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Some sixteen years following the Society's original founding, the Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland launched in October, 1946 Volume I, Number 1 of its official organ, a quarterly publication entitled "Anaesthesia." The editors expressly intend the journal to be primarily scientific in nature, although it will also serve to disseminate information relative to the past and prospective activities of the Society. Both domestic and foreign contributions are welcomed.

Appropriate to its advent during Ether's Centennial, a fair portion of this initial effort is given over to articles historical in nature, but five original clinical papers appear. These

are, for the most part, virtual models of brevity and conciseness which might well be emulated by more verbose authors. A further striking feature is the total absence upon any of its fifty-odd pages of any graphic representation of data. Although it is apparently the intention of the editors to review the current literature, but two abstracts appear in this first issue. The present paper shortage, for which the editors apologize, may conceivably account for this deficiency as well as for the aforementioned redeeming features.

Dr. C. Langton Hewer and his co-editors are to be heartily congratulated on the launching of this valuable and welcome addition to British and American literature. The editors of ANESTHESIOLOGY and, through them, the members of The American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc., extend to the editors and members of the Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland their best wishes for the continuing success of "Anaesthesia," a journal which will go around the world. It will fill a long felt want if its contents reflect opinions of anaesthetists in Great Britain and Ireland and neighboring continental countries. The statement of The London Times, that "One of the greatest contributions to human wellbeing in the last hundred years has been the great advance in the field of anaesthesia," will be more widely heeded and appreciated. Ultimately, a great many more patients will benefit from application of the widely disseminated scientific information.

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