

Chalk, Thanet, and Reading Beds, which underlie the area at no great depth. The Glacial deposits (sands and gravel, brickearth, and Chalky Boulder Clay) are regarded as all belonging to one series of Upper Glacial age. Some interesting examples of buried channels of Glacial Drift are briefly described. Accounts of the petrography of the various beds with the exception of the Glacial and Recent deposits are included. In the chapter on the latter is an interesting summary of the recent coast-line changes. The area is almost devoid of tectonic features.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

### THE NOMENCLATURE OF FOLD-SYSTEMS.

SIR,—In the review of Krenkel's *Geologie Afrikas* in the March number of the GEOLOGICAL MAGAZINE attention is drawn to the difficulty of finding euphonious equivalents to terms such as Afriziden and Capiden. Like your reviewer, I see objections to the suffix *-ide*. The astronomers and palaeontologists use *-id* as a group suffix, so why not geologists? For some years I have consistently translated such terms as Dinariden (the cadence of which I sacrifice with regret) by Dinarids. Dinarides will conceivably be pronounced by students as Dinar-ides (three syllables) or Dinari-des (four syllables) according to choice. It is true that the forms Laramides and Altaides are of fairly long standing, but it is perhaps not too late to plead for Grisonids, Helvetids, and so on, as being easier to say and also to defend on etymological grounds.

I could almost find myself saying "beware the ides of March!"

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[The Editor would be glad to receive further views on this matter: in his opinion it is desirable that many of these barbarisms should be squelched before it is too late.]

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The annual Holiday Course in Economic Geology of the School of Metalliferous Mining at Camborne, Cornwall, will be held this year from 8th July to 16th August, under the direction of Mr. E. H. Davison, B.Sc. This course has now been held for ten years, and has been attended, with much advantage to themselves, by students from the Universities both British and foreign, and by well-known mining engineers and geologists home on leave from many parts of the world. All particulars can be obtained from the Secretary of the School, as above. It may be mentioned that the fee is only six guineas, and that the cost of living at Camborne is unusually low. The plan includes numerous field excursions and affords unrivalled opportunities for practical work, especially on igneous rocks and metalliferous deposits, as well as mapping and surveying.