in regard to faunal dissimilarity; the third, geological—a communication by Mr. J. W. Tutcher, embodying his reading of the sequence in the lower part of the Lower Lias carried down to the base of the Hettangian.

OBITUARY.

PROFESSOR ROBERT BELL, I.S.O., M.D., D.Sc., LL.D., F.R.S., F.G.S.

BORN 1841.

DIED JUNE 18, 1917.

Professor Dr. Robert Bell, F.R.S. (formerly Chief Geologist of the Geological Survey of Canada, Ottawa), died suddenly on June 18, 1917, at Rathwell, Manitoba. Dr. Bell, who was 76 years of age, joined the Geological Survey of Canada in 1857, and subsequently made extensive topographical and geological surveys in various parts of the Dominion. He acted as Medical Officer, Naturalist, and Geologist combined on several expeditions to Hudson's Bay and Baffin Land. The Bell River, which he surveyed in 1895, was officially named after him. He also made the first surveys of some of the largest lakes in Canada. He was the Canadian correspondent of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society since its foundation.—
Westminster Gazette, June 20, 1917.

THOMAS McKENNY HUGHES, M.A.,

Trinity College, Cambridge; Professorial Fellow of Clare College, Woodwardian Professor of Geology; F.R.S., F.S.A., F.G.S.; Chev. Ord. SS. Maur. et Lazar. Ital.; Corr. Memb. Soc. Geol. Belg., Soc. Geol. France, Germany, Italy, etc.

BORN DECEMBER, 1832.

DIED JUNE 9, 1917.

WE deeply regret to record the death, on June 9, of our friend of fifty years—a frequent contributor to the Geological Magazine—Mr. T. McKenny Hughes, M.A., F.R.S., Woodwardian Professor of Geology in the University of Cambridge, in his 85th year.

A life of Professor Hughes with a very excellent portrait appeared in the Geological Magazine (n.s., Dec. V, Vol. III, No. 1, pp. 1-13, January, 1906).

The following appeared in the Times, June 11, 1917:—

Mr. T. McKenny Hughes "was born at Aberystwith, and was a member of a distinguished family. His grandfather, Sir Thomas McKenny, took a prominent part in Catholic emancipation in Ireland, his father became Bishop of St. Asaph, and one of his brothers is Bishop of Llandaff.

"Hughes was educated at Leamington and Llandovery Colleges, and took his degree at Cambridge in 1857 as a member of Trinity College. In 1860 he was appointed Secretary to the British Consul at Rome, and was left Acting Consul in that City in 1860 and 1861.