

The three species not yet protected are the lesser birds of paradise, the twelve-wired bird of paradise and the rifle-bird. Inasmuch as bird protection continually gains in public favor, it is safe to predict that within a reasonable time all the birds of the Dutch East Indies will receive the complete protection that an embargo on exportations easily can afford. In this connection it is to be noted that on January 1, 1915, a law prohibiting the importation of wild bird's plumage for commercial purposes went into effect over the whole dominion of Canada, and thus the prohibition now covers North America north of Mexico.

REVERCHON PARK, DALLAS, TEXAS

At a recent meeting of the park board of Dallas, a tract of land of 36 acres recently purchased and provisionally named "Turtle Creek Park" was formally named "Reverchon Park" in honor of the botanical work of Mr. Julien Reverchon.

Julien Reverchon was born near Lyons, France, in 1837. When eighteen years of age he came with his father to America and settled in the French colony near Dallas. In France when fourteen years of age he had a collection of 2,000 species of plants. Throughout fifty years at Dallas up to his death in 1905 he continued active work in the collection and study of plants. The estimate of his worth and work is perhaps best given in the words of botanists who knew him well, as here indicated.

Dr. E. G. Eberle, intimately associated with him, here states:

It was largely due to his efforts that the Texas flora became known. He freely contributed botanical specimens to various institutions of science and learning, to the agricultural department of the United States and to the Smithsonian Institution. His collection included plants not only of Texas but of all parts of North America and foreign countries, totaling more than 10,000 specimens representing more than 3,000 species.

This collection was secured for the Missouri Botanical Garden in 1906.

Dr. Asa Gray many years ago in naming the genus *Reverchonia* referred to him as "a valuable correspondent, an acute and sedulous botanist."

Dr. Wm. Trelease, University of Illinois:

I, indeed, think that Dallas should commemorate in one of its parks the name of Julien Reverchon, a man of rare intelligence and enthusiasm whose work on the native plants of Texas and particularly of Dallas County, will long stand as of the fullest and best.

Dr. J. M. Greenman, Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis:

The scientific value of Mr. Reverchon's botanical work is sufficient to insure his name a permanent place in the literature of the botany of Texas and the great southwest. Duplicates of his collections occur in many of the leading herbaria of the world.

Dr. Wm. L. Bray, Syracuse University (formerly professor of botany, State University of Texas):

... In the case of Reverchon, however, this naturalist instinct was, perhaps, of a more cosmopolitan character. He and his two brothers had been collectors over very wide areas. He was in a position to give discerning judgments as to plants and plant conditions in a territory toward which the eyes of people in both America and Europe were turned. A precursor of our modern ecological plant geographer, his was a notable life which had relation to the unworked field, on the one hand, and the working botanical centers, on the other. We have few such intermediaries nowadays, unfortunately.

Dr. John M. Coulter, University of Chicago:

I have your letter in reference to naming one of your parks "Reverchon Park."

It seems to me that nothing could be more appropriate, for to the botanists of the country the name of Reverchon has always been identified with our early knowledge of the flora of Texas. It seems to me that it would be regarded by the botanical fraternity in general as a very happy method of remembering a botanist whom Texas should not forget.

Dr. Charles S. Sargent, Arnold Arboretum, Jamaica Plain, Mass.:

No one did more than Reverchon in exploring the flora of Texas. He made it possible for

others to make known the remarkable richness of the Texas flora. His name is well known and highly respected by every one interested in American plants. He was an accomplished botanist and an indefatigable collector and it is proper that this distinguished citizen of Dallas should be honored in the way you suggest.

"Reverchon Park" is a wooded tract along Turtle Creek in the north part of Dallas and is capable of great beautification.

O. C. CHARLTON

DALLAS, TEXAS,
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BRITISH SCIENTIFIC MEN IN MILITARY SERVICE

THERE is published in *Nature* a list of members of the scientific staffs of universities and other institutions of higher education who have enlisted in the British army or navy, including the medical and engineering services. The lists for the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge are as follows:

OXFORD

Adams, P. E. H., reader in ophthalmology, Captain R.A.M.C.
Bazett, H. C., demonstrator in pathology, Lieutenant R.A.M.C.
Bourne, Dr. G. C., Linacre professor of comparative anatomy, Major 12th Worcesters.
Buxton, L. H. D., demonstrator in physical anthropology, 2d Lieutenant.
Collier, W., Litchfield lecturer in medicine, Major R.A.M.C.
Dodds-Parker, A. P., Litchfield lecturer in surgery, lecturer in applied anatomy, Lieutenant-Colonel R.A.M.C.
Douglas, Dr. C. G., demonstrator in physiology, Lieutenant R.A.M.C.
Douglas, J. A., demonstrator in geology, 2d Lieutenant R.A.M.C.
Dreyer, G., professor of pathology, honorary consulting pathologist, 3d Southern General Hospital.
Foster, E. C., assistant demonstrator in human anatomy, Major R.A.M.C.
Gibson, Dr. A. G., lecturer in morbid anatomy, Captain R.A.M.C.
Gill, W. B., demonstrator in physics, Lieutenant R.G.A.
Gunn, J. A., reader in pharmacology, Lieutenant R.A.M.C.

Hasell, E. W., demonstrator in rural economy, Lieutenant.
Jenkin, C. F., professor of engineering science, Lieutenant R.N.V.R. (air service).
Jenkinson, Dr. J. W., lecturer in embryology, Captain (killed in action at Dardanelles, June 4, 1915).
Ogilvie, A. G., demonstrator in geography, Lieutenant Royal Field Artillery.
Osler, Sir W., regius professor of medicine, Hon. Colonel S. Midland Division R.A.M.C.
Smith, G. W., demonstrator in comparative anatomy, Captain.
Tizard, H. T., demonstrator in physics, 2d Lieutenant Royal Garrison Artillery, attached R.F.C.
Townsend, J. S. E., Wykeham professor of physics, Lieutenant R.N.V.R. (air service).
Walker, Dr. E. W. A., lecturer in pathology, honorary consulting pathologist, 3d Southern General Hospital.

CAMBRIDGE

Assheton, Dr. R. T., lecturer in animal embryology, 2d Lieutenant.
Bragg, W. L., lecturer in natural sciences, 2d Lieutenant.
Deighton, F., teacher of vaccination, Lieutenant R.A.M.C.
Dunlop, J. G. M., assistant-lecturer in chemistry, Lieutenant (died August 26, 1914).
Entwistle, F., second observer, the Observatory, Lieutenant.
Fay, C. R., Gilbey lecturer in agriculture, 2d Lieutenant.
Gray, J., demonstrator in comparative anatomy, 2d Lieutenant.
Gregory, R. P., university lecturer in botany, Lieutenant.
Hele, T. Shirley, lecturer in natural sciences, Captain R.A.M.C.
Heycock, C. T., Goldsmiths' reader in metallurgy, Lieutenant-Colonel.
Hill, A. V., Humphrey Owen Jones lecturer in physical chemistry, Captain.
Hindle, E., assistant to Quick professor of biology, Lieutenant R.E. (signalling section).
Hopkinson, B., professor of mechanism and applied mechanics, Major C.U.O.T.C.
Inglis, C. E., lecturer in mechanical engineering, Lieutenant Royal Engineers.
Kempson, F. C., demonstrator of human anatomy, Lieutenant R.A.M.C.
Lees, S., fellow of St. John's, Engineer-Lieutenant R.N.