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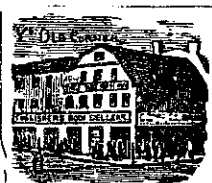
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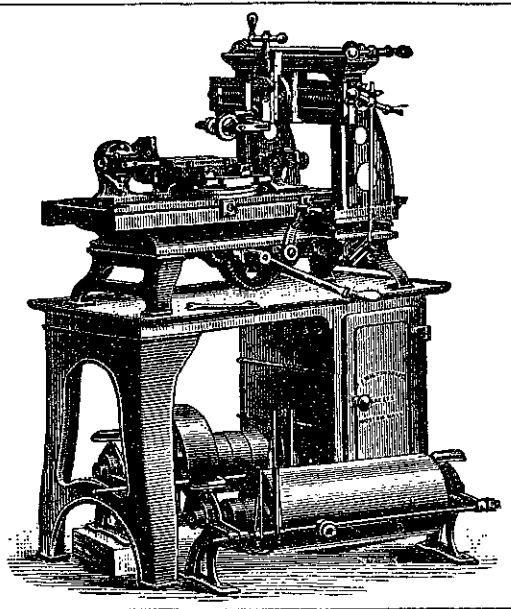
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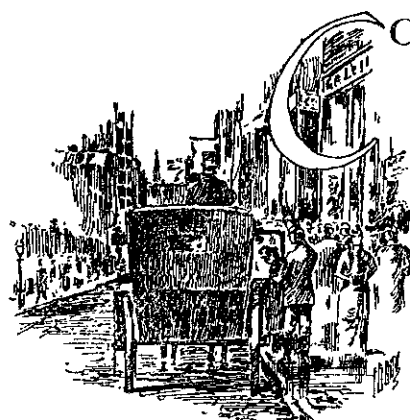
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CONSIDERING that very little sermonizing ever occurs in the columns of THE TECH, and trusting that our readers will remember this much-to-be-appreciated fact, we take the liberty on this occasion of offering a little advice to the Institute in general,—the Freshmen, in particular,—choosing as our text, as Professor — would wittily put it, the torchlight parade and election night; or, in one word, politics. What we have to say may be said very briefly. There will be much sport to-night, much enthusiasm, much excitement; much on election night. These are what we all hope for and expect, and will boom the Institute; but in their connection, and in the name of Technology, let there be utter absence of rowdyism,—this would pull it down. We do not refer to friendly rushes, nor do we refer to any amount of hilarity where the good old name of the Institute is not dragged in, as this is a matter for individual conscience. But we do

utter a caution against any unnecessary, noisy, and disagreeable conduct, with the name of Technology bandied about as an excuse, such as was complained of in one small body of men last year. Let us realize our responsibility as the leaders this year, and not one of us forget, even at the most supreme moment, that he has long passed the days of schoolboyism,—a caution which THE TECH offers beforehand, this year, that it may not be forced, as four years ago, to complain afterward.

A LITTLE more care and forethought should be exercised by those who have charge of such matters, in arranging for the various meetings which occur from day to day about the Institute, in order that collisions, such as have been of late rather too frequent, may hereafter be avoided. It is perplexing and annoying for a man to find that two meetings, each of which he is desirous of attending, occur at the same time; it is, moreover, unjust, and from the general point of view such a condition of affairs, even though remedied at a late moment, must necessarily lead to poorly attended meetings. To this agency was indirectly due the late opening of the tennis courts this fall; and it was also responsible for the postponement of '95's class meeting last week. Bulletins first out should hereafter be given the right of way, and then, with proper care, this source of annoyance may in the future be avoided.

FOR the past week a polling of the Presidential vote of the Institute has been going on, under the auspices of THE TECH, and the voting will continue until to-morrow, when, at 4.20 P. M., sharp, the polls will be closed. A similar canvass of Harvard College has

been made by the *Crimson*, and has proved a success. Technology must not be behind, and every man who has not voted should do so at once, as specified on the bulletin in Rogers corridor. The vote, as soon as counted, will be published in THE TECH, its accuracy vouched for, and it will be the official vote of the Institute for the Presidential candidates of 1892.

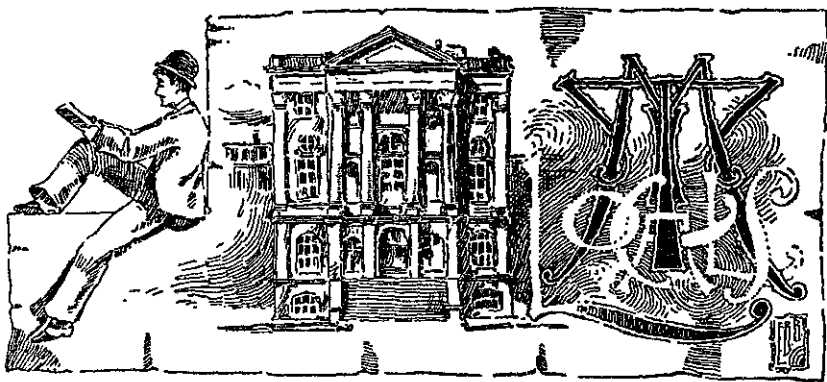
YEARS ago, that is, some time back in the history of our Institute, it was the custom for us to be in close contact with the Boston public by means of the daily and weekly newspapers. We say "years ago," for it must be the result of a long evolution that Technology is to-day so dead to the general public. Probably no institution of our size in the country is so little known, or, rather, so "misknown," as ours.

