

in strict conformity with the requirements of its organic law, to afford equal advantages to all, exclusive advantages to none. The liberality of the Commonwealth in supplementing the inadequate annual income arising from the proceeds of the land-scrip invested in State bonds, has enabled the Trustees to begin and carry on, upon a scale commensurate with the wants of our people, the operations of the institution whose management and oversight have been committed to them by the General Assembly of Kentucky.

#### SCOPE OF STUDIES.

In the act of Congress making provision for the class of colleges to which the State College partly belongs, it is declared "that their leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life." To the three departments of agriculture, the mechanic arts, and military science, contemplated in the act as indispensable, a Normal School has been added by the State and an Experimental Station by the United States, while liberal provision has been made for instruction in all branches of science and in the classics, so that this institution is far more than an agricultural and mechanical college, embracing, as it does, not merely the three original departments, but fifteen others.

#### THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

The Normal Department of the State College exists under the authority of acts of the General Assembly approved April 23, and April 29, 1880. Section 7 of the first act briefly defines the object for which the Department was established, "a Normal Department or course of instruction for irregular periods, designed more particularly, but not exclusively, to qualify teachers for common and other schools, shall be established in connection with the College." The second act provides the necessary endowment to make the Department effective.

Ten years ago, in order to prepare young men and women for doing the highest work in their chosen profession, the Department of Pedagogy was established, with a four years' collegiate course, offering Pedagogy as a major study. The attendance upon this course has steadily increased, and the work done has been of a high order.

#### THE KENTUCKY EXPERIMENT STATION.

The Agricultural Experiment Station of the State College of Kentucky was established by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees in September 1885, when the Department was organized and a Director appointed. In 1886 the Station was recognized and named by the General Assembly, and in 1887 it became the beneficiary of the first annual appropriation of \$15,000 under the Hatch act providing for the establishment of Agricultural Experiment Stations in the several States and Territories.

The work of the Station is directed to two objects: 1. To a constant