

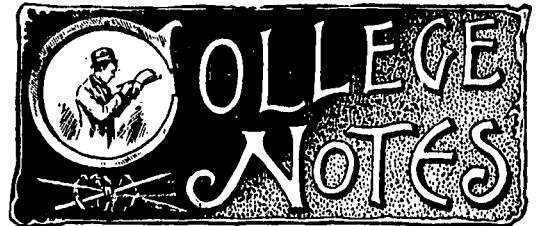
semi-annually from the State Treasury at the rate of six per cent.

The name of the "Farmers' High School" was changed to the "Agricultural College of Pennsylvania" in 1862, and in 1874 to the "Pennsylvania State College." In 1878 there was an appropriation of \$80,000 to the College, since which time there have been additional appropriations of \$126,000 and \$150,000 by recent Legislatures for the erection of needed buildings. *So that the State has during the last thirty-five years or longer expended here something over \$550,000 an average amount of about fifteen thousand dollars per annum; and for the uses for which it is designed there can be no doubt that the property is worth dollar for dollar upon the investment.*

So many things attract attention here that might be spoken of at length, but which must be passed with brief mention: The campus where landscape gardening shows itself a fine art, with trees and shrubbery, and foliage plants and flowers, walks and drives, green grass, and hints of virgin forest; the botanical and zoological and geological collections; the botanical, chemical, physical and electrical laboratories; the college and experiment station farms, with nearly thirty acres of orchard and a vineyard with choice varieties of grapes; greenhouses; creamery where the cream is separated from the milk within ten minutes of the milking time, and butter made within thirty minutes; the barns, the live stock, laboratories for agricultural work with their appliances for analysis of grains, grasses, and fertilizers; the Experiment Station under the joint auspices of the State and the United States, where every facility is afforded for work in this direction; the mechanical work shops for practical work by the students, in wood and iron; the college library of eight thousand volumes or more, etc., etc. And in the social and student life of the place, reading clubs, college orchestra, instrumental quartettes, college societies, a flourishing branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, etc. We name these things

hastily, because they belong to the life of the place which we would fairly picture to the reader.

This institution of learning therefore gives promise of being the great State school of the future in Pennsylvania. Like our Normal schools, *it belongs to the Common School System.* Pennsylvania appropriates annually \$5,000,000 for her public schools. Let her State College be fostered in like generous spirit and with the same far-seeing wisdom. *The paramount interest of the Commonwealth is the education of her citizens; and for this she can afford the largest expenditure upon all grades of schools, from the primary school to the university.*



—Miss Maytee Olds gave a large reception to her friends on Friday evening, February 24.

—The faculty granted a two days' vacation following the 22d, of Feb. It was highly appreciated by all.

—A reception was given by Professor and Mrs. Reber to their guest, Miss Stoner, on Saturday evening, Feb., 11.

—The Amateur Dramatic club of Bellefonte will appear in a new play at Garman's opera house, Thursday, April 6th, 1893. A curtain raiser, "Sugar and Cream," will be followed by the new and sparkling comedy "Arabian Nights." The cast will include:—Miss Katharine Harris, Miss Caroline Orvis, Miss Mary Valentine, Miss Emily Valentine, Mr. John M. Dale, Esq., '82, Mr. Ollie Orvis, Esq., '76, Mr. John Blanchard Esq., Mr. Chas. B. Houck, and Mr. Edw. Valentine. The former efforts of the club have met with such marked success, that all who attend will be amply repaid.