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No. 11 John Thomas Wattison (23 June 1884 — 12 January 1974)

Born in the Potteries, John Thomas Wattison was one of the last great amateur collectors of the geological world. He was in the pottery industry, lived 26 years in Portugal, returned to England in 1936 spending the next 27 years at Shrewsbury before returning to his native city upon retirement. Whilst in Portugal he collected Ordovician trilobites (most of which are now in the B.M. (N.H.)) from the Oporto hinterland and wrote a standard text on Portuguese butterflies. At Shrewsbury he organised a geological collection in the County Museum, now featured at Rowley's House Museum, Shrewsbury. The bulk of his collections, approx 18,000 specimens were bequeathed to Birmingham University Geological Museum, with Stoke-on-Trent Museum housing a further 200 specimens.

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