

## Notes and News

### *A Statuette of Lord Lugard—Presentation to the Imperial Institute.*

THE Imperial Institute in London is placing in its exhibition galleries a collection of statuettes of Empire-builders, and this received a notable addition recently when the Earl of Athlone unveiled and handed over to Sir Harry Lindsay, Director of the Institute, a bronze figure of Lord Lugard; this was the gift of some of Lord Lugard's old officers who served under him during the far-off days when as High Commissioner he brought order out of chaos in Northern Nigeria, and of the Royal African Society. Lord Lugard's life has been spent in setting up new precedents to meet new conditions and emergencies, and it was appropriate that the donors of the statuette should have given proof of similar courage by disregarding the time-honoured custom which decreed that the subject of an effigy must predecease his commemoration in that form.

The statuette, half life-size and admirably modelled by Mr. Herbert Cawood, stands in the Nigerian Court; and with those of van Riebeck, Livingstone, and Rhodes completes the number of those whose lives and works are destined to go down in history as being responsible more than any others in the building up of Africa south of the Sahara.

It is happily not yet time to attempt a final appraisal of Lord Lugard's work for Africa, but few will quarrel with Lord Athlone's anticipation of the verdict of history when he said: 'In the British Empire, in Europe, at the League of Nations, in the Colonies, in America, and most of all in Africa where his name is held in almost legendary respect and affection. . . . He is also known to us by his greatest book, the *Dual Mandate*, which became a classic at its birth. He is known to us as the father of Indirect Rule, Britain's chief contribution to the solution of African problems. He is known to us and respected by us above all as a wise guide and counsellor, the doyen of of the Elder Statesmen in Africa, and although he is, as Sir Henry Galway has said, the first living man to be represented in this collection, I think it will be agreed that there is no one who better merits inclusion in this new Valhalla of our Empire.'

There will be no dissent from that view, and may Lord Lugard long be spared to give us the opportunity of comparing the effigy with the original. (*Communicated by MR. R. NICHOLSON, C.M.G.*)

### *Second International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences.*

THE first meeting of this Congress was held in London in 1934 and was arranged by the Royal Anthropological Institute. This second session met