George W. West, Ph.D., on Anthropology.
C. Howard Walker, on History of Ornament.
Anthony C. White, S.B., on the Distribution of Electricity for Commercial Purposes.

The Architectural Society held its second meeting of the year in the Architectural Building, on October 16th, and perfected the programme for the year. There were thirty-seven members present. As heretofore, tracings will be made by members of the Society from the most valuable books in the library, which tracings become the permanent property of the Society. Blue prints are made from these tracings, and sold to the members at cost. Anyone acquainted with the study of architecture will appreciate the great benefit that this, the principal work of the Society, is to the students of architecture. The annual exhibit which it has been the habit of the Society to show at the close of the second term, was not made last year, owing to the fact that some of the best work was at Chicago. At the end of this year, however, the work of the two years will be exhibited together. This cannot fail to eclipse any former attempt of the Society, since the standard of draughtsmanship has been almost phenomenally raised during the past year. In addition to the work of the department, the Society will be able to exhibit the design by which M. Despradelle won the second Grand Prix de Rome, together with several of his earlier designs. These are undoubtedly the finest designs ever brought to this country, and they cannot fail to interest the architects of the city as well as the students. The entertainment of the Society, which is considered of the first importance by the members, will, as usual, be left in the hands of a committee on entertainment. Although this committee has not yet been appointed, there will be little difficulty in selecting an excellent one, since there are more good entertainers among the Architects this year than ever before. Eight new members were proposed, and the dues of the active members paid; consequently, with a full treasury and so large a number of active members, the Society seems fairly launched upon another successful year.

The most exciting class meeting that '96 has ever had took place in Huntington Hall last Thursday, at one o'clock. The meeting was called to decide upon the validity of certain votes cast in the recent class election. It seems that some of the Course IV. men were unable to get over to Rogers to deposit their ballots, and so sent them by one of their number, who patriotically sacrificed his time for the good of his class. This was objected to by others as being contrary to the class constitution, which states that there shall be no voting by proxy. In the meeting there was a long discussion over what constitutes voting by proxy, and how the constitution should be interpreted. The defenders of the disputed ballots seemed to overmatch their opponents, not only in arguments, but also in votes. After a great deal of oratory, it was moved to consider the ballots valid. The opposition immediately attempted to lay the motion on the table, and great excitement ensued. Cries of “Point of order,” “Question,” and “Point of information,” rose from all parts of the house. A dozen would-be speakers, each shouting for recognition, waved frantically at the President. As soon as one had finished speaking, there were two to answer him. Hungry members stood up, waved their hats, and appealed for adjournment. For a moment there seemed to be danger of a repetition of the recent scene in the House of Commons; but the defenders of the challenged votes were firm, and carried their point. The ballots were declared valid; and after some more animated discussion, the meeting was adjourned at just two o’clock.

The Class of ’96 continued its convention in regard to the legality of its election of officers in a meeting Saturday noon, October 21st. After a warm discussion for over an hour nothing was arrived at. Finally it was decided that the election was legal.