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WE learn from *Natural Science* that the sixth meeting of the *Nederlandsch Natuur en Geneeskundig* Congress, corresponding to the American and British Associations for the Advancement of Science took place at Delft, on April 22d, 23d and 24th. The general President was Professor J. M. Telders, and the five sections were presided over respectively by W. A. van Dorp, of Amsterdam; W. Kapteijn, of Utrecht; P. P. C. Hoek, of Helder; H. Treub, of Amsterdam, and K. Martin, of Leyden. The sectional meetings were held in the various laboratories and lecture-rooms of the Polytechnic School, in both morning and afternoon. Several of the sections had very attractive programs; among the most interesting papers in Section II. (Biology) may be mentioned one by Professor Hubrecht on 'Primates and Lemurs,' and one by M. C. Dekhuijzen, of Leyden, on methods of investigating the micro-organisms in fresh water. The Section for Physics and Chemistry had an able paper by Col. C. F. Geij van Pittius, on various explosives, and one by H. A. van Ijsselstein on an interesting form of telephone. The paper which formed the last of the series on Saturday was of special interest, a lecture by Professor M. W. Beijerinck, on luminous bacteria.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

It is rumored that a union between New York University Medical School and the Bellevue Hospital Medical College will not be carried into effect.

THE name of the Maine State College at Orono has been changed to the University of Maine.

Dr. J. L. GOODNIGHT, who has been President of the West Virginia University, at Parkersburg, for two years, and Dr. J. A. Myers, who has been Director of the State Experiment Station for nine years, have been removed by the Board of Regents of the University. It is said that this action is due to political reasons.

DR. JAMES WOODROW, on reaching the age of seventy years, has resigned the presidency of South Carolina College. President Craighead

and Professors Tompkins and Wright have resigned from Clemson College. President Craighead has been elected President of the College of Wisconsin. Dr. W. H. Hervey has resigned from the presidency of the Teachers' College, New York.

PROFESSOR A. C. ARMSTRONG, now professor of philosophy at Wesleyan University, has been appointed to a professorship in the department of history in Princeton University. E. M. Weyer, of the University of Leipzig, and M. Matsumoto, of the University of Tokio (Japan), have been made assistants at the Yale Psychological Laboratory. Mr. Muir, now of Halifax University, has been appointed to the chair of psychology in Mount Holyoke College.

THE American Society for the Extension of University teaching offers at the University of Pennsylvania a summer meeting from July 6th to 30th. Thirty-eight lectures are announced, and many of the courses will prove of scientific interest. Conferences on the teaching of geography will be led by Professors W. M. Davis and R. E. Dodge. Professor W. F. Magie will give two lectures on Mediæval Science. Professor J. T. Rothrock will lecture on forestry and Professor W. P. Wilson on Museums. In psychology, courses of lectures are announced by Professor Lightner Witmer, Professor J. Mark Baldwin, Professor E. B. Titchener, Mr. R. P. Halleck and Miss Laura Fisher.

THE New York Board of Education has announced the courses of study for the three new high schools which will be opened in September. Three courses are offered—classical, commercial and general. The first mentioned fills the requirements of the classical courses in the colleges and includes five hours in physics or chemistry in the fourth year. The commercial course requires two hours in physiology and four hours in biology in the first year and three hours in physics in the second year. The general course offers a larger number of electives. A student can take four hours in science in the first year, seven in the second, four in the third and four in the fourth. It is not clear to us why the student in the third year may take fifteen hours in languages and in the fourth year nineteen, while he is confined to four hours in science.