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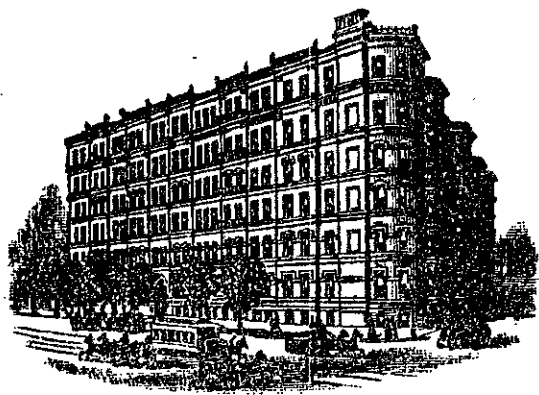
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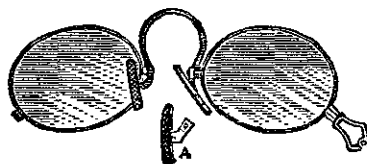
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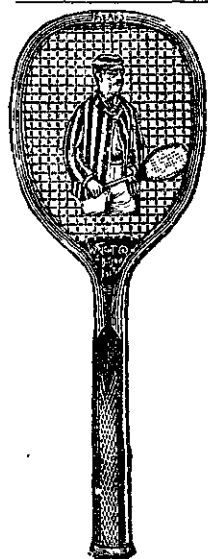
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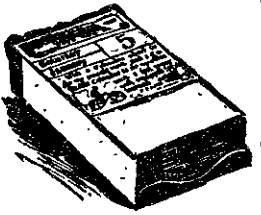
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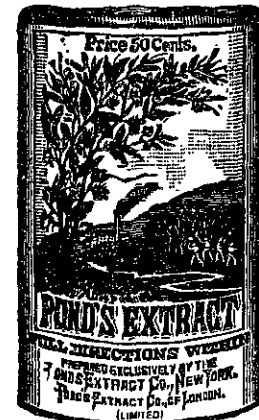
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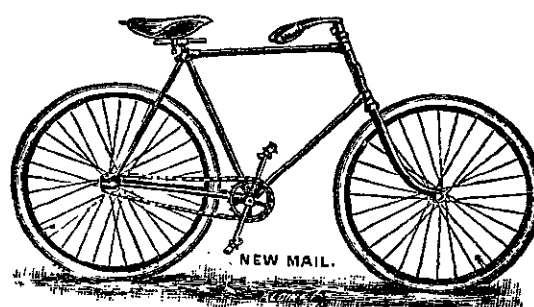
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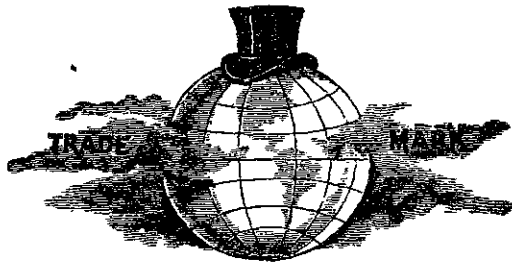
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WHILE it is a matter for decided regret that the South Armory cannot be obtained for the March 9th games, the meeting of Saturday evening will be in no way a failure, and will present not a little of its old time attractiveness. Our gymnasium certainly has an advantage of length and an adaptability of floor which is possessed by few other gymnasiums in this vicinity. In relinquishing the scheme of holding the contests in conjunction with the First Regiment Association—an organization which has for a considerable period been exanimate—and the consequent loss of its Armory, many of the characteristic events which in the past have been most popular, have of necessity been given up. The team races, the hurdles and the longer runs will not this year appear upon the schedule. However, the number of events which has been retained, together with an

entry list of nearly two hundred names, are indeed reassuring, and every effort should be made by Technology men to attend.

With scarcely nine weeks in which to train for the Class Championships and barely three months before the Worcester meeting, when Technology must again assert herself the winner, hearty participation is expected on the part of men interested in athletics who desire to become members of the track team.

WHEN members of a college class become so unfortunately disposed that they deride every slight mistake of the lecturer, and almost every question proposed by the student, a condition of affairs has been reached which is in all ways most deplorable. There has been steadily developing in the Sophomore class this spirit of miserable, despicable mockery; a spirit so utterly at variance with the general tenor of Ninety-seven and the tone of Technology at large, that condemnation can scarcely longer be withheld.

There is nothing more important in determining the standing of a college than the morale of its students. There is certainly nothing more pitiable, nothing more hopelessly childish, than that two hundred young men of one of the highest and largest colleges in our country should ridicule a professor who has inadvertently directed the head of an arrow wrongly in offering a demonstration, or who has, in a measure not unexpected, made an unimportant error.

Such a spirit, exhibited as it has been so recently, should be crushed at the very outset, lest it find a fixed place in the student body, and destroy the standard which thirty years of patient work has wrought for Technology.

AT length there is a reasonable prospect that a representative Technology pin will be adopted. After an extended discussion it was decided that an authorized pin was highly desirable, and that its manufacture should be begun at the earliest possible date. It is believed by the committee that a pin of plain design and of rich appearance would carry a much greater weight with the majority of men at Technology than one so elaborate as the triangular pin now generally worn. The standard pin will only partially replace the present one of World's Fair fame, inasmuch as it will be of gold and enamel and consequently produced at a somewhat greater cost. The committee desires to follow to the greatest possible extent the taste of the college as a whole, and all suggestions will be received with satisfaction.

