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By the will of the late Lucy Ellis, of Boston, Harvard University is given real estate and made the residuary legatee. The money is to be used for the Medical School and is said to amount to more than \$100,000.

THE decennial exercises of Clark University were concluded on July 10th with an address by President G. Stanley Hall and shorter addresses by Dr. W. H. P. Faunce, the newly elected President of Brown University, and Professor H. P. Bowditch, of Harvard University.

YALE University has bought, at an aggregate cost of \$146,000, eight pieces of land on College Street, which it is reported will be used for the erection of an Alumni Hall. The purchase is important, because it joins the College campus with the Sheffield Scientific School.

THE Senate of the University of London, at their meeting on July 5th, passed, by 21 votes to 6, the following resolution, proposed by Sir Edward Fry and seconded by Mr. Bryce: "That the Senate accepts the proposal of her Majesty's government, as far as it provides in buildings of the Imperial Institute accommodation for the work hitherto done by the University: and authorizes the committee consisting of the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Sir J. G. Fitch to settle the formal terms of agreement with the government, and the Senate reserves the right of the University to hereafter request the government to make further provision for such further needs as may arise in the future."

A SPECIAL conference is now being held in St. Petersburg of all the University rectors, the guardians of educational districts, and the chief inspector of all the technical schools of Russia, under the presidency of the Minister of Public Instruction, to consider what can be done to improve the situation as regards the students. The proceedings are strictly secret, but it is reported by the *Times* that they will probably result in some changes in the University statutes and regulations, giving the students more freedom. Most of the students who were in prison in St. Petersburg have been released, but they are apparently being sent out of the capital.

There is no information as to what has been done with the arrested and banished students of other towns. It is felt that renewed trouble may be expected in the autumn and winter unless some radical improvement is made.

Dr. George E. MacLean, Chancellor of the University of Nebraska since 1895, has accepted the presidency of the State University of Iowa, and assumes the duties of his new position on August 1st. The vacancy caused by his retirement from the University of Nebraska will be temporarily filled by Dr. Charles E. Bessey, who will be 'Acting Chancellor' until such time as the Regents elect a Chancellor.

Dr. George T. Winston, President of the University of Texas, has sent in his resignation, to take effect September 15th next. Mr. Winston will assume the presidency of the North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College, at Raleigh, N. C., on October 1st. The election of a President of the University of Texas and of a successor to the late Dr. W. W. Norman, professor of animal biology, have been deferred until September.

SEVERAL changes have occurred in the mathematical department of the University of Texas. Dr. L. E. Dickson has been appointed associate professor. Dr. H. T. Benedict, of Vanderbilt University, and Mr. I. N. Putnam have been made instructors. Mr. Arthur Lefevre and Dr. M. B. Porter have resigned, the latter having been called to Yale University. In the same university Miss H. V. Whitten has been appointed tutor in geology, and Dr. James R. Bailey has been promoted to an adjunct professorship of chemistry.

The American Geologist states that Curtis F. Marbut, assistant professor in the Missouri State University, has been promoted to the full professorship of geology in that institution and has been granted a year's leave of absence which he will spend in study and research abroad.

Mr. J. Lewis McIntyre, a graduate of Edinburgh and of Oxford, and at present lecturer in philosophy at Aberystwyth, succeeds Mr. Stout as lecturer in comparative psychology at Aberdeen.