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My College.

In August last Mr. Halstead visited the College after an absence of 16 years. He writes the following delightful sketch of his impressions:

The changes have been many for the better and along various lines, as they should be in any enterprising college that makes attempts to keep up with the forward push of our interesting times.

In the first place my thoughts ran back to the bleak November day when I first saw the College in 1867, just a third of a century before. Then there was the main building and the boarding hall (Saint's Rest, long since destroyed by fire) with a long wide path reaching between, lined with Norway spruces that made a curve, with shrubbery added, where the well stood. There were the four brick professor's houses (brick houses, not professors) and the big barn, sheep barn, a few sheds and the herdsman's cottage at the turn in the lane which led the way over a shaky wooden bridge and was soon lost in vanishing wheel tracks in the woodlot. There was the chapel as now—one blessed thing unmoved—with the chemical laboratory on the same floor and the recitation rooms, President Abbot's office and Professor Prentiss' home upon the second floor, while the library, museum, and two small recitation rooms were one flight above.

Out of doors it was largely stumps, and where it was not stumps it was trees, so that the student as he reported daily for his three hours of instructive labor in the early spring months, was given the privilege of making more and more stumps. Between '68 and '71 the New Boarding Hall took its present place, little barns arose, and the chemical laboratory graced the grounds; students increased in number and the College grew somewhat in favor with the

austere legislature. In those days the students had little else to do except study through the morning notes, recite their lessons in the forenoon and continue the acquisition of knowledge in the field, orchard, and garden, while the sun sought the place of its setting beyond the dome of the Capitol. We all thought our College the best in the land with a Faculty second to none, and we worked hand in hand together, with a will, to make the Institution of our choice better and better in reputation and worth throughout the State and Nation.

I do not know so much of the student life in these later days, but trust its fullness is greater as its resources are immeasurably increased.

Think of those years in the sixties when the war sounds were still in our ears and wounds of battle were upon our classmates. The bell was rung by Barker, whose right arm hung helplessly by his side, and Gunn brought the daily mail of the whole College from Lansing in a bag upon his armless shoulder, as his share in the industrials of the afternoon. So many of us taught school in the winter that at commencement in bleak November there were scarcely students enough in chapel to start a cheer for the "spouting seniors."

But I have run off the track with my thoughts of earlier days. Dr. Beal wished my impressions of the College of today.

It seems to me that the growth is stamped upon everything. The getting up from "town" is quite an improvement and when I left the trolley at its terminus it was at the very spot where large piles of stove wood had been worked into smaller-sized blocks by an ax in my own hands, while dreams of far-off graduation day and a degree hung as a menacing doubt in the dark chambers beneath a cap I had brought with me from an eastern farm home. In 1874, after serving two years as a tutor to the freshmen, I knew all the buildings by name and the professors by sight; now, how changed! I

*To this day it seems to me that Dr. Kedzie's Chemistry is the best in the world.

needed to inquire my way to nearly all the former and a score of the latter I did not recognize at all. Lads that were almost beneath a tutor's notice had later bounced through the course and now filled chairs not heard of in my college days. One of the professors showed me a group picture, which I took to be the visiting legislature assembled, knowing something of the mutual deep interest between that body and the college; but it was of the faculty. The list of the sixties had grown to two scores or more. I wondered, and then the thought came of Dr. Miles having the chair of practical agriculture, superintendent of the farm; and then to keep from rusting, busy with idleness he taught, besides his stock-breeding and kindred subjects, nothing so acceptable perhaps as his class in human physiology. Professor Cook had five class room hours per day with rhetoricals and the freshmen essays thrown in as a sort of ballast to keep him steady.

Things have changed, no less in the conception of the duties of a college to a professor than a professor to his profession, and while I looked through the experimental grounds of the farm and garden (these short names are used to save space and to hark back the old days), the ornamental garden with a big B., it came to me that the State had come to its own; with money, or else these things could not be; with students, or else these things would not be; with the firm and lasting belief, or else these things should not be. On that same August day the campus was dotted all over with movers in small groups, with their headquarters wherever their deeper interests lay, whether in the museum, dairy, library, laboratory, workshop or field. These were the inspectors making their rounds, who will give their report to the other stockholders who could not come.

