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T last the Fair of fairs is over; all the splendor which dazzled even the remote portions of our world is now to be destroyed by the same powers that created it. Beyond the influence which this grand Exposition exerted upon every person,—upon the scientific man, perhaps, more than others,—it marked an epoch in the history of our own Technology, the importance of which few of us seem to have realized.

Early last winter the Northwestern Alumni Association of Chicago, at its annual banquet, undertook in a very enthusiastic manner to give all Technology visitors to the Fair a warm reception. For this purpose, eleven hundred dollars were then and there subscribed to establish and support M. I. T. Headquarters. Suitable rooms were secured on Michigan Avenue, corner of Thirteenth Street. June 1st this suite was thrown open, two students being engaged to take charge of it. Notice of this was sent to nearly all Tech men, THE TECH spread the news as far as possible, and yet comparatively few students when in Chicago seemed to avail themselves of this opportunity to meet our alumni and to hold reunions. The Institute Committee appointed Wednesday evening for weekly gatherings at headquarters; but how many men congregated? During the day it was hardly expected that many would visit the rooms, though their windows commanded a magnificent view of Chicago's great driving boulevard. No better situation could possibly have been procured, save for the distance from the Fair grounds. As it was within easy reach of all the depots, cable and L lines, near the business center, and in the prettiest residential part of the city, men should have flocked there. So they would have done, perhaps, save for the fact that most of our students had very limited time in Chicago, so that they stayed near Jackson Park, and spent every moment in the grounds, as a result feeling too tired to ride twelve miles in the evening even to meet old friends. In this way alone can we account for the seeming ingratitude shown our alumni for their friendly advances.

For the past few years we have watched our college spirit grow, this action of the alumni being a most commendable manifestation of its present strength. They were practically the only college graduates to show this regard for their Alma Mater; and we, the ones who are continually deploring the lack of Tech spirit, seem not to appreciate it.
The few, however, who did meet these advances half way will never forget the merry jests, the stories swapped around that table provided with wholesome refreshments each week by our generous alumni. How the old cheer made the walls ring while outsiders wonderingly listened! Ah, we have some loyal hearts! May their influence spread far and wide. Finding at last that the expense of maintaining the headquarters was hardly warranted by the number who made use of it, the alumni decided to close the rooms, and endeavor to have weekly meetings at Old Vienna. This was only a partial success; a dozen or so of men appeared at the rendezvous each Wednesday to yell for Tech and exchange courtesies with the other colleges. Our alumni were, indeed, the originators of all such college gatherings at the Fair; but the Tech is ashamed to recall our thanks,—a vote by the Institute Committee merely.

Reflect on this; remember what enthusiastic alumni mean to any college; hail their interest as a boon to Technology; then do your best to show your appreciation. Our three upper classes should draw up resolutions of thanks, and forward them to the Association. All the fall has looked for some such action on the part of the students, but now it must not be delayed any longer.

INVESTIGATION causes strange discoveries. The Tech has had occasion recently to communicate with all the fraternities and societies at Technology. This was not as easy as it at first appeared, for only two or three of the former and none of the latter have boxes at the Cage. Mail for several fraternities has remained undelivered there for weeks, simply because Miss Bassett had no means of delivering it. Most of our societies could afford to rent a box, it would seem, thus aiding a worthy object (the scholarship fund), and at the same time guarding their own interests.

The proposed tour of the Glee and Banjo Club seems to deserve especial mention in this department of the Tech. In no more effective way could Technology be brought before the general public than by the appearance in several of our largest cities of the Glee and Banjo Club. For the past two years this organization has been steadily adding to its reputation, until now an opportunity, perhaps, has come to spread this local fame and show alike to our friends and the general public, most of whom even in Boston are apt to misunderstand or underrate Technology, that our social development is not entirely overlooked. Surely a college without spirit or society cannot support first-class musical organizations. Many people hold, probably correctly, too, that one half the good of a college course is derived from its social opportunities. Engineering schools, as a rule, are narrow, excessive specializing and confinement prohibiting a fair proportion of ordinary college pleasures. Technology has endeavored to avoid the narrowing influences of scientific study by a curriculum surpassing in breadth that of the average American college, excepting only Greek; our students have realized the benefit of intercourse to such an extent that our varied social opportunities are proportionately far greater than those of many, perhaps most, colleges. These facts it is for our individual interests to proclaim, that graduates of Technology may be recognized as men not alone fitted for their professions, but also as persons cognizant of the beauties of literature, the refinement of art, and their duties toward fellow-men. The Tech, therefore, urges every loyal Tech man to aid the Glee and Banjo Club in their tour, by attendance at the home concerts, by informing friends of the trip, in fact by any and all the various methods at their command.
IT is with pleasure that we report increasing contributions to all departments of THE TECH, excepting, perhaps, that of original verse. We cannot too strongly urge every man to do his share toward increasing the general interest at Technology, by spreading news of the many events ever happening among us. It does not take a James Gordon Bennett to do this; even if your idea is imperfectly expressed, it may be put into such shape as to accomplish its mission. You tend to pushing the button, and THE TECH will do the rest.

