Again, Technology has hundreds of men on the rolls of her various clubs, but the exceedingly small number which invariably constitutes a quorum for business in these organizations has a sad significance.

It is an ill time, however, to take a pessimistic view of the matter. The end of the second semester marks the time when the social progress of the college year becomes apparent, and with the active preparations for Junior Week, which have been so heartily entered into by that element of the students which is ever ready to further the interests of the brighter side of Institute life, Ninety-five-Ninety-six may yet be recorded as Technology's greatest social year.

We congratulate the Executive Committee of Ninety-seven upon its choice of a Prom. Committee. The selection of Messrs. Allen, Lamb, McCarthy, Noble, and Whiting places this event of Junior Week in good hands, and will go far in insuring its success.

Whereas it has pleased God to remove from amongst us our beloved classmate, Percy Farnham Lawrence, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the class of '97, desire to express our sincere sorrow for the loss of our classmate, and to extend our sympathy to his family in their bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family and that they be entered on the records of the class.

For the class,

JAY E. TONE.
HOWARD A. NOBLE.
WILLIAM O. SAWTELLE.

Calendar.

Thursday, February 27th: Meeting of the Geological Society in Room 14, Rogers, at 4.15 P.M. Meeting of Society of Arts, Lecture by Prof. H. Mendenhall of W. P.I. Dinner of KsS at the Thordike, 7.30 P.M.

Friday, February 28th: Dinner of Connecticut Valley Alumni Association at Springfield.

Saturday, February 29th: Concert of the Glee, Banjo, and Mandolin Clubs at the Colonial Club, Cambridge. Y. M. C. A. Meeting at 12 M.

Monday, March 2d: Meeting of L'Avenir in Room 23, Walker. Business Meeting KsS in Society Rooms, 439 Boylston Street, at 4.30 P.M.

Tuesday, March 3d: Meeting of Biological Club in Room 13, Rogers, at 4.15 P.M.

Communications.

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To the Editors of the Tech:

An alumnus of the Institute in conversation about Institute affairs said, "I see that you still have the old story of cliques and anti-cliques. When will the fellows use a little common sense?" It is strange how little logic men use when the question of an election to some office comes up. Instantly is heard the cry, "A ring! Those fraternity fellows want all the offices and we'll combine to prevent it." Now, to look at the matter impartially, it would seem to be for the interests of Technology that the best men get the positions, and who are these best men? They are usually fraternity men, because the best men are the ones the fraternities want—and, it may be added, usually get. They are the men, who cheer loudest at the class games, go deepest into their pockets to help Technology projects, work hardest in athletics, and give most time and energy to the general promotion of Technology interests. And then, when, as a reward for their efforts, they are given a position which shows the appreciation of their fellow-students, the same old cry arises, "A ring, a ring." Offices are filled, not by fraternity men, because they are fraternity men, but because they are the best men. It often happens, of course, that a very good man is a non-fraternity man, and, in such cases, invariably, the fraternity men are the ones who push him to the front.

X., '97.