

Thirdly, That the extremities of the promontories formed by the two principal branches of the Po, before the excavation of the *Taglio di Porto Viro*, had extended, by the year 1600, or in four hundred years, to a medium distance of 18,500 *metres* * beyond Adria; giving, from the year 1200, an average yearly increase of the alluvial land of 25 *metres* †.

Fourthly, That the extreme point of the present single promontory, formed by the alluvions of the existing branches, is advanced to between thirty-two and thirty-three thousand *metres* ‡ beyond Adria; whence the average yearly progress is about seventy *metres* § during the last two hundred years, being a greatly more rapid proportion than in former times.

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NOTE, p. 244.

On the Universal Deluge.

MR CUVIER in the present work, and more recently in a note to Mr Lemaire's edition of Ovid's *Metamorphoses*, enumerates the Mosaic, Grecian, Assyrian, Persian, Indian, and Chinese traditions, concerning a universal de-

* Or 20,231 yards.—*Transl.*

† Exactly 27 yards 1 foot and $\frac{1}{4}$ th of an inch English.—*Transl.*

‡ Already stated at from $19\frac{3}{4}$ to $20\frac{1}{2}$ miles; or more precisely, from 34,995 yards 1 foot 8 inches, to 36,089 yards 10 inches English measure.—*Transl.*

§ Equal to 76 yards 1 foot 7 inches and 9-10ths.—*Transl.*