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NASMUCH as Amherst and Williams are hard at work preparing strong teams for the Intercollegiate Meet, Technology should awake to the necessities of the situation and use every effort to bring out the best athletes. Although we won last year with a good margin, the uncertainties of a field day are very great, and those events of which we feel most sure may be captured by dark horses from the more obscure colleges, leaving a comparatively clear field to our stronger rivals. Brown especially shows signs of strength even at this early date, and promises decided improvement in track events. Amherst and Williams are systematically developing teams, and many men are already in close training. Such enterprise and perseverance stands out in glaring contrast to our present semi-dormant condition. There is no reason why Technology should not succeed in track athletics and field events, and there is every reason why earnest and continued effort should be made to win the Intercollegiate Meet. Now is the time for men to commence work at the Gymnasium and infuse some enthusiasm into the training; hard work, and hard work alone, will keep the championship cup in Boston another year.

There is now in operation at one of our sister technical institutions, a scheme of examinations which has been proven by long testing to be effective to the end for which it was called into existence. We refer to the "honor examination system."

Originally, we believe, a body consisting of men from each of the four classes was appointed by the faculty. These appointments were entirely unknown to the students at large, and in ensuing years the body appointed its own members as vacancies were left by outgoing classes. At the time of examinations the students are absolutely free from faculty supervision and monitors, but there is known to be present some unidentified members of the "Council." Should any discovery of the practice of dishonest methods be made an immediate report to the representative body results and the offender is summoned to appear for trial. If found guilty (as has always been the case thus far, for the reason that no reports are made except upon reasonable evidence), the "Council" recommends the dismissal of the misdoer to the faculty, which has usually enforced the terms of the recommendation. The entire workings of the system are so noiseless that there is none of the disagreeable stir which such affairs produce elsewhere.
It seems to us that the question is one wholly worthy of consideration. Honesty in work must of necessity affect the student body far more decidedly than it can the faculty of any institution, and therefore the punishment of offense should be meted out by the offended or by their representatives. It has been said, the effect of this plan at the college which has been cited has been to lessen in large measure the percentage of dishonest work in examinations, the reason for which is evident, since a would-be "cribber" is unaware of the supervision under which he may be placed.

CONSIDERABLE annoyance has been occasioned for some time past by students smoking in the hallways and entrance of one of the Technology buildings, and several complaints have been made to the Head of the Department. Inasmuch as unfortunate impressions will be formed by persons visiting the Institute, it should be sufficient to suggest that smokers hereafter choose a more appropriate place and time than the Technology Buildings during recitation hours.

THE subject of the proper ventilation and heating of recitation rooms has been one to which no little care and attention has been given by those who have had the matter in charge at Technology. To such a condition, in fact, has the arrangement of the ventilating apparatus of the Walker Building been brought that even in the chemical laboratories a degree of excellence has been attained which is indeed remarkable. Of the system employed in the Rogers and the Architectural Buildings but little need be said. In Engineering, however, it would be well to bring to the attention of the proper authorities the fact that the upper draughting and recitation rooms have of late been heated to such an extent and the change of air has been so noticeably slow that little except drowsiness could be expected of men whose scheduled assignments have placed them in that portion of the building. It is truly needless to advert to the relation of cool, unpolluted air to the certain, alert action of the brain, and the constant activity of the hand. We regret that it has seemed necessary to refer to this condition, lately and at present existent, which has been cited, realizing as we do, the consideration which the question has ever evoked. However, if a change could by any means be wrought, men now taking courses under Professor Swain, Professor Allen, Professor Porter, Professor Burton and Mr. Robbins, as well as those instructors themselves, would be in no small measure gratified, and class work would undoubtedly become proportionately more valuable and interesting.

WE must ask that more care be taken in handling the exchanges which are placed on the table in the general reading room. These exchanges are the property of THE TECH. It must not be supposed from the fact that clippings have been taken from them that they are of no further use; on the contrary, they are kept on file after they are returned from the table.