What is the reason for this sad state of affairs? Why are we obliged to hear the humiliating questions, "Have you a football team? You have to work so hard, I suppose, that you have no time for fraternities? Tech. is about as large as Bowdoin, isn't it?" We answer indignantly; but that is all. Ah, friends, "there's the rub!" Why don't we stir around a little, and make ourselves known? It remains for us to undeceive the world. Write up our athletics; many of our alumni and friends in the city would be glad to hear of our games and our meets, and perhaps to attend them, did they but know of their occurrence; advertise our publications, that their circulation, and consequently their importance, may increase; let people know of our social doings, our current happenings, our wants, our struggles, and our triumphs. It is only by such efforts, such judicious advertising, that the interest of our friends in the outside world may best be stimulated, and that the now indifferent public, as it comes to know us better, may be forced to accord us the position we justly claim at the head of the scientific institutions of the world.

And now to clinch the nail, let every one who has any news of general interest, send it to our reporters for the *Herald*, *Globe*, and *Journal*. Let fellows of ability apply to the other papers as reporters of Tech. news, that we may be represented everywhere. May we soon be unable to pick up a Boston paper without its share of news concerning our honored Institute; and may the whole public soon know us as we are!

On October 16th a mass meeting was called at one o'clock, by the President of the Republican Club, to discuss the subject of the parade, and give all present an idea of what would be the necessary course for all to pursue who wished to be in the line on the evening of November 3d. The plan of the work done was stated, and remarks on the success of the canvassers in each class were made. Mr. Johnson, treasurer of the club, made a statement of the finances, and called upon all Republicans to join at once and pay the club fee. Mr. Dillon, of '93, spoke of the success of the canvassers in that class. Mr. Price, '94, suggested a systematic plan of canvassing his class which would be adopted. Mr. Huxley, '95, stated that the men of his class had responded splendidly. The Freshmen were given good advice by several of the speakers, as they were not represented by an orator. The meeting was well attended.

NOTICE. The Republican torchlight parade takes place to-night. Every Tech. man must turn out! If you are a Republican, well and good; you need not forget the fact. But, politics aside, every man must come out because he is a Tech. man; because chief marshal Frank H. Briggs, is a Tech. man, a graduate of the Class of '81; because through him Tech. will have a fine position in the line; because he wishes, and we all wish, and it must be so, that Tech. shall make a good showing. A poor turn-out would be a lasting disgrace. Come, let us beat all the colleges while we are about it!



Don't forget to vote!

General Walker was an interested spectator at the Harvard-Chicago game October 26th.

E. L. Andrews, our full back again this year, is doing some exceptionally fine punting.

We were much gratified the other day to receive a "local" from one of our Professors.

The Architects have a new Instructor in Design, M. Letang's place being taken by Mr. Mead.

Dr. S.: "Is there a Mr. Swift in the room? Oh, I see, two of you there; well, which is the other Mr. Swift?"

Ninety-four had a class picture taken back of the Walker Building last Thursday. The result will appear in "Technique."

E. W. Stebbins, formerly of '93, has returned to complete his course with '94, after a year spent in Southern California.

If you haven't subscribed for the football team yet, do so at once, and save the team from the disgrace of having to stop playing.

Any man who wants to back Harvard against Yale will find plenty of takers in Tech. if he will only give high enough odds.

Brown University has forty-one Co-eds. They occupy a separate building, and divert the boys at a few recitations and lectures only.

Professor B.: "Mr. Howe, there is to be an eclipse to-day."

Mr. Howe: "Is there! Where?"

Mr. B.: "How do you spell Morgen?"

Student: "M-o-r-g-e-n."

Mr. B.: "With a large or small capital?"

Soph., to Mr. F.: "Will you excuse me fifteen minutes early, please. I have to go to a funeral, and I want time to get my football suit first?"

What would our friends do without THE TECH. office to hold meetings in. Needless to say, we are very glad to donate it for such purposes.

The campaign drum corps, under Mr. Mott-Smith, already contains three cornets and five drums, and is practicing frequently with gratifying results.

Ninety-five's football team continues to send a genial warmth to the hearts of its admirers by the way in which it holds the "'varsity" in practice upon Clover Field.

