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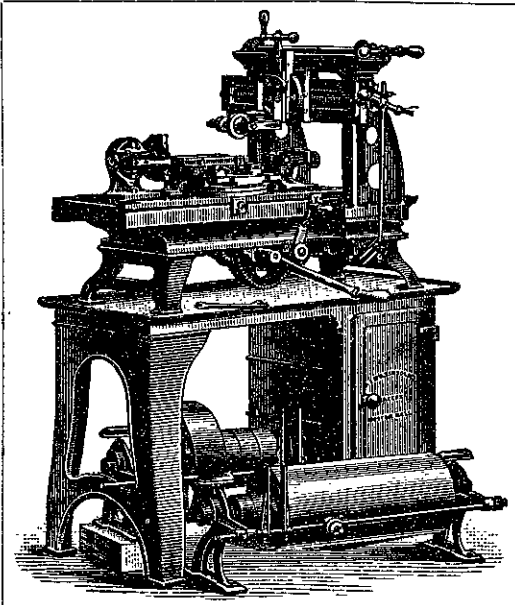
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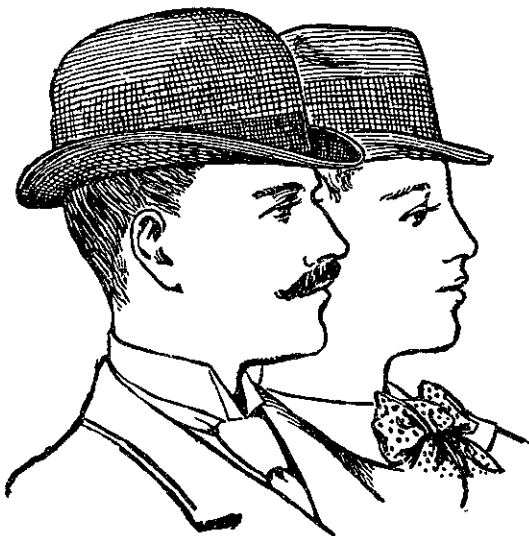
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THE more thoroughly we become "acquainted" with the Corporation and Faculty, just so much better do we realize their constant anticipation of our needs and desires. Of course they are greatly handicapped in these measures by many circumstances, but still they continue endeavoring to increase our facilities and comforts. This is evident from an interview with President Walker relative to the action of our Institute Committee concerning a combined reading and trophy room. It seems the Corporation has often discussed the advisability of maintaining a complete reading room for the

students, and perhaps keeping it open evenings, but the only obstacle at present is lack of necessary space. The recitation rooms are even now over used, and not one can be given up. The combination suggested met with the President's approval, and he says that we shall have adequate accommodations of that nature just as soon as more room is forthcoming. Another building is already contemplated, and may materialize in the near future. Then may we trust that the Corporation and Faculty will fulfill our desires.

HEREAFTER there should be no opposition to payment of gymnasium dues, inasmuch as there has been a decided change in the management of the funds through the kind efforts of Lieutenant Hawthorne. Formerly all dues paid for lockers have gone into the general Institute fund, but now this money will be kept by itself, and used solely for the gymnasium apparatus and equipments, which are at present so very much needed.

IN the Boston *Journal* of March 22d we were pleased to notice an account of the financial condition of the Institute. There is at the present day no institution more worthy of endowment, and yet the rich seem to grow richer, and the poor poorer. Technology's alumni are not very old now, so there must come a day when she will be wealthy.

THE concert to be given Saturday evening by the Technology Glee and Banjo Clubs promises to be an unprecedented success. We have this year clubs that are well worth our heartiest support, and so urge all who can to attend. Thus may personal enjoyment be combined with encouragement of good organizations.

NEARLY all arrangements have been completed for the first Technology Assembly. The men in charge have worked conscientiously, and devoted every available dollar to the successful fulfillment of their plan. The decorations will render still more attractive a hall which in itself seems almost perfection. Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Rogers, and Mrs. Swain have kindly consented to act as matrons; in fact no pains have been spared to prove that Technology appreciates and will support a dance of the first order. Doubtless many have not been invited who would grace the affair, but that, unfortunately, is a necessary evil; however, let us hope the occasion may be such a success that each man will consider it a triumph for Technology, and rejoice accordingly.

THE crowded condition of the Course IX. library is a growing evil. It would seem that more chairs and another long table in the center of the room, where the card catalogue case now stands, would do much to relieve the discomfort.

IN the second amendment to the "Technique" committee report the class of '95 has made it probable that they will have a board of whom they may well be proud. Last year THE TECH pointed out the fact that after the man of average acquaintance had voted for whom he believed the best men for the position, he was often persuaded or forced to vote for men of whom he knew little. Through this fact it was possible for electioneering methods to appear, and for men to be elected who were not truly representative of the class. If every '95 man will vote only for men whom he knows to be worthy and capable of filling a position on the board, as this amendment permits all to do, "Technique" wire pulling will be largely a thing of the past.