It has also been found that some of the exchanges are missing, and if these abuses of the privilege which are offered to the students continue, it will be necessary to remove the table to the office of THE TECH, and thereby inconvenience the large body of careful readers on account of the few who are inconsiderate.

WE announce with pleasure the election of Mr. Thomas E. Tallmadge and Mr. Raymond S. Willis from the class of Ninety-eight to the Editorial Board, at its last meeting, Monday, February twenty-fifth. It has been gratifying to note the increased interest evinced of late among the several members of the Freshman Class in the editorial work of THE TECH, a co-operation which has now pronounced its first results in a commendabel
class representation. It only remains for Ninety-seven and Ninety-eight to exhibit their concern to a still further degree, and compel a still larger representation. Ninety-five has already practically laid aside the pen for the apparently more weighty matters of an impending Commencement Season, and in another year, also, Ninety-six will have followed a relentless precedent, and will have surrendered its duties to lower-classmen.

COMMUNICATIONS.

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

To the Editors of the Tech:

In an editorial published in the Tech of February seventh the Class of '98 was taken severely to task for its lassitude and indifference shown in regard to athletics. The criticism was well deserved. With a possible exception of a few, athletics would languish for all ninety-eight would do about the matter. The fact that athletes are always numerous in the upper classes shows that there is certainly a corresponding amount of talent in the Freshman year if it were only brought out. So far Ninety Eight has been only represented among the sprinters, whereas she ought to have had at least candidates for the other games. Every man who heard Mr. Allston Sargent’s spirited appeal at the Class Dinner, should betake himself at once to the Gym and see at least what he is made of. Having been defeated in football, no stone should be left unturned to see us successful on the diamond, this spring.

'98.

And Still They Wonder at the Increase in Crime.

Said Farmer Jones to Deacon Smith,

"My boy has got to leave;
For down at Tech they’re teaching him
To lie and to deceive.

"I got a list of what he takes
Just yesterday from George;
And, dern me, if he didn’t say
They’re teaching him to forge!"

A W. J.

On Thursday afternoon, February 21st, the Institute Committee held its first meeting of the term in the Tech office. Mr. Hayden, in his minutes of the previous meeting, reported that leaders of cheering had been appointed from the Senior and Junior Classes, and also stated that, as a result of the recommendation of the Committee to Dr. Tyler, the “Cage” has been kept open during the noon recess, and that this arrangement will continue in effect.

Numerous designs for a new Technology pin had been received by Mr. Hayden, and were submitted for consideration; the pennant style predominated, while several more elaborate and original plans were among the number. In that the decision in regard to a representative pin is one of great importance both for the present and in the future, it was deemed best to place the designs in the hands of a sub-committee, consisting of Messrs. Canfield, Hyde, and Noble, who were instructed to carry the matter to a termination, and to report at the next meeting.

A subject which should receive the hearty support of the Institute at large is as follows: It was suggested that, with the principal newspapers of the country, communication be made, and definite arrangements undertaken which would insure the publication of Technology news from time to time. By this means the name and fame of the Institute would be kept constantly before the public to mutual advantage of college and people. A committee of two, Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Hutchinson, was appointed to investigate the plan and report. A communication from Dr. Tyler to Secretary Hayden was read, in which the former requested the committee to furnish him with the addresses of the principal fraternity chapters throughout the country in order that
M. I. T. catalogues might be sent officially. The chair appointed Mr. Hayden to furnish the Secretary with the desired information.

The many complaints on account of the habitual refusal of the Bursar to cash checks, presented by students of the Institute, led the committee to decide to take action in the matter. Inasmuch as Mr. George Wigglesworth has control of the financial matters of the Corporation, it was thought best to confer directly with him. Accordingly the chair appointed Mr. Willis to call on Mr. Wigglesworth and endeavor to gain some concession.

Copies of the committee photographs, which were taken some three weeks since, were distributed.

Professor Rumkle did not meet his sections last week.

The Seniors are getting the Emery machine into shape for testing.

The Carpentry shops will have a new circular saw very soon.

An examination in Isometrics was given to the '98 Architects, Wednesday, the 20th.

