henry Meredith **Plowden**, Senior Judge of chief court, Punjab (1880-94).—["Who's Who," 1904.]

Descendants.

son, Giles Lytton Strachey, scholar Trin. Coll., Cambridge, Chancellor's medal for English verse.

son, Oliver Strachey, Eton scholarship.

son, James Beaumont **Strachey**, scholarship at St. Paul's School.

da, Joan Pernel **Strachey**, lecturer on old French at Royal Holloway College.

da, Marjorie Colvile **Strachey**, prize offered in 1904 by the British Ambassador in Paris to all undergraduates, male and female, of all colleges in Great Britain for examination in French; scholarship Royal Holloway College in 1904.

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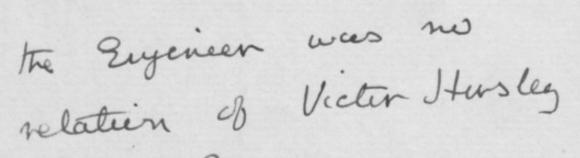
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PREFACE.

I T is now practically certain, from wide and exact observation, that the physical characters of all living beings, whether men, other animals, or plants, are subject approximately to the same hereditary laws. Also that mental qualities, such as ability and character, which are only partially measurable, follow the same laws as the physical and measurable ones.

The obvious result of this is that the experience gained in establishing improved breeds of domestic animals and plants is a safe guide to speculations on the theoretical possibility of establishing improved breeds of the human race.

It is not intended to enter here into such speculations, but to emphasise the undoubted fact that members of gifted families are, on the whole, appreciably more likely than the generality of their countrymen to produce gifted offspring.

No extensive collection exists of the biographies of Gifted Families, as distinguished from biographies of individuals; we are therefore without means of obtaining an idea of the distribution of ability in our very mixed race, incomparably more mixed than that of any domestic animal, where some conscious selection is always at work. We cannot tell, *a priori*, how far ability is sporadic at the present time, and how far it clusters in families. As a first attempt to supply the deficiency, both as to matter and form, I submit the present pamphlet, the result of inquiries made through a circular letter to all Fellows of the Royal

Society, as to the, "noteworthy" achievements of their near relatives. The standard of "noteworthiness " was defined as achievement in any occupation which was judged by the writer to be at least equal in dignity, among his fellows, to that of F.R.S. among men of science. It was the best standard I could think of; no one has as yet suggested a better, and notwithstanding its obvious faults it has served well. About half of the 367 fellows, or thereabouts, replied to my circular. Many of the replies were extremely interesting, and not a few were very jejune; still, I have collected enough material to be serviceable in many ways. I wrote a brief statistical article upon those I had received up to a certain date, in Nature on August 11. Evidence was there given that ability, as measured by achievement, tended in a marked degree to be a family characteristic. Besides these distinguished families there were others reputed to have a high level of ability whose members had nevertheless failed to achieve anything noteworthy; again, there were others in whom the ability was, in the language of horticulturists, a "sport": it was shared by none of the collaterals or ancestry, but, presumably like all sports, may be highly capable of producing its like in descent.

The difficulty of estimating the ability of women, who have few opportunities of displaying it in a measurable way, was partly met by asking for the achievements of the brothers of the females, which are comparable on equal terms with those of the brothers of males.

Having collected and discussed my material, the question arose how best to present the results so as to emphasise the fact that ability, as measured by achievement, is really clustered to a remarkable degree in certain families. Something more vivid was required

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than statistical figures; something in the nature of those family histories above mentioned. It was, however, difficult to give them, because, although no stipulation whatever was made in the circular letter of inquiry that the replies should be treated as private documents, I found that a feeling existed that such restriction was implied. I could not disregard this view without risking the accusation of breach of trust. At length I thought of the course that has been adopted here. It is to take the replies as guides only, and rarely to quote from them, restricting the mention of achievements to those that have already been published; to extract the account of them as a general rule, from publications where they appeared, and to give references as far as seemed reasonably desirable. The publications might be official or only local, but, as a matter of convenience, the references are in almost all cases either to the "Dictionary of National Biography" for deceased persons, and to "Who's Who" for living ones. A biography in the former is in itself a mark of distinction; it is so, but in a much less degree, in the latter. They both have the merit of giving detailed accounts of the achievements of the person in question, while the "Dictionary" gives full references to the memoirs and other sources whence the information in each article was derived.

The present pamphlet is styled an "Index," because it falls far short of being a collection of biographies, but it does much more than indicate families deserving of minute study, for it gives a fair idea of the quality of ability that dominates in each. This would be sufficient, if the collection were largely added to, to enable families to be sorted into different groups, according to their prevailing characteristic, each group being convenient for separate study. I could

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have added more pedigrees from the same source, but these will serve as a preliminary attempt to show the quality of material that exists, and a convenient form of treating it, which is the primary purpose of this small pamphlet.

The average number of kinsfolk in each degree should be borne in mind when reading the "Index." This was discussed by me in a paper in *Nature*, September 22. From that discussion I now conclude that the average numbers of near kinsmen who attain an age at which they would have achieved something noteworthy, if they possessed the necessary qualifications, would be roughly as follows :—grandfathers, 2 (I father's father and I mother's father); father, I; uncles, 2 (I father's brother and I mother's brother); brothers, I; first cousins, 4 (see table of abbreviations); making Io altogether. Sons and nephews are rarely taken into account here, because they usually had not attained a sufficient age to enable them to do justice to their potentialities.

Persons who have earned a place in the "Dictionary of National Biography" or even in "Who's Who" by virtue of their achievements are so enormously rarer than one in ten, that the appearance of one of them within the inner degrees of kinship of Fellows of the Royal Society would give a presumption of hereditary ability; but when, as in the families who are indexed here, an average of four of these noteworthy persons fall within those near degrees, the presumption grows into certainty.

The connection between achievement and ability is technically known as Correlation, though it be of a complex, entangled, and discontinuous kind. Still, it must be governed by the law that links every pair of systems of correlated variables. Let the members of one of the pair be called "subjects," and those of

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the other "Relatives"; then, although we can never guess beforehand what Relative will be associated with any particular subject, we can tell something about the group of Relatives that will be associated with any considerable number of *similar* subjects; namely, that the *average* of those Relatives will always be less exceptional than the subjects. In other words, *very high* achievement will, on the average, be associated with only *high* ability; *high* achievement with *moderately high* ability; *average* with *average*; *low* with *moderately low*; *very low* with *low*. It is as yet impossible to say much more than this in respect to achievement and ability.

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Brother bro	Sister 51
Son son	Daughter da
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TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS.

The kinships are reckoned from the person mentioned in the heading to the list, whom we may call P. Then fa bro means "P's father's brother is"; me si son means "P's mother's sister's son is."

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Arrangements are in progress for an inquiry into the Biographies of Modern Families, of every social grade, each of these families being distinguished, as a whole, for Ability, Character, or Physique.

Many persons have expressed interest in the progress of inquiries of this character. I hope, therefore, that some may be disposed to assist actively in procuring and sending information. Blank forms to receive the entries will be sent on application.

It will be assumed that free use may be made of the information that is furnished, unless otherwise stated.

FRANCIS GALTON.

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Rt. Hon. Charles **Booth**, P.C., F.R.S. (b, 1840, economist and statistician; president of the R. Statistical Society, 1892-4. Originated and carried through a cooperative inquiry in minute detail into the houses and occupations of the inhabitants of London, which resulted in the volumes "Life and Labour of the People of London"; author of memoirs on allied subjects.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, Thomas **Booth**, successful merchant and shipowner at Liverpool.

fa bro, Henry **Booth** (1788–1869), railway projector, cooperated with Stephenson in applying steam to locomotion, published much relating to railways, and invented mechanical contrivances still in use on railways; secretary and then railway director.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 5, 382.]

fa bro, James **Booth**, C.B. (1796–1880), Parliamentary draughtsman; became permanent secretary to the Board of Trade.

me si son, Charles **Crompton**, fourth wrangler, Q.C., and for some years M.P. for the Leek Division of Staffordshire.

me si son, Henry **Crompton**, a leader in the Positivist Community; authority on Trades Union law, and author of "Industrial Conciliation."

me si son, Sir Henry Enfield Roscoe, F.R.S., q.v.

'Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson, Bart., cr. 1899, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D., D.Sc., F.R.S.; held a succession of important offices, beginning with Inspector med. dep. Privy Council, 1860-65; superintendent Brown Institution, 1871-78; professor of physiology University Coll., London, 1874-82; in Oxford, 1882-95; president Brit. Assoc., 1893; regius professor of medicine at Oxford, 1895-1904; served on three Royal Commissions; author of many physiological memoirs.--["Who's Who."]

fa fa, Sir Thomas **Burdon**, Kt., several times Mayor of Newcastle, knighted for his services in quelling a riot.

me fa, Sir James Sanderson, Bart., M.P., Lord Mayor of London; a successful merchant.

fa, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, fellow of Oriel College, Oxford; graduated first class and gained Newdigate prize; was secretary to Lord Chancellor Eldon.

bro, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, the first promoter of the "conciliation board" of coal owners and colliers at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and of the first reformatory in Northumberland.

si son, Rt. Hon. Richard Burdon **Haldane**, P.C., M.P., high honours at Edinburgh and three other Scotch universities. Author of "Life of Adam Smith" and of memoirs on education.—["Who's Who."]

si son, John Scott Haldane, M.D., F.R.S. (b. 1860), university lecturer on physiology at Oxford; joint editor and founder of *Journal of Hygiene.*—["Who's Who."]

si da, Elisabeth Sanderson **Haldane**, "Life of Professor Ferrier" and other works; promoter of education and of reforms in Scotland.

More distant kinsmen and connections:

fa me bro, John Scott, first Earl of Eldon (1751-1838), famous Lord Chancellor of England.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 49-]

fa me bro, William Scott, first Baron Stowell (1745-1836), eminent maritime and international lawyer; judge

of High Court of Admiralty, 1798-1828.-["Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 108.]

wife's bro, Farrer, first Lord Herschell, Lord Chancellor of England.

Charles Robert **Darwin**, F.R.S. (1809–1882), the celebrated naturalist. The dates of his works are "Voyage of the *Beagle*," 1840; "Origin of Species," 1859; followed by a succession of eight important volumes ranging from 1862 to 1881, each of which confirmed and extended his theory of evolution. Among the very numerous biographical memoirs it must suffice here to mention "Life and Letters," by Francis Darwin; and "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 72.

fa fa, Erasmus **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1731-1802), physician, poet and philosopher. Author of "Botanic Garden," "Zoonomia," and other works, in which he maintained a view of evolution subsequently expounded by Lamarck.—["Life," by Ch. Darwin, "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 84.]

fa, Robert Waring **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1766–1848), sagacious and distinguished physician, described by his son, Charles R. Darwin, as "the wisest man I ever knew."— ["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 10–20.]

fa bro, Charles **Darwin** (1758–1778), of extraordinary promise, gained first gold medal of Æsculapian Society for experimental research; died from a dissection wound, aged twenty; many obituary notices.—["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," I, 7.]

bro, Erasmus **Darwin**; see Carlyle's inexact description, and the appreciations of him by his brother and others, in "Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 21-25.

fa, $\frac{1}{2}$ si son, Francis **Galton**, F.R.S. (b. 1822), traveller and biometrician; gold medal R. Geograph. Soc., 1853; Royal medal, 1886, and Darwin medal, 1902, of the Royal Society.—["Ency, Brit.," 28, 578; "Who's Who."]

me fa, Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S. (1730-1795), the

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famous founder of the pottery works.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

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me bro, Thomas **Wedgwood** (1771-1805), an experimenter in early life, and in one sense the first to create photography; a martyr to ill-health later. Sydney Smith knew "no man who appeared to have made such an impression on his friends," and his friends included many of the leading intellects of the day.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 146.]

wife's fa fa (she was her husband's fa bro dau), Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S.; see above.

wife's bro, Hensleigh Wedgwood (1803-1891), author of "Entomological Dictionary" and other works, partly mathematical.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

wife's bro dau, Julia Wedgwood, essayist.

son, George Darwin, F.R.S. (b. 1845), second wrangler, 1868; Plumian professor of astronomy and experimental philosophy, Cambridge. Author of many papers in the *Philosophical Transactions* relating to tides, physical astronomy, and cognate subjects; president designate of British Association in 1905 at Cape Town.—["Who's Who."]

son, Francis **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1848), botanist; biographer of his father; reader in physiological botany at Cambridge, 1876-1903. Author of botanical works and memoirs.—["Who's Who."]

son, Major Leonard **Darwin**, late R.E., second in the examination of his year for Woolwich; served on several scientific expeditions, including transit of Venus of 1874 and 1882; Staff Intelligence Dep. War Office, 1885-90; M.P. for Lichfield, 1892-95. Author of "Bimetallism," "Municipal Trade."—["Who's Who."]

son, Horace **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1851), engineer and mechanician; joint founder of the Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company and its proprietor, but now a limited company, of which he is chairman.—[" Who's Who."]

