

too, although they had had the same experience several times before, felt somewhat gloomy at finding themselves back again to college labors.

The stage was driven away and the attention of the group was soon turned to a wagon-load of trunks that had also just arrived.

Thus on a sultry September afternoon in the year 187- Stephen Armstrong, the youth we have just spoken of, arrived at The Pennsylvania Agricultural College (P. A. C.), for that is what our worthy "State" was then called. After two or three days of examinations and general settling of difficulties, he found himself lodged in Room 470, a full-fledged Freshman, subject with the rest of the class to all the honors and courteous treatment wont to be conferred upon those in that position.

Now in order that we may understand the student life in those far-off days, it will be well perhaps to take a look at the condition of affairs as they then existed. First of all, everything was carried on in the Main Building. There were no department buildings, and but two professors' houses; the Ladies' Cottage had not been dreamed of; the site of the present Armory was a cultivated field. As is known to many, the Main Building was divided into three parts. The east end was entirely partitioned off, except at the first and second floor halls, and was used as the preparatory department. The west end, partitioned off in like manner, was occupied by the young ladies of the College and several professors' families. The central portion was occupied by the regular College students, and in the rear wing were the class rooms much as we find them now.

The east end of the building was called "Prepdom," and the west end, which could not possibly have been left without a name, was called "Shedom." Another feature of the old building which we must not neglect to mention, was the dining room. The lower floor of the present chapel was