The Schedule of the March Condition Examinations for Graduate candidates is out.

A meeting of the Class of '98 has been called for Saturday to organize the Freshman Baseball Team.

The Freshmen have recently learned that no final exams. in Trigonometry or Analytical Geometry will be given.

A large number of men have been exchanged from the battalion drilling on Friday to that which drills on Wednesday.

The cadets will begin to drill in the school of the squad as soon as they pass their inspection in the school of the soldier.

The Junior problem in design, "An Entrance to a Theatre," promises to be one of the most successful problems of the year.

A. O. Portner, who was hardly and unjustly misused by policemen after the Freshman dinner, has recovered from the ill effects of the event.

The long slab of granite, rising above the level of the sidewalk in front of the Rogers Building, for so long a time a public nuisance, has been removed.

Allston Sargent, '98, entered the thirty-yard dash contest of the Newton High School Athletic Association held in the M. I. T. Gymnasium, Saturday last.

The designs of Messrs. C. D. Waterbury, F. A. Bourne, and J. H. Parker who have entered in the Beaux Arts "Schoolhouse" Competition, were shipped to New York on Monday.

We would recommend every man at Technology to obtain and read carefully a copy of President Walker's report for the past year. A large amount of information is contained in the pamphlet, with which every Institute man should make himself thoroughly familiar.

The Deutscher Verein request all Technology men with good voices to enter the chorus in the German play. The Glee Club has kindly consented to take part, and it is believed that with the co-operation of others, the German College songs will be rendered in a manner highly praiseworthy to Technology.

Through an oversight, Mr. Willis' name did not appear in the list of toasts at the Freshman Dinner in the last issue of THE TECH. He was chosen to respond to the toast "The Future of '98," but was prevented by a previous engagement. At the close of
the Dinner, however, he was called upon for extemporaneous remarks, which were very well received.

Many Technology men have availed themselves of the opportunity of visiting the United States ram Katahdin, which is now lying in dry-dock at the Charlestown navy yard. The ram, designed by Rear Admiral Ammon, is a new and novel venture in naval architecture. She is now being put in condition for her trial trip under the superintendence of a graduate of the Institute.

The KsS Society held its February "Smoker" at its rooms, 439 Boylston Street, on Wednesday, February 20th. Besides the active members there were present Drs. Drown and Talbot, Mr. Schmitz, and Mr. Parker, '94. Messrs. Barlow, '96, and Woodworth, '97, joined the society, and papers were read by Messrs. Defren on "Hop Oil," Bigelow on "Toxine and Antitoxine," and Stoughton on the "Chemistry of Photography.

The work on the French plays which are to be presented by L'Avenir during Junior Week has begun in earnest. The comedies, which will be "La Cigale chez les Fourmis" and "Le Thème Americain," are under the charge of Mr. Charles Bernard, to whom the success of last year's performance is largely due. The ballet will again be instructed by Mr. John J. Coleman, and bids fair to surpass even that of last year. Such co-operation by the members of the club has been given that all the parts have been opened to competition. The ballet, which will require twelve men, has thirty-one candidates.

The new assignments for the Freshman battalions have been made by Captain Bigelow, and are announced as follows: Staff of First Battalion—Major, Everett C. Emery; Adj. Lieut., H. Fisher, Co. B; Sergt. Major, T. C. Hastings. E. T. Cadworth has been appointed Captain Co. A, and J. H. Lambert, Captain Co. B; Chief Musician, E. W. Norton.

In the Second Battalion the staff is: Major, K. W. Watterson; Adj. Lieut., T. H. Twombly; Sergt. Major, J. D. Underwood; Chief Musician, O. C. Leonard. J. T. Robinson has been appointed Captain Co. C, and E. D. Springer, Captain Co. D.

