'86 promises to retrieve itself, and head the list in the Senior ball subscriptions. We are surprised to find '85 at the end of the list. What is the trouble? '85 used to be foremost in such things.

[Literal translation by Junior:] "Das Zodiacallicht zeigte sich unter der Milchstrasse," — "The Zodiacal light showed itself down on Milk Street."

The classes in mineralogy will begin field-work as soon as the weather permits. Among other places, the interesting localities of Bolton and Fitchburg will be visited.

Some of the Architects feel that their knowledge of architectural history suffers from the small amount of time that is given to it in the department.

Photographs of the different departments of the workshops have been taken, and may be obtained of Mr. Maxwell, the assistant in wood-work.

The second-year class in mechanism are now studying textile machinery under Mr. Fisher, in place of the shop machinery under Mr. Schwamb.

The reappearance of the sun, after the long spell of foul weather, was joyously hailed by the second-year Mechanicals, as it enabled them to make their long-delayed blue copies.

We would remind the members of '84 who have not been to Ritz & Hastings's for their class photographs that but a few days now remain, as by the terms of the contract all sittings must be made and all proofs accepted before next Saturday.

A Freshman in the chemical laboratory asked an assistant if he might be excused from performing an experiment in which it was necessary to use a watch-glass, as he did not wish to take the crystal from his watch.

It would be saying too little to say that the lady at the chemical supply-room was greatly surprised when a Freshman asked if she "would give him a bath." Further developments, however, showed that it was only a sand-bath that he meant.

Mr. Billy O'Brien is whitewashing coal for the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad. He however denies the report that he has given $150,000 to the Cincinnati Home for the Friendless.

The Freshmen are a very active class; they have formed a society, and well support the Athletic and Glee Clubs, and show many other signs of life. But what has become of their tennis club? Has it met the fate of its predecessors?

The Senior Mechanicals will probably make a test on one of the Institute boilers next week. Observations will be taken night and day for a week, the time being divided into "watches" of eight hours each for this purpose.

The Glee Club concert, which is to be given in April, will probably take place in Association Hall. It is hoped that dancing can be arranged for after the programme.

Bismarck making war against the American hog will find the pen is mightier than the sword.

The second exhibition drill of the Cadets is to be held on Saturday afternoon, March 29. The committee in charge consists of Locke, Haskell, Shepard, Spaulding, and Underhill, from whom tickets can be procured; and, as the number is limited, those desiring them should get them at once. Dancing after the drill.

The Faculty has petitioned the city government for leave to erect storage vaults on the site of the old workshops. These latter are to be torn down as soon as the weather is favorable. It is then proposed to build storage vaults for coal, ores for the mining laboratory, etc. If this is done, the vaults will be below the level of the street, the space above being filled in and graded to the level of the adjacent grounds.

Three professors were talking about the metric system, when one jokingly remarked that he did not believe that any of them could pass the entrance examination in that subject; said one, "Now, I'll wager neither of you can tell me what a stere is." "No," replied one of the others, "I should n't want to try, for probably I should make a 'bull' of it."