

RANK HIGH IN SCHOLARSHIP

That Athletes Are Poor Students is Denied by Former Professor in an Eastern College.

"That athletics are practiced in most colleges do not detract the attention of students from scholastic duties is abundantly testified to by college professors," remarked Dr. James Hineman, a former professor in one of the eastern colleges. Dr. Brinker, the president of Lehigh university, declared that the Lehigh football squad had averaged higher in scholastic standing than the students who did not participate in college athletics. Lehigh is not the only college in which this fact has been marked. Cornell for several years—and I have no doubt that it continues to show it—had football and baseball teams the members of which led their classes.

"Properly controlled athletics are as necessary to successful mental training as are professors. I presume there have been instances where members of college teams have failed in their examinations and charges follow, as a matter of course, that those men are not genuine students. But the facts are so pronounced that the best men on the leading athletic teams in our greatest colleges are men of big mentality that the suggestion that colleges have to hire athletes falls in its beginning."

Woman's Work.

According to the last volume of the British census returns in the United Kingdom women have succeeded in establishing themselves in a number of industries where their presence is unexpected.

Several women are paper-hangers and whitewashers, and four are bricklayers—all of them widows. There is only one woman coachman. Three women appear under the heading of "clergymen, priests and ministers," and four are coalheavers.

Then there are 347 women "carmen" and wagoners, and 231 women blacksmiths and "strikers."

One woman occupies herself with making patent fuel, and there are three women shipwrights, and five women "tramway car makers."

Finally, England and Wales can boast of 56 women carpenters and joiners, and 14 women masons. Of the latter 13 are widows.

What Interested Her.

Little Myrtle, the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Cargitts of the Salvation Army, was apparently intensely interested in a sermon by Col. Samuel Brengle, for many years a friend of the late Gen. William Booth, at Salvation Army headquarters, in West Fourteenth street. Her parents highly approved of this reverent attitude.

"You were greatly impressed by Colonel Brengle's speech, were you not, my dear?" said her proud parent after the meeting.

"Yes, papa," she answered enthusiastically. "I was wondering all the time he was talking how far his chin sank into his whiskers." Colonel Brengle is blessed with a particularly impressive hirsute adornment. — New York Tribune.

London's Modern Fire Brigade.

The London fire brigade is rapidly becoming a completely motor-equipped fire fighting organization. Today London possesses 97 motor appliances and two motor fire floats. It is now proposed to spend in the near future \$500,000 in providing 53 motor escape vans, 43 electric escape vans, 94 petrol or petrol electric motor pumps, 27 motor turntable ladders, 11 motor ladders, 5 motor ladders, 15 motor cars, and a motor canteen van, or 249 new motor appliances. In three years horses will be unknown in the London fire brigade.

It's Best Anyway.

"I'm an optimist," said ex-Governor Sulzer at a banquet in New York. "I was an optimist before my impeachment. Then I lost my optimism temporarily. "An optimist," the ex-governor added, dreamily, "is a chap who doesn't know what's coming to him."

Poets Today.

Butler Glaesner, poet and essayist, listened with his calm smile, at the Players' club in New York, to a sonneteer who lamented that a magazine had paid him only a cent a line for a sonnet cycle.

Mr. Glaesner did not seem at all perturbed at these starvation rates. He blinked his eyes rapidly behind his pince-nez, smiled his calm smile, and said in his calm voice:

"My dear fellow, don't you know that the only successful poet nowadays is he who is able to make a living at something else?"

Why?

Appropos of an inefficient manager's resignation, George Gould said to a New York railroad reporter:

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Improved Water Gauge.

To avoid accidents due to water gauge glasses appearing to be full while in reality they are empty, a glass has been invented with spiral markings that refraction makes appear horizontal when covered by water.

Alas, How True!
"This doctrine of the excellence of woman, however chivalrous, is cowardly as well as false," says Stevenson. "It is better to face the facts" and "know that though she may have angelic features, eat nothing to speak of and sing ravishingly in church she may be a little devil after all."

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