HIGHER COMMERCIAL EDUCATION.

Prominent business men have spoken in terms of warm approbation of our work in higher commercial education, says President Angell of the University of Michigan in his latest report. There are many gratifying signs of a change in the opinions of leading merchants and bankers, who formerly doubted the value of a college education for men who are engaged in their pursuits. They now encourage us in our efforts to furnish special training for those who look forward to responsible posts in business life.

Found at Last.

Hensley, Ark., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—That a sure cure for Backache would be a priceless boon to the people, and especially the women of America, is admitted by all interested in medical matters, and Mrs. Sue Williams of this place is certain she has found in Dodd's Kidney Pills the long-looked-for cure.

"I am 38 years old," Mrs. Williams says, "and have suffered with the Backache very much for three or four years. I have been treated by good physicians and got no relief, but thanks to God, I have found a cure at last and it is Dodd's Kidney Pills. I have taken only one box and it has done me more good than all the doctors in three or four years. I want all sufferers from Backache to know that they can get Dodd's Kidney Pills and get well."

Backache is one of the first symptoms of Kidney Disease. Guard against Bright's Disease or Rheumatism by curing it with Dodd's Kidney Pills.

A scientist, who has investigated the matter, states that men who are employed in the sewers are as healthy a the average person, and no other eight hundred men in that city are so free from zymotic disease.

Good maximus, like good wine, grows richer by age.

$100 Reward, $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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A new literary society called the "Good Government Club" has recently been organized at the University of Michigan, and numbers among its members the more advanced students of political and economic subjects. The club is intended to fill a place societies of the University. Its programs will consist of discussions of leading questions in politics, science, political economy, and politics. Meetings are to be held once a month in University Hall.

NO TONGUE CAN TELL

How I Suffered with Itching and Bleeding Eczema—Until Cured by Cuticura.

"No tongue can tell how I suffered for five years with a terribly painful itching, and bleeding eczema, my body and face being covered with sores. Never in my life did I experience such awful suffering, and I longed for death, which I felt was near. I had tried doctors and medicines without success, but my mother insisted that I try Cuticura. I felt better after the first bath with Cuticura Soap and one application of Cuticura Ointment, and was soon entirely well. Any person having doubt about this wonderful cure may write to me. (Signed) Mrs. Allie Etson, Bellevue, Mich."

He who would rather be feared than loved, must be just about as happy as a tiger in a cage.

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CONSUMPTION

Topics of the Times

Marquis Ito of Japan holds a Yale degree.

The United States pays nearly $1,000,000 a day to foreign ships for carrying its products.

Field Marshal Sir Henry Wylie Norman, who died recently, once refused the office of Viceroy of India.

Drivers of automobiles in England who refuse to stop when requested to do so by a person driving a horse are fined.

The London Alhambra has a novel dog act. The dogs perform in conjunction with a ventriloquist, and so appear to talk.

A new flower—a large yellow poppy—has been introduced into England from Thibet. It is called the "Meconopsis integrifolia."

Geronimo, the noted Apache chief, has learned to read, and can write his name. He is exceedingly proud of his accomplishments.

The Berlin authorities have declined the request made by the Manufacturers' Union for permission to erect tall steel frame buildings of American design in Berlin.

Some Melbourne undertakers recently formed a ring and bought nearly all of the vacant lots in the general cemetery. When this was done they raised the price of funerals.

The Tasmanian Parliament has inserted a clause in a new taxation bill granting an exemption of $50 for every child of all income taxpayers whose incomes are under a certain amount.

A German missionary travels through his native land holding religious services in a canalboat in order that he may carry the gospel to those who can be reached in no other way.

In the district about Cridley, England, twenty women work as blacksmiths to every man following the trade. For many generations this work has been almost entirely in female hands.

Arrangements have been completed for the sale, under the Irish land act, of 18,000 acres, the property of the Earl of Kilmorey, to the tenants. The land is in County Down. The purchase price will amount to $1,100,000.

Brazilian ants make little gardens in the tree tops and sow them with pineapple and other seeds. The gardens are found of all sizes, from a single sprouting seed surrounded by a little earth to a densely overgrown ball as large as a man's head.

We have $75,000 postoffices and 500,000 miles of postal routes, with a yearly travel over them amounting to 500,000,000 miles. The service costs over 150,000,000 a year. The receipts now almost equal the expenditures, and have doubled in the last ten years.

It has been arranged that on May 1, 1903, every French trade unionist, at the conclusion of the eighth hour of his day's work, "will quietly and peacefully leave the factory." Next morning he will present himself for a second day's work of eight hours' duration.

The "Wee Kirk" of Scotland, consisting of about two dozen small Highland congregations, to which recently was awarded by the House of Lords all the property and funds of the Free Church of Scotland, amounting to about $55,000,000, has just received $125,000 by the will of a late member. "To him that hath shall be given."—Tid-Bits.

The only States which had a registration of deaths sufficiently complete to make the death rates worth calculating in 1901 were Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York and Rhode Island, which, with the District of Columbia, form the group referred to in the census report as the "registration" States.

