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The accompanying table explains the geographical distribution of the student body of thirteen American universities, six New England colleges for men, five colleges for women, two technological schools and one Pennsylvania college for men, for the academic year 1907-1908, the summer session students being in every instance omitted. Missouri, Bowdoin, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Purdue, Wesleyan, Bryn Mawr, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Vassar and Wellesley have been added to the table. An effort has been made to group the institutions, instead of arranging them entirely in alphabetical order as heretofore.

Comparing the attendance by divisions of the six eastern universities (Columbia, Cornell, Harvard, Pennsylvania, Princeton, Yale) with the corresponding figures for the same universities in a similar table published in SCIENCE (N. S., Vol. XXVI., No. 656, July 26, 1907, pp. 97-104), we note in the first place that there has been a gain for these universities taken as a whole in every division, the largest increase in the actual number of students, leaving the North Atlantic division—in which all of these six universities are located—out of consideration, having been recorded in the North Central division, where there has been an increase of 117 students, this being exactly the same gain as was made last year. Foreign countries come next, as they did last year, with an increase of 92.