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Tucson, Arizona, June 30th, 1891. 189

Hon. R. W. Simpson,

Pres. Board of Trustees, A. & M. College, S. C.
Pendleton, S. C.

Dear Sir;-

Learning that you are soon to elect a man to the chair of Agriculture in your Agricultural College, permit me to suggest Mr. W. C. Welborn of Mississippi for the place.

Mr. Welborn is a graduate of the Mississippi A. & M. College, 1886, and was a student there when I was connected with the Institution as Professor of Agriculture.

In his studies and College work generally Mr. Welborn ranked second to no member of his class, while in Agriculture and Chemistry he was specially proficient and was frequently called upon to take charge of classes.

He also assisted me at the "Farmer's Institute", as he was at that time a ready and good speaker.

Since graduating Mr. Welborn has been a successful farmer and dairyman and has kept up his habits of study. He possesses unusual ability and is specially qualified to fill a position in a College. He is clear and has the tact to make his class work interesting to students. He is eminently qualified in the science and theory of agriculture, and with it he has the rare combination of good practical training and business ability in farm management.

I know of no young man who promises to be more successful, or whom I can so fully recommend.

My old friend Gen. S. D. Lee, President of the Mississippi A. & M. College, who is a pretty good judge of character, always considered Mr. Welborn one of the best men graduated by the College.

Yours very respectfully,

Dean of School of Agriculture and
Director of Experiment Station,

University of Arizona.

The above is an unsigned copy of
a letter written by Prof. Gentry to Board
of Clemson College.