"If it were not for evolution and revolution there would be no molecules." — Gen. Daniel Pratt.

Photographs of the '86 tug-of-war team, which defeated the Harvard Law School team at our last games, can be obtained of Mr. Shove, '86.

The bad weather of last week prevented the miners' and chemists' excursion to Fitchburg and the bicycle club's run on Fast Day.

The Institute Chapter of Sigma Chi held its anniversary dinner at Young's on Friday, March 21. Thirteen members were present.

The second-year mechanicals recently spent an interesting afternoon in examining the looms of the weaving department of the School of Design.

The certificates of membership for the 2 G Society are interesting looking documents. The seal is about two inches in diameter, bears the front of the Rogers Building in relief on its face, and was designed and executed by I. W. Litchfield, '85, upon whom it reflects great credit. The motto at the base is the old German one of "Schlägel und Eisen." The society is in a prosperous condition and endeavors to afford substantial aid to the members in the study of mining engineering at the Institute.

The corps of cadets under Major Locke gave an exhibition drill in the gymnasium on Saturday, March 29. The battalion showed much improvement, and executed the various manœuvres of battalion and company drill in good shape. After the drill, the balance of the afternoon was spent in dancing.

The students at the Institute interested in bicycling held a meeting recently which was largely attended. Considerable interest was shown and a club was formed with the following organization: President, Jas. C. Duff, '86; secretary and treasurer, T. W. Sprague, '87; captain, Edward H. Dewson, '85; 1st lieutenant, S. Sturges, '87; 2d lieutenant, Geo. F. Steele, '86; an executive committee, consisting of the president, secretary, captain, Messrs. Cochran, '85, and Steele, '87. The club promises to be a flourishing organization and a credit to the Institute.

Three miners were recently dropped from the mining laboratory because of neglect to hand in time cards.

"Zwischen Löffel und Mund,
   Geht viel Suppe zu Grund."

[P. S. They have been reinstated.]

[We append the beginning of a new novel, translated from the German especially for The Tech, but which, for obvious reasons, we are obliged to decline with thanks.]

"Although in January showed the thermometer 33°. During the night blew the wind very weakly out of the southwest; in the morning was the air clear, and the sun's rays fell burningly upon the ground, which, from the rain of the preceding day, yet a little moist was, when suddenly beheld I Fanchon—no, not Fanchon, but an etherealized beatification of Fanchon."

[We shall be glad if the author will call at room 18 for his MS. between 4.30 and 6 p. m.]

Mr. A. Stuart Pratt, formerly of '84, left Boston March 24, amid the tears and good wishes of his friends, for the West. He is going on a cattle ranch in Nebraska.

The annual Senior Ball—without the Seniors—was given in Odd Fellows' Hall, Friday evening, April 4, by '85, '86, and '87, to '84. About seventy-five couples were present, and the affair proved a brilliant and thoroughly enjoyable one in all respects. It is to be regretted that so many of the Seniors chose to hide their gray heads elsewhere rather than show, at least by being present, their appreciation of the compliment tendered them. Mrs. John D. Runkle, Mrs. Webster Wells, and Mrs. William T. Sedgwick kindly acted as matrons for the party. The floor committee, to whom much credit for the complete success of the affair is due, consisted of T. W. Robinson, '84, F. G. Pratt, Everett Morss, and A. R. McKim, '85, Charles Wood, Theodore Stebbins, and S. R. Bartlett, '86, G. W. Davenport, A. L. Cushing, and H. C. Spaulding, '87. The orders, upon which the Institute seal figured prominently, were designed by Mr. Wood. J. Howard Richardson's orchestra furnished exceptionally good music, and Harvey Blunt laid the table.