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IN the light of the first games which the 'Varsity base-ball team has played, the prospect for the later and perhaps more important work of the season, is not in the least encouraging. It must be remembered, however, that while there may be a great deal of excellent material at Technology, and while individual work may be especially strong, nevertheless, time is required to place upon the field a winning team. It is unfortunate that so many errors should have been made in the first attempts. The fact that the highest interest in the matter has not as yet been developed, and that, perhaps, the best of judgment was not employed in making up the team, has no doubt been a primary cause. It is doubly important that competition for places on the team should be heartily entered into, and that strenuous exertion should be made by every man who has ability in this direction. Then Technology as a whole will well support its representative, and a successful season will surely result.

In the season of the Glee and Banjo Club concerts is almost at an end, we can look back upon its year of work with a great deal of pride. In other branches than those of hard "grinding," for which our worthy institution is so justly famous, Technology has been well presented to the world. Our Banjo Club, under the earnest efforts of its leader, Mr. George Shepard, and of its able instructor, Mr. Lansing, has reached a position above the other colleges. Although the Glee Club has not yet acquired the prominence of the Banjo Club, yet both Mr. Schmitz and Mr. Osgood have shown that we can do well in that direction.

Since the clubs have been put on a firm basis by the formation of an organization with energetic officers, we may look forward to even better results. Owing to the hard times, our clubs were restrained last season from making a western tour, but for the coming year we may anticipate a more or less extended trip through the States. A still larger number of applicants will undoubtedly appear next fall, and, encouraged by this season's work, a successful year may be looked for.
There has certainly been ample provision made in the lower general reading room and in the drawing rooms for all such outside work; no excuse, therefore, can be made for thus violating the comfort and right of others. Moreover, the space which has been reserved especially for men in Course IX., should in all cases be unmolested, inasmuch as the large amount of reading necessary in the work of that course, renders suitable opportunity for it imperative. In the future greater care should be taken in this matter by those who have been at fault, and all who use the library, either for reading or for taking out books, would do well to keep this in mind.

It seems to be a matter of general complaint among Course VI. men that the periodicals in the Physical Department are not kept on general file in the Electrical Library. At present these journals are kept in the office of room 10, Walker, and their whereabouts are known to practically none beside the Seniors, while even these feel that to go into the office to consult them is bordering on intrusion. The file is so complete, and of such importance to the whole course, that it would certainly seem proper to keep the periodicals in a more accessible place.

The speech of Professor Dippold upon the work and purposes of the Deutscher Verein, which appeared in the last number of The Tech, should at once put a stop to the alleged feelings of opposition between the French and German Societies. These societies have so much in common, and the success of each is so much to be desired, that not the slightest doubt as to their friendly relations should be allowed to remain. The words of Professor Dippold state clearly the aims of the Department of Modern Languages, and its desire to support all such enterprises of the students. The Tech joins in wishing the societies every success.

The list of theses, as it has appeared from week to week, shows in the most conclusive manner the work and methods of the Institute. Without upholding the principle of granting a degree for the large part on the efficiency shown by students in original thesis work, it may still be said that in no other way is the practical preparation of Technology graduates made more evident. To the graduates themselves the list will be one to be valued as indicating the work of fellow students. The list is at once thorough, and representative of the different courses, and to undergraduates especially must be valuable as suggesting the nature and the amount of work to be required of them.

Frenchmen are noted for the zeal and enthusiasm which they show in all their undertakings. The members of L'Avenir would do well to imitate in this respect the people whose language they are trying to cultivate. Now that the plays are over, little interest is shown in the society, and only a few members come to its meetings. The primary object of the society,—to improve the French of its members and give them opportunities to speak it, is being neglected. The production of a play is certainly a good way of doing this, but plays cannot be given continually, and between times the society should not be allowed to die out. It seems a pity that a society which showed so much energy at the start should be allowed to sink into oblivion after its first success; such will be the case unless more interest is shown. Every student who speaks French should join the society and attend the meetings, then we need have no fear about its future.