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Sir Victor A. Haden Horsley, F.R.S., M.D. (b. 1857), eminent surgeon and operator; professor-superintendent of Brown Institution, 1884-90; professor of pathology University College, 1893-96.

fa fa, William Horsley, Mus. Bac., Oxford (1774-1858), musical composer, especially of glees, and writer on musical topics.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

me fa, Charles Thomas **Haden**, a rising London physician, who initiated a treatment for gout, much noted at the time; d. young in 1823.—[Unpublished information.]

fa bro, Charles Edward Horsley (1822-1876), musical composer of oratorios; best known in America. Author of "Text-book of Harmony."-["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 381, and Grove's "Dict. of Music."]

me bro, Sir F. Seymour **Haden** (b. 1818), surgeon; a well known sanitarian, especially in respect to the disposal of the dead, and artist in respect to etching; founder and president of the R. Society of Painter Etchers; Grand Prix, Paris, 1889 and 1900; many publications.—[" Who's Who."]

fa si son, Isambard Brunel, Chancellor to the Diocese of Ely; ecclesiastical barrister.

Ancestors in more remote degrees.

- fa me fa, John Wall **Callcott** (1766–1821), composer, mainly of glees and catches; published "Musical Grammar," 1806.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256, and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

fa me fa bro, Sir Augustus Wall **Callcott**, R.A. (1779-1844), distinguished painter, mainly of landscapes; knighted, 1837.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256.]

me fa fa, Thomas **Haden**, the principal doctor in Derby, and of great influence in the town; was three times mayor. -[Unpublished information.]

wife, née Bramwell.

wife's fa, Sir Frederick **Bramwell**, Bart., F.R.S. (1818-1903), eminent engineer; president British Association, 1888; of Institution of Civil Engineers, 1884-5; hon. sec. Royal Institution.—[" Who's Who."]

wife's fa bro, Lord Bramwell (1808-1892), Judge, 1856; Lord Justice, 1876-81; raised to peerage, 1882.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 1, 256.]

me si son, Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, G.C.S.I., F.R.S., and pres. R.S., 1872-77 (b. 1817), eminent botanist and traveller; director of the Royal Gardens, Kew, 1855-65; naturalist to H.M.S. Erebus in Antarctic expedition, 1839-43; botanical travels in the Himalaya, 1847-51; Morocco and Atlas in 1871; California and Rocky Mts., 1877; many botanical publications.—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson Turner, F.R.S. (1775-1858), see Palgrave.

fa, Sir William Jackson **Hooker**, F.R.S. (1785-1865), eminent botanist; director of Kew Gardens, which he greatly extended and threw open to the public, and where he founded the museum of economic botany; was regius professor of botany at Glasgow, 1820; knighted in 1847; many botanical publications.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 296.]

me si sons, the four brothers Palgrave (see Palgrave).

Sir Clements R. Markham, K.C.B., F.R.S. (b. 1830), president for many years of the R. Geograph, Society; served in Arctic expedition, 1850–51; travelled in Peru, 1852–4, bringing thence cinchona-bearing trees for cultivation in India; Geographer to the Abyssinian expedition; author and editor of numerous geographical works.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William Markham, scholar; secretary to Warren Hastings in India.

fa bro son, Lieut.-General Sir Edwin Markham, R.E., K.C.B. (b. 1833), constant active service.-["Who's Who."]

fa bro son, Admiral Sir Albert Markham, K.C.B. (b. 1841), commanded the Alert in Arctic Expedition, 1875-6; various high naval appointments, besides unprofessional work when unemployed on naval duties.— ["Who's Who."]

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me bro son, Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Milner, Bart., P.C. (b. 1849), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Francis Foljambe, P.C. (b. 1830), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Sir Edwin **Egerton**, P.C., G.C.M.G. (b. 1841), Ambassador at Madrid, recently transferred to Paris.—["Who's Who."]

More distant kinsmen.

fa fa fa, William Markham, P.C. (1719-1807), Archbishop of York; one of the best scholars of the day; headmaster of Westminster School, 1753-65; preceptor to the Royal Princes, 1771; Archbishop and Lord High Almoner, 1777; denounced by Chatham for "pernicious" doctrines; his intemperate defence of Warren Hastings was brought before notice of Parliament.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 172.]

fa fa bro, Admiral John **Markham** (1761-1827), many services at sea; twice on Admiralty Board; M.P. for Portsmouth during seventeen years.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 171.]

fa fa bro, George Markham, Dean of York; scholar and numismatist.

Robert Harris Inglis **Palgrave**, F.R.S. (b. 1827), statistician; editor of the "Economist," also of "Dictionary of Political Economy."—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson **Turner**, F.R.S. (1775-1858), botanist and antiquary.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 57, 334.]

fa, Sir Francis **Palgrave** (1788–1861) (son of Meyer **Cohen**, adopted the surname Palgrave in 1823), historian; deputy keeper of H.M. Records, and assisted in their publication. Author of the "Rise and Progress of the English Commonwealth," 1832, and of other works; greatly promoted the study of mediaval history; knighted, 1832.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 107.]

me, Elizabeth, née Dawson **Turner**, greatly assisted her husband in his literary work.—[Unpublished information.]

me bro, Dawson William **Turner** (1815-1885), philanthropist and educational writer; Demy of Magdalen College, Oxford, D.C.L., 1862.

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bro, Francis Turner **Palgrave** (1824–1897), poet and art critic; professor of poetry at Oxford; editor of "Golden Lyrics"; author of many critical essays and other publications.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 242.]

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bro, W. Gifford **Palgrave** (1826–1888), traveller and diplomatist; at twenty years of age gained first class *lit. hum.* at Oxford, and second class *math.*; became Roman Catholic, and travelled as Jesuit missionary in Syria and Arabia, assuming disguise for the purpose. Author of "Journey through Eastern and Central Arabia." Severed his connection with the Jesuits in 1865, and thenceforward served as English diplomatist in various distant countries. -["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 109.]

bro, Sir Reginald F. **Palgrave**, K.C.B. (1829-1904), Clerk of the House of Commons. Author of the "Life of Cromwell," &c.--[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Sir Joseph Hooker, F.R.S. (see separate genealogy above).

Sir Henry Enfield **Roscoe**, F.R.S., Ph.D., LL.D., D.C.L., professor of chemistry Owens College, Manchester, 1857–87; president Society of Chemical Industry, 1881; of Chemical Society, 1882; M.P. for S. division of Manchester, 1885–95; president of Brit. Assoc., 1887; Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, 1896–1902; knighted, 1884; author of many memoirs and works on chemistry.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, William **Roscoe** (1753-1831), historian, poet, and philanthropist; author of "Lives of Lorenzo de' Medici and of Leo X.," and of several volumes of verse; M.P. for Liverpool, 1806-7; promoter and first president of its Royal Institution.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa, Henry **Roscoe** (1800–1836), biographer, including life of his father.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 221,]

fa bro, Thomas **Roscoe** (1791-1871), miscellaneous writer and translator.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa bro, William Stanley Roscoe, poet.-["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

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fa bro, Robert Roscoe, poet, " King Alfred."

me, Maria, née Fletcher, artist and authoress, "Life of Vittoria Colonna."

me si, Harriet Fletcher, authoress of "Tales for Children."

fa bro son, William Caldwell Roscoe (1822-59), poet and essayist.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

far si son, William Stanley Jevons, F.R.S. (1835-1882), economist and logician; professor of logic and political economy at Owens College, 1866-79; at University College, London, 1876-80; influential writer.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 29, 374.]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Charles Booth, P.C., F.R.S., q.v.

Lieut.-General Sir Richard **Strachey**, R.E. (retired 1875), G.C.S.I., F.R.S., LL.D. Camb. Sec. Govt. Central Provinces of India during mutiny, 1857–8; public-works Sec. to Govt. of India, 1862; legislative member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1869–70; Member of Council of India, 1875–89; acting financial member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1878; Chairman of East Indian Rly. from 1889; Chairman of Meteorological Council from 1883; pres. R. Geograph. Soc., 1888–90; royal medal of Royal Society, 1897. *Publications*:—⁴ Lectures on Geography "; "Finances and Public Works of India " (jointly with his brother, Sir John S.); various scientific memoirs.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in near degrees, ascending and collateral.

fa fa, Sir Henry **Strachey** (1736-1810), private sec. to Lord Clive in India; joint under-sec. of state for the Home department, 1782; cr. baronet, 1801; F.S.A.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

me fa, Lieut.-Gen. **Kirkpatrick** (1754-1812); orientalist; military sec. to Marquess Wellesley; Resident at Poona; translated Persian works, expert in Oriental tongues and in manners, customs and laws of India.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 31, 222.]

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fa, Edward **Strachey** (1774-1832), chief examiner of correspondence to the India House, the other two being Peacock and James Mill (secretaries' work, writing despatches, &c.).

fa bro, Sir Henry **Strachey**, Bart. (1772-1858), distinguished Indian civilian, described by James Mill ("Hist. Brit. India," 6, ch. 6) as "the most intelligent of the Company's servants."

fa bro, Richard **Strachey**, Resident at Lucknow and Gwalior.

me si, Isabella Barbara **Buller**, well known in her day as a centre of literary and political society.

bro, Sir John **Strachey**, G.C.S.I., eminent Indian statesman; Lieut.-Governor of the N.W. Provinces; financial member of Gov. Gen.'s council; Member of Council of India. *Publications* :—" Finance and Public Works of India," 1882 (jointly with his brother, Sir Richard **S.**); " Hastings and the Rohilla War," 1892; "India," 1888, third ed., 1903.— [" Who's Who," 1904.]

bro, Colonel Henry Strachey, Thibetan explorer, gold medal of R. Geograph. Soc., 1852.

bro, Sir Edward **Strachey**, Bart. (d. 1904), author of "Hebrew Politics in the Time of Sargon and Sennacherib."

bro, George **Strachey** (1873-90), Chargé d'Affaires and Minister Resident at Dresden.

bro son, Sir Arthur **Strachey** (1858–1901) [son of Sir John **S.** and of Katherine, dau. of George **Batten**], Chief Justice Allahabad æt. 39, d. æt. 43.

bro son, John St. Loe **Strachey** (b. 1860) [son of Sir Edward **S.** and Mary, sister of John Addington **Symonds**, writer and critic], editor of the Spectator.—["Who's Who."],

me si son, Charles **Buller** (1806–1848), distinguished politician, sent as secretary with Lord Durham to Canada, 1838, Chief Poor-law Commissioner.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 7, 246.]

me si son, Sir Arthur Buller, judge of the Supreme Court, Calcutta.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in more remote degrees of ancestry.

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fa fa bro, John **Strachey**, Archdeacon of Suffolk, Prebendary of Llandaff, preacher at the Rolls, LL.D. Camb., F.S.A.

fa fa fa fa, John **Strachey**, F.R.S. (1671-1743), geologist, said to have first suggested theory of stratification in his work "Observations on Different Strata of Earths and Minerals," 1727.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

Wife, and her kinsfolk, ascending and collateral.

wife, Jane Maria, née **Grant**, 2nd wife, authoress of "Lay Texts," "Poets on Poets," "Memoirs of a Highland Lady," &c.—["Who's Who," 1904.]

wife's fa fa, Sir J. P. Grant (1774–1848), Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Calcutta.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 22, 398.]

wife's fa, Sir J. P. **Grant,** G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (1807–1893), Indian and Colonial Governor; Member of Council; Lieut.-Governor of Central Provinces of India; Lieut.-Governor of Bengal; Governor of Jamaica (1866–1873).—[" Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 341.]

wife's me bro son, Sir Trevor Chichele Plowden, K.C.S.I., Resident at Kashmir, Hyderabad and Baghdad.

wife's me bro son, Sir Henry Meredith **Plowden**, Senior Judge of chief court, Punjab (1880-94).—["Who's Who," 1904.]

Descendants.

son, Giles Lytton **Strachey**, scholar Trin. Coll., Cambridge, Chancellor's medal for English verse.

son, Oliver Strachey, Eton scholarship.

son, James Beaumont **Strachey**, scholarship at St. Paul's School.

da, Joan Pernel **Strachey**, lecturer on old French at Royal Holloway College.

da, Marjorie Colvile **Strachey**, prize offered in 1904 by the British Ambassador in Paris to all undergraduates, male and female, of all colleges in Great Britain for examination in French; scholarship Royal Holloway College in 1904.

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PREFACE.

I T is now practically certain, from wide and exact observation, that the physical characters of all living beings, whether men, other animals, or plants, are subject approximately to the same hereditary laws. Also that mental qualities, such as ability and character, which are only partially measurable, follow the same laws as the physical and measurable ones.

The obvious result of this is that the experience gained in establishing improved breeds of domestic animals and plants is a safe guide to speculations on the theoretical possibility of establishing improved breeds of the human race.

It is not intended to enter here into such speculations, but to emphasise the undoubted fact that members of gifted families are, on the whole, appreciably more likely than the generality of their countrymen to produce gifted offspring.

No extensive collection exists of the biographies of Gifted Families, as distinguished from biographies of individuals; we are therefore without means of obtaining an idea of the distribution of ability in our very mixed race, incomparably more mixed than that of any domestic animal, where some conscious selection is always at work. We cannot tell, *a priori*, how far ability is sporadic at the present time, and how far it clusters in families. As a first attempt to supply the deficiency, both as to matter and form, I submit the present pamphlet, the result of inquiries made through a circular letter to all Fellows of the Royal

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Society, as to the "noteworthy" achievements of their near relatives. The standard of "noteworthiness " was defined as achievement in any occupation which was judged by the writer to be at least equal in dignity, among his fellows, to that of F.R.S. among men of science. It was the best standard I could think of; no one has as yet suggested a better, and notwithstanding its obvious faults it has served well. About half of the 367 fellows, or thereabouts, replied to my circular. Many of the replies were extremely interesting, and not a few were very jejune; still, I have collected enough material to be serviceable in many ways. I wrote a brief statistical article upon those I had received up to a certain date, in Nature on August 11. Evidence was there given that ability, as measured by achievement, tended in a marked degree to be a family characteristic. Besides these distinguished families there were others reputed to have a high level of ability whose members had nevertheless failed to achieve anything noteworthy; again, there were others in whom the ability was, in the language of horticulturists, a "sport"; it was shared by none of the collaterals or ancestry, but, presumably like all sports, may be highly capable of producing its like in descent.

