MISS GARRETT'S GIFT.

She Presents $300,977 to Johns Hopkins Medical School.

IT WILL OPEN IN OCTOBER, 1893.

Women to Be Received and Educated—Under the Same Terms as Men—The Trustees Accept the Conditions—Miss Garrett's Former Contributions.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Garrett has made possible the opening of the proposed medical school of the Johns Hopkins University, in which the women of the country are entitled to the opportunity for study as men. The school, by vote of the university trustees, will open in October, 1893. Miss Garrett has placed at the disposal of the trustees $300,977, which, with the amount already in hand, will make up $500,000 required to carry out the work of the medical school before it is established. This amount is the fruit of the trust she placed in the school, and it is only $49,023 short of the sum of $500,000 which was needed.

On December 13, 1890, Miss Garrett, under date of December 22, 1892, addressed the following letter to the president and board of trustees of Johns Hopkins University:

Miss Garrett's Letter.

In the resolution of your board of trustees, adopted on October 28, 1890, it was provided that the medical school of your university should be opened when a general fund had been accumulated for its establishment and maintenance. As the result of subsequent payments, outstanding collectable amounts, and the interest accrued thereon, may now be safely assumed to be $300,000.

It is necessary, therefore, that the general fund should be increased by the sum of $300,977 to insure the opening of your medical school. I now place this amount of $300,977, payable as hereinafter provided, at the disposal of your board of trustees for the use of your medical school upon the conditions expressed in your resolutions of October 28, 1890, and upon the terms expressed in my letter of April 30, 1890, to the president of the board of trustees, naming, among other things, the fact that the sum of $500,000 shall revert to me, or such person or persons, institution or institutions as I may hereafter appoint, if the university shall discontinue a medical school devoted to the education of both men and women, or if at any time it can be shown by proper legal procedure that the fees charged in the medical school do not enjoy all its advantages on the same terms as men, or are not admitted on the same terms as men to all prizes, dignities or honors that are awarded by competitive examination or regarded as rewarding the work of men and women, with the view of carrying into effect the terms of my gift.

Conditions of the Gift.

1. That not more than $30,000 of the original endowment of $500,000 shall be expended on a building, and that all the funds received shall be deposited in the custody of the trustees, and shall not be divided among the institutions of the different communities of the country at large.

2. That the endowment fund shall be used exclusively for the support of the medical school, and that no portion thereof shall be expended for any other purpose.

3. That the medical school shall be conducted under the direction of a board of trustees, and that the trustees shall be responsible for the management of the school.

4. That the medical school shall be open to both men and women, and that the terms of admission shall be the same for both men and women.

5. That the medical school shall be conducted for the benefit of all nations, and that no discrimination shall be made on account of race, color, or creed.

6. That the medical school shall be conducted in such a manner as to secure the highest possible standard of instruction.

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The Trustees of the Johns Hopkins University.

This gift is made in the name of Miss Mary Elizabeth Garrett, and a separate account of the same shall always be kept on the books of the university.

The committee named by her in said letter shall be known as the "Mary Elizabeth Garrett Fund," and such committee shall be organized and always maintained in the manner set forth in her said letter, and shall perform the duties therein imposed upon it.

To Open Next October.

The Baxley fund, the women's Medical School fund, and the other contributions by Miss Mary Elizabeth Garrett in aid of our Medical School will enable this board to open such school in October, 1893. The school, when opened, will, we believe, because of its character, its quality, and its influence, become a center of study for the medical profession of the country whose requirements and training may enable them to enter upon its course of instruction, and to contribute to the scientific study of medicine.

Resolved, That the president of the board of trustees be requested to transmit to Miss Mary Elizabeth Garrett a copy of this letter, with a copy of this minute and resolution, and that the president be requested to notify her by telegram, from time to time, of the progress of these committees, from time to time, of the progress of these committees, and that the president be requested to notify her by letter, and by the secretary thereof, annexed thereto, as a memorial of her liberality to this university and of its obligations to her.

History of the Fund.

The collection of the fund of $500,000 was begun in 1880 by committees of women in many of the cities of this country, the object being raised in a number of cities about the sum of $300,000 in order to give women equal privileges with men when the Johns Hopkins Medical School should be opened. The sum of $111,000 was raised by the committees and turned over to the university on June 1, 1890, by Mrs. Nancy Morris Davis, chairman of the Baltimore committee, and this was raised by the separate committees as follows: Baltimore, $508,825, of which Miss Garrett contributed $47,787 50; Boston, $18,674 50; Chicago, $14,000; New York, $8,125 75; Pacific coast, $2,142; Washington, $2,087; Chicago, $1,140; Port Deposit, $500; Springfield, Mass., $900; Essex county, Mass., $400; Annapolis, $180 75; St. Louis, $200 75; Madison, Wis., $129 56; Milwaukee, $50, $100, $75.