It is certainly a matter of regret that more energy has not been displayed among the artistic men of Technology in submitting further designs for a gold Tech pin. As the designs
handed in during the first competition were found to be below the requirements, the competition was necessarily reopened, but since this was done no new designs have been submitted. It cannot be that all the fertility of Technology's resources was expended in the fifty or so designs at first submitted; nor is it likely that there exists so great a discouragement from the rejection of previous designs as to deter the men from making new ones. A little more readiness to enter into the spirit of the matter, and a little less apathy among Technology's clever men, would suffice to make a successful competition and produce a pin worthy of the Institute.

THE action of the Junior class in appointing a committee to investigate the methods adopted for commencement exercises, and the best means for the nomination of Class Day officers, is certainly to be commended. With plenty of time to look into the matter, this committee will be able to suggest in its report many improvements in both cases. The committee will now take an especial interest in the graduation exercises of Ninety-Four, and many small defects can be rectified, which in the lapse of time would otherwise be forgotten. Little class work is being done at present, and we are glad to see that Ninety-Five has brought up so worthy a plan.

Calendar.
April 21st.—Baseball. B. U. Law School and M. I. T. at Boston, South End Grounds.
Baseball. Tech '97 and Groton, at Groton.
April 23d.—Room 11, Rogers, 4:15 p.m. Last meeting of the Deutscher Verein this term. Election of officers for the ensuing year will be held at this meeting.

Meyer J. Suurm has gone to Chicago for a week.
Mr. G. W. Blodgett has resumed the course in Railway Signals.
K. O. S. had a dinner at Young's on Saturday evening, April 7th.
G. Clapp has been appointed captain of the Junior Class athletic team.
The class of '91 will hold its annual dinner on Saturday, April 28th.
Hien's Analysis tests have begun in the Mechanical Engineering Laboratory.
The first original design of the Sophomore Architects was handed in on Friday.
Professor Swain was unable to give his lectures on Thursday, owing to sickness.
The Course I. Seniors contemplate a trip to Moon Island Sewage works next week.
The pictures of the Institute Committee may be obtained by the members at the Tech office.
During the week the various sections in second-year Physics have began recitations in electricity.
Professor Richards visited New York the other day to test the new Griffin centrifugal stamp mill.
Photographs of those who took part in the French plays may be obtained from Fred Kleinschmidt, '95.
Mr. Chiyosaburo Watanabe, an official of the Bank of Japan, visited the Institute on Monday, April 10th.
Professor Hofman was elected for three years as a manager of the American Institute of Mining Engineers.
On April 20th, 23d, and 27th, Mr. Bowclitch will lecture to third and fourth year Civils on "Landscape Gardening."

All who desire to join the Photographic Society should send their names to Box 94, at the Cage, without delay.

As Mr. Parshall was obliged to go abroad, the course of lectures on Dynamo Design is to be continued by Mr. Fiske.

As the appropriation for the Life Class has been expended, the Course IV. Seniors will now sketch architectural subjects.

Ninety-six took possession of the "Technique" bulletin board last week with a drawing by one of the class architects.

The drawings hanging on the halls of the Architectural Building are already somewhat disfigured by careless expressmen.

The Senior Architects have been excused from more than one hour a week of the course on the History of the Renaissance.

The drawings made by Professor Despradelles, in competition for the Baltimore Court-house, have been sent to the judges.

Mr. C. H. L. N. Bernard had his classes well instructed in the French Plays, using the libretto as a text-book during several recitations.

The Swedish iron in the mining laboratory has been undergoing classification and treatment with grease for the prevention of rusting.

Mr. C. Bernard has been appointed to a professorship in Boston University. His new position will not interfere with his duties here.

The class in dynamo testing has been running a series of tests on the thesis apparatus of W. H. Bovey, '94, and A. J. Farnsworth, '94.

Several Technology men were present at the successful concert given last Monday evening by the Glee and Banjo Clubs of Wellesley College.

