

—The practice of holding inter-class debates will be carried on this year by two debates, one between the Sophomores and the Freshmen on March 4th, the other between the winners of this debate and the Juniors. The committee on debating composed of J. H. Frizzell, M. J. Rentschler, '04, R. H. Aungst, '05, O. C. Hays, '06, and P. W. Haverstick, '07, have adopted the following rules to govern the debates:

1st. The winning team is to have the choice of sides for the second debate. 2d. The first speeches shall be limited to twelve minutes, and the speeches in rebuttal to five minutes. The question chosen for debates is, "Resolved, That the U. S. should permit the European government to seize and hold permanently the territory of the debtor state not exceeding in value the amount of the award." In the first debate the Sophomores will uphold the affirmative, and the Freshmen the negative of this question. The winners will be given a prize of \$30.00.

—The first basket ball game will take place at State college Friday, January 15th, with Susquehanna. Captain Dunn hopes for a fairly good season.

—F. P. Dodge, '03, has assumed the position as one of the instructors in the creamery course.

—The rooms of the new track house, just being finished, have been assigned to athletic students, mostly foot ball and track men.

#### THE NEW AGRICULTURAL BUILDING.

—The appropriation bill for the Pennsylvania State College as passed by the Legislature and approved by the Governor, May 15, 1903, included the following items of special interest to the friends of agricultural education:

"For the maintenance of the Department of Agriculture twelve thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary.

"For the purpose of assisting in the erection, equipment and