

More Room Needed.

It has been a desperate struggle with the College authorities to find room near the grounds for the students who could not or did not care to go to the city to live, and yet they have succeeded in accommodating everybody. There are about sixty more students than ever before, rooming on or near the grounds. Of these, eight are at Harrison Hall, eight at Smith Cottage, ten at Backus Cottage, nine at Station Terrace, five at Howard Terrace, ten or eleven at Mr. Champion's, four at Mr. Steele's, and five at Mrs. Crosby's. There are also many new students living in the city and others who have engaged rooms in the city.

Backus Cottage.

The cottage that Mrs. Backus has built on the east end of the Delta is a model students' home for the ten young women who live there. It was planned for students, and in building everything possible has been done to make it comfortable and attractive.

On first floor is a well lighted reception room finished in oak and Georgia pine, with a fire-place in one corner. This room opens into a parlor on the south; a library and study, used at present for a bedroom, on the west; and a dining-room on the north, all finished in the same woods. A well appointed kitchen connects with the dining-room on the west.

Going from the reception room to the second floor we find five rooms for students, one room for servants, and a bath-room. These rooms and the halls are finished throughout in Georgia pine. Mrs. Backus has furnished each student room with bedstead, springs, mattress, pillows, three chairs, study table, dresser, commode and shades. The whole house is heated with hot water, lighted by electricity, and has water from the College water works accessible in convenient places. Finally, Mrs. Backus has had an experience with students that will enable her to make life pleasant for the young women entrusted to her care.

Some of Our Soldier Boys Return.

Three of our boys of the 31st returned from Knoxville on the hospital train Friday. W. K. Brainard came directly to the College and was soon surrounded by a crowd of anxious friends, who welcomed him warmly and plied him with questions regarding the other boys. "Shepard," he said, "is nearly well and went from Detroit to his home in Owosso, accompanied by his father, who had been visiting him in camp. But poor Trumley will probably never see home again. He was taken with pneumonia on the way home, and when he was removed to Grace hospital in Detroit the doctor had but little hope for his recovery. Brainard himself is but a shadow of his former self: his cheeks are hollow, his eyes sunken, and his once snug-fitting uniform hangs loosely about his limbs and body. He has been sick

with malarial fever nearly half the time since he went to camp. All the other boys in the 31st, except Ralph Clark, have also been down more or less with malarial fever. Hart has stood the climate well, and Clark has not been troubled at all. Recently the eight M. A. C. boys in Co. E. got a tent together, "and then we had it fine," said Brainard, "for when any of the boys were sick the others helped them."

The boys are only out on thirty-day furloughs but they expect to be mustered out without returning. Brainard will enter College and do light work until he has recuperated.

Guy F. Scott with '01, Lansing, enlisted with the 33d, went all through the Cuban campaign, was not ill a day, and returned a few days ago heavier and stronger than when he went away. When he called at the College Friday afternoon he looked as vigorous and healthy as though he had just returned from a summer resort.

The Ministers Visit College.

About two hundred thirty of the ministers in attendance at the M. E. Conference accepted President Snyder's invitation to visit the College, Friday afternoon. The President and Secretary met them at the cars and sent them about the grounds in squads of twenty or thirty in charge of professors and instructors, who pointed out to them places of interest. They thought when they came that an hour and a half would be ample time for their visit but many went away regretting that the time was not longer. That they were well pleased with the institution was shown by their exclamations—"Grand!" "Beautiful!" "Magnificent!" "I had no idea this was such an institution!"—and by their parting salute. When all had again entered the cars one divine sang out "What's the matter with the Michigan Agricultural College?" The Conference voted by acclamation: "It's all right!" and followed with three vigorous Methodist cheers.

Y. M. C. A. Reception to Young Men.

About 125 young men attended the reception given Friday evening by the Y. M. C. A. in the Association room. The event was an enjoyable one, and the fostering of a spirit of genuine fellowship between the upper classmen and the new men, rendered it of the greatest importance. Each man before entering the room, was labeled with name and class, the freshmen wearing daisies, the sophomores white, the juniors and seniors red asters. This greatly facilitated the matter of introduction. The room was decorated with greenhouse plants.

