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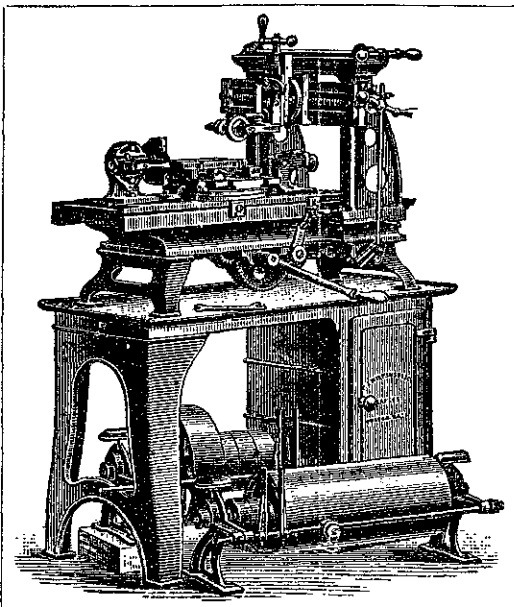
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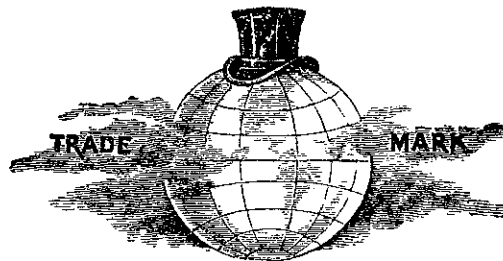
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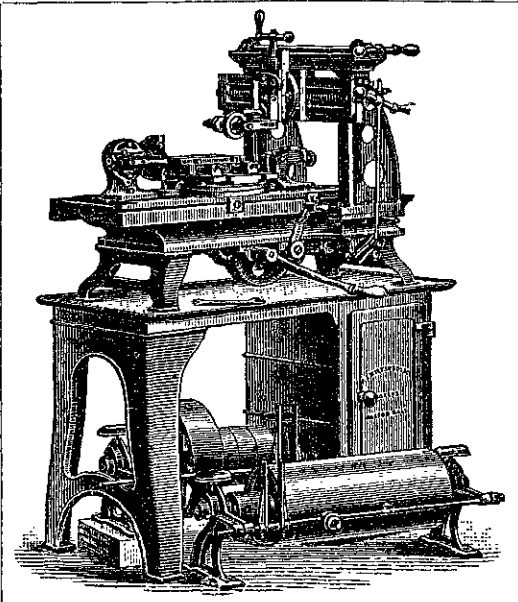
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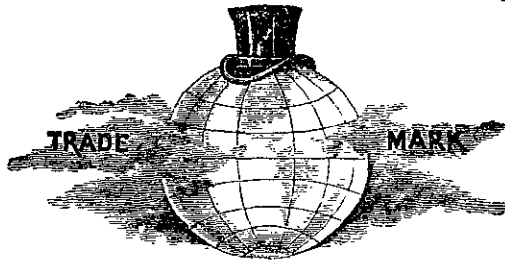
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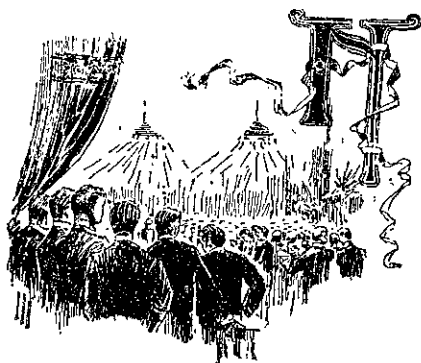
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NINETY-FOUR is here, and Ninety-three has passed into history. Probably before THE TECH has reached its readers, every one has resurrected his dusty and time-worn resolutions which have done a brief service at so many New Years, and with a pathetic sigh has tried to persuade himself that they shall be kept.

Ninety-three has been certainly a most memorable year. Technology has grown in extent of territory, in the number of students, and in the estimation of the public. By the acquisition of the Winslow Rink property we are assured of a place where we may expand when the necessary funds are secured. In the number of students the one thousand mark is now far behind; and almost before we realize it, fifteen hundred loyal men will throng Technology's halls. At the Fair we were

shown to the world in the most favorable light, and our exhibit there cannot fail to lead to a better appreciation of the true magnitude and value of the work which Technology is doing.

In view of these things, then, the New Year is radiant with hope. To sustain the name we have won, and to secure a realization of these signs of a brilliant future, depends in a great measure upon the students. Let every man include in his good resolutions a steadfast purpose to add to the power and fame of Technology, by supporting her institutions and by advertising her with a college man's enthusiasm at every opportunity. To such men especially, and to every one from President to office boy, THE TECH wishes a long succession of Happy New Years.

WITH this number we close our issue for the term, regretting only that THE TECH cannot appear constantly throughout the college year; but, like other mortals, the editors are obliged to take the bit in their teeth and struggle patiently through the "semies."

