

as follows, the will being reduced to attraction and repulsion between the atoms :—

“Vogt’s pyknotic theory of substance is that minute parts of the universal substance, the centres of condensation, which might be called *pyknotoms*, correspond in general to the ultimate separate atoms of the kinetic theory ; they differ, however, very considerably in that they are credited with sensation and inclination (or will-movement of the simplest form), *with souls*, in a certain sense,—in harmony with the old theory of Empedocles of the ‘loves and hatreds of the elements.’

“Moreover, these ‘atoms with souls’ do not float in empty space, but in the continuous, extremely attenuated, intermediate substance, which represents the uncondensed portion of the primitive matter” (p. 77).

“‘Attraction’ and ‘repulsion’ seem to be the sources of *will*—that momentous element of the soul which determines the character of the individual” (p. 45).

“The positive ponderable matter, the element with the feeling of like or desire, is continually striving to complete the process of condensation, and thus collecting an enormous amount of *potential* energy ; the negative imponderable matter, on the other hand, offers a perpetual and equal resistance to the further increase of its strain and of the feeling of dislike connected therewith, and thus gathers the utmost amount of *actual* energy.