WE heartily approve Ninety-seven's course in choosing to follow the electoral system in selecting the Board of Editors for its "Technique," and in view of the delay which has ever arisen in discussing the relative merits of the several aspirants to the honors of the Annual it is well that the matter has been taken in hand at this apparently early date. Ninety-five, in its Sophomore year, adopted a scheme of election which has proved in every way commendable. Ninety-six accepted this plan in its entirety, and her board, as was that of her predecessor, has been one singularly harmonious in its action. The electoral committee of Ninety-six consisted of twenty-five men, who were chosen, by ballot, from the class, and was organized as a legislative body, under a constitution. This committee, composed of representative men of the class, proceeded at once to the election of the men who seemed best qualified for the several positions on the board, and we have every reason to believe that the forthcoming "Technique" of Ninety-six will confirm the superiority of the electoral system.

COMMUNICATIONS.

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

TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:

The Baseball question is one which must come before the students at this time. Will you kindly allow me to make a few statements in regard to it?

The result of last year's effort is well known, and its cause or causes should be so apparent to every one interested in the matter that it is wholly unnecessary to refer to them here. The Association entered upon its first season in as excellent a condition as could be expected from a newly established organization. The directors are very confident that they can point, as a principal cause of the disastrous results, to the poor, incompetent management; nor do they make this statement with reserve.

The fact remains, however, that a debt of nearly three hundred dollars remains, for which the students at Technology are accountable. What shall be done about it? Shall the debt stand a humiliation to every student who has the interests of Technology at heart, or shall it be paid honestly?

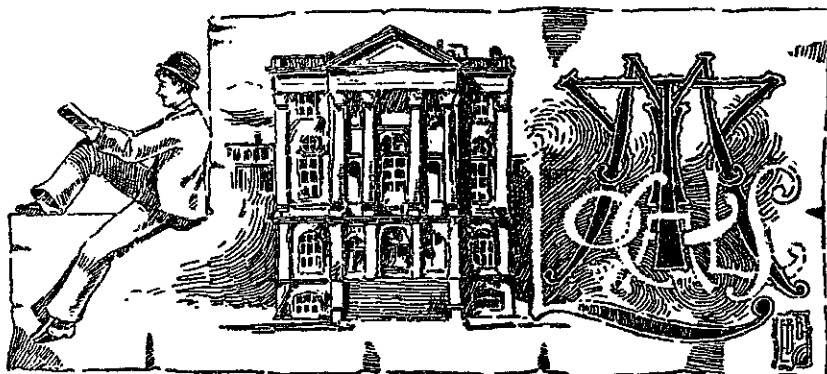
Another question: Shall we place a club upon the field this season? Is it possible to pay the debt without an active team? And finally, shall our Association drop out of existence without retrieving in some measure the disgraces at Williams and Harvard? Can we not leave the field with a memory of better contests?

The committee desires to act as the student body shall dictate and will support. It cannot definitely learn the student sentiment except through a comprehensive statement obtained in a largely attended mass meeting of interested men. In this manner only can the committee act with confidence, with the knowledge that the college will offer its true support.

MARSHALL O. LEIGHTON,
Pres. M. I. T. B. B. A.

I was musing in my study
As I have on many nights,
Upon the much-debated question
Of universal woman's rights;
And like a flash of lightning
This thought rushed through my brains,
What would happen to the women
If men should "hold up" trains!

R. S. W.



Several Tech. men acted as "assistants" at the Opera last week.

"All out" for the Open Scratch games in the Gymnasium, Saturday, at 8 P. M.

Captain Bigelow's lectures can now be obtained of him only at the lecture hour.

The rehearsals for the French ballet and the German play began last Thursday.

Executive Committee meetings of '96 and '98 were held in Rogers last Thursday.

The late Moses Kimball, of Brookline, recently bequeathed \$5,000 to the Institute.

A number of undergraduates have already obtained positions for the summer months.

Mr. F. E. Bragg has been appointed toastmaster for the Sophomore Dinner, March 16th.

No word has been as yet received from Professor Chandler, who is traveling abroad.

In Room 40 there has been posted an interesting paper relating to railroad statistics for 1893.

The Technology Yacht Club contemplates attending the races at New London in the spring.

Ninety-six will hold a class meeting next Monday, the eleventh, in Room 11, Rogers, at 1 P. M.

The Architectural Sketch Club has entered several designs of a Menu Cover for the '97 Class Dinner.

Candidates for Graduation should consult the Secretary as soon as convenient in regard to their records.

Mr. Coleman selected, last Thursday, fifteen men out of thirty candidates for the ballet of the French Plays.

Members of L'Avenir who have not as yet paid their annual dues, are requested to do so at once to E. P. Mason, '97.

Professor Despradelle has assigned "A Frontispiece" as the subject for the next problem in third year design.

There will be a meeting of the Walker Club on Thursday evening, March 7th, at the Andover House, on Rollins Street.