The university trustees voted the total Medical School fund to $179,780 42 by adding to the amount turned over by the women the sum of $37,400 42, available from their own accumulated funds. The greater portion of this additional amount was set apart in 1876 by Dr. Henry W. Baxley, of Baltimore, for the foundation of a professorship whenever the university should open its Medical School. This total fund has grown by the addition of the above gift to the total of $180,282. The difference between this and $500,000 is the sum given by this last gift of Miss Garrett.

Medical Faculty Organized.

When the Johns Hopkins Hospital was opened in 1889 the university authorities, seeing that the opening of a medical school would be possible within a few years, began the election of a professional faculty to fill the various chairs proposed. This faculty at present consists of the following physicians, most of them being called notaries public in the city of Baltimore and other cities in this country and Canada.

W. H. Walsh, appointed 1889.
building or buildings, and that in memory of the contributions of the committees of the Women's Medical School fund this building, if there be but one, it shall be called the Women's Fund Memorial Building.

3. That the medical school of the university shall be exclusively a graduate school as hereinafter explained, that is to say: That the medical school of the Johns Hopkins University shall form an integral part of the Johns Hopkins University. A graduate of the university, shall be under the management and control of the trustees of the said university; that it shall provide a four years' course, leading to the degree of doctor of medicine; that all the instruction given in the school shall presuppose the knowledge of the preliminary course in physiology, chemistry, and anatomy so as to be mastered in the preliminary medical course (Third Group, Chemical Biological) as at present laid down in your university register; that there shall be admitted to the school those students only who by examination or by other tests equally satisfactory to the faculty of the medical school, have proved that they have completed the studies included in the preliminary medical course, but the condition is not meant to restrict the trustees from receiving as hearers, but not as candidates for the degree of doctor of medicine, those who have received the degree of doctor of medicine or equivalent in some school of good repute, and that the degree of doctor of medicine of the Johns Hopkins University shall be given to no doctors of medicine who have not proved by examination, or by other tests equally satisfactory to the faculty of the medical school, that they have completed the studies included in the preliminary medical course, besides completing the course of studies of the medical school of the Johns Hopkins University.

4. That the terms of this gift and the resolution of October 28, 1889, in which the trustees accepted the gift of the Woman's Medical School fund, shall be extended each year in whatever annual or semi-annual calendars may be adopted and announcing the course of the medical school.

A Woman's Committee.

5. That there shall be created a committee of six women to whom the women studying in the medical school may apply for advice concerning lodging and other practical matters, and that all questions concerning the personal character of women applying for admission to the school shall be referred to the committee, and all non-academic subjects of advice be referred to the committee of women studying in the medical school shall be referred to this committee and by them be in writing reported for action to the authorities of the university; that the members of this committee shall be temporarily selected by the trustees, and that the committee, once formed, shall be elected by the members of the committee to fill such vacancies as may occur being subject always to the approval of the board of trustees of the university, and that the first members shall be Mrs. Henry M. Hurd and Mrs. Ira D. Long, both of whom were active members of the Baltimore committee of the Woman's Medical School fund; and Mrs. W. J. Claridge and Miss Mary M. Gwyn, the two friends who have been most closely associated with me in promoting the opening of the medical school, both of whom are daughters of trustees of the university, and myself.

6. That the Women's Memorial School shall be opened to the women of the city and county. William H. Welch, appointed 1886, professor of pathology and pathologist to the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

William Osler, professor of the principles and practice of medicine and physician to the hospital.

Henry M. Hurd, professor of psychiatry and superintendent of the hospital.

Howard A. Kelly, professor of gynecology and gynecologist to the hospital.

John W. Halsted, professor of surgery, chief of the hospital dispensary and surgeon in charge.

John S. Billings, lecturer on municipal hygiene.

George H. F. Nuttall, associate in bacteriology and hygiene.

Simon Flexner, associate in pathology.

In two years the faculty has also included Dr. W. T. Coupland and Dr. Alexander C. Abbott, the former in anatomy and the latter in bacteriology. Both of these resigned last year to accept positions in other cities.