The ten-dollar prize offered by the Board ought surely to inspire the thoughts of our now silent poets. The offer is open until December 15th, but the sooner contributions are received the better it will be. Bear in mind, however, that positively no manuscript will be accepted unless the author be known to the Board. Speaking of contributions, does it occur to you, worthy Juniors, that THE TECH must soon look to you for support and guidance? Yet how are you preparing yourselves for such responsibilities? Even '96 evinces more interest in the paper than you do. We are merely waiting for some of the Juniors to show sufficient ability in procuring news and presenting it, besides the necessary regularity in doing so, before electing other members to the Board from '95.

COMMUNICATIONS.

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

TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:—

As a Senior, and one who has for four years now subscribed his five dollars toward the football team, I should like to make a complaint through your columns against the football management. I do not wish to be included among those who are always kicking at the few home games we have in the course of the year, for I know how difficult it is to make both ends meet. But what I do protest against is the poor manner in which changes in our few dates are advertised. For instance, in your issue of October 5th, a list of our engagements was published. It has since been found necessary to change the dates of our two games with Trinity, making our home game with that college come on November 15th instead of November 1st. Now, no notice whatever has been given of this change, either in your columns, or on the bulletin boards, and it was only at the eleventh hour that I found out that there was not going to be any match. As I had invited friends to come and see the game with me, it is needless to state to what inconvenience I was put. Mine is not, moreover, an isolated case of gross ignorance, as may be supposed, for I know of many others who were in the same box. I do think, in fairness to the season ticket holders and others, that when changes are found necessary, due notice in the future should be given, and thus a great deal of disappointment and annoyance prevented.

R. W.

[THE TECH is put in the printer's hands on the Saturday preceding its issue, thus preventing the publication, as a rule, of news of later date. The changes referred to by our correspondent have been sudden ones, which THE TECH, by force of circumstances, has been unable to publish in season to do any good. We can sympathize with him, however, and agree that the football management, for its own good as well as for the good of our football enthusiasts, ought certainly to post in every building notices of any alteration in dates of games. This is a matter of justice to contributors to the football fund, and it would seem to be also of vital importance for the welfare of the 'varsity team itself.—Eds.]

TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:—

I know of a case of a fellow-classman whose twenty-first birthday came the day after election. That is to say, this year he was twenty-one on the eighth day of November. The question arises, under these circumstances, "Should he have voted November seventh?" If he could vote he must legally have been twenty-one on the day of election. Also he must have registered when only twenty years old. Again a question arises: "Could he lawfully register before he was twenty-one?" I merely ask these questions for information, for I know that the person in question, who lives in a suburb of Boston, was allowed by the town authorities to register on November first; hence permission to vote. Will some one, posted on such matters of law, kindly interpret the law, as the subject has caused much debate?

SOPHOMORE.

Home games with Trinity and Brown next week.
The Institute Committee met in The Tech office on Tuesday, October 31st. Election of officers for this year was undertaken at once. R. B. Price, '94, was elected president; T. B. Booth, '95, vice president, and R. K. Sheppard, '94, secretary and treasurer.

The Committee had been requested to assist Secretary Tyler in sending Columbian catalogues to other colleges. Mr. T. B. Booth and Mr. B. Hurd, Jr., were appointed as a sub-committee to prepare a list of all the American colleges. Mr. Rockwell reported for the Pin Committee. The designs posted in Roger's corridor have been examined by most all the students. All opinions which are made known to the Institute Committee will be carefully considered, and will aid the members in making a selection. It is hoped that many more designs will be sent in before 4.15 p.m. November 14th, when competition will close.