A train load of such, some of whom said that they found there their ideal of heaven, is enough to lead an old graduate to feel just a little better toward his College and his kind than ever before. They had come to their own and when a state like that of Michigan has such a College in its real full possession, why should I attempt to indicate how great and useful it has become or it can grow to be in the centuries to follow.

Her early years were spent tied fast to stumps and trees, Then came the tossing billows in the Legislative breeze; But now with sails spread wide on Learning's placid seas She bears her load of pupils in security and ease.

A noble trainingship for life's uncertain voyage upon an ocean of endless truth.

BYRON D. HALSTED, '71.

Y. M. C. A.

Thursday evening prayer meeting was led by Burr Hesse, Topic: "The New or Regenerated Life."

Chapel services Sunday morning were conducted by Dr. Hubbard, State superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League. His subject was *Peace and Arbitration*. He argued that the sword would never be sheathed until nations, as well as individuals, learned to love their enemies.

The union meeting of the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. Sunday evening was led by Prof. George Severance. He chose for his subject: "How can students secure the greatest good from a college course, and what habits should they seek to develop?"

The meeting was well attended.

H. N. H.

M. A. C. 17, Albion 17.

The day was an ideal one for the gridiron sport. Every one came with the intention of making the noise he could. Albion was represented by about one hundred and fifty rooters who came in a special train. The Albion team came out on the field at 2:15 headed by the Albion Band and took their position on the west side of the gridiron. M. A. C. with its band and rooters occupied the east side. The M. A. C. players were the first to put in appearance and were greeted with lusty cheers. About 10 minutes later the Albion team arrived which called forth a mighty cheer on the Albion side.

M. A. C. won the toss and chose the north goal. Albion kicked off a touch-back. Childs punted 35 yds. from M. A. C.'s 25-yd. line. Albion put the ball in play once and after several line bucks Simmons was sent around the end for 25 yds. and a touch-down. Church failed to kick goal.

M. A. C. kicked off to Albion's 10-yd. line, Church returning the ball 20 yards. Albion advanced the ball 5 yards on the first play and were there held for downs. Crosby went around right end for 15 yards. McKenna was then sent around the left end for 10 more and Case was sent through tackle for a touch-down. Childs kicked goal.

Albion kicked to M. A. C.'s 35-yd. line. Crosby was again sent around end and dodging Church ran 15 yards for a touch-down. Childs failed to kick goal.

Albion kicked off to M. A. C.'s 10-yd. line. Childs returned the ball 2 yards. In attempting to hold M. A. C. for downs Albion was penalized 10 yards for off-side playing. End runs by Crosby for 18 yards, Case for 22 yards, McKenna for 10 yards, brought the ball on Albion's 20-yd line. Crosby was sent around the end for a touch-down. Case did some very good interference work in this by blocking Church. Childs kicked goal.

Albion kicked off to M. A. C.'s 10-yd. line, McKenna returning the ball 15 yards. Here Darwin was put in to play left end, Pickell returning. A series of end runs and line bucks in which McKenna made 4 yards and Peters made 12 yards soon put the ball on Albion's 25-yd. line, where M. A. C. was held for downs. The visitors now put forth a mighty effort, sending their heavy guards through M. A. C.'s line for small gains, and Simmons, making two pretty end runs of 30 and 25 yards, put the ball on M. A. C.'s 4-yd. line. Maddock was sent through the line for a touch-down. Church failed to kick goal.

M. A. C. kicked off to Church on Albion's 10-yd. line. Church returned the ball 8 yards. Simmons then made the prettiest run of the day, going around the end for 90 yards. A touch-down seemed unavoidable, but Simmons stumbled when within five yards of M. A. C.'s goal line, when Tower caught him, holding Simmons from rolling over the line. M. A. C. held Albion for

downs on M. A. C.'s 1-yard line, and on the first play carried the ball 4 yards, and would soon have carried it out of danger, but time was called, ending the first half.

Score, M. A. C. 17; Albion 10.

SECOND HALF.

M. A. C. kicked off to Albion's 10-yd. line, Simmons returning the ball 20 yds. M. A. C. held them, forcing Church to punt. M. A. C. fumbled the punt and Bechtel fell on the ball. Maddock was sent around the end for 25 yds. Albion was held for downs on M. A. C. 15 yd. line. M. A. C. advanced the ball 13 yds. and the ball went over to Albion on downs. The ball changed hands several times, both teams being forced to punt. Blanchard called for a punt with the ball on M. A. C.'s 5 yd. line, Shedd passed the ball over Childs' head, and the ball was downed back of M. A. C.'s goal line for a safety.

M. A. C. kicked off inside of the 25 yd. line to the center of the field. Albion made every effort to make another touch-down and hurled her guard against M. A. C.'s line. Bryan was finally pushed over for a touch-down. The score stood: M. A. C. 17, Albion 17. An awful suspense followed, but Church failed to kick the goal, which set the M. A. C. rooters off into a series of yells and cat-calls.

With but a few minutes of play left neither side did very much. Albion using a double pass which gained them considerable ground. Time ended with the ball on M. A. C.'s 40-yd. line.

Score M. A. C. 17, Albion 17.

Many of M. A. C.'s best men were out of the game on account of injuries received in previous games. With such a crippled team in the field M. A. C. is highly elated and think they were not beaten. Simmons, Maddock and Perry were Albion's chief ground-gainers. Crosby played the star game for M. A. C. McKenna and Childs put up their usual good game:

ALBION	POSITION.	M. A. C.
Pickell, Darwin	L. E.	Crosby, Rork
Herrington	L. T.	Peters, Tower
Berry	L. G.	Tower, Carpenter.
Bentley	C.	Shedd
Priest	R. G.	Meek
Bryon	R. T.	Kratz
Bechtel	R. E.	McKenna
Miller	Q.	Blanchard
Simmons	L. H.	Case, Eaton
Maddock	R. H.	Childs
Church	F. B.	Ricamore

Umpire and referee—Fitzgerald of U. of M.

Linemen—Brackett of Lansing, White of Albion.

Timekeeper—Reynolds of M. A. C., Prof. Barr of Albion.

30-minute halves.

J. P. H.

The Farmers' Club.

At the meeting of the M. A. C. Farmers' Club last Wednesday evening, Mr. Geo. Severance gave an interesting and instructive talk on "Water as a Factor in Crop Production." The talk was followed by a discussion. E. O. E.

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How delightfully heroic one must feel, who, stalking forth at the midnight's eerie hour, for injuries real or imaginary, wreaks his long-pent vengeance on the professor's deserted office chair.

The football game of Saturday was fought through to the end with a grim persistence and courage that is worthy of all praise. The College owes, and we are sure, heartily gives its best and largest acknowledgements to the team that maimed and crippled in almost every way upheld the reputation of the College for sturdy manhood and strong, aggressive athletics. We sincerely regret the accident that will deprive us of Crosby's invaluable work in the games yet to be played. We have not changed our opinion of the game of football as such—a barbaric affair on a level with the tournaments of the Middle Ages, but we none the less admire the splendid self-devotion and courage our men displayed. We congratulate ourselves for another reason, too—the sportsmanlike spirit of fair play everywhere shown.

We have been reading the accounts of the Halloween performances at the various colleges of the State—a long and wearisome quest through masses of traditional inanity to see if anywhere there might be found a trace of fresh invention or original wit. Alas! Alas! the youth of our land, the hope of the future, are become as unoriginate, as closely bound by custom and convention, as the heathen Chinese! Everywhere, as here, the same old, old story that generation after generation has repeated—the same old wagons in the same old places with the same old wheels hidden in the same old corners; the same old chickens and pigs transferred to the same old recitation rooms; the same dilapidated old cannon trained on the same old girls' dormitories; and so on through the monotonous category. Might it not be well in the future to have the farm hands make the accustomed distributions before dark, and thus avoid the loss of sleep among the students, and the rude interruption of slumber for the pigs and sheep?

The Hillsdale Game.

Our reporter was not present at the game with Hillsdale on last Monday, and so we have no report of that game. From the *Hillsdale Collegian* and our own city papers we gather that the game was a

series of wrangles of increasing unpleasantness until finally in the second half our boys refused to play further on the ground of grossly unfair decisions. These decisions were made by Owens, coach for Hillsdale. We have no desire to do injustice to any man; but it would seem that no one as much interested in the result as the coach of one of the teams should permit himself, or be permitted, to arbitrate a competitive contest. Nowhere else would it for a moment be tolerated; why in football? Human nature, even of classic Roman mold, is too weak to be subjected to such a test. To show the degree of interest for Owens lying in the outcome of this game we quote without comment the following from the *Hillsdale Collegian*:

"Too much praise cannot be given Owens for his work of the past week. Monday, October 21, Hillsdale was unable to score on Angola Normal School, a weak team. In just five nights he taught green and discouraged aggregation and whipped them into shape to defeat the strongest college team in the State. The work of Mr. Owens was a revelation after the complete disappointment in the Wheeler as a foot-ball man, however efficient he may be as a track man. Coach Owens came with a big reputation, and Hillsdale now believes indeed, that he is one of the best in the West."

Still stronger evidence of unfairness is given in the appended statement of an impartial observer from Albion:

In the game between Hillsdale and M. A. C. at Hillsdale, the decisions were decidedly in favor of Hillsdale in two special instances—First, in the first half, when M. A. C. attempted a punt, which was blocked by their own quarterback and caught by Gray, a Hillsdale man, who fumbled the ball or being downed, and an M. A. C. man fell on the ball, which was then a free ball. Owens then decided that the ball should go over to Hillsdale. The last openly hissed decision occurred in the second half, when M. A. C. was holding the Hillsdale team for down and Hillsdale attempted to drop-kick goal from field, which was blocked by the Hillsdale quarterback and then was fallen upon by a M. A. C. man. Here again, the ball was taken from M. A. C. and given to Hillsdale by Owens. C. H. BOYAN.

The game was protested and the protest will be taken before the M. I. A. A. directors.

To account for further discourtesy and rudeness shown in every way we are in honor bound to state that a report had somehow gained currency that in the previous game with Hillsdale played on our grounds, we had played under the names of our regular players three Lansing professionals. President Gurney, of Hillsdale, wrote to President Snyder and frankly stated the rumor. Our President promptly replied that, of his own knowledge, he could unequivocally and positively deny the statement. This letter should have reached Hillsdale on Saturday. Possibly it did not do so until Monday and too late to allay the animosity that such an uncontradicted story would naturally create. The feeling between Hillsdale and ourselves has always heretofore been excellent, and we sincerely regret any suspension of such feeling. H. EDWARDS.

Apropos of the Hillsdale rumor, the following from the director of the Department of Physical Culture at Albion College (appended to a business letter dated Nov. 2) is gratifying:

"I cannot say too much in regard to our treatment. All our rooters came back saying M. A. C. is the

cleanest College and the best sportsmen in the intercollegiate. Our team, while they all said it was the hardest and fiercest game they ever played, said it was the cleanest and best foot-ball we had struck.

Yours sincerely,

C. L. BREWER,

Director."

Two Days With M. A. C. People.

It all began with a note from Professor L. P. Breckenridge of Illinois University saying that he would meet me in Chicago, Friday, and would expect me to accompany him to Champaign. The Professor's influence secured the courtesies of the Illinois Central R. R. in the shape of a convincing bit of paper which rendered the usual tickets unnecessary. Since 1893, when Professor Breckenridge left M. A. C. he has given his energies to building up at the U. of I. a strong department of mechanical engineering. His personality, integrity and manifest abilities have assured him the support of the Board of Trustees and have won for him unqualified success.

