

natural dye-stuffs, largely consumed in England and extensively grown in British possessions; indigo was the latest object of this particular kind of enterprise, and a sum of 1½ millions sterling was being devoted to the achievement of the extermination of this natural dye-stuff.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

MR. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER has promised to contribute \$200,000 toward the endowment fund for Barnard College, Columbia University, provided that an equal sum is given by others before January 1, 1902.

THE corner stone of the new Medical Building of the University of Michigan was laid on the 15th inst., under the auspices of the State Medical Society, by Dr. Leartus Connor, the president of that body. Addresses were delivered in connection with the ceremonies by the Hon. Regent Kiefer, President Angell, Dr. J. A. McCorkle, professor of medicine in the Long Island College Hospital and a member of the class of '73 of the University of Michigan, and by Professor J. G. Adami of McGill University. The building, which has been made necessary by the rapid growth in recent years of the Medical Department, will contain the laboratories and class-rooms of the departments of hygiene, bacteriology, anatomy, histology and pathology, and the contracts for its erection call for an expenditure of \$88,000, exclusive of what may be required for the heating, plumbing and general equipment. The old Medical Building, which has been the home of the Medical School for fifty years, will be remodeled throughout and adapted for the use of the departments of pharmacology, physiology and chemistry.

AT the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Capt. William Hovgaard, of the Danish Navy, has been appointed professor of naval design in the department of naval architecture. Dr. H. P. Talbot has been made head of the department of chemistry. Dr. Talbot has for some years past been professor of analytical chemistry, and, since the departure of Dr. Drown, has in a measure acted as head of the department.

MR. HENRY M. HUXLEY has been made Hemenway fellow and assistant in anthropology at Harvard University.

THE New York *Evening Post* states that D. K. Zangogiannis, who was appointed professor of pedagogy at the University of Athens two years ago, and who had made a special study of German educational systems, has been deposed by the Government because of an article he wrote for a German periodical in which he criticised the Greek high schools.

DR. JOHN YOUNG, professor of natural history at Glasgow, has been obliged by the condition of his health to resign his chair after thirty-five years' service in the University. He will continue to act as curator of the Hunterian Museum.

DR. PURSER, professor of the institutes of medicine in the School of Physic, Trinity College, Dublin, has resigned the chair he has held for twenty-seven years.

AT Trinity College, Cambridge, the annual election to fellowships has been held, when four vacancies were filled. The new fellows in the sciences are Harold Albert Wilson, B.A., advanced student; certificate of research 1899 for papers on 'The electrical conductivity of flames containing salt vapors,' 'Velocity of solidification,' 'The influence of dissolved substances and of electrification on the re-formation of clouds,' and 'On the variation of the electric intensity along the electric discharge in rarefied gases'; Allen scholar, 1900; Clerk Maxwell scholar, 1901; and James Hopwood Jeans, B.A., bracketed second Wrangler, Mathematical Tripos, Part I, 1898; First Class, Division I, Mathematical Tripos, Part II, 1900; Isaac Newton student, 1900; Smith's Prize, 1901.

DR. H. ERDMANN, of the University of Halle, has been appointed to a full professorship of inorganic chemistry, in the Technical Institute at Berlin. Dr. G. A. Gmeiner has been appointed professor of mathematics in the German university at Prague.

ON page 620 of the last issue of *SCIENCE* the word 'geological' was omitted before the word research in the sixth line.