

### University and Educational Intelligence.

EDINBURGH.—At the meeting of the University Court on July 16 a letter was received from the Distillers' Company, Ltd., stating that the Company is impressed by the good work which the Technical Chemistry Department of the University is doing "in fitting trained chemists to take part in British industry by giving them a knowledge of engineering and familiarity with plant used in technical operations." The Company is therefore prepared to become financially responsible for a studentship in the University carrying cash payments at the rate of £100 per annum to the recipient, and such University fees as may be necessary. The studentship would be awarded to a candidate who has completed his course in chemistry and is willing to devote a further year to study in the Technical Chemistry Department.

The Company is willing to find a position for the selected student for a year on trial in its organisation at a salary commencing at not less than £250 per annum. The Court gratefully accepted the offer and resolved to institute the studentship.

LEEDS.—Mr. W. T. Astbury has been appointed to the lectureship in textile physics, one of the posts instituted under the new scheme of research in the Clothworkers' Departments.

LONDON.—Prof. John Macmurray has been appointed as from Aug. 1 to the Grote chair of philosophy of mind and logic tenable at University College. Mr. Macmurray was in 1919–20 lecturer in philosophy in the University of Manchester, and in 1920–22 professor of philosophy at University College, Johannesburg. Since 1922 he has been fellow, classical tutor, and Jowett lecturer in philosophy at Balliol College, Oxford. He is the author, with C. R. Morris, of "The History of Philosophy in Europe since Hegel" (in the press).

Dr. Robert Donaldson has been appointed as from Aug. 1 to the Sir William Dunn chair of pathology tenable at Guy's Hospital Medical School. Dr. Donaldson is the author of "Practical Morbid Histology" (1923), and of numerous articles in the medical journals.

Mr. S. J. Cowell has been appointed as from Sept. 1 to the University chair of dietetics tenable at St. Thomas's Hospital Medical School. Mr. Cowell received his medical education at Queens' College, Cambridge, and at University College Hospital, and since January 1923 has been assistant to Prof. E. Mellanby at the University and Royal Infirmary, Sheffield. In 1926 he opened a discussion before the Public Health Section of the British Medical Association and has published papers on non-specific desensitisation, concentration of the blood in adrenal insufficiency, effect of iodine on hyperthyroidism in man, and irradiation of milk and the healing of rickets.

Dr. H. D. Wright has been appointed as from Oct. 1 to the University readership in bacteriology tenable at University College Hospital Medical School. Dr. Wright studied at the Universities of Tasmania and Edinburgh. From 1920 until 1923 he was lecturer in bacteriology in the University of Edinburgh, and in 1921–23 assistant director of the Research Laboratory of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh. Since 1923 he has been lecturer in bacteriology at University College Hospital Medical School.

Mr. S. L. Baker has been appointed as from Sept. 1 to the University readership in morbid anatomy and

histology tenable at Middlesex Hospital Medical School. Mr. Baker has been senior assistant in the Bland-Sutton Institute of Pathology since July 1922 and lecturer in morbid histology at the Middlesex Hospital Medical School since May 1923.

THE Air Ministry announces that about 120 officers will be required by the Royal Air Force for flying duties during the next few months. Applicants must be between the ages of eighteen and twenty-five years, well-educated, and of good eyesight and physique. Short service commissions are granted for five years' service on the active list and four in the reserve. Application forms can be obtained from the Secretary, Air Ministry, Kingsway, London, W.C.2.

THE trustees of the Beit Fellowships for scientific research have made the following elections to fellowships tenable at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, for two years 1928–29 and 1929–30, of the value of £250 per annum: Dr. R. H. Purcell, subject of research—"Change of properties of pure substances on intensive drying; problems in catalysis with special reference to the unique influence of water." Mr. A. A. Fitch, subject of research—"(*a*) The metamorphic aureole of the Dartmoor granite; (*b*) Investigation of a part of the Central Weald." Mr. J. M. Frankland, subject of research—"Effect of constitution and treatment on the mechanical properties of steel."

THE following awards for the year 1928–29 have been made by the Salters' Institute of Industrial Chemistry and approved by the Court of the Company: Fellowships have been renewed to: Mr. C. G. Akhurst (Fellow, 1927–28, at the Rothamsted Experimental Station) for one year at the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, Trinidad; Mr. F. Witt (Fellow, 1927–28, at the Gas Institute, Karlsruhe) for one year in a German industrial fuel undertaking. Fellowships have also been awarded to: Mr. H. K. Cameron, University College, London; Mr. H. Diamond, University College, London; Mr. F. L. Gilbert, University College, Nottingham, and Cambridge; Mr. C. H. Lea, University of Liverpool; Mr. A. H. Loveless, of the Imperial College, London; Mr. H. Smith, of the Imperial College, London. Seventy grants-in-aid have also been awarded to young men and women employed in chemical works, to facilitate their further studies.

THE Medical Research Council announces that on behalf of the Rockefeller Foundation it has made the following awards of fellowships provided by the Foundation and tenable in the United States of America during the academic year 1928–29. These fellowships are awarded to graduates who have had some training in research work either in the primary sciences of medicine or in clinical medicine or surgery, and are likely to profit by a period of work at a university or other chosen centre in America before taking up positions for higher teaching or research in the British Isles. Dr. L. E. Bayliss, Sharpey Scholar at University College, London; Dr. A. V. Neale, Children's Hospital, Birmingham; Dr. F. J. W. Roughton, lecturer in physico-chemical aspects of physiology, University of Cambridge; Dorothy Stuart Russell, Baron Institute of Pathology, London Hospital; Mr. Arthur Wormall, lecturer in biochemistry, University of Leeds.