

## **Scientific Hoaxes: Piltdown Man & Ota Benga**

**Category:** Science Gone Wrong: the Ramifications

### **Food for Thought**

#### **What is Science?**

Today, what science is has largely been hijacked and defaced. Sadly, science, in its pure form, has been handed some cheap lipstick, a pair of cheap earrings, cheap perfume, a floozy's dress, and has then been told to get dressed for another public appearance. Who has pimped science out? Atheists, who are scientists by education, but are now merely 100% Atheists and only minimally scientists, that's who.

#### **Science is methodology, not ideology**

Science is the pursuit and application of knowledge and understanding of the natural and social world following a systematic methodology based on evidence.

- Objective observation. Measurement and data (possibly although not necessarily using mathematics as a tool)
- Evidence
- Experiment and/or observation as the benchmarks for testing hypotheses
- Induction: Reasoning to establish general rules or conclusions drawn from facts or examples
- Repetition
- Critical Analysis
- Verification and testing: Critical exposure to scrutiny, peer review, and assessment

*Science Council*

This definition should suffice, indeed is sufficient to describe what we term “operational” science. It is what we all think of as science; a hypothesis, experiment, observation, conclusion and the process begins again. This is what we were taught in the sixth grade.

This is Science 101, science as it was before it was hijacked and pimped out. Look at the definition above, and tell me, does this even hint of being an ideologically driven field? No, but the four renowned men I quote in The Traveling Medicine Show, Sam Harris, Richard Dawkins, Stephen Hawking, and Christopher Hitchens have distorted science into a grotesque ideology. How? By making a claim that is, historically speaking, novel. The claim is that science and religion are and always have been at war.



They assuredly have not been and are not. Science merely describes for us what God has done. Then, why this persistent chant from these four and their fellow cheerleaders? They have an ideology and are far too weak to form their own party. So, they, as Atheism's first priests, wish to turn science into something foreign to science, an ideology. Why? Atheism seeks the eradication of God.

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Atheism's roster is a weak one. Would you have me substitute a bumbler like Daniel Dennett or a car salesman like Lawrence Krauss for Hawking and Hitchens? Thought not.

Let me ask you this, does Christianity seek to answer these questions: (A Child's Questions)?

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- Where do I come from?
- What is my purpose?
- How do I know right from wrong?
- Where am I going when I die?

Of course Christianity answers these questions.

Does Atheism/Scientism seek to answer the same questions? Yes, but they have a serious problem, their answers lead to the town of Despair. If you come from nothing accidentally, have no purpose, can't distinguish between right and wrong, and answer the after death question by reporting that you return to the meaningless nothing you were when you began, you will, as I said, be a resident in the town called Despair. Atheists have turned science into Scientism, and they propose to ruin both science and religion. Both will be one, and both will be meaningless. Their brand of rationality will govern, where the one in power will decide what truth is during your miserable stay on this planet. As Nietzsche wrote, there will be no facts, just interpretations. Despair is too bright and hopeful a word for such a philosophy.

This has happened before. Does that shock you? I believe I can prove to you that scientists, in the past, have attempted to color society with their ideologies, and, indeed, have succeeded in recent history. They, as now, promoted science as a replacement for God. You will quickly discover the damage they have done if you look at history. In each of the cases I cite, you will find that all of the culprits were Atheist scientists of renown. These were science's stars, heroes, and heroines. It was their Atheism that made them enslave science. Science became a henchman and a hitman. By the way, the scientific community never intervened in any of these cases until compelled to. The scientific community is not flush with boat-rockers. The scientific community is gluttoned with peer-worshippers.

Beware of today's Scientism, it is merely Atheism in disguise. Science has been pimped out before, and I will give you the incidents. Ask yourself, before you give an ovation to science without reservation, is the Atheistic Scientism of today better and wiser than the Atheistic Scientism of yesteryear? You be the judge. I will cover the following events and cases in #14, #15, & #16.

