part with us in the memorable fêtes of his jubilee in 1892. All his friends, his disciples, his admirers shared in this impressive ceremony; all the learned societies of Europe sent either addresses or delegates.

The same year saw the jubilee of Pasteur. To-day Pasteur and Hermite are no more; there remains for us only the souvenir of their examples and their works, but these are sufficient to immortalize their memory.

Permit us in concluding to express a wish in behalf of the section of geometry. The work of Hermite is very scattered; in addition to the principal memoirs, it contains many letters and short notes disposed here and there; but all bear la griffe du lion. The Academy would honor itself and render a great service to geometers by undertaking the publication of the complete works of Charles Hermite.

## NOTES.

The committee in charge of the colloquium to be held in August in connection with the summer meeting of the American Mathematical Society is now able to announce that Professor Oskar Bolza has consented to give a course of lectures on "The calculus of variations, in particular Weierstrass's discoveries."

The ninth regular meeting of the Chicago Section of the American Mathematical Society will be held at the University of Chicago, on Saturday, April 6, 1901, the first session opening at 10 o'clock a.m., in the Ryerson Physical Laboratory. The Christmas meeting will be held at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., on Friday and Saturday, December 27 and 28. Titles, abstracts, and time requirements of papers to be read at the April meeting should be in the hands of the Secretary of the Section, for the use of the programme committee, not later than March 20.

The January number (volume 23, number 1) of the American Journal of Mathematics contains the following papers: "Die Typen der linearen Complexe rationaler Curven in  $R_r$ ," by S. Kantor; "Transformations of systems of linear differential equations," by E. J. Wilczynski; "Distribution of the ternary linear homogeneous substitutions in a Galois field into complete sets of conjugate substitutions," by L. E. Dickson; "Distribution of the quaternary linear homogeneous substitutions in a Galois