



Social Adaptation A Study in the Development of the Doctrine of Adaptation as a Theory of Social Progress

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