

scientific exploring expeditions. It will include—besides examples of the best scientific instruments and appliances, charts, photographs, etc.—a number of sections devoted to the industrial side of the subject: the equipment of fishing-vessels, appliances for the capture and preservation of fish, life-saving apparatus, and many other classes of objects. A congress of geographical societies and of the 'Alliance française' (an association for the extension of the French language in the colonies and abroad) will also be arranged, the geographical section being under the presidency of M. le Myre de Vilers, president of the Paris Geographical Society. Its proceedings will be devoted towards furthering the spread and advancement of geographical science.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

THE University of California has received a gift of \$100,000 from the widow of the late Judge John H. Boalt.

MR. ANDREW CARNEGIE has offered \$40,000 to Denison University for a new library building on condition that a like sum be secured elsewhere for the endowment of the library. It is expected that the condition will be met and construction begun soon.

THROUGH the generosity of Mr. Robert S. Brookings and Mr. Adolphus Busch, the Medical Department of Washington University (St. Louis) has received a gift of \$50,000.

THE Studies and Examination Syndicate of Cambridge University has presented a report recommending that students of mathematics and science may be exempted from the entrance examination in Greek. Students of science would receive the degree of bachelor of arts and science and other students the degree of bachelor of arts and letters.

PROFESSOR ANDREW CUNNINGHAM McLAUGHLIN, professor of American history in the University of Michigan, has been appointed professor and head of the department of history in the University of Chicago. The headship of the department has been vacant since last summer, when Professor Jameson resigned to become director of the bureau of

historical research in the Carnegie Institution, the position previously held by Professor McLaughlin.

At a recent meeting of the regents of the University of Wisconsin a number of appointments were made and provision for additional professorships. Professor W. D. Pence, now head of the department of civil engineering at Purdue University, was elected to the chair of civil engineering, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Professor W. D. Taylor, who has become chief engineer of the Chicago and Alton Railway. Dr. Edward B. Van Vleck, now professor of mathematics at Wesleyan University, was appointed to the professorship of mathematics left vacant by the resignation of Professor C. A. Van Velzer. Upon recommendation of the regent committee on the college of agriculture, George N. Knapp, assistant professor of farm engineering, was removed. A number of other appointments and several promotions were made at this meeting of the regents. Dr. Thomas S. Adams was promoted from assistant professor to associate professor of political economy; Emmett D. Angell from instructor to assistant professor of physical culture; Eliot Blackwelder from instructor to assistant professor of geology; Boyd H. Bode from instructor to assistant professor of philosophy; Charles W. Stoddart from instructor to assistant professor of soils. The new instructors appointed were: E. R. Jones, soils; W. G. Marquette, botany; T. Sidney Elston, physics; George N. Northrop, English; Herman T. Owen, music; L. J. Pactow, history. The assistantships filled included: Julian P. Blackman, physiology; A. R. Harris, official tester in agricultural chemistry; J. G. Brandt, Latin; J. L. Conger, American history; D. R. Lee, Latin; James Milward, horticulture; and Charles W. Hill, chemistry.

PROFESSOR E. H. STARLING has been appointed to the Jodrell chair of physiology in the University of London.

MR. G. C. GOUGH, B.Sc., has been appointed to the chair of natural history at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, vacant by the resignation of Professor West.