

Botany, Zoology and Entomology at the Michigan Agricultural College, taking the degree of Master of Science (M. S.) in 1895.

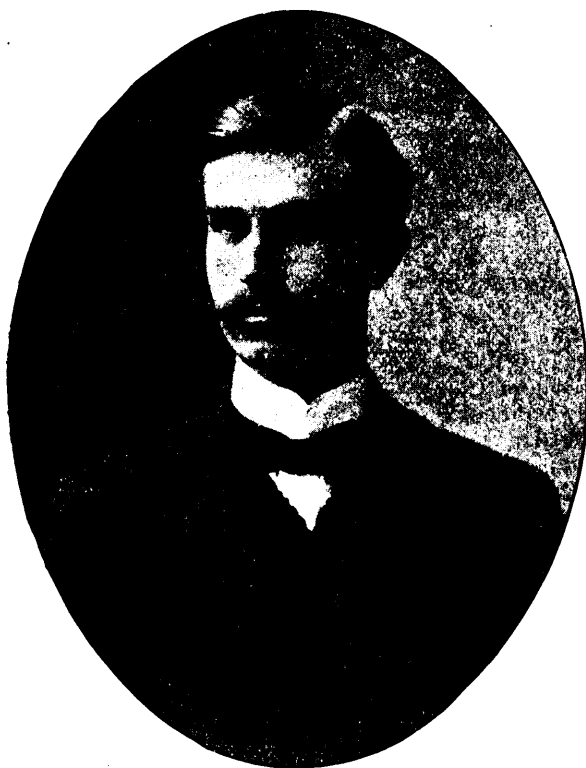
During the last two or three years of his stay in Mississippi, Prof. Creelman was employed for the summer vacations in the very responsible position of Director of Normal Institutes and Lecturer in Biology before the Public School teachers at a number of centres throughout the State of Mississippi; and of his work, the State Superintendent of Education, who is also a member of the college board, says, "I have employed Mr. Creelman in Summer Normal work and have found him easily the peer of any teacher in Mississippi. He is a gentleman of charming personality, a scholar of superb attainments, and a teacher of remarkable success, and withal a Christian gentleman of the highest type." The president of the Agricultural College also says, "We never had a professor happier in imparting instruction to students than Professor Creelman. He is gifted in telling and explaining to his classes what he knows, and he is a most competent man in his specialty."

Prof. Creelman is now in his thirty-first year, strong, active and energetic. He is exceptionally genial, affable and manly. He has had a many-sided training. He believes in farmers and farming, and seems to be just the man for Superintendent or Director of Farmers' Institutes in the Province of Ontario.

The Secretary of the Live Stock Associations

By F. W. Hodson.

A. P. Westervelt, who has been chosen by the Cattle, Sheep and Swine Breeders' Associations to succeed myself as their secretary, and also as secretary of the Provincial Fat Stock Show, is descended from Dutch ancestors, who settled in what is now the State of New Jersey in 1662, part of the family moving to where the city of New York



A. P. WESTERVELT.

now stands about the middle of the eighteenth century. Thence his grandfather removed to Canada, settling on the Bay of Quinte, afterwards moving to the township of Chingacousy in 1820, and taking up his abode on the farm where the subject of this sketch was born.

His father taught in the public schools of Ontario for thirty-four years, holding the principalship of the public and model schools of Mount Forest for the last twenty years of this period. Here the son received his education till he entered the Forest City Business College of London in 1893, where he took the full business course, including stenography.

In September, 1894, Mr. Westervelt commenced work in my office as stenographer and confidential clerk. Finding him able and trustworthy, I, early in 1895, gave him complete control of the bookkeeping and cash in my department. Since then he has reported all meetings, kept the books, cash, and accounts, and has been in reality the treasurer and accountant for my department, assistant-secretary of the Cattle, Sheep and Swine Breeders' Associations, the "Provincial Winter Fair," as well as assistant-superintendent of Farmers' Institute in Ontario.

Mr. Westervelt is an untiring worker, quiet and methodical, but very energetic, scrupulously honest and just in all his dealings, and fearless, yet kindly, in the discharge of his duties. In manner, under all conditions, he is agreeable and gentlemanly. By nature he possesses an excellent disposition, and his excellent early training has completed the work nature began.

As the farmers and live stock breeders became acquainted with him he rapidly grew in favor with them, and he now stands in a very high place in their estimation. I have every confidence that they will rally around him, and loyally support him in all his undertakings as they ought to do. He is now the centre and heart of the live stock association life in Ontario. If this association life is hereafter what it has been and what it should be, Mr. Westervelt must have a united and loyal support. A secretary is always open to kindly advice, but carping criticism and factious opposition is most damaging to the best interests of the live stock breeders. No man worthy of the name will ever stoop to this sort of thing. As my co-worker, Mr. Westervelt, deserves very much credit for the results accomplished during the past five years, I would especially like to refer to his work in connection with the cheap rates obtained for the shipment of live stock, and the satisfactory car service for pure-bred stock destined for west and northwest points, which has been carried out under the auspices of the live stock associations.

History of the Provincial Fat Stock and Dairy Show

By the Secretary

The first annual Provincial Fat Stock Show was held in Toronto on the 14th and 15th of December, 1883, under the auspices of the Agricultural and Arts Association and the Toronto Electoral District Agricultural Society. Each society contributed \$500 towards the prize list, and each was to share alike in the profits and losses. No other buildings being available, the show was held in the stables of the Commercial Hotel. There were 134 entries, and the premiums paid amounted to \$1,330.

The second Provincial Winter Show was held in Guelph on the invitation of the Guelph Fat Stock Club, a deputation from which society waited on the Board of the Agriculture and Arts Association. The same arrangements regarding expenses and the payment of prizes was made with the Fat Stock Club as with the Agricultural Society of the year before. This year there were 144 entries, and the amount of premiums won was \$1,020.

In 1885, invitations were sent to the Council of the Agriculture and Arts Association from Stratford, Woodstock and Guelph, asking that the next Provincial Winter Show be held in their town. Deputations representing Woodstock and Guelph were also present. An agreement was entered into with the County of Oxford Fat Stock Club to hold the next Provincial Show at Woodstock, on the same conditions on which it had been held at other places. The show was held on the 9th, 10th and 11th of December.