

TO THE PARIS SHOW

College Women Will Be Largely Represented.

Exposition to Be Enlightened by Statistics—American Universities Will Have Great Showing.

Interesting to women is an investigation of statistics with regard to college women now being carried on by the Association of Collegiate Alumnae. The results, says the Chicago Chronicle, are to be tabulated and sent to the Paris exposition. The institutions at present included in this association are: Barnard college, Boston university, Bryn Mawr college, University of California, University of Chicago, Cornell university, University of Kansas, Leland Stanford Junior university, Massachusetts institute of technology, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, University of Nebraska, Northwestern university, Oberlin college, Radcliffe college, Smith college, University of Syracuse, Vassar college, Wellesley college, Wesleyan university, University of Wisconsin and the Woman's College of Western Reserve university.

The association was organized in 1882, and has 2,000 members out of the 12,000 women graduates eligible for membership. Twenty-two local branches cooperate with the national association in its general work. It is the only body which represents the college women of the country as a whole, and its object is practical educational work. Among other things the association awards annually a foreign fellowship and makes a yearly contribution towards the maintenance of an American woman's table at the zoological station at Naples. A council to accredit women for advanced work at foreign universities awards certificates of fitness which assist properly qualified women in obtaining the privileges open to women in foreign universities. An educational magazine and other publications are printed and circulated among the members.

Two previous attempts to get satisfactory statistics about the health of college women have been inconclusive because of the failure of the graduates to reply. In 1882 the association received and had tabulated replies from 705 women of this country. In 1887 the health statistics of women students of Cambridge and Oxford were collected by Mrs. Henry Sidgwick and published by the Cambridge University Press, but only 562 graduates responded and 450 sisters or cousins who had not been to college.

It is hoped that the present investigation will yield better results. To each alumna have been sent three blanks, one to be filled out by herself, another by her college brother or cousin. Twenty-two questions are to be answered, which will make a pretty complete history of the young woman's mental and physical life from her earliest school days. She is asked about her health before her college course, during it and afterward, about her habits in college, her living arrangements, her expense, her attempts at self-support if she made any, her exercise, her postgraduate work, occupation, marriage or nonmarriage. Questions covering the same period are also prepared for her noncollegiate sister and her college brother. No names are given, so that answers can be made freely. From the replies the association hopes to be able to draw conclusions which will not leave the health, occupations and marriage rate of college women so much in the dark as before. These statistics will be valuable also as a basis for comparison between girls in the same social group.

Monster Banquet.

It has just been proposed to repeat, in connection with the Paris exposition, a feature that was decidedly unique at the time of the exposition of 1889, and which was then spoken of as the most stupendous banquet ever given in the world. On that occasion the hosts were the members of the municipal council of Paris, and the guests the 36,000 mayors of France. From that time to this the courtesy has never been reciprocated. It is one of these civil functionaries who now proposes that his 35,999 colleagues should join with him in inviting the 80 municipal councillors of Paris to break bread in their multitudinous company, the bill for the city fathers' food to be divided among the 36,000. Lovers of unique spectacles will hope to see the proposition materialize, but now that the colossal Palace of Industry has been destroyed, and the huge machinery hall will be used for exhibition purposes, it is doubtful if there is any closed space in the whole country capable of holding such a legion of banqueters.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Enormous Diamond.

M. Picard, commissioner-general of the 1900 Paris exhibition, has been informed by the president of the jewelry section that an enormous diamond from Kimberley will be exhibited in the jewelry pavilion. The stone was found shortly before the war. It has been insured for \$2,000,000 and will be exhibited in a showcase guarded by four policemen. At night the show case will sink into the ground in the same way as that in which the Regent is kept at

the Louvre. The new diamond is said to be finer than the Regent, the Shah, the Grand Mogul and the famous Koh-i-noor.—N. Y. Sun.

He Hit the Pipe.

Bobbs—I saw a man hitting the pipe yesterday.
Dobbs—Were you "slumming?"
"No; this man was in a church."
"In a church!"
"Yes; something was wrong with the gas fixtures and the plumber was called in."—Baltimore American.

EARTH IS GROWING.

This Globe of Ours Is Gaining in Weight at Rate of Five Hundred Tons a Year.

