

appointed Assistant Medical Officer in James Murray's Royal Asylum, Perth. This post he held until October, 1903, when he was appointed Junior Assistant Medical Officer of the Government Lunatic Asylum, Jamaica. Shortly after his appointment he was promoted to the Senior Assistantship early in 1904, his health gave way, and after a severe illness he died on November 1st.

MR. THOMAS HENDERSON POUNDS died at the age of 45, on December 27th, 1904, as the consequence of an accident which occurred six weeks previously whilst driving his motor-car. He was son of Staff Commander Pounds, R.N., and was born at Portsmouth, educated at Southsea, and subsequently entered Charing Cross Hospital. Having taken the diplomas of M.R.C.S., L.S.A., in 1881 he settled at Snodland, in Kent, where he was in practice for six years, during which period he, in 1884, took the diploma of F.R.C.S. In 1887 Mr. Pounds settled in Derby, where for a short time he was in partnership with Dr. Legge. He originated the Women's Hospital, and was appointed Surgeon there about fourteen years ago. Mr. Pounds was also one of the founders of the Derby Medical Society; he was its first Secretary, and filled the office of President in 1901-2. Being an enthusiastic motorist he was the first medical practitioner in Derby to use a car. His accident occurred while returning from a consultation, a dog getting entangled in his front wheel and locking his steering gear. He was respected highly by his fellow medical men and his patients, and many of the sick poor have cause to remember his numerous acts of kindness.

WE regret to record the death of another of the junior members of the medical profession in Edinburgh. WILLIAM CARMICHAEL, M.B., C.M., Kinleith, 25, Braid Road, Edinburgh, died at Cedars Road, London, of pneumonia, on December 31st, 1904. Some weeks ago he had an attack of influenza. This, coming after the death of his brother, the illness of his wife, and a somewhat shortened holiday, told rather severely upon him. He went to the West of Scotland to recruit, but finding it too cold he moved southwards, contracted pneumonia in London, and died somewhat suddenly after two or three days' illness. He graduated in 1890, and was for six months a Resident Surgeon in the Royal Infirmary. Some time later he settled in one of the southern suburbs of Edinburgh, and by a pleasant and kindly manner he had acquired a very considerable practice. He leaves a widow, but no children.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH.

THE annual report for 1904 has been issued:

Numbers of Students.

During the past year the total number of matriculated students (including 217 women) was 2,000, the highest number reached for eleven years. Of this number, there were enrolled 231 (including 7 women) in the Faculty of Science, and 1,480 (including 4 women) in the Faculty of Medicine. Of the students of medicine, 683, or over 46 per cent, belonged to Scotland; 352, or nearly 24 per cent, were from England and Wales; 113 from Ireland; 74 from India; 238, or over 16 per cent, from British colonies; and 20 from foreign countries. The number of women attending extra-academic lectures, with a view to graduation in medicine in the University, was 116.

Degrees Conferred.

The following degrees were conferred during 1904: Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.), 38 (including 1 woman); Doctor of Science (D.Sc.), 5; Bachelor of Medicine and Master in Surgery (M.B., C.M.), 4; Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (M.B., Ch.B.), 161 (including 12 women); Doctor of Medicine (M.D.), 61. The General Council of the University now numbers 9,736. The special University certificate in diseases of tropical climates was conferred on 54 candidates (including 6 women).

Fellowships, etc.

The total annual value of the University fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, and prizes now amounts to about £18,270—namely, in the Faculty of Arts, £10,755; in the Faculty of Science, £1,545; and in the Faculty of Medicine, £3,630. A number of bursaries are in the gift of private patrons, but the great majority of the University bursaries, prizes, etc., are awarded by the Senate after competitive examination. In addition to the above, a sum of upwards of £600, being the income of the Earl of Moray Endowment Fund, is annually available for the encouragement of original research.

Development and Expansion of the University.

In response to the appeal recently made to the public (by a committee of friends of the University desirous of aiding in its improvement and expansion) for subscriptions to provide for its further development, Sir Donald Currie, G.C.M.G., of Garth and Glenlyon, has made the munificent gift of £25,000. He has expressed a wish that the revenue from his money should be applied to the remuneration of a staff of lecturers such as the authorities of the University may find it advisable from time to time to appoint. The University Court, being desirous of permanently associating his name with the fund, have resolved to designate it "The Sir Donald

Currie Lectureship Endowment Fund." Other contributions to the extension scheme have also been intimated to the extent of £15,000, including a sum of £5,000 given by Sir John Jackson, LL.D., to the Tait Memorial Fund, for the encouragement of physical research. At the Martinmas term the University Court purchased from the Town Council the grounds of the City Hospital in Infirmary Street, with the buildings thereon, at the price of £15,000. Sir R. Rowand Anderson has been appointed architect, and has been instructed to adapt the buildings thus acquired, in the first instance, to the purposes of the Natural Philosophy and Engineering Departments, which it is intended to reorganize and equip so as to meet modern educational requirements.

