ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH, 1886.

W. TOPLEY, Esq., F.G.S., Assoc. Inst. C.E., President, in the Chair.

The donations to the Library since the previous meeting were announced, and the thanks of the Association were accorded to the donors.

The following gentlemen were elected members of the Association :—H. A. Allen ; R. L. Antrobus, B.A. ; W. J. Atkinson ; Rev. W. Milburn Briggs ; W. D. Crick ; W. MacDonald Smith, C.E. ; and Martin F. Woodward.

A Special General Meeting was announced for March 5th, to alter Rule XV.

The President then read a notice of 'The Life and Work of Professor John Morris.'

On the proposal of Dr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. S. R. Pattison, it was resolved that the President's notice should be printed as soon as possible, and circulated as a separate pamphlet.

THE LIFE AND WORK OF PROFESSOR JOHN MORRIS, M.A., F.G.S.,
*Late Emeritus Professor of Geology in University College, London ;
 Past President of the Geologists' Association.*

The duty which falls to me to-night is not of my own choosing, but it is one which I would not willingly pass by. Under any circumstances JOHN MORRIS should not pass from the ranks of living geologists without some special recognition from this Association, for which he laboured so long and so well. But, meeting as we do within the walls of University College, of which for twenty-two years he was one of the most distinguished Professors, such recognition is the more appropriate. It would have been more fitting if this Address had been delivered by some officer of the Association to whom Prof. Morris was better known than he was to me,—one who is more fully acquainted with the history of the Association and its relations to Morris. Of such there are many, some of whom have given me much important information and assistance. But there are other qualifications required, or at least desirable, for a biographer—personal esteem