

LARGELY through the agency of the 'Semper-virens Society' the State of California has appropriated \$250,000 to purchase and preserve the grove of redwoods near Santa Cruz.

THE exhibits of the German chemical industry at the Paris Exposition, valued at \$150,000, has been presented to the Technological Institute of the University of Berlin.

MR. CARNEGIE has offered \$50,000 to Burlington, Vt., for a library building on the usual conditions. He has also offered a building for Montrose, Scotland.

THE French Society for Colonial Expansion in France has instituted a special branch devoted to the assistance of doctors and chemists who desire to emigrate.

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By the will of Mrs. Louise Frisbie, bequests amounting originally to \$28,000, but which may now amount to much more, are left to Smith, Vassar and Wellesley Colleges.

MRS. D. BANDY, who recently gave \$25,000 to Eureka College, Illinois, has given the institution land valued at \$60,000, subject to a life interest on the part of her daughter.

PROFESSOR W. VON ZEHENDER, of Munich, has given his valuable ophthalmological library to the University of Bern.

IT is reported in the medical journals that the University of Pennsylvania Veterinary Department will be moved to Thirty-ninth and Woodland avenue, instead of to the Flower Farm, on the West Chester Pike, as formerly intended. The reason assigned for the change in the plans is that the department would be too inconvenient for the public on the West Chester Pike, and too far from the university for the students. It is also stated that the work on the new \$60,000 buildings will begin in October.

THE Technical Education Board of the London County Council has directed the higher education subcommittee to inquire and report (a) as to the need and present provision for special training of an advanced kind in connection with the application of science (especially chem-

istry and electricity) to industry; (b) as to what, if any, developments are needed to secure efficient training in these subjects for senior county scholars and other advanced students who desire to qualify themselves to take leading positions in scientific industries.

A COMMITTEE of the Birmingham City Council has recommended the council to make a grant to the Birmingham University of the proceeds of a halfpenny rate, which would provide an annual sum of about \$25,000.

THE University of Zurich has enlarged its anatomical building. A dissecting room with overhead light to accommodate two hundred students has been added and on the floor below a microscopical room of the same size. There is also a demonstration room with overhead light, a laboratory for anthropology, and a laboratory for advanced embryological study, together with rooms for the director. The old part of the building will be rearranged for a large lecture room, a reading and study room for the students, a museum, and the laboratories for assistants.

THE University at Erlangen announced a summer school for clergymen on the lines of the summer schools for teachers. It appears, however, that not sufficient clergymen felt the need of instruction, and the plan has been abandoned.

J. E. LOUGH, Ph.D. (Harvard), for the past four years professor of psychology at the State Normal School at Oshkosh, Wis., has been appointed to the professorship of psychology in the School of Pedagogy, New York University.

N. O. BOOTH has resigned his position as horticulturist in the University of Missouri to accept a position in the New York Agricultural College at Geneva.

MR. ROLLA R. RAMSEY, Ph.D., Cornell, '01, has been appointed instructor in physics in the University of Missouri. Dr. Ramsey is a graduate of the University of Indiana and has held graduate scholarships at Clark and Cornell. He has also been assistant in physics at Cornell and instructor at Indiana.

DR. VICTOR UHLIG, professor of paleontology at Vienna, succeeds Professor Ed. Suess in the chair of geology.