

unveiled the portrait, and Professor William A. Hammond, secretary of the university faculty, accepted it in behalf of the university in the presence of a large assembly of Dr. Kingsbury's friends.

In the evening a dinner was given in his honor. Dr. Needham acted as toastmaster, and, after reading many greetings from those who could not be present, he introduced the speakers as follows: Professor Pierre A. Fish, fellow student and colleague; Dr. Christianna Smith, of Mount Holyoke College, for the women graduate students; Dr. Abram T. Kerr, secretary of the Ithaca Division of the Medical College; Dr. William R. Humphrey, of the University of Buffalo, for the men graduate students, and Emeritus Professor Simon Henry Gage, former teacher, colleague and predecessor.

Dr. Kingsbury's response made all feel that it was a rare privilege to gather in honor of a man with such noble ideals, such beautiful human qualities and who has been and is such an inspiring leader and trainer of men.

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THE GRABAU MEDAL

THE annual meeting of the Geological Society of China was held in Peking, from May 3 to 5. A noteworthy feature was the first presentation of the Grabau Medal, founded by Mr. C. Y. Wang, and named in honor of its first recipient, Professor Amadeus W. Grabau. This medal is to be awarded annually in recognition of accomplishment in the field of geological research in China, or for original advancement of the science throughout the world. It is the first gold medal in the gift of any scientific society in China, and it will be peculiarly gratifying to American scientists that its title and its first award are in honor of the achievements of one of their countrymen. Americans have in fact played a very prominent part in the recent advances in the geology of China—the work of Pumpelly, of Bailey Willis, of Huntington and others is already classic, and in the active field studies now under way Americans are taking a large share. Professor Grabau has contributed a series of admirable researches upon the invertebrate fossils and paleogeography of China and of Central Asia, but far more than that he has been the inspiration through teaching and example of a remarkable group of young Chinese geologists, whose activity and high standards of research will compare with the best of western science.

The presentation took place at the annual dinner of the society, a notable occasion, at which representatives of the leading scientific institutions of North China and many other guests, among them Dr. J. S. Lee, head of the department of geology of the National University; Dr. W. H. Wong, director of the

Geological Survey of China; the director of the Bureau of Mines; Mr. Yin, first president of the Scientific Society of China; Dr. Bernard Read, of the Peking Society of Natural History; Mr. Sohtsn King, curator of the Natural History Institute, and his artist brother, Mr. Kungpah King; Mr. Yen, of the Board of Communications; Mr. McMurray, the American Minister; Dr. A. W. Grabau; Dr. R. K. S. Liu; Dr. Davidson Black, and others of Peking Union Medical College; Mr. Roger Greene, of the China Medical Board, and Mrs. Greene; Mr. and Mrs. Gist Gee; Mr. George B. Barbour, of Peking University; Mr. and Mrs. Daly; Dr. Mont. Reid; Dr. and Mrs. N. C. Nelson; Dr. W. D. Matthew, and other members of the American Museum Central Asiatic Expedition.

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SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE degree of doctor of science was conferred on Dr. W. J. V. Osterhout, of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, at the recent commencement of Brown University.

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY has conferred honorary degrees on Dr. Albert Sauveur, professor of metallurgy in Harvard University, and on Louis A. Olney, professor of chemistry in the Lowell, Mass., Textile School. Dr. Henry S. Pritchett, of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, gave the commencement address on "The Primary Aim of a College Education."

THE degree of doctor of letters has been conferred by the University of Nebraska on Mr. Francis La Flesche in recognition of his work in ethnology and his services to the state.

AT its commencement on June 7, Lafayette College conferred the honorary degree of doctor of science upon an alumnus, Thomas B. Holloway, professor of ophthalmology at the University of Pennsylvania, and the honorary degree of doctor of engineering on George Crowell Andrews, Buffalo, N. Y., water commissioner for the city of Buffalo; on William Lewis Plack, Philadelphia, Pa., president of the Pennsylvania State Association of the American Institute of Architects, and on William Elgin Wickenden, New York, N. Y., director of investigation of engineering education for the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education.

THE University of New Hampshire has conferred the doctorate of science on Dr. Philip Wheelock Ayres, forester for the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests.