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A Trip to Washington.

R. C. KEDZIE.

Having received a courteous invitation from the U. S. Industrial Commission to appear before that body to give evidence in regard to the raising of sugar beets in Michigan, and the manufacturing of sugar from the same, I took a trip to the National Capital, leaving Lansing at 1:45 p. m., May 11, and reaching the Ebbitt House Saturday at 7:30 p. m.

As my appointment to appear before the Industrial Commission was for 10:30 a. m. on Tuesday, my early arrival gave opportunity to see some of the old College friends, as well as to attend the meetings of the Commission and hear the evidence of other witnesses.

I first called on Mrs. Willits, the relict of our old president, whose memory we hold in such honor. I found Mrs. Willits in her old home, No. 1409 Hopkins St., N. W. She was in usual health and took a deep interest in all that relates to the College; inquiring for the old friends, and especially for Prof. Holdsworth, whose interest in the bust of Pres. Willits that will be unveiled at commencement, was well known to Mrs. Willits. She seemed to be deeply touched by this evidence of love of her husband, and remembrance of his life of service at M. A. C.

I next tried to see Mrs. Louisa H. Davis, the widow of Frank P. Davis, '68, who so recently died in Ecuador, S. A. I made two efforts to see Mrs. Davis but without success. I much regretted this because in her early life she lived some years in our family and we loved her as a daughter.

Monday morning I went to the Chemical Laboratory of the Agricultural Department to meet Dr. Wiley, Prof. Bigelow, L. S. Munson and some companions of my California trip of last July. On Wednesday morning I went with Prof. Smith to the Laboratory of Plant Diseases, where I found Erwin Smith, L. J. Briggs, Lillian Wheeler and M. H. Lapham. I found all of them well and happy, and life at the Capital seemed to agree well with them all.

It was very gratifying to me to hear the appreciative words spoken of the excellent quality of the work done by our graduates in the various departments in Washington. It would be in bad taste for me to repeat in this public way the cordial words of praise spoken about the work done there by graduates of M. A. C. It made me proud of the College and of Michigan. "Well done, good and faithful servants" was the verdict for them all. I was sorry not to see all our graduates in Washington.

BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION.

The Commission met daily in the Bliss Building at 10:30 a. m. On Monday, May 14th, Dr. H. W. Wiley appeared before them and gave exceedingly valuable evidence on Sugar Beets v. Beet Sugar. It was full of a vast amount of information, well digested and clearly presented. I

was not surprised to hear the warm words of thanks of members of the Commission expressed to Dr. Wiley. I told him afterward that it was worth a journey to Washington to hear his discourse.

The Commission contains many very able men. A number of members of Congress are members, but they seldom attend the meetings. The lay members, if I may so call them, are men of mark. Ex-Gov. Harris, of Ohio, is a man of marked ability, has a great store of common sense, or I can best describe him by saying I called him *the Gov. Luce of Ohio*. E. D. Conger, of Grand Rapids, is an active and useful member, and is wide awake for Michigan interests.

On Tuesday I went before the Commission and presented my facts and views. I will not expand this point, but only say I was kindly treated by that body.

On Wednesday I heard Prof. Smith read his paper before the Commission—clear, exact, methodical and convincing. He won golden opinions from the Commission.

MICHIGAN IN THE PUBLIC EYE.

It was very gratifying to note the esteem in which Michigan was held in all these discussions before the Industrial Commission. She was held up as the model and standard for comparison on sugar beet questions for all the states east of the Rockies. I almost felt like changing our State motto, "*Siquæris peninsulam superbam circumspice.*"

Botanical Club.

The meeting this week proved an interesting and instructive one. A paper upon "Real Starch Factories" was given by Miss Kate Nichols, in which she showed the importance of starch to the world, for the support of animal life. So dependent is man upon this product that in many places the failure of a single crop means famine. Starch is not manufactured by man, but is a product of nature for the nourishment of plant life. It is manufactured in the cell's of the leaf of the plant, and here, only in the sunshine. In these minute leaf cells the starch of the world is manufactured, a single cornfield, daily, producing tons of it during the bright August weather.

