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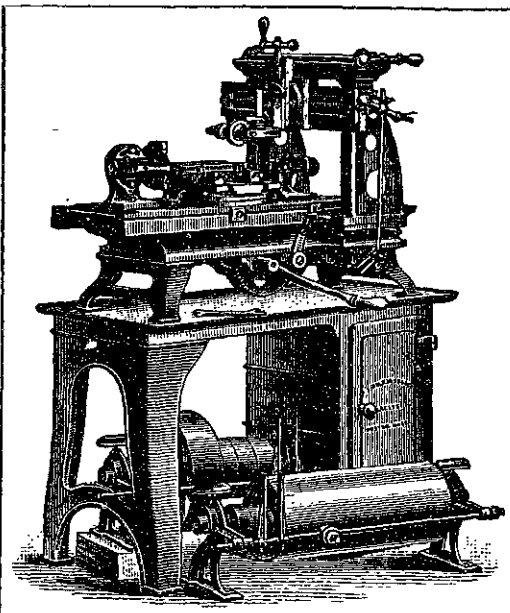
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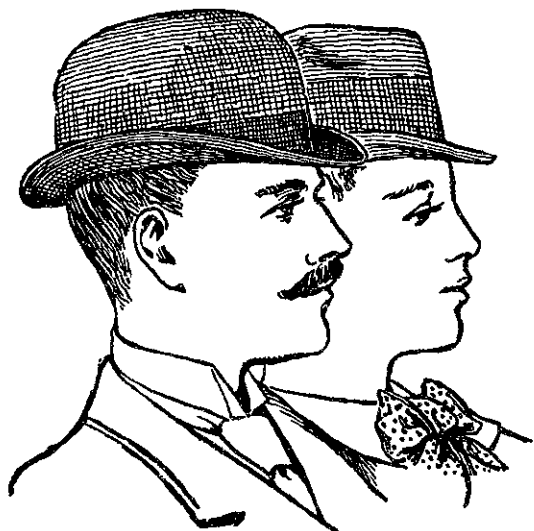
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TO the semiannual examinations even THE TECH must bow, and for them its work must give way, not theoretically as in the case of work suspended for the Boiler Test, but actually and absolutely. THE TECH editor wants his honor, his credit, his pass, with the rest of humanity, and although he deals largely with the social side of Technology, has a keen eye out for the business issue. For this other issues must go, and this is the reason why Number 15 will not appear this term. "That's that."

In view of this state of things, there will appear on the first Thursday of the second term, a double number of THE TECH. This number will be of sixteen pages or more, and two coupons will be taken for it from each subscriber, while a corresponding price will be asked for single copies not subscribed for. The editors will avail themselves of the vacation leisure and endeavor to make this in all respects a first-class number, and hope that the arrangement as made and carried out will prove satisfactory to all.

And now with the additional time secured we shall turn to study with greater zest, not of course because we haven't done it before, but because we—well we like it, you know. And we advise our readers, one and all, especially the Freshmen, to do the same. May everybody pass, even the Lounger. And then a pleasant vacation to all.

NOW that the Freshmen are to drill hereafter in uniform, it is well to refer to the insufficient accommodations in the gymnasium, in respect to benches or sets of hooks, to facilitate the changing of the suits before and after drill hours. As it is now, a large number of students are so crowded together and the lockers are so built that it is almost impossible to get to them and then to hold up the lid and put away the uniforms, or other garments. If only benches or hooks were provided, it would no longer be necessary for the men to leave their belongings upon the floor and wait until their turn comes, as there would then be a place wherein to put one article, while changing another. Thus the change of suits could be effected in very much shorter time and with a much greater degree of comfort and saving of uniforms. Placing them upon the floor is neither capable of adding lustre to the garments nor is it especially agreeable.

Anyone who saw the Freshmen go through the ordeal last Thursday, will certainly maintain that the cause is a worthy one, and some provision for it very needful. Every '96 man certainly hopes that steps will be taken in the near future to remedy the difficulty.

IN another column will be found a list of the very liberal prizes offered by the "Technique" Board for songs, poems, grinds, sketches, stories, and the like. We are glad

to see that "Technique" is alive to the fact that Technology is without a single representative song. It is shameful that an institution of our size, age, and standing, can claim not one of those spirited melodies so dear to all college men. Wake up, friends! here's a chance to win fame, wealth, and at the same time to make our dear *Alma Mater* forever grateful to you. Even should your contribution fall short of the "Institute song" standard, there is plenty of room for other songs. With the aid of all the classes, of some of our instructors, or perhaps of our alumni, we should before long be able to get out a small edition of "Tech. College Songs." We undoubtedly have the talent, but, sad to say, seem to lack the will.

The same applies to the other desired contributions. Let each one do his share toward perpetuating the pleasures, the jokes, the triumphs, even the sorrows and the vicissitudes of days which will ere long appear to have been the happiest of life.

The value of the prizes is nothing; it is what they signify that lends the value. It will be no small honor to capture any one of the prizes offered, or indeed even to have one's work published in a book like "Technique." Remember, the outside world judges social Technology largely by its annual; so again we say, work for "Technique."

