CERTAINLY there is an increasing interest in athletics. Nearly every night a comparatively large number of men may be seen toiling away with the new and old apparatus at the gymnasium, while more yet are out for football practice. This, we are glad to observe, is particularly noticeable among members of the Junior Class. The formation of football teams by various courses, started about three weeks ago by the Senior Chemists and Chemical Engineers, has been enthusiastically taken up by the Juniors. As a result, '95 has several good teams, eager to play, and out almost nightly for practice. This course, and, if possible, class rivalry, is the best method of developing interest in football, and of bringing to light and to practice many good men who, having previously known nothing of the game, were too modest to practice with the 'varsity players, and yet who would, under proper training, prove invaluable to our team. Heretofore, Juniors and Seniors have left the supply of material almost solely to the two lower classes and to those who formerly played on the 'varsity. Let the good work go on. The Tech has hoped for some time to see a class football cup, and this, we can assert, will be the reward of earnest perseverance in the lines now indicated.

LAST year The Tech called attention to the deplorable custom of tipping chairs in the lunch room, and hoped that the ungentlemanly practice would cease. As everyone who frequents the lunch room knows, this unjust method of discrimination not only continues, but there have been added certain unparalleled features that call for immediate reform. There are certain students who are not satisfied with depriving others of a seat while they are procuring food, and who, therefore, tip not one, but several chairs, so that they may be sure of securing at least one seat of the number. But this is not all. There are cases in point where students tip chairs which remain unused during the greater part of the noon hour, simply because they kindly forget to move them after they have secured themselves a seat. These are no idle statements, but facts which The Tech is ready to substantiate with names and details. Such practices may be due to thoughtlessness on the part of students, but it is a thoughtlessness which admits of no excuse, which savors of downright selfishness, and which should be stopped immediately. In the name of common decency The Tech asks why the chairs cannot be left alone till some one is ready to use them. It is in the hands of the students to do away with this evil, by discouraging all tipping of chairs in the lunch room.