hands turn their attention to the bowl; if he does not get off, when the half is supposed to be over, the referee hauls him out, and somebody lends him enough clothes for him to go to his locker with due decency. But the fight never stops; that goes on and on for half or three quarters of an hour longer. Now the object of the Freshmen is to break the bowl; but as is easily seen from the description of the bowl, this is a laughable impossibility. Consequently the fight becomes rather tame, and usually consists of a crowd on top of the bowl, surrounded by a ring of fellows who are doing their best to pull somebody out and get in themselves. Slugging is barred by rule, and there is really very little of it done. The referee stops the fight usually in about half an hour. The rules governing the decision of this half are usually agreed upon by representatives of the classes before the fight. In the '96-'97 fight the hands on the bowl when the referee called time were counted, and the fight was awarded to '96, because there were eight '96 hands on the bowl and six '97 hands. In the '97-'98 and '98-'99 fights no such rule prevailed, and the fight was started with the understanding that the Sophs would win the second half. It might be said that no time is taken out for injuries; but few men are injured. A man may have his wind knocked out, or he may get a black eye, or a cut lip, but those are evidences of his valor.

The bowl fight is a tradition at Pennsylvania, and has developed to its present stage from a condition in which the bowl was thin, light, and consequently breakable, and in which the object was for the Freshmen either to break the bowl, or, still better, to capture it. While the fight in its present condition is a little unsatisfactory, from the fact that it is almost always a draw by the referee's decision, although, of course, both classes claim it, yet the men like it, and large crowds go into it every year. Many a man comes out with nothing on but his shoes, but the fights are usually stag parties. Last year's fight was not, and '98's class president was considerably embarrassed by being seen in an absolutely sans condition.

One thing which preserves the bowl fight, is the custom attached to the bowl. It is kept by an elected custodian from the Sophomore Class until Class Day, the last of Senior year, then it is presented to the man elected to receive it, as the second most popular man in the class. The most popular man receives a spoon; the next, the historic bowl; the third, a cane, and the fourth, a spade, with which he afterwards plants the class ivy.

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Ninety-nine Class Meeting.

Last Friday at one o'clock the Class of '99 held a meeting in 22 Rogers. In spite of some confusion as to the place of meeting, caused by different announcements on different bulletins, the general interest in the subjects to be considered brought forth a good attendance. The committee previously appointed to secure samples of canes exhibited several, from which the class chose a very neat stick of partridge wood with an L handle. A design for a plate, consisting of a scroll bearing the inscription M. I. T. with the initials of the owner, and having a large '99 in filagree work, was also chosen from a number submitted. The class then decided that its "Technique" Board should be elected in the usual manner, that is, by an electoral committee of twenty-five, chosen from the class at large. Mr. Walter Adams was elected Baseball Manager for the coming season, and after an announcement by President Hammond that the Class Dinner would probably be arranged for the first or second week of March, the meeting adjourned.

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