The next regular meeting of the Society of Arts will be held in Room 22, Walker, at eight o'clock this evening. Mr. Frederick E. Ives, of Philadelphia, will read a paper on Reproduction of the Natural Colors by Photography, in which he will give the details of his photochromoscope system. The papers will be illustrated with the lantern, and the improved (stereoscopic) form of the photochromoscope will be shown. Members are requested to invite friends interested in the subject. At the next meeting of the Society, March 14th, Prof. C. Frank Allen will read a paper on "Highway Engineering."

Probably the most enjoyable concert of the season to the Glee, Banjo, and Mandolin clubs was that given at Lawrence, Monday evening, February 18th. The concert was rendered in the usual excellent style, all the clubs receiving encores for nearly every selection. Mr. Barker, formerly of the Glee Club, sang a solo, which was most enthusiastically received. The men of the clubs were very pleasantly entertained at the residences of several of the townspeople, and an enjoyable reception and dance following the concert were given. The success of this latter event was due to the efforts of Messrs. Barker, Owen, and to other Technology Alumni.

A great deal of amusement and disgust was aroused in the Freshman class over the report of the arrest of two Ninty-eight men, as recorded in the Boston Post. In the first place the Post seemed badly confused as to whether the riotous spirits were Ninety-eight or Ninety-six men, and armed with this copious lack of information created a wild fabrication, in every point erroneous. The facts of the matter are these: As the Freshmen were marching by
Keith's, on Washington Street, one man was picked out at random and arrested, not two. One of the class officers voluntarily took a ride in the patrol wagon with him to the station, where the offender was promptly discharged on the advice of the officers who made the arrest. No one was given "three times three," as the *Post* insists, and the class marched off with its accustomed good spirits.

Apropos to the proposed grant of money by the legislature to the Institute, the Joint Standing Committee of the two houses on Education visited President Walker last Friday, and under his guidance made a tour of inspection of all the Technology buildings. After an examination of the laboratories and apparatus in the Walker Building, the party visited the Engineering and Architectural Buildings, and also the workshops. In the Engineering laboratory the power of the Emery testing machine was shown the committee by the crushing of a spruce log, and also the operation of the tensile testing apparatus and of the torsion machine by the twisting of a two-inch rod of Norwegian steel. The committee lunched with President Walker in his office, and expressed themselves as amazed and delighted with the wonderful equipment and facilities of the Institute. The members of the committee are Hon. Joel D. Miller (chairman), Burril Porter, Jr., W. St. John, Mr. Keenan, Mr. Drew, and Mr. Penniman, clerk of the committee.

He urged the members of the Course to first learn French and German, and then to go abroad in order to study the lives and customs of other peoples. Professor Bates next talked in a happy way of English and American humor, and, illustrating the drift of his argument by felicitous illustrations, he showed in what a different state of mind the same story is viewed by English and American people. Mr. King, '94, was then asked to address the club, and spoke of his interest in the success of the Walker Club. He then returned to the subject of foreign travel, and thought it practicable for students to travel abroad with a small amount of money. Professor Currier next spoke of foreign travel, and told some of his own experiences and expenses. He, too, spoke of the necessity of French and German. It is often desirable, he said, to register as a foreigner rather than as an American. Mr. Sumner told his personal experiences in Europe and brought out many interesting details in the way of living. Dr. Ripley last spoke in an informal way of traveling abroad, and the meeting was then adjourned.

The Ninety-four Class Dinner.

With all things surrounded by an atmosphere of fraternal regard; the cares and worries of college life toned down by distance until their outlines assumed a softened aspect; the delights and joys of scholastic experience brought forward by the high lights of memory; the long looked for entrance into life among men, and business a thing which might be spoken of as "known";—these are some of the elements under whose influence the first post-graduate reunion of a college class enters history. What more natural, than that such potent circumstances should have brought about perhaps, the most delightful gathering of the many which owe their existence to Technology. So it was that

"Should auld acquaintance be forgot?"
became the motto of the members of the Class of Ninety-Four as they assembled at the Parker House, on the occasion of their first dinner as a class, since severing their active association with the Institute as students. Such an occasion could not but be marked by hearty good fellowship and greeting, and indeed, happy memory seemed to be the sauce of the whole menu. All who had at any time been connected with the college life of '94 had been invited to be present; the response was large, and nearly forty men renewed their allegiance to M. I. T.