The time is here when practically all outside work must be suspended; when body and mind must be fresh for the two weeks' strain imposed upon them. Two weeks of steady examination are no play for the average student, and hence it is meet that they should bodily, as well as mentally, be prepared for the encounter. Those who have neglected work are feverishly grinding up page after page, even forgetting sleep in their anxiety to cover all the ground possible. This we regret; but since under our present system of examinations it seems inevitable, for the coming trial we can recommend only that a good sleep, producing a clear head for the following day, is

worth many hours of cramming up a confused mass of formulæ, dates, and propositions, and then wish success to one and all in the contest. During vacation, when lessons are forgotten and future troubles are still unknown, when life and gayety may fill the time unmarred by duty's warning voice, then THE TECH wishes to all such a happy, merry time, that, forgetting the toil and discouragement of the past term, all will return strengthened and ready for the second term, full of renewed hope and love for Technology.

THE programme for the present year, which has recently been issued, is essentially similar to that of last year; differing from the annual catalogue only in the omission of the schedule of topics and the register of students and graduates. A review shows that the needs of the ever-increasing body of students are well kept in mind. Noticeable among the changes in topics are those relating to history, political science, and economics, showing that the education offered by Technology on other subjects than scientific is rapidly broadening and constantly increasing for all students. The summer schools receive more attention, and the number of lecturers has been increased. Larger print and several changes in arrangement present a better programme than was issued last year.

#### Calendar.

- January 4th.—Lectures, "The Metallurgy of Silver," Lowell Course; twelfth and last lecture by Professor Hofman, Room 36, Rogers, at 7.45 P. M.
- "The Adjustment of Observations by the Method of Least Squares," Lowell Course; eighth lecture by Professor Bartlett, Room 22, Rogers, at 7.30 P. M.
- "Architecture in America, and Influence of the French School," third lecture (in French) by Professor Despradelle, Room 12, Architectural, at 8 P. M.
- "Naval Architecture," Lowell Course; second lecture, by Professor Peabody, Room 27, Rogers, at 7.30 P. M.

- January 5th.—"The Rise and Development of Prose Fiction in France," Lowell Course; tenth lecture (in French) by Professor Van Daell, in Room 11, Rogers, at 8 P. M.
- "Quaternions," twelfth lecture by Professor Bailey, in Room 27, Rogers, at 7.45 P. M.
- "The Measurement and Calculation of Earthwork," second lecture by Professor Allen, in Room 26, Rogers, at 7.30 P. M.
- January 8th.—"The Adjustment of Observations by the Method of Least Squares," Lowell Course; ninth lecture by Professor Bartlett, in Room 22, Rogers, at 7.30 P. M.
- "The Architecture of the Renaissance," Lowell Course; second lecture by Professor Homer, Room 12, Architectural, at 7.30 P. M.
- "Naval Architecture," third lecture by Professor Peabody, in Room 27, Rogers, at 7.30 P. M.
- January 9th.—Christian Union Meeting, in Room 27, Rogers, at 1.50 P. M.
- "The Measurement and Calculation of Earthwork," Lowell Course; third lecture by Professor Allen, in Room 26, Rogers, at 7.30 P. M.
- "Mediæval German History and Literature," Lowell Course; second lecture (in German) by Professor Dippold, in Room 11, Rogers, at 7.45 P. M.

#### COMMUNICATIONS.

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

TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:—

In THE TECH of December 14th it is urged that the title "Technology" be made symbolical of our college. This, it seems to me, is just what should be done. And, in view of this, why should we not also have a T for our symbol? Some one says T stands for Tufts or Trinity. I believe we have a right to the T on the same grounds that were given in THE TECH, for our right to Technology above Stevens Institute of Technology or others. The only dispute that might arise to our claim would be from Tulane, the only other college with the initial T, and of which we rarely, if ever, hear. In two years, at the present relative increase, even Tulane will not be able to dispute us on account of its size. Our athletes wear a T on their sweaters, and we have a T on our flags. Then why not have a college pin with a T on it, and make it known that T stands for "Technology."

W. A. H.

TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:—

There were published in the last issue of THE TECH some criticisms upon a communication of mine in a previous issue in regard to tipping hats to the professors. The writers seem to think that I am not ready to give the professors the respect due them. I consider this inference unfair. I criticized the salute, not because it was given to professors, but because it was given only to professors. If it were given by every honorable man to every other honorable man, my objection would be merely that it was unnecessary, not that it was harmful. But as long as it is conferred upon the members of but a single occupation, I think it is to be condemned. A member of the Faculty advocates this practice, not as a mark of respect to the professor as an individual, but as a tribute to the idea which he represents,—the idea of learning. "The question of the individual professor has, of course, nothing to do with this." Then why not salute every representative of this idea? Every student, every bookstore, every library, and every schoolhouse represents it.

The gentleman's whole argument seems to be based upon the idea that "learning alone is God, and the college professor is his prophet." Now, I think we may find other ideas worthy of our respect. Every soldier represents an idea,—an idea which has thrilled the hearts of men from Leonidas to Webster; an idea without which learning would languish and decay, the idea of patriotism. Is not the representative of this idea to be respected as well as the college professor? Moreover, the ideas of honor, honesty, and purity, are worthy ones. Why not lift the hat to the representatives of these? In short, every honest man is worthy, and represents an idea which is worthy of our sincere respect.

