LIBRARY AT HARVARD IS GIFT OF HOUGHTON

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 12—Dr. James B. Conant, president of Harvard University, disclosed tonight that Arthur Amory Houghton Jr. of Corning, N. Y., Harvard, '29, was the donor of the new building in the Harvard yard for the housing of rare books and manuscripts.

The building, to be known as the Houghton Library, will be formally opened Feb. 28. It will accommodate more than a quarter of a million volumes and will have several reading rooms and exhibition space.

Mr. Houghton is a well-known collector of rare books, is curator of rare books of the Library of Congress and vice president of the Shakespeare Association of America. He is vice president of the Corning Glass Works, with which he has been connected since his graduation from Harvard, and is president and director of Steuben Glass, Inc., as well as a director of a number of other corporations.

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