Experiment Station.

As director of the Experiment Station I most cordially invite the Alumni and visitors to the college during commencement week to visit the station grounds and see the interesting experiments that are going forward. I assume that you will stroll down the drive immediately south of the grain barn. This drive has been long enough known ever at the College swept down upon us. The rain did not drive us inside. It did not try to get us to the drive or outside of it. This clover was the soil is a blowing sand. Across sand lucern being pastured. Note the influence of commercial fertilizers. Taft's orchard, turn to the right, and note the experiments on muck. The labels will indicate the object of each test.

Fragments of Meteorology.

Dr. Kelzie was just finishing his lecture on meteorology. Speaking of the cold waves and the blizzard of the North West, when he spoke of visiting a little town on the Northern Pacific where he found a quiet little lady from Jackson, Mich., whose husband was an engineer on the road, he mentioned the homestead by personal residence, hoping to secure a farm and home on the wide prairie. Noting a rope stretched from the kitchen door to the house, he asked "what line is this?" She replied that when the blizzard comes we may safely feel our way to the house without danger of being lost in the blizzard! Yet the two buildings were not fifty feet apart, and up to the 10th house, the farmer from Three Rivers, who spent a week "in the land of the Dakotas," and returned to Michigan and simplified his retreat by saying "a land where they have nine months of winter, the ground freezes nine inches deep, and the sand is a prost, is no place for a Christian."

Not to be outdone, one of the class told of visiting some of the farms on the island of Michigan when it had been deserted by its owners, who justified their departure by leaving an inscription on each of the four walls of the house.

Eighty feet to water. Forty miles to timber. Fifty degrees below zero. God bless our home.

Model Dairies.

During the past month the writer visited a few of the leading dairies of the State to inspect the work being done. While general dairying is not likely soon to become a prominent industry of the State, the present winter has shown a decided advance in the business.

At Grand Rapids we visited the Modified Milk Laboratory of Mr. Ira O. Johnson, who spent several weeks in the winter last winter visiting the bacteriology under Prof. Marshalls. On his 250 acre farm at Ada, eight miles out from the city, Mr. Johnson maintains a herd of sixty select cows, most of them being pure-bred of high grade Jersey. At the home farm is a model dairy house costing over $1,000, equipped with boiler, engine, separator, sterilizing chamber for stock and everything necessary for ease and perfect sanitation in carrying on the work. All the milk is delivered to the city laboratory. The specificity of this business is modified milk.

Statistics have shown that in city districts, where this product has been in use for some time, infant mortality has been greatly lessened. Mr. Johnson works only after prescriptions drawn by family physicians, filling each milk of exactly the composition which "the doctor thinks best adapted to the requirements of each special case."

The various societies have elected the following officers for the fall term:

- Model Dairies.
- Xi. 

Football Schedule.

The following dates have been approved by the faculty, with the recommendation that the Thanksgiving game be played at Ann Arbor, so as to have a home game on that date.

- Sept. 29, Albion at M. A. C.
- Oct. 6, M. A. C. at Albion.
- Oct. 13, Adrian at M. A. C.
- Oct. 15, Olivet at M. A. C.
- Oct. 20, open date.
- Oct. 27, Alma at M. A. C.
- Nov. 3, open date.
- Nov. 10, M. A. C. at Adrian.
- Nov. 17, Ypsilanti at M. A. C.
- Nov. 24, M. A. C. at Detroit with D. A. C.
- Nov. 29, M. A. C. at Kalamazoo.

Almost a Tornado.

Thursday p.m., June 7, the most severe thunder storm ever known at the College swept down upon us. The rain did not drive us inside. It did not try to get us to the drive or outside of it. This clover was a wind, breaking many trees and blowing in a small part of the wall of the new building for women. The storm swept from S. W. to N. E.—the regular track of the tornado. Some half mile near the close of the storm but did no damage.

R. C. K.

Accident in the Physical Laboratory.

On Monday afternoon, June 4, Prof. Atkins and a few of his students were making experiments with the spectroscope to determine the kind of colored lines produced by flying matter in the sun. After several attempts, the Chance of the sun line in the mirror was seen, and some of the students, Mr. Horbeck was severely cut by fragments of the glass, and lost his right eye. The wounded men were taken to the City Hospital and placed under the care of Dr. Joseph Foster, 505 E. Washington, under whose skilful ministrations they are rapidly recovering.

