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We regret to announce the resignation of Mr. A. Merrill, 1905, from the Editorial Staff of The Tech.

The Lowell Institute.

Several persons have inquired of late concerning the Lowell Institute. For the benefit of those who do not know just what it is, The Tech wishes to offer a word of explanation. It owes its origin to the intellectual bent of the early New Englanders. Instruction by means of lectures had always been a favorite method among them. College professors taught their classes by means of lectures, and instruction in the professional schools was given in the same manner. The doctor and the lawyer were not infrequently called upon to deliver lectures for the benefit of the various communities, and after a while agencies were established to organize courses of lectures.

The inducements to men of talent to undertake the preparation of thorough and systematic courses were too meagre, and the result was that no permanent series in any branch of knowledge could be sustained. This difficulty was solved by Mr. John Lowell, Jr., who at his death, in 1839, bequeathed half of his property to the support of public lectures for the benefit of his fellow-citizens. The endowment was so substantial that the Lowell Institute was, and is, able at all times to command almost any man it may name as lecturer.

Special lecture courses on a variety of subjects have been arranged from year to year, and the courses for the present year include "Geology," "The Russian Crisis," "The Salvation of Cities," and others. Admission to these lectures is free and by ticket only. Tickets may be obtained from W. T. Sedgwick, Curator of the Lowell Institute.

Course II vs. Course XIII.

A movement is being started to have a football game between Course II and Course XIII. There is very good material in both these courses for a football team, and in the event of a game a very interesting contest should be the result.

Fall River, Mass., Nov. 11, 1904.

To the Commanding Officer,
M. I. T. Cadets,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir: I have the honor to invite you and the members of your command to attend Company A's prize drill and social to be held in Fall River Music Hall, Friday evening, November 23, at 7.30 o'clock. Uniformed cadets admitted free.

Respectfully yours,
Arthur W. Sampson, Major.

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