The prize which has been offered has called forth some questions. Whence come the twelve dollars? The Committee wish to have this subject understood. The offer is made personally by a man who is interested in the Institute, and who hopes to be concerned in the manufacture of the pins when the design shall have been selected. The payment of the prize will be a personal matter between the successful competitor and the person who made the offer. That professors, and students, and alumni who wish to obtain pins may do so conveniently, the Committee will procure pins for all who will send a written order to any one of its members. It is hoped that this last statement will not occasion a misunderstanding. The Committee seeks only to facilitate the distribution of pins. It does not wish to limit or be at all interested financially in their production.

An account of the '96-'97 football game and cane rush will appear in the next number of The Tech.

A mandolin player is wanted to complete a trio consisting of zither, guitar and mandolin. This trio, if it prove successful, will form an integral part of the Glee and Banjo Club in its tour.

Prof. Otto N. Witt, of the Technical School in Berlin, was one of our recent visitors. Prof. Lunge, from the great Technical School in Zurich, visited Technology for the second time a few days ago.

That the Boston Museum management offered our Glee and Banjo Club double the pay of the first engagement to appear at the final night of "Prince Pro Tem," certainly shows appreciation of their first public performance.

The third balloting for the office of treasurer of the Sophomore Class took place in the lower hall of Walker Building on Wednesday last, at one o'clock. This attempt proved successful, and M. E. Peirce was elected by considerable majority.

These are painfully interesting days in the organic laboratory. Prescott was accidentally injured last week by a piece of tubing, and Proctor had a lively explosion. "Sammy's" face is improving; and Proctor's hair has ceased to stand on end.

The new free-fall-quicksand and jiggging testing-tubes with which experiments are now being made in the Mining Department, are giving results which bid fair to change, in some respects, the accepted theories in regard to equal settling particles.
On the evening of November 16th, Prof. Elihu Thomson will lecture before the Thomson Scientific Club, of Lynn, on "Alternating Currents of High Frequency." Any students who are interested to go may secure tickets of Mr. V. A. Mayer, '94.

The '97 nominations for class officers were:
President, Franklin E. Bragg; First Vice President, Wilfred Bancroft; Second Vice President, Edgar S. Barkhouse; Secretary, George M. Lane; Treasurer, Dwight Clarke; Members Executive Board, D. Jerome Spense, Harry W. Allen.

Prof. W. Ritter, of the Civil Engineering Department of the Polytechnic School at Zurich, visited the Institute during the past week. He spent the greater portion of two days investigating the laboratories and the work of the students, the latter of which pleased him especially.

There will probably be a meeting of the Class of '94 on Saturday, November 18th. At that time will be discussed methods of electing class-day officers, the election of a class photograph committee, Senior dinner, and other business of importance. Due notice will be given later as to time and place of meeting.

The Railway Age of October 13th, in an article mentioning the Columbian catalogue issued by Technology, says: "This institution, chartered in 1861, has attained the distinction not only of having the most comprehensive curriculum, but the greatest number of students, of any institution of its class in this country, and perhaps in the world.

Upon the request of Mr. Boos, the gymnasium instructor, the Faculty have obtained the following pieces of apparatus: A good sized vaulting horse; a large, adjustable dumbbell, ranging from twenty to one hundred and fifty pounds; a new horizontal bar, a parallel bar, five climbing ropes, and another pair of swinging rings. Now let us use them!

The equipment of the Physical Department has recently been increased by a valuable gift of the General Electric Company, consisting of six 500-volt railway motors of different types, aggregating about 100-horse power. The researches which can be carried on with these machines would be greatly facilitated by a 500-volt dynamo, which the department does not possess.

Many students of Tech listened to both of Professor Cross's lectures on "Electricity," Monday and Thursday evenings of last week. The first was on the "Magnetic Lines of Force," and the second treated of the "Principles of Induction." It would be well for any Tech student who is in Course VI. to obtain tickets for this course of lectures, which he can easily do by applying to Dr. Tyler.