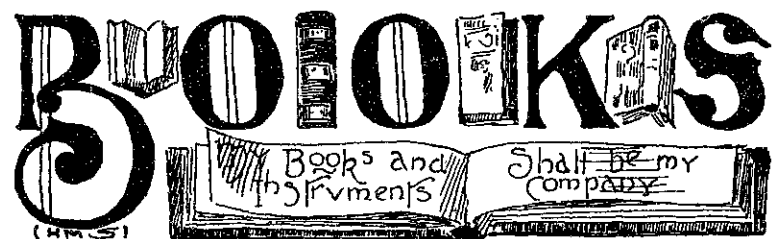
COMMUNICATIONS.

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

TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:—

I have a communication to make through THE TECH concerning what I think is a necessity at the shops in all the different departments. It is as follows: Before every exercise in shop work the instructor in charge goes through an explanation for the work of the exercise. Sometimes the fellows are gathered about a desk where a piece of work is being shown, or else they are crowded around an anvil and forge, or a lathe. In every case only those near at hand can see clearly the operation which is being gone through. In the sections I have been in, and they are of average size, only about one half have been able to see clearly what is being explained, or a piece of work which is being forged or turned, while the other half stand on the outside and catch a glimpse now and then of what is going on. Now it seems to me a good remedy for this would be for each department to have an amphitheatre, as is used in the medical schools, in which to place a lathe, forge, or carpenter's bench, and thus every student would have an equal chance of seeing the explanation. Such an arrangement would do away with an evil which I know positively, from my own experience, exists. At present a man may go at a piece of work in the blindest kind of manner, owing to his having been unable to get the explanation regarding it.

SENIOR MECHANICAL.



THROUGH the courtesy of Senator Hoar the Institute has received bound volumes of the Congressional Records of the fiftieth, fifty-first, and the first session of the fifty-second Congress. The volumes are placed in the Course IX. library.

"Pancoast's Representative English Literature" has also been placed in this library as

a reference book of second year English. Next year it will probably be made the textbook of the class.

Of the one hundred books received from March 17th to March 22d we mention also the following, all of which are in the

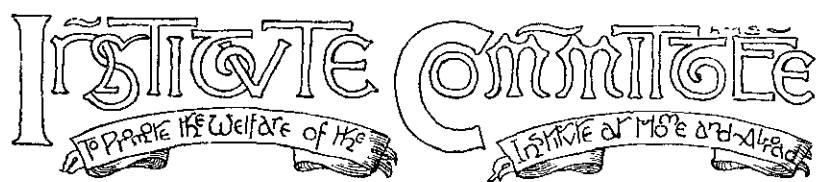
PHYSICS LIBRARY.

Electric Lighting of Marine Engines. S. F. Walker.
Encyclopedia of Photography. W. E. Woodbury.
Traité de mécanique à l'usage de candidats à l'Ecole Technique. V. Janet.

The following articles are of special interest to students in the different courses of the Institute, and may be found in the Course IX. library unless otherwise stated:—

- Unity with the Colonies. *Nineteenth Century*, February.
- Architecture a Profession or an Art. *Nineteenth Century*, March.
- Color Blindness. *Edinburgh Review*, February.
- Some Practical Phases of Electricity. *Chautauqua*, February.
- The British and the French Sections at the World's Fair. *North American Review*, February.
- "The Destroyer" (New Gunboat). *Harper's Weekly*, March 18th.
- The Home Office and the Deadly Trades. *Fortnightly*, February.
- Glass Industry; Man in Nature (Topinard). *Popular Science Monthly*, February.*
- Beet Root Sugar Industry. *Cosmopolitan*, February.*
- System in Physical Training. *University Magazine*, February.*

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At the meeting of the Institute Committee, on March 21st, several important matters were brought up for consideration. Professor Sedgwick was unanimously elected an honorary member of the committee. President Walker and Secretary Tyler were elected honorary members at the last meeting, and have promised their hearty co-operation.

The newspaper committee reported progress. Mr. T. C. Davies, '94, was appointed

to act as Technology correspondent for the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*, and Mr. C. W. Dickey, '94, is to fill a similar position with the New York *Tribune*. Thus is Technology approaching the public.

Mr. Houck, '93, and Mr. Abbott, '95, were authorized to consider the adoption of a standard Tech pin. It is highly important that some uniform pin should be worn in Chicago next summer. A stock of these pins could be kept at the Technology headquarters, so that every Tech man, alumnus or undergraduate, might wear one. In this way we could easily recognize each other.

