

State. The scope of this work can be found in the 140 bulletins issued by the Experiment Station.

The Farmers' Institute work, which is included in the field covered by the college activity, has grown immensely during the past four years. No department of college work comes so close to the individual farmer, or has a greater hold upon the farming interests of Maryland.

The farmers of Maryland have been saved large sums of money by reason of the efficient work done in analyzing feeds and fertilizers.

They now buy their plant and animal foods with a feeling of confidence they are securing goods which are what they purport to be.

The keen appreciation of this branch of college work is shown by a constituency which has increased from 500 to 16,000 in the few years the work has been in progress.

The State Horticultural work has developed much interest. A few years ago an invasion of the San Jose scale in the State of Maryland threatened the destruction of the fruit interests. Without the aid of scientific research, and the prompt application of its teachings, this large, increasing and profitable interest would now be nearing extinction.

The control of this pest is now a possession of every intelligent grower of the State, and the same may be said of the Peach Yellows.

#### THE NEW DORMITORY BUILDING.

Under the first and second, so-called Morrill Acts, the Agricultural College was, and is, in receipt of an annual income as an endowment from the United States Government, which is derived from the proceeds of the sale of public lands.

No part of the said fund under the said Acts can be used for buildings or grounds, but for purposes of instruction instead.

Dormitory accommodations at the College are so limited that the possibility of students formerly was out of all proportion to the possibility for instruction and teachers.