The 37th annual meeting of the State Horticultural Society convened in Battle Creek Dec. 3, 4 and 5. Our college was represented by all of the teaching force of the horticultural department, and by the major part of the senior and junior students interested in this branch of study.

We are glad to announce that the sessions were well attended, and that a large number came from those sections where the October freeze of 1906 did the most damage. The executive board was especially fortunate in obtaining Mr. T. H. Hale of Connecticut, commonly known as the "peach king," and Mr. E. W. Farnsworth, former professor of horticulture. These men contributed a great deal to the success of the meeting, not alone by the skilful manner in which they treated their subjects, but also by their individual enthusiasm, for the future of horticulture.

Wednesday morning was spent in a very interesting manner by making a visit to Postumville. After admiring the elegant office building and tasteful exhibition of paintings, and having satisfied the inner man with "Bijjah's Munna" and hot Postum, the visitors followed the various preparations from grinding the grain to the boxing in readiness for shipment.

At 7:30 Wednesday evening, Dr. Kellogg of the Sanitarium entertained the entire number of about two hundred to an elegant seven course banquet. Rev. Geo. E. Rome, of Grand Rapids, proved to be a very able toastmaster and the following responded to toasts: Dr. Kellogg, J. H. Hale, H. W. Collingwood, Judge Prentice, of Chicago, W. W. Farnsworth, Sec. of Ohio State Horticultural Society, and Hon. J. Monroe, of South Haven.

The fruit judging contest, in which eleven M. A. C. students competed for the prizes, was one of the great attractions. First honors were captured by B. B. Prati, who won second last year, F. M. Barden winning second, and A. L. Dow fourth.

As a whole the meeting was pronounced one of the best ever held. The excitement was not lost when the building was deserted, while M. A. C. wished regrets that friends so quickly made acquaintance, and, incidentally, to partake of the good things arranged for by the Michigan management.

As the representatives of the several colleges made their respective presentations the usual quiet of the large banquet hall gave place to the prancing yells of the students. These prices were followed by our presentation, and the M. A. C. delegation rendered "Alma Mater" with voices which blends vociferously if not harmoniously.

As soon as the excitement had abated sufficiently, the orchestrists struck up, and in came twenty waiters bearing that which gladdened every heart. Soon all others were keeping time to the lively strains of the music, and, "allo" conversation and laughter were intermingled, never did the space slacken until all was gone except cigars. Then it was time for Pres. Ralph Carr, as toastmaster announced the following toasts:

- Naturalization Papers of the Horse, Dean W. L. Carlisle, Colorado.
- The All-Around Student, M. E. Teeter, Indiana.
- The Durham Ox, Prof. H. H. Wing, Cornell.
- Nothing, W. L. McCall, Kansas.
- The Cattle-Boat, Edwy B. Reid, Michigan.
- The Future, H. H. Kilder, Iowa.

At the close of these, all of which were well handled, the students of each college in turn gave nine rahs for each college represented. With this the club proceeded to elect the officers for next year, which was gone except cigars. Then it was time for Pres. Ralph Carr, as toastmaster announced the following toasts:

- Resplendent with flags, banners and trophies of Athletic contests, the dining hall at the Woman's building never put on a more festive appearance nor did there ever sit down to an M. A. C. banquet a more appreciative representation of college men than were there assembled last Friday evening to do honor to the best football team that ever fought and conquered for the honor of the olive green.

We only did show the loyal support which the team has been given, but the hearty good feeling for the team displayed by faculty, students and alumni alike as they all sat down together around one huge eyeglass, demonstrates beyond a dispute that: a healthy, fraternal college spirit exists at M. A. C., a spirit which is trusted to exert its influence toward all that stands for the highest development of college life.

THE DESCANT.

- Celery Tomato Soup.
- Coleey Olives Banadattikas.
- Oysters Saltines.
- Roast turkey with dressing.
- Giblet sauce Cranberry jelly.
- Mashed Potatoes.
- Squash Peas.
- Frutit-Salad Choose wafers.
- Coffee Mixed nuts.

THE TOASTS.

