

WHY AND WHAT?

The last class graduated at Albany College numbered twelve, ten young ladies and two young men. In the present Senior class the proportion is nearly the same, five to one. Why this discrepancy in numbers? Are the young ladies more anxious to have a college diploma than the young men? Have they more courage in undertaking and accomplishing the hard work necessary to graduation? Have they a higher appreciation of the value of a college education? Or do their parents show partiality by giving their daughters greater educational advantages than their sons? It is possible that young men sometimes are deprived of a college education by having to help secure the means for the graduation of their sisters; but a case of this kind has never come under my observation. I have known brothers to help in securing an education for their sisters, and vice versa; but neither were themselves thereby prevented from graduation, if they wished, to be the owners of a college diploma. I do not, therefore, believe that the partiality of parents will account for the discrepancy in the last graduated class and the one to be graduated next June.

It might possibly be accounted for in another way. I have heard of families in which there were ten daughters and two sons. If all the families patronizing the college will average five girls to one boy, the discrepancy may thus be accounted for without much difficulty. But the question is, will they do it? I am not sufficiently familiar with the gender statistics of native Oregonians to answer this question. I am very much inclined to the opinion, however, that the state is not sufficiently pellucidous to account for the discrepancy under consideration, and that we will have to look elsewhere for the solution. Where, then, shall we find it? I do not suppose that any one reason can be given to account for the discrepancy; but I am very much inclined to the belief that the principal reason is in the gender itself. I am sorry to take sides against my own sex, but I do not see any other way of doing it. "When there is a will, there is a way," it is said. The girls have the will and find the way to secure the desired college education, even if they have to do it by their own earnings.

And they, as a rule, on the Pacific Coast, seem to have a higher appreciation of the value of a college education than boys. They know that in all the great enterprises of the age in which they live a well disciplined mind is a power, which will make them leaders in the onward movement of the race; and hence their eagerness and efforts for the attainment of this power-giving mental discipline. And they see too, that educated women are coming more and more to the front, and that without education they will not be able to be in the van in the march of advancement.

What, then, is likely to be the outcome of this desire and determination of so many young ladies to secure a college education? It looks very much as if somebody would be left. Young men who have no ambition to qualify themselves for positions which lead to honor, wealth, and influence, will not be very likely to secure such positions. There are already many of them filled by young ladies, who do their work well and to the satisfaction of their employers. Not many years ago, lady book-keepers were seldom seen in the counting room. Now, they are numbered by hundreds. And if any of them have manipulated the books to their own advantage, I have failed to hear of it. They are eminently trustworthy, their employers say, and do not spend more than their salary. And so it is in every sphere of labor. They prove themselves worthy of the trust committed to them, and are not infrequently entering new fields of labor. They are not confined to the limits of the school-room and petty clerkships, but are advancing into the regions beyond. They are becoming leaders in all the moral and religious movements of the day, and are making their influence felt in the elevation and advancement of the human race. And the time may not be far distant, when their influence in the political world will be felt as never before. Already two states have granted them the right of suffrage; and it is hard to tell how soon other states may fall in line and female suffrage be extended over the whole country. This will, doubtless, depend in some measure, upon the results of the

movement in Wyoming and Colorado. If the intelligent and influential women in these states exercise the right granted them, in the purification of corruption in high places, and in the breaking up of political rings, the day may not be far distant, when woman's influence at the ballot-box will be felt from Maine to Oregon, and from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico.

I am not advocating woman's right. I am only speaking of the course of events in the past and present, and like Patrick Henry judging of the future from the past. From the days of Adam down to the present time, woman's influence has been everywhere felt in the world, but nowhere more than in the United States of America in this last decade of the Nineteenth century of the Christian era. Not more than fifty years ago, it was confined chiefly to the family. Now it is a tremendous power in the church, in the school room, through the press, in the temperance cause, and in all the movements of this progressive age. And the greater the mental discipline and consequent qualifications of women for any sphere of action, the greater her influence in all the onward and upward movements of this great nation and the world. President Thwing, who has made the subject a matter of special study, affirms that "a college-bred man has two hundred and fifty times as great a probability of attaining fame as the man who has never attended college." What is true of men, in the matter of education, is also of women, with this difference, that she has fewer competitors, so far as the graduates of Albany College are concerned. If one graduate has as good a chance for the attainment of fame as another, she has the advantage of five to one. What, then, are the chances of the young men of Albany, who think they do not need a college education to enable them to attain celebrity in the contest for fame and high positions of honor and influence in the commercial, the professional, the literary, the political, or the religious world? According to President Thwing's estimate, they are few and far-between. But in his estimate of probabilities, he did not take the female graduates into consideration. On the Albany College basis the young men have but one chance in fifteen hundred (250:6-1500). This is certainly not a very encouraging outlook for those who have any aspirations for promotion and fame. Many disappointments are inevitable, unless the number of male graduates of Albany College is greatly increased.

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Dated December 14th, 1893.

G. W. WRIGHT, Atty for Estate.

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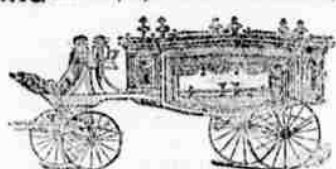
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Dated Albany, Or., Dec. 5th, 1893.

Assignee's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that when I came to Oregon on the 4th day of November, 1893, Anthony Freese and F. C. Nelson made an assignment to me of all their property for the benefit of all their creditors, according to the general laws of the State of Oregon; that the persons having claims against the co-partnership firm of said Freese and Nelson, hereby notified and required to present same to me under oath at the office of W. B. Allen in the City of Albany, Oregon, within three months from the date hereof.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1893.

FRANKLIN THORNTON, Assignee.

Notice to Stockholders

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