Two of the offices, those of orator and statistician, were conferred upon graduates of another college, who entered '92 in the Sophomore year, thereby disqualifying themselves, both by the certain and natural lack of class feeling and by the loss of opportunities to render their services to the class during its most critical period, for the positions refused to Mr. Carvalho and Mr. Burrage, both of whom had, on innumerable occasions, proved themselves possessed to a marked degree of the talents called for.

That the qualifications of these latter were noted and acknowledged was shown by the action of the nominating committee; that they were refused the recognition due them shows a lamentable lack of gratitude for their active interest in their class, and an equally lamentable deficiency in good judgment.

Our conviction that '92 would do itself credit in its choice of Class-Day officers was most satisfactorily verified in the majority of cases, which serves to eliminate any excuse for the two remaining ones.

We have spoken of a loss of opportunities suffered by the two successful candidates in question. What advantage have they taken of the opportunities that were given them to prove, if possible, their superiority over the two gentlemen whom we have named?

We cannot refuse to hope that the orator and statistician as elected will give satisfaction, but we miss that appreciation of college spirit so often shown by the Class of '92, especially of late. While we are confident that the performance of the greater part of the committee's duties will amply justify the hopes of the college as well as of the class, as regards the two offices referred to there cannot but be more or less anxiety among us until '92 has adjourned for the last time, and the last criticism of its actions been recorded.

A special train will be run from New York for the athletes coming to the B. A. A. handicap meeting Feb. 13th.

With the opening of the new term, we wish once again to remind the students that communications and contributions of all kinds are desired for THE TECH. It has been and is our object to represent in frank and unbiased speech the voice of the students, and to promote the welfare of the Institute and that of its students. THE TECH will be greatly aided in this direction by contributions from its subscribers and readers. Poems and "locals" are especially urged. The author's name should be signed to all contributions, though not necessarily for publication, and should be sent in not later than the Friday preceding each issue of THE TECH.

We heartily indorse the communication, which appears elsewhere in THE TECH, in regard to baseball practice in the gymnasium. Other colleges are allowed this privilege in their gymnasiums, which though more elaborate are certainly no larger, and we see no plausible reason why our baseball teams should not enjoy the same privilege. Any little damage that may be done would gladly be repaired with baseball funds. There would be no interference with other athletics, and athletes or classes in training, as this work is confined to one side of the gymnasium, and would cause them not the least inconvenience. The benefits of the indoor practice for the batteries are clear to all.

We trust that the matter may be brought to the notice of the Faculty, and that permission for ball throwing will be given.

Since Dr. Tyler has once more resumed the duties of Secretary, many old customs seem to have given way to new and better arrangements. Whether the changes have been first suggested by Dr. Tyler or by the Assistant Secretary or by somebody else is not of great importance to the student. But it