The difficulty of estimating the ability of women, who have few opportunities of displaying it in a measurable way, was partly met by asking for the achievements of the brothers of the females, which are comparable on equal terms with those of the brothers of males.

Having collected and discussed my material, the question arose how best to present the results so as to emphasise the fact that ability, as measured by achievement, is really clustered to a remarkable degree in certain families. Something more vivid was required

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than statistical figures; something in the nature of those family histories above mentioned. It was, however, difficult to give them, because, although no stipulation whatever was made in the circular letter of inquiry that the replies should be treated as private documents, I found that a feeling existed that such restriction was implied. I could not disregard this view without risking the accusation of breach of trust. At length I thought of the course that has been adopted here. It is to take the replies as guides only, and rarely to quote from them, restricting the mention of achievements to those that have already been published; to extract the account of them as a general rule, from publications where they appeared, and to give references as far as seemed reasonably desirable. The publications might be official or only local, but, as a matter of convenience, the references are in almost all cases either to the "Dictionary of National Biography" for deceased persons, and to "Who's Who" for living ones. A biography in the former is in itself a mark of distinction; it is so, but in a much less degree, in the latter. They both have the merit of giving detailed accounts of the achievements of the person in question, while the "Dictionary" gives full references to the memoirs and other sources whence the information in each article was derived.

The present pamphlet is styled an "Index," because it falls far short of being a collection of biographies, but it does much more than indicate families deserving of minute study, for it gives a fair idea of the quality of ability that dominates in each. This would be sufficient, if the collection were largely added to, to enable families to be sorted into different groups, according to their prevailing characteristic, each group being convenient for separate study. I could

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have added more pedigrees from the same source, but these will serve as a preliminary attempt to show the quality of material that exists, and a convenient form of treating it, which is the primary purpose of this small pamphlet.

The average number of kinsfolk in each degree should be borne in mind when reading the "Index." This was discussed by me in a paper in *Nature*, September 22. From that discussion I now conclude that the average numbers of near kinsmen who attain an age at which they would have achieved something noteworthy, if they possessed the necessary qualifications, would be roughly as follows :—grandfathers, 2 (I father's father and I mother's father); father, I; uncles, 2 (I father's brother and I mother's brother); brothers, I; first cousins, 4 (see table of abbreviations); making IO altogether. Sons and nephews are rarely taken into account here, because they usually had not attained a sufficient age to enable them to do justice to their potentialities.

Persons who have earned a place in the "Dictionary of National Biography" or even in "Who's Who" by virtue of their achievements are so enormously rarer than one in ten, that the appearance of one of them within the inner degrees of kinship of Fellows of the Royal Society would give a presumption of hereditary ability; but when, as in the families who are indexed here, an average of four of these noteworthy persons fall within those near degrees, the presumption grows into certainty.

The connection between achievement and ability is technically known as Correlation, though it be of a complex, entangled, and discontinuous kind. Still, it must be governed by the law that links every pair of systems of correlated variables. Let the members of one of the pair be called "subjects," and those of

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the other "Relatives"; then, although we can never guess beforehand what Relative will be associated with any particular subject, we can tell something about the group of Relatives that will be associated with any considerable number of *similar* subjects; namely, that the *average* of those Relatives will always be less exceptional than the subjects. In other words, *very high* achievement will, on the average, be associated with only *high* ability; *high* achievement with *moderately high* ability; *average* with *average*; *low* with *moderately low*; *very low* with *low*. It is as yet impossible to say much more than this in respect to achievement and ability.

Males	Females
Grandfather paternal fa fa ", ", maternal me fa Father fa Uncle paternal fa bro ", maternal me bro Brother bro Son son Nephew brother's side bro son ", sister's side si son Male first cousins— I son of paternal uncle fa bro son 2 son of maternal uncle me bro son 3 son of paternal	Grandmother paternal me ,, ,, maternal me me Mother me Aunt paternal fa si ,, maternal me si
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TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS.

The kinships are reckoned from the person mentioned in the heading to the list, whom we may call P. Then fa bro means "P's father's brother is"; me si son means "P's mother's sister's son is."

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Arrangements are in progress for an inquiry into the Biographies of Modern Families, of every social grade, each of these families being distinguished, as a whole, for Ability, Character, or Physique.

Many persons have expressed interest in the progress of inquiries of this character. I hope, therefore, that some may be disposed to assist actively in procuring and sending information. Blank forms to receive the entries will be sent on application.

It will be assumed that free use may be made of the information that is furnished, unless otherwise stated.

FRANCIS GALTON.

42 RUTLAND GATE, S.W. October, 1904.

INDEX TO ACHIEVEMENTS OF NEAR KINSFOLK OF SOME OF THE FELLOWS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

Rt. Hon. Charles **Booth**, P.C., F.R.S. (b, 1840, economist and statistician; president of the R. Statistical Society, 1892-4. Originated and carried through a cooperative inquiry in minute detail into the houses and occupations of the inhabitants of London, which resulted in the volumes "Life and Labour of the People of London"; author of memoirs on allied subjects.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, Thomas **Booth**, successful merchant and shipowner at Liverpool.

Ja bro, Henry **Booth** (1788–1869), railway projector, cooperated with Stephenson in applying steam to locomotion, published much relating to railways, and invented mechanical contrivances still in use on railways; secretary and then railway director.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 5, 382.]

fa bro, James **Booth**, C.B. (1796-1880), Parliamentary draughtsman; became permanent secretary to the Board of Trade.

me si son, Charles **Crompton**, fourth wrangler, Q.C., and for some years M.P. for the Leek Division of Stafford-shire.

me si son, Henry **Crompton**, a leader in the Positivist Community; authority on Trades Union law, and author of "Industrial Conciliation."

me si son, Sir Henry Enfield Roscoe, F.R.S., q.v.

Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson, Bart., cr. 1899, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D., D.Sc., F.R.S.; held a succession of important offices, beginning with Inspector med. dep. Privy Council, 1860-65; superintendent Brown Institution, 1871-78; professor of physiology University Coll., London, 1874-82; in Oxford, 1882-95; president Brit. Assoc., 1893; regius professor of medicine at Oxford, 1895-1904; served on three Royal Commissions; author of many physiological memoirs.—["Who's Who."]

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fa fa, Sir Thomas **Burdon**, Kt., several times Mayor of Newcastle, knighted for his services in quelling a riot.

me fa, Sir James **Sanderson**, Bart., M.P., Lord Mayor of London; a successful merchant.

fa, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, fellow of Oriel College, Oxford; graduated first class and gained Newdigate prize; was secretary to Lord Chancellor Eldon.

bro, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, the first promoter of the "conciliation board" of coal owners and colliers at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and of the first reformatory in Northumberland.

si son, Rt. Hon. Richard Burdon Haldane, P.C., M.P., high honours at Edinburgh and three other Scotch universities. Author of "Life of Adam Smith" and of memoirs on education.—["Who's Who."]

si son, John Scott Haldane, M.D., F.R.S. (b. 1860), university lecturer on physiology at Oxford; joint editor and founder of *Journal of Hygiene.*—["Who's Who."]

si da, Elisabeth Sanderson **Haldane**, "Life of Professor Ferrier" and other works; promoter of education and of reforms in Scotland.

More distant kinsmen and connections.

fa me bro, John Scott, first Earl of Eldon (1751-1838), famous Lord Chancellor of England.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 49.]

fa me bro, William Scott, first Baron Stowell (1745-1836), eminent maritime and international lawyer; judge

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of High Court of Admiralty, 1798-1828.-[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 108.]

wife's bro, Farrer, first Lord Herschell, Lord Chancellor of England.

Charles Robert **Darwin**, F.R.S. (1809–1882), the celebrated naturalist. The dates of his works are "Voyage of the *Beagle*," 1840; "Origin of Species," 1859; followed by a succession of eight important volumes ranging from 1862 to 1881, each of which confirmed and extended his theory of evolution. Among the very numerous biographical memoirs it must suffice here to mention "Life and Letters," by Francis Darwin; and "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 72.

fa fa, Erasmus **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1731-1802), physician, poet and philosopher. Author of "Botanic Garden," "Zoonomia," and other works, in which he maintained a view of evolution subsequently expounded by Lamarck.—["Life," by Ch. Darwin, "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 84.]

fa, Robert Waring **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1766-1848), sagacious and distinguished physician, described by his son, Charles R. Darwin, as "the wisest man I ever knew."— ["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 10-20.]

fa bro, Charles **Darwin** (1758–1778), of extraordinary promise, gained first gold medal of Æsculapian Society for experimental research; died from a dissection wound, aged twenty; many obituary notices.—["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 7.]

bro, Erasmus **Darwin**; see Carlyle's inexact description, and the appreciations of him by his brother and others, in "Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 21-25.

fa, $\frac{1}{2}$ si son, Francis **Galton**, F.R.S. (b. 1822), traveller and biometrician; gold medal R. Geograph. Soc., 1853; Royal medal, 1886, and Darwin medal, 1902, of the Royal Society.—[" Ency. Brit.," 28, 578; "Who's Who."]

me fa, Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S. (1730-1795), the

famous founder of the pottery works.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

me bro, Thomas **Wedgwood** (1771-1805), an experimenter in early life, and in one sense the first to create photography; a martyr to ill-health later. Sydney Smith knew "no man who appeared to have made such an impression on his friends," and his friends included many of the leading intellects of the day.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 146.]

wife's fa fa (she was her husband's fa bro dau), Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S.; see above.

wife's bro, Hensleigh **Wedgwood** (1803-1891), author of "Entomological Dictionary" and other works, partly mathematical.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

wife's bro dau, Julia Wedgwood, essayist.

son, George **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1845), second wrangler, 1868; Plumian professor of astronomy and experimental philosophy, Cambridge. Author of many papers in the *Philosophical Transactions* relating to tides, physical astronomy, and cognate subjects; president designate of British Association in 1905 at Cape Town.—[" Who's Who."]

son, Francis **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1848), botanist; biographer of his father; reader in physiological botany at Cambridge, 1876-1903. Author of botanical works and memoirs.—[" Who's Who."]

son, Major Leonard **Darwin**, late R.E., second in the examination of his year for Woolwich; served on several scientific expeditions, including transit of Venus of 1874 and 1882; Staff Intelligence Dep. War Office, 1885-90; M.P. for Lichfield, 1892-95. Author of "Bimetallism," "Municipal Trade."--[" Who's Who."]

son, Horace **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1851), engineer and mechanician; joint founder of the Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company and its proprietor, but now a limited company, of which he is chairman.—[" Who's Who."]

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Sir Victor A. Haden Horsley, F.R.S., M.D. (b. 1857), eminent surgeon and operator; professor-superintendent of Brown Institution, 1884-90; professor of pathology University College, 1893-96.

fa fa, William Horsley, Mus. Bac., Oxford (1774-1858), musical composer, especially of glees, and writer on musical topics.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

me fa, Charles Thomas **Haden**, a rising London physician, who initiated a treatment for gout, much noted at the time; d. young in 1823.—[Unpublished information.]

fa, John Callcott Horsley, R.A., distinguished painter.-

fa bro, Charles Edward Horsley (1822-1876), musical composer of oratorios; best known in America. Author of "Text-book of Harmony."-["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 381, and Grove's "Dict. of Music."]

me bro, Sir F. Seymour **Haden** (b. 1818), surgeon; a well known sanitarian, especially in respect to the disposal of the dead, and artist in respect to etching; founder and president of the R. Society of Painter Etchers; Grand Prix, Paris, 1889 and 1900; many publications.—[" Who's Who."]

fa si son, Isambard Brunel, Chancellor to the Diocese of Ely; ecclesiastical barrister.

Ancestors in more remote degrees.

fa me fa, John Wall **Callcott** (1766-1821), composer, mainly of glees and catches; published "Musical Grammar," 1806.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256, and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

fa me fa bro, Sir Augustus Wall **Callcott**, R.A. (1779-1844), distinguished painter, mainly of landscapes; knighted, 1837.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256.]

me fa fa, Thomas **Haden**, the principal doctor in Derby, and of great influence in the town; was three times mayor. -[Unpublished information.]

wife, née Bramwell.

wife's fa, Sir Frederick **Bramwell**, Bart., F.R.S. (1818-1903), eminent engineer; president British Association, 1888; of Institution of Civil Engineers, 1884-5; hon. sec. Royal Institution.—["Who's Who."]

wife's fa bro, Lord Bramwell (1808-1892), Judge, 1856; Lord Justice, 1876-81; raised to peerage, 1882.-["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 1, 256.]

