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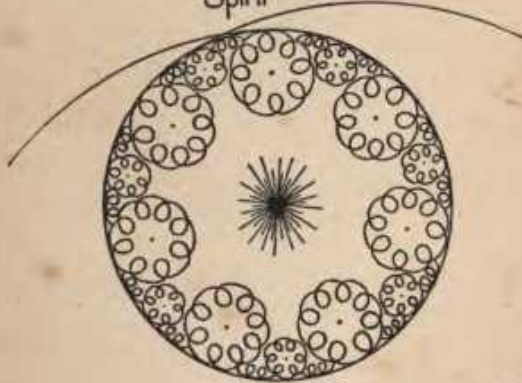
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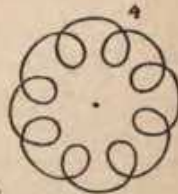
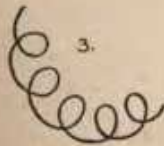
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INTRODUCTORY.

The story of evolution, as being now brought out by different scientific investigators day after day, shows the romance that is contained in truth, even more than in fiction. The development of man from the lower animals, so clearly proven by Darwin a quarter of a century ago, was by the orthodox church people first ridiculed and denied, then ignored, and finally in our own time is acknowledged. The preacher who now attacks evolution is the recipient of the same degree of ridicule which once was bestowed upon its advocates, and proves himself an ignoramus.

Yet Darwin was only a pioneer in this field. His system embraced only a fraction of what is now covered by the wider evolution. Driven by inexorable logic, the students of to-day are inquiring, not only into the origin and history of life, tracing it backward and downward even to the crystal, hitherto regarded as inorganic matter, but are patiently working out the problems of the birth and growth of mind. And here are uncovered the truths that are so fraught with romantic interest, that rival the wildest imaginings of fiction, and