President Bemis suggested applying for a charter from Phi Beta Kappa. This well-known honorary society exists in most classical institutions. As President Walker is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa senate, it seems reasonable that through his influence the Institute might be granted a charter. It is worth trying for at any rate. President Bemis, '93, and Mr. Meade, '94, were made an investigating committee. Mr. Price brought up the important question of securing a trophy room in which to exhibit our trophies, cups, records of our best athletes, and like things of interest. It would certainly prove a great stimulus to athletics. A reading room might be combined with the trophy room, where THE TECH exchanges could be kept on file, and where students could spend their leisure hours. Mr. Price, '94, Mr. Tillinghast, '95, and Mr. Hyde, '96, were appointed to investigate the matter, and if advisable, to petition the Faculty for a room.

Congratulations.

Speaking of the fellowships awarded by Columbia College to those entering upon post-graduate work or pursuing advanced research, the *Transcript* says: "Of the awards, one goes to General Francis A. Walker, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 'Economics'; one to Albert P. Mathews, same Institute, 'Biology'."

Student Criticisms and Remarks.

THE action of the Faculty in answering the petition of the architects is exceptional, and it seems very probable that their case is not thoroughly understood.

The petition asked that the Architectural Building be kept open week days until 10 o'clock P. M., Saturdays excepted. Knowing the financial condition of the Institute, the failure of the petition must pass without comment; but when the Saturday afternoons, which the second and third year students have previously enjoyed, are no longer allowed, it seems evident that the Faculty do not appreciate our position. It appears that the petition would not have been granted even if heat and light could be afforded. Had the petition been for more work, or for less work, the architects would not have been so dumb-founded; but since it was for neither, the refusal seems odd enough. As a matter of fact, no more or no less work would be done if the building were open at night; the architects have all they can do now, if they do it properly.

The benefits anticipated from such a change are these: the students would not be compelled to carry home great drawing boards, T squares and instruments regularly as they now have to do. Drawing done in students' rooms is necessarily not their best, since it must be done with poor accommodations. On the other hand, drawing done at convenient desks with good light can be done better and quicker than in students' rooms. The results of this change would be threefold, and it was hoped it would take away the necessity of working on Sunday: first, the saving of time and the being put to needless inconvenience; second, increase in standard of draftsmanship; third, removing of injurious strains on students' eyesight. The last result is not likely to be overestimated. It is needless to say, however, that two hours accurate drawing by a poor light may leave a bad effect for several hours. The Faculty, in closing the second and third

year students' drawing rooms, have forced these students to do part of their drawing at home and on Sundays.

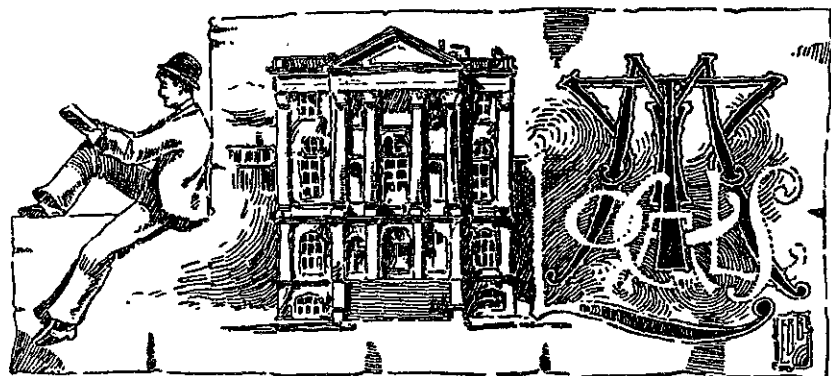
A member of the Faculty said, in conversation with a student: "You have too much drawing in your course already." This sounds to the architects like saying, "You have too much architecture in your course, and not enough of something else." The regular architects appreciate the advantages offered at the Institute in their non-professional studies, and the Faculty must not think otherwise. Without desiring to neglect these studies they wish to make the most of the professional course which is the peculiarly valuable one of our Institute, and can be found nowhere else. The architects need greater opportunities in the library, since they must study there in connection with design. Their time is too fully occupied during the day to permit of its use then for the best results; and when they looked to the Faculty for sympathy and encouragement, feeling that they deserve it, the Faculty's treatment of them seems very unfair.

The question of the advisability of Technology students going to the Fair in a body has not been dropped altogether. The latest development is the appended letter, which shows clearly that there will be some place at which Tech men can meet, the Northwestern Alumni Association having so kindly allowed us the use of their apartments in Chicago as a *rendezvous*. We print extracts from the letter, feeling that it will prove of interest to many of our readers:—

We have secured rooms corner Michigan Avenue and 13th Street,—one block from main depot of the Illinois Central Railroad, one block from Cottage Grove Avenue cable line, and one block from "Alley" Elevated Road—all direct routes to the Fair Grounds. Right behind us is a seven-story hotel, where by "doubling up" fellows can secure accommodation for, I believe, about one dollar per day a head. There is a café attachment where you could get all your meals if you so desired. Our rooms, of course, will be free to all Tech men to be used as club rooms, meeting rooms, etc. There are a good many hotels going up near the Fair Grounds, where you could also probably lodge for about one dollar a day.

Very sincerely,

SOLOMON STURGES.