Great parade to-night. Five thousand college men expected to be in line. Tech. will have precedence over other colleges. Great sport may be looked for.

G. H. May, '92, revisited the scenes of his former labors the other day. Mr. May is now employed as chemist at the Solvay Process Works in Syracuse, N. Y.

All members of the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity connected with the Institute in any way, are requested to send name and address to E. R. Hardy, Sec., 9 Temple Street, Boston.

Several Sophomores who had a fond idea that second-year men were not subject to Intermediate exams., have had their minds quite forcibly relieved of this impression during the last week.

The Freshman battalion is doing some good work, and if it keeps on as it has begun, with large numbers and a lively interest, splendid results may be looked for at the annual prize drill.

As the recent eclipse was reaching its height, and a perceptible shade crept over the city, some of the Sophomores were heard murmuring softly, "We will have the daylight, please."

No cots will be provided in the gymnasium this year for the out-of-town men on the night of the parade. There was lots of fun in the gym. four years ago, but everyone seems to have a place to sleep in this year.

A former Yale student says that President Walker was the only instructor at Yale for whom the men would wait half an hour, rather than "cut." They all looked forward to his lectures,—they were so interesting.

The Banjo and Guitar Club, under the leadership of Chas. E. Lockwood, '95, is fast getting into shape, and will soon be heard from. Several choice selections have been arranged, and are in rehearsal for concert purposes.

There is a widespread feeling among the men who take dynamics of machines, that unless Professor Lanza overlooks *all* errors on the examination, not a single *man* will pass. The grinds will, of course, get honors.

Mr. J. H. Stanwood, '87, Instructor in Civil Engineering, has recently been appointed Engineer of the Massachusetts Highway Commission. We hope to give later a sketch of the work which this Commission is doing.

The Faculty have arranged to have some of the work done by our students exhibited at the World's Fair this coming summer. Already some of the best work is being laid back for this purpose by the several heads of departments.

Some enterprising Sophomores are so enthusiastic over Descriptive Geometry that they spend all their spare hours in the drawing room, and then apply for third-year work involving the subject. Truly truth is stranger than fiction.

It is rumored that a large consignment of Vogel's patent drop-anickel-in-the-slot-and-get-a-complete-and-original-rule-for-declining-any-word-in-the-German-language machines, has been received, and will immediately be put in operation in second year German.

Ninety-six has even taken upon herself to establish precedents, by arranging for a class photograph. This was more than the Sophomores could stand, so they prevented the same even at expense of their blackboard, which was broken to pieces in the scrimmage.

F. F. : "Who are these men, applicants for instructors?"

F. : "No ; that's the Cotton Growers' Association."

F. F. : "I thought they didn't look all wool and a yard wide."

Prof. B—d : "Ecrivez en français, 'My dearest friend.'"

Freshman writes : "Mon ami le plus cher."

P. B. : "How else do you write it?"

Freshman (blushing) : "Mon amie la plus chère."

Tech., 30 ; Brown, 6. The Brown team acknowledge the six to be the result of a "fluke." Had Tech. played her best, the score would have been much larger. Tufts beat Amherst 18-15. Remember, we play Amherst, November 5th. All come and cheer our team on to victory, for we *must* outdo Tufts.

The fourth year Civils of Option I. have measured the flow of the Merrimac River at North Andover, a little way below Lawrence, by means of subsurface floats, and have made similar measurements with current meters in the Merrimac Canal at Lowell. An entire day was spent at each place.

The time of the year is drawing near when the grinds will come out of their holes, brush their tawdled locks, and look like sports as they lay down "the laws of grinding, or every man his own enemy." We pity the grinds, and hope they will be able to do better work the rest of the year.

A very pretty wedding occurred at Grace Church, Lawrence, on Tuesday evening last, the occasion being the marriage of Miss Malvina, daughter of Judge Edgar J. Sherman, of that city, and Mr. Frank D. Carney, M. I.

T., '87, of Steelton, Penn. Among the ushers was Mr. T. W. Sprague, also an Institute man and graduate of eighty-seven.

Last week's tennis scores are as follows: Preliminary round: Shepard beat Moore, 6-3, 6-1; Dickey beat Goodwin, 6-1, 6-1; Reed beat Sweet, 6-4, 6-0; Franklin beat Dana, 6-3, 6-0; Foster beat Powers, 7-5, 6-4; McAlpine beat Rice by default. First round: Shepard beat Dickey, 6-0, 6-2; Lothrop beat Taylor, 6-3, 6-2.

The date of the Sophomore-Freshmen game has been fixed for Monday, November 7th, at the South End Grounds. At first the Freshmen were very much opposed to this early date, but have at last concluded to follow the precedents of former years. As usual, the cane rush will immediately follow the game. Each of the two classes desires a full representation.

General Walker has been forced to decline his appointment as a United States delegate to the International Monetary Conference, and President Andrews, of Brown University, has been selected in his place. President Andrews is also a recognized authority on political economy and kindred questions, and has made a special study of monetary questions.

