Our post-graduate special attempted to introduce the technical subjects of indicators, governors, etc., but was promptly squelched.

Mr. Snelling, in the capacity of toastmaster, conducted the ceremonies in his usual happy style, and owing to his skilful management the assemblage was not guilty of a single line of poetry. On account of the number and frequency of the toasts, herdies were summoned earlier than expected in individual cases, and the whole party exchanged mutual farewells in time to save after-midnight fares.

We have it on good authority that the president of the board, after repeating his speech three times in his sleep, requested the waiter, in a husky whisper, to "Please pass the plums."

The New Directors.

The Junior, Sophomore, and Freshman classes have elected their representatives on the Board of Directors for the ensuing year, as follows: H. Ward Leonard, George J. Foran, '83; W. H. Bunce, F. L. Smith, '84; I. W. Litchfield, '85. The new board, as previously stated, enters upon its duties two days after the date of the last number of this year’s TECH. As the president and treasurer of the present board are retained for next year, the paper will have the benefit of their experience. We hope the financial success which has thus far attended the enterprise may be continued under the new management.

A Catastrophe.—Nine Lives Lost in the Workshops.—The late "Felis Alba" departed this life from concussion of the brain, caused by sudden contact with a bar of 3/4 Norway.

Science Notes.

A NEW method for the preparation of aluminum is as follows: Cryolite is treated with water, and the sodium fluoride dissolved out; the aluminum fluoride remaining is calcined with calcium sulphide, aluminum sulphide and calcium fluoride remaining; the sulphide is heated with iron turnings, and aluminium results.

The peculiar taste of Boston water last fall has been traced to the decomposition of a fresh-water sponge, — spongilla fluviatilis.

An English medical authority says that the death-rate among the Jews of London is only one half that of the Christians in the same city.

The subcutaneous injection of a dilute solution of potassium permanganate has been found to cure the bites of many venomous serpents.

Grape sugar may be obtained in the form of permanent anhydrous crystals by placing a few of the anhydrous crystals already formed in a concentrated solution of the sugar. Until recently, these crystals could only be obtained from an alcoholic solution.

The Edison Electric Light Company have just lighted with their incandescent lamps the streets and several edifices of a district in London. "The experiment was a complete success."

An animated discussion is now progressing in England respecting the value of vivisection.

Iridium is now fused by being heated with phosphorus, the phosphorus being subsequently extracted by continued heating of the mixture with lime. The process is the result of eighteen years of experiment by Mr. John Holland, of Cincinnati.

Interesting examples of inherited traits have been found among French deaf-mutes, who on being taught to articulate, gave to their words the peculiar accent of their native province, which they had never heard.