

PREFATORY NOTE.

IN consequence of the Editor's absence in America and Europe, the publication of the present volume has been unavoidably delayed. What is regretted, and for which apology is offered, is that contributors have not seen their writings in print at an earlier date, that subscribers did not receive copies of the Journal in 1893, and above all that it is found impossible to incorporate in the present number an account of investigations up to date.

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