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his manuscript notes, with the references to the places of the plants in his herbarium. Then there is a copy of the second edition of Robert Plot's 'Natural History of Oxforddata in regard to six of the older private universities in the eastern states, six western state universities and six foreign universities, which is here reproduced:

OLDER PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES IN EASTERN STATES.	OLDER	PRIVATE	UNIVERSITIES	$\mathbf{IN}$	EASTERN	STATES.
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Name.	Date of Founding.	Number in Instructing Staff.	Number of Students 1904.	Annual Budget 1904.	Annual Cost to University Per Student.	
Harvard Columbia Yale Pennsylvania Princeton Brown	<b>`</b> 1791	525 551 343 325 109 85	5,143 5,017 3,138 2,838 1,374 988	$$1,572,540^{1}$ 1,438,638 800,000 685,000 460,863 180,000	\$306 270 255 241 335 192	\$150 \$150 to \$250 100 '' 150 150 '' 200 150 '' 160 150
. Total		1,938	18,498	\$5,137,041		

	FO	DREIGN UNI	VERSITIES.			
Total		1,687	20,880	\$4.107,750		
Nebraska	1869	193	2,513	419,750	167	ree
California.	1868	283	3,400	945.000	279	e
Minnesota	1868	290	3,895	497,000 <sup>2</sup>	128	\$20 to \$100
Wisconsin	1848	227	3,342	700,000	209	free
Illinois	1868	402	3,594	800,000	223	free
Michigan	1837	292	4,136	\$746,000	\$180	\$10 to \$45

WESTERN STATE UNIVERSITIES.

Berlin	1807	504	13,782	\$880,500	<b>\$</b> 64	small fees
Leipsic	1409	216	4,253	716,000	170	
Paris	1100	420	12,985	934,000	<b>72</b>	
Vienna	1384	431	6,205	464,000	76	** **
Bonn	1818	177	2,970	361,000	123	** **
Edinburgh	1583	205	2,971	469,000	158	\$10 to \$20 a
						course.
Total		1,953	43,166	\$3,824,500		

shire' (Oxford, 1705), the first edition of which appeared in 1677. This work was the forerunner of the numerous 'County Histories' that have been subsequently issued.

Finally, attention may be drawn to the earliest figure and description of that flightless bird, the solitaire, in a book by the French traveler François Leguat, printed at London in 1708. The solitaire formerly inhabited the island of Rodriguez, and became extinct about the end of the eighteenth century.

## STATISTICS OF EASTERN, STATE AND FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES.

IN an address before the University of Michigan, printed in the *Atlantic Monthly*, Dr. Henry S. Pritchett showed a table giving

## THE EIGHTEENTH SEASON OF THE MARINE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY. 1905.

THE regular season for investigators opened June 1 and continued through most of September. During this period there were in attendance 71 investigators, of whom 63 occupied private rooms with an average period of attendance of about six weeks to two months.

Students receiving instruction were in session from June 28 to August 9, and the total attendance was 57, a much smaller number than in the years previous to 1903, owing to the raising of the standard of admission at that time. The work of collection of material was again under the charge of the curator of

<sup>1</sup>Omitting \$875,575 in special gifts.

<sup>2</sup> Omitting \$400,000 for buildings.