Architectural Prizes Awarded to Members of the Third Year Class.

Last year the graduating class in Course IV, founded two prizes of ten dollars each to be given yearly to the regular and special students whose designs shall be placed first in a competition to be held between the Christmas and Mid-year recesses, the fund to be known as the “Class of 1904 Competition Prize.”

The prize is for the benefit of the third year class, and the first award has just been made to Mr. A. A. Blodgett of the regulars, and Mr. F. P. Mann of the specials. Mention were also given to Messrs. Campbell, Lecenstein, Stebbins, Donovan, Honeyman, Loring, Merrow, Liebenthal, Walter. In all there were twenty-five competitors.

Electro-Chemist’s Annual Convention.

The American Electro-Chemical Society will hold its annual convention in Boston, on April 25th and 27th. By arrangements made through those of its officers who are connected with the Institute, most of the meetings are to be held in the Institute buildings.

The increasing interest in this branch of chemistry makes these meetings of great importance. Leading authorities of this country will be present this year and read papers.

Dr. W. H. Walker, of the Institute, is chairman of the committee of arrangements; Prof. H. F. Talbot is secretary and treasurer.

Professor Tyler to Go Abroad.

Professor Tyler has been granted leave of absence for the remainder of the school year and sails for France on Saturday, March 4th. Plans for conducting his mathematical and administrative work will be stated in a later issue.

Professor Tyler spent last summer in France and his children have been attending a French school in Paris during the past winter. In the course of the spring it is his intention to become better acquainted with the French and German technical schools and to devote considerable time also to various mathematical matters and incidental travelling. He expects to return to the Institute in August.

played close game.

Technique Basketball at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Tech lost the basketball game with Worcester Polytech Friday evening, by the score of 29-20. The game was very fast and at times proved very rough. The attendance was 250. The two teams lined up as follows:

WORCESTER TECH

H. T. T.

Hall, r.f., Burleigh I.B.,

Peters, r.f., Wiggins r.b.

Lawley, c.

Wentworth, c.

Stevens, r.b.

Blake b.f. (captain)

Martin, l.b. (captain)

Mathison, r.f.


Freshmen Win Hockey.

The Freshmen Hockey Team defeated the Sophomores in the first game of the class season. First half—the Tech Rink, Friday afternoon. The game was loosely played. During the first half the Sophomores played together well, and scored 3 goals to their opponents 1. In the second half, however, the Freshmen played a good game and scored 4 times.

Coupal and Sharp played best for the Sophomores, and Ford, Wein and Dwight played a good game for the Freshmen.

The Hockey game between the Seniors and Juniors, scheduled for Saturday afternoon, was postponed on account of the poor condition of the ice. They will play today at the Tech Rink, at 4 p.m.

Fencing.

The fencing meet on March 3 will be a triangular meet between Harvard, Cornell, and Tech, and will be held at the Tech Gym. The management announce that there will be a number of reserved seats. The fencing meet to have been held last Saturday evening at Hemenway Gymnasium was cancelled because the Yale and U. of P. teams were unable to compete.

There have been several suitcases and packages left at the Cage which have not been called for.

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Chances of Fame for College Graduates Large.

The latest report of the United States Commissioner of Education gives interesting figures with regard to the influence of education upon success in life.

The standard of success used is the inclusion of the name among the 10,000 most prominent persons, in the latest “Who’s Who in America.” Of this 10,000, the number “with college training” was 7,700. This number in itself is significant, but when it is also remembered that the 7,700 are all from a class not numerically more than 300,000 in all, while the 2,291 are the only distinguished ones out of all the remaining body of male adult persons, it is computed that the chances seem to be two hundred to one in favor of the highly educated ones.

Similar statistics were made in 1893, but more comprehensive because the basis used was mentioned in Appleton’s Cyclopaedia of American Biography, which included not only distinguished men of the time, but of earlier periods also. The actual ratio was less, about one-third, but relatively to the small comparative number of technical school and college graduates, it was computed that training made the probability of the man’s success two hundred and fifty times as great.

Dr. Pritchett in Chicago.

Dr. Pritchett was the orator at the Chicago Union League Club’s annual celebration of Washington’s birthday. He took as his subject, “Is Politics a Profession or a Business?” He spoke of the great need of solving the Negro problem and of the need of clean politics. “Politics as a profession,” he said, “is one of the noblest of callings; politics as a business is one of the lowest and most demoralizing relations.”

Pres. W. R. Harper of the University of Chicago, has recovered from the operation he underwent last Wednesday. He is afflicted with a dangerous cancer, but no attempt to remove it was made. An X-Rays treatment will be taken up, with reasonable hopes that the disease may be checked.

FACULTY NOTICES.

Candidates for Graduation.

Notifications of deficiencies or of clear standing have been sent to all students entitled to receive them on the basis of the official list to be presented to the Faculty on Wednesday, March 1, but notifications are not in general sent to candidates whose further requirements have been defined by specific vote of the Faculty. Any other students who expect to become candidates for graduation the present year should confer immediately with the heads of their departments and with the Secretary.

Economics of Corporations.

Course VI students who cannot attend the exercise on Wednesday, March 1, at 9 o’clock, will meet on Tuesday, February 28, at 10 o’clock in Room 28, Lowell.

The exercises will be repeated at the usual 9 A.M., Wednesday morning hour.