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Philadelphia October 13, 1903.

Mr. John Muir,
Martinez, California.

Dear Sir:-

One of the by-laws of the American Alpine Club (No.4) prescribes that "The Board of Directors shall XXXXXXXX consider names for membership, and its approval shall be necessary before the names are submitted for election by the Club at large". In view of the fact that the wide geographical dispersion of the members of the Board of Directors prevents frequent meetings of the Board and the consideration of candidates for membership it seems proper to Prof. Fay and the Philadelphia members of the Board to obtain the "approval" of the members of the Board by mail, rather than to adhere to the plan of actual meetings which would result perhaps in only annual elections to membership. In pursuance of this view of the case, I herewith submit for your consideration the names of four gentlemen whose names have been submitted together with the names of their proposers and the mountains, etc. to their credit. The Phila. members of the Board are prepared to recommend these names favorably to the Club for election.

In view of the high qualifications of Mr. Henry F. Montagnier and mindful of the fact that he has written a sympathetic letter

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to the Secretary, his name is also recommended for membership, although in his case the formalities of proposers and seconders etc., have not been complied with. Additional information is desired concerning Messrs. Richardson & Yapple. The Philadelphia members would be glad to have from you an expression of opinion as to the best place for holding the next annual meeting.

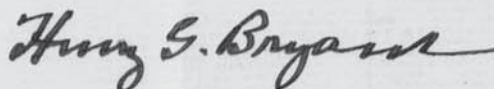
Prof. Fay has called attention to the propriety of meeting in New York City some time during the last of December. The present method of electing members seems rather cumbersome and slow, and it appears to your Secretary that an amendment of the By-laws providing that all members should have a list of candidates submitted to them before election; but placing the responsibility of electing directly with the Board- would be advisable.

Any expression of your views on this subject or the form which our Club publication should take would be much appreciated by the board members living here.

Kindly write the word "approved" opposite the names which meet your approbation, or the word "disapproved" if you arrive at a different conclusion in regard to any of the^m.

Bespeaking your early attention to the above, I am,

Yours very sincerely,



Secretary.

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