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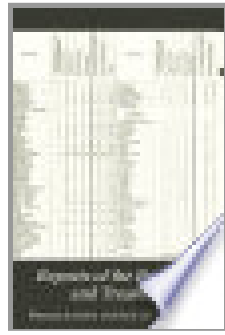
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tion to Comptes rendus de l'Academie des Sciences de Paris. Mrs. W. B. Rogers has continued her subscription to Nature and Popular Science Monthly. Professor Runkle presented the library during the summer with 34 books and 14 pamphlets, in addition to the most notable gift of all; namely, the greater part of his mathematical library, which was deposited with the Institute during the summer of 1898. This library was fully catalogued before being placed upon the shelves, but as it was at first received as a deposit, and not a gift, it was not entered in the record of accessions. These books are kept together on special shelves in the new and well-equipped room provided during the year for the Mathematical Library.

CHANGES IN THE FACULTY AND CORPS OF INSTRUCTION.

Dr. Adolph Rambeau, Ph.D., has been appointed Professor of Modern Languages to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Professor van Daell.

Dr. Rambeau is of Huguenot descent, and belongs to a French family which fled to Geneva after the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, and afterwards settled in Germany. His collegiate education was at Wittenberg, where he was grounded in Latin, Greek, and mathematics, and his university studies were in classical and Germanic philology, and especially in Romance languages and literatures. He pursued these studies from 1871 to 1874, in 1876, and during different periods after 1876, at Halle, Marburg (Ph.D., 1877; licentiate, 1879), and Paris. Four years, 1874-78, were spent in travelling in southern Europe, Egypt, Algiers, and the United States, and the Italian, Spanish, and English languages were mastered. From 1878 to 1879 he was instructor in the Romance-English Seminary of the University of Marburg, and lectured upon Chaucer and the English literature and language. From 1879 to 1892 he held similar positions at colleges, finally with the honorary title of professor, in Strasburg, Wiesbaden, and Hamburg. In 1891 a linguistic exploration

was made in northern France. In 1893 Dr. Rambeau accepted a call to Johns Hopkins University; in 1894 he became Associate Professor of Romance Languages. He taught French and Italian languages and literatures, and lectured in the graduate department upon comparative phonetics and French pronunciation, and also taught Spanish under the auspices of the public school teachers' association of Baltimore. Dr. Rambeau is one of the editors of a linguistic and pedagogic periodical, and has published a scientific work upon Parisian pronunciation, Chrestomathie Française, also some