The Mining Department has received two small alidades to be used at the Summer School of Mining; also two of Professor Richards's stadia prisms.

On Tuesday, a large number of Tech students attended some private theatricals given in Reading in which two of their number took part.

The holiday of yesterday offered an opportunity for a number of Technology men to accompany the Glee and Banjo Clubs on their trip to Northampton.

The third-year class in Industrial Chemistry is making weekly visits to places of professional interest. Last Friday it inspected the Gas Works at Charlestown Neck.

Mr. Geo. Lansing will lead the Banjo Club in the concert at Northampton on the 18th, and he will also render a banjo solo. The club is very fortunate in securing his services.

Applications for scholarships must be handed to the Secretary not later than May 15th. Intending applicants should see the Secretary and Dr. Dewey as soon as possible.

Mr. T. H. Bartlett's lectures on French Sculpture, continue to attract large audiences in Room 12, Architectural Building, every Thursday at 4.15 p.m. The lectures are free.

Mr. W. S. Davenport and W. R. Whitney, instructors in chemistry, sail on May 31st for Europe, where they will spend two years in the pursuit of the degree of Ph.D., at Leipzig.

The Orchestra formed at the time of the French Plays, will soon organize permanently. It is possible that a meeting will be held this week for the election of officers, and the effecting of a permanent organization.

On Tuesday afternoon and also on Friday afternoon of last week, Mr. Albert M. Noyes, formerly City Engineer of Newton, lectured to third and fourth year Civils on "Highways," with special reference to the roads of Newton.
At a recent meeting of The Tech board, it was decided that an extra Class Day number should be issued as in previous years, but that the board of editors should take charge of the publication rather than members of the Senior Class.

Through the kindness of Mr. Carter, Superintendent of Streets of Boston, the students of fourth year, Course I., have obtained the use of the city tugboat to visit the pumping station at Dorchester, and the discharge outlet at Moon Island.

Men who desire to prepare mathematics, and other similar subjects, should remember that hereafter the Course IX. library cannot be used for such purposes, but that the general reading room on the first floor of Rogers is assigned especially for such work.

Mr. Harry Clifford, of the Physics department, gave a stereopticon lecture to the Civil Engineering Society on "Comets and Nebulae," last Tuesday evening. He discussed the position, shape, and paths of comets, and explained the effect of planets upon them.

The Appalachian Mountain Club held its regular meeting in 11 Rogers on April 11th. Mr. J. Henry Blake gave a somewhat long account of a two weeks' sojourn in the Straits of Magellan, and Mr. A. W. Grabau presented a paper, entitled "The Gorges of the Genesee River."

Owing to the impossibility of varying the slope of the conical slime table, the Mining Department has added to its washing apparatus a Cornish washing frame, which can be used at any slope for experimental purposes; heads, tailings, and middlings are drawn off separately by means of a tilting tail.

At the intermediate examination in Second-year Physics in Huntington Hall last week Wednesday, a large number of men were unable to see the questions which had been posted on the board at the front of the hall, a fact which may account for certain errors in regard to the questions on the papers.

Mr. H. S. Duckworth, Course V., seems to be extremely unfortunate in his thesis work upon the "Conversion of Starch to Dextrine, by means of a rotary roaster." The power has been shut off several times without due notice, thus destroying his entire products. Thesis work certainly deserves better treatment than this.

Professor Cr-ss (previous to a lecture to the Seniors): "Gentlemen, I shall request you not to carry away any more soap from the laboratory."

(During the lecture). "These wave plates are not mine, gentlemen; I've had them five years though, and shall likely have them that much longer." (Cheers).

The regular meeting of L'Avenir was held on Wednesday, 11th, in Room 23, W. R. Hill, '94, gave an interesting account of Guy de Maupassant, the young French author, who died a year ago. R. Norris, '96, spoke on Athletics in France and Belgium, and F. E. Matthes, '95, on Coasting in the Alps. A. T. Hopkins, '97, and F. Kleinschmidt, '95, were elected members of the society.