Saturday morning we went out to see Illinois' great university. Evidences of prosperity were abundant. The state's generosity to education is taking visible shape in new buildings, new equipment and new instructors. Perhaps of most interest to an M. A. C. man is the agricultural building quite recently finished as a structure, but not yet completely equipped nor furnished within. Here we found Professor E. Davenport, M. S., '84, M. Agr. '95, and Professor H. W. Mumford, '91, directing affairs. With them as instructor is H. E. Ward, '95.

Not far from the agricultural laboratories are approaching completion. A large one to be used for wood working will be presided over in part by A. R. Curtis, who was instructor at M. A. C. in the early '90's. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis extended the hospitality of their home and in many ways added to the pleasure of my visit. Mr. Curtis is as enthusiastic as ever over athletics. It was a hard blow to him that afternoon to have Northwestern win at football from Illinois.

In the main engineering building I found another familiar name on an office door and received a cordial greeting from Professor G. A. Goodenough, '91. He is one of the strongest men in the engineering faculty and has lost none of the geniality and force which made him popular at M. A. C. years ago.

On the train to Chicago Saturday evening I shared a seat with W. H. Green, with '01, who is acting as mechanic in the department of physics in the U. of I.

Sunday afternoon a cable car let me down in Chicago's west side within easy reach of the home of Professor P. M. Chamberlain, '88, who is in charge of mechanical engineering in Lewis Institute. After a short visit with the family and a hurried look through the halls of the institute, the professor, Mrs. Chamberlain and their four lovely children accompanied me and kindly conducted me to Austin and to Professor P. B. Woodworth's new house in that suburb. Here we made quite a house party of M. A. C. people, for besides Professor Woodworth, '86, his wife Lucy Clute Woodworth, '93, and little Paul, we found there Miss Amy Vaughn, '97,

M. S. '98, John Nies '94, and C. E. Hoyt, our former instructor in the foundry. There was not half time enough to talk over the periods since last I saw these familiar faces, but I tried to make the most of the opportunity, delightful though brief. When I returned to the city at night I reflected that M. A. C. men and women are doing their share of the world's work, and that the friendships formed at M. A. C. are enduring and pleasant ones.

H. K. V.

October Board Meeting.

The October meeting of the State Board of Agriculture was held at Bay City in order that the board might carry out their long cherished plan of investigating in detail the beet sugar industry. Time was taken from the ordinary routine of board work to visit both fields and factories. Through the kindly forethought of President Marston the two days' session had been most carefully planned, and every moment was pleasantly and profitably employed.

The formal sessions of the board were held at the Frazer House the evening of the first day and the morning of the second. At the close of the latter session carriages were in waiting to convey the board to the plant of the Bay City Sugar Company. Arriving at the factory the party was the recipient of every possible courtesy at the hands of the officials of this company. Every step in the process of manufacture, from the receiving and weighing in and testing of the beets to the packing in barrels and the weighing out of the finished product was carefully and lucidly explained, and the two hours thus spent will long be remembered by every board member to whom the process was new.

From this point the board was driven through the factory suburbs of Bay City, past the three other sugar factories, one of the several chicory factories and the many plants representing other manufacturing enterprises which almost completely encircle the city. Thence the drive was extended five miles across the country, past almost innumerable sugar beet fields, to the beautiful home of President and Mrs. Marston where a most elegant dinner was given by them in honor of the board. Immediately following, for time was precious, the famous Marston herd of Jerseys and the perfectly appointed dairy in connection were inspected. This herd of one hundred twenty dairy animals, all registered Jerseys, furnishes the best trade of Bay City with pure Jersey milk and cream to the satisfaction of the consumer and to the profit of the producer. After a pleasant hour thus spent the board adjourned and separated to trains to their several homes.

The following is the official record of the proceedings at the formal sessions:

All members present except the governor.

The following communication was presented by President Snyder: "At the last meeting of the Forestry Commission the following resolution was adopted, and the secretary of the commission instructed to forward a copy to you: 'Resolved, that the work of the Agricultural College in establishing a forestry department is to be commended, and that the state is to be congratulated when her two great

institutions of learning announce themselves as ready to take up the forestry problem; and that the commission pledge you their best efforts to aid you in work along these lines.

