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Water, water, H 2 O! How the Sophomores love to throw them up in the air, when Makking Freshmen's clothes to sag. Water, water, everywhere! The Botanical Club last Tuesday night, Prof. U. D. Hedrick spoke on “New Types of Fruits.” His article was interesting from the fact that he not only told what was being done in the improvement of fruits in this country, but also because he gave a history of the progress made in fruit culture up to the present time, showing that the general tendency in growing fruits is toward something new.

The speaker went on to say that, judging from results obtained in the past, there is also room for the improvement of many of our fruits which are now almost neglected. Horticulturists are now devoting much attention to such fruits as the crabapple, dewberry, blackberry and raspberry, some species of which are not yet under cultivation.

During the coming century botanists confidently expect to find new fruits to come to the front rank in their commercial importance. 

In an interesting paper Prof. C. H. Houghton, of the State Agricultural College, Brookings, S. D., read a paper on the life of Dr. Douglass Houghton. His work was principally in the upper peninsula where he was drowned while he was still a young man.

Next Tuesday night Mr. Longyear will speak on “Some of our Native Fungi,” and Miss Nichols will read a paper on the life of Mary Phelps, one of the first women botanists of this country. G. N. H.

Meeting of Michigan Academy of Science.

The sixth annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science will be held at the College, on Thursday and Friday, March 29 and 30, 1900. Members intending to present papers should send titles and abstracts to Prof. D. H. Barrows, Agricultural College, Mich., as soon as practicable, stating at the same time whether it is desired that the communication should be presented to the Academy in general session or simply to the appropriate section. A stereotyping machine, etc., will be available for demonstrations. A program, with announcements of what will be presented, will be handed out to members about a week before the meeting.

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The Hesperian Society rooms, which served as court room, were crowded with curious spectators who had come for the hour the trial to begin. The Columbians were there because “Descon” Parks was in danger; the Phi Deltas came to see Price through; the Hesperians were especially interested in Parker and his mother; and the whole senior class came to see the fun.

Fun! Ouldum says that a faculty meeting was held at M. A. C. Prof. Smith acted as judge, and made a decided hit—easily the star of the evening. Bodorcan was complainant and prosecuting attorney and was ably assisted by G. M. Ouldum. The “Big Four” acted in the double capacity of culprits and counsel for each other. Then there were belted and piloted sheriffs, dozens of leered clerks, intelligent jurymen, and a host of all—a very appreciative audience, and one of the very few female clerks who had cont the excursion so much anxiety and worry.

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We Lost at Basket-ball.

The second game of basket-ball will be between two teams of young women, the second between teams of young men. Between halves and between games will occur the other events. The Col­lege band will also furnish music. Admission, 15 cents.

Our Baseball Schedule.

Manager Norton has nearly com­pleted his schedule of baseball games for the coming season, which will open with a game at Kalamazoo April 14. This is a little earlier than the usual opening; but with regular indoor training during the winter months the players will round into team form very quickly after warm weather comes. Following is the schedule:

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A Trainer of Steers.

While in College, Lyman A. Lilly '77, son of Aliegian, showed a marked ability for training steers. He has now continued his work with the training of two pairs of steers—one pair of pure-bred Devon­shires, the other of pure-bred Short­horns. He soon had them trained to drive without yoke or rope, two or four at a time, and to follow them through all their paces at the State Fair in Jackson and at the Central Michigan Fair in Lansing.
Writing as an Art

G. C. MEMFORD, HESPRIAN SOCIETY.

To the work of art the world is presently indebted. It owes to art the growth and development of its countries, the progress of its industries, and the culture and refinement of its people. Art is born to live in the present age and can appreciate all of this. To writing we owe as much as to any other work of art.

Writing embraces all three divisions of art—useful, mechanical, and liberal. It is a product and trace of the history of writing and its influence upon the world would take the work of a lifetime, but at the same time furnish volumes of interesting reading.

History is quite certain that the art of writing was known to the Chinese as early as 3,000 B.C. The system as it existed at that time was hieroglyphical and cumbrously, pure hieroglyphs, or rude outline pictures representing material objects. This system required so many symbols or characters as to be unmanageable, which words, counting obsolete characters, amounts to over 30,000, and so use have made the system to its present form, which to us seems cumbrous indeed.