Professors Niles, Burton and Porter, and Mr. Robbins, will conduct the summer school of civil engineering during the coming June.

Col. C. W. Folsom, of the Boston Sewer Department, has given two most interesting lectures on sewer construction to the students in Course I. of the fourth year.

A break in the steam pipe suspended all work in the engineering and architectural buildings on Monday. Quick work soon dispelled all hope of cuts on Tuesday.

The '93 dinner committee came out seven dollars to the good. The surplus has gone to the class treasury to pay for entries in the December Athletic Meeting.

Last week Mr. Doggett, superintendent of the Swift Chemical Works, in East Boston, delivered a lecture on acetic acid manufacture to the junior chemists and chemical engineers.

Mr. J. R. Freeman, '76, a graduate of Course I., has twice taken the Norman medal for investigations in hydraulic engineering. We believe this is the only case where this medal has been given to one man two years in succession.

Last Thursday '94 convened—at least part of them did—for the purpose of hearing the report of its Senior dinner committee. A quorum was not present, so, after receiving the results of the investigations, the meeting adjourned till the following Tuesday. The sentiments of all present seemed to be strongly in favor of an Institute dinner.

An adjourned meeting of the Sophomore class was held Friday noon. The report of the "Technique" committee was again taken

up. The debates were long drawn out, often bearing upon points out of order. A few amendments to the report were passed. The report will be considered as a whole after all the clauses and amendments have been acted on.

K₂S held its monthly dinner at the Thorne-dike, Tuesday evening, March 21st. Papers were read by H. N. Parker, on "Limestone and Dolomite Formations," H. R. Moody on "Short Cuts in Chemistry," and by A. E. Fowle on "The Manufacture of Candles." Messrs. E. F. Hicks, C. C. Taft, F. A. Schiertz, and A. R. Mackay were initiated.

The Boston Society of Civil Engineers seems to appreciate the true worth of Institute men. After their recent annual meeting for the election of officers, it appeared that out of eight possible offices, the M. I. T. held five. J. R. Freeman, '76, is president, Professor Swain, '77, is first vice president; S. E. Tinkham, '73, is secretary; H. T. Bryant, '87, is librarian; and Fred Brooks, a former Institute man, is one of the two directors. All were students in the civil engineering course.

A scheme has lately been perfected by which a party of Technology instructors and students are to visit Chicago by steamer during the month of June. It is as follows:—

By the original plan, the trip was to be made entirely by water; starting from Boston in the stanch and speedy steamer which has been secured for the trip, it would take the party around Cape Cod to New York, thence up the Hudson and entering the Erie Canal at Albany proceed to Buffalo and so on to Chicago by way of the Great Lakes, returning over the same route.

This arrangement has been modified somewhat, as it would occupy more time than some of the party could conveniently give to it, and besides it has been thought that one trip through the Erie Canal would be sufficient, as progress would necessarily be rather slow in the canal on account of the restrictions placed on the speed of steamers passing through.

Therefore the plan finally agreed upon is to proceed from Boston to Buffalo by rail and there board the steamer for the sail along the shores of Lake Erie, making short stops at Cleveland and Detroit, thence up Lake Huron through the beautiful scenery of the Straits of Mackinaw and down Lake Michigan to Chicago where anchorage will be secured directly off Lincoln Park.

By this arrangement the time necessary to proceed from Boston to Buffalo by water will be saved on the outward journey and the party will thus reach the Exposition Grounds in much less time than otherwise, and still all the novelty of a trip through the Erie Canal, down the beautiful Hudson River and a miniature ocean voyage from New York to Boston, will be enjoyed on the homeward trip when the party will probably be in better mood to appreciate it after the excitement incident to ten days at the Exposition,

The size of the steamer which could be used on such a trip as is outlined above must necessarily be limited by the size of the Erie Canal through which it has to pass. This has not been overlooked in the selection of the steamer and the boat secured represents the largest one which fulfils these conditions. She has four saloons, two above and two below the main deck. The cabin below the main deck forward will be occupied by the crew and steward's department; the upper forward saloon is a dining saloon; the upper and lower after saloons will be occupied by the excursionists, both having toilet rooms connected.

The steamer is a propeller and was originally designed and used for a private steam yacht; she has a compound engine and her lines are such as to enable her to develop high speed when necessary, besides being perfectly seaworthy and able to ride out any storm she might encounter on the lakes.

The expense attached to such an excursion as this is much less than would be supposed as the party will occupy the steamer during the stay at Chicago, this saving all hotel bills. The best food the market affords will be served during the entire trip.

The start will be made directly after Graduation Day, May 30th, and the party will be returned to Boston before the 1st of July, thus avoiding the heat of July and August.

The party, which is necessarily limited by the capacity of the steamer, is not completely made up as yet, and those instructors, assistants and students who would like to take advantage of this trip can get all further information desired by applying to any one of the committee of arrangements which consists of Instructors B. R. T. Collins, J. Swan and F. A. Wilson.

