The semiannual meeting of the Corporation of the Institute was held last week. Mr. Augustus Lowell was re-elected as member of the Executive Committee for five years. The vacancy left in the Corporation by the death of Alexander H. Rice was filled by the election of Hon. William H. Lincoln. Frederick W. Lincoln will fill Mr. Rice's position as trustee of the Museum of Fine Arts. Dr. Francis H. Williams was re-elected Secretary of the Corporation. Mr. J. B. Sewall was placed on the visiting committee for the Department of Modern Languages and for that of Literature, History, and Political Economy. Mr. W. H. Lincoln was added to the Committee on the Department of Naval Architecture. It was voted to employ the bequest of Mrs. Augustus Lowell as a permanent fund, the income of which shall be devoted to purchasing apparatus for the Physical Laboratory.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology gets $20,000 and Tufts College $10,000 by the will of Thomas O. P. Burnham, the Boston secondhand bookseller, who had a bookstall for so many years under the Old South Church. On the outside, at least, his bookstall was a most unpretentious affair, out of which it seemed possible that a thrifty person might get a modest living; but Mr. Burnham found more in it than that, for his estate exceeded $600,000,—all left for charitable or for public uses." To the above information from the Bachelor of Arts, it is but fair to add that Mr. Burnham's wealth was also derived to a large extent from fortunate transactions in real estate, notably by the sale of that corner on which the newer part of the Parker House now stands. In earlier times Mr. Burnham was also well and favorably known as a publisher, his numerous initials, T. O. H. P. B., being turned into useful account to represent "The Old Honest Publisher" Burnham.

Alumni Notes.

Mr. Wm. M. Locke, '92, has been appointed Chief Sanitary Engineer of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Azel Ames, 3d, '95, has entered the Civil Engineering Department of the Boston and Maine Railroad.

Mr. Luther K. Yoder, '95, has obtained a position in the construction department of the Maryland Steel Co.

Mr. Frank C. Shephard, '92, lately with the Metropolitan Sewage Commission, is employed at present with the Boston Subway.

Mr. Ralph H. Sweetser, '92, of Course III., has accepted a position as chemist in the blast furnace department of the Maryland Steel Co. at Sparrow's Point, Maryland.

Mr. W. S. Hutchinson, '92, Course III., and Mr. T. H. Harvey, '93, of the same course, have established themselves as mining engineers and metallurgists in Galt, Colorado.

A. D. Fuller, '95, well known as a former Editor in Chief of The Tech, is at present associated with his brother in the firm of Fuller & Fuller, Civil and Sanitary Engineers, with an office in the Exchange Building, State Street.

The many friends of Mr. Severance Burrage, '92, will be interested in the following clipping from the Purdue University paper of September 27th: "Mr. Burrage, the new instructor in Sanitary Science, is starting in under favorable auspices, and bids fair to make a success of the work under his direction. He is fitting up the former herbarium as a bacteriological laboratory, which, when completed, will be a model of its kind."