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respectfully to my statements, and I will report as nearly as I can remember the subject of our conversation.

He said ~~about~~ ^{there were} a considerable number of college applications ~~were~~ before Mr. Carnegie and that they probably would be considered together. ^{about 20 as I remember.} They spent so little time in this country that he had very little time to prepare these cases. Mr. Carnegie was not favorably inclined toward the college applications for the reason that they all asked for large amounts. A City of thirty thousand was satisfied with a \$50,000. building, but colleges wanted \$100,000. or more. He thought the colleges very ambitious in the way of libraries. When I told him the library numbered over one thousand volumes, he readily acknowledged that the amount asked was not excessive for so large a work. I think, however, that Mr. Carnegie does not yet appreciate the larger use made of a library of a college than by a town and the larger usefulness of such a library. Mr. Bertram said that I could prepare an additional brief statement and submit it to him in a few days if I thought best, and it seemed to me that such a course is advisable. I should, of course, prepare it and submit it in combination with Mr. Cox. The points that strike me of importance to present at this time are the continued increase in the number of students, the representative character of the students, how many states and countries, the present number of