

❁ *Items of Interest.* ❁

Will of Dr. N. S. Davis.—The will of the late Dr. N. S. Davis, father of the American Medical Association, disposes of an estate valued at \$39,000, of which \$25,000 is real estate. The homestead is bequeathed to his widow, his library to his son, and a perpetual scholarship in Northwestern University to his grandson, Frank H. Davis.—*Med. News.*

Fourth Pan-American Medical Congress.—President Amador of the Republic of Panama has appointed the following officers of the Fourth Pan-American Medical Congress, to be held in Panama the first week in January, 1905: Dr. Julio Yeaza, President; Dr. Manuel Corrales, Vice-President; Dr. Jose E. Calvo, Secretary; Dr. Pedro de Obarrio, Treasurer; Dr. J. W. Ross, Dr. J. Tomaselli, Dr. M. Gasteazoro, Committeemen. There will be but four sections, Surgery, Medicine, Hygiene and the Specialties, to which the following officers were appointed: Surgical Section—Major Louis LaGarde, President; Dr. E. B. Barrick, Secretary. Medical Section—Dr. Moritz Stern, President; Dr. Daniel R. Oduber, Secretary. Section on Hygiene—Colonel W. C. Gorgas, President; Dr. Henry E. Carter, Secretary. Section on Specialties—Dr. W. Spratling, President; Dr. Charles A. Cooke, Secretary.

The Emergency Hospital at the World's Fair, St. Louis.—This hospital is located near the parade entrance, where it can be easily and promptly reached from both the outside and inside of the grounds. The building is 103 x 109 feet, erected at a cost of \$16,000, and has been operated since January 5, 1904. This institution, which is under the charge of the medical director of the Fair, Dr. L. H. Laidley, is thoroughly equipped in every detail, for handling all classes of injuries and illness. A special sunstroke ward, fitted with bath tubs, shower baths, ice boxes and wicker couches, occupies a well-ventilated room on the first floor. The leading medical magazines will be found on file in the library. Dr. Laidley has at present a staff of six physicians, besides nurses, ambulance drivers, clerks and orderlies. About six thousand cases have been treated in the hospital thus far. The entire equipment of the hospital was furnished by the Blease-Moore Instrument Co., of St. Louis.—*Med. Herald.*