

## GEOLOGY.

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THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA.—The fifth annual meeting of the Geological Society of America was held in Boston last December, 26th, 27th and 28th, under the auspices of the Boston Society of Natural History and of the Geological Department at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

Principal Sir William Dawson, Emeritus Principal of McGill University, presided at the sessions for the greater part of the time, and was relieved by Prof. T. C. Chamberlain, of Chicago University, the new president-elect. Amongst the other Canadians present were: Mr. W. McInnes, Dr. F. D. Adams and Dr. H. M. Ami. Among the fellows recently elected are Messrs. T. C. Weston and E. D. Ingall, A.R.S.M., of the Geological Survey staff. A brief outline of the results of the meeting will be prepared for a future issue of the *NATURALIST*.

MR. TYRRELL'S JOURNEY.—Mr. J. B. Tyrrell, of the Geological Survey staff, has just returned from his extended trip to the Western Extremity of Chesterfield Inlet. During his journey, Mr. Tyrrell and his staff endured many hardships but finally reached Fort Churchill on the Western Coast of Hudson's Bay where they were hospitably treated. Thence the party travelled southward until Selkirk and the C.P.R. line was struck, arriving home in Ottawa the second week in January—having completed a circuitous route embracing some 4,600 miles. About 800 miles of that distance were by previously unexplored rivers, lakes and rocky land, the home of the barren ground caribou.

MR. LOW'S TRIP TO UNGAVA BAY.—News has reached the director and other officers of the Geological Survey from Mr. A. P. Low, B. A. Sc., who left Ottawa last April, 1883, and crossed the Labrador Peninsula to Ungava Bay. From thence Mr. Low crossed to Hamilton Inlet on the East Coast where he will winter. In the spring he will retrace his steps and return to Ottawa in the fall of this year.