The first reception given to a section of the Freshman Class by the Dean and Committee of Advisers at the Technology Club was very successful, nearly two hundred responding to the invitation. The Dean made a brief address of welcome, urging the men to find their Advisers and discuss informally with them the selection of a course, and informing the guests that the rooms were theirs for the evening. Many of the men met their Advisers for the first time, and the main purpose of the reception was thus effected. Refreshments were on the tables throughout the evening. It is encouraging to note that the efforts of the Dean and Advisers to meet and help the Freshmen are so readily reciprocated.

A meeting of the Senior Class was held at one o'clock on Wednesday in Huntington Hall. On the motion of Mr. Underwood, who is chairman of the House Committee for the new Tech Union, an appropriation of ten dollars was voted for the decoration of the new rooms over the Mechanical Laboratories. It was voted that the class meet on New Year's Eve over the shops for a Smoker, and that they adjourn at twelve o'clock to the steps of the Roger's Building to see the old year out in the customary way, with cheers and songs. The Board of Directors will take charge of this Smoker. The matter of wearing caps and gowns on Class Day was mentioned, but no definite action was taken. Mr. Crosby made a report of the work of the Portfolio Committee. Hear is the Class Photographer, and all sittings must be had before Feb. 21.

The '04 Class meeting on last Thursday was one of the best meetings ever held by the class. On the reading of the treasurer's report an assessment of 50 cents was levied on each member for the first term. J. C. Baker and B. Blume were elected to represent the class on the co-operative society. It was also decided to have the class photograph retaken.

The following are the representatives of the various courses to the 1904 Sub-Institute Committee: I., Currier Lang, chair, II., I. C. Baker, III., W. B. Boggs, IV., A. W. Richards, V., A. C. Downes, VI., C. B. Williams, VIII., H. T. Kalms, IX., D. K. Keller, X., A. C. Willard, XIII., G. H. Powell.

The Corporation of the Institute at its recent meeting made two appointments which are of unusual interest. Mr. Elihu Thomson of Lynn was elected non-resident professor of applied electricity, and Mr. Percival Lowell, director of the Lowell Observatory at Flagstaff, Arizona, was elected non-resident professor of astronomy.

Both these gentlemen are members of the Corporation, and Mr. Thomson has been among the list of lecturers for the past year. These gentlemen, while not accepting the full work of a member of the Faculty, will give courses of lectures in their chosen subjects at such times as may be found most advisable. Mr. Lowell will give for the present year a series of six lectures on general astronomy.

The Class of '05 held a meeting in Room 22, Walker Building, Friday, Dec. 12, at 1 p.m. It was decided to postpone the first class dinner until after the holidays; when a series of dinners and smoke-talks would be started. The question of adopting a class pipe was referred to a committee appointed by the class president. The class treasurer reported that the class still owed over a hundred dollars on last year's debt, and that subscriptions were being asked, though as yet but thirty men had paid their dues up to date. A request to provide the class football team with sweaters was discussed, but no action was taken.

President Turner appointed F. M. Carhart, W. B. D. Motter and Waldso Turner to act on the cane and pipe committee.