cuss these questions in any other way than to echo the President's words and to remind you that they are questions in which you have an interest and a responsibility. Two thoughts occur to me which seem to have special significance for you as students and citizens. It is easy to see that the shot which killed President McKinley was aimed at the destruction of all law and of all authority. Even the dullest citizen of our republic can appreciate that the spirit which stands behind this act is subversive of our whole legal and social order. But it is well to remember that all violations of law tend toward the overthrow of the nation's rights. The corporation which buys from a corrupt city government the franchises which belong to the whole people, the public officer who betrays his trust, the mob which substitutes force for legal process, or which undertakes to administer justice by mob trial, is sowing the seed whose fruit is Anarchy. Obedience to law is a heritage which our race has acquired only after centuries of struggle, and any violation of the law is a sin against the rights of all.

"Let us remember, even as students, one other thing. The question before the American people today is not whether the Government can suppress anarchy or bribery or municipal corruption or how to deal with any one of the problems which confront it. It is the old question which has been before us these hundred and twenty-five years, and it is a part of the very nature of our republican institutions. That question is, will the body of our citizens give intelligent and conscientious thought to problems of citizenship? With an intelligent citizenship all these problems can be patiently and successfully met. They can be met successfully only by such a citizenship, and therefore if I may say one word to you at the beginning of your life here which I should be glad to leave with you it is this: While you are learning to be engineers do not forget that you are citizens of the Republic, and share its responsibilities.

"As to your life here I can at least say this: The Institute of Technology is a place where men come first of all for work and study. I trust you may find this atmosphere to be to your liking and that you will undertake your life here in that spirit. But I shall be disappointed if you do not also find here that which ministers not only to work, but to scholarship and to culture, and that the associations with the professors and instructors, as well as with each other, may be helpful to you in your relations with men as well as in the pursuit of the particular branch of applied science which you are to follow.

"There is a vast difference between training and education. A man may be a highly-trained engineer and yet remain uneducated in the best and broadest sense. I commend to you the ambition to be educated engineers as well as to be trained engineers. You will find among professors and instructors every wish to assist and to encourage. I beg to assure you of my own desire to share your confidence and your friendship. There is no work which I can do in the Institute of Technology so important as that which brings me in touch with your life and your difficulties and your aspirations. You can do me no greater pleasure than to come to me for a word of consultation or advice, and to admit me to your friendship."

Y. M. C. A. Reception to 1905.

Last Friday evening the members of the Freshman Class were tendered a reception in the library of Rogers Building by the M. I. T. Y. M. C. A. The reception was wholly informal and was given with the hope that the members of the class would find an opportunity of becoming acquainted with at least a few members of their class. A large number availed themselves of this opportunity and a very pleasant evening was spent. About nine o'clock President Pritchett arrived and after greeting some of the upper-class men present, shook hands with the members of the Freshman Class.

Later in the evening the president made a few remarks which were warmly applauded. Professor Porter was then introduced and spoke briefly on the work of the Y. M. C. A. in the Institute. Refreshments were served and shortly after a school yell was given and the students separated.

Calendar.

Saturday, October 12th — Hare and Hounds Run from Newton Highlands; leave Trinity Place Station at 1:54.