

Land, of the inland ice of Spitzbergen, and of the continental glacier of Greenland. The englacial and subglacial drainage, the marginal lakes, the fresh water or 'submarine wells' in fiord heads, and the discharge of bergs, are likewise described; and the subject is well illustrated by diagrams and pictorial views.

In the number for July, 1910, Mr. W. J. Sinclair records the discovery of bones of *Paramylodon* in the Pleistocene asphalt deposits near Los Angeles. Mr. T. J. J. See gives the "Results of Recent Researches in Cosmical Evolution", believing that the planets were developed in the solar nebula, and that our moon was originally a planet which became a satellite, but was never part of the terrestrial globe.

5. We have received a copy of the sixth edition of the useful *Tables for the Determination of Minerals by Physical Properties*, by Dr. Persifor Frazer and Professor A. P. Brown. (London and Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott Co., 1910.)

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

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### YORKSHIRE GEOLOGISTS AND EDITORS.

SIR,—Would the Hull Geological Society kindly inform us of what possible use it is to publish generic names under the combinations of letters quoted below?

Psil.	Cor.	Ast.	Echi.
Cal.	Agas.	Nicro.	Der.
Schlot.	Arn.	Ambly.	Polym.
Ver.	Arie.	Oxyn.	Upt.

We doubt whether one person in a hundred has the remotest idea what they mean. It is impossible for the Recorder to waste his time looking them up, and work presented in such a way can only be disregarded.

While in the critical mood we should also like to ask whether the table on the distribution of *Belemnites* in the Lias is the result of personal collecting or of collation of printed data? If the latter, it is of little value. If the former, it would be interesting to know who is the authority for the determination of Simpson's species. What really valuable work Yorkshire geologists might do if some competent man would go and draw and describe Simpson's types in the same way as Mr. Buckman is doing for the Ammonites!

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### LYME REGIS CHURCH.

SIR,—The ancient and historic church of St. Michael, Lyme Regis, which is a good example of fifteenth century Perpendicular Gothic, is in danger owing to the encroachment of the sea. The cliffs of the district are of Blue Lias and crumble readily. Many can remember when two fields stretched between the churchyard and the edge of the