The following revised conditions have been drawn up in order to stimulate the submission of entries of indexes published during 1962:

CONDITIONS
(a) The award to be called the Wheatley Medal and to take the form of a gold-plated medal with suitable inscription.
(b) Indexes published during the preceding year to be eligible; printed indexes to any type of publication may be submitted for consideration.
(c) The index should include all headings that common sense would expect, and scholarship need, to find in an index.
(d) The index should be the best possible for the work of which it forms part, and attention will be paid to features novel to standard indexing which serve a useful purpose.
(e) Recommendations for indexes to be entered for the award will be invited from members of the Library Association and of the Society of Indexers.
(f) The final recommendation on the award to be made by a committee consisting of three representatives of the Library Association and three representatives of the Society of Indexers.
(g) The award to be made to the compiler of the winning index, who must be British and the book must have been published in the United Kingdom in the preceding year.

Members of the Library Association and of the Society of Indexers are invited to send their recommendations to the Secretary, The Library Association, Chaucer House, Malet Place, London, W.C.1, not later than 1st May, 1963.

NEW EDITIONS
That a new edition of a book may need a new index is not always recognised. The sixth edition of Lord Ernle's *English farming past and present* was published in 1961 by Heinemann Educational Books Ltd. and Frank Cass & Co. Ltd. It contains the text of the fifth edition, with 120 pages of added introductions: *English farming before 1815*, by G. E. Fussell, and *English farming after 1815*, by O. P. McGregor. This interesting new material is lessened in value because it is not indexed, the publishers having apparently re-used the index from the fifth edition.

Again, the insertion of new text and figures is not always done with sufficient care to avoid errors. In the third, "completely revised" edition of Charles Singer's *History of biology*, published by Abelard-Schuman in 1959, some dozens of the cross-references found throughout the book give the wrong page or figure number. The errors are the more troublesome because the only index provided, as in other books by the same author, is one of personal names.

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