The gentleman refers to the Scripture method of giving honor to whom honor is due. That is precisely what I wish, and not that system of giving honor in one place where it is due and withholding in all others; a system which the gentleman practically upholds. Many a college professor's education has been paid by a father who has been forced to practice rigid economy in order to give his son the advantages of which he himself was deprived. Is not this pure, unselfish sacrifice quite as worthy of our respect as that devotion of the beneficent professor which the gentleman has described in such glowing terms?

However, I think men should be respected for what they are, and not for what they represent. What has

given learning, patriotism, and honor their eminence and luster, if not efforts and sacrifices of individuals? Then why not give our respect to the workman as well as to the work, whether the workman be professor, soldier, or merchant?

The gentleman asks whether I have "considered the difference between an occupation which is mere self-seeking, and one which is worthy of honor," etc.? All that I care to say in answer to this is, that experience has convinced me that the college professor is as mindful of his compensation as the average mortal.

The editors of THE TECH think we should be respectful to our elders, and they are right. But if they think that only such of our elders as are college professors deserve our respect, I beg leave to disagree. This salute of respect, then, should be given to every honest man or to none, and the unjust discrimination in favor of professors should be abandoned.

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#### The Architects' Bohemian Supper.

ALTHOUGH the examinations were only a week off, the Architectural Society had twenty-five members at their Bohemian supper, which occurred last Friday night. This evening was a repetition of the suppers of last year, and that means a success.

The entertainment began with college songs, which were immediately followed by a description of a very interesting building, by Mr. W. R. Hill. Mr. Ross Turner, who arrived about this time, gave an excellent and interesting description of Bohemian life, and especially of their suppers. His remarks called forth much applause from his pupils. Speeches, stories, and music were continued throughout the supper, which was served in a truly Bohemian style. As the supper proceeded, each member was supplied with an old-fashioned, long-stemmed Dutch pipe, some tobacco, and a match. Short-armed members, however, were obliged to get a light from the gas jet, on account of the length of the pipestems.

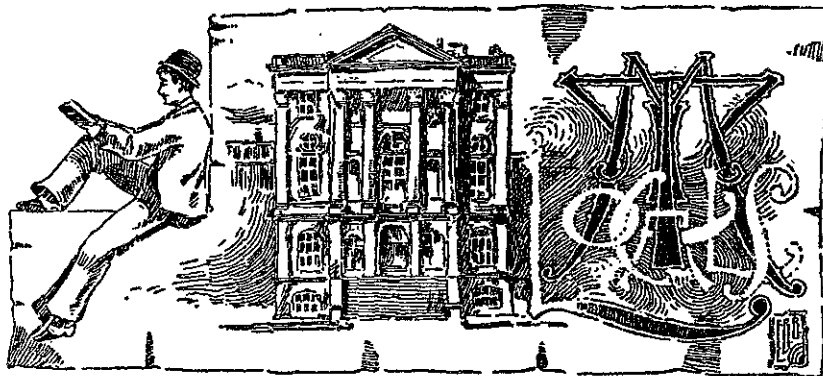
As the smoke thickened the spirits rose. Mr. G. A. Nichols sang a comical song, and Mr. B. S. Harrison read a paper on the

"History of Renaissance," which placed the subject in an entirely new light. The article was rousingly applauded, and frequently interrupted by laughter. Mr. H. E. Hewitt sang a bass solo in a manner that showed he belonged to the Glee Club. He was followed by the three stars of the evening, Messrs. D. P. Hart, J. W. Ames, and C. A. Phillips, who composed a song for the occasion, and rendered it in a very artistic style, with guitar accompaniment. The Bohemian plates fairly jumped on the table from the round of applause which followed, and many a pipe-stem left its bowl amidst the frantic applause of its owner for the encores. Mr. A. Owen followed by reading a most excellent and interesting poem in negro dialect. Coming as he does from the extreme South, Mr. Owen was able to satisfy the most exacting critic by his reading. Next on the programme was Mr. G. F. Sheppard, who carefully felt his way through the smoke to his chair near the piano. After being introduced as the leader of the best banjo club in the country, Mr. Sheppard sat down to prove the truth of these introductory remarks, which he did to the satisfaction of all present. Mr. Sheppard afterward played a "breakdown," which brought Mr. Thomas to his feet. The latter even convulsed the negro waiters in laughter by the inimitable manner in which he danced a genuine negro clog.

The remainder of the night was spent in story telling, in which Messrs. Thomas and Ames again appeared as stars. They were ably assisted by "Colones" MacGoodwin, of Kentucky. After giving the Tech yell, the Society went down street in a body, pipes in hand. They will undoubtedly make these suppers monthly events in the future.

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The twenty-third annual reunion of the class of '74 occurs on January 18th.

Sophomore class meeting in Room 22, Walker, at 1 P. M., Friday, Jan. 5th.

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The result of the ten dollar poetry prize contest will be announced probably in the next issue of THE TECH.

The fourth year architects are considering the formation of a "Society for the Prevention of Work." It certainly has a mission.

The Executive Committee of the Deutscher Verein met Saturday noon, December 30th, to discuss the order of business to be adopted in the meetings.

