







Léopold, Silomon (philosophe en histoire). Herder, Comte, Müller (philosophie et biologie animale, générale et comparée), Jacobi (philosophie en mathématiques), Kugler, Laurent, Gerhard (tous deux philosophes en chimie organique), Gratiot (philosophie en morphologie animale), Wolf, Reinhold, Brück, André et Schirwanus (les deux derniers auteurs des individus en grande philosophie ou métaphysique, d'après l'auteur par les caractères suivants) :

1<sup>re</sup> Partie de la vie limitée au général entre 50 et 60 ans.

Tous les individus de ce groupe appartiennent à des époques, des peuples, des races variées, sont morts, Pascal excepté, aux environs de 60 ans. Condorcet empoisonné, Lavoisier guillotiné sont des exceptions qui ne peuvent infirmer la règle.

2<sup>e</sup> Instabilité de leur type scientifique différentiel, avec modifications de type et de sexe.

Tous le moins de ce groupe ont une phase crétacée, une phase d'originalité qui est de très-court durée par rapport à la durée de leur vie, et qui suit aussitôt d'une période très-notable et d'une sorte d'inaptitude à s'approprier rien de nouveau. Wechmuskoff fait ici remarquer que la modification de l'esprit philosophique ne s'opère pas chez tous de la même façon : quelques-uns, comme chez Pascal, l'esprit, après s'être porté avec ardeur vers l'expérience, vers des recherches originales et des sciences spéciales, se rejette vers les abstractions et le droit du combat. Suivent alors une période de l'excellente et durable originalité, mais au myopisance de l'esprit, maladie. Comte finit par inventer une religion. Dans d'autres cas, la transformation n'est marquée que par un rétrécissement croissant de l'esprit scientifique, par l'indifférence, par une sorte de cristallisation des idées antérieures qui perdent toute souplesse et deviennent une sorte de norme invariable qu'on oppose à toutes les recherches nouvelles. Comme exemples de cette modification, l'auteur cite Müller, puis Hegel, lequel, si original au début, d'une activité dévorante, d'une force de travail prodigieuse, renonce après sa Logique, à tout filtre dans un système et visiblement présumé.

3<sup>e</sup> Est nerveux différemment de celui de l'homme normal.

Tous les individus du groupe philosophique appartiennent à la constitution nerveuse, excitabile du Reich. Chez les uns cette constitution nerveuse spéciale est la variété cérébrale ; chez les autres la variété spinale, toujours caractérisée par une disposition prédominante aux lésions névrotiques d'origine nerveuse (Gassendi, Leibnitz, Comte, d'Alembert).

Les hommes appartenant à ce groupe succombent facilement et souvent à une longue aliénation, mentale, et à d'autres lésions graves d'origine nerveuse.

Un chapitre entier fort intéressant est consacré par Wechmuskoff à l'étude du type anticipatoire des individus du groupe philosophique. Au point de vue sociologique, les individus de ce groupe sont, selon son expression, en déséquilibre avec leur milieu : ils le dépassent, le dédaignent, le dédisent. Descartes écrivait en Hollande :

« Je vais me promener tous les jours parmi la confusion d'un grand peuple avec assez d'insolence et de repos que vous pourrez le faire dire sans peur et je ferai tout ce qui sera nécessaire, les hommes qui sont dans ce pays sont presque tous des bêtes et des animaux, et je ne veux pas être avec eux, mais je veux être avec ceux des animaux qui y possèdent. Le bruit même de leur race n'interrompt pas plus mes réveries que feraient celui de quelque ruisseau... ».

Comme mépris également ses contemporains ; ils les haissoit même. Rungius aimait le gouvernement absolu, Schopenhauer avait un dédai haineux pour les hommes, les majorités.

Avant de terminer ce chapitre, Wechmuskoff se plaignait la solidité de l'ordre social, et il n'est pas peu curieux que l'auteur premier eût l'originalité d'une intuition destinée à lutter contre les arriérés des choses rigoureuses et si gars du milieu contemporain, et pour leur ménager des loisirs qui leur permettent d'exercer à leur guise leurs travaux théoriques spontanés. S'associant aux belles observations de Taine sur le Mont-Cassin, il fait remarquer que, sous ce rapport, l'époque moderne est en retard sur le moyen âge, qui offrait monastères aux natures pénétrantes et délicates pour les préserver de la majorité humaine violente et brutale.

