## DISCUSSION AND CORRESPONDENCE.

COLOR ASSOCIATIONS WITH NUMERALS, ETC.
To the Editor of Science: In Science, Vol. VI. (1885), p. 242, I printed a note of experiments on color-associations with letters of the alphabet, days of the week, etc., in the case of my daughter Mildred. The subject was again treated, at more length, in Nature for July 9, 1891, p. 228. On p. 224 a table was given showing the color-associations for my daughter in 1882, 1883, 1885, 1887, 1889, 1891. Since that time I have tested her color-associations on two occasions. In February, 1895, her replies agreed exactly with the last column of the table cited except that the color for 8 was marked as 'white.' An experiment in August, 1899, agrees precisely with the results of 1895 . I think the present note has a value because the experiments it describes now cover a period of seventeen years and give a history, not an isolated record.

Edward S. Holden.

THE WAGNER FREE INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
AND PROFESSOR DALL.
On Monday, October 30th, the Wagner Free Institute of Science in Philadelphia presented to Professor William Healey Dall, of the Smithsonian Institution, a gold medal as a slight token of their appreciation of his work in connection with the Transactions of the Institute. The medal has the head of the founder of the Institute on the obverse side, with the name of the Institution. On the reverse is engraved "Awarded to William Healey Dall for his investigations and writings in Paleontology1899."

Accompanying the medal was a very handsomely engrossed book of resolutions stating that "Whereas, Professor William Healey Dill has contributed greatly to the advancement of Science by his investigations in the department of tertiary geology and has rendered most valuable service to the Wagner Free Institute of Science by enabling it, through his numerous and exhaustive contributions to its Transactions, to publish the results of his investigations to the world. Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Board of Trustees and the Faculty of the

Wagner Free Institute of Science that a medal be prepared and presented to Professor Bal in recognition of his distinguished services in the cause of Science and in testimony of the high appreciation of his work by the Trustees of this Institute."
The work on the Tertiary Fauna of Florida, begun in 1886 under the auspices of the Wagner Free Institute of Science, constitutes one of the most important advances in American Paleontology. The discovery of the Pliocene beds of the Caloosahatchie river by Professor Heilprin and Mr. Joseph Willcox in 1886 and the subsequant investigations by Dr. Wm. H. Dall have completely revolutionized the geological theory as to the formation of the Peninsula of Florida and the adjacent States.

The Transactions of the Institute have not only met with the highest commendation from American Paleontologists and Conchologists but from the European scientists as well. On several occasions prominent men from various parts of Europe have visited the Institute to see, as they said: "The Institution that has published such valuable and finely executed Transactions."

Some idea of the amount of labor involved in Dr. Dall's work may be gained from the following summary :

The total number of pages in the four parts of Vol. III. is 947 , with 35 plates that contain 639 figures, and one map.

Part I. On the Gastropods. Contains references to over 300 species including the descriptrons of 122 new species and varieties, that are represented on twelve plates by 192 figures.
Part II. Is a continuation of the Gastropods, as introductory chapter on the Marine Pliocene Bed of the Carolinas, and is followed by references to upwards of 400 species including the descriptions of 156 new species and varieties that are illustrated by 203 figures.
Part III. Forms an introductory chapter to Part IV. containing a new classification of the Pelecypoda, with an enumeration of the differential characters of the orders, suborders, superfamilies and families, a statement of their range in geological time, and an enumeration under each family of the chief generic groups believed to be referable to it.

# Lay, Wilfred Pryct <br> Psychelogial Review: $(1896) 3=92-95$ 

resentation of Broad and Arch streets, in Philadelphia, where I hibd seen a store at which the Microbe Killer was sold, the store being dn that side of the street where it would have been in New York on Thirty-fourth street, if I had been correct in my first impression. Now the interest of the case lies, not merely in its being an ordinary case of redintegration (was there any association between the words Broad street and Broadway?), but in the fact that the space relations in the false and the true recollections were the same and that my illusion about the store was not discoverable until I formed a visual representation in memory of what I had seen in Philadelphia and could compare it with the knowledge or consciousness of any actual place in New York.

But I will not urge the case as proving anything. I narrate it here with the dreams only to encourage observations of others in the same direction. I do not know that such a phenomenon as is narrated in my second dream and the waking state following it is at all common. I should like to know whether others have had a like experience. It is of special interest as suggesting how little tactual sensations have to do with space perception and localization in it except as tactual experience is conceived in terms of visual space. Not that I mean to imply that we cannot obtain any notion of space whatever by tactual and muscular sensations, but that in this case at least they seemed to have no power whatever to determine it. I certainly find in my own case no reason to accept the Berkeleian doctrine of space and our localization in it, and this wholly apart from the dream experience just narrated. In this case, however, the localization was definitely related to the visual representation of my place of living. The only question that remains is to know whether such a phenomenon occurs often enough in the experience of others to give it anything more than individual significance and interest.

James H. Hyslop.
Columbia College.

## THREE CASES OF SYNAESTHESIA.

The subjects of this report are three sisters, D, C and K, aged respectively 9, 10 and 12 . Their father and mother are good visualizers, the father having definite number forms. There are also two younger brothers one of whom, aged about 5 , visualises his alphabet so vividly as to be able to read it off backwards with unexpected rapidity. His alphabet form is traced to the perpendicular series from which he

## DISCUSSION AND REPORTS.

learned his letters. No such early association can be discoverer the case of the three sisters, though they too have elaborate forms numbers, months, days of the week and the alphabet. They are musical.

