

from trypanosomiasis, the disease generally known as sleeping sickness. It may be pointed out here that in a large percentage of cases in the Congo actual sleep is apparently not a marked feature in the progress of the disease. The work undertaken by the expedition has grown to very large dimensions, especially taking into consideration the expensive research being carried on in Liverpool in connection with the operations in the Congo. The work in the laboratories of the school in Liverpool consists of bacteriological and other investigations, which, owing to the lack of necessary apparatus, can not be adequately carried on in the Congo itself. The expenditure accordingly has already reached a very large sum, and the thanks of the scientific world are due to the King of the Belgians, Sir Alfred Jones, and other supporters of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, whose generosity has up to the present made investigations on so large a scale possible.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

THE new medical laboratories of the University of Pennsylvania, erected at a cost of \$700,000, were dedicated on June 10. The building was formally presented to the university by J. Vaughn Merrick, and accepted by Provost Charles C. Harrison.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY has purchased land adjoining the new college building on First Avenue, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets, and will proceed at once with the erection of a six-story fire-proof building for the clinics and laboratories of the Medical College.

THE University of Michigan has established a statistical laboratory under Dr. James W. Glover, who has charge of the work in insurance.

THE main building of the Reñsselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., was destroyed by fire on June 9. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, the insurance being \$53,000. Other fires have recently occurred at the institute, and they are supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

A BOARD OF ANTHROPOLOGICAL STUDIES has been established at Cambridge, the studies under the direction of the board comprising prehistoric and historic anthropology and ethnology (including sociology and comparative religion), physical anthropology and psychological anthropology.

THE University of London, with the co-operation of the Teachers' Guild of Great Britain and Ireland, will organize a four weeks' holiday course for foreigners, to be held in London this summer, from July 18 to August 12, with special arrangements for those who can not join till the end of July. Professor Rippman, of Queen's College, London, has been appointed director and Mr. Cloudesley Brereton will act as adviser to French students. The inaugural address will be given by Sir Arthur Rücker, principal of the university.

DR. THOMAS M. BALLIET has resigned the superintendency of Public Schools of Springfield, Mass., a position he has filled for sixteen years, having accepted the deanship of the School of Pedagogy of New York University, his resignation to take effect September 1. In accepting his resignation the committee adopted a resolution of regret and at the same time congratulated the university which is to secure his services.

PROFESSOR ANGELO HEILPRIN, of Philadelphia, late president of the Geographical Society of that city, has been appointed lecturer in physical geography in the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University.

At the meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, on May 26, Dr. Thaddeus L. Bolton, assistant professor of philosophy was made professor of psychology.

At the June meeting of the regents of the University of Minnesota, Mr. E. W. D. Holway was appointed assistant professor in botany.

At Cambridge Mr. W. J. Sell and Mr. H. J. H. Fenton, of Christ's College, have been appointed university lecturers in chemistry, and Mr. A. Harker, of St. John's College, university lecturer in petrology.