

tion for the Advancement of Science, held at Detroit." He introduced his subject thus: "I shall therefore ask your attention for a short time to the question,—'What do we know of the origin and history of life on our planet?'" After giving a characteristic description of what has been discovered of early life, he endeavors to stem the current of thought, drifting more and more strongly, towards the evolution and development theories.

— From J. M. Lemoine, Esq., we have received a copy of his "*Histoire des Fortifications et des Rues de Quebec.*" This is a pamphlet of 51 pages, graphically describing the fortifications and streets of Quebec, their origin and history. We have also received from the same gentleman, a chart shewing the projected improvements of the fortifications of Quebec.

— *The American Journal of Numismatics* has come to hand. Its contents, the usual numismatic gossip, is very interesting. Amongst which we may notice a description of the United States Mint, and a list of the Centennial Medals.

— The *Troisieme livraison of the Revue Belge de Numismatique*, comes to us, as usual, replete with interesting numismatic facts. It has, among others, the conclusion of a lengthy article on Oriental Numismatics.

— The *Numismatic Chronicle*, part 1, 1875, contains a number of interesting papers on Ancient Coins. From the pen of F. W. Madden is a continuation of the supplement to his already standard work on the Coinage of the Jews.