Graduate Student Dinner.

At the Tech Union, on Saturday evening, the graduate students of the Institute came together for the first time, socially, with Dr. Pritchett as their host, and the heads of the various departments as guests of honor. The dinner was an informal one and was followed by short addresses. Dr. Pritchett remarked upon the nature of the gathering, which was representative of almost all the great universities of the country, and read a most interesting and pertinent paragraph from the will of George Washington, exposing his plans for a national university at Washington, of which one of the vital functions should be, as he estimated it, the breaking down of territorial prejudices and the strengthening of national sympathies. Had Washington's ideas been realized—had Sumner, Clay, Calhoun, Webster, studied together in the same halls and debated as young men the question of slavery, the history of the country might have been written far differently. Dr. Pritchett then suggested the many advantages which would result from a closer interest and friendship among the graduate students at Tech, and expressed his hope that a Dining Club might be formed with this end in view.

Dr. Pritchett's speech was followed by a novel and almost startling ceremony. A large loving cup was passed from hand to hand, and as each professor or student received it he announced his full name, his former college, and his present address, and offered a toast to the Institute. There was much cheering during this proceeding, Professor Chandler's toast, especially, receiving the most enthusiastic and hearty applause.

Then followed a number of brief addresses by representatives of the different colleges: Eustis of Harvard, MacBride of the Naval Academy, etc., Snow of Yale particularly distinguishing himself by his subtle humor. Professor Cross gave a bright and genial response to the call for a speech in behalf of the M.I.T. graduates, and called attention to the program of the Graduate School of Engineering Research for 1903-4, a printed copy of which had been placed at each plate. The company then adjourned, feeling not only that they had enjoyed a most pleasant evening, but that this step of Dr. Pritchett's promised for the future much closer relations and firmer sympathies among the graduate students.

Baseball. Sophomores v. Freshmen.


The Freshman baseball nine defeated the Sophomore nine by the above score at the circus grounds on Saturday last. The game was played loosely by both sides and showed up a considerable lack of team work. The Freshmen had the lead by four runs at the end of the third inning by their timely hitting, aided by several errors. At the end of the eighth the Sophomores lacked but one of tying the score, owing to good stick work, making the chances for success almost equal in the ninth, when the Freshmen did not score and the Sophomores were last to bat. After two outs were made, Gregson was given a base on balls, stole second, but was put out in his attempt to reach third by a very neat throw by Burr to Streeter, making three outs and the Freshmen the winners.

The feature of the game, in spite of the umpire's efforts, was the hitting. Winne started it in the first inning by a long drive to the right of center-field which brought him home. Burr punched out a two-bagger in the second, while Dean for the Sophomores followed Winne's example with a long drive over center-fielder's head. Haley was credited with a three-bagger in the sixth, while Bartlett and Wells scored two-base hits in the eighth.

While there was a considerable lack of team play in the field, the work of both teams