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EDITORIAL NOTES.

AT the meeting on 16th May last the Geological Society of London elected a large number of Foreign Members and Foreign Correspondents. We believe that this is the first election of the kind since the war, so that the numbers of these two categories had undergone considerable reductions. The following are the names of those elected. *Foreign Members*: Prof. L. Cayeux, Paris; Prof. J. M. Clarke, Albany, N.Y.; Prof. H. Douvillé, Paris; Prof. W. Lindgren, Boston, Mass. *Foreign Correspondents*: Prof. E. Argand, Neuchâtel; Prof. L. W. Collet, Geneva; Prof. R. A. Daly, Harvard; Prof. G. Delépine, Lille; Prof. P. Fourmarier, Liège; Prof. V. M. Goldschmidt, Kristiania; Prof. T. G. Halle, Stockholm; Prof. J. F. Kemp, New York; Prof. C. F. Kolderup, Bergen; Prof. C. I. Lisson, Lima; Prof. G. A. F. Molengraaf, Delft; Dr. A. Renier, Brussels; Prof. P. Termier, Paris; Dr. F. E. Wright, Washington.

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WE desire here to call special attention to the publication by the Geological Society of the list of Geological Literature added to the Society's Library in the years 1915-19, thus bringing the series to completeness and supplying a long-felt want which has been a handicap to geological research and advanced teaching for some time past. It is unnecessary at this date to comment on the usefulness of these publications. In this case the compilation is due to Mr. T. H. D. La Touche: the catalogue runs to 545 pages, of which 313 are devoted to a bibliography under names of authors, the rest being a remarkably complete subject-index. The price to Fellows is 7s. 6d., to the general public 10s. Our object in mentioning this subject here is to express the hope that all who can will purchase a copy of this work, which has been brought out at a great expense to the Society; it is incumbent on all geologists to lend their support to this enterprise and thus enable the Society to recoup its heavy outlay, which under present conditions can ill be afforded.

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LAST month an appeal was made in these columns on behalf of a thoroughly deserving object, the Geological Department of University College, Reading. This month it is our pleasing duty to chronicle a generous gift to another geological institution for teaching and research. Sir William Herdman has given £20,000 to the University of Liverpool for a building for the Department of Geology. This building is to be a memorial to the late Lady Herdman, who in 1916 gave jointly with Sir William a sum of £10,000 to endow a Chair of Geology in memory of their son, who fell in the battle of the Somme.