A concert of the Glee, Mandolin and Banjo clubs was given March 2d, at Wellesley, under the auspices of St. Andrew's parish.

Messrs. Mann, Thorndike, and Faville are working on designs in the Beaux Arts Competition, "A Customhouse for a Port of Entry."

The record for large drawing boards at the Institute has been broken by the five-year men, who have one which is nine feet by six.

A large number of students listened to Professor Sedgwick's lecture on Sanitary Science in Room 11, Rogers, last Thursday.

Thirty-seven States, the District of Columbia, two territories, and nineteen foreign countries are represented at Technology this year.

Philip Stafford Moxom, D.D., is delivering a very interesting series of Lectures in the Lowell Course on "The Church in the first three Centuries."

Mr. Lawrence has issued a set of notes upon Perspective, which will, no doubt, render the study of this subject much more simple and interesting.

A meeting of the Mandaman Club was held February 26th. The next dinner of the club will occur at the Parker House, the third Saturday in March.

There has been posted on the general bulletin board a sample sheet of the reproduction of ninety-five pictures which will appear in the Senior Portfolio.

The Newton High School A. A. held its meet in the school gym. at Newtonville, and

not in the M. I. T. gym., as stated in the last issue of THE TECH.

Mr. Bartlett's lecture last Thursday afternoon, upon nude sculpture, was very largely attended. Barre will be the subject of his lecture this afternoon.

The Freshman examination in Political History, arranged for Thursday of last week, was omitted at the last moment on account of the loss of the examination papers.

W. M. Cabot, A.B., C. J. Dietrich, and A. C. Nash, A.B., Sophomore Architects, have been admitted to third-year design as the result of a recent examination.

The Freshmen are rejoiced to hear that the time-honored setting-up exercises have been completed, and that now the battalions will fall in with arms and accoutrements.

Professor Pope has been devoting his recent Chemistry lectures to descriptive work and the demonstration of practical methods for the extraction of the metals from ores.

The Secretary will be glad to consult with any special student who may desire advice in regard to the future arrangement of their work with a view of becoming regular.

The M. I. T. Football Association, of which every student in the Institute may be considered a member, held its annual meeting in Room 11, Rogers, on March 6th.

The Newton Athletic Association will hold an indoor meeting March 16th, at Braggs Hall, Newton. All Technology men wishing to enter the contests should send their names to Mr. Ilsley.

Great interest is being shown by '98 in the "Novice" games to be held March 9th. Twenty-five entries have been recorded and some promising thirty-five-yard dash men are coming forward.

The executive committee of the Baseball Association met February 26th. It was decided to call another mass meeting March 8th,

to decide upon the expediency of placing a team in the field this year.

A regular meeting of L'Avenir was held on Monday, February 25th, in Room 23, Walker, at 4.15 P. M. Mr. Mason, '97, gave an interesting talk on "Scenes on the Orinoco River, in Martinique," illustrated by lantern-slide projections.

Last week several interesting experiments were performed in the Engineering Laboratory, manilla rope being the material tested. A piece twelve inches in circumference was found to have a tensile strength of sixty thousand pounds.

The Class in Modeling this term, by means of funds donated for special work, is able to pursue a larger and more comprehensive course than in former years. Mr. Bartlett, the instructor, is now able to give more of his time to the work of each student with a corresponding improvement in the work of the Class as a whole.

A meeting of the Society of Arts was held February 28th. The paper of the evening was read by Mr. Fred Ives, of Philadelphia, on the Reproduction of Natural Colors by photography, with especial reference to his photochromoscope system. The lecture was beautifully illustrated by a stereopticon. Prof. C. Frank Allen will read a paper on Highway Engineering at the next meeting of the society, March 14th.

The competitive drill between the Freshman Battalion and the Harvard Rifles will be held on the evening of May 15th. A dance will follow the drill as usual. A preliminary drill will be held to select the battalion company and the four under the best training to drill against like representations from Harvard. Handsome medals will be given in these events. There will also be an exhibition of setting-up exercises and a bayonet drill. Tickets will probably be placed on sale, thus obviating the necessity for assessing the class as in former years.

The Deutscher Verein has been at work during the past two months upon two plays which they expect to put upon the stage Monday evening of Junior Week. The first is a one-act farce, *Er ist nicht eifersuechtig*, while the second is an operett which illustrates German student life and customs at the close of the 'Thirty Years' War. The management of the German Plays invites the co-operation of the students in forming an orchestra and chorus, and all men who play musical instruments or sing, are requested to leave their names at Box 96, Cage. The best available instruction for both parts has been provided for.

A very enjoyable and successful dinner was given by the Sherwood Club in Young's Hotel last Saturday evening. Twenty members were present, and as many merry toasts and stories were listened to. Before the dinner was well under way the Club sent its respects to the members of the Class of '87, who were seated at their annual meeting and banquet in the next room. The Sophomore Society was very cordially invited to join with the '87 graduates, and a very pleasant half hour was spent in singing college songs and giving rousing Technology cheers. The Club, as a body, will attend a performance of "Robinhood" by the Bostonians in the near future.