MY FIANCÉE.

A winsome wee sweetheart is she,
And much—they say—too good for me;
She has of millions two or three,
My fiancée.

But since this is 'twixt you and me,
The best, I'm sure you will agree,
Is, that in one short month she'll be
My fiancée.

—*The Inlander.*

"The Technique" comes out "next week," and this time we may attach a literal meaning to the statement.



The annual meeting of the Athletic Club was held last Saturday. The enthusiastic audience accomplished much in short order. An animated discussion arose upon the advisability of withdrawing from the A. A. U. The real object would be to secure the recognition of Tech athletes, and not let the B. A. A. get the entire credit of the good work done by many of our men. As the only solution of the problem a committee was appointed to investigate, and, if feasible, petition the A. A. U. to amend its constitution, so that college men could represent their respective college athletic clubs and such organizations as the B. A. A. at the same time. Should this be successful, we may safely predict a bright future for Tech athletics. Reports of the secretary and treasurer were then presented. The latter's report will appear later in THE TECH. A vote of thanks was then tendered to the outgoing officers, and new ones were elected as follows: President, F. W. Lord; vice president, F. C. Green; secretary, B. Hurd, Jr.; treasurer, R. Sturgis, '94; executive committee, C. W. Dickey, '94, Lawson, '95, Rockwell, '96.

Over one thousand spectators witnessed the annual winter indoor games of the Yale Track Athletic Association, which took place Monday, March 20th. Batchelder and Lord, B. A. A. and M. I. T. A. C., were among the contestants, and did good work for their clubs. The former got second in the 600-yard run, and Lord won his heat in the 50-yard dash.

The struggle for the cup which will be awarded April 1st to the man who has won the

greatest number of points is at present very close. The recent championship games brought the score up, and it is now as follows (only those who have won five or more points being printed) :—

Heywood, '93	34
Lord, '93	34
Hurd, '96	16
Batchelder, '95	11
Jones, '95	11
Rockwell, '96	10
Taintor, '93	9
Dearborn, '93	8
Dorman, '93	8
Andrews, '93	7
Claffin, '95	6
Parker, '95	6
Hersey, '96	6
Waterman, '93	5
Harvey, '93	5
Casey, '95	5
Clapp, '95	5
Thomas, '95	5
Bakenhus, '96	5

As the team race counted toward the Class Cup, the score is as follows: '93, 23; '94, 7; '95, 27; '96, 33.

The out-door spring games will decide the class championship. It looks as though the Freshmen would win; they have good material, but their inexperience will count against them.

The papers were not loud in their praise of the games of March 11, but this may be accounted for by the fact that the press were confined to the balcony at the end of the hall instead of being allowed on floor. Mr. Morrison, who refereed the meeting, and other competent judges state that in every way the occasion was a success. The prizes were cups, and all agreed that they were the best ever given in New England.

Mr. H. S. Cornish, the Business Manager and Athletic Trainer of the B. A. A. has accepted an offer from the Chicago Athletic Club. He will appear in the same role there that he now fills in Boston. Mr. Cornish has stated that he will manage the athletic games

held at the World's Fair next summer. He hopes to see there a number of the New England champions, among whom, by the way, are several Tech athletes. Mr. Cornish's position at the Athletic Club is one which will be difficult to fill and undoubtedly two men will have to be engaged to accomplish satisfactorily his arduous duties. It is to be regretted that the community is to lose such an influential promoter of athletics. Many of our athletes will miss his kind "pointers."

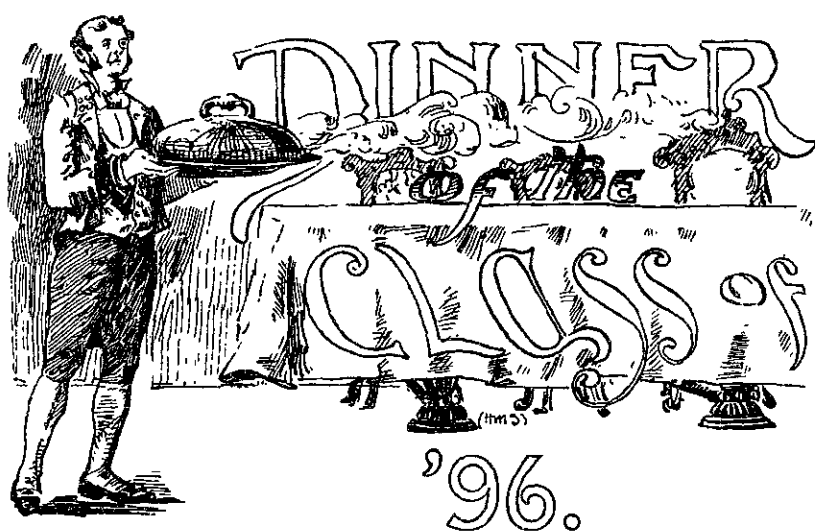


FRESH TECH DATES

The musical event of the year for Technology takes place next Saturday night. Huntington Hall should be filled. Tickets may be obtained from any of the members of the Glee or Banjo Clubs, or at Maclachlan's.

