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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. 223. 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.

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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 Paleontology— 1899."

Accompanying the medal was a very handsomely engrossed book of resolutions stating that "Whereas, Professor William Healey Dall 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 Dall 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 subsequent 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 descriptions 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 208 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.

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resentation of Broad and Arch streets, in Philadelphia, where I had seen a store at which the Microbe Killer was sold, the store being on 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.

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THREE CASES OF SYNÆSTHESIA.

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

learned his letters. No such early association can be discovered 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 vellow to her except thunder, which is black; but the color is v 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 numer are colored after the letters (I, V, L, C, etc.) composing them.

B

M

N

white		
	reddish brown	white
blackish blue	white	bluish white
white	white	blue and white
white	green	white
blue	greenish vellow	brown
brownish	black	reddish
green	brown	grey
brown or green	brown or black	red
black	black	yellow
red	brown	dull red
crimson	black	white
vellow	white	vellow
blackish red	red	bluish black
red	brown	light brown
white	white	white
black	white	black
yellow	white	yellowish
pink	blue or as initial red	red '
white	yellow	very light yello
black	black	black
yellow	greenish white	yellow
	blackish blue white white blue brownish green black red crimson yellow blackish red red white black yellow pink white black yellow	blackish blue white white green blue greenish yellow brownish black green brown brown or green brown or black red brown crimson black yellow white blackish red red red brown white white black white black white pink blue or as initial red white yellow black black yellow greenish white

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I

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5 6

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II

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17 18

19

20

30

40

50

60

70

So

90

100*

200

300

400 500

1000

2000

347

896

Maria

Isabel

Iohn

Sally *

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white

green

yellow

black

black

black

brown

white

black

green

black

brown

black

white

white

white

white

white

white

red

black

white

red

red

red

brown

yellow

white

blue brownish no color yellowish black black yellow or white vellow black white red blackish or no color yellow black red and white black brown green and white black white I black, o white vellow white black and brown red black and white no color and so on to 20 yellow white black yellow black white brown and white red no color black and white vellow and so on to 90 black red white no color white white brown and white red black and white no color vellow green and white blackish white greenish or white white brown and white 3 white 47 black red red Dorothy * white Quincy yellow Grinnell green + red brownish green Charlotte white + bluish Katharine red Laurence vellow Robert * red blackish white Morgan yellow Is brown ; a white ; bel vellowish yellow reddish yellowish white white Stephen brownish Spen yellow; cer Spencer no color

grey blue black brown vellow brown no color white blue brown red bluish white red light yellow bright yellow crimson black dark darker than 11 brown red white red, duller than 14 yellow yellow crimson ("dull white, like steel" brown red like 20 duller red than 40 yellow yellow dark red 99 red white white like 20 3 brown oo no color red + no colorwhite no color no color 3 brown 4 red 7 yellow 8 green 9 brown 6 8 yellow 9 crimson 6 red white yellow greenish brown bluish black white reddish brown red blue and black M light I red rest indistinct I yellow, rest yellowish brown black white brown brown

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	vellowish	brown	red
	whitish vellow	dark red	, not distinct
	vellow	black and white	red like Hilda
	white	red.sometimes white	like Maria
	vellow	white	white
	brown	brownish red	dull brown
	black	green [red]	nurnlish black R
	always vallow	green [reu]	purprish brown
	always yellow	yenow	brown
	an colors	yenow	lighten brown
	st black op white	yenow	ngitter brown
	brown	black and white	no color
۱	black	black	biue.
	brown	brown	dull red
	white	white	C and A white
	white	∫ white with black	vellow R red
	white	l spots	Jenon, Ierea
	white	brown	red
	black	red	yellow brownish
	black sometimes white	e yellow	doesn't know; yel
	black	black	no color
	red	RA red TE black	· R red
	vellowish black	doesn't know	no color
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	black and white	black	back ground
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ł	white	brown	red (dull)
ç	block and white		rad (dull)
	black and white	brown	red (duir)
	white	green	no color
	white and green	brown	no color
	white	red sometimes brown	no color
	blackish yellow	greenish white	yellow
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)	white	white	no color
	white	white	no color
	red	pink	blackish blue
	block	∫ red with yellow	vollowich black
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	dark orange	green	blackish blue
	black and white	black and brown	dark brownish bl
	light red	black	greenish
	white	green and white	brown
	light yellow	color of the sun	very light yello
	red	green and black	reddish brown
	black	darker	brown
	green	red and white	red
	vollowich white	red and white	red
	yenowish white	red and write	white
	dorl- and	pink	white
	dark red	yenow	red
	darker red	yellow	rea
	hay color	yellow and black	yellow
	black and white	yellow and black	brownish yello
	black and white	white and black	grey
	red	red and white	no color
	white	white and red	white

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Hilda

Louise

Mary

Edith

hurt

pert

smell

spell

stop

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break

house *

Cæsar

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eight

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Sept.

Oct.

Nov.

Dec.

April

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Madeleine

WILFRID LAY.