

THINK AGAIN!

Mr. Millener's moving appeal for seeds ancient and modern appears to have fallen on stony ground--not to say solid rock! Not one solitary seed has Mr. Millener acquired. Under these circumstances, it seems probable, members imagine that Mr. Millener is seeking for something elaborate, such as, large quantities of beautifully mounted specimens, or series of seeds in great quantity or variety. Actually all Mr. Millener requires is native seeds, (preferably but not necessarily old), with date of collection affixed. So think again! Perhaps you know of some old, battered herbarium stowed away in some odd corner. Even if it yields merely one or two fruiting specimens, Mr. Millener will accept them gratefully. Mr. Millener has an earnest desire to germinate native plants--but even his enthusiasm finds difficulty in doing so without seeds!

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GOODBYE!

It is with deep regret that we find we must say farewell to our good friend Professor Arnold Wall. From the time of its inception, Professor Wall has been an active member of our Society and a most generous contributor to all our activities. He has lectured to us and led our excursions, while his extensive Botanical knowledge has been ever at the service of individual members. In addition, he has written a Bulletin "Those Troublesome Names", and is now at work on a much needed Bulletin on the Sedges. Members will also remember his recently published work in collaboration with Dr. H. H. Allan "The Botanical Names of the Flora of New Zealand", where his knowledge of philology and botany so instructively blended. Professor Wall's contributions to New Zealand Botany have been considerable.

In keeping with the traditional enthusiasm of New Zealand Botanists for field work, Professor Wall has made arduous collecting excursions particularly on the Southern Alps, where, to quote his own beautiful words:

"Mine the long day of Alpen delights poured out without grudging,
Steep black crags with their mantles of fern and their great
white daisies,

Glossy and dark olearias flooded with creamy blossoms--
Long reaches of tussock all gold in the afternoon sunlight--"

He has written a popular work, "The Flora of the Mt. Cook District", but most of his observations and discoveries have been pub-