ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY

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The annual number of Obituary Notices of Fellows of the Royal Society, published to-day, and the names which have just been read to us remind us of the losses the society has suffered.

Allow me first to make brief mention of the last service rendered to the society by one who had long been devoted to its interests, and whose name is among those of the fellows whom death has taken from us during the past year. Sir Henry Lyons, who was our foreign secretary for a year, and then achieved so much for the society in his full term of service as treasurer, had acquired in that period a deep interest in the handling of the society’s business and in the changes in its structure and its administration over the centuries of its history. He devoted the last four years of his life, under conditions which must have deterred any less resolute enthusiast, to the writing of a historical account of the administration of the Royal

1 At the anniversary meeting, November 30, 1944.
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