

MUSEUM NOTES

FOR THE LAST QUARTER OF 1924

PURCHASES.

A pair of Chinese stone lions found at Chen Chou, Honan Province.

The head of a statue of the Egyptian Queen Hatshepsut in black diorite, seven inches high.

A copy of a part of the Koran made in Persia in the 15th century.

An illuminated prayer book of the 14th century.

A section of a fine Persian mosque carpet of the 16th century.

An embroidered coat from Burma.

A stone sacrificial bowl from Ancient Mexico in the form of a puma.

A painted and quilled buffalo robe from one of the Plains Tribes of North American Indians. The paintings represent battle scenes and the workmanship is particularly fine and well preserved.

A group of African carved figures from the Southern Congo.

A group of ethnological specimens from the Guinea Coast.

GIFTS.

From Mr. Morris Wood and Mrs. Logan MacCoy, two Syrian jars, three Roman lamps, one Japanese musical instrument, a Japanese scroll, two Japanese fans, four Japanese textiles, two pairs of leggins, two pairs of mocassins, one knife sheath, one beaded bag and one club of the North American Indians.

From Mrs. Charles Platt, Jr., one Chinese pottery bowl, Sung Dynasty.

From Mrs. Hampton L. Carson, two pottery jars from the Argentine Republic and one pottery jar from Morocco.

THE JOINT EXPEDITION TO MESOPOTAMIA.

The joint Expedition of the British Museum and the University Museum at Ur began work on November 1st. A report has been received under date of November 30th which records progress in the area between the Ziggurat and the northwest

wall of the temenos. The main purpose of this excavation is to determine the architecture and use of the buildings in this area. It is also hoped that articles of special archaeological or historical interest may be found and that inscriptions may come to light that will serve to fix dates.

A second excavation is being conducted immediately adjoining the Temple of E-Nun-Mah on the southwest. In this locality a very interesting building has begun to come to light, but it is too soon to attempt to decide what its purpose may have been.

One of the interesting articles that has been found is an ivory cup with a row of dancing girls in the Egyptian style, carved in relief. Other articles found are inscribed gate sockets, a portion of an inscribed statue, a number of inscribed tablets and a remarkable figure of a coiled snake which had been used as a door socket.

WINTER AND SPRING COURSES OF LECTURES.

MEMBERS' COURSE.

- January 3. Wanderings of a Bird Man in Chile. Dr. Frank M. Chapman.
- January 10. Leptis Magna—The Great Roman Emporium in North Africa. Dr. Bruno Roselli.
- January 17. Masterpieces of Egyptian Art. Prof. Jean Capart.
- January 24. Through Central Africa. Mr. Alfred M. Collins.
- January 31. The Lost City of Cambodia. Miss Gertrude Emerson.

STORY HOUR FOR CHILDREN OF MEMBERS.

- January 3. In Babylonia. Sargon of Akkad. Gudea the Priest-King.
- January 10. In India. Grateful Animals and Ungrateful Man. Antelope and Hunter.
- January 17. In Medieval Europe. Legends of Charlemagne.
- January 24. In the Arctic. The Life of an Eskimo Boy and Girl. Illustrated by Lantern Slides and Moving Pictures.
- January 31. In Classic Lands. When Legends Came True. Schliemann's Discovery of Homeric Peoples.
- February 7. In Ireland. The Renowned Adventures of Daniel O'Rourke. The Legend of Knock Grafton.

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- February 14. A Travel Talk. A Voyage with Captain Cook.
February 21. In Tibet. The Clever Prince Hunts the Siddhikur.
The Promise of Massang.
February 28. In Our Own Land. Kesh-ke-Kosh, a Sac and Fox
Indian, will tell Stories and sing some Indian Songs

SCHOOL LECTURES.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

- February 18 and 19. Alaska.
February 25 and 26. The Greeks as Builders and Artists.
March 4 and 5. The Philippine Islands and Their People.
March 11 and 12. Life of the Romans.
March 18 and 19. China and its People.
March 25 and 26. Japan and its People.
April 1 and 2. Life in the Valley of the Amazon River.
April 15 and 16. Egypt.
April 22 and 23. Central America.
April 29 and 30. Equatorial Africa and its People.
May 5 and 6. Indian Life.
May 13 and 14. Peru, Ancient and Modern.
May 20 and 21. The Crusades.

NEW MEMBERS.

The following members have been elected.

SUSTAINING MEMBER

William Zimmerman

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

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