

in the chapter on "Classification of Minerals According to Elements" are very interesting, including a big steam shovel mining rock-salt 1,130 ft. below the surface at Detroit, Michigan, and several views of American docks and railroad cars loading sulphur and iron ore. The view of a gigantic crystal of spodumene at the Etta Mine, S. Dakota, is particularly thrilling. Illustrations of this sort do in fact lend an actuality and human interest which is conspicuously lacking in most text-books of mineralogy, while the text contains a vast amount of the most valuable information as to the dry facts of the science. This is certainly a live book, and may be strongly recommended to working economic geologists.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES.

The Council of the Geological Society of London announces the receipt of a generous gift of \$10,000 Dominion of Canada 4½ per cent Bonds from Mr. J. B. Tyrrell, the well-known Canadian mining geologist, for the foundation of a fund, to be known as the J. B. Tyrrell Fund, the interest of which is to be devoted to the furtherance of a knowledge of the geology of the Dominion of Canada among the geologists of Great Britain and Ireland.

The first award from this fund will be made in February, 1929, and applications are now invited from British and Irish geologists who desire to visit the Dominion of Canada for the purpose of study or research, and who require assistance in the payment of the necessary travelling and living expenses. The amount of the fund available for this award is £100. Details of the conditions governing the disbursement of this fund, and of the form of application required can be obtained from the Secretaries, The Geological Society of London, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, W.