MEMORIAL FUNDS AND MEDALS

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1934. Professor W. J. Dakin, D.Sc., Professor of Zoology, University of Sydney.

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Medals presented—

1936. Professor L. F. Giblin, D.S.O., M.C., M.A., Ritchie Professor of Economics (Melb.).
1939. Professor J. B. Cleland, M.D.

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