A new organization to be known as the Twentieth Century Club, has been formed in Boston. Its founders are possibly not aware that the name they have chosen has already been pre-empted at the Institute. However, our society seems dead beyond possible resuscitation, and we should be thankful that the name at least has possibly come to serve some useful purpose.

Some of the '94 men are becoming quite expert in prompting and proof reading as laid down and expounded by one of the Professors in a most abstruse subject. They are to be congratulated, for if they did not learn that, they would never be able to take their places as Seniors, and make correct govern-

ment reports of tests on columns, riveted joints, and steam engines.

"Bronco" has left us, and like "Monkey" of "Technique" fame, he, too, has left his monument behind him. He no longer *brightens* the dark passageways of the corridors; but it is well understood that the art of cribbing as taught by himself has proved fruitful, and his goodly store of "cribs" fill many a foolish Freshman's desk. Don't do it, boys, or you, too, may have to suffer.

The roster of the two companies from '93 to march in the parade to-night is as follows: Company A: Capt., L. S. James; 1st Lieut., A. E. Fowle; 2d Lieut., H. A. Morss; 1st Sergeant, D. D. Jackson; 2d Sergeant, H. C. Waterman. Company B: Capt., H. C. Johnson; 1st Lieut., M. Gorham; 2d Lieut., H. W. Alden; 1st Sergeant, W. T. Barnes; 2d Sergeant, F. T. Towne; 3d Sergeant, S. P. Waldron.

A Junior of good reputation is spreading the report that one of the Professors in the mechanical department is contemplating publishing a pamphlet entitled, "Pickings from Dynamics." He affirms that this book will meet with a ready sale, judging from the hilarity he hears in Room 33, and thinks it will meet with as popular reception as pickings from other humorous books and periodicals, with which we are more familiar.

A '96 man, by accident, heard one of the Professors speaking quite recently about the "Spartan days" of the Institute, when, as the Professor expressed it, an instructor scarcely knew whether he would live through the day. He did not add that he was well satisfied that these days are over, but the Freshman heaved a sigh, and moved on. He was going into a chemistry examination. (The results attained by one of our salaried poets in working up this theme will be found in another column.)

First Soph. (at breakfast): "Is a dyne bigger than a gramme, or is it smaller?"

Second Soph.: "Why, I guess it's smaller."

Curly, '93 (with superior air): "Are you fellows bothered over your physics problems?"

Sophs. (recognizing genius): "Oh, yes, yes! Can you tell us if a dyne is bigger than a gramme?"

Curly: "Ah, yes—same old problem—I remember it. I forget just how it is done. Same one—he always gives it to us."

Sophs.: "Oh!"

President Hayden called to order an enthusiastic meeting of the Sophomore Class Thursday noon. The principal business of the meeting was the annual election of officers. While waiting for the appearance of the secretary the Republican parade was discussed. The class expects to be well represented. The election of officers was then taken up, with the following result for the year 1892-93: President, Charles F. Tillinghast; Vice President, Edward H. Huxley; Secretary, Fred-eric W. Fuller; Treasurer, Thomas B. Booth; Executive Committee, George W. Hayden, Andrew D. Fuller, Albert Geiger. The meet- ing then adjourned, after accepting the report of the Treasurer.

The first meeting of the year of the Civil Engineering Society was held Wednesday evening, October 19th, in Room 22, Walker, President Fay occupying the chair. Messrs. M. S. Pope and J. P. Lyon, of '92, were elected to honorary membership. The names of twenty-two candidates were proposed for active membership. Mr. C. H. Johnson, '93, presented a paper on "Notes Along the Maine Central R. R.," describing several points of engineering interest, and illustrating them with sketches. Mr. Azel Ames, '94, talked in an interesting manner on "Filling of the Commonwealth Flats at South Boston." He gave a general description of the work that has been and is to be accomplished there by the Harbor and Land Commission; then spoke of the details of the work, and gave illustrations by means of maps and drawings.

At a meeting of '94, October 27th, R. B. Price was made major and C. N. Wrighting-

ton adjutant of the Junior Battalion in the parade, these being the nominations of the Republican Club. A series of motions was then passed. It was thus decided that '94 should carry torches as a body; that, to save time and aid organization, the '94 contingent should be officered approximately as in the Freshman year, each company retaining its old form, vacancies being filled by "non-drillers;" and that each company should plan, buy, and carry its own transparency. The class decided to meet in the gymnasium on Saturday, October 29th, to organize as well as possible before the parade. After authorizing the treasurer to pay the Class debt from the amount collected over the \$60 necessary to reproduce the Class photograph in "Technique," the meeting adjourned.



