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 OBITUARY.
 

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PROF. JAMES GEIKIE, LL.D., D.C.L., F.R.S. L. & E., F.G.S.<sup>1</sup>

BORN AUGUST 23, 1839.

DIED MARCH 1, 1915.

By the death of Professor James Geikie on March 1 geology in Scotland has lost its most prominent representative. He had been in failing health for some months, but the end was sudden and unexpected. In June, 1914, he had resigned his Chair in Edinburgh University, but as President of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, and Honorary Editor of the *Scottish Geographical Magazine*, he had much congenial work with which to occupy his time. His funeral took place on March 5 and was attended by a large and distinguished assembly, including representatives of the University, the Royal Society of Edinburgh, the Geological Survey, the Scottish Geographical Society, and many other scientific bodies. A full sketch of his scientific work and career appeared in the *GEOLOGICAL MAGAZINE* for June, 1913, pp. 241–8. Since that date he had delivered the Munro Lectures in Archæology at Edinburgh University, which he subsequently published as a book entitled *The Antiquity of Man in Europe* (Edinburgh, 1914). The previous year had seen the publication of his volume on *Mountains, their Origin, Growth, and Decay*. To the last he continued his earnest researches in physical and historical geology, and by his genial personality, wide sympathies, and inspiring example he was a powerful influence for research in the sciences of geology and geography, to which he had devoted his life.

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BERNARD H. WOODWARD, F.G.S., For. Corr. Z. S. Lond., Director of the Natural History Museum and Art Gallery, Perth, Western Australia.—We regret to announce the retirement of Mr. B. H. Woodward, after some twenty years, from the post of Director. Since his appointment the New Museum and Art Gallery have been erected, and the excellent arrangement of the entire collections is the result of his extensive knowledge, sound judgment, and untiring energy, the valuable art section in particular being entirely due to his initiative. His published reports on the fossil mammalian remains collected from the Mammoth cave of Western Australia, and upon the new and interesting zoological collections made in the colony, have added largely to the value and importance of this section of the Museum.

ERRATUM.—The Editor regrets that on Plate IV (*Schlotheimia Greenoughi*), in March Number, *GEOL. MAG.*, some lines (viz. the incorrectly restored outline of the inner whorls) were erroneously added to the original drawing and not deleted before the proof was sent to press.

<sup>1</sup> For Portrait and Life see *GEOL. MAG.*, June, 1913, pp. 241–8, Pl. IX.