The captain of the athletic team has a great deal of hard work ahead, but this may be reduced to a minimum by having all who have any athletic ability whatever turn out and do regular training. Let all those who are afraid that it would take too much time, remember that the daily work need only take forty-five minutes, or at most an hour. Also, that this small amount of regular exercise is the kind which is the most beneficial.

Our Glee and Banjo Clubs entertained the members of the Colonial Club, of Cambridge, with a concert on Saturday evening, April 7th. Following the concert was a supper given to the clubs, after which they were extended the use of the clubrooms. Some amused themselves in the pool and billiard room, while others bowled. A team of five
from the Banjo Club bowled against five from the Glee Club, and were beaten by about 100 points.

There were less than a dozen Tech men witnessing the Tufts-M. I. T. ball game. To be sure the day was rainy, yet this support of a Varsity baseball team is most discouraging to say the least. There are few games played at home, and every one who is able should attend them.

Second, third, and fourth year men have received an invitation to join a summer school of mining, to be held about June 1st to July 7th, at Capleton, P. Q. The party will camp out in tents, and will divide its time between methods of mining and ore dressing, both on and below the surface, and mine and surface surveying. In all of these branches, the men will have ample opportunities for practical work, and an enjoyable and profitable five weeks' sojourn is assured.

The home game for April 11th, with Tufts, was played on the South End Grounds in a driving sleet. Both nines played slowly and loosely, yet there was a marked improvement in the team work of Tech over the previous game. The game was stopped at the end of the fifth inning, with the score 8 to 3 in favor of Tufts. The following is the score by innings:

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The regular monthly meeting of K2S was held Wednesday night, April 11, at the Thorndike. Among those present were Professors Richards, Niles, and Pope, Dr. Talbot and Messrs. Davenport, Whitney, Smith and Bardwell. Professor Richards spoke of the work being done at Jamaica Pond, and Professor Niles related an experience of his in the Jura Mountains. Papers were read by Mr. Parker on “Corrundum,” and by Mr. Moore on “Spectral Analysis.”

On Tuesday, the class of '95, held a fairly well attended meeting. After the reading of the minutes, the minutes of the Executive Committee for the past few months were read. Resolutions of thanks were then passed by the class for the work of the Board of Editors of '95's “Technique,” for the committee in charge of the Junior Assembly, and to The Tech for their special Junior Edition. It was then proposed to elect a committee to investigate the various methods for class day exercises and for nominating class officers. The power to elect this committee was put into the hands of the Executive Committee.

Life members of the Athletic Club who have not received their “shingles,” should notify J. P. Ilsley, Jr., Secretary of the M. I. T. A. C., at once.

Test of the Engines of the H. M. Whitney.

In the Mechanical Department, theses which involve outside testing are always looked upon with favor, at least by the students; and when the work necessitates a week's trip on a steamer, as did one thesis this year, those to whom the work falls are objects of envy, and even the instructors unbend and express a decided willingness to be detailed in charge of the tests.

The H. M. Whitney is a fine steamer, belonging to the Metropolitan Line between Boston and New York. She is built of iron, about 280 feet long, and has triple expansion engines, the cylinders having diameters of 28", 45", and 74", and a stroke of 48". The engines are fitted with the Marshall valve gear, which gives them more than ordinary interest in the eyes of the engineer.

Messrs. Savage and Robbins, of '94, were given an opportunity to test the engines of the Whitney, and after the necessary piping was completed, a party, headed by Professor Peabody, sailed from Boston on the afternoon of March 26th to carry out the work.
In crossing Massachusetts Bay, a somewhat heavy sea caused a feeling of uneasiness in the minds (?) of one or two of the party, but after Cape Cod was rounded the rolling ceased, and the work was started in good earnest. It was soon found, however, that one of the indicators was sticking badly, and after several ineffectual attempts to set it right, a member of the party was sent in search of a "putting on tool," the assistant having the indicator saying that he thought that might remedy the difficulty. After a protracted hunt, the said member returned, to announce that all the "putting on" tools belonging to the ship had been lost overboard, and as in the meantime the feed-pump had given some trouble, it was decided to attempt no more testing that night.

