Rifle Practice.

A meeting was held on Thursday, March 30th, in Huntington Hall, preparatory to forming class rifle teams, and a varsity rifle team. The movement is in the hands of the Military Director, Captain Bordman, and competition for the teams has been thrown open to all undergraduate classes in the Institute. About seventy-five men signified their intention of trying for the teams. A committee consisting of Messrs. G. C. Winslow, '99; G. E. Russell, '00, F. Du B. Ingalls, 'oo, W. H. Rasche, '01, and W. V. Morse, '02, was appointed to act as a medium of information between Captain Bordman and the different classes.

Captain Bordman's plan is to form class rifle teams of seven men, and from these to select members for the varsity rifle team. Interclass and intercollegiate matches will be arranged. The teams will practice at Walnut Hill range; and the expenses, financially, will be small. The ammunition will be furnished free to members of the Class of 1902 by the Institute, and there will be, probably, enough to supply the other class teams as well.

Precautions Against Fire.

Since the fire in the Architectural Building last spring, extra precautions have been taken against the repetition of a similar disaster. The windows between the new Architectural Building and the Engineering Building, have been bricked up, thus preventing a fire, should it start in either of the buildings, from spreading to the others. As an extra precaution against this, the doors on the different floors between the two buildings are of metal. In different parts of the new Pierce Building fire hose are fastened to the walls, and attached to hydrants ready for immediate use. Thus the above mentioned buildings are well provided with fire preventives.

In a short time the Rogers and Walker Buildings will be provided with fire escapes, which are to be erected on the east and west sides of both buildings. These fire escapes are to reach to the top of both buildings, a distance of about eighty feet. It seems as if these safeguards would be especially well placed in the case of the Walker Building, for, however great care be taken, a certain amount of danger exists from a fire originating in the laboratories. While the chances are that none of this fire apparatus will ever be used, still there is a greater feeling of safety when it is present.

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A meeting of the Executive Committee was held on Friday, at which permission was received from the Advisory Council to conclude arrangements for the Dual Meet with Brown. The Advisory Council also requested the association to reopen negotiations with Amherst, to see if a meet cannot be arranged.

A communication was received from the Park Commission granting the use of the Charlesbank gymnasium at an early date. Resolutions thanking both President Crafts, for his interest, and the Park Commission, for its kindness, were passed.

A committee was appointed by the chair to draw up a resolution to be sent to the proposed gymnasium committee. This resolution is simply the expression of undergraduate opinion in regard to the new gymnasium. Its purport is that it is the firm belief of the Athletic Association that the undergraduate body will be more benefited if a gymnasium of less cost is built, and the remainder of the sum is spent in buying and equipping a field that shall contain a cinder track and athletic field, a baseball field and a football field. This resolution will be concurred in by the Football Association, and sent to the committee for their consideration.