

Alcorn Agricultural and Mechanical College.

This college is specially designed for coloured people, and is located near Rodney, a short distance below Vicksburgh. The endowment fund is \$113,575, the estimated value of land buildings and appliances, \$13,000. The revenue from the endowment fund is nearly \$6,000 the expenses about the same.

In the college proper there are fifteen students with a faculty of three Professors. The preparatory school connected with it has 170 scholars and five instructors; tuition is free.*

MISSOURI.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Missouri has been organized as a department of the University of the State, which is located at Columbia, on the Missouri River. The endowment fund is \$219,000, value of buildings, land and appliances \$150,000. The college farm consists of 640 acres, has a variety of soils and is well watered. It affords opportunities for student labour, practical work and agricultural experiment. Gardens, orchards and vineyards have been planted and are being closely observed and records taken.

A large amount of experimental work has been done, bearing directly on the agriculture of the State including experiments with many varieties of corn, with 47 sorts of wheat and with other cereals, tests of many varieties of grasses and other forage plants have been made, the methods of using potatoes for seed have been investigated, and the trials repeated every season for four years, during which time some very practical conclusions have been reached. Many experiments in feeding have been conducted, including the fattening of steers, feeding for the production of milk, feeding pigs, with the special purpose of producing lean meat; also with grass-fed pigs. In cultivating the soil, the effects of subsoiling have been carefully observed and tests made to determine the relation of dew to soil moisture.

A nursery has been established and a plantation of forest trees commenced. The latest reports give the attendance of students in the special agricultural course as 21.

The interest from the endowment fund is about \$11,000, which is supplemented by State appropriations.

NEBRASKA.

The Agricultural College of Nebraska is a branch of the University of that State, and is situated at Lincoln. The college farm consists of 320 acres of land, all improved, with good buildings, five breeds of cattle and two of pigs. Orchards have been established, some forest planting has been done, and an arboretum commenced. About 15 students are in attendance on the special agricultural course. The institu-