The new Y. M. C. A., which has so recently succeeded the Christian Union at Technology, has begun its career with every prospect of success. George I. Fiske has been elected president, and a membership list of sixty students has already been obtained. The membership may be of two kinds: active or associate. The real work of the Association will begin next fall, with the entrance of the Class of '99. This work will be called the "Fall Campaign," and will consist in assisting Freshmen in the choice of boarding places, etc., by means of small pamphlets, furnishing, besides this information, the aims and advantages of the Association. The membership fee is fixed at one dollar a year.

The result of the choice of studies in the Freshman class presents nothing surprising this year. The largest course, as usual, is that in Mechanical Engineering, which contains nearly one fifth of the three hundred and twenty men in Ninety-eight. Course VI., Electrical Engineering, succeeds, followed by Course I. with forty-five men. The Architects and Chemists each number thirty-seven, and Course XIII., although but recently established, has thirteen members,—a noticeable gain over last year. The Course of General Studies contains eleven men this year, and Biology six. In short, Technology has in the past three years doubled six of her courses, and increased the size of the Freshman Class from one hundred and seventy-five to three hundred and twenty.

A meeting of the Class of '97 was held Friday noon in the Walker building. Two constitutional amendments were acted upon, after which the report of the Dinner Committee was received and accepted. The Class voted to adopt the method used by the Class of '96 last year in the election of the "Technique" Editors. Under this method it is required that a complete list of the names and courses of all men in the Class should be posted a short time in advance of the election, so that any corrections to the list can be made. The election itself will be held under the Australian system, each man voting for not less than twenty and not more than twenty-five of the names on the ballot. The twenty-five men, so elected, will constitute an Electoral Committee with the power of choosing the "Technique Editors." This system proved so highly suitable last year, that it has been adopted by the Class of '97 with no radical change.

An important meeting of the Architectural Society was held in Room 11, Architectural Building, last week Wednesday at 4.15 P. M. Pres. W. E. Davis called the meeting to order, and the usual business was dispensed with, after which the dinner committee gave its

report. It was voted to hold a Bohemian Supper sometime within the next three weeks. The pin committee recommended that the Society provide a shingle for each of its members, and Messrs. A. O. Wright and J. H. Wright were made a committee of two to arrange for an appropriate design. It was decided to abandon the idea of a reunion dinner, on account of the pressing thesis work of the Seniors. In view of continuing an outdoor sketch class, Messrs. Loring, Porter, and Hazelton were appointed to arrange for sketching parties during the spring. A committee, consisting of F. M. Mann, E. P. Schoentgen, and A. Garfield, was also appointed to report upon the feasibility of issuing a catalogue of the annual exhibition of the Department. The meeting adjourned after the election of H. P. Beers, C. Ewing, and W. H. Fox to membership.

A meeting of the Class of '98 was held in Huntington Hall on Saturday last, to consider the Prize Drill and the Baseball situation. Mr. Lord read minutes of the two former meetings, which were accepted. Mr. Watterson was called upon to report the committee's action with regard to the Drill. He said that it had been decided to conduct four separate drills: the first, to determine the superior company, will be held on March 4th. Each man in this company is to receive a bronze medal. On May 15th the remaining three will be held. The first will be a Battalion Drill between our two Battalions; the second, the prize drill with Harvard; and the third, a competition between four men picked from the Technology and Harvard Companies. The financial end of the project has been aided by an appropriation of \$50 by the Faculty. President Walker has very kindly offered a valuable sword as a prize to the Captain of the victorious Company. At the close of the meeting the class balloted for Baseball Captain and Manager. The vote for the former resulted in a tie between

Messrs. Watterson and Barber; for the latter position, Mr. F. H. Twombly was chosen: President Hall, having the deciding vote, declared Mr. J. S. Barber as Temporary Captain.

The Bessemer Medal of 1895.

MR. HENRY M. HOWE, the noted metallurgist, has very recently received a cablegram of congratulation from Sir Lowthian Bell, of England, with the information that he has been awarded the Bessemer medal for the current year. The Bessemer medal, the highest mark of distinction and honor which a metallurgist may receive, was founded by Sir Henry Bessemer, the inventor of the Bessemer process, for those who have most greatly benefited the metallurgy of iron and steel, and it is conferred once a year (in four cases two medals have been given in the same year) by the British Iron and Steel Institute upon that man most distinguished for his investigations or inventions.

The medal for 1895, which was given to Mr. Howe on the motion of Sir Lowthian Bell, was awarded with a unanimity of opinion which is of rare occurrence. With the exception of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Howe is the youngest man who has received the Bessemer prize. Technology certainly has every reason to be proud of an alumnus who has achieved so great an honor,—one which has been shared by only four other Americans.

Mr. Howe graduated from Technology in 1871, in Course III., and is now one of the foremost authorities on the metallurgy of steel. For several years he has given the course of lectures on the "Metallurgy of Copper," to the fourth-year Miners and Chemists at the Institute. His book, "The Metallurgy of Steel," published in 1890, is the recognized standard, and for it, together with his other writings and investigations in steel, he has received the award. For his book, also, he has received from the *Societe d'Encouragement*

pour l'Industrie Nationale, a prize of twenty-five hundred francs. After declining many offers from distinguished foreigners to translate it into German, French, Italian, and Spanish, he finally allowed Mr. Octave Hock to translate it into French, and a French edition has recently been published.

