

ERRATUM.—GEOL. MAG. for September. In Mr. Searles V. Wood, jun's. paper "on the Sequence of the Glacial Beds," p. 410, line 2 from bottom of page, for *Dentalium dentale* read *Dentalium entale*.

*Dentalium dentale* (Mid-Glacial shell) occurs exclusively to the South of Britain. *Dentalium entale* (Lancashire fossil) is a British species.

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## OBITUARY.

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DR. GEORG JUSTIN CARL URBAN SCHLOENBACH.—Born on the 10th of March, 1841, at Liebenhall, near Salzgitter, in Hanover, he studied principally natural history, chemistry, botany, geology, and palæontology, at the Universities of Göttingen, Tübingen, and Munich, under the celebrated Professors Bödecker, Quenstedt, and Opper. The influence and tuition of the two latter men of science induced Schloenbach to decide upon his future career, and constant intercourse with such warm friends of geological science developed the interest which the young student afterwards took in Jurassic fossils. In 1862 he went to Berlin, where he completed his studies under Professors Beyrich and Gustav Rose. The year after he gained his degree as Doctor of Philosophy, at the University of Halle, by his work on the Ironstone of the Middle Lias of North-western Germany. After travelling and seeing the most interesting localities of Germany and France, he produced his second paper (see list). He devoted himself much to the study of the Cretaceous formation, in the mean time publishing a series of papers on Jurassic fossils. In 1867 he went to the Tyrol, and while staying in Vienna to see the large collection of fossils, etc., of the k. k. Geol. Reichsanstalt, he was offered an appointment in this Institute, which he accepted, declining at the same time the office of Director of a new Mining School in Peru. Until he became Professor of Geology of the Polytechnic Institute of Prague in 1870, he remained in Vienna, much liked and respected, an active and energetic member of the k. k. Geol. Reichsanstalt. It was whilst engaged, for this Institute, travelling in Servia, that his constitution broke down, under the tremendous fatigue which geologists in these parts have sometimes to undergo. Camping out in what is by no means a tropical latitude brought on rheumatism, and shortly afterwards congestion of the lungs ended his life, after a painful but short illness. He published the following papers:—

“Ueber den Eisenstein des mittlern Lias im Nordwestlichen Deutschland mit Berücksichtigung der ältern und jüngern Liasschichten.”—Inaugural Dissertation; afterwards reprinted in Vol. 15 of the Deutsch. Geol. Ges.

Die Schichtenfolge des untern und mittlern Lias in Norddeutschland. Neues Jahrb. Leonh. und Gein. 1863.

Ueber die Parallelen zwischen dem oberen Pläner Norddeutschlands und den gleichaltrigen Bildungen im Seinebecken. Neues Jahrb. von Leonh. und Geinitz, 1866.

Ueber einige neue und weniger bekannte jurassische Ammoniten Cassel, 1865. Paläontographica, Vol. 13.