affairs, but the book is in no sense a catalogue reprint, nor is it, as in many colleges, simply a society picture book. Members of all classes are heartily invited to co-operate in making “Technique” of interest to everybody, and contributions, both literary and artistic, will be gladly received up to the time of going to press.

The male portion of the human race is divided into three great classes; viz., Athletes, Men, and Grinds.

The first-named class make their living by athletics. Their mental capacities are, for the most part, undeveloped. The “Man” is well developed physically, to attain which state a certain amount of time is spent in the gymnasium or the field. His mind is cultivated, his brain is clear, and by his strength he is enabled to pursue to great advantage his mental culture.

The “Grind” spends all his time in the storing up of mathematical formulae; that is, until his physically undeveloped body gives out under the pressure, and he is unfit for further study. With some exceptions, who represent the extremes, most of us desire to reach the class known as “men.” Eight months of our year are spent in the Institute, and it seems as though an institution, ranking as it does among the largest in the land, within the first half-dozen, in fact, could support something better than the “Hole in the Ground” for a gymnasium.

The very sarcasm in the above name, given it by the students, shows its uselessness. For instance, if out of over eight hundred students more than a dozen would use it, how could they be accommodated, lacking as it is in facilities for exercise and cleanliness. The attention of the Faculty and Corporation is called once again to the pressing need of a good gymnasium and an open field for out-door sports, in order that, as men, credit may be reflected upon our Alma Mater.

It has been proposed by the Tennis Associates to try and secure indoor courts in some hall this winter, as Winslow’s Skating Rink, for instance. The project is a good one, as the light, quick exercise which a sharp game of tennis gives, does much to drive away the cobwebs from the brain after a hard day’s work at the Institute when outdoor exercise is impossible. The great question is, will the men support such a project. Of course a new assessment is necessary, and whether the men will pay such an assessment is an open question. Let some opinion be expressed on the subject.

It is probably nothing but carelessness that causes the janitor to leave the blackboards hidden behind the pillars in Rogers’ corridor where he has placed them, on sweeping. It is, however, a serious cause of annoyance to the students, and is undoubtedly the indirect reason for so many poorly attended meetings. We trust that the janitor will bear this in mind in future, and would also suggest to those who place bulletins in the place in question, that at about ten o'clock (the time of sweeping) they take a turn in Rogers and see that their notice is where it should be, and not reposing in that most unattainable place behind the pillars.

Why can’t we have that system in regard to exam’s and term work which is being adopted in some other colleges?

The system is, that those students who get over a certain per cent during the term, say 85 per cent, are exempt from the examinations at the end of the term. This is much fairer to the student, and has been successfully adopted in other colleges. Its only tendency is to elevate the individual daily work of the student, and does not make all depend upon the examination, which frequently does but scant justice to the really honest worker.

That it would be a great improvement on our present system, there is no doubt.