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The Junior Week Play.

The preparations for the Walker Club play are well under way. The Play Committee, consisting of Professor Bates, Mr. Draper, and Mr. Davis, has reported unanimously in favor of the Private Secretary. The manager is to be congratulated on securing the assistance of Mr. J. P. Draper, 1900, to look after costumes and properties, and Mr. W. W. Dow, who will have charge of the tickets. Miss Kate Ryan has again been secured to coach the men, and rehearsals will commence next week, Monday, February 20th. All men wishing to try for parts will meet in 44 Rogers at 4 P. M.

The Walker Club has always been generous with any profits resulting from the play. Two years ago the Club gave $50 toward the Walker memorial, and last year $40 was expended for a flag for the Walker building. This year the Club has voted to give the proceeds to the Athletic Association.

The Junior Class Debt.

The Junior Class debt, incurred at the Intercollegiate Drill in May, 1897, still remains to a large extent unpaid. Last year the Class voted an assessment of $1.15 per capita, which was, however, only partially collected.

The proceeds of the last midwinter concert will aid greatly in clearing the debt, but the payment of the assessment by the entire Class is necessary for a complete liquidation of the indebtedness. Treasurer Lawrence is making a final effort to collect the money before Junior Week, and has appointed the following collectors in the various courses: I., F. D. Chase, C. M. Leonard; II., A. L. Churchman; III., J. H. Batcheller; IV., L. M. Lawrence; V., H. M. Thayer; VI., H. M. McMaster; VII., H. S. Conant; X., S. G. H. Fitch; XI., J. L. Porter; XIII., T. W. Brigham.

Dinner of the Northwestern Alumni Association of M. I. T.

"Electricity unites us all.
M. I. T., Rah, Rah, Rah."


This was the keynote of the Alumni dinner held at the University Club in Chicago, February 3d. Electricity was in the air all around. When a speaker was unfortunate with the telephone a telegram told of his disappointment; but, happily, there were a few such, and the dinner was a pronounced triumph of the ingenuity of Tech. Alumni. To E. L. Andrews, '94, Division Superintendent of the American Bell Tel. and Tel. Co., is due the credit of arranging the novel telephonic feature of the dinner, and his personal efforts made possible the perfect receiving of the various speeches from a distance.

At seven o'clock a short business meeting was held, at which the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, I. W. Litchfield, '85; Vice President, E. L. Andrews, '94; Secretary, E. M. Hagar, '93; Members of the Executive Committee, C. M. Wilkes, '81, S. Sturges, '87, and L. D. Gardner, '98.

The guests then assembled in the dining hall, where the M. I. T. seal on the wall was pointed to with pride throughout the evening. The dinner was hardly under way when the telephone receivers on the tables were discovered, and from then on came amusement for the diners. At nearly every plate was placed a small receiver, which was connected with a long-distance telephone at the head of the table over which Mr. Andrews presided with praiseworthy wit and effectiveness. As an appetizer Mr. Andrews had the orchestra at the Palm Garden, in Milwaukee, play "A Hot Time," which brought forth great applause from the listeners.

After a splendid dinner, President Q. A. Ferguson introduced President-elect and toastmaster I. W. Litchfield, '85, who, in a few