THE annual meeting of the Football Association last Saturday brought into prominence a condition of affairs which can no longer be ignored, and that is the utter unsatisfactoriness of the explanations of our present position made by the president of the Association. Indeed, it is hard to find a word which correctly expresses the general opinion in regard to the manner in which have been treated affairs of the gravest interest to all concerned in the development of football at Technology.

A disgracefully small percentage of Institute men subscribe year after year, to support our football interests; out of the funds col-

lected by these few true-spirited students is taken the sum necessary to send instructed delegates to the conventions of any league, or leagues with which we may be associated. And what is the result, as testified to by this recent meeting?

Mr. Clarke attempts an almost unintelligible explanation, utterly unsatisfactory in every respect, of the fact that Technology is refused admission to a league composed of our old associates of past years,—whether elbowed out by some carefully planned conspiracy, or refused admission on account of past poor showing, or allowed to slip out by dishonorable tactics, is left entirely to the imagination of the students at large.

In behalf of all those who have generously come to the assistance of the association in its hour of great need, we now insist that the account of this affair be drawn up as clearly as the annual report of the Treasurer, that it be made in writing, if necessary; and in any event, we say that it is the clear right of the Football Association to demand and receive an official report far more definite and concise than that offered verbally from the chair last Saturday.

IN response to a communication which appears in another column, THE TECH is pleased to publish a short sketch of the Institute colors, hoping that the matter may prove to be, as anticipated by our correspondent, one of general interest.

It was in the fall of 1875, at one of the first class meetings of the Class of '79, that the question of the Tech. colors was first taken up; and at that time, after some research, it was ascertained that the Institute did possess some vaguely traditional colors which were, if we are not mistaken, lavender and white. These thus attaining sudden prominence, some other college instituted a well-founded claim of priority; and so, with the co-operation of the other classes, a committee was appointed to look into the matter. This joint commit-

tee, after careful and thorough investigation, chose the present colors, which were called in their report "cardinal red and silver gray"; and their choice was ratified by the four classes then in attendance at the Institute. This was at some time during the winter of 1875. In June, 1876, the Institute as a battalion, numbering over five hundred, went on to Philadelphia to the Centennial, and the new colors were a conspicuous feature of the occasion. The first public graduation exercises at the Institute occurred in May, 1879, and the members of the Senior class of that year received their diplomas tied at one end with a silver gray ribbon and at the other with one of cardinal. This was the first official recognition of the colors by the authorities of the Institute, although the military instructor at that time, Lieutenant Zalinski (now Captain 4th U. S. Artillery), had already, in 1876, recognized them by causing the guidons for the battalion to be made of the cardinal and gray. In the fall of 1888, as the result of a football contest, a strenuous claim was put forward by the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to sole proprietorship in the cardinal and gray for college colors; and a rigorous discussion of the point ensued in the college press. A communication to THE TECH from an undergraduate, suggesting that the old colors be thrown aside and a single solid color adopted, together with a injudicious editorial favoring that idea, aroused the alumni to action, and their strenuous opposition to changing the "dear old colors" was sufficient to overcome the faint-hearted support the plan was receiving. It was shown that the Worcester claim of priority was doubtful, and held that as many colleges used the same colors, Worcester had not in any case just ground for complaint. The class colors of crimson and white then in existence were changed, and the cardinal and silver gray established more firmly than ever as the Institute colors. And forever may they wave over Technology,—the cardinal red and the silver gray!

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions expressed by correspondents.

TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:—

Will you kindly publish in your next issue of THE TECH the exact M. I. T. colors?

I should like to know whether the colors are simply red and gray, or whether there is a particular shade,—carmine or crimson, or silver gray or pearl gray, or whatever it may be.

I think it will be a matter of general interest, and you will greatly oblige,
A. E. W.

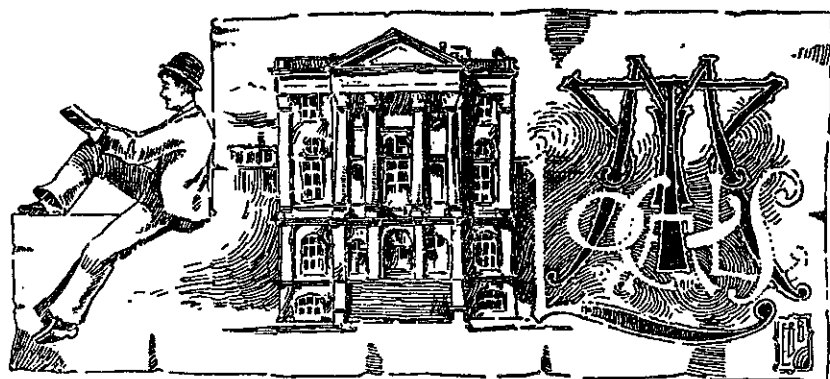
TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH.—I should like to criticise the committee which was elected to confer with the Eastern colleges upon the subject of our future relations of football. All of the men are good football men, and some of them are eminently qualified to discuss this subject in the proper manner. Mr. Vorce has shown in every way his claim to the position of chairman of such a committee, and we all know his sentiments are strongly in favor of a league which will do credit to the Institute. Very few of us appreciate what a victory he has won in taking our team through the last season, and coming out finally with a surplus of \$200.