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me si son, Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, G.C.S.I., F.R.S., and pres. R.S., 1872-77 (b. 1817), eminent botanist and traveller; director of the Royal Gardens, Kew, 1855-65; naturalist to H.M.S. Erebus in Antarctic expedition, 1839-43; botanical travels in the Himalaya, 1847-51; Morocco and Atlas in 1871; California and Rocky Mts., 1877; many botanical publications.-[" Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson Turner, F.R.S. (1775-1858), see Palgrave.

fa, Sir William Jackson **Hooker**, F.R.S. (1785-1865), eminent botanist; director of Kew Gardens, which he greatly extended and threw open to the public, and where he founded the museum of economic botany; was regius professor of botany at Glasgow, 1820; knighted in 1847; many botanical publications.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 296.]

me si sons, the four brothers Palgrave (see Palgrave).

Sir Clements R. Markham, K.C.B., F.R.S. (b. 1830), president for many years of the R. Geograph. Society; served in Arctic expedition, 1850–51; travelled in Peru, 1852–4, bringing thence cinchona-bearing trees for cultivation in India; Geographer to the Abyssinian expedition; author and editor of numerous geographical works.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William Markham, scholar; secretary to Warren Hastings in India.

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fa bro son, Lieut.-General Sir Edwin Markham, R.E., K.C.B. (b. 1833), constant active service.—["Who's Who."]

fa bro son, Admiral Sir Albert Markham, K.C.B. (b. 1841), commanded the Alert in Arctic Expedition, 1875-6; various high naval appointments, besides unprofessional work when unemployed on naval duties.— ["Who's Who."]

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me bro son, Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Milner, Bart., P.C. (b. 1849), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Francis Foljambe, P.C. (b. 1830), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Sir Edwin **Egerton**, P.C., G.C.M.G. (b. 1841), Ambassador at Madrid, recently transferred to Paris.—["Who's Who."]

More distant kinsmen.

fa fa fa, William Markham, P.C. (1719-1807), Archbishop of York; one of the best scholars of the day; headmaster of Westminster School, 1753=65; preceptor to the Royal Princes, 1771; Archbishop and Lord High Almoner, 1777; denounced by Chatham for "pernicious" doctrines; his intemperate defence of Warren Hastings was brought before notice of Parliament - ["Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 172.]

fa fa bro, Admiral John Markham (1761-1827), many services at sea; twice on Admiralty Board; M.P. for Portsmouth during seventeen years. ["Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 171.]

fa fa bro, George Markham, Dean of York; scholar and numismatist.

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Robert Harris Inglis **Palgrave**, F.R.S. (b. 1827), statistician; editor of the "Economist," also of "Dictionary of Political Economy."—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson **Turner**, F.R.S. (1775-1858), botanist and antiquary.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 57, 334.]

fa, Sir Francis **Palgrave** (1788–1861) (son of Meyer **Cohen**, adopted the surname Palgrave in 1823), historian; deputy keeper of H.M. Records, and assisted in their publication. Author of the "Rise and Progress of the English Commonwealth," 1832, and of other works; greatly promoted the study of mediæval history; knighted, 1832.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 107.]

me, Elizabeth, née Dawson **Turner**, greatly assisted her husband in his literary work.—[Unpublished information.]

me bro, Dawson William **Turner** (1815-1885), philanthropist and educational writer; Demy of Magdalen College, Oxford, D.C.L., 1862.

bro, Francis Turner **Palgrave** (1824-1897), poet and art critic; professor of poetry at Oxford; editor of "Golden Lyrics"; author of many critical essays and other publications.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 242.]

bro, W. Gifford **Palgrave** (1826-1888), traveller and diplomatist; at twenty years of age gained first class *lit.* hum. at Oxford, and second class math.; became Roman Catholic, and travelled as Jesuit missionary in Syria and Arabia, assuming disguise for the purpose. Author of "Journey through Eastern and Central Arabia." Severed his connection with the Jesuits in 1865, and thenceforward served as English diplomatist in various distant countries. -["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 109.]

bro, Sir Reginald F. **Palgrave**, K.C.B. (1829-1904), Clerk of the House of Commons. Author of the "Life of Cromwell," &c.-[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Sir Joseph Hooker, F.R.S. (see separate genealogy above).

Sir Henry Enfield **Roscoe**, F.R.S., Ph.D., LL.D., D.C.L., professor of chemistry Owens College, Manchester, 1857–87; president Society of Chemical Industry, 1881; of Chemical Society, 1882; M.P. for S. division of Manchester, 1885–95; president of Brit. Assoc., 1887; Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, 1896–1902; knighted, 1884; author of many memoirs and works on chemistry.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William **Roscoe** (1753-1831), historian, poet, and philanthropist; author of "Lives of Lorenzo de' Medici and of Leo X.," and of several volumes of verse; M.P. for Liverpool, 1806-7; promoter and first president of its Royal Institution.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa, Henry **Roscoe** (1800–1836), biographer, including life of his father.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 221.]

fa bro, Thomas **Roscoe** (1791-1871), miscellaneous writer and translator.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa bro, William Stanley Roscoe, poet.-["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa bro, Robert Roscoe, poet, "King Alfred."

me, Maria, née Fletcher, artist and authoress, "Life of Vittoria Colonna."

me si, Harriet Fletcher, authoress of "Tales for Children."

fa bro son, William Caldwell **Roscoe** (1822-59), poet and essayist.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa si son, William Stanley Jevons, F.R.S. (1835-1882), economist and logician; professor of logic and political economy at Owens College, 1866-79; at University College, London, 1876-80; influential writer.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 29, 374.]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Charles Booth, P.C., F.R.S., q.v.

Lieut.-General Sir Richard **Strachey**, R.E. (retired 1875), G.C.S.I., F.R.S., LL.D. Camb. Sec. Govt. Central Provinces of India during mutiny, 1857-8; public-works Sec. to Govt. of India, 1862; legislative member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1869-70; Member of Council of India, 1875-89; acting financial member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1878; Chairman of East Indian Rly. from 1889; Chairman of Meteorological Council from 1883; pres. R. Geograph. Soc., 1888-90; royal medal of Royal Society, 1897. *Publications*:—" Lectures on Geography "; "Finances and Public Works of India " (jointly with his brother, Sir John S.); various scientific memoirs.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in near degrees, ascending and collateral.

fa fa, Sir Henry **Strachey** (1736-1810), private sec. to Lord Clive in India; joint under-sec. of state for the Home department, 1782; cr. baronet, 1801; F.S.A.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

me fa, Lieut.-Gen. Kirkpatrick (1754-1812), orientalist; military sec. to Marquess Wellesley; Resident at Poona; translated Persian works, expert in Oriental tongues and

in manners, customs and laws of India.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 31, 222.]

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fa, Edward **Strachey** (1774-1832), chief examiner of correspondence to the India House, the other two being Peacock and James Mill (secretaries' work, writing despatches, &c.).

fa bro, Sir Henry **Strachey**, Bart. (1772-1858), distinguished Indian civilian, described by James Mill ("Hist. Brit. India," 6, ch. 6) as "the most intelligent of the Company's servants."

fa bro, Richard Strachey, Resident at Lucknow and Gwalior.

me si, Isabella Barbara **Buller**, well known in her day as a centre of literary and political society.

bro, Sir John **Strachey**, G.C.S.I., eminent Indian statesman; Lieut.-Governor of the N.W. Provinces; financial member of Gov. Gen.'s council; Member of Council of India. *Publications* :—" Finance and Public Works of India," 1882 (jointly with his brother, Sir Richard **S**.); " Hastings and the Rohilla War," 1892; "India," 1888, third ed., 1903.— [" Who's Who," 1904.]

bro, Colonel Henry Strachey, Thibetan explorer, gold medal of R. Geograph. Soc., 1852.

bro, Sir Edward Strachey, Bart. (d. 1904), author of "Hebrew Politics in the Time of Sargon and Sennacherib."

bro, George Strachey (1873-90), Chargé d'Affaires and Minister Resident at Dresden.

bro son, Sir Arthur **Strachey** (1858-1901) [son of Sir John **S.** and of Katherine, dau. of George **Batten**], Chief Justice Allahabad æt. 39, d. æt. 43.

bro son, John St. Loe **Strachey** (b. 1860) [son of Sir Edward **S.** and Mary, sister of John Addington **Symonds**, writer and critic], editor of the Spectator.—[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Charles **Buller** (1806-1848), distinguished politician, sent as secretary with Lord Durham to Canada, 1838, Chief Poor-law Commissioner.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 7, 246.]

me si son, Sir Arthur Buller, judge of the Supreme Court, Calcutta.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in more remote degrees of ancestry.

fa fa bro, John Strachey, Archdeacon of Suffolk, Prebendary of Llandaff, preacher at the Rolls, LL.D. Camb., F.S.A.

fa fa fa fa, John **Strachey**, F.R.S. (1671-1743), geologist, said to have first suggested theory of stratification in his work "Observations on Different Strata of Earths and Minerals," 1727.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

Wife, and her kinsfolk, ascending and collateral.

wife, Jane Maria, née Grant, 2nd wife, authoress of "Lay Texts," "Poets on Poets," "Memoirs of a Highland Lady," &c.--["Who's Who," 1904.]

wife's fa fa, Sir J. P. Grant (1774-1848), Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Calcutta.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 22, 398.]

wife's fa, Sir J. P. **Grant**, G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (1807–1893), Indian and Colonial Governor; Member of Council; Lieut.-Governor of Central Provinces of India; Lieut.-Governor of Bengal; Governor of Jamaica (1866–1873).—[" Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 341.]

wife's me bro son, Sir Trevor Chichele Plowden, K.C.S.I., Resident at Kashmir, Hyderabad and Baghdad.

wife's me bro son, Sir Henry Meredith Plowden, Senior Judge of chief court, Punjab (1880-94).--["Who's Who," 1904.]

Descendants.

son, Giles Lytton Strachey, scholar Trin. Coll., Cambridge, Chancellor's medal for English verse.

son, Oliver Strachey, Eton scholarship.

son, James Beaumont **Strachey**, scholarship at St. Paul's School.

da, Joan Pernel **Strachey**, lecturer on old French at Royal Holloway College.

da, Marjorie Colvile **Strachey**, prize offered in 1904 by the British Ambassador in Paris to all undergraduates, male and female, of all colleges in Great Britain for examination in French; scholarship Royal Holloway College in 1904.

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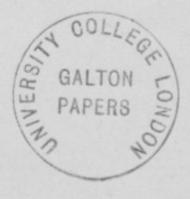
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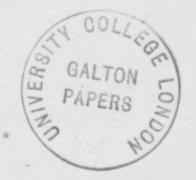
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PREFACE.

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I T is now practically certain, from wide and exact observation, that the physical characters of all living beings, whether men, other animals, or plants, are subject approximately to the same hereditary laws. Also that mental qualities, such as ability and character, which are only partially measurable, follow the same laws as the physical and measurable ones.

The obvious result of this is that the experience gained in establishing improved breeds of domestic animals and plants is a safe guide to speculations on the theoretical possibility of establishing improved breeds of the human race.

It is not intended to enter here into such speculations, but to emphasise the undoubted fact that members of gifted families are, on the whole, appreciably more likely than the generality of their countrymen to produce gifted offspring.

No extensive collection exists of the biographies of Gifted Families, as distinguished from biographies of individuals; we are therefore without means of obtaining an idea of the distribution of ability in our very mixed race, incomparably more mixed than that of any domestic animal, where some conscious selection is always at work. We cannot tell, *a priori*, how far ability is sporadic at the present time, and how far it clusters in families. As a first attempt to supply the deficiency, both as to matter and form, I submit the present pamphlet, the result of inquiries made through a circular letter to all Fellows of the Royal

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Society, as to the "noteworthy" achievements of their near relatives. The standard of "noteworthiness " was defined as achievement in any occupation which was judged by the writer to be at least equal in dignity, among his fellows, to that of F.R.S. among men of science. It was the best standard I could think of; no one has as yet suggested a better, and notwithstanding its obvious faults it has served well. About half of the 367 fellows, or thereabouts, replied to my circular. Many of the replies were extremely interesting, and not a few were very jejune; still, I have collected enough material to be serviceable in many ways. I wrote a brief statistical article upon those I had received up to a certain date, in Nature on August 11. Evidence was there given that ability, as measured by achievement, tended in a marked degree to be a family characteristic. Besides these distinguished families there were others reputed to have a high level of ability whose members had nevertheless failed to achieve anything noteworthy; again, there were others in whom the ability was, in the language of horticulturists, a "sport"; it was shared by none of the collaterals or ancestry, but, presumably like all sports, may be highly capable of producing its like in descent.

The difficulty of estimating the ability of women, who have few opportunities of displaying it in a measurable way, was partly met by asking for the achievements of the brothers of the females, which are comparable on equal terms with those of the brothers of males.

Having collected and discussed my material, the question arose how best to present the results so as to emphasise the fact that ability, as measured by achievement, is really clustered to a remarkable degree in certain families. Something more vivid was required

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than statistical figures; something in the nature of those family histories above mentioned. It was, however, difficult to give them, because, although no stipulation whatever was made in the circular letter of inquiry that the replies should be treated as private documents, I found that a feeling existed that such restriction was implied. I could not disregard this view without risking the accusation of breach of trust. At length I thought of the course that has been adopted here. It is to take the replies as guides only, and rarely to quote from them, restricting the mention of achievements to those that have already been published; to extract the account of them as a general rule, from publications where they appeared, and to give references as far as seemed reasonably desirable. The publications might be official or only local, but, as a matter of convenience, the references are in almost all cases either to the "Dictionary of National Biography" for deceased persons, and to "Who's Who" for living ones. A biography in the former is in itself a mark of distinction; it is so, but in a much less degree, in the latter. They both have the merit of giving detailed accounts of the achievements of the person in question, while the "Dictionary" gives full references to the memoirs and other sources whence the information in each article was derived.