Amherst College recently held their annual outdoor sports at Amherst, and it is interesting to compare their work with that done at the last meeting of the M. I. T. A. C. It goes to prove that if Technology were a member of N. E. Intercollegiate A. A. we would make a good showing. On the left-hand column is Technology's recent performance, and on the right hand, Amherst's.

<i>Technology.</i>	<i>Amherst.</i>
THROWING 16-LB. HAMMER.	
80 ft. 3 ins.	75 ft.
100-YARD RUN.	
11 sec.	10 $\frac{2}{5}$ sec.
RUNNING HIGH JUMP.	
6 ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.	5 ft. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
220-YARD RUN.	
25 $\frac{2}{5}$ sec.	25 sec.
HALF-MILE RUN.	
2 min. 14 $\frac{1}{5}$ sec.	2 min. 22 $\frac{2}{5}$ sec.
RUNNING BROAD JUMP.	
20 ft. 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.	21 ft. 3 ins.

MILE RUN.	
5 min. 6 sec.	5 min. 29 $\frac{2}{5}$ sec.
220-YARD HURDLE RACE.	
28 $\frac{1}{5}$ sec.	30 $\frac{1}{5}$ sec.
440-YARD RUN.	
56 $\frac{2}{5}$ sec.	55 $\frac{1}{5}$ sec.
120-YARD HURDLE RACE.	
16 $\frac{3}{5}$ sec.	20 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.
POLE VAULT.	
10 ft. 4 ins.	7 ft. 10 ins.

Of course these figures do not illustrate, by any means, the comparative records of the respective colleges, nor do they do justice to either of them. But this much may be said with certainty; if Technology were to compete at the annual meeting of the N. E. I. A. A. A., it would be sure to come out very far from last in position.

Why would it not be interesting if the N. E. I. A. A. A., held an annual indoor meeting? Technology could, and in all probability would, enter this if it were organized, and then it would have a chance of showing its relative merits with the other colleges.

An important meeting of the Athletic Club Executive Committee was held in THE TECH office, Thursday, October 27th. There were present Messrs. Buchholz, Speer, Lord, Stanwood, and Hurd. It was voted that the annual indoor meeting for the class championship be given on Saturday afternoon, December 10th. After lengthy discussion the following list of events was decided upon: (1) thirty-five yard dash; (2) thirty-five yard hurdle race (3 flights 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet high, and placed at the 10, 20, and 30 yard marks); (3) running high jump; (4) putting 16-pound shot; (5) standing broad jump; (6) rope climbing; (7) fence vault (handicap by reach); (8) potato race. (The above is not the order in which the events will take place, but merely a list of the events to be held.) It was voted that hereafter no one shall compete in games held by the M. I. T. A. C. unless a member of the Athletic Club. This does not apply to open meetings. Two prizes are to be given in each event in which there are three or more competitors, and the entrance fee will be

twenty-five cents for each event. It was also voted that the record of 17 $\frac{1}{5}$ sec. of F. W. Lord in the 120-yard high hurdle race, made June 11th at the N. E. championships, be allowed, and a record cup awarded him. The meeting then adjourned.

According to a vote passed by the Executive Committee last year, no record cups will be given or points allowed for other than standard events. The events in the above meeting for which record points will be allowed, are the running high jump, putting the shot, standing broad jump, and fence vault. Points will count as 5, 3, and 1 for first, second, and third place, and for records two points additional.

The Tech. records in the above four events are: running high jump, 6 ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ in., C. D. Heywood, '93; shot, 36 ft. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in., J. C. E. De Bullet, '92; broad jump, C. D. Heywood, '93, 9 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; fence vault, 7 ft. 2 in., W. F. Ripley, '82.

Hard Lines.

There's a note in the Cage,
But, alas! I can't get it;
Just picture my rage,—
There's a note in the Cage.
If it weren't for "her" age
I should swear, you can bet it;
There's a note in the Cage,
But, alas! I can't get it.

H. A. R.

To Ruby Lips.

(RONDEAU.)

Two ruby lips are hers; a pair
Of eyes a cynic to ensnare,
A tinted cheek, a perfect nose,
A throat as white as winter's snows,
And o'er her brow bright golden hair.
But, though she's everything that's fair,
My captured fancy's focused where
A saucy smile suffuses those
Two ruby lips.
Why longer wait their sweets to share?
We're safe behind the portière.
A moment, then, that no one knows—
Ah! now she's flown, *couleur de rose*,
With, one might hint (but who would dare?),
Too ruby lips.

H. A. R.



FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.—HOME GAMES.

October 8th, M. I. T. vs. Holy Cross, 42-0.

October 12th, M. I. T., 12; Boston Athletic Association, 0.

October 19th, M. I. T., 58; Phillips Exeter, 0.

November 5th, M. I. T. vs. Amherst.

November 9th, M. I. T. vs. Brown.

OTHER GAMES.

October 15th, Tech., 0; Amherst, 14.

October 21st, Tech., 30; Brown, 6.

October 22d, Tech., 12; Trinity, 6.

