#### Dreams.

O. E. VATES WITH '70, HOLLAND.

As I cosily sit by the glowing grate, And muse upon the curious fate That tosses the shuttle of human life, And weaves the woof of toil and strife, I pictured see in its ruddy blaze Scenes of my happy childhood days. I behold again the old homestead And the winding paths I used to tread, The low stone wall and the creaking gate; Lhear the song bird call to its mate From out the orchard's fragrant snow, Tossed by the breezes to and fro. Again I hear the noonday call, The horses stamp in their narrow stall, While faint and soft I catch the strain Of the reaper's song 'mid the ripened

I dreamily lie on the dusty mow, Or soberly follow the glistening plow; I eagerly seek the fresh fern's frond, Or sit on the shore of the sedgy pond, And watch, where the great oak over-

hung.
The wild duck hide her startled young.
I wander again in the bosky wood
Where oft' my boyish feet have stood,
I hear again the partridge drum,
About my head the wild bees hum,
While sharp and shrill from the brown
fence rail

Comes the stirring note of the whistling quail.

There lie the meadows a verdant lea, Where the morning fog a shoreless sea Rolled its billows over my head Until I was drowned in its dewey bed, And only the cattle's answering call Came to me out of the misty pall. The school house dun just over the hill, The flashing stream that drives the mill, The creaking wain as it is is away Laden high with new mown hay; These bring again those throbs of joy That are only felt by a bare-foot boy. The firelight fades and the ashes gray, In their winding sheet have hidden away The pictures I fondly love to recall, Ere the pleasures of life had begun to

Or the rainbow of youth with its brilliant

Had fled with the hopes of earlier days.
For the roof is crumbling above the mow,
And sere are the fields I used to plow.
Strewn with leaves is the darkened pond,
While, dim on the hillside just beyond,
Faintly gleams through the gathering

The stone above my father's tomb.

If 'tis only in dreams I now can know
The hopes and joys of the long ago,
I can easier bear my heavy load
As I tread along life's dusty road,
When scenes like these a solace bring
Like cooling draughts from wayside spring.

### Westward and Skyward.

The lecture Friday evening by Hon. H. R. Pattengill, on "Westward and Skyward was both instructive and entertaining. The audience was not as large as was hoped for but those who were there were in no way disappointed.

Mr. Pattengill began with a humorous description of the start on a journey westward, and his striking descriptions and comparisons caused much hearty laughter. He described the old-fashioned tourist sleeper in which he traveled, and in which "the seats were like those in a primitive church, where the fattest man had the softest seat and took it with him when he left." He made several remarks about the snores of his fellow-travelers, and suggested

that Our Governor in his railroad schemes should arrange to have the snores assorted; *i. e.* the basses, tenors and other parts each put by itself and so prevent the discord of having a heavy bass across the aisle from a high treble.

After describing his partner, whose snore exceeded that of all the others, he skipped over the journey westward and skyward into the mountains and told of the grand scenery of the Yellowstone Park; the hot springs, geysers, grand canons, and fine streams; and here he told what he called "fish story number one." He said that a person could stand at the point where a cold stream joined another from the hot springs, catch trout in one and turn around and cook them in the other.

About forty pictures were shown with the stereopticon, of scenery in and around Yellowstone Park, and they were explained by Mr. Pattengill in a manner very acceptable to the audience.

In closing he compared our lives to the river which he had described, which was sometimes clear, sometimes muddy, but always came out clear at the end. F. O. F.

### New Year Book.

The College year book No. 2 is now being sent out. In general plan it is similar to the one issued last year, the calendar, "timely hint," question box and catechism features being retained, but most of the material is new and a cetter quality of paper has been used. The year book will be sent to any address upon receipt of four cents in stamps.

### The Seniors at Professor Smith's.

The Senior class were very much pleased and amused upon reception of the following invitation from Prof, and Mrs. Smith:
MR. W. D. HURD,

President Senior Class, M. A. C. Dear Sir:—Permit me, through you, to invite yourself and class to take a senior elective, offered by Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Smith at their home, No. 9 Faculty Row, Thursday evening, April twenty-seventh, the work beginning at any time between 7:30 and 8 o'clock.

The whole Senior class is invited to take this elective, without regard to previous conditions, classifications, or affiliations. For once every member is assured a ten spot at the outset.

The work of the course will include numbers from each of the regular courses: e. g.—strength of materials and immaterials, botanical fruits and splendid specimens of livestock, something of consumption and a little digestion and congestion. There will be no entomological specimens (Musca domestica) either on the class or the time we shall have.