Mr. Simonds has always been connected with Institute football, and he also will try to do his best for our future in the football world. Mr. Clark, having been selected President of the Football Association, it would be natural to suppose he deserves a prominent place on the present committee. But he expressed opinions at the meeting of December 31st, which would lead one to believe that he cared very little about the stand we would take next fall. His report, as delegate to the convention of the Triangular League, conveyed the opinion to several men that he had lost heart before he had tried to gain a point.

Mr. Taintor will make a first rate man, provided he is given the proper advice. He has no finesse in business matters, but will make a good weight if his ideas are well fixed. Lastly Mr. Thomas is one of the most deserving men that could have been elected. He has done better than any captain we have had for many years and, although young, has shown his ability to fulfil every duty in connection with his position as captain. He will work hard for the success of a satisfactory league.

At the football association meeting many strong opinions were expressed as to the position we should take next fall, and, with the present committee elected to represent the Institute, our chances for a suitable league for next season should be well assured. The committee have a great responsibility, and we, the men of the Institute, look for them to do their best.

R.



Now for it!

Happy New Year!

Last number this term.

A week from yesterday!

Class Day Committee next.

Bury the M. E. Society during the vacation.

The most popular holiday salutation was the mistletoe bough.

Have you the "owl" assignment on the present boiler test?

How much would you give to be successfully through the semies?

Look for the double number of THE TECH the first week of next term.

For photographs of Course V., '94, drop an order at the Cage to "P," box 23.

Now is the time to secure a suite in St. Botolph Hall for the four months of the second term.

The painful sight of the unfinished tennis scores desecrating the bulletin board has been remedied.

The Civils continue to "electioneer," to apply the mildest phrase. It is not an elevating employment.

The 3d year Architects are working daily until half-past five on their design for a newspaper building.

The Civils seem to vie with one another in smashing electric lights. But then, the Civils are of a peculiar stripe.

Men have been fired for cribbing, and then they wished they hadn't. Moreover, it's foolish, at best. Don't try it.

The boiler test is taking place this week. There is some complaint on account of its proximity to the semiannuals.

Too much praise cannot be given to the quartette that sang at '95's class dinner. The solos were also very well rendered.

All men who wish lockers at the gym. and are unable to get them, should apply to Francis C. Green, Secretary M. I. T. A. A.

Captain Green, of the U. S. Navy, visited the Institute last Thursday, and examined many of the drawings in marine design.

Not less than six Wellesley girls have been spending the Christmas holidays at one of the most popular boarding houses on St. James Avenue.

The several professors in charge are kindly co-operating with THE TECH, and materially assisting in the collection of representative locals from the different departments.

The manager of this year's football team, Mr. Vorce, should be congratulated and thanked for the bright financial condition in which he has left the association.

Last week was announced the engagement of Mr. J. Scott Parish, '92, to Miss Winch, of Brookline. Mr. Parish is in business in Richmond, Va., and has come North on a short vacation.

Professor Lanza called the attention of his classes to the mistake in the item concerning his new testing machine. The instrument was spoken of as having a capacity of 3,000 lbs. instead of 300,000 lbs.

The annual meeting of the Board of Editors occurs in a few days. Men trying for the Board should not work spasmodically, but should hand in matter regularly. It is regularity that counts on THE TECH.

The hollow cheek and sunken eye, the piercing look and weary step, all tell too well the approach of the semiannual battle with Fate. Cheer up, old man, and sleep a bit; a clear head is worth a week of midnight oil.

As shown by its many recent recuperating spells, the new clock in Rogers is certainly built on a nineteenth century plan. Evidently it sets the example to the students that it does not intend to work both day and night, even to please the Faculty.

An imposing array of bags, containing exchange books for the Government, was the subject of much speculation on the part of the Freshmen. One was heard to assert in awe-stricken tones that "They are the English manuscript for the second year."

How hard it seemed to return after a "one-day holiday," when every one else was home for two weeks of merriment! All the worse did those semies appear. Nevertheless, the cloud has a silver lining,—the ten-day calm after the storm. "See that hump"?

Professor Van Daell spent the holidays in Washington, as National commissioner at the convention for the advancement of the study of modern languages. During his absence Mr. Meier, instructor in Spanish, attended to the classes in French and German.

The next number of THE TECH will contain, as far as possible, a complete list of the subjects of Senior Theses. All '93 men who have not been interviewed on the matter already, are requested to send at once to H. L. Rice, Box 85, the subject of their thesis.

A certain 3d year German section lately presented its instructor with a case of "German wine,"—in vulgar parlance,—beer. We hear with pleasure that, besides its next German lesson, the class also received one upon tact and gentlemanly instincts concerning gifts from American students to their professors.

