THE LOUNGER begins to fear that he is like a
great many people of far less wisdom, who come out
with excellent advice, but only after it is too late for
the advice to be of any advantage. The LOUNGER,
however, submits the following plans for the better-
ment of conditions about the Institute and hopes
that some, at least, of his suggestions may be favor-
ably considered by the Faculty. One morning last
week The LOUNGER swam down the Boylston River,
landed at Roger's Wharf, and went up to the San-
tum. The first twenty minutes he spent leaning out
of the window fishing for his breath, which he
had lost somewhere below. It was no go. This
particular breath was lost. Apply your mental
powers, bright reader (if you are sponging a Tech
The LOUNGER takes it all back), and try to appre-
ciate the horror - lost, forever. Discouraged, The
LOUNGER glanced through the back-
window, across
the moat, into the
salon populated by the Depart-
ment of M -- y S -- e. He was just in time to
see a breath come floating out of the window. It
was one which had escaped a frightened Freshman
on coming into the presence of the august person-
age at the desk. Thus repaired, The LOUNGER
amused himself by watching the streams down on
the corner of Clarendon street. He observed a sort
of co-ordinate axes system. One stream flowed in
the river, another, of students, intersected the first.
These THE LOUNGER saw with his physical eye.
His mental eye — his memory — saw the third
stream, which flowed vertically downward in the
neighboring devotional hangout.
The LOUNGER’s benevolent spirit remained dor-
mant until it was aroused by the spectacle of a dainty
co-ed attempting to ford the creek. Were these
words wafted to his ear, “O, slush, I lost my rub-
er?” This state of affairs should not exist. The
LOUNGER’s feeling for his fellow-mortals cannot per-
mit such a tendency to go in soak. A ferry must
be introduced in order that all fair students may pass
over dry-shod. The LOUNGER was so struck by the
notion that he forgot his duty of lounging for the
moment and hurried to put his ideas into reality. As
a result of his labors, Professor Rambeau has already
submitted designs for the construction. The loco-
motive power for the triple expansionist gas engine
is to be furnished, free of charge, by Professor Currier.
The LOUNGER has received many applications for
the position of deck hand. Arlo de la Bates and
Monsieur Von Blachstein are running neck and
neck for the graft.

The recent earthquake shock which visited this
vicinity seems to have aroused considerable interest.
It appears that Professor Cross, of the Institute, has
made some investigations on the subject, and he be-
gs The LOUNGER to communicate the results of
his labors to the student body.
Professor Cross, it seems, began investigations
immediately after the disturbance. We are not in a
position to state the exact time, however, as Profes-
sor Cross —. He was for a long while unable to
get satisfactory results; but at last, examining one
of the closets in which the apparatus of the Depart-
ment of Physics is kept, he discovered that one of
the jokes was missing. Upon closer study, it ap-
peared that, in brief, one of them had exploded —
spontaneously. The department is now earnestly
desirous of replacing the lost article. Professor
Cross assures The LOUNGER that this is undoubtedly
the true explanation of the shock; and he also says
that, as the joke was compounded in the very early
days of the Institute, it was harmless and could
have killed no one. The papers have mentioned no
casualties so far as known.

Faculty Notices.

SECOND YEAR MINING STUDENTS.
Second year students in Mining Engineering,
members of the class in Blowpipe Assay of last
term who have not already done so, are re-
quested to call at Room 1, Rogers, and obtain
their note-books on that subject.

R. H. RICHARDS.

ECONOMICS AND CORPORATIONS, 4TH YEAR.
The class will continue to meet on Monday,
at 10 o'clock, as heretofore. Notice of the
change to the Thursday hour will be given later.

D. R. DEWEY.

1904 Portfolio.

Tickets for the 1904 Portfolio must be obtained
before March 27, in order to be sure of getting a
book. Only a limited number will be printed,
and this number will be determined by the
tickets sold now. For sale by Holcombe, II.,
Haynes, X., Cronin, II., Willard, X., and
Powell, XIII.