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AST week THE TECH published the main facts concerning the proposed establishment of a 'Varsity baseball team. Before the active steps are taken toward this end THE TECH believes that the question should be weighed carefully from every possible point of view, and that the decision as to whether there shall be a team or not, be left to persons acquainted with the ups and downs of our athletics.

The main points, we think, to be considered are these: Is it possible for Technology to turn out a team that might successfully compete with colleges such as Amherst, Williams or Dartmouth, belonging to the Intercollegiate Athletic Association, of which Tech is a member? Could a schedule of perhaps seven games be carried out with no loss financially? Would a baseball team take away good material from Tech's present athletic mainstay, her track team, and would it, by a spring subscription list lessen the financial aid which would otherwise be given to the track team? If a team could be started which would make a reputable showing, and in no way interfere with the efficiency of the track team, well and good, if not, the matter should be dropped.

It will be noticed on another page of this issue that the Institute Committee is considering the substitution of some other event for the cane rush. This action is the result of the general expression of the sentiment by the students that the rush be abolished, as well as resulting from the letter of suggestion from President Pritchett. Many proposals for the new event are heard, among them being a great tug-of-war. The matter is of much moment and should be most carefully considered before it is decided in just what way the supremacy of classes is to be decided in the future.

The first annual meeting of the M. I. T. Alumni Association since the inauguration of President Pritchett will be held at the Hotel Brunswick on Wednesday, January 2, 1901. At this time it is expected that some more definite action than heretofore will be taken in regard to the Walker Memorial Gymnasium.

The annual banquet will be held at 7 o'clock, immediately after the business meeting. A prominent and notable list of speakers has been obtained, among them being President Pritchett, Hon. John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, Hon. David J. Hill, Assistant Secretary of State, and Hon. E. T. Chamberlain, Commissioner of Navigation. The general theme of the addresses will be "The Trained Man in Relation to the Power and Commercial Growth of the Country."

Meeting of Institute Committee.

A meeting of the Institute Committee was held in the Trophy Room on Monday, December 3rd. President Lawrence read a letter from Dr. Pritchett, suggesting that an event be substituted for the Cane Rush in the annual struggle between the Sophomore and Freshmen for class supremacy.

President Lawrence appointed a committee consisting of L. S. Cates, Chairman; P. G. L. Hilken, P. R. Parker, and C. L. Homer, to consider the question of abolishing the Cane Rush and substituting some other event. This committee will confer with the Advisory Council on Athletics and will be glad to receive suggestions from anyone interested in the matter.

Mr. L. S. Cates was elected Representative to the Advisory Council on Athletics. Mr. I. R. Adams was elected Representative to the Association of Graduate Class Secretaries. President Lawrence appointed J. C. Fruit and C. J. McIntosh assistant custodians of trophies.

Pacific Coast Club.

Several members of the Institute have expressed a desire to form a permanent organization to be known as the Pacific Coast Club. The matter has been talked over at some length and at the present writing such an organization bids fair to materialize. This club when formed will be made up of students who reside west of the Rockies and its purpose will be to bring together into a closer bond of friendship those who come from this section of the country.

It has been deemed advisable to call a meeting, during the early part of next week, of all men from California, Oregon and Washington. The purpose of this meeting will be the transacting of any business relative to the formation of such a club and it is earnestly desired that those who are in a position to become members will leave their names at the Cage as soon as possible with Henry C. Marcus, '01.

Fall Concert of the Musical Clubs.

The date of the home concert of the Musical Clubs has been changed from December 9th to December 11th. Tickets may now be obtained from members of the clubs and exchanged for reserved seat checks on and after 1 o'clock, December 6th, in Rogers' corridor. The number of seats in Huntington Hall is not large and students will do well to obtain advance tickets at once, thus assuring a choice of seats and assisting the management materially in the arrangements.

The club members number some forty at present and have been doing good work at rehearsals. According to reports from the concerts already given in Concord Junction and Boston College the winter concert on the 11th is sure to be one of the best ever given, and it is hoped that a good audience will greet the clubs on their appearance.
Architectural Reception.

