

The unfolding of Cosmic Time, or Evolution, leaves man behind. Society is greater than man, Life than Society.

This is only unfortunate for man when we forget that the quality of man is all-level, that man's superconscious

is part of what man is.

Man, as in Bernal's book, is in the future, merges very completely into the Social Body. And Society will be absorbed by Life, & Life by the Earth.

But the human values are not only human. They are all-lust values as seen from our point of view. Our poetry is Earth poetry.

The leaving behind of man is therefore not the abandoning of human values, but their fulfilment. There is no dilemma between human & social development really. The greatest human development is socially integrative. It is only when social integration is hard & formal & mechanical that it means the mechanisation of its units. Society's progress & human progress are one: the superconscious is a part of a man.

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Vertical & Horizontal Space & Time We live in a horizontal time world which is extremely small & restricted: dinner takes half an hour; we take a 10 minutes' stroll, or a fortnight's holiday; we read history & think in terms of decades & centuries, perhaps even of millenia. As for the future we plan for & think of perhaps a year or ten years from now. In such a time scale we live our lives.

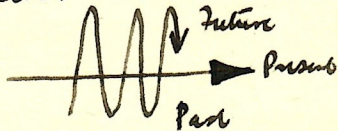
So with space: our town, country, earth. Rarely we think of the universe.

Our space time is a horizontal cutting, a floor plan

of a Space-Time that is vertical-horizantal, but markedly vertical.

The vertical time & space in which we actually live runs at right-angles (so to speak) to the horizontal time & space. Eating dinner involves all time all the time, or countless times. Every event is a cross section the whole unfolding of time from the infinite past to the infinite future.

To live well is to become conscious of the infinity of which the finite is a cross-section. The cross section advances at snail's pace upwards.



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This takes a tremendous lot of realising, but is vastly important.

So of Space. Our Space is not static but is a cross-section of the ever-shrinking upwards of the space pyramid & its swelling down from apex to base. This space of ours is maintained by virtue of this  activity.

And the shrinkage upwards & swelling downwards of space is ~~simply an aspect of~~ correlated with the similar shrinkage & swelling of time.

The great point about this horizontal snip out from Space & Time which you separate out is that it alone is

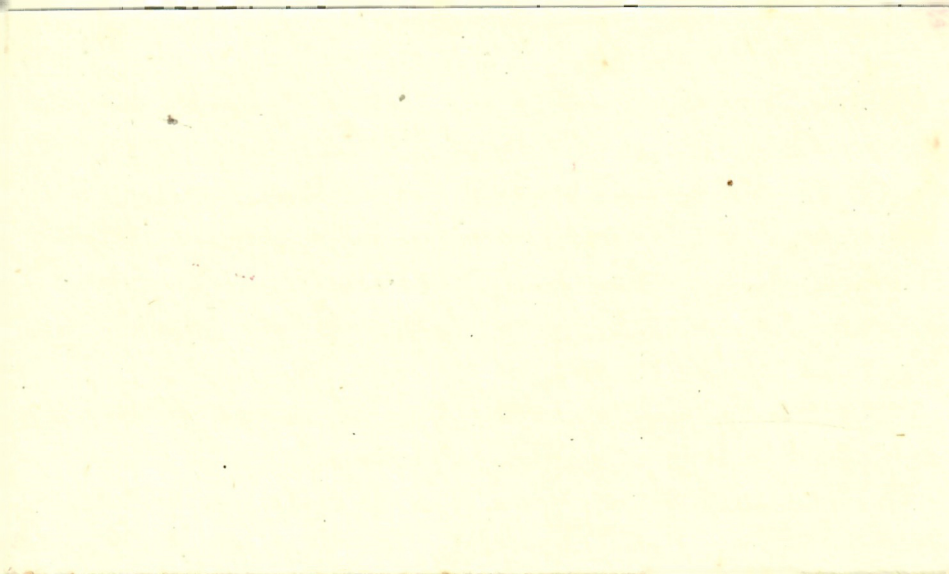
the representing or form of the individuals, separate,
conscious, you. In time or vertical time only the
briefest flash takes the form of the individuals you.

