Prof. Ware, formerly of the Institute, has nearly completed the arrangements to found a scholarship at the Institute for a graduate of the Milton High School.

The class in advanced German took their examination before the semi-annuals had begun, thus relieving them somewhat of the pressure of the past two weeks.

In accordance with the contract with the photographers, those who avail themselves of the '84 class rates will be obliged to sit between the 1st of January and the 1st of April.

'86 has lost two of its members: Mr. I. Z. Smith has gone to Florida to take charge of an orange grove of 200 acres. Mr. Stickney has gone to Europe, and will rejoin his class next autumn.

The annual meeting of the "Laboratory," of the class of '81, took place at the Vendome, Saturday evening, Dec. 29, '83. The reunion called out many pleasant bits of reminiscence, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all concerned.

The Kidder laboratories are the only laboratories in the world where blast and suction are supplied by a steam pump. Prof. Richards's water jet was used in the old laboratories in Rogers's building, but elsewhere the Bunsen pump is mostly used.

It is to be hoped that President Walker will give his course of lectures on Political Economy next term to the students of the third and fourth years. On account of his duties last winter in Washington, the course was omitted, although included in the regular studies prescribed for the third year.

The results of a canvass of part of the class of '86 show interesting figures relative to the manner in which some of its members passed their summer vacation. Of seventy men included in the canvass, forty-seven were at work during the whole or a greater part of the time, fifteen went on "excursions of observation," and two travelled abroad, while six "remained very discreetly at home." The majority of those who worked were engaged in occupations in some way connected with their professional studies.

Thursday afternoon, Jan. 12, the Cadets gave their first exhibition drill and dance at the gymnasium. Notwithstanding the unpropitious state of the weather, between eight hundred and a thousand spectators were present.

The drill began at two o'clock, and with Major F. L. Locke commanding, the battalion executed a large number of movements with commendable precision.

After a short rest the adjutant's call was sounded, and line was formed for dress parade, which was gone through with in good form, the battalion presenting a fine appearance with their new uniforms.

At the conclusion of the parade, the officers were marched to the front and centre, and their commissions were presented to them by Gen. Walker. When they had taken their posts, the sergeants marched up and received their warrants, after which the companies were dismissed.

The drill, on the whole, was worthy of praise; and, considering the amount of practice the first term has afforded, gave promise of much excellence in the coming prize-drill next May.

After ranks were broken dancing began, and was continued the remainder of the afternoon, Edmands's orchestra furnishing the music. Major Locke acted as floor manager, assisted by Capt. Edward A. Haskell, Capt. Frank E. Shepard, Capt. Elwood J. Wilson, Capt. Hollon C. Spaulding, Lieut. Albert L. Cushing, and Adjutant Charles D. Underhill.

Though the floor was somewhat crowded, there being fifty-six sets on it at one time, the dancing was enjoyed by all, and the Freshmen are to be congratulated on the success of their first effort.

Now that they are making sugar from beets it is understood that the dead beat was too sweet to live.

The man who asked for an Old Farmer's Almanac was quite exasperated when he found they had sold him one for 1883.