F'arrive à la conclusion du son étude sur le groupe philosophique.

Voici également la formule :

« L'ensemble des considérations que je viens d'exposer me conduis à la conclusion que le groupe philosophique est un des types les plus délicats, exaltés au-delà de l'excès moyenne en normale, portés à surcroître sous le poids d'un excess de développement cérébral, trop impressionnables pour忍受er comme adiquates les incidences vives et aigües du milieu contemporain. »

J'ai résumé à peu près le traité de M. Wechmuskoff. Il se termine par un tableau très-intéressant qui reproduit la biographie de chaque des grands hommes dont il a cité les noms, en s'attardant particulièrement à toutes les considérations d'ordre physiologique. Son ouvrage fournit de faits curieux qu'on lira avec beaucoup d'intérêt.

Papeete (Tahiti), novembre 1871.

## ANNONCES ET AVIS DIVERS.

### ANNONCES JUDICIAIRES.

Émission proscrite par l'article 32, § 2, du décret du 26 novembre 1864.

Dépôt a été fait au greffe, le 31 octobre dernier, d'une requête, contenant demande en validité de naissance papente dirigée par le sieur Teissier, propriétaire, ayant M<sup>r</sup> Langomino à doléance, contre le sieur Traubaud, défendeur près les tribunaux de Papeete, aujourd'hui sans domicile connu. 169

Jugement du tribunal de première instance de Papeete, jugement communiqué, de trente-sept semaines (1871), lequel donne le sieur Paul Hébaut, de son nom et cognac, à Papeete, le droit de cultiver, fin provisoirement au 1<sup>er</sup> janvier 1869 l'épave de la co-cession de ses pâtiements, dénommée M. Baoul juge commissaire et M. Bonnet, notédo, syndic provisoire.

Pour extrait conforme.

170 Greffier, TH. VAN DER VENNE.

Les seigneurs Andrea Bacca et Santiago Corbozini sont invités à se présenter à l'entrée de M<sup>r</sup> Langomino, défendeur, pour toucher le montant des salaires par eux acquis à bord du trois-mâts goélette la Corbie. 171

### ANNONCES HYDROGRAPHIQUES

#### ILES BRITANNIQUES.

**Feu électrique sur le pointe Souder** (côte Est d'Angleterre).

Le Trinity House de Londres fait connaître que, conformément à l'annonces n° 21, du 20 octobre 1870, le feu de la pointe Souder a été allumé le 1<sup>er</sup> septembre 1870.

Le feu est produit par une lumière électrique, mesurant un éclatissant chaque 30 secondes.

À la même époque, le feu tourbillant blanc de Castle Yani, Tynemouth, a été changé en feu tourbillant rouge.

**Bateau-feu de la baie Cardigan** (côte Ouest d'Angleterre).

Le feu flottant de la baie Cardigan a été porté à 4 milles dans le N. O. ; il est placé dans un bâtiment en bois, à deux étages, et porte 24 N., 7° 28' G. On y relève le bateau-feu de Castle Bay, à 5, 20 milles, et le phare de Bardsey au N. 82° E. à 22 milles t.<sup>o</sup>.

Relevements variés. Variation 23° N. O. en 1870.

Voyez la carte n° 171, 172, 200, les cartes n° 1204, 1255, 1257, 1247, 2164, et l'instruction n° 303, page 31, 78.

### NOUVEAU BRUNSWICK (GOVERNEMENT SAINT-LAURENT).

#### Pointe Ecumenie.

Le banc équinatoire le pointe Ecumenie, pointe Sud de la baie Miramichi, a été étudié dans le Nord, et on a trouvé un banc tout de 4 à 5 à 8 milles t.<sup>o</sup> dans le N. N. E. de phare.

#### Baie de Fundy, baisse sur le banc du N. O., port Saint-Andrews.

La baie équinatoire du port Saint-Andrews, dans la baie Passamaquoddy, n'est pas à sa place.

Relevements variés. Variation 23° N. O. en 1870.

Voyez l'instruction n° 284, page 29, et l'instruction n° 434, page 80.

