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1912, Senior—C. M. Sharpe.
1913, Junior—R. I. Scoville.
1915, Freshman—H. E. Stevenson.
1913, School of Agriculture—R. H. Howe.
Several recent experiences have demonstrated to us the need of a College physician. This assurance of protection to the student we feel to be imperative. In many instances students requiring the services of a physician have been unable to secure the necessary assistance because of the exorbitant charges of the local doctors.

Some means of securing medical aid at a reasonable expense to the students should be found. It is suggested that an agreement be made with a local physician of good standing whereby he would render services in all cases where necessary. The compensation of the physician will be provided for by an equal taxation of the students. The advocates of this idea sincerely hope that the faculty and student body will give this matter their attention.

The modern ideals of college education have attained such a high standing that to even the leaders of the past generation the changes would have seemed incredible. The requisites of modern life and the advance of scientific principles are in a great part responsible for the progressiveness of higher education.

In former years graduates were unfitted for the practical demands which they had to encounter in life. Their training was for the most part purely cultural. They were encumbered by the prejudices and traditions of the earlier educators who clung tenaciously to the time-worn regime of study. The students were not trained to study the problems which would bear directly upon their future life.

At the present day greater stress is laid on the preparation to scientifically apply the knowledge that has been gathered by observation and research. To reach these ends the lecture room is, wherever possible, supplemented by the laboratory. The student must work out the problems himself and draw conclusions from his own observations; he must make his own investigations and do his own thinking. It is by these means that the educators of to-day are
endeavoring to instill in the minds of students the importance of clear thinking and logical reasoning.

Formerly the most popular course was that leading to the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The men pursuing such a course had no distinct ideas of their future work; they specialized after leaving college.

The keynote of modern education is specialization. The elective system whereby a man is enabled to pursue a special line of work during his undergraduate life has this end in view. Manifestly, this provides the world with men capable of pursuing those lines of work for which they have always felt themselves adapted.

\[\text{A Germination Experiment with Corn}\]

There is a prevailing practice among farmers in some localities to discard the tip and butt kernels from the ears of corn used for seed. This is done because, as claimed, the corn grown from the tip or butt kernels did not grow as well as that from the rest of the ear. It was very interesting, therefore, to determine to what extent the practice is justifiable.

In the spring of 1911, six ears of corn supplied by Professor Clinton were planted for this experiment. The first five rows of kernels from the butt were planted in half of the first plot. The remaining half of the first and the three next rows were planted with the kernels that came from the middle of the ears. The kernels occupying relative positions on the cob were planted consecutively. The last row was planted with the kernels from the tip. The plot used for the experiment was level and of a loamy type, and as far as possible conditions were identical throughout.

The germination of the corn was watched very closely. It was noticed that the tip and butt kernels were about three days later in coming up. The following is the table of germination:

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<th>No. of kernels planted</th>
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<td>First five kernels (butt)</td>
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Although the experiment was conducted only once the results are so striking as to make it worth while to comment upon them. It is to be noticed that the highest percentages of germination were from the kernels of the upper half of the ears, excepting the butts.

The germination capacity decreases from the center of the tips, making the tip and also the butt almost worthless for planting purposes.

It would follow from the above experiment that the saving of seed, time, and that of a poor stand of corn, may be obtained by discarding the kernels from the butts and the tips.

J. L. H., '12.

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Waiter's Song

At C. A. C. three times a day
You hear a bell ring out.
And from each hall comes one and all.
What is it they're about?
It's time to eat, and eager feet
Are hurrying to the place—
Each hungry eye is bent on pie.
Come, hustle, feed your face!

Chorus:—Any kind of food unless it's a prune,
Is the right kind of food for me.
It don't have to look just like the cook book,
It may cost a dime or a V.
Serve it up on a plate, or eat it while you wait,
In the joint at C. A. C.
Any kind of food unless it's a prune
Is the right kind of food for me!

The bill of fare that you see there,
On Monday says "Creamed beef."
Potato mashed and cold steak hashed
On Tuesday brings relief.
But oh! the prune, the well-known prune,
Soon may it perish, please!
But Wednesday, Thursday, Friday noon
There's apple pie and cheese.

Chorus.
Baked beans, brownbread fill me with dread
And doughnuts leave an ache.
Oh, give me something, even bread,
Like mother used to make.
Each night I dream of pink ice cream
Of mushrooms and baked ham—
Of tender steak and chocolate cake—
And then I wake—Oh! ———

Chorus.

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DEPARTMENT NOTES

POULTRY NOTES.

