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CHARLES ROBERT DARWIN died April 20th [19th], and was buried at West-

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minster Abbey, London, April 26th. He was born at Shrewsbury, February 12, 1809, and was educated at the University of Edinburgh and at Cambridge. From 1831 to 1836 he accompanied, as naturalist, the surveying expedition of the ship *Beagle*, and subsequently published several works on the results of his observations. But the one which was destined to attract universal attention, and to be the forerunner of a large class of scientific literature on the philosophical system which has since been termed "Darwinism," was the one published in 1859 under the title "On the Origin of Species by means of Natural Selection, or the Preservation of Favored Races in the Struggle of Life," and which was followed by others, notably, in 1871, by "The Descent of Man and Selection in Relation to Sex." Progressive organic development, or evolution, as it is now termed, is an ancient philosophical idea, which at the beginning of the present century was more clearly formulated by Lamarck, but extended by Darwin, and supported with great ingenuity by the results obtained from long years of patient observation and of experimental inquiries, the details of which results are embodied in his later works.