Early the next morning the party was awakened by a loud noise, at first attributed to the Long Island Sound, but soon found to be the breakfast bell, and after attending to the wants of the inner man, another test of two hour's duration was run, which was in every way successful, and shortly after noon the steamer arrived in New York. As a stay of two days was to be made here, the party started out to "see the town."

The return trip was uneventful. Two tests were run, both being highly successful, and after a fine sail up Boston Bay, the steamer arrived home at 1:30 P.M. on March 30th. Everyone voted that it had been the best trip they had had for a long time, and with hearty good-byes for Captain Hallett and Chief Engineer Snowman, they came ashore.

Do you know that your eyes, with their brightness,
    And your cheeks which outrival the rose,
With those lips, like a cluster of rubies,
    Beneath that fair aquiline nose,
That your hair, with its dark, flowing ringlets,—
    In fact that your whole charming self
Now reminds me so much of the hinges
    Which one finds, in the shops, on the shelf?
But my love has grown sad at such rudeness,
    And her pardon I haste to implore,
While I try to explain that 'tis simply
    She is something one needs to a-dore.

E. S. M., '96.

There is course in photography given at Cornell.

The Harvard Faculty has passed a rule that no punches or distilled liquor be allowed in any college building on Class day or Commencement day.

An umpire will be appointed by the president of the National League for each championship game between Harvard and Yale during the season.

Only one president of Harvard has served a longer time than President Eliot, who has held the office for twenty-five years.

The Yale Law School has secured ex-Gov. William E. Russell of Massachusetts to deliver the annual address at commencement.

The University of Michigan has a fraternity which admits both sexes to its membership.

A department of mining engineering will be added to the Lawrence Scientific School of Harvard, next year.

The faculty of Cornell has decided to abolish the entrance requirement in Letters, beginning with the class entering in 1896.

Prince Besolow, the young African Prince who is in the freshman class at Williams College, has been called back to Africa to take charge of his kingdom.

Courtney, Cornell's trainer, has adopted photography as a means of detecting the errors in form of the crew. Blue prints are made of the crew on the water and hung in the boathouse, which show plainly the individual faults.
ATHLETIC TOPICS

The M. I. T. A. C. Class Championship Spring games will be held on Holmes Field, Cambridge, May 11th, at 2 P. M.

The Sophomore-Freshman baseball game will be played on the South End grounds Saturday afternoon, May 5th.

Ninety-Six will play few games this season, as most of her players are on the Varsity.

Entries close for the New England Intercollegiate games on May 13th.

Hereafter, Harvard men will not be allowed to represent the B. A. A. in any games in which the college has made entries.

Dr. Sargent, of the Hemenway gymnasium, has invented a game which he calls "Battle Ball." It was designed to give exercise to the average athlete, and combines baseball, football, and tennis. The game can be played indoors or outdoors, and by any number.

The annual games in athletics between Oxford and Cambridge took place at the Queen's Club, Kensington, and were attended by over ten thousand people. Oxford won six out of nine events.

Ely, who was the most promising candidate for pitcher, has left the Institute. Of the other candidates Baker and Putnam are doing the best work for the Freshman nine.

An elaborate, solid silver cup has been presented to the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association by Wright & Ditson. The cup is to be competed for at the annual games, and is the property of each winner for the following year only.

Harvard has at last been granted the date of May 5 for open handicap games. The St. Mary's A. A., which was granted the date has gracefully yielded to Harvard. The events are announced as follows:

- 100-yard dash (7 yards limit).
- 220-yard dash (15 yards limit).
- 440-yard run (30 yards limit).
- 880-yard run (50 yards limit).
- One-mile run (100 yards limit).
- One-mile walk (30 seconds limit).
- 120-yard hurdle (8 yards penalty limit).
- 220-yard hurdle (12 yards penalty limit).
- Running high jump (8 inches limit).
- Running broad jump (2 feet 8 inches limit).
- Pole vault (18 inches limit).
- Throwing 16-lb. hammer (no limit).
- Putting 16-lb. shot (6 feet limit).
- One-mile bicycle race (100 yards limit).
- Two-mile bicycle race (200 yards limit).