The following is a complete list of those who have received the Bessemer medals: 1874, Sir Lowthian Bell, Bart., F. R. S., a man of no slight rank as an investigator of iron and steel processes; 1875, Sir C. William Siemens, metallurgist and electrician, F. R. S.; 1876, Robert Forrester Mushet, the great inventor; 1877, John Percy, M.D., F. R. S., a noted metallurgical writer of England; 1878, Peter Ritter von Tunner, of Austria, the Nestor of metallurgy; 1879, Peter Cooper, of New York, one of the foremost iron manufacturers of this country; 1880, Sir Joseph Whitworth, Bart., of ordnance fame; 1881, William Menelaus, the head of the Dowlais Works in England; 1882, Alexander Lyman Holley, who introduced the Bessemer process into this country; 1883, George James Snelus, F. R. S., and Sidney Gilchrist Thomas, the inventor of the basic Bessemer process; 1884, Edward Windsor Richards and Edward Pritchard Martin; 1885, Richard Akerman, the illustrious Swedish metallurgist; 1886, Edward Williams; 1887, James Riley; 1888, Daniel Adamson; 1889, John Devonshire Ellis, the head of the iron and steel works of Sir John Brown, England, and Henri Schneider, one of the proprietors of Le Creusot, the largest metallurgical plant of France; 1890, William Daniel Allen, and Hon. Abram S. Hewitt, of New York, another prominent iron manufacturer of this country; 1891, the Right Hon. Lord Armstrong, C. B., F. R. S., also of ordnance fame; 1892, Arthur Cooper; 1893, John Fritz, of Pennsylvania, who designed and built the Bethlehem Iron Works, at South Bethlehem, Penn.; 1894, John Gjers, of England; 1895, Henry Marion Howe, A. M., S. B., of Boston, writer and investigator.

Verse at the Ninty-four Class Dinner.

Once more the Class of Ninty-four holds feast,
And to her bounteous board are gathered all
Her true retainers, save whom uncouth land
Or devious task have walled away, with space
And time the barriers. Once more the tryst
Resounds with greetings of glad friends, whose paths
Converge with pleasing slope to its bright court.
Once more the hours are led in nimble train,
Which all too soon must drag the step again.

May friendship and that broader tie which binds
All to one destiny, now make our tasks
The plainer, not confuse, which is the test
Of loyalty to Alma Mater's sage
Precepts; then to that name the echo plies
As one with Ninety-four that never dies!

ARTHUR A. SHURTLEFF.

(2) Read by Harold Chase.

Ye noble men of Ninety-four,
Pray, your assistance lend;
And answer from your stock of lore
These questions that I send.

The first that comes before my mind
Has been to me a balker!
Oh, answer, ye to truth inclined,
Was Gen. F. A. Walker?

Was Charley Cross? Did Thomas Drown?
The thought all joy expels;
Was Billy King of all the town?
Where are the Webster Wells?

What is the fish that Arlo Bates,
In Dewey regions Woody?
And tell me why it is the Fates
Make Herbert Raymond Moody.

Oh, tell me, where does Richard Lodge?
My heart for answer yearns;
When was it Albert Sawyer Dodge?
What is it Peter Burns?

And at the last election time
Did Charles R. Boss the winner?
Was Joseph Warren Phelan prime?
And why did Dr. Skinner?

Does Edward Hunt the dreary waste,
Or pleasant pastures ravage?
Is Kilburn Sweet to every taste?
And why was S. A. Savage?

What was it we saw Harold Chase?
What ship did Leslie Moore?
Is Frederick Fowle? If so, the case
I really must deplore.

If now the mists are cleared away
That all these things envelop,
Then I should really like to know
Why Hattie Tooker Gallup.



Yale has entered a team in the games at the gymnasium on Saturday.

The games of next Saturday will be the last of the indoor season, and should be recognized by students as a benefit to the track athletic team. If a sufficient amount of money is realized at this meet, a team can be properly sent to Worcester.

The order of events for the games will probably be: 35-yard dash (trials); Pole Vault; 35-yard dash (M. I. T. novice); Shot; Three Standing Jumps; 35-yard dash (finish); Potato Race (trials); 40-yard high hurdles; Running High Jump; Potato Race (final).

The Athletic Club membership tickets will entitle men to admission with ladies to the Championship games on March 9th. A membership ticket with twenty-five cents extra for each reserved seat, will admit bearer and one lady. Admission to the games is fifty cents, and reserved seats will be twenty-five cents extra.

Inasmuch as Amherst and Williams have called their track athletes out, Captain Thomas thought it time to remind Technology men that harder work and more conscientious training would be necessary for a successful team this year. He consequently made his first call for training last Friday. Many new men responded and agreed to go into active training at once.

John Graham, of the B. A. A., the trainer of our track athletic team for this year, has made the following important suggestions, which will be decided at the next meeting of

the Executive Committee: That semi-weekly handicap games be held in the gymnasium for a month, open only to Tech. men; and that a prize be given to the individual who wins the largest number of points. The events will be sprints, jumps, and weights.