D sees the letters black on a background of indefinite color, bu if they were behind the patches of the color to which the letters , respond. The color is seen only when she thinks the words separat not when she reads them or hears them spoken connectedly in a s tence. The position of the word and color is close to the eyes or the head.

C sees the words from a foot to a yard away. Sounds and sm are yellow to her except thunder, which is black; but the color is v $\operatorname{dim}$ and she herself is somewhat uncertain about it.

To K the colors are 'far away,' but seem to come nearer w closely attended to. Her brightest words are the yellow ones.

All three have had these pseudo-sensations as long as they can member, but their. peculiarity was not noticed until about a year a They have not influenced one another in the coloring of letters words, as they have been observed always to disagree about the sa letters in the same way.

Subjoined is a table giving in the children's own language colors, if any, of all the letters of the alphabet, days, months, cert proper names, certain common nouns selected for their phonetic orthographical peculiarities and certain numbers. Roman nume are colored after the letters (I, V, L, C, etc.) composing them.

|  | D | C | K |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | white | reddish brown | white <br> B <br> C |
| D | blackish blue | white | bluish white |
| E | white | white | blue and white |
| E | white | green | white |
| F | blue | greenish yellow | brown |
| G | brownish | black | reddish |
| H | green | brown | grey |
| I | brown or green | brown or black | red |
| J | black | black | yellow |
| K | red | brown | dull red |
| L | crimson | black | white |
| M | yellow | white | yellow |
| N | blackish red | red | bluish black |
| O * | red | brown | light brown |
| P | white | white | white |
| Q | black | white | black |
| R | yellow | white | yellowish |
| S | pink | blue or as initial red | red |
| T* | white | yellow | very light yello |
| U | black | black | black |
|  | yellow | greenish white | yellow |


| V | blue | white | grey |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W | brownish | green | blue black |
| X | no color | yellow | brown |
| Y | yellowish black | black | yellow |
| Z | black | yellow or white | brown |
| \& | yellow | black | no color |
| 1 | black | black | white |
| 2 | white | brown | blue |
| 3 | red | white | brown |
| 4 | blackish or no color | black | red |
| 5 | yellow | green | bluish white |
| 6 | black | red and white | red |
| 7 | black | black | light yellow |
| 8 | brown | green and white | bright yellow |
| 9 | black | brown | crimson |
| 10 | white | 1 black, o white | black |
| 11 | yellow | black | dark |
| 12 | white | black and brown | darker than 11 |
| 13 | red | black and white | brown |
| 14 | no color | and so on to 20 | red |
| 15 | yellow |  | white |
| 16 | white |  | red, duller than 14 |
| 17 | black |  | yellow |
| 18 | yellow |  | yellow |
| 19 | black |  | crimson |
| 20 | white | brown and white | $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { "dull white, like } \\ \text { steel" }\end{array}\right.$ |
| 30 | red | white | brown |
| 40 | no color | black and white | red |
| 50 | yellow | and so on to 90 | like 20 |
| 60 | black |  | duller red than 40 |
| 70 | red |  | yellow |
| 8o | white |  | yellow |
| 90 | no color |  | dark red 99 red |
| 100* | white | white | white |
| 200 | white | brown and white | white like 20 |
| 300 | red | white | 3 brown oo no color |
| 400 | no color | black and white | red + no color |
| 500 | yellow | green and white | white |
| 1000 | blackish white | greenish or white | no color |
| 2000 | white | brown and white | no color |
| 347 | red | 3 white 47 black | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} 3 \text { brown } 4 \text { red } 7 \\ \text { yellow } \end{array}\right.$ |
| 896 | red | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} 8 \text { green } 9 \text { brown } 6 \\ \text { white } \end{array}\right.$ | 8 yellow 9 crimson 6 red |
| Dorothy * | white | white | white |
| Quincy | yellow | white | yellow |
| Grinnell | green + red | brownish green | greenish brown |
| Charlotte | white + bluish | red | bluish black |
| Katharine | red | black | white |
| Laurence | yellow | white | reddish brown |
| Robert* | red | red | red |
| Morgan | blackish white | red | blue and black |
| Maria | yellow | red | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { M light I red rest } \\ \text { indistinct } \end{array}\right.$ |
| Isabel | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Is brown } ; a \text { white } ; \text { bel } \\ \text { yellow } \end{array}\right.$ | yellowish | I yellow, rest yellowish brown |
| John | reddish | brown | black |
| Sally * | white | yellowish white | white |
| Stephen | brownish | $\frac{\text { yellow }}{}$ | brown |
| Spencer | no color | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Spen yellow } ; \text { cer } \\ \text { white } \end{array}\right.$ | brown |

 red red like Hilda like Maria dish black R r brown
brown
lighter brown
no color dull red C and A white yellow, R red red yellow brownish re
doesn't know; yello
R red
no coler
no color
H red, rest no colo
T's have black
$\left\{\begin{array}{r}\mathrm{T} \text { s have black } \\ \text { back ground }\end{array}\right.$ red (dull) red (dull) no color no color no color yellow no color no color
no color blackish blue yellowish black
blackish blue dark brownish blac brown
very light yellow reddish brown brown
red white red yellow
brownish yellow go color white

Wilfrid Lay.

Columbia College.

