On Thursday evening of last week the Architectural Society held a smoke-talk at the old Technology Club, with Mr. Truman Bartlett as the speaker of the evening. The talk was of a most informal nature, and consisted largely of the expressions of opinion by the members of the society on four questions which Mr. Bartlett asked. These were: What work do you like best, respectively, in architecture, sculpture, painting, and prose or poetry? The idea was certainly novel, and it furnished an entertainment that was both enjoyable and useful.

Our attention has been called to the following items of interest to Tech: Army and Navy Journal, March 22 and April 5. President Roosevelt has sent to the Senate the following nominations: To be majors by brevet: Capt. John Bigelow, Jr., 10th U. S. Cavalry, for gallantry in battle, Santiago, Cuba, July 1, 1898; Capt. John Boardman, Jr., 26th U. S. Volunteers, for conspicuous gallantry in action at Lambunao, Panay, P. L., Aug. 21, 1900. To be captain by brevet: First Lieut. Harry L. Hawthorne, 6th U. S. Artillery, for gallantry in action near Manila, Luzon, Feb. 5, 1899. This is a pretty good showing for our professors of military science.

1904 Dinner.

The Class of 1904 have their annual dinner at the “Gym.” on Saturday, April 12, at 6.30 P.M. At present it looks as if this dinner would be as great a success as the previous ones, and every “Soph.” should be there to “holler” with his classmates. These dinners are practically the only chance a man has to meet his classmates, and those who miss it are NOT to be congratulated. The tickets are $1.00, and may be obtained from Messrs. Blum, Homer, Powell, Burnham, Paine and Vosburg.

Competitive Drill.

The Freshman battalion has this year undertaken a novel enterprise which bids fair to be successful. Representatives of all the companies have met and decided to hold a competitive drill on May 7. It is to be held directly after ordinary drill on that day, and should not be confused with the exhibition drill on the night of May 2. In the competitive drill there will be two squads: a senior squad, composed of men who have drilled before, and a junior squad, composed of those who have never drilled before. For each squad there will be a gold and a silver medal. Any man who has paid attention to instructions during the year stands a good chance for one of these medals, and their high intrinsic value should make them popular prizes. A small entrance fee for candidates (to be announced later) will be charged, in order to pay expenses. A committee consisting of Private Nabsteed, Company B, Sergeant Gregson, Company A, and Sergeant Lombard, Company D, have charge of the entrance list, and candidates for either squad should leave their names with them.

The drill will be upon the manual of arms, facings, loading and firing, according to Manual of 1877.

The Society of Arts.

The 566th regular meeting of the Society will be held at the Institute, Room 22, Walker Building, corner of Boylston and Clarendon streets, on Thursday, April 10, 1902, at 8 P.M.

Prof. C. H. Benjamin, supervising engineer, city of Cleveland, will address the Society on “Smoke and its Abatement in Large Cities.” Illustrated by stereopticon.

Members are requested to invite friends interested in the subject.

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