October 26th, Brown at Providence. Canceled.

October 29th, Tech., 22; Phillips Exeter, 0.

November 2d, Phillips Andover at Andover.

November 12th, Cornell at Ithaca.

Technology, 30; Brown, 6.

TECHNOLOGY played Brown, October 21st, and was victorious by a score of 30 to 6. Tech. blocked off well, and put snap in her play, with the result that Brown was outclassed from the start, notwithstanding the fact that Brown's line was as heavy as, if not heavier than, that of the M. I. T. eleven. One of the most brilliant plays was a 50-yard run around the end by Andrews. Dearborn and Thomas put up their usual steady game, and, in fact, the whole team deserves credit for the hard work they did. There were over a thousand spectators at the game; but as the game was in Providence, they were mostly supporters of the Brown team, and there was consequently little enthusiasm or cheering.

Following is the make-up of the M. I. T. eleven: rushers, Abbot, Wardner, Dana, Manahan, Cushing, Johnson, Thomas; quarter back, F. Thomas; half backs, Dearborn and Simonds; full back, Andrews.

Technology, 12; Trinity, 6.

OUR team played Trinity, Saturday, October 22d, at Hartford, and placed another well-earned game to their credit. Our men played their customary lively game, and won two touchdowns and goals to one. The score would have been larger, but for the fact that Tech. had played a hard game the day before, and was therefore more or less tired out. Kent and Dearborn made touchdowns for Technology, from each of which goals were kicked.

Following is the make-up of the teams as they played: Tech., —rushers, Abbott, Wardner, Dana, Manahan, Cushing, Johnson, Thomas; quarter back, F. Thomas (capt.); half backs, Dearborn, Simonds; full back, Kent. Trinity,—rushers, Strowbridge, Hartley (capt.), McGann, Reese, Bowie, Hubbard, Woffenden; quarter back, Greenley; half backs, Wilson, F. Edgerton; full back, J. Edgerton.

Referee, L. S. Robinson, Yale, '85. Umpire, H. S. Robinson, Yale, '89.

The Good Old Days.

("We used to have high times with the Profs. in the 'Spartan days' of the Institute."—*Professor in Mech. Eng. Dept.*)

O lend me your attention

As I a tale unfold

Of what we students used to do

In the Spartan days of old.

We used no "ponies" at exams.

The trembling Profs. turned pale;

For well they knew 'twas worth a life,

To give a mark of "fail."

We never had to use a book,

And laughed and talked in class;

He had a low efficiency

Who couldn't swipe a pass.

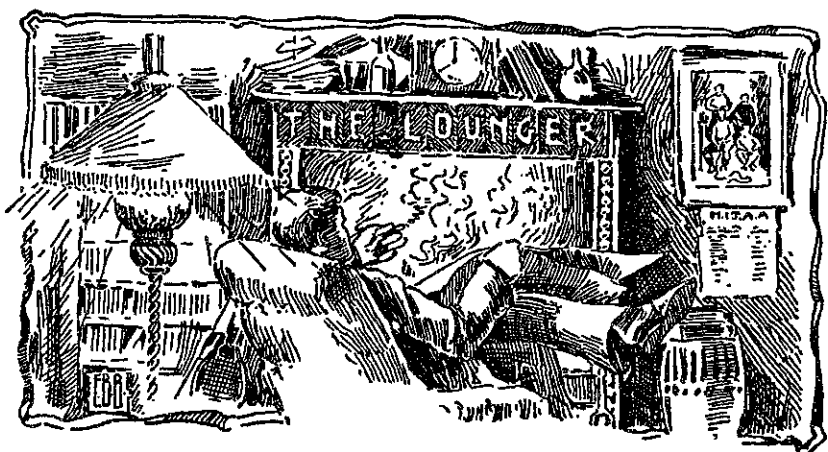
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The years went by, the boys became

Bewhiskered, staid adults;

And now we know that such a course

Gave "very poor results."



ONE does not have to look very far abroad for practical illustrations of the rule that this life of ours is very full of well-nigh irreconcilable contrasts. The Lounger is reminded of it very forcibly nowadays whenever he passes by our extensive tennis grounds. Annually, and even semiannually, on the occasion of our "tournament," the tennis fiend gathers up the extremities of his trousers and spends hours at a time making passes at the tennis ball, as it swoops past him in obedience to laws that would worry even our beetle-browed professor in applied mechanics; and yet this same fiend (he of the tennis proclivities) never, by any chance, bethinks him of how blessed his lot would be were he able to indulge his passion on a decent court.

How grotesque it all is, this tennis at Technology! The tournament is won by the luckiest man, and it is only some more luck which, as a rule, makes the luckiest man the best player also. Will there never arise enough spirit among the tennis enthusiasts at Tech. to subscribe enough money to equip even one dirt court? Drawing for inspiration upon his fund of experience, the Lounger feels forced to answer, regretfully but resolutely, "No."

