

Although M. Cuvier was in possession of several lucrative appointments he has left no fortune, save his collections and library, as what he gained by science he restored to science, employing nearly his whole income in the purchase, at any price, of all rarities which could illustrate or be useful in his scientific pursuits. The Government however, has come forward with a promptitude deserving the highest commendation. The *Moniteur*, a Paris paper, contains a report from the Minister of the Interior, praying the King to order a Bill to be presented to the Chamber of Deputies, as soon as they are assembled, for granting the *maximum* pension of 6,000 fr. to the widow, and in the meantime, to authorise the provisional payment of that pension from the funds set apart for unforeseen expenses. The same journal announces that Madame Cuvier is to retain the apartments for life occupied by the late Baron in the Jardin des Plantes; and that a committee has been appointed by the King to examine the library of M. Cuvier, with a view of being purchased for the State.

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DIED, at his residence, in Queen-square-place, Westminster, Jeremy Bentham, in his 85th year. During the late unhealthy season, he had been subject to repeated attacks of bronchitis; but he had recovered from the first severe attacks with so much vigour, that it was considered by many that he would return to his former state of health, and he again received the visits of distinguished foreigners, and of public men, with whom he was in the habit of friendly intercourse; and it was believed that he would have been able to continue his labours for several years to come. Several days ago he had taken up the portion of his manuscripts for the third volume of his unpublished *Constitutional Code*, which is reputed by jurists who are acquainted with its progress, to be one of the most valuable of his productions, as it contains the principle for the formation of a judicial establishment, and a code of procedure. Another attack of his disorder, however, arrested his labours for ever. His death was singularly tranquil. Only a portion of his works have been printed, and of those printed, some which have been spoken of by eminent men as the most valuable, such as the 'Essay on Judicial Establishments' have never in reality been published. Repeated proposals have been made to publish a complete edition of his works. A few weeks ago Prince Talleyrand, who at all times, in common with the leading spirits of the age, has professed his high admiration of the author, made proposals to get a complete edition of all his works, in French, published at Paris. A short time before his death he had projected a new work on language, and one on Mathematics. Amongst the unpublished works is one on the use of language, with a view to the giving certainty to the expression of the will of the legislature. Some, if not all, of these works, will, it is expected, be edited by gentlemen well conversant with the branches of science and art to which the works relate, and will at some future period be made public in a complete and uniform shape. Besides those which were translated by the late M. Dumont, others of his