

allocate sufficient funds for each of the institutions that had to be maintained from that source. He felt sure that those who set aside the endowment had not realized what heavy demands there would be on the revenue, or they would have set aside much larger reserves, especially at a time when it had been comparatively easy to grant large tracts of land for special purposes. (78)

Although there was only a brief interlude before the Council and the Board were once more involved in library matters, this is a fit point at which to conclude this chapter, because, early in 1913, Mr. Howard Strong (who had replaced Mr. Cracroft-Wilson as Librarian in 1906) retired to give place to Mr. E.J. Bell, a young and talented Englishman, who took up his new position on June 1, 1913. Since this date the control of the Library has been in his capable hands and so his appointment is the natural starting point of a new period.

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78. "The Star", July 1, 1913.