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¹ Of course the theologians cannot abandon the dogmas laid down by synods of the Church and popes (ignorant of the past, of reality and life). From those quarters we may expect nothing but opposition to every aspect of development. Some features of the same dogmatic clinging to obsolete views are still seen in the authorities of medical science. The more gratifying it is to see how “things are moving” in the right direction within the circle of natural scientists. Even if many obsolete views remain in the representatives of science (especially in Scandinavia, and most particularly in Sweden), the revolutionary ideas of pioneers meet with increasing understanding. What is the most heartening feature is a dawning realization that scientific hypotheses should not be turned into new dogmas but largely have not a greater truth value (reality content) than conjectures and assumptions. Perhaps they can stop viewing the hypothesis as probable and reduce it to what it is, a “possibility”. Only after such rethinking is there a prospect for exoteric science and esoteric knowledge to meet on some common ground.

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