HE game with Williams, although most disheartening in its result, should not entirely discourage our fellows in their hopes for a good position in the League. The game was played under peculiar circumstances, which although they could not be said to favor either side, still were more against us than against Williams. The probabilities are that the first Amherst-Williams game will be allowed to stand. This will necessitate that Williams should play off her tie-game with us. As it will be some time before this game can come off, our men must improve every spare moment for practice, as it is only by that that we can hope to win the victory.

Nor should our fellows look for too easy a victory over Tufts, as they may possibly be mistaken in their men if they are over-confident.

It is altogether too soon to begin to despair; and although we have not made as good a showing as we could have wished, we may yet retrieve our past fortunes and come out well in the end.

It is very hard for a student to be unable to spend Christmas at home, and yet this is the case with a great many of us at the Institute. There is a constantly increasing number of students who come from a distance to pursue their courses of study here, and it seems as if some provision should be made for a Christmas holiday, so that they can pass that joyous festival at home. This is about the only prominent educational institution in the country where no Christmas holiday is given, and there seems to be a growing dissatisfaction among the students in regard to this.

A week given as a holiday would only put off the semi-annual examinations, and make the second term begin and end a week later, thus taking it out of the very long summer vacation. This week's holiday would enable the students to go home, and at the same time would give them valuable time in which to review the studies of the term, preparatory to the examinations. Cannot a general movement be made to petition the Faculty for this holiday? Any such movement must be made soon, before the calendar of the year is made up and printed in the catalogue. It is sincerely hoped that the Faculty will consider the matter favorably, and grant the much-needed recess.

Much money, which might otherwise be saved, is lost each year through lack of a book exchange.

Once in awhile a student, by posting a notice on the bulletin-board, finds a purchaser for his last year's text-book. This, however, occurs seldom, and only after more or less correspondence on the part of both buyer and seller. In most cases the money invested in text-books is a complete loss.