Lectures at the Hospital.

For the past three years during January, February and March the authorities of the Johns Hopkins Hospital have been giving courses of advanced lectures on medical subjects with little or no assistance from the university. These lectures have been attended by a large number of the younger physicians resident in Baltimore. Dr. Henry M. Hurd, superintendent of the hospital, says in his last annual report:

"Although the exigencies of medical teaching were constantly borne in mind in planning and carrying on the hospital, it formed no part of the plans of the trustees to give medical instruction, but rather to furnish an opportunity for clinical instruction in the medical school of the university. Hence the work of teaching was entered upon with reluctance and only to satisfy a general demand on the part of the medical profession when it appeared that the university would not undertake this work in the medical school. This necessitated that the instruction should be post-graduate in character, and with the exception of the stated lectures and laboratory work, largely clinical.

"The success which has attended this effort, an advance in the hospital, and has been much more than was anticipated. There has been from the first an assured and increasing demand for laboratory work in pathology and bacteriology. It is gratifying to know that this increased demand for instruction in these branches has been due to a desire on the part of medical men to fit themselves for higher attainments in medicine. The work of the pathological laboratory of the university upon the grounds of the hospital was originally determined by lack of room at the university and was regarded as a temporary measure. The experience of the past three years, however, has shown that this bas no basis and that the position by which laboratory work has been brought into relation with every department of the hospital work. During the past year the laboratory has been taxed to the utmost to accommodate students and additional tables and apparatus have been required. Two systematic courses have been given in bacteriology last year and a similar number in pathology.

"Regular lectures have been given on their specialties by the occupants of the separate chairs, in addition to regular clinical instruction at the hospital. The following
4. That the medical school shall be opened in the autumn of 1863, and that notice of such intended opening shall be given on February 22, 1863.

Conservation of Policy.

4. That in the event of any violation of any or all of the aforesaid stipulations the said sum of $50,000 shall revert to me or such person or persons, institution or institutions as by testament or otherwise may hereafter appoint. Such alteration of the preliminary medical course at present laid down in your university register as shall leave undiminished the time required for preparation for that course, and the time required for the completion of that course, and the time devoted before and during that course to modern languages other than English, and to non-medical scientific studies, shall not be construed as violating the stipulations aforesaid.

These stipulations and in particular those relating to the standard of admission, instruction and graduation in the medical school, I make, not because of any misgiving in regard to the policy likely to be pursued by the present board of trustees, but because of the obvious possibility that the policy might be altered by succeeding trustees, and because of my own entire unwillingness to contribute at any time to the maintenance of an undergraduate or partly undergraduate school.

The sum of $50,000 thus offered to the trustees of the university I propose to pay in yearly installments of $5,000 each, the first payment being made on January 1, 1864, and the last on January 1, 1868, adding to this final payment the additional sum of $5,000 still due; and in the meanwhile I will pay to the university in semi-annual payments interest at 5 per cent. per annum, computed from January 1, 1863, on such part of my gift as may remain from time to time in my hands, and I will, for the payment of all the said amounts, make such provision as will guarantee the university against all contingencies.

I am, very respectfully, yours,

MARY E. GARRETT.

The Trustees' Acceptance.

The following minute and resolution were adopted by the trustees December 24, 1862:

"The president and board of trustees of the Johns Hopkins University having read and fully considered the generous offer made to them by Miss Mary Elizabeth Garrett of Baltimore, in her letter of December 22, 1862, to place at their disposal the large sum of $50,000, in further endowment of the Medical School of the Johns Hopkins University, the said conditions set forth in said letter, and the conditions in her offer and added for in the letter of December 22, 1862, are hereby accepted.

J. M. T. Finney, President.

Wm. H. Baltzley.

Dr. Hunter Robb.

Dr. S. T. Theobald.

Dr. W. D. Booker.

Dr. Mackenzie.

Miss A. Hitchcock.

Miss M. Boland.

Dr. R. B. Morison.

Dr. T. C. Gilchrist.

Dr. H. M. Thomas.

Dr. A. Helena Goodwin.

Dr. Mary E. Deborn.

Dr. Mary B. Sherwood.

Dr. Anna P. Sharples.

Dr. Mary H. Welsh.

Dr. Lilian Walsh.

Dr. Roberta, of Minneapolis, all courses; Dr. Cora B. Roberts, of San Francisco, all courses; Dr. Charlotte B. Taylor, of San Francisco, all courses.