historian compares successive configurations of society that the fact of real progress makes itself apparent. ... The ascending curve of human evolution ... has always <u>hitherto</u> recovered itself and continued to ascend." (pp. 309-10)

"God [does not manifest Himself only] in progress, in the improvement of standards of living, in the spread of medicine, [etc.] ... Real spiritual progress can only be achieved through catastrophe and suffering. ... Our own age is witnessing a true catharsis which will, we believe, bring profound rebirth. ... We need reawakening of faith in the God of the majesty theophany on Mount Sinai, in the God of Elijah's vision at Horeb, in the God of the Jewish exiles in Babylonia, in the God of the Agony at Gethsemane." (pp. 310-11)

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