Mr. C-h-n-g (to class in free-hand drawing room): "Remember, now, that you are to draw the figures all of actual size." (Glancing at board where different instructions had been placed), "O, well—I beg your pardon—I guess you had better not. Remember, then, to make a drawing either larger or smaller than the actual size."

Mr. Dickinson (in English): "Have any of the gentlemen noticed any newspaper headings which did not suggest and represent the subject?"

Tuttle, '96 "Yes, sir; one referring to "Births," "Marriages," and "Deaths," headed "Hatched," "Matched," and "Dispatched." (The class collapses and is dismissed.)

December 10th the civil engineers of Option I. visited, with Professor Porter, the sewage purification works at Worcester. Some 3,000,000 gallons per day of the city's sewage are now treated chemically before entering the Blackstone river, and the works are being extended so as to deal with the entire sewage flow of 15,000,000 gallons or more.

At the last meeting of the Civil Engineering Society, Mr. Foss described the methods he used in laying out the Chicago Stock Yards. Samuel Storrow, '90, Chief Engineer of the Moxer Artesian Irrigation Co., of North Yakima, in the State of Washington, showed what good chances were open to graduates of Course I. in becoming interested in the matter of irrigation in the West.

The subjects for theses are just now being placed in the hands of the students in Mining Engineering, and Metallurgy. The ores on the list come from Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Quebec, New Brunswick, North Carolina, Michigan, Colorado, Utah, Montana, Mexico, Peru, and Bolivia. The students make their choice according to the processes or ores in which they are particularly interested.

Mr. R. K. Sheppard, '94, Editor-in-Chief of "Technique," has been ill for the past three weeks. The doctor finally ordered rest, so that he (not the doctor) is now at Bermuda, where, it is to be hoped, with the complete freedom from any brain work, his health may be so improved that he will be able to resume his duties here at Tech. next term. "Technique," meanwhile, will go on to its comple-

tion, just as if this great misfortune had not happened. We sincerely hope that Mr. Shepard may not only recover his health completely, but that he may also be able to maintain his standing as a member of '94.

President Walker delivered a lecture on "The Restriction on Immigration," in New York City a short time ago. General Walker's solution of the difficulty is briefly as follows: Each immigrant should be taxed \$100 upon his arrival in America, the amount to be deposited with the receiver of customs. If at the end of three years, proof were submitted that the immigrant was an industrious and reputable citizen, the amount deposited and its interest would be returned, and the owner admitted to full citizenship. If, on the other hand, the immigrant wished to leave the country before the expiration of the three years, the money would likewise be returned.

We clip from a Plymouth paper the following: "PROMOTION.—We are pleased to learn of the promotion of Mr. Wm. B. Thurber, of this town, to the position of Superintendent of the Western Division of the New England Telephone Co. This division embraces that portion of Massachusetts west of the Connecticut River, and also the whole of the State of Vermont, and is the largest territory assigned to any one person. Mr. Thurber has been in the employ of the company since his graduation from the Institute of Technology, in 1890, and by strict attention to business has fairly earned promotion. He is the youngest superintendent ever appointed by this company." Mr. Thurber graduated in 1889 from Course IX.

The Board of Editors of "Technique" have offered the following prizes: \$25 for an "Institute Song," including both words and music; \$10 for a song, words and music, which shall be appropriate for Technology and of interest to Tech. students; \$5 for the best collection of Grinds; \$5 for the best Poem; \$5 for the best Artistic Contribution; \$5 for the best

story bearing upon Institute life. The Board reserves the right to use any or all of the competitive contributions received, music alone excepted. The names of successful competitors will be published in THE TECH and "Technique." The "Technique" Board of Editors are excluded from competing, in order that they may decide fairly to whom the prizes shall go. Do not forget to sign name and class to all manuscript. Contributions must be in by February 1, 1893.

Those students who are to be at the Columbian Exposition at Chicago during July and August of next year, will have excellent opportunities to attend the World's Congresses to be held there. There are nineteen in all, and those which will prove most interesting to Tech. men are, congresses of Literature, Education, Art and Architecture, Engineering, and Science and Philosophy. Our Government has sent representatives abroad in order to influence men noted in these different branches, to attend and take part in their respective departments. Each congress is to continue a week. Themes are to be chosen and arranged so as to make a complete and orderly treatment of the subjects embraced in each department, and unprepared discussion and miscellaneous debate will be prohibited. It is thus expected to give members the pleasure of hearing the concise views of as many eminent men as possible.

