"The Inhibiting Action of Erosion"; and Professor Niles on "The Recent Earthquakes in Japan."

We have been looking for a good joke on the recent eclipse and we have it at last. It comes from Harvard in the shape of a "local" which was handed in to the Crimson by an aspirant to the Board of Editors, and read as follows,—"Several Harvard men witnessed the eclipse of the moon last night."

Professor: If, in throwing dice, a man throws doubles, it is very good; if he throws the same doubles next time it is somewhat remarkable; if he throws them the third time, it is wonderful; but if they are the same ones on the fourth throw, there is nothing wonderful about it, for it is certain that the dice are loaded.

At the sound of the fire alarm from the corner of Clarendon and Boylston Streets the other day, a number of Freshmen in the laboratory were seen holding their water bottles with feverish anxiety and tightened grip. The second-year Chemists accuse one of the more timid instructors of giving the order.

We were glad to see a number of Freshmen entered in our last indoor athletic meet. They made a creditable struggle for points, and should feel encouraged for greater efforts in the future. This only proves the theory which we have advanced repeatedly before, that a man doesn't know what he can do at athletics until he has tried.

During the last two weeks the Fourth-year Miners have been doing much work on the new jigs in the mining laboratory. A large batch of pyrites from the Eustis Mine, Capelton, Canada was successfully treated, and the pyrite well separated from the silica and the rest of the gangue. Mr. Eustis himself was in the "Lab." one day of the run to see how the Professor's "scheme" worked.


Another meeting of '95 was called to order December 8th, by President Hayden. The matter of class history was brought before the class. It was voted that the Executive Committee have full charge of the class supper. Mr. Tillinghast was elected Treasurer.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of '95 Tuesday December 15th, they decided that the class supper should be held February 13th at Young's Hotel.

While Professor Grabfield was in charge of the Freshman laboratory, in correcting chemistry notes he usually noticed grammatical errors and misspelling. In one set of notes in which the spelling was particularly bad, he wrote, "Consult Webster." The author of the notes was seen, at the next exercise, book in hand, hunting for "Mr. Webster." On encountering Mr. Bardwell, he inquired where "Mr. Webster" could be found, whereupon Mr. Bardwell, with a rather elaborate smile, advised him to look for Webster's dictionary, and his search would be a shorter one and much more to the point.

The first meeting of the Class Day Nominating Committee was held Tuesday, December 15th, in Room 22 Rogers. The voting day was set as January 1, 1892,—an appropriate date. The nominations made at this meeting were: Orator, L. Derr, R. I. de Carvalho, R. Waterman; Statistician, W. Estey, S. Burrage, F. H. Howland; Historian, A. French, F. Walker, M. Warner; First Marshal, G. V. Wendell, J. S. Parrish,