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SIR RICHARD OWEN

Richard Owen (1804-1892) was a famous English naturalist and surgeon. He was conservator at the Hunterian Museum of the Royal College of Surgeons, London (1827), Hunterian Professor of comparative anatomy and physiology at the Royal College of Surgeons (1836-1856), and superintendent of Natural History at the British Museum. He was also a member of a commission for inquiring into the health of the Metropolis (1847) and of one on Smithfield and other meat markets. He became F.R.S. 1834 and was awarded the K.C.B. in 1884, amongst many other honours.

1 Letter from Richard Owen to Dr. Hobson on fossil bones from Australia 1844

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2 'Fossil Mammals' 1857

Draft of 'A Manual of Fossil Mammals, being the substance of a course of lectures on the osteology and palaeontology
. . . of mammals at the Metropolitan School of Science by
Prof. Richard Owen, Superintendent of Natural History Departments of the British Museum, London! Including photographs and a copy of his letter of appointment as Superintendent of Natural History.

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