Hilbert, David
[Lemmermeyer, Franz; Schappacher, Norbert]

This is the first English translation (made by I. T. Adamson) of the famous Zahlbericht of David Hilbert [Jahresber. DMV 4, i-xviii, 175-546 (1897; JFM 28.0157.05)]. The German original has been reprinted in Hilbert’s “Gesammelte Abhandlungen”, Springer (1932; Zbl 0004.09801; repr. 1970; Zbl 0195.00401), which contained an exposition of the theory of algebraic number fields and had a great influence on the development of that subject in the 20th century. An introduction written by F. Lemmermeyer and N. Schappacher describes certain aspects of Hilbert’s treatise from a modern point of view.

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