The manager of the Foot-Ball Association reports that a number of men have not yet paid their subscriptions. As the association is considerably in debt, these men will confer a favor upon the manager by settling with him at once.

The latest slander on the Freshmen is that one of them recently mistook the wire fence between the Rogers and Kidder buildings for a system of wires connecting the alarm gong, telephone, and chronometrical systems.

Recitation in Solid Geometry. — Sarcastic Professor (who has been helping confused Student through an entire proposition): "That will do now, sir; but please remember in the future this is not Plane Geometry."

Confused Student. "Evidently not, sir."

First Freshman. — "Have some lemonade?"

Second Freshman. — "Certainly not. I never indulge in such a l'eau beverage."

First Freshman. — "Oh! that's why you get high so often, is it?"

Second Freshman disdains any reply.

A repetition of the series of afternoon gymnasium parties of last year was opened last Saturday most successfully. For three hours and a half Baldwin's Cadet Orchestra made light the feet of eighty couples of dancers, by their rendering of some choice selections. The party was voted by all as the most enjoyable affair of the kind they had ever attended, and much praise was tendered to the managers, — C. R. Richards, '85; Chas. Wood, '86; A. L. Cushing, '87; J. V. Wright, '88.

A striking example of the survival of the fittest recently occurred in the biological laboratory. Last May, a box containing some one hundred and fifty frogs for dissection was received at the laboratory. In the hurry and bustle of the closing hours of the term the box was laid aside and forgotten, not to be thought of again until the opening of the laboratory at the beginning of the present term. The box was opened, with the expectation of finding the putrefying remains of the hundred and more frogs when, to the great surprise of all, out jumped one enormous fellow, apparently in good health. He had survived the whole summer upon his comrades! Thus goes the story.

When the upper-class men went to the bulletin board the other day and saw "That the exercises of the School would be suspended on the Friday and Saturday following Christmas," a look of surprise gradually passed over their faces. To have the thing so long petitioned for in vain now granted voluntarily! It seemed too good to believe.

A certain Freshman "chemist," having received an even 100 in two successive chemistry examinations, thought himself prepared to undertake work of original investigation in his chosen profession. The solubility of carbon was the problem selected. The apparatus used in the first and, at the same time, last experiment, consisted simply of a glass tube, closed at one end. Into this was placed a fragment of carbon, and some carbon bisulphide. The other end of the tube was then sealed and the whole heated over the naked flame of the Bunsen lamp. When the explosion came, Mr. Fresh. was not quick enough to get out of the way of the flying pieces of glass, and so now wears his face covered with plaster. When his interest in chemistry revives he will devote his energies to obtaining more honors in his examinations, but will leave original work alone for the present.

On Saturday evening, Dec. 6, the Class of '85 held a meeting at Young's Hotel. The business transacted was as follows: Mr. M. L. Greeley was elected secretary, vice Mr. R. E. Richardson, resigned; the treasurer was authorized to purchase a frame for the '85 class picture, which had been presented to THE TECH; committees were appointed to report upon class photographs and albums; to agitate the subject of exercises, consisting of class poems, history and prophecies, and musical entertainment, on the evening before graduation; and to prepare a programme for the next meeting. After the business meeting the class orchestra, consisting of Messrs. Robinson, Talbot, Plaisted, Homer, and Merrill, played several selections, and Mr. W. L'E. Mahon read a paper, entitled "A Visit to the Cheneaux Islands"; these were well received by the small number present, and, after refreshments, singing was indulged in till adjournment.