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INTRODUCTION

When the 25th anniversary of the Nederlandse Malacologische Vereniging (=Netherlands Malacological Society) was approaching, we resolved to issue an extra volume of our journal *Basteria* on that occasion. A book devoted to the Dutch molluscan fauna considered from an ecological point of view seemed appropriate, and — if some help from other quarters could be ascertained — feasible.

For this cooperation we did not ask in vain. In the first place the book could not have been written without the collaboration of our colleagues Dr M. F. MÖRZER BRUJNS, I. J. M. BURTOR, Dr I. KRISTENSEN and C. SWENNEN who contributed the chapters they are most qualified to write. Moreover an extra volume of our journal could not be issued without financial aid, which was most generously given by the following organizations: "N.V. Bataafsche Petroleum Maatschappij", The Hague, "Bataafsche Genootschap der Proefondervindelijke Wetbegeerte", Rotterdam, "Hollandische Maatschappij der Wetenschappen", Haarlem, and "Provinciaal Utrechts Genootschap van Kunsten en Wetenschappen", Utrecht.

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