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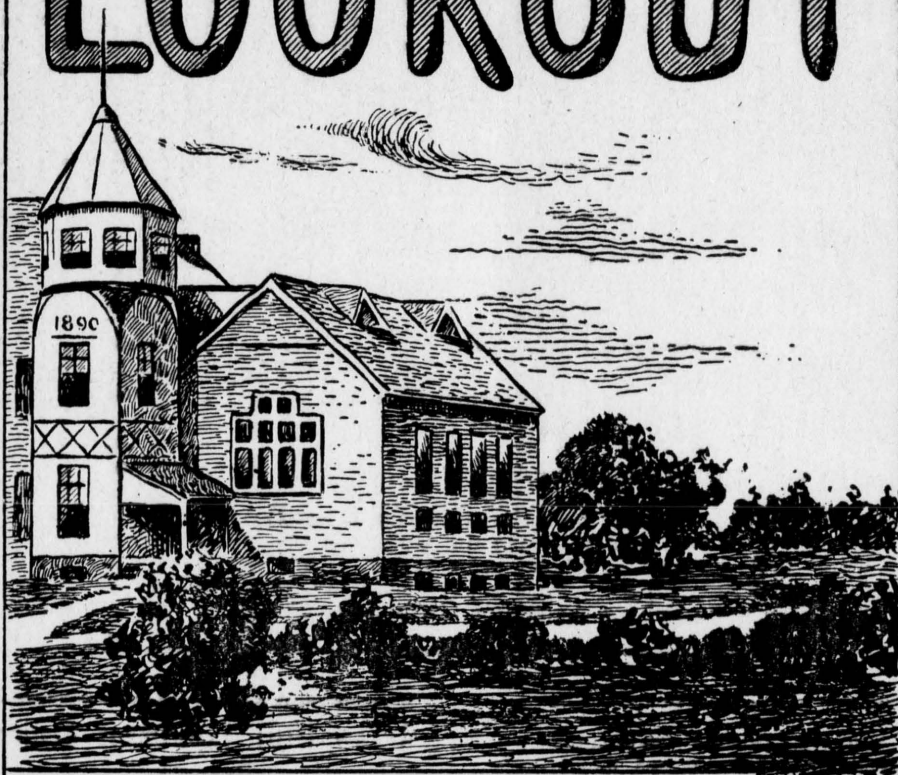
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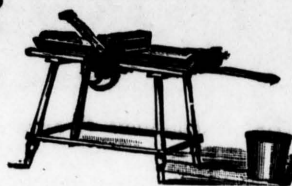
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The familiar quotation "Dartmouth is a little college, but there are those who love her" is entered on the credit side of the account of the famous Daniel Webster. May the highly original epigram, "Connecticut is a little college, but there are those who love her," be credited to the account of the LOOKOUT, and thus diminish somewhat the debt which the magazine owes the public for tolerating its existence. However, original and startling as the statement may seem, we know that it is true. We know that there are those to whom their alma mater and her institutions are dear and who are eager to aid her even at the cost of personal sacrifice. As proof of this affection we point to the report found elsewhere in this issue of the gift of the alumni to the LOOKOUT.

The LOOKOUT wishes to express its sincere thanks for the assurance of in-

terest, not less than for the timely financial assistance, which helps so much to lift the burdens of our manager. Moreover this is but an isolated example of the good deeds of the patriotic alumnus, whereby he has made himself so popular that the aforesaid business manager greets the graduate almost as eagerly and expectantly as he does the prospective advertiser.

With more pleasure than hopefulness we announce the offer of Mr. A. W. Pettee, ex. '00, to furnish the music for a college song, if someone else will provide the words. The lack of such a song is keenly felt, and the revival of interest in the subject is a promising sign. We need a song that shall be a stirring battle pæan for the football field, and, as well, a sweet ditty for the sewing room. It is evident that this is not easily supplied, but let him of poetic

