At a meeting of the class of '96, held Dec. 20, 1893, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:—

In consideration of the courtesy and hospitality shown by the Northwestern Alumni Association to the undergraduates of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology during the past summer, and in recognition of their untiring efforts to make the visit of all Technology men in Chicago a pleasant one, we, the members of the Class of Ninety-Six, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, do hereby extend our hearty thanks and expressions of gratitude to the aforesaid Alumni.

Furthermore, we desire that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Northwestern Alumni Association, and also be published in THE TECH.

For Class of Ninety-Six,

W. Ames, Jr.
E. A. Baldwin.
T. T. Brackett.

Freehand drawing has become such a bore to the Sophomore architects that for a number of weeks past it has been almost an impossibility to find a quorum at the classes toward the close of the hour, the average attendance being something over half the class. To assure a larger attendance, Mr. Adams has devised a scheme whereby unexcused absence is made impossible. The roll is not only called at the commencement of each hour, but attendance is also taken five minutes before the close of the two-hour period. To avoid any mistake or misrepresentation, the last roll is taken by inspecting the students individually. This method has proven a great success, as is shown by the attendance.

The "Deutscher Verein" met last Thursday in Room 11, Rogers, with a very good attendance. After a few preliminary motions, the election of officers for the rest of the school year took place. The results were as follows: President, F. E. Matthes, '95; Vice President, E. A. Baldwin, '96; Secretary, H. S. Baldwin, '96; Treasurer, M. E. Pierce, '96. The members of the executive committee, beside four above named, are R. B. Price, '94; G. H. Matthes, '95, and G. C. Hall, '96. The programme committee is made up of V. A. Mayer, '94; G. Swope, '95: R. Bakenhus, '96; E. G. Porteur, '97, and Miss Wood for the young ladies. Mr. Hall read a selection from Mark Twain bearing on the study of German.

The Technology Quarterly received last week is one especially interesting. It contains two articles of general interest to Tech men. One, by Professor Porter, on the "Hydraulic Laboratory of the Institute," is very comprehensive, and is well illustrated with four photographic cuts and a ground plan of the laboratory. The second article is by President Walker, on "College Athletics," in which he most heartily indorses gymnastics and the milder forms of athletics in educational institutions of all sorts; but he does not commend athletics, except in moderate forms, in a technical school. The article is made up from President Walker's address last June before the Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Cambridge. All those interested in the subject would certainly profit by reading this article in the Quarterly.

Charles Doyle Smith, a member of Course II., '96, whose death was mentioned in the last Tech, passed away amid peculiarly sad circumstances. His father is an unsuccessful inventor, and his mother an invalid; and so, in his brave, unselfish heart Charles assumed