

**MEMORIAL TO THE LATE  
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*To the Membership of the American  
Institute of Electrical Engineers:*

A fund is being raised to purchase the very valuable Scientific Library of the late Dr. Thompson, and to present it to the Institution of Electrical Engineers, as a Memorial of his life and work, the Library to be accessible to the public on the same conditions as the Ronalds Library of the Institution of Electrical Engineers in London. A committee of fifteen prominent scientists and engineers, has been appointed in England, with Mr. W. M. Mordey acting as chairman, to carry out the plan, and to raise funds for the purchase of the library, the price of which is \$20,000 (£4000).

An invitation to contribute to the purchasing fund has already been issued to the membership of the Institution of Electrical Engineers in Great Britain.

The Thompson memorial library is to be presented to the Institution of Electrical Engineers, as a permanent adjunct to the electrical library of that Institution.

In response to a suggestion received from the committee in charge of the plan, and with the approval of the President and Board of Directors of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the above facts are hereby presented to the A. I. E. E. members, so that they may have an opportunity of contributing to the purchase fund.

The late Professor Thompson had so many friends, students and admirers in America, and was known to so many electrical engineers by his extensive and classical publications on electrical science and engineering, that the committee in England felt it would be only a matter of courtesy and sympathy to open the subscription list to the American Institute.

Dr. Thompson was an Honorary Member of the A. I. E. E. He was also

one of the British Delegates to the International Electrical Congress of Chicago in 1893.

Subscriptions to the Thompson memorial library fund may be addressed to F. L. Hutchinson, Secretary, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 33 West 39th Street, New York City, who has kindly undertaken to receive and collect the same, and to forward them, with the list of contributors, to the British committee.

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**GREETINGS FROM FRENCH  
ENGINEERS**

Immediately after the declaration of war by the United States Congress, the following cablegram from the Société Internationale des Electriciens, Paris, France, was received by the American Institute of Electrical Engineers:

"La Société Internationale des Electriciens réunie ce jour à Paris en séance mensuelle adresse à l'American Institute of Electrical Engineers ses acclamations unanimes pour l'acte historique par lequel le Président et le Parlement des Etats-Unis interprètes du peuple Americain décident de prendre les armes pour sauvegarder les droits de l'humanité civilisée et en assurer le prochain triomphe."

(TRANSLATION)

The International Society of Electricians, at its monthly meeting held to-day in Paris, sends to the American Institute of Electrical Engineers its unanimous applause for the historic act by which the President and the Congress of the United States, interpreters of the American people decided to take up arms to safeguard the rights of civilized humanity and insure its coming triumph.

President H. W. Buck, on behalf of the Board of Directors cabled in reply as follows:

"The American Institute of Electrical Engineers, through its Board of Directors in session, desires to express its sincere appreciation of your message of good will. We hope that our co-operation with you in this great cause will still further strengthen the bonds of sympathy which we have always held with the electrical engineers of France."