

## THE NIGGLES

Accepting William James as a very important figure in psychology should be no problem at all, but. If we really believed that James and Husserl were linked with the same problems of phenomenology, then we would perhaps agree that both wished to remove uncertainty. However, we would not as surely allow such a removal without questions left unanswered. The idea of an empirical psychology is taken by some to be the same as behaviorism (Anderson, 1996) with mental contents added so that dualism immediately becomes an issue. Harry treats the mind-body problem early in the book

(Heft, 2001, pp. 4-6), acknowledging that contemporary psychology still has difficulties with Darwin, evolution, and physical paradigms, quoting Tooby and Cosmides (1992).

Psychology has utilized the inanimate techniques, and those had an inadequate model of its own material. Natural science has moved on, but as Harry (Heft, 2001) stated, scientism is alive and based on its older being. The corollary of this is that the older psychology still looks for mind in control of a body rather than in thrall of being. We can refer to mind without dualism only if we accept sensation as a phenomenon and mental image as a complex epiphenomenon linked to sensations that flow in from outside of consciousness, are regulated in some way, and impact upon body and surroundings.

The idea of calling any linkage between epiphenomenon and phenomenon an affordance seems perfectly acceptable. This does not remove problems of the extent of the reflex (Sherrington, 1906/1973) as a body activity (LeDoux, 1996) and "other"<sup>4</sup> that act as recipients of what environmental conditions have to offer in the absence of consciousness.<sup>5</sup> Part of the problem is, as Ryle (1990) suggested, a category error, not by Harry (Heft, 2001) but by old (and most new) science and psychology based on the Cartesian premise. The intensity or awareness of the phenomenon must surely be critical in order to shift from abductive to inductive or deductive modes of interaction. The effect is an epigenesis rather than any total plan or total certainty, much like our life world experience?