We understand that the near approach of the annuals has caused several Techs to have their beds taken out of their rooms, as they have no further use for them.

There are many rumors afloat in regard to a fishing trip and also a bicycling excursion, both of which were enjoyed by several members of the Institute a little over a week ago.

One afternoon a short time ago a stream of water scarcely large enough to see was all the quantitative laboratory could draw. Matters were explained when it was told that the "confounded mechanicals" were running the engine and condenser.

Two consecutive flunks in first-year French now condemn a man to suspension from recitations for the rest of the term. The result of this will simply be that when a man does n't have his lesson he will cut the recitation.

We congratulate Major Alexander upon his receiving second medal for the best man in Company D, 1st Regiment. We also take pride in noticing that Capt. Damon was awarded the medal for the best enlisted man at inspection in the Concord Artillery.

The "Marriage Probability Sheet" of the '82 III.s and V.s now bids fair to be completed. This curious and momentous sheet was inaugurated by the quantitative laboratory class of '81. It now seems as if some of their predictions were coming true, though from rather an unexpected corner.

Many complaints have been heard concerning the damp air and poor accommodations of the zoological laboratory in the Natural History Building. This is a matter that should be attended to at once by the Faculty of the Institute, as it involves not only the comfort but also the health of a portion of our students.

Any sceptical member of the Board of Government, or any one who is backward in the new building project, should have visited the mining laboratory April 20, when the sulphide of lead bricks were smelted. If he would not have thought that the imp of darkness had lifted the lid off from his bottomless pit we are greatly mistaken.

We agree with the Boston reporter of the New York Clipper in his account of the last games of the Union, that the action of some was wholly despicable and uncalled for, so far as their confusing Simpson was concerned. His objecting, however, to the applause Sturgis received shows him to be a novice at games; and if by "institution" he intends to intimate that those balkers were members of the Institute, we flatly contradict him by saying they were not.

A spring meeting, to be held probably at Beacon Park, will be given by the Athletic Club on May 27. The events will be as follows: 100-yard and 440-yard runs; running high and running broad jumps; putting the shot; standing high jump; pole vault; mile run; three-legged race; throwing the hammer; throwing baseball; tennis; and one-mile bicycle race. The man making the greatest number of points in the first five events will be awarded a gold medal; a gold medal will also be given to any man breaking any collegiate best on record.

The report of the directors of The Tech shows the financial condition of the paper to be very satisfactory. It was voted to elect the new board this term, and to have them enter upon their duties two days after the date of the last number of the present volume. Class secretaries should immediately call meetings, in order that the new directors may be elected as soon as possible. It was considerately decided to devote a portion of the surplus funds to a supper to be given the editors and directors.

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The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, of Boston, has decided to proceed immediately to the erection of a building for workshop purposes. This is one of the best institutions for instruction in the mechanic arts in the United States. — American Machinist.