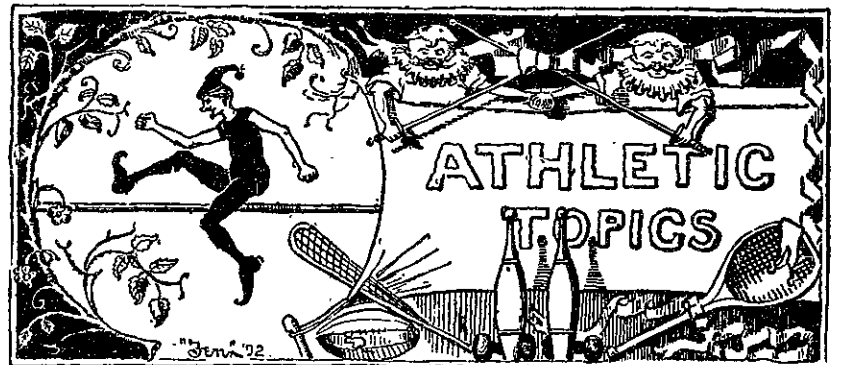
The Architectural Club has reorganized this year with a membership of forty. The students are taking a great deal of interest in the work, and are devoting considerable time to the execution of the programme. Regular meetings are held every two weeks at which time each member hands in a sketch. Besides this, monthly tracings are made from a standard work, and the blue prints of these sold to members at cost. In this way each member is able to get the drawings from a costly book for a small sum. In addition to this, half-hour competition problems are given, the winner of which receives a prize. The club

has departed from its hitherto conservative policy by admitting ten of the best students of the Sophomore Class. This act is certainly to be commended, since the object of the club is the advancement of its members in their professional work, and the Sophomore probably needs this opportunity as much as any one.

On Wednesday, December 28th, a meeting of the Freshman Class was held in Room 11, Rogers, at one o'clock. After considerable effort a quorum was obtained, and business begun. A representative of the Senior Dinner Committee of the class of '94 then spoke to the class regarding the '93 Dinner, and the canvass which should be undertaken for it in the class. As a result, the Executive Board was empowered to nominate a committee for the purpose, and at the same time to elect a committee to look into the matter of the '96 Dinner to be held early next term. Mr. Hurd was then proposed as captain of the Freshman Athletic Team, and was unanimously elected. It was then voted to have a picture of the '96 football Eleven placed in "Technique," at the expense of the class. The matter of electing members to the Institute Committee, a subject which has already been referred to in THE TECH, was then discussed. Messrs. Rockwell, Hyde, and Bates were elected to serve, together with those appointed from the other classes, on the committee. No other business of importance was brought up, and the meeting was adjourned.

On Thursday the Freshmen assembled for the first time in the Armory under the new organization. A large attendance showed off the new gray uniform to advantage. We print below the roster, as determined by the recent examination: Company A: Captain, B. Hurd; Lieutenants, A. E. Senyser, G. K. Burgess; 1st Sergeant, Jos. Harrington; Sergeants, J. L. Putnam, W. H. Daniels, D. A. Richardson, C. H. Low; Corporals, R. E. Bakenhus, S. D. Crane, M. L. Fuller, C. D. Smith, C. E. Foss. Company B: Captain, F. H.

Walker; Lieutenants, C. H. Stone, L. K. Sager; 1st Sergeant, W. C. Ewing; Sergeants, L. B. Adams, W. H. Clifford, H. C. Stevens, F. A. Howard; Corporals, S. F. Wise, A. W. Hodges, J. W. Clary, E. S. Wyard, A. K. Downes. Company C: Captain, John Tilley; Lieutenants, E. E. Meade, W. C. Mason; 1st Sergeant, W. H. Whitten; Sergeants, Jos. Driscoll, L. O. Freedman, R. S. Hardy, E. B. Gordon; Corporals, L. E. Emerson, P. W. Litchfield, C. E. Batchelder, J. H. Houghton, E. H. Robinson. Company D: Captain, W. H. Allen; Lieutenants, E. R. Brackett, H. E. Smith; 1st Sergeant, E. H. Barker; Sergeants, H. A. Sherman, F. W. Cambell, J. S. Hallaran, G. W. Sumner; Corporals, W. B. Vose, G. W. Dakin, W. H. Thomas, W. A. Kent, H. G. Hamlet; Adjutant, F. W. Curnburn; Sergeant Major, Richard Whitney; Color Sergeants, E. L. Sturtevant, F. H. Smith.



Including the points scored at the cross-country run, the score for those who have made five or more points is as follows:—

	SCORE.
Heywood, '93	31
Lord, '93	28
Batchelder, '95	11
Hurd, '96	10
Rockwell, '96	10
Dearborn, '93	8
Dorman, '93	8
Taintor, '95	6
Clafin, '95	6
Jones, '95	6
Parker, '95	6
Waterman, '93	5
Harvey, '93	5
Bakenhus, '96	5
Hersey, '96	5

FIXTURES.

- Jan. 21. B. A. A.—Annual Boxing Meeting.
 Feb. 11. B. A. A.—Annual Open Handicap Games, in
 Mechanics' Building.
 March 3. Annual Interscholastic Scratch Games.
 March 11. M. I. T. A. C.—Fourteenth Annual Scratch
 Games, Winslow's Rink.

We quote the following from *Harper's Weekly* of December 31st: "In commenting on the work of the smaller college football elevens, week before last, curiously enough, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology was entirely overlooked. Not that the good work of the team had been forgotten, but overlooked in the hurry to cover ground which had been given only cursory attention during the season.

