

SIR JOHN EVANS, K.C.B., D.C.L., F.R.S., F.G.S.,
A TRUSTEE OF THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

BORN NOVEMBER 17, 1823.

DIED MAY 31, 1908.

WE regret to announce the death of Sir John Evans, the distinguished antiquary and geologist, an account of whose life and labours in the cause of science we published, with a portrait, in the *GEOLOGICAL MAGAZINE* for January, 1908 (pp. 1-10), together with a list of his writings. For some time past he had been suffering from an internal complaint, which became critical, necessitating an operation. He died on the 31st May in his 85th year. Sir John Evans was from 1864 a constant supporter of the *GEOLOGICAL MAGAZINE*, to the pages of which he was also a frequent contributor.

CALEB BARLOW.

BORN JULY 7, 1840.

DIED MAY 8, 1908.

AMONGST those who in the latter part of the last and the beginning of the present century had been attached to the staff of the Geological Department, no one has left a more indelible record of long and excellent work performed than Caleb Barlow, the able formatore, developer, and modeller of extinct animals in the British Museum. Caleb Barlow, like Hugh Miller, was a mason and the son of a mason. He was born at Alton, Staffordshire, in the country of the New Red Sandstone, the Coal-measures, and the Carboniferous Limestone, where stone-quarrying or stone-cutting is the natural business of a large number of its inhabitants. Doubtless his early acquaintance with organic remains of various kinds in the rocks, as was the case with William Smith, Hugh Miller, and many others, led Barlow to take so great an interest in fossils in his later years.

He spent his youth and early manhood working at various places in Staffordshire and Shropshire, living for a year or two at Shifnal, and coming to London in 1864. Here he was engaged as a mason on several important public buildings, and was intimately associated with Mr. Henry Broadhurst, M.P. (who was also a working mason), and Mr. Richard Hall, afterwards a co-worker with Barlow during twenty-eight years in the Geological Department.

C. Barlow entered the Geological Laboratory on November 16th, 1874, serving for five years at the old British Museum, Bloomsbury, prior to the removal to the new building in Cromwell Road, assisting during 1880 with Dr. Henry Woodward, Mr. William Davies, Mr. R. Etheridge, and Mr. R. B. Newton, in the task of removing the great collection of fossils to Cromwell Road, and with Richard Hall placing all the larger objects in the exhibition galleries ready for the opening in April, 1881.

It was largely due to the skill and knowledge previously acquired in moving of large and heavy stones that the great series of remains of extinct animals were safely and successfully transported to their present home. Some idea may be conceived of the work accomplished between June and October, 1880, when it is stated that the