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New York, Sept. 12.—The degree of doctor of laws has been conferred on Miss Helen M. Gould by the American college for girls at Constantinople. This institution which is under the control of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, for years has been befriended by Miss Gould.

WOMAN IS THE FUTURE RULER

Strange news comes to us from England. Women are growing!

This does not mean that the sex is widening its sphere of influence or that women are strengthening their hold upon society, nor that they are developing intellectually, but that they are ever growing taller than they used to be. Not this or that particular woman but the whole sex in general, or at least women in civilized countries. The average woman is steadily growing taller. According to the English Magazine, "Strength and Health," the young girl of from fifteen to eighteen are even now three inches taller than their mothers. In 1895 the average height of a young girl was only five feet three inches. Now she is at least five feet five, and the growth continues.

"So much the better," you may say. "This is making a more robust more majestic race, and towards the middle of the twentieth century we shall see magnificent couples, such as those which astonished the Roman conquerors in the barbarian provinces at the time of Caesar."

But you are mistaken. It is not the race which is growing taller. It is woman, woman alone. Her companion remains stationary, if we are to believe that same magazine, or is even inclined to grow smaller. Thus the difference in height which was the pride of the masculine sex, is little by little disappearing. When the average woman shall be five feet eight or even five feet ten, the masculine sex shall have lost this advantage for good and ever and the young man will have to look up to meet his sweetheart's eye.

What are the causes of this unexpected deficiency in man? What causes the victory of woman?

According to the English magazine, we must look for them in the unequal interest in sport. Previous to 1895 (the English magazine must vouch for this date) only young men took interest or part in sport. The young man in college, or out of college, never ceased to indulge in gymnastics, rowing, fencing or boxing, and during the years when physical development takes place, vigorous training gave all the advantages to the development of the masculine skeleton. In the meantime the young girls sang sentimental songs and embroidered, or at most they played hide and seek or tag. Their bones hardly grew. They ceased growing after having grown a short time and their future masters and husbands easily kept the supremacy of height.

It is no longer thus today. Our modern young girls care nothing for romantic love songs or English embroidery and leave the games of hide and seek and tag to the little ones. What pleases them in no longer even the vigorous tennis; they fence, row, swim and ride astride when they play polo. All the energies of the young girl of 1910 are bent toward developing her thorax or biceps, to gain a few inches in height. And she is far better off than her male friends, for she has far more leisure.

The Boer war taught the English in a most forcible manner that it is not enough to play tennis and golf and that intellectual culture in our days is of vital importance to the offensive and defensive strength of a nation.

With his sedentary habits, says "Health and Strength," long hours spent in a closed office, his bent body and round shoulders, a man rapidly approaches the height of General Tom Thumb. And as there is no reason to suppose that these condi-

tions will change, but every reason to believe they will grow worse, it seems decreed by fate that height and agility in the future will be the characteristics of woman rather than of man.

If we are to believe the statements made by "Health and Strength," things look bad indeed for man. It is not a question of defending a few inches of height; it is his whole supremacy over his mate which is endangered.

As far as we look back into the history of human customs that have been all the humiliations that have been heaped upon woman arise from the fact that she has been the weaker physically. "I am stronger than you, therefore you must be my slave," has been the law that has regulated relations between man and woman. This servitude resulted in a deformation of the feminine mind and intelligence; she became tricky and foxy because of being a few inches shorter.

If, therefore, the statements of the English magazine be true, man had

THE USES OF SAWDUST

Sawdust is usually regarded as an objectionable product because it increases the danger of fire if deposited near mills or lumber piles and necessitates either cartage with accompanying expense or the construction of a "burner" and the use of conveyors or carts to transfer it from the saws.

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