

investigator, and while the initial grants are limited to one year, renewal for two additional years may be recommended; *Grants-in-Aid of Research* are designed to encourage investigations offering promise of improvement in radiological methods of diagnosis or treatment of disease and are awarded to institutions, rather than to individuals. Applications in these four categories will be reviewed by the Committee on Radiology of the Academy-Research Council's Division of Medical Sciences. Final determination of awards is made by the Foundation on recommendation of the Division. These awards are not restricted to citizens of, or laboratories within, the United States. Application forms and further details can be obtained from the Division of Medical Sciences (Room 305, AAUW), National Academy of Sciences-National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington 25, D.C. Applications must be submitted by December 1, 1960.

The Royal Institution of Naval Architects

THE Council of the Royal Institution of Naval Architects has made the following awards: *Royal Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851 Postgraduate Scholarship in Naval Architecture* (1960), £600 per annum for two years, to Mr. B. S. Bowden, of King's College, Newcastle upon Tyne; *The Royal Institution of Naval Architects Scholarship in Naval Architecture* (1960), to Mr. M. A. Cubitt, of Messrs. Vosper, Ltd., Portsmouth (£400 per annum for three years at King's College, Newcastle upon Tyne); *Vickers-Armstrongs Scholarship in Naval Architecture* (1960), to Mr. Brian T. Procter, of Trinity Academy, Edinburgh (£400 per annum for four years at the University of Glasgow).

Naval Radiological Defense Laboratory

THE Naval Radiological Defense Laboratory in San Francisco has created a new position with the title of 'scientist-in-residence'. The scientist appointed will be expected to work on a matter of his own choosing within broad categories of the Laboratory's field of interest, which are the basic thermal and ionizing radiations from all types of nuclear reactions, their chemical, physical and biological effects, both topical and environmental, and ways of predicting, preventing or minimizing them. Candidates should have demonstrated superior ability for creative research. It is a full-time appointment, normally for one year. Two places are available this year; later there may be six. Applications should be addressed to Scientist-in-Residence Committee, U.S. Naval Radiological Defense Laboratory, San Francisco 24, California.

Natural Resources in Scotland

THE Scottish Council's Committee on Natural Resources is holding a symposium on "Natural Resources in Scotland" at the Royal Society of Edinburgh, 24 George Street, Edinburgh, during October 31-November 2. The three days will be devoted as follows: first day, "Basic Resource Facts"; second day, "Utilization of Resources"; third day, "Resource Administration and Development". The chairmen on each of the three days will be: the Rt. Hon. Lord Bilsland (president, Scottish Council, and Development and Industry), Sir Cecil M. Weir (chairman, London Executive Committee, Scottish Council, and Development and Industry),

Sir Edward Appleton (principal, University of Edinburgh). Further information can be obtained from the Organizing Secretary, The Scottish Council (Development and Industry), 1 Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2.

William Thomas Brande

MR. E. E. IRONMONGER, Westminster College, North Hinksey, Oxford, writes: "I am collecting information concerning the life and work of William Thomas Brande (1788-1866), who was professor of chemistry at the Royal Institution during 1813-52 and secretary to the Royal Society during 1816-26. I should be glad to hear of any letters, manuscript material, etc., of which readers of *Nature* may have information".

Announcements

MR. A. V. S. DE REUCK, formerly assistant editor of *Nature*, has been appointed deputy director of the Ciba Foundation for the Promotion of International Co-operation in Medical and Chemical Research, London. Miss M. P. Cameron has returned to the Ciba Foundation as scientific assistant and librarian after five years in the United States.

THE first award of the Ellis Medal of the Institution of Works Managers goes to Mr. W. Huddleston, of the Springfields Atomic Factory, Salwick, Lancs. The Ellis Medal commemorates the work of John Milton Ellis, who helped to establish the Institution's training course, and will be awarded annually to a student of the Institution, under the age of thirty, who, having qualified at the end of the two-year course in works management, satisfies the assessors that he has most fully appreciated the practical implications of the training he has received in the art and science of works management.

At the inaugural meeting of the first British Congress on the History of Medicine and Pharmacy, held in London on September 29, Sir Geoffrey Keynes and Prof. Owsei Temkin were awarded the honorary fellowship of the Faculty of the History of Medicine of the Worshipful Society of Apothecaries of London. The fellowship, which is an exclusive award to be held by no more than twelve at any one time, irrespective of nationality, is bestowed for outstanding services to scholarship in the history of medicine and pharmacy. Sir Geoffrey Keynes, whose work on Harvey, Sir Thomas Browne, John Ray and Robert Hooke is fundamental, is the first recipient of the new honour. Prof. Temkin, who is director of the Institute of the History of Medicine in Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, has made many erudite studies of classical and medieval medicine, his authoritative monograph on "The Falling Sickness" being the most widely known of his works.

THE Medical Research Council states that in future all requests for compounds in the Steroid Reference Collection should be addressed to Prof. W. Klyne, Chemistry Department, Westfield College, Hampstead, London, N.W.3, and not to the Postgraduate Medical School at Hammersmith.

ERRATUM. Dr. C. W. Beklemishev has written in connexion with his communication entitled "Southern Atmospheric Cyclones and the Whale Feeding Grounds in the Antarctic" in *Nature* of August 6, p. 530; his address should read: "Oceanological Institute, 8 Bahrushin Street, Moscow 127".