Mr. B. Wermuth then described the manner of growth of the starch grain, illustrating with a chart. Every species of plants has its characteristic form of starch granules, a fact which is often made use of in identifying substances.

Under the discussion it was mentioned that sugar, which is soluble, is formed first, and then converted into insoluble starch for storing in the plant tissue. When the stored nourishment is needed by the plant it is reconverted into sugar, transported to the growing parts, and here used to nourish and build up the tissue.

A beautiful example of fasciation in the apple, was shown that had eight branches united into one, and eight well developed terminal buds.

R. L. B.

M. I. A. A. Field Day.

The annual intercollegiate field day will be held in Lansing on the old State Fair grounds on Friday and Saturday of this week, June 1st and 2d, both morning and afternoon of each day. The wrestling, club swinging and horizontal bar contests will be held on Friday night at the new armory, Lansing. The program of athletic events will be the same as last year with one minor exception.

The M. I. A. A. directors met last Friday night in the parlors of the Downey House and made final arrangements.

The tennis tournament will be held at the College courts with the exception of the finals, which will be played off at the fair grounds.

On Thursday morning M. A. C. will play the gents' singles with Kalamazoo. In gents' doubles M. A. C. will play the winners on Friday afternoon. The ladies' singles will be played on Friday morning with M. A. C. against Albion, and in the afternoon the same two colleges play ladies' doubles.

The time limit on the five-mile bicycle race was lengthened from 12:30 to 13 minutes without pace.

Captain Weydemeyer of the track team ran a trial 100 yards on Thursday in 10 1-5, and easily equaled the intercollegiate record of 5 ft. 7 in. on the high jump. The rest of the team is showing up in proportion.

Bring your college color and yells with you on field day.

All members of the Athletic Association are admitted to the grounds without charge. The other colleges have the same privilege.

An informal reception will be given the visiting delegations in the armory on Thursday night.

On last Friday the wrestling team tried the mat at the new armory.

The track team will go to the fair grounds this afternoon to try the track in the different events.

The baseball game at Olivet May 28 was canceled by Olivet.

On Monday of last week the boys rolled up a score of 34 to 7 against Hillsdale. The team were here over Sunday and several members went to Toledo on the excursion and were in no condition to play.

The most exciting game of the season was played with Kalamazoo last Saturday on the home grounds, Kazoo winning by 8 to 7. One of the best exhibitions of nifty pitching was given by Calhoun of the visitors. In the last half of the last inning when the score was 8 to 7, with the bases full and no outs, he cleaned out the batters one after the other amid the most distracting kind of rooting.

The team has improved under special coach Burnett who has been with us for a month, but the boys were simply outplayed.

We have won two out of six games but have no chance to play field day. The tennis tournament has resolved itself down to Lundy and Clark in the doubles, but as Lundy has withdrawn, the one to take his place has not yet been named.

In the singles, Clark and Wheeler have yet to play off the final single.

C. O. B.

Birds Noted at the M. A. C. During the Spring Migration for 1900.

