

Sec. 4. That the Secretaries of the Departments aforesaid shall make and publish from time to time uniform rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act.

*THE REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE
WALTER REED MONUMENT.¹*

THE committee on the Walter Reed memorial fund desire to submit, as is required, their report, and, as their work is practically finished, would ask to be discharged.

The amount subscribed to the fund up to May 1, 1906, as reported to the committee by General Calvin DeWitt, secretary of the Walter Reed Memorial Association, is \$20,943.64. The amount paid in is \$19,730.64, leaving subscribed, but not yet paid, \$1,213.

It was the desire of the committee and also of the Walter Reed Memorial Association that the sum of \$25,000 should be raised. The committee regret very much indeed that American cities and towns which have been devastated by yellow fever have contributed much less than \$1,000 all told, and nothing in the way of public, municipal or state subscriptions. They still further, and especially regret that the sum total from Cuba has been only \$25. It seems to the committee that the country from which yellow fever was eradicated after having been continually present for 140 years, and which has had pointed out to it clearly the way in which future epidemics can be absolutely avoided, should certainly have made some substantial acknowledgment of the services of a surgeon who not only made a contribution of enormous value from the sanitary point of view, but who has established its future commercial prosperity.

The committee can not tell precisely the amount subscribed by the medical profession, but it is a very large proportion of the nearly \$20,000 collected to date. It gives us pleasure to call attention to the fact that while few business men have recognized the enormous money value of Dr. Reed's services, to say nothing of the saving of human lives, his own profession has given such substantial recognition of the worth of his services in preventing

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a disease which has committed such dreadful havoc in the past, but will never do so again.

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THE SHALER MEMORIAL FUND.

THE following circular has been sent by a committee of alumni of Harvard University to the graduates of the College and the Scientific School:

Nathaniel Southgate Shaler, S.D., LL.D., professor of geology and dean of the Lawrence Scientific School, died in Cambridge, April 10, 1906, after more than forty years of faithful work at Harvard.

Professor Shaler's remarkable personality made a profound impression on the college and the community. The names of over 6,000 students have been enrolled in his classes. In recognition of his great services to the university, the executive committee of the Alumni Association has appointed the committee named below to secure a Shaler memorial fund, the form of the memorial and the disposition of the principal and income of the fund to be determined by the committee.

It is believed that many Harvard men, to whom the members of the committee are unable to write personally, will wish to subscribe to this memorial. This circular is therefore sent to all graduates of the college and the scientific school. Those who desire to contribute to the fund are requested to send their subscriptions, large or small (in the form of checks made payable to the Treasurer of Harvard University), to the chairman as soon as possible, in order that a good report of progress, stating the number of subscriptions as well as the total amount subscribed, can be made on commencement day, June 27.

THE ITHACA MEETING.

THE meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the affiliated societies at Cornell University next week is an event of importance in the history of scientific organization and the advancement and diffusion of science in this country. The