Will you kindly ask the class to add sweetness to strength by each member attaching his chariot to some bright particular star, temporarily, and bringing with him a maiden fair, unless indeed he is precluded from such delectation either by past yows or future too definite hopes

combined with absence of the one fond particular constellation?

Yours very respectfully, C. D. Smith.

The Seniors each with their "One Fond Constellation" responded joyfully to such a call, and about forty sat down to a very dainty luncheon.

Small tables were scattered through the rooms, and tastefully decorated in pink and green, with sweet peas for favors.

Before leaving, the Seniors gathered outside the door and gave three cheers for their host and hostess, to which Mr. Smith responded with a few parting remarks to the class.

G. L.

### Sophomore-Freshman Field Day.

It took just two hours and twenty minutes, last Saturday morning, to decide the supremacy of the sophomores over the freshmen in athletics. Perfect weather and close contests in every event made this one of the best local field days ever held here. Russell, Christopher and Weydemeyer led as point winners, the former making a record for M. I. A. A.—the 220-yard dash in 22 1-5 seconds. Besides these, Carpenter, Curtis, Edgar, Hawley, Lundy and Tower showed such form that they can be counted on as point winners in the M. I. A. A. field day. Following is the list of events, winners of first place, and records:

100-yard dash, Russell, 10 2-5 sec. Mile run, Tower, 5 min., 24 1-5

120-yard hurdle, Christopher, 18 sec.

Two-lap bicycle, Haywood, 1 min. 5 2-5 sec.

Standing broad jump, Weydemeyer, 10 ft., 21/2 in.

440-yard run, Curtis, 55 sec. Running high jump, Christopher and Weydemeyer, tied at 5 ft., 51/4 in.

Half-mile run, Edgar, 2 min., 19 4-5 sec. Running hop, step and jump,

Christopher, 39 ft.
Two-lap walk, Hayden, 3 min.,

23 2-5 sec. 220-yard dash, Russell, 22 1-5

Pole vault, Christopher, 9 feet.

Shotput, Russell, 31 feet. Running broad jump, Russell, 20 ft. 5 in.

Four-fifths-mile relay, Sophomores Christopher, Littell, Edgar, Russell. Time, 3 min., 1 3-5 sec.

Russell. Time, 3 min., 1 3-5 sec. Total number of points for the sophomores, 55; for the freshmen, 34.

### Won from the Normals.

Wolf's puzzling delivery and absolute coolness at critical times, and the excellent support given him by every member of the home team, except in the first two innings, were the features of Saturday's game that kept down the Normal score. Hard hitting when hits were needed and errors by the visitors tell the other side of the story. A large crowd gathered around the diamond to see how Brainerd's colts would deport themselves, and there were many opportunities for applause.

Both teams played fairly well up to the seventh inning, the score at

that time being 8 to 6 in our favor; but then the visitors lost sight of the ball, and while they were reaching and looking for it our boys scored 6 hits and 8 runs. This cinched the game, but we were not yet satisfied and ran in 3 more in the eighth.

Decker made two hits and accepted eight chances without error. Norton accepted nine chances and Kennedy 16. The latter is credited with two errors but they were on difficult chances and his work at other times was good enough to make us lose sight of the faults. Beebe led the batting with four singles and a two-base hit, and Murphy drove the ball down the left foul line for three bases. Wolf not only kept the hits well scattered but also fielded his position perfectly, taking six chances without error.

For the visitors, Churchill, Gannon and Failor played the best fielding game, and Failor and Morse led in batting.

Following is the score:

M. A. C.

AB R H O A E

Stump e Morse, 1. . . . . . . 5 3 3 3 Churchill c . . . . . 5 1 2 Hotchkiss, 3. . . . . 5 o 1 Gannon, 2. . . . . . 5 0 0 Rankin, I. . . . . . 5 o I Hoxie, r . . . . . . 4 0 I Hathaway, m . . . . 4 0 Failor, p . . . . . 4 0 3 Totals . . . . . 42 6 13 27 13 13 Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 M. A. C. . . . 3 1 0 1 3 0 8 3 0 19 Normal . . . 3 2 0 1 0 0 0 0 6 Struck out-By Wolf 2, by Failor 4. Bases on balls-By Failor 4. Wild pitch-Failor. Passed ball-Churchill. Two-base hits-Churchill 2, Beebe. Three-base hit-Murphy. Double plays-Norton, Decker and Ranney, Norton and Kennedy. Umpire

