

GENERAL OBSERVATION.

We cannot close this short Notice without including a few remarks with regard to the exhibits of the pupils at the Columbian Exposition.

The only merit of these exhibits is that they give, as near as possible, an exact idea of the methods of teaching followed in the Institution.

Through the written copy-books, it has been intended to make visible the intellectual teaching,—that is the means employed to develop the slumbering intelligence of the unfortunate Deaf and Dumb,—and, as if to say, to give photographic report of the teaching in each class. It must be added here that,—owing to the great variety of age and to the difference of language of the students, and to the multiplication of courses occasioned thereby in spite of the rather small number of those students, the success of the teaching has not yet reached the high degree which may be aimed at, and which will certainly be reached when the pupils will come to the Institution at a more uniform age, and will then give rise to less difficulty of classification.

The manual works of sewing, drawing, etc., are destined to show how the industrial teaching given in the Institution prepares the students to provide by themselves in the future to their own subsistence.

May then those humble exhibits obtain the intended results, and the labors they have occasioned will be largely rewarded !!