The fourth year miners and chemists have been having a course of lectures on lead-smelting, by Mr. O. Hoffman, the distinguished metallurgist. These lectures are followed by a course, by Mr. H. M. Howe, on copper.

In some colleges the police have begun searching the students' rooms for signs. This is inserted for the benefit of certain Techs who may be able to appreciate an early warning. All signs employed for decorative purposes should be capable of speedy removal, and of being conveniently hung out of the window attached to the blind-fastenings.

At a meeting of the Football Association, Dec. 5th, Messrs. Fletcher and Bowles, '87, were chosen to represent the Institute in the Football Convention next September, and the Executive Committee was instructed to select a team and obtain a training-table before the opening of the next Fall term. The report of the treasurer showed a debt of about $65, which it is hoped will soon be paid by subscriptions.

Over a hundred members of '89 met in Room 15, a week ago last Saturday, to receive thereport of the committee on a constitution for the proposed society of '89. The constitution was accepted almost as submitted, and the meeting proceeded to elect the officers therein required: as President, F. L. Dame; Vice-President, H. D. Smith; Secretary, G. M. Basford; Treasurer, E. L. Brown; Executive Committee, the President and Vice-President, ex-officio, and Messrs. Mildram, Lewis, and Hutchins; Membership Committee; the three last named, and Mr. Parks. The meeting then adjourned to October, 1886. It is alleged that the meeting was illegal, and further action is expected.

The Society of '88 held its second regular meeting last Friday evening at Parker's. Declamations were given by Mr. J. C. Runkle, Mr. Benj. C. Lockett, and Mr. A. T. Bradlee; violin solos by Mr. C. H. Cromwell; a flute solo by Mr. E. H. Graves; and singing by a sextette, Mr. Ralph Fay accompanying them on the piano. Mr. Fuller's tenor solo was much applauded. The feature of the evening was Mr. Fukuzawa's original remarks on Japan and its language, which contained many good points. His recitation of a Chinese poem was much applauded, and at request he repeated another. After the entertainment was concluded the members partook of a light supper, and then amused themselves for the rest of the evening singing and otherwise. The meeting broke up shortly after eleven.

The Society of '87 held its regular monthly meeting at the Parker House on Friday, Dec. 4th. Thirty-nine were present, including Mr. Haskell, a former president of the class. The proof print of a certificate of membership was shown and discussed; Mr. Brace gave an acceptable report of the Pin Committee; arrangements were made for collecting and preserving copies of the examination papers; and an entertainment committee was appointed. The debate on "Marriage or Suicide" was spirited and interesting, though, from the first, it was evident that the "Marriage" faction had things all their own way. Before finally separating, the majority of the members adjourned to Young's Court, and gave '86 some hearty cheers.

Last evening, the first meeting and dinner of the graduates of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology took place at the Windsor Hotel. This college, located at Boston, is the leading scientific college of the country. The following were present: Charles A. Judkins, W. P. G. Hayward, Randall Whittier, George S. Rice, E. W. Rollins, of '71; W. L. R. Hallett, '72; H. L. J. Warren, '75; Theodore E. Schwartz, '76; G. H. Hewitt, '77; F. D. Chase, John Duff, E. R. Warren, John H. Allen, '81; H. M. Neff, '83; W. H. Bunce and P. S. Morse, '84. H. L. J. Warren was appointed president for the occasion. A permanent organization was effected, to embrace the students of the Institute resident west of the Missouri. The next annual meeting and dinner is to take place in Denver, a year from last evening. The affair was in every way a most enjoyable and complete success, and the organization promises to be one of the most promising college institutions of the Rocky Mountains region.—Denver Tribune.