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

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			Won	Lost	Per ct.
Kalamazoo .			2	0	1.000
M. A. C			1	0	1.000
Normal			3	1	.750
Albion			1	2	-333
Olivet		è	0	0	.000
Hillsdale			0	0	.000

### Annual Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest.

The second oratorical contest of Michigan colleges will be held in Winant's Chapel, Holland, next Friday evening. Carl H. Smith 'oo will represent this College, his subject being "The Destiny of a Nation." The other contestants and their subjects are: A. T. Brook, Hope, "The Battle of Tours;" Coe Hayne, Kalamazoo, "The Jew in History;" Rena M. Oldfield, Normal, "The Moors in Spain;" L. T. Larson, Olivet, "Gustavus Adolphus;" F. M. Cottrell, Albion, "Lesser Lights;" C. C. Mitchell, Hillsdale, "The Upward Trend."

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#### Development of Lear's Passion into Madness.

E. WINIFRED CANNELL, FERONIAN SOCIETY.

The nature of Lear and the forces acting upon him are such that it is with little or no surprise that we are led to the final centemplation of the utter downfall of his reason.

A man accustomed to command, flattered by his subjects and maintained in the belief that his slightest wish should be law, his will was not one to brook any obstacle or hindrance to the furtherance of his desires. Also, he was an old man, wearied by the cares of a long reign, and weakened by frequent outbursts of passion.

So when Cordelia, upon whom he has centered most of his affection, refuses compliance with his expressed wishes, he is very angry

as well as hurt, and gives way to a violent fit of passion. Although realizing his condition ("Come not between the dragon and his wrath") this giving way surely lessens his future power of self-control. His gentler feelings are so far subordinate that they have little influence upon his ultimate madness. Very clearly, he has a great deal of selfcommand, of which there are several instances, but throughout the play this power becomes less and less by repeated outbursts until his will snaps completely and he loses his reason.

His cruel treatment by Goneril and Regan but serves to aid toward the final mental destruction. As soon as they have possession of the power, they hesitate at nothing that will serve their own ends. Even the servant Oswald, himself nothing loth, is incited to annoy and insult their father on every possible occasion.

When Goneril enters (Act I, Scene 4) his first feeling is one of annoyance at her frowns. Then follow surprise and incredulity, and these are succeeded by rising passion and the curse of his daughter. Yet in the midst of his anger and grief, he realizes that he should be ashamed, that his daughter is not worth so much emotion, and he therefore checks his grief.

A further cause of anger is Regan and Cornwall's treatment of Kent. But he is not easily convinced that it is they who have subjected him to such indignity. He still has confidence in Regan and cannot believe that he would place his messenger in such an ignoble position. When Kent has told him all, his grief is heartrending. He soon controls it, however, and resolves upon an understanding with Regan and Cornwall, Upon their refusal to see him, he is at first very angry, then imperious and tender by turns, and controls himself in a measure. When they finally appear he is greatly softened, and still entertains the hope, unmixed with doubt, that Regan will give him that sympathy for which he has come, and for which he so passionately longs.

The final disillusionment proves too much for him in his overwrought condition, and is one of the final causes of his madness. He wildly rushes out into the night, "unbonneted," and "tearing his white hair," and the coming of the storm does not drive him to seek shelter. He seems rather to court the fury of the elements, since it " will not give him leave to ponder on things would hurt him more," and so despairing is he when he says: "A poor, infirm, weak and despised" old man. He is not, however, insane, for he says: "My wits begin to turn," indicating that he realizes his condition. Just at this point he seems considerate for the fool, and greatly softened in his mood.

This is probably the result of physical exhaustion, caused by his trip from Goneril's to Regan's, and thence to Gloster's, apparently without food, by the rude shattering of his hopes and his subsequent exposure to the storm.

To Kent's importunities to take shelter, he finally yields, and when Edgar is discovered, seemingly mad, Lear's madness is absolute. He tries to imitate Edgar by pulling off his clothes, and, assisted by Edgar's feigning, goes on to the wildest vagaries and fancies. His physical senses, however, report to him things as they are; as when he perceives

the "fashion of Edgar's garments." Soon tired nature succumbs to the strain and he falls asleep.

While in Dover he has some glimmerings of reason, as when he refuses to see Cordelia. He seems to remember that his treatment of her was cruelly unjust, and is therefore ashamed to meet her. His fantastic ideas, dressing himself with wild flowers, etc., show that they are only glimmerings, however, that he is still mad.