The Photographic Society is again in good running order. Applications for membership may be made to any member of the executive committee, preferably to the secretary, Mr. Sayward, '94. Meetings are held monthly, and members have the use of the dark room in Walker Building. An entrance fee of one dollar, and an equal amount for yearly dues, constitute the total expense. All men interested in photography are requested to send their names to the president, E. J. Loring, '95, Cage.

The Freshman Class held a meeting on Wednesday of last week in Room 11, at one o'clock. The first business to be brought before the meeting was to decide upon a class cheer. From a list of eight, the following one was selected: "Tech, rah, rah! Tech, boom, bah! '97, '97, rah! rah! rah!" A committee of five, including the football manager and captain, was then appointed by the chairman to make all the arrangements for the cane rush. No other matter was brought up, and the meeting was adjourned.

Will the man who contributed the poem about the "red-haired waiter girl" please make known his identity to the Editor in
Chief? Positively no anonymous manuscript of any sort will be accepted. Some very good verse besides other material reached our hands last spring, but lack of signature made it worthless to us. If a contributor desires to remain incognito to readers of The Tech, his wish may often be granted by the mere request. We should be glad to make the acquaintance of "Amateur," who is the author of "A Case of Hoops," etc.; also of Z. L. E. E. (E. C. O.), if he still attends the Institute.

Last Saturday evening the Glee and Banjo Clubs appeared for the second time as a special attraction at Prince Pro Tem. The Glee Club did hardly as well as in the previous performance, and the Banjo Club did no better than at its first appearance. We can find little fault with the singing of the Glee Club, but their selections seem anything but popular. It is a well-established fact that over half the success of such a club depends upon its pieces, the rendering of them being within certain limits a secondary consideration. We strongly recommend that the Glee Club consider this point, for upon it hangs the Western tour.

Mr. Protab Chundur Mozoomdar, of Calcutta, India, gave a very interesting lecture in Huntington Hall on Wednesday evening of last week. His subject was "The Races of India." He endeavored to show how difficult it is to solve the national and ethnical problems of India on account of the many different races and tongues which are comprised in the populace of that country. This lecture would have been very interesting to those students who followed Professor Levermore's course in political history last year, as the lecturer treated more at length the characteristics and customs of the numerous races to be found in that vast land.

The Glee and Banjo Clubs held a long and enthusiastic meeting in The Tech office a week ago Saturday. A constitution to govern the combined clubs was outlined by Mr. Schmitz, arrangement of finances being left to the business managers. As President Walker saw no objection to the clubs appearing at a respectable theater, it was decided to accept the offer to appear at the final night of "Prince Pro Tem." The clubs further voted to establish associate memberships to the M. I. T. Glee and Banjo Club for the purpose of raising money in preparation for the Western tour. Associate members are to receive eight reserved-seat tickets for the home concerts, the total expense for membership being five dollars. A committee of two was appointed to assist the business manager in arranging for the semiannual vacation tour.

There is no doubt of the lively interest taken by instructors and students alike in the new pin. Every morning, yes, every hour, there is a crowd of men about the display of designs, and many are the discussions about this one or that. One man thinks that T alone is always taken for Trinity, the man from the country is afraid that "Tech" will make people think he is from Worcester, and the last says, "Let Harvard and Yale keep the yachting pennants to themselves." The Tech takes pleasure in reflecting one criticism which is very generally made, and which seems warranted by the designs. It is that the letters are not clear enough. This is the chief fault of the present pin; one would never notice the T unless looking for it especially. Now, designers, let your letters, or Tech, or whatever else you may put on the pin be clean cut and distinct.

A petition signed by nearly all the Fourth-year Architects has recently been presented to the Faculty, asking that the drawing rooms and library of the Architectural Building be kept open and lighted every evening until ten o'clock. Last year a similar petition was presented, but was not granted, owing to the small number of men whom it would benefit. This year the fourth-year room is crowded,
and such an arrangement would be of great value. As it stands now, the time devoted to design and research in the library is so interrupted that the best results cannot follow from the work. The only reason for not granting the petition seems to be the extra expense of a janitor and engineer for the evening. At this writing the petition has not been heard from; but let us hope that a petition, the granting of which promises such beneficial results, will not be withheld because of a comparatively trifling expense.

Trinity, 12; Tech, 18.