The present pamphlet is styled an "Index," because it falls far short of being a collection of biographies, but it does much more than indicate families deserving of minute study, for it gives a fair idea of the quality of ability that dominates in each. This would be sufficient, if the collection were largely added to, to enable families to be sorted into different groups, according to their prevailing characteristic, each group being convenient for separate study. I could

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have added more pedigrees from the same source, but these will serve as a preliminary attempt to show the quality of material that exists, and a convenient form of treating it, which is the primary purpose of this small pamphlet.

The average number of kinsfolk in each degree should be borne in mind when reading the "Index." This was discussed by me in a paper in *Nature*, September 22. From that discussion I now conclude that the average numbers of near kinsmen who attain an age at which they would have achieved something noteworthy, if they possessed the necessary qualifications, would be roughly as follows :—grandfathers, 2 (I father's father and I mother's father); father, 1; uncles, 2 (I father's brother and I mother's brother); brothers, 1; first cousins, 4 (see table of abbreviations); making IO altogether. Sons and nephews are rarely taken into account here, because they usually had not attained a sufficient age to enable them to do justice to their potentialities.

Persons who have earned a place in the "Dictionary of National Biography" or even in "Who's Who" by virtue of their achievements are so enormously rarer than one in ten, that the appearance of one of them within the inner degrees of kinship of Fellows of the Royal Society would give a presumption of hereditary ability; but when, as in the families who are indexed here, an average of four of these noteworthy persons fall within those near degrees, the presumption grows into certainty.

The connection between achievement and ability is technically known as Correlation, though it be of a complex, entangled, and discontinuous kind. Still, it must be governed by the law that links every pair of systems of correlated variables. Let the members of one of the pair be called "subjects," and those of

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the other "Relatives"; then, although we can never guess beforehand what Relative will be associated with any particular subject, we can tell something about the group of Relatives that will be associated with any considerable number of *similar* subjects; namely, that the *average* of those Relatives will always be less exceptional than the subjects. In other words, *very high* achievement will, on the average, be associated with only *high* ability; *high* achievement with *moderately high* ability; *average* with *average*; *low* with *moderately low*; *very low* with *low*. It is as yet impossible to say much more than this in respect to achievement and ability.

Males	Females
Grandfather paternal fa fa ,, ,, maternal me fa Father fa Uncle paternal fa bro ,, maternal me bro Brother bro Son son Nephew brother's side bro son ,, sister's side si son Male first cousins— I son of paternal	Grandmother paternal me ", ", maternal me me Mother me Aunt paternal fa su ", maternal fa su ", maternal me su Sister su Daughter da Niece brother's side bro da ", sister's side si da Female first cousin— I dau. of paternal
uncle <i>fa bro son</i>	uncle fa bro da
2 son of maternal	2 dau. of maternal
uncle me bro son	uncle me bro da
3 son of paternal	3 dau. of paternal
nt fa si son	aunt fa si da
4 son of maternal	4 dau. of maternal
aunt me si son	aunt me si da

TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS.

The kinships are reckoned from the person mentioned in the heading to the list, whom we may call P. Then fa bro means "P's father's brother is"; me si son means "P's mother's sister's son is."

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Arrangements are in progress for an inquiry into the Biographies of Modern Families, of every social grade, each of these families being distinguished, *as a whole*, for Ability, Character, or Physique.

Many persons have expressed interest in the progress of inquiries of this character. I hope, therefore, that some may be disposed to assist actively in procuring and sending information. Blank forms to receive the entries will be sent on application.

It will be assumed that free use may be made of the information that is furnished, unless otherwise stated.

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Rt. Hon.' Charles **Booth**, P.C., F.R.S. (b, 1840, economist and statistician; president of the R. Statistical Society, 1892-4. Originated and carried through a cooperative inquiry in minute detail into the houses and occupations of the inhabitants of London, which resulted in the volumes "Life and Labour of the People of London"; author of memoirs on allied subjects.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, Thomas **Booth**, successful merchant and shipowner at Liverpool.

fa bro, Henry **Booth** (1788–1869), railway projector, cooperated with Stephenson in applying steam to locomotion, published much relating to railways, and invented mechanical contrivances still in use on railways; secretary and then railway director.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 5, 382.]

fa bro, James **Booth**, C.B. (1796–1880), Parliamentary draughtsman; became permanent secretary to the Board of Trade.

me si son, Charles **Crompton**, fourth wrangler, Q.C., and for some years M.P. for the Leek Division of Staffordshire.

me si son, Henry **Crompton**, a leader in the Positivist Community; authority on Trades Union law, and author of "Industrial Conciliation."

me si son, Sir Henry Enfield Roscoe, F.R.S., q.v.

Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson, Bart., cr. 1899, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D., D.Sc., F.R.S.; held a succession of important offices, beginning with Inspector med. dep. Privy Council, 1860–65; superintendent Brown Institution, 1871–78; professor of physiology University Coll., London, 1874–82; in Oxford, 1882–95; president Brit. Assoc., 1893; regius professor of medicine at Oxford, 1895–1904; served on three Royal Commissions; author of many physiological memoirs.—["Who's Who."]

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fa fa, Sir Thomas **Burdon**, Kt., several times Mayor of Newcastle, knighted for his services in quelling a riot.

me fa, Sir James Sanderson, Bart., M.P., Lord Mayor of London; a successful merchant.

fa, Rîchard **Burdon-Sanderson**, fellow of Oriel College, Oxford; graduated first class and gained Newdigate prize; was secretary to Lord Chancellor Eldon.

bro, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, the first promoter of the "conciliation board" of coal owners and colliers at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and of the first reformatory in Northumberland.

si son, Rt. Hon. Richard Burdon **Haldane**, P.C., M.P., high honours at Edinburgh and three other Scotch universities. Author of "Life of Adam Smith" and of memoirs on education.—["Who's Who."]

si son, John Scott Haldane, M.D., F.R.S. (b. 1860), university lecturer on physiology at Oxford; joint editor and founder of *Journal of Hygiene.*—["Who's Who."]

si da, Elisabeth Sanderson **Haldane**, "Life of Professor Ferrier" and other works; promoter of education and of reforms in Scotland.

More distant kinsmen and connections.

fa me bro, John Scott, first Earl of Eldon (1751-1838), famous Lord Chancellor of England.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 49.]

fa me bro, William Scott, first Baron Stowell (1745-1836), eminent maritime and international lawyer; judge

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of High Court of Admiralty, 1798-1828.-[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 108.]

wife's bro, Farrer, first Lord Herschell, Lord Chancellor of England.

Charles Robert **Darwin**, F.R.S. (1809–1882), the celebrated naturalist. The dates of his works are "Voyage of the *Beagle*," 1840; "Origin of Species," 1859; followed by a succession of eight important volumes ranging from 1862 to 1881, each of which confirmed and extended his theory of evolution. Among the very numerous biographical memoirs it must suffice here to mention "Life and Letters," by Francis Darwin; and "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 72.

fa fa, Erasmus **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1731-1802), physician, poet and philosopher. Author of "Botanic Garden," "Zoonomia," and other works, in which he maintained a view of evolution subsequently expounded by Lamarck.—["Life," by Ch. Darwin, "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 84.]

fa, Robert Waring **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1766-1848), sagacious and distinguished physician, described by his son, Charles R. Darwin, as "the wisest man I ever knew."— ["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 10-20.]

fa bro, Charles **Darwin** (1758–1778), of extraordinary promise, gained first gold medal of Æsculapian Society for experimental research; died from a dissection wound, aged twenty; many obituary notices.—["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 7.]

bro, Erasmus **Darwin**; see Carlyle's inexact description, and the appreciations of him by his brother and others, in "Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 21-25.

fa, 1si son, Francis Galton, F.R.S. (b. 1822), traveller and biometrician; gold medal R. Geograph. Soc., 1853; Royal medal, 1886, and Darwin medal, 1902, of the Royal Society.-["Ency. Brit.," 28, 578; "Who's Who."]

me fa, Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S. (1730-1795), the

famous founder of the pottery works.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

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me bro, Thomas **Wedgwood** (1771-1805), an experimenter in early life, and in one sense the first to create photography; a martyr to ill-health later. Sydney Smith knew "no man who appeared to have made such an impression on his friends," and his friends included many of the leading intellects of the day.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 146.]

wife's fa fa (she was her husband's fa bro dau), Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S.; see above.

wife's bro, Hensleigh **Wedgwood** (1803-1891), author of "Entomological Dictionary" and other works, partly mathematical.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

wife's bro dau, Julia Wedgwood, essayist.

son, George **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1845), second wrangler, 1868; Plumian professor of astronomy and experimental philosophy, Cambridge. Author of many papers in the *Philosophical Transactions* relating to tides, physical astronomy, and cognate subjects; president designate of British Association in 1905 at Cape Town.—["Who's Who."]

son, Francis **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1848), botanist; biographer of his father; reader in physiological botany at Cambridge, 1876-1903. Author of botanical works and memoirs.—[" Who's Who."]

son, Major Leonard **Darwin**, late R.E., second in the examination of his year for Woolwich; served on several scientific expeditions, including transit of Venus of 1874 and 1882; Staff Intelligence Dep. War Office, 1885–90; M.P. for Lichfield, 1892–95. Author of "Bimetallism," "Municipal Trade."—[" Who's Who."]

son, Horace **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1851), engineer and mechanician; joint founder of the Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company and its proprietor, but now a limited company, of which he is chairman.—["Who's Who."]

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Sir Victor A. Haden **Horsley**, F.R.S., M.D. (b. 1857), eminent surgeon and operator; professor-superintendent of Brown Institution, 1884–90; professor of pathology University College, 1893–96.

fa fa, William **Horsley**, Mus. Bac., Oxford (1774-1858), musical composer, especially of glees, and writer on musical topics.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

me fa, Charles Thomas **Haden**, a rising London physician, who initiated a treatment for gout, much noted at the time; d. young in 1823.—[Unpublished information.]

Ja, John Callcott Horsley, R.A., distinguished painter.--

fa bro, Charles Edward **Horsley** (1822-1876), musical composer of oratorios; best known in America. Author of "Text-book of Harmony."—["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 381, and Grove's "Dict. of Music."]

me bro, Sir F. Seymour **Haden** (b. 1818), surgeon; a well known sanitarian, especially in respect to the disposal of the dead, and artist in respect to etching; founder and president of the R. Society of Painter Etchers; Grand Prix, Paris, 1889 and 1900; many publications.—[" Who's Who."]

fa si son, Isambard Brunel, Chancellor to the Diocese of Ely; ecclesiastical barrister.

Ancestors in more remote degrees.

fa me fa, John Wall **Callcott** (1766–1821), composer, mainly of glees and catches; published "Musical Grammar," 1806.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256, and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

fa me fa bro, Sir Augustus Wall **Callcott**, R.A. (1779– 1844), distinguished painter, mainly of landscapes; knighted, 1837.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256.]

me fa fa, Thomas **Haden**, the principal doctor in Derby, and of great influence in the town; was three times mayor. -[Unpublished information.]

wife, née Bramwell.

wife's fa, Sir Frederick **Bramwell**, Bart., F.R.S. (1818-1903), eminent engineer; president British Association, 1888; of Institution of Civil Engineers, 1884-5; hon. sec. Royal Institution.—["Who's Who."]

wife's fa bro, Lord Bramwell (1808-1892), Judge, 1856; Lord Justice, 1876-81; raised to peerage, 1882.-["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 1, 256.]

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me si son, Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, G.C.S.I., F.R.S., and pres. R.S., 1872-77 (b. 1817), eminent botanist and traveller; director of the Royal Gardens, Kew, 1855-65; naturalist to H.M.S. Erebus in Antarctic expedition, 1839-43; botanical travels in the Himalaya, 1847-51; Morocco and Atlas in 1871; California and Rocky Mts., 1877; many botanical publications.-["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson Turner, F.R.S. (1775-1858), see Palgrave.

fa, Sir William Jackson **Hooker**, F.R.S. (1785-1865), eminent botanist; director of Kew Gardens, which he greatly extended and threw open to the public, and where he founded the museum of economic botany; was regius professor of botany at Glasgow, 1820; knighted in 1847; many botanical publications.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 296.]

me si sons, the four brothers Palgrave (see Palgrave).

Sir Clements R. Markham, K.C.B., F.R.S. (b. 1830), president for many years of the R. Geograph. Society; served in Arctic expedition, 1850–51; travelled in Peru, 1852–4, bringing thence cinchona-bearing trees for cultivation in India; Geographer to the Abyssinian expedition; author and editor of numerous geographical works.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William Markham, scholar; secretary to Warren Hastings in India.

fa bro son, Lieut.-General Sir Edwin Markham, R.E., K.C.B. (b. 1833), constant active service.--["Who's Who."]

fa bro son, Admiral Sir Albert **Markham**, K.C.B. (b. 1841), commanded the *Alert* in Arctic Expedition, 1875-6; various high naval appointments, besides unprofessional work when unemployed on naval duties.— ["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson Turner, J.R.S. his fa. 60. Joseph Jurner was Senior Waangles - 1768

me bro son, Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Milner, Bart., P.C. (b. 1849), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Francis Foljambe, P.C. (b. 1830), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Sir Edwin **Egerton**, P.C., G.C.M.G. (b. 1841), Ambassador at Madrid, recently transferred to Paris.—["Who's Who."]

