

to Europe in company with Dr. Holland, director of the Carnegie Museum, to take up the study of the fossil fishes in the famous Bayet collection, recently acquired by the museum.

M. BACCELLI has been elected a corresponding member of the Paris Academy of Sciences in the section of medicine, in the room of the late M. Olier.

At the recent meeting of the Royal Institute of Public Health its Harben medals of 1901 and 1902 were presented to Sir Charles Cameron and Professor W. R. Smith.

THE hundredth anniversary of the birth of Ericsson was celebrated on July 31 by the unveiling of a new statue in his honor erected in the Battery, New York City. Addresses were made by Mayor Low and Col. William C. Church, the author of the life of Ericsson. The statue was remodeled by the sculptor, Mr. Jonathan S. Hartley, from his former work, erected in the Battery in 1893.

SUBSCRIPTIONS to the amount of about \$450 have been contributed in Great Britain toward the marble statute of von Pettenkofer, which is to be erected at Munich.

GENERAL BRIALMONT, the Belgian military engineer, has died at the age of eighty-two years.

THE French Association for the Advancement of Science will begin its thirty-second meeting at Angers on August 4, under the presidency of M. Emile Levasseur, professor of geography and agriculture at Paris.

AN International Sanitary Conference is to be held at Paris, beginning on October 10.

THE British government has appointed Captain Harry Mackay, a Dundee whaling master, to the command of the *Discovery* relief expedition. Captain Mackay was master of the relief ship *Terra Nova* when employed as a Dundee whaler, and master of Mr. Barclay Walker's Arctic yacht *Eskimo*, now the steamship *America*, in the Zeigler-Polar expedition.

THE secretary of the committee of the Bessemer Memorial Fund announces that for

the purposes of advanced metallurgical training and specialized research work it is proposed that London shall be regarded as the center for the metallurgy of copper, silver, gold, etc.; Sheffield as the center for steel; and Birmingham as the center for cast and wrought iron and alloys. This decision will not, however, prejudice the claims of other metallurgical centers for participation in the fund. It is also intended that the post-graduate scholarships shall, in part, be international.

A LAFFAN telegram from Berlin states that during the months of May and June Professors Wolf and Dugan, of the Königstuhl Observatory, near Heidelberg, have by means of long photographic exposure discovered eight little planets, provisionally indicated by 1903, L Q to L X. They vary between the 11th and 14th magnitude.

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MRS. HETTIE F. BALLANTYNE, of Pittsburgh, has given \$20,000 to Allegheny College for the endowment of scholarships.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY is to receive one third of the residue of the estate of the late Mrs. Caroline S. Reid.

MR. J. MARTIN WHITE, of Dundee, has given to the University of London a sum of £1,000 for the provision of courses of lectures in sociology, including anthropology, social psychology, social philosophy and ethics.

At the University of London Mrs. Bryant, D.Sc., Sir Henry Howse, D.Sc., and Dr. A. D. Waller, F.R.S., have been elected vice-chairmen of the board to promote the extension of university teaching, the committee of the medical members of the senate, and the scientific apparatus committee respectively.

DR. KARL WILHELM GENTHE, for the last two years instructor in natural history in Trinity College, has been promoted to an assistant professorship in that institution.

DR. C. B. WALLER, assistant professor of mathematics at Clemson College, S. C., has been elected professor of chemistry and biology at Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C.