The '94 "Technique" will appear for sale next Tuesday. We trust the dollars have been wisely laid aside; for the present board have worked hard, and it is thought successfully, even under trying circumstances, so that the book will certainly be worth the amount charged for it,—one dollar.

Professor Levermore will deliver a lecture on "An Endowed Newspaper," in the Old South Meeting House, Monday evening, April 3d. This lecture is the third in a course of five lectures on "The Newspaper in American Life," given by the Massachusetts Society for Promoting Good Citizenship. Course tickets will be given by Professor Dewey on application.



On last Saturday evening the crystal room of the Parker House was the scene of great enthusiasm, and of a general good feeling; it was, indeed, the meeting of the Freshmen for their first class dinner. With characteristic spirit one hundred and five men were present to make the occasion one long to be remembered, and one worthy of example in many ways. The toast period arrived at an early hour, when Mr. Flood, as toastmaster, rose and fittingly introduced Mr. Rockwell, as first speaker, on the subject of "'96." Never did the Freshman feel so proud of his class as then, when the president so ably rehearsed the glories the class had won during its short existence. In closing, the cane from the cane rush was produced, and hearty cheers for '96 were given. Mr. Hurd was next introduced, to speak on "Athletics." He referred to the long history of the M. I. T. A. C., of its future prospects, and of the possibility of making Technology known to the world in an athletic as well as a scientific line. Mr. Jackson spoke feelingly on the subject of "Grub," and made all merry during his talk. Mr. Crocker, in treating of "Traces," reviewed the many kinds, and especially those of the high plane of Technology, which has gained such an honored position in the scientific world. At the close a toast to President Walker was drunk with a great deal of enthusiasm. The subject of "Technology," which was received with applause, was then treated in an appreciative way by Mr. Meed.

Mr. McGann, on "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," gallantly told of the tribulations of those who are learning in drill how to protect their country's flag. Mr. Anderson then rose to the toast "Class Spirit," after which Mr. Russell reviewed "Nocturnal Tech" in its varied aspects. Last, but not least, the '96 "Class History" was dwelt upon by Mr. Franklin. Together with the toasts and the dinner, stands a musical programme of great merit. A quartette composed of Messrs. Loughton, Stearns, Barker, and Young sang several times during the evening, and deserved all the applause won. Mr. Loughton rendered a splendid solo, and Mr. Crosby yodled in his usual good style. The cornet quartette of Messrs. Beers, Hapgood, McCarter, and Grush, and later Messrs. Beers and Hapgood in a duet, played most creditably. After hearty cheers for "Tech," "'96," "'94," and "The Toastmaster," the dinner was broken up, with each man feeling that it had been a perfect success, and that next year should find even more present.

A Reverie.

Once I saw upon the street
A man of princely mien,
Thought I, "It is a Senior;
I will myself demean."

As he approached I noticed
He had a cane—quite swell.
Thought I, "It is a Junior
Out for a stroll—'tis well."

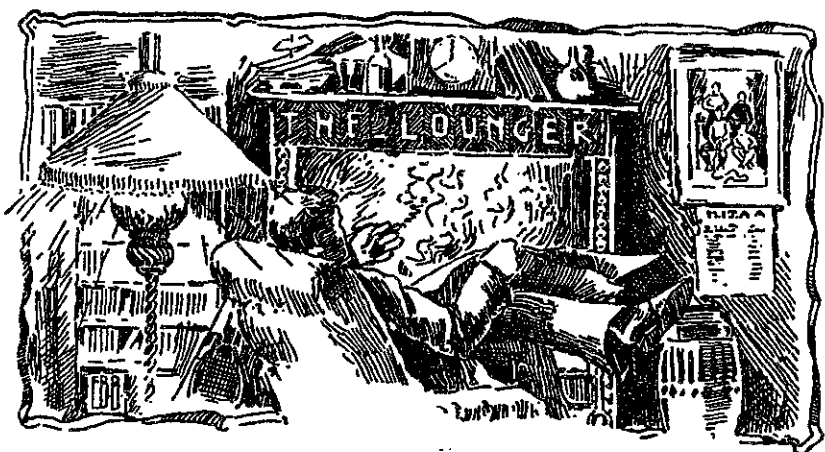
Then he commenced to swing his cane
Around his little finger,
Thought I, "It is a Sophomore;
I will no longer linger."

Just as we came together
With a clash his cane did fall.
And I muttered with impatience,
"'Tis a Freshman after all."

R. S. 2d, '94

When students go on a quiet time
Which they wish to have "kept dark,"
If they begin by taking a swallow,
It often turns into a lark.

—Aggie Life.



