The latest news in regard to the competitive drill is, that it will occur May 11th, from 6 to 11 p.m., the minimum number of men drilling being sixteen files or four complete sets of fours. Captain Bigelow further announces that any Technology man will be eligible to drill in the individual competition.

The Course IX. Seniors have had the following Theses subjects suggested: "Accumulation as a factor in the colonial extension of European nations in Africa and in the East;" "The evidence for and against a derivation of the American Aborigines from the Mongolian stock;" "A history of the Family in England since 1666."

The Harvard Yacht Club has elected the following officers: Commodore, J. L. Stackpole, Jr.; vice commodore, C. F. Lyman; rear commodore, D. H. Morris; secretary and treasurer, B. Frothingham; election committee, B. Frothingham, R. M. Johnson, C. A. Pierce; regatta committee, M. L. Scull, J. K. Lorthrop, R. B. Williams.


Permission has been obtained from City Engineer Jackson and the Boston Water Board, for the Seniors in Engineering Laboratory work to make a duty test upon the new Leavitt Pumping Engine at the Chestnut Hill Reservoir. The test will be performed under the supervision of Professor Miller and his assistants, and will take the place of the Hirn and Boiler tests usually given the seniors. at the end of the term.

The Seventh Annual Competition for the Hale Prizes, awarded to students in American colleges by the American Institute of Civics, is open to members of the Senior Class of Technology. It is to be hoped that men will attempt the honor. Awards are made for the essays of greatest merit upon Citizenship, Government, American History, or other allied subjects. Further information may be obtained in Room 40.

Messrs. Reed, Francis, and Walker have begun work upon their designs for the Rotch Traveling Scholarship competition, which will continue two weeks. This scholarship is open to graduates from Course IV., and gives one thousand dollars a year for two years to the successful competitor for his expenses in traveling through Europe. The Roman Scholarship gives fifteen hundred dollars for a year and a half for similar purposes. Messrs. Hill, Gardner, and Pulsifer are competing for the latter.

At a special meeting of the Society of Arts, held Thursday last, Prof. C. F. Maybery, of Cleveland, read a paper on "Occurrence and Composition of the Ohio and Canadian Sulphur Petroleums." The methods of obtaining and refining these petroleums was very fully shown by the stereopticon, and specimens of the sulphur compounds derived from them were also exhibited. At the next meeting, March 28th, Prof. W. H. Pickering, M. I. T., '79, Course VIII., of Cambridge, will read a paper concerning Astronomical Investigations at Mountain Observatories.

One of the most highly instructive lecture courses to which the members of '95 have listened was that which terminated last Monday, given to Course VI., by Mr. O. B. Roberts, on "Patents for Inventions." He stated that he had entered upon the lectures with but slight preparation, yet he held the undivided attention of the class at every lecture. Mr. Roberts appears to possess those inherent magnetic qualities so essential in a good lecturer, and he evinced an active personal interest in the course, which placed him at once into close touch with his audience.