The way in which the Sophomores struggled with their canes last week in carrying them to their domiciles from old Rogers, was amusing in the extreme.

The committee to report on the manner of election of the '96 "Technique" board, at the next class meeting, is E. A. Baldwin, G. K. Burgess, and C. G. Hyde.

A sketch is wanted by the class of '96, suitable for heading its class history in the '95 "Technique." Intending competitors should confer with L. A. Cary, or E. A. Baldwin, '96.

Orders for the '95 class cane—price \$4—should be left with the committee, F. B. Masters, T. M. Lothrop, and F. W. Fuller; or they may be sent to F. W. Fuller, Box 34, Cage.

On or before Saturday, January 6th, every special student is requested to deposit in the "Technique" box in Rogers corridor a memorandum of the class and course to which he belongs.

At the début of Le Cercle Français the two plays "L'Amour de l'Art," and "L'Andalouse," will be presented. During the intermission the audience will be entertained by some fantastic dances, ballet or otherwise.

The '96 class canes arrived last week, and seemed to fulfill the expectations of the purchasers. The designs in silver are both neat and substantial, and, together with the dark foreign stick, produce a cane well worth having.

Any student who is a member of any fraternity having no chapter at Technology must leave at the Cage his name, the name of his fraternity, and the name of his former college, on or before January 8th, for C. F. Tillinghast, Box 15, in order to insure publication in "Technique."

The students of Courses I. and XI. accompanied Professor Porter to Worcester on Tuesday, December 12th, on a visit to the works for the chemical treatment of the sewage of that city. These works have been enlarged during the past year, so that they now take care of the entire sewage of the city.

The annual copper run in the mining laboratory was made December 19th. The run lasted from 8.30 A. M. to 3.30 P. M., during which time fifteen hundred pounds of ore, assaying eighteen per cent of copper, were put through. The main interest centered in the peculiar composition of the slag, which was calculated to contain seventeen per cent of alumina.

The Glee and Banjo Clubs discoursed sweet music at the University Club on Beacon Street the Saturday evening before Christmas. Last Monday night they gave a full concert at the Parker Memorial, which was the last one of

the term. February 1st they give a concert in Chelsea, and during the same week they will probably assist at the presentation of the Cadets' new play.

Lieutenant Hawthorne has announced that the award of offices will be made at the beginning of the second term. The award is to be based on the standing of men at the semi-annual examinations, with an allowance for good conduct in the drill hall during the term just closing. There will be four captains, eight lieutenants, four first sergeants, together with the usual number of other non-commissioned officers.

Twelve members of the class of '77 dined at Young's Hotel, Wednesday evening, December 27th. Those who were present were: J. E. Hardman, of Nova Scotia; George Bartol, of Cleveland, Ohio; H. D. Hibbard, of New Jersey; H. H. Carter, A. L. Plimpton, Walter Jenney, of Boston; H. C. Southworth, of West Stoughton; J. P. Gray, of Lowell; R. A. Hale, of Lawrence; G. H. Hewett, of Aspen, Colorado; E. H. Gowing, and G. A. Nelson.

A test of the boilers in the Rogers Building was carried on last week, from Wednesday afternoon until Saturday morning. The time was divided into periods of eight hours each, six or eight men being detailed for each period. Course X. men were placed in charge of the gas analyses, which were made by some of the divisions every fifteen minutes. The work required the closest application, and every man felt relieved when his time of service expired.

On Wednesday evening, December 27th, Mr. Herbert Watson Alden, '93, and Miss Madeline Grier were married at the Massasoit Club, Chester Square. The ceremony was performed at eight o'clock by the Rev. N. Boynton, of the Union Congregational Church. After the ceremony a reception was held, at which many Freshmen were

present. The ushers were Messrs. Fowle, Blake, Farwell, and Merrill, all of '93. Mr. and Mrs. Alden will make their future home at Lynn, where Mr. Alden holds a position with the American Projectile Co.

At a meeting of the Glee and Banjo Club, held in THE TECH office last Friday, the propositions from the alumni in Chicago for a concert in that city upon the 26th of January were considered. On account of the hard times they cannot raise the full guarantee deemed necessary by the clubs to ensure a successful trip, although they are exceedingly anxious to have the clubs present at their annual banquet on the following evening. It was, therefore, voted to postpone the trip until next year, as many other college clubs have done. In place of this a short New England tour is now being planned.

The Civil Engineering Society held a regular meeting Wednesday evening December 27th. Mr. Edward P. Adams, lighthouse surveyor, first and second districts, gave a most interesting and instructive lecture on the lighthouse system of the United States, illustrated by a number of charts, photographs, and stereopticon slides. Mr. Adams gave a short review of the history of the lighthouse system, and dwelt some time upon the principles which characterize it to-day. He explained the different refractors in use, and the dimensions and the magnitude of the lights along the coast. The lecture was fairly well attended, considering the busy times. Mr. S. K. Clapp, '96, and Mr. F. C. Greene, '96, were elected active members.

