

What about the British minorities?  
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Dear Mr. Russell-Jebb

— I owe you  
a profound apology for only  
now replying to your notice  
of May about the proposed  
Anglo-Catalan Society.

You will think I am  
most discourteous; but, in  
fact, I have been in  
Portugal, ~~but~~ <sup>though</sup>, in any case,  
I should have collected  
the notice — which appears  
to have been mislaid  
among the hundred and  
one papers that pour in  
in June!

I am by no means a specialist in the Catalan field: my name does happen to appear under a section called "Portuguese & Catalan" in the University's Calendar, but this is a mistake! Nevertheless, I have considerable sympathy for the Catalan cause, and, of course, count as friends the Catalan lecturers we've had here.

On the whole, I don't know whether I would join (— purely financial reasons), but could you, in any case, let me know how things have proceeded up to now? Yours sincerely, N. Lamb