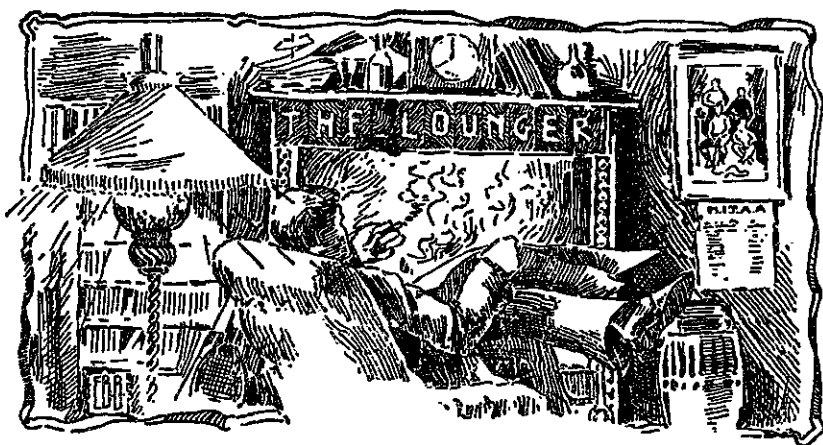
The following officers of the meeting for the Indoor Championship games in the Technology gymnasium on March 9th have been chosen: Referee, J. Crane, Jr., M. I. T., '92; Judges at Finish, W. F. Garcelon, H. A. A., F. W. Lord, M. I. T.; M. Chamberlain, Cambridge; Field Judges, R. D. Waters, B. A. A.; S. G. Wells, B. A. A.; F. R. Peters, B. A. A.; Starter, J. W. Bowler, C. B. G.; Clerk of Course, M. Stern, B. A. A.; Assistant Clerk of Course, J. P. Ilsley, Jr., M. I. T.; Scorers, L. W. Jenkins, H. A. A.; H. A. Boos, M. I. T.

Williams College is endeavoring to change the date of the New England Intercollegiate Championships from May 22d to May 29th. The object of this change is to allow the New England Intercollegiate athletes to compete in prime condition at the Mott Haven games. The first five winners in each event are to be the representatives on the American College International team which will meet the flower of the English universities in England this summer. The change will prove beneficial to Technology, inasmuch as the games will then occur after the annual examinations and before Commencement week.

A History.

A boy; a girl;
A wavy curl
Blown out by the frolicsome wind;
A waist; an arm;
Sure what's the harm
If arm about the waist be twined?
A dewy kiss!
Ah me! what bliss!
Boy's pleasure ends in woe!
A scream! a shout!
A foot let out!
An impress left of Daddy's toe!

A. W. T.



THE old tale of how several dark-complexioned winged bipeds suffered percoction in a pie, cuts no figure in comparison with the reports of the weighty plans now "cooking" in the minds of the promoters of our French and German surprises. Surely something remarkable is in store for a waiting public during Junior Week. The Deutscher Verein, which has long been playing Brer Rabbit's favorite rôle, seems to have awakened, and a fresh distillation of spirit has been the result. Spirit of this kind is all the better for being fresh, and the Lounger has small doubt that this last product of the great Technology still may be fully up to proof requirement. Interest being now awakened, the call for coadjutors has gone forth. The one society feels that a dramatic representation would be incomplete without a supply of pirouettes and perks, while the other must have a cohort of brazen-throated stentors, who, in company with our famous glee club, shall form a chorus no less harmonious than numerous. Surely the devices of each to secure its object are interesting. Seldom indeed has the Lounger beheld such specimens of the alphabetist's art as have lately adorned the Societies' boards, and he is frank to confess that the eager efforts of the rival artists have called forth his most unstinted admiration. He would not, indeed, presume to criticise such lofty specimens of chirographic art. On the contrary, he would counsel the Secretary's expert assistant, whose gracefully worded though ominous announcements occasionally delight the Lounger's eye, to look well to his laurels.

The seductive call for ballet recruits has at all events proved efficient. There is no lack of eager candidates who are ready to sacrifice in the most ruthless manner their long cherished and carefully nurtured "moustachios," nor do these same worthies blanch at the painful prospect of training down to that willowy twenty-two inches. Ah, well! Let them strive now in happy innocence. The glory of terpsichorean triumph is great, though the pecuniary

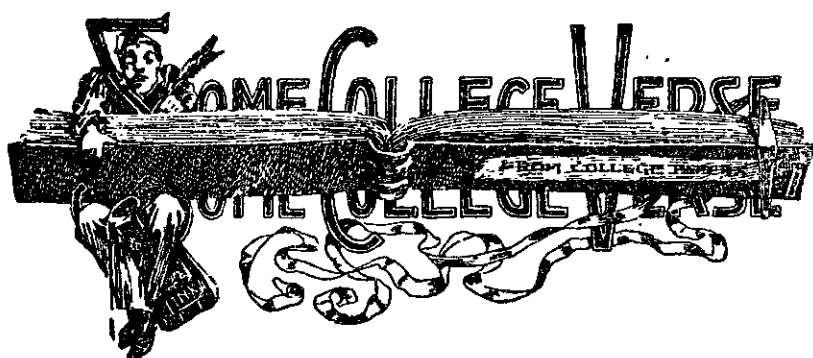
reward be antithetical. However, the smiles and blandishments of Monsieur are a constant goad, constituting, indeed, a charm rivaling those of the ancient Lorelei. The potency of this charm the Lounger is the last to doubt, and he awaits with interest the result of this Lenten training.

