

I think, end in only unnecessary friction, a result such as would be expected were a geologist to insist on the controllers of the asbestos industry in Canada labelling their goods 'fibrous serpentine' or 'chrysotile'.

J. B. SCRIVENOR..

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FEDERATED MALAY STATES.  
July 4, 1909.

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## OBITUARY.

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### EDWARD DELMAR MORGAN.

BORN 1840.

DIED MAY 18, 1909.

BORN at Stratford, in Essex, in 1840, Mr. Morgan was well known as an ardent geographer who had travelled much in Russia, in Persia, Central Asia, in the Congo region, and East Africa. For many years he was a resident in St. Petersburg. Since returning to England he lived at 15, Roland Gardens, S. W., and at Effingham House, Copthorne Crawley. Here he undertook the duties of Honorary Secretary of the Hakluyt Society, and edited volumes of *Early Voyages to Madagascar and the Mascarene Islands* (with notes on the extinct birds the Dodo and Solitaire); also of *Travels in Russia and Persia*. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society in 1869, and had served on the Council.—*Geographical Journal*, July, 1909.

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### JOSEPH FREDERICK WHITEAVES, LL.D., F.G.S., ETC.

BORN DECEMBER 26, 1835.

DIED AUGUST 8, 1909.

We regret to record the death at Ottawa, in his 74th year, of Dr. Whiteaves, Palæontologist, Zoologist, and Assistant Director to the Geological Survey of Canada. In October, 1906, we published in the *GEOLOGICAL MAGAZINE* a full account up to that date of the life and work of Dr. Whiteaves, together with a portrait. He continued his researches on palæontological and zoological subjects until the close of his life, and we are glad to add that he was awarded the Lyell Medal by the Council of the Geological Society in 1907.

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## MISCELLANEOUS.

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UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.—Under the Irish Universities Act of 1908 the Dublin Commissioners advertize appointments to be made to the various professorships. The differences in the stipends are remarkable. Experimental Physics is estimated to be of the value of £800 a year, Chemistry £750, Zoology £600, and Geology £500.

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