On the boat deck of the new North German Lloyd steamship Prince Eitel Friedrich is a turbine dynamo which can be operated by the officer in command and will supply electric current to a number of special lamps to provide light for launching the lifeboats should mishap have stopped the working of the main electric lighting machinery in the engine room.

HOW THEY SURRENDER.

Painful Moments in the Lives of Some Generals.

"General Williams, you have made yourself a name in history, and posterity will stand amazed at the endurance, the courage, the discipline which this siege has called forth in the remains of an army. Let us arrange a capitulation that will satisfy the demands of war without disgracing humanity."

In these noble and generous words did the Russian General Mouravieff address the gallant man, who, for six months, had conducted the defense of Kars against overwhelming odds. And it was only when cholera had devastated his garrison and there was no longer a scrap of food left that the intrepid Fenwick Williams would even listen to such a word as surrender.

When the great Napoleon had played his last card and realized that the game was over he wrote this letter to the Prince Regent: "Royal Highness—A prey to the factions which divide my country and to the enmity of the greatest powers of Europe, I have terminated my public career, and come, like Themistocles, to seat myself at the hearth of the British people. I place myself under the protection of its laws, which I claim from your Royal Highness as the most powerful, the most constant and the most generous of my enemies."

Then Napoleon walked with proud step and gallant bearing on board the Bellerophon and surrendered himself to Captain Maitland—the first stage of his journey to exile and death in St. Helena.

At that supreme moment in the destiny of Napoleon III, when he found himself at Sedan with the demoralized remnant of his defeated army, surrounded by 250,000 of the enemy's troops, he sent the following note to his conqueror, the Prussian King: "My brother, as I am not able to die at the head of my troops, I place my sword at Your Majesty's feet."

On the following morning the crushed Emperor and Bismarck met in the sordid upper room of a weaver's cottage, and the terms of surrender were arranged. "It was the most uncomfortable hour I ever spent in my life," Bismarck used to say later. "In fact, I felt more awkward than when as a young man, I had a partner at a dance who wouldn't or couldn't talk." The surrender, we need scarcely recall, was absolute. Napoleon was sent a captive to the Castle of Wilhelmshohe near Cassel, and 39 generals, 230 staff officers and 83,000 men became prisoners of war.

But perhaps the most gallant general who ever surrendered to the enemy was Osman Pasha, the immortal defender of Plevna. Surrounded by an immeasurably superior army of Russia, Osman kept his flag flying for 142 days, inflicting a loss of over 40,000 men on the enemy and losing 30,000 of his own garrison; and it was only when both provisions and ammunition failed that he decided on that desperate attempt to cut his way through the investing army.

The attempt, one of the most daring and resolute in history, failed, and Osman was at last compelled to throw up the sponge. So impressed, however, were the enemy with his valor, that as he was carried wounded through their ranks, they greeted him as a conqueror with cheers and presented arms.—Tit-Bits.

LIBERIA MAY YET DEVELOP.

Views of an English Philanthropist Who Recently Traveled There.

We are accustomed in this country to look on Liberia with more amusement than interest. A recent interview in London with Sir Harry H. Johnston, an Englishman highly respected for his philanthropic labors, who has just returned from an extensive journey through the republic, indicates that there is solid ground for the hope that Liberia may yet develop into a prosperous and progressive country, the home of an enterprising people.

The extension of peace and order in the interior has been steady and the trade of the country is advancing in an encouraging manner. The present president, Arthur Barclay, is a West Indian, being born in Barbados, and is spoken of as a man of energy, ability and integrity. Although the Liberians from this country and from the West Indies do not now number more than 12,000, they are reported to be an active and intelligent class, who are gradually extending their influence over the natives of the interior, of whom there are some 2,000,000.

Sir Harry Johnston entertains the liveliest hopes for the commerce of the country, the resources of which he finds varied and rich. The back lands are filled with rubber forests, an excellent coffee is indigenous and is also cultivated; long staple cotton does well in the clearings; the oil palm is abundant; cacao thrives; there is a great variety of timbers, dyewoods and drugs; there is hematite iron on the seaboard and there are indications of gold in the hinterland. The only unfavorable element in the situation, according to Sir Harry Johnston, is a boundary question with France, which, however, does not seem very threatening.—New York Times.

Night Shirts Life Savers.

Passengers on ocean liners may soon be able to sleep in life preservers, according to the plans of E. Salvator, a New York inventor. To sleep with a cork jacket on is out of the question, so the inventor decided to make a preserver that would become effective only by it coming in contact with the water. It works on the principle of a water generated gas, which fills a belt and gives it buoyancy. Uninflated, the belt is a light thing, which would hardly be felt if worn by a sleeper, but when filled with gas it is blown up to the size of an ordinary cork jacket. The belt is made of rubber and is about eight inches wide and can be blown up by means of a small cylinder. In this cylinder is placed a composition of acids which when acted upon by water instantly inflates the belt. The belt has been tested in the ocean and it has been found that the water acts upon the acids and inflates the rubber in less than three seconds. The ingredients in this composition Mr. Salvator keeps secret.—The American Inventor.