"Too much credit was given Amherst in the *Weekly* of December 17th, in saying, 'their only defeat was by Tufts.' The fact is that on November 5th the Amherst 'varsity Eleven was defeated by Technology, 6-4, in Boston, only one 45 minute half being played on account of cold and snow. Technology deserves every victory her teams win, and this department would be the last to withhold the earned credit. So much study is expected of Tech men that it is an extremely difficult matter to put any team at all in the field. This year, by earnest, steady work, to be commended in every respect when the opposing odds are considered, they developed a team that was only prevented by nonmembership in the league from winning the championship over Amherst, Dartmouth, and Williams."

The annual meeting of the Football Association took place last Saturday noon. The attendance was large, and much important business was transacted. There being no minutes to be read, the first topic brought up by Chairman Clark was the report of the manager of the eleven. Mr. Vorce's appropriate words regarding the financial condition and status of the Association were received with much applause. He also spoke of the bright prospects for a good team next season.

The report of Treasurer Simonds, showing a cash balance of \$204.54, was read and unanimously accepted; it is printed elsewhere in full. Mr. Clarke, as acting president, made a report, in which he dealt of the refusal of the N. E. I. F. B. A. to admit us to their league. He stated that it would be impossible for us to gain admission to that Association at their meeting in the spring. A vote of thanks was then tendered by the Association to the officers of the past season.

The question as to what course the Association should pursue next fall was discussed at length by several present, and it was finally decided that a committee of five be elected to take charge of this all-important matter. The committee selected consists of Vorce, '93, Simonds, '94, Taintor, '93, Clarke, '94, and Thomas, '95.

The election of officers for the season of '93-'94 resulted as follows: President, Clarke, '94; Vice President, Curtis, '94; Secretary and Treasurer, Simonds, '94; Executive Committee, Nash, '94, Thomas, '95, Rockwell, '96.

Treasurer's Report.—Massachusetts Institute Technology Football Association.

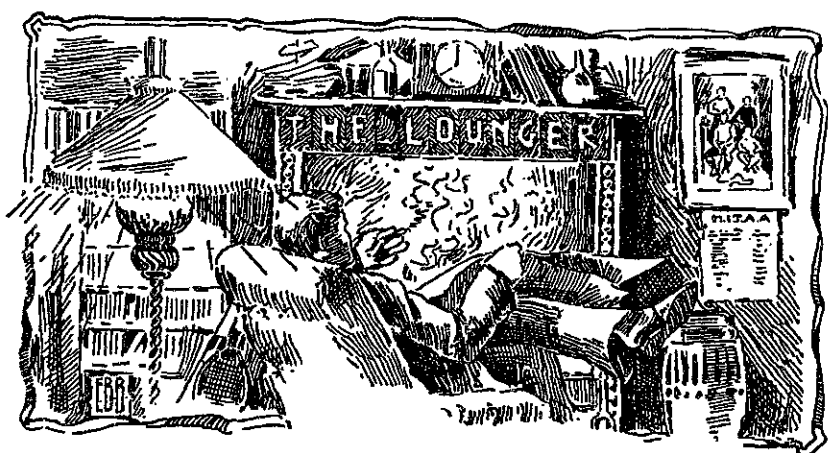
RECEIPTS.

Received from E. P. Gill	\$ 12 79
Gate Receipts	213 75
Subscriptions	705 23
Received from Amherst, Brown, Trinity, Exeter, Harvard, Cornell and Andover	409 00
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EXPENSES.

Football goods, printing, etc.	\$347 75
Traveling expenses	365 98
Doctors' bills	118 50
Coaches	99 00
Rent of South End Grounds	75 00
Paid Amherst, Exeter and Holy Cross	130 00
Balance on hand	204 54
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F. P. SIMONDS, *Treasurer.*



"I've got it, at last," shouted the Editor to the Lounger, the other day, as the latter had deftly cribbed a humorous turn from an antiquated *Lampoon*, and was gazing doubtfully at the latest *Quarterly*. "Got what?" queried the Lounger, as he unwound his legs and crossed the room, instead. "Look here," said the Editor; and following his finger over the latest manuscript, the Lounger read: "I slid down the chord of the ventilator ——" "The lost chord," he murmured, as he gently collapsed. "Now who did strike Billy Patterson?"

The Lounger is thinking how odd 'twould be if he were to abstain from ringing the old changes, (or perchance some new ones, should he bleed his "happiest vein,") on the old air called up by the "fell approach of the dread semies." How disappointed the grind would be at the loss of this golden opportunity to gloat! "Aha!" he would say, wiping his hair from his pre-Raphaelite brow and glancing about him, "how worried they all are, to be sure, by these little affairs. And so simple; merely the unconscious reeling off of some twenty odd volumes of scientific matter committed by heart." That is, he would say this if the Lounger were to make his usual trite remarks anent the exams.

But, to thy haunt, fiend grind! We defy thee and thy gloats. Dame Fortune is with us, and trusting in her favor we will cheerfully proceed to gamble yet again on our successfully "fooling the Profs."

