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## EDITORIAL

THE present double number for November-December completes the volume for 1940. The Editors feel satisfaction that in spite of inevitable difficulties it has been possible to carry on and to produce the successive numbers with very little delay. There has been no lack of contributions and at the present moment a considerable number of MSS. await publication. A greater difficulty is the supply of paper, which will only allow of a strictly limited number of pages per volume.

The Editors and Publishers hoped at the beginning of the year that it would be possible to make a reduction in the subscription rate in 1941. To our great regret, the loss of subscriptions from European countries has made this a vain hope, for figures supplied by the Publishers prove that any reduction in the present rate would now result in a loss. We are sure that Subscribers will recognize that these are "circumstances over which we have no control" and will continue their support of the Magazine. New subscriptions will materially assist in the realization of the hope for price reduction.

The Editors also regret that it will not be possible to proceed far with the projected series of articles on the Geology of British Oil-fields. Recent conditions in the Near and Far East have caused several companies to withdraw their sanction for publication. We are grateful to those companies which have given us permission to publish and to all the authors who have prepared MSS. for us, and hope to continue and complete the series after the war.