EXCURSION TO CROYDON.

SATURDAY, JUNE 2ND, 1883.

Directors.—Prof. JOHN MORRIS, M.A., F.G.S., &c. ; and H. M. KLAASSEN, Esq., F.G.S.

The party walked from Woodside station southwards along the spoil-banks of the new railway, and examined the cuttings through Park Hill, previously visited by the Association in July, 1882.

A full account of this section by Mr. Klaassen will appear in the October part.

EXCURSION TO THE DENEHOLES OF HANGMAN'S WOOD, NEAR GRAY'S, ESSEX.

JUNE 16TH, 1883.

Directors.—T. V. HOLMES, Esq., F.G.S., and H. WALKER, Esq., F.G.S.

(*Report by Mr. T. V. HOLMES.*)

Hangman's Wood is situated about a mile and a half N.E. of Grays Thurrock Railway Station. The Deneholes there are said to be 70 in number, and like those at Stankey Wood, Bexley, visited by the Association last year, are concentrated in a very small space. Only five shafts (admitting to six pits) are now open, and all of these have now been descended by the Essex Field Club, in conjunction with which Society this excursion was made. Plans and sections of three pits visited last year may be seen in Part 7 of their Transactions, lately published. Those of the remaining three will appear in the course of the next few months.

These Hangman's Wood pits are in the same strata as those of Stankey and Cavey Spring, Bexley. The surface is composed of gravel equivalent to that of Dartford Heath, which overlies Thanet Sand. Sections in this gravel are observable here and there between Grays and Hangman's Wood, but the well-known chalk pits of Grays lie mainly north-west, not north-east, of that place. Hangman's Wood, however, is within a mile of the easterly edge of the Chalk area, and is on a plateau (about 90ft. above Ordnance