The earliest history of Egypt we find this same form, with the addition of two other forms,—the hieroglyphical, the hieratic, or the hieroglyph written in an abbreviated or simplified form, and the demotic, a still simpler form which could be written eight or ten times as fast as the first form. The history of Chaldæa teaches us that a still further improvement was made by the Acadians, and a system developed known as the cuneiform system, consisting of characters composed of wedge-like marks, as the name indicates.

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At the Wednesday evening meeting of the Farmers' Club C. F. Reynolds talked about sheep. Discussion was led by G. W. White.

The King's Daughters will meet Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Dean. Text "Consecrate," Leader, Mrs. Snyder. This is pound week.

While working in the chemical stock room last Tuesday, H. S. Reed had his face and hands badly burned by an explosion which covered him with sulphuric acid.

Prof. Mumford took the special students in live stock husbandry to Grass Lake Friday afternoon to visit the Boland herd of Shorthorns, and returned Saturday.

The first military hop of the winter term occurred last Friday evening. About 60 couples were in attendance and all seemed to enjoy themselves. The evening was a cold one and just suited for a dance. Music was furnished by an excellent orchestra of eight pieces from Flint.

Prof. and Mrs. Smith gave two very pleasant entertainments last week. On Wednesday evening their house was thrown open to progressive euchre. Mrs. J. D. Tower won first prize, a bunch of beautiful roses, and Prof. Mosey the consolation, a treatise on card playing.

On Thursday evening the heads of departments having work in the special courses and the special course students were entertained. By the latter Prof. Smith was presented an elegant reclining chair and footrest.

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News from Graduates and Students.

S. H. Fulton '97 spent Sunday at the College.

Ottis Southeast with '02 attended the military hop Friday evening.

W. H. Flynn '99 is at Lorain, Ohio, in charge of a railway drafting room.

Ralph W. Clark with '99 spent two days of last week with friends at the College.

E. D. Bailey with '96 is in the drafting room of the Upton Thrasher works, Fort Harren.

H. B. Cannon '88 has talked at ten farmers' institutes since Jan. 1. A. B. Cook, '93 at ten, and S. H. Fulton '97 at twelve.

Orel L. Hershiser '84 and Miss Margaret J. McIntosh were married December 6 at the home of the bride's mother, Toronto.

Thorn Smith '95 has an interesting article on "The Use of Added Preservatives" in the American Kitchen Magazine for January.

Frank Palmer with '74 is manager of collections for the McCormick Harvesting Machine Co. Address 221 W. streets, Jackson, Mich.

Leander Burnett '92 has accepted the position of assistant engineer in the Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Ks. He left for the West last Tuesday.

E. C. Kendrick with '01 is at Marsden, Neb. He says he is raising—buying and selling cattle and horses, and making a specialty of dairying.

S. L. Ingersoll '99, who is analyzing flour at Fort Worth, Texas, writes that he has a good position, kind employer, short hours some days and long hours on others.

B. Frank Hall, Jr., with '93, formerly of Lansing, now a special newspaper correspondent at Washington, was married January 17th in that city, to Miss Mabel Tucker of Columbus, O.

Charles W. Daye with '97, after teaching for a short time in parts of the country, has settled down to poultry and vegetable farming, one-half mile east of Gladwin, Mich.

Geo. A. Woodruff, a special student in chemistry here in '98, spent all of last season (Feb. 1 to Nov. 1) on an Alaskan expedition. He is now assistant assayer in the Anchoria Mine, Alaska.

While many of our rich people go to Europe for scenery, they forget the grandeur of America's scenery, passing that of the Old World with the magnitude that must be seen to be understood and appreciated." Mr. Nelson is now editor of the Tri-Weekly Press of Alexandria, Ind.

The Man with the Hoe.

Owing to the severe snow storm, Rev. E. R. Allen was unable to reach the College Sunday morning. Meteorological conditions favoring, he will deliver a sermon in the chapel next Sunday morning on "The Man With the Hoe."

To—

Her voice is one of command, her power is full of winning, her jewels though scarce are pure, she has but a simple ring.

The fellows all jump at her call.

To obey her they hasten pell-mell, but I dread the sound of her voice, for she is the college bell! —Howard Lampson.

"Janice Meredith" is the most popular novel of the season, 200,000 copies having been sold during the last three months. For fifteen days Mr. Ford received $1,000 per day in royalties. Crushed in defeat—Chinese women.—Ev.

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