The Architectural Italian Supper.

Last Saturday night the Architectural Society held their first dinner of the term at the St. Nicholas. This time it was an “Italian supper,” and another great success was added to their list of festive occasions, which are becoming more and more distinguished for their jollity and cleverness. The menus bore out well the character of the occasion, and some of the methods devised for dealing with the long strings of spaghetti were extremely unique.

The informal programme was begun at an early stage of the repast, Mr. MacClure presiding, and Mr. Guy Lowell acting as toastmaster. To bring all into an amiable frame of mind, some rousing songs were sung, and then Mr. MacClure read an interesting paper on the “Metamorphosis of an Architect,” in which he reviewed the feelings and ideas of an architectural student as he passed through the vicissitudes of his course. Mr. Zapf rendered a piano solo in a pleasing manner, and was followed by Mr. Mann, who presented an able paper on “Proportions.” Then Messrs. Ames, Phillips, and Hart sang one of the society’s standard songs, in which all joined with great enthusiasm. Mr. Woollett talked about “The Ladies,” and Mr. Owen recited Foxe’s amusing adaptation of “Pyramus and Thisbe.”

Mr. O. W. McD. Cushing, whom the society was pleased to entertain, in turn entertained those present with a humorous recitation, and later in the evening in various other ways, not the least of which was his Spanish dance. A banjo solo, by Mr. Shepard, came next, and he was followed by Mr. Lowell, who read some very apt and clever original verse. After Mr. Hewitt sang a bass solo in a spirited manner, Mr. Harrison read some amusing sketches, entitled “Effluvia,” and “A Roman Romance.” Mr. Wright read a selection, and Mr. Dickey talked about Hawaii. After more songs, in which all joined, and a “Progressive Sketch,” a flash light was taken, and all departed in the most jovial spirits.

Harvard is to found a new observatory in Arizona about March 1st.

The University of Pennsylvania football eleven have ordered leather suits for next fall.

The Harvard nine will not take a Southern trip this year.

There are about 12,000 students in the scientific schools of this country.

They have a course in Naval Architecture at Cornell.

Princeton has erected a movable grand stand upon its football field.

A dramatic association has been recently organized at Andover.

Brown University will celebrate her one hundredth anniversary in June.

A new literary magazine has been started at the University of Chicago, called the Calumet.

A bill has been introduced in the Massachusetts Legislature prohibiting public exhibitions of football.

The libretto and score of “Priscilla,” the opera to be given at Brown in the spring, is nearly completed, and there has been a trial of voices. The proceeds from the performances this year will be turned into the general athletic fund.

The six colleges or universities in the United States having the largest number of graduate students are: Johns Hopkins, 262; Chicago University, 256; Harvard, 254; Cornell, 161; University of Pennsylvania, 154; Yale, 143.