College Athletics—Pres. J. L. Snyder.
The Team—Capt. Small.
"08 Pipe Dreams—Capt. Elect—Shedd.
"06 Bumps—Sec. Brown.
The Gentleman in Athletics—Dr. Blawed.
"01 Prof. Smith and E. B. McKenna also responded with impromptu speeches.

FORESTY CLUB.

Having no regular speaker for the meeting last Tuesday evening, Mr. R. W. Taylor read a short article showing how the practical side of forestry is being managed. After he had completed his reading the club preceeded to elect the officers for next winter term. The following officers were elected:

Chief Forester, W. W. Farnsworth.
Associate Forester, G. A. Bignell.
Chief of Records and Accounts, R. W. Wheeler.
Chief Ranger, E. G. Hulse.

ALUMNI.

State Normal College at Greensboro, N. C., where he will be engaged in work for the department of agriculture on the oranges in that section.

H. C. Salisbury, '06, and wife called on friends at College, Saturday.

With '05.

With '04.

We have recently received from the experiment station at Santiago, Cal., a bulletin on Blackleg and Vaccination by Dr. C. F. Baker, for three years past chief of the department of botany in the Extension Central Agronomy, at Santiago de las Vegas, Cuba, has been appointed curator of the herbarium and botanical garden at the Museo Goeldi, Para, Brazil. His special work will be the further development of the herbarium and garden at Paris, and the botanical exploration of some of the most interesting parts of the Amazon valley.

Gray L. Stewart has left the employ of the Southern Railway as industrial agent and taken a position in the Bureau of Plant Industry of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. His work will be mainly with truck crops.

Chas. F. Wheeler of the above class was recently elected president of the Washington Botanical Soc.

He will spend the winter at Riverside, Cal., where he will be engaged in work for the department of agriculture on the oranges in that section.

Miss Katherine McNaughton is now director of the domestic art department at the Washington State Normal College at Greensboro, N. C. With '05.

W. C. Bennett and M. L. Kingsley are now conducting the farm of Bennett and Kingsley, Civil Engineers, at Spokane, Wash.

With '05.

Miss Alida Alexander is now at Niles, Michigan. Address, 706 Broadway.
An interest in industrial affairs, or civic problems, or business phases of life, or a fondness for history or literature or art, etc., may make the student design his course in history and political science attractive. To the student whose anti-college training has been deficient in quality or obtained with the sole object of passing his entrance examination, the German work has not yet been vouchsafed, and he cannot weigh the considerations properly new presented. With the student, and also to him who having weighed them is still in doubt, the last conclusion, in the utility of the German history and political science to the engineer, must be the deciding factor. The choice between the two subjects.

The writer feels that of almost equal importance to the engineer his purely technical training are ability to write and speak English correctly, confidently and with ease. Experience has demonstrated that the careful study of a foreign language is a very great aid in the mastery of the native tongue. Furthermore such study may unlock many a door in useful or technical knowledge otherwise sealed and will certainly broaden the mind of the student considerably familiar to the minds of other lands in the field of literature, science or art, all of which are advantages are most desirable but rather to be coveted by the engineer.

An additional importance to the engineer is the ability to observe and understand the great movements of society in all the fields of civic improvement and other social problems, commerce and industrial progress and to comprehend what may be called the problems of the day. This ability can be best exercised if based on a knowledge of history and of the underlying principles of economic. With this basis and his technical training, he may live in physics, and which teaches him to observe correctly and think distinctly. The engineer is destined to be a very useful citizen, which is really more important than being merely a good engineer.

The writer may perhaps be charged with not having so far advanced his ideas in the favor of either study so far as utility is concerned. The charge is not well founded. We would have available time in a four-year engineering course permitted, require both lines of work of all engineering students.

In conclusion a special consideration may affect the decision of the student, e.g., expectation of supplementing his course at this college by advanced work at another institution where German is required for a degree, or expectation of obtaining employment for the work, in university or college teaching or abroad, etc. German would be the natural choice in such cases.

G. W. Bussell.

M. A. C. STUDENTS VISIT THE INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW.

On Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 2nd and 3rd, about forty students and a number of members of the college faculty visited the International Live Stock Exposition, held at the Union Stock Yards, Chicago. The trip this year was by far the largest and best of any yet held. Those who attended had the privilege of seeing the greatest thing of the kind in the world. Estimates put the total amount of all entries at $7,000,000. In some of the cattle classes over thirty individuals, all of them seemingly perfectly types, were entered in competition for prizes. The student had an excellent opportunity to see these large classes of judges in the land; there is no other place in America where so many excellent types of animals are gathered together and consequently no place in which a student can learn so much in so short a time. Numerous horses shown singly and in class were particularly attractive. A number of coach horses belonging to the Emperor of Germany were exhibited. A well trained troop of riders from the German army, that landed at the land. The attendance eclipsed that of any previous record of all admissions except those from outside of Chicago visited the exposition.

Four auction sales of pure-bred cattle and the same number of sheep sales were held at the time of the exposition, at which the b-ways could look in and see how the work was going. The boys visited the Live Stock Exchange, the various departments of the stock yards, and at least one of the pack-g is. Under the guidance of Dr. Hart, who is familiar with the details of packing house work, the boys got an insight into many things the public cannot see, nor lay explained to them.

The banquet of the American Federation of Agricultural College Students was held Tuesday evening in the dinner room of the Exchange Building. The banquet this year was in charge of the M. A. C. boys, and they deserve special mention for the creditable manner in which all details were carried out, so that there was not a single hitch any where.

The boys apparently had a good time, but their stay was short enough to not to short to get the most good out of the exposition. It is to be hoped that a larger number of students take advantage of such opportunities next year.

GOT WHAT HE ASKED FOR.

A distinguished professor of bacteriology, wishing to study infected sores, went into a butcher-shop and asked the butcher if he had any measly pork.

"No, no, sir!" answered the ignoguant man. "All our meats are fresh—first class!"

"I am sorry. Could—Couldn't you get some way procure me some?"

"Why, yes; if that's the kind you want."

A few days later the professor stepped into the shop.

"I came in to see if you had secured that measly pork for me?"

"Why, yes, sir. Didn't you get it? I had it sent up for you yesterday night."—Octave Lippincott.

'E. B. McKinna called on College friends last week. Mack has been coaching the football team of the Prepared school in Chicago. The next Tens., which won the Prep school championship of the south.
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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Only three more days until the Christmas vacation.

I. H. Butterfield, formerly college secretary, called on old friends here last week.

The Michigan Thresher's Association visited the College in a body last Friday morning.

The depression back of the Dairy building will be flooded this winter and used for hockey and skating.

The Horticultural Club met at Blaisdell about it. Let everybody get on one of the teams. See Dr. Blaisdell.

FOR GENERAL READING.

A Mrs. Potter, of Boston, has left, by the terms of her will, $100,000 for the Gray Herbarium of Harvard University.

One hundred forty-seven people partook of the Foot-ball banquet, Friday night.

Prof. L. B. Judson, of Cornell, a student at M. A. C. '02-'03, was at the College the first of the week.

Desirable room suitable for one instructor or two students can be had at Mrs. Jenison's, College Digs.

The Central Michigan Poultry and Pet Stock Association will hold their annual exhibition at Lansing, Dec. 30-Jan. 3.

A tree at Athens, Georgia, owns the land it stands on and sufficient territory adjacent to give it room to grow. It is a great oak which has had deeded to it so long as it lives a certain tract of land because the owner loved it so.

The first preliminary debate has been postponed to the second week of the winter term. This will give new men plenty of time to work.

The Sororian Society entertained the Themisians Saturday evening in a most charming and informal way. After a literary program full of the Christmas spirit, Santa Clause with his pack on his back, appeared and took suggestive and appropriate gifts for everyone from a well-filled Christmas tree. Two children in negligence attire assisted him in distributing the gifts.

Resolved, that the heartfelt sympathy of the members of the American Society be extended to the afflicted family, and that a copy be printed in the M. A. C. RECORD.

R. G. HOOPINGARNER, H. H. DORMAN, M. L. TOWER.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, the All Wise Creator having seen fit to remove from his family and friends the father of our brother, Mr. Clyde Gorton, be it
decided, that the heartfelt sympathy of the members of the American Society be extended to the afflicted family, and that a copy be printed in the M. A. C. RECORD.

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