The game with Trinity, scheduled for Boston, was changed at the last minute to Hartford. The return game will be played here. Our team was in a crippled condition, but went to play an easy game. Trinity's team had improved wonderfully under good coaching, putting up a strong game from start to finish. Both teams were weak at defense, but played with snap on the offensive. Our individual work was good, though Trinity had better interference. Manahan did not play, but Curtis, Andrews, and Mayo were obliged to for lack of substitutes. Captain Thomas's ankle was still weak from a wrench received at Fitchburg. Our team was pleasantly surprised by the appearance on the field of a handsome drag with three young ladies dressed in red and gray carrying a Tech flag. They were lustily cheered by our men, and, in return, they applauded every good play made by Tech.

Tech made twenty yards with a flying start, and soon was on Trinity's 30-yard line. Here Curtis lost the ball, Trinity making good use of its possession. On our 25-yard line the team braced, and held for three downs. Edgerton tried for goal from the field, but failed. Tech made a touchback, and has the ball on the 25-yard line. Varying gains and losses soon tell our team that they must work to win. Sharp dashes through the line and a beautiful run of forty yards by Curtis, together with shorter ones by Andrews, Hayden, and Curtis, bring Tech to Trinity's 10-yard line, where Curtis is sent through right tackle for a touchdown. Andrews punted out to Thomas and kicked goal. Tech 6; Trinity, 0.

Trinity gains ten yards with a flying wedge, but Tech secures the ball on a fumble. Here Curtis eludes one after another of his opponents, and with a clear field, plants the ball between the goal posts after a characteristic run of sixty yards. Goal. Tech, 12; Trinity, 0.

Now Trinity begins to work. Edgerton and Sangford make repeated gains till the ball is on our 3-yard line. Tech holds magnificently for three downs, and Edgerton again tries, unsuccessfully, for a goal from the field. Tech regains ground, and time is called. Our lame men seemed to stiffen up now, for in the second half Trinity rapidly pushes our team up the field until Edgerton is pushed over the line for a touchdown.

The play is now close. Tech works to Trinity's 2-yard line after a fine run of forty yards by Curtis, which meant a touchdown had not one foot gone outside the line. Here Tech loses the ball, is forced back, and a brilliant run of forty yards by Sangford gives Trinity a second touchdown. Score, 12-12.

Just five minutes are left. Thirty yards gained by flying wedge, now on Trinity's 10-yard line with only thirty seconds to score! Trinity resists bravely, but with every Tech man behind him, Curtis is pushed over the
line with ten seconds to spare. Goal. Tech, 18; Trinity, 12.

The teams lined up as follows: Trinity—rushers, Coggeshall, Reese, Penrose, McGann, Reiland, Buell, Strawbridge; quarter back, Greenly; half backs, F. Edgerton, Sangford; full back, J. Edgerton. Technology—rushers, Underwood, Mayo, Paige, McCormick, Washburn, Leland, Parker; quarter back, Thomas; half backs, Curtis, Hayden; full back, Andrews.

Amherst, 12; Tech, 4.

Every day last week previous to Saturday hid under a fair front the fact that it was collecting torrents of rain for the purpose of dissolving the upper layer of the South End field, and the red and gray of the young ladies' bonnets. Despite the chill east wind, which took fiendish delight in forcing huge raindrops a-trickling down one's back, it was an enthusiastic crowd which braved the blast for the support of old Technology. Alas, we needed all this encouragement, and a little more, too!

When the game was called Amherst had the ball, but good defense brought it to Tech. Gains through Amherst's center took the ball to Amherst's 10-yard line, where Barns regained fifteen yards by a run around right end. Then Curtis by a gain around Amherst's left end and a hard push through center scored our first and last touchdown. Andrews failed at goal, having a strong wind against him. Tech, 4; Amherst, 0.

Amherst gained twenty yards, but lost the ball, and Andrews punted. Slowly our men were forced back, till Goodale was sent through left tackle for a touchdown. Pratt kicked goal. Tech made fifteen yards on the flying wedge, and had the ball on Amherst's 25-yard line when time was called. Amherst, 6; Tech, 4.