A private reception was held last Saturday afternoon in the Department of Architecture. Invitations to the number of nine hundred were sent out by Professor Chandler. It is felt that a larger number of people living perhaps two hundred miles or more from Boston are better acquainted with the Institute and its workings than are many who perhaps pass its buildings practically every day. This reception, therefore, was planned especially as a "neighborhood gathering," in order to create a local interest which seems to have been lacking. All the members of the Institute Corporation were among those invited, as were the members of the third and fourth years' classes in Architecture.

Professor Chandler desired the occasion to be not unlike the Columbia teas, which have become famous as periodical events. The receiving party included Professor Chandler, Mrs. Chandler and Mrs. Pritchett.

The annual loan exhibition of the Architectural Department opened on Monday at 10 A. M. and continues throughout the week, from that hour each day until four in the afternoon. Saturday's reception gave an opportunity for convenient examination of the many attractive things arranged for this exhibition. These included two pen sketches by Francis H. Bacon, a dozen or more watercolor drawings by Dwight Blaney, several Roman sketches by H. W. Gardner, examples of colored glass and cartoons of stained glass windows, sent by Ford & Brooks; several fine pen sketches and watercolors by Bertram O. Goodhue; a collection of fine vases and medallions from the Grueby Faience Company; sketches by David Gregg, watercolors by Walter H. Kilham, sketches by S. W. Mead, a painting by Ross Turner; six large watercolor studies of foreign scenes, illustrating the architectural beauty of buildings in Italy, Greece and France, by H. B. Pennell, all carried out with great detail and finish; and several examples of her own stained glass work by Mrs. Henry Whitman. In all parts of the building, including the halls and stairways, there were simple decorations of ropes of laurels and palms.

Lectures by Professor Despradelle.

Professor Despradelle will give a course of lectures this winter on French architecture. The subjects of the lectures will be: 1st, "The Evolution of Architecture;" 2nd, "The Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries and the Present Time;" 3rd, "The Struggle Between the Schools of Art;" 4th, "Modern Eclecticism;" 5th, "The Great Artists of the Century and an Analysis of Their Principal Works." The first lecture was given on Tuesday, November 4th at 4 P. M. in the lecture room of the Architectural Department; the second is to be given on Friday, December 7th, at the same hour and place. The dates of the following lectures will be announced later. These lectures will be given in French and will be of great interest and value to those students who understand French.

Technique Statistics.

The latter part of this week an envelope containing a printed list of questions will be left at the "Cage" for every member of the Junior class. The statisticians of the Technique Board earnestly request that every member of the class will call for his envelope, fill out the list to the best of his ability, and return it in the enclosed envelope at his earliest convenience. The answers to these questions are to be used in making out an information page in 1902 Technique. In order to have the results what they purport to be, it is essential that every 1902 man fill out and hand in his list. Where possible, accurate answers are requested, and in all cases they should be seriously considered and well chosen.
Technique Competition.

A novel competition is about to be started among the freshmen by this year's technique board. A prize consisting of one copy of Technique 1902 is to be given to the Freshman who sends in the five best grinds on his professors and on the members of his class. Any one man may send in as many grinds as he chooses, and they should be sent in promptly, as in the case of duplicates, credit will be given for the one received first. No time has as yet been set for the close of the competition which is to begin immediately. All grinds are to be accompanied by the name and class of the sender and are to be left at the cage addressed as follows, "Technique Grinds."

It is to be hoped that the Freshmen will enter this competition with interest as the grinds form an important feature of Technique, and it may be added that the prize should be no small incentive to a lively contest.

Civil Engineering Society.

Professor Sedgwick addressed the Civil Engineering Society on Wednesday, December 5th on "Some Historic Sicknesses and their Sanitary Lessons for Engineers." The sicknesses described were the Black Death with its lesson of the importance of public and private cleanliness; the sickness from the Black Hole of Calcutta, with its lessons touching proper ventilation and the dangers of overcrowding; Asiatic Cholera and the Broad Street (London) well, teaching the dangers of polluted grand waters; and the epidemic of Typhoid fever from the Plymouth (Penn.) reservoir, illustrating the dangers of polluted surface water supplies. Each example was briefly described and its lessons, especially for engineers, clearly indicated and emphasized.

