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FIELD DAY.

TECH Field Day has passed the experimental stage. The signal success of the second Field Day gives positive assurance that it has come to stay. In point of weather, attendance, and spirit, the Field Day of last Saturday shows a decided gain over last year; but though we have advanced a step we should not, therefore stop walking. There is yet much room for improvement in details. Organized cheering and singing was conspicuous by its absence. An attempt at this was made; but the result was not especially overpowering. Individual plays in the football game, and the efforts of the men in the relay race were not singled out and followed up by hearty cheering as they should have been. The classes did not seem to know the men who were working for them. With such knowledge, cheering becomes easy; without it, enthusiasm is difficult. In preparation for future Field Days, the Junior class should make it a self-appointed duty to bring the Freshmen class together socially, at least, two or three times before the contest occurs. A personal acquaintance with the men on the teams would give some point to the cheering, and serve to quickly dispel any existing lethargy.

An opinion more or less detrimental to the tug-o'-war has before been expressed in THE TECH. The tug-o'-war contest of Saturday was certainly a vast improvement on the performance of the preceding year; but it still remains a fact that this event is out of place in a college meet. Its best raison d'être is the fact that it allows of participation of so many men. A short game of association

THE SONG BOOK.

We are very much pleased to notice that the new Institute Committee at its first meeting last Monday, took a very important and decided action on the Song Book question. Last year's clumsy plan has been thrown aside, and a more intelligent and practicable movement started. The details are given in another column. We congratulate the new Institute Committee on its promptness and evident intention to accomplish something in this important matter, and assure it that its efforts will have the hearty support of THE TECH.