

### Old Science and Medicine

E. P. GOLDSCHMIDT AND Co., of 45 Old Bond Street, W.1, have recently issued an illustrated and annotated catalogue of works of old science and medicine, comprising important books in the history of the mathematical and physical sciences, biology and medicine. The most valuable works figuring in the catalogue are the complete manuscript of the "Chirurgia Magna" of Bruno de Longoburgo (1250), Pierre Franco's treatise on hernia (1561), the Aldine *editio princeps* of Galen's works in five volumes (1525), Robert Hooke's Cutlerian Lectures on physics, mechanics, geography and astronomy (1674-1678), Claude Perrault's memoirs on the natural history of animals in two volumes (1671-76), and theses by pupils of Linnæus (1749-1769) and Purkinje (1824-1840). The catalogue also contains first editions of works by Tycho Brahe, Euclid, Fracastor, Goethe, Laennec, Lamarck, Lavoisier, Napier, Röntgen, Schwann, Sirturius, Steno, Tartaglia and Willis. Modern literature is further illustrated by works by Edison, Freud, Casimir Funk, Metchnikoff, and Hugo de Vries.

### Royal Anthropological Institute

THE annual meeting of the Royal Anthropological Institute was held on June 28 when Mr. H. J. Braunscholtz delivered his presidential address entitled "Ethnographical Museums and the Collector: Aims and Methods". Two Rivers Memorial Medals for 1938 were presented, to Prof. A. R. Radcliffe Brown for anthropological research in the fields of the Andaman Islands and Australia, and to Miss D. A. E. Garrod for work in Gibraltar, Southern Kurdistan and Palestine. The Wellcome Gold Medal for 1937 for anthropological research was awarded to Dr. Meyer Fortes for a thesis on "Marriage Law among the Tallensi".

### World Power Conference: Vienna Meeting

THE Vienna Sectional Meeting of the World Power Conference will take place on August 25-September 2. A programme has been issued giving details of the sessions and sectional meetings, the social events planned for the participants, the sight-seeing tours and the Conference journeys. The official opening meeting in the Vienna Concert House is at 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 25, and allowing Saturday and Sunday for sight-seeing, the meeting goes on until Friday, September 2, when a second week begins devoted to tours of exceptional interest. Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son have been officially authorized to act as travel agents. Payment of all fees, which are most reasonable, can be made in English currency. The railway administrations grant substantial reductions in fares to all the participants at the Vienna meeting. Among other excursions on Monday, September 5, there will be one over the Gross Glockner Pass. This road has an almost perfect surface and owing to the wonderful road building technique, the gradient is never more than 12 per cent. It is a marvellous piece of engineering. The excursion goes to the Franz-Josefs-Höhe

(7,370 ft.) where there is a wonderful view of the Pasterze Glacier, the longest glacier of the Eastern Alps. Full particulars of the fortnight's programme, charges, accommodation, etc., can be obtained from the Secretary, British National Committee, World Power Conference, 36 Kingsway, London, W.C.2.

### Announcements

MR. H. N. SAVOURY, of St. Edmund's Hall, Oxford, and MacIver Research Student of Queen's College, has been elected by the Faculty of Archaeology, History and Letters of the British School of Archaeology at Rome to the Rome Scholarship for 1938. Mr. Savoury will devote the period of his tenure of the scholarship to research on certain aspects of the neolithic, bronze and early iron ages in Italy, and the influence of Italy on the lands north-west of the Alps and on Iberia during the early Bronze age.

THE Busk studentship in aeronautics, founded in memory of Edward Teshmaker Busk who lost his life in 1914 while flying an experimental aeroplane, has been awarded for 1938-39 to G. O. Jones, Emmanuel College, Cambridge.

DR. ADALBERT CZERNY, formerly professor of children's diseases in the University of Berlin, has been awarded the shield of nobility of the German Reich on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday.

A MONUMENT to Dr. Albert Calmette, the well-known authority on tuberculosis, has recently been unveiled at Nice.

THE Public Health Services (Engineering and Equipment) Exhibition and Congress, formerly the Public Health Exhibition and Congress, will be held at the Royal Agricultural Hall, London, on November 14-19.

THE International Congress of Light will be held at Davos, Switzerland, on July 29-30 under the presidency of Dr. Morikofer. The subjects for discussion will be light and climatology, action of natural and artificial light on healthy and diseased organs, and physiological and physical study of the therapeutic sources of light. Further information can be obtained from Dr. Schreiber, Robert Koch Platz 1, Berlin.

THE Child Welfare Information Centre of the League of Nations has published a useful "Summary of the Legislative and Administrative Series of Documents of the Child Welfare Information Centre to December 31st, 1937" (Messrs. Allen and Unwin, 40 Museum Street, London, W.C.1. 1s.). It contains brief details of enactments in various countries between February 1936 and December 1937, dealing with matters of child welfare.

ERRATUM. In the issue of July 2, p. 31, line 5, for "Pinex" read "Pinax".