

VIRGINIA HAS GOOD NORMAL SCHOOLS

The state of Virginia has five good normal schools. Their function is to receive students who have completed the course of their home high schools and give them additional subject matter, together with a knowledge of methods and the principles of teaching, to the end that they may efficiently conduct the public schools and be leaders in the educational and wider social affairs of the state.

Industrial features are included, not only to equip teachers of such subjects, but also to prepare young women for the duties of the home and for certain gainful occupations adapted to them.

High school conditions in Virginia at present require that the state normal schools provide two years of high school work as a preliminary to the professional courses, which are two years in length and are based on sixteen high school units for entrance.

Virginia has local markets for \$5,000,000 worth of dairy products annually. Only a small per cent of this demand is supplied by home products. And Virginia is considered one of the best dairying states in the Union.
