

## OBITUARY.

ALEXANDER HENRY GREEN, M.A., F.R.S., F.G.S.

BORN OCTOBER 10, 1832.

DIED AUGUST 19, 1896.

WITH deep regret we have to record the death of our friend and brother geologist Professor Alexander Henry Green, M.A., F.R.S.

He was the son of the Rev. Thomas Sheldon Green, who was for many years Master of the Ashby Grammar School and a classical scholar of some repute. A. H. Green was born at Maidstone, October 10, 1832, and educated at his father's school, Ashby-de-la-Zouche, and at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge. He was Sixth Wrangler in 1855, and was elected Fellow of his College the same year. In 1861 he was appointed an Assistant on the Geological Survey of England and Wales, and in 1867 he attained the rank of Geologist. During the time he was connected with the Survey, he examined considerable areas of the Jurassic and Cretaceous rocks in the Midland counties, and of the Carboniferous rocks in Derbyshire, Yorkshire, and other northern counties. Many Survey memoirs were written wholly or in part by Mr. Green, among which are the "Geology of Banbury" (1864), and the geological descriptions of the country around Stockport (1866), Tadcaster (1879), Dewsbury (1871), Barnsley (1878), and Wakefield (1879). The memoir on the geology of North Derbyshire, of which the first edition was published in 1869 and the second in 1887, was written chiefly by Mr. Green. His most important Survey work is the "Geology of the Yorkshire Coalfield" (1878).

Mr. Green retired from the Geological Survey in 1874 on his appointment to the Professorship of Geology in the Yorkshire College at Leeds, to which was added, in 1885, the Professorship of Mathematics in the same College. But he completed some official Survey work after the time of his appointment at Leeds.

In 1876 he published a Manual of Physical Geology, a work which has taken a leading place as a textbook for students and teachers in this branch of the science; a third edition was issued in 1883.

For several years Professor Green held the Lectureship on Geology at the School of Military Engineering at Chatham. In the year 1886 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society; and in 1888 he was appointed Professor of Geology at Oxford, as successor to the late Sir Joseph Prestwich. In 1890 Professor Green filled the office of President of Section C (Geology) at the British Association, Leeds, and delivered the customary address. He served on the Council of the Royal Society 1894-5, and also for some years on that of the Geological Society of London, to which he had been elected in 1862. Professor Green filled the offices of Examiner to the University of London and Assistant Examiner to the Science and Art Department; he was also Examiner in Geology to the University of Durham, and latterly for the Home and Indian Civil Service.

His death took place, from paralysis, on Wednesday, August 19, 1896, at his residence Boar's Hill, near Oxford.