More distant kinsmen.

fa fa fa, William Markham, P.C. (1719-1807), Archbishop of York; one of the best scholars of the day; headmaster of Westminster School, 1753-65; preceptor to the Royal Princes, 1771; Archbishop and Lord High Almoner, 1777; denounced by Chatham for "pernicious" doctrines; his intemperate defence of Warren Hastings was brought before notice of Parliament.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 172.]

fa fa bro, Admiral John **Markham** (1761-1827), many services at sea; twice on Admiralty Board; M.P. for Portsmouth during seventeen years.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 171.]

fa fa bro, George Markham, Dean of York; scholar and numismatist.

Robert Harris Inglis **Palgrave**, F.R.S. (b. 1827), statistician; editor of the "Economist," also of "Dictionary of Political Economy."—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson **Turner**, F.R.S. (1775-1858), botanist and antiquary. ["Dict. N. Biog.," 57, 334.]

fa, Sir Francis **Palgrave** (1788–1861) (son of Meyer **Cohen**, adopted the surname Palgrave in 1823), historian; deputy keeper of H.M. Records, and assisted in their publication. Author of the "Rise and Progress of the English Commonwealth," 1832, and of other works; greatly promoted the study of mediaeval history; knighted, 1832.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 107.]

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me, Elizabeth, née Dawson **Turner**, greatly assisted her husband in his literary work.—[Unpublished information.]

me bro, Dawson William **Turner** (1815-1885), philanthropist and educational writer; Demy of Magdalen College, Oxford, D.C.L., 1862.

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bro, Francis Turner Palgrave (1824-1897), poet and of art critic; professor of poetry at Oxford; editor of "Golden Lyrics"; author of many critical essays and other publications.-["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 242.]

Jease bro, W. Gifford Palgrave (1826-1888), traveller and diplomatist; at twenty years of age gained first class lit. hum. at Oxford, and second class math.; became Roman Catholic, and travelled as Jesuit missionary in Syria and Arabia, assuming disguise for the purpose. Author of Jease Journey through Eastern and Central Arabia." Severed his connection with the Jesuits in 1865, and thenceforward served as English diplomatist in various distant countries.

-[" Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 109.]

bro, Sir Reginald F. (Palgrave, K.C.B. (1829-1904), Clerk of the House of Commons. Author of the "Life of Cromwell," &c.-[" Who's Who."]

The Portrane st son, Sir Joseph Hooker, F.R.S. (see separate genealogy above).

Sir Henry Enfield **Roscoe**, F.R.S., Ph.D., LL.D., D.C.L., professor of chemistry Owens College, Manchester, 1857–87; president Society of Chemical Industry, 1881; of Chemical Society, 1882; M.P. for S. division of Manchester, 1885–95; president of Brit. Assoc., 1887; Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, 1896–1902; knighted, 1884; author of many memoirs and works on chemistry.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William **Roscoe** (1753-1831), historian, poet, and philanthropist; author of "Lives of Lorenzo de' Medici and of Leo X.," and of several volumes of verse; M.P. for Liverpool, 1806-7; promoter and first president of its Royal Institution.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa, Henry **Roscoe** (1800–1836), biographer, including life of his father.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 221.]

fa bro, Thomas Roscoe (1791-1871), miscellaneous writer and translator.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa bro, William Stanley Roscoe, poet.-[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

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fa bro, Robert Roscoe, poet, "King Alfred."

me, Maria, née Fletcher, artist and authoress, " Life of Vittoria Colonna."

me si, Harriet Fletcher, authoress of "Tales for Children."

fa bro son, William Caldwell **Roscoe** (1822-59), poet and essayist.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa si son, William Stanley Jevons, F.R.S. (1835-1882), economist and logician; professor of logic and political economy at Owens College, 1866-79; at University College, London, 1876-80; influential writer.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 29, 374.]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Charles Booth, P.C., F.R.S., g.v.

Lieut.-General Sir Richard **Strachey**, R.E. (retired 1875), G.C.S.I., F.R.S., LL.D. Camb. Sec. Govt. Central Provinces of India during mutiny, 1857–8; public-works Sec. to Govt. of India, 1862; legislative member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1869–70; Member of Council of India, 1875–89; acting financial member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1878; Chairman of East Indian Rly. from 1889; Chairman of Meteorological Council from 1883; pres. R. Geograph. Soc., 1888–90; royal medal of Royal Society, 1897. *Publications*:—" Lectures on Geography "; "Finances and Public Works of India " (jointly with his brother, Sir John S.); various scientific memoirs.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in near degrees, ascending and collateral.

fa fa, Sir Henry **Strachey** (1736-1810), private sec. to Lord Clive in India; joint under-sec. of state for the Home department, 1782; cr. baronet, 1801; F.S.A.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

me fa, Lieut.-Gen. Kirkpatrick (1754-1812), orientalist; military sec. to Marquess Wellesley; Resident at Poona; translated Persian works, expert in Oriental tongues and

in manners, customs and laws of India.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 31, 222.]

fa, Edward **Strachey** (1774-1832), chief examiner of correspondence to the India House, the other two being Peacock and James Mill (secretaries' work, writing despatches, &c.).

fa bro, Sir Henry **Strachey**, Bart. (1772-1858), distinguished Indian civilian, described by James Mill ("Hist. Brit. India," 6, ch. 6) as "the most intelligent of the Company's servants."

fa bro, Richard Strachey, Resident at Lucknow and Gwalior.

me si, Isabella Barbara **Buller**, well known in her day as a centre of literary and political society.

bro, Sir John **Strachey**, G.C.S.I., eminent Indian statesman; Lieut.-Governor of the N.W. Provinces; financial member of Gov. Gen.'s council; Member of Council of India. *Publications*:—" Finance and Public Works of India," 1882 (jointly with his brother, Sir Richard **S.**); " Hastings and the Rohilla War," 1892; "India," 1888, third ed., 1903.— [" Who's Who," 1904.]

bro, Colonel Henry Strachey, Thibetan explorer, gold medal of R. Geograph. Soc., 1852.

bro, Sir Edward Strachey, Bart. (d. 1904), author of "Hebrew Politics in the Time of Sargon and Sennacherib."

bro, George **Strachey** (1873-90), Chargé d'Affaires and Minister Resident at Dresden.

bro son, Sir Arthur Strachey (1858-1901) [son of Sir John S. and of Katherine, dau. of George Batten], Chief Justice Allahabad æt. 39, d. æt. 43.

bro son, John St. Loe **Strachey** (b. 1860) [son of Sir Edward **S.** and Mary, sister of John Addington **Symonds**, writer and critic], editor of the Spectator.—[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Charles **Buller** (1806–1848), distinguished politician, sent as secretary with Lord Durham to Canada, 1838, Chief Poor-law Commissioner.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 7, 246.]

me si son, Sir Arthur Buller, judge of the Supreme Court, Calcutta.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in more remote degrees of ancestry.

fa fa bro, John **Strachey**, Archdeacon of Suffolk, Prebendary of Llandaff, preacher at the Rolls, LL.D. Camb., F.S.A.

fa fa fa fa, John **Strachey**, F.R.S. (1671-1743), geologist, said to have first suggested theory of stratification in his work "Observations on Different Strata of Earths and Minerals," 1727.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

Wife, and her kinsfolk, ascending and collateral.

wife, Jane Maria, née **Grant**, 2nd wife, authoress of "Lay Texts," "Poets on Poets," "Memoirs of a Highland Lady," &c.—["Who's Who," 1904.]

wife's fa fa, Sir J. P. Grant (1774-1848), Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Calcutta.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 22, 398.]

wife's fa, Sir J. P. Grant, G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (1807-1893), Indian and Colonial Governor; Member of Council; Lieut.-Governor of Central Provinces of India; Lieut.-Governor of Bengal; Governor of Jamaica (1866-1873).-["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 341.]

wife's me bro son, Sir Trevor Chichele Plowden, K.C.S.I., Resident at Kashmir, Hyderabad and Baghdad.

wife's me bro son, Sir Henry Meredith Plowden, Senior Judge of chief court, Punjab (1880-94).--["Who's Who," 1904.]

Descendants.

son, Giles Lytton Strachey, scholar Trin. Coll., Cambridge, Chancellor's medal for English verse.

son, Oliver Strachey, Eton scholarship.

son, James Beaumont **Strachey**, scholarship at St. Paul's School.

da, Joan Pernel **Strachey**, lecturer on old French at Royal Holloway College.

da, Marjorie Colvile **Strachey**, prize offered in 1904 by the British Ambassador in Paris to all undergraduates, male and female, of all colleges in Great Britain for examination in French; scholarship Royal Holloway College in 1904.

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PREFACE.

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I T is now practically certain, from wide and exact observation, that the physical characters of all living beings, whether men, other animals, or plants, are subject approximately to the same hereditary laws. Also that mental qualities, such as ability and character, which are only partially measurable, follow the same laws as the physical and measurable ones.

The obvious result of this is that the experience gained in establishing improved breeds of domestic animals and plants is a safe guide to speculations on the theoretical possibility of establishing improved breeds of the human race.

It is not intended to enter here into such speculations, but to emphasise the undoubted fact that members of gifted families are, on the whole, appreciably more likely than the generality of their countrymen to produce gifted offspring.

No extensive collection exists of the biographies of Gifted Families, as distinguished from biographies of individuals; we are therefore without means of obtaining an idea of the distribution of ability in our very mixed race, incomparably more mixed than that of any domestic animal, where some conscious selection is always at work. We cannot tell, *a priori*, how far ability is sporadic at the present time, and how far it clusters in families. As a first attempt to supply the deficiency, both as to matter and form, I submit the present pamphlet, the result of inquiries made through a circular letter to all Fellows of the Royal

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Society, as to the "noteworthy" achievements of their near relatives. The standard of "noteworthiness" was defined as achievement in any occupation which was judged by the writer to be at least equal in dignity, among his fellows, to that of F.R.S. among men of science. It was the best standard I could think of; no one has as yet suggested a better, and notwithstanding its obvious faults it has served well. About half of the 367 fellows, or thereabouts, replied to my circular. Many of the replies were extremely interesting, and not a few were very jejune; still, I have collected enough material to be serviceable in many ways. I wrote a brief statistical article upon those I had received up to a certain date, in Nature on August 11. Evidence was there given that ability, as measured by achievement, tended in a marked degree to be a family characteristic. Besides these distinguished families there were others reputed to have a high level of ability whose members had nevertheless failed to achieve anything noteworthy; again, there were others in whom the ability was, in the language of horticulturists, a "sport"; it was shared by none of the collaterals or ancestry, but, presumably like all sports, may be highly capable of producing its like in descent.

The difficulty of estimating the ability of women, who have few opportunities of displaying it in a measurable way, was partly met by asking for the achievements of the brothers of the females, which are comparable on equal terms with those of the brothers of males.

Having collected and discussed my material, the question arose how best to present the results so as to emphasise the fact that ability, as measured by achievement, is really clustered to a remarkable degree in certain families. Something more vivid was required

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than statistical figures; something in the nature of those family histories above mentioned. It was, however, difficult to give them, because, although no stipulation whatever was made in the circular letter of inquiry that the replies should be treated as private documents, I found that a feeling existed that such restriction was implied. I could not disregard this view without risking the accusation of breach of trust. At length I thought of the course that has been adopted here. It is to take the replies as guides only, and rarely to quote from them, restricting' the mention of achievements to those that have already been published; to extract the account of them as a general rule, from publications where they appeared, and to give references as far as seemed reasonably desirable. The publications might be official or only local, but, as a matter of convenience, the references are in almost all cases either to the "Dictionary of National Biography" for deceased persons, and to "Who's Who" for living ones. A biography in the former is in itself a mark of distinction; it is so, but in a much less degree, in the latter. They both have the merit of giving detailed accounts of the achievements of the person in question, while the "Dictionary" gives full references to the memoirs and other sources whence the information in each article was derived.

The present pamphlet is styled an "Index," because it falls far short of being a collection of biographies, but it does much more than indicate families deserving of minute study, for it gives a fair idea of the quality of ability that dominates in each. This would be sufficient, if the collection were largely added to, to enable families to be sorted into different groups, according to their prevailing characteristic, each group being convenient for separate study. I could

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have added more pedigrees from the same source, but these will serve as a preliminary attempt to show the quality of material that exists, and a convenient form of treating it, which is the primary purpose of this small pamphlet.

The average number of kinsfolk in each degree should be borne in mind when reading the "Index." This was discussed by me in a paper in *Nature*, September 22. From that discussion I now conclude that the average numbers of near kinsmen who attain an age at which they would have achieved something noteworthy, if they possessed the necessary qualifications, would be roughly as follows :—grandfathers, 2 (I father's father and I mother's father); father, I; uncles, 2 (I father's brother and I mother's brother); brothers, I; first cousins, 4 (see table of abbreviations); making IO altogether. Sons and nephews are rarely taken into account here, because they usually had not attained a sufficient age to enable them to do justice to their potentialities.

Persons who have earned a place in the "Dictionary of National Biography" or even in "Who's Who" by virtue of their achievements are so enormously rarer than one in ten, that the appearance of one of them within the inner degrees of kinship of Fellows of the Royal Society would give a presumption of hereditary ability; but when, as in the families who are indexed here, an average of four of these noteworthy persons fall within those near degrees, the presumption grows into certainty.

