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The Rev. Elisha Winchester Donald, D.D., will preach the Baccalaureate Sermon to the Class of '98, on Sunday afternoon, June 5th, in Trinity Church.

The Mandaman Club held a dinner last Friday evening at Young's Hotel. Laws, Cummins, Clark, and Foster were initiated. Six other men were elected to membership.

Of the deaths due to sports since 1894, swimming has caused 1,350; boating, 986; hunting, 654; bicycling, 264; horseback riding, 333; ice boating, 22; baseball, 6; tennis, 4; golf, 2; football, 11.

L'Avenir dinner was held last Saturday evening at Marliave's Hotel. A large number of members were present. After the dinner the remainder of the evening was spent at the Promenade Concert.

The following were elected officers of the Society of Arts at the annual meeting, May 12th: Secretary, Arthur T. Hopkins; Executive Committee, George W. Blodgett, Desmond FitzGerald, Edmund H. Hewins, Frank W. Hodgden, Charles T. Main.

Die Gesellschaft finished its first year's work on the 3d of May. The officers for the ensuing year are: Mr. N. J. Neall, 1900, President; Miss Grace MacLeod, 1901, Secretary. Several lectures have been given in German by Professors Van Daell, Dippold, Noyel, and Mr. Blachstein. Two plays have been read, "Der Wartesalon Eiste Classe," and Schiller's "Neffe als Onkel."

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The Harvard Gun Club has won the intercollegiate championship of the year by a big margin.

The tests of the apparatus at the Harvard Square Station of the Elevated R. R. Co., were very satisfactory.

Extract titles of theses should be reported at the Secretary's office as soon as possible. Theses are due on Tuesday, May 24th.

In the absence of Captain Bigelow, Lieut. Col. George H. Benyon, Assistant Adjutant General on the Staff of the 2d Brigade, M. V. M., has been made commander of the Freshman Battalion.

A meeting of yacht owners of the M. I. T. Yacht Club will be held Friday in Room 21, Rogers, to decide upon a schedule for the annual summer cruise, and the details for the new ten-foot class for the Charles River.

The Tech hopes, by special arrangement, to be able to send the extra twenty-page Class-day issue to all its subscribers without additional expense to them. If it is possible to do this, the regular issue for next Thursday will be omitted.

All members of the Mechanical Engineering Society should give their names to one of the following men, for a "shingle." The "shingles" or certificates of membership designed by F. B. Masters, are very neat and will be printed in a few days. I. H. Kaufman, '98; S. S. Philbrick, '98; W. R. Bean, '99; D. C. Churchill, '99; J. K. Clark, '99; F. A. Watkins, '99.

At the annual meeting of the Technology Wheelmen on Saturday, the following were elected officers for the ensuing year, President, O. G. Luyties, '00; Vice President, A. Loomis, '99; Secretary and Treasurer, C. F. Johnson, '99. The following men were elected to membership, E. F. Brigham, '00; J. S. Croswell, '00; H. L. Grant, '00, and A. G. A. Schmidt, '00.

The class baseball game, which takes place this afternoon on the South End grounds, promises to be one of exceptional interest. Those who were in Tech. last year remember the excellent record made by the 1900 team. The Freshman team of this year has a reputation as good as their predecessors. All Freshmen and Sophomores should make it a point to be on hand to cheer for their men.

On Thursday, May 12th, members of Courses V. and X. inspected the Mattapan Paper Mills. The party was shown through the entire plant, and the process of paper making explained in detail from the sorting of the rags to the final calendering of the immense sheets of paper. One of the largest paper machines in the United States was seen in operation. The students wish to thank the company and employees for the extreme courtesy shown to them.

The mere mention that there is to be a "Tech. night" at the well-known "Pop concerts" given in Music Hall is undoubtedly sufficient to bring out a crowd of Tech. men on that occasion, which will be Thursday evening, June 2d. The Hall will be decorated with Technology colors, and numerous features dear to the heart of every Institute man will form a part of the programme. Its date, bringing it at the end of the examinations, makes it a fitting opportunity to celebrate the beginning of vacation.

