



A Preliminary Study of Chemical Denudation (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from A Preliminary Study of Chemical Denudation In 1887 Sir Jolm Murray published a careful discussion of the relations between rainfall and run-off for the entire globe, and incidentally, from the average composition of nineteen rivers he estimated that the saline matter annually carried into the ocean amounted to nearly 5,000, -000,000 tons. The rivers taken for this estimate were not named, but must have been in great part European. American data were at that time very meager, and, except for the Nile, there was little material to be had relative to the rivers of Africa and Asia. Eeade and Murray both were handicapped by the defectiveness of their data; and yet their conclusions were so important that they have since been made the basis of several attempts to compute geological time. These attempts will be considered in due course later. It is now time to revise some of the fundamental figures. Within the past year, 1909, two noteworthy reports have been published by the United States Geological Survey.* In one of them Dole and Stabler...



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