His old habit of command he seems not to have forgotten (Act IV, Scene 6, 1 106--).

When he first sees Cordelia, he does not immediately know her; when it begins to dawn upon him, he seems to doubt the intelligence of his senses, and fears being laughed at. He remembers his treatment of her and feels that he deserves ill of her in return. He is at this time, neither violent nor defiant, but entirely softened and submissive.

Finally, reconciled with Cordelia, his mood is one of childlike happiness and glee, in the prospect of future companionship with her. Her death, almost immediate, brings despair which he is unable to survive, and he dies in the vain and hopeless attempt to restore her.

### Useful Hints for College Students.

READ BEFORE THE ECLECTIC SOCIETY BY E. D. GAGNIER '99

It is eminently proper, I suppose, that the new term should be prefaced by a few words of advice as to how one should conduct himself while at College. Of course at the close of the term, each one takes his books home, where he reviews his lessons for the past twelve weeks, writes orations, and stays in nights. I believe that no improvement can be made in this way of spending the time, and so will confine my remarks to the term, only.

To be a good M. A. C. student, you should rise early enough to get down to breakfast before the doors are locked, otherwise some difficulty might be experienced in obtaining a meal. After the table has been reached, if you want people to think you are used to college life, a few remarks should be made about the close relationship which the meat bears to sole leather. This is a very important point, and must never be everlooked.

After breakfast, repair to your room, and if your "pard" is "orderly," the proper course to pursue is to make a few remarks about the filthy condition of the room, contrasting the present appearance with the model of order and neatness of the week before. If you are orderly, take the broom in both hands, and after getting all the dirt possible under bureau, book case, etc., sweep what is left in front of the door across the hall. After the room is swept out, the waste water pail, which should always contain a number of cigar stubs, etc., should be emptied into the sink. Some prefer to throw the contents out of the window, but if the man in the room below has his head out door, this might lead to disastrous results.

After the room is in order and the inspector has stamped the mud from his feet onto the floor, the careful student should begin to think of lessons. A great many prefer to wait till chapel bell rings, and there is a wide difference of opinion in regard to this point. As a result of my observations, I will

say that the average man ought to put a little more than twenty minutes on his lessons. After the student has applied himself to his task, he is sometimes at a loss to know just how to get the most good out of the subject. In very rare instances students have studied the whole of the lesson, even going so far as to put some time on the same the night before. This very seldom happens, however, and is not a good rule to follow. The proper way to peruse lessons, is to hurriedly glance at the portions that are most likely to be asked about, and if a quiz is expected, a small memorandum of difficult points should be made, for future reference.

After the class room has been reached, your action should be guided by circumstances, and it is a hard matter to lay down any rule that will fit all cases. I shall make a few suggestions, however, that will prove helpful to some.

As a usual thing it is not best to go to sleep until after you have been called upon for recitation, unless it takes two days to get around a class, when you may feel reasonably safe to sleep the whole of the hour on alternate days. Another useful thing to remember is to always laugh when the instructor makes a joke. No matter if the witticism came over in the ark, laugh long and loud. This is not so very important during the first part of the term, but should never be neglected near examination time. I will say to those who take up mechanical draughting, that the way to act in this class room can be acquired only by experience and observation. The careful painstaking student will soon learn how to conduct himself, and what language to use in various situations that arise in the drawing

After the morning classes comes the most important event of the day, dinner. There are certain rules to observe at this time, which are absolutely necessary to indicate your standing at college. If the door does not happen to be unlocked when you arrive, seize the knob with the right hand, and while rattling it loudly administer a few kicks upon the lower right hand panel. When the door is opened, make a frantic rush down stairs two steps at a time, sling your hat on a hook, and after grabbing the meat plate, sit down. Next take the best looking piece of meat on the platter. Ask for everything in a loud voice, and when required to pass anything, help yourself first. This is a true mark of an M. A. C. man, and should never be neglected. After you have consumed the required amount of provisions, and you have eaten all the pie you can lay your hands on, besides your own, retire to your apartments.

The rules given for the morning behavior will apply quite well to your actions in the afternoon.

In the evening it is well to engage in such intellectual pursuits as pedro, tunk, etc. After 9 o'clock has passed, if you have the idea that you can sing, a few selections would not be out of place. If you spend the evening down town, wait until the last car before returning to the campus. When the hall is reached, give two or three loud yells, and after throwing the dust box down stairs, you may feel at liberty to retire.

I believe the foregoing hints will prove useful to some in shaping their course while at college, and if they are of any benefit to some of our newer members, I shall consider my duty done.

