

THE *Fortnightly Review* for December contains the second part of an article by Dr. A. R. Wallace on the "Ice Age and Its Work," dealing with the erosion of lake basins. It is well worth reading as a clear and concise statement of the arguments in favour of the power of ice to cut the basins. One of the points raised seems to be quite new. Dr. Wallace contrasts the well-known indented outlines of submerged valleys, such as now form harbours in the south of England, with the simple outlines of a lake in a glaciated region. In the latter the tributaries fall directly into the lake, instead of flowing into lateral arms formed by the partial submergence of the surrounding country, as would be the case if the main lake originated through subsidence.

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