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## FOREWORD.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS AND SUPPORTERS.

IN the June Number of the present volume, we issued our 600th monthly part and recorded with pleasure the successful completion of the 50th year of the existence of the GEOLOGICAL MAGAZINE, a record of Editorship of which we felt justly proud.

During the subsequent months of the year the Magazine has continued its peaceful course, but our country has been passing through a period of trial, anxiety, and sorrow entailed by the outbreak of the greatest European War ever recorded.

Although Naval and Military news and warlike undertakings occupy a large share of our thoughts and attention, it must be a great pleasure to turn from these national anxieties to the tranquil pursuits of geology and palæozoology and find in the pages of the GEOLOGICAL MAGAZINE a relief from the too frequent records of "battle, murder, and sudden death" with which the daily Press has unfortunately so often to indulge its readers.

May I venture to suggest that by turning your thoughts to our beloved science you will find a solace and relief from "war's alarms", and that the Editor may still rely upon your kind support for the New Year.

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