The ground by this time was in terrible condition. No runs could be made, nearly all gains being by sheer push. Thus the fine gains generally made by Curtis were unavailable, and Manahan was in such shape that he had to be replaced by McCormick, lessening our chances somewhat. In this half Goodale was sent from the 15-yard line for a second touchdown. Pratt again kicking goal. After alternately gaining and losing ground Tech settled down to work for another touchdown, but darkness put an end to the game before this could be obtained, and the score remained 12-4, in Amherst's favor.

Several things seemed to conspire against us, yet we must give Amherst the credit of playing the better game. Experience has ever shown that Tech cannot win on a slippery field, and this with the general poor condition of our men may account for the defeat. Thomas's ankle was weak, Manahan had to be relieved, Curtis and Andrews were both lame. We were fairly beaten, however, and must swallow the pill.

The teams lined up as follows: Amherst—rushers, Rosa, Tyler, Benney, Kimball, Stone, Blagden, Ford; quarter back, H. O. Pratt (Capt.); half backs, Barns, Goodale; full back, Dening. Tech—rushers, Underwood, Perkins, Whiting, Manahan (McCormick), Washburn, Mayo, Parker; quarter back, Thomas (Capt.); half backs, Curtis, Hayden, Rockwell; full backs, Andrews, Curtis. Umpire, John Highlands. Referee, Baldwin. Time, 60 minutes.

The Freshman eleven met the Hyde Park Club at Hazelwood, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. The opposing team had the advantages of superior weight and of several years of playing together. On the Tech side there were at no time more than six men who could be called regular players. The Freshmen played a plucky game, but they were outclassed from the first. The score was 30 to 0 in favor of Hyde Park. Waldo's punting was good, and, on the other side, the runs of House and Hayward were notable.
The Lounger has listened to the rattling of the dry bones from the ghosts of the Institute for the past few weeks with most uncertain apprehensions. Ever and anon these departed spirits have raised their ghastly heads and beckoned with their bony fingers to some young blood thirsting for power and fame, but as silently have they always disappeared in the gloom of the past, forgotten or ignored for another period. Of late, however, there appears a disturbance in the cemetery of by-gone aspirations and endeavors which promises a veritable resurrection. There are three divisions of this phantom host, which to-day are led by representative societies. First, there are those withered spirits similar to the Twentieth Century Club, which lie buried so deeply that their past existence is remembered only by such old inhabitants as the janitor, the Lounger, and several other important officials. Ah, well and truly was this ghost named, for present lackadaisical conditions seem to indicate that at least the twentieth century must come ere its resurrection occurs. Then there are those lifeless remains which, like those of the Mechanical Engineering Society, promise little return for an infusion of new blood. The Lounger learns with great concern that so desperate is the condition of this last-named spirit, that eager minds contemplate the need of supporting its trembling bones with the very life blood of present healthy societies. Lastly, there stand propped up for the time those ever-reviving specters which, like the spirit of the Tennis Association, faintly presage, through a careful winter's nursing, a return to old-time jollity.

The Lounger experiences the most uncanny feelings as he ponders on this vast array. These vanishing spirits whose names appear but annually in the "Technique," or which have been dropped even by that careful chronicler, fill him with strange imaginings. Their existence is like that of fake stock companies, known only by their scare letter heads and chance advertisement. Somewhere the Lounger has read of "a valley which was full of dry bones, and they were very dry... and behold there was a noise and a shaking, and the bones came together... and they lived, and stood upon their feet." Does this recent rattling foretell another such scene? Shall the fallen ones truly arise and resume their functions? The Lounger awaits the resurrection.

The use and abuse of girl regulation has recently been brought to the Lounger's notice. Here is one man urging a practical addition of feminine vivacity to the football players' zeal (by the way, do we take the dear creatures to the games for the benefit of the players?), and, on the other hand, a member is complaining that by a clever stroke the Athletic Club have blotted out the better half of his ticket. If the gentle sex are of such value to athletics, surely the Athletic Club, clamoring for aid, should not refuse their presence. Is it because more ambitious members have caused over-stimulation by the presence of a whole corps of beaming maidens in the past? If that is so, why not let one suffice?

