BOOK REVIEW

GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH MINERALS. GEORGE LETCHWORTH ENGLISH.
324 pages with 258 illustrations. Price $2.50 net. Mineralogical Publishing Co.,
50 Brighton St., Rochester, New York.

This attractive book was written primarily to create an abiding interest in min-
erals on the part of those beginning their study of this subject. The author, by virtue
of his extensive collecting trips to all parts of the world and his life-long intimate
experience in examining and evaluating mineral specimens, was unusually well
qualified to undertake such a task. The logical arrangement, interesting style of
presentation and numerous excellent illustrations demonstrate the success of the
venture in producing a text that has unusual merit and is unique in this field. The
book should appeal not only to the amateur but the more advanced student will
also profit by a careful reading of its pages.

The major portion of the book consisting of 324 pages is devoted to a discussion
of the physical properties and description of the more common mineral species,
although rocks are also given brief consideration; tables for the megascopic deter-
mination of minerals and a pronouncing vocabulary conclude the volume.

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has been appointed special lecturer in the Departments of Mineralogy and Geology
at the University of Michigan during the coming Summer Session. He will conduct
a laboratory course in mineralography for a limited number of graduate students
with proper qualifications.