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HOME ORATORICAL CONTEST.

The sixteenth annual home oratorical contest took place in the armory Friday evening. The program began shortly after 8 o'clock, and continued for two and one-half hours. It can rightly be said that the contest this year was the closest and most interesting one that has taken place at the College. And this was so because there were a greater number of contestants this year than in previous years, and also because greater preparation had been made for the event than ever before.

The decision of the judges resulted in the placing of Mr. Frank Phillips, first; Mr. Glenn C. Sevey, second; Mr. F. O. Foster, third. Mr. Phillips had for his subject, "Damien," and the subject of Mr. Sevey's oration was "Dominant Russia." Mr. Foster's subject was "The Tyranny of Greed." The orations almost invariably showed that consistent thinking had been done, and the understanding of various present day problems manifested in several orations was very commendable, indeed. When an outsider realizes the fact that both Mr. Phillips and Mr. Sevey received the same rank, eighteen, and that there was only a difference of two points in their total percentages, he will understand how close the contest was.

Judge Grant in announcing the winners did not long keep the audience in suspense. He said, however, by way of preface, words to the effect that not all can win in a contest, illustrating this truth by an anecdote from his own life. Miss Hettie Wright presented the medals, which closed the program. The Industrial School Band and Miss Freyhofer varied the program with music and in each case were encored. Prof. King was not on the program but in response to repeated hand-clapping appeased his friends by reading "Her Twa Een" and another selection in Scotch dialect.

THE PROGRAM.

Music	Industrial School Band
The Master	Miss Bessie Buskirk
<i>Feronian Society</i>	
The Tyranny of Greed	Floyd O. Foster
<i>Columbian Literary Society</i>	
Music	Industrial School Band
Sir William Wallace	Miss Katharine Slaght
<i>Themian Society</i>	
Life's Ideals	B. S. Brown
<i>Adelphic Society</i>	
Damien	Frank J. Phillips
<i>Union Literary Society</i>	
The American Negro	Frank C. Reimer
<i>Eclectic Society</i>	
Dominant Russia	G. C. Sevey
<i>Olympic Society</i>	
A Modern Slavery	A. C. Dodge
<i>Hesperian Society</i>	
Cantique d'Armour	Liszt
<i>Miss Freyhofer</i>	
Presentation of Medals by	
<i>Miss Hettie Wright</i>	
Music	Industrial School Band

Judges on Thought and Composition.—W. N. Ferris, Big Rapids, Mich. Hon. Chas. Townsend, Jackson, Mich. John R. Patten, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Judges on Delivery.—Judge Wiest, Lansing, Mich. Prof. Sterling, Lansing, Mich. Judge Grant, Lansing, Mich.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. B. Rose, Pres., Olympic Society; J. P. Knickerbocker, Vice Pres., Hesperian Society; Miss Katherine Gunn, Sec'y, Feronian Society; W. J. Wright, Treas., Columbian Literary Society; Miss Emma Barrett, Themian Society; E. F. Smith, Adelphic Society; J. A. Priest, Union Literary Society; L. T. Clark, Eclectic Society.

THE OWOSSO INSTITUTE.

The Owosso Institute began Tuesday forenoon with a satisfactory attendance. The forenoon session was given over to a consideration of sugar beets. The sugar beet session brought out an interesting discussion.

On Tuesday afternoon Prof. John Craig of Cornell University spoke very helpfully on the subject, "Care of the Orchard." He considered that orchard trees should be so planted that each tree can have full development, for in the long run this is economy. Spraying depends upon the peculiar conditions of the locality. Beforehandness is the watchword in spraying. Last year, because of the immense amount of rain, late as well as early spraying was found of great advantage. Power sprayers are coming more and more into favor. As regards the enriching of the orchard soil Prof. Craig said that in New York State orchardists fail to realize the fact that the apple tree is a greater drain on the soil than almost any other crop.

Hon. R. D. Graham of Grand Rapids, member of the State Board of Agriculture, was the next speaker. In discussing the subject, "The Fruit Grower and the Canning Factory," he said, that the canning factory can utilize fruits that would otherwise go to waste, hence the factory is an economy. Hon. C. J. Monroe discussing "Ethics for the Farmer," said that integrity must prevail in all dealings. Nature does not juggle but is honest with herself. Honesty is not only the best policy but it should be the policy in every phase of life, private, social, and religious. Mr. Monroe counseled his hearers not to try to sell weather-beaten hay for a first-class article, nor to pad out fruit cases, and water milk. Not only is this dishonest but it has a baleful effect on children, the hired help and upon everyone with whom the offender comes in contact.