Just a year ago (February 20), '94 assembled her sons at her Senior Dinner, and the room which then echoed to her exulting cheers, now again sounded to her more sedate vivas. Necessary business was the first to receive attention. President Raymond Beach Price from the chair asked for order, and Secretary Albert Ball Tenney read the minutes of the previous meeting. The annual election of officers resulted as follows: President, Raymond Beach Price; Vice President, Colbert Anderson Mac Clure; Secretary and Treasurer, Albert Ball Tenney; Executive committee, C. Nelson Wrightington and Thomas P. Curtis. It was deemed advisable to levy a due of one dollar a year upon each member in order to support the organization of the class, as such.

Some pleasant moments were spent after business was disposed of, in exchanging experiences, recounting Fortune's favors and the like, and at 8.30 dinner was announced. President Price, the toasmaster, Mr. Harold Mayson Chase, and the speakers for the evening occupied the head of the "U" table. A dainty menu card was found at each plate, finished in the class Blue and Gray, and all were invited to surround the hospitable board by the couplet from Macbeth:

"You know your own degrees: sit down. At first  
And last the hearty welcome."

A long list of savory courses was discussed with heartiness, after which "Sublime tobacco which from east to west  
Cheers the tar's labor or the Turkman's breast."

prepared the way for the speakers of the evening.

Mr. Price gave the welcoming word, and spoke of the work Tech ninety-four men are doing. He regretted that the year had so separated old friends but felt confident that the same class feeling existed. Mr. Chase was then introduced as toastmaster, and proceeded to give his stock of stories in his happiest manner. Mr. Sheppard responded to the first toast, "Alma Mater," and said that the bond of class comradeship had but strengthened in the past year. He spoke of Institute work and of the broader work in life which most of ninety-four men have entered since last May.

Mr. Reed, who is now at the Institute, responded to "The Instructor," and told in a pleasant way of the trials and perplexities that have greeted him and students in the Mechanical Laboratory during the year.

Mr. Bates was next called upon for a song, which received the usual enthusiastic applause. To "The Class of Ninety-four," Mr. King next responded, and after reviewing Freshman days and the friends whose faces are associated with the history of the class, spoke of the present success and future prospects of different members of the class. Mr. Tenney told some of his practical experiences in "The Cold, Cold World," and then read a poem by A. Shurtleff.

Mr. Wood next talked amiably of "Society as I Have Found It." Mr. Sherman, who was to give "A Reminiscence," and Mr. Loring, whose toast was "The Business Man," were unable to be present. In closing, Mr. Chase told some more facetious stories and then read a bright poem written by Mr. Prescott.

After some good stories by different members of the class, and a few songs, farewells were said till ninety-four can assemble another year.
Cornell, Columbia, and U. of P. will have a triangular boat race this year.

The Harvard Faculty has been severely criticized at alumni dinners for condemning football.

Harvard athletes have been forbidden to run in scant athletic clothing on the streets of Cambridge.

The H. A. A. will hold but one winter meeting this year. The sparring meeting has been abolished.

The Roxbury Latin School A. A. held a well attended meeting in the Gymnasium on Washington's birthday.

The London Athletic Club will send a team of English college athletes to this country to participate in an international athletic meet, which will take place in New York, September 21, 1895. The New York Athletic Club, under whose auspices the meeting will be held, will bear the expenses of the visiting team.

All men who have not won prizes in athletics since entering the Institute, are eligible to the 35-yard dash novice. Three handsome prizes will be given in this event, and it is hoped that the entries will prove the value of the event. Its object is to encourage athletics among those who are naturally interested, but who have not the time to give to the usual training for such contests.

A probable alliance between the Intercollegiate Athletic Association and the Amateur Athletic Union has been mentioned in the Dailies as the next important step in the progress of amateur sport. The convention took place at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, on February 25th, at 2.30 p.m. College athletics come so closely into touch with the outside amateur world during the Holiday Season that a uniformity of governing rules has become absolutely necessary for the general welfare of the sport.