If marriage is a lottery, love-letters ought not to be allowed in the mails.—Ex.


The Biological Journal Club.

At the last meeting, December 4th, of the Biological Journal Club two unusually important papers were read, one by Professor Hough, giving the results of his original studies on muscular work, fatigue and muscular soreness as shown by the ergograph; the other by Mr. J. G. Jack, instructor in dendrology, on certain dwarf mistletoes, parasitic on trees. Both papers were illustrated by the stereopticon.

A regular meeting of the Class of 1902 was held on Wednesday, December 5th. A committee to take charge of the Junior Class photograph for Technique 1902, consisting of Messrs. A. E. Lombard, P. Y. Curry, and I. R. Adams was appointed by President Cates. An appropriation of $5.00 to help defray the expenses of the Institute Committee for the current year was voted by the class. The photograph of the class for Technique 1902 will be taken on the steps of the Natural History Building on Wednesday, December 12th at 1.00 p.m. It is hoped everyone will come out for the picture. The above date is dependent upon the weather.

“Nodding succeeds like failure.”—Ex.
Paul G. L. Hilken has been elected to the Editorial Staff of The Tech.

The Tech will be sent to any address for the remainder of the year for $1.50. This includes the Thanksgiving number.

Mr. C. H. L. N. Bernard is coaching the Harvard Cercle Français in their plays this year, which are "Un Jeune Homme Presse," and "Crispin Medicin."

Mr. R. D. Andrews, of Andrews, Jacques & Rantoul, will address the Architectural Society at a Smoke Talk at the Technology Club, Wednesday, December 12th.

There is a movement on foot to circulate a petition among the students requesting a week’s vacation at Christmas and to have the second term extend another week into June.

The annual set of Cleofan teas held in the Margaret Cheney Rooms, to which hitherto ladies only have been invited, will this season include the entire instructing staff as well, Professors, Associate and Assistant Professors and Instructors.

The library has received a gift this week of ten volumes of "La tour de trois cents mitres" from M. G. Eiffel, the designer of the Eiffel Tower. Also the purchase by the library of thirty-six volumes of the "Transactions of the Society of Engineers" is a valuable addition.

Owing to a conflict with the Geological Society the meeting of the Mining Engineering Society was postponed until Thursday, December 6th. On this date Professor Richards will talk to the Society on the "Development of John Cummings Laboratory." Mr. C. H. Auer, '01, will read a paper on "Kimberly Gold Fields."

Professor Barton took his class in geology for their last field exercise, to Nahant. Professor Barton explained that Nahant is really an island, the narrow neck of sand that connects with the mainland, and which makes of it at present a peninsula having been built by the ocean’s tides. The weather has been very favorable all through the autumn for the field exercises and they have been highly enjoyed both by teacher and pupils.

The Sophomore class held a meeting Tuesday, November 27. Following the custom of the other classes '903 decided to purchase class pipes and canes. Messrs. Rogers, Taylor and Grier, were elected to the pipe committee, and Clapp, Stiles and Low, to the cane committee. For the Sophomore directors of the Co-operative Society, Crosby and Lee were chosen. The report of the cane rush committee will be read at the next meeting.

Calendar.

Thursday, December 6th. — Meeting of Mining Engineering Society. Room 11, Rogers, 4.15 P.M. Musical Club Concert, Colonial Club, Salem, 8 P.M. Train leaves the North Station, B. & M. R. R. at 7 P.M. Andover Club Dinner, Hotel Marliva, 7 P.M. All Tech Andover men are expected to attend.

Friday, December 7th. — Meeting of the Executive Committee, F. B. A., Trophy Room, 1 P.M., for nomination of officers for coming year. Tech Y. M. C. A. Student Meeting, Room 11, Rogers Building, 4.15 P.M.; Dr. F. Howard Taylor of China, speaker. Die Gesellschaft meeting, Room 11, Piece Building.

Sunday, December 9th. — Regular Student Meeting at Tech Y. M. C. A. Student House, 566 Massachusetts Avenue, 4 P.M.