Common Crow, Feb. 10.
Red-headed Woodpecker, Mar. 2.
Robin, March 22.
Bronzed Grackle, March 22.
Bluebird, March 23.
Song Sparrow, March 23.
Cedar Waxwing, March 20.
Purple Finch, March 25.
Phoebe, March 27.
Meadowlark, March 28.
Killdeer, March 31.
Mourning Dove, April 1.
Cowbird, April 5.
Red-winged Blackbird, April 7.
Kingfisher, April 16.
Chipping Sparrow, April 16.
Turkey Buzzard, April 15.
Flicker, April 15.
Vesper Sparrow, April 14.
Sapsucker, April 15.
Towhee, April 20.
Field Sparrow, April 21.
Brown Thrasher, April 21.
Purple Martin, April 22.
Chimney Swift, April 23.
Kingbird, April 26.
American Woodcock, April 28.
Carolina Rail, April 28.
Yellow Warbler, April 28.
Rose-breasted Grosbeak, April 28.
Catbird, April 28.
American Bittern, April 28.
Oven-bird, April 30.
Baltimore Oriole, April 29.
Scarlet Tanager, April 30.
White-throated Sparrow, May 3.
House Wren, May 4.
Barn Swallow, May 5.
Tree Swallow, May 5.
Spotted Sandpiper, May 5.
Warbling Vireo, May 5.
Marsh Wren, May 5.
Wood Thrush, May 5.
Bobolink, May 6.
Black-throated Blue Warbler, May 8.
Chestnut-sided Warbler, May 8.
Least Flycatcher, May 8.
Great-crested Flycatcher, May 8.
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, May 8.
Maryland Yellow-throat, May 8.
Whip-poor-will, May 8.
Black and white Warbler, May 8.
Solitary Vireo, May 10.
American Redstart, May 10.
Yellow-throated Vireo, May 10.
Wood Pewee, May 11.
Indigo Finch, May 11.
Solitary Sandpiper, May 12.
White-crowned Sparrow, May 12.
Magnolia Warbler, May 12.
Canadian Warbler, May 15.
Black-poll Warbler, May 12.
Orchard Oriole, May 13.
Nighthawk, May 17.
Cuckoo, May 17.
Ruby-throated Hummingbird, May 18.
Wilson's Warbler, May 18.
Olive-backed Thrush, May 19.
Wilson's Thrush, May 19.
Red-eyed Vireo, May 19.
Golden-winged Warbler, May 23.

THOSE SEEN DURING THE WINTER.

Crossbill.
Golden-crowned Kinglet.
Tree Sparrow.
Prairie Horned Lark.
Cardinal.
Junco.
White-breasted Nuthatch.

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M. A. C. CHORUS meets in the Chapel every Monday evening at 6:30. C. H. Parker, President. Gertrude Van Loo, Secretary. Mrs. C. E. Marshall, Director.

The Southern Copper Mining Region.

THORN SMITH, '95.

(From a letter to a friend at M. A. C.)

This is the most forsaken and desolate country within the borders of the United States, and in some particulars, the equal of the worst place on the globe. The "Bad Lands" of the West are entirely outclassed. In other ways I like it fully as well as the west. To begin with the people, ninety per cent., they say, cannot read nor write. They care for nothing; build schools and keep their children at home. There are boys of twelve at work here who have never been inside a school-house and will never write their names. The "natives," as they are called, look on a Northerner

with much contempt and avoid him to the best of their ability; but let that same Northerner get within range of a moonshiner's gun and he will never see home again. There are large numbers of moonshiners back in the mountains and quite frequently they bring in their products. This portion of the State is local-optional to death and they are a little careful.

The ordinary man earns ninety cents a day of eleven hours, while one a little more skilled gets a dollar and twenty-five cents. They have the most hang-dog look and in a week I have not seen a cheerful face among them. We have no negroes. It is very difficult to get a colored cook even. This house has an old colored mammy cook and there are two others in the vicinity. Every colored man is driven out at the point of a gun the moment he shows his head within the proscribed territory. Hogs! I never saw so many in my life. They are all around the laboratory but from divers experiences with strong ammonia, in the past, they do not enter. Over at the smelters they are very numerous. They even crawl up beside a chunk of hot matte to keep warm. I kick two or three out of the path every time I go over there. These same hogs are peculiar. I do not know whether they are the "razor-back-famous" or not, but I do know that they are vastly different from the northern beast. They have the wattled variety which actually has wattles hanging from the jowl. This is said to be a sign of degeneration. I should say so. Enough of hogs.

The "horses" are, of course, all mules and big ones at that. * *

It is a part of my work to inspect the matte every morning and decide if it shall be loaded on the cars. It is greatly desired that the matte assay about 45 per cent. copper, and anything much under that must be resmelted. When a car is loaded I seal it and weigh it, then make out a certificate of its gross and net weight and the copper contents.

I have two assistants all the time and can have another whenever I desire him. One is a very fair chemist, "native" of course, while the other is a common roustabout. The officers are all English or tributary country (Irish or Scotch), but a finer combination I never saw. Every man is boss of his own survey. The company employs, when they can get them 1000 men, but this is "crap" time and the natives "reckon on putting in a right smart lot of craps" before the season is "done gone." They "reckon" everything, and it has been a "right smart hot day." There are three smelters in constant operation, smelting 500 tons of ore a day. They propose putting up a combined roaster and smelter.