Technology Calendar.

May 10.—Gun Club, annual meeting. Election of officers at 1 P. M., in Room 11. Class games 1900 vs. 1901, South End Grounds at 3 30 p. m.

May 20.—M. I. T. Yacht Club. Meeting of Yacht owners at 4.15 in Room 20. 1900 vs. St. Mark's Academy, Southborough, at 3 P. M. Y. M. C. A. meeting in Room 26 at 4.10 P. M.

May 21.—1900 vs. Thayer Academy, at 3 P. M. Worcester Meet at Worcester, Mass.; train leaves at 9 a. m.

May 22.—Tech. Board meeting and lunch in the office at 1 P. M.

May 25.—1900 vs. Dean Academy.

May 30.—1900 vs. Bridgewater High, at Bridgewater, at 3 P. M.

June 2.—Tech. Night at the "Pop" Concert.
Mass Meeting.

A mass meeting of the student body was held in Huntington Hall yesterday afternoon to consider the question of athletics at Worcester. The banners and trophies held by members of the Athletic Association were exhibited on the platform. Mr. Morse called the meeting to order. He urged the necessity of giving the team a good send off, and letting them understand that the college had a vital interest in their success. With this slight preliminary, he introduced Mr. John Graham, the trainer of the team.

Mr. Graham spoke of this year's team as being the best that Tech. has ever produced; and, although cautioning against a display of overconfidence, he hinted at great things from it, and said that it was sure of several firsts. He said the only rival that need be feared was Dartmouth, and that only because nothing definite is known about their team. He also deplored the lack of moral and financial support which the team has had to struggle against, and closed with an appeal for support from the students. Mr. Morse then called on Mr. Winslow for a statement of the finances of the society.

Mr. Winslow said that the Association lost one hundred and twenty-five dollars on the Amherst meet, and that it would cost seventy-five dollars to send the team to Worcester. The sum lacked twenty-five dollars of being complete, and if the team is to go to Worcester this must be made up before Saturday. Speaking of the poor support the team has received, he said that the collection in the classes and courses have so far turned in only fifty dollars. Compared with Dartmouth,—where each man has given ten dollars at least,—how meagre this seems. Mr. Morse said that the team would be given a send-off from Rogers steps at 8.40, and leave on the 9.00 express Saturday morning. Those who go to Worcester with the team are to have a Bohemian supper somewhere in town (place to be announced at Worcester) upon their return.

Communications.

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

To the Editors of The Tech:—

It is certain that a large majority of the Class of 1900 are strongly opposed to what one of our professors deservedly calls the "rude and ungentlemanly conduct" of a very few of the students at lecture courses.

In second year Physics and English Literature, five-sixths of the students never make any disturbing noise, and three-quarters of the others talk because the last fraction make it impossible to hear the lecturer.

The lecturer fully understands what part of the difficulty is due to the construction of the room, and has been very considerate. But he also knows too well that a small number have no interest in the lecture, are bored, and have not sufficient courtesy to pay the attention due to the least skilled instructor; he knows that they have not sufficient honor to regard the rights of the majority of the class.

But the Professor is lecturing to a class of men, men knowing their duties as such. If they cannot control themselves, the Professor should not be obliged to withdraw his attention from the delivery of his lecture to the preservation of order. The students must help themselves.

As a remedy for this childish conduct, perhaps we can do no better than follow the example of the students of the University of the City of New York, who force any disturber over to the door, and out of the room.

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A woman's ways.

A woman's ways are very queer,
And win her much renown;
She'll call a man up in a 'phone,
Then turn and call him down.

—Brunonian.

At 11.40 P. M.

He: "Time flies."
She: "It wouldn't be a bad thing if you had wings."