Since the Lounger moved his goods and chattels from his last boarding house into St. Botolph Hall, he has enlivened the monotony and solitude of many a half hour with memories of experiences stored up while under the watchful care of the landlady who shoves the plates in a caravansary not very far over the way from Rogers. It was a boarding house not unlike the average; it differed from the others in degree only, not in kind. But it was of the thirty-third degree, easily. To the select body of students who made their abode there, its peculiarities offered much in the way of instruction and warning. The Lounger remembers thinking often that if he ever attained to literary celebrity,

his *magnum ovum* would be a careful description of the life in that boarding house. He hastens to add, however, that the reason he speaks of it now is not intended as a gentle hint that he has achieved his reputation; he can only confess that the reminiscences won't keep until that shadowy future time. He must speak now while his recollection is still green and springlike, and the oft-heard hum of voices about the board still meets with response from the phonograph tablets of his memory.

The students had named the rest of the company plums. You would never see such a collection anywhere but in Boston,—dear, funny Boston. It will only be necessary to touch lightly on a few of them. The queen plum was not by any means of that description of fruit which clings confidently to the parent branch until all-provident Nature urges the drop. She had got through her clinging sometime before the war. Her earthly possessions were three—unutterable homeliness, a pair of goggles, and a red flannel dressing gown. The first was all-pervading. The second was a necessary attribute of the first, and focused it, so to speak, indelibly upon one's mind. That pair of goggles was remarkable, even in Boston. The lenses were double-convex, and magnified some twenty diameters. When she turned her lustrous orbs upon you, you felt dizzy and faint. The third possession was used to attract attention, as a matter of course. She was anxious to attract attention, which the goggles always magnified twenty diameters. From which it follows that she had long ago succumbed to the universal flattery, and when she ope'd her mouth, ye gods! how the food shriveled, and how the boarders choked! She cultivated that peculiar accent which suggests unutterable things—coy, blushing reminiscences of a perennial youth of amorous experiences.

Her complement, the spongy fabric into which she poured libations from the stored-up knowledge of her mighty mind, by whose absorbing action constant equilibrium was maintained in the intervening and surrounding medium, was a youth of two and twenty summers, who had spent two weeks abroad. Together they discussed the history of human development; she, because he listened, ill versed in her ways; he, in order to parade his European mannerisms.

Those were two of them, gentle reader, and there were many more. Ah, where is Balzac!

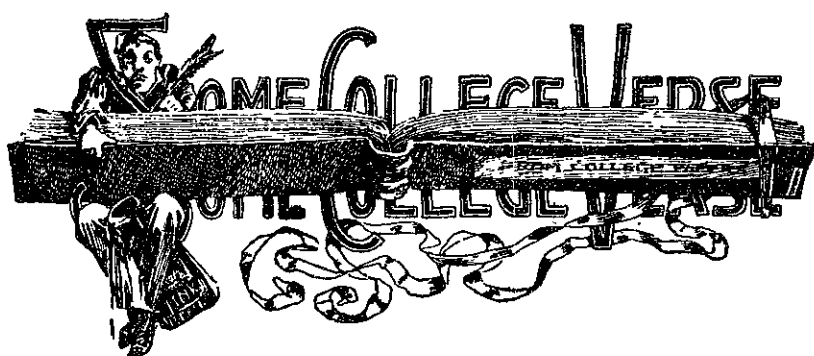
Where is Dickens! With what intense emotions would the Lounger take those two masters by the hand and introduce them to his old boarding house! How exuberantly would he await the universal, uncontrollable burst of tribute that would greet the appearance of each work, "Souvenirs d'une Pension Technologique," par Honoré Balzac; "Plums," by Charles Dickens.

Gentle reader, your mind is feeble and untrained in worldly ways until you have tarried awhile in a Boston boarding house.

They Flourish Now.

His head is big, as with a wig,
Of oaths he has a perfect stream;
For looks he doesn't care a fig,—
He's captain of the football team.

H. A. R.



THE TWO MAIDS.

Two maids as fair as maids can be;
Fair twins, both blond are they,
But both coquettes and shallow souled,
Dressed up in style to-day.
They paint sometimes when color fails;
Delight in laces fine:
Two maids, two ready-mades are they,
These russet shoes of mine.

—Williams Weekly.

SANTA LUCIA.

Dim Venice dwelt in sunset glow,
Afar the vesper bells were ringing,
When through the sweet air, soft and low,
I heard a maiden singing:
"Santa Lucia, listen,
Listen to my prayer,"
And soft her accents died away
Upon the summer air.
My spellbound ear shall ne'er forget
The sweetness of her tuneful praying,
A loved face haunts my mind, and yet
My fear forbids my saying:
"Santa Lucia, listen,
Listen to my prayer"—
My doubting heart is all too faint
To bid me dare to dare.

