that the person who marked that paper knew less of
the language, conversationally speaking, and as com-
pared with English, than the student whose translation
he plodded through.

Several more cases could be cited, concerning as
many different instructors, but the moral and purpose
of my article are sufficiently elucidated in the two
herein set forth.

Yours very respectfully,

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BOSTON, MASS., Nov. 18, 1891.

TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:

A CLUB was organized at the Institute last year, which
afforded opportunity for the discussion of the promi-
inent sociological, literary and economical questions of
the day. The remarkable success which attended the
venture fully justified the attempt, and makes it
desirable that the Twentieth Century Club should be
actively revived this year.

In order to accomplish this a meeting was called on
Monday afternoon, November 16th, to consult on the
best plan of work for the coming year,—it being
thought advisable, from the experience of one year,
slightly to modify the methods of work. It was the
sense of the meeting that there should be a greater
opportunity for debates by the students, and that
the public lectures should be somewhat less frequent.
A set of resolutions was drawn up to be submitted to
the Senior and Junior Classes for consideration, that
they may come to the next meeting on November
30th better understanding the aim of the club.

These resolutions are as follows:

1. That the meetings of the club be devoted
generally to discussions by the members of the club;
some of the meetings, however, being opened to out-
side lecturers.

2. That the number of the meetings so given up to
outside speakers be at the discretion of the Executive
Committee, but that there be an outside limit fixed.

3. That all members be enrolled, and that all so
enrolled shall hold themselves in readiness to be called
upon to take part, when requested so to do by the
committee.

4. That all meetings be open to all members of the
Senior and Junior Classes, but that all debating be
confined to enrolled members.

5. That copies of these resolutions be placed in the
corridor of each building of the Institute and in the
Margaret Cheney Reading Room.

It is hoped that all who are interested in this project
will be present at 4:30 on November 30th, in order
that there shall be an expression of opinion from all
sides. Such a club will be organized at that time, and
all desiring to secure the benefits from it should show
their interest by becoming members as soon as possi-
ble. It is perfectly patent, that the Institute students,
more or less unfortunately, are required to be recepta-
cles and never sources of knowledge. Here is a
chance to show how much you know. Seriously, how-
ever, it is an excellent opportunity to hear the ques-
tions of the day ably set forth from all corners, and to
acquire for yourself facility in public discourse.

ALBERT P. MATTHEWS,
Secretary pro tem.

"Unter vier Augen."

Unter vier Augen the Germans say;
Tête-à-tête’s the Frenchman’s way.
Sitting together and safe from view;
You watch me, love—I’ll watch you.

Brown eyes, and black eyes, and blue and gray,
All are lovely in their way;
Those are the brightest that look in mine;
Watch thou my eyes—I’ll watch thine.

"Under four eyes" and with "head to head,"
Hearing all that’s softly said;
No one to listen but just we two;
You tell me, love,—I’ll tell you.

Light hair, and dark hair, and gold and brown,
All are fair when bending down.
Yours is the fairest, by far, to see;
Bend, love, thy head close to me.

"Under the rose" and with no one near,
Lovers do more than look and hear;
Lips will seek lips when there’re only two;
You kiss me, love,—I’ll kiss you.

R. H. S.

As far as is known, the oldest college grad-
uate in this country is Amos Andrew Parker
of Fitzwilliam, N. H., who graduated from
the University of Vermont in 1813. He has
also the distinction of being graduated the
greatest number of years from an American
college. Although he recently celebrated his
one hundredth birthday, he has the use of his
powers as well as many men of fifty.