With periodic regularity startling accounts of the thesis work of our Seniors appear in the daily press, embellished and emblazoned till an ordinary engine test assumes the importance and glamour attaching to a North Pole relief expedition. The last escapade in which some of these heroes have indulged is a test of the engines on one of the Jamaica steamers, in the course of which, or, rather, incidental to which, a little affair occurred which has recently come to the Lounger's notice. It seems that one of the "heroes" bunked in a stateroom adjacent to that of a bridal couple on their way to Jamaica for their honeymoon. One night when this man, whom the Lounger will for lucidity call Mr. X, overcome by fatigue from the arduousness of his thesis work, had retired to a well-earned repose, there came a gentle tapping at his door, and a man's voice inquired tenderly, "Are you there, birdie?"

X, in language more forcible than polite, emphatically denied his identity with any feathered specimen, and clinched his statement with a well-aimed bootjack. This the anxious inquirer deftly dodged, and then discreetly withdrew; but from this time on, nothing could he do to suppress smiles and covert whisperings of "birdie" whenever he appeared.

Katharine.

I watched all her innocent frolics
 With eyes taken quite by her grace,
 As I noticed the playful expression
 Lightly glide o'er her dainty young face.
 Her steps were so light and so airy,
 And her heart so devoid of all care,
 That a seeming enchantment passed o'er me,
 Which left me in depths of despair.
 For whene'er I drew near to caress her,
 Or a trifle familiar had grown,
 A glance from her eye plainly told me
 It were best if I left her alone.
 I might beg and entreat all my lifetime,
 But my pleading would nothing avail;
 For 'twas simply our innocent kitty
 On the floor, playing tag with her tail.



He writeth best who stealeth best,
Ideas great and small;
For the great soul that wrote the first
From nature stole them all.

—*Ex.*

A CLEAR CASE.

In the river at Paris had lain
The corpse of a man, self slain;
Which called forth a bit
Of the coroner's wit,
Who gravely declared him "*in-Seine.*"

—*Brunonian.*

CUPID DROWNED.

One day, while sweeping in my room,
Saucily caught upon my broom,
What should I find to my surprise,
Looking straight into my eyes,
But the little desperate sprite,
Holding on with all his might,
The tiny thief, the saucy elf,
But Valentine's page,—Love himself.
What did I do? Why, what d'ye think?
But drop him in my bottle of ink.
Then said I, in merry glee,—
"He no more will trouble me;"
But now, when e'er I write a line,
It is to you, my valentine.

—*The Distaff.*

THE DIFFERENCE.

If Grace's hair won't crimp aright
She says: "Oh dear!"
If shoes, or gloves, or dress are tight
She says: "Oh dear!"
If something pleases her, she says—
If something teases her, she says—
She says: "Oh dear!"

But ———!

If e'er I hold her hand too tight,
Or rashly err
To slip my arm around her quite
And make a stir,
Why then she frames no fond "Oh dear!"
And what she says, though short, 'tis clear.
Is simply, "Sit!"

—*Wrinkles*

SENT CARE OF CUPID.

O Valentine,
Wilt thou be mine?
I will repine
If thou decline,
And I opine
If thou say'st "Nein."
'Twill be a sign
For me to dine
Upon strychnine.

—*Ex.*

DOLORES.

Bravo! 'Tis a sight,
Tiers on tiers of faces:
Some of whiskered Dons—
Donnas, too, in laces
Black as are the eyes
Of the proud Signoras
Gazing on the fight
Going on before us.
Yet of all the eyes
(Come! Bring on another.
Eh! That *is* a bull—
Save him, Holy Mother!)
None so soft as those
(Red the ground with gore is—
Ha! He's tossed the lad!)
Of my own Dolores.

—*Trinity Tablet.*

WHERE EDEN LIES.

Ah! how oft my friends have asked me
If I have ever read
Where lies the ancient Eden,
Or ever heard it said;
And, tho' I tell them always,
Each finds a grave instead.
Tho' philosophers have pondered
Upon this question well,
The longer they have puzzled
The less of truth they tell;
And some have e'en decided
That man from heaven fell.
Yet I need no chart or compass
To find this blissful site,
Nor care I for Josephus,
Or what he chose to write,
Since knowledge of the subject
Must have for him been slight.
So I say to man or maiden
Who asks where Eden lies,
That truly to be happy
Is truly to be wise;
For, really, earthly Eden
Lies in a loved one's eyes.