The poultry department is busily engaged in putting the finishing touches to the fifty colony houses that have been erected by the College for the International Egg Laying Contest and expect everything to be in readiness for the opening of the contest on November 1st.

The advantages to be derived from this contest by poultrymen are manifold. An authenticated, established record will be kept of the laying capacity of the various breeds and individual birds under normal and equal conditions, and will prove of inestimable value in future experiments in feeding, et cetera. The results will enable the poultrymen of Connecticut to determine the breed best adapted to this State under certain standard conditions.

The Charles M. Cox Company will furnish the feed, which consists of a dry mash containing cornmeal, bran, ground oats, gluten, middlings and flour, in addition to a scratching feed of corn, barley, wheat, oats, kaffir corn and buckwheat. Charcoal, beef scrap, grit and shells will be supplied constantly to the birds.

The hoppers and fountains are furnished by the Norwich Automatic Feeder Company.

The feeding and general care of the birds are in the capable hands of Mr. H. Holcrum, an '09 Poultry Short Course student, and Mr. Gillis, an expert poultry breeder. The records of the contest
are to be kept by Mr. A. N. Pollard, who was an assistant in the poultry department.

The entries comprise twenty-three breeds and are all of some recognized breed or variety. Pennsylvania has the highest number of entries, thirty-two; Connecticut is second with twenty-five and the remaining are from ten other states. There are six entries from Canada and one from England. The numerous prizes are an added inducement to the competitors.

Each entry consists of six hens, the sixth serving as an alternate for any bird that is sick. The birds in the contest are all trap-nested in order to insure a reliable record of the eggs laid.

Professor Stoneburn is to be congratulated upon his successful effort in bringing a contest of such importance in the poultry industry to Storrs, and we sincerely trust that it will be a thorough success.

**HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.**

The department as usual has sent exhibits of apples, pears and grapes to the fairs at Berlin, Hartford, Danbury, Rockville and Boston. The splendid exhibit of fruit by the College at the New England Fruit Show attracted much attention and was secured by Professor Seers, of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, for his students to use in class work.

Professor Gulley is arranging for a series of demonstration lectures in the art of packing apples in boxes, attractively and skillfully. The lectures will be given by Mr. Walter Garnett, one of the most expert packers in Virginia. They will doubtless prove to be of inestimable value to the horticultural student.

A judging team, consisting of S. L. Clarke, J. B. Healey, and N. Lazarus, represented the College in the fruit-judging contest at the New England Fruit Show in Boston and secured second honors. The score is as follows: Maine, total of 121 points; Connecticut, total of 112 points; New Hampshire, total of 105 points; Massachusetts, total of 92 points.

E. W. Bartlett, of Maine, won the individual prize with a total of 64 points; George W. Berry, of New Hampshire, was second, with 55 points; S. L. Clarke, of Connecticut, was third, with 50 points; and N. Lazarus, of Connecticut, fourth, with 39 points.

**DAIRY DEPARTMENT.**

The services of Mr. Walter Ladd, of Andover, an ’09 Short Course Dairy student, have been secured as herdsman, to replace Mr. William Walker, who has been appointed supervisor of the advanced registry work.
FARM DEPARTMENT.

During the month the grading in and around the church sheds and dining hall has been finished and an approach to the rear of the latter has been provided.

The wet sections of the lot in front of the farm barn have been tile-drained and several ditches dug in this and the adjoining lot.

The Jacobson barn is being renovated to accommodate the sheep and beef cattle.

A new H. P. Bulldog engine has been loaned to the Farm Department for demonstrating purposes by the Fairbanks Company, of Hartford, and will prove of great assistance while we are awaiting the installation of electric power.

An adjustable wagon body has been presented to the department by the builder, The American Wagon Company, of Chicago, Ill. This is a great labor saver, as it can be transformed in two minutes from a coal body to a hay rack or a passenger body.

Several of the calves and some of the heifers purchased in Chicago last December have been selected as a foundation stock for a beef herd and promise to provide creditable specimens.

The string of Jerseys from the Gilbert farm shown in connection with the College exhibit at Danbury were much admired and proved a credit to the institution. Albermarle, the two-year-old Percheron stallion, purchased from Senator White, of Leesburg, Va., was also the center of much favorable comment.

"Captain," who never took a lame step nor experienced a sick day during the twelve years that he has served the traveling public of Storrs, met with an accident while peddling milk early one morning and had to be killed.

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The Cost of Filling a Silo

The cost of ensilage per ton depends very largely on the value of the land, and the kind of corn crop that is grown. We have known of instances where it required but eight acres to fill a hundred-ton silo, and other instances where it would take at least twenty-five acres. For this reason the cost of filling a silo depends on the amount of forage per acre more than on the cost of labor involved, which is one of the smallest items.

