

The faculty of arts and sciences records with gratitude its sense of the services which Charles William Eliot has rendered to Harvard University and to its own members. The changes he has wrought in the university will be remembered so long as the university endures. To this faculty he has been a guide and a friend no less than a leader. The qualities which mark him as great have nowhere appeared more clearly and spontaneously than in its meetings. He has shown judgment and resource, devotion to progress, love of truth, contempt for sham and indirection, and patience with those who differed or opposed. He has welcomed in catholic spirit every variety of intellectual ability, and has furthered the extension of every field of knowledge. He has been frank in the admission of evils, courageous and skilful in seeking for remedies; unflinchingly attentive to every detail, always mindful of the large question of policy; cogent and effective in debate, generous toward the arguments of others. In the university and in this faculty, as in the outer world, he has stood for freedom of opinion and expression. He has been a leader not through official position but by force of character and intellect. His dealings with the teaching staff have been open, equitable and liberal to the extent of every available resource. His close contact with the members of the faculty has deepened in their hearts, with every added year of his long term, confidence, admiration and warm regard; and they now part from him with reluctance, but with thankfulness for what has been achieved by him and under him, and with faith that his work will be maintained.

THE WINNIPEG MEETING OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION

THE local secretaries for the meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science beg to remind intending visitors from the United States that members of the American Association for the Advancement of Science will be admitted as full members of the British Association for the Winnipeg meeting (and entitled to receive the volume of proceedings), on payment of a fee of \$5. The meeting will be held from the twenty-fifth of August to the first of September, inclusive, and it is anticipated that a large number of visitors from the United States, as well as from Canada and Europe, will attend. It is important

that those intending to be present should send in their names to the local secretaries, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, as soon as possible; printed matter bearing on the meeting will gladly be furnished, as well as postcard forms giving various details of use to the local committee. The secretaries are in communication with the various passenger associations in connection with reduced fares via the United States, but for the present no definite statement can be given, except that the special fares in force in connection with the exposition at Seattle may be taken advantage of. A concession of single fare for the return journey has been secured on all Canadian railways, and those entering Canada should be able to obtain from the agent at the port of entry the standard convention certificate enabling them to secure this privilege. Circulars of information upon this and other matters will be forwarded upon application to the local secretaries.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

DR. IRA REMSEN, president of the Johns Hopkins University, has been elected president of the Society for Chemical Industry for the meeting to be held next year in Glasgow.

MR. LAZARUS FLETCHER, F.R.S., the keeper of the department of mineralogy since 1880, has been appointed to the post of director of the natural history departments of the British Museum, vacant since the retirement of Dr. E. Ray Lankester.

AMONG the honorary degrees awarded by Columbia University at its recent commencement was that of master of science on Mr. B. B. Lawrence, the mining engineer; a doctorate of science on Dr. S. F. Emmons, of the U. S. Geological Survey; a doctorate of letters on Dr. Mary Whiton Calkins, professor of philosophy and psychology at Wellesley College, and a doctorate of laws on Dr. A. Lawrence Lowell, president of Harvard University.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY has conferred its doctorate of laws on Dr. Borden P. Bowne, professor of philosophy in Boston University.

DR. S. O. MAST, associate in biology at the Woman's College of Baltimore, has received