At this point Miss Jones sang a solo that was much enjoyed.

Hon. E. P. Allen of Ypsilanti commenced the program given over to a discussion of good roads. He said that theory had no place in considering good roads. It takes time to educate the people how to make good roads. The road tax should be paid in cash. Hon. James MacDonald, Hartford, Conn., Connecticut Highway Commissioner con-

tinued the discussion. He strongly urged a system of State aid for road construction. In Connecticut, the people understand the value of State aid and now do not begrudge appropriations for this purpose. The first thing to do in road construction is to analyze local conditions—to put the right material in the right place. Three Owosso school children gave at this point an enjoyable violin trio, "The Merry Fiddler."

Ex-Senator Earle said that the road, each must remember, is for everyone and is used by everyone. In explaining the work of the State highway commissioner said that a 100,000 miles of good road are worth \$10,000,000. He advocated the raising of the tax $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mill to create a road fund and then he would have the township do something. Let the roads be built where the township designates. Pathmasters must also receive instruction in road building.

The session Tuesday evening was given over to lantern-slide talks by Prof. Craig, Prof. Barrows and Mr. Longyear. Miss Lyford, Mrs. Haner and Miss Bessie Buskirk gave practical demonstrations of cooking and sewing in the Baptist church during the session of Tuesday afternoon. The limited time at her command did not allow Miss Lyford to make as full demonstrations as she desired.

Prof. Orville T. Bright, of Chicago, delivered one of the most interesting talks of the whole convention on "Rural schools as they are and as they should be." The stereopticon helped to make his talk very effective.

The following M. A. C. men were at Owosso last week:

Hon. C. J. Monroe, '85, member State Board of Agriculture; Hon. L. Whitney Watkins, '93, member State Board of Agriculture.

The following named students were on the program for papers: Perry G. Towar, '85, The Sugar Factory and the Farmer. Colon C. Lillie, '84, The Farmer's Side of the Question; The Soil for the Beet Field and Its Preparation. Hon. C. J. Monroe, '85, Ethics for the Farmer; Care of Sand Roads. B. O. Longyear, instructor, '03, Parasitic Diseases of Plants. Hon. Chas. W. Garfield, '70, The Need and Importance of Reforestation in Michigan. F. E. Skeels, '78, What the Forestry Reserve Can Do for Contiguous Country and Population. H. F. Palmer, '93, Diseases of the Horse. G. A. Waterman, '91, Parasitic Diseases of Sheep. K. L. Butterfield, '91, A Campaign for Rural Progress; The Rural School and the Farm Community. Hon. A. B. Cook, '93, The Torrens System. E. J. Cook, '61-'63, In the Chair for Sugar Beet Section. Frank F. Rogers, '83, Building and Maintaining Highways. W. P. Snyder, Experiments in Sheep Feeding.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE.

Dr. C. W. Hume, '73, Chas. B. Cook, '88, C. T. Cook, '91, Mrs. Chas. B. Cook, '96-'97, Miss O. M. Cook, '92-'94, Frank J. Phillips,

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ALUMNI.

'69. At its 37th annual meeting recently held in the city of Belding, the Washington Club elected James Satterlee, of Greenville, president for the ensuing year. He was also elected president of the Greenville and Vicinity Pioneer Society at its recent annual meeting.

'70. A recent issue of the *Los Angeles Times* has an interesting description of the Idyllwild Sanatorium. Henry Graham Reynolds, M. A. C., '70, is connected with this institution. In Idyllwild, southern California has the most complete and extensive sanatorium for the treatment of tuberculosis that there is in America. This sanatorium was established by the medical profession of Southern California in order to accommodate and properly care for, amidst the most favorable, natural surroundings, the large number of cases of incipient consumption that come to this section of the United States. Belonging to the sanatorium is a tract of 4,284 acres of pine forest, traversed by several mountain streams, and dotted here and there with numerous springs of pure water and of water impregnated with iron and other minerals. It is what is practically the center of a government forest reservation of 737,000 acres. After purchasing this land the management first installed a complete sewer system, a complete water system with an ideal reservoir, and then erected the present sanatorium building of 50 rooms, connected with which are several cottages of from three to five rooms each. A third of a mile away they have constructed a regular village of cottages to rent for those who desire to keep house. Connected with this village is an excellent store, livery stable, meat market, dairy, bowling alley, postoffice, public school, barber shop, electric plant, steam laundry, ice plant, and, in fact, all the accessories of a progressive town. These are also near enough to the sanatorium to be of service to any of the guests of that institution.