1. The Piltdown Man Hoax
2. Ota Benga
3. Carrie Buck
4. Eugenics
5. Margaret Sanger's Racism
6. The Tuskegee Experiment

### **The Piltdown Man Hoax**

"The core of science is not a mathematical modeling - it is intellectual honesty."

Sam Harris

"As a scientist, I am hostile to fundamentalist religion because it actively debauches the scientific enterprise... it subverts science and saps the intellect."

Richard Dawkins

Just listen to these propagandists! Dawkins rages against religion, "it actively debauches the scientific enterprise". Of course, little Sammy Harris, the same chap who studiously evades the fine-tuning argument because it militates against Sammy's doctrinal statement, prattles on about "intellectual honesty".

Both of these men are well aware of all of the dishonest and sloppy science that I will shortly lay out. Folks, science has a very checkered past. Primarily, scientists are the reason. Atheist scientists are "fallen men", and they are often feverish with ambition. If all you have is this life on this planet, you will

naturally scramble for recognition, and you will endure sleepless nights in hope of acclaim.

“A man will do many things to get himself loved. He will do anything to get himself envied.”

Mark Twain

Godless men have murdered over a hundred million people in the past 100 years. Can't you imagine a scientist lying and defrauding to acquire status?

If you can't, then allow me to introduce you to little Charlie Dawson, an English lawyer and amateur archaeologist. He found what he, his compatriot Artie Smith Woodward, every British paleontologist, every nationalistic-thinking Brit, and many Atheists outside of Germany wanted them to find. Outside of Piltdown, in Sussex, in 1912, Charlie Dawson found the long-hoped-for missing link.

Charlie Dawson was ambitious, but he played second fiddle, in many ways, to Artie Smith Woodward who was keeper of the Geologic Department of the British Museum.





Why were so many pleased with the Piltdown Man discovery? There were a variety of motives behind their shared elation.

- Consider: It is 1912 and Europe is on the brink of World War I with Germany; tensions are high.
- Consider: In 1907, in Germany, the reigning candidate to be the missing link was found. The very name, Heidelbergensis, made for sleepless nights for English and French paleontologists and archaeologists. They desperately searched for the missing link.
- Consider: Atheists around the globe scoured every tar pit and rocky outcrop for the missing link. They so wanted to prove their Darwinism credible. The scouring had been going on for 50 years, and the average Joe was beginning to doubt there was such a thing. The ape-to-man, the ape-man, just had to be found. There were frenzied searchers on every continent.

Spoiler alert: the missing link has never been found – there are other fraudulent ape-men types, but no missing link.

Charlie Dawson, ambitious to the core, gave Sir Arthur Smith Woodward what he craved, Piltdown Man, *Eoanthropus Dawsoni*. Okay, here's what Charlie truly dragged into Woodward's office:

- Half a lower jaw
- A skull fragment
- Two human-like molars

That's it? If you desperately need a missing link it will do. A full skull model was soon worked up and Artie Smith Woodward authenticated the find. Atheists and Darwinists celebrated worldwide. What happened to dispassionate science? Sinful human ambition, in men who did not fear God's accounting of lives, turned science into a tramp who would become whatever these pitiful men needed. Look, at this point, it appears I'm being hard on Woodward. Was he duped? Maybe. But, in 1916 he did his own truth shaving. I will not include it here, but Woodward is a co-conspirator, not a victim.

This missing link was used to promote Darwinism and Atheism for 41 years. For 41 years science books featured the Piltdown Man fraud. It was even used as evidence in the 1925 Scopes Monkey Trial. Piltdown Man was a delight to Clarence Darrow, the attorney for Scopes in the trial. Darrow was an ardent and angry atheist. For 41 years this fraud reigned. Who spoke up within the scientific community? Actually by and by a couple of questioners did speak up. Charlie Dawson solved it by finding Piltdown Man II a few miles away. It gave Piltdown Man I credibility. As Twain said, a man will do anything to get himself envied.

Science finally had to concede that Piltdown Man was a fraud. The partial jawbone was from a small orangutan, the teeth had been stained to attain aging and filed down as well. Oh, and they were canine. It was an amateurish fraud that misinformed 40 years of our youth because two wicked, ambitious scientists wanted to do service to their sect's founder, his Lordship, Charles Darwin.