The recent snow greatly interfered with the training of the Track Team.

The Irvington Oval has been put into condition. The new coat of cinders has made the track one of the fastest in this vicinity.

R. W. Swift has developed into a very speedy and natural hurdler.

The B. A. A. games of yesterday were very good, considering the few days the participants had to train in.

The B. A. A. will hold a second set of handicap games about the middle of May.

The Yale and Harvard track athletic teams will hold their dual meet at New Haven, May 14th.

The interclass championship games at Harvard will take place on Monday, April 23. The chief interest in this meeting centers in the contest for the Wells Cup which is awarded to the class scoring the most points.

On Saturday, April 30, the Varsity scratch games of Harvard will be held, and as usual the events will be the same as at the intercollegiate games.

Although Burnett pitched with a lame arm last Wednesday, Tufts could make only a few hits. Coach Sullivan has taught him a slow ball which is very deceiving.
About this season the sober president of the Seniors receives the annual circular from enterprising manufacturers, advocating such paraphernalia as caps and gowns during the scenes of Class Day. That Tech, without dormitory or campus, is not the place for cap and gown has often been urged, though their indulgence during the festive night of the political campaign was, without question, an unqualified success. It must be confessed, however, that the lordly personage of the Tech Senior in all the glory of graduation would lose much of his lofty dignity were he to strive with refractory skirts and wind-catching mortar board in the full view of the merry motor man of Boylston Street. No wonder shrinking modesty causes each successive class to reject the polite overtures of the sartorial expert, and, therefore, till Technology can boast a quadrangle, shady walks, and a chapel of more virtue than fame, the cap and gown had best be relegated to the more secluded college.

The recent utterance of the Institute Oracle regarding scholarship applications, can but awaken surprise among his devout and awe-inspired followers. Seldom, indeed, are his Delphic words couched in phrases which admit the slightest quibble or question. Those who approach the fountain head in search of wisdom, or more or less frequently repair thither for petition interviews, are, without exception, impressed with the flow of measured syllables. The trembling petitioner who approaches the sybil guardians with whispered questions regarding the presence of the great expounder of the Institute, knows full well the frigid, well turned expressions of the inmate of the inner regions when once admission is gained. The silent moments which elapse while he anxiously rests upon the cozy, cushioned settee which nestles beside the bursar's lair, ere audience is granted, are well calculated to prepare him for the ordeal to come. How his carefully prepared reasons vanish in emptiness before the penetrating gaze which greets him, and how he is suavely persuaded that his requests are an utter absurdity! A certain amount of awe in the trembling applicant for royal favors is of course to be expected, but the Lounger really doubts whether even the Chesterfieldian guardian of the tabular view would wish it to be carried to a degree of subservience approaching a weak-kneed timidity which would necessitate their being borne in prostrate. Yet if worshippers at the Pythian shrine are not to be so treated the Lounger is at loss to know why "Applicants" should be "handed in at once."

