

your official ties to the University. We regret that your enlarged liberty has not come to you in a form which would have marked our sense of what we owe to you. But we rejoice that an arrangement has been arrived at which will allow your interests still to centre in Cambridge, giving you, at the same time, the opportunity of working in a wider field, where you may do for England what you have already done for Cambridge, and where your services to learning may benefit, not only England, but the whole English-speaking race.—We are proud to sign ourselves your friends and pupils—FRANCIS DARWIN, A. G. DEW-SMITH, WALTER GARDINER, W. H. GASKELL, ALFRED C. HADDEN, W. B. HARDY, S. F. HARMER, WALTER HEAPE, J. N. LANGLEY, J. J. LISTER, A. SEDGWICK, A. C. SEWARD, ARTHUR E. SHIPLEY, L. E. SHORE, H. MARSHALL WARD, H. K. ANDERSON, A. S. LEA. March 9, 1900."

THE *British Medical Journal* states that a Medical Congress of the Island of Cuba is now being organized. It is to be held at Havana, and will open on February 24, 1901. The president of the organizing committee is Dr. Vicente B. Valdés. The subjects with which the Congress will deal in are the following: (1) Local Anthropology; (2) Medical Topography and Statistics; (3) Yellow Fever; (4) Paludism; (5) *Biebre de borras*; (6) Chronic Enteritis of Hot Countries; (7) Febrile Conditions of Infancy which do not correspond to Definite Clinical Types; (8) Treatment of Pulmonary Phthisis by Local Climatotherapy; (9) Medical Hydrology of Cuba; (10) Therapeutic Uses of some Indigenous Plants.

THE New York *Evening Post* states that the scientific museum of Princeton University has received a collection of Indian pottery, stone axes, and articles used in religious ceremonies of the Hopi Indians of Arizona. This gift is the first installment of a series from Stanley R. McCormick, '95. The present collection consists very largely of pieces of recent manufacture, which represent the methods of modelling and decoration employed by this tribe of Indians. This McCormick collection will have special value as supplementing the large collections already possessed of Mexican and Peruvian pottery and the extensive Sheldon Jackson ethnological collection from Alaska and New Mexico.

AN exhibit from the United States Patent Office has been sent to the Paris Exposition.

It is confined to models representing the applications of electricity to which American inventors have contributed so much. There is a law forbidding the taking of models of patents from the country, but a special Act of Congress was enacted permitting it in this case. This was accomplished, however, so late as to interfere somewhat with the completeness of the exhibit.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

DR. HENRY S. PRITCHETT, Superintendent of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, has been elected president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

THE Maryland Legislature has voted against the continuation of an annual appropriation to the Johns Hopkins University.

SIR WILLIAM C. MACDONALD has made a further gift of \$200,000 to McGill University for the work in mining and chemistry.

MERTON COLLEGE, Oxford, has offered to contribute, out of its University Purposes Fund, £700 towards the cost of fitting up, and £500 towards that of maintaining for two years, a new electrical laboratory.

THE New York *Evening Post* states that the sophomore class, of Yale University, which by the catalogue of this year contains 305 students, has made choice of studies under the new elective system as follows: Greek has been chosen by 124, Latin by 203, chemistry by 48, physics by 202, English by 259, French by 117, German by 178, history by 202, and mathematics by 159. It will be remembered that last year the members of the sophomore class were required to elect five of six subjects. This year additional electives in chemistry, history, modern languages, and mathematics have been provided.

A CHAIR of intertropical pathology has been established in the University of Havana for Dr. J. Guiteras, formerly professor of pathology in the University of Pennsylvania.

PROFESSOR JACQUES LOEB, of the University of Chicago, has been appointed professor of physiology in the Rush Medical College, recently affiliated with the University. It is understood that the junior work in physiology will be carried out at the University of Chicago.