Scientists take offense when one like me is critical. They puff their collective chests out and say, "we uncovered the fraud in 1953". Yeah, 41 years late. Is that a reason to be proud? Piltdown Man is science's longest running fraud but there are others, like the idiotic ape to man chart that hangs on the wall at your high school that I won't bother with.

The main purpose behind my exposing the serious frauds science has sprung on school systems is my desire to show you that everyone with an agenda, especially an Atheist agenda, will always have an agenda that mirrors what their hearts luxuriate in. In conversation with an Atheist, I ask what they know about Piltdown Man when the time and listeners are right; it will quiet loud-voiced arrogance.

Next we see the first fruit of Atheism I will feature. His name is Ota Benga. It is a name that should not be forgotten. Would you be surprised to find that Atheism and Darwinism, and scientists who espouse Atheism and Darwinism would propagate and promote racism? Why? It's a product of their core beliefs.

### **Ota Benga - Pygmy in the monkey house – the ramifications of Darwinism**

The early 1900's were dominated by Atheist, Darwinist, and eugenicist ideologies. I haven't introduced you to Margaret Sanger, the founder of Planned Parenthood, or Francis Galton, the founder of eugenics (Charles Darwin's cousin) yet, but I assure you they are on the menu.

Ideologies drive herds, and such is the tale of history from basically 1850 on. Ideas have ramifications. Of course, godless folks will have godless conceptions of the truths and paths to follow. As you shall see, man's bloodiest century will run in lockstep with the ascendancy to power of secular, godless philosophies/ideologies and the men and women who have the godless ideologies.

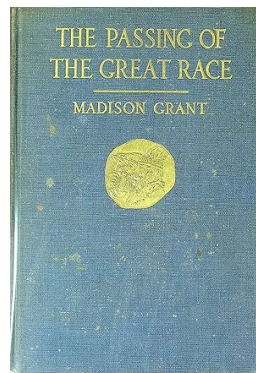
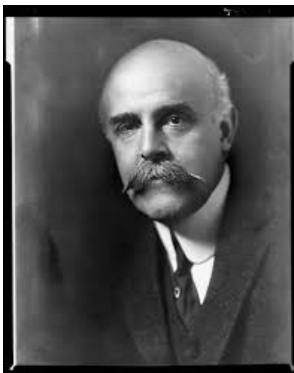
Therefore, though this is the sad story of an African pygmy named Ota Benga, the true sadness in Ota's story is owing to the damnable ideologies of the Atheist Darwinists in Ota's story. I will condemn the entire scientific world, which is fair, as this community will once again prove unable to police itself. One expects that men and women to whom God has allotted better minds and capabilities to be independent thinkers. History has taught me that this is not so. Sheep—this bright group proves to be much like a flock of frightened, skittish, let-me-not-stand-out-from-the-flock lambs—Atheism produces lambs not lions. This weakness seems to be due primarily to this flock's desire to be well thought of by other sheep. Perhaps this is inevitable when a flock has no shepherd. For me, the strength of my Shepherd permits me to stand alone when necessary, because I live for the Shepherd's approval. I live for His eyes alone. I do not care a whit for approval from the other sheep—the exception being my beloved Lois.

The names to remember in Ota's tale are:



*William Hornaday*

This is the Bronx Zoo's founding director who was additionally the nation's foremost zoologist and founding director of the National Zoo in Washington, D.C.



*Madison Grant*

This is a founding member of the Bronx Zoo, who authored a horrid book titled, The Passing of the Great Race. This is the book that Adolph Hitler called "my bible". Yes, Madison Grant's ideas had ramifications. Elsewhere, I will dismantle Sam Harris' pathetic attempt to cast Hitler as a Christian.

It is, to my mind, Sam's worst deceit, amidst an acre of Sam's deceptions. But that must wait for now.



*Henry Fairfield Osborn*

This man wrote the preface to the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of Madison Grant's The Passing of the Great Race. Osborn was a renowned paleontologist and an advocate of eugenics (I promise I will explain), and he was the president of the American Museum of Natural History for 25 years. He co-founded the American Eugenics Society.

