

shows increased purchases, the per cent. of increase ranging from 7.7 in Louisiana to 65.2 in Missouri. In the States of greatest consumption the increase is especially marked, that in Alabama being 41.9, in Georgia 25.2, North Carolina 36.6, and South Carolina 33.8 per cent. During the year there were 425 mills in operation, as compared with 402 in 1896-97.

THE Board of Health of New York City has obtained a conviction in the Courts for violating the law forbidding the burning of soft coal, a fine of \$25.00 being imposed.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the *London Times*: "As it is just 100 years since Pestalozzi began at Stanz, on the Lake of Lucerne, the work among the orphan children which so deeply influenced the aims and methods of elementary education in German-speaking Europe and indirectly in Great Britain and America, it is intended to celebrate the centenary by a public meeting, which will be held, by permission of the Council, in the large hall of the College of Preceptors, Bloomsbury-square, on Wednesday, January 4th, at 8 p. m. Though many of Pestalozzi's hopes have been unfulfilled and modern psychology is far from confirming some of his attempted generalizations, his labors at Stanz will always form one of the most inspiring chapters in educational history. His work there emphasized the fact that religious influences are essential to all education which aims at strengthening the will and at elevating character, and that no educational instrument is so powerful as the self-devotion of the teacher. Sir Joshua Fitch will preside at the meeting, at which short addresses will be given by Professor Wilhelm Rein, of the University of Jena; Lady Isabel Margesson; Miss Herford (Manchester), and Messrs. A. Sonnenschein, R. L. Morant, E. Cooke and others."

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THE sum of £115,000 has been subscribed towards establishing a university at Birmingham.

THE late Henry Clark Warren, of Boston, an accomplished Oriental scholar, has left to Harvard University a large sum principally for the Sanscrit department, but including \$10,000 for the Peabody Museum of American archæology

and ethnology and \$10,000 for the Dental School. The Sanscrit department is to have \$15,000 for the endowment of the Harvard Oriental Series, and the balance, which is said to be large, is to be used for the benefit of the department.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY receives \$5,000 by the will of the late Susan B. Lyman, Dedham, Mass., and \$10,000 by the will of the late Mrs. Mary Ann P. Weld, of Boston, the latter sum being for the purpose of founding a Christopher Minot Weld Scholarship, which is to be awarded each year to some worthy student.

THE Teachers College of Columbia University has received an anonymous gift of \$10,000.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY has established sixty-three benefactors' scholarships and twenty-two faculty scholarships, in order to place the remission of tuition fees hitherto made on a more permanent basis.

THE appropriation of the State for the University of Georgia has this year been reduced by \$14,000. The appropriation for the schools has also been greatly reduced.

WE have received the calendar of the Tokyo Imperial University for 1897-98, which is printed in English. There were 2,239 students in the University, distributed as follows: University, 177; the College of Law, 744; College of Medicine, 313; College of Engineering, 386; College of Literature, 279; College of Science, 105; College of Agriculture, 235. There are 90 professors and 41 assistant professors. The library now contains about 223,000 volumes. The *Journal* of the College of Science, established in 1887 and now in its tenth volume, has published many important contributions, which are written in English or in German.

AT Harvard University, Dr. R. W. Willson has been appointed assistant professor of astronomy, and Dr. C. R. Sanger, assistant professor of chemistry.

MR. L. B. WILSON has been appointed demonstrator in pathology and bacteriology in the University of Minnesota.

DR. WILHELM THIERMANN, of the Technical Institute at Hanover, has been made professor.