### ETAT CIVIL.

Etat des mouvements survenus dans l'état civil de la commune de Papeete pendant le mois d'octobre 1871.

#### NAISSANCES.

1<sup>er</sup> octobre — Marie-Joséphine Newberry, fille de Georges Newberry et d'Adèle.

2<sup>e</sup> octobre — Elisa-Jeanne Petit, fille de Charles Petit et d'Adèle Foutier.

24 octobre — Jeanne-Louise, fille de Jeanne-Louise et de Jean-Baptiste.

26 octobre — Adeline-Maria Howard, fille de Thomas Howard et de Teeta.

31 octobre — Edwina-Johanna, fille de William-Irvin Johnson et de Lucia Hammer.

#### MARIAGES.

24 octobre — Entre Joseph Daillard, cultivateur, demeurant à Papeete, âgé de 29 ans, et dentiste Elisa Caouënnec, femme première, âgée de 14 ans t.<sup>o</sup>.

#### Sépultures.

11 octobre — Jeanne-Adeleine Bourdon, née Nuster, âgée de 28 ans.

16 octobre — Théophile-Louis Nardi, agriculteur, âgé de 21 ans.

21 octobre — Tacua, indien des îles, âgé de 21 ans. Illness incompris.

#### MOUVEMENTS DU PORT DE PAREKE.

De vendredi 27 octobre au jeudi 2 novembre 1871 inclus.

#### NAIRE DE CLERK ENTRE.

1<sup>er</sup> novembre. Transport français à Adélia Force, commandé par M. Chauvelier, lieutenant du vaisseau, ven. de Taravai en p'tor, 20 d'espèce.

#### NAIRE DE CLERK ENTRÉE.

21 octobre. Gori, du Protect. Prostrel, de 21 ton., cap. Léonren, all. à Ati-noro.

23 octobre. Gori, du Protect. Spray, de 22 ton., cap. Elacott, all. à Toubati ; 2 passag. Indigènes.

24 novembre. Gori, du Protect. Henriette, de 27 ton., cap. Vincent, all. à Rameau.

25 novembre. Transport français du Protect. Jovis, de 17 ton., cap. McLean, all. à Sydney ; 1 passag. M. Dutrou-Bornier, français.

26 novembre. Gori, du Protect. Elgin, de 22 ton., cap. Lovegrove, all. aux îles.

2 novembre. Gori, transporté à Rapaïu, de 14 ton., cap. Wheeler, all. à Papemata.

2 novembre. Gori, transporté à Tepapa, de 20 ton., cap. Auma, all. à Huahine ; 2 passag. Indigènes.

#### BATIMENTS SUR RADE.

##### SE CTIVE.

1<sup>er</sup> novembre. Transport français à Béline Force, commandé par M. Chevalier, lieutenant du vaisseau.

##### RE-CTIVE.

29 décembre 1870. Brig.-golet, armé, de 225 ton., cap. Thermidor.

3<sup>er</sup> octobre 1871. Trois petits-vaux Gazeau, de 435 ton., cap. Lasser.

10 octobre. Brig.-golet, armé, de 225 ton., cap. Mehlmann.

11 octobre. Trois petits-vaux englis-sous, de 72 ton., cap. Kondrick.

28 septembre. Transport français à Tepapa, de 17 ton., cap. Wendl.

6 octobre. Brig.-golet, anglis Sir John Boray, de 111 ton., cap. Duan.

16 octobre. Brig.-golet Sir John Boray, de 185 ton., cap. Bugles.

23 octobre. Gori, du Protect. Actae, de 21 ton., 1st. Nat.

#### Portraits-tarif à 15 fr. le dessin.

Vues à 1 fr. p'tice.

167 C. B. HOWE, photographe.

#### Portraits-tarif à 3 dollars for each.

Vues à twenty cents each.

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#### TEQUINA NOCTE ET TARUA PAPA.

The undersigned has the honor to inform the public of Papeete that he will leave this island for San Francisco by the first opportunity. All persons whose portraits have already been taken will obtain copies of said portraits at the price of one dollar for three.

Portraits taken at three dollars for each.

Vues à twenty cents each.

C. B. HOWE, photographe.

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