many of our students, even upper classmen, entirely unaware of the important fact that this great collection of books is quite as much at their disposal as if they were registered tax-payers of the city of Boston.

All students who will take the trouble to provide themselves with identification slips from the Secretary of the Institute, can obtain cards, at the Registration desk of the Public Library, which will enable them to take out books for home use, while the use of books, magazines, and newspapers for reading at the Library can easily be obtained without the preliminary registration. We would add, moreover, that the courtesy and cheerful helpfulness of the Library officials is, and has long been, a cause for much local pride.

THE chief officer of our long-named society having called the attention of a properly horrified world to the "vivisection" of dead rabbits which has been carried on in our midst, has since directed his energies against the "rich hoodlums" of the Myopia Club for their pursuit of hypothetical tame foxes. All this illustrates the difficulty of carrying on a vigorous reform without overshooting the mark and alienating the sympathies of the public by what the French call "trop de zèle." We suspect this is also the great trouble with our esteemed professor of degeneration, Max Nordau.

IT is with sincere regret that we learn of the recent death of Prof. William Abbott Pike, at Minneapolis. Professor Pike was a prominent member of the class of '71 at Technology, and graduated in Course I. He was subsequently called to take charge of the engineering department of Maine State College, at Orono, where he remained several years. A similar position was then offered him in the University of Minnesota, and his efficient services at the State University are well attested by the high standard of excellence which the department attained while under his charge.

Ill health caused him, a few years ago, to resign his chair at the University. During the latter years of his life, he practiced as a consulting engineer. Professor Pike was an able instructor and well versed in all branches of engineering. His loss will be deeply felt in the West.

OO much encouragement cannot be given to the Walker Club in its attempt to produce an English Play during Junior Week. From present indications it does not seem probable that either French or German plays will be given this year, and Junior Week would indeed be dull if nothing was attempted in the way of theatricals. A play could be produced with almost certain prospect of success if sufficient interest were manifested by those known to have dramatic talent, provided, of course, the enthusiasm of the student body appeared to warrant such an undertaking. The Tech believes heartily in any project which has a tendency to temper the specialization of technical work, and trusts that the Club will soon be able to announce that the play will be given.

HE Harvard-Princeton football game at Princeton, on November 2, will doubtless stand out as one of the great athletic events of the year. Harvard has shown an unexpected amount of enthusiasm, which speaks volumes for the continuing popularity of the game. Nearly a week before the event the number of tickets sold to Harvard men was estimated at eight hundred, which is surprisingly large considering the distance to be traveled. The game, although attended by a great array of enthusiastic college men, can be but a poor substitute in the popular estimation of New England for the old Springfield games, where, on neutral ground, the vast concourse of spectators was equally divided in sympathy between the team of the crimson and that of the blue.