

itary exercise we are trained physically. Thus our minds and bodies are both developed. Again, in our section rooms we are taught thoroughly, and in our shops, laboratories, cheese factory, creamery and barns we are taught practically. Thus again we obtain the practical with the theory.

The faculty of the College is composed of a set of men that any college ought to be proud of. Our president is a man, whom not only all of the citizens of Texas love, but a man that every student loves and honors as a parent, while he in return acts as a father to us all, watching over us with a parental solicitude.

A. G.

A Criticism.

In perusing an article in a former issue, I was struck by the statement the author makes in regard to the department of English and the overworked condition of the cadets. He would have us believe that the department of English is deficient and that the cadets have only a half an hour for recreation.

A careful investigation of the schedules of the various classes leads me to the conclusion that "Nemo" has purposely or ignorantly falsified. The cadets have plenty of time for reading or recreation on Sunday or at odd times if they just would do it, but there comes the rub. If you will just but read between the lines of "Nemo's" article, the fact forces itself before us that he wished to read, as he says, history and literature and at the same time took an active part in all field sports. This is impossible even in literary colleges. Those very active in field sport are poor in

studies and conversely. No person can take a very active part in anything outside of the curriculum and be good in studies which require painstaking efforts. As the professors in making out the course reason that a person comes here to get an education in the branches taught and not to become an expert base ball or foot ball player, a society dude or a writer, that is, he comes here to study for practical knowledge, be it that of a farmer, mechanic or engineer.

Now, as to the department of English. If the course as laid down by the faculty is throughout studied it will simply be sufficient for any practical man. And right here a question arises in my mind why is it that so many young men intending to study for a learned profession come to this, an industrial institution? I am willing to wager a ginger cake to a gourd of cider that Nemo has the bar before him as a shining goal, and if this be true the best thing he and others of his ilk, both for themselves and the college, is to resign and go to a college that is especially adapted to teaching the branches needed in the particular profession he intends to follow. In conclusion, my meaning, which I hope has been made plain, is that this is an agricultural and mechanical college, and those who do not wish to study either of these branches should not come and those who are already here should resign.

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Irrigation.

Such a dry year as the present makes a person think seriously on the subject of irrigation. It is a subject which should engage the attention of every