POLICE TRIAL


The following is the verdict of the Police Commission made public December 30.

"We find that excessive force was used and that the police in performing their duty did not use that prudent and careful forbearance, intelligence, tact and coolness which should be required of a well-disciplined and highly efficient police force accustomed to handle crowds and processions in a great city like Boston. It is the duty of the police to enforce the laws, to preserve the peace, and to protect the public from lawless assemblies. It is also their duty to do this with coolness and good judgment. They should not 'lose their heads' because others do so. They should be patient and forbearing in the midst of excitement, and resort to force only when more peaceful means have been tried without success.

"For these reasons we have found that Capt. George A. Hall is guilty of neglect of duty and sentenced him to be reduced to the rank of lieutenant. We have found Lieut. Henry J. Watkins guilty of neglect of duty and sentenced him to be reduced to the rank of sergeant. We have found Sergts. Richard Fitzpatrick, Hayden J. Ringer and James E. Sanford guilty of neglect of duty, and sentenced them each to be reduced to the rank of patrolman. We have found Sergts. William J. Sheehan, Frank Arnold, Ernest R. Taylor and Thomas F. Goode, Jr. (who did not participate in the first and worst trouble), guilty of neglect of duty, and sentenced each of them to forfeit thirty days' pay. We have found Sergt. Daniel F. Eagan and George H. Good not guilty and ordered the several complaints against them to be dismissed. None of the evidence identified any patrolman who used his club. If any such patrolman could have been identified we should have proceeded against him also.

(Signed) W. H. H. Emmons, C. P. Curtis, Jr., H. F. Adams, Board of Police."

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Annual Meeting and Dinner at the Brunswick.

The M. I. T. Alumni Association held its annual meeting at the Brunswick Hotel on Friday evening, December 25. After the regular business meeting, where the reports of the various committees were read, the association adjourned to the large dining room. There were 240 present. The guest of honor was Mrs. Rogers, the widow of the Institute's Founder.

At the business meeting the following officers for 1905 were elected: F. L. Locke, '86, President; W. B. Snow, '82, Vice-President; A. G. Robbins, '86, re-elected Secretary; W. B. Trowbridge, '92 and C. E. Wilson, '98, to the Executive Committee; W. T. Keough, '88, to Committee on the School; F. L. Fuller, '74, Trustee of Alumni and Life Membership Fund; J. A. Rockwell, '96, to Advisory Committee on Athletics; L. C. Wason, '21, E. F. Lawrence, '01, and W. E. Hasley, '04, to Committee on Associate Membership.

The reports of the committees showed that the past year has been a successful one from every standpoint. The report of the Committee on the School, read by Mr. Giles Taintor, was especially interesting. It said that the permit of the police authorized the Tech men to march behind the Harvard men along a route ending on Massachusetts Avenue and not passing the Institute buildings. The police forced the Tech men to break the conditions of the permit when they turned the line into Charles Street and took it up to the Rogers Building. The report also laid stress on the demand for more room from the many departments, and also on the need of paying higher salaries to retain good teachers. The Executive Committee announced the election of Dean Burton to honorary membership.

The dinner was made commemorative of President Rogers. The after-dinner speeches were entirely reminiscent of Professor Rogers and his work in founding and building (Continued on Page 3.)

TECHNOLOGY FUND.

Income Fund Now Amounts to $300,000.

The Income Fund Committee has announced that the amount pledged to date is $200,000. This means that the Institute can count upon receiving during the next five years $200,000 annually from former students. Moreover the fund is steadily increasing, and bids fair to be greatly augmented by July first, the date when the first annual payment is to be made.

In connection with the solicitation of this fund the Committee has prepared what is probably the most complete catalogue of former Institute students in existence and it is fair to assume that this catalogue will prove very valuable in many ways to the Alumni Association and to the Institute officials.


EXPENDITURES.

Repaid H. L. Morse (Ex-Treas.) $50.00
Field Day, 1904, additional 87.48
Relay Team, B. A. A. 33.00
Fencing Association 10.00
Lawn Tennis Association 2.00
Hockey Association 25.04
Golf Association 5.00
Basket Ball Association 111.30
Advance to Tech Show, 1904 26.00
Advisory Council Expenses 8.00
Athletic Association 365.82
Amherst Meet Expenses 464.64
Dartmouth Meet Expenses 231.72
Worcester (Inter. Meet) Expenses 114.54
Amherst Meet Expenses 231.72
Field Day Expenses, 1904 462.00
$2,310.88

RECEIPTS.

Cash Jan. 1, 1904 $907.46
Tech Show, 1904, additional 16.00
B. A. A. Allowance 9.00
M. I. T. A. 155.00
Tech Show, 1904 1,002.25
Subscriptions to Mrs. Walker's Cup 12.05
Dartmouth Meet 404.04
Amherst Meet 241.64
Mileage sold 7.38
Field Day, 1904 707.00
$9,011.89

Above is a consolidation of report of the Treasurer of the Advisory Council and report of the Manager of the Athletic Association.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.

Report of the Board of Directors.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Co-operative Society to be held shortly, the semi-annual informal report of the Society will be made. The report will show an unusual success so far this year, and the amount of money on hand for scholarship purposes is larger than ever before.

This success is due, to a great extent, to the increased support which the students are giving. Although the growth and support of the Society has not been as wholesome as it should be, the growth has been gradual and encouraging. There is no reason why the Society should not be supported more vigorously. The two booths in the Engineering Buildings are ready to supply material needed at a price below or exactly the same as at any other store for the same material and in similar quantities; the quality is as good or better than is obtained anywhere else.

The Board of Directors ask the wholesome support of the student body in the work they are doing, and wish to emphasize the request that any complaints should be made to them without delay. If the supply rooms do not meet the demand, if the prices are higher at the booths than anywhere else, the Board promises to correct the price, if after investigation it is found they are not right.

Without the support of the student body the Society cannot make a creditable showing. The membership tickets, which are an important source of revenue, are good for a year, and are so low in price that the matter of saving the price of them is generally accomplished in the first use of them. The affiliated trademen on the list are sufficiently large in number and variety to meet the needs of the student, and their discounts are sufficient to repay the use of the ticket. These trademen should be patronized, as upon them the Society is forced to rely for considerable support. There are always ready to give the stated discounts and the sometimes made argument (Continued on Page 3.)