The Sixteenth annual scratch games of the M. I. T. A. C. will be held in the Technology gymnasmium on Saturday, March 9th, at eight o'clock. The larger athletic clubs have all entered strong teams. The entries from Harvard number nearly one-half the total entry list. Since at these games the winter season will end, the best indoor material will meet on even terms to settle the championship. In the High Jump entries, Putnam, H. A. A., Paine, H. A. A., and Stingel, B. A. A., are noticeable; Garrison, H. A. A., Rockwell, M. I. T., E. H. Clark, H. A. A., and J. J. Crowley, the record holder, will endeavor to lower the time in the Potato Race; Hoyt, H. A. A., Shaw, M. I. T., and Green, M. I. T., will be seen in the Pole Vault; while Carr, M. I. T., Sargent, M. I. T., I. S. Clark, N. A. A., Keane, B. A. A., and others, will bid for the three prizes in the 35-yard Dash. The entries in the Shot, Standing Three Jumps, 40 yards High Hurdles, and 35 yards Novice (open to M. I. T. only) are also well filled. Entries close on Saturday, March 2d, with J. P. Ilsley, Jr.

It's a Bird, Too!
If our gym isn't up to the standard,
At least we are equal, I'll wage,
With Yale for a baseball equipment:
Have we not a magnificent cage?
—R. S. W.

Hard.
The girl was fond of music—
Liked a concert or the opera;
Had dainty tastes—loved violets,
' Quite a maiden of the era.
His wealth was microscopic,
Resembling other scholars—
And this his task, two "Carmen" seats
When he only had $2!
'Twas indeed a gay and festive evening that the Juniors spent at the Thorndike not long ago. Perchance the hardy sons of Ninety-six are more close-mouthed than their Freshmen brethren, for the Lounger has heard as yet no wild and harrowing tales of "beastly" conduct at the Junior Dinner. A suspicion of a tale has, however, reached him from that noble class which first dared to take the stand on the side of manly purity, to the effect that two of their number narrowly escaped official attention upon the close of their temperance meeting at Youngs'. This news was to the Lounger neither gratifying nor astonishing. He does not bring again to notice this oft-mooted subject for his own gratification, nor for the purpose of calling attention to the fulfilment of his very simple prediction. He is content to let each one draw his own inferences. Meantime he adheres to his original belief that a sweeping measure such as the Freshmen enacted is less productive of any actual good than of interesting discussion.

Time may prove that another fruitful subject for debate has been brought up in the recent attempt to revivify our defunct Baseball Association. It seems that the enthusiastic devotees of the willow and the sphere have again been seized with the demon of unrest. Certain it is that their ululatory clamors have been particularly in evidence of late, and the instant establishment of a 'Varsity nine seems to be the panacea. However this may be, it is certain that the question of a 'Varsity Baseball Team at Technology is not one susceptible of decision off-hand. The experience of at least one ineffable season should lead our athletic Solons to the exercise of thought, care, and judgment before launching Technology upon a career, which, though it be be-diamonded if not gilded, may end—who knows where? What the managers hope for this year is, the Lounger fears, of a somewhat too shadowy and dreamlike character, but whatever may be the outcome the Lounger trusts that no further increment to the Association’s already ponderous financial burden may result.

Whether the spring term at Technology is too short for the proper training of a 'Varsity Nine, whether, too, the uncertain inducements of a baseball season should not be promptly sacrificed to the bright and present prospects of a second victory at Worcester, are things to be taken into account. The Lounger trusts that in any decision the outcome will have proved the foresight of its promulgators, and then there will be no need for such bitter feelings and righteous wrath as followed the vagaries of our star aggregation last Spring.

Meantime let the blithesome manager, whose identity rests at present in blessed incognito, fit joyously about; let him gather in the shining shillings as fast as may be; let him fill his date book full even to the covers thereof; let him steer clear of pseudo amateurs, and—keep a weather eye on Williams.

