EDITORIAL

Owing to the critical financial situation of the Society, and the failure to raise any subsidiary funds through advertisement in the Natural History Section, the publishing of the Natural History Bulletin has been reduced to an annual one-combined issue as was previously done in 1969. Compared to Volume 23, it is indeed an unavoidable regress, but, it is still to be hoped that improvement will be achieved, whenever a favourable situation arises.

A great loss is felt to the Natural History Section, when Mr. E.C. DICKINSON, our highly efficient co-Editor of the Natural History Bulletin left Thailand for his new offering position in Switzerland; but he is to lend his hand in editing ornithological papers as before. The editorial board would greatly appreciate the assistance of some other members.

Members and subscribers will find in this issue articles of some interest, covering a wide range of natural sciences. As a matter of fact, since the Bulletin has become internationally known, scientists are not hesitating to contribute to it.

One major aim of the Natural History Section is to promoting researches on basic sciences, therefore, any original contribution from local members or non-member scientists is most welcome; their contributions will mark the progress of natural science in Thailand.

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