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ALPHEUS SPRING PACKARD.

ALPHEUS SPRING PACKARD, for twenty-six years professor of zoology and geology in Brown University, died at Providence, February 14, 1905. He was born at Brunswick, Maine, February 19, 1831. His father, for whom he was named, was for over sixty years connected with the Bowdoin College faculty, and his grandfather, the Rev. Dr. Appleton, was one of the early presidents of the college.

At the age of eighteen he entered Bowdoin and there came under the influence and instruction of the late Paul Ansel Chadbourne, who fostered and encouraged his natural inclination towards zoological work. Dr. Chadbourne at this time was also connected with Williams College and it was through him that Packard became a member of the Williams College expedition of 1860 to Greenland and Labrador, with which he went only as far as Labrador, where he spent two months collecting, getting back to college in time for the studies of senior year. In the senior vacation he, with several other Bowdoin students, went on a dredging trip to the Bay of Fundy.

Immediately after graduation in 1861 he accepted the position of entomologist to the newly established scientific survey of Maine and in this capacity he traveled through a large part of the northern wilderness of the state. On this expedition he made the first discovery of Silurian fossils in the northern part of Maine and obtained material for several articles which were published in the first two reports of the survey.