'91. Prof. Keynon L. Butterfield of Ann Arbor was on the College grounds last week. He was one of the speakers at Owosso.

'92. Mr. George A. Hawley, of Hart, spent a few days at M. A. C. the latter part of the week. He is a successful nurseryman at Hart.

'99m. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Russell, 300 Field Ave., Detroit, a daughter on Monday, Feb. 23d. Mother and daughter are progressing finely. Mrs. Russell was formerly Miss Clara D. Ohland, (with '01w) of Saginaw, and Mr. Russell is a graduate of the mechanical course, class of '99.

'02. Mr. Lyman Carrier has been conducting for sometime the test of six throughbred Holstein cows of the College herd for advanced registry in the Holstein Breeders' Association records. Four cows out of the six have made sufficient records to be entered in the books of the Association.

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TUESDAY, MAR. 3, 1903.

MAJOR VERNOU is anxious that, when outdoor drill begins next spring, the onlookers shall stand while the colors are being lowered at the close of drill and that the gentlemen shall uncover their heads. This seems a reasonable request and though outdoor drill will not begin for some time it is well to be beforehand in the matter. One not a military man perhaps does not fully appreciate these little acts of courtesy and respect which are interwoven in the very being of the soldier.

IN THE giving of grades there is always an unsatisfactory element, both for the teacher and the student. Grades represent, so far as the teacher is concerned, his estimate of work accomplished under his direction. In this estimate the personal equation must necessarily have some influence. History proves that not all men have achieved what we call success who, as students maintained high grades of work. On the other hand a low mark does not always prove that a student is a numbskull. Grades are not infallible proof of character, nor do they take much account of secret ambitions.

The old system of marking, whereby a student might receive, for example, a grade of eighty-three and one-half per cent was a foolish system. The letter system in vogue at the present time is not absolutely satisfactory. The next step in the evolution of giving grades is to mark simply—Passed, or Failed.

THE OWOSSO INSTITUTE.

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'03, Ray R. Tower, '03, and most likely a number of others.

Those in attendance from the College, but were never students here. Most of them on the program: Supt. L. R. Taft, Prof. W. B. Barrows, Prof. E. E. Bogue, Secretary A. M. Brown, Prof. J. A. Jeffery, Prof. R. S. Shaw, President J. L. Snyder, Mrs. J. K. L. Haner, Dean Miss Maude Gilchrist, Miss

Carrie A. Lyford, Prof. W. J. Beal. Perhaps some apology is required for inserting these names, as we have learned by repeated illustrations that some M. A. C. people are sure to be active participants at any large gathering of farmers.

Charles W. Garfield, of Grand Rapids, secretary of the State Forestry Commission, spoke on "The need and importance of reforestation of Michigan." Mr. Garfield complained of the harsh and unjust manner in which the work of himself and colleagues to have Michigan reforested has been criticised by many people. Twenty-two years ago Mr. Garfield introduced a bill to have tree planting made compulsory. He told of a fight which he had in the house because he opposed a pernicious bill of a colleague before his tree bill became a law.

He has been repeatedly criticised for "wasting his energies on a visionary scheme" by politicians, high and low. Mr. Garfield thought the destruction of forests entails a loss of seventy per cent, as but thirty per cent of the wood appears in a manufactured form. Already the builders are wondering where lumber is coming from. The farmers see the fertility of their farms carried off in the removal of timber. Another grave problem is the damage done by shifting sands on land—and in the harbors of the lakes. These sands are freed by the removal of the forest cover.