"The commission desires this resolution to be taken in more than a complimentary spirit, and also desires that your honorable board will take the necessary steps to promote among the people of the state a greater interest in this problem.

"Very respectfully yours,

"E. A. WILDEY,

"Sec'y of the Forestry Com."

On motion of Mr. Wells the communication was accepted and ordered placed on file, same to become a part of the permanent record.

President Snyder reported that the school district was using the barn back of his residence for a school house.

On motion the question of screening the basement windows of the Women's Building was referred to the Committee on Buildings and College Property.

On motion of Mr. Wells, Prof. Marshall was authorized to visit two or three of the most modern bacteriological laboratories in order that he may inform himself as to the requirements for the new laboratory to be erected for his department.

On motion Director Smith was authorized to attend the meeting of the National Association of Agricultural College and Experiment Station workers to be held in Washington, D. C., during the coming month, as a delegate from the Experiment Station.

On motion of Mr. Monroe the board set aside \$3,000 (from the

Mr. Denman; that the College football team had won all its inter-collegiate games without having been scored against, and that the outlook for a successful year along general lines was most encouraging.

Adjourned subject to the call of the president of the board. A. C. B.

The Hallowe'en Party.

Miss Gilchrist gave a belated Hallowe'en party to the girls of the College and a few of their friends Friday evening. Every effort was made to have the party as informal as possible.

Miss Blunt read palms to the satisfaction of all, and Miss Lyford presided over a contrivance that disclosed unerringly one's future destiny. The floating apples, clothes-pin race and hidden ring taxed to the utmost the cleverness of each one present while the Virginia reel afforded a vent for gayer spirits.

All present owe thanks to Mrs. Linn for her solos from Scotch ballads and to Miss Gilchrist for her solo from the German Folk songs.

A movement set on foot by the seniors has resulted in the organization of the Horticultural Club, which is to meet on every alternate Wednesday evening in the classroom in the horticultural laboratory. The officers elected are, Pres. T. G. Phillips; Vice-Pres., S. B. Hartman; Sec'y, O. L. Ayrs. W. K. Wonders and L. D. Rudolph will arrange the program for the next meeting. The emphasis of the work done will be laid on the practical side of horticulture.

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extraordinary purposes, for the preparation of plans and expenses incident thereto for the proposed general heating, lighting and water plant.

On motion of Mr. Watkins the secretary was authorized to confer with Profs. Weil and Atkins regarding a new small dynamo for the College electric light plant and report results of said conference at the next meeting of the board.

On motion of Mr. Wells, no changes shall hereafter be made in the electric light system at the College nor new lamps added unless a written order for same from the President of the College shall be filed in the Secretary's office.

Pres. Marston presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That owing to the delay in reappraising and reporting of the Agricultural College lands, the State Board of Agriculture hereby respectfully requests the Commissioner of the State Land Office to immediately appoint such assistants for College Trespass Agent Skeels as will enable said reappraisal and reporting same to be completed at the earliest possible moment. Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Monroe, President Snyder was elected by the board as a delegate from the College, and President Marston as a delegate from the board to the meeting of the National Association of Agricultural College and Experiment Station workers to be held in Washington the coming month.

Mr. Watkins, from the committee on athletics reported the general advancement along athletic lines at the College under the direction of

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Old Students.

D. J. Hale, '98, visited the College four days last week. Mr. Hale has been connected with the State Zoological survey.

W. M. Hallock, with '03, is now editor and publisher of Thompsonville News.

S. H. Fulton, '97, writes from Experiment, Ga., under date Oct. 28: "We have now been in Georgia nearly two weeks and like our surroundings very much. Mr. Mosier commenced work here this morning as foreman of the horticultural department."

G. E. Towar, '01, is spending a few days at M. A. C. He has been in the government employ, Forestry division, this past summer, with headquarters at Priest river, Idaho. He will soon leave for Washington, D. C., after a short visit with his parents at Belding, Mich.