—Cornell Widow.
Nineteen Hundred won a good game from Milton Academy last Saturday, by a score of 10–4.

Natick High School defeated 1900, 17–2, last Thursday. Tech.'s pitcher was hit very hard.

Bridgewater Normal defeated '99 last Saturday, 19–4, in a poorly played game; '99 got only one hit, and could not field.

The Freshmen were defeated by Hopkinson last Wednesday, 32–13. Hopkinson made 15 runs off Sucro in the first inning.

Clapp, of Yale, recently broke the intercollegiate record in the pole vault. He cleared 11 feet 6 inches. On April 30th McCracken, the Pennsylvania football guard, broke the intercollegiate record in the hammer throw by 3 feet 6 inches, with a throw of 139 feet 9 inches.

Our attention has recently been called to the athletic department of the '99 "Technique." As a whole, it is well gotten up, yet there are several defects. The most prominent of these is the omission of the Harvard Technology athletic meet. Although we do not know under what conditions the athletic editor labored, yet it seems to us that rather than to have omitted such important games it would have been better to have first left out some other topic, for instance, the account of the formation of the N. E. I. A. A. Also, in the statistics, the department is not altogether without fault. For instance, in the world's amateur records for the running broad jump, the pole vault, and the hammer throw, the editor seems to have taken it for granted that the American records for those events are also the world's records, which they are not. In the Technology events, the mile walk is omitted. There are several other minor errors, but these are probably due to the printer.

M. I. T. Yacht Club Race.

The M. I. T. Yacht Club held the first race for its one-design class Saturday afternoon, on the Charles River. The course was triangular, with the last leg sailed over twice,—a total of about four miles. Four boats entered: the Torpedo, owned and sailed by A. E. Ritchie; the Hoodoo, owned and sailed by H. Wesson; the Blank, owned by W. Page and sailed by Commodore Swasey, and the Hoot Mon, owned by J. B. Laws and sailed by Morgan Barney. The boats crossed the starting line in a bunch, but the Hoodoo soon pulled away from the others, and at the first turn lead by 1 minute 15 seconds, with the Hoot Mon second and the Blank third. On the run to the next mark the Hoot Mon gained five seconds, and at the end of the first round was 8 seconds behind the Hoodoo. It was a pretty race from here to the next mark, the Hoodoo leading by 2 seconds. On the reach home the Hoot Mon took the lead, finishing 1 minute 23 seconds ahead of the Hoodoo, and over five minutes ahead of the Blank. The Torpedo sprung a leak and withdrew.

The judges were Messrs. E. Johnson, Jr., B. Jones, and A. H. B. Jeffords. T. W. Brigham acted as timer.

The cup won by the Hoot Mon was presented to Mr. Laws at the dinner of the Club, held Saturday evening.

Next fall a fleet of ten footers will be built and raced. Already five boats are promised.
At this season of the year Technology is perhaps the saddest place on the face of the globe. Such at least it appears to the Lounger, judging from the pained and emaciated countenances which he meets continually roaming about the halls. Even his most intimate friends seem, by their expressions, to have suffered some terrible loss. If this anxiety be in fear of the ability of the Lounger, for whom he is pleased always to note a kindly feeling, to successfully grapple with the exigencies of the coming week, let them immediately assume a more cheerful and becoming hang of visage, as their anxiety, though thoughtful, and consequently appreciated, is groundless. For in truth, the Lounger long since gave up the annoying practice of filling many blue books with meaningless words, the same being incompatible with a due exercise of his professional vocation. Yet can he sympathize with those unfortunates who do still endeavor to comply with the instructor's wishes. And in the prevailing atmosphere of extreme pain there is yet occasionally some cheerfulness to be obtained in the near proximity of a former examination paper. These documents now assume a value out of all proportion to the printed matter which they contain. Even The Tech Extra was cheap in comparison. And the circulation is surprisingly large, as any gentleman with half an eye may easily observe.