There are five yard engines busy all the time drawing slag out, or ore in. The mines are some distance from the regular line railroad and the company has its own tracks. There are two pyrite mines in operation and a hundred, more or less, of roast heaps sending their fragrance into the surrounding territory. It is delicious when it blows this way, which it does often. They also operate a big iron "bank" and are preparing to open an abandoned sulphur deposit. It is not native sulphur but a marketable pyrite free from pyrrhotite, the latter being

unadapted for acid making. The Tennessee Mining Company is making big preparations near here. When completed they will have an immense plant.

We have some terrible rainstorms. The territory is a rich one for the lightning rod agent. Between here and Knoxville I saw one small house equipped with five rods. There are many with three.

Two or three miles from here, where the trees grow, there is some of the most beautiful territory I have ever seen. Here, of course, the roast heaps have taken care of the scenery. Nothing left but iron banks and rocks. We always have a breeze and no hot nights. The people plow with an old hand-made wooden plow attached to a mule or steer and steered by a rope. It is mighty poor plowing I think. A window in the house is a rarity.

The only society is among the officers of the company. There is not a native in the district who lives in a place fit to receive callers. The ordinary man will say "yes, sir" to an officer's wife if spoken to. It is a queer country and yet it is in the United States.

Isabella, Tenn., May 8, 1900.

Mr. Allen at the U. of M. Art Gallery.

One of the most interesting features of the university is its large collection of valuable paintings and pieces of sculpture. There are three large galleries lined with beautiful paintings and statues, and it was while wandering about from one to another, that we formed the acquaintance of Mr. Allen. He was a man of about seventy years, a trifle stooped, but otherwise strong looking. He had a pleasant old face, whose chief characteristics were, a pair of large expressionless blue eyes, an upturned, curving mouth, and scraggly gray chin whiskers. He was dressed in an indescribable suit of loose gray clothes, whose picturesque effect was completed by a Kentucky general's felt hat drawn well down to his ears. He seemed to realize that we had no catalogue, and noticing our looks of admiration and interest, offered very kindly to explain the different pictures to us.

"Excuse me, but that's Mysser, that there picture; an' this one here's Helen. Both expensive pictures. That one there's the Italians fightin' the Spanish, but I say, what do we care about that, now we've whipped 'em? That one up there in the corner's a Madonna, left here by a class, an' its worth about four hundred dollars; an' you see that big one, next to it there, that's the same thing only that's worth about twenty dollars." In answer to our question as to the reason for such a wide difference in value, he exclaimed, "Why, because one's a poor copy an' the other's a good one. That big one there's Hagar in the wilderness, that's a very expensive picture; an' that one next to it is Christ and Mary."

"Then over there on the other side, you see that one in the corner?" "That's the expulsion of a Greek Prince from Egypt, that's worth about five hundred dollars." "Above there is Oliver Cromwell." "He was in his prime in 1660, (somewhat startling, considering that Cromwell died in 1658) an' next to him there is Fox, he was in his prime in 1564." "See that picture way up there?" "Well that's

LaFayette an' Madame Roland, planning out the future of the French Republic," an' that big one there's The Sleeping Beauty."

"Now I'm just callin' your attention to the more expensive pictures; of course there's lots more here that you can admire, an' would be nice for a parlor but most anybody could buy 'em."

"That big picture there is the 'Twins' by Boogere (Bouguereau) an' that's worth two thousand dollars." "That there's a Greek scene; there's only three in the gallery, an' that's one of 'em." "That's the Egean (Aegean) sea out beyond there, an' if I was a mind to take the time I could tell you what all them figures in the fore ground was doin'." "That scene there's worth about sixty or seventy dollars, an' it represents a French garden: its all hand work, every bit." "That there's Lincoln readin' by firelight, an' its worth about six hundred dollars." "That big one there's Roogabos' (Rougebeau) Breakfast; don't get that mixed up with Boogeros' Twins, an' its worth about a thousand dollars." "There's a picture of Farragut." "Talk about Dewey!" "He aint in it with Farragut!" "He had himself chained to the riggin' of his ship, so his body wouldn't fall, an' they passed two forts with their guns all pointed at him."