—Harvard Lampoon.

THE AUTHOR'S DISCOURAGEMENT.

The hardest work is writing,
As it is often said;
The pen is always driven;
The pencil must be lead. —Brunonian.

THE DIFFERENCE.

The plumber and the poet work
In very different ways;
For while the former lays his pipes,
The latter pipes his lays. —Ex.

THE COLLEGE DUDE.

I know he's of pink and white wax—
His eyes are blue china, I think;
To talk is a terrible tax
(I *know* he's of pink and white wax!)
All cerebral action he lacks—
His most serious task is to prink;
I know he's of pink and white wax—
His eyes are blue china, I think. —Unit.

He was a young chemical cuss,
Who made a most terrible muss,
For he mixed up some O
With some sprightly CO,
And they gathered him up with a brush.
—Yale Record.

THE USUAL THING.

The boys are back to work again, for autumn, mournful
thing,
Is here with trite essentials that she is wont to bring.
The russet shoe, the broad straw hat, the shirt of festive
hue,
Are now sad votive offerings, which to the past are due;
But, midst the season's wreckage, that we float adown
time's whirl,
We cling to the remembrance of the charming summer
girl.
Now listen how the boys recount the days which they
have spent,—
The little said, the much implied, the pauses eloquent;
And each has been a Romeo (if each can be believed),
And each at parting left behind a gushing heart that
grieved,
For one who could hold parasols or fluffy fans unfurl,
With fatal fascination for the charming summer girl.
So when in study hour, perchance, a jovial Junior sighs,
And lets his book slide to the floor where it unheeded lies,—
When all about him vanishes in vaguest mental haze,
And on his elevated feet he bends his vacant gaze,
And gives his super-labial down a surreptitious swirl,
'Tis ten to one he's thinking of his charming summer girl.
—Polytechnic.



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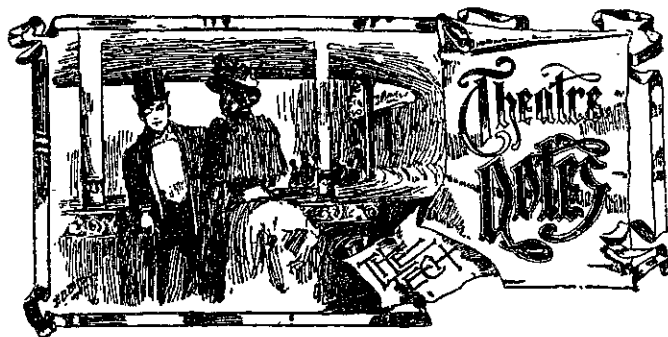
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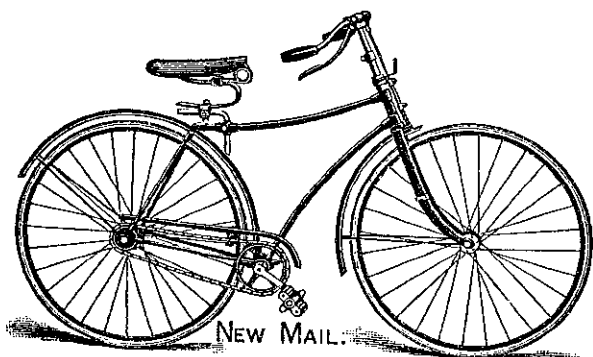
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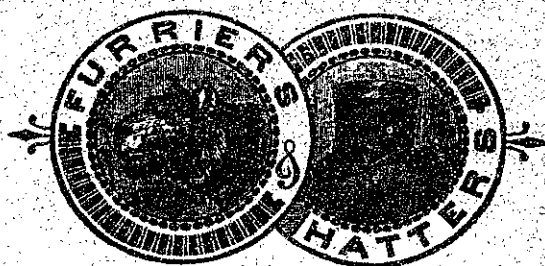
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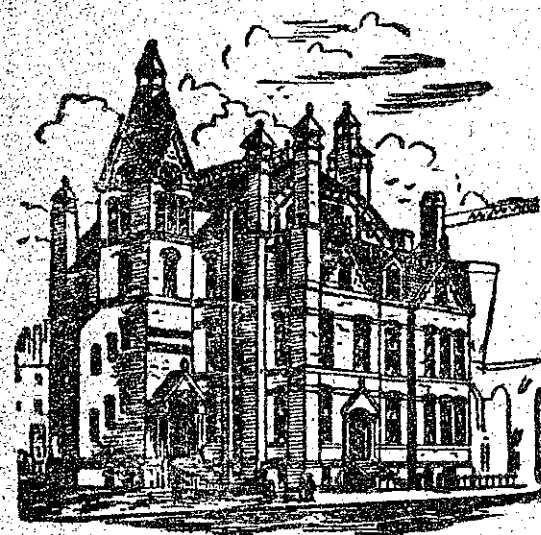
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