

his time; there were some presented in Greece long ago. What Darwin did was to present a method of evolution which he thought made the whole thing very simple, and which most scientists today believe does not really explain it, though there are some who tenaciously hold to the view Darwin presented. But most do not hold today to the details of the ~~ex~~planation of evolution he gave because actually it doesn't explain at all. But the important thing in the establishment of evolution was not Darwin. Darwin was a sort of a figure; a sort of a figure to fasten it on to because he was known as a careful scientist who worked slowly and carefully. He spent ~~10 years~~ ten years studying barnacles. He had 10,000 barnacles which he had gotten, and he studied them. He measured them. He wrote a long book about them and people made fun of the scientist who spends ten years studying the little details about barnacles. But people felt that a man who worked so slowly and so carefully as all that - what he presents must be the result of careful research. And actually, Darwin's idea of evolution was something that came to him all of a sudden; just a brilliant idea that he got, and someone else got the same idea ~~later~~ later on exactly after reading the books that Darwin had read when he got his idea. But it was Darwin's name as the careful, methodical scientist that gave respectability to a view that had been presented shortly before by a man who was not considered as much of a scientist.

Now the publisher didn't think Darwin's book would sell very much. The publisher said to Darwin, "Why do you want to publish this book on the origin of species?" He said, "I don't think anyone will buy it." He said, "Why don't you ~~write~~ write a book on pigeons?" "Everybody's interested in pigeons." he said. But Darwin said, "No, this is what I want to write," and he said, "I'll pay half the cost of the publication; I want to get it out." And the publisher said, "Well, " he said, "I wish you would pay all the cost, and then if there should be any profit from it you get it." Darwin said, "No, you promised me if I'd pay half you would publish it, and then you get whatever profit ~~there is~~ there is. " And the publisher made millions on it. Because to Darwin's amazement, and the