since 1878-79 when it was only 188—a gain of about 540 per cent. in thirteen years.

The number of students by classes is as follows; Ninety-two has 173 members, including 27 Specials. Ninety-three has 232 members, including 92 Specials. Ninety-four has 284, including 129 Specials. Ninety-five has a membership of 318, including 55 Specials. The proportion of Regulars to Specials is 70 to 30.

Thirty-eight States and the District of Columbia are represented. Massachusetts is represented by 53.88 per cent. of the total membership.

There are 26 Co-eds., nine of whom are Regulars.

The Sophs are divided in courses as follows: I., 25; II., 43; III., 4; IV., 12; V., 10; VI., 28; VII., 4; VIII., 4; IX., 4; X., 17; XI., 4; XII., 0.

There are 12 professors, 13 associate and 8 assistant professors, 42 instructors and 27 assistants.

To judge from the severity with which the Freshmen were marked on their first five weeks of work, one would be led to think that the Faculty have determined to make the work in the first year more severe, or that they wish each instructor to try and see how badly he can scare the men whom he has under his jurisdiction. Some Freshmen who had 65 to 70 per cent. on their first five weeks' work in chemistry were given F's. Others who had over 80 per cent. in mathematics were given L's. In drawing the fact of having P's on all of the plates did not seem to warrant a similar mark on the reports, but it depended more on the mood of the instructor at the time he sent in his report. Considering the remarks made by a number of Freshmen it is clearly shown that the Faculty have succeeded in their last design. The Freshmen are scared, and moreover quite a number is very much discouraged. They can see no justice in such a method, and feel that although they have worked hard, it all stands for very little in the end. And if they don't have a "pull," or don't just please the instructor, there is no show for them at the semies. To tell them not to feel disheartened and to cheer up, does seem like telling a drowning man that he will be all right when he gets hold of a line; but the Faculty are not so hard on us as it would be possible for them to be, and they do feel for us, even though they don't reach us sometimes. Almost all of us have had scares since we have been here; some have been left gray headed and others have drooped by the wayside. Let the Freshmen labor and strive honestly and they will be crowned with success. The chances of graduation are only one in twenty, we admit, but let every man in his class think he is the lucky one and look upon his twenty unfortunate brothers with pity until graduation time comes, and the grain is separated from the chaff.

LIFE and interest in class and Institute affairs very seldom met with in a first-year class at any college have been shown by our Freshmen this year. Indeed, so great an interest as that which they have manifested is liable to be injurious to the future of their organization. But disregarding such maxims, all our readers know in what a lively and systematic manner they managed their football team, even though they were badly beaten in the annual game. They also made a most creditable showing at the athletic meeting about two weeks ago.