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ELLIOTT COUES, the eminent ornithologist, died at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md., December, 25, 1899, at the comparatively early age of 57 years. Dr. Coues was born in Portsmouth, N. H., September 9, 1842. In 1853 his father, Samuel Elliott Coues, removed with his family to Washington, D. C., where Dr. Coues was educated. He was fitted for college at the Jesuit Seminary, now known as Gonzaga College, and in 1857 entered what is now the Columbian University, taking his degree of A. B. in 1861, and his medical degree in 1863, and receiving later from the same institution the honorary degrees of M. A., and Ph.D. While yet a medical student he was enlisted as a medical cadet, and soon after graduation was appointed assistant surgeon in the United States Army, his first station being Fort Whipple, Arizona. Later he was assigned to Fort Macon, North Carolina, and afterwards to Fort McHenry, Baltimore. In 1873 he was ordered to Fort Randall, Dakota, and thence assigned as surgeon and naturalist to the United States Northern Boundary Commission, which surveyed the line of the forty-ninth parallel from the Lake of the Woods westward to the Rocky Mountains. The following six years were spent in Washington, the first two in the preparation of the scientific report of the Northern Boundary Survey, on the conclusion of which he was

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