

EDITORIAL NOTE

READERS of the *Journal* will note the absence of the two sections 'List of Accessions' and 'Periodical Literature' from this issue. For many years the one has given a list, classified by subject and area, of additions to the library, and the other information by title about the wide variety of papers published in all the periodicals, British and foreign, received by the Society. Both have increased in length in recent years to the stage where they now occupy a disproportionate number of pages in the *Journal* (c. 120 pages in vol. lxiv for 1984, for example). The Library cataloguer has pursued a policy of selective listing of foreign periodical literature, but any further reduction of coverage would impair the usefulness of this service to readers and purchasers. The Publications Sub-Committee has given much thought to the problem during the last year, and has requested the editors and cataloguer to prepare these sections as an annual supplement, to be issued separately with part 2 of the *Journal*. It will be in the same format as the *Journal*, which will enable it to be bound in with the volume if desired, and in due course will probably be printed direct from computer-generated output supplied by the cataloguer. This will both be more economical and also make it possible to give a full listing of periodical literature titles, so reversing the recent trend. In the first stages the supplement will be issued with part 2 to all Fellows and subscribers, but ultimately circulation may be restricted to those who express a desire to receive it.

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