

Eulogy to Charles Darwin on the occasion of his 204 birthday
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Eventually, all people wither and get lost in depth of ages.
But some, who tried to look from different sides,
Whose notions were courageous,
Still able to exist inside our books and minds.

At the beginning of the age
Of colonies, empires and inventions
Was born a worthy personage
That certainly deserves a bit of your attention.

Charles Robert Darwin, he's renown
As author of the work <<On origin of Species>>.
The story of his life is widely known.
It was a fair and decent life but never easy.

His voyage contributed to his work a lot.
Thou he was fighting with sea sickness,
We certainly cannot
Deny significance of things he witnessed

And after more than twenty years
Of trying to extend his overlook,
Without falling to his fears,
He published monumental book.

And controversy soon arose,
His work gained recognition.
Eventually, inspiring those
Who later would develop his position.

He's gone, time never lets a man escape its Knife.
But people still remember his proceedings,
Because for modern sciences of life
They acted as firs seedlings.