The short devotional exercises were opened by singing, after which Dr. Edwards led in prayer. F. N. Lowry, the Association president, made a few remarks in welcome to the new men, and then introduced the Rev. Clarence F. Swift, of Lansing. Mr. Swift aroused considerable merriment in his audience when he ventured the assertion that there were some present that either were

homesick, or soon would be homesick. He was roundly applauded when he said that the world did not need statesmen nor writers so much as it needed *men*, and that we of the College might do our part in supplying that need.

After more handshakings and a few College songs, the company dispersed, better acquainted, and it is to be hoped stronger men, for the hour's companionship. C. E. P.

The Attendance—Larger than Last Year.

Last year the chapel was crowded on opening night; this year the chapel and the hall outside were crowded. At least 75 persons stood in the hall and on the stairways. A comparison of the attendance at the end of last week and at the end of the first week last year shows a healthy increase in the attendance. At the end of the first week last year 330 classification cards had been issued; at the end of the first week this year, 406; a gain of 76. A comparison of new students for the same periods shows—last year 186, this year 202—a gain of 16. Of the class entered this year, 47 are young women.

Sunday Services at the College.

The plan followed last year, of having a short chapel service beginning at 9 o'clock and closing in time to reach the city for the regular morning service, gave such general satisfaction that it has been adopted for the ensuing year. The College authorities have secured for students a rate of 50c for one round trip on each of the thirteen Sundays in the term, and most of the students avail themselves of the opportunity to attend the church of their choice in Lansing.

The chapel service last Sunday morning was conducted by the Reverend J. L. Miller, professor of theology in Knoxville College. He took for his text "Therefore I hated life," from the 17th verse of the 2d chapter of Ecclesiastes, and gave a talk that should have been helpful to everyone who heard him.

"To hate life is not a normal condition," said the speaker. There must have been something wrong in Solomon's life. If we hate life we must look for the reason in ourselves. In the first place, Solomon left God out of his calculations, for the time being. Many of us are doing this thing. Great corporations do not regard God's word—do not keep the seventh day holy. Far from being left out, God should be the center of all our calculations.

Secondly, for the present he left the soul out of consideration. Eat, drink and be merry might be well enough if we were simply bodies, but the soul cannot be fed on husks.

And thirdly, for the time he left eternity out; as though time were all—living for the day. Solomon looked upon life as bounded by the time spent in this life and gave no consideration to eternity.

"Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought." We must all some day look upon our works. He looked at his wealth

with conscience awake—at the silver and the gold, and he would have them removed from him. His wealth mocked him. He looked at his power—at his throne, and his power made him feel his weakness. He looked at his wisdom, and saw *fool*; at his temple built to God and then at all the heathen altars around, and it seemed as though there were a tongue in every stone to rebuke him. "And, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit."

One who hates his life is in great danger. Such are our suicides. Judas hated life; Lazarus did not. Paul did not hate life because he desired a better life; it was not that he loved this life less, but that he loved that more.

Sin does not pay. Pay-day comes; judgment comes. Shall we try Solomon's experience? With all his wealth, power, and wisdom, he exclaimed "Vanity, vanity! All is vanity!" You make a strong case against Solomon; but wait a minute. Have you been tried as Solomon was tried? Could you withstand the temptations of wealth, of power? Do those who seek office think of the temptation that power will bring upon them. "Let him that thinketh he stand beware lest he fall." Solomon was saved, though as by fire. In closing, the speaker enjoined his hearers to build wisely and in the fear of God, for all must be tried.

Military Officers for Agricultural Colleges.

So many inquiries have been made regarding the call of military officers to Agricultural Colleges that the executive committee of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations thought best to secure some authoritative statement on the subject. By personal interview with the Adjutant General the committee learned that no details whatever will be made till after the report of the peace commission has been received. This is an order emanating from the President and Secretary of War and no exceptions will be made to it. The Adjutant General further recommends that the battalions be organized and drilled by the ranking officers of the senior class, until such time as officers from the regular army can be detailed. The military department at this College has been placed temporarily in charge of Dr. Waterman, who for several years had charge of the military department at Storr's Agricultural College.

