WALKER CLUB DINES.

Mr. Litchfield, '05, Explains Why '85 was Tech's Finest Class.

The Walker Club held a very successful dinner last Friday evening at the Technology Club. Besides the undergraduate members Prof. Morris, Dewey, Doten, and Pearson, and Messrs. Racicot and Bushnell attended, making in all a large gathering. After dinner President Loring, '06, of the Club, introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Isaac W. Litchfield, '65, who is a member of the Technology Fund Committee.

Mr. Litchfield made a few passing remarks about the Fund Committee's work, but hastened to the point of his speech which proved to be an explanation of why '85 was the finest class that had graduated. He gave a very vivid description of how the "Campus of the Class of 1885" was evolved from this railway built only a few years, to build a locomotive to haul the coal cars. He built two, run four miles an hour and hauled a load of forty tons. Later he blunted his stroke into the discovery that this method was the only one used in the modern engines.

After calling on several of the older members for a few remarks, President Loring opened the future activities of the club and said that he wished to see it as a vital part of the Institute. Before the tournament the club offered Mr. Litchfield a vote of thanks for his kindness in speaking and especially for his generosity in presenting the club with the "Logs of Camp Walker."

CIVILS TO HEAR ALUMNUS.

Mr. F. H. Fay, '83, will give an illustrated lecture on "The Charles-town Bridge and Similar Structures" before a meeting of the Civil Engineering Society today at 4.15 o'clock in Ing B.

THE WEST TO PLAY FOOTBALL.

Western colleges decided Friday to have football this year, although to athletic relationships with other universities, it is hoped, will be eliminated. Practical problems will be discussed in the coming months by the universities interested. The Americans will face each other in the coming season.

President H. S. Pritchett is being mentioned as the probable successor to President S. P. Loring as secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. Advises from Washington state that the Smithsonian requests favor the selection, and would probably be willing to have Dr. Pritchett continue his work with the Carnegie Institution while serving in his new capacity. In such an event it is believed that Dr. Pritchett would accept the position.

At present Dr. Pritchett is dividing his time between Boston and New York, performing his duties as President of the Institution and as President of the Carnegie Institution.

MINING ELECTIONS.

At a meeting of the Mining Engineering Society held last Friday, H. Mayer, '07, F. L. Miles, '08, J. Elsworth, '08, M. J. Bailey, '08, H. C. Schriefer, '08, H. Webb, '08, and C. Y. Wen, '08, were elected to the Board of Directors. Mr. E. G. Acheson gave one of the most instructive and interesting lectures the Society has had. His subject was "Discovery and Invention." He described the discovery and manufacture of artificial graphite, carborundum and a new product which he has named siloxyn. Specimens of these products were shown and Mr. Acheson answered questions and discussed the merits of his products.

CORNELL MEN MAKE TESTS.

The Ward line steamship Merco, brought back to New York last week nine Cornell seniors in the Mechanical Engineering Course, who made the round trip to Cuba with a professor. They were the guests of the line and spent most of the time in the engines-room making tests to determine the efficiency of the engines.

COMMUNICATION.

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EDITOR THE TECH.

BOSTON, Mass.

DEAR SIR:—For the information of those undergraduates interested directly or indirectly in any sport or game under the supervision of the Athletics Council on Athletics, M. I. T., I am directed to state that all matters pertaining concerning the athletic relations this spring will have the services of a professional coach. The training table was abolished.

with the purpose of carrying coal from the mines to the river.

The result of the experiment was that the coal was not being carried away.

Yours truly,
FRANK H. BRIGGS, Chairman.

NOTICES.

1907 KOMMERS.—The Junior Kommers Committee will meet in the General Library today at 1:30 p.m.

Electoral Committee.—The Sophomore Electoral Committee will hold its first meeting Wednesday, March 14, at 4 p.m. Every member must be present.

ARTICLES BY PROF. HAVEN.

The current issue of The Inventor, published by the Inventors' Exchange, Boston, contains the first of a series of articles by Prof. G. B. Haven, S. '93, on "Mechanism for Art." The object of this series of papers is to take up, in simple and practical fashion, a number of mechanical movements and to render them of use to inventors.

The first article gives a short but comprehensive review of the principles of the cam, and works out several problems in designing cams. These articles will be continued in successive issues whenever possible. Practical problems will be outlined and their solution announced in the succeeding chapter.

University of Virginia will hold one of the largest track meets ever held in the South, on April 21.

One hundred colored students at Talladega College left college recently, because a southern white man was employed as superintendent of the college farm. Among the strikers were several females. Talladega is a co-educational institution for negroes and has an enrollment of over 1,000.