

recorded was brought by this route and was then carried across the Jurassic outcrop by easterly moving ice.

Mr. D. F. W. Baden-Powell has recently suggested (1948A, B) that Upper Chalky Boulder Clay was deposited in eastern England by ice moving in a direction from east of north. In view, however, of the presence in the Upper Chalky Boulder Clay of the Oundle region of abundant Bunter pebbles and of the other erratics described above, the writer is of the opinion that the ice responsible for this boulder clay must have come from distinctly west of north.

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CORRESPONDENCE

PALAEOGEOGRAPHY OF THE MIDLANDS

SIR,—As pointed out in your review of my recent book, *The Palaeogeography of the Midlands*, I there suggested that “the Downtonian and Dittonian are pre-Devonian in age”. I write to beg the indulgence of your pages to make a public confession that I must have had a mental aberration when I wrote this. It is regrettable that the memory of bygone discussions with Mr. Wickham King and carelessness in verifying my statement about the correlation of the beds containing “*Pteraspis dunensis* and other forms with the lowest part of the marine Devonian of the Continent” (I had in mind the Siegenian) should have led me to make this egregious mistake which, I fear, may add to the confusion that has existed over the Siluro-Devonian boundary.

Should a second edition of my book be called for, I shall adopt a classification which would put the whole of the Downtonian into the Devonian, a view which I supported in my *Physiographical Evolution of Britain*.

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