

ican machinery. The *Electrical World* holds that the country has been unfairly treated. It says: "In electricity, Austria, with 25 entries, had 5 grand prizes and 17 gold medals. The United States, with 283 entries, had 6 grand prizes and 23 gold medals. In machinery, Switzerland, with 14 entries, got 9 grand prizes and 15 gold medals. The United States, with 282 entries, got a paltry 10 grand prizes and 26 gold medals. The relative proportions are preposterous. We refuse to believe that American machinery, now sweeping Europe, is inferior to the Swiss or Austrian in any such degree as this implies."

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MRS. JANE K. SATHER, of San Francisco, has given \$1000,000 to the University of California.

It is reported that three alumni of Yale University have offered to subscribe each \$100,000 for the memorial building in case the further sum of \$300,000 is secured.

THE United States Supreme Court has finally rendered a decision sustaining the trust left by Mrs. Katherine M. Garcelon of Oakland, California. After long and expensive litigation, the wishes of Mrs. Garcelon will be carried into effect and three-fifths of the sum will be used to establish a hospital in Oakland and two-fifths will revert to Bowdoin College which will receive about \$500,000.

THE Bartram memorial library of botanical books has been presented to the library of the University of Pennsylvania.

MR. R. F. BALK, of Cincinnati, has given to the University of Cincinnati his collection of specimens of natural history said to be of considerable value.

A NEW bacteriological laboratory has been built for the University of Melbourne at a cost of \$20,000.

THE Department of Geology of the University of Chicago had three parties of students in the field during the past summer. Two of these parties were in Wisconsin, one during July and one during August, while the third party was in the West, along the line of the

Great Northern Railway. The principal stops made by the third party were at Midvale and Lake McDonald, Montana, and at Lake Chelan in Washington. A trip was also made into the Kootenai region of British Columbia. Each party was in the field four weeks, and the total number of students participating was between thirty and forty.

THE registration at Yale University is 2,474, a decrease of 43 as compared with last year. The Sheffield Scientific School has, however, an increase of 36 students.

SIR MICHAEL FOSTER has been reelected member of the British Parliament, representing the University of London, without opposition; Sir John Batty Tuke has been returned under the Universities of Edinburgh and St. Andrews also without opposition.

THE daily papers report that eight of the former professors of the reorganized University of Havana are to receive pensions of \$1,200 a year each during the term of the military occupation.

THE Rev. Dr. Robert Sheppard, professor of history and political economy at Northwestern University, has been appointed president of the University.

EDWARD M. PAXSON, ex-Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, has been elected president of the Medico-Chirurgical College in Philadelphia.

WILLIAM T. HORNE and Albert T. Bell, fellows in botany in the University of Nebraska, have resigned, the former to accept a position in Kadiak, Alaska and the latter an instructorship in the High School of Lincoln, Nebr. Mr. Horne expects to make collections of the flora of Kadiak Island for study on his return a year or two hence. Miss Daisy F. Bonnell, of the class of 1899, has been appointed fellow in botany.

PROFESSOR J. W. FRELEY has been appointed acting president of Wells College.

DR. SPENCER W. RICHARDSON, lecturer on mathematical physics at University College, Nottingham, has been elected principal of Hartley College and professor of physics.