"That man up there above the door, is Lewis, the one who bought an, give 'em all to the University." Here our friend stood with one hand on his back, and with the other pointed to the picture indicated, while the corner of his mouth curved upward in a smile of perfectly childish delight.

"Down there at the other end, with them portraits, is Tappan, the first president of the University; an' that young one down there is Mason, the youngest governor of Michigan. He was my mother's cousin, an' whiskey killed him!"

"The man that put all these statoots in here, I used to run around barefoot with, seven years before the University was staked out, so I was here when Ann Arbor only had a hunderd an' fifty inhabitants before the University was here, an' I've growed right up with it."

"That fellow's name was Randolph Rodgers, an' he got a better position than I did: he got the chance to drive Blisses bakery wagon, but I didn't, an' I'll always remember it."

"Oh, I haven't lived here always. I went to Saginaw, an' manufactured salt an' lumber, an' made all the worldly goods I needed, an' then came back to Ann Arbor. I was the first mayor of Saginaw. I know all about the University, an' can tell as much about any part of it, as I can about the art gallery."

I. G. T., '00 w.

High Schools and Colleges.

"The secondary school has been too largely dominated by the college; and in few cases has that domination been other than unfortunate. Over 60 per cent. of these graduates do not go on to a higher educational institution.

"It is neither proper nor dignified for the secondary schools to continue in this condition of dependence upon college entrance examinations. They should be independent and self-centred." — Nicholas Murray Butler, in *The Meaning of Education*.

At the College.

No one quarantined at Abbot Hall.

Board meeting tonight (Monday) at Hotel Downey.

J. H. Skinner '01, entertained his mother over Sunday.

H. B. Clark, '00m, received a visit from his father last week.

Miss E. M. Rich entertained her father and mother over Sunday.

Miss Jessie Palmer spent Saturday and Sunday in Grand Rapids.

Miss Belle Foster, '03, received a visit from her mother and sister last week.

Prof. Holdsworth and family are again at liberty after a three weeks' quarantine.

The Farm Department finished planting seventy-one acres of corn last Friday.

Prof. Smith went to Albion Saturday to address a meeting of the dairymen of that locality.

Miss Mabel English has gone to her home in Lucas. She expects to return to College next year.

Found.—A purse containing a small sum of money. Owner can obtain it at the secretary's office.

Rev. E. W. Hunt, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church conducted chapel services Sunday morning.

Miss Blunt addressed the Y. W. C. A., at their Thursday evening meeting, last week, on St. Augustine.

Miss Bertha Gordon and her little brother of Battle Creek, visited their brother J. H. Gordon, '02, last Saturday.

Mrs. Bird is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever. At present she is doing as nicely as could be expected.

A special course in beet sugar production closed Friday. Two students remain for practical work in growing beets.

Miss Mabel Smith has lost a cuff button, made from a Spanish army button, which she would be pleased to have the finder return.

The King's Daughters will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Blair; lesson from the 4th chapter of Luke, text word, "Reject;" this is pound week.

E. W. Ranney, C. B. Lundy and Miss Ella Phelps have been appointed to arrange for a reception to visiting students next Thursday evening.

Mr. E. R. Blair was called to Rapid City last week to attend the funeral of his sister who died from injuries received by being run down by a train.

Friday afternoon the baseball team played a five-inning practice game with the Lansing K. of P. nine, which resulted in a score 17 to 6 in favor of the College.

The orchards have been sprayed with Bordeaux mixture and arsenic. A full crop is promised except of peaches, which are a total failure and sweet cherries which will give, but a light crop.

Prof. Mumford has received an invitation from Prof. Eugene Davenport, '78, of the Illinois Agricultural College to visit that institution early next year to lecture to their classes on sheep, mutton and wool.

