

technical institution needs.

Recently the library was carefully catalogued according to the Dewey or Decimal system, which gives entire satisfaction. The rooms occupied are large and in connection with the reading room we have facilities of which we cannot complain, as our wants are amply supplied.

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IT is pleasing to note the interest which is being taken in the Y. M. C. A. For at least a year, the work had rather retrograded than progressed; but now an interest seems to be springing up which shall work for good.

The association owes much to the efforts of Mr. S. M. Sayford, who spent several days here recently in good productive work. That gentleman is so well known that it is needless to say that many were led to take a decisive stand for the right through his persuasive influence, and have joined the association. Four classes have been organized for the purpose of Bible study, and are progressing finely, each with a good membership.

Now the question is, how long will this interest continue, and will it extend beyond its present bounds? We cannot predict this with certainty, but we hope that it may spread widely among the students, and build up a body of young men of character, which shall be an honor to this college, and to the state which supports it.

STUDENTS should observe that the congress which has just closed has been one which will be remembered in history. It was one of the longest which has ever been held, has been interesting on account of the disputes arising out of parliamentary practice, and has passed several bills which are of great importance to the country. The McKinley Bill, Silver Bill, Pension Bill, the admission of six new states, the navy improvements, the reciprocity measure and the Pan American Conference are laws and measures which will affect the future history of this country for a long time; and should be closely studied by everyone.

But Congress touched on a measure which is of greater moment than any of these spoken of: the Federal Election Bill. Without going into the merits of the bill, it is safe to say that any man of thought knows that the evil against which it was framed, must be settled in this country at not a very distant date. The facts regarding election frauds are so generally known, and so often boasted of by certain classes, that no doubt can be entertained as to the merits of the case.

As any stream whether large or small does eventually pass any dam that can be built in its course, so does the progress of any oppressed people sooner or later pass all obstacles which are thrown in its way. It did in Egypt; it did in the Roman Empire, although she