So serious and unusual an accident, happening to those so well known and highly appreciated, has stirred our community most profoundly, and all rejoice in the fact that it was no worse.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 1900.

Baccalaurate Sermon.

The commencement exercises opened Sunday night with the Baccalaurate sermon. The Rev. Abraham Boyston, D.D., of Detroit. The Armony was beautifully decorated for the occasion, many plants and flowers having been brought from the greenhouses.

Dr. Boyston took as the subject of his sermon,

THE CORRECTED VISION.

I KINGS vii. 17.

"And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw." The prophet's servant, young, athletic, powerful, is awaking with fear at the thought of the warning surrounding host of horses and chariots, but the experience seasoned prophet is not "seared" by this interest in his master's safety. Is it a commercial venture? What has become of those mighty words, of the old world, liberty, fraternity? Are they no longer worth keeping? Shall they be consigned to the rubbish heap? They have been left begging, have they not? They are corrected vision. These are days of gold dollars! The corrected vision is one's normal attitude towards the world. It is a man's normal attitude to the world. The world is a man's normal attitude to the world. The corrected vision is the great glory-filled opportunity, a tremendous chance!

The man of work needs the corrected vision. Multitudes cannot see the world of work, but seek the world of terrors; they tolerate to get rid of toil, and all the while become more disgusted with their common fate. "If you do not take your work like medicine," said a sage, "it will nauseate you." Ah! there is the secret of contented endeavor; make your work a meal to nourish you and not a medicine to nauseate you! When one sees that work is character, discipline, that even if it depletes the body he can still see with delight and spiritual freedom, then it assumes a dignity which gives it a standing in the courts of a man's experience. Religion is the corrected vision. No longer does he sigh over his sweat-starting toil; he sings.

The prophet need the corrected vision. What is America? Is America to be mine to work solely for the benefit of the shareholders? A farm to be owned by the interest it can earn? Is it a commercial venture? What has become of those mighty words, of the old world, liberty, fraternity? Are they no longer worth keeping? Shall they be consigned to the rubbish heap? They have been left begging, have they not? They are corrected vision. These are days of gold dollars! The corrected vision is one's normal attitude towards the world. It is a man's normal attitude to the world. The corrected vision is the great glory-filled opportunity, a tremendous chance!

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Gettting On In The World.

27, J. S. SKINNER, '01, OF THE HEPHERIAN SOCIETY.

What is success? Is it a reality or a dream? What is it in the life of a man; the desire and strive for, yet seldom attain? This question which has been raised by all the past and which the present continues to inquire about.

Leaving off a bad habit for a good one, and toiling on in the light and toil, to be clean and tidy instead of dirty and disorderly is getting on; to work patiently in the presence of his absence as in his presence is getting on. In short when you see any one endeavor to his utmost, suffering through difficulties, to make such acquisitions as shall be of use to himself and others, offering a sacrifice, service and glory to their line. A knowledge of our own capacities, a fixed and steady aim, steadiness and consistent effort, are the conditions of success and almost invariably correct.

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Mr. Kenney's two children have been suffering from light attacks of scarlet rash. Mr. Kenney was quarantined during last week, but is again at his post of duty in the Secretary's office.

Prof. Smith went to Detroit on Thursday to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the American Association of Institute Managers, of which association he is president.

On invitation of the committee having in charge the arrangements for Admiral Dewey's visit, the bat­talion went to Lansing Monday morning to help give a hearty wel­come to our famous fighter.

Bernard Nagelvoort, '93, left last week for Detroit, where he has an engagement for the summer with Schremser's band. This band plays at Wayne Hotel pavilion every evening from seven until eleven.

Captain S. W. Dunning, U. S. A., arrived unexpectedly from Detroit on Thursday and inspected the bat­talion. This takes the place of the inspection which has usually been held commencement week. This year, dress parade will be given at 12o, Wednesday afternoon.

Some of the strawberry boxes found in the Lansing markets late in May had the bottom so near the middle of the box, and the width so diminished, that they would only hold 67 hundredths, i.e., two-thirds of a quart, instead of one quart, which they were supposed to hold.

