

Prof. F. L. Pattee has been appointed one of five judges for the contest of the Central Oratorical League to be held this year at Cornell, May 19. The League consists of Cornell, Ohio State College, University of Illinois, Indiana State College, and Michigan State College. The honor becomes more marked when we consider that he was chosen separately by four of these Institutions.

The Y. M. C. A. wishes to thank those members of the Faculty, and friends of the village who so kindly entertained the delegates to the State President's Conference. All the delegates expressed the highest appreciation, and the local Association feels greatly indebted for this aid in a good work.

A Biology prize-appointment to a table at the Cold Spring Harbor Summer Laboratory of Biology will be awarded this year as the result of a special examination in Biology, which will be held at this place about June 1st. Any student who has taken Sophomore Biology, as well as any who have taken the same or its equivalent at any other college, will be eligible to compete for the prize.

The Thirteenth Annual Convention of the American Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations, of which Dr. Armsby is President, will be held at San Francisco, Wednesday, July 5th.

During the summer there is to be erected near the Experiment Station a *Respiration Plant for Animals*, the *first* of its kind ever constructed in America. It will consist of a perfectly air-tight compartment so arranged that perfect equality of temperature can be secured. It will be supplied with a costly air pump to measure the amount of air pumped in, and the outgoing air will be tested for  $C O_2$  given off during the animal's respiration, and for the amount of heat given off. By means of this apparatus the quantity of energy required to keep the animal in the same condition can be found. The U. S. Government pays for the apparatus, and Dr. Armsby has charge of the work assisted by J. A. Fries, and Prof. I. T. Osmond as consulting physicist.

For various reasons State did not enter the Relay Races at Philadelphia this year.

The Track Team is training under C. F. Buckholtz.

Harrisburg, April 19.—The annual appropriation for State Col-