

knowledge. The public had made such use of the Parkes Museum, maintained by the Institute, that the Council had decided to start a building fund to provide a larger building to give the accommodation required for its increasing work. The Institute possessed 2,300 members and associates; its income last year was over £8,000, and its capital amounted to over £12,000. It had held 200 meetings, attended by 90,000 people.

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MR. ANDREW CARNEGIE has given £50,000 to the proposed University of Birmingham, on the understanding that scientific work be especially emphasized in the University, instancing Cornell University as the best model to be followed. The committee, in thanking Mr. Carnegie for this gift, state that it had always been intended that special attention should be given to scientific training and research.

MR. PASSMORE EDWARDS has given £10,000 to the new London University for the teaching of economics and commercial science. The *London Journal of Education* states that the commissioners of the University have decided to establish departments of psychology, political science and engineering.

THE will of the late Professor Marsh, leaving his property to Yale University and the National Academy of Sciences, is being contested by a nephew. It is unfortunate that such contests should be so common in the United States. It is in any case fortunate that Professor Marsh during his life devoted the greater part of his fortune to scientific work and Yale University.

THE Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs have presented a scholarship to the Teachers' College, Columbia University, of the value of \$450 a year. It will be assigned, on competitive examination, to an experienced teacher of the State of Georgia, and will be known as 'The Georgia Federation Scholarship.'

LAST year the University of Paris was given anonymously 75,000 fr. to permit five graduates to make a tour around the world. The gift has been repeated this year and increased so that each student will receive 16,500 fr. for the journey, which is expected to last two years.

NEW arrangements have been made for the award of the Bowdoin prizes of Harvard University. A prize of \$300 will be offered to graduates who have been in residence within three years. The subjects are to be in the languages next year, in philosophy, political science and history the following year and in mathematics and science in 1902.

The *American Naturalist* states that The Gray Herbarium of Harvard University has recently purchased a collection of *Compositæ* of the late Dr. F. W. Klapp, of Hamburg. It contains about 11,000 specimens and will probably add 60 genera, 1500 species, to the Gray Herbarium, which previously contained 35,000 sheets of composites.

A COLLECTION from the medical library of the late Dr. William Pepper, formerly Provost of the University of Pennsylvania, has been presented to the University by his son.

A COURSE in commerce, diplomacy and international law has been established at the University of Pennsylvania. The course will extend over two years. The subjects proposed being as follows: *First year*—American diplomacy, American commercial relations, international trade and foreign exchange, political economy, economical resources of European countries, and public finance. *Second year*—international law, European commercial relations, diplomatic history of Europe, government of colonies and dependencies, practical economic problems, economic resources of the Far East, comparative constitutional law.

MISS LILLIE J. MARTIN has been appointed acting assistant professor of psychology in Stanford University, to replace Dr. Frank Angell during a year's leave of absence in Europe.

MISS EDITH CHICK has been appointed Quain student in botany for three years (£100 per annum) at University College, London.

THE professorship of pathology at St. Andrews, vacant by the removal of Professor Muir to Glasgow, will be filled on June 21st. Information regarding the appointment may be obtained from Mr. J. E. Williams, Secretary of the University.