The Parke, Davis & Co. Fellowship Goes to an M. A. C. Graduate.

Last spring Parke, Davis & Co., of Detroit, offered \$500 a year to establish a fellowship at the University of Michigan. The conditions attached were that the student be a post-graduate; that he be not required to teach; that he do work in original investigation, and that if the donors desire a problem investigated it be done by this student. C. H. Briggs, '96, who secured his master degree at the University last June, was offered the fellowship and has accepted it.

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Y. W. C. A.—Weekly meetings for all ladies on the campus, Tuesday evenings at 8:00, in Abbot Hall. Sunday meetings with the Y. M. C. A. Miss Russel Taylor, President. Miss Emma Bach, Cor. Secretary.

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PERONIAN SOCIETY—Meets every Friday afternoon at 1:00. West Ward, Wells Hall. S. Gertrude Lowe, President. Marion Clute, Secretary.

HESPERIAN SOCIETY—Meets every Saturday evening at 7:00. West Ward, Wells Hall. W. D. Hurd, President. C. H. Smith, Secretary.

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THEMIAN SOCIETY—Meets every Saturday evening at 7:00, Chapel. Frances Russell, President. Coral Havens, Secretary.

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What have the Agricultural Colleges done for the Farmers?

NOTES BY W. J. BEAL.

It is with reluctance that I venture some notes on this subject, because they are likely to be misunderstood and perhaps by some persons not believed to be true or not considered of much value. An experience of 28 years at M. A. C. and an extensive acquaintance with colleges in other states has given me good opportunities to gain information; my presence in various parts of the State at large numbers of institutes for 22 years has brought me in contact with all sorts of farmers. M. A. C. is the oldest and one of the best colleges in the world. I must include in my references all agricultural colleges of this country and those of Europe, as it is impossible to separate the work of one from the others.

1. Agricultural colleges have caused many farmers to think that a good education of the right kind is a great help to them. This view is certainly correct and certainly of great worth.

2. These colleges have educated a small number of young persons who have become farmers and would have educated very many more, had the mass of farmers availed themselves of the opportunity. Progress has been delayed in many cases by stubborn opposition and neglect to seek the truth, starting out with the theory that nothing good could possibly come from an agricultural college.

3. They have been the means of establishing and securing the maintenance of large numbers of experiment stations for the benefit of farmers and of sending the results to all who sought them. Hundreds of scientific men are experimenting, with the idea of benefiting farmers.

4. They have furnished workers for these stations.

5. These men have greatly improved the quality of agricultural journals by acting as editors, contributors or making bulletins for the papers to use.

6. They have furnished many reports and edited many books which are of great worth to farmers.

7. They have made organization of farmers possible in grange and club and helped to make them more effectual.

8. By organization farmers have become leading factors in securing just legislation, and there is still much to be accomplished in this direction.

9. They have done more than many are aware of to induce other colleges and universities to adopt a more practical trend in their courses of study and mode of instruction.

10. They have stimulated inquiry and self-respect among reading and thinking farmers,—very important aids in making good citizens.

11. They have been the means of disseminating much information gathered from farmers themselves or from other sources.

12. They have helped to dispel a host of superstitious notions costly to follow and turned the light onto many unwise precepts handed down from their forefathers, teaching them to reason more nearly correct.

13. They have opened the eyes of educated and reading people to numerous frauds or swindles as to fruits, grains, vegetables, remedies for insects and fungi, use and construction of lightning rods, adulterations of seeds and fertilizers.

14. They have proved over and over again the great advantage of a suitable rotation of crops.

15. They have shown that, although fine crops of wheat are secured by a summer-fallowing the land, it is done at a fearful cost to the fertility of the soil.

16. They have analyzed all sorts of feeding stuffs and fertilizers, to inform the farmers of their value when properly used. This is of great importance for farmers in the older and more thickly settled portions of our country.

17. They have given to the farmers many ideas of practical importance concerning proper combinations of food for domestic animals, that they may be fed in the most economical manner. Who has not heard of balanced rations?

