

are derivative from certain peoples of Eastern Asia, but there is considerable difference of opinion on many points. Dissertations have, therefore, been invited in which an attempt is to be made to resolve the problem of the origin of the ancient Eskimo civilisation in the light of every available class of evidence, physical character, culture, linguistic, folklore and the like. The result of the competition will be announced in February next.

Annual Radiological Congress

THE Annual Congress of the British Institute of Radiology (incorporated with the Röntgen Society) will be held in the Central Hall, Westminster, London, S.W.1, on December 5-7. The Congress will be officially opened on December 5 by Sir Humphry Rolleston. The seventeenth Silvanus Thompson Memorial Lecture will be delivered by Dr. H. H. Berg on "The Digestive Mucosa" on December 6, and the fifteenth Mackenzie Davidson Memorial Lecture by Sir William Bragg on "X-Rays and the Coarse Structure of Materials" on December 7. In connexion with the Congress, an exhibition of X-ray apparatus will be held at the Central Hall. Further information can be obtained from the Organising Secretary, 47 Red Lion Street, High Holborn, London, W.C.1.

Ramsay Memorial Fellowships

THE following Ramsay Memorial fellowships for the year 1934-35 have been awarded: Mr. G. C. Hampson, a British fellowship of £300, tenable for two years, at the University of Oxford; Mr. George Bryce, a Glasgow fellowship of £300, tenable for two years, at the University of Cambridge; M. Berton, a French fellowship, at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London; Dr. Charles Haenny, a Swiss fellowship of £300, at Birkbeck College, London; Prof. G. Semerano, an Italian fellowship of £300, at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London; Dr. M. G. van ter Horst, a Netherland fellowship of £300, at the University of Cambridge. The following fellowships have been renewed for the same year: Dr. C. Kawassades (Greek fellow), Ramsay Memorial Laboratory of Chemical Engineering, University College, London; Dr. Ikutaro Sawai (Japanese fellow), University College, London; Dr. A. G. Winn (British fellow), University College, London.

Announcements

THE Buchan Prize of the Royal Meteorological Society for 1935 has been awarded to Dr. F. J. W. Whipple, for papers contributed by him to the *Quarterly Journal* of the Society during the years 1929-33.

PROF. ERNST HERZFELD, director of antiquities, Persia, will deliver the Schweich lectures on biblical archæology at the British Academy on December 3, 5 and 7. The subject of Prof. Herzfeld's lectures will be "The Archæological History of Iran".

PROF. W. L. BRAGG, Langworthy professor of physics in the University of Manchester, will deliver

the Christmas Lectures adapted to a juvenile audience at the Royal Institution on December 27, 29 and January 1, 3, 5 and 8, at 3 p.m. The subject of Prof. Bragg's lectures will be "Electricity". Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Royal Institution, 21 Albemarle Street, London, W.1.

THE Meldola Medal, the gift of the Society of Maccabæans, is awarded annually by the Council of the Institute of Chemistry to the British chemist under thirty years of age whose published chemical work shows the most promise. The next award will be made in January 1935, and the Council would be glad to have attention directed, by December 31, to work of the character indicated. Communications should be addressed to the Registrar, Institute of Chemistry of Great Britain and Ireland, 30 Russell Square, London, W.C.1.

ARRANGEMENTS have now been completed in connexion with the symposium organised by the British Section of the International Society of Leather Trades' Chemists on "Technical Aspects of Emulsions" to be held at University College, Gower Street, W.C.1, on December 7 (not, as originally announced, at the Royal Society of Arts), at 10 a.m.-6 p.m., under the chairmanship of Prof. F. G. Donnan. The symposium has attracted considerable attention in chemical, industrial and medical circles, and a large attendance is assured. Members and others desiring to attend should notify Dr. C. H. Spiers at the offices of the Society, 17 Market Street, London, S.E.1. The papers read at the meeting are to be published in bound form, which will be available shortly after the symposium.

MR. ARCHIBALD THORBURN, the well-known bird artist, has again presented the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds with one of his beautiful pictures for its special Christmas greeting card. The painting is of a pair of longtailed tits poised on a spray of golden gorse. Copies may be obtained from the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, 82 Victoria Street, London, S.W.1, for 4s. 7d. a dozen, inclusive of envelopes and postage.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following appointments, on or before the dates mentioned:—A temporary assistant lecturer in zoology and geology at University College, Southampton—The Registrar (Dec. 8). A museum assistant at the Woolwich Borough Museum—The Town Clerk, Town Hall, Woolwich (Dec. 10). Two junior assistants at the Museum and Art Gallery, Birmingham—The Keeper (Dec. 11). A lecturer in physics and mathematics at the Northampton Polytechnic Institute, St. John Street, London, E.C.1—The Principal (Dec. 12). A lecturer in mechanical engineering at the University of Capetown—The Secretary, Office of the High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa, Trafalgar Square, London (Dec. 19). A guide lecturer in the British Museum (Natural History)—The Secretary, British Museum (Natural History), London, S.W.7 (Dec. 31).