

University and Educational Intelligence.

CAMBRIDGE.—Mr. T. C. Hodson has been appointed reader in ethnology in succession to Dr. A. C. Haddon.

EDINBURGH.—At the graduation ceremonial on July 20, the following, among others, were presented for the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws: The Earl of Crawford and Balcarres, Chancellor of the University of Manchester, a trustee of the British Museum, and president in 1916 of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries; emeritus Prof. J. S. Nicholson, formerly professor of political economy in the University of Edinburgh; Lord Salvesen, formerly president of the Zoological Society of Scotland and of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society.

The degree of Doctor of Science was conferred on Dr. D. A. W. Fairweather for a thesis on "Electro-synthesis"; Dr. S. R. Khastgir for a thesis on "Studies in the J-transformation of Scattered X-radiation"; Dr. J. Muir for a thesis on "The Flora of Riversdale, South Africa"; Mr. J. D. M'B. Ross for a thesis on "A Relationship between the Associating Power of Optical Isomers, and the Formation of Racemic Compounds"; Dr. G. Shearer for a thesis on "The Application of the Method of X-ray Analysis to the Study of the Organic Aliphatic Series."

At the medical graduation ceremonial on July 23, intimation was made of the award of the Cameron Prize in practical therapeutics to Dr. H. H. Dale, head of the Department of Biochemistry and Pharmacology under the Medical Research Council, for important investigations on the pharmacological and therapeutic action of a series of substances which have effects on the functional activity of nerve, muscle, ductless glands, and other tissues.

LEEDS.—Mr. A. E. Ingham, Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, has been appointed reader in mathematical analysis in succession to Dr. W. E. H. Berwick. Mr. Leonard R. Johnson has been appointed assistant lecturer in agricultural zoology.

LONDON.—Mr. E. B. Verney has been appointed as from August 1 to the University chair of pharmacology tenable at University College. Mr. Verney was educated at Tonbridge School, and at Downing College, Cambridge. He was assistant in the Department of Physiology at University College from 1921 until 1924, and since 1924 has been assistant in the Medical Unit at University College Hospital. In July 1922 he was awarded a Beit Memorial Fellowship and was re-elected for a 4th year in 1925.

Mr. S. J. Davies has been appointed as from August 1 to the University readership in mechanical engineering tenable at King's College. He was educated at H.M. Dockyard School and the Technical College, Portsmouth. Since 1920, Mr. Davies has been senior lecturer in engineering at Armstrong College, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; he has also lectured at the Technische Hochschule in Charlottenburg and in Düsseldorf and Essen.

The title of emeritus professor of electrical engineering in the University has been conferred on Prof. J. A. Fleming, on his retirement from the University chair of electrical engineering at University College.

THE honorary degree of D.Sc. of the University of Wales has been conferred on Sir T. W. Edgworth David, professor of geology in the University of Sydney, for distinction as a geologist and his eminent position in the university life of Australia; and on

Dr. A. H. Church, University lecturer in botany, Oxford, for his distinguished contributions to botanical science.

NOTICE is given by the Huddersfield Technical College of the forthcoming award of the two following research scholarships, each of which is of the yearly value of 100*l.*, with remission of fees: The Joseph Blamires' (for research in colour chemistry), and the Drapers' Company's (tenable in the dyeing department). Particulars of the scholarships are obtainable from the principal of the college.

THE College Research Committee of Armstrong College, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, has recently initiated a new scheme under the title of Senior Research Fellowship. A member of the staff elected to a fellowship is released from teaching duties for one year, the Research Committee providing the salary of a temporary lecturer from the funds at its disposal. A first appointment has been made of Dr. G. R. Goldsbrough, lecturer in applied mathematics.

THE Trustees of the Beit Fellowships for Scientific Research at their annual meeting extended the fellowship awarded a year ago to Mr. Rudolf Kingslake for mathematical and experimental researches on the properties of optical instruments. Three new fellows were elected: Mr. J. Topping for research on the calculation of the equilibrium configuration and energy of crystals from the mutual electrostatic and repulsive forces, in particular Al_2O_3 and Fe_2O_3 ; further extension of the research upon which he is at present engaged and the calculation of the repulsive forces for the nitrate crystals and further comparisons of calcite and aragonite; Mr. J. W. Maccoll for research in aerodynamics; and Mr. G. H. Mitchell for research on the Borrowdale volcanic rocks of the eastern part of the Lake District, more especially in the Kentmere and Troutbeck areas, in continuance of research now being pursued. For the first time in the history of the Trust, the appointments are for the definite period of two years instead of for one year as hitherto.

THE Education Committee of the London County Council, on the advice of its Consultative Committee on Engineering, has awarded Robert Blair Fellowships to Mr. Malcolm D. Bone and Mr. Eric W. Fell. These fellowships, which are of the value of 450*l.*, are awarded to young engineers of high promise to enable them to undertake research overseas. Mr. Malcolm Bone, who is a student-assistant with the Consett Iron Co., is the son of Prof. W. A. Bone, of the Imperial College of Science and Technology, South Kensington. He was educated at St. Albans Grammar School, Mill Hill School, the Friends' School, Sidcot, and the Imperial College. He will now study iron and steel manufacture in continental works, mainly in Germany. Mr. Eric Fell is a research student in the University of Birmingham who was previously educated at St. Aubyns School and Haileybury. Like Mr. Bone, he also proposes to study in Germany and to undertake research in the metallurgy of steel at the Technische Hochschule, Aachen. Four Robert Blair Fellowships have already been awarded for research in the United States, Canada, and in Germany. The first research report written as the result of these awards has recently been received from Mr. George Bird, who gained a fellowship two years ago. This report has been forwarded to the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, with the result that Mr. Bird has now been invited to write a paper, dealing with some particular phase of his investigations, for publication in the proceedings of the Institution.