

sequently published an account of his travels in a work entitled 'Unexplored Baluchistan.' In the same year (1876) he was appointed inspector-general of Egyptian telegraphs. In 1887 he surveyed, and described in the 'Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society,' 'Two Routes in the Eastern Desert of Egypt,' and later described the results of an expedition to the same desert in an official publication entitled 'Etude sur la Nord-Etbai.' It was during this journey that he rediscovered the ancient emerald mines of the Egyptians, and his maps and observations have been the basis for the subsequent exploitation of minerals in this region. During the last decade Mr. Floyer devoted much attention to the reclamation, by judicious planting, of the land which had been lost to cultivation by the encroachment of drifting sand upon the western border of the Delta.

It is proposed to establish under the auspices of the International Sanitary Conference an international sanitary bureau for the collection of information respecting infectious diseases, such as plague, cholera and yellow fever, and also for the harmonious working of those sanitary regulations in the east which have so greatly contributed within the last five years to the preservation of public health, as well as to the benefit of trade, by the suppression of the old quarantine system. If the movement is successful the bureau will have its headquarters in Paris.

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THE will of the late Washington Corrington, of Peoria, Ill., leaves the entire estate, valued at \$750,000, for the founding of an educational institution to be known as Corrington Institute and University. The estate is to be managed by trustees until it reaches \$1,500,000, when work is to be begun at Mr. Corrington's late home, just outside the limits of Peoria. Professor John M. Coulter, of the University of Chicago, is one of the trustees.

By the will of the late Ruth A. Hoar, the Worcester Polytechnic Institute receives \$5,-

000 and Clark University will ultimately receive \$30,000.

PALMER UNIVERSITY, at Muncie, Ind., has secured the \$100,000 necessary to obtain the endowment of \$100,000 left by the late F. A. Palmer.

DR. EDWARD HITCHCOCK, JR., for several years professor of physical culture and hygiene and director of the gymnasium at Cornell University, has resigned.

PROFESSOR W. A. S. HEWINS, M.A., having resigned the post of director of the London School of Economics and Political Science, the senate has appointed in his place Mr. H. J. Mackinder, M.A., lecturer in economic geography at that institution. Mr. Mackinder has lately resigned the principalship of University College, Reading, but will continue his lectures on economic geography in the University of London and historical geography in the University of Oxford.

MR. WILLIAM RAVENSCROFT HUGHES, B.A., has been elected to a fellowship in Jesus College, Cambridge University. Mr. Hughes was fifth wrangler in the mathematical tripos, 1902.

THE council of King's College, London, has appointed to the chair of mathematics Mr. S. A. F. White, M.A., of Wadham College, Oxford, who has been demonstrator in natural philosophy in King's College since 1895. The council has also appointed Mr. E. F. Herroun assistant professor of physics, and Mr. J. B. Dale, M.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge, assistant professor of mathematics.

SIR JOHN SCOTT BURDON-SANDERSON, M.A., D.M., hon. fellow of Magdalen, and Regius professor of medicine at Oxford University, has placed his resignation of the professorship in the hands of the vice-chancellor. Sir John Burdon-Sanderson was appointed to the regius professorship, to which is annexed the Aldrichian professorship of the practice of medicine, in 1895, upon the resignation of the late Sir Henry Acland, who had occupied the chair for thirty-eight years. Professor Burdon-Sanderson was the first occupant of the Waynflete chair of physiology, to which he was appointed in 1883, his successor being the present professor, Dr. Gotch.