The connection between achievement and ability is technically known as Correlation, though it be of a complex, entangled, and discontinuous kind. Still, it must be governed by the law that links every pair of systems of correlated variables. Let the members of one of the pair be called "subjects," and those of

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the other "Relatives"; then, although we can never guess beforehand what Relative will be associated with any particular subject, we can tell something about the group of Relatives that will be associated with any considerable number of *similar* subjects; namely, that the *average* of those Relatives will always be less exceptional than the subjects. In other words, *very high* achievement will, on the average, be associated with only *high* ability; *high* achievement with *moderately high* ability; *average* with *average*; *low* with *moderately low*; *very low* with *low*. It is as yet impossible to say much more than this in respect to achievement and ability.

Males .	Females ,
Grandfather paternal fa fa	Grandmother paternal me
,, ,, maternal me fa	,, ,, maternal me me Mother me
Father fa	Mother me
Uncle paternal fa bro	Aunt paternal fa si
, maternal me bro	,, maternal me si
Brother bro	Sister
Son son	Daughter da
Nephew brother's side bro son	Niece brother's side bro da
,, sister's side si son	,, sister's side si da
Male first cousins-	Female first cousin-
1 son of paternal	I dau. of paternal
uncle fa bro son	uncle fa bro da
2 son of maternal	2 dau. of maternal
uncle me bro son	uncle me bro da
3 son of paternal	3 dau. of paternal
nt fa si son	aunt fa si da
4 son of maternal	4 dau. of maternal
aunt me si son	aunt me si da

TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS.

The kinships are reckoned from the person mentioned in the heading to the list, whom we may call P. Then fa bro means "P's father's brother is"; me si son means "P's mother's sister's son is."

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Arrangements are in progress for an inquiry into the Biographies of Modern Families, of every social grade, each of these families being distinguished, as a whole, for Ability, Character, or Physique.

Many persons have expressed interest in the progress of inquiries of this character. I hope, therefore, that some may be disposed to assist actively in procuring and sending information. Blank forms to receive the entries will be sent on application.

It will be assumed that free use may be made of the information that is furnished, unless otherwise stated.

FRANCIS GALTON.

42 RUTLAND GATE, S.W. October, 1904.

INDEX TO ACHIEVEMENTS OF NEAR KINSFOLK OF SOME OF THE FELLOWS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

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Rt. Hon. Charles **Booth**, P.C., F.R.S. (b, 1840, economist and statistician; president of the R. Statistical Society, 1892-4. Originated and carried through a cooperative inquiry in minute detail into the houses and occupations of the inhabitants of London, which resulted in the volumes "Life and Labour of the People of London"; author of memoirs on allied subjects.—[" Who's Who."]

fa fa, Thomas **Booth**, successful merchant and shipowner at Liverpool.

fa bro, Henry **Booth** (1788–1869), railway projector, cooperated with Stephenson in applying steam to locomotion, published much relating to railways, and invented mechanical contrivances still in use on railways; secretary and then railway director.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 5, 382.]

fa bro, James Booth, C.B. (1796-1880), Parliamentary draughtsman; became permanent secretary to the Board of Trade.

me si son, Charles **Crompton**, fourth wrangler, Q.C., and for some years M.P. for the Leek Division of Staffordshire. κ det h.¹/₁/₁

me si son, Henry **Crompton**, a leader in the Positivist Community; authority on Trades Union law, and author of "Industrial Conciliation." (dee h, 17.)

me si son, Sir Henry Enfield Roscoe, F.R.S., q.v.

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Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson, Bart., cr. 1899, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D., D.Sc., F.R.S.; held a succession of important offices, beginning with Inspector med. dep. Privy Council, 1860–65; superintendent Brown Institution, 1871–78; professor of physiology University Coll., London, 1874–82; in Oxford, 1882–95; president Brit. Assoc., 1893; regius professor of medicine at Oxford, 1895–1904; served on three Royal Commissions; author of many physiological memoirs.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, Sir Thomas **Burdon**, Kt., several times Mayor of Newcastle, knighted for his services in quelling a riot.

me fa, Sir James **Sanderson**, Bart., M.P., Lord Mayor of London; a successful merchant.

fa, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, feilow of Oriel College, Oxford; graduated first class and gained Newdigate prize; was secretary to Lord Chancellor Eldon.

bro, Richard **Burdon-Sanderson**, the first promoter of the "conciliation board" of coal owners and colliers at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and of the first reformatory in Northumberland.

si son, Rt. Hon. Richard Burdon Haldane, P.C., M.P., high honours at Edinburgh and three other Scotch universities. Author of "Life of Adam Smith" and of memoirs on education.—["Who's Who."]

si son, John Scott Haldane, M.D., F.R.S. (b. 1860), university lecturer on physiology at Oxford; joint editor and founder of *Journal of Hygiene.*—["Who's Who."]

si da, Elisabeth Sanderson **Haldane**, "Life of Professor Ferrier" and other works; promoter of education and of reforms in Scotland.

More distant kinsmen and connections.

fa me bro, John Scott, first Earl of Eldon (1751-1838), famous Lord Chancellor of England.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 49.]

fa me bro, William Scott, first Baron Stowell (1745-1836), eminent maritime and international lawyer; judge

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of High Court of Admiralty, 1798-1828.-[" Dict. N. Biog.," 51, 108.]

wife's bro, Farrer, first Lord Herschell, Lord Chancellor of England.

Charles Robert **Darwin**, F.R.S. (1809–1882), the celebrated naturalist. The dates of his works are "Voyage of the *Beagle*," 1840; "Origin of Species," 1859; followed by a succession of eight important volumes ranging from 1862 to 1881, each of which confirmed and extended his theory of evolution. Among the very numerous biographical memoirs it must suffice here to mention "Life and Letters," by Francis Darwin; and "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 72.

fa fa, Erasmus **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1731-1802), physician, poet and philosopher. Author of "Botanic Garden," "Zoonomia," and other works, in which he maintained a view of evolution subsequently expounded by Lamarck.—["Life," by Ch. Darwin, "Dict. N. Biog.," 14, 84.]

fa, Robert Waring **Darwin**, M.D., F.R.S. (1766-1848), sagacious and distinguished physician, described by his son, Charles R. Darwin, as "the wisest man I ever knew."— ["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 10-20.]

fa bro, Charles **Darwin** (1758–1778), of extraordinary promise, gained first gold medal of Æsculapian Society for experimental research; died from a dissection wound, aged twenty; many obituary notices.—["Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 7.]

bro, Erasmus **Darwin**; see Carlyle's inexact description; and the appreciations of him by his brother and others, in "Life and Letters of Charles R. Darwin," 1, 21-25.

fa, 1si son, Francis Galton, F.R.S. (b. 1822), traveller and biometrician; gold medal R. Geograph. Soc., 1853; Royal medal, 1886, and Darwin medal, 1902, of the Royal Society.—["Ency. Brit.," 28, 578; "Who's Who."]

me fa, Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S. (1730-1795), the

famous founder of the pottery works.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

me bro, Thomas **Wedgwood** (1771-1805), an experimenter in early life, and in one sense the first to create photography; a martyr to ill-health later. Sydney Smith knew "no man who appeared to have made such an impression on his friends," and his friends included many of the leading intellects of the day.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 146.]

wife's fa fa (she was her husband's fa bro dau), Josiah Wedgwood, F.R.S.; see above,

wife's bro, Hensleigh **Wedgwood** (1803-1891), author of "Entomological Dictionary" and other works, partly mathematical.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 60, 140.]

wife's bro dau, Julia Wedgwood, essayist.

son, George **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1845), second wrangler, 1868; Plumian professor of astronomy and experimental philosophy, Cambridge. Author of many papers in the *Philosophical Transactions* relating to tides, physical astronomy, and cognate subjects; president designate of British Association in 1905 at Cape Town.—[" Who's Who."]

son, Francis **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1848), botanist; biographer of his father; reader in physiological botany at Cambridge, 1876-1903. Author of botanical works and memoirs.—["Who's Who."]

son, Major Leonard **Darwin**, late R.E., second in the examination of his year for Woolwich; served on several scientific expeditions, including transit of Venus of 1874 and 1882; Staff Intelligence Dep. War Office, 1885–90; M.P. for Lichfield, 1892–95. Author of "Bimetallism," "Municipal Trade."—[" Who's Who."]

son, Horace **Darwin**, F.R.S. (b. 1851), engineer and mechanician; joint founder of the Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company and its proprietor, but now a limited company, of which he is chairman.—["Who's Who."]

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Sir Victor A. Haden Horsley, F.R.S., M.D. (b. 1857), eminent surgeon and operator; professor-superintendent of Brown Institution, 1884-90; professor of pathology University College, 1893-96.

fa fa, William Horsley, Mus. Bac., Oxford (1774-1858), musical composer, especially of glees, and writer on musical topics.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

me fa, Charles Thomas **Haden**, a rising London physician, who initiated a treatment for gout, much noted at the time; d. young in 1823.—[Unpublished information.]

fa, John Callcott Horsley, R.A., distinguished painter.

fa bro, Charles Edward Horsley (1822-1876), musical composer of oratorios; best known in America. Author of "Text-book of Harmony."—["Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 381, and Grove's "Dict. of Music."]

me bro, Sir F. Seymour **Hadon** (b. 1818), surgeon; a well known sanitarian, especially in respect to the disposal of the dead, and artist in respect to etching; founder and president of the R. Society of Painter Etchers; Grand Prix, Paris, 1889 and 1900; many publications.—[" Who's Who."]

fa si son, Isambard Brunel, Chancellor to the Diocese of Ely; ecclesiastical barrister.

Ancestors in more remote degrees.

fa me fa, John Wall **Callcott** (1766–1821), composer, mainly of glees and catches; published "Musical Grammar," 1806.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256, and Grove's " Dict. of Music."]

fa me fa bro, Sir Augustus Wall **Callcott**, R.A. (1779– 1844), distinguished painter, mainly of landscapes; knighted, 1837.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 8, 256.]

me fa fa, Thomas **Haden**, the principal doctor in Derby, and of great influence in the town; was three times mayor. -[Unpublished information.]

wife, née Bramwell.

wife's fa, Sir Frederick **Bramwell**, Bart., F.R.S. (1818-1903), eminent engineer; president British Association, 1888; of Institution of Civil Engineers, 1884-5; hon. sec. Royal Institution.—["Who's Who."]

wife's fa bro, Lord **Bramwell** (1808-1892), Judge, 1856; Lord Justice, 1876-81; raised to peerage, 1882.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 1, 256.]

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me si son, Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, G.C.S.I., F.R.S., and pres. R.S., 1872-77 (b. 1817), eminent botanist and traveller; director of the Royal Gardens, Kew, 1855-65; naturalist to H.M.S. Erebus in Antarctic expedition, 1839-43; botanical travels in the Himalaya, 1847-51; Morocco and Atlas in 1871; California and Rocky Mts., 1877; many botanical publications.—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson Turner, F.R.S. (1775-1858), see Palgrave.

fa, Sir William Jackson **Hooker**, F.R.S. (1785-1865), eminent botanist; director of Kew Gardens, which he greatly extended and threw open to the public, and where he founded the museum of economic botany; was regius professor of botany at Glasgow, 1820; knighted in 1847; many botanical publications.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 27, 296.]

me si sons, the four brothers Palgrave (see Palgrave).

Sir Clements R. Markham, K.C.B., F.R.S. (b. 1830), president for many years of the R. Geograph. Society; served in Arctic expedition, 1850–51; travelled in Peru, 1852–4, bringing thence cinchona-bearing trees for cultivation in India; Geographer to the Abyssinian expedition; author and editor of numerous geographical works.—["Who's Who."]

fa fa, William Markham, scholar; secretary to Warren Hastings in India.

fa bro son, Lieut.-General Sir Edwin Markham, R.E., K.C.B. (b. 1833), constant active service.-["Who's Who."]

fa bro son, Admiral Sir Albert **Markham**, K.C.B. (b. 1841), commanded the *Alert* in Arctic Expedition, 1875-6; various high naval appointments, besides unprofessional work when unemployed on naval duties.— ["Who's Who."]

me bro son, Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Milner, Bart., P.C. (b. 1849), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Francis Foljambe, P.C. (b. 1830), politician.-["Who's Who."]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Sir Edwin **Egerton**, P.C., G.C.M.G. (b. 1841), Ambassador at Madrid, recently transferred to Paris.—["Who's Who."]

More distant kinsmen.

fa fa fa, William **Markham**, P.C. (1719-1807), Archbishop of York; one of the best scholars of the day; headmaster of Westminster School, 1753-65; preceptor to the Royal Princes, 1771; Archbishop and Lord High Almoner, 1777; denounced by Chatham for "pernicious" doctrines; his intemperate defence of Warren Hastings was brought before notice of Parliament.—[" Dict. N, Biog.," 36, 172.]

fa fa bro, Admiral John Markham (1761-1827), many services at sea; twice on Admiralty Board; M.P. for Portsmouth during seventeen years.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 36, 171.]

fa fa bro, George Markham, Dean of York; scholar and numismatist.