And that reminds the Lounger of the twisted tale that reached his ears not long ago. Some gambolling Freshmen reported that one of their instructors had "jumped all over" one of the courses at the Institute, and so positive were they of the piquancy of the jump that some implicated Seniors felt quite annoyed, and discussed the quoted instructor in a rather forcible

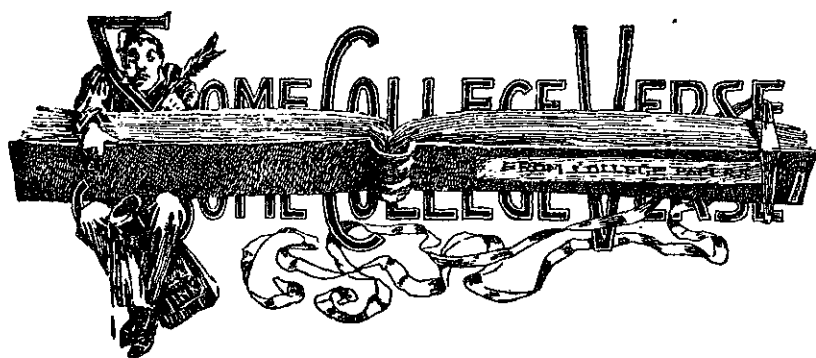
manner. But one of them suggested inquiring at headquarters, which advice being followed, it was found that the '96 men had perverted the facts to a most lamentable degree; the instructor had said that there were a few somewhat rocky opinions oozing about concerning this course, but that they were all quite false, and entirely unjustified by the capacity of the individuals comprising it.

Look out, Freshmen. 'Tis well to remember the hackneyed but suggestive proverb, "Don't monkey with the buzz saw."

Old 1892 has crawled off unregretted, as the old year ever does before the budding promise of the new. Considering the climate in which we live, "budding" might be criticized as a bit inappropriate, but the Lounger has the best authority for using the phrase,—it is favored by all the old masters, residence in the colder latitudes notwithstanding. The budding has no reference to the gladsome springtime, necessarily, that is,—the bud buds, whether it is a debutante surrounded in mid-winter by a forest of full blown hothouse products, or the old year rung joyfully out to make way for its fickle successor.

In fact, "budding" may be used in an almost infinite number of cases, the only instance which the Lounger can regard as precluding the employment of the word being afforded by that occasion of the somewhat near future when an individual who is familiarly known as Moonbeam makes his "first appearance on any stage." "Budding," if applied at all, will be used with much caution, then. The Lounger would greatly favor the employment of the phrase "falling out of bed."

In looking back over the sands of '92 there are certainly many recollections which appeal to the emotional side of one's nature. 'Twas in '92, for instance, that THE TECH first appeared as a weekly, and the Lounger's salary was doubled. Ninety-two first saw the appearance of a respectable uniform on the manly forms of our battalion. In '92 we greeted proudly the appearance in our midst of the only genuine fresh Freshman, he of the pea-green shadow. And surely, one of the proudest moments of our lives was that in which we read in *Harper's Weekly* of December 31st the worthiest, as it was the first, tribute that has ever been manfully paid to our football team by the unprejudiced press. Long life to Caspar Whitney, says the Lounger, and would that more were like him.



BALLADE OF LEAP YEAR.

I've been to the parties, assemblies and balls,
 My face is well known at afternoon teas;
 I've taken my steps where'er Fashion calls,
 I'm the sort of a fellow one generally sees;
 I've ridden on coaches and followed the hounds,
 Call McAllister "Ward," and old Vanderbilt "Bill,"
 With Dixon and Parkhurst I've gone on the rounds,
 And yet at the end I'm a batchelor still.

That evening at Newport—how can I forget,
 Aside at the table, from chaperone free,
 How I tasted the flattery poured out by Bett
 And thought I was happy as ever could be?
 But Bettie has vanished, and after her, Grace,
 And after her, Alice, and Dora, until
 There came Henriette, with her glorious face,—
 And yet at the end I'm a batchelor still.

I know I am clever, Clarice told me so
 That night at Bar Harbor we sat on the rocks.
 Yet she never proposed—I might have said "No,"—
 Although she was stunning in one of her frocks.
 And Nell liked my sketches, and Nora my hair,
 And Esther the verses I wrote with a quill,
 While Beth was too bashful and Kate didn't care,
 And so at the end I'm a batchelor still.

Maybe some day in the year ninety-six,
 Or when the old cycle has run to its fill,
 I shan't have to mourn as my cocktail I mix,
 "Alas! at the end I'm a batchelor still."

—Lampoon.

RONDEAU.

Each morn at nine she trippeth by,
 Beneath the gray or sunny sky,
 To old 1020's portal, where
 Grim Learning waiteth in her lair
 To seize each maid whom she doth spy.

This maiden's glance, demure, yet shy,
 Would seem to say she knoweth I
 To see her pass am waiting there
 Each morn at nine.

