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at, why things decay, etc. Yet there is one outstanding contradiction to this law and that is organic life, which obviously progresses from the simple to the complex, from disorder to order. The mechanism by which this is accomplished is called evolution, and is executed by means of instinct. That is, cows never think to stop grazing and begin devouring mice and rabbits, and cats never think of living a life of grazing. In this way the upward negentropy process continues unhindered. Then consciousness evolved to a point of self-consciousness and the reins of instinct were broken. The "glider" once under the directive tow of the parent plane, has been cut free. Now it becomes subject once again, to the laws of entropy. It can choose. It can ride the thermals and soar to dizzying heights, or plunge to earth in a

spiral dive. It is without behavioural bounds to keep itself from the road of increasing disorder, from entropy, from self-extinction; which now becomes apparent as a logical choice.

So societies form, cultures evolve, laws are formed.

The species has entered the most crucial point of its existence, it is on the threshold of self-evolution. But just as a clock runs down and buildings decay, man too is now subject to the easier tendency of running down. It's easier to fall than to get up, easier to walk than to run, easier not to think than to think, easier to destroy than to build up; easier for destructive thought than for constructive thought. That is because energy is constantly being subtracted from our every act. To destroy is to merely act in the dire-

ction of least energy expenditure. Instinct once prevented us from possibly complying with the easier way.

Now we find a new mysterious entity among us. Some call it evil, some the DEVIL, some call it man's nature or character. Yet it is none of these. It is only indicative of the fact that man is ON HIS OWN. Now the instinctive purpose has been erased, as man must discover his CONSCIOUS PURPOSE. He is like an awkward baby trying to walk. He falls, he knocks things down, breaks them. Each and every act and thought, to continue along the evolving trends of organic life, must expand extra energy to first overcome the tendency to fall, to drift to disorder. Man is now at the bottom level of his conscious evolution which can be pictured as an inverted funnel. At the lowest level, free will can choose a myriad of possibilities all around him. Yet only a few are constructive, negentropic, and lead him upward. The further up he progresses, the fewer possibilities are afforded him as the destructive possibilities become less and less viable to him.

Finally, ultimately, he has entered the narrow tube of finality where only constructive possibilities exist and man transcends himself onto....what? Some call this process "doing the will of God", others "achieving conscious purpose." Whatever, one can see what we fight, what drags man down, perverts his creations to destructive implements, contorts his face in hate, clenches his fists; why he strikes down his brother, his mother earth, and what settles him finally in his grave. It's his own limited perceptions, his still immature mind; as he staggers at the threshold, falters at the doorway to his re-birth.

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