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## NOTES AND NEWS.

Mr. Osbert Salvin, an Honorary Member of the A. O. U., died at his residence, Hawksfold, near Haslemere, England, June 1, 1898, at the age of 63 years. In his death ornithology has sustained a great loss, and the A. O. U. one of its most eminent Honorary Members. A sketch of Mr. Salvin's life and scientific labors will be presented in a later number of this journal.

DR. GEORGE BAUR, an Associate Member of the A. O. U., died at Munich, Germany, June 24, 1898. Dr. Baur was born in Germany, but had lived many years in this country, and at the time of his death was Associate Professor of Comparative Osteology and Palæontology at the