The removal of the forest wealth has decreased the value of the state of Michigan. The railroads of the state constantly need new ties. If we do not reforest where are they, as well as telephone and telegraph poles, coming from? One hundred years' growth of timber takes less from the soil than a single crop of potatoes. That is a strong point. What in a few years will satisfy the pulp mills and through them the printing press? The coal, gas and oil supplies which are used for fuel are now in sight. We must retimber or freeze!

Hon. E. A. Wildey, of Lansing, state land commissioner, gave an address on The State's power to conserve the timber of the state. Michigan last year manufactured one billion, eight hundred million feet of lumber, but such drain, Mr. Wildey declared, cannot go on forever.

The forestry commission believes that at least one-fourth of the lands of the state, from sanitary, agricultural, and many other standpoints, should be covered with timber. Accordingly a bill to that effect has been introduced in the legislature. The proposed legislation makes it an object by cutting the assessed valuation of wooded lands to one dollar per acre.

The state has a large forestry reserve in Crawford and Roscommon counties, owning seventy per cent of twelve townships. The people of the district are antagonistic to the reserve, because they believe that their counties will be disorganized. They do not understand the case at all, and when they do, they will be glad to aid the scheme.

Mr. Wildey has a bill before the legislature for the raising of \$7,500 the sum to be used to complete the purchase of some townships in the two counties mentioned. Mr. Wildey believes that Higgins and Houghton Lakes in this district will one day be great summer resorts.

WOMEN'S CONGRESS.

After a solo by Miss Kanagy, and devotional exercises led by Mrs. Moore, Miss Jennie Buell of Ann Arbor, spoke on "What Do We Work For." Miss Buell gave interesting examples to prove that many people work because they must—they evince antagonism towards work. President Roosevelt has said "Your heart must be in your work." A good motto is "I will try to do my work better than well enough." Too many are slipshod and careless in their methods, but there are many to whom duty is not drudgery, but a joy. Such a one feels that only by honest labor can he repay the great debt he owes to his creator. We should be willing to do service for the sake of others—not for selfish ends. It is not hard to toil and endure for those we love—but we should learn to appreciate an opportunity to serve those not near and dear to us. Whatever the vocation, it should be linked to higher motives and desires.

And if we could only learn that the essential thing is not to work for a living, but to work to live. True charity consists in the doing of the nearest duty in our best and truest way.

A discussion on the above paper was opened by Mrs. C. B. Cook. Mrs. Cook believes that our success in life depends on the proportion of effort we exert. Progress only comes by slow and constant toil. It is good to take any part in the great total of work and we can do uncongenial work with satisfaction, when we look at it in the right spirit. Habits of industry are great moral safeguards. Work is an essential in character building. "Heaven is not reached by a single bound, but we reach the ladder by which we rise and mount to its summit round by round."

Mrs. Carrie Ives Saunders of Saginaw, gave a few happy remarks on the subject, "What Do We Work For?" She said particularly, "The mothers are the builders of the homes and the souls of their children," also, "We do not know until we look around us how many bright and beautiful people there are in the world." She was followed by Mrs. Jennie Haner of the Agricultural College, who spoke on "Principles of Home Decoration." Among the thoughts brought out were the following: The result of decoration should be to please, to soothe. An artistic education is essential to bring about the best results. The main attributes of a home are threefold, being protec-

tion, physical well being and happiness. We need to employ judgment in furnishing our homes; let each piece of furniture have its place through its usefulness, let the colors be soothing and restful to the eye and the designs quiet but elegant. Let us have simplicity even in elegance, let it always be our rule, that we must choose not necessarily expensive furniture, but that which has good wearing qualities.

A discussion on the above subject was led by Mrs. A. E. Ferry, of this city, whose remarks dealt with the tastes and desires of the young people in the farm house. Decorations are not positively necessary, but they give satisfaction and a great amount of contentment. Let us be unselfish in regard to individual tastes of others, let them have what they want, if possible. In the giving of gifts, we may observe this individuality of tastes. It is the right of every woman in every farm house in the state of Michigan, to have things in the line of decoration which satisfies her love of the beautiful.

The Thursday evening prayer meeting was led by Mr. John Decker. Theme: "Self Master." It was brought out in the meeting that no man could be an efficient worker in the Y. M. C. A. or elsewhere who had not, and could not control or master himself. Self mastery is the first factor in a progressive life.