A game of baseball between the College team and a team made up of former players from the alumni will also be a feature of Wednesday afternoon. Among those who have given assurance that they will be here are E. E. Vance, '84; "Tog" Wilson, with '93; Leander Burnett, '92; A. N. Bateman, '92; J. W. Rittinger, '94; H. R. Parish, '95; A. C. and A. B. Krentel, '99.

Last Friday evening Prof. and Mrs. Benjes, assisted by Misses Mary and Mabel Smith, Bennie Bus­kirk, Mamie Crosby, Grace Elliott, Ethel Davernond, Deborah Garfield, Bennie Lee Gaylord, Margarette Nolan and Zelma Vosper, entertained the athletic association officers, the baseball team and the track team. Games were played, college songs sung, and delicious refresh­ments enjoyed.

Professors Taft and U. P. Hed­rick returned Friday morning from Chicago where they attended the meeting of the American Park and Out Door Art Association. The afternoons of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday were given up to carriage rides through the parks and boulevards. The spring has been very favorable for the lawns and shrubbery, and they were unusually attractive.

Professor Taft spent a day at the South Haven sub-station last week. Most of the fruits promise a fair crop, although the sweet cherries and some of the plums have not set very well. The peach trees in the vicinity of the grounds that have not been sprayed are suffering seriously from leaf-curl. While those sprayed with copper sulphate early in April are entirely free from it. Applications made during the last week in April were less effectual. When one side of a tree was sprayed and the other side left unsprayed, the effect was as noticeable as between different trees.

Mrs. Maria Robinson and her niece, Miss Marie La Due, are spending a week as guests of the former's sister, Mrs. C. F. Wheeler.

Mr. John L. Shawver, of Bell­fountain, O., who is here superin­tending the erection of the new farm barn, lectured to the Juniors last Friday afternoon on "Barn Building." Mr. Shawver is an advocate of the plank frame, of which he is the originator. In his lecture he esti­mated the cost of material for a plank frame, as compared with the old fashioned morrise and tenon frame, as fifty per cent. less; the cost of erecting the same as more than fifty per cent. less. He cited an instance of a barn, 56 x 100 feet, the cost of which, from estimates of the old style builders, would have been $1,000, but was built with a plank frame for a little less than $1,000. The new farm barn is to have a plank frame, and is expected to be ready for raising the last of this week.

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News from Graduates and Former Students.

W. J. Meyers, ‘90W, will attend the Alumni reunion.

E. D. Partridge, ’95, and wife, of Fresno, Calif., are at Mr. Truman’s for the summer.

M. W. Stutz, with ’01, has accepted a position as teacher, for the coming year, at Carleton, Mich.

W. C. Stebbins, ’95, who has been principal of the Coloma schools, will spend several weeks in special study at the College during the vacation.

L. A. Begger, ‘88, who has been assistant superintendent of Gracefield cemetery, Chicago, for the past ten years, will soon move to his farm near Bangor, Mich.

Mr. J. F. Merkel, with ’97, and wife, visited college Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Merkel were married June 6th, and were on their wedding trip.

They will make their home in Milwaukie, Wis.

S. M. Millard, ’89, Highland Park, Ill., was toastmaster at the banquet tendered the American Party by the Union Art Association at the Auditorium hotel, Chicago, last Wednesday evening. He also presented a paper on “Landscape Art,” in the afternoon session. R. J. Coryell, ’84, and L. R. Love, ’96, were also in attendance.

James W. Tonnell, ’95, after graduation was assistant in botany. From here he became assistant professor of botany and entomology at Tucson, Arizona, and, more recently, the expert in charge of tree planting in the arid regions for the U. S. Department of Agriculture. In August he is to become assistant professor of forestry in the new department at Yale University.

Mechanical Notes.

Most of the castings for the shaper are now finished. Many very good castings have been obtained by this process, and I had always supposed it a sport, a better stool found in a single stool which is an average specimen. To leave your packages. WE ARE ONE PRICE.

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Cep Sheaf, wheat, which I sowed beside it the same day, shows no sign of heading out yet. It is a curiosity to me because of the mixed varieties which came from a single kernel. It seems as if it must have mixed in the head as I know positively there has been no mixture in any other way and I had always supposed it impossible for wheat to mix in the head when growing.


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