

4. CHINESE BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY.

DEAR SIR,—Would you allow me to call the attention of your members to the existence, in the Society's Library, of a very valuable biographical dictionary? It is usually known as the Shih-hsing-pu, but is entered in the published catalogue (J.R.A.S. 1889) by a fuller title, "Li-tai-ming-hsien-lieh-nu-shih-hsing-pu," a biographical account of successive generations of illustrious men and virtuous women. As the word *men* has been omitted in the catalogue translation of the title, and the fuller title used in the catalogue is unusual, the existence of this important book may easily be overlooked. It is not in the University College collection.—Yours faithfully,

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