### Our Societies.

THEMIAN.

The following literary program was given by the Themian Society Friday afternoon, April 21:

Quotations from Longfellow.
Personal Sketch of Longfellow—
Lula Pepple.

Reading—Harriet O'Connor. Music—Coral Havens.

Longfellow as Revealed in His Poems-Irma Thompson.

#### Common Weeds.

During the first few weeks of this term, the Agricultural Juniors have spent two hours each afternoon under the direction of Dr. Beal, in learning to identify the most trouble-some weeds of the State. Each member of the class has made a collection of about one hundred twenty-five of the most prominent ones, from the labeled collection in the botanical department.

During an afternoon trip made April 25 by the class in the vicinity of the college, the following 38 weeds were found. Many of them are not yet in a growing condition; but of these the remains of the previous year's growth assisted in their identification:

Dandelion (Taraxacum officinale Web.)

Yarrow (Archillea Millefolium

Catnip (Nepeta Cataria L.)
Narrow-leaved dock (Rumex crispus L.)

Shepherd's purse (Capsella Bursapastaris M.)

Sheep sorrel (Rumex Acetosella

Quack grass (Agrapyron repens Beauv.)

Chick weed (Cerastium vulgatum

June grass (Poa pratensis L.) Pepper grass (Lepidium Virginicum L.)

Low spear grass (Poa annua L.)
Lance-leaved plantain (Plantago
lanceolata L.)

Mallow (Malva rotundifolia L.( Hedge Mustard (Sisymbrium of-

ficinale Scop.)
Prickly Lettuce (Lactuca Scariola

Chickweed (Stellaria media Smith).

Mayweed (Anthemis Cotula). Red-root (Lithospermum arvense

L.)
Pigweed (Amaranthus retroflexus

L.)
White Clover (Trifolium repens

L.)
Ragweed (Ambrosia artemisiæ-

Green Foxtail (Setaria veridis Beauv.)

Ticklegrass (Panicum capillare L.) Lamb's-quarters (Chenopodium

Lamb's-quarters (Chenopodium album L.)

Crab Grass (Panicum sanguinale

Five-finger (Potentilla norvegica

Mullein (Verbascum Thapsus L.)
Fleabane (Erigeron annuus Pers.)
Evening Primrose (Ænothera
biennis L.)

Mare's-tail (Erigeron Canadensis

Peppermint (Mentha piperita L.)
Catchfly (Silene noctiflora L.)

Bull Thistle (Cnicus lanceolatus Hoffm.)

Tumbleweed (Amaranthus albus

Knotweed (Polygonum lapothifolium L.)

Milkweed (Asclepias Syriaca L.) Burdock (Arctium Lappa L.) Knotweed (Polygonum aviculare

A. J. C.

### At the College.

Board minutes next week.

Trees and shrubbery are being set around the pond.

J. L. McDermott '99 returned to College last Tuesday.

Mrs. C. H. Peters and son, of Saginaw, called at M. A. C. Saturday.

The Olympic and the Columbian

The Olympic and the Columbian societies entertained ladies Saturday evening.

A neat little log cabin has been constructed for storing tools in the botanic garden.

Tilden Whitney '02 was called to his home in Mt. Pleasant last Monday by the death of his father.

Large shrubbery and flower beds have taken the place of a part of the lawn in front of Williams Hall.

Mr. J. V. Wolf, instructor in the special sugar beet course, arrived at the College from Lincoln, Neb., Saturday.

I. H. Butterfield has resigned the office of president of the State Fair Association, and been appointed secretary of the same.

Mr. Fred Steele and family, who have resided near the College for six or eight years, have moved to Schenectady, N. Y., where J. H. Steele '96m lives.

P. S. Rose '99m has gone to Cincinnati, Ohio, to take a position in a drafting office. His college work was so nearly completed that he can finish it without returning.

Jacobus Keur, from Hillegom, near Haarlem, Holland, made his annual call at the College last Tuesday. He is junior member of the firm of C. Keur & Son, dealers in bulbs, and annually visits the principal growers between the Atlantic seaboard and Omaha.

### The Big Excursion Day.

Next Saturday will see the targest excursion of the season of high school pupils to the College and Lansing. The Grand Trunk will run special trains to the College over all its lines; between Port Huron and Battle Creek on the C. & G. T., between Pontiac and St. Johns on the D. & M., and between West Bay City and Durand on the C. S. & M. Trains from the east will stop at the College lane to allow those who desire to visit the College first to get off.

