In General.

Glad to see you back again. — Did you get conditioned?
Have you had enough shovelling?
The Freshman Class has been divided into four divisions.
The *American Cultivator* says, — "Hop market still active."
Harvard's library is the third in size in the country.
Eighty-four is to wrestle with Todhunter's Calculus this term.
Eighty-three takes historical geology, which will prove very attractive.
A few fish-horns left; apply at the mechanics' drawing-room.
Where is that society that the civils were going to start?
Freshee at breakfast table: "Pass her up, please." "Pass what up?" "Syrup."
At the Sheffield Scientific, they call a student taking mechanical engineering a "dynamic."
*Freshman, desiring to write out a reaction;* "Can you tell me the symbol for wire-gauze?"
It is said that they are going to stop the Herdics — to let the passengers get out.
We extend our hand to the tug-of-war teams which represented us at the Union sports.
If you want to find out whether a mechanical went on that excursion, take him by the left arm.
The bracing of the bridges in the building, which has been going on during vacation, has been much needed for some time past.
A number of prominent citizens of Philadelphia have petitioned the city for aid in founding a technological school. — *Boston Transcript.*
The *Harvard Herald* offers a prize of a one-cent postage stamp for the solution of our proverbs of last issue.
An addition to the curiosities of literature has been found in the expression "swimming swollen-ness of soul," not by O. W., either.
We welcome back our old friend Alexander, the former captain of Company A, who has returned to us after having tried a little practical work.
Chauncy Hall gave its fifty-fourth annual exhibition on the 9th. The programme was long and varied, and reflected much credit on both teachers and pupils.
With the new term, let us hear from those who have heretofore taken no active interest in our columns. Don't make a few do all the work.
We take pleasure in stating that Prof. Nichols is so far convalescent as to be able to in part resume his duties. He will as usual deliver the lectures in chemical philosophy.
President Walker has the Junior Class in political economy. Seniors have been invited to attend. The lectures have been very fine indeed, so far, and the course promises to be a very interesting one.
William L. How, the victim of the recent sad shooting accident at Dartmouth, was well known to a number of the Institute men, and will long be regretted by them as a sincere, earnest, and brilliant friend.
We have received a fifty-page pamphlet, entitled "Publications of the Mass. Institute of Technology, and of its Officers, Students, and Alumni." The book is compiled by Prof. Wm. Ripley Nichols, and will prove a valuable work for reference.
How is it that the authorities allow a telegram to lie four or five days in the rack without taking the trouble to notice whether a student is absent or not? A telegram generally means more than a common note.
Oscar Wilde to the students at the Boston lecture: "I see about me certain signs of an aesthetic movement. I see certain young men who are no doubt sincere; but I can assure them that they are no more than caricatures."
She was a sentimental young thing, and was describing how romantically her husband proposed to her during a horseback ride at five o'clock on a summer morning. "Yes — er — " said a callow but admiring youth: "it proves again that the early bird catches the worm."