Professor Haecker, of Nebraska Station, after carefully taking into consideration all the factors which enter into the production of corn, estimates the cost of putting in a ton of ensilage at $1.95.
Some Iowa farmers have computed the cost as low as $2.15 per ton, others have gone as high as $2.49.

Professor Munford, of Illinois, has computed the cost of ensilage, figuring the value of corn at thirty-five cents per bushel, to be approximately $2.75 per ton. On an average it will cost you from $2.00 to $2.50 per ton for filling a silo. This is a very small price to pay for ensilage, when compared with hay and other feeds, which range from $10.00 and up per ton.

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**College Notes**

At the fall meeting of the senior class, held in the College chapel, October 19th, Carl M. Sharpe, of Pomfret, was elected president; Guy Harvey, of Washington, was elected vice-president; Miss Irene Dunham, secretary, and John B. Healy, of Woodstock, treasurer.

On October 25th, the junior class elected Ralph I. Scoville, of Plainesville, president; Theodore A. Early, of Seymour, vice-president; Miss Ruby A. Ingham, of Granby, Mass., secretary, and Horace Clark Vibert, of South Windsor, treasurer. The rope that was won from the freshmen was divided by the committee—A. W. Howard, E. D. Mitchell and E. M. Linsley.

The Shubert Male Quartette, of Boston, gave a concert in the church on Friday evening, October 20th. The entertainment was one of the first order and found an appreciative audience.

This was the first of a course of evening entertainments to be held in the church. The College has given considerable financial aid in order to obtain the best talent possible.

The second entertainment will be given on Friday, November 24th, and will take the form of a series of readings by Miss Edith Coburn Noyes. Miss Noyes is at the head of the well-known Noyes
School of expression, and is an acknowledged leader, in both the theory and practice, of her profession.

“When all the world is young, lad,
And all the trees are green,
And every goose is a swan, lad,
And every lass a queen;
Then heigh! for boot and horse, lad,
And 'round the world away,
Young blood must run its course, lad,
And every dog his day.”

—Old Heidelberg.

Instructor Rolf—“Squabs are always sent to market with the heads left on, whether dressed or alive.”

Duffy, the “spud slinger,” stubbed his toe in the dining room the other day. Did you hear the crash.

Zappe to McPhelmy—“Are you Irish?”
McPhelmy—“My father was.”
Zappe—“And your mother?”
McPhelmy—“Why, she was an Episcopalian.”

Watch for a mixed chorus in the choir next Sunday morning.

By the way, what do the girls usually look for first, when they are in their pews? Why, the (hims) of course.

Instructor Rolf says that he usually scalds his chickens in hot water.

A Hallowe’en party was held at Grove Cottage on Friday, October 27th. The Ladies’ Home Journal girls, fat men, living skeletons, reubens and minstrels were much in evidence. The masquerade, the dance and the presence of a few imported guests, made the evening an enjoyable one.

We have always considered Professor Stevens a gentleman of refined taste, but the following remark made by him does not fall far short of being cannibalistic; “Spring tooth harrows are very good; but you are very apt to break your teeth on them.”
On Friday, October 22d, the Rev. L. G. Rogers addressed the C. A. C. Chapter of Intercollegiate Socialists. His subject was “Socialistic Service.”

Professor Wheeler, in explaining the converse of an example in Geometry—“If I say, ‘It is I,’ can’t I turn around and say, ‘I am it?’” We should say so.

Observation 7: Made by the Inner Man through the medium of a disordered liver: Just ahead loomed up a factory-like structure, above whose yawning portal these words were inscribed: “Satanic Arts Building—Strictly Pyrognostic Methods Used—And then, as if for further lucidity, a placard was placed in one of the windows and read as follows: ‘Cast iron stomachs made to order while you wait, by a corps of expert kitchen mechanics. No extra charge for bolts, plates or scrap iron used.’”

Observation 8: Look out or you will certainly get a very material jar one of these wet nights on those two hard stone steps leading to the dining hall. A permanent lamp-post would be the proper and fitting thing to erect at this spot.

Observation 9: Have you observed the fifty new buildings recently erected upon the Jacobson farm. They house a new sect that is destined to outclass the Shakers and Holy Rollers in international importance. Next time you pass by inquire about Elder Stoneburn, his five hundred feathered virgins and his ever increasing poultry prophets (profits).

Observation 10: The LOOKOUT box is no longer in its accustomed corner in the main building. Perhaps it has succumbed to the diet of waste paper and orange and banana peels fed it last year.

