A CALIFORNIAN SCIENTIST

Dr. Florence Hill

STUDENT LIFE IN AMERICA

There arrived in Adelaide last Saturday an American woman, Dr. Florence Hill, who, having graduated in California, and has had a distinguished career in laboratory work. She has come to Adelaide to engage in biophysical research work, with Professor Braddock Robertson at the Adelaide University, and intends to remain here for two years.

Born in California, she obtained medical degrees in America, subsequently pursuing her research in Germany and other parts of Europe. She received an appointment to the Adelaide Laboratory for research in physiological diseases, and was consequently brought here by her knowledge of the field. She has devoted her life to research work in America.

WOMEN OF AMERICA

American women who come to Australia are always regarded with curiosity, just as, no doubt, an Australian is in America; yet women are the same the world over. It is the expression of their femininity—of that something altogether feminine that is unique to them. The voice is strange, the customs are slightly different, and the point of view is not quite the same, but sooner or later a link is established that bridges all differences. Such is the case with Dr. Florence Hill.

She received a representative of the "Mail" this week with a letter from her. She was in the States, where she is working, and on her return to Adelaide she will give a lecture on her experiences in America.

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