

ing regulations for the conduct of scientific controversies were adopted: (1) Every controversy shall be brought to a close by a final reply from the writer who opened the debate; only in exceptional cases shall an opponent be allowed a second reply. (2) A reply may be inserted in small type, and at the end of the journal, even when the article animadverted on was published as an original communication. (3) The editor has the right to send a copy of the criticism to the author of the article attacked, even before its insertion.

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MR. FREDERICK W. VANDERBILT has given to the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, of which he is a graduate, a valuable tract of land and will build upon it a dormitory. The value of the gift is not known, but it is reported to be \$500,000.

DR. D. K. PEARSONS has added \$50,000 to the \$200,000 he has already given to Whitman College, Walla Walla, Washington.

THE late Rev. Henry Latham, master of Trinity Hall, Cambridge, has left about \$35,000 to the university to form a fund, from which grants may be made to members of the university who are incapacitated by age or infirmity, and to their widows and families.

THE Public Health Institute, Edinburgh, completed by the liberality of Sir John Usher, has been handed over to the university.

THE Wesleyan University summer school of chemistry and biology has just opened, with an attendance of thirty-six.

THE universities of the Maritime Provinces of Canada are sending a memorial to the executors of Mr. Rhodes's will asking that the conditions of the will be altered so as to give all the provinces of the Dominion an opportunity to compete for the Oxford scholarships. The will provides only for Ontario and Quebec, two out of seven provinces.

THE president of Waynesburg College, Waynesburg, Pa., sends us a note to the effect that at the recent commencement the institution conferred the degree of Ph.D. on President Z. X. Snyder, of the Colorado Normal School. According to 'Who's Who'

President Snyder was given the degree of Ph.D. by Waynesburg College in 1876. It is to be hoped that Waynesburg College will limit the conferring of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy *causa honoris* to President Snyder.

PROFESSOR T. W. GALLOWAY, of Missouri Valley College, has been elected to the chair of biology of the new James Millikin University, at Decatur, Ill., and is succeeded at Missouri Valley College by Dr. Lawrence E. Griffin, assistant in zoology in the Western Reserve University.

F. L. STEVENS, Ph.D. (Chicago), has been advanced from an instructorship to a full professorship in the new department of biology at the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts at Raleigh, N. C.

SEVERAL laboratory assistantships in elementary chemistry are available at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, for the coming school year. The pay for these assistantships is \$300 per year, and the work consists in laboratory instruction in general elementary chemistry; the arrangement being that the assistant shall give one half of his time to the work and devote the other half of his time to research work in some branch of chemistry as arranged with the head of the chemistry department.

IN connection with the grant of £10,000 a year recently voted to the University of London by the London County Council in aid of the work of the Faculties of Arts, Science, Engineering, and Economics, the Senate have made the following appointments: Professor Ramsay, F.R.S., teacher of chemistry at University College; Professor Capper, teacher of mechanical engineering at King's College; Professor Unwin, F.R.S., teacher of civil and mechanical engineering at the Central Technical College, and Dr. J. Norman Collier, F.R.S., professor of organic chemistry at University College.

AT St. John's College, Cambridge, Mr. G. B. Mathews, F.R.S., senior wrangler in 1883, has been reelected to a fellowship and Mr. J. H. Vincent, D.Sc., has been elected to a Hutchinson studentship in physics.