If Reality is a House, you are spatially a tiny
bit of the Plan of the house, a planlet; temporarily
you are a tiny bit of the Section. But you are
more Plan than Section.

We live in a world of darts & arrows, but
every moment of them is infinite in vertical
time  The same applies to space.
Each inch of space is maintained
or binds in vertical infinite space.

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Vertical & Horizontal Space Time Neither space nor time is self-supporting or static at our level. It is anabolic. It is maintained at this level of expansion by integrative shrinkage upwards $\uparrow$ & disintegrative swelling downwards $\downarrow$. Space time is not separate from the δ process of anabolic experience of which it is simply an abstracted aspect or form. Space & time are existents only by virtue of their instantaneous upbuilding & destruction. We catch them on the hop, like a fast camera snapping a racehorse in motion.



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The future maintains you. You act for the future
from the future in every act. The fully conscious
Earth is the future head of your office.

It takes + (?) million years for a representation
or report to get from an office-boy to the office head
& - an equal number of years to get back - so
that no time is lost.

When I move my arm the process takes + ∞ years
& - ∞ years of developmental time.

The movement of my arm is a fulfilment of some
purpose of the future conscious Earth's, life's, SS's etc.

This is true teleology. Everything is teleological.
The baby grows the embryos. You control your
existence in animals as scattered cells.

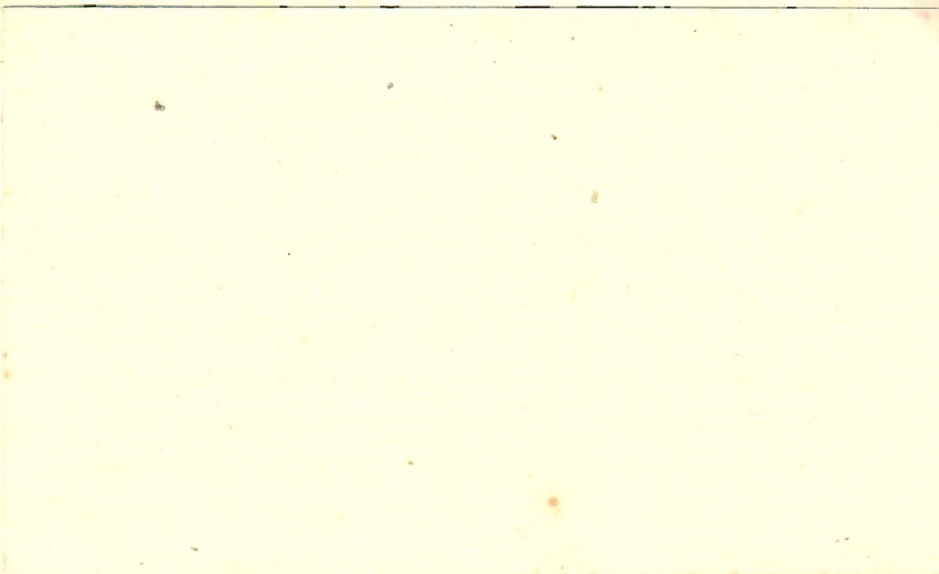
Now, in this chapter, we can see how our view
of you in the Past as you, was quite justified.

When we telescope time what happens to your growth?

Your growth is the way we apprehend you — that is, gradually; and the way you apprehend yourself; that is, by easy stages.

Time is a device which breaks up reality into a graduated course that we can appreciate.