H. W. McArdle, '87, professor of mathematics and registrar, North Dakota Agricultural College, and conductor of the largest summer school in his state, has in the *Westland Educator* for October a sensible article on the "Relation of the Summer-School to the Teaching of Arithmetic." His portrait adorns the front page. McArdle is evidently making himself felt in the school affairs of his state.

C. W. Knight, special student, writes that he is assistant on a large private place some miles north of Detroit. The conservatories are perhaps the finest in the State. There are about 4,000 orchids alone, and hundreds of species of tropical plants. "The only thing I regret now," says he to Prof. Wheeler, "is that I am not six or eight years younger, so that I could study and teach botany for a few years."

"Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Fletcher announce the marriage of their daughter Leolah Sisson Hubbell to Mr. Guy Livingston Stewart on Thursday, October 31st, 1901. Washington, D. C." So reads a card just received. Our heartiest congratulations and very best wishes go with our old friend "Guy" in his latest venture. We believe in him—in his good judgment to choose a good woman and true, in his energy and persistence to make a success of life.

Miss Alice M. Cimmer, '00, now teaching in Battle Creek, visited the College Saturday and Sunday. Of her work she says: "Manual training was just established in Battle Creek this year. Mr. Williams, formerly of Menominee, has charge of the sloyd work for the boys while I have the domestic science work. Our new cooking laboratory will be finished in about a week. At present I am teaching sewing in the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades and think I have 500 of the best girls in the State of Michigan. I find Battle Creek a very pleasant place and thoroughly enjoy my work. However, I do not forget my old College friends."

Notes Gathered Here and There.

The Farmer's Club at its first meeting of the year elected F. D. Stevens president.

The Iowa State Agricultural College, located at Ames, last week suffered the loss, by fire, of the Experiment barn and contents. The loss is estimated at \$15,000.

Lost.—A small open-faced gold watch. Finder please leave with the librarian.

The Athletic Association held important meetings last week. A new constitution was adopted and other important matters were considered. A full copy of the new constitution will be printed later.

The Y. M. C. A. directory, copies of which have recently been distributed, is very much appreciated. Much credit is due the committee for the time and energy spent in getting it out.

Arthur J. Anderson at last week's meeting was elected president of the freshmen class. Mr. Anderson is the first agricultural student in several years to be elected president by this class.

The Debating Club held its first meeting of the year on Thursday last. Officers were elected as follows: President, D. S. Bullock; Vice-President, E. O. Elmer; Secretary, W. B. Willson; Critic, P. H. Stevens. Meetings will be held each Thursday at 7:00 p. m.

The Union Lits. gave their fall term party in their society rooms last Saturday evening. The rooms were tastily decorated with evergreens, cut roses and potted plants. Mr. Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Clark, of Mason, with two violins and a harp, furnished excellent music. Wafers and macaroons were had in abundance and many bowls of pineapple punch were required to quench the thirst of the of the happy dancers. Prof. and Mrs. Smith, as chaperones, in their usual jovial manner, added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

Among the visitors we note Mr. and Mrs. Denman, J. A. Coon, C. M. Blair, and M. R. As 11 o'clock drew near the party broke up and the dancers dispersed, consoled by the thought that there are others yet to follow.

Bailey Writes About the Military Department.

W. J. Bailey, '01m, writes interestingly about the military department. He is in Moscow, Pa., with the Page Woven Co., where also is J. G. Allen. The place is 40 miles south of Pittsburgh, on the Monongahela river.

Mr. Bailey says that he misses the drill hour about as much as anything. "Almost every day," says he, "I find myself missing one of those old pieces of music used to play. The other day, working, Aldrich brought one of those spells by asking me, 'I thought I was back at having a battalion parade when I had just had a picture of a whole battalion lined up and was 'sounding off,' and he had him down for disturbing the money." Mr. Bailey steals a lot out of the military department under Major Vernou's direction. "One goes at it right, and right down to it, about as much education amounts to is the training which one receives—such as will enable one to concentrate his thoughts and energy on a task at hand. I know of no other place to obtain such training as a college which has in its military department. I know that the little work I did with the department has done me lots of good."

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