W. A. Boland of Grass Lake has invited Prof. Mumford and any number of students to visit his place June 1st and 2nd. Unfortunately the field day will probably interfere with the accepting of the invitation.

Mr. J. J. Ferguson visited the farm of Ira O. Johnson, Grand Rapids, and A. M. Welch of Ionia, last week, for the purpose of studying their practical dairy methods, especially the handling of cream and milk for a city trade.

Mr. Locke Etheridge, of Chicago, representing Evans, Almirall & Co., talked to the senior mechanicals recently. He spoke of heating systems, devoting his attention principally to "The Evans Exhaust Hot Water Heating System," in which the above firm are interested. The class enjoyed the talk, which proved to be very timely, as three of the students have theses on heating and the department as a whole is much interested in the subject.

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News from Graduates and Former Students.

M. Bliss Dewey, with '99, is a farmer at Concord, Mich.

Miss Ina Keillor, with '99w, is teaching at Bear Lake, Mich.

James Satterlee, '69, and wife will attend the alumni reunion.

Oscar Angstman, '75, is a lawyer at 35 Moffat Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

Thomas J. Hayden, with '99, is a commercial traveler. 231-8th Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.

Fred C. Kendall, with '99, is with the B. A. & P. R. R. Address 212 Cherry St., Anaconda, Mont.

John E. Mayes, with '99m, is a draughtsman and commercial traveler with the McBarney Granite Works of Carson City, Mich.

Jay D. Stannard, '76, is assistant in the department of Civil and Irrigation Engineering in the Colorado Agricultural College, at Fort Collins, Colo.

Ervin D. Brooks, '76, who received M. D. from the University of Michigan in 1885 is an oculist and aurist at 200 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, Mich.

John C. Butler, sp. '91 and '92, of Danby, has been honored by Governor Pingree with a commission as delegate to the Farmers' National Congress, to be held at Colorado Springs, Col., Aug. 21 to 31.

Hiram S. Hampton, '76, who was a member of the Legislature of Idaho in 1896 and who practiced law for twelve years, is now instructor in Science and Civics in the State Normal School at Albion, Idaho.

Eugene Davenport, '78, formerly professor of agriculture at M. A. C., is now Dean of the College of Agriculture, Director of the Experiment Station, and Professor of Animal Husbandry at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.

Military Hop.

The military hop, which was held in the College armory last Friday evening, was one of the most successfully conducted social events that has been held at the College for some time. It was the last of a series of five that have been given during the college year, under the direction of the officers of the cadet battalion.

The armory was tastefully decorated with flags, red, white and blue bunting, and a number of potted plants. The two cannon belonging to the military department, together with side arms and other military equipments were placed in the armory and greatly assisted the military effect for the evening.

The program commenced at 8:15 with a grand march, followed by eighteen dance numbers. Bristol's orchestra of nine pieces, which has always given the best of satisfaction at similar College functions, furnished excellent music. A few visitors from Lansing were present, but the ninety couples in attendance were mostly students and members of the faculty. It is to be hoped that the next series of military hops, which will probably be given next year, will be well attended by College people, and be one means of bringing faculty and students more closely together on a social basis.

A. J. C.

Birds Noted at M. A. C.

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Red-breasted Nuthatch.
Black-capped Chickadee.
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Hairy Woodpecker.
Downy Woodpecker.
Goldfinch.
Pine Finch.
Redpoll.
Blue Jay.
House Sparrow.

W. T. S.

M. A. C. at Chicago.

As was expected by his friends P. B. Woodworth, '86, professor of electrical engineering at Lewis Institute, is taking a prominent place in electrical circles at Chicago. He is a member of the Chicago Electrical Association, which holds semi-monthly meetings for the discussion of electrical and allied topics, and at the meeting on May 4, presented a paper on a "Road Test on Street Railway Motors." At the annual banquet of the society, May 18, he was down for the first toast "High Potentials."

The American Park and Outdoor Art Association meets in Chicago June 5, 6 and 7, and S. M. Millard, '65, Highland Park, will read a paper on "Rural Embellishment." Dr. Beal will present the report of the committee on "Prizes for Designs" of which he is chairman.

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