The Lounger has become interested in the geological eccentricities of the neighborhood, and for the past week with the students of geology he has enjoyed chasing out to Roxbury and Somerville in order to discover the various serious mistakes that have been made in the formation of these districts. Of course the natives of these places at first took the nomadic tribe for a Salvation Army gang, the Lounger for end man and the Professor for the leader. Some of these were especially impressed when the Professor requested the students to "stand aside, and let the dike come down," and expected the appearance of some heavenly spirit. Other natives hastened to offer a copy of The Family Fireside to every student and to the Professor; but the value of these gifts was, perhaps, unfortunately appreciated only by the students, the Professor being engaged in watching the approach of the dike. It was not long before the Lounger began to tire of these diversions, and to lag behind—for several reasons. He does not pretend to walk, especially with those Civils; and besides that, he has a particular aversion to barbed wire fences and steep ascents. As a result he was soon left behind, to dream and to wonder how much better this world would have been if it had been made in the nineteenth century, according to modern scientific laws and formulae. So he wandered on, cracking jokes and rocks, till at last, after a warning from the setting sun and a vigorous train chase, he returned, to enjoy his "Fireside."
AN IDYL OF THE STRAP.

She spoke to me; her voice was low
And sweet,
With hidden thought I could not know
Replete
She cast on me a lingering look,
That all my inmost being shook,
And, as our glances mixed, she took
My seat.

—Red and Blue.

"LOVE'S LABOR LOST."

Unto his lady love he sang
A sweet, melodious serenade;
And ever loud and louder rang
The harp by skilful fingers played.

At length, ah me, what joy! what bliss!
The window oped, forth comes her hand;
She throws—a nickel, not a kiss;
She thought it was a strolling band.

—Brunonian.

A DREAM

Out from the vague and shadowy realms of sleep,
Often there comes to me at eventide
A merrily laughing face, and eyes of brown.
Whence roguish glances, swift and tender, leap.

Once more we wander, side by side, along
Some rippling stream, or through the forest glade;
Or, roaming under August's sunny skies,
We hear the mighty ocean's ceaseless song.

Ah! precious thoughts of mingled joy and pain
That come to us, surrounded by life's cares;
Come forth, ye misty dreams at eventide,
And bring forgotten memories back again.

—Dartmouth Lit.

In olden times the lovelorn youth
Who held life not worth living,
Would plunge a dagger in his heart
And die, his love forgiving.

The modern youth who, soured by love,
Seeks shorter paths to heaven,
His sweater dons, eats raw beefsteak,
And joins the football 'leven.

—Sequoia.

SONNET.

How often in the silent hours of thought,
When brooding doubts upon the spirit lie,
Some peal of nobler harmony is caught,—
A far-off echo from eternity.
Upon our ear it rings with sudden thrill
Of new-born ecstasy and pure delight;
And hope, our inmost longings to fulfill,
The beauteous music hastens to invite.
Yet as we try to captive hold the strain
Forever, faint and fainter still it grows,
Till, like the tropic twilight's narrow reign,
It vanishes as quickly as it rose.
O heavenly message! with us longer stay,
Nor wing thy restless flight so soon away.

—Columbia Lit.

AN UNHAPPY EXCEPTION.

The world is full of changes; there is nothing here abiding:
All things are evanescent, fleeting, transitory, gliding.
The earth, the sea, the sky, the stars,—where'er the fancy
ranges,
The tooth of time forever mars: all life is full of changes.
Like sands upon the ocean's shore, that are forever drifting,
So all the fading scenes of earth incessantly are shifting.
Change rules the mighty universe; there is no power to
block it:
There's change in everything, alas! except a fellow's
pocket.

—Williams Weekly.

MASQUERADE.

Two souls masked under faces met one day:
Beneath the masks each saw the other's eyes;
Together from the dancing throng away
They drew with strange new joy and sweet surprise.

Then, filled with longing vague and swift unrest,
"Unmask! Show me thy very self!" said one.
The other wept: "Alas, the bitter jest!
 Thou knowest I may not till the dance is done."

—Vassar Miscellany.

QUATRAINS.

The weary shuttle can no more divine
Of how its thread looks in the whole design,
Than we poor shuttles in the hand of Fate
Can fathom of the plan a single line.

A thread of love a careless shuttle bore,
And wove its warp as it had done before.
It spun along regardlessly, and lo!
A heart was all entangled evermore.

If one could hear aright the murmurings
Of some shore-stranded seashell, as it sings,
It might be then that he would come to know
An inklings of the Planner's purposings.

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