Toward the end of this saga, James Gordon, an African-American Clergyman, wrote,

***“... we think we are worthy of being considered human beings, with souls.”***

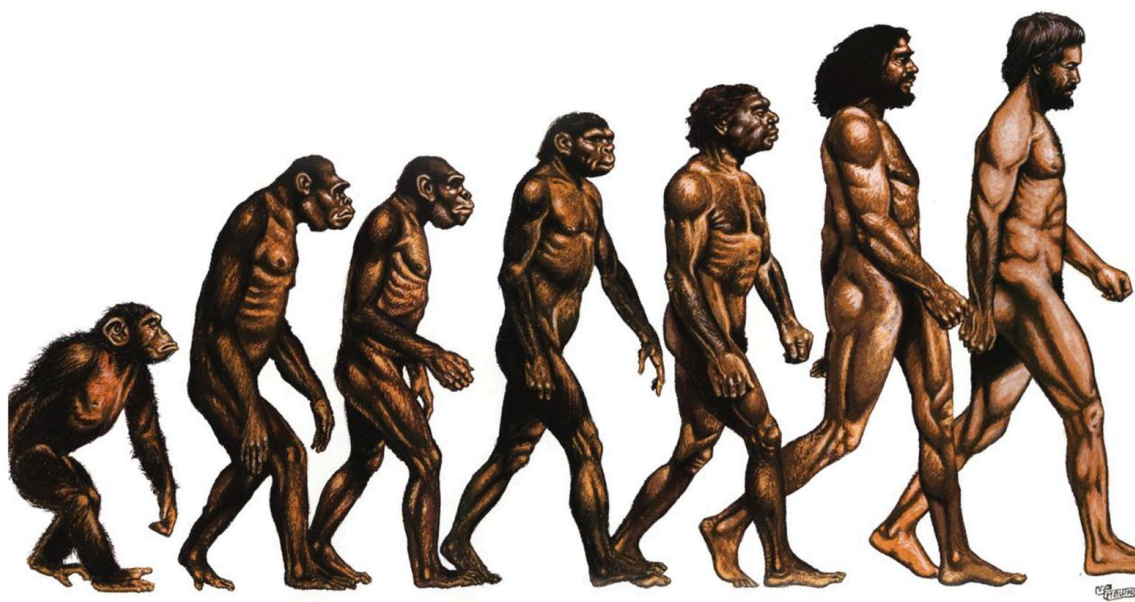
***“The Darwinian theory is absolutely opposed to Christianity, and a public demonstration in its favor should not be permitted.”***

It is proper to remember that, at the time, Gordon was thought to be out of step with “progressive, liberal, enlightened, elitist” thought. Sounds much like today does it not?

The liberal defense was provided then, as now ironically, by the New York Times newspaper.

*“We do not quite understand all the emotion others are expressing in the matter... It is absurd to moan over the imagined humiliation and degradation Benga is suffering. The Pygmies... are very low in the human scale... the idea that men are all much alike except as they have had or lacked opportunities for getting an education out of books is now far out of date.”*

Darwinism fostered the idea of the superiority of the white race and the inferiority of the black race. Why? The black man was viewed as a part of the ape to man chart thinking. That chart, as I've said before, is pure doo-doo, but with one glance at it, I can guess that it was concocted by a racist elitist during this period.



Look closely at the chart, is the character on the far right, the fine product of evolution, white or black? Every character with any authority in Ota's story, until we come to James Gordon, is an Atheist, elitist, Darwinian eugenicist. Their thought ruled the world in the first third of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Ota's story begins in Africa, in the Congo. As best as I can tell, due to conflicting reports, Ota is approximately 21 years old. While he was away hunting, his village was raided, and his wife and two children were killed. Ota belonged to the Mbuti tribe. Shortly thereafter, Ota was taken captive by the Bashilele tribe and enslaved. It was common for one black tribe to enslave members of another black tribe. Ota was just under five feet tall and weighed 103 pounds.

