Have you begun to grind for the Semies yet? It's about time for the Senior Ball committee to be chosen.

The Freshman tug-of-war team has been nicknamed the "bluebirds."

The Faculty granted the petition for a holiday on the Saturday before Christmas.

The Freshmen did not win a single event at the recent games. Brace up, '91!

Mr. G. O. Draper, '87, has been confined to his home with a severe attack of diphtheria.

It is a singular coincidence that there are just 89 cuts, counting in the cover, in '89's "Technique."

The electric lights in the buildings are now an assured fact, and have been put up in Kidder.

The Senior Class recently visited the Watertown Arsenal, with Professor Lanza, to inspect the testing machines there.

W. M. Duane, '89, has been unanimously elected captain of next year's foot-ball team, by the members of this year's eleven.

An afternoon party was given at the "gym." on Saturday, December 24th, under the auspices of the Societies of '88, '89, and '90.

Messrs. Mauran and Wales, having now finished their work on "Technique," will resume their work on the editorial board of The Tech.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of The Tech, it was decided to have The Tech on delivery in the new building on the date of its appearance.

The exhibition of photographs by the M. I. T. Photographic Society was much enjoyed last year. It is to be hoped that the Society will soon have another.

The Society of Arts met at the Institute on December 22nd. Mr. Wm. Stanley, Jr., read a paper on Recent Improvements in Systems of Electrical Distribution.

The Miners recently had a 33-hour roast in the Lab. to expel sulphur from an ore, and have since been engaged in the pleasant occupation of making bricks of the fine ore.

The students of Technology, Miss Ireland's young ladies, and the Sisters of St. Margaret, make quiet old Louisburg Square a picturesque and animated spot.—*Boston Record.*

Eighty-nine still holds the Institute championship in the tug-of-war. Their anchor, Pierce, is by far the best at the Tech., and probably the equal of any anchor in the country.

A meeting of the local members of the American Institute of Mining Engineers was held in Rogers 15, Dec. 16th, to make arrangements for the winter meeting of the Institute in this city.

Owing to the uncertainty of the time when the eleven will be photographed, we are unable to promise the photogravure for any special number. The editors greatly regret that it was impossible to have it in this.

Much regret was expressed by the '88 men that their team had no chance to pull in the recent games. All preferred that their team should have been badly beaten, as it probably would have been, than to be defeated by a "fluke," as was the case.

A mass-meeting was called December 20th in Room 15, to petition for a holiday on Saturday. A. T. Bradlee, '88, the president of the Senior class, presided. A committee of four, consisting of the Class presidents, was appointed to confer with General Walker, and take the necessary steps for making the petition. About 150 were present at the meeting, from all classes.