

which houses were damaged was also large, though perhaps not unusually large. The zone most affected was that between Coquimbo and Chanaral, the latter place being nearly 100 miles north of Coquimbo, but houses were also slightly damaged at Valparaiso, which lies about 240 miles to the south.

In this earthquake, as in so many others on the western coast of America, it is difficult in the early accounts to separate the effects of the shock from those produced by the sea-waves and by the fires that followed the earthquake. The sea-waves were observed along the coast from at least Antofagasta on the north to Talcahuano (near Concepcion) on the south, a distance of nearly a thousand miles. They were large enough to wash away boats at Hilo in Hawaii. All the submarine cables along the coast appear to be broken, but the statement that soundings taken between Copiapo and Caldera gave a depth of 86 fathoms, instead of 2800 fathoms as marked on the chart, must of course be erroneous. The earthquake resembles its predecessors in its submarine origin some distance from the coast.

University and Educational Intelligence.

BIRMINGHAM.—The following appointments have been made by the Council: Mr. A. W. Nash, lecturer in oil mining; Dr. E. Ashley Cooper, lecturer in public health chemistry; and Mr. D. R. Nanji, assistant lecturer and demonstrator in the department of brewing and the biochemistry of fermentation.

CAMBRIDGE.—Mr. G. C. Steward has been elected to a fellowship at Gonville and Caius College, and Mr. G. Udny Yule, Mr. J. E. P. Wagstaff, and Mr. W. M. H. Greaves to fellowships at St. John's College.

LONDON.—The Senate invites applications for a new University Chair of Anatomy tenable at St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College, which has not hitherto had a professor of the subject attached to it. The present University professors of anatomy are as follows: Prof. E. Barclay-Smith, King's College; Prof. J. E. S. Frazer, St. Mary's; Prof. T. B. Johnston, Guy's; Prof. F. G. Parsons, St. Thomas's; Prof. G. Elliot Smith, University College; Prof. W. Wright, London; and Prof. T. Yeates, Middlesex. The full title of the holder of the chair at St. Bartholomew's will be "Professor of Anatomy in the University of London." The appointment will date from September 1, 1923, and will be subject to the statutes and regulations of the University and to the regulations of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College. The professor will be expected to devote his whole time to the duties of the chair, except that he may be permitted to hold examinerships in anatomy, and will be able to devote time to research. The salary of the chair will be 1000*l.* per annum. Arrangements for assistance and for departmental expenditure are made by the Medical College of St. Bartholomew's Hospital in consultation with the professor. Applications for the chair (12 copies) must be received not later than first post on April 16, 1923, by the Academic Registrar, University of London, South Kensington, London, S.W.7, from whom further particulars may be obtained.

ST. ANDREWS.—Mr. Rudyard Kipling has been elected Rector in succession to Sir James M. Barrie.

SHEFFIELD.—Mr. R. Stoneley, assistant lecturer in mathematics, has been appointed curator of the University Observatory.

PROF. ALFRED TENNYSON DELURY, head of the department of mathematics, University of Toronto, was in June last appointed Dean of the Faculty of

Arts of that University. Sir Robert Falconer, president of the University, called a meeting of the Council of the Faculty of Arts and announced that, while the appointment of a Dean was by statute in his hands, he would like to receive nominations from the Council for an appointment to this important post. Nominations were accordingly made and balloting was carried on by mail.

THE first meeting of the Court of Governors of the University College of the South-West of England, Exeter, was held on October 27. The new governing body takes over the former Royal Albert Memorial College, Exeter, with its hostels and other property, and also enters into possession of the site and mansion-house given by Mr. W. H. Reed for the purposes of the new college buildings. The new University College which, on the recommendation of the University Grants Committee, has been placed upon the Treasury list of Universities and University Colleges as from August 1, 1922, is regarded as the first step towards the establishment of a University in the South-West of England. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales and Duke of Cornwall is president of the college, and sent a message of greeting and good wishes on the occasion of the first meeting of the court. The court elected Sir Henry Lopes, Bart., as deputy-president of the college; and one of the vice-presidents is Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch. The deputy-president made a statement to the court as to the present position and prospects of the college, emphasising his view that the governing principle of college policy should be the attainment, as soon as possible, of a status which would free the college from a purely external degree system, and indicating the possibilities of co-operation to this end among the various higher educational institutions in the south-western countries. A very substantial increase in the number of full-time degree students in attendance at the college was reported.

ON the occasion of the transfer of the Imperial Department of Agriculture from Barbados to Trinidad, following upon its amalgamation with the West Indian Agricultural College, Sir Francis Watts, principal of the College and Commissioner of Agriculture, received a letter from the Acting Governor of Barbados in which the latter stated that the department's work "has been a landmark in the history of the West Indian Colonies." He continued, "I beg also to be allowed to express the cordial gratitude of the Government of Barbados for the valuable and ready assistance which the Imperial Department has rendered the local Government on numerous occasions . . . may I also assure you of the warm good wishes of the Barbados Government for the success and prosperity of the Agricultural College in which the Department will now be merged, and of our confident hope that the establishment of the College will prove to be a great step forward in the development of scientific tropical agriculture not only in the West Indies but also in a wider field."

THE Royal Technical College, Glasgow, publishes for the session 1922-23, in a calendar comprising 356 closely printed pages, a vast amount of information relating not only to the courses of instruction it offers, the conditions under which the diplomas and degrees for which it prepares are obtainable, and the scholarships tenable in it, but also to the appointments now held by its past students. The list of past students and their appointments, including nearly a thousand names, affords convincing evidence of the practical value of the instruction given, and should be of great interest alike to past, present, and prospective students.