M. Feer lived a secluded life. Modesty, a certain shyness, and heart-whole devotion to his work were so much his leading characteristics that it is difficult to bring out a distinct portrait of this reserved but kindly personality. Perhaps the plain record of his long and patient labours is not an unfitting tribute to his memory.

## IV. Notes and News.

PROFESSOR RHYS DAVIDS has been elected a Foreign Member of the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences.

DR. M. A. STEIN, of the Indian Educational Service, has, with the sanction of H.M.'s Secretary of State for India, been placed on eight months' special duty in England in order to prepare a detailed report on the results of his recent journey of archæological and topographical exploration in Chinese Turkestan. Dr. Stein's Preliminary Report on these explorations, issued in November last, and already noticed in the J.R.A.S., showed the extent of the antiquarian and other materials brought back from this journey and awaiting detailed examination.

## New Appointments.

Mr. E. G. Browne has been appointed Adams Professor of Arabic at Cambridge.

DR. LIEBICH has been appointed Professor Ordinarius at Breslau, and Dr. WINTERNITZ Professor Ordinarius at the German University at Prag.

SYED ALI BILGRAMI has been appointed Reader in Marathi at Cambridge.

Professor Bendall has been appointed University Lecturer in Sanskrit at Cambridge.