18. They have been the main cause of popularizing and proving

the great economy in making and feeding silage and showing how to use it in correct proportions with other feed, like clover hay and wheat bran.

19. They have demonstrated the folly or shown the loss in feeding cattle for profit for beef till they were three to four years old, or pigs till they were 15 to 20 months old.

20. They have shown the great superiority of 5 to 25 kinds of grasses and clovers for meadows and pastures. In the same connection comes the naming of orchard grass, tall oat grass, meadow fescue and others of value, as found by numerous experiments.

21. They have tested an enormous number of new fruits, vegetables, grains, etc. and reported the results.

22. They have discovered the cause of pear blight and the twig blight of the apple, and made some suggestions as to remedies.

23. They have given farmers many good points as to the cause and prevention of numerous ailments of domestic animals.

24. They have given to farmers the Babcock test for milk and numerous other improvements to help in the dairy.

25. They have made many experiments and discovered devices for combating the codling moth, potato beetle, currant worm and other insects; also for combating the fungus known as apple scab, and other fungi.

26. They have shown that no exact rules can be given to be implicitly followed by farmers so as to make it unnecessary for them to use all the gumption and judgment they can command.

27. None know so well as the professors of the college the great number of mistakes that have been made in the past, and in the nature of things, some mistakes must be expected in the future. I have never made the acquaintance of a college professor who made no mistakes.

28. Many of the farmers of this generation are not awake to all the advantages to be derived from an agricultural college. They too often look with derision on what would be of much use in their work.

29. As I read the signs of the times, the generation just coming into activity will be much readier to avail itself of teachings in agricultural colleges, and we shall see among farmers such an intellectual awakening as this country has never witnessed.

Hints to New Students.

There were so many helpful suggestions in Dr. Edwards' "Hints to New Students," published a year ago, that even at the risk of incurring his displeasure we reprint them.

1. The fact that you are away from home, and to a certain degree thrown on your own resources, is perhaps the first thing that impresses itself strongly on your mind. Do not let the thought overwhelm you or create in you a feeling of forlornness and dejection. Recollect that the cultivation of self-confidence and resourcefulness, together with a knowledge of how to meet men and women and make friends of them, is for you one of the most valuable forms of training, and that under no more favorable circumstances could you get this part of your equipment for your life-work. You are here sur-

rounded by potential friends. There are always at hand, good and wise men to whom you can with the utmost confidence go for advice, and with this safeguard to fall back upon, and no family and neighborhood prejudices to blind you, you can make your first essays in the study of human character. What could be more beneficial or more essential to a successful career? When you have then a feeling of homesickness, go resolutely out and throw yourself into some form of activity; seek companionship; make yourself approachable and attractive to someone; and you will be astonished to find how soon you will feel perfectly at home in this *our* little world.

2. On the other hand, do not let the fact of being thrown on your own resources lead you to a feeling of over-confidence and forwardness, or of contempt for all the wise counsel and restraint of the home life. The former will inevitably bring upon you the epithet of "fresh," and the treatment by which school-boys believe "freshness" is cured (all, of course, in a spirit of unselfish philanthropy). The latter is the straightest and surest possible path to ignominy and ruin. Exercise good common sense. Be approachable but modest and unassuming. Don't open your mouth and drink down all the idle and silly tales that a fun-loving sophomore may regale you with; at the same time don't seek to command attention by superior airs of wisdom, or bid for popularity by assumed contempt for decency and morality. Don't be a milkop or a simpleton, but in seeking to avoid these characteristics don't become an ass or a fool.

3. Be sure to avail yourself to the full of all the advantages so lavishly strewn around you. Do you know that there is hardly another school in these United States where you will be allowed to have such direct and personal access to so wide a range of costly apparatus as you may have here? See to it that you lose no opportunity of this kind. Here, for instance, is the library. It is probably a larger, and certainly a better, collection of books than you have ever seen before. It is your privilege to touch, handle, read books that you may never have the good fortune to even see again. For the time being they are in every sense yours. Do you realize the value of the privilege? Make your daily schedule so that you can spend at least one hour daily in the library. Get someone to advise you about your reading. Make friends with the librarian.