The earth is growing heavier at the average rate of 500 tons a year. The meteors or shooting or falling stars (of which now and again such brilliant displays rejoice the careful watchers) in passing through the earth's atmosphere are burnt up and fall on the earth's surface, occasionally in a heavy mass, but most usually in small meteoric dust. Prof. Nordenskjold, from his great experience, estimated that, from the cause named, 500 tons fall uniformly and steadily over the whole globe in each year, and the observations of Russian scientists yield a similar result. These meteor streams, says another astronomer, are really small planetary bodies, revolving around the sun in fixed orbits by the force of gravity. The earth revolves on its axis at the rate of 1,000 miles an hour, and speeds through space in its orbit around the sun at the rate of 1,000 miles every minute, and in August and November plunges into the very midst of the meteoric stream going in the opposite direction. The rapidity with which they enter our atmosphere, and the friction thus generated, are so enormous that they are set fire to, the smaller ones being consumed and falling in dust, while the larger ones occasionally reach the earth in the shape of meteoric stone or iron.

LIVELY MAIL SORTING.

Stirring Experience of a New York Man in the Colorado Mining Country.

Nicholas D. Bragaw, now a staid commercial man in New York, was a citizen for many years of Colorado and other mining regions. His brother Robert was heavily interested in mines and was postmaster and mayor of Ouray. One winter, what with busy times in the camp and such unexpected accidents as premature blasts and lynching bees, there was a dearth of men, and to help his brother in the post office Mr. Bragaw took charge of the railway postal service for the government in that district, says the Philadelphia Post.

"It was not an unpleasant life after you once got used to it," he said, recently, in describing it. "The grandeur of the scenery, the bracing air of the mountains and forest, the ice cold water of the streams and the good-nature of the people more than offset the accidental bullet and the occasional bowie knife. One day, in 1882, we started from Leadville out at the top of a long incline which followed the meanderings of the California gulch. We were 15 minutes late on account of a blizzard, and wanted to make up lost time. The day was a very dark one in January; my lamps were burning and my little stove blazing fiercely. I noticed the train was going very fast, but supposed we were making up lost time. As the velocity increased I suddenly realized that the train had run away. Nothing was to be done. If we were going to smash no power could prevent it, and if we were not my mailbags would have to be ready for delivery. I worked hard, it seemed, for hours. As a matter of fact, however, it was only a few minutes. Then the front of the car, the ashpan and the mailbags seemed to rush at me, and I became unconscious. When I came to I found myself thumping the floor with my head and struggling with imaginary foes. I then recalled where I was, and slowly and painfully extricated myself from the mountain of letters, papers and mailbags which had providentially served as safety buffers for my body.

"We had run into a train ahead of us, and the mailcar had been crushed at both ends, while the middle had been left intact. We were not far from a telegraph station, and in a few minutes the news had been carried in every direction. Now here comes the queer part; a locomotive and a wrecking car were not far away and were sent promptly to our relief; the track was cleared, the mails were transferred, and I had the pleasure that evening of alighting at my destination on time and with all of my mail. I was received with a wild welcome by the population of the place, who had come prepared to receive the dead."

Automobiles on the Towpath.

The haulage of boats by automobile along the canal between Brussels and Charleroi has demonstrated, after a long trial, that the new method of towing is three times quicker than horse traction. The automobile derives its energy from a railway composed of six lines, three of high tension (6,000 volts) and three of low tension, on which the trolleys run. The electricity is furnished by three dynamos, each of 120 horse power.

SUMMONS.

In the Superior court of the State of Washington, in and for Whitman County.

John D. Layman and Ann Layman, his wife, plaintiffs, vs. The Spokane & Palouse Land Company, a corporation, defendant.

STATE OF WASHINGTON,) ss
County of Whitman.)

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, to the said The Spokane & Palouse Land Company, a corporation, defendant.

You are hereby summoned and required to appear in the Superior Court of the State of Washington, in and for Whitman County, within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: within sixty days after the second day of June, 1900, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff in said action, and serve a copy of your said answer on Harvey & Welty, the undersigned attorneys for plaintiffs, at their office in Pullman, in the county of Whitman, state of Washington, and if you fail to appear and defend said action and answer the complaint of the plaintiffs aforesaid, within the time aforesaid, judgment will be rendered against you, according to the demand of the said complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. The object of the above entitled action is to reform and correct a certain deed bearing date Feb. 6, 1890, executed by defendants and recorded in book 40 of deeds, at page 20, records of Whitman county, Washington, so as to convey to plaintiffs by mesue conveyances, lots No. 17, 18 and 19, block 10, Lawrence & Holbrook's addition to Pullman, Washington; and also quiet title in plaintiffs by virtue of 10 years open, notorious, exclusive, adverse possession in and to said described lots.

Dated May 26, 1900.

HARVEY & WELTY,
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Postoffice address—Pullman, Whitman County, Washington.

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