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What grew in an electric plant.
She answered with some haste, I
fear,
"Why, currents, I suppose, my
dear."
—Ex.

Cadereyta, N. L., Mexico.
Nov. 29, 1906.

Dear Sir:

I take the liberty of addressing you, thinking that possibly one of your young fellows might like to work with us for a time to learn Mexican business to test it.

This is a farm of 300 acres. Perhaps 100 acres is in Johnson grass, and I have thus far baled and sold the hay.

But I think a dairy would pay better, as butter sells at \$1.00 and lard at 40 cents per pound. I have a good house and improvements and should like a young man who would bring cows and dairy appliances and manage the place, living with myself and wife.

One of my sons, 23 years of age, who used to manage, is here a great part of the time, but he and his brother are devoting themselves to mining.

I think a good profit might be made and we could arrange equitable terms.

Hoping I am not troubling you too much, I remain,

Yours truly,

Charles E. Hodson.

THE Y. M. C. A.

Where are now those thoughtless dreamers who had the audacity to prophecy that the Y. M. C. A. at this college was a dying organization. We trust that they are now satisfied that we mean business. Our three delegates to the Ruston convention, Messrs. Cornell, Weirner and Cunningham, F. H., returned Monday. They kept themselves hard at work all the time that they were there, collecting notes and securing data on association work and Bible study. After a week's stay in Ruston they come back to us filled with a zeal for earnest, persistent effort in furthering the Y. M. C. A. at this college especially.

Next Sunday afternoon these men will deliver their messages from the conference to us, in the Chapel at four o'clock. It is the duty of every Y. M. C. A. member to be present. We earnestly request the presence of members of the faculty who are interested in what we are trying to do for the college along this line, and last but not least, we beseech you fellow college men to come out and see what the Y. M. C. A. is doing.

Don't forget the day and time. Next Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

FROM COLLEGE CLUBS.

Movement by the Alumni for the Up-
building of the Alma Mater—
Work During the
Holidays.

At a regular meeting of the local alumni of the A. and M. College, called by Mr. F. M. Law of Bryan, president of the Alumni Association, an organization to be known as the Bryan-College A. and M. club, was perfected.

Officers were elected as follows: president, Dr. Joe Gilbert; vice-president, W. Wipprecht; secretary, R. J. Potts; treasurer, R. W. Howell. An executive committee was formed and the following were placed upon it: Dr. Joe Gilbert, W. A. Watkins, W. J. Coulter, A. Mitchell and R. J. Potts. This committee was also instructed to draw up a constitution and by-laws for the club.

The organization of this club marks the beginning of actual work on a movement originated at the meeting of the Alumni Association here last June. At that time it was decided to organize A. and M. clubs over the state in every town and city where a large number of old A. and M. men could be found for such an organization. The matter was left in the hands of the executive committee of the association to see to the details of the work.

That committee has decided that it is not necessary for a man to be a graduate of the college to belong to these clubs and that any ex-student is eligible to membership. Hence the Bryan-College club was organized on this basis.

During the holidays the general executive committee will send out five or six men to organize similar clubs in several of the leading

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cities of the state. These men have volunteered to work without compensation, but the association will pay their expenses.

ATTENTION!

When I was a small child I remember once visiting my aunt in the country. She had a house full of thoughtless harum-scarum children just as one generally finds in every country home.

One afternoon, I believe it was a Sunday, one of my older cousins got down a very interesting story book and began to read to the children. She was an excellent reader, and I sat nearby as quiet as a mouse listening to every word. The other children save one were scampering about raising ruck, and soon ran off to play. I stayed interested in the story. My aunt noticed my absorption and remarked to a lady friend: "See how that child pays attention, he will amount to something."

I have since often thought how true a philosophy she uttered. Atten-

tion is one of the surest marks of success. It points out the best soldier, the truest sailor, the shrewdest business man, and the closest scholar.

It is also the unerring stamp of a lady or gentleman.

The thoughtless, the rude, the absentminded, and what other failures we have in this life are the inattentive.

Show me the man who is all attention in the section room, the shop, the field, in ranks, and elsewhere; and I will show you the best man in his class.

The attentive men are the thoughtful men. They are those who learn to lead and rule men. They are the salt of the earth.

Hereafter let us not sneer at the command, "Attention!" as a mere formality; but let us learn the art of being attentive at all times.

Our success in life depends upon it.

B. B.

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