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THE Severance Chemical Laboratory of Oberlin College was dedicated on September 26, the address being made by President Ira Remsen, of the Johns Hopkins University. At the conclusion of the dedicatory exercises it was announced that Mr. Lewis Severance, of New York City, the donor of the laboratory, had given the sum of \$40,000 for an endowment for the chair of chemistry.

THE University of Southern California at Los Angeles has obtained the \$100,000, of which \$25,000 was offered by Mrs. Anna Hough on condition that the balance be given. Mrs. Hough has now offered \$40,000 towards a second \$100,000.

By the will of the late Mrs. Martha Callahan, \$20,000 is bequeathed to Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute of Tuskegee, Ala.

PROFESSOR GOLDWIN SMITH has given \$10,000 to the library of the University of Toronto.

At a recent meeting of the corporation of Yale University it was decided that the house which Professor O. C. Marsh bequeathed to the University and which is now occupied by the Forest School shall be known officially as Marsh Hall, and the grounds about it as the Yale Botanical Garden.

At the spring meeting of the trustees of Colby College, Waterville, Me., the department of geology was abolished, and it was decided that henceforth the teaching of geology should be by the assistant in chemistry. The determination was taken suddenly, the reason assigned for the action being purely a financial one. The abolition of the department necessarily legislates Dr. W. S. Bayley from the position which he has held during the past twelve years.

DR. STURGIS, of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, Professor Brinton, the State entomologist, and Professor Hopkins, of West Virginia University, have been appointed special lecturers in the Yale Forest School.

MR. EUGENE L. LEHNERT, of Clinton, Mass., has been elected professor of veterinary medicine at the Agricultural College at Storrs.

At the Western Reserve University, Dr. F. W. Reichmann, of the University of Chicago, has been appointed instructor in physics; Dr. O. F. Tower has been promoted to be associate professor of chemistry.

DR. CHARLES M. HAZEN has been appointed professor of biology in Richmond College, at Richmond, Va.

THE following appointments have been made at the Illinois College, Jacksonville, Ill.: J. Bishop Tingle, Ph.D. (Munich), instructor of chemistry at the Lewis Institute, Chicago, to be professor of chemistry. J. B. Overton, Ph.D. (Chicago), graduate assistant in botany in the University of Chicago, to be professor of biology. J. H. Hall, Ph.D. (Yale), assistant in the University of Chicago, to be assistant professor of physics.

MISS S. M. HALLOWELL, professor of botany at Wellesley College, has been given leave of absence for the year and the work of the department will be under Miss Clara E. Cummings, assistant professor of botany.

EDWARD C. SCHNEIDER, Ph.D. (Yale, 1901), has been appointed to take charge of the work in biology at Tabor College, Tabor, Iowa.

MR. R. M. FERRIER, B.Sc. (Glasgow), M.Sc. (Durham), has been appointed to the chair of engineering at University College, Bristol, in succession to Dr. Stanton, who has received the appointment of superintendent of the engineering department in the National Physical Laboratory.

DR. ROKURO NAKASEKO, who has been the recipient of a University Fellowship at Yale during the past two years, has returned to Kyoto, Japan, to take charge of the instruction in physiological chemistry in the Scientific School there.