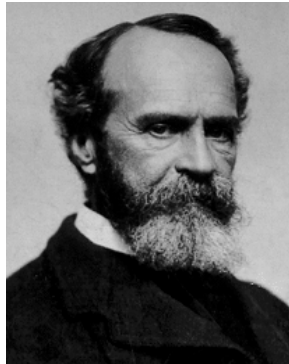


William James
1842-1910



Psychology is an “...elaboration of the obvious.”

James defined Psychology by using the words of Professor Ladd: “The description and explanation of states of consciousness.”

James was the founder or spiritual father of American Functionalism
Influenced by Charles Darwin

THE SELF

The “Me” and the “I”

“The self as known, or the *me*, the ‘empirical self’and of the self as knower, or the *I*, the ‘pure ego’ ...”

Understanding the me

Its constituents

The material me

The social me

The spiritual me

The feelings and emotions the constituents arouse

Self Appreciation

Self-Complacency

Self-Dissatisfaction

The acts which the constituents prompt - - - Self-seeking and preservation

Bodily Self-seeking

Social Self-seeking

Self-Esteem

Self-Esteem = Success/Pretentions

The Self As Knower

The "I"

I = pure ego "the first person singular"

The thinker

The sense of personal Identity as observer and causal agent.

"My present Me is felt with warmth and intimacy."

Mutations and Multiplications

Alterations of memory

Alterations of the present bodily and spiritual selves

Insane delusions

Alternating selves

Mediumships or possessions