Dr. Juan Guiteras, formerly director of public health of Cuba, has been appointed secretary of public health and charities.

DR. EDWARD B. KRUMBHAAR, assistant professor of research medicine in the University of Pennsylvania, has resigned to become director of the pathological laboratory of the Philadelphia Hospital.

DR. J. F. DILLINGWORTH, who, for the past four years, has been under engagement with the Queensland government, investigating pests of sugar cane, is returning with his family to their home in Hawaii. For the present his address will be University of Hawaii, Honolulu, T. H.

THE commencement address at Clark University was given on June 13 by Dr. John M. Clarke. The occasion was the first commencement under the presidency of Dr. Wallace W. Atwood.

At a public meeting of the British National Union of Scientific Workers on May 25, Professor L. Bairstow gave an address on "The administration of scientific work."

At the meeting of the Physical Society of London on June 10, Sir Ernest Rutherford delivered a lecture entitled "The stability of atoms."

Sir Napier Shaw gave the Rede lecture of the University of Cambridge on June 9 on the subject of "The air and its ways."

Colonel John Hershel, F.R.S., formerly of the Indian Trigonometrical Survey, died on May 31 at the age of eighty-three years.

The death is recorded in *Nature* of Miss Czaplicka, who went from Poland to Oxford in 1910 with a scholarship in Summerville College. She has since conducted explorations in Siberia and has been lecturer on ethnology at Oxford and Bristol.

## UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS

Gifts and bequests to Yale University in the past year aggregating \$1,859,154 were announced at the alumni luncheon by President Hadley. Of this amount, \$545,729 was from the alumni fund, the report of which showed more than eight thousand contributors during the year.

THE California Legislature has appropriated \$500,000 for building and equipping a new physics building for the University of California. Work has begun on the plans, and it is hoped that the building will be ready for occupancy by December, 1922. Liberal provision will be made for research, both in space and equipment, and ample laboratory accommodations will be provided for the undergraduate students, who have more than doubled in number during the past two years.

Mr. Samuel Mather has given to Western Reserve University \$500,000 to be used in the construction of a building for the medical college.

MRS. RANSOHOFF, widow of Dr. Joseph Ransohoff, former professor of surgery at the Medical College of the University of Cincinnati, has given \$25,000 to this institution (not Cornell) toward the endowment fund for the establishment of "The Joseph Ransohoff Professorship of Surgical Anatomy," or if such is not feasible "to endow the Joseph Ransohoff Fellowship of Surgery." Effort is under way at the present time to secure the added \$125,000 for the total endowment above mentioned.

THE resignation of Dr. Russell H. Chittenden, director of the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, to take effect at the end of the college year has not been accepted by the trustees, and has been postponed to July, 1922.

Professor Dan T. Gray, of the North Carolina Experiment Station and Extension Service, has been elected dean of the Agricultural College and director of the Experiment Station of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

RECENT appointments in Colorado College include A. W. Bray, as assistant professor of biology, and James H. C. Smith, as assistant professor of chemistry.