In 1904, an American businessman and explorer named Samuel Verner was under contract from the 1904 St. Louis's World's Fair. Verner was to capture or obtain pygmies for the St. Louis Exhibition. The Bashilele tribe then happily sold Ota to Samuel Verner for a pound of salt and a bolt of cloth. Eventually, with Ota's assistance, Verner would secure four more pygmies and five non-pygmies from the Bakuba tribe.

The Africans were taken to St. Louis, but Verner had contracted malaria and missed the trip. Ota was a hit, as he was congenial, and his teeth, which had been filed down to spikes, drew a great deal of attention. The crowds would encircle poor Ota, but he seems to have endured the touching with fairly little fanfare. That would change.



Ota accompanied Verner to Africa when the other natives were returned to their tribes. The Batwa, the tribe from which the other pygmies were acquired, invited Ota to stay. He married a Batwa woman but she died of a snakebite. Ota decided to return to the U.S. with Verner. Verner arranged for Ota to lodge in a spare room at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City. But Ota grew restless, and his behavior became erratic.

Verner took Ota to the Bronx Zoo in 1906. William Hornaday, the Darwinist eugenicist I introduced you to earlier, employed Ota as a sort of exhibit

clean-up man. But, Hornaday noted that zoo visitors were more fascinated by Ota than the animals.

I will fast-forward here as the accounts differ at this point. In the end, one fact is certain; **Ota slept in a cage and wound up on display in the zoo's Monkey House along with an orangutan named Dohong and a pet parrot.**

On the first day the exhibit formally opened, September 8, 1906, Ota was inside the cage at the Monkey House at the Bronx Zoo with a sign outside that read:

**The African Pygmy, "Ota Benga."**

Age, 23 years. Height, 4 feet 11 inches.  
Weight, 103 pounds.[b] Brought from the  
Kasai River, Congo Free State, South Central Africa,  
by Dr. Samuel P. Verner. Exhibited each afternoon during  
September.

Yes, Ota slept in the monkey house. Some reports indicate that Ota would, at times, use the bow and arrow he carted around, to shoot at annoying gawkers. I hope it is true. This exhibit was fully endorsed by Madison Grant, leading anthropologist and eugenicist, and his friend Henry Osborn. I brought them in earlier as I desire that you see how these Atheist eugenicists put their ideology into practice.

It did outrage the black clergy, and it produced Reverend Gordon's charge that a public demonstration in favor of Darwinism should not be permitted (I have already given you the New York Times' reply above). By the end of 1906, Ota was in the hands of Reverend Gordon. Gordon placed Ota in the Howard Colored Orphan Asylum, in Brooklyn. Gordon supervised the home. In 1910 Gordon arranged for Ota to move to Lynchburg, VA. Ota began to work at a tobacco factory and Gordon paid for his teeth to be capped, in the hope that this might allow Ota to fit in better.



In 1914, World War I broke out, dashing any hope Ota had of returning home to the Congo. On March 20, 1916 Ota pulled the caps off his teeth, built a ceremonial fire, secured a pistol he had hidden and shot himself in the heart.

After lying religiously about Ota and its racism, the Bronx Zoo, in 2020, offered a half-baked apology for the “episode”. It took 114 years and the racial tension engendered by the George Floyd coverage to pry even a “sorry” out of this sorry institution, the Bronx Zoo.

In closing, let me tell you a telling tale about William Hornaday, the zoo’s director at the time Ota was exhibited in the monkey house. It has become clear that Hornaday scattered bones around Ota’s cage to suggest Ota was a cannibal. Hornaday boasted that Ota had “the best room in the Monkey House”.

This is another case of science gone wrong. The cases are numerous. It is wise to remember that Godless people are prideful and they seek earthly acclaim at any cost. Scientists, not science, are to blame, and you should not confuse the two. Science, in theory, is dispassionate. In practice, it cannot be, as the scientists have worldviews and worldviews produce biases. These eugenicist Atheists and their biases exhibited Ota and ultimately led to Ota’s suicide.