

THE UPPER THAMES VALLEY: SOME ANTIQUARIAN NOTES. By Lord WYFOLD. pp. 63. London: George Allen & Unwin, Ltd. 1923. Price 3s. 6d.

THIS little book contains some notes mainly of an archæological and antiquarian nature, dealing with prehistoric and early historical remains of man's handiwork in the region around the author's home in Oxfordshire. It deals in a pleasant way with various matters connected especially with the road-system of this district, which is probably, in part at least, of Neolithic origin, though doubtless considerably modified by the Romans. The chief point of geological interest that is touched on refers to the origin of the Goring Gap and the possible existence of the glacial lake in the Oxford depression as worked out some fifteen years ago by the late Mr. Harmer. We could wish that the author had seen his way to deal with this matter in greater detail: his local knowledge would have been invaluable in such a discussion.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

### GEOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS.

SIR,—With reference to the statement in your March issue, p. 144, to the effect that Dr. L. Dudley Stamp "has made himself responsible for the preparation of short abstracts of all geological papers (except palæontological, mineralogical, and glaciological) appearing in the more important English journals for reproduction in the *Revue de Géologie*"; surely there is some mistake here? The January number of that journal contains a list of those people in various countries who are assisting in that work. The list occupies sixteen closely printed pages, and for England alone there are 21 names, including some of the principal workers in the country, who regularly contribute to the *Revue de Géologie*. From your notice it might be assumed that their work is at an end and in the future will be undertaken by Dr. L. Dudley Stamp, of Rangoon, who must necessarily be out of touch with certain of our periodicals. He is also lucky in getting five francs a page, as the present writer, along with others who have contributed since the journal started, receives no remuneration, but does the work, as usual, for the good of the cause!

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[EDITOR'S NOTE.—The notice referred to in this letter was inserted as received from Professor Stamp. The Editor has no knowledge of the domestic economy of the *Revue de Géologie*, and accepts no responsibility for the accuracy of statements made under the heading of Announcements and Inquiries.]

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