The Carnegie Foundation.

Although the Carnegie Foundation has not as yet had an appreciable influence in increasing the number of students, it is noticeable that many who avail themselves of the section of the scheme which provides for the payment of class fees take out a larger number of classes than they would probably otherwise have done. Of those who have been appointed to Carnegie post-graduate fellowships and scholarships, and who have received grants in aid for research, a considerable proportion are graduates of the University of Edinburgh. In accordance with the scheme of allocation intimated in 1902, grants have been made in augmentation of the salaries of several of the University lecturers, and an annual grant of £1,000 is made to the library for the purchase of books.

New Lectureships, Etc.

In connexion with a scheme lately arranged with the War Office, for the selection and education of University candidates for commissions in the regular army, a lectureship in military subjects has been instituted in the University. The course of instruction, which is not confined to army candidates, extends over three winter sessions, and embraces military history and strategy, tactics and the history of tactics, military engineering and topography, military law, and organization. A graduate in arts or science who has duly performed the work of this course, and fulfilled certain requirements as to service with the volunteers and with a unit of the regular army, becomes eligible for a commission in the regular army. Captain H. M. Johnstone, Royal Engineers (retired) has been appointed to the lectureship, and has entered upon his duties. Dr. J. O. Aitken and Dr. C. B. Ker, Consulting Physician and Medical Superintendent respectively in the City Hospital, have been appointed University Lecturers on Infective Fevers; and a Lectureship in the Practical Application of Anaesthetics has been instituted, to which Mr. Thomas D. Luke, F.R.C.S.E., has been appointed.

Personal Changes.

The vacancy caused by the lamented death of Dr. A. P. Aitken, first holder of the Lectureship on Agricultural Chemistry, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Leonard Dobbin, Ph.D.

Benefactions.

The University has to make grateful acknowledgement of numerous benefactions, in addition to those above noted. Among these may be mentioned: a bequest by the late Miss Annabella Kirkpatrick, of 39, Moray Place, Edinburgh, through the Association for the Better Endowment of the University, of a sum of over £1,800 for the foundation of a fellowship or scholarship in the University of Edinburgh; a donation of £210 for the purpose of original research, by Mr. Edward George Currie, of The Deanery, Battle, Sussex; and a further gift by the Rev. Professor Gwatkin, of Cambridge, of a collection of molluscan radulae for the microscope. The trustees of the late Mr. William M'Cunn, of Landour, Largs, have also intimated the institution of four "M'Cunn Medical Research Scholarships," each of £100 a year, open to all graduates in medicine of the four Scottish universities.

Additions to the Library.

The additions to the University Library numbered 1,793, being an increase of over 700 from the previous year.

Cataloguing of the Library.

The recataloguing of the Library has been continued during the past year under the superintendence of Dr. James Burgess, C.I.E., and is now practically completed, the alphabetical arrangement of the entries and insertion of cross-references being at present proceeded with. The number of volumes dealt with so far in the general library is nearly 200,000; but, in addition to these, several departmental libraries have been catalogued, especially the theological and the physiological libraries; as have also been the medical books in the reading-room of the new buildings. The cataloguing has brought to light a considerable number of incomplete works and the want of others, which, it is thought, a university library ought to possess, and the filling up of such gaps is being steadily kept in view, a grant made by the Carnegie Trustees for this purpose having placed the library authorities in a more favourable position for doing so than was formerly the case. The question as to the printing of the catalogue will have to be considered as soon as the alphabetical arrangement of the entries is complete. The printing of a short catalogue of some 25,000 books in the library for the use of students and readers generally is now proceeding, and will, it is hoped, be completed within the next year.

Structural Changes.

In the library a great improvement has been effected during the past year by the introduction of a system of steel shelving of the most modern and approved type. The rooms so far dealt with are those on the ground floor, with the exception of the reading-room and the Reid Room; and in those parts alone sufficient additional space has already been gained to accommodate newly-acquired books for many years to come. Before the new system is introduced into other parts of the library a long-felt want, it is hoped, will be supplied by the construction of a fireproof strong-room for the safe keeping of the numerous precious, or even irreplaceable, treasures of the library. The lady students have had a very useful adjunct added to their reading-room, namely, a well-lighted cloak and conversation room, which was opened by the Principal on behalf of the Library Committee. The opening of a new entrance to the Quadrangle of the University Old Buildings, has afforded much-needed facilities for students passing from the new to the old buildings.

Miscellaneous.

Among other matters of interest the following may be noted: The Lord Rector, the Right Hon. Sir R. B. Finlay, K.C., M.P., etc., delivered on January 21st his Rectorial address, his subject being International Arbi-