fact that all mental, as well as physical, labor, is at a great disadvantage unless the body is well trained and in a high state of sanitary excellence. Students, Faculty, and Corporation, alike seem either to be ignorant of this well-established fact, or to purposely disregard it. We have vainly striven to interest our readers in this subject so important to us as students, that some steps might be taken looking to the improvement of our gymnasium facilities.

The line between boxing as a manly and highly improving exercise and that lowest of all debasing contests, the prize-fight, is clearly drawn,—and satisfactory to the supporters of the former. The book also contains a number of chapters on the canoe, with much valuable advice as to the management of the same, in which the author states an ideal summer can be passed. If those whose business it is to look after our well-being, mentally and physically, had interested themselves in our athletics one half as much as Mr. O'Reilly has, we would no longer be cooped up in a diminutive gymnasium, and would long ere this have had a professor of physical culture.

T frequently happens that in the busy whirl of life there comes a pause, the duration of which is of such length that it is of no practical value, being much too short for the accomplishment of certain undertakings, while it is equally too long to devote to others. With much to do and but a short time in which to do it, this enforced inactivity is exasperating, and we cast about us to find some employment that will exactly fill the time at our disposal before the regular routine of the next hour shall commence.

Did it ever occur to the readers of The Tech that its editor is frequently placed in an analogous position? With an exact number of pages to fill with articles varying in length from a few lines to as many pages, he frequently comes to a blank space that must, by some means, be filled; and to render his task more exasperating still, his table may be covered with articles both short and long, among which there is not one that will fill the space in question in a manner acceptable to the reader. This forced writing must always be inferior to the natural expression of thought, so that it would perhaps be better sometimes to leave the space a blank, as our advertising agent does. But popular opinion has said no, and we, not daring thus to oppose ourselves to that august tribunal, bow our heads in humble submission, and fill the space whether or no.

The Tech has to again return its thanks for a most excellent anonymous contribution. Previously to this we have been at a loss to understand why any one should send us a nameless favor, since it is well known that we never publish any such. We have usually ascribed this omission of the name to bashfulness, and wondered thereat. The present contribution is, however, an exception. We admire the sagacity of the writer in not discovering to us his identity; for although great authors frequently have the same ideas, we should be sorely tempted to believe that Byron had at least influenced our contributor's style, since the resemblance between his manuscript and verse 45 Canto III. of Childe Harold is more than striking.

We understand that the '88 Class Day Committee have about decided on all the arrangements for Class Day. The date which has been fixed upon is Monday, May 28th, the day before the degrees are to be conferred. Whilst the arrangements have not been so entirely completed as to permit of a description of the exercises, we can say that it has been the aim of the Committee, as far as possible, to get up a programme which can be followed closely by other classes hereafter. The Class Day officers have been elected, and the Committee are now at work on the actual preparation of the Class Day arrangements. The assessment on the members of the class will probably be the same as it was last year, but it will be impossible to state this exactly until the Committee have got the expense estimated more carefully.