Tuesday, December 11th. — Annual Winter Concert of the Musical Clubs, Huntington Hall, 8 P.M. Meeting of the Football Association, Room 11, Rogers, 1 P.M., for election of officers.

Wednesday, December 12th. — Concert by the Musical Clubs, Young’s Hotel, before the Boston Confectioner’s Association. Chicago Club Meeting, 1 P.M.
'Varsity men, who have not returned their locker keys, will please hand them to the manager immediately.

Nagle, '02, Hatch, '03 and Roberts, '04, played football Thanksgiving Day on their respective Alumni School teams.

Anyone wishing a picture of this year's 'Varsity football team can leave his name and $1.25 at the Cage for Manager, Box 71.

Capelle, '03, of last year's 'Varsity, coached the Cambridge Manual Training School Football Team, which tied for the championship.

An important meeting of the Executive Committee of the Football Association will be held in the Trophy Room, Friday, December 7th, at 1 o'clock.

A Football number of THE TECH will probably be issued very soon. It is to contain a résumé of the season's work, prospects for next year and a full page cut of the 'Varsity team.

The Sophomore Football team sat for a picture Saturday, Nov. 17, at Chickering's. The following men sat: Capt. Nettleton, McKelvey, Hatch, Gray, Merrick, Garcelon, Crosby, Foster, Doran, Babcock, Clancy, Roper, Kruse, Lee and Parker.

Many of the football collectors have not turned in their reports. The management desires that reports and subscriptions be left at Box 71, Cage, at once. It is necessary that all money subscribed be sent in immediately, so that the Treasurer and Manager can pay outstanding bills, close their accounts and publish their reports.

The Relay Team.

The prospects for having an excellent Relay Team at the Institute are better this year than ever before, and from present indications we can expect our team to make an excellent showing at this winter's indoor meets. Of last year's team MacMaster's, Garrett and Pope are back and besides these about ten others have signified their intention of trying for the team.

Crowell, '04, who won the 100-yard dash in the fall games is a promising candidate and Edwards of Bowdoin and Batch of Johns Hopkins have done some splendid work on the track.

The team will probably be chosen from the following men: MacMaster's, '01; Garrett, '01; Pope, '02; Williston, '02; Batch, '02; Brown, '02; Edwards, '02; Winchester, '03; Gleason, '03; Boggs, '04; and Crowell, '04.

Meeting of Football Association.

On Tuesday, December 11th, the Annual Meeting of the Football Association will be held in Room 11, Rogers. Every man connected with the Institute is a member of the association and it is hoped that a large number will attend. Officers for the coming year will be elected and if possible the Manager will read his report of last season. After the meeting the team will elect a captain for next year.

Chauncy-Hall Club Dinner.

The Chauncy-Hall Club held its first dinner of the year last Tuesday evening, December 4th, at the Hotel Savoy. Those who attended were J. R. Bates, '02, H. H. Fletcher, '02, H. C. Fish, '02, R. S. Franklin, '02, I. R. Adams, '02, L. Stanley, ex-'02, Crocker, '03, J. R. Jones, '03, and Harris '04. After the dinner, the party attended the Park Theatre, and passed a very enjoyable evening.

"In what game do you think college students display the most proficiency?"

"Why, in cribbage, of course."—Ex.
'84. C. O. Prescott, V., has returned to Milton Academy as teacher of German and Chemistry.

'88. G. U. G. Holman, VI., became connected in August with the switchboard engineering department of the General Electric Company.

'89. Arthur L. Davis, II., is with the structural contracting department, American Bridge Company, New York.

'90. Charles B. Beasom, II., is at present inspecting the mills and factories around Boston.

'90. Philip M. Hammett, II., has become Assistant Superintendent of motive power, Boston & Maine Railroad.

'90. Schuyler Hazard, I., has become division engineer, New York Central & Hudson River Railroad, at Jersey Shore, Pa.

'91. Alexander W. Moseley, II., is assistant professor of applied mechanics at the Lewis Institute, Chicago, Ill.

'91. J. G. Barri, I., is at Westfield, N. J.


'92. George H. May, V., is chief chemist and Works manager of the New York Leather and Paint Co.


