

and zoologist on Scott's 1910-1913 expedition, replied, December 15, to the institute:

With regard to my own eyes, I am rather a good example as during our last winter I spent six months with

the rest of the northern party. . . . I noticed that my eyes had not changed in colour after this. I think that is the general experience.

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REPORTS

THE BANTING RESEARCH FOUNDATION

At its recent annual meeting, the trustees of the Banting Research Foundation reviewed the work accomplished under its grants during the previous year.

The following changes have taken place in the trustees. Sir Robert Falconer has resigned, and in consequence Mr. C. S. Macdonald, president of the Confederation Life Association, was appointed chairman of the board; and Dr. H. J. Cody, president of the University of Toronto, was appointed vice-chairman. Sir William Mulock and Dr. Cody were joined as members of the board, representing the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto, by Dr. H. B. Anderson.

The following workers have received grants from the foundation during the past year: Miss A. M. Alley, McGill University, who has been working under Professor Babkin on gastric and salivary secretion; Dr. Maurice Brodie, McGill University, on poliomyelitis; Dr. H. H. Burnham, University of Toronto, on the vascular supply to the nasal mucosa; Dr. M. M. Cantor, University of Alberta, on the active principle of the adrenal cortex; Dr. H. A. Cates, University of Toronto, representing a committee studying the relation between parentage and the difficulties of childbirth; Dr. A. M. Davidson, University of Manitoba, on the diagnosis of skin diseases and their treatment; Miss Ruth Dow, McGill University, on the auditory area of the brain; Mr. G. T. Evans, McGill University, on the effect of lack of oxygen in exercise, high altitudes and anesthesia on the chemical changes in the heart muscle leading to failure; Dr. R. H. Fraser, University of Manitoba, on the diagnosis of tuberculosis; Dr. J. W. Gilchrist, University of Western Ontario, on the infections following childbirth; Dr. R. Gottlieb, McGill University, on the use of thorium dioxide in the diagnosis of abnormal conditions in the liver; Mr. H. C. Graham, Dalhousie University, on the excretion of uric acid; Miss E. R. Grant, McGill

University, on the effect of starvation and exercise on the chemistry of muscle; Mr. J. M. Hershey, University of Toronto, working with Prof. C. H. Best, on the treatment of fatty degeneration of the liver; Mr. F. L. Horsfall, Jr., McGill University, on the fate of lactic acid in the body; Dr. E. E. Shouldice, University of Toronto, on the effect of operations on the intestinal canal; Mr. L. R. LeFave, Queen's University, on the diagnosis of typhoid fever; Professor D. Mainland, University of Manitoba and Dalhousie University, study of the human ovary; Mr. P. G. Mar, University of Manitoba, a study of a rare type of skin disease; Dr. D. R. Mitchell, University of Toronto, on the treatment of urinary infections; Dr. R. A. Moreash, Dalhousie University, on the damage to the liver which is supposed to be produced during the treatment of syphilis; Dr. J. M. McEachren, University of Manitoba, on cholesterol metabolism; Mr. S. Weinstein, University of Saskatchewan, on the oxidation of adrenalin; Dr. A. C. Abbott, University of Manitoba, on the thyroid gland; Professor H. D. Kay, University of Toronto, on experimental rickets; Professor R. F. Shaner, University of Alberta, on the development of the tracts in the brain of the mammalian embryo; Mr. P. R. Macdonald, McGill University, on the innervation of the lacrimal gland. In addition, a detailed report was received from Dr. F. G. Banting on the work carried out in his department with the aid of funds received from the Banting Research Foundation, which resulted in the publication of eight communications dealing with the pathological changes due to the administration of excessive amount of vitamin D on the intestinal canal during acute intestinal intoxication, and with various methods in analyses required for the work that is being carried on in the department.

V. E. HENDERSON

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Honorary Secretaries

SOCIETIES AND MEETINGS

THE TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

THE Tennessee Academy of Science held its fall annual meeting on November 25 and 26 at Vanderbilt University. In the absence of the president, Dr. A. Richard Bliss, Jr., of Memphis, Dr. Louis J. Bircher,

vice-president, presided. Sixty-seven members registered and the average attendance of the public was unusually large.

Two morning and two afternoon sessions were well taken up in the reading and discussion of the thirty