As a matter of economy, the Lounger believes there would be time and money saved, if some enterprising professor would kindly print and bind these interesting papers in book form, and sell at a fabulous figure, even at Rider prices. The sale, at least, would warrant the publication. And in fact is not such, or nearly such, the custom at our English universities?

The Lounger learns with considerable pain of the unbrotherly conduct of a member of the class of 1900. This gentleman, it appears, recently acquired a powerful inclination to fight with certain members of his class, who, with true American wit, enjoyed the pleasure of a gentle jest.

The game in question consisted in seating the gentleman with the pugilistic proclivities most pleasingly into the midst of a basin of ordinary water (H₂O), by means of strategy. Witnesses of the scene insist that the strategy was most efficient, and the effect most comical, but the irate gentleman refuses to certify to the latter statement. At all events, reports indicate that a highly unbecoming scene ensued, unfit even of presentation in our national House or Senate, in which it is stated that much good water was inordinately spilled upon the unoffending floor, while many good blows were exchanged by the parties operating. Though admitting an admiration for good, healthy blows after the manner of an English gentleman, the Lounger cannot but deplore the expenditure of live energy over a mere matter of a dish of water. If the gentleman will but store his strength till the approaching fall, the Lounger will guarantee good expenditure of the same in a fair contest on the familiar gridiron.

Rumor hath it that the sporting editor and a select coterie of editorial friends did lately transform the bespotted scene of their labors into a fair dining hall, bedight with rich furnishings of steins and bowls, fashioned after the latest models of Heidelberg. And there was not lacking good, rich ingredient for the same, composed by dint of much carnage of lemons, bottled goods, and Queen's English. All of which, to the Lounger, sounds extremely soothing, implying, as it does, excess of companionability. When finally the Editor in Chief entered unannounced in the course of the afternoon's festivities, the company present unanimously agreed that his photograph at that moment would have been worth two armies in driving the Spanish out of Cuba.

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Architectural and Engineering Buildings Damaged.

YESTERDAY afternoon witnessed one of the most disastrous events in the history of the Institute, and one which will seriously interfere with all their work for the year. At 4.44 flames were seen to be issuing from the roof of the building by H. P. Osgood and G. D. Huntington, they immediately turned in an alarm from Box 89 at the corner of Clarendon and Boylston Streets. The response by the apparatus of the Back Bay fire department was prompt, and immediately upon its arrival two more alarms were rung in, thus summoning a large force of apparatus.

At first the prospects were that more of the large buildings round Copley Square would become involved, but the fire was soon taken well in hand and the threatened danger was averted. The fire is supposed to have originated by the overturn of a charcoal stove upon the roof, which was being mended by plumbers. At the time of the fire the building was deserted, so that it had quite a chance to gain headway before it was discovered.

The fire swept rapidly through the upper floor of Engineering and Architectural and consumed everything in its course. It did not, however, work down to the floor below. Floods of water were poured into the structure, and it is to this that the damage is due.
The students of the Institute soon gathered in large numbers, and with their familiarity of the building and its contents gave great aid in the removal of the valuable books and apparatus which it contains. Through their valuable aid the library was removed and many sets of drawing instruments, and so forth.

The lower floors of the building were only slightly harmed by fire, but it is feared that, in spite of the efficient work of the protective department, much damage is done by water all through the building. Many of the drawings which were in the buildings will probably be hopelessly damaged, and perhaps some of the apparatus in the Mechanical Engineering Laboratory may be found to have suffered also.

The two buildings are now closed and probably will not be opened for some time, as it will be several days before they are thoroughly dry. During this time the announcements of recitation rooms will be by bulletin in Rogers corridor.

It is not known what the insured loss will be as yet, but it will probably be about $15,000. The uninsured loss will also be considerable, most of it being borne by students who have lost valuable instruments, engineering drawings and plates. Many valuable plaster casts were lost by the Architectural Department. This department bears the heaviest loss and it is doubtful what arrangements can be made for the continuation of the year's work in this course. The class in survey work also loses much, and the course in naval architecture suffers, too.