SPRING, gentle, modest, forlorn spring is coming, and has sent a messenger to warn us. The University girl has arrived. Of course the University boy comes too, but, he is an "unmentionable." No, the girl only has our interest, and we pity her as with sad humility she ascends to the cross professor's den, there to wrinkle her calm brows upon her first partaking of the centimeter gram. Poor thing! Poor Charlie! And yet the Lounger awaits her coming, for then he cuts another notch in his calendar stick. Soon now the warm sunshine will send through the warm stones warm warmth chasing up the vertebræ of those basking on the steps. What would these do were there no motley procession of females to contemplate twice a week? Skating, with its terrors, has probably left us, and the Lounger sighs aside a sigh of relief, for he can now hope to say adieu to that insignia of the Fresh man, the gray cap embossed with brass letters above and a face below. With sinking dread he has seen it approach him with uncertain certainty, at last to disappear, chasing schoolgirls' laughter. Dear, kind, Fresh, man, curb your ambition! Do not let the balmy breezes of budding springtime find you abroad with that insipid crown upon your head! Don't disgrace us! Don't!!

To glide from thoughts of spring to those of lovers' woes is natural, even in chilly Boston, where the quivered god finds game in plenty, in spite of the glib pedantries of the woman-suffrage maid. And while it may seem at first sight that the soil of Technology is but a barren one for the seed of love to flourish in, have we not the testimony of ages to assert the susceptibility of the Junior? And the poet who coupled a young man's fancy in spring with thoughts of love surely made no exception against the sons of Tech. Which is ample excuse for a homily on love from the Lounger's pen.

And in dealing with this fatal subject, perchance the Lounger may strike a chord of sympathy in the

famished breast of him who whiles away so many sunlit hours "on the steps." Surely it is love that draws his yearning gaze toward the tripping maids who flit by him on Boylston Street. Otherwise would he hie him to the Chapel, where are exploited the doughty deeds of Freshmen and the wiles of struggling Seniors.

And it is even whispered that the laughing meddler once found his way into "the stables," where he did some wondrous freehand work. And that alone should silence all detractors of his power.

There is but one place unknown to him—the secretary's office. There the poor boy is cruelly frowned down upon. Woe to him who approaches that awful shrine with careless smile! Most wonderfully and fearfully made are the attending handmaidens there.

The Lounger misses the announcement that the coming glee club concert is to be given for the benefit of the Football Association. Are they not worthy of this assistance? Surely, considering the outlook for the future. It would seem that it is being forgotten that we should in time of peace prepare for war. That the Association is ahead of the game now is certainly a subject for congratulation, but it behooves us to make hay according to the proverb, nevertheless. Ponder on this.

The Lounger learns that there was much spice ripe for the winnowing at the Freshman dinner last Saturday. But the choicest bits that have reached his ears, were contained in the accounts of the words of the august toastmaster of the occasion. One morsel was his severe advice to his pupils to pilfer not the spoons and saltcellars, as was once disgracefully done by '93. And he proceeded to dwell most fully on the stain thereof. The Lounger's informant also dwelt gleefully on the manner in which this master of the revels criticised the toasts, after the applause which greeted each speaker had died away. The remarks of such a one were worthy of even his commendation. Another's periods were too laden with flippancy; there was some good stuff amidst the chaff, however; let him train his thoughts to freer spheres of fancy, and at some remote occasion he might prosper passing well. He regretted to have to state that the thoughts of a third were too hopelessly entangled in the mire of the unseemly things of life; he hoped when next he had the privilege of addressing such an assemblage he would not feel called upon to speak disrespectfully of the toastmaster. And so on, *a mal-de-mer*.

But the Lounger is assured that the explanation lies in the fact that the gentleman has not yet been able to rid himself of a "European manner" acquired while passing through London on his way to Tech.

Applied Mechanics.

Beneath my window in the street,
 An organ grinder playeth dreary,
 Mournful melodies, replete
 With age and all that maketh weary.
 As in the text-book it is taught,
 (I remember, though I'm racked with pain),
 His load of tunes indeed hath wrought
Di-stress proportional to the strain.

H. E. H. '94.

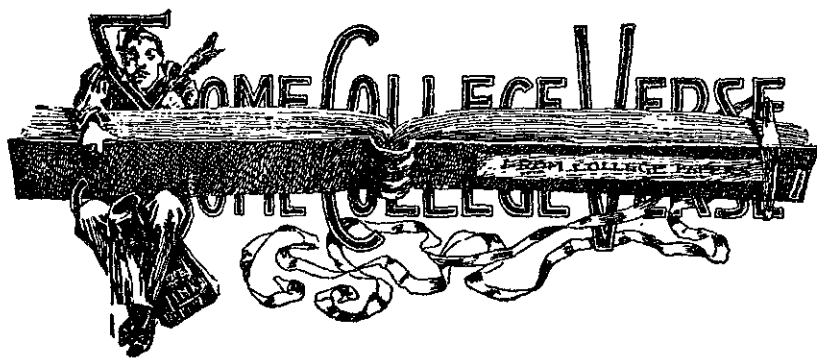
Inconstancy.