People Who Eat Wood.

A traveler in Siberia has noted that among the natives along the northern coast wood, in a certain form, is a most common and constant article of diet. The natives eat it because they like it. Even when fish are plentiful it usually forms part of the evening meal, as many cleanly stripped larch logs near every hut testify.

Undoubtedly.

She—I'm afraid you are an agnostic.

He—Oh, no; I'm not. I believe in pretty girls, for instance.

She—That being the case, I suppose you change your place of worship frequently without changing your creed.

HUMORING A GUEST.

Miss De Thumper (impatiently)—"I can't make my music sound right on your piano."

Miss De Pounder (quietly)—"Wait a moment, my dear, and I will lay some papers on the strings."

HOLDING TRADE.

Clerk—"A lady in the front of the store wants some elephant tusks, silly.

What on earth shall I do?"

Fashionable Grocer—"Tell her we just sold the last lot to a boarding house keeper, but we'll get another dog's head in soon. She'll change her mind then."

FORGOT HIS NAME.

Magistrate—"Why didn't you answer to your name?"

Vagrant—"Beg parding, jedge, but I forgot wot name I gave las' night."

Magistrate—"Didn't you give your own name?"

Vagrant—"No, jeedges, I'm travelin' incog."

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Applicant—"Yes, sir."

"How many words a minute?"

"I never counted 'em; but the other day, when my wife found in my overcoat pocket a letter which she gave me to mail last fall, I took down every word she uttered as fast as she said them."

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Piso's Cure for Consumption always gives immediate relief in all throat troubles.—F. E. Bierman, Leipsic, Ohio, Aug. 31, 1901.

MODESTY EXPLAINED.

Foreigner—"Many of you Americans have distinguished ancestors, yet you never mention them. Why is that?"

American—"It's this way. While we are poor we are ashamed to boast, and when we get rich we don't need ancestors."

Shapely hands are no rarity among the women of India. Nearly every female there possesses them. They are not only beautifully formed, but exquisitely dimpled. Their only defect is that they correspond in color with the dark face of the owners.

The number of lunatics in London has alarmingly increased during the past fourteen years. The increase is chiefly attributed to intemperance and the adulteration of spirits with wood alcohol.

Whalebone is found in the mouth of the whale, where it forms the substitute for the teeth, of which, otherwise, the animal is destitute.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Over 30,000 horses are annually slaughtered in Paris for their meat. The carcass of an average horse yields about 369 pounds of meat.

Adversity sometimes makes a villain of a man, but never makes a fool.

A Glasgow minister, who was in need of funds, thus conveyed his intentions to his congregation: "Weel, friends, the kirk is urgently in need o' siller, and we have failed to get money honestly we will have to see what a fair can do for us."

A mischievous parrot in Pittsburg, having nobody to talk to, began rummaging around. It found a box of matches, ate a few of them, ignited the rest, and set fire to the house. When the firemen arrived, the bird amused itself by swearing at them.

Miss Rose Hennessy, well known as a poetess and elocutionist, of Lexington, Ky., tells how she was cured of uterine inflammation and ovaritis by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have been so blessedly helped through the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that I feel it but just to acknowledge it, hoping that it may help some other woman suffering as I did.

"For years I enjoyed the best of health and thought that I would always do so. I attended parties and receptions thinly clad, and would be suddenly chilled, but I did not think of the results. I caught a bad cold eighteen months ago while menstruating, and this caused inflammation of the womb and congested ovaries. I suffered excruciating pains and kept getting worse. My attention was called to your Vegetable Compound and the wonderful cures it had performed, and I made up my mind to try it for two months and see what it would do for me. Within one month I felt much better, and at the close of the second I was entirely well.

"I have advised a number of my lady friends to use it, and all express themselves as well satisfied with the results as I was."—MISS ROSE NORA HENNESSY, 410 S. Broadway, Lexington, Ky.

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"You cannot realize how pleased I was, and after taking the medicine for only three months, I found that I was completely cured of my trouble, and have been well and hearty ever since, and no more fear the monthly period, as it now passes without pain to me. Yours very truly, Miss PEARL ACKERS, 327 North Summer St., Nashville, Tenn."

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$5000 FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness.
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The government of Ecuador has introduced a bill into its congress for the separation of church and State, and the confiscation of all ecclesiastical property.

A Cleveland clubman, eager to contribute something unique for deposit among the relics in the corner stone of a new clubhouse, generously gave his vermiform appendix preserved in a bottle of rare old whisky. Some of his bibulous friends thought it was a waste of whisky.

Edmond Rotand, the famous playwright, went to the mayor's office of a little town in France, to register the birth of a friend's daughter. An officious little clerk promptly asked him his name and his vocation, and these questions having been satisfactorily answered, the clerk continued: "Now you have to sign your name. Can you write? If not, you can make a cross."

Those who deserve suckcess very rarely fail to git it.

A GOOD HEAD.

Sub-Editor—"A correspondent sends us a full account of a cock fight, with photographs of the steel spurs used, the cock pit, spectators, birds in battle etc., with every round described."

Great Editor—"Glorious. Get it all in."

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