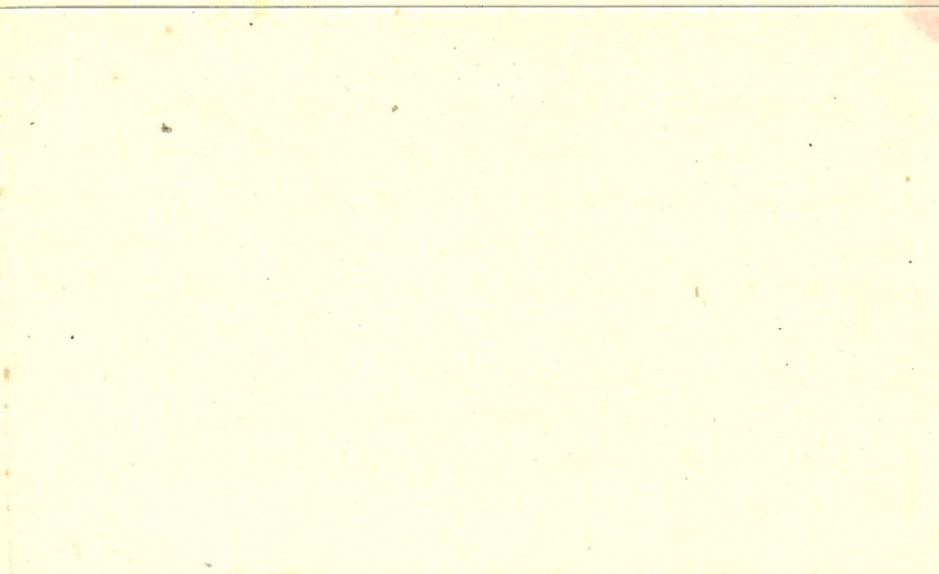
Growth is 'subjective'. Growth is 'line' of the abstracted lurch, but at the ^{circumference} ~~center~~, where things are concrete, it is not time. The stages of our hierarchy are really false abstractions.



You can take your choice & believe in either
(a) all-round immanence, or
(b) timelessness.

(a) explains development by unfolding, ~~but~~ by the expression of the latent.

(b) explains development by timefulness, by the existence of the future alongside the present, as a function in the present, as controlling the present. Just as you control your atoms which belong in your past while to them you are future.



Is the melody implicit in each of its notes?

No — & yes. The note is extended in time to embrace its neighbours — that is the way you hear the note, by making time concrete. In abstracted time the note does not contain the melody. In concrete time it does.

Similarly, are you implicit in electrons? No. Not as abstracted. But you are implicit, you are real in the concrete-time universe & in every part of it.

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The truth is that the world is complete. It is only because the world is already complete that we can exist & function at all - for our every will & thought & deed involves all past & future time.

Our minds (conscious minds) are ~~the~~^a tiny bit of our real minds which are past-present-future. You are past-present-future. You are not merely now. You are not merely here.

When you say that world & you are immmanent in election you mean that an election, without this time-space complement of itself is an unreal abstract-
-ion.

The temporal you is travelling through the timeless you. Life is a journey through the country of oneself. That is the only way we can know ourselves, find ourselves - by the expedient of splitting off an unreal bit of ourselves & sending it out upon its journey through the real self. What we can do is to travel observantly, look about us, & remember what we see. Thus shall we know something of the country of our self. Do not be stupid & imagine the country you have just been through, & that you are coming to is not

yet in existence.

Clock time is the time we spend in the train irrespective of how fast we travel & how long we wait in stations. Developmental time records the passage, not of our train time, but of the stations we pass.

We see ourselves gliding by in perspective. What in the distance are beautiful hills are quite different at close range.

Our train travels to & fro, therefore developmental time flows futurwards & pastwards for us. We often go from a 10 o'clock station to a 6 o'clock station.

Though there are points on the railway where we can glimpse vast stretches of the whole country, we have

to pass again into the duller regions. There are
no short cuts to the high mountains at the end
of the journey. As a mountaineer on a clear day,
^{who} sees his goal bright & clear before him, has still
to descend to the valleys & lose sight of the goal
before he can attain it, so is our journey.

