

United States, shall be deemed most worthy of such honor. The Barnard medal was first awarded at the commencement of 1895, to Lord Rayleigh, and to Professor (now Sir) William Ramsay. At the commencement of 1900 the Barnard medal was awarded to Professor Wilhelm Conrad von Röntgen. On the nomination of the National Academy of Sciences, the award for 1905 is made to Henri Becquerel, member of the Institute of France, for important discoveries in the field of radio-activity, and for his original discovery of the so-called dark rays from uranium, which discovery has been the basis of subsequent research into the laws of radio-activity, and of our present knowledge of the same."

*THE AMERICAN ANTHROPOLOGICAL
ASSOCIATION.*

THE American Anthropological Association will meet in San Francisco, California, August 29-31. It is planned to combine the meeting with an excursion by the association to the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition at Portland. Arrangements will be made facilitating the visit by members of the association to educational and other points of interest on the Pacific Coast. This will be the first meeting of the association, or of any body of national scope devoted to anthropology, held on the Pacific Coast, and a large attendance from the western states is expected. Professor F. W. Putnam will preside.

Titles of papers and applications for membership should be sent to Dr. A. L. Kroeber, secretary of the committee on arrangements, Affiliated Colleges, San Francisco, or to Dr. George G. MacCurdy, secretary of the association, Yale University, New Haven, Conn. The headquarters of the association will be the Museum of the Department of Anthropology of the University of California, Affiliated Colleges, San Francisco. Further information in regard to special railway rates and other arrangements connected with the meeting may be obtained from Dr. MacCurdy.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY has conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws on Professor Charles

Augustus Young, who has this year become professor emeritus of astronomy, after holding the chair at Princeton since 1877.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY has conferred the degree of Doctor of Science on Dr. R. S. Woodward, who has resigned the chair of mechanics and mathematical physics to accept the presidency of the Carnegie Institution.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY will on June 28 confer its Doctorate of Science on George H. Darwin, F.R.S., professor of astronomy at Cambridge.

THE University of Manchester has conferred the honorary degree of LL.D. on Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY has awarded the degree of LL.D. to Professor David Eugene Smith, who holds the chair of mathematics at Teachers College, Columbia University.

THE University of Colorado has conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws upon Dr. Richard W. Corwin, chief surgeon of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY has conferred the degree of M.S. on George Francis Sever, professor of electrical engineering in the university, and on Frederick A. Goetze, superintendent of buildings and grounds.

MR. W. T. BRIGHAM, director of the British Museum of Ethnology at Honolulu, has been given the degree of Doctor of Science by Columbia University. He was presented by Dr. H. C. Bumpus, director of the American Museum of Natural History.

PROFESSOR H. A. LORENTZ, of Leiden, has been elected a corresponding member of the Berlin Academy of Sciences.

AT the commencement exercises of the University of Pennsylvania a portrait of Dr. William Osler was presented by Professor Howard M. Fussell, on behalf of the classes from '85 to '91, who studied under Dr. Osler when he occupied the chair of clinical medicine at the university.

THE Glasgow University Club of London held its annual dinner on May 26, when Sir William Ramsay presided. Lord Kelvin was