A red, red rose within a garden thickly bushed,
 Bloomed fragrant in a bower there,
 And wafted out her sweet aroma on the hushed
 And gentle breezes, through the garden fair.
 A gilded youth strolled leisurely among the plants,
 Which bloomed in fragrance at his side,
 And saw them not,—but cast upon the rose a glance,
 And caught her wafted perfume rare, and cried,
 "Ah, this, my bower, and thou, my flower, Oh, blushing
 rose!"

And plucked the tender stem; then sat him down
 Upon a rustic seat in languid pose,
 And crushed the flower in ruddy gown!

To those to whom the moral's plain,
 The reading hath not been in vain;
 To those who see no moral in it,
 This hath been a wasted minute.

H. E. H. '94.



PADEREWSKI.

If Paderewski draws a crowd
 Who partly go to see his hair,
 Pray tell me, can it be allowed,
 There's capillary attraction there?

—Brunonian.

We skated right along merrily
 As we cut the figure eight,
 But one thousand stars, with Mars I could see
 As I struck on the top of my pate.
 When she came out of that prolonged faint
 I looked at her, she at me;
 She whispered low, "Well, this ice aint
 Just what its cracked up to be."

—Wesleyan Argus.

THE PENITENT RAVEN.

The raven's house is built of reeds,
 Sing alas and woe is me!
 The raven's couch is spread with weeds,
 High on the hollow tree.
 And the raven himself, telling his beads,
 In penance for his past misdeeds,
 Upon the top I see.

Telling his beads from night till morn,
 Sing alas and woe is me!
 In penance for stealing the abbot's corn,
 High on the hollow tree.
 Sin is a load upon his breast,
 And nightly disturbs the raven's rest,
 High on the hollow tree.

The raven prayed the winter through,
 Sing alas and woe is me!
 The hail it fell and the wind it blew
 High on the hollow tree,
 Until the spring came forth again,
 And the abbot's men, to plant the grain
 Around the hollow tree.

Alas, alas for earthly vows!
 Sing alas and woe is me!
 Whether they're made by men or crows
 High on a hollow tree.
 The raven swooped upon the seed,
 And met his death in the very deed,
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—Unit.

A HIGHWAYMAN.

Young Cupid, in a rogue's disguise,
 Stole to a lonesome heath;
 A brace of pistols in his belt,
 A sturdy heart beneath.

And there I met him all alone;
 I sang a merry measure,
 Until he pulled his pistols, and
 Demanded all my treasure!

But as I saw behind his mask,
 I gave a happy start,
 And to this highwayman of love
 I gladly gave my heart.

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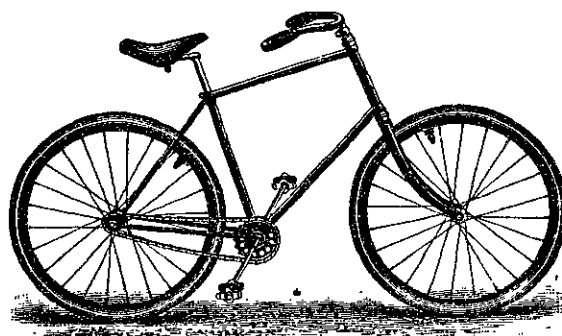
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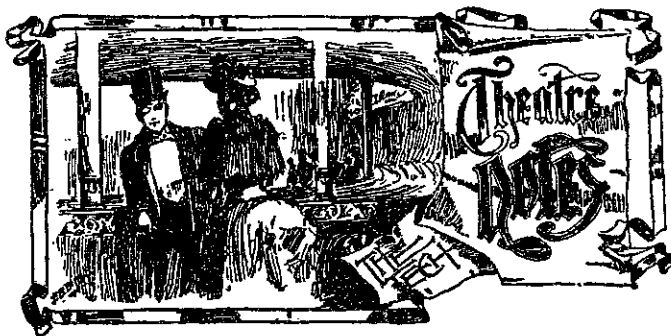
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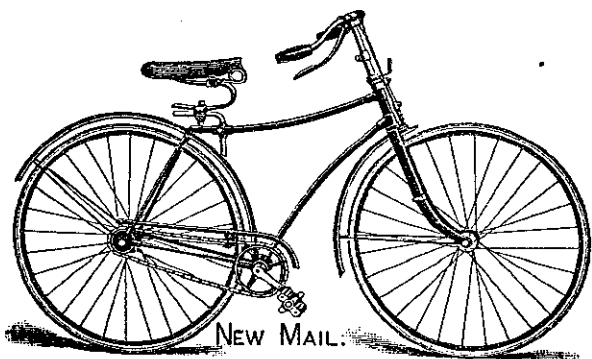
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