The strong construction of the building prevented the fire from spreading more rapidly than it did, and also made it easy for the fire department to handle and subdue the flames.

Coming as it does at the extreme end of the year, and affecting to a great extent the work in several of the important courses at the Institute, the fire is rather unfortunate, but by the extremely prompt action of the Faculty, which held a night meeting last night, much of the bother attendant upon the blaze will be obviated. An account of the meeting will probably appear in another column of this paper.

Faculty Meeting.

The Faculty of the Institute met last night, but, owing to want of information as to the precise amount of damage done, no definite steps could be taken. Dr. Tyler states that another meeting will be held at three o'clock this afternoon.

What the Professors Say.

Through courtesy of Dr. Tyler a Tech representative was admitted this morning to the Architectural and Engineering Buildings.

The damage by fire was entirely confined to the upper floor of the two buildings, but water penetrated throughout both buildings. Nothing can be done as yet with the building. All have to wait until the Insurance adjusters have made their estimate.

Professor Burton said that there “was no interruption in the Civil Engineering Department.”

The recitations were held as usual to-day in third-year Civil Engineering, and all regular work in this department will continue
next week, with the exception of civil engineering drawing, which will be dropped from the course for the remainder of this term.

Professor Lanza said that exercises in his department would commence to-morrow. The machinery in the engineering laboratory is but slightly damaged by water, most of it being protected by rubber blankets. Some of the machinery is already in motion once more. He commented upon the admirable fireproof qualities of the mill construction used in the buildings. The value of heavy timbering and absence of dead air spaces was shown by the fact that the flames were entirely confined to the upper story.

Professor Swan said that the damage would be slight in the Department of Naval Architecture, and that work would go on as usual as soon as the building was opened. All the drawings in the cases and desks of this department escaped damage by water, and it is expected that the blue prints can be satisfactorily dried.

Mr. Park said that little damage was done in the second-year Mechanical Engineering room, the desks being entirely dry, and that allowance will be made for the time lost by students. Mr. Knight was seen, and said that the buildings were fully insured through Robt. A. Boyd. The insurance adjusters were shown over the building this morning by Mr. Wigglesworth, Treasurer of the Corporation.

Mass Meeting.

The mass meeting, which was referred to in the regular issue of The Tech, for the purpose of adopting patriotic resolutions, has been called for Monday noon at 1 o'clock, in Huntington Hall, by the committee, consisting of the presidents of the four classes. Every student should, and will, attend in this stirring time of war, and add his vote to the Right.

Room Changes.

On account of the fire, exercises in Engineering and Architectural Buildings will be suspended until further notice by bulletin in Rogers corridor.

All Friday exercises by the following professors will be omitted: Burton, Lanza, Miller, Porter, Schwamb, Swain.

Room assignments during the emergency are as follows: Professor Allen, 10-12, Hunt. Hall; Professor Blackstein, 20 W.; Professor Faunce, 11-12, 26 R.; Professor George, 29 W.; Professor Merrill, 26 W.; Professor Passano, 20 R.; Professor Peabody, 9-11, 36 R., 11-12, 21 R.; Professor Skinner, 28 W.; Professor Sondericker, 42 R.; Professor Sumner, 11 R.; Professor Wentworth, 44 R.; Professor Woods, 20 R.

Dr. Tyler's Views.

Dr. Tyler was interviewed this morning by a representative of The Tech. He said that at present nothing definite could be stated, but that the Civil Engineering department was practically destroyed, and that there would be no serious interruption in the Mechanical or Architectural departments. He expects that exercises will be resumed in all departments by the first of next week. Rooms are to be obtained, if possible, in the Natural History, Y. M. C. A., and old Chauncy Hall School Buildings. He also said that very valuable aid was rendered by the students, and spoke very highly of the service rendered.
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