The most important matter which came before the Senior class in their meeting on Thursday, December 28th, was the report of the photograph committee through its chairman, C. A. MacClure. The old custom of having cabinet photographs taken of all the members of the class by the same photographer, will be continued, and the members

of the class can purchase as many photographs of members of the Faculty or of their friends as they desire. It is, however, expensive to purchase many cabinet photographs, and many men would not be able to get pictures of all their friends; the committee have, therefore, decided to publish a portfolio containing pictures of the buildings, organizations, and familiar scenes of the Institute, pictures of the members of the Faculty, and a picture of every man in the class. Such a portfolio will not cost more than five or six dollars. The class accepted the report of the committee and gave them full power to carry out their plan. The treasurer of the class was empowered to collect enough money from the members of the class to defray the expenses of the class athletic team and such other bills as may be presented. The chair informed the class that the Institute Committee proposed to obtain a special bulletin board for student events, to be paid for by the four classes of the Institute. The class voted to support the Institute Committee in this matter.

### Why?

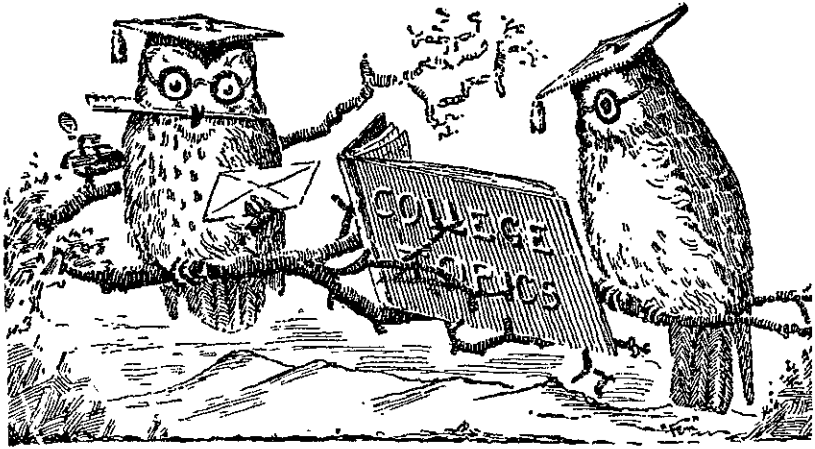
I wonder why the Institute  
Is builded six miles high,  
And flights of stairs and landings  
Go winding to the sky?  
I wonder why?

I wonder why the "plates" are due  
A couple in a day,  
And work and lessons double up  
In such a weary way?  
I wonder why?

I wonder why the chocolate pie  
Is always giving out,  
And all the oyster stew is gone  
Before I get about?  
I wonder why?

There are so many curious things  
I would they were not so;  
And yet, we think the Institute  
So jolly, don't you know?  
I wonder why?

S. D. T., '96.



Yale is rejoicing in a Christmas vacation of twenty days.

Harvard reopened for the remainder of the term on Jan. 3, 1894.

The students of Chicago University have formed a "Students' Express Co.," incorporated under the State law with a capital stock of \$10,000.

The University of Michigan defeated Purdue University, the Western football champions for the last year, on November 11th, score 46-8; and De Pauw University on November 13th, score 34-0. This places Michigan at the head of the Western teams.

In the work of the Yale observatory during the past year, has been a series of measurements of Jupiter and his satellites. By means of the heliometer, fifty-one stars were also examined, special study being made of Procyon, Regulus, Arcturus, and Vega.

The triangular football league, consisting of Williams, Amherst, and Dartmouth, has adopted new regulations in regard to the make-up of its teams and their general play. They briefly provide that the students of the Dartmouth Medical College shall be excluded from championship games, that no post-graduate nor any undergraduate of other colleges, except that he has attended recitations at least twelve hours a week for one year, shall play on any team in the league. Moreover, no student will be allowed to play more than four years.

A handsome trophy room has been fitted up in the Yale gymnasium. At each end of the

room are two large cabinets made of oak, with glass doors. In these are arranged on shelves the baseballs which have been used in games won by Yale for a number of years back. On the side of the room facing the entrance are two bulletin boards, on which will be placed the college records in athletics and gymnastic events. On the walls, at the height of the mouldings, are suspended the championship banners which have come to Yale in the various branches of athletics. The baseballs are painted over in red, orange and black, white and blue. Those painted in orange and black were used in the Princeton games, the red ones in Harvard games. All have on them the date, score, etc. The footballs and track trophies will have appropriate places.—*Wesleyan Argus*.

The Seniors at Dartmouth have petitioned to have the number of hours reduced from sixteen to twelve during the Senior year.

Prof. Henry W. Torrey, one of the oldest professors of Harvard University, died December 15th at the age of 80.

Rutgers is to have a new \$50,000 gymnasium.

Justice Billings, of the class of '53, has bequeathed \$70,000 to Yale College for a professorship in English literature, with a salary of \$3,500.

#### An Episode.

The rain fell down upon the street,  
And made some mud.  
The student slipped, and took a seat  
With hollow thud.

The rain had done the best it knew,  
And felt content,  
While language flowed, of azure blue,  
Till wrath was spent.

A maiden passed and sweetly smiled,  
It pleased her so.  
But student's heart grew strangely mild  
Toward his fair foe.

For, as she passed, the mud still had  
Its work to do;  
And soon beside the startled youth,  
She sat down too.

E. S. M. '96.



Team racing will be the feature of indoor meetings this winter.

