

Educational Topics and Events

BIRMINGHAM.—The degree of D.Sc. has been awarded to the following: C. T. Barber, for published papers dealing mainly with the geology of certain districts of Burma, with particular reference to natural gas and oil resources; Mabel E. Tomlinson, for papers in the *Quarterly Journal of the Geological Society* on river terraces of the lower valley of the Warwickshire Avon, and on the superficial deposits of the country north of Stratford-on-Avon, and a paper on the drifts of the Stour–Evenlode watershed (*Proc. Birmingham Nat. His. and Phil. Soc.*); G. D. Elsdon, for published work on edible oils and fats, analysis of drugs and chemicals, and numerous papers on chemical investigations in subjects relating to public health.

CAMBRIDGE.—G. C. Evans, of St. John's College, has been appointed to the Frank Smart University studentship in botany, and Dr. L. E. R. Picken of Trinity College to the Balfour studentship.

A grant of £25 has been made from the Balfour Fund to J. D. Robertson, of St. John's College, for research on the calcareous skeletons formed by marine animals.

GLASGOW.—The Bellahouston Bequest Fund Trustees have made a grant of £5,000 towards the cost of erection of the new chemistry buildings.

Prof. Gilbert Cook, professor of mechanical engineering, King's College, University of London, has been appointed regius professor of civil engineering and mechanics in succession to the late Prof. J. D. Cormack.

Prof. J. Shaw Dunn, St. Mungo-Notman professor of pathology in the University, has been elected professor of pathology in succession to Sir Robert Muir, who has retired.

Dr. H. B. Cott has been appointed lecturer in zoology.

The Gibson Lecture for 1936–37, on the history of mathematics, will be delivered by Dr. John Dougall at the Royal Technical College, Glasgow.

LEEDS.—Dr. Archibald Durward has been elected to the chair of anatomy in the University in succession to Prof. J. Kay Jamieson, who has resigned. Dr. Durward has been a member of the anatomical staff of University College, London, since 1931; he was educated in New Zealand, and held appointments for six years in the Anatomy Department of the University of Otago.

Mr. Frank Parkinson, of Messrs. Crompton Parkinson, Ltd., Manufacturing Electrical Engineers, has placed a fund of £50,000 in the hands of the Council on loan, free of interest, which is to become the absolute property of the University after seven years. The gift is to be used as a Scholarship Endowment Fund, to be applied to the foundation of research fellowships or scholarships for graduates and scholarships or grants for undergraduates. Pending receipt of interest from the fund, Mr. Parkinson has offered a sum up to £1,500 to be granted in scholarships during the first year.

LIVERPOOL.—The following appointments have recently been made: Dr. A. G. Walker, lecturer in the Department of Pure Mathematics, in succession

to Dr. Haslam-Jones, who has been elected a fellow of Queen's College, Oxford; Dr. H. R. Hulme, lecturer in the Department of Applied Mathematics, in succession to Dr. G. C. McVittie, who has been elected to a readership at King's College, London; Dr. C. J. Williams, Leverhulme Foundation lecturer in the Department of Physics, in succession to Dr. Norman Feather, who has been elected to a fellowship at Trinity College, Cambridge.

LONDON.—The title of reader in neurological anatomy in the University has been conferred on Miss U. L. Fielding in respect of the post held by her at University College.

The degree of D.Sc. in botany has been conferred on Mr. D. G. Catcheside, a recognised teacher at King's College.

University postgraduate travelling studentships of the value of £275 for one year have been awarded to Dr. C. J. B. Clews (Queen Mary College), and K. Stewart (Imperial College—Royal College of Science). Dr. Clews proposes to do further research in X-rays under the direction of Prof. K. M. G. Siegbahn at the University of Uppsala, and Mr. Stewart intends to study the chemical reactions in the electric discharge under the supervision of Prof. P. Harteck at Hamburg. University postgraduate studentships of the value of £150 for one year have been awarded to W. A. Cowdrey (University College); A. J. P. Crick (King's College); J. A. Downes (Imperial College—Royal College of Science); J. Gold (University College); A. M. Houghton (King's College); Margaret M. Jamison (Bedford College); L. J. Jolley (University College); J. Lawton (University College); and the studentship awarded to Joel Hirschfield in 1935 has been renewed for a second year.

OXFORD.—At Encænna on June 24, the honorary degree of D.Sc. was conferred on Prof. E. D. Adrian, Foulerton research professor of the Royal Society.

Sir George Macdonald has been elected an honorary fellow of Balliol College.

W. E. Grimshaw, Corpus Christi College, has been granted the degree of D.Sc. for his work on plasticoviscous deformation and on combustion problems.

Dr. W. Stephenson, of the Psychology Department, University College, London, has been appointed assistant director of the newly-founded Institute of Experimental Psychology (see p. 14 of this issue).

ST. ANDREWS.—On June 26, the honorary degree of LL.D. was conferred on the following, among others: Prof. E. Waymouth Reid, emeritus professor of physiology, University College, Dundee; Prof. J. E. Littlewood, Rouse Ball professor of mathematics in the University of Cambridge; Mr. David Anderson, consulting engineer, London.

The degree of D.Sc. has been conferred upon H. Greene, for a thesis entitled "Investigations on the Soil of the Eastern Gezira, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan", and on G. J. Robertson for his investigations on Walden inversions in the sugar group.

THE fifth Congress of the Universities of the British Empire will be held in Cambridge on July 13–17, under the presidency of the Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Universities Bureau of the British Empire, 88a Gower Street, London, W.C.1.