

record in favor of a bill designed to correct the evils of expert medical testimony in the courts. The draft of the bill provides, among other things, that "in criminal cases for homicide where the issues involve expert knowledge or opinion the court shall appoint one or more suitable disinterested persons, not exceeding three, to investigate such issues and testify at the trial; and the compensation of such person or persons shall be fixed by the court and paid by the county where indictment was found, and the fact that such witness or witnesses have been so appointed shall be made known to the jury. This provision shall not preclude either prosecution or defense from using other expert witnesses at the trial."

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS

A BILL has been introduced in the Wisconsin legislature which proposes to increase the building fund of the University of Wisconsin from \$200,000 to \$300,000 annually, and to lengthen the period of this appropriation from five to seven years.

A NEW industrial fellowship has been presented to the University of Kansas by the Holophane Glass Co. It yields \$1,500 a year for two years, together with ten per cent. of the profits that may arise from any discoveries made by the student who pursues the special study. The fellowship is open to students of any university, but the work will be done in the laboratories of the University of Kansas.

BRYN MAWR COLLEGE has established ten graduate scholarships, five open to English, Irish or Scotch and five to German women students, who have attained a standard equivalent to that of the bachelor's degree. The scholarship covers the fees for board, residence and tuition at Bryn Mawr College for one academic year and as these fees for graduate students amount to \$405 this is equivalent to a scholarship of £81 or of 1,620 Marks.

MR. CHINUBHAI MADHOWLAL has given four lakhs of rupees (about \$125,000) to be applied

by the Bombay Government towards the development of science teaching in Ahmedabad, in connection, if possible, with the proposed Curline Institute in Bombay.

THE University of Liverpool has received an offer from Mr. Alexander Elder, to contribute \$50,000 for the establishment of a chair of naval architecture.

ON recommendation of the faculty of the medical department of Western Reserve University, the trustees have voted that beginning with the academic year 1910-11 the requirement for unconditional entrance to the medical department shall be graduation from an approved college or scientific school granting the bachelor's degree (or equivalent) following the completion of a course of at least three collegiate years and including inorganic chemistry, physics, biology and Latin. Conditional entrance will be granted upon the completion of the work of the junior year in the course of an approved college or scientific school enforcing a four-year course (or equivalent degree) including the subject requirements enumerated above, conditioned upon the student obtaining a baccalaureate degree before he enters the third year in the medical school.

DR. A. GRAHAM LUSK, professor of physiology at the University and Bellevue Hospital Medical School has been appointed professor of physiology in the Cornell Medical College.

DR. DANA B. CASTEEL, instructor in zoology in the University of Michigan, has been appointed instructor in zoology in the University of Texas.

CAPTAIN H. G. LYONS, F.R.S., director-general of the survey of Egypt, has been appointed lecturer in geography at the University of Glasgow.

DISCUSSION AND CORRESPONDENCE

THE LAW OF RADIATION

TO THE EDITOR OF SCIENCE: Is it worth while to keep on upholding certain theories, and to wholly neglect certain new facts which tend to undermine the very foundation on which these theories rest? What justification