DR. LUDLOW J. WEEKS, of the Canadian Geological Survey, Department of Mines, and an assistant, Mr. Maurice H. Haycock, of Wolfville, Nova Scotia, accompanied the 1926 Canadian Arctic expedition as far as Baffin Island and returned on this year's patrol ship. After establishing headquarters at Pangnirtung in 1926 several trips were made around the head of Cumberland Gulf and a plane-table map of Pangnirtung fiord was completed before the 1926–27 winter set in. During the winter and the following spring approximately 2,300 miles were covered by sled and dog team. By this means the party was able to map the northern part of Cumberland Gulf, and in the spring, to investigate the geology and mineral possibilities of the region. Early in May the party moved to Nettilling fiord and, after the break-up in July, a start was made on the journey by water to Nettilling Lake. The party succeeded in carrying a traverse from Nettilling fiord through a chain of small lakes to Nettilling Lake and along the south shore of the latter.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NOTES

BY the will of the late Annie Downing Willson, of Cambridge, the sum of $150,000 is left in trust to Harvard University, the income of which is to be used to maintain a professorship of applied astronomy in the university.

THE will of Robert Forsyth, consulting engineer of Chicago, bequeaths $100,000 to the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, N. Y.

THE University of Rochester will receive from the estate of James M. Cutler, former mayor, property valued at $2,407,151, to be used as a permanent endowment. $55,486.41 was set aside by Mr. Cutler for the College of William and Mary at Williamsburg, Va.

DR. G. CARL HUBER, professor of anatomy and histology in the University of Michigan since 1892, has been made dean of the graduate school of the University of Michigan, succeeding the late Professor Alfred H. Lloyd, who died last spring.

DR. A. W. STEARNS has been appointed dean and associate professor of neurology at the Tufts Medical School.

DR. CHARLES ALLEN PORTER, John Homans professor of surgery at the Harvard Medical School, has resigned. Dr. Porter's successor will be Dr. Edward Peirson Richardson, now assistant professor of surgery in the school.

PROFESSOR J. R. DUPRIEST, head of the department of mechanical engineering at Oregon State College, recently accepted a similar position at the University of Minnesota.

DR. L. B. NICE has resigned as professor of physiology at the University of Oklahoma, in order to accept an appointment as professor of physiology at Ohio State University.

PROFESSOR I. M. KOLTHOFF, of the University of Utrecht, Holland, has been appointed professor of analytical chemistry at the University of Minnesota for the coming year. He is to replace Professor P. H. M. P. Brinton, who recently resigned to do private work.

DR. LEON H. STRONG, formerly assistant professor of anatomy at the University of Indiana, has been appointed associate professor of anatomy at the University of Utah School of Medicine. Dr. O. A. Ogilvie (M.D., Penn. '27) has been appointed assistant professor of anatomy and pathology in the same school.

DR. NOEL F. SHAMBAUGH, former fellow in medicine of the National Research Council, upon his return from Berne, Switzerland, was appointed assistant professor of clinical investigation in the department of internal medicine of the University of Michigan.

DR. WILLIAM A. P. GRAHAM, instructor in geology at the University of Iowa, has been made associate professor of geology at Texas Technological College. Dr. M. A. Stainbrook, instructor in the University of Tennessee, has been made assistant professor of geology in the college.

DR. WILLIAM H. ADOLPH, formerly of Chee-Loo University, China, last year at Yale University, has been appointed to an associate professorship of chemistry in the University of Nebraska.

DISCUSSION AND CORRESPONDENCE

A SUGGESTION OR HYPOTHESIS CONCERNING THE ZODIACAL LIGHT

THE nature or origin of the zodiacal light is regarded as more or less of a mystery. Some have thought that the phenomenon may indicate the existence of a diffused ring of small particles in equilibrium and in nature somewhat like those of Saturn's rings, though more scattered and existing in very small amount compared thereto.

This hypothesis assumes a stability which it is difficult to accord to such a ring.

If we assume, however, that the coronal streamers from the sun which apparently extend without limit of distance into space, as partly composed of or accompanied by fine particles propelled by the pressure of light, or even of fine solids from condensation