Visit of Scottish Foresters

THE Society was host to a party from the Royal Scottish Forsetry Society who visited Ireland from 2nd to the 9th October. The party numbered 25 and was led by their President, Major R. N. Jardine-Paterson. A comprehensive tour was arranged for them which included visits to the Wicklow area, to the Ballyhouras, to the famous Burren country to our planting on western blanket bogs and to forests in Northern Ireland.

The Society wishes to express its thanks to the Minister for Lands of the Republic and to the Minister for Agriculture for Northern Ireland for their kindness in receiving and entertaining our guests and for the help and co-operation of their Departments in arranging the Study Tour. We are also indebted to An Foras Taluntais for permission to visit the Peatland Research Station at Glenamoy and to Mr. O'Hare, the Station Manager and his staff for their assistance and hospitality.

A unique occasion during the visit was the meeting of the Presidents of the three Societies: The Royal Scottish Forestry Society, The Royal Forestry Society of England, Wales and Northern Ireland and The Society of Irish Foresters, at Baronscourt Estate, the home of His Grace the Duke of Abercorn, President of the Royal Forestry Society of England, Wales and Northern Ireland.