4. Don't neglect the physical side of your being. Be conscientious about your daily modicum of physical exercise. Take a healthy and lively interest in the college athletics, not merely by looking on and perhaps paying your share of the expenses, but by taking part in some form of the work and cultivating a personal interest and pleasure in it. Have a definite place in outdoor games and sports.

5. Don't neglect the religious side of your being. A faculty that lies dormant for an indefinite time will become dwarfed and shriveled. And this is the faculty that you can least afford to neglect. Don't be ashamed of your religion; don't wrap it in a napkin and lay it carefully away for future use after you return home. When you come to take it out again, you will find it shriveled up to nothing. Give

your moral nature a chance while you are here. Help to create and keep in vigorous action a strong moral and religious influence in our school life. Be a power for good. To do this, ally yourself with all the forces for good now active at the College. Attend the Sunday services; join some Bible class; give hearty and constant support to the work of the Young Men's Christian Association; join the Association and give them your best efforts.

6. Finally, be strong, self-poised, manly. Put away childish things, Be earnest, purposeful, persistent. Play the man. Throw yourself every time on the side of right. It will count you a hundred fold in character and reputation. "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

Our Boys in Idaho.

Dr. C. W. McCurdy, acting president of the University Idaho, writes under date of August 8, as follows:

THE M. A. C. RECORD: I am happy to inform you that Professor H. T. French, M. S., M. A. C. 1885, has accepted the position of professor of agriculture in this institution at a salary of \$1,800, duties to begin September 1. Mr. French has been at Corvallis, Oregon, nine years. The *Corvallis Gazette* of recent issue speaks in very complimentary terms of his labors there. Oregon's loss will be Idaho's gain. The chair of agriculture has been vacant the past year as the board has been on the lookout for an able man to fill it.

We are looking forward with pleasure to the coming among us of Mr. Thorn Smith, my assistant in chemistry. His good work as an analyst has preceded him.

Your humble servant is now performing the duties of acting president of the University and director of the station, by appointment of the regents, the appointment, of course, to cease upon the arrival of our president, not yet named and may not be for several weeks or months.

We are delighted to read of the rush and thoroughness that pervades every department of M. A. C. President Snyder seems to be the right man in the right place.

Grain and fruits of all kinds are most abundant in this Palouse land of plenty and wealth. Wheat is selling at fifty cents a bushel, and is an immense crop and nearly all grades A No. 1. The hum of the thrasher is heard from all points of the campus, and will continue till snow flies.

The Football Situation.

It is encouraging! Seven members of the '97 eleven, Captain Ranney, Vanderstolpe, Skinner, Parks, Russell, Baker and Crane, are here and working hard. Several members of last year's reserves are struggling for places on the first eleven, and so too are a number of new men. Of the latter, Bigelow, from Owosso, and Coons and Case, from Mt. Pleasant, have played before and are showing up well. Twenty-five or thirty are out every afternoon and they all deserve credit for the conscientious work they are doing.

Trainer Keep expects to have a little help in coaching the team this year. Wednesday afternoon Knight, right end for Princeton in '95, was here a short time and gave the boys some good "pointers." He will be

here three or four more times before the season is far advanced. Also, Ed. Fitch, right tackle for Cornell in '95, who is in Lansing on business every week, has signified his willingness to help Mr. Keep.

Eight or ten games have been arranged, but as the schedule has not yet been approved by the faculty it cannot be published. It is probable that the first game will be played in Ypsilanti, October 8. Notre Dame has asked for a game at South Bend October 15 and may be given that date.

M. A. C. a Good Place for a Teachers' Institute.

The resolutions adopted by those who attended the session of the Ingham County Teachers' Association held at this place from July 11 to August 5 show that they were well pleased with their entertainment and instruction. The resolutions mention in complimentary terms each lecturer and instructor, but for lack of space we are compelled to omit all personal commendation.

