

JAW APPARATUS OF *DISCOIDEA*.

SIR,—In the course of examining and arranging some specimens of foreign *Echinoidea*, formerly in the Wright Collection and recently purchased for the British Museum, I have found an internal cast in flint of a *Discoidea*, which, from its size and general contour, seems referable to *D. cylindrica* (Lam.), although it is a remarkably depressed form. This cast exhibits clear impressions of the dental apparatus in a fragmentary condition, at least three of the teeth being represented among the other portions of the jaws. The characters of the jaws in this specimen accord, so far as they are visible, with those of the individual in the Manchester Museum (GEOL. MAG., 1909, pp. 148–52), which is almost equally depressed in outline. In view of the extreme rarity of the preservation of the dental apparatus in this genus, the existence of an example in the National Collection seems worth a published record. Unfortunately the precise locality and horizon are unknown. The specimen is registered E. 10166.

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 OBITUARY.

 THE REV. GEORGE FERRIS WHIDBORNE, M.A.,
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BORN 1846.

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It is with deep regret we learn, from the *Morning Post*, February 17, of the death of our valued friend the Rev. G. F. Whidborne, M.A., at Hammerwood, East Grinstead, from an attack of pneumonia, in his sixty-fourth year. Mr. Whidborne formerly resided at Torquay, and in later years at Westbury-on-Trym, near Bristol. For the past twenty-five years he had devoted himself to figuring and describing “the Devonian fauna of the South of England”, in the annual volumes of the Palæontographical Society, the first part of which monograph appeared in vol. xlii for 1888, and of which eleven fasciculi had been issued, the last part being published in 1907. Mr. Whidborne had served for many years on the Council of the Palæontographical Society, and has contributed papers to the Quarterly Journal of the Geological Society (in 1881 and 1883) and numerous papers to the GEOLOGICAL MAGAZINE (1889–1901). He was a most generous and kind-hearted man, an excellent palæontologist, and greatly esteemed by a very large circle of friends and fellow-workers.

 MISCELLANEOUS.

MR. JAMES REEVE, F.G.S., AND THE NORWICH CASTLE MUSEUM.

The admirable Museum originally known as the “Norfolk and Norwich Museum” was initiated in February, 1825, by a small body of private gentlemen, naturalists and antiquaries connected with the