Her sailor hat, her mannish tie,
 Her dainty boots which I descry
 Beneath her skirt, her fluffy hair,
 All these combine to wear a snare,
 To shun whose bonds in vain I try
 Each morn at nine.

—Record.

HER PRESENT.

He had hinted at diamonds, a fan by Watteau,
 A fine water spaniel—so great was his zeal,—
 A chatelaine watch, or a full set of Poe,
 And then at the end, sent a padded Lucile.

—Lampoon.

A QUESTION.

If mile is shorter than smile,
 And a kiss is good for a miss,
 And a miss is as good as a mile,
 Is a smile then more than a kiss?

—The Adelbert.

QUITS.

My friend engaged in a fight last week;
 The honors were even, he said,
 For though he lost two "floating ribs,"
 He gained a "swimming head."

—Brunonian.

THISTLEDRIFT.

Bright as the day is dawning
 Over the meadows brown,
 Light on the breath of morning
 Is wafted a thistledown.

With fabric so daintily moulded
 Hovering 'twixt earth and sky,
 On feathery wings folded
 Silently floating by.

In the golden sunlight gleaming
 Spreading its rays afar,
 In the hazy shadow seeming
 A pale ethereal star.

Now softly sinking lower,
 Down from its course o'erhead,
 To rest in the heart of a flower
 Poised on its silver thread.

Soft as the day is dying
 And the blackbirds homeward speed,
 And the night wind faintly sighing,
 The earth receives its seed.

—Yale Literary Monthly.

'Twas Ever Thus.

The melancholy days are come,
 The saddest of the year;
 The Freshman feels his beating heart
 Go thumpity-thump with fear.

The dreaded mid-years now are nigh;
 Soon we'll hear what the Faculty say,
 Then—fold up our tents like the Arabs,
 And as silently steal away.

E. M. B., '96.



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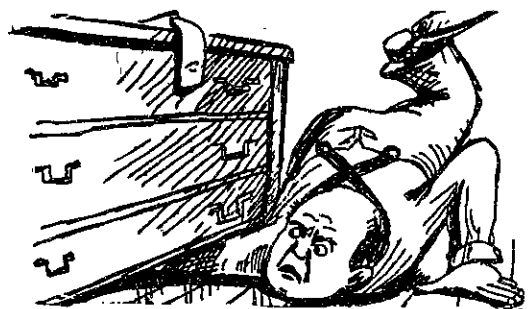
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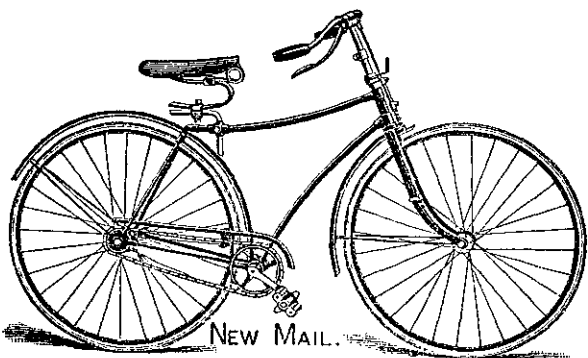
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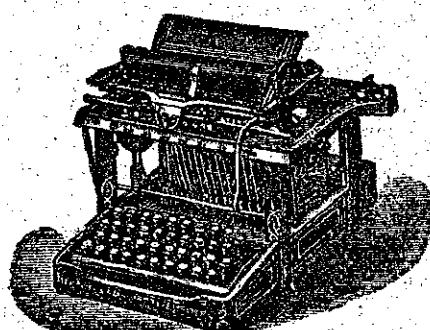
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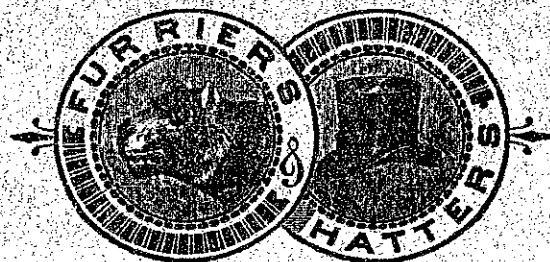
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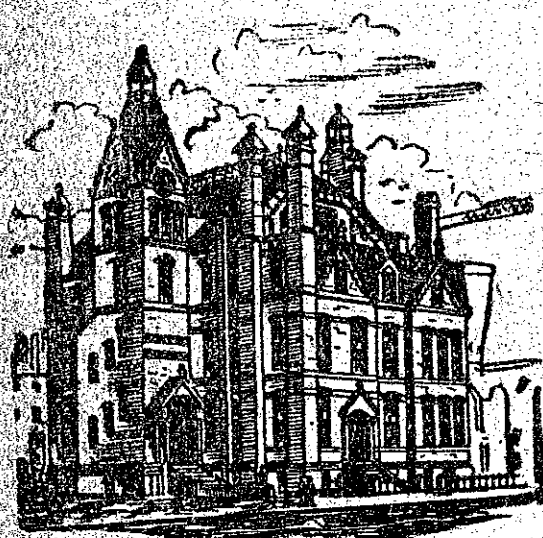
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