

aminations of the water of the principal rivers in that state. This work is carried on under an act of congress authorizing the Geological Survey to determine and report upon the water supplies of the United States. Up to the present time comparatively little has been known either of the quantity and quality of Kentucky waters, or of their availability for use in domestic supply, especially in connection with the larger municipalities of the state. The plan which has recently been put into operation contemplates the periodical examination of the waters of Kentucky River at Jackson, Beattyville, Tyrone, Worthville, Irvine and Frankfort; of Green River at McKinney; of Dix River at Silver Springs and of Salt River at Salvisa. The work is carried on according to the standard methods adopted by the Geological Survey and the chemical profession generally throughout the country, and is under the immediate charge of Mr. M. O. Leighton, hydrographer in charge of the Hydro-economic Section.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

UNDER the will of Sarah B. Harrison, Yale University is given \$100,000, in memory of her brother, the late Gov. Henry B. Harrison, of Connecticut, who for thirteen years was a member of the Yale corporation. The money is given in trust, the income to be used for such purposes as the university shall desire.

A COLLECTION of fresh water fishes from different parts of Siberia has recently been received by the Zoological Department of Stanford University. The collection consists of several hundred specimens, and was donated by Mr. James F. Abbott, '99, who is now at the University of Chicago.

THE collections and library of the late Albert H. Chester, professor of mineralogy and geology at Rutgers College, have been donated to the institution by his son, Mr. A. H. Chester.

IT is said that the medical school which was to have been opened at Constantinople on November 6 has been abandoned and that Professor R. Rieder, who was to have been director, has returned to Bonn.

THE Council of the Senate of the University of Cambridge has issued an important recommendation at the instance of the chancellor. The Duke of Devonshire had called their attention to the expediency of modifying the requirements of the university in respect to classical languages and of enlarging the range of modern subjects. It had further frequently been urged upon the council that changes were necessary, owing to the reorganization of secondary education throughout the country and by recent developments in other universities. The council recommended the appointment of a syndicate, with extensive powers of inquiry and discussion, to consider what changes, if any, are desirable in the studies, teaching and examinations of the university.

THE *Journal* of the American Medical Association states that the well-known 'Military Medical Academy' at St. Petersburg appropriates annually nearly \$800 as a fund for professors in the academy who during the year have published works on their special branches of science. This year it was divided between Professors Bechtereff and Kravkoff, who published manuals respectively on the functions of the brain, and on pharmacology.

DR. HERBERT P. JOHNSON has been appointed associate professor of bacteriology in the Medical Department of St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo.

MR. FRANKLIN D. BARKER, formerly head of the Department of Natural Science in Ottawa University, Ottawa, Kans., has been appointed instructor in zoology at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. He enters at once upon the duties of the new position.

DR. HOWARD S. ANDERS, president of the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, and lecturer and clinical instructor in physical diagnosis in the Medico-Chirurgical College of Philadelphia, has been made an assistant professor of physical diagnosis in the latter institution.

DR. POMPECKJ, of Munich, has been advanced to professor extraordinary in paleontology and geology.