

Survey in the Blackfeet Reservation in northwestern Montana. The partial skeletons of five individuals were uncovered at the same time and form a most valuable addition to science. Mr. Gilmore has written a preliminary paper on the new species, published in the Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, and is working on the assembling of the specimens for exhibition in the National Museum.

CALIFORNIA state inspectors at San Francisco have found a new canker disease on chestnut trees recently imported from Japan. According to Dr. Haven Metcalf, the government's expert on such diseases, this appears to be of the same type as the chestnut blight which is ravaging the forests of the eastern United States, and it is possible that the new disease would be equally destructive if it became established in this country.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS

THE General Education Board has promised to give \$750,000 to Wellesley on condition that the balance of the \$2,000,000 restoration and endowment fund is completed by January 1, 1915.

It is said that one million dollars will be received by the University of Pennsylvania from the estate of Dr. Louis A. Duhring, for many years professor of dermatology. At the time of his death on May 8, 1913, his bequest was estimated at only \$400,000.

GRINNELL COLLEGE has completed its \$500,000 endowment fund. Of this sum \$100,000 was given by the General Education Board and the rest was raised by the college. The productive funds of the college now total more than \$1,300,000. Of the amount just secured, \$150,000 is to be devoted to the erection of new buildings.

THE managers of the Presbyterian Hospital, New York, have taken action reorganizing the administration of the scientific and therapeutic work at the hospital so as to provide for single responsibility for both the medical and the surgical services. Dr. Theodore C. Jane-way, Bard professor of the practise of medicine in the College of Physicians and Sur-

geons, Columbia University, has been designated medical director of the hospital, and Dr. George E. Brewer, professor of surgery, has been designated surgical director. Dr. William G. MacCallum, professor of pathology, has been appointed pathologist at the Hospital.

PROFESSOR ALAN W. C. MENZIES, Ph.D., now head of the department of chemistry at Oberlin College, has been elected professor of chemistry at Princeton University. Other changes are Dr. Edward Gleason Spaulding, promoted to a full professorship in philosophy; and Dr. Thomas Hakon Gronwall, elected assistant professor and preceptor in mathematics.

RECENT promotions in the faculties of the University of Chicago include the following: To professorships: Harlan H. Barrows, geography; and Ernest J. Wilczynski, mathematics. To associate professorships: Elliot R. Downing, natural science (College of Education); Albert Johannsen, petrology; Walter S. Tower, geography. To assistant professorships: Storrs B. Barrett, Yerkes Observatory; Albert D. Brokaw, mineralogy and economic geology; Rollin T. Chamberlin, geology; and Arno B. Luckhardt, physiology. The new appointments include that of Oliver J. Lee to an instructorship in astronomy.

JAMES WITHYCOMBE has resigned his position as director of the Oregon Agricultural College Experiment Station.

DR. WILLIAM E. HOCKING, professor of philosophy in the University, has accepted a chair of philosophy in Harvard University.

MR. G. H. HARDY, M.A., fellow of Trinity College, University of Cambridge, has been appointed to be Cayley lecturer in mathematics, and Mr. A. Berry, M.A., fellow of King's College, a university lecturer in mathematics.

DISCUSSION AND CORRESPONDENCE

MINERAL NOMENCLATURE

THE need for revision of mineral nomenclature has been recently emphasized by Professor Austin F. Rogers, of Stanford University.¹ While I agree in the main with the

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