An Interscholastic Drill.

An interscholastic individual drill will be held under the auspices of the M. I. T. Corps of Cadets, Friday, May 8, at 7.30 P.M. The drill will be held at the South Armory, Irvington Street, Boston. General admission will be fifty cents.

The Conditions of the Drill are as follows:

1. The drill is open to all high schools in New England.
2. Each school competing will be allowed to enter a team of two men. Entrance fee fifty cents per man. They must be bona fide members of the cadet military organization which they represent, must be regular students of the school, and must have served the entire school year to date in the cadet organization. A certificate signed by the principal or military instructor, stating that they fulfill the above qualifications, must accompany each entry.
3. Each man entering must supply himself with rifle, belt and bayonet.
4. The drill will be upon the manual of arms; facings, loadings and firings (kneeling and lying down omitted). It will be judged according to the manual in the appendix of the U. S. Manual, 1897 edition. The prize will be a silver cup, to be awarded the school whose team wins the most points. Independent of the cup there will be given two medals for the best two men: first, gold; second, silver.

The method of awarding the trophy (the silver cup) will be in accordance with the point system; i.e., the judges will select from the entire squad the best eight men. The first place in the final squad will count eight points and so on down to the last, which will count one. If a school has both its team members in the final squad, the school will be credited with the sum of points won by its representa-

tives. If by chance a tie for the cup exists between the teams of any schools, both men of the teams originally representing these schools will be required to drill until a decision is made between them.

Four years ago a similar trophy was offered by the Class of 1902 to the school receiving the largest number of points in four consecutive drills. Owing to unfavorable conditions in the military department at the Institute for holding these drills, only two, the first and last of the series, were held. The original conditions of the drill being that the cup should be drilled for in the years 1899–1902, and awarded in 1902, make it necessary to award the cup to the school now holding the highest total of points won in 1899 and 1902, namely, St. John’s Military Academy, Manlius, N. Y.

Any questions in regard to the drill will be answered by any of the following committee:

Col. F. S. Elliot,
Capt. C. W. Wetterer,
Capt. F. E. Earle,
Lieut. K. E. Terry,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mechanical Engineering Society.

A meeting of the Mechanical Engineering Society was held Wednesday evening, March 11, at the Union. Mr. John A. Stevens gave an interesting talk on “Marine Engine Room Experiences.” Mr. Stevens was actively engaged for some time in marine engineering, being junior and then senior engineer on “greyhounds,” such as the “New York” and “St. Louis.” He explained the overhauling of engines and boilers while in port, as well as the preparation of machinery for sea, and told of a number of break-downs and repairs made under difficulties.

Professors Lanza, Peabody and Miller, several instructors of Courses II. and XIII.,