Observation 11: The site of the new dormitory has been plowed and heavily manured this fall. We are looking forward to a good crop next year.

Observation 12: People in glass houses should not grow grapes.

Observation 13: The 'Varsity crew has been training on the lake during the last month. The newly acquired shell has been found to be entirely satisfactory. The shell was designed by Mr. Reed, who won the medal of highest award in the school of marine engineering.

Observation 14: The degradations on the College egg-laying community will soon cease; for the “Five Furies” are on the trail and will soon run Br'er Fox to his lair.
Observation 15: Numerous windows have been broken in Storrs Hall lately, caused no doubt by the struggles of the inmates to obtain fresh air. An admirable thing to strive for, but why not lift the sash?

Observation 16: The clear-weather signal flag looks quite bright and clear now after the recent rains and snow squalls.

Observation 17: Haven't you felt a sudden jar as you passed by the cemetery on your way to meals? If you haven't, you had better consult a doctor at once.

Observation 18: Of course you have noticed the grading about the new dining hall. Much credit is due Professor Gulley for this great improvement.

Alumni Notes

'05. Paul W. Graff has resigned as pathologist and instructor in botany in the Kansas State Agricultural College, where he has been for the past two years, and accepted the position of mycologist for the United States government with headquarters at Manila, Philippine Islands. Mr. Graff, who recently spent several weeks with his parents on North Avenue, sailed from San Francisco, Tuesday, September 19th, on the Pacific Mail S. S. Korea. He will stop at Honolulu and Yokohama en route to see friends. Mr. Graff is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the National Geographic Society.

'05. Irving W. Patterson was on the hill October 14th and witnessed the Williston game.

'07. Earnest M. Stoddard has charge of the Forestry and Botanic exhibit of the Connecticut Experiment Station at the various fairs in the State.

Among the Alumni who attended the fair were H. L. Garrigus,
C. W. Bonner and his wife were guests of Professor Gulley on Sunday, October 22d.

Walter Schneider was married in Hartford last July.

'08. "Dink" Purple was married on June 24th.

'09. George B. Treadwell is at present at North Dakota Agricultural College, working in the dairy department. It is Mr. Treadwell's intention to proceed to the Pacific coast and thence through the Southern states during the winter months.

"Hinges" Horton is a student at the Yale Forestry School.

Messrs. Loveland and Samuels are in partnership in Hartford. They are wholesale and retail meat merchants; it is reported that they are doing well. Both spent Sunday, August 13th, on the hill.

W. O. Hollister recently made a trip from Medina, Ohio, to Ithica, N. Y., where he visited H. D. Hatfield.

Harold D. Botsford is working on a poultry plant of the Conyers farm in Greenwich. "Vick" Aubry's father, who recently came from Switzerland, has charge of the plant.


'10. Nelson Ivan Smith, the class "Parson," was married to Miss Sarah M. Treadwell on September 27th. Mr. Smith and his bride enjoyed a trip to the Bermudas. Mr. Smith recently sold his farm in Litchfield, Mass., his former home, and is now residing in New York City.

Thomas Constanoff, after spending a year in Switzerland, returned this summer to his home in Bulgaria, where he has accepted a government position.

H. D. Hatfield is studying at Cornell. He is pursuing a course of mechanical engineering.

P. A. Downs is employed by a Vermont Cow Testing Association. His present address is North Craftsbury, Vermont.

Edwin H. Forbush, the former editor-in-chief of The Lookout, is assistant editor of the Connecticut.

Nathan Cohen has been appointed by the American Federation of Jewish farmers as a lecturer on agricultural topics.

J. Linehan has a scholarship in poultry at the College. His subject for thesis is "Poultry Parasites."
G. A. Root has been given a scholarship in Entomology and is working in the laboratory under Professor Lamson.

L. W. Rich is employed in the office of the superintendent of the electrical division of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., at Stamford, Conn. His address is 4 Bell Street, Stamford, Conn.

Ex. '10. Morris Hull, of New York City, who occupied a position at the Chase National Bank during the summer, has taken up the work of his final year at Columbia. Upon receiving his degree, Mr. Hull intends to resume his duties at the Chase Bank.

Howard W. Moorehouse was married in Danbury to Miss Hazel Moore, in October.

Everett A. Hall is running a successful athletic goods store in New Britain, Conn. Mr. Hall visited the College, Sunday, July 19th.

'10. Harold DeWolf Hatfield is studying at Cornell University, taking a course in mechanical engineering.

'10. P. A. Downs is employed by a Vermont cow testing association. His present address is North Craftsbury, Vt.