Mr. Boos is recovering from a severe strain received in the gymnasium about a week ago while trying to lift the heavy dumb-bell.

The Gym is taking its vacation now.

"Burnett," says one of the dailies "handles himself like an old-time professional." Burnett surely is a very pretty and easy jumper.

John Graham, athletic manager of the B. A. A., is trying to arrange a team race between Brown University and Technology as a special attraction at the big B. A. A. games in Mechanics Building, February 10th.

The sparring and wrestling meeting may be held a little later, as the contestants do not care to train during the vacation. It may be open to B. A. A., H. A. A. and Technology instead of a closed meeting as at first planned. It is thought that there is not enough interest at home to warrant a successful meet.

The Athletic Club is undertaking more this year than ever before. Now that the indoor class championship games and the cross-country run are over, its attention is directed to a sparring and wrestling meeting. March 10th, the New England championship games and the Technology class team-race are held in the South Armory under the auspices of the club; late in March a second sparring meeting, and in April a set of bicycle races with Harvard, are planned. On May 5th the annual spring games for the class championship cup occur on Holmes Field.

A letter has been received from the New England Intercollegiate A. A. asking the

M. I. T. A. C. to join the above-named association, as Tech is the only strong athletic institution that does not belong to it. The question was raised last year and generally discussed and it was thought that no benefit would result from joining, as their outdoor championship meeting occurred about the time of our annual examinations. If, however, this meeting were held earlier or later for our convenience, it might be wise to apply for admission, as the association is fast becoming the equal of the older intercollegiate association both in its records and in the excellence of its meetings. It would be of material interest to the association and Technology to have the Athletic Club join the N. E. I. A. A. and get the benefit that all the other colleges do from its championship meetings. Surely we cannot be represented any less there than we have been at the championship meetings of the N. E. A. A. A. U., and our associates by joining the Intercollegiate Association would be much pleasanter.

The M. I. T. A. C. will hold the New England indoor championships if the South Armory can be obtained. March 10th is the date desired.

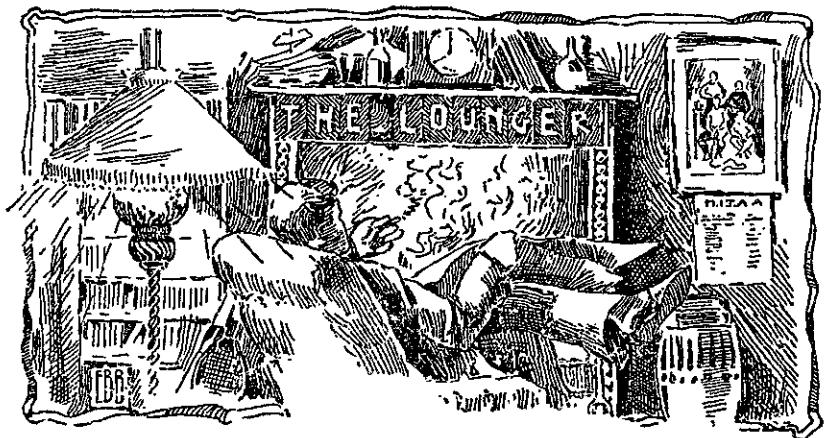
One attraction at the B. A. A. games will be a team race between M. I. T. and W. P. I.

Next year the cross-country run will be held about a month earlier. It is too cold for good results in December.

J. Dove, '96, and G. Lawson, '96, will run the sprints in the outdoor games.

The Worcester Athletic Club tried to arrange a team race between the Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Technology for their games in January. The offer was declined, as the meeting occurs in the middle of our semiannual examinations. It is hoped that the teams will try conclusions again, as the W. P. I. team was given the race last year on a technicality, although we actually won it.

Technology has never been so strong in athletics as now.



THAT is a jolly Sophomore class we have this year. The Lounger welcomes a display of energy, and has followed the exuberance of these sturdy students with much interest. The class cane now attracts his attention, and he would compliment the ambitious twirlers on their "spirit." Spirit is a good thing if the brand be a good one, but the Lounger does not favor a too effervescent overflow. He cannot but remind these daring young bloods that the recitation room and lecture hall is scarcely the place for a fancy walking stick, even though its tip be of "sterling silver," its price four dollars, and the dazzling name of '96 be attractively displayed upon it. In view of the success of the Sophomore rush, the Lounger suggested the right to twirl the sticks with all pomposity possible till the rush was forgotten. The time is now come when the appearance of Sophomore canes does not suggest a well-planned victory, but rather smacks of snobbery. The particular cane in question seems a pretty creation such as may well grace a wall adorned with souvenirs, or accompany the lonely Sophomore in his evening perambulations. The custom of class canes created by the Sophomores is a good one. Our honored Juniors attempted such a scheme last year, but with their customary enthusiasm it ended in an "investigation" and the collection of sundry sample canes for the edification of the committee. The Lounger, therefore, gives due credit to the Sophomores for an interest that is limited by neither trouble nor expense, but he trusts that good sense will keep the canes from the corridors.

