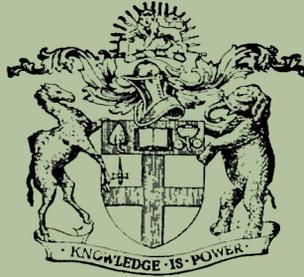


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As a tribute, limited only by present-day conditions, to the great gifts which Dr. Barnett has brought to Oriental scholarship and the unremitting labour he has devoted to its cause, the next issue of the *Bulletin* will take the form of a Volume of Oriental and African Studies dedicated to him, with contributions drawn from his colleagues, past and present, at the School and at the British Museum. This issue, which will form a double number (XII, 3-4) and will appear during the summer of 1948, will mark also the resumption of the *Bulletin's* pre-war custom of publication twice a year.