

University and Educational Intelligence.

CAMBRIDGE.—J. T. Irving, Gonville and Caius College, has been elected to the Benn W. Levy Research Studentship in Biochemistry.

The Governing Body of Emmanuel College offer to a research student, who is a candidate for the Ph.D. degree, a studentship of the value of 150*l.* a year for two years. Application should be made to the Master of Emmanuel College not later than July 31.

DUBLIN.—The Regius professor of physic in Trinity College, Dr. John Mallet Purser, has made a gift of 10,000*l.*, for the benefit of the Schools of Physic and Experimental and Natural Science, to be administered by a committee consisting of Prof. J. Joly, Prof. A. F. Dixon and Prof. W. E. Thrift. The Board of Trinity College, in gratefully accepting this most generous gift, has expressed to Prof. Purser its desire that he should associate himself with the committee in the administration of the fund. Prof. Purser has been connected with the teaching staff of Trinity College, Dublin, for 28 years, and during that period he has been to staff and students alike a source of inspiration and help, in the same way that Sir William Osler was to the scientific and medical schools at Oxford. Prof. Purser's many friends and pupils, not in Ireland alone, but in all parts of the world, will express the hope that he may long continue to hold his high position, and that he may still for many years to come preside over the School of Physic in the University to the service of which his life has been devoted.

LONDON.—A bequest of 5000*l.*, subject to certain life interests, under the will of the late Mr. Arthur Jubber, has been accepted, the interest thereon to be used for scholarships, prizes, or lectures in any advanced subject, especially chemistry, botany, mathematics, ancient, modern, and natural history.

The recognition of the London School of Economics as a School of the University in the Faculty of Arts has been extended to include the subjects of history and anthropology.

The income of the Laura Soames Trust Fund for Phonetics is to be used for an annual prize in that subject.

The degree of D.Sc. (*Chemistry*) has been conferred on Mr. George Dean (West Ham Municipal College) for a thesis entitled "The Atomic Weights of Carbon and Silver."

The election of examiners for the matriculation examination for 1926 in the subjects of ancient history, botany, geography, geometrical and mechanical drawing, German, Greek, and modern history will shortly take place. The necessary application form and particulars of the duties and remuneration of the office may be obtained from the External Registrar of the University, South Kensington, S.W.7. The completed form must be sent to reach the External Registrar by Monday, February 23, at latest.

MANCHESTER.—The Council has received from the General Electric Company of the U.S.A. the gift of an X-ray spectra apparatus for use in the Department of Physics.

The following appointments have been made:—Mr. B. A. McSwiney to be tutor and secretary to the Faculty of Medicine; Mr. B. Thomsett, assistant lecturer in electrical engineering in the Faculty of Technology; Mr. H. E. Martin, Whitworth meteorological observer.

The following resignations have been accepted:—Mr. H. Lowery, of the Department of Physics, on his appointment to a lectureship in the Technical College,

Bradford; Mr. Ferris Neave, research assistant in entomology, on his appointment to a lectureship in the University of Manitoba.

OXFORD.—As was generally expected in the University, the vacancy in the Wardenship of New College has been filled by the election of the Right Hon. H. A. L. Fisher, member of Parliament for the Combined English Universities, and formerly president of the Board of Education. As a Wykehamist in the fullest sense, Mr. Fisher is certain to enter upon his duties as Warden of Wykeham's Oxford college with understanding and sympathy; while his distinguished career as an educational and administrative authority justifies the confidence which is widely felt in his ability to deal with the large questions of policy at present affecting the whole University. There is every reason to believe that Mr. Fisher, although his work as a writer and teacher has mainly lain in the department of modern history, will make his influence felt in the promotion of the best interests of natural science.

SIR AUBREY SYMONDS, second secretary of the Ministry of Health, has been appointed permanent secretary of the Board of Education, in succession to Sir Amherst Selby-Bigge, Bart.

THE annual distribution of prizes and certificates at the Sir John Cass Technical Institute, Aldgate, London, E.C.3, will take place on Tuesday, February 10. The awards will be distributed by Mr. Sydney O. Nevile, past-president of the Institute of Brewing, who will afterwards deliver an address on "The Fermentation Industries."

In conjunction with the Development Commission the Departments of Agriculture for England and Wales and Scotland have instituted a new class of scholarships with the object of training those who desire eventually to take up posts as agricultural organisers or lecturers. The scholarships are of two years' duration, the first of which will be spent on investigational work in Great Britain and the second abroad. The scholarship allowance in the first year will normally be 200*l.*; the allowance in the second year will include provision for extra cost of travel and other expenses abroad. The Development Commissioners have approved of the following awards—the first under this scheme: H. D. Bennett (University College, Reading), F. H. Garner (University of Cambridge), V. Liversage (Harper Adams Agricultural College), T. Lewis (University College of North Wales), and A. D. Imper (Marischal College, Aberdeen).

FROM the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture we have received a copy of its first detailed prospectus. The College, opened two years ago, trains students intending to become tropical planters, agricultural administrators or officers, or specialists, and offers facilities for study to graduates of other institutions. An important feature of the College is the provision for research and investigation which is afforded by its laboratories and fields, situated at St. Augustine, seven miles from Port-of-Spain in the Island of Trinidad. There are seven professors—of zoology and entomology, mycology and bacteriology, botany and genetics, chemistry and soil science, agriculture, economics, and sugar technology, and four lecturers, including one in veterinary science. The ordinary diploma course covers three years. Fourth year courses are provided for specialisation in branches of agricultural science or chemical technology, in particular, sugar technology, and short (one-year) self-contained courses are also provided. The College is at present non-residential.