

of the Royal Institution, said that the portrait was one which the institution might well be proud to possess; it reminded them very warmly and intimately of a man whom they all respected and loved.

Sir William Bragg said that he was proud and grateful that his portrait should be given with such expressions of good will. The institution was an unofficial body, not connected with any government or municipal establishment. It worked on its own and its successes had been due to the devotion of its members, who had always helped it within their powers. In the past 10 years he had always found a prompt response made by any member approached with a request on behalf of the Royal Institution for lectures or other services. He had never had an unfavorable response and hoped he never would. The institution was held in astonishing affection by the country at large. Its members were a friendly body, and in this lay their strength. They were trying to draw together, by personal contact if possible, all those interested in the advance of knowledge. That they had been able in the last three years to pull themselves out of difficulties and rebuild their home was the result of real friendship all around.

THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

At the annual meeting of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences held in Boston on May 10, the following officers were elected:

President, George H. Parker; *Vice-president for Class I*, Harry M. Goodwin; *Vice-president for Class II*, Walter B. Cannon; *Vice-president for Class III*, Edwin F. Gay; *Vice-president for Class IV*, Arthur S. Pease; *Corresponding Secretary*, Tenney L. Davis; *Recording Secretary*, Walter E. Clark; *Treasurer*, Ingersoll Bowditch; *Librarian*, Alfred C. Lane; *Editor*, Herbert V. Neal.

Fellows of the academy elected in the natural and exact sciences are:

CLASS I

Section 1—*Mathematics and Astronomy*

Jesse Douglas, Cambridge.

Marshall Harvey Stone, New Haven, Connecticut.

Section 3—*Chemistry*

Louis Frederick Fieser, Waltham.

George Bogdan Kistiakowsky, Cambridge.

Henry Weeden Underwood, Cambridge.

Section 4—*Technology and Engineering*

Harold Kilbrith Barrows, Winchester.

Arthur Edwin Norton, Cambridge.

Frank Edward Winsor, West Newton.

CLASS II

Section 1—*Geology and Meteorology*

Charles Franklin Brooks, Milton

Frank Morton Carpenter, Cambridge.

Section 3—*Zoology and Physiology*

Philip Bard, Cambridge

Alden Benjamin Dawson, Cambridge

Frank Rattray Lillie, Chicago, Illinois.

Jeffries Wyman, Jr., Chestnut Hill

Section 4—*Medicine and Surgery*

Reginald Fitz, Brookline

Edgar Erskine Hume, Washington, D. C.

George Burgess Magrath, Boston.

George Cheever Shattuck, Brookline.

Soma Weiss, Cambridge.

Among these elected in Class IV are:

Section 1—*Theology, Philosophy and Psychology*

Gordon Willard Allport, Cambridge.

Howard Crosby Warren, Princeton.

Frederic Lyman Wells, Newton Highlands.

Section 2—*History, Archeology and Anthropology*

Edward Sapir, New Haven

Foreign members were elected as follows:

Section of *Chemistry*

Jaroslav Heyrovsky, Prague.

Fritz Paneth, Königsberg.

Section of *Zoology and Physiology*

Hans Spemann, Freiburg i. B.

Section of *Theology, Philosophy and Psychology*

George Elias Müller, Göttingen.

Section of *History, Archeology and Anthropology*

Sir Arthur Keith, London.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE Rumford Medal of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences has been awarded to Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of the Harvard College Observatory, for "researches on the luminosity of stars and galaxies."

PROFESSOR S. A. MITCHELL, director of the Leander McCormick Observatory of the University of Virginia, has been elected a foreign associate of the Royal Astronomical Society.

It is proposed to name a Colorado mountain peak after Dr. William Trelease, emeritus professor of botany of the University of Illinois, formerly head of the Henry Shaw School of Botany at Washington University, St. Louis, and director of the Missouri Botanical Garden.

PROFESSOR ALBERT EINSTEIN will deliver the first Gibson Memorial Lecture at the University of Glas-