

The departments of Mechanical Engineering, Mathematics and Botany have each the addition of an instructor ; and the department of Civil Engineering is to have an additional instructor as soon as one can be had. Two of our old students (high classmen) who left here in search of better facilities, have returned and reported that they found no place like home. No year perhaps in the history of the college has seen so many changes for the advancement of every line.

Then, with such promises before us, at the beginning of a new year, let us all help to make things boom ; in the class room, let every man work as though this were his last year here to work (as it really is for some) ; in the societies, let the best literary effort be put forth ; in drill, and in the gymnasium, work as if you were preparing for war ; and in our games with other colleges, let us "pitch for the heap."

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"How wonderfully the College has improved !" Such is the exclamation we hear from all who return to P. S. C., after any absence, long or short.

The campus has been both a pleasure and a pride to successive classes of students, and it is yearly becoming more beautiful. Those who have been away for several years look with admiring eyes on the transformation effected by the removal of Prof. Jackson's house, the barn, and by the erection of the

Experiment Station buildings, Laboratories, Armory, Ladies' Cottage, and the four Professors' residences. Those interested in agriculture are delighted with the conveniences of the remodeled barns and with the creamery, which, patterned after the best models, is now nearly completed. But it is within the main building itself that the old student is reminded of the contrast between the present and what were literally "the dark days of the college."

In the latter part of '88 the central portion of the college was lighted up by a widening of the corridors and the erection of two broad and airy starways, with windows at every turn.

During the past vacation a like change has brightened the eastern or "preparatory" end ; so that only the west end of the corridor retains its original darkness—and even that is less dense. Not only has the building been thus made more pleasing, but the removal of Botany, Chemistry, Physics, and Military Instruction from the main building, has made it possible to furnish good accommodations there to the departments that remain. 'Tis true that the Civil and the Mechanical Engineering departments are looking longingly for a new building for their uses ; but they are in condition to do excellent work where they are.

The old student's first thought was quoted at the head of this article ; his second is often expressed thus: "We