the class, but also from the fact that, for the first time, students graduated in each of the thirteen courses. The abstracts of theses read were, therefore, more widely representative than in any previous year. The fact that two of those who read abstracts were young women is also important.

In short the Commencement Week of Ninety-six was worthy of her undergraduate career. May her future successes do honor to both!

N. E. I. P. A. Meeting.

The New England Inter-collegiate Press Association held this year the most successful meeting in its history. The transformation of an “appendage to the Worcester meet” into a strong, active, and useful organization, is due in large part, as it is pleasant to record, to the energy of the President of the Association, Mr. Hyde, late of The Tech.

The first session was held in the afternoon of May 22d, in the rooms in Rogers Building adjoining The Tech office. Twenty-three delegates were present, representing papers published at Amherst, Amherst Agricultural College, Bowdoin, Brown, Colby, Mt. Holyoke, Smith, Technology, Trinity, Tufts, Wellesley, Williams, and Worcester Polytechnic. President Hyde opened the meeting, and papers were read on the various phases of college journalism. A discussion followed on these points which furnished valuable hints to the members, and also gave rise to curious comparisons. For instance, the contrast between Smith College with five hundred Alumni subscribers and Technology with six was a pregnant one.

At the second session of the Association a Constitution, drawn up by Mr. Hyde, was unanimously adopted without alteration, and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: President, F. B. Whitney, of the Williams Weekly; Vice President, Miss Josephine Batchelder, of the Wellesley Magazine; Secretary-Treasurer, G. L. Miner, of the Brown Daily Herald; member of Executive Board, H. H. Titsworth, of the Amherst Student.


The Alumni Reception.

The Annual Reception of the Alumni Association to the Senior Class was held this year at the Exchange Club, and proved in several respects a noteworthy occasion. Some three hundred Alumni welcomed the members of the largest class ever graduated from the Institute, and a goodly number of the faculty and corps of instruction. An excellent supper was served at seven o’clock, after which the guests filled the hall above for the exercises of the evening. The Glee and Banjo Clubs very pleasantly filled in the gap before these commenced.

The Banjo Club was completely drowned out, however, by the thundering applause