A more immediate attraction is however in view, which the sagaciously and forethoughtfully frugal may now enjoy. Long since have those swarthy compatriots of Verdi been grinding out the divine work of the master at a trifling price per unit crank angular velocity, and again have the oft-repeated strains of "Una voce poco far," "The Soldiers' Chorus," and the "Intermezzo" told of the advent of the opera. Books, triangles, and T-squares possess but slender attractions beside the music of Verdi, Bizet, Meyerbeer, and Wagner, even when heard in that peculiarly vicissitudinous arena known as the Mechanics Building Auditorium, but even there the sway is irresistible. When a better and more worthy place of sojourn is provided for the entertainment of wandering Euterpe, the Lounger will rejoice in company with some thousands of others, but till then he is glad to join the gay throng that nightly besieges the huge portal on Huntington Avenue, and willingly exchanges his modest weekly wage for a bit of pasteboard. He is not alone, however, in this reckless expenditure, for his circumambient eye has beheld many an unexpected meeting between stern prof. and rash enthusiast which betokens ill for the latter on the relentless morrow. With the price of opera hovering high aloft, with gratification of the esthetic sense at three dollars per roulade, the Lounger's salary does not go far, but with an easy "Don't you care," he thinks of the good time he is having, and relegates croaking to the dyspeptics.
"GOING TO PRESS."

"To-morrow at ten we go to press,"
Said the scribe with the massive brow.
Said she: "Sir Editor, I confess
I wish you were going to now."

—Concordiensis.

THE ENGAGEMENT.

A maid, a man,
An opened fan,
A seat upon the stair,
A stolen kiss,
Six months of bliss—
Then twenty years of care.

—Ex.

RELAPSE.

I study Evolution,
And hear the teacher tell
How we have all developed
From an isolated cell.
And in the examination
Some fellows make it plain,
Their principles will bring them
To the starting point again.

—Sequoia.

ELECTRICAL LOVE.

"The tendrils of my soul are twined
With thine, though many a mile apart;
And thine in close-coiled circuits wind
Around the magnet of my heart.
"Constant as Daniell, strong as Grove,
Seething in all its depths, like Smee,
My heart pours forth its tide of love,
And all its circuits close in thee.
"O, tell me, when along the line
From my full heart the current flows,
What currents are induced in thine?
One click from thee will end my woes."
Through many an Ohm the Weber flew,
And clicked this answer back to me,—
"I am thy Farad, staunch and true,
Charged to a Volt with love of thee."

—Ex.

He left the wood pile and purloined the pie,
This tramp who scorned all decency and law;
He said, and gayly winked his other eye,
I came, I conquered, but I never saw.

—En.

AT THE DANCE.

The maiden fair
Sat on the stair;
Her thoughts she could not sham.
Her slippers neat
So pinched her feet
She softly whispered, "D—n!"

—Ex.

GEOLOGICAL.

A stratum of solid, slippery ice,
A stratum of slush, soft and nice;
A stratum of water, over that
A stratum of man in new silk hat;
Above the startled air is blue,
With oath on oath a stratum or two.

—The Unit.

Dear Pa, I send as per request
My last report to you,
But pray don’t think it is the best
Your little son can do;
The standard here so high is deemed
A mark of fifty’s fair,
And sixty is as high esteemed
As ninety is elsewhere.

—Columbia Spectator.

A SERENADE.

Beneath my fair queen’s lattice
I touch my light guitar,
And play there, while the cat is
My echo from afar.
But hark! how softly stealing
From yonder window, creeps
A long, deep sound, revealing—
She sleeps, my lady sleeps.

—Yale Record.

QUESTIONS.

What made James Riley?
And why was Lawrence Sterne?
And why did Richard Lovelace so?
We all Wood like to learn.
Jonathan Swift, and Bishop Still?
Why Mrs. Barbauld so?
What sorrow caused all Fanny Steers?
Does anybody know?
Why didn’t Robert Ascham?
And when was Dyer’s birth?
Did Richard Steele a Buckle?
How much are these Wordsworth?

—The Unit.
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