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CORRESPONDENCE.

FOSSIL SLUGS.

SIR,—A correspondent has inquired whether any fossil slugs are known. Having unfortunately mislaid his letter, perhaps you will kindly permit me to answer the question in your pages.

Testacella is recorded from the Middle and Upper Miocene and Pliocene.

Limax from the Lower Miocene, upwards.

Amalia from the Upper Miocene.

Parmacellina from the Upper Eocene.

Arion ater from the Pleistocene.

Vitrina, *Succinea*, *Hyalinia* are found fossil in the Tertiaries, but scarcely perhaps enter the category of "slugs," a rather vague term.

Probably many other slugs are known as fossils in America, but it is of course only genera provided with some sort of shell that can possibly leave behind any fossil remains.

7, DAMER TERRACE, CHELSEA, Sept. 14, 1885. J. STARKIE GARDNER.

OBITUARY.

HENRI MILNE EDWARDS.

BORN OCT. 23, 1800; DIED JULY 29, 1885.

With regret we record in our present issue another loss to Science—the loss of a Naturalist who for more than sixty years devoted himself with unswerving perseverance to the unravelment of the mysterious and wondrous phenomena of animal life: and we shall not be overstepping the limits of our record by preserving in its pages a brief sketch of the work of a man who, while ranking as a chief among zoologists, carried his researches into the domain of palæontology also.

Henri Milne Edwards, though born at Bruges—on October 23, 1800—was of English parentage. His father, Lieutenant-Colonel Edwards, had settled in that city after successful operations as a planter in Jamaica. His mother, Elizabeth Vaux, a second wife,