

Alfred Russel Wallace.

ALFRED RUSSEL WALLACE, one of the world's greatest scientists, who shared with Darwin the honor of the promulgation of the doctrine of natural selection, died in London, Nov. 7. He was ninety-one years old. In 1875 Mr. Wallace provoked much discussion by his "On Miracles and Modern Spiritualism." Two years later he produced his next great scientific book, named "The Geographical Distribution of Animals." He was then president of the Biological Section of the British Association.

Other important books which he wrote are "Tropical Nature," "Island Life" and "Land Nationalization, Its Necessity and Its Aims," which was on a political subject, as the title indicates. He was made president of the Land Nationalization Society, and in 1881 he was put on the civil list for a pension of \$1,000 a year. Honors from the universities came fast, and in 1890 he won the first Darwin Medal of the Royal Society.

In 1899 he published his most important volume, named "Darwinism." Its purpose was to give a full and accurate account of the theory of variation and natural selection, which should be comprehensible to everybody, and also to explain the mode of origin of the existing species of animals and plants.

Mr. Wallace was strongly against compulsory vaccination, and wrote several pamphlets against it. Ten years ago he produced "Man's Place in the Universe," which showed no signs of failing mental vigor. Five years ago he edited and published "Notes of a Botanist," which was a profession of his spiritual and scientific faith.