Resolved, That as this is the best place in the State to hold an institute, we, the teachers of the Ingham County Institute, wish to express our thanks to State Superintendent J. E. Hammond, President Snyder of M. A. C., and Commissioner Hanlon for their efforts in locating this Institute at the Michigan Agricultural College.

That we express our appreciation and thanks for the free use of the grounds, buildings, and appliances, and for the kindness and courtesy of those connected with the College and grounds.

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Resolved, further, That we recommend that the teachers be given the privilege of attending an institute here in '99 and in succeeding years.

Prof. McDermott Goes to Cornell.

Professor Edith F. McDermott, who was at the head of the women's department here for two years, has been appointed assistant superintendent of Sage College, the women's college of Cornell University. She will teach one or two classes a day and also do special work in bacteriology and French.

At the College.

The farm department is filling the new silo at the dairy barn.

The State Board will meet in Grand Rapids one week from today.

To facilitate the delivery of mail to rooms students should have the number of their rooms put on their letters.

Miss Lilian Wheeler started Thursday morning for Washington, D. C., where she will visit several months and then go to New York City to spend the remainder of the winter.

Lost, by C. J. Foreman, while here last commencement, a U. L. S. pin somewhere between Station Terrace and the Union Literary Society building. Finder please leave the pin with Mrs. Landon.

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News from Graduates and Students.

Howard B. Baker '92 is practicing medicine in New York City.

Dan. G. Smith with '96, Portland, called at M. A. C. Friday afternoon.

E. A. Calkins and George Campbell '98 were here at the opening of the term.

W. C. Stebbins '95 remains another year at New Troy as principal of schools.

Harry D. Baker with '95 visited his brothers, Hugh and Fred, at the College last week.

A. T. Cartland '97 and G. J. Rhodes with '97 were two of the young preachers who visited M. A. C. Friday.

W. H. Marsh with '98 is principal of schools at Richmond, Mich. He has a brother, S. W. Marsh, in the class of 1902.

E. H. Sedgwick '97m has left the Lewis Institute and is now drafting for the Bullock Manufacturing Company, of Chicago.

The marriage of A. Latcha Waters '90 to Miss Maud T. Shanley occurred at the home of the bride's mother, Globe, Arizona, yesterday, September 19.

C. P. Close '95 has been spending a short vacation at his home in Berrien county. He visited friends at M. A. C., Wednesday, and then returned to Geneva, N. Y.

G. N. Eastman '96m writes that he is on night work for the Chicago Edison Company. He finds some consolation in the fact that he will be able to see all the "big football games."

W. J. Merkel '98m and A. S. Elbridge with '99m are working on the Government breakwater at Buffalo. Mr. Merkel gets \$75 in the drafting room. His address is the LaSalle Flat, 23.

Miss Amy Vaughn '97 has secured, by competitive examination, a \$600 position as teacher of cooking in the Chicago public schools. Her salary will increase \$50 per year until it becomes \$1000.

R. B. McPherson '90 Howell, was in Lansing, Wednesday. Howell is to have a street fair; he is a member of the committee on arrangements, and was on his way to Hudson to see how street fairs are conducted.

C. W. Loomis '98 has been at the College several days taking examinations for graduation in subjects missed during his absence from College. He will go at once to California to enter the employment of a fruit buyer.

Fred W. Kramer with '97m called at the College last Wednesday. He is at present representing Mutschler, Robertson & Co., Rochester, N. Y., manufacturers of the "Ray Cameras." Letters sent in care of the firm will be forwarded.

Vernon J. Hooper with '93 is acting hospital steward for the 31st Michigan Volunteers at Camp Poland, Knoxville. He has seen several other M. A. C. men in camp, and says he can look across to the University of Tennessee, where C. E. Ferris and J. R. McCall, '90, are teaching.

Sherman L. Culbertson with '00, second corporal in Co. K, 33d Michigan Volunteers, died of typhoid fe-

ver at his home near Centerville, Monday, September 12. Mr. Culbertson went through the Cuban campaign without a day of sickness but was taken ill on his way to Montauk Point. After a few days in the hospital at Montauk he was sent home, where, ten days later, he succumbed to the fever. So far as we know his was the first death from the ranks of our former students.

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