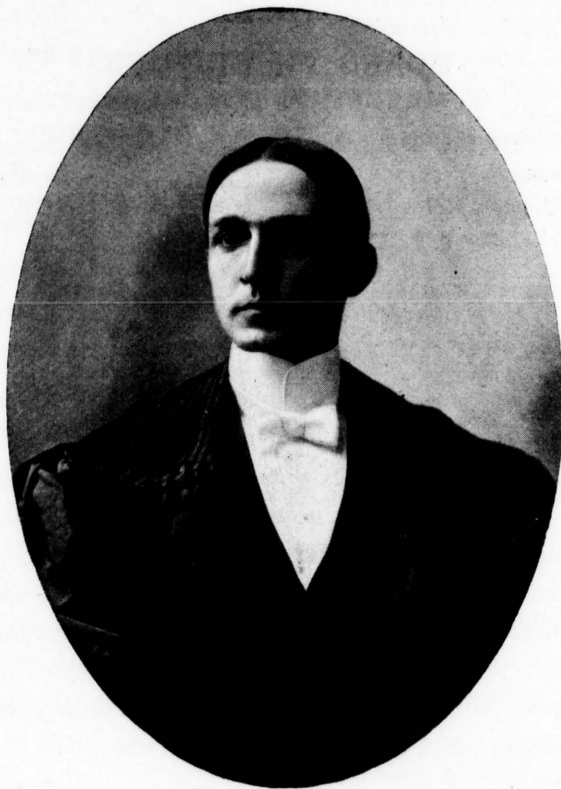
genius either within or without the college not be discouraged by the difficulties, but invoke his muse and send us the words to which the music may be fitted. So shall we have a highly original song.

THE NEW PRESIDENT.

The election of Professor Stimson to the presidency will give satisfaction to

experience as head of an important department of instruction, an intimate acquaintance with the conditions and needs of the college.

It is not necessary, in this place, to discuss the views with which he enters upon his office. These have been sufficiently outlined in the lectures and addresses he has delivered to various bodies throughout the state. That they



PRESIDENT STIMSON

all friends of this institution. It is the fitting and natural sequence to a year's successful work in re-organization. The success already attained is the best possible guarantee of a strong and conservative administration, and fully justifies the trustees in the action they have taken.

The new president brings to his task not only practical knowledge in the work required of him, but from his long

are approved by the trustees is made evident by the fact of his election; and it certainly is a bright omen for the future of the college that the faculty is in entire accord with the new president.

The president, moreover, is fortunate in that he has succeeded in placing the college in touch with the agricultural classes, that he has been able to conciliate opposition, and that he has, throughout the state, won friends for

himself and the college. We believe his election to be a step at once just, wise, and certain to meet the approval of the state at large; and inasmuch as this deliberate act of the trustees endorses the previous course, and approves the present plans of the president, we are satisfied that with his appointment the college enters upon a new era that promises success and increased usefulness and importance. The LOOKOUT salutes the new president.

THE NEW COLLEGE OFFICER.

Mr. L. A. Clinton, for the past seven years agriculturist of the Cornell University Experiment Station, has been appointed acting director of the Storrs Experiment Station and professor of agriculture at The Connecticut Agricultural College.

Mr. Clinton was born in Michigan and grew up on a Michigan farm where he early became familiar with practical farm operations. He graduated from the Michigan Agricultural College in 1889 and has since received the degree, master of science, from that institution. From 1890 to 1893 he was assistant to the director of the Michigan Experiment Station. He then accepted an appointment as assistant professor of agriculture in the South Carolina Agricultural College and held that position until he went to Cornell University in 1895.

Mr. Clinton has been a prolific writer, having contributed many articles of interest to the *Rural New Yorker* and *Country Gentleman*, and written several valuable bulletins. His first bulletin bore the title "The Conservation of Soil Moisture," and went through three

editions. Some of his other bulletins are two on sugar beets, one on the stave silo, one on pig feeding experiments, one on buying and using commercial fertilizers and one on forage crops. He has also had experience in farmers institute work in Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania and Delaware, and is in strong demand as an institute speaker.

Thus Mr. Clinton has for more than twelve years been actively engaged in agricultural teaching and investigation. While a comparatively young man, being but thirty-four years of age, he has had a wide experience and brings with him a thorough sympathy for all that relates to agriculture. He has informed himself fully regarding the present equipment and policy of The Connecticut Agricultural College and will be one of its strongest advocates and promoters.

With its present faculty and ambitions it is believed that The Connecticut Agricultural College is now in a position to do the greatest service to the agriculture of the State.

Large Attendance and Enthusiastic Work at the Summer School of Nature Study.

The Summer School of Nature Study for teachers and other students and lovers of nature study at The Connecticut Agricultural College, Storrs, Connecticut, has had thirty-eight regular students and several visitors who have spent a few days in following the work of the school. This attendance may well be regarded as at least fairly good in consideration of the fact that this is the first term and that definite plans and announcements were made not

many weeks previous to the opening of the school.

In enthusiastic work the school has been all and even more than was expected. The entire schedule has been faithfully followed by nearly every member of the school, and much extra work has been done on Saturday by about seventy-five per cent. of the members.

The indoor work has been mainly by laboratory and lecture methods with full records kept in note books. The use of text-books has not been required nor expected. The instructors have taken the students directly to nature, and facts have there been ascertained rather than from books.

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday have been "full days" of six periods each—9-12 and 1-4 o'clock. On Tuesday indoor work has been only in the three forenoon periods. These 21 hours of indoor work have been devoted to lectures as follows: Four on plant life, four on insects, one on birds, three on farm animals and their products, one on poultry ("available ornithology"), three on agriculture, two on horticulture, one on floriculture, and two on methods of teaching nature study in the public schools.

The outings have been as follows: Wednesday morning from 5 to 7 and Monday afternoon from 4:30 to 5:30 for the study of birds. Tuesday afternoon a long walk to some point of interest about two or three miles distant. Friday from 9 A. M. to 5:30 a picnic excursion by carriage to some point from six to eight miles distant. By the four long walks and the four drives it has been planned to explore the

resources of nature as thoroughly as possible in the time allowed, within a circle of from fourteen to eighteen miles in diameter. In addition, there have been short outings nearly every afternoon from four to six o'clock, usually under the charge of some professor who desired to illustrate to the class the principal points of his lecture that day. So great has been the enthusiasm of the members of the school, that even the unfavorable weather has caused but two or three omissions of any outing. Neither has the bad weather lessened to much extent the benefits of these outings. The members have shown themselves superior to fog or a little rain now and then.

Mr. Denton of Denton Brothers, Wellesley, Mass., lectured before the school the first week on "Methods in Entomology."

The second week there was a lecture by Professor H. W. Conn of Wesleyan University, Middletown, on "Our Friends the Microbes."

The third week Mr. Arthur B. Morrill, principal of the State Normal-Training School at New Haven, lectured on "Natural Science in the Public Schools."

In the last week Mr. George P. Phoenix, Principal of the State Normal-Training School, Willimantic, lectured on "Science Study in the Common Schools."

On Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and on Wednesday evening, illustrated lectures have been given on natural history by Professor B. F. Koons and Edward F. Bigelow.

Monday evenings have been devoted to social gatherings—musical and lite-

rary entertainments, etc.—in Grove Cottage. Every member of the school is well pleased with the plan of work, and especially with the pleasant location and surroundings. Certain permanent residents at Storrs proposed an excursion to Block Island. Only one member of the school expressed a willingness to join the party. "We don't want to lose a day from the enjoyment of the charming surroundings at this College," was the unanimous expression of opinion. Not one would willingly desert for a day, the pleasure of work and the environments of such a beauty-spot of country as Storrs. To the work and the environment of the school, the words of Wilson Flagg are especially applicable: "Then will you feel that mankind are unhappy only as they wander from the simplicity of nature, and that we may regain our lost paradise as soon as we have learned to love nature more than art, and *the heaven of such a place as this* more than the world of cities and palaces."

COLLEGE NOTES.

Once more commencement has come and gone, marking the close of another college year—a year in some respects remarkable in our history. Yet, on the whole, the year marked by the last commencement was one of real growth and prosperity. Changes for the better long imminent have become assured, and the prospects of the institution were never brighter.

In respect of the exercises of commencement week, it is pleasant to record that they were dignified and worthy, and as is always the case, were

interesting. The class day exercises were particularly noticeable for their excellence. Equally noticeable, too, was the absence of ill natured or malicious allusion to members of other classes, and to unpopular members of the faculty. Let us hope that this custom thus broken by the graduating class may be permitted to fall into disuse.

A pleasant feature of commencement week is the presence of the Alumni, many of whom take this time to revisit their Alma Mater. An unusually large number were present this year, and added much to the interest and pleasure of the season. We who are still members of the college appreciate their coming, and perhaps it would be well for us to remember that we can do much to make such visitors welcome.

The annual catalogue put in its long expected appearance at commencement time. This is rather by way of innovation. Nevertheless, even if late, it is a welcome visitor. Besides the usual information and many of the usual cuts, it contains much that is new and of interest. To the student the changes in the curriculum and the establishment of scientific courses that may lead to the degree of B. S. are of particular interest. We welcome these new and broader opportunities, and hope that many of our number will be ready to take advantage of them.

Now that commencement is over, the college once more opens its hospitable doors for the summer residence of the senior class. This is the season when the youthful entomologist is in eager pursuit of the insect world. Even more eagerly than usual does the youth, brandishing his net, and accompanied

by one or more of the interested and interesting "summer school" girls, chase the gorgeous and elusive butterfly over the campus. It is noticed, by the way, that the presence of so large and attractive a feminine contingent has a certain visible result on the manners and dress of the students—more attention seems to be paid to both, with correspondingly excellent results.

It is hoped that the newspapers of the State will not, for once, be filled with lurid accounts of the marvelous doings of the senior class at Storrs. Not that we are of opinion that the doings of previous classes deserved the comment they received. The disposition of the present senior class is decidedly in favor of common sense and obedience to college rule, in preference to horse play.

We leave the glory of the Jersey Bull to those who laboriously led him up stairs, and who afterward, at the bidding of the faculty with equal labor led him down again, and cleaned up after him. The brilliant feat of "disappearing" for three or four days was so wonderful an outburst of genius that only the class of '02 could have conceived or put it into execution. As we finished our days of "playing hookey" when we left off knickerbockers, we think, on the whole, that we shall not try to emulate them.

The old dormitory has been painted without and within, and presents an appearance worthy of the "Spotless Town," of the familiar advertisement. The small rooms, always the uncomfortable feature of this building, have been cut into suites, and freshly papered as well as painted. A more wonderful

change, however, for the ancient building is the presence of that part of the summer school that could not be quartered at the cottage. Feminine voices, the light tread of maiden footsteps must make the echoes of the familiar "Old Dorm" feel queer.

The new administration has made its influence felt in many ways; in none more gratefully than by its attention to the comfort and health of the students. The new dormitory is being fitted with new and convenient closets, bath tub and shower baths to replace the clumsy and insufficient conveniences heretofore supplied in the basement. The large room at the rear of the first floor is fitted with lockers for the athletic teams, and at the same time makes a fine and commodious dressing room. The new shower baths are in a room opening from this. Another door from the same room opens into a well fitted closet, from which is an entrance to the bathroom. The whole is well planned, and at length gives us privileges which will be highly appreciated.

The presence of a large number of young ladies—teachers—attending the summer school is an innovation. We hope the members of the summer school are enjoying their work and the quiet of Storrs. From the point of view of the senior class, this school is a profound success. We have to point out, however, to one of our number, that too exclusive attention to the fair school ma'ams—or more properly to one of them, is not fair. He should divide his attention.

One of the immediate results of the new administration is the establishment of the summer school. That institution

as we write is in successful operation. A glance at the program laid out for the students shows that the managers contemplate serious work, and so far as we are able to judge, serious work is being accomplished by the members of the school. They have fallen easily and gracefully into the pleasant life of Storrs, and appear to find it enjoyable. Their feet tread with certainty the accustomed paths about the campus, by no means neglecting the one that leads to the most popular resort in town—Beebe's. They are very much in evidence and appear to be entirely at home in the lecture rooms. For our part we welcome them and wish them pleasure in their ante-prandial strolls. We are ashamed to say that, much as we love nature, we have never been greatly attracted to that form of nature study which expresses itself in a walk across the dew bespangled grass at the preposterous hour of 5 o'clock in the morning. But we like to have other people enjoy this form of recreation; and we dearly love to behold the sense of superiority resultant upon the practice of early rising.

Tennis is booming; the young and the old, the rich and the poor, the graceful and the awkward all take their turn at the racquet.

The outlook for football is promising. Practice has already commenced.

Some of us went down to see the last game between Willimantic and Rockville. We were especially interested, as Lyman, '00, as catcher and Prof. Smith as captain and second base, lent the glitter of their presence and skill to the Rockville aggregation. The score was 18 to 3 in favor of Willimantic.

Prof. Smith spent Sunday at Willington. It is understood that the whist club was disappointed on account of his absence on Saturday evening.

Miss Maude Olin of '02 and Miss Gertrude Thorpe of '04 have returned for the summer course.

Miss Irene E. Robinson of Chicago, Ill., is the guest of Miss Alberta T. Thomas.

Miss L. D. Conger is visiting her sister.

The Domestic Science laboratory of Grove Cottage is being repaired and the equipment improved in anticipation of a larger class for the new course.

Two very pleasant receptions have been given at Grove Cottage since the summer term began. The first part of each evening was devoted to an impromptu program, consisting of music, readings and stories. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing. The cottage was very prettily decorated with flowers from the fields. Beebe catered.

The following members of the summer school are staying at the cottage: Mrs. and Miss Hawley, Nutly, N. J.; Miss Starkweather, Manchester, Conn.; Miss Minnie E. Hanrahan, Stamford, Ct.; Miss M. Louise Harrison, Stamford, Conn.; Miss Janet E. Arthur, Waterbury, Conn.; Misses Minnie and Ella Wilkison, Manchester, Conn.; Mrs. Olin and daughter Dorothy, Springfield, Mass.; Miss Mamie Hill, New Milford, Conn.

The erstwhile quiet residence of Dr. N. S. Mayo has degenerated to a haven for the following summer guests: Miss Chedsey, Yonkers, N. Y.; Miss Cleasby,

Hartford, Conn.; Miss English, Hartford, Conn.; Miss Lewis, Watertown, Conn.; Miss Roselle, Terryville, Conn.; Miss Weed, Stamford, Conn.

The old dormitory has taken to its sheltering arms Mr. George H. Holister and Miss Conklin, Salisbury, Conn.; Miss Green, South Norwalk, Conn.; Miss Stilmen, Rocky Hill, Conn.; Miss Zug, Lancaster, Pa.; Miss Cleveland, Lakeville, Conn. Many others left us before the four weeks were up.

ODE TO C. A. C.

Towering o'er the hilltops blue,
With her banners floating high,
Stands our college fair to view,
Connecticut! our constant cry,
Your sons will e'er their voices raise,
To Hail! Oh Hail! Connecticut,
And Alma Mater ever praise,
Hail to thee, Connecticut.

Hear the water's murmuring song,
Connecticut it sings to thee
Onward as it sweeps along
In deepening volume to the sea;
The trees and flowers nod to you,
Their Queen—Oh fair Connecticut;
And still the glad refrain renew,
Hail to thee Connecticut.

D. H. R., '04.

ALUMNI NOTES.

(All alumni and students are asked to contribute.)

The editors of the LOOKOUT, as well as the students in general, were exceedingly glad to see such a large number of the Alumni back to visit the college at commencement time. As a rule the student body of to-day has a deep interest in the whereabouts and the doings of our Alumni; we consider them as a part of the college.

The annual alumni meeting was held

in lecture room Dairy Hall, at 4 P. M., on Commencement day. Pres. Pierpont was in charge, at the election of officers. Mr. Pierpont was re-elected to the chair, which he has had the honor of holding for the past five years. He declined to serve on this account. He was anxious to see in the chair some one who graduated recently, and is in closer touch with the college. After some discussion, Mr. H. L. Garigus was elected. The other officers were re-elected. As there are a good many of the Alumni backward in the matter of their dues we have been asked to call the attention of those members who were unable to attend the meeting to the fact that the association is badly in need of money, and that the dues will be cheerfully received at any time. Last, but not least, the Alumni gave to the LOOKOUT eighteen dollars, the same being raised by subscription. All the members of the Board are grateful for this kindly act as we, sorely in debt, were extremely anxious to get rid of our burden and this assistance has practically enabled us to do so. This kind offering shows that the Alumni appreciate the work of the magazine during the past year. We hope our success will be as great during the coming year.

The Alumni dance and banquet were given as usual Commencement night, an excellent supper was enjoyed, and "they didn't stop dancing until morning."

The Alumni gave the practical agriculture examination as usual, class-day morning. Two prizes were awarded, ten and five dollars, to Messrs. Harvey and Clark. This sum was raised by

three or four of the Alumni who seem to take a deep interest in the college work. It is needless to mention their names; we only wish that the number of like-minded Alumni might rapidly increase.

There was a game of base-ball between the Alumni and Students class-day morning. The alleged Alumni nine won in a four-inning game 5—4.

'86. The class of '86 was represented Commencement week by John H. Atkins of Middletown, who has charge of the town roads, and who practices agriculture as a side branch when it is so wet he cannot work on the roads. This is the first visit Mr. Atkins has made to the college at commencement for five years. He was greatly pleased with our modern improvements.

'87. Messrs. William S. Lee of Hanover, and Edward F. Weed of Rowayton, were present at Commencement.

'88. Mr. Keeney B. Loomis of South Manchester, Mr. Clarence H. Savage and Prof. Charles A. Wheeler of Storrs, were with us. Prof. Wheeler looked after the interests of the visiting Alumni. During the vacation Prof. Wheeler has accepted a position in charge of a survey in New York State.

We wish to make a correction as to the address of Mr. Olcott F. King. He has not been trifling with the dangers of law, but is still engaged in the peaceful occupation of farming in Windsor.

'90. Mr. Charles B. Pomeroy of Willimantic acted as a representative of his class Commencement week.

'93. Mr. Walter A. Warren, whose father has recently been very ill, was also here.

'94. Miss Louise J. Rosebrooks of South Coventry, made the only appearance for her class.

'95. Messrs. Martin M. Frisbie (trustee) of Southington, Charles R. Green of Hartford, Arthur J. Pierpont of Waterbury, William A. Stocking of Storrs, stood up for old '95. Mr. Stocking has left his station work in charge of Prof. Beach and is taking a gummer vacation. We wish to advise Mr. Green to brand his horse the next time he comes to Storrs. This will ensure the selection of the right team for the return trip.

Mr. G. R. Hall, traveling salesman for a Hartford bicycle and automobile company through the region of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, spent the Fourth of July at his home in Waterbury.

'97. For '97, Messrs. Francis Comber of Elmwood, John N. Fitts, of East Windsor, Albert C. Gilbert of M. A. C., made their appearance.

Mr. Fred N. Bushnell, who graduated from Cornell University a full fledged veterinarian last June has established his office in Winsted where he will practice. He has our congratulations and best wishes.

'98. Mr. George E. Smith, Mr. H. L. Garrigus, and Mr. Herbert Kirkpatrick, were "on deck" because they couldn't get away from here. Mr. Garrigus should be congratulated upon his success and good management on our college farm. We note a general

improvement in the appearance of the farm and a greater apparent efficiency in the operations carried on. Although his place is not so conspicuous as some, he is doing good work for the college and it should be appreciated.

It is with pleasure that we announce the wedding of Mr. Joseph W. Pincus to Miss Elizabeth Florence Lipman, at Woodbine, New Jersey, June 29.

'99. Miss Selma A. Carlson, Messrs. Roscoe H. Gardner of Cromwell, Arthur F. Green of Middlebury, George M. Green of Boston, Edward F. Manchester of Bristol, Willis M. Nettleton of Washington Depot, Bertha M. Garrius and Elmer C. Welden of Scotland, made a very good representation for '99.

There was a class meeting Tuesday the 17th in room 6 M. B.

NOTE—If there are any results to publish, they will be in the next issue as I have not heard the returns.—M. P.

Mr. I. E. Gilbert spent July 4th at his home in Deep River.

Mr. B. H. Walden of New Haven experiment station spent Sunday, July 27, at the college.

'00. A large delegation, Misses Marie C. Brown, Gertrude E. Grant, Anna C. Jacobson, Edith S. Latimer, Christie J. Mason, Hanna B. Squire, and Messrs Harry D. Emmons, Irving C. Karr and John B. Lyman appeared for '00.

Miss Squire is at Prof. Gulley's.

"Hod" Williams is making great time at Cornell.

Herman D. Edmond is employed as foreman on the farm of Mr. Wells of Elmwood.

'00. Mr. J. B. Lyman who is engaged as a clerk in Middletown still continues his athletic sports by playing ball with our Prof. Smith on the Rockville nine.

The Misses Mason are taking some of the Summer school studies at the College.

'01. Of the naughty ones, Messrs. J. H. Blakeslee, W. W. Dimock, T. F. Downing, C. W. Fairchild, were with us.

"THE COON IS IN TOWN."

Mr. J. H. Blakeslee has severed his connection with the town of Naugatuck and gone in with Downing in Wilimantic.

'02. They were all with us. Now Bushnell is employed in Litchfield; Carpenter is helping his uncle in East Hampton; Clark is assistant to Prof. Beach at Storrs; Crowell will return here in the fall—at home now; Farrell is going to work at surveying.

Miss Freeman is home "canning fruit".

Miss Goodrich will return here in the fall; is now at home.

Harvey the cast off door knob agent is working here on the farm; he will go to M. A. C., Amherst, Mass., in the fall.

Hollister is working for Prof. Gulley.

Lampson is selling door knobs; will go to Amherst with Harvey.

Miss Olin is here taking the summer course with the Senior class, and will take a P. G. course next year.

Twing is staying with Mrs. Wheeler and family, while the Professor is away. He is gathering insects for Prof. Gulley

and taking some studies with the seniors. Miss Wheeler will return to the College next fall.

EX. '03. Ada M. Storrs is home from school.

Mosely Hale is expected to return to Storrs in the fall after a year at Cornell.

NOTE:—If any of these notes prove inaccurate, I will gladly make the necessary corrections. They are gathered somewhat hastily in the absence of the regular editor, so that our midsummer number may be ready in time. The task of writing them was given to me most unexpectedly, and in consequence they are neither so full—and perhaps not so accurate as I could desire.

M. E. PIERPONT,
Ed. Coll. Notes.

AGRICULTURAL VERSE.

I.

THE HORSE.

Many points has our good horse,
Counting hips and ribs, of course;
He hath four limbs, I do declare,
For I have seen them hanging there.

II.

THE COW.

Our cow she is a noble creature;
In dairies, she is quite a feature;
Her milk and butter are first-class,
Although she makes them out of grass.

III.

THE SWINE.

Behold the swine, I see him there;
Like Adam, he's a rib to spare.
The rest, it goes to sausage meat,
Except the hams and head and feet.

—A. W. PETTEE, ex-'00.

THE DRAGON-FLY.

Wearied with life when it meant becoming a slave to the money God; spent with the toil of business; tired with the ennui of ceaseless money making; brain on fire and out of focus with the world, I turned to nature.

I lay on the grass by the brook and drank in the incomparable beauties around me, and rest came to my wearied soul; but still unsatisfied I wished not only to rest quietly in the delightfulness of earth and sky, but craved the joy of association with the bright and gladsome life around me. I saw the beautiful butterfly flitting from flower to flower and envied him his existence. The crickets chirping in the grass seemed happier than I, while the song birds made the air thrill with new joys. Involuntarily the thought came to me, "Would God I were yon dragon-fly, beautiful in form and color, darting from place to place, seeming filled with the delight of mere existence in this beautiful world."

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All the sounds of nature burst forth in grand accord and I, thrilled with the feelings within me, fell unconscious as if struck by the hand of death.

At length I came to myself, and the sounds seemed accentuated as if heard through a microphone. The songs of the birds and insects came to my ears as if forming parts of a Niagara of sound. Then I saw, not the little world I had known, but a gigantic world where grass blades became trees, and trees reached heaven. And then what a range of vision I had! Without a turn

of the head or eyes I saw before, behind, below, above and on either side. With a thrill of pleasure I beheld the beautiful sheen of my long slim body and the grace and power of my gauze-like wings beautifully covered with blue and white. I had become a dragon-fly.

From the grass blade where I had been sitting I rose; delighted with the sensation of sustaining myself in the air, I sailed in great curves over the meadow. Higher and higher I went, so that the blades of grass which had seemed trees, disappeared, and the mountain-like trees became blades of grass.

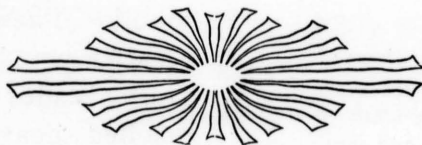
All at once I became conscious of a danger. A bird had darted at me and for an instant my wings refused to move faster. I were lost but for a king bird who pounced on the smaller bird and allowed me to escape. Down toward earth I went. As I flew a small particle of dust blew toward me. When quite near my eye it disappeared from my vision; I felt it almost instantly touch one of the facets of my right eye, but the vision was not impaired. Although the thousands of facets composing my eye presented only one picture to me, the loss of one facet mattered little.

But now I needed all my eyes, for the inevitable bug collector was after me. Swish! Just missed me. Back and forth I darted avoiding his net by

hovering unsustained and then starting off with an unimpaired momentum in another direction leading him after me. I would tire him out and then would let him know that I was human in brain at least. Alas! Pride goeth before a fall! I ventured too near, and Swish! I was inside the net. In vain I beat my wings against the netting. In vain I endeavored to tell him my name. No, he would not or could not understand, and with a quick motion he had me in the cyanide bottle. A quick death I had in view; but no, my body suffered and my wings and legs lost all power of motion, but my vision remained clear and my brain unimpaired.

After a long journey in the bottle my captor opened it, and taking me out, laid me on a flat surface. He would now transfix me with a pin and place me in his collection, where I might remain for years with a clear brain but dead body. In his hand he held the pin; he touched it to the middle of my thorax and quickly thrust it through my body. My eyes became clouded and when I next looked around me I found myself in my old body, lying upon a bed and feeling very weak. They say that they found my body in a swoon by the brook. But I know that it was a dead body which they found, and that it would have remained dead had I not returned to it.

E. W. BAXTER.



A SUMMER-SCHOOL IMPRESSION.

Two happy weeks at Storrs. Two weeks of profit and pleasure. Weeks of pleasant surprises and congenial companionship, the remembrance of which will long linger on memory's tablet.

To the "developer of dormant intellect," brain-weary and body-tired, the term summer school has no alluring sound. "Work during these few days of rest?" she asks wearily, "Surely I cannot give these few precious hours—the only ones in the year I can truly call my own—to work." But the progressive spirit of the times whispers, "Waste not the precious moments. Be up and doing." So itineraries and catalogues are scanned in order to choose the place of sojournment.

But here comes a winged messenger from the Connecticut Agricultural College Summer School, inviting us to come to the heart of Mother Nature, and who can withstand her appeal? Friends laughingly joke about the profit gained by a teacher studying the peculiarities of bovine structure, of incubating processes, of sewing, swilliness, etc., etc., but notwithstanding all this banter off we hie, and after a long and toilsome journey we are deposited on the platform of the world-famed station, Eagleville.

And here comes surprise number one: we expected to see a flat country, but hills rising behind hills, with the little hamlet nestling at their feet, lead us to expect better things, and we are not disappointed. Seated in a luxurious carriage, up, up we go to regions of pure air and glorious views, and after a turn in the road the college

buildings come into view. Surprise number two: are these pretty modern structures, these well-kept lawns, these lovely flower beds laden with fragrant blooms, this air of general thrift and good management, the ramshackled surroundings we were led to expect from reports of disorganization and mismanagement? Happy disillusion!

"Here we shall find no work, but all pleasure," we say, and mentally hug ourselves for having chosen so wisely. So it proved, for good work, solid-thinking work, was all a pleasure, even if, as a fellow-member facetiously remarked, the kindly preceptor did work us for all that we were worth, the spirit manifested was one of enthusiasm and pure whole-souledness, which could not fail to inspire. That he was seconded by a corps of high-minded, well-informed instructors, is without a doubt. For surprise number three disclosed the fact that we were sitting at the feet of real disciples of Mother Nature, who had given their lives to profound study and research in the various branches that they had chosen; and if one or the other may have looked with quiet kindly contempt on the unknowing school-marms who were to be taught where to milk the cow, or how plants climb, etc., etc., it was counterbalanced by the professors who gave us the credit of knowing how to set up a high-power microscope, to manage a stereopticon, or discover new laws relating to the nest-building of the bob-white.

Then new surprises awaited us in the form of fine stereopticon lectures and botanical excursions. Outings were planned to points of interest or to see pretty bits of Mother Nature's handi-

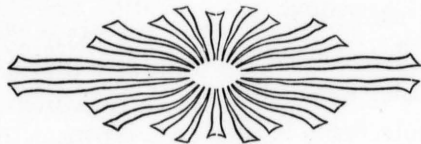
work. But with all this, the purely social side was not lost sight of, and the evenings at pretty Grove Cottage spent in rendering homage to the Muses, where song and dance or interesting games and conversation whiled away the hours, were enjoyed by all. And so as we look back and remember the friends that bade us farewell, and the faces that we last looked upon, involuntarily the words of the song, "say au revoir but not good-bye," come to us and we merrily cry, "au revoir until next summer." R.

The advantages accruing to the college and to the members from the session of the summer school have been sufficiently exploited in this issue. The simple but impressive closing ceremonies were held in the chapel, on Friday afternoon, the first inst. The exercises were brief and well carried out, except for a slight misunderstanding on the subject of music. Especially interesting was the presentation of diplomas to members of the faculty. The members of the school, however, did not depart until the following Monday,

when they left us, greatly to our regret.

That regret, we may say in passing, was slightly tempered by the fact that the members of the school seem to have determined to hold closing exercises of their own, to which the faculty and the head of the summer school distinctly were *not* invited. The effect of the "before breakfast strolls in the still woods for the sunrise songs of the birds," so alluringly set forth in the catalog, appear to have had a considerable effect. These impromptu closing exercises began promptly at three-quarters before one Monday morning. Judging from the sounds that kept the weary editors awake at this unholy hour, the ceremonies were as interesting to the participants as they were impressive to the would-not-be auditors. They apparently took place in the gymnasium at the cottage, a fitting spot. The end came at three o'clock.

It would appear from the above that the air of Storrs, after all, has something the same effect upon the staid and serious school-ma'ams that it has in the case of the more light-minded regular student.



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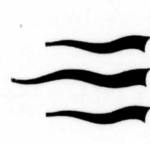
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