'93. Winthrop L. Tidd, II., is with Lockwood; Green Company on Federal Street, Boston.

'93. Charles N. Cook, X., is President of the Silver Spring Blacking and Dyeing Co., Providence, R. I.

'93. Carleton E. Davis, I., resident engineer of Adams Grove Reservoir, Department of Water, Newark, N. J.

'94. Walter O. Scott, V., is inspector of milk, Providence, R. I.


'96. Charles K. B. Nevin, IV., is with Allen & Vance, architects.

'96. Samuel T. Smetters, I., is civil engineer with Scherzer Rolling Lift Co., Chicago, Ill.

'97. Charles H. Ames, VI., is with Stone & Webster, 4 Post Office Square, Boston.

'97. Mortimer Frank, M. D., I., is a practicing physician and is located at 233 Hampden Court, Chicago, Ill.

'97. Edmund B. McCormick, II., is Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering at the Montana Agricultural College.

'98. F. A. Jones, I., is in business with his father, Frank H. Jones, in Rochester, N. Y.

'98. Carl S. High, VI., is engaged in stock raising at Arlington, Kan.


'00. H. L. Morgan, VI., is Consulting Engineer in the New York Telephone Company.
It is over. The Lounger is now, after his first
vacation this year definitely certain that a brief relax-
ation from the pursuit of knowledge—a lost art
with The Lounger—certainly enhances its value.
Such relaxation at least brings about a moral revolu-
tion when one begins again on the forlorn hope.
Moreover, when The Lounger returned it was with
more or less joy that he noted that things were quite
as he left them in Rogers' corridor, and that the
Tennis Tournament, which was commenced last fall,
still gave hopes of furnishing entertainment in the
same line next spring. Going to the "Cage" he
found the usual number of circulars from tailors,
messages from the secretary and other forms of belles
lettres which are usually dismissed with a lingering
smile. In his box he also found a copy of last week's
Tech with its startlingly appropriate cover, on which
a fairy-like damsel propelled a canoe. Long and
wonderingly The Lounger gazed thereon, endeavor-
ing by all possible means, from the use of formulæ up,
to discover its application to Thanksgiving day.
But, as the fog in Rogers' corridor settled down The
Lounger's spine, it was difficult to trace any aptitude
in lily-pads, bull-frogs, and canoes with the season.
However, the ways of an editor are wondrous and
likewise is the comprehension of The Lounger
beyond belief.

It has been a source of pain to The Lounger to
learn to what an extent the notoriety of a certain
Senior has gone abroad. The Lounger is even com-
mencing to think that his physiognomy adorns the
walls of the police court, which is profusely orna-
mented with views from the ranks of that heterogene-
ous collection of unmixed evil known as the "Rogues
Gallery." The Lounger learns that the Senior, hop-
ing perhaps, to make his celebration pass beyond the
limits of material time, vainly attempted to gain an
entrance to a celebrated salon de manger on Hay-
ward Place on the night before Thanksgiving. The
Senior made tremendous efforts but they were in
vain; he even went to the extent of button-holing a
blue-coated guardian of the peace and making him
the patient listener to his expostulations; this
gentleman was on to his job that evening, however,
and thought the peace would be better preserved
without the addition of the Senior's company inside,
so that unfortunate gentleman was unmercifully
turned down (the steps) amid the jeers and jibes of
his comrades who were wanting in the brassy nerve
incidental to this scene with the police. The final
stroke came when the Senior was retiring down the
steps, a most unkind voice remarking, "Back up!"

The Lounger has for many years seen men who
have just participated in the Rush leave the field in
a more or less décolette array. This has grown to be
a not unusual sight, for what is the object of it all, if
not, in great measure, to avail one's self of all the
other fellows' clothes, detachable, in whole or in
part? This, however, it must be understood, has
always, hitherto, been confined to the South End
grounds. Then think, kind reader, of The Lounger's
bewildering thoughts when, on walking through
Rogers' stately corridor but a day or two ago he came
face to face with the startling information on a
bulletin board that "The man who lost a pair of
speakers and a running shirt while on the Hare and
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