vincing the procureur impérial ; all the notes which had been
seized and in which figured complexes, orthogonal systems,
and names of geometers, bore in no way upon the national
defenses.   Lie was released ; his high and generous spirit
bore no grudge against our country.   Not only did he
return voluntarily to visit it but he received with great
kindness French students, scholars of our École Normale
who would go to Leipzig to follow his lectures.   It is to the
École Normale that he dedicated his great work on the theory
of transformation groups.   A number of our theses at the
Sorbonne have been inspired by his teaching and dedicated
to him.

  The admirable works of Sophus Lie enjoy the distinc-
tion, to-day quite rare, of commanding the common admira-
tion of geometers as well as analysts.   He has discovered
fundamental propositions which will preserve his name
from oblivion, he has created methods and theories which,
for a long time to come, will exercise their fruitful influence
on the development of mathematics.   The land where he
was born and which has known how to honor him can place
with pride the name of Lie beside that of Abel, of whom
he was a worthy rival and whose approaching centenary he
would have been so happy in celebrating.

NOTES.

  THE sixth summer meeting of the AMERICAN MATHE-
MATICAL SOCIETY will be held at the State University of
Ohio, Columbus, Ohio, on Friday and Saturday, August
25–26.   The meeting will thus immediately follow that of
the American Association for the Advancement of Science.
A circular giving more definite information will shortly be
issued by the committee in charge.

  A NEW List of Members of the AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL
SOCIETY, including the constitution, by-laws, and the re-
ports of the Treasurer and Librarian, has recently been
published and distributed to the members of the Society.
Copies of the List may be obtained from the Secretary.

  AT the regular meeting of the London mathematical so-
ciety of February 9th the following papers were presented :
—" Note on a case of divisibility of a function of two vari-