

generally tropical, yet the Cat is naturalized everywhere. Though the Hyæna and the Jackal shrink from the temperature of the greater part of Europe, yet Wolves and Foxes, as well as the great majority of the canine race, are found indigenous, or have been formerly indigenous, in almost every part of it.*

Many more instances might be adduced proving that animals have been placed originally in certain stations, adapted to the habits resulting from their organization and general structure, from which some of them have sent forth their colonies far and wide, while others, owing to peculiarities in these respects, requiring a given temperature and kind of food, or to local obstacles stopping their further progress, have not wandered beyond certain limits.

Having, in the preceding pages, endeavoured to account for the dispersion and present stations of the various members of the animal kingdom at large, not to leave the subject incomplete, I must next make a few observations relative to that of the human race.

It has been a favourite theory of some modern physiologists that God "*hath not made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth,*" but that there are different species of men as well as of animals: others, who do not go quite so far, suspect, that at the last great deluge, besides Noah and his family who were saved in the ark, some others escaped from that sad catastrophe by taking refuge on some of the highest mountain ridges of Asia and Africa; and seem to insinuate that from these arose the three principal races, the Caucasian, the Mongol,

* Modern geologists are of opinion that lions, tigers, hyænas, &c., must formerly have existed all over Europe, as their bones occur in caves and diluvial deposits.—T. R. J.