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## Descent of Man: Part III. Sexual Selection in Relation to Man, and Conclusion: Chapter XIX. Secondary Sexual Characters of Man

It is well known that in the males of all mammals, including man, rudimentary mammæ exist. The sexual struggle is of two kinds; in the one it is between individuals of the same sex, generally the males, in order to drive away or kill their rivals, the females remaining passive; whilst in the other, the struggle is likewise between the individuals of the same sex, in order to excite or charm those of the opposite sex, generally the females, which no longer remain passive, but select the more agreeable partners.

**Darwin, C. R. 1874. The descent of man, and selection in relation to sex. London: John Murray. 2d ed.; tenth thousand.**

He shews that the instincts of the higher animals are far nobler than the habits of savage races of men, and he finds himself, therefore, compelled to re-introduce,—in a form of the substantial orthodoxy of which he appears to be quite unconscious,—and to introduce as a scientific hypothesis the doctrine that man's gain of knowledge was the cause of a temporary but long-enduring moral deterioration, as indicated by the many foul customs, especially as to marriage, of savage tribes.

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Man has spread widely over the face of the earth, and must have been exposed, during his incessant migrations, to the most diversified conditions.

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Terror acts in the same manner on them as on us, causing the muscles to tremble, the heart to palpitate, the sphincters to be relaxed, and the hair to stand on end.

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The males passing over a few exceptional cases are the more active in courtship; they are the better armed, and are rendered the more attractive in various ways. It is not probable that the greater strength of man was primarily acquired through the inherited effects of his having worked harder than woman for his own subsistence and that of his family; for the women in all barbarous nations are compelled to work at least as hard as the men. Chapters on Language, by the Rev.

### **The Descent of Man (Darwin)/Chapter III**

As this same form of transmission has apparently prevailed much with mankind, it will save useless repetition if we discuss the origin of characters peculiar to the male sex together with certain other characters common to both sexes.

### **Descent of Man by Charles Darwin: Chapter 3**

These works are most interesting. Some instincts are determined solely by painful feelings, as by fear, which leads to self-preservation, and is in some cases directed towards special enemies. People wishing to follow-up the references will find them all given in the text version Parts 2 and 3 will be catalogued when completed For further information, including links to online text, reader information, RSS feeds, CD cover or other formats if available , please go to the for this recording.

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