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*"The sixth Pacific Coast Assembly of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, held from June 29th to July 10th, in numbers, in interest, in a harmonious combination of instruction and entertainment, ranked perhaps higher than any past Assembly. Pacific Grove was never before in such perfect condition to make its designs comfortable. The well graded streets, abundant water, excellent drainage, and faultless restaurant. All combine to make one's stay amid the ever fresh beauties of sea and shore thoroughly enjoyable. A score of picturesque cottages have been lately built, and the older places have taken on new charms in the growth of plants and trees. The " Hall in the Grove " has this year blossomed out under artistic fingers till it has become a bower of fragrant beauty.*

*All of the lectures delivered and essays read at the Assembly were excellent, many of them of the very highest order. All criticism has consisted of commendation. Especially is this true of a series of lectures on Greece delivered by Major Dare. They brought the fresh gleanings of a most observant traveller in the very land which has been the subject of C. L. S. C. reading during the past year—the classic land of Greece.*

*The Pacific Grove Chautauquans feel that they have been highly favored indeed to see Old Hellas in the splendid word pictures of this enthusiastic and brilliant orator. On Friday, July 10th, was Recognition Day, when eight of the more than thirty graduates from the Pacific Branch received their well-earned diplomas from President Stratton's hand, and listened to his impressive address. Two of the graduates read excellent essays. Miss Emma Burbank, of Santa Rosa, upon "Habit in Thought," and Miss Margaret Huston, of Petaluma upon " A Day at Old Chautauqua."*

*The venerable Dr. Burrows, of the San Francisco Theological Seminary, was present, and said although he had all his life been an educator, and consequently a frequent attendant upon college commencements, he had never attended more delightful or creditable exercises. His judgment was confirmed by all present.*

*The business meeting of the Assembly showed the healthful growth of the C. L. S. C. on this coast, and resulted in the reelection of all the old officers. The parting Round Table on Chautauqua Beach was a scene of friendly greeting and interchange of experience long to be remembered. Only as the evening shadows fell did this most pleasant circle of friends bid each other a lingering good bye.”*

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