The morning chapel exercises were conducted by Rev. L. B. Bissell of the Franklin St. Presbyterian church, Lansing. Text: Jeremiah, 14: 9. The service was well attended and a good interest was manifest.

The union meeting of the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. was led by Mr. L. C. Holbrook. Theme: "Student Evangelization." Some of the qualities requisite for successful evangelization are: Courage, Sympathy, Faith, Purpose and Prayer. The meeting was a success in every respect. The interest was good, and those present spent a profitable hour.

The prayer meeting this week was led by Miss Dresser with the subject, "The Right Use of Ability." The attendance was good and many took part. A duet by two of the members was enjoyed by all. The leader presented the subject in several aspects, the singer, the musician, the artist, who have talent but misuse it. The ability to be cheerful is given to some and should be cultivated by all.

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ABOUT THE CAMPUS.

Several cases of "grippe" are reported about the College.

Moderator-Topics has spoken in very high terms of the recent tribute to Dr. Kedzie by Dr. Edwards.

The first installment of Mr. Ray Stannard Baker's "The Great Northwest" has appeared in the *Century*.

Bert Strong, with '03m, was recently appointed foreman of the machine shops of The Eames Pulley Co., Three Rivers, Mich.

There is no danger of an ice famine at M. A. C. next summer as the ice house has now been filled, though the quality is not all that could be desired.

Mr. Gauderico Albayda, a native of the Philippine Islands, has entered the Lansing high school, and with the intention of becoming an M. A. C. student next year.

A small party of College people went to Okemos Thursday evening to hear the lecture of President W. N. Ferris, of Ferris Institute. The subject was, "The Building of a Man."

Stewards have been elected in the various clubs as follows: Club A, John Greenway; Club B, A. Adelma; Club E, G. N. Cardoze; Club G, A. R. Carter; Club H, E. Balbach.

The Y. M. C. A. has elected officers as follows: President, J. W. Decker; vice-president, R. A. Burpee; corresponding secretary, H. M. Hornbeck; recording secretary, E. N. Bates; treasurer, E. Balbach.

The horticultural department is having the old postoffice room fixed over for the use of the department.

Prof. Pettit has received the Theobald Monogram on Mosquitoes from England. This treatise is scientifically very valuable.

The students who took, last term, personal hygiene, and emergencies and sanitary science can obtain their credit cards by calling at the new bacteriological laboratory, second floor.

The Lansing papers of late issue report that the village of Oakwood is likely to be incorporated in the near future. Some of the property owners in the vicinity of Oakwood, it is reported, will drain the near-by swamps in order to do away with the mosquito nuisance.

The Eclectic Society gave their second winter term eleven o'clock party last Saturday evening. The tastefully decorated rooms, together with neatly arranged cozy corners, added much to the pleasure of the occasion. The music was furnished by the Hays sisters, of Lansing. Professor and Mrs. Martin D. Atkins acted as chaperons.

The Hesperian Society gave a German Saturday evening. Mrs. Fowler of Lansing presiding at the favor table. The rooms were tastefully decorated with plants and drapery. About a dozen figures were executed, followed by a few round dances. At eleven all went their several ways, after a most pleasant evening. Mr. and Mrs. Gunson acted as chaperones.

Prohibition Club, Monday, 6:30, second floor College Hall. Subject, "The State and the Liquor Power."

Instructor R. C. Benner has been offered a position with a stock company which is to start a starch factory in the State of Washington. This company has a factory in Jackson, Mich., with which Mr. Benner will immediately become connected in order to acquire a knowledge of the business. Mr. Benner graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1902 and while in the University was assistant trainer of the football teams.

The debate at our last meeting was on the subject, "Resolved, that the reading public devotes too much time to the newspaper." Affirmative speakers Messrs. Barlow and McWethy, negative, Messrs. Button and Gunson. The debate was decided in favor of the affirmative. The question to be debated at our next meeting is, "Resolved, that scientific men have done more to advance civilization than literary men."

Instructor R. C. Benner left Saturday for Jackson, where he has accepted a position in a starch factory. Later he will go to the State of Washington with a stock company to be made up of Jackson men for the manufacture of starch in Washington. Mr. Benner graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1902, and has been instructor in chemistry at M. A. C. since last September. During his university career, he was assistant trainer of the Minnesota football teams.

