The 2 G had its first meeting of the year at Young's Hotel, Wednesday, Oct. 7th.

The Lowell course of scientific lectures will begin during November.

C. H. Atkinson, Harvard, '85, is studying mechanical engineering at the Institute, this year.


The first meeting of the year of the Hammer and Tongs Society was held at Young's, Saturday evening, Oct. 17th.

It is said that a large number of '87 men witnessed the eclipse of the moon on the night before the condition examination in physics.

A Freshman recently asked at the supply-room in the chemical laboratory for a piece of "solid glass tube," with which to make a stirring-rod.

Much new machinery, including two new jigs, a new frue-vanner, and a three-stamp battery, has recently been added to the mining laboratory.

Mr. Geo. W. Blodgett, the electrician of the Boston & Albany Railway, is to give a course of lectures on the application of electricity to railway signals, before the fourth year electrical engineers.

The fourth year mechanical engineers have been classified into three divisions: They are mill engineering, locomotive engineering, and marine engineering. Students choose between one of these courses.

Prof. Sedgwick read a paper on the comparative merits of water gas and coal gas for illuminating purposes, before the Society of Arts, at its first meeting, this year.

President Walker is to deliver a course of lectures on finance, this fall, open to all members of the Senior class, who have taken the political economy of the third year.

The papyrograph notes on mechanical engineering, revised and extended, have been printed. A printed pamphlet on electrical measurements will soon be published.

A bicycle club has been formed at the Institute. Its membership is already large, and is increasing. Two very successful runs have been held, and more are to follow. The club has accepted the invitation of the Massachusetts club to participate in their lantern parade of the 22d inst.

Prof. T. M. Drown, the eminent authority on iron and steel analyses, and formerly professor of chemistry at Layfayette, has succeeded Prof. Wing as director of the laboratory of analytical chemistry. Prof. Joseph J. Skinner, formerly instructor of mathematics at Yale, has been appointed professor of first-year mathematics.

The fourth-year miners have begun work in the mining laboratory upon the following subjects: Anthony, Ontario silver ore; Burlingham, Vershire copper ore; Chadbourn, jeweler's sweeps; Ingalls, argentiferous zinc blende; Lynde, concentration of silver ore; Wilson, gold chlorination; Young, Calumet coarse sand; Simpson, smelting galena. Simpson had a very successful agglomeration run, of fourteen hours' duration, on Thursday, October 8th.

The Athletic Club will hold an out-door meeting on Saturday, Oct 31st. Special medals will be given to all who break Mass. Inst. Tech records. The events will be: 100 yards dash; 220 yards dash; quarter-mile run; one mile run; one mile walk; two mile bicycle race; running and standing broad jump; putting the shot; and a tug-of-war between '88 and '89, ten men on each side, and without cleats.