Robert Harris Inglis **Palgrave**, F.R.S. (b. 1827), statistician; editor of the "Economist," also of "Dictionary of Political Economy."—["Who's Who."]

me fa, Dawson **Turner**, F.R.S. (1775-1858), botanist and antiquary.--["Dict. N. Biog.," 57, 334.]

fa, Sir Francis **Palgrave** (1788–1861) (son of Meyer **Cohen**, adopted the surname Palgrave in 1823), historian; deputy keeper of H.M. Records, and assisted in their publication. Author of the "Rise and Progress of the English Commonwealth," 1832, and of other works; greatly promoted the study of mediaeval history; knighted, 1832.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 107.]

me, Elizabeth, née Dawson **Turner**, greatly assisted her husband in his literary work.--[Unpublished information.]

me bro, Dawson William **Turner** (1815-1885), philanthropist and educational writer; Demy of Magdalen College, Oxford, D.C.L., 1862.

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bro, Francis Turner **Palgrave** (1824–1897), poet and art critic; professor of poetry at Oxford; editor of "Golden Lyrics"; author of many critical essays and other publications.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 242.]

bro, W. Gifford **Palgrave** (1826-1888), traveller and diplomatist; at twenty years of age gained first class *lit*. *hum.* at Oxford, and second class *math.*; became Roman Catholic, and travelled as Jesuit missionary in Syria and Arabia, assuming disguise for the purpose. Author of "Journey through Eastern and Central Arabia." Severed his connection with the Jesuits in 1865, and thenceforward served as English diplomatist in various distant countries, --[" Dict. N. Biog.," 43, 109.]

bro, Sir Reginald F. **Palgrave**, K.C.B. (1829-1904), Clerk of the House of Commons. Author of the "Life of Cromwell," &c.—[" Who's Who."]

me si son, Sir Joseph Hooker, F.R.S. (see separate genealogy above).

Sir Henry Enfield **Roscoe**, F.R.S., Ph.D., LL.D., D.C.L., professor of chemistry Owens College, Manchester, 1857–87; president Society of Chemical Industry, 1881; of Chemical Society, 1882; M.P. for S. division of Manchester, 1885–95; president of Brit. Assoc., 1887; Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, 1896–1902; knighted, 1884; author of many memoirs and works on chemistry.—["Who's Who."]

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fa fa, William **Roscoe** (1753-1831), historian, poet, and philanthropist; author of "Lives of Lorenzo de' Medici and of Leo X.," and of several volumes of verse; M.P. for Liverpool, 1806-7; promoter and first president of its Royal Institution.—[" Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 222.]

fa, Henry **Roscoe** (1800-1836), biographer, including life of his father.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 221.]

fa bro, Thomas Roscoe (1791-1871), miscellaneous writer and translator.--["Dict. N. Bjog.," 49, 222.]

fa bro, William Stanley Roscoe, poet.-["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

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fa bro, Robert Roscoe, poet, "King Alfred."

me, Maria, née Fletcher, artist and authoress, "Life of Vittoria Colonna."

me si, Harriet Fletcher, authoress of "Tales for Children."

fa bro son, William Caldwell **Roscoe** (1822-59), poet and essayist.-["Dict. N. Biog.," 49, 225.]

fa si son, William Stanley Jevons, F.R.S. (1835-1882), economist and logician; professor of logic and political economy at Owens College, 1866-79; at University College, London, 1876-80; influential writer.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 29, 374.]

me si son, Rt. Hon. Charles Booth, P.C., F.R.S., q.v.

Lieut.-General Sir Richard **Strachey**, R.E. (retired 1875), G.C.S.I., F.R.S., LL.D. Camb. Sec. Govt. Central Provinces of India during mutiny, 1857-8; public-works Sec. to Govt. of India, 1862; legislative member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1869-70; Member of Council of India, 1875-89; acting financial member of Gov. Gen.'s Council, 1878; Chairman of East Indian Rly. from 1889; Chairman of Meteorological Council from 1883; pres. R. Geograph. Soc., 1888-90; royal medal of Royal Society, 1897. *Publications:*—" Lectures on Geography "; "Finances and Public Works of India " (jointly with his brother, Sir John S.); various scientific memoirs.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in near degrees, ascending and collateral.

fa fa, Sir Henry **Strachey** (1736-1810), private sec. to Lord Clive in India; joint under-sec. of state for the Home department, 1782; cr. baronet, 1801; F.S.A.— ["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

me fa, Lieut.-Gen. **Kirkpatrick** (1754-1812), orientalist; military sec. to Marquess Wellesley; Resident at Poona; translated Persian works, expert in Oriental tongues and

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in manners, customs and laws of India.--[" Dict. N. Biog.," 31, 222.]

fa, Edward **Strachey** (1774-1832), chief examiner of correspondence to the India House, the other two being Peacock and James Mill (secretaries' work, writing despatches, &c.).

fa bro, Sir Henry **Strachey**, Bart. (1772-1858), distinguished Indian civilian, described by James Mill ("Hist. Brit. India," 6, ch. 6) as "the most intelligent of the Company's servants."

fa bro, Richard Strachey, Resident at Lucknow and Gwalior.

me si, Isabella Barbara **Buller**, well known in her day as a centre of literary and political society.

bro, Sir John **Strachey**, G.C.S.I., eminent Indian statesman; Lieut.-Governor of the N.W. Provinces; financial member of Gov. Gen.'s council; Member of Council of India. *Publications*:—" Finance and Public Works of India," 1882 (jointly with his brother, Sir Richard **S.**); " Hastings and the Rohilla War," 1892; "India," 1888, third ed., 1903.— [" Who's Who," 1904.]

bro, Colonel Henry Strachey, Thibetan explorer, gold medal of R. Geograph. Soc., 1852.

bro, Sir Edward **Strachey**, Bart. (d. 1904), author of "Hebrew Politics in the Time of Sargon and Sennacherib."

bro, George Strachey (1873-90), Chargé d'Affaires and Minister Resident at Dresden.

bro son, Sir Arthur **Strachey** (1858–1901) [son of Sir John **S.** and of Katherine, dau. of George **Batten**], Chief Justice Allahabad æt. 39, d. æt. 43.

bro son, John St. Loe **Strachey** (b. 1860) [son of Sire Edward **S.** and Mary, sister of John Addington **Eymonds**, writer and critic], editor of the Spectator.—["Who's Who."].

me si son, Charles **Buller** (1806–1848), distinguished politician, sent as secretary with Lord Durham to Canada, 1838, Chief Poor-law Commissioner.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 7, 246.]

me si son, Sir Arthur Buller, judge of the Supreme Court, Calcutta.

Noteworthy kinsfolk in more remote degrees of ancestry.

fa fa bro, John **Strachey**, Archdeacon of Suffolk, Prebendary of Llandaff, preacher at the Rolls, LL.D. Camb., F.S.A.

fa fa fa fa, John **Strachey**, F.R.S. (1671-1743), geologist, said to have first suggested theory of stratification in his work "Observations on Different Strata of Earths and Minerals," 1727.—["Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 364.]

Wife, and her kinsfolk, ascending and collateral.

wife, Jane Maria, née **Grant**, 2nd wife, authoress of "Lay Texts," "Poets on Poets," "Memoirs of a Highland Lady," &c.—["Who's Who," 1904.]

wife's fa fa, Sir J. P. Grant (1774–1848), Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Calcutta.—["Dict. N. Biog.," 22, 398.]

wife's fa, Sir J. P. **Grant,** G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (1807–1893), Indian and Colonial Governor; Member of Council; Lieut.-Governor of Central Provinces of India; Lieut.-Governor of Bengal; Governor of Jamaica (1866–1873).—[" Dict. N. Biog.," Supp. 3, 341.]

wife's me bro son, Sir Trevor Chichele Plowden, K.C.S.I., Resident at Kashmir, Hyderabad and Baghdad.

wife's me bro son, Sir Henry Meredith **Plowden**, Senior Judge of chief court, Punjab (1880–94).—["Who's Who," 1904.]

Descendants.

son, Giles Lytton **Strachey**, scholar Trin. Coll., Cambridge, Chancellor's medal for English verse.

son, Oliver Strachey, Eton scholarship.

son, James Beaumont **Strachey**, scholarship at St. Paul's School.

da, Joan Pernel **Strachey**, lecturer on old French at Royal Holloway College.

da, Marjorie Colvile **Strachey**, prize offered in 1904 by the British Ambassador in Paris to all undergraduates, male and female, of all colleges in Great Britain for examination in French; scholarship Royal Holloway College in 1904.

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A correspondent writes :- Mr. WILLIAM STRACHEY, who died on November 29, in his 86th year, was the fourth of six sons of Mr. Edward Strachey, formerly of the Bengal Civil Service, whose wife was the daughter of Major-General William Kirkpatrick, of the Bengal Army. Mr. William Strachey's grandfather, Sir Henry Strachey, accompanied Lord Clive as his private secretary on the latter's return to India in 1765 after the battle of Buxar, and he subsequently held important offices under the British Government, being created a baronet in 1801. Mr. William Strachey was educated at Totteridge and the East India College at Haileybury, where he greatly distinguished himself by proficiency in almost every branch of study, carrying off prizes in classics, mathematics, law, history, political economy, and Oriental languages. He went to India as a member of the Bengal Civil Service in 1838 and was appointed assistant to the Governor-General's Agent in Rajputana, and subsequently assistant to the Secretary to the Government of India in the secret and political departments. He left India in 1843 and returned to England on leave with a high reputation as a man of brilliant ability. Being a cousin of Mr. Charles Buller, one of the most talented of the Liberal statesmen of the day, Mr. Strachey had the entrie of the best political circles containing such men as Lord Palmerston, Lord John Russell, Sir William Molesworth, and others of not less repute. An article written by Mr. Strachey in the Edinburgh Review for April, 1844, attracted much attention. It was a vigorous and closely reasoned attack on the policy and proceedings of Lord Ellenborough and Sir Charles Napier which led to the conquest and annexation of Sind. In 1848 Mr. Strachey was offered and accepted a special post in the Colonial Office. His duties were " preparing for the consideration of the Secretary of State such cases as, from their unusual importance or extent, cannot be entrusted to other members of the department without an inconvenient interruption of the current business." Mr. Strachey was described by Lord Grey, the Colonial Secretary, as one " who has already afforded important aid to this department on the recent inquiry into the state of affairs in Ceylon, and Lord Grey anticipates that the habits of business and the experience he has gained in India and his general acquirements will enable this gentleman to render very valuable assistance in the consideration of many important questions which are brought before this department, more especially those relating to our Eastern Colonies." It is said that some reflections were made in Parliament on Mr. Strachey's appointment as a " job," when Lord John Russell remarked that he would be inclined to repeat such jobs if he could only find equally efficient men in whose favour to perpetrate them. Mr. Strachey held this post until August, 1870, when he was retired on a pension, his office being abolished. Four of his brothers survived him, including General Sir Richard Strachey and Sir John Strachey. He was uncle to Sir Edward Strachey, M.P.

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Joan Ruly lass £6,190, leaving a deficiency of £759, which it is hoped Th may be made good before the accounts of the year are closed on the 31st inst. GT

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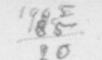
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The editor of the "Church Directory and Almanack " Th for 1905 (J. Nisbet and Co.), of which we have received a copy, has just cause for satisfaction. He started to produce a 2s. clerical reference book five years ago, and to-day he has " reason to believe that its circulation among [the clergy] is now larger than that of all the other clerical directories put together." This would not be the case unless trustworthiness went with cheapness, H and the interest of the clergy in making the book trustworthy is shown in the fact that 90 per cent. of them Ca have returned the schedules duly filled up or corroborated. It would be interesting to ascertain what is the proportion of returns to other directories. It was impossible for the editor, whose list of clergy was in print on December 14, to include the new opiscopal appointments in it, but he st once cancelled and reprinted eight pages of matter in order to chronicle the changes in his list of Bishops. The directory adds some useful information about the events and discussions of the previous year, the Royal Commission, the Primate's letter to Mr. Riley, the Representative Church Council, the Athanasian Creed controversy, and the like. Wo are unable to detect any inaccuracies of importance in the list of clergy and parishes ; but the editor should note that the benefice of St. Barthelomew, Moor-lane, has been for some years united with that of St. Giles, Cripplegate.

Lady Londonderry, in a letter dealing with the Bishop of Durham's fund on behalf of the Church schools of the SC. diocese, states :- "The members of the Church of jun England have proved their belief in daily definite ale religious teaching by spending between £20,000,000 and £30.000.000 since 1820 in school buildings alone. Let us ax. remember that the Church has made education one of its chief aims, and the work of the Church has been to train Co ma the national conscience to an increasingly higher conception of its duties. Prior to 1870 the Church paid be virtually for both socular and religious instruction. Co. Surely we can collect funds to put such school buildings as require it in order, so that the religious teaching hitherto given in voluntary schools shall be continued. Let us remember that if a Church school is given up no bel definite religious instruction will be given in that school. 2 1 Do the mothers in this diocese realize that it is only in voluntary schools that definite religion is tanght by teachers who believe in what they teach? Until such time as children are taught the religion to which their parents belong in every elementary school let us keep our Church schools, and thus ensure that the education given in these schools is founded on the teaching and practice of definite religion."

ch The Bishop of Salisbury, as chairman of the governing body of the Sarum and Wilts Voluntary Schools Associa-674 fic tion, has promised to issue an appeal for a special fund of na £5,000 to enable the weaker and poorer parishes in the two archdeaconries to meet the requirements of the local int education authority in regard to the fabric and structure To



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