

the maximum limits. A famous hunter expressed his disbelief in twelve-foot elephants, and he claimed to know more about the subject than those who maintained that such a measurement had been reached. In the character of the ears, which Mr. Lydekker recently made the criterion for distinguishing the different races of the African elephant, the Edinburgh specimen, obtained by Major Powell-Cotton in the Lado enclave, approaches one shot near Lake Rudolf by Mr. Cavendish, and named in his honor. Of quite a different type is the Orleans elephant of North Somaliland, with a lobe or lappet at the lower part of the ear. The head of the type-specimen adorns the walls of the Duke of Orleans's private museum at Wood Norton, the whole of which was arranged by Rowland Ward, who also mounted the trophies, the groups being set up from the duke's notes, photographs and sketches, under the royal owner's personal direction.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS

BOWDOIN COLLEGE has received a gift of \$50,000 from Mr. Andrew Carnegie, to endow a chair of physical science, history and political science in memory of the late Thomas B. Reed. The college has now received \$150,000 of the \$200,000 required by the General Education Board to make available its gift of \$50,000.

PROFESSOR THOMAS BARKER, from 1865 to 1885 professor of mathematics at Owen's College, now Victoria University, Manchester, who died on November 20, has bequeathed most of his estate to the university to establish a professorship of cryptogamic botany and to found scholarships in mathematics and botany. The bequest will amount to about \$200,000. Professor Barker also left his microscopes, apparatus, botanical books and herbarium, and his mathematical and general scientific books to the university.

By the will of the late Mrs. Annie E. Fulton, the University College of South Wales and Monmouthshire receives a bequest amounting to about \$45,000.

The Educational Times states that Macdonald College, Quebec, established and endowed by Sir William Macdonald, of Montreal, was opened to students on November 7. The college property comprises 561 acres, and has been divided into the campus of 74 acres, where the buildings are located, with demonstration plots for grasses and flowers; a farm of 100 acres for horticulture and poultry keeping; and a live stock and grain farm of 387 acres. The buildings have been planned in accordance with the most modern scientific principles. The cost of the buildings and equipment exceeds £300,000, and in addition Sir William Macdonald has provided a permanent endowment of £400,000. The college is incorporated with McGill University, and Dr. James W. Robertson, C.M.G., is the principal. The college includes a school for teachers, a school of household science, and a school of agriculture. Tuition is free to residents in the Province of Quebec.

THE daily press states that Professor Albert Ross Hill, of Cornell University, formerly dean of the Teachers College of the University of Missouri, is soon to succeed Dr. Richard H. Jesse as president of the university.

At the Pennsylvania State College, Professor J. P. Jackson has been appointed dean of the School of Engineering, and Professor Hugo Diemer, dean of the mechanical department.

MR. W. BATESON, F.R.S., fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge, since 1885, who recently came to this country to give the Silliman lectures at Yale University and to attend the meeting of the International Zoological Congress, has been appointed reader in zoology at Cambridge University.

DR. J. G. FRAZER, of Trinity College, Cambridge, has accepted the new chair of social anthropology in the University of Liverpool.

CORRECTION: In Mr. Bateson's address, *SCIENCE*, November 15, 1907, p. 655, col. 1, par. 4, for 41:7:7:9 read 177:15:15:49.