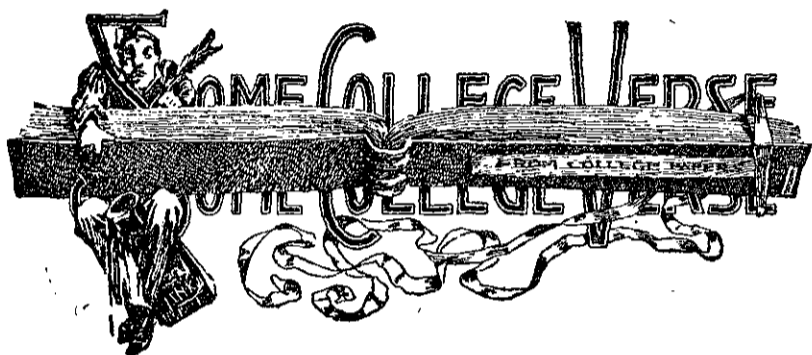
The semiannual whirlpool now begins to whirl, and the vortex of examination cannot much longer be avoided. How many of Tech's bravest will live to tell the tale is a matter of conjecture for the gods. The Lounger, nevertheless, offers his cheer and good will to all, and suggests that despite faculty judgment the sun of human knowledge has never yet been confined

within the meager covers of a blue book. We need not be discouraged then, though the profs. may laugh at us. Harsh experience is often a good teacher, and surely we shall have enough of its teaching in the next two weeks. Hard fate and necessity it is that forces these days of cramming upon us when the joys of life are forgotten and the peaceful current of existence is changed to a tumultuous torrent. Every year the Lounger beholds this encircling current seize his dearest friends, hurry them from him, and whirl them about till their uncertain progress eludes his sight. After a two weeks' struggle they emerge with doubtful greeting, wondering whether confidence again will be restored, or whether they will be cast down by the unremitting exactions of the Faculty members. Even our friends, the professors, now assume a cold, stern look to show that they, too, are impressed with the awfulness of the very questions that they have concocted.

The obituary calendar is at hand; and again, each fast-flying day seems a week in length, and the end a long way off. Yet soon will recitation and lecture be at an end, and the library, drawing-room, and shop will be deserted. Friends will speak in whispers as the silent hours of a sleepless night pass ere the ordeal is at hand. In the buildings a solemn quiet will then brood over all, while the hasty pens scamper over blank books, endeavoring in a few short hours to state the work of weeks according to the peculiar style that will strike the fancy of the exacting examiner. Again will the obsequious instructor strut up and down the room in the calm satisfaction of superior dignity and consequent freedom from trial. Again he will solemnly warn the trembling ones that "under no mitigating circumstances whatever will any attempt at deception be countenanced." Truly these are harsh words for him, who at best, contemplates but a bold, bad bluff! But at last the busy hours will be gone. The happy season when student and instructor regard each other with distrust will be over. Again the Lounger will see the uncertain ones endeavoring, by mutual questioning, to be assured of another flunk averted. The last sad day is then no more, and only the mysteries of the professor's decision know its fate, for the silent corridors tell no tale of the departed.

Such are the experiences of examination time. For fourteen days are the pleasures, and even the necessities of life forgotten, that we may all imitate the best of sponges. When the examination strain is over the quintessence of knowledge has been removed

and the facultative analysis begins. Sad, indeed, would be our fate were it not for the pleasures that are then at hand. For a succeeding week we may revel carelessly in the lighter joys of life regardless of the virtues of learning and the greatness of human wisdom. Examination terrors will again be over, save the intruding communication that reminds us of our "condition," or perchance of a worse fate, ere the round of another term begins. In the meanwhile the Lounger offers his sympathy to professor and student alike, and trusts that no faces will be missing when February appears.



## DEVOTION.

Somewhere upon this whirling globe  
A maiden there must be,—  
A maiden fair, with golden hair;  
She's my affinity!  
I'll search her o'er the continents,  
I'll search her o'er the sea;  
For she's the lass who at Dutch Park  
Did pour my beer for me.

—Wrinkle.

## A REWARD OF MERIT.

The father asked, "How have you done  
In mastering ancient lore?"  
"I did so well," replied the son,  
"They gave me an encore;  
The Faculty like me and hold me so dear,  
They make me repeat my Freshman year."

—Trinity Tablet.

## TWO OF THEM.

Both of their names begin with E,  
Eleanor and Ethelwinne.  
I love the two; which can it be  
That hath the most of love for me?  
Until I know, 'twill be no sin  
To love both Nell and Ethelwinne.

It seems they did not care for me,  
Eleanor and Ethelwinne.  
They liked those sails upon the sea,  
The drives we took just after tea;  
I now know I was "taken in"  
By Eleanor and Ethelwinne.

—The Red and Blue.

## WING TEE WEE.

Oh, Wing Tee Wee  
Was a sweet Chinee,  
And she lived in the town of Tac;  
Her eyes were blue,  
And her curling cue  
Hung dangling down her back.  
And she fell in love with gay Win Sil  
When he wrote his love on a laundry bill.

And oh, Tim Told  
Was a pirate bold,  
And he sailed in a Chinese junk;  
And he loved, ah me!  
Sweet Wing Tee Wee,  
But his valiant heart had sunk.  
So he drowned his blues in fickle fizz,  
And vowed the maid would yet be his.