The little triangle with its hieroglyphic characters has secured another lease of life since no one has designed a gold pin sufficiently less bad to replace it, and Mabel or Mollie or May and other fair maids who are loyal to Technology and her numerous sons, can not wear the charming pin promised so long ago. Even the carefully concocted decision of the Institute committee and their more artistic appeal have failed to cause a rush of designs to the pin committee, now that merit and not dollars is declared sufficient reward. What seems even more discouraging is the nonchalant indifference of those who previously handed in designs in calling for them at the Tech office and thus saving these precious bits of the antique from what will soon be their final resting place in the depths of the Lounger's waste basket. The unique collection which has burdened the Lounger's table contains many wonderful and instructive specimens. Of these, just fifty-seven and three sevenths per cent are designs of flags, and the scroll and lamp of learning claim second rank. Following these in the order named are banners, shields, triangles, lanterns, T squares and instruments, hammers, anvils, moons, stars, ribbons, and cogwheels. These creations evidently endeavored to represent Technology as a combination of weather bureau, drawing room and blacksmith forge. Often the designs are made more interesting to the beholder by explanatory notes such as "This design can be slightly changed if necessary," "It might possibly be well to make the open space a little larger," "Don't go back on the old triangle," or this from a man with a keen eye to business, "Can be made of fourteen karat gold of substantial thickness for one dollar and seventy nine cents." This olta podrida of discarded effort furnished much beneficial recreation to the Lounger, and he trusts that these few words will serve to ensure the pin committee a veritable inundation of designs of more worthy merit.
A Junior wrote home to his father, "Dear Dadd:
It costs a good deal to live here;
Please send some more money." He
soon got a check—
A check on his college career.

—Yale Record.

RONDEAU.
The play is done, and all the show
Is hid by curtain sinking slow;
The mournful VioIs no longer sing,
The Flutes are mute, and mute each String,
The Audience its way doth go.
The Lights do burn, but dim and low;
And they who jested to and fro
Have vanished, were they Serf or King;
The play is done.
Friend, when we find that we outgrow
And this mere Pleasure and mere Woe,
The Play that seemed a tawdry thing
May have a new and wiser ring,
And then at length we'll sadly know
The play is done.

—Harvard Advocate.

MOONSHINE.
The moonbeams have unwilling slaves,—
Shadows, grey, and grim, and tall.
From caverns dark, and gloomy caves,
In frantic rout they drive them out
When the night begins to fall.
'Neath glittering swords of tyrants dread,
They fill the earth with phantoms grey,
The trees are ghosts with arms outspread;
Each spectred face mocks Nature's grace,
'Neath moonbeams' mystic sway.

—Nassau Lit.

The long halls, minus thy radiant face,
Are equal to tunnels of dreary space.
Thine intellect times the merest thought,
Is equal to wisdom, minus naught.
Thy beauty, plus all I could hope for more,
Is equal to all it was before.
Thy love, divided by all thy friends,
Is equal to best that fortune sends.
One gracious, unchallenged smile from thee,
Is equal to happiness plus me.

—Vassar Miscellany.

A PASSING SPIRIT.
One night my harp sang strangely, sadly sweet:
In low, soft, mournful cadence thrilled and thrilled;
With all a heart's dull sorrowing replete
It throbbed, and then its moaning song was stilled.
That night my dear love died. Ah! who can say?
Might she not come in ghostly wanderings?
Mayhap her grieving spirit passed that way,
And breathed its loving sorrow o'er the strings.

—Nassau Lit.

ELEGY.
He told my Nell he loved her more
Than ever maid was loved before:
But I cared not, for Nell you know,
Had said she loved me long ago,
Ere I was versed in Cupid's lore.
Yes, I believed her then, and so
I laughed in self-conceit, although
My rival's love in words galore,
He told my Nell.
In hapless anger, I deplore
My trust in Nell, for all is o'er,
My rival won; I was too slow.
He dealt my love a deadly blow,
Then in a manner, I allow,
He tolled my knell.

APPLE SEEDS.
"One, I love; two, I love;"
Came the seeds from an apple red.
"Three, and four, with all my heart!"
The maiden cooly said.
"Five, and six, and seven, she loves;
Eight, they both!" she cried;
"And here's a little withered one:
Oh! That's a kiss beside!
Nine, he comes; ten, he tarries!"
There was just a segment more;
She opened it in eager haste:
A worm was there before!
"There ought to be just two more seeds;
He courts, and twelve, he marries;
But all because of a naughty worm
He only 'comes and tarries.'"
Ah, pretty, thoughtless maiden fair!
That thou must soon find too,
Life's most cherished apples red
Worm eaten through and through.
The lover comes and tarries on;
Dame fortune smiles her part,
And false the one, and fickle both;
The worm eats in the heart.

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