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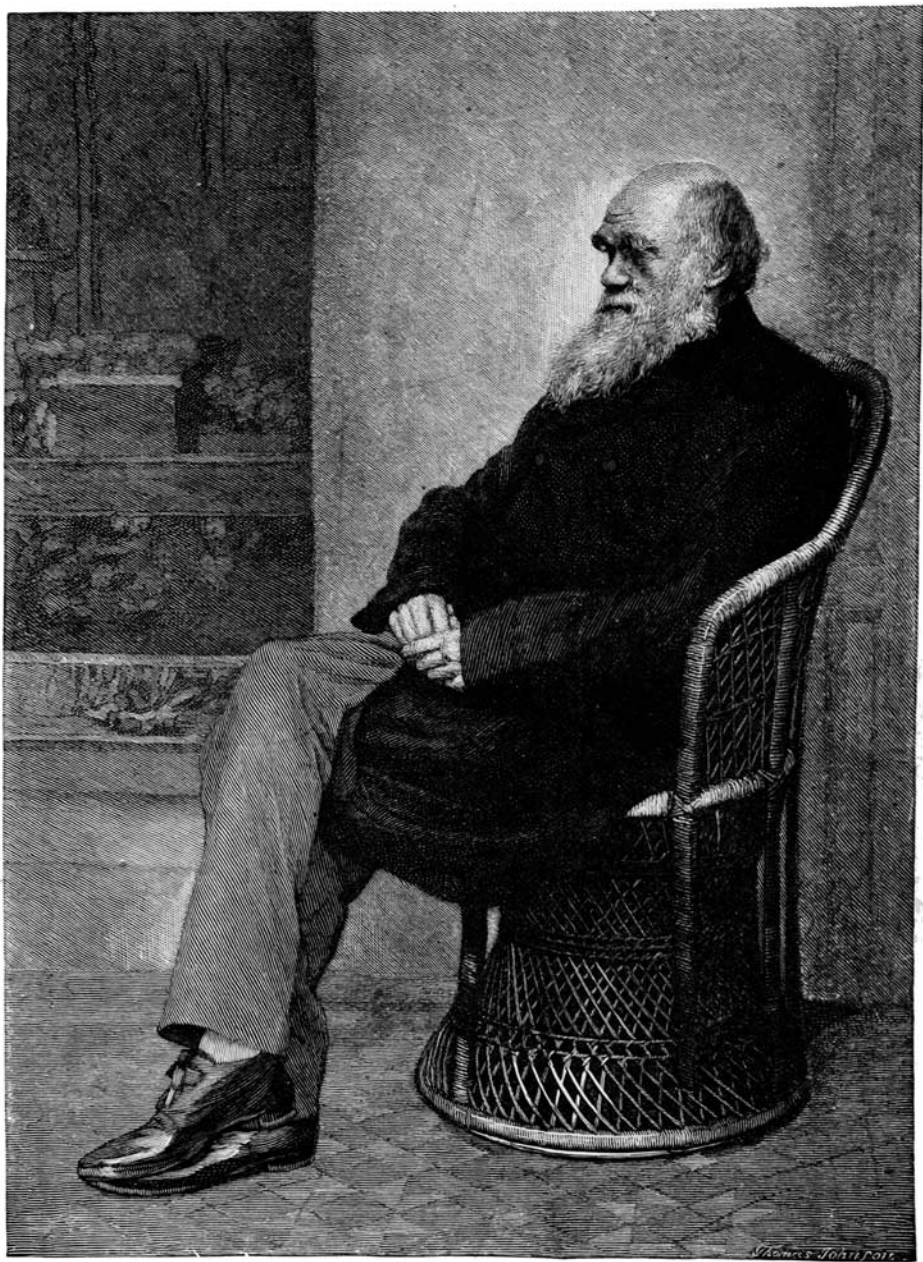
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- P. 239, line 17 : *for* “[?]” *read* “E. R.” The surmise given in the footnote is incorrect. It appears from papers in the possession of Mr. J. Estlin Carpenter, that Dr. Carpenter urged on the Editor of the ‘Edinburgh Review’ a purely scientific treatment of the ‘Origin of Species.’
- P. 246 note : *for* “Ichthyology” *read* “Ichnology.”
- P. 289, line 22 : *for* “Crampton” *read* “Crompton.”
- P. 356, line 6 : *for* “3000” *read* “2000.”
- P. 380, line 3 from foot : *for* “in the Amazons” *read* “on the Amazons.”
- P. 390, line 4 : *for* “direct in the” *read* “in the direct.”