—*Dartmouth Lit.*

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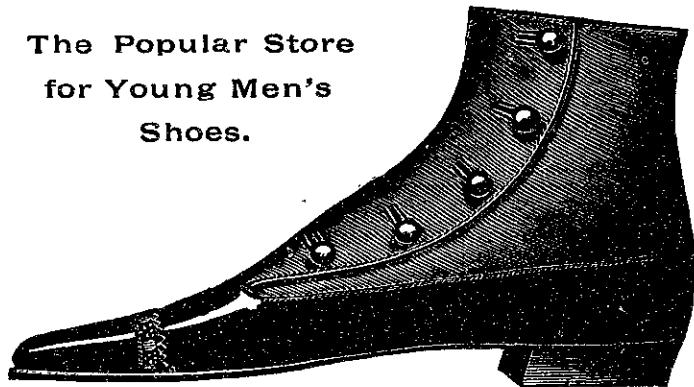
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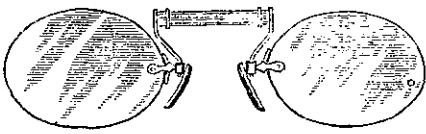
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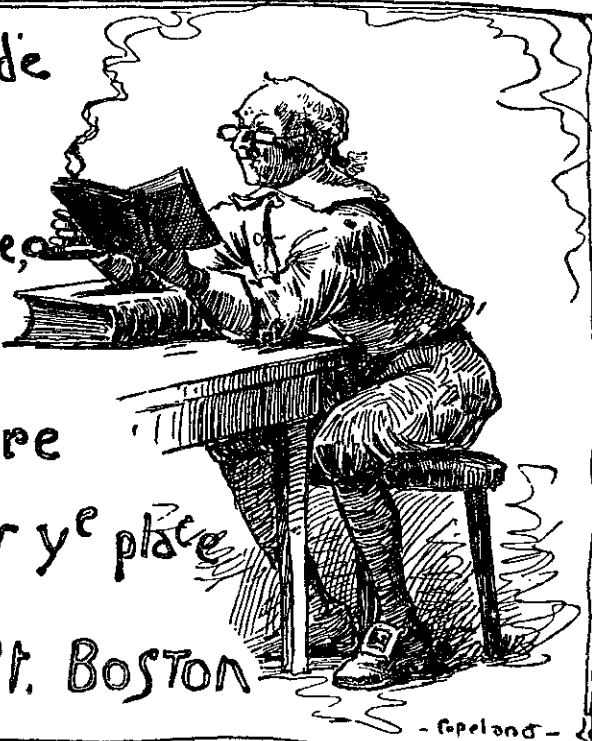
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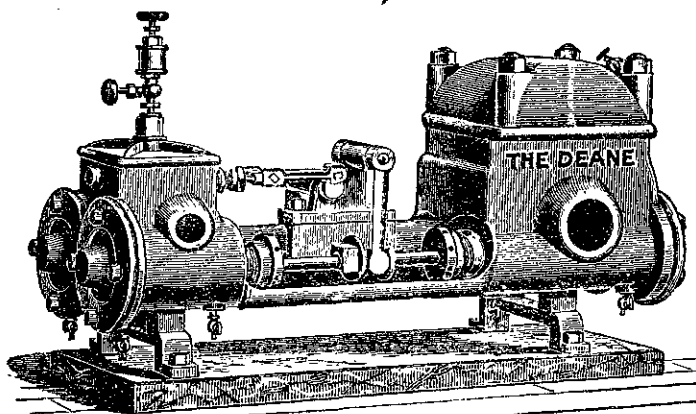
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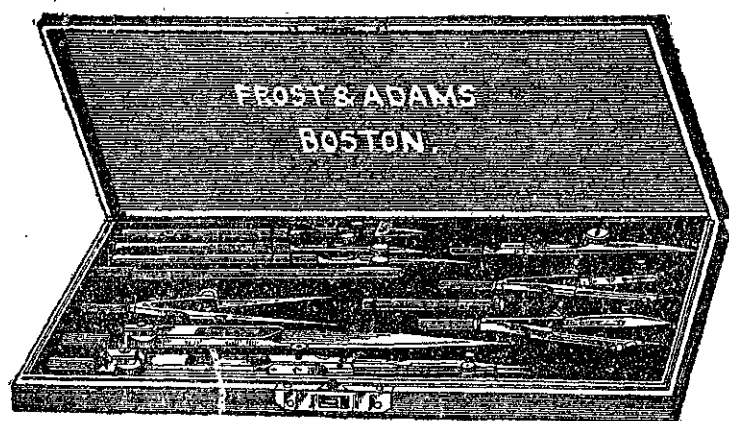
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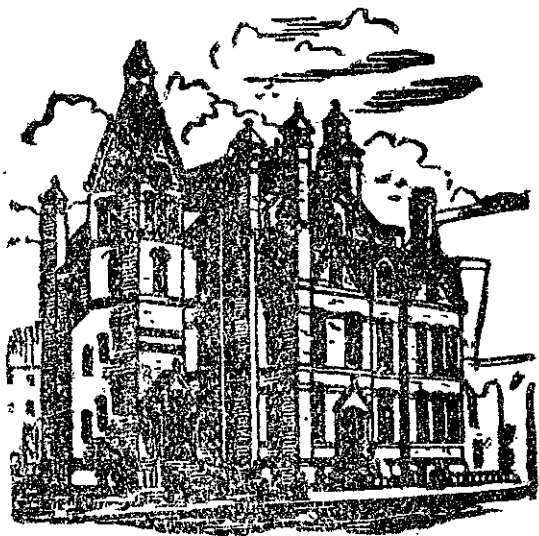
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