an even more comprehensive basis—will be conducted, are indicated by some of its practical achievements already accomplished, such as the serum treatment of epidemic meningitis; the discovery of the cause and mode of infection of infantile paralysis, the surgery of blood vessels through which blood transfusion has become a daily life-saving expedient; the safer method of administering anesthetics by intratracheal insufflation; the skin or luetic reaction and the cultivation of the parasite of rabies.

The scope of the work of the institute will be indicated by a list of the several special scientific departments which it maintains. It includes pathology, bacteriology, protozoology, biological chemistry, physiology and pharmacology, experimental biology, and animal pathology, besides the special hospital.

## BEQUESTS OF MRS. MORRIS K. JESUP

MRS. MORRIS K. JESUP, who died on June 17, bequeathed \$5,000,000 to the American Museum of Natural History and made other bequests to public institutions amounting to \$3,450,000. In providing in her will for the American Museum of Natural History, Mrs. Jesup said:

I give and bequeath to the American Museum of Natural History of the city of New York four million dollars (\$4,000,000) as a permanent fund to be known as "The Morris K. Jesup Fund," the income, and only the income, to be used in the purchase of specimens and collections and the expenses incident to and incurred in assisting scientific research and investigation and publication regarding the same, which the trustees of the museum shall regard as in its interests.

In a codicil, added to her will three years after the will was drawn, an additional \$1,000,000 is given to the museum. Morris K. Jesup, who died on January 22, 1908, became president of the museum in 1882, and devoted a large part of his time and energy to its interests. In his lifetime Mr. Jesup gave more than \$1,000,000 to the museum, and under his will it inherited an additional \$1,000,000.

Other public bequests made by Mrs. Jesup include the following:

Syrian Protestant College\$4	£00,000
	300,000
	300,000
	250,000
	150,000
	150,000
	100,000
	100,000
Hampton Institute	50,000
Tuskegee Institute	50,000
Northfield School	25,000
Mount Hermon School	25,000
New York Zoological Society	25,000
New York Botanical Gardens	25,000
Memorial Hospital for Cancer	10,000
St. Luke's Hospital	10,000
Cooper Union	10,000
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## SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE American Medical Association at its meeting at Atlantic City elected officers for the meeting to be held next year at San Francisco as follows: President, Dr. William L. Rodman, of Philadelphia; first vice-president, Dr. D. S. Fairchild, of Iowa; second vicepresident, Dr. Wisner R. Townsend, of New York; third vice-president, Dr. Alice Hamilton, of Chicago; fourth vice-president, Dr. William Edgar Darnall, of Atlantic City; secretary, Dr. Alexander R. Craig, of Chicago, reelected; treasurer, Dr. William Allen Pusey, of Chicago.

At the opening meeting of the American Medical Association, its gold medal was conferred on Surgeon General William Crawford Gorgas.

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY has conferred its doctorate of laws on Dr. Simon Flexner, director of the laboratories of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research.

AMONG the degrees conferred by Harvard University at its commencement exercises were the master of science on Dr. Milton J. Rosenau, professor of preventive medicine in the Harvard Medical School, and the degree of doctor of science on Dr. W. C. Sabine, professor of physics and dean of the graduate school.

DR. WILLIAM L. DUDLEY, dean of the medical department and director of the chemical