### Professor Marshall Goes Abroad.

The State Board, at its meeting last week, granted leave of absence for the remainder of the school year to Prof. Marshall, who will spend the summer in Denmark. Most of his time will be spent in Copenhagen, where he will engage in bacteriological research. Mrs. Marshall will remain here.

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#### News from Graduates and Students.

J. A. Elliott '97 visited friends at the College Friday and Saturday.

F. W. Hunter with '79 is talking of sending his daughter here next

H. H. Rhodes with '94m, later with '98m, is teaching at Norrie,

Elwood Shaw '97, Tuscola, is planning a visit here at commencement time.

Dewey A. Seeley '98 has received another promotion and been ordered to the weather bureau in Philadelphia.

George E. Lawson with '83 has been advanced to the position of cashier in the People's Savings Bank, Detroit.

Speaking of his high regard for this College, Elmer Peabody with '86, of Shiloh, says: "I expect to place my boys there as soon as old enough."

"Nevada and Other Weed Seeds" is the title of a large, well-written bulletin by F. H. Hillman '88, entomologist of the Nevada Experiment Station. The bulletin is profusely illustrated from drawings by the

Thomas F. McGrath '89 and Miss Charlotte M. Boehm were married in Chicago, Monday, April 17. They are at home to friends at 1871/2 S. Centre Avenue, Chicago. Mr. McGrath is general corporation inspector, with office in Room 223 City Hall.

The class of '93 has a way of "getting up in the world." We quote from the letter head of one member of the class: "Office of Prof. E. Stevens, Balloon Manager, North Adams, Mich. Furnish lady or gentleman with parachute descent at any time or place."

Arthur Jones '81, attorney at law and counselor, Muskegon, writes: "I think, as I grow older, I admire the Agricultural College more than I did even as a student. Perhaps it is because I am more capable of appreciating its advantages as compared with other educational institutions of the State."

### Snap-shots in Florida.

LUCY E. MONROE.

The name "Florida" has so long been associated with the idea of fruits and ever-blooming flowers that at first the tourist is apt to be disappointed. Like the north, the south has its seasons, and one can hardly expect to find the roads strewn with roses all the year round. A recent traveler here remarked wisely: "Florida is a land of fruits and flowers—(and after a painful suspense) the fruits are all in tin cans and the flowers are on the labels."

Such was certainly the case after the freeze of February, which made a dreary change in the country. At the one involuntarily exclaimed with the discouraged fruit grower "Florida is ruined," and wished to flee from the country. Fortunately, the vegetation here when once started grows very rapidly and now after two months one sees all the lovely tropical effects they longed for but missed before.

By railroad, entering Florida, one sees everywhere the palms, palmettoes and gray moss, but drives about the country reveal all sorts of varying scenes. Tall solitary pines beside pretty winding roads and dense tropical-like groves of palmettoes are to be seen, while again for miles there are seas of palms or a low scrubby growth of oaks and pines.

Along the St. Johns river the tropical effect is especially marked. The tall palmettoes extending over the water are so perfectly mirrored below that one instinctively reaches for them as the boat passes over the reflection.

Blue Springs, one of the St. Johns river landings, unlike De Leon Springs, is in its wild natural state. The lovely effects of the light through the tall moss and vinedraped oaks and palmettoes can neither be photographed nor described. They must be felt.

The above is also true of a sermon we listened to a few Sundays ago. We sat spell-bound, divided between amusement and a much deeper feeling while the minister expounded the meaning of "jurisdisponsinsion" "defiled us to dispute his arguments," invited all who were "so exposed" to partake of the sacrement and told us in glowing terms all about the pools in Jerusalem—the "suss pool, the fish pool, the gold pool and the silver pool."

### A Grateful Acknowledgment.

After many years, Robert D. Gardner with '92 has been heard from—"Bob" Gardner, you know, who used to hold down first base in '89 and '90. He is practicing law at 132 North Main street, South Bend, Indiana. That Mr. Gardner fully appreciates the time spent at this College is evident from what we quote of his letter:

"The inspiration of noble endeavor which I obtained at old M. A. C. can never be forgotten. Happy memories often return to me, especially when thinking of the great and good professors under whom I studied. It has been my good fortune to encourage several young men to accept the benefits offered by attending the M. A. C., which I realize have been of so much value to me. If it were possible I would unhesitatingly say that I was 'in love' with old M. A. C., and I do hope she may continue to be more prosperous than in the past, and am willing to do all within my power to advance her interests."

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