

been renewed for another ten years these were scarcely adequate, and it had been decided to start a building fund, a proposal which was looked upon with favor by the president, the Duke of Cambridge. They had allotted £5,000 of the invested capital of the Institute as a nucleus of the fund and further donations had been received, but some £25,000 was expected to be required. Many lectures and demonstrations on sanitary science had been given to the students, who, during the period over which the lectures had extended, had had the free use of the library and museum, and the committee desired to tender hearty thanks to the lecturers. Two new examinations had been established during the year, one for inspectors of meat and other foods, and the other in practical hygiene for school teachers. There had been a steady increase in the number of students brought to the museum by lecturers and demonstrators, showing an appreciation of the teaching value of the museum. The total in 1899 was 2154, against 1958 in 1898 and 1674 in 1897. A comparison of the roll of the institute with that of the preceding year showed an increase in the number of members and associates, the total in 1899 being 2324, against 2130 in 1898.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

DR. D. K. PEARSON, of Chicago, on April 14th, which was his eightieth birthday, decided to add \$525,000 to the \$2,000,000 he has given to colleges. His principal gifts, to be paid before January 1, 1901, will be: Mount Holyoke College (Mass.), \$150,000; Colorado College (Colorado Springs), \$50,000; Berea College (Ky.), \$50,000; Fairmount College (Kan.), \$50,000; McKenzie College (Ill.), \$25,000; Onarga College (Ill.), \$20,000; Carleton College (Minn.), \$50,000; Fargo College (N. D.), \$50,000.

THE will of Mrs. Eliza Chrisman, who died in Topeka recently, has been filed in the Probate Court. She bequeaths the greater part of a fortune, estimated at \$250,000, for the founding of the University of Topeka. The bequest is contingent on the Methodist churches of Kansas raising an equal amount within ten

years. Mrs. Chrisman leaves \$35,000 cash to the Ohio Wesleyan University.

MR. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER some time since promised \$100,000 to Denison University, at Granville, O., if the trustees should raise \$150,000 this term. President Purinton has announced that nearly \$125,000 had been secured.

THE establishment of a School of Commerce at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, was unanimously decided upon by the board of regents at their meeting on the 17th ult. Professor W. A. Scott is made director of the school, and a professor of commerce is to be appointed.

At the Patrons' Day celebration of Colgate University on April 20th, the annual address was delivered by President Seth Low of Columbia University, New York, who took as his subject, 'The College and the University.'

It is now said that Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews will probably accept the chancellorship of the University of Nebraska.

EIGHTEEN fellowships have been awarded at Columbia University, of which the following are in the sciences, falling more immediately within the scope of this JOURNAL:

Hartley Burr Alexander, Philadelphia, Pa., Philosophy, University of Nebraska, A.B., 1897.

Robert Henry Bradford, Salt Lake City, Utah, Metallurgy, University of Utah, B.S., 1895.

William Austin Cannon, Palo Alto, Cal., Botany, Stanford University, A.B., 1899.

Robert Heywood Fernald, Cleveland, O., Mechanical Engineering, University of Maine, B.M.E., 1892.

George Irving Finlay, New York, Geology, Harvard University, A.B., 1898.

Thomas Jesse Jones, Greenfield, O., Sociology, Marietta College, A.B., 1897; Columbia University, A.M., 1899.

Austin Flint Rogers, Lawrence, Kan., Mineralogy, Kansas State University, A.B., 1899.

Harry Beal Torrey, Berkeley, Cal., Zoology, University of California, B.S., 1895, and M.S., 1898.

Clark Wissler, Columbus, O., Psychology, Indiana University, A.B., 1897; A.M., 1899.

DR. A. OSANN, docent in geology in the University at Basle, and Dr. M. Smoluchowski von Smolan, docent in theoretical physics in the University at Lemberg, have been promoted to assistant professorships. Dr. Fünfstück, docent in botany in the Polytechnic Institute at Stuttgart has been made full professor. Dr. Ed. Buchner, professor at the Agricultural Station of Berlin, has qualified as docent in the University