Several Tech. records have been broken, and our Freshmen have sustained the Institute in its tug-of-war reputation by defeating the Harvard Freshman team.

The Senior Ball, in spite of much opposition from under-classmen and The Tech, finally did come off, and its managers deserve great praise for their efforts in trying to make the affair a success under so many difficulties.

In a literary way we have progressed since last year. The Tech has done its best, and the Quarterly and "Technique" have both done remarkably well. The year is marked by the appearance of a new periodical, The Architectural Review. This paper is one of which every student of the Institute may well feel proud, both on account of its artistic merits and because it is a decided innovation in college journalism, in which we may well congratulate ourselves in having taken the first step.

Our Glee Club has acquitted itself as finely as usual, and has given several successful concerts. The Orchestra, sad to relate, has not been a success, and has finally expired. Whilst we have no banjo club at the Institute, several of our banjo players have distinguished themselves in this line in several concerts in or near Boston.

'99 has sustained her athletic reputation of last year, and defeated the Freshmen both on the football field and the tug-of-war cleats.

Altogether affairs at the Institute are flourishing, and The Tech congratulates the students that it is so.

We refer to the cheering, and otherwise rowdy conduct of some of the High School students from in and about Boston, at the drill in Mechanics Fair building.

It is bad taste, to say the least, to take advantage of the opportunity offered for showing their dislike or approval, to interrupt the proceedings by cheering, yelling, and, in short, attempting to run the whole affair.

We do not wish to make these statements sweeping, but let those whom the coat fits put it on. Let the Freshmen run their own drills, and more real enjoyment would be derived from them with the omission of these annoying side-shows, offered free gratis by the Sophomore Class and outsiders, who abuse their privileges.

We think that a great improvement might easily be made over the present method of getting our mail from the cage. There are but few men who go there much for mail matter, who do not feel this, and more especially those unfortunates whose names are so fixed alphabetically that they cannot see whether there is any mail for them or not, but have to inquire to find out. It would be so easy to have a system of letter boxes made, somewhat on the principle in use at a post-office, that we think it ought to be done. The first expense could easily be defrayed by charging each man so much for a box, and after the cost was thus paid, the price for a box could be made merely nominal, so that only those who really wanted a box would have one. We should say that four hundred of these boxes would be amply sufficient, and that number could be put in around the sides of the cage, or if not so many, at least enough for those men who get most of their mail at the Institute. The present method of letting each man pick out circulars, or notices from the Faculty, sent out at the same time to all his classmates, is certainly not the best way to manage affairs of this sort, and an arrangement of boxes would do away with this trouble altogether.

Another thing about the cage we think would be a good addition. This is the placing of a