So bold Tim Told  
Showed all his gold  
To the maid in the town of Tac,  
And sweet Wing Wee  
Eloped to sea,  
And never more came back;  
For in fair China the maids are fair,  
And the maids are false, as everywhere.

—Harvard Lampoon.

If Love is blind, why should it be  
That I, a purblind wight, should see  
The love light like a day dawn rise,  
And flood with beauty two sweet eyes,—  
The light that will not shine for me?  
Ah, too unkind, if Love is blind!  
And when her face in sorry plight,  
With smiles that should be dimpled quite,  
Half drowns its sweetness in the tide  
Of tears for love still unrequite,  
Ah, fain would I my life's price pay  
To charm those tears to smiles away;  
Why should the guerdon be denied?  
If Love were blind, ah, Grief, how kind!

—Yale Lit.

## A POET.

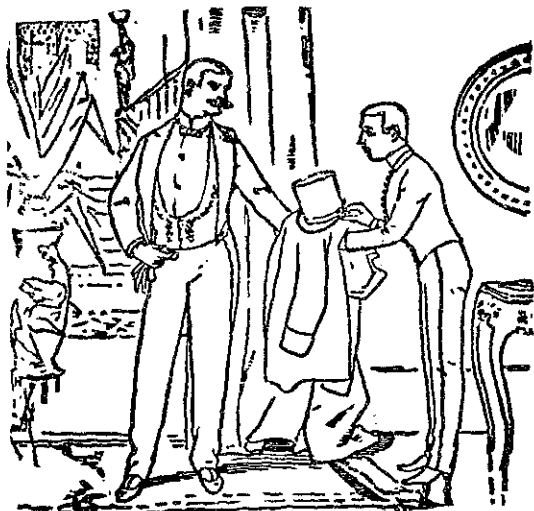
In youth I dreamt of pleasure-castles high;  
Of servants, bowing at my mere command;  
Of steeds, that prancing in the stalls should stand;  
Of courtiers come to please, from every sky.

Night's mingling blood-red wine with music sigh,  
Or orgies wild; of maids a burning band,  
Weaving entrancing mazes hand in hand;  
Or at the feast, mating the couch, to lie.

Thus dreamt I in my youth; now in my age  
I have my wish. My words my servants are;  
My sentences prance forth and go afar.

With them my hot desire I assuage,  
Or serious turn e'en as to charm a sage:  
None but myself my castle bright may mar.

—Harvard Advocate.



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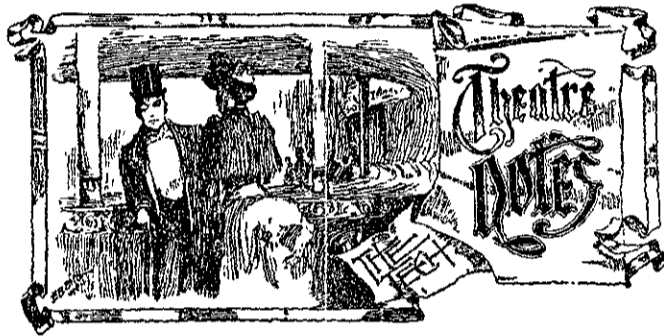
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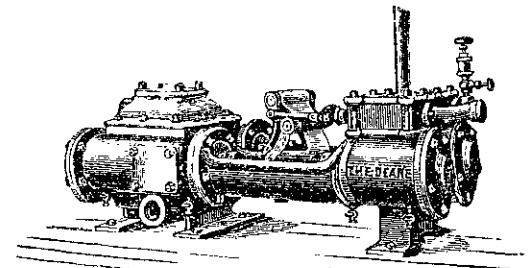
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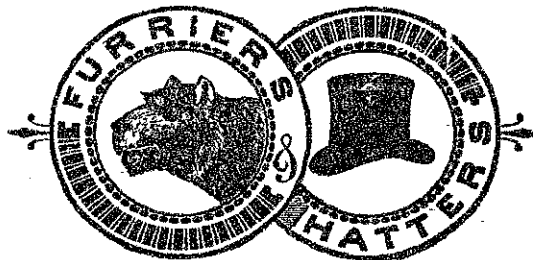
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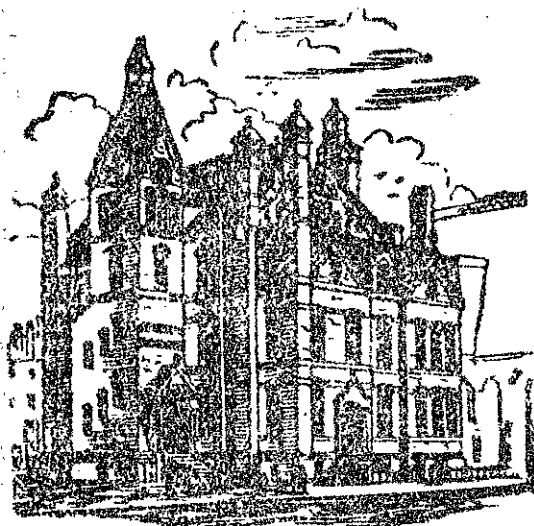
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