Mr. P. M. Lyman left this morning for Port Huron, where he will begin the weighing of mail. He will run from Port Huron to Chicago.

A recent *Olivet Echo*, according to report has a "Roast for Yost." Yost, it would seem, has been traveling about the state looking up football material and in his wanderings stopped off for a time at Olivet. Some of the Olivet players fearing bribes took to the woods. If Yost has been offering inducements to football players who shall come to the U. of M. he deserves all the roasting that can be given him and the U. of M. would better see to it at once that no professionalism creeps in to its athletics.

In discussing The Saloon in Its Social Phase at a recent meeting of the Prohibition Club, it was noted that "The public house is largely, but by no means wholly, a question of forgotten needs," which are satisfied, not by, but in spite of alcohol and intoxication. The "poor man's club" is the chief center of a morbid and degenerate sociability; it is a source of low moral ideals, political corruption, anarchy and crime.

Social substitutes, like moral suasion, are *efficient* but not *sufficient*. The removal of aggravating temptation is of first importance. A prohibitory law is necessary before competing agencies with the saloon as a pleasure resort can be widely successful, since the dealer can afford to run the social feature of his business at a heavy loss on account of the increased trade it brings him.

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THE ADELPHIC LITERARY SOCIETY

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Nearly five years ago a few enterprising students got together and organized, what has since been known as the Adelpic Literary Society. For five years they struggled along in the attempt to build up and do good literary work. By offering various inducements and the prospects of a home in the near future, they attained a partial success. But when it was established that no rooms were to be had for several years, to say the least, interest lagged and a rapid decline followed, until now they have only a few remnants upon which to build a new structure.

In hopes that we may tide over our present difficulty we have reorganized. The society now stands for purely literary work, and the only qualifications for new members is to manifest an interest in the work at hand.

For the above reasons the Adelpic Society invite all non-society students, who are interested in literary work, to attend their next meeting in the English class room in College Hall at 7:30 Saturday evening, March 7. Especially they would request those who have started the movement in the Y. M. C. A. rooms to join with them. An excellent program will be provided, and a good time is assured to all.

A. L. SOCIETY.

COMMUNICATION.

Mr. George S. Jenks, Assistant Manager of the American Sheet Steel Co., New York City sends this interesting item: In reading the article in your issue of Feb. 17th, giving a short resume of Mr. E. S. Good's talk on Hog Cholera at a recent meeting of the Farmers' Club, it occurred to me that a treatment for the disease at issue outlined by Dr. James Robie Wood, a prominent physician of this city, might prove of interest at this time. This gentleman in the many years of his practice has taken advantage of the opportunities presented by his profession to utilize elements frequently neglected, although productive of much good. In his researches he discovered some years ago a process of making so called "Soluble Sulphur" (a name, however, which he thinks is not a properly descriptive one) and this liquid he has used with splendid success in treating Myelitis, Meningitis, Chronic Enteritis in children, etc.

The action produced in many cases prompted him to recommend it to some veterinary surgeons of his acquaintance, who with this remedy treated successfully diseases of the horse, such as colic, big head, tetanus, etc. Following up his investigations he was led to believe by the results obtained in a great variety of diseases, both human and animal, that "Soluble Sulphur" given in small quantities with the feed would prove efficacious in the case of hog cholera, in that it would destroy the ptomaines formed by the bacteria, thereby counteracting completely all effects of the latter. He has already suggested the treatment to Chicago interests, but these people seem inclined to question the proposed remedy without giving it a fair trial, or making the proper experiments. Such tactics bespeak narrow mindedness, as this matter is one entirely

out of Dr. Wood's line, and he is interested only to the extent that he firmly believes his discovery may prove of lasting benefit to farmers and breeders of hogs. While, of course, I am not at all familiar with the subject, it looks to me as if a remedy such as that proposed by Dr. Wood, no matter how radical it may be, should be given a fair trial without prejudice, letting the results speak for themselves.

In conclusion I would add that if the investigators at M. A. C. are desirous of looking into this matter and of learning something about the properties of "Soluble Sulphur," I will very gladly put them in communication with Dr. Wood.

GEORGE S. JENKS, with '90.

'99. Macy H. Lapham is now located at Safford, Arizona.

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