'07. Wallace Lynch intends locating in Florida to take up vegetable growing.

'10. C. D. Clark and R. L. Birdsall spent Sunday, July 16th, at the College.

Ex. '11. Jack Ainsworth is engineer at Hartford. He is working for the N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad on concrete bridge construction. Last year Jack joined the Masonic Lodge.

Ex. '12. George F. McArthur has been traveling on business in Maine during the past month.

Ex. '12. Charles Senay has gone to Trinity College where he intends to continue the study of engineering.

"Broadside" Pete Lawlor is again attracting attention on the Trinity gridiron.

Joseph Nathanson has entered Clark College as a Junior.

Kathrine C. Lynch is taking a two years' course at the Teachers' College, Columbia University, N. Y.

Arthur N. McQuivey is employed by the Canadian Pacific Railroad in Montreal, Canada.

Ex. '13. Edward Renehan is working for his father at Naugatuck.
ATHLETIC PROSPECTS FOR 1912.

The following Athletic elections were made for 1912:


Tennis: Captain and manager, E. L. Deming, '12; assistant manager, E. C. Eaton, '12.

Of last year's 'varsity the following men are back: Basketball: Captain Healey, White, Howard and Reed. Hockey: Captain Eaton, Linsley, Peters, Dresser and Steele. Baseball: Captain Aubry, Keating, White, Miller and Lautenberger. Tennis: Captain Deming and Eaton.

Much promising material is to be found on the hill this year, among which are: For basketball, Van Guilder and Morgan, of New Rochelle, N. Y.; Baker and Dunn, formerly of Massachusetts Aggies, and Whitam, of Hartford Y. M. C. A. Hockey: Kilmer, of Brookline, Mass.; Tracy, of Palling Prep., N. Y. In baseball: Johnson, of Hartford; Farnham, of Collinsville; Tieman, of Newtown, and Tracy, of Palling Prep. In tennis: Baker and Dunn, and Pierce, of Colby College.

WILLISTON, 11. CONNECTICUT, 3.

Williston Seminary defeated Connecticut on Saturday, October 14th, before a large crowd of students and out-of-town guests. We were outweighed five pounds to the man. Five of Williston points were made on a fluke in the end of the third quarter, Captain Howard's punt being semi-blocked. The punt going off on a tangent was
caught by Mulligan, the Williston left end, who ran eighteen yards for a touchdown. The game was exciting from start to finish.

The feature of the game was a drop kick by Captain Howard from the 37-yard line. Howard, Ketcham, Kendall and Aubry excelled for Connecticut and Mulligan, of Hartford, for Williston.

HOTCHKISS, 32. CONNECTICUT, 0.

The 'varsity met defeat at Hotchkiss on October 28th. Our men could not withstand the onslaught of the Lakeville team. Hotchkiss made many gains by forward passes which they worked with considerable success. Captain Howard, Morgan and Keating were forced to retire because of injuries received in the game. With our team in a crippled condition, Hotchkiss had no trouble in making repeated gains. For lack of substitutes we were obliged to call the game before the fourth quarter was ended. Special credit is due Scoville and Morgan for the brilliant game they played.

C. A. C., 2nd, 10. WINDHAM H. S., 5.

In an interesting game on November 6th our second team defeated Windham H. S., at Willimantic. The game was marred by frequent fumbling on both sides, due to the wet condition of the field. The first touchdown for C. A. C. came after a minute and-a-half of play. Healy intercepted a forward pass and Rutan was shoved over for a score. The second score was made by Harper and was the result of straight line plays. Both attempts at goal failed. Windham's only score was made by Quarterback Drummer who ran fifty-five yards through a broken field for a touchdown. Healy, Vibert and Tracy played well for the second eleven while Drummer starred for the high school.

On Saturday, October 28th, the second team met defeat at Rockville by the score of 23 to 0. Our men played a very loose game which was in a great part the cause of defeat.

On Saturday, November 11th, the second team met defeat for the second time at the hands of the Rockville eleven. The teams were very evenly matched, neither scoring during the first three periods. Rockville scored in the last half minute of play of the fourth quarter but failed to kick the goal. The playing of Dresser, Schildigen and Barton was very noticeable throughout.
C. A. C., 3. MONSON, 18.

Monson defeated the 'Varsity on Saturday, November 11th. The game was uninteresting as it lacked the snap and dash which keeps the players and spectators on